STATE AND FEDERAL RIGHTS ARE DEBATED

Hearing on Rail and Wire Increases Held.

BRIEFS ALSO ARE FILED

Supreme Court Hears Argument on Action of Director-General and Postmaster-General.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 5.—Irishmen throughout Oregon got behind self-determination for Ireland today. Telegrams and letters poured in upon Senator McNary urging him to withnoid judgment on the league of nations covenant until he hears further from his constituents. One telegram from Heppner read:

"Kindly withhold your judgment on the question of self-determination for Ireland until your constituents in Morrow county are heard from."

This telegram was signed by F. A. McMenamin, F. F. Doherty, James K. Shermerdam, M. D. Clark, W. T. Ball, R. M. Ovlatt, S. W. Speyer, C. M. Sims and R. E. Jones.

Another letter was from the Rev. A. M. Skelly of Holy Rosary church, Portland, and still another from the United Irish societies of Portland, signed Andrew C. Smith, president, and Miss Anne Kearns, secretary.

If some of President Wilson's friends have their way no apology will be offered on his return for the manner in which the league of nations covenant puts handcuffs on the Irish, as some of them term it. There has been some noticeable peevishness among friends of the administration lately over the failure of a jury in New York to convict Jeremiah O'Leary of espionage law violations in connection with the publication of "Bull," but it is not believed that prejudices growing out of this case were responsible in any degree for President Wilson's alleged indifference to the Irish cause at the peace conference.

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No information could be obtained tonight from the shipping board as to whether a sale was made of the 25 wooden ships on which bids were opened today. It was said that a statement would be issued within the next 24 hours. Five of these ships were built in northwestern yards.

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A preference for South Wellington coal, which was included in specifications for coal for Forts Flagler, Worden, Casey and Ward on the north Pacific coast, on which bids are to be opened Wednesday, crept in by mistake, it was said by the war department today. Washington state coal producers who protested against this and expressed preference for British Columbia coal, will be advised to submit bids on Washington coal.

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The second battalion of the 162d infantry, also a detachment of the 147th field artillery, will be routed by way of Portland and will be permitted to stop over there for parade and reception, Senator McNary was told today. The George Washington reached New York today with 69 Oregon and Washington troops of the 127th infantry and one officer and 31 men of the 128th infantry, for Camp Lewis, according to advices received by Senator Chamberlain.

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The right of the railroads to fix a rate of 75 cents a hundred on steel from Pittsburg to Pacific coast terminals, as approved by the interstate commerce commission, was upheld by the supreme court in affirming a decision of the United States district court at Portland, Or. The action was brought by the Skinner & Eddy Shipbuilding corporation and involved practically all the railroads in the northwest.

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No approximate figures had been reached in the proposal to be submitted to the city of Portland and the state of Oregon for taking over the battleship Oregon, Acting Secretary of the Navy Roosevelt told Senator McNary late this afternoon.

"We have been conferring on this matter most of the day," said Mr. Roosevelt, "but have reached no concrete basis for a proposal."

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If possible airplane exhibitions will be given in other cities of Oregon, following the Rose Festival in Portland in June, Lieutenant-Colonel Watson of the army air service said today. It is planned to have the airplane squadron which is going to the Rose Festival from Mather field, Sacramento, Cal., remain in Oregon for ten days to two weeks.

PORTLAND COLONY GROWS

PARIS BECOMES RENDEZVOUS FOR PEOPLE KNOWN HERE.

J. Whitcomb Brougher and L. R. Alderman Now at Le Mons, Writes W. H. Warren, Portlander.

The Portland colony in Paris is a growing concern, according to W. H. Warren, former reporter of The Oregonian, who is in Le Mons, France, with the Y. W. C. A. Before leaving for his new post in Le Mons Mr. Warren spent several weeks in Paris, where he found a score or more of Portland friends engaged in war work, and he has since seen several more in Le Mons.

"My stay in Paris gave me opportunity to see several Portland men and women who are here in 'Y' work," writes Mr. Warren to his friends among Portland newspaper folk. "Dr. J. Whitcomb Brougher, former pastor of the White temple, and L. R. Alderman, former superintendent of schools, are here in Le Mons now.

"Others whom I have seen are Rev. E. B. Lockhart, former pastor of Lincoln and Clinton Kelly churches; R. A. Harris, former state printer and now head of the Paris records office; W. R. Bridges, formerly of The Oregonian; W. A. Eliot, bird life lecturer; Professor Coleman, of Reed college, here on social hygiene work, Walter S. McBride, formerly of The Oregonian, who has been here for two years with the French Foyers du soldat; Lieutenant-Colonel George A. White, formerly of The Oregonian, who has made a wonderful record over here and who expects to be home in May; Captain Fred M. West, former police sergeant and now assistant provost marshal in Paris; O. L. Ferris, assistant regional director here, a big job, and Miss Mary Frances Isom, Portland librarian.

"While in Paris I attended three days of Y. M. C. A. conferences, during which I discovered more than I had ever heard in all my life about what the 'Y' is doing over here. No matter what the criticism may be, the game is so big here that it fairly staggered me. When I was assigned to the publicity department, which will be under Sam Morse, of the New York Times, after May 1, I admit I scarcely knew where to start or where to leave off."

ADRIATIC CRISIS STIRS ALL

DEMAND FOR ANNEXATION OF FIUME PREVAILS IN ITALY.

Americans Much Impressed by Political and Historical Knowledge of Even Uneducated Italians.

BY BEATRICE BASKERVILLE.
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ROME, May 5.—(Special cable.)—The prolongation of the Adriatic crisis disturbs public opinion. D'Annunzio's demand for the immediate annexation of Fiume is echoed throughout the peninsula, irrespective of any man's politics or his place in society. The Americans now in Italy are much impressed by the political and historical knowledge of even uneducated Italians who declare with Latin vehemence:

"Fiume has belonged to Italy for centuries. The Jugo-Slavs are there now because they immigrated there. Would the Americans abandon cities of which the vast majority of the population is American because those cities are under foreign rule? No. And why should we, whose ancestors ruled the world when America was inhabited by redskins, abandon Fiume?"

Scavengers, porters, unskilled laborers of all kinds are arguing in this way here today. The opinion prevails that had the government declared the annexation of Fiume immediately after the chamber of deputies voted confidence in them, Paris would have invited the Italians to return to the peace conference even more hastily.

The public knows that the Jugo-Slavs cannot fight because they lack everything needed to go to war. The public will probably force the government to declare the annexation of Fiume, just as in May, 1915, it forced the government to join the allies.

MEDFORD PEOPLE REJOICE

VICTORY WEEK IS OPENED IN ENTHUSIASTIC MANNER.

Thousands Throng Streets and High Carnival Is Observed—Celebration Will Continue Week.

MEDFORD, Or., May 5.—(Special.)—With bands playing, soldiers marching, community singing and a general outburst of enthusiasm and joy, Medford opened victory week tonight with one of the most spectacular civic demonstrations in its history.

At one minute of 9 every light in the city went out and at 9 o'clock every light went on, disclosing to the thousands of persons thronging the streets store windows decorated in honor of the victory over Germany. The store windows had been covered during the day, so the sight was doubly effective.

Mayor Gates removed all noise restrictions and every conceivable noise-making instrument was used. After an hour of wild carnival there was dancing on the streets.

Victory week will close Saturday with a baby show, all fools' night and the awarding of prizes in the various contests held during the week.

DIVORCED PAIR RE-MARRY

OREGON CITY COUPLE DECIDE TO TRY AGAIN.

Husband's Parents Blamed by Wife for Trouble Between Mr. and Mrs. Leon T. Draper.

OREGON CITY, Or., May 5.—(Special.)—A sensational divorce case culminated in a surprise Saturday, when the couple concerned were remarried at Vancouver, Wash.

Leon T. Draper and Lena Draper of this city were divorced here a short time ago. Draper was in army service in France and soon after arriving home filed suit for divorce, charging his wife with infidelity. In answer to the complaint Mrs. Draper alleged that he husband's parents were to blame for the trouble and had made many untrue statements about her, and had even withheld his letters from her.

Mr. and Mrs. Draper left Saturday evening for California.

FAIR EXCURSIONS ORDERED

Railroad Administration to Give Reduced Rates in Washington.

SEATTLE, May 5. — The Seattle branch of the United States railroad administration today announced granting of special round-trip rates of 1½ fares for state and county fairs. Tickets will be sold the day before the opening of the fairs during their progress and will be good for final return up to a day after the close of the fairs.

A special rate of 2 cents a mile in each direction has also been authorized for the G. A. R. encampment to be held in Wenatchee June 17-20.

Federal Law Claims Freed Man.

TACOMA, May 5. — When Charles Oberk stepped from the courtroom in the Pacific courthouse after a jury had acquitted him of a charge of bootlegging, federal authorities arrested him and today brought him to Tacoma to be tried in federal court in connection with alleged wholesale importations of liquor into this state through Raymond. The liquor, it is alleged, was brought to Willapa harbor on steamers from California.

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IRISHMEN OF OREGON BOOSTING FOR ERIN

Senator McNary Gets Messages From Constituents.

LEAGUE COVENANT RAPPED

People of Emerald Isle Handicapped by Peace Conference Document, Declare Some Critics.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Authority of the director-general of railroads and the postmaster-general to increase intrastate railroad, telegraph and telephone rates throughout the country was argued today in the supreme court in connection with appeals from proceedings originating in several states. Hearing in the railroad case was finished, but arguments in the wire rate cases will not be concluded until tomorrow.

The appeal in the railroad case came from North Dakota, while the telegraph and telephone rate cases arose from proceedings in South Dakota, Kansas, Massachusetts and Illinois. Briefs as amici curia were filed in the two cases on behalf of the National Association of Railroad and Public Utility Commissioners, representing about 35 states, and separately by the states of Pennsylvania Ohio and Wisconsin, the city of Detroit and the Protective Telephone association of Baltimore.

Hearings Attract Attention.

The proceedings attracted wide attention and attorney-generals from many states were in the courtroom. Arguments for the railroad administration were made in the railroad case by John Barton Payne and Charles Donnelly, while Frank E. Packard of Bismarck, N. D. and W. V. Tanner of Olympia, Wash., former attorney-general of Washington, appeared for the North Dakota authorities. In the telephone cases arguments were opened by Solicitor-General King, who was followed by W. H. Hitchcock of Boston, assistant attorney-General of Massachusetts.

Argument in both cases today centered principally upon the contention of the states that the government's action in fixing intrastate rates was an interference with the state police powers. Solicitor-General King and Mr. Payne denied this, asserting that the railroad control act, as well as the joint resolution by which the government took supervision of the wires, clearly gave the president this authority.

Federal Action Defended.

The solicitor-general argued that in increasing telephone and telegraph rates the postmaster-general was acting in behalf of the public as the corporations which own the wires through government control had ceased to operate them and acted solely as the government's agents. He accused the states bringing the proceedings with attempting to interfere with government operation of these facilities and asked for the dismissal of the wire cases on the ground that the suits were brought against the government without its consent.

Mr. Hitchcock argued that the police powers provided for in the wire resolution applied to the states in a broad sense, as congress intended to include the right of the states to regulate his powers in interfering with telephone rates and with unlawfully invading state powers. The Massachusetts attorney denied that the states were attempting to interfere with the government's operation of the telephones.

LEAGUE DECLARED FAILURE

SENATOR POINDEXTER BEWAILS SURRENDER TO JAPAN.

Action Asserted to Be Illustration of Both Futility and Hypocricy of Long-Heralded Covenant.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Action of the peace conference in conferring to Japan territory and rights in the Shantung peninsula was declared by Senator Poindexter of Washington, republican, in a statement tonight, to be a surrender by league of nations advocates of their purported object of guaranteeing territorial integrity and political independence of its members. The Washington senator asserted that it was "a very good illustration of both the futility and hypocrisy of the league of nations."

"If iti a necessary to surrender the purported objects of the league in order to gain the adherence of Japan and other nations," Senator Poindexter said, "it would seem that little reason for its existence remains. On the contrary, the 'supreme sacrifices' referred to by Mr. Wilson are made, but no corresponding benefits or alleged benefits are received in return.

"If we are to abandon our traditional policy of minding our own business and living in friendly intermourse and amity with all, where no great emergency endangers our vital interests, it would certainly seem we should at least not become associated and partners in the partitioning, without their consent and against their protests, of the lands and possessions of other and friendly peoples.

"The league of nations is not worth such a price. It becomes at its very inception what it is bound to be throughout its existence, an instrument of oppression."

ALL RESTRICTION IS OFF

FREE MARKET FOR SILVER IN U. S. AND WORLD RESTORED.

Action of Federal Reserve Board Is Likely to Have World-Wide Effect on Metal Movement.

WASHINGTON, May 5.—Restrictions on the export of silver and standardization of the price at $1.01½ per fine ounce were removed today by the federal reserve board, thus in effect establishing a free market for silver in the United States and throughout the world.

War-time restrictions were imposed last August 15.

Heretofore the reserve board permitted export of silver only for civil or military purposes in connection with the prosecution of the war and only in case the price paid by the exporters was not more than $1.01½ per fine ounce.

"The occasion which required these limitations on the export of silver having now passed," said the board's announcement, "the federal reserve board will hereafter, unless a governmental necessity may again arise, follow its former policy of granting freely and without condition all applications for the export of silver bullion coin of foreign mintage.

"This change of the policy of granting licenses does not do away with the necessity of filing an application for licenses to export silver bullion or silver coin of foreign mintage. Such applications must, as heretofore, be filed through the federal reserve banks of the appropriate district, but such applications will be freely granted.

"The secretary of the treasury does not contemplate any further sales of silver under the Pittman act, except to the directors of the mint."

The Pittman act authorizes the melting down of silver dollars held in the government vaults and their sale to the allies. It also established a price of $1 an ounce at which the government must buy silver. Approximately 200,000,000 ounces of silver, obtained from silver dollars, have been shipped to India since April, 1918, to meet demands for coinage there. Director of the Mint Baker under the new situation may buy from himself silver obtained from melting the dollars and use it for the subsidiary coinage of half-dollars, quarters and dimes.

Federal reserve notes of about $200,000,000 have been issued to replace silver certificates withdrawn when silver dollars were melted. Most officials here believe the market price of silver will rise with restrictions removed. Since the American price dominates the world price, the action of the reserve board and the treasury is expected to have a world-wide effect.

PORTLAND YOUTH CAPTAIN

HARVEY J. SILVESTONE PROMOTED FOR BRAVERY.

Former Engineering Student at University of Oregon Now With 2d Division in Germany.

Citation for bravery and initiative in action and promotion from private to captain have come to Harvey J. Silverstone, 26, of Portland, former employe of Lange & Co., and later an engineering student at the University of Oregon.

Young Silverstone, who is now with the 2d division in Germany, as a top sergeant. In August, 1917, he sailed for France with one of the first units of engineers with the rank of top sergeant. In November, 1917, he was commissioned as second lieutenant and was assigned to the machine gun branch of the service. In March, 1918, he was promoted to a first lieutenancy in the 5th machine gun battalion.

He participated in the battles of Chateau Thierry, including the capture of Vaux, in the battle of Vierzy and Cantigny, in the big offensive at St Mihiel, in the battle of Mont Blanc and finally in the battle of the Argonne.

During the battle of the Argonne his unit was a part of the famous fighting 2d division and he headed his company as acting captain. Friends have learned that he personally took a machine gun and silenced a Boche heavy Maxim, forcing the surrender of a lieutenant and 20 men just outside of Landres. In the battle of Chateau-Thierry he was cited in division orders.

I. W. W. PICNIC IS LIVELY

"Reds" Strew Oregon City Highways With Literature.

OREGON CITY, May 5.—Seven carloads of I. W. W., bedecked with flaming red badges and loaded with literature, came up from Portland Sunday to Canemah park, where they held an all day picnic. A long program was held and many I. W. W speeches were made by the leaders.

The crowd did not leave Canemah until 8 o'clock in the evening and when passing through Oregon city and Gladstone littered the streets with their propaganda. "The Rebel Worker," published in New York, was widely distributed. Local citizens in attendance at the picnic say there were many radical speeches made. The dancing card had every number named for some union of workers affiliated with the organization.

FISHERMAN RECOVERS BODY

Mrs. Rose Addleman of Gervais Believed to Have Ended Life.

SALEM, Or., May 5.—(Special.)—The body of Mrs. Rose Addleman, 64 years old, who disappeared from her home, near Gervais, on the night of April 24, was found floating in Pudding river, several miles from Gervais, by a fisherman last evening.

Sheriff Needham, who has been conducting a search for the missing woman, believes it is a case of suicide, and no inquest will be held. Mrs. Addleman is believed to have been temporarily demented.

MINISTERS BEGIN TO PROTEST

Cincinnati Methodist Pastors to Oppose Holding Big Bout.

CINCINNATI, May 5.—Reports that the Willard-Dempsey boxing bout would be held in Toledo caused the Cincinnati Methodist Ministers' association this afternoon to adopt resolutions to protest against holding the affair in Ohio or in any other state.

The resolutions will be sent to a ministers' association of every county in Ohio, it was announced.

FARMER SAVES SITUATION

Response to War Call for More Food Remarkable One.

WASHINGTON.—American dressed-meat production, including lard, amounted in 1918 to 20,129,800,000 pounds—a quantity never before approached in magnitude by the livestock industry of this or any other country. The corresponding figure for 1917 was 16,317,300,000 pounds.

Three-fourths of this enormous increase was in pork and one-fourth was in beef.

The meat surplus in 1918 was so great that extra export demands made little impression on it, although 1918 export shipments of meat and lard nearly doubled the 1917 figures- rising from slightly less than 1¾ billion pounds to slightly more than 3 billion pounds—and these figures do not include shipments to American military forces abroad.

The aggregate 1917 consumption of dressed meat and lard in the United States was approximately 14,500,000,000 pounds, but in 1918 it rose to 17,250,000,000 pounds. This means, after allowing for increase in population, an addition of 23 pounds for every man, woman and child in the country—despite the food conservation campaign which in 1917 caused consumption to decline considerably.

"While the people as a whole through their abstinence averted the immediate crisis, it was the farmer who was the really big factor in the ultimate situation," says the bureau of animal industry, United States department of agriculture. "The producer, of course, was epected to do his part, but he did it with such powerful effect that in a single year the meat shortage was turned into a pronounced surplus. Thus in 1918 there was not only meat enough to supply all foreign demands compatible with the restricted shipping facilities, but a greatly enlarged quantity was available for home consumption.

"To be sure, it cost the farmer more, much more, to feed his animals and get them to market. Likewise all other steps from producer to consumer became more costly, hence the high prices. But the unprecedented prosperity of the people as a whole enabled them to afford the increased cost. In fact, laboring people probably consumed more meat during the past year than in pre-war times.

"The total number of cattle slaughtered in 1918 is estimated at 15,750,000, as against 13,723,900 in 1917. Their average weights were practically the same for both years and the beef produced from them was 6,686,000,000 pounds in 1917 and 7,641,000,000 pounds in 1918. This was a remarkable achievement, as it hardly would have been credited that beef growers could increase their production 1,000,000,000 pounds in one year.

"The hog matures quickly, therefore a much more rapid increase would be looked for than was the case with cattle. Even so, the results for 1918 can be described anly as stupendous. The hogs marketed in 1918 numbered 69,854,700, as against 57,483,800 in 1917. Furthermore, the average weight was 9½ pounds more per hog in 1918. Thus when the animals are turned into pork and lard we have a total production of 11,225,684,000 pounds in 1918, as against 8,478,289,000 pounds in 1917, an increase of 2,747,355,000 pounds, ar 32.4 per cent, nearly one-third."

Striking increases in exporost are also shown b ythe bureau. Beef shipments abroad in 1918 were 94 per cent more than in 1917—the chief 1918 items being 514,000,000 pounds of fresh beef and 141,000,000 pounds of canned beef. Exports of pork and lard in 1918 amounted to 3,279,287,030 pounds—which was 71.7 per cent more than the quentity sent abroad in 1917.

The bureau shows that in the aggregate more meat by far is eaten in the United States than in any other country in the world—although some sparsely settled countries raising much meat have a larger per capita consumption. It also says that there is room in the United States for a great expansion in the use of mutton and lamb.

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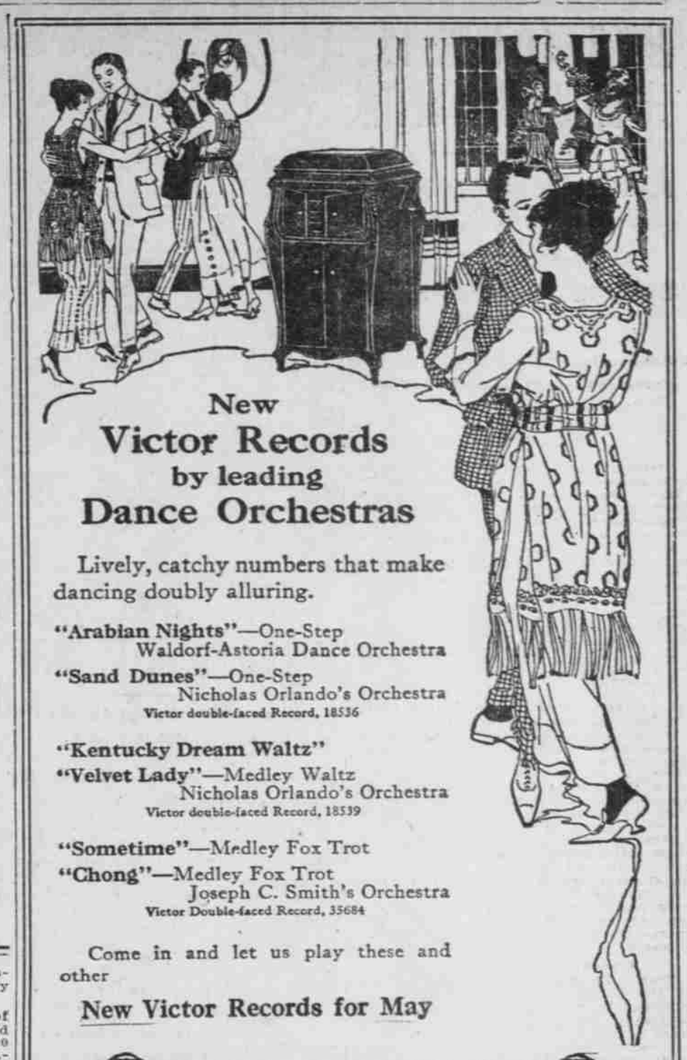

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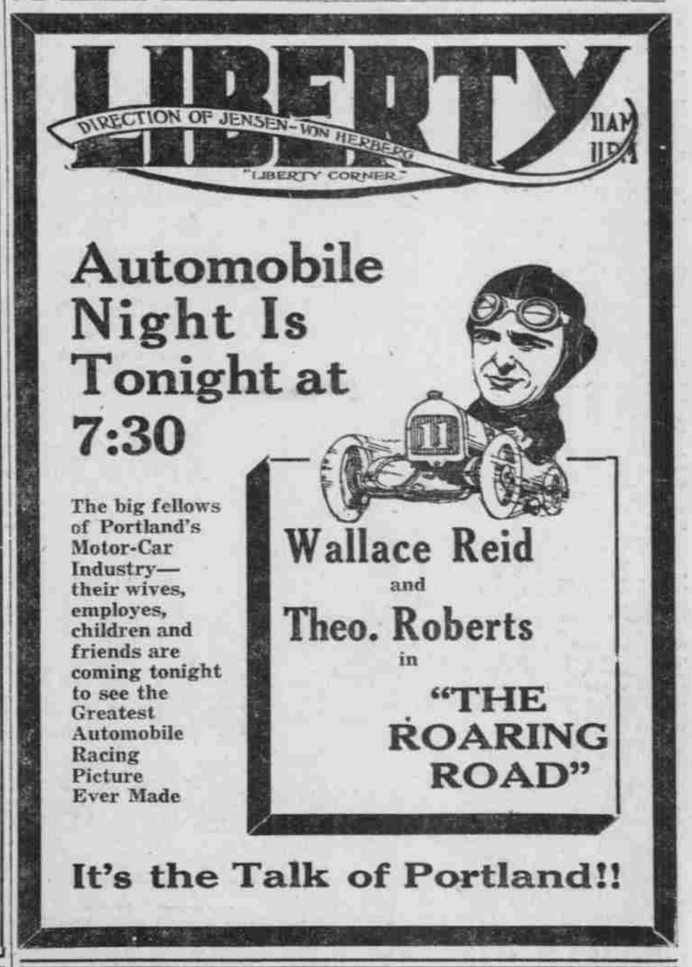

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