

dressed the banquet.

With business sessions nearly completed, the veterans and members of the Ladies Auxiliary were to join forces this afternoon for a patriotic parade through the business area.

Tonight at 7 the convention will move to Albi Stadium for the annual Pageant of Drums, presenting more than 400 members of **drum corps** representing VFW posts throughout the state.

Jack Avery, drum and bugle corps committee chairman, said five colorguards will start the pageant, which will see seven **drum corps** competing for the state championship.

Two groups, the Thunderbirds

ed of Blackburn Post, Seattle, the current state champions, and the **Shamrocks of Rainier Post**, Seattle, will participate in national competition during the convention in Cleveland.

Also competing tonight will be the **Tri-City Columbians of Pasco**, who have participated in three national VFW conventions.

The convention will end tomorrow with combined ceremonies by the veterans and the Ladies Auxiliary installing new officers.

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