## SHRINERS ARE MERRY IN MERRY LA GRANDE

Whole City Laughs at "Chorus Girls" Joke on Pastor.

Protest Gravely Presented and Heard Before Explanation Is Made by State Convention.

LA GRANDE, Or., Sept. 6 .- (Special.) -With 400 Shriners present to attend to the trimming of 68 novices, La Grande today entertained the largest gathering of Shriners ever assembled in Oregon, outside of Portland.

The Shriners put on their own show nd made the amusement for the citizens of eastern Gregon.

One of the big attractions was the dancing "girls" under the personal di-rection of Robert Krohn, and tonight he entire city was laughing at the joke on a minister who made formal protest to the city commissioners against the appearance of those "lewd and vicious omen" from Portland.

Minister Aroused by Pictures. The minister had read the stories

gent out by the press bureau of Al Kader temple, had seen the pictures of the posing beauties of the harem and had determined to keep the Shriners from producing "such an immoral In the name of this fair city and for the protection of the young men of castern Oregon, he asked that the dancers be prohibited from ap-pearing in public and that they be not allowed any liberties while in the city.

After the protest had been gravely presented and heard, the minister was informed that he need have no fear, for the dancers were not as they seemed, but that under the paint on seemed, but that under the paint on their faces would be found a stubble of regular beard. The Shrine special rank of second lieutenant. arrived here early today, with 13 coaches jammed with passengers.

Parade Is Held in Rain.

Al Kader temple is putting on the ceremonial and initiation with its famous marching patrol, its Bedouin band and its chanters,

During the day a contert was given at the Morman tabernacle for the general public. Later an inspection was allowed of the rich and magnificent stage settings used in the first section at the Arcade theater.

A parade was staged in a drizzle of rain at 7 o'clock tonight, preceded by a Christian church were the hostesses.

The second section is being put on

at the Rex hall tonight.

Candidates are here from Pendleton, Baker and other eastern Oregon cities, the Baker nobles bringing a number of their novices as a rube patrol and oring one of the hits of the day with

Dalles Joins in Pilgrimage. Last night at The Dalles a dancing party was attended by the Portland ex-cursionists and 50 nobles of The Dalles

joined the pilgrimage. Two more cars were picked up at Staid and, sedate business and pro-

fessional men of La Grande who at-tempted the hazardous journey over the arid wastes to shrinedom are pleased that the Al Kaders are leaving town. Men prominent in local affairs suffered ignominiously. Handcuffed to telephone poles, and fantastically daubed with paint, many of the candidates stood the gaff and merciless jeers of passersby for hours at a time. jeers of passersby for hours at a time. The shriners came, captured and cap-

rivated in a hilarious manner.

Potentate A. H. Lea engineered one of the best ceremonials in the history of Al Kader. Harvey Wells, Frank Grant, Charles Mensenger and Hugh J. Boyd were in charge of the train and commonial ceremonial.

#### WORK IS CALLED CRIMINAL

(Continued From Page 10.) General Disque that in his previous tes-timony he had referred to these same men, with reference to the first con-tract they offered, as profiteers and crooks. When it had been remarked to him that W. T. Butler, banker of Everett, Wash, was highly reputable and was the brother of Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, the witness had said: "The brothers of a lot of prominent men are the worst crooks in the world."

Disque Withdraws Assertion The suggestion here is that he is

crook," charged Chairman Frear,
"Well, I will withdraw that," said
General Disque reflectively. "I don't
know Mr. Butler." "I thought that you should be given the opportunity to withdraw it," com-mented the chairman.

Respecting the allocation of soldier labor in spruce and fir camps and mille, and on railroad construction, General Disque told the committee that the policy had been to send the men impartially to every operation that needed them, where the output of air-



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craft material justified the allotment, should some point arise that indicates this particular, said General the necessity. Disque, the spruce production corpo-ration had experienced difficulty with

himself and other officials who inssited that the Olympia peninsula contractors receive their quota of soldier labor. Relative Dies in Service.

Briefly, and without naming the prin-cipals, General Disque replied to the charges that relatives of his had been given preferred positions and promo-lions in the spruce division.

"LEWD WOMEN" ARE MEN
One instance, he said, was that of his brother's advent into the division. He came as a first lieutenant, served throughout the entire operation, and left the service with the same grade, though hundreds of juniors received promotion. promotion. ousin, rejected from regular serv-

> guard of Pennsylvania, was transferred to the spruce division and died while n that service. Knowledge of Promotion Denied. A nephew, 20 years of age, rejected because of flat feet, had been sent to

ice by physical disqualifications, hold-

ing the rank of major in the national

who were not keen about soldier labor and who raided the Jossins campas of the northwest with offers of higher the industry of labor was halted by limself and other officials who risked and that the Portland State of the Industry of labor was halted by limself and other officials who instited and other officials who instited

The Sacramento investigation will touch upon another phase of aircraft expenditures, as will the subsequent visits to other California points, dealing with aviation fields.

#### SHERIFF AVENGES BROTHER

Charge of Murder Filed Against Minnesota Suspect.

BEND, Or., Sept. 6 .- (Special.) - As the reward of four weeks' work spent in the east this summer in the endeavor to bring to justice the murderer of his brother, Deputy Sheriff Anderson of Deschutes county received a telegram last night from Minnesota state offi-cials stating that a man known as "Blackle" Frnakes, a suspect, has been bound over to the grand jury charged with the murder of Carl Anderson. The Bend official's trip to Willman. the spruce division as a limited service Minn., the scene of the crime, was made

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man. General Disque said he never met him or heard of him thereafter, suicide had been returned. Refusing to accept this report, Mr. Anderson investigated the case first hand, and then employed a Pinkerton operative, whose was shoveling mud in construction work. Later, through merit and with-

Chairman Frear asked the witness what his theory had been in recommending certain spruce division officers for the distinguished service medal. Among these—there were 26 in all—were Colonel Stearns, Colonel Reardon, Colonel Bull, Colonel R. C. Hill and Captain Harmon.

"Was Major Leadbetter recommended?" asked the chairman. "I don't think so," answered the general, after a momentary reflection.

Sacrifices Are Contrasted.

General Disque said that the provi-sion for distinguished service medals had been made by an act of congress. in order that men who served at home might be shown that there was ap-preciation of their loyalty, efficiency and zeal-such men as stood forth from

of soldiers who were fighting in Fance never received any crosses or distinguished service medals—and yet they were making the supreme sacrifice."

Barred Rocks predominating. Dr. N. L. Smith of Portland has charge of this department.

"When was John D. Ryan here?" questioned Chairman Frear. "The latter part of July, 1818," answered General Disque

Rynn's Words Recounted.

when he, Mr. Ryan, returned to Wash-

ington.
"I think so, yes," answered General "Pursuant to that, a short time after, it was done?" queried the chair-

employed a Pinkerton operative, whose findings checked with his own. Finger prints on the handle of the razor with which Carl Anderson's throat had been cut, were identified as belonging to Frankes.

Robbery was the motive for the crime, the Bend deputy declares.

#### FAIR BUILDINGS RUSHED

Indications Are That There Will Be Fine Displays at Gresham.

GRESHAM, Or., Sept. 6 .- (Special.) -The grounds where the combined Mult1 omah county fair and land products show will be held are being prepared for the big exhibit which will be held

September 15 to 20, inclusive. A new building for industrial club exhibits is rapidly nearing completion as is also an addition to the already and zeal—such men as stood forth from all others by reason of these distinguishing traits. Such appreciation had actuated him, said General Disque, in making the recommendations. Many had made great personal sacrifices.

"That's true in a way," was Chairman Frear's comment. "Yet thousands ment to date, Rhode Island Reds and

Rains Make Road Impassible.

KELSO, Wash., Sept. 6 .- (Special.)-The Pacific highway north from Kelso, which was closed much of the summer Chairman Frear asked the witness if owing to construction work, was made Ryan did not at that time attend a impassable by the heavy rains this banquet, given in his honor by the of-week. Autoists now must take the ficers of the spruce division. General west side highway between Kelso and Disque said that was true.

Castle Rock. Just north of Rocky
The witness was then asked if Mr.
Ryan, in his address on that occasion,
and not told the assembly that he
would attempt to obtain a brigadiergeneral's grade for Colonel Disque
when he, Mr. Ryan, returned to Wash-

ALBANY, Or., Sept. 6.—(Special.)— D. C. White of this city, defendant in a At noon yesterday General Disque.

At noon yesterday General Disque resulted in the wife, Bertha K. White had concluded his testimony. It is ungetting a decree and one-third of her derstood that he may be recalled, husband's real property.

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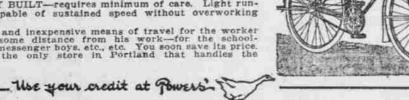
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