

KEOKUK U. C. T. PLANNING FOR CONVENTION IN JUNE

Councils in Iowa and All the Middle West States as Well as Canadian Members Invited.

STAGE MANY FEATURES

Big Parade Friday, June 5 With Handsome Cups for Prizes Will be Big Attraction.

Plans are rapidly being matured for the fifteenth annual session of the Grand Council of Iowa, United Commercial Travelers of Iowa which convenes here June 4, 5 and 6. Besides the councils in the state of Iowa, invitations have been sent out to councils in Illinois, Missouri, Nebraska, the Dakotas, Minnesota, Wisconsin and several other states in the middle west. Invitations to attend the gathering have been sent to a number of councils in Canada, and every council in the United States knows of the meeting in Keokuk. At the meeting held Saturday the arrangements and program were endorsed.

From the time of the opening of the registration list at 8 o'clock on the morning of Thursday, June 4, until the closing bell on Saturday afternoon there will be something doing every minute. The opening day offers little but routine, and the opening of the grand council. There will be a vaudeville show at the Hippodrome, and grand council initiation.

Friday, June 5, will be the big day of the session as that is the day the big parade will be held. The ladies will be taken for an auto ride to Montrose along the lake shore drive, and to the Country club, returning to the Y. W. C. A. for luncheon. In the afternoon the big parade will be held. Three handsome silver cups are being offered as prizes for this parade.

Friday evening a reception and

grand ball will be held at the Elks club. Friday and Saturday afternoons there will be baseball as one big attraction, Keokuk and Muscatine being the contenders. Friday afternoon the travelling men will be the guests of the baseball association.

Saturday from 8 o'clock until 3 o'clock the plant of the Mississippi River Power company will be open for inspection. Guides will be furnished by the company and the visitors will be accorded every privilege. It would not do for a convention to come to Keokuk and not see the big plant here, and opportunity will be thus afforded.

Plans for Fair Visitors. The ladies of Keokuk are making extensive plans to entertain the visiting ladies. Vaudeville shows, receptions and drives as well as participating in the big parade will be part of the program for the visiting ladies.

The silver loving cups which will be presented will be given for the council having the best band in the parade; one for the largest numerical representation in the parade, and the third for the council making the best appearance. Two small silver loving cups will be presented to the smallest and the thinnest man.

The following letter has been sent out by Albert H. Cushman, secretary to councils in Iowa, and in the United States and Canada:

Invitation Being Sent Out. Keokuk council No. 400 extends to the members of your council, an urgent invitation to attend the grand council session of Iowa, to be held at Keokuk, June 4-5-6, 1914.

Enclosed you will find a brief synopsis of our program, which will enable your members to select the day they would prefer to be here if they cannot attend the entire session.

We also enclose illustrations of three silver loving cups, each twenty inches high, which will be awarded to competing visiting councils as follows:

- One for the council having the best band in the parade.
- One for the largest numerical representation in the parade.
- One for the council making the

best appearance in the parade. There will also be two small solid silver loving cups. One for the fattest man and one for the thinnest man in the parade.

The visiting ladies will be well taken care of by the U. C. T. ladies of Keokuk, as you will see by glancing at the program.

The big features of the entertainment will be a tour through the power house and over the dam, with guides furnished by the Mississippi River Power Co. This will be continuous from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m., Saturday, June 6. The free vaudeville at the Hippodrome Thursday night and the Central Association ball game Friday, Muscatine vs. Keokuk, will be free to visiting U. C. T's.

Fraternally yours, A. H. CUSHMAN, Secretary.

For hotel rates, address J. L. Daugherty, 205 Blondeau, Keokuk, Ia. For other information, address A. H. Cushman, 623 Main, Keokuk, Ia.

Are Backing Buss.

The local council is backing Joseph G. Buss for office of grand sentinel of Iowa at the election set for the meeting of the local council at the June convention. In order to make Mr. Buss' election a sure thing, the local council is sending out letters boosting for their candidate. The local council delegates are all pledged to support Buss. The letter relating to the local man as sent out to all councils follows:

It is the desire of Keokuk council No. 400, that you read at your next regular meeting the following announcement:

We have unanimously endorsed Bro. J. G. Buss as a candidate for the office of grand sentinel of Iowa at the election to be held in Keokuk at the grand council meeting in June.

Man who is Capable.

In announcing Bro. Buss' nomination, Keokuk council is placing a man who is capable and who is willing to do any amount of work for the benefit of the order at large. These two facts have been proved in the amount of effort he has put forth to make the entertainment this year a success and we feel that as there is an honor due him and long due Keokuk council, the office should be his.

In placing Bro. Buss in nomination, Keokuk council realizes that they are nominating a man who will some day possibly be grand councilor of Iowa. We have thought the matter over carefully and have reached the conclusion that no better man than Bro. Buss could have been selected and he will receive the unqualified, unanimous support of our delegates and our past senior councilor at the coming convention.

Liberality of Merchants.

The liberality of Keokuk wholesalers, jobbers, manufacturers and retailers has been extremely gratifying to the committee which has been soliciting funds. The success of the convention is practically assured by this liberality on the part of the local business men.

The U. C. T. convention will see to the decoration of the streets. The merchants are being asked to decorate their store fronts on the three days the convention is here, and most of them have shown a disposition to do so. Special badges will be displayed by the delegates, and with several brass bands, and all sorts of stunts planned, the convention will prove a lively proposition.

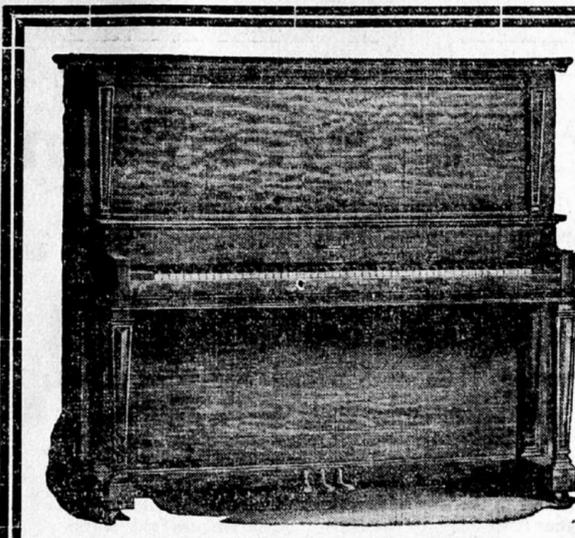
Committees in Charge.

Big delegations are expected from Des Moines and Muscatine, Burlington, Waterloo and Sioux City. Other Iowa councils will send delegates and it is expected that there will be several hundred people here during the three days. The committee chairman for the convention follow:

Finance and entertainment, Joseph G. Buss; publishing and printing, H. A. Bank; program, G. C. Johnson; decorations, A. C. Majors; parade, W. A. Balbach; music, A. W. Hulson; hotels, J. L. Daugherty; receptions, J. W. Clark.

AMUSEMENTS.

"September Morn." And now comes the welcome musical comedy, the original fun bug—this time it's a bran new, up-to-the-minute musical tumble of song and girls called "September Morn." It is one of the best travelling organizations ever sent forth by Messrs. Rowland & Clifford, and the chorus is said to be the finest collection of buds from the garden of American beauties. The play, of course, gets its name from the painting of the same name which stirred up comment from coast to coast. The story of the piece has to do with the aspirations of one, Rudolph Plastric, owner of an art studio, who claims to have been the painter. Of course, Rudolph does not even know how to paint a picket fence. The model of "September Morn" is laid claim to by an actress who has instructed her press agent to circulate the rumor that she is the original. The ludicrous moments when the two impersonators are dodging each other and when a chesty old army officer, who has fallen in love with the actress, discovers that she is a good friend of his wife's, creates enough laughter and plot for six musical plays. The scenery is prettily designed and painted and the



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Visiting Council having largest number of members marching in parade—Cup is 24 inches high, including ebony base similar to one illustrated in second prize. Three handles. Butler finish. Gold lined. Hand Engraved.

costuming introduces the latest Parisian creations. The company numbers within its ensemble some fifty people, all in all bringing about a new type of music play with delicious fooling thoroughly interspersed. The dancing numbers are many, spirited, charming, highly enjoyable and welcome, the various styles of the world popular tango being introduced in various attractive forms. Dainty Maud Potter is seen in the newest dances now in vogue in Paris. Frank Minor and Henrietta Lee, the popular musical comedy stars also



Visiting Council making best appearance in parade—Cup is 20 inches high, including ebony base, as illustrated. Polished finish. Two stag handles. Gold lined and hand engraved.

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Keokuk vs. Ft. Williams of Northern League

AMUSEMENTS.

"The Funny Moon." That beautiful and charming little actress, Madeline Lee, will be seen as "Tillie," the busy maid in "The Funny Moon" tonight at the Hippodrome theatre. Miss Lee is wearing some swell gowns this season and she will win her way right into the hearts of those who have not seen her, while those who have seen her have not forgotten. Miss Lee is young and she has risen rapidly in her profession, until now she is a great favorite from coast to coast. Sparkling and scintillating like a sunbeam, her audience watch every graceful movement—she smiles and they smile—she laughs, they laugh—she sings, they hang up—

OFFICIAL PROGRAM U. C. T. Convention

Thursday, June 4, 1914. 8:00 a. m. Registration, Hotel Iowa. 2:00 p. m. Public meeting, Hippodrome. 4:00 p. m. Official opening Grand Council, Elks club. 8:00 p. m. Free vaudeville, Hippodrome, U. C. T.'s and ladies. 8:00 p. m. Grand Council, initiation, Elks club.

Friday, June 5, 1914. 8:00 a. m. Registration, Hotel Iowa. 10:00 a. m. Reception for ladies at Y. W. C. A. Grand Council, Elks club. 11:00 a. m. Auto trip to Montrose, Iowa, around Lake Cooper to Country Club and return to Y. W. C. A. for luncheon, for ladies. 1:30 p. m. Grand Parade including ladies in autos. 3:30 p. m. Bagmen, Hawkes Hall. 3:30 p. m. Central Association ball game (Keokuk vs. Muscatine) Hubinger Park, ladies' day, and no charge to U. C. T's. 8:00 p. m. Reception and Grand ball, Elks club.

Saturday, June 6, 1914. 8:00 a. m. to 3:00 p. m. Open house to U. C. T. at the Power House and Dam of Mississippi River Power Company with guides. 9:00 a. m. Grand Council, Election of Officers, Elks club. 3:00 p. m. Base ball, (Keokuk vs. Muscatine.) Buffet lunches will be served delegates in the Elks club at all times the Grand Council is in session.

Third Prize Cup



Council having best band in parade—Cup is 18 inches high, including ebony base same as second prize. Three carved handles. Butler finish. Gold lined.