

Advance Peep Into "The Den" Reveals the Wonder Beauties of Gorgeous Electric Floats for the Escort of King Ak-Sar-Ben

Eighteen Magnificent Productions Prepared by Master Workmen of Illustrious Monarch Will Fittingly Honor Royal Character of the Potentate's Silver Anniversary—Theme Taken From Famous Love Stories of Mythology, History and Fiction—"Adam and Eve" Title of the First Float.

Eighteen beautiful electrical floats have been completed at the Ak-Sar-Ben Den, North Twentieth street, and are ready to be passed in review before the admiring multitude which will gather Wednesday evening along the route.

"Famous Love Stories" offered a prolific theme to be worked out this year by Gus Renze and his staff of artists. The subjects of the floats have been selected from mythology, history and fiction, and it will be difficult to decide which float will be the best. Each float has an appeal of its own, and all will be pictured in the manner that has gained fame for the Ak-Sar-Ben electrical pageants.

Few Allowed to "Peep."

A few who have been permitted to peep within the Den and view the floats have agreed that this season's theme has been worked out in a way that surpasses all previous efforts, this being due in part to the pronouncement of the Ak-Sar-Ben board of governors to produce something that would be fitting for the celebration of the silver anniversary of the order.

The title float is decorated with hearts pierced by Cupid's darts, and there are doves, and other suggestions of love's young dream. "All the World Loves a Lover," are the words which appear on this float. Following the title float will be "The First Love Story," showing Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. In the garden will be shown a replica of the serpent that tempted Adam in the long ago. An apple tree will be a significant part of the scene. This float will be a revelation, according to Ak-Sar-Ben officials.

Route of Parade.

At the stroke of 8, Wednesday night, Gus Renze will give the signal to start from Sixteenth and Cuming streets, and the following route will be traversed:

South on Sixteenth to Douglas; east on Douglas to Tenth; south on Tenth to Farnam; west on Farnam to Nineteenth; south on Nineteenth to Harney; east on Harney to Sixteenth; south on Sixteenth to Howard; east on Howard to Fourteenth; north on Fourteenth to Douglas; west on Douglas to Fifteenth; north on Fifteenth to Capitol avenue and disband.

The electrical floats this year will be attended by 616 men, more than 200 of whom will appear in costumes, others serving as musicians, torch bearers, and horsemen.

Nearly 10,000 electric lamps were used in producing the light effects on the floats.

All the men who are to appear

on the floats will hold a costume rehearsal at the den this afternoon.

Description of Floats.

Descriptions of the floats follow:

The Title Float.

1. Title Float—Famous love stories. "All the world loves a lover."

2. Adam and Eve—Story of the father and mother of the human race from the account of the creation in Genesis.

3. Pygmalion and Galatea—A Greek legend in which Pygmalion, a sculptor and king of Cyprus, fell in love with an ivory statue which he had made, and which, at his request, was given life by Venus.

4. Helen of Troy—Paris, the shepherd, was given the privilege of judging the fairest amongst the three goddesses, Hera, Athene and Aphrodite. To influence his decision, Hera offered him power, Athene martial glory, and Aphrodite the most beautiful of women. He awarded the golden apple to Aphrodite, who in turn assisted him in carrying off Helen, the beautiful wife of Menelaus. The abduction of Helen gave rise to the Trojan war.

5. Venus and Adonis—In Greek mythology, Adonis was a youth, a model of beauty, and beloved of Venus. According to the entreaties of Venus, Jupiter agreed that he should pass half the year in the cold and snow, and half the year amongst the flowers.

Story of Daphnis.

6. Daphnis and Chloe—Daphnis was the son of Mercury and a Sicilian nymph. He obtained his name from being found, when an infant, by Sicilian shepherds, lying among the bay-trees or daphnes. The god Pan became his instructor, and taught him to play upon the pipes and to sing. His love of music was inspired by the Muses, and he was the foster-child of the nymphs. Diana frequently chose him for her companion in hunting, and he used to play for her upon his pipe when they returned from the chase. He is said to have been the inventor of classical poetry. Daphnis became attached to the Naiad Chloe, who bound him by an oath to be faithful to her under penalty of losing his sight. For some time he kept his oath, but he finally broke the vow for the sake of a princess and paid the penalty by becoming blind. One authority states that the Naiad transformed him into a rock, while Theocritus asserts that he refused to be comforted after he had perjured himself and pined to death.

Antony and Cleopatra—Mark Antony, a Roman general and triumvir, was completely bewitched by the charms of Cleopatra, the last queen of Egypt. On her account he divorced his wife, Octavia. Octavianus declared war against her, and

the fleet of Antony and Cleopatra was defeated at the battle of Actium. Cleopatra fled to Egypt and was followed by Antony. After the death of Antony, who killed himself on hearing a false report of her death, Cleopatra caused herself to be bitten by a poisonous asp, in order to avoid being exhibited in Rome at the triumph of Octavianus.

Legend of France.

8. Abelard and Heloise—Abelard was a French scholar of the 12th century, and loved Heloise, an abbess and niece of Fulbert the Canon of Notre Dame. After their secret marriage, Fulbert was so enraged that Heloise was forced to take the veil, and Abelard became a monk. Their tomb in the celebrated cemetery of Pere LaChaise in Paris, has become the beloved shrine of all happy or unhappy lovers, who keep it eternally beautiful with their floral tributes.

9. Lancelot and Guinevere—Guinevere, the wife of King Arthur, in Tennyson's "Idylls of the King," loves Lancelot, one of the most famous knights of the Round Table. For this guilty love Guinevere is condemned to die at the stake, but is saved by Lancelot.

10. John Smith and Pocahontas—Pocahontas was an Indian girl celebrated in the colonial period of history; she was the daughter of Chief Powhatan, and when John Smith was brought a captive before her father she saved his life by interposing her body between him and the war clubs of his executioners.

11. Courtship of Myles Standish—The incidents of the courtship of Myles Standish form the theme of Longfellow's poem. Myles Standish is so timid that he asks his friend, John Alden, to request Priscilla, a daughter of one of the Pilgrim fathers, for her hand in marriage. John Alden accedes to his request, though loving Priscilla himself. Priscilla, in turn loving John Alden, makes her famous reply, "Speak for yourself, John."

Shakespeare's Famous Tragedy.

12. Romeo and Juliet—The hero and heroine of Shakespeare's tragedy. The story is of the love and tragic death of the two impassioned lovers, Juliet being the daughter of Capulet, and Romeo, the heir of the hostile family of Montague.

13. Napoleon and Josephine—Josephine de Beauharnais became the wife of Napoleon in 1796 and was crowned empress in 1804. Napoleon divorced her in 1809 in order to marry Maria Louisa of Austria, thus bringing about a closer alliance with the Papal states. Josephine retired, in grief to Malmaison, but it is always conjectured that Napoleon really loved Josephine, and that his later marriage was made

Merry Clown at Carnival



The merry clown whose antics amuse all who attend the carnival.

merely to bring about his political supremacy.

14. Madame Butterfly—A story from the opera of Puccini. Lieutenant Pinkerton, an officer in the United States navy, loves and wins a Japanese maiden, despite the wrath and indignation of her family. Their life is one of idyllic beauty and happiness until he sails away from her and their baby. Madame Butterfly ends her tragic life by the Japanese custom of "Hari-Kari."

From Longfellow Poem.

15. Skeleton in Armor—From a poem of Longfellow. A Norse viking came to the shore of Normandy and loved the daughter of the king. The king scoffed at such presumption, and thereupon the viking stole the daughter of the king, who gave chase to the viking but was outclassed in combat at sea.

16. Lalla Rookh—From a poem by Thomas Moore. Lalla Rookh, an East Indian princess, is betrothed by her father to Aliris, the sultan of Bucharia, whom she has never seen. On her journey to meet her betrothed, Aliris, disguised as a young poet, wins her heart and reveals himself only when she is led into his presence as a bride.

17. Hiawatha and Minnehaha—From a poem of Longfellow. Hiawatha, a personage of miraculous birth, known amongst the tribes of North American Indians. He is sent amongst the Indians to teach them the arts of peace. He loves Minnehaha, Laughing-Water, the daughter of the old arrow-maker.

18. His majesty, King Ak-Sar-Ben XXV.—The ruler of Quivera.

Exhibits Plane Which Will Rise Vertically

New York, Sept. 27.—The model of an aeroplane which will rise vertically, is being exhibited at the rooms of the Aeronautical society here by W. J. Beach, an inventor.

The fundamental principle of Mr. Beach's invention is that it is lifted straight up from the ground by means of revolving aerofoils rotated from their outer periphery. Horizontal and longitudinal stability are assured by revolving ailerons and stabilizers.

Because of the revolutionary effect such a plane would have on the airplane market, the exhibit is attracting more than passing attention.

Copperheads Invade City

Clarksburg, W. Va., Sept. 27.—Copperhead snakes have invaded this city. One snake was killed in a music store, where it lay in front of a talking machine that was playing. Another was killed on a sidewalk of one of the main streets.

Farm Organization Will Solve H. C. of L., Says Rich Banker

San Francisco, Sept. 27.—Organize the farmers of the country and a solution of the high cost of living will have been found.

Thus soliloquizes J. M. Henderson, jr., president of the Associated Dairymen of California and president of the Fort Sutter National bank of Sacramento.

"All you have to do to reduce the high cost of living is give old H. C. of L. a chance," says Henderson. He adds:

"The high cost of living problem will solve itself as soon as the farmers of the country organize. Co-operation is the needed thing. We must put farming on the same sound financial and industrial basis as manufacturing and retailing. Then we will solve the cost of living and also solve the Japanese question, for when our farmers are better organized we won't have to 'sweat' our farm hands as the Japanese do."

Hair Tonic Kills Barbers

Weston, W. Va., Sept. 27.—Drinking of hair tonic is being discouraged here. Two barbers have already died from the effects of partaking of the liquid.

Caissonlike Tool Chest Holds Many Supplies

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