

The Omaha Bee



PROCLAMATION

And it came to pass in the days when Ak-Sar-Ben the Great, twelfth of his name, reigned in the place of his fathers, and when the fields were teeming with the harvest, that the King called together his counselors and spake to them: "Behold it is now the festival time when the people are wont to come together and make merry in the city of our love.

And many there are who have come from the ends of the earth and have set up here their hearth stones and have reared their children in our midst. And many more there are outside our demesnes, who have shown us a kindly spirit and whom we gladly welcome as our guests.

Meet then it is and seemly, that we should take account of these strangers within our gates, and these friendly nations beyond our borders. Let us, to do them honor, make a great triumphal procession and call together the Nations of the Earth and assign to each his proper place and appointment, with outriders and men at arms and all the trappings that belong of right to our kingly estate.

And they shall come from the vast north, where the ice king holds the waters in his cold embrace, and the great lights flare forever in the steely skies. And they shall come from the tropic isles where the southern cross flashes back from the phosphorescent seas.

They shall travel from the mysterious Nile, from the castled Rhine and the yellow Tiber; the Mongol, and the Hindoo, and the Slav, shall mingle with the Teuton, the Angle and the Celt.

Our lands are broad enough for all, our heart is deep enough for all." And his counselors made answer "Great is Ak-Sar-Ben and his words are words of wisdom. Let it be as thou hast said, O King." And even so was it done.

KING AK-SAR-BEN and COUNSELORS



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