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### KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS GATHER AT SEATTLE

Most Successful Meeting Ever  
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Seattle, July.—(Special Dispatch to Los Angeles Times).—"Undoubtedly this is the most successful meeting we have ever had in the Pacific Northwest," said Grand Chancellor Case this afternoon. "At least 15,000 members of the order and their wives are here. In Seattle alone we have more than 2000 members, and in the state more than 10,000. Our increase in membership during the past year has been phenomenal. "Our members are enthusiastic about the parade we had last night. It was the most representative gathering of any secret order ever held in Seattle. We had sixty-two automobiles, five immense sight-seeing cars, and numerous carriages in line. In addition to the thousands of knights who marched four abreast."

**Pythian Day at A.-Y.-P. E.**  
Tomorrow is Pythian day at the big fair, and elaborate arrangements have been made for the Iola drill team to execute the movements which were given before a crowded house in the armory last night. The exercises will be held on the stage of the natural theatre at 2:30 in the afternoon and 8 o'clock at night. All street cars running to the grounds will carry a large cardboard sign bearing the words: "Pythian day at the A.-Y.-P. Take this car."  
Officers and members of the order are enthused over the excellent work done by the Iola team, and are now assured of covering the \$17,000 expense incurred in bringing the special train here from Ohio. In addition to the Iola drill team at the fair tomorrow seven uniform rank companies will compete for the \$1000 cash prizes in competitive drills in the Stadium tomorrow afternoon. The prizes are from \$100 to \$400.

### IOLA TEAM CONFERS THIRD DEGREE WORK

What veteran Pythians declare was the most pretentious presentation of the conferring of the third degree or rank of knight in the order of the Knights of Pythias took place last night at the National Guard armory when that big room was turned into regulation castle hall and two hundred aspirants were given the work and duty made valiant knights.  
Undoubtedly Seattle has never witnessed so gorgeous and spectacular lodge initiation work, and the big armory, almost filled with Knights of Pythias from every state in the United States, from British Columbia and even foreign countries, echoed and re-echoed the plaudits of the spectators, when pauses in the work admitted of applause.

The big event was the conferring of the final degree in Pythianism by the world famous Iola team from Dayton, Ohio. The armory stage had been set with Iola's own scenery. In front of this was built a drill platform where four companies in red, white, blue and yellow, helmeted and shielded and wearing the armor of soldiers of the period 400 B. C., executed military movements in such excellence that they seemed to be done like clock work. In all more than 800 movements were executed, many of them with lightning rapidity, and perfect excellence. Nothing like it has ever been seen here and it easily eclipsed anything ever attempted in the Pacific Northwest.

All drilling was done to music furnished by the Iola orchestra. The stage setting was beautiful and the lighting effects almost perfect. Throughout the long initiatory exercises there was not a dull moment. Men who have been knights for twenty years or more, who saw the conferring of the degree last night, declared that they had never seen anything that came anywhere near its equal.

The costumes worn were true to the time they were represented to be and they were gorgeous in every detail, representing an expenditure of almost \$20,000. Each member of the Iola team has been taking his part for a number of years, and is so thoroughly drilled in his work that the performance of his part has become a part of his nature.

Local Knights of Pythias who had in charge the arrangements for the conferring of the degree and who handled the big crowd, deserve much credit. Although there was a mighty



### A DAY'S TROUT CATCH IN COEUR D'ALENE RESERVATION.

Unusual interest and alluring possibilities center in the opening of the Flathead reservation in western Montana, the Coeur d'Alene in northern Idaho and the Spokane in eastern Washington this summer, and it is expected that fully 150,000 persons will register at Missoula and Kalspell, Mont.; Coeur d'Alene, Ida., and Spokane between July 15 and Aug. 5 and take chances in Uncle Sam's free for all lottery for 750,000 acres of land. The drawing at Coeur d'Alene will begin on the morning of Aug. 9 and continue until the land has been disposed of. The advance guard has already reached Spokane, Coeur d'Alene and Kalspell, and there are also many at Missoula.

to the convening of the lodge, each knight was thoroughly tested as to his right to enter the lodge room and it was done without unnecessary inconvenience considering the size of the crowd handled. And throughout the exercises there was order unusual in so large a gathering.

Many high dignitaries of the order were present. Among these were Supreme Chancellor Commander Henry P. Browne, of Cleburne, Texas, and Grand Chancellor Otto A. Case, of the Washington jurisdiction. Officers of one of the local lodges called the lodge to order, and after formally opening it, turned it over to the master of work of the Iola team, which from that time on till the closing hour held the floor.

Only a Knight of Pythias can appreciate the initiatory work of last night. It could not be described in detail without exposing the secret work and the 200 candidates who buckled on the armor of a true Knight of Pythias last night will have it to say that they were made knights by the best degree-conferring team in the world today.

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Cash and due from banks - 144,102.50	Deposits - 2,140,000.00
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