

WILL BE THERE.

Uniform Rank Carnival to Be Held at Spokane in May.

Arrangements have already been commenced for the Knights of Pythias' big military carnival, which will take place in Spokane on Tuesday, May 15th, and the five days following. Western Star Company, No. 7, of Spokane has appointed a Committee consisting of W. H. Plummer, Colonel in Command of the second regiment of the Uniformed Rank; George E. Clark, J. W. McArthur and A. A. Hosford, to plan and begin the work. The Grand Lodge meets in Spokane at the time of the carnival, which is one of the annual adjuncts to the state ceremonies that is of most general and lively interest.

Last year the Grand Lodge met at Seattle and the usual prize for the best drilled Washington company was won by Spokane. This year, however, it is intended to invite the lodges of neighboring states and British Columbia and an effort is to be made to raise a fund to be awarded in open competition in order that all may take part and that the carnival may be made as big an affair as possible. As a number of lodges have already accepted invitations to attend the carnival from Nelson and other parts of British Columbia, Montana, Idaho and Oregon, it is assured that the carnival will not lack for competitors. The Committee wishes to offer three prizes, \$500, \$300 and \$200, and in order to raise this amount they will open subscription lists in that city and prizes will be known as the Spokane citizens' prizes.

Among the entertainments that are promised are excursions to Coeur d'Alene Lake, balls and receptions. Visiting companies will be the guests of the Spokane company and the citizens. The Committee expects to make the affair the greatest of its kind ever given in the North West, and it is counting on an attendance of 10,000 people.

There are fourteen companies of the Uniform Rank in Washington. These are divided into two regiments, the First, west of the Cascades, consisting of but four companies, with J. B. Metcalf, of Seattle, the Colonel Commanding. The Second regiment, of which Colonel W. H. Plummer is commander, consists of 10 companies, with a total membership of about 450. The companies are stationed at Tekoa, Garfield, Oakesdale, Pullman, Colfax, Ritzville, Dayton, Walla Walla and Spokane. The total number of Knights of the Uniform Rank in the state is about 600.—"The Senator."

N. G.

Sandy Pikes—"What's dat?"
 Billy Coalgate—"Dat's a laundry ticket."
 Sandy Pikes—"What does it call fur?"
 Billy Coalgate—"It calls fur a wash."
 Sandy Pikes—"Billy, fur you to be carryin' dat t'ing aroun' is an insult to our lodge."

A SCORCHER.

Bulldog—"Gee! Look at dem Fountleroy curls on dat poodle."
 Watchdog—"Yep! An' he's weak enough to let his mistress burn him wid curlin' irons."

UNAPPRECIATED EFFORTS.

Mr. Stubb—"Maria, what have you been doing to those front steps? Why, I never saw such crooked painting in my life."

Mrs. Stubb—"John, I intended that for fresco painting."

Mr. Stubb—"Fresco? Why, what in the world did you have it so straight for?"

WHERE JACKALS BARK.

Ida—"I wonder why the only Zulu in Chicago decided to return to his native land?"

May—"He longed for wild people, wild ways and a wild place in general."

Ida—"Why didn't he go down to St. Louis?"

MAKING THINGS LIVELY.

Larry—"Phwat wint on at Dempsy's mixed ale parthy?"

Denny—"Th' poianist thumped th' poianny."

Larry—"Awn phwat did th' rest av thim do?"

Denny—"They thumped th' poianist."

PROBABLY NOT.

It was his first night to see "Quo Vadis."

"Maw," he whispered, as his big eyes rested on the stately Roman senators, "who are those men?"

"Senators, Ostend."

Ostend (after a long pause)—"Maw, did a seat in the senate in those days cost as much as paw says it does now?"

Members of the Order, and especially Rathbone Lodge members, might like to know that a splendid life-size portrait, 24 by 36 inches, of Justus Henry Rathbone, founder of the Order of Knights of Pythias, is being given as a premium with the Ohio "Knight," the annual subscription for which is only \$1.35.

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