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THE WEATHER
OREGON: Fair tonight and Friday with fog near the coast. Not so cool in the east portion tonight.

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MERCURY IN VALLEY DOWN TO 32 ABOVE

Light Frost Reported In Some Parts of City, Little Damage

FOGGY WEATHER PREVENTS KILLING

Snow Continues in Eastern Oregon's Mountains — Idaho Reports Some Crop Loss.

The first freezing weather of the fall season was experienced in the Grande Ronde valley during last night when the mercury dropped to 32 above zero in La Grande and at Elgin. The drop in temperature came on the heels of predictions of local frosts by the Oregon weather bureau but, because of foggy weather, Union county practically escaped frost loss.

In La Grande frost fell here and there and a few cases of ice were also reported. Several houses in some parts of the city, including several blocks in West La Grande, frost damage to flowers was reported. On the whole, however, only slight damage was done.

Elgin Escapes Frost

In the Elgin district, fruit growers and farmers report no losses although the weather was cold.

During the night the sky cleared and today sunshine gives promise of more warmth. The weather forecast for tonight says: "Not so cool in Eastern Oregon."

A few days of warmth will mean the continuation of wheat harvest in the Grande Ronde valley.

Snow in Mountain

Snow still may be seen in the higher mountains around the valley, including the crest of Mt. Emily.

It is reported from Enterprise that frosts were felt in Wallowa county but whether any damage was done is not known here.

Pendleton experienced some fall weather last night when the mercury dropped to 38 degrees. The maximum there yesterday was 58.

Fire lookouts in the Umatilla national forest are now being released following the recent heavy rains. With the exception of camp fires, the fire hazard in the forest reserve is ended.

Baker reports five inches of snow at the Monumental mine and between two and three inches at the Rabbit mine. Snow on several of the surrounding peaks was visible yesterday morning. Rainfall totalling .22 inch fell in Baker yesterday. The minimum weather in Baker was 34 above zero. Boise's minimum was 35 above, Pocatello's 42 and Portland's 52. At Spokane the minimum was 44 and in Walla Walla 50 above.

Idaho Suffers Some Damage

Damage was done by Tuesday night's frost to Idaho crops, although it will probably be slight, it is reported. Fears for the safe-

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GOLFERS WILL TAKE PART IN W. W. TOURNEY

About 20 golfers are expected to attend the interclub tournament at Walla Walla Sunday. The match will be the second of a series of interclub tournaments between the two cities. The first of the series took place about two months ago when the Walla Walla players journeyed to La Grande. Part of the La Grande players plan to leave Saturday in order to have an afternoon of playing. Some will leave Saturday afternoon and still others plan to drive over early Sunday morning. The order of play will be published shortly in The Observer.

MORE FALL BUSINESS

The summer season is almost at an end—and, fall, with its requirements in new clothes, new things for the home, new food variety, and new luxuries, will bring a business activity this year that is expected by merchants to break all records in La Grande.

Firms have anticipated your wants with a wealth of new merchandise—and the intelligent business man will tell you of all that is new through the columns of The Observer. In no other way can be hope to "cash in" on the business activity that has started—in no other way can be hope to reach economically the 5000 families who will make this a record business year. He is assured results because your interest as a reader is always unusually high in The Observer.

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Legion Post Is Preparing For Armistice Day

Joint Meeting to be Held With Union and Baker Posts in the Near Future.

At a regular business meeting of the American Legion held last night at the K. of P. hall, preliminary plans for an Armistice Day celebration were discussed. Arrangements were made for a joint meeting of representatives from the Union, Baker, and La Grande posts at Union soon to discuss plans. Committees were also appointed to look after plans for the day's celebration.

It was announced that the government tombstones which have been ordered for some time have arrived and that two of the three will be set up in the Masonic cemetery. The government provides these and pays all shipping expenses.

Other routine business was transacted before the meeting adjourned.

IMPROVEMENT ON X AVE. DELAYED

City Commissioners Postpone Action Because of Remonstrance

The laying on the table of improvement district No. 173, because of the filing of a remonstrance signed by 23 per cent of the property holders in the district, occurred at last night's meeting of the city commission. The matter will not again be taken up until the first meeting in 1928, some eight months from now.

The improvement contemplated installing macadam streets along X avenue from Fourth to Spruce and the engineer's estimate as to the cost of the work is $15,325.25.

The district was up for a hearing a few weeks ago when the remonstrance was filed. Since then it has been laid on the table for a week at a time until last night, when consideration of the matter was postponed until next April.

No Bids Received

Last night was also the time for receiving bids on improvement district No. 178, providing for macadam streets, concrete curbings and sidewalks where not in place, on North Cherry street. No bids were received so the commission authorized the city recorder to readvertise for bids, to be received Septa. 21. The engineer's estimate on the work is $7,953.46.

Discussion of the deed which the city is to obtain for the tract of land purchased from the Masonic lodge as an addition to the Eastern Oregon Normal school site resulted in a decision to prepare the deed and abstract as quickly as possible and send them to the state board of regents. The next regular meeting of the regents is scheduled for Oct 20. A meeting of the city commissioners and a Masonic committee is to be held this afternoon to attend to details of drawing up the deed.

Eight Arrestes

The city manager's report showed receipts for last week $3,446.24 and disbursements $2,824.28. The police report showed eight arrests and seven convictions, with five prisoners remaining in jail.

E. F. Willcock asked for a soft drink license for his store at Adams and Second and this was granted.

The August salary list in the amount of $5,329.52, was allowed and ordered paid by warrant.

Commissioner H. B. Coburn declared that a complaint had been presented to him regarding an old car in the alley on Seventh and Eighth streets between O and M avenue and its was decided to investigate the matter and determine whether it would be removed.

Plan More Stop Signs

The O.-W. company, following a safety meeting recently, asked

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Albert Stevens Missing From Home

Albert Stevens, 39, an epileptic, is reported missing from his La Grande home and a search is being carried on for him. His father, G. Stevens, states that the last seen of him was at Island City about noon Monday. Since then no trace of the man has been found.

He was dressed in a blue suit and the coat was a little longer than in most suits. He was smooth shaven when he left his home.

Mr. Stevens asks that anyone knowing of his whereabouts notify the police station here.

County Court In Second Day Session

County court continued its regular monthly session today at the offices of County Judge U. G. Couch. Regular routine business and matters pertaining to roads comprised the schedule for the day.

URGES PLANE TO GIVE UP OCEAN TRIP

Committee in Charge Asks "Royal Windsor" To Abandon Flight

NO TRACE FOUND OF "OLD GLORY"

"Sir John Carling" Long Overdue — "Pride of Detroit" Leaves Rangoon, India Today.

By The Associated Press

No trace had been found of Old Glory late today, the Sir John Carling was long overdue and the Pride of Detroit had not been heard from since leaving Rangoon, for a hop of less than 400 miles early this morning.

Ships still plowed the sea in search for the Rome bound Old Glory but hope had been practically abandoned for her three occupants.

Hope was still felt for the two pilots of the Sir John Carling, but the fact that it was several hours overdue and no word had been heard of it since it left Newfoundland caused grave anxiety.

There was no general belief that mishap had befallen the pride of Detroit lack of information being widely attributed to lack of communication facilities along its course.

SCORES STUNT FLIGHTS

NEW YORK, Sept. 8 (AP)—An international demand for a check on spectacular airplane stunt flights followed today in the wake of the disappearance within the last year of 18 trans-oceanic flyers and the death of seven men in overseas flight preparations.

Statements of aviation authorities in this country and in Italy and press comment in England and Germany deprecated the feasibility of long distance over water hops, and contained protests against allowing aviators to fly into "foolhardy" adventures.

Protests have been heard from the Guggenheim fund for the promotion of aeronautics, weather authorities here and in England, newspapers in some of the leading cities of the world, from William Randolph Hearst, backer of the Old Glory flight, and of the Golden Eagle, in which two men disappeared in the Dole derby, and from friends and relatives of William S. Brock and Edward P. Schlee who face a hop across the Pacific before the end of their round-the-world flight.

Harry Guggenheim, president of the Guggenheim fund, said Lindbergh was not stunt flying because

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Sells Marinello Beauty Shop Here

Myrtle Gobst announces the sale of the Marinello Beauty shop in the Smith building to Frances Grimmett, of Portland. Mrs. Grimmett is a graduate of the National School of Cosmeticians and comes to offer La Grande women the latest ideas and methods in beauty culture. The personnel of the shop will be the same.

Bend, Prineville Object To Road Direct To Odell

Portland Chamber of Commerce Directors Listen to Arguments—Defer Endorsement.

PORTLAND, Sept. 8 (AP)—Chamber of commerce directors late yesterday listened to arguments in favor of swinging the projected cross state highway which the Oregon public service commission is endeavoring to force the Union Pacific to build, northward to either Bend or Prineville, instead of due west to Odell.

The arguments in favor of the more northerly route were that such a road would skirt the edges of a rich forest area and that the route was more feasible from the standpoint of grades.

The route due west was said to traverse a barren plateau area for the most part.

Bend and Prineville were represented by R. W. Sawyer of Bend, a member of the state highway commission; L. K. Cramb, secretary of the Bend chamber of commerce; W. O. Hall of Prineville, and J. G. W. Wallace, of Prineville. The Oregon commission was represented by Edward Ostrander, commissioner; J. P. Newell, commission engineer, and William C. Culloch, counsel.

The Portland directors deferred any endorsement until they could give the matter further consideration.

C. J. Black Is Very Ill In Portland

C. J. Black, who underwent an operation in Portland this morning, is in a serious condition, it is reported. Mr. Black has been in Portland and in California cities for several days on a business trip.

Hi-Dads Welcome New L. H. S. Coach

The first Hi-Dad meeting of the season was held Tuesday evening, with Grand-dad Ben Hummell presiding. Plans for the year were discussed and outlined and regular business transacted. Coach Ralph Christie was present and was introduced to the attending Hi-Dads. Mr. Christie spoke briefly to the assembly, touching upon his plans for the coming year.

Don Moe Defeats Honolulu Golfer

DEL MONTE, Cal., Sept. 8, (AP)—Don Moe, Portland, Ore., followed up his defeat of George Yoo Ehn, Los Angeles, in yesterday's opening round of match play for the California state amateur golf championship by defeating Francis Brown, long driving Honolulu entrant, 4 and 3, on the Pebble Beach course this morning.

WOMAN NEAR DEATH

PORTLAND, Sept. 8 (AP)—Mrs. Kate Glowe, a widow, 55, who was hit by an auto today was in a serious condition at a hospital this afternoon, with small hope for recovery. Robert E. Young was arrested on a charge of reckless driving of the car which hit Mrs. Glowe.

CORKSCREW IS GIFT

EDINBURGH—American delegates to the Trade Union congress have corkscrews the gift of their hosts in Scotland.

56 INJURED IN EVANSVILLE TRAIN WRECK

Three Killed Outright And Five Are in Critical Condition

CARS TRAVELING 40 MILES AN HOUR

Coroner Pushing Investigation of Accident—Employe May Have Thrown Switch Wrong

EVANSVILLE, Ill. Sept. 8, (AP)—Injuries sustained by at least 56 persons who were passengers aboard a special Dade Park race track interurban which crashed through an open switch into a line of heavily loaded freight cars last night were being checked by railroad officials early today. Three persons were killed in the wreck and at least five more were in a critical condition.

The full extent of the casualties was undetermined because of the speed with which the injured persons were treated at the Walker hospital where all available doctors of the city were called to administer first aid. No charts were made on the victims.

Coroner Lewis likewise was pushing an investigation of the wreck. Otto Lloyd, a block light expert who had worked on the switch shortly before the accident, admitted to several passengers in the car that he had failed to properly throw the switch according to depositions in the hands of the coroner.

The car was traveling at 40 miles an hour when it swerved from the main line into the switch and crashed head-on into the box cars. Those seated near the front of the car were the most seriously injured. The motorman was killed instantly and two other persons were fatally hurt.

Not a seat in the wrecked car remained in position. The bases were torn loose and twisted from the floor and the iron frame were crumpled by the impact. Out of this mass the passengers were extricated by rescue workers, hundreds of automobiles returning from the races made it difficult for ambulances to bear the injured away.

Company officials refused to comment on stories from the victims that the brakes were unable to stop the car, although at least 60 yards separated it from the box cars when it hit the open switch.

Young Stribling And Leo Diebel Fined $100 Each

OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 8 (AP)—William L. "Young" Stribling, the Georgia school boy boxer, was fined $100 and costs today for participating in an alleged framed fight with Leo Diebel of Oklahoma City here Tuesday night.

Diebel drew the same penalty, while Police Magistrate Dineen dismissed Jack Johnson, former world's heavyweight champion and Diebel's second in the fight, which was stopped as a "no contest" in the sixth round by Referee Jimmy Drexel.

With All Details Ready, Paris Is Awaiting The Arrival Of The Second A. E. F. From United States

NEW YORK Sept. 8 (AP)—A new American expeditionary force started over the ocean for France today, its purpose one of happy reunion with old scenes and old friends of a darker day when the world was at war.

Twelve thousand American Legionnaires are to take ship from this port for Paris convention some time this week, and most of them leave today, their ranks augmented by 2000 gold star mothers and war widows.

PARIS, Sept. 8. (By NEA Service)—The A. E. F., in rest billets and recreation camps used to remark occasionally that this business of going to France wouldn't be such a bad racket if only there wasn't a war going on.

For France itself, as a goal for travelers, has its points.

Accordingly, when the French government sent to the American Legion convention of 1924 a warm invitation to the legionaires to hold their 1927 convention in Paris, the former A. E. F.-ers lost little time in accepting.

And now the vanguard of the "Second A. E. F." is descending on Paris once more. The 1927 convention of the American Legion is about to open in the capital of France, and some 50,000 ex-service men are on the way.

Paris Is Ready

Everything here is in readiness.

The vast hall of the Palace Trocadero, where the sessions will be held, is decorated and refurnished; the Palais d'Orsay, where the famous "40 and 8" will convene has been prepared for anything; the Hotel Continental is ready to resound to the tread of those feminine feet that will bear the lady members of the legion auxiliary about Paris.

The coming convention is not going to be just another convention. It is going to be an international event, and France and the legion have laid their plans accordingly.

First and foremost, the legion has fixed things so that individual members can make the trip much more cheaply than they could if they went as ordinary tourists.

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HILL WILL FACE MURDER CHARGES

Alleged Matricide Plans To Return Voluntarily To Streator, Ill.

SEATTLE, Sept. 8 (AP)—Harry H. Hill, 22-year-old son of a wealthy Streator, Ill., surgeon, will go home voluntarily to stand trial as the murderer of his mother.

Defense attorneys announced today that the youth would waive extradition. The announcement followed conferences between the attorneys, the prisoner, who was arrested here Saturday, and his father, Dr. H. C. Hill, who arrived by airplane yesterday.

An extradition hearing originally set for today and postponed until tomorrow will therefore be unnecessary they said. It was presumed an application for a writ of habeas corpus, which was made returnable tomorrow, also would be allowed to lapse.

"Yes, we have decided to waive extradition," Attorney Lane Summers who was retained by the father to defend the youth, said.

In a statement to newspapers, the elder Hill expressed his belief in the innocence of his son.

"I have never believed that my son could be guilty of deliberately slaying his mother," the statement said. "And now that I have had an opportunity of talking to him, I am absolutely convinced that he is innocent of the crime of which he is charged."

Democrats Will Not Nominate In Open Convention

PORTLAND, Sept. 8 (AP)—After a more or less stormy session the Multnomah county democratic central committee adopted a resolution last night expressing the opinion that it was without legal authority to hold a convention to nominate a candidate for congress.

The vote was 28 for and 19 against.

The effect of the resolution is that it leaves the field wide open for any democratic congressional aspirant to place his name on the ballot either through the petition or assembly procedure.

It was charged on the floor by opponents of the resolution that it was drafted and presented to the interest of former Congressman Elton Watkins.

Stung By Bees, Man Dies In 30 Minutes

TACOMA, Sept. 8 (AP)—Stung four times by bees a nest of which he disturbed while working in some brush near Roy, Theodore Grosper, 22 years old, died within 30 minutes after the insects attacked him and while he was being hurried to the office of Dr. G. M. Towers in Roy last evening. Grosper was stung four times twice between the shoulders, once on the back of the neck and once on the top of the head. His death is ascribed as due to shock.

I. C. C. Turns Down Request By N. P.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8 (AP)—The interstate commerce commission today denied the application of the Northern Pacific railroad for authority to continue rates on wool from Oregon, Washington and Idaho to certain central and eastern points without observing the long and short haul provision of the interstate commerce act.

GRANDMOTHER FLYS

DULUTH, Minn.—Trains are all right for children, but they are not modern enough for Mrs. Mary A. Strong, 75. At Minneapolis she put two grand daughters aboard a train, then flew to Duluth herself.

Two Youths From The Dalles Lost In the Cascades

EUGENE, Sept. 8 (AP)—Missing since mid-afternoon Monday, when they were bound for the South Sister in the Cascades near the McKenzie pass, Guy Ferry and Henry Cramer, youths of The Dalles, are believed to have become lost in the mountains, and searching parties have been organized at Frog Camp and McKenzie bridge.

There is a possibility that the youths took shelter in a sheep camp near the head of Indian creek, near the mountain, and in that event they would be found safe. If they missed the camp, however, they may be wandering about the wild country, now covered with from six to eight inches of snow.

Last Seen Monday

They were last seen Monday afternoon near Camp Montague, where they were met by a packer for a sheep camp on Linton creek. They were headed for the South Sister on the Skyline trail.

They left their car at Frog Camp at noon the same day. It was foggy when they left there.

The storm in the mountains Monday night was heavy, nearly six inches of snow falling, and a hard wind blowing. If the men were at the sheep camp they would be sheltered, but if they missed the camp they would be in a serious predicament.

A man left last night for sheep camp, expecting to arrive there today and to telephone back information as to whether the youths were there or not.

Organize Searchers

In the meantime, searching parties are being organized. Fathers of the young men arrived at Frog Camp yesterday, to aid in the search.

Ferry was a student at the University of Oregon, graduating in 1925. He attended summer school here this summer. He is principal of the school at Wapinitia, in Eastern Oregon. Cramer is a clerk in his father's tobacco store in The Dalles.

Bride, 16, Suicides In Fit Of Temper

PORTLAND, Sept. 8 (AP)—Mrs. Norman A. Smith, 16, bride of a few weeks, died in a hospital ambulance today en route from her home, where she was said to have taken poison in a fit of temper after having been reproved by her mother for the company she was keeping. Her husband, a former sailor of the navy, administered first aid efforts before the ambulance arrived.

Advertises, But Is Still Bachelor

TENINO, Wash., Sept. 8 (AP)—Mayor Thomas H. Richards, who advertised for a bride to wed at the Thurston county fair is still a bachelor today. The nearest he came to being married was to be best man at the wedding at the fair last night of Miss Laura Toerner and Ralph Isom, who were imported from Olympia for the occasion. Mayor Richards received so many offers that he was unable to select a bride for himself from among them.

NAMES OMITTED

The Central Labor council announced this morning that through an error the following names were omitted from the list of contributors to the celebration on the street programs which were distributed Labor Day:

Silver Grill, Garland Hotel, Jack Rosenbaum, Sommer Hotel and Crescent Meat company.

PIONEER DROPS DEAD

MEDFORD, Sept. 8 (AP)—H. T. Lamsden, a pioneer resident of Medford, merchant, councilman and large property holder, dropped dead in his home in this city this morning. He was one of the best known merchants in Southern Oregon.

BIG POWERS ON GRILL IN LEAGUE MEET

Little States in Open Revolt in Geneva—Scathing Attack Made

'SUPREME COUNCIL' REGIME HINTED

Acid Declarations of Norwegian spokesman Greeted With Huge Volume of Applause.

GENEVA, Sept. 8 (AP)—The revolt of the little states against what is characterized as the great power domination of the league of nations was renewed in the assembly meeting today when it was learned that the Polish plan to outlaw war had been whittled down overnight into so-called platonic idealism.

C. J. Hambro, president of the Norwegian chamber of deputies, put the powers, the league and the world leaders on the griddle this morning. He declared that his "whole cabinet was disappointed in the failure of the league of nations to agree on disarmament principles."

Small Nations Waiting

The statesmen of a few great powers in the league, he continued, often settled questions in private; and public discussion in the council afterwards was a mere formality. He said that the small nations all are waiting and wondering what the leading nations are going to do about disarmament. One difficulty he remarked, is "that there are too many diplomats at the league meeting and they are not in favor of publicity."

Mr. Hambro urged that the meeting of the disarmament preparatory commission of which the United States is a member, be held in November as scheduled, and not be postponed.

Criticizes Big Powers

The speaker criticised the big powers for what he said was an apparent disposition to holding the good jobs of the league secretariat.

In a scathing attack, Hambro charged that a supreme council, which really was running things and which was confined to the big powers, had grown up within the league council. He said that he doubted whether the league leaders realized the force of the resentment which this development in the league was engendering throughout the world.

Emphasizing the great interest "on the other side of the ocean," in the move to outlaw war, Hambro made an appeal that the league should be run in such a way that no great power could long remain outside.

His declarations were greeted by members of the public at the session with a volume of applause that has scarcely ever been exceeded since inauguration of the league.

BORAH BOOM IS GIVEN IMPETUS IN BOISE, IDAHO

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 8 (AP)—The presidential boom of United States Senator William E. Borah was given impetus here today, when Ray McKaig, state chairman of the progressives, issued a statement urging that party lies be discegarded in the effort to "draft the senior Idaho senator into the presidency."

The announcement followed adoption of a resolution by the progressive state central committee, which declared "the time has come when the people of the United States have a golden opportunity to draft a real statesman, Senator William E. Borah."

Sea Fowl Lured To McKay Dam

PENDLETON, Sept. 8. (AP)—A number of sea gulls, a pelican and a number of wild ducks have decided to make the McKay irrigation dam their home. The gulls have been away from salt water all summer, making home in the upper end of the dam lake.

TODAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	1	3	2
New York	2	4	0

Batteries: Jones and O'Neill; Hoyt and Collins.

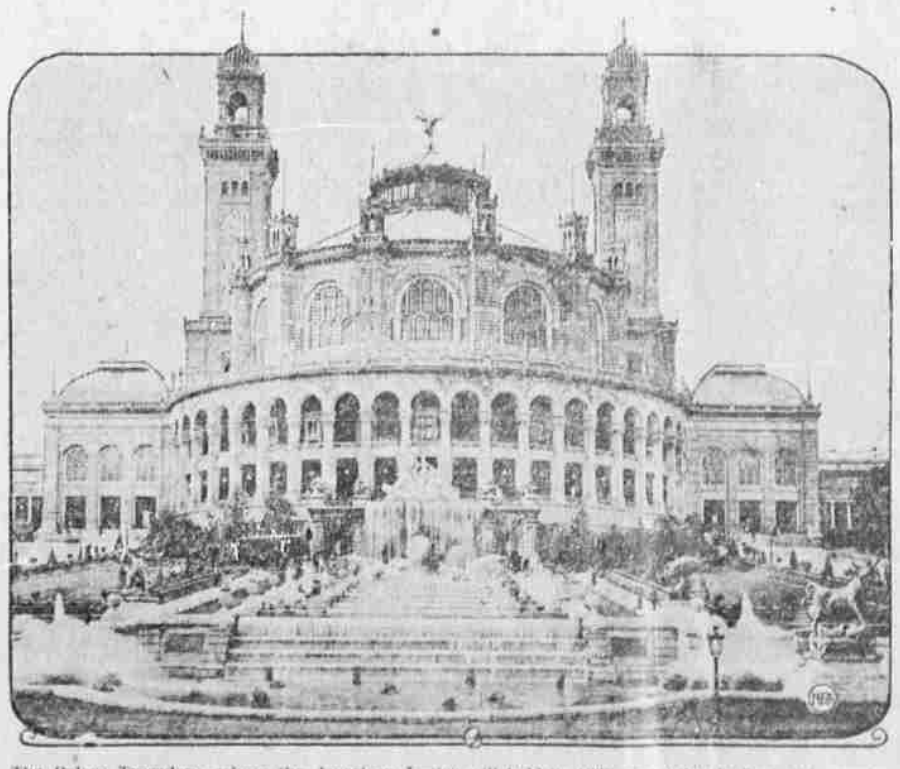
	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	1	7	2
Philadelphia	9	11	1

Batteries: Stoner, Holloway and Woodall; Grove and Cochrane.

	R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	8	10	1
Boston	10	16	4

Batteries: Shaute, Underhill and L. Sewall; Lundgren, Welker, Wiltse and Hartley.

WHERE THE LEGION WILL CONVENE



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