

ALLIES' ANSWER TITLE FOR BIG NIGHT PARADE

Patriotic Demonstration Will
Be Greatest Ever Seen in
Omaha as Patriotic
Floats Pass.

The big event of the annual Ak-Sar-Ben festivities in Omaha will be the electrical parade on Wednesday evening, October 2.

A series of 16 floats will depict "The Allies' Answer" to 100,000 people from Nebraska and Iowa. The parade will be led by the board of governors of Ak-Sar-Ben on horseback. Each float will be preceded by heralds and flanked by groups of members of the order in costume.

Ak-Sar-Ben parades have brought forth some remarkable floats in the past, but the present series will probably be voted the greatest of them all, because they will produce wave after wave of patriotic demonstrations.

It has been suggested that the United States government draft the floats and send them over the country during coming financial drives.

The following is a brief description of each float:

"The Allies' Answer."

This is the title float. A great animated American Eagle, with defiantly flapping wings and massed national colors and implements of war, surmounts a shield bearing the title of the parade.

"The Spirit of America."

Illustrating the universal spirit that animates this vast country, in front a camouflaged 75-M cannon is roaring defiance. Next, the tillers of the soil performing herculean labor, then a feminine figure busily knitting. Two allegorical figures devoted to shipbuilding are next seen. In the rear of the float are shown the munition factories, working day and night and tended by women laborers.

"Lafayette, We've Come."

General Pershing, a martial figure on horseback, is seen saluting a bust of Marquis de Lafayette, at the base of which is his memorial wreath with its laconic expression of gratitude from the American nation—"Lafayette, We've Come."

Mars Forging Unbreakable Chain.

The fierce, stern figure of the God of War, with uplifted vizor, is seen forging the Chain of War, the unbreakable links of which are the fighting allied nations. The details, architecture and colors of the float are Greek. This float reproduces a recent cover of Leslie's Weekly.

America Feeding the World.

Illustrating the great aid from the boundless resources of America. Here are grouped the stores of corn, wheat, live stock, metals, oil and supplies of all kinds in profusion.

Lead Parts in "The Camp of Rum Bay," The Ak-Sar-Ben Military Burlesque Show



Left to Right—Henry Dunn, as "Major Operation;" Walter Adams, as "Beedo Shard," Military Vampire; Dean Smith as General Debility, and Henry White, "First Army Vampire."

In the rear is a typical grain elevator full to overflowing. Uncle Sam, in the center of the float, is benevolently and busily feeding a great globe, showing the vast countries in need. The "Central Empires" are

conspicuously blotted out, padlocked and marked "verbotten."

The Watch on the Rhine.

A helmeted German dachshund is shown completely "over a barrel"

making strenuous efforts to get back "over the Rhine," and being efficiently assisted by a warlike English lion, French rooster and American eagle. At the base of the float are groups of the Chausseurs d'Alpin or French "Blue

Devils" with gas masks, ready to spring.

Undaunted France.

In honor of our brilliantly brave sister republic, her undaunted fighting spirit is typified by a great game cock in front, followed by figures in martial costume and ending with a massive "Arch of Triumph," under which sits a graceful heroic figure symbolizing "France." The sides of the float are gorgeously decked with the massed flags, the shields of France and the fleur-de-lis.

Hail, Britannia!

A figure of Britannia, with wreath and trident. The float brilliantly shows the colors and the shields of Great Britain, Scotland, Ireland and honors also her brave and devoted sons in its far-flung colonies throughout the world.

Italia Irredenta.

Showing the Italian colors, costumes and accessories, a vengeful red clad figure of Italy, sword in hand, destroying the Hapsburg eagle, in the struggle for its lost provinces.

Desolate Belgium.

The ruined and devastated, yet defiant little kingdom is shown by the crushed and smoking buildings and cathedrals, in which hover pitiful figures of refugees. Above them rests the rainbow of hope and in front is the world figure of the heroic Cardinal Mercier.

The Czechoslovaks.

The progress of this remarkable fighting force across the wilds of Siberia is "a romance of history," and in the striking float devoted to this latest ally is fittingly shown "A Romance of Mythology." Belleophon is depicted as a heroic Czechoslovak figure, with the four-starred flag of the new nation, facing the triple-headed, fire-eating monster, Chimera, issuing from a glittering iceberg.

"The Greatest Mother in the World."

Dedicated to the Red Cross. The central figure is a massive reproduction of the poster that took the world by storm. Red Cross nurse with the madonna like face, pitifully holding the stretcher borne wounded soldier. The balance of the float shows various benefactions of the Red Cross, and Cornucopias flowing with gold and silver showing the boundless contributions of our generous people.

Our War Presidents.

Showing in order the greater wars of our country from the revolution to the present terrible struggle. First and in front is fittingly depicted George Washington with colonial soldiers, then in order follow pictures of President Polk with military figures of the Mexican war.

The End of the Submarine.

A brilliant aquatic picture. Emerging from the ocean depths is shown a submarine grotesquely decorated with a Hun face and helmet; astride its back and clutching with its talons is the great American Eagle with wide outstretched wings. At each side of the float is shown in massive relief the never sleeping "Eye of the Navy," watching day and night the "Lanes of the Sea."

The Liberty Loan.

An enthusiastic gathering of Americans of every class is seen

With "Garden of Allah"



With the Con T. Kennedy shows this week at the Ak-Sar-Ben festival is the most complete and most elaborate of Oriental shows. "The Garden of Allah," under the management of Baba Delgarian, is a wonderful attraction, which has met with the approval of press and public alike.

"Amortia," queen of terpsichore,

prying with a great plank labeled "Thrift," a massive safe over the edge of a precipice to demolish with their united savings the crouching figure of William Hohenzollern. This is a reproduction of a recent cartoon in the Saturday Evening Post.

The End of the Hun.

An endless stream of Huns on their way to the nearby gates is firmly thrust aside to find an abode more fitting and congenial, where the coal administrator has no jurisdiction.

A Complex Sentence.

A teacher in the North Vernon schools was grading some manuscripts from a recent pupils' examination. One of the questions asked ran like this: "Define and give an example of a complex compound sentence." In answering the question one pupil gave the following sentence as an example: "The only saw that I ever saw saw was a buzzsaw down in 'Arkansas'." The teacher is under the impression that the answer was somewhat complex. —Indianapolis News.

Women Want to Ride Lincoln to Omaha

Several women have made application to L. C. Nash, chairman of the army horse endurance race contest committee, for permission to ride in the contest from Lincoln to Omaha on Saturday, October 5.

One of the women who wants to ride is Miss Nan J. Aspinwall of Durango, Colo., who rode a horse from San Francisco to New York in 1912.

Mr. Nash has notified the women that they may ride if they secure horses but that, so far, horses in shape to cover the 66 miles in one day are rather scarce. Entries for the race close Saturday of this week with Secretary Arthur Thomas of the Chamber of Commerce. Entries are free and the prizes are \$200, \$100, \$50 and \$25.

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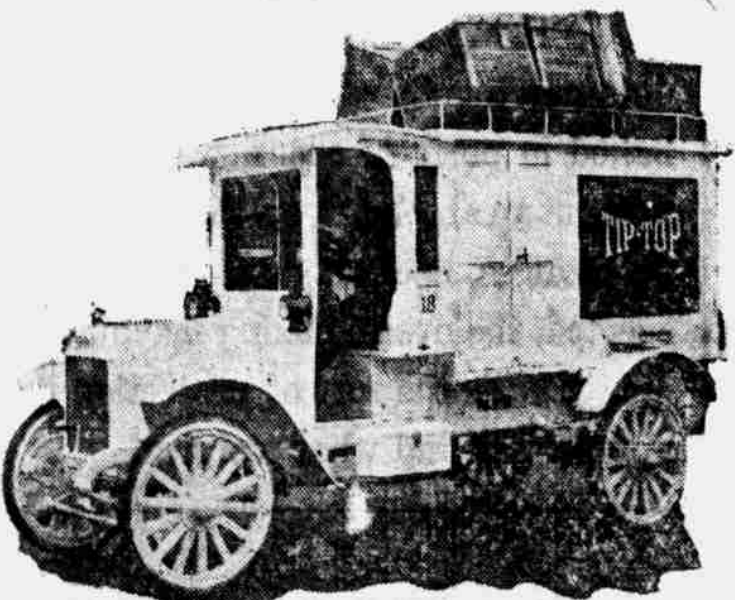


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