

Troopers Win Largest Contest Held In Washington

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RENTON, WASH., Aug. 25 - The TROOPERS from Casper, Wyoming rode herd on a majority of the prizes awarded this evening at "The Angels Sing" held in the Renton High School Stadium. The huge crowd joined master of ceremonies, Buck Ritchie, in his repetitious 'And, from Casper, Wyoming.....' while the TROOPERS walked back time and again to receive their trophies for 1st place in the Corps competition, the Color Guard award, and high captions in Drumming, Bugling, General Effect, and Marching & Maneuvering.

This was the largest contest ever held in the State, with invitations accepted by five out-of-state Corps arriving for V.F.W. NATIONALS.

Not only was the State of Wyoming represented, but there were three guest Corps from California and one from far away New Hampshire.

A trophy for the best Drum Major of the evening was awarded Jerry Logan of the Seattle THUNDERBIRDS. Scores of the Corps contest as follows:

1. Troopers	82.4
2. Thunderbirds	79.0
3. Spartans	77.4
4. Shamrocks	75.8
5. Senoritas	75.7
6. Blue Knights, Denver	74.5
7. Lakewood Ambassadors	74.4
8. Blue Angels	67.2
9. El Toreadors	59.4
10. T-Birds Cadets	55.9

COLOR GUARD CONTEST:

1. Troopers	92.7
2. Blue Knights	91.7
3. Thundermen	89.1
4. Lakewood Ambassadors	88.9
5. Thunderbirds	88.8
6. Shamrocks	86.2
7. T-Birds Cadets	85.4
8. El Toreadors	80.1
9. Blue Angels	68.0

The V.F.W. "Cooties" staged a parade in downtown Seattle last night in the true sense of wild fun, and gave the local Corps their first opportunity to come up with 'kookie' get-ups to match a three-ring Circus. 'AND, from Casper, Wyo.....' first place again went to the TROOPERS, with the THUNDERBIRDS taking second place, and the SHAMROCKS third in trophies.