

## B. P. O. E.

### Carnival Crowd Sees Pageant of Elks

In a blaze of color and light, in a riot of music, laughter, merriment and pleasure-making, to which was added true carnival spirit, the Elks' Harvest Festival opened last night at the Shriners' Auditorium on Jefferson street.

Five thousand persons made of the magnificent spectacle a tremendous success and reveled until midnight to the tuneful clink of flowing dimes and dollars which will make up the fund for the entertainment of the Elks' national convention in this city next June.

Within the monstrous auditorium the scene was the most magnificent and spectacular ever presented on the Pacific Coast. The attendance was beyond the fondest hopes of the management. If the first night may be taken as a criterion the financial end will be more than satisfactory.

Long before the appointed hour for the opening of the festival the great auditorium was filled. As one entered the great doors the eye met a wondrous blaze of color. There was color everywhere and of every tint. In striking riot overhead were thousands of flags, pennants and festoons which formed a veritable canopy. Red, white and blue predominated, but interspersed were the emblematic banners in purple and white of the Elks, and then ranging the entire gamut of color harmony.

And in the coloring of the dozens of booths ranged along the sides of the coliseum on both the main floor and the balcony, not a tint seemed to have escaped the decorators and designers. Such was the harmony that there was not a point which jarred on the sense.

### Gives Women Credit.

In a few words Motley H. Flint, chairman of the executive committee, welcomed the guests and gave credit for the great success of the festival to the woman who occupied the booths.

Following a short musical program the White Squadron Drill Corps of the Los Angeles Elks lodge performed a wonderfully intricate drill, bringing cheer after cheer for their puzzling formations.

Then the festival began in earnest. From booth to booth passed the great throng. At every turn one came upon a gypsy or a Japanese, or a Spaniard, or a grocery clerk, or an auctioneer with tickets for raffles. One might take a chance of winning almost anything from an automobile, carriage or costly ostrich feather, down to a sofa pillow or roll of garden hose. Almost

every conceivable object was offered, and always with a chance for anyone to win it; it is all a lottery.—Los Angeles Examiner.

### Territorial Convention.

A meeting of delegates from the various lodges of Elks in Arizona was held at Phoenix commencing Thursday, Nov. 12, Lloyd C. Henning representing Winslow Lodge No. 536. The object of this meeting is to make all necessary arrangements for the attendance of Arizona Elks at the Grand Lodge and Reunion at Los Angeles in July, 1909.

Mr. Henning will return in time to make a report of the doings of this convention at the next regular meeting of Winslow lodge on Thursday, Nov. 19, and it is hoped that a large attendance will be present at that time so that all may know what is being done.

O. Sellsted, manager of the local telegraph office, visited Seligman Sunday.

Last Sunday, at the Baseball Grounds, Lee Smith and Bill Tatum gave a very interesting exhibition of broncho busting, which was attended by a good sized crowd who were well pleased with the afternoons entertainment. Both Smith and Tatum are well known here, being fearless and daring riders, and some of the stunts pulled off Sunday were surely a revelation to the tenderfeet.

Lloyd C. Henning, ye editor of THE MAIL, is enjoying a brief vacation taking in the sights of the Fair at Phoenix and attending a gathering of delegates from the various Elk lodges in Arizona arranging for the attendance of Arizona Elks at the coming Reunion at Los Angeles next July.

A fire which started a few minutes before seven o'clock yesterday morning, practically destroyed the Yavapai club building.—Prescott Courier, Nov. 12th.

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