

400 ATTENDING 'FRAT' SESSION IN MILWAUKEE

National Congress Annual Convention to Last Through Thursday.

By Times Special
MILWAUKEE Aug. 28.—More than 400 executive officers of constituent societies of the National Fraternal Congress of America, an organization composed of membership of the eighty-two leading fraternal and benefit societies in the United States and Canada, gathered here today as delegates to the annual session of the congress, which will continue through Thursday.

The fact that the congress officers and delegates are to be honored guests at A Century of Progress in Chicago on Fraternal day, Friday, brought a larger group of fraternalists to the city this morning. This group will attend the open sessions of the convention and then journey to Chicago Friday.

Officers Are Listed

Officers of the congress, who opened the convention this morning, are: Mrs. Mary E. La Rocca, Omaha, president; Bradley C. Marks, Fargo, N. D., vice-president; Thomas H. Cannon, Chicago, secretary-treasurer, and Miss Frances R. Leahy, Chicago, executive secretary.

Members of the executive committee of the congress include: Judge John C. Karel, Milwaukee; George R. Allen, Kansas City, Kan.; Peter F. Gilroy, Denver; Dr. Hada Carlson, Rock Island, Ill.; William Traub, Chicago, and Arthur A. Bentley, Fulton, Ill.

Speaker I

Mrs. La Rocca, third woman president of the N. F. C. of A. in its sixty-five years' existence, also is national president of the Woodmen Circle, an order entirely officered and managed by women.

Prominent guest speakers at the convention will include Governor Schmedeman, Madison, the most Rev. Archbishop Stritch, Milwaukee; John A. Frear, Eau Claire, Wis.; H. J. Mortenson, Madison, insurance commissioner of Wisconsin; George Lounsherry, associate editor of the Milwaukee Sentinel; Dr. E. A. Fitzpatrick, Milwaukee administrator of the national recovery act.

Other speakers on the week's program will be men and women who have won national recognition in fraternalism.

Dance Is Scheduled

Annual banquet will be held tonight, with the annual dance scheduled to follow. Phil A. Grau will be spokesman at the dinner.

On Tuesday night there will be a demonstration of juvenile ritualistic work and activities promoted by the different societies for their junior members.

Wednesday night's program will be the presentation of "The Pageant of Nations" by the Milwaukee public schools extension department. Children representing thirty-two nationalities, in native costume, will sing native songs, and present old world community dances.

ECONOMY ACT TO BE TARGET OF V. F. W.

Group Will Join Legion in Mass Attack.

Arthur G. Gresham, legislative chairman of the department of Indiana, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will seek co-operation of the legislative department of the Indiana State Department, American Legion, in mass attacking phases in the new veterans' economy act.

"We feel confident," Gresham said, "that a mass attack, concentrated on certain definite objectives in the veteran legislation will force repeal of the vicious effects of the so-called economy act. By co-ordinating our efforts, we believe we can prevail upon the next session of congress to take such steps as may be necessary to secure justice and equity for the disabled veteran and his dependant."

The program in which they are seeking the aid of the American Legion, includes a uniform pension law for all veterans of all wars; an extension of hospital and soldier home facilities that will permit full use of available beds, an adequate national defense and immediate payment of adjusted service certificates.

LODGE SESSION IS SET

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Odd Fellow Groups Will Stage District Meeting.

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G. A. R. TO HOLD DINNER

Colonel Streit Circle Sponsors for Event Set for Thursday.

Colonel Streit circle, No. 5, Ladies of the G. A. R., will serve a chicken dinner, Thursday from 11:30 to 1 at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Aruckle, 523 King avenue.

A card party at 2 will follow the dinner. Members of other circles in the city and their friends have been invited. Mrs. Aruckle is general chairman of the arrangements committee.



Drill Team of Arrius Court No. 5, Ben-Hur Life Association

National honors will be sought by the local court of the Ben-Hur Life Association when it will take part in the National Fraternal day drill contest to be held Friday in the Hall of Science at A Century of Progress.

The local team will be competing against approximately 400 other teams from the United States and Canada when they take the floor for their twenty-minute drills.

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