

American Veteran

New Orleans Is Getting Ready For Convention

ILLUMINATED by 25,000 electric lights and decorated with flags, banners and streamers, the downtown streets of New Orleans will be in holiday regalia during the American Legion national convention next October. For five days the conventional names of business streets will be thrown into the discard and they will be rechristened with designations more appropriate to the legion gathering.

A court of honor of the nations will be established in 10 blocks, each block being set aside for one of the principal allied powers, with corresponding flags and decorations. Signs indicating the names of the states, with their contributions in numbers of World war fighters, will feature the court of honor of the states, to be held on the principal residential street. American Legion avenue will be decorated with legion banners and emblems.

Visiting doughboys in search of their buddies will be assisted in the establishment of the streets of the divisions. Suspended across the streets utilized for this purpose will be the insignias of all divisions in the World war army. Impromptu reunions of men who served in the same division will be held near the banners inscribed with their divisional insignia.

William B. Follett of Portland, first department commander of the American Legion in Oregon, has received an appointment from National Commander Hanford McNider as his personal representative at the Los Angeles convocation of the United Spanish War Veterans, to be held August 21 to 25. Follett returned only a month ago from a year in Europe, during which he sought to recuperate from the strenuous work of the preceding two years in American Legion circles. He was not permitted to rest a great deal even there, being appointed chairman of the Veterans' federation, meeting in Paris last December, and representative of the state of Oregon on the first American Legion tour of the foreign countries.

At the Paris meeting Follett captured the next convention of the international association for the United States over considerable opposition advanced because of the expense of the trip for European delegates. It will be held in New Orleans in October and immediately prior to the national legion convention. Follett was the only national vice commander of the legion the southwest had obtained, being chosen at the Minneapolis convention in 1919, and the first Oregon state commander, elected in September, 1919. Mr. Follett will leave Portland next Thursday for the south, in order to be in attendance at the Spanish War Veterans' convention on the opening day.

T. Semmes Walmsley, chairman of the convention arrangements committee for the coming national convention of the American Legion, who is in New Orleans in the middle week of October, has informed Harry N. Nelson, adjutant of the Oregon department of the American Legion, that the Oregon legionnaires attending the convention will be quartered in the famous Grunewald, considered one of the finest hotels of New Orleans. The Oregon delegation of legionnaires, having been shunted off to hotels in distant parts of the city, the Louisiana convention committee deemed it opportune to obtain a legion legionnaires the best they had. The number of legionnaires going from Oregon has not yet been definitely ascertained, but it is expected that at least 100 will make the journey to the famous old Southern city.

Thousands of people were attracted to the sound of the Whitney boys' chorus, which played here last Sunday and the audience of the Seattle post of the American Legion. The post and the public were well pleased with the entertainment afforded by the boys' chorus. This is the means of the post officers installing pep into their membership, getting ready for the fifth annual convention of the American Legion, which will be held in their city in September.

In their recent welfare and entertainment enterprise the sum of \$900 was raised, and it was decided by the post that this will be taken toward building a legion home in the city to show the legionnaires when they visit the resort city for the legion seasons.

McMinnville post No. 21, American Legion, has decided to call its portion of the fair "Seaside Encampment." The post will cooperate with the county fair board and the Commercial club in their attempt to establish a county fair by taking care of all the entertainment and concessions. At the recent post meeting it was the unanimous opinion that this fair would surpass by far previous ones. Some special features are now being worked up by post committees. The fair will be held September 19, 20 and 21.

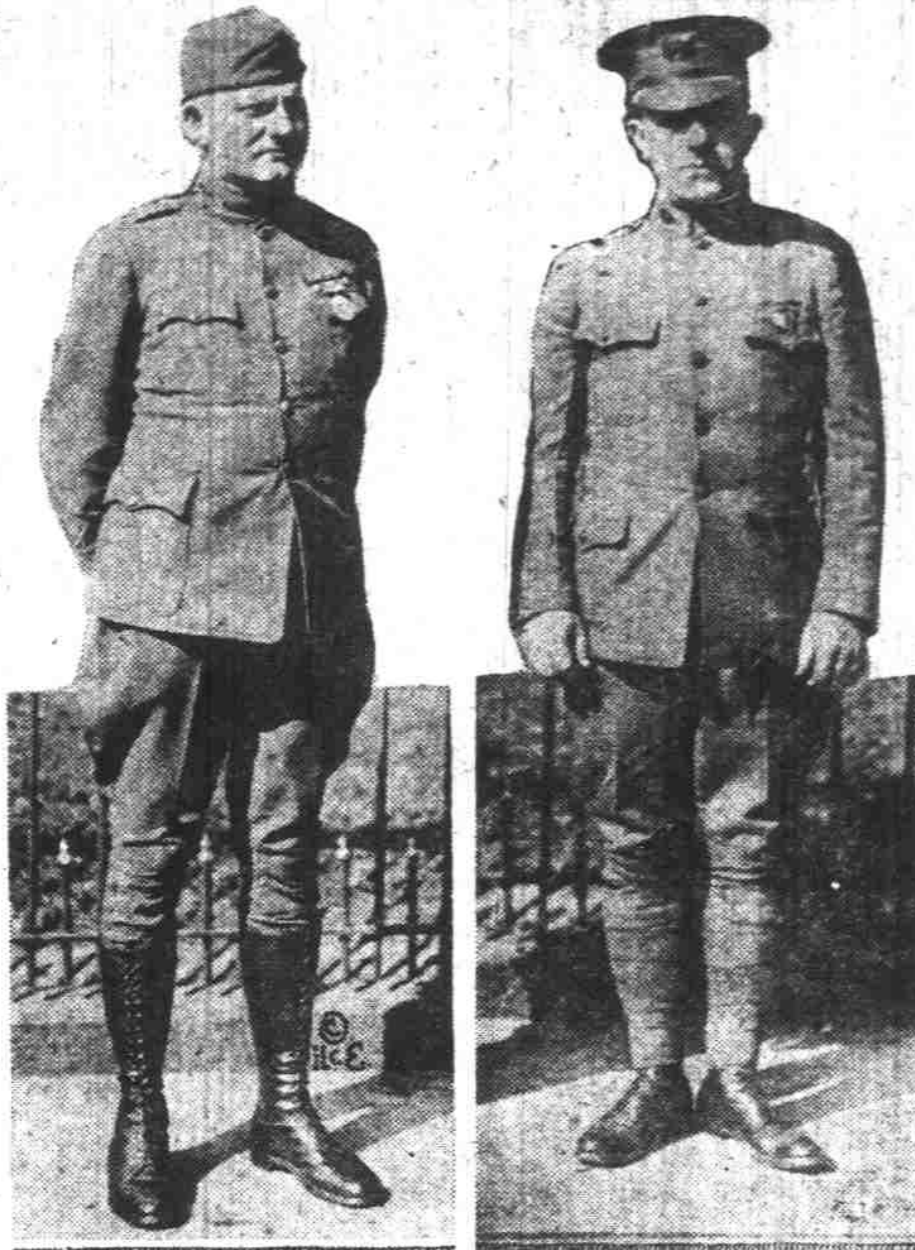
Due to the generosity of a number of business men of The Dalles, quartermaster of the American Legion, in the new civic auditorium dedicated to the men of Wasco county who went into the service, are now completely and beautifully equipped. All the furniture was ordered specifically made from a Portland concern and has been on display at the Hackett-Gott furniture store for the last two weeks.

Recent arrivals in the city were Dick Weber of The Dalles, who was chairman of the parade committee for the recent state convention. With him came Bill Wilhelm, finance officer of The Dalles veterans of the fun branch. They returned Friday after visiting legion state headquarters and relatives residing in Portland.

Stanfield post No. 93 recently gave a successful mid-harvest dance in the Watts auditorium. The American Legion auxiliary furnished a first-class supper. Being highly successful, the post intends to put on another dance within the near future.

Moving of Yakima Agency to Be Urged
Yakima, Wash., Aug. 12—Yakima business men will join with Toppenish in an appeal to the Indian department to move the Yakima agency from Fort Steenoe to some more accessible place on the reservation. The agency, established in the early '50s, is about 25 miles from Yakima on a remote part of the reservation. The road is a dirt road that is bad for nine months of the year. The Indians protested an order changing the agency to Toppenish, which they advised would mean rum runners, and an investigation is planned.

Mr. Watson, 24, is in a critical condition in a Spokane hospital, both legs having been severed when he fell from a train on which he was stealing a ride.



Left, Robert G. Woodside, commander in chief of Veterans of Foreign Wars. Right, J. W. Jones of Portland, who is senior vice-commander and candidate for national commander.

Fidacs to Meet With Legion in Big Convention

WITH the third international convention of the Federation Internationale des Anciens Combattants, or Fidacs for short, coming to New Orleans just before and in conjunction with the fourth national convention of the American Legion, which is scheduled for October 14-21, comes the opportunity for Americans to know something first-hand of a great organization, unique in history and significant in world affairs. A brief sketch of the interrelated federation will serve as a background to its introduction, which has aroused the interest of millions of American veterans.

The Fidac congress is being held at New Orleans at the invitation of the American Legion. Fidac had its inception in November, 1920, when representatives of large veterans' associations in France met in Paris for the purpose of affiliation. Authorized delegates from the United States, France, the British Empire, Italy, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Roumania and Serbia (now Jugo-Slavia), attended. The present constitution was drawn up and adopted, with the avowed purpose of maintaining the bonds of fraternal comradeship forged between allied combatants on the battlefields.

Charles Bertrand of France was elected president at the first convention; Cabot Ward of the American Legion was first vice president, and G. B. Crook of the British Empire second vice president. An Italian representative was named treasurer and a Belgian delegate assistant treasurer.

Since that time the organization has grown rapidly. The present membership of the federation was chosen as a member of the executive committee. During the first year of operation matters were handled by the executive committee, and from February, 1921, regular monthly meetings of the committee were held in Paris.

Results of the work may be mentioned in the foundation of the British Legion, which amalgamated the three largest societies of veterans in the empire. The Franco-British-American ceremonies on the American Memorial day, May 30, exemplified the magnificent relations among the nations. The federation was instrumental in facilitating. Close contact was also maintained with the Belgian and Italian societies to build up closer and more cordial relations among the nations. Results of the work may be mentioned in the foundation of the British Legion, which amalgamated the three largest societies of veterans in the empire.

Surmounting rapidly the many obvious difficulties which arise in the formation of such a federation, the foundations were being laid for future practical and efficient operation. National legislation was being studied in all the countries represented, plans for inter-allied membership were perfected and the work necessary for the second annual convention outlined. The legal committee, formed at the close of the first year, was composed of eminent jurists of the United States, Great Britain, France and Belgium.

Finances were one big problem in the early stages of Fidac development. The rate of exchange threatened to prevent many nations from keeping up active membership in the federation. After a long and careful study the first convention had decided that the dues of the various members should be based upon the financial status of the countries represented. The dues should be paid in the coinage of the respective countries without consideration of the fluctuations of exchange. The dues were placed at one centime, or two mills, per member of the societies affiliated in each country, plus a yearly subscription of the same amount. Plans for the future were obtained to provide a small office in Paris with a general secretary and stenographer, together with administrative expenses involved.

A veterans' organization seeking to affiliate with Fidac in the future must have its application approved and presented through representatives of their country who already hold membership in the federation. The wisdom of this provision was evident in the fact that the original members of the federation were placed on the list of the largest organization and most representative of their nation's veterans. It was designed to bar from membership any societies or individuals with political ambitions, bolshevik or radical propaganda, and in general, those associations which did not have as one of their objects the maintenance of law and order. During the year, however, both formal and informal applications were made by nationalities not included in the original membership.

ROWAN LAUGHS AT RIVAL CLAIM FOR GARCIA MESSAGE

Major, Who Was Decorated by Congress, Declares Theatrical Man Is "Having Some Fun."

San Francisco, Aug. 12.—(U. P.)—Major Andrew S. Rowan, recently decorated by congress for carrying the now famous "Message to Garcia," brushed a few breakfast crumbs from his face with a napkin and settled back to hear that Major Francis E. Woodward, Los Angeles theatrical man, carried a message or so himself.

"I think the Los Angeles theatrical man is trying to have some fun," quietly commented Rowan as he heard Woodward's story which, if correct, would indicate congress either decorated the wrong man or that Garcia received a good many messages.

"I was a very close friend of Elbert Hubbard," Rowan explained. It was Hubbard who wrote the original story "A Message to Garcia."

CHATS WITH HUBBARD

"He came to my home here and we have had many chats together. I visited him during his lifetime in East Aurora.

"If the Los Angeles man had taken time to read the 'Apologia' to 'A Message to Garcia,' he would not have spoken."

Major Rowan produced the book. "There it is in Elbert Hubbard's own language." He pointed to Hubbard's statement on why he wrote the "Message."

If read as follows:
"The immediate suggestion came from a little argument over the teacups when my boy, Bert, suggested that Rowan was the real hero of the Cuban war. Rowan had gone alone and done the thing—carried the message to Garcia."

PUBLISHER OVERWHELMED

The Philistine, Hubbard's magazine, was over-subscribed for that issue, states the "Apologia." He further says:

"The next day a telegram came from George H. Daniels of the New York Central railroad, thus: 'Give prices on 100,000 Rowan article in pamphlet form—Empire State Express Advertisement on back—also how soon can ship.'"

"'Apologia' is dated December 1, 1913, and stated that at that time 40,000,000 copies had been printed. 'I guess that is sufficient evidence,'" said Major Rowan.

"And the story throughout speaks of me."

CARRIES REAL MESSAGE

"I know that I carried the real message to Garcia, but I am not saying that other messages weren't sent to Garcia. I landed in Cuba in an open boat, found Garcia, learned of the climate and topography of the country, what supplies the Cuban forces needed and then reported back."

"The whole story is recorded briefly in Edwin Marchant's 'The Real America in Romance.'"

"The Los Angeles man might have taken a message to some other Garcia, as Garcias are as numerous as Smiths in this country."

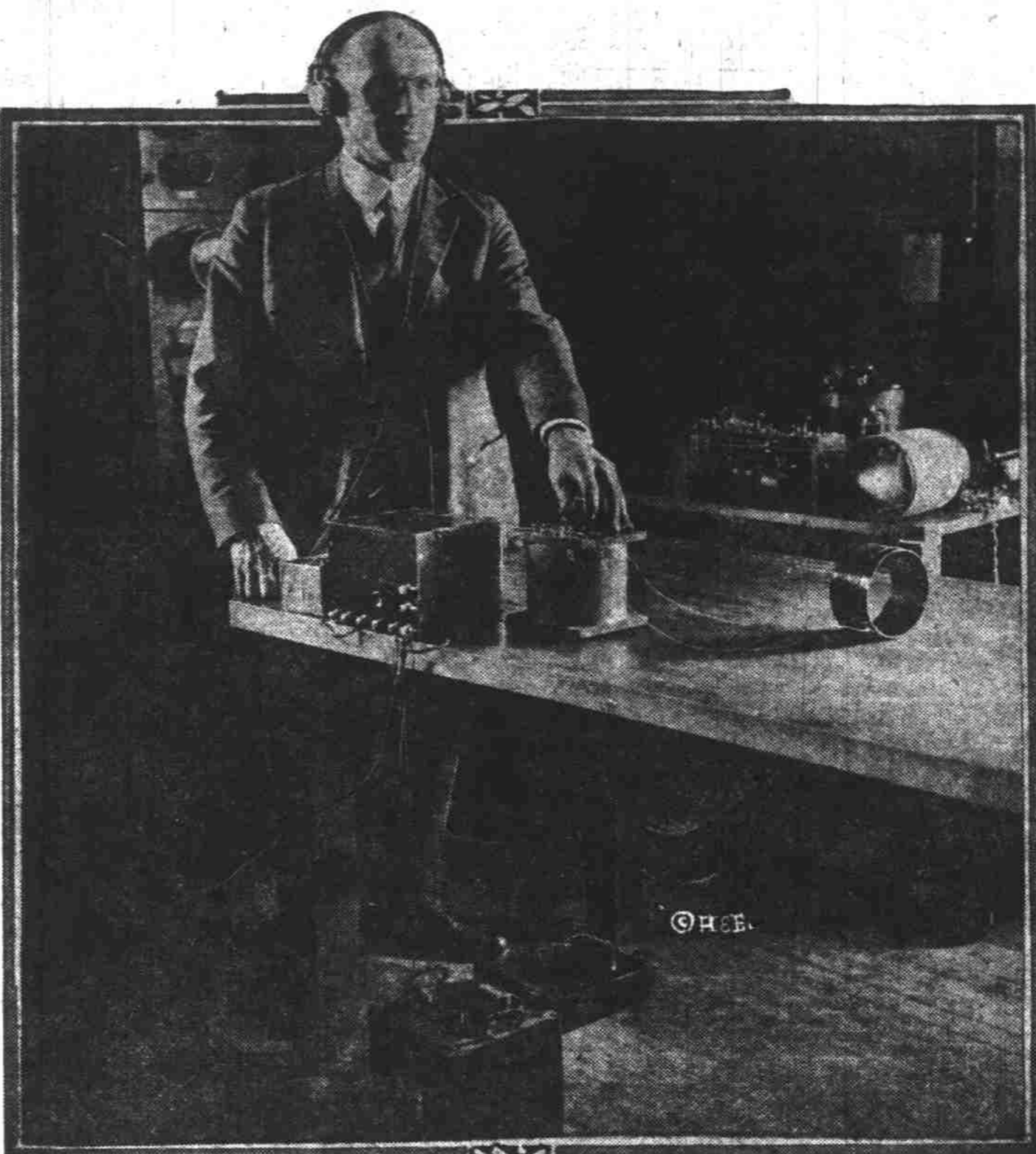
"But I am the original of Elbert Hubbard's story, I am sure."

Former Portland Man Is Appointed

C. W. Dickinson, tie and timber agent for the Denver & Rio Grande Western Railway company at Portland for many years, has been made supervisor of refrigerator service and icing on the D. & R. G., with headquarters at Denver, according to announcement made by E. B. Duffy, traveling freight and passenger agent for the company here. J. W. Becker, former supervisor of all lumber purchases for the railroad, will come here to succeed Dickinson. The D. & R. G. W. has purchased approximately \$2,000,000 worth of lumber in Oregon during the last three years.

While playing in Cedar creek, near Woodland, Wednesday, Johnny Spring, 14, was accidentally drowned and his mother almost lost her life in an attempt to rescue him.

Radio News



EXPERIMENTS performed by Dr. J. J. Miller of the radio research laboratory of the United States navy have resulted in the development of what is called the "universal amplifier." This piece of apparatus, the black box on the table, makes it possible to amplify radio signals over a great range in wave lengths.

New Compass Radio to Be Put on Ships

By Claude L. Simpson
INSTALLATION of the new Kolster radio compass and position finder which has been ordered for the steamer Rose City of the San Francisco & Portland Steamship Co., marks a new wireless achievement tending to safeguard the lives of passengers and crew. According to Captain T. J. Matson, veteran post-skipper of the Rose City, the radio has eliminated the dangers of Blunts Reef, Cal., which has been the dread of navigators making the Pacific coast run. The Rose City will be the first of the Pacific coast liners to carry the Kolster compass.

Robert Warrack, superintendent of the 17th lighthouse district has been instructed to install the Kolster radio compass on all stations in his district. The recent demonstration of the new radio on board the steamer Sequoia at San Francisco proved the immense value of the new invention in face of the severest test possible.

Dr. Kolster, the inventor of the system, was blinded and the compass covered up. The Sequoia was set 20 degrees off the course and Dr. Kolster was requested to get her on her course with no assistance from anybody else. He took a bearing and asked the helmsman to set the ship to the course indicated by the wires; in other words, the lubber's line was to be put in the same position as the eight wires of the radio compass. This was done, and from time to time Dr. Kolster, who was still blindfolded, took bearings indicating what the helmsman should do to keep the course. After 10 minutes the light vessel was sighted ahead, thus indicating that it is perfectly feasible to steer the vessel by the radio compass alone, with no other means available.

In the morning the Sequoia went out in San Francisco bay through a heavy fog. The course was set by having visitors take readings themselves and a record was kept of the first five. These readings agreed within one degree in every case, although the men before seen a radio compass, nor had they ever listened to telegraph signals.

Rural Schools Use Radiophone

(By International News Service)
HONOLULU, Aug. 12.—Plans for the inauguration of rural education in Hawaii by radio telephone have been announced by Vaughan MacCaughy, superintendent of public instruction at Honolulu.

Superintendent MacCaughy's plan calls for the installation of their radiophone receiving sets in all rural schools, which at first will be used primarily to enable both school children and adults in the community to "listen in" on the regular broadcasts of musical and other entertainment numbers from Honolulu, working along the lines of making rural school houses serve as community centers.

Plans also are being worked out for the broadcasting of extension courses, particularly in agriculture, from the extension department of the University of Hawaii at Honolulu, a feature which is expected to prove of great value to farmers in the outlying districts.

Radio Bugs

Radio fans may make requests for any special phonograph record they wish to hear by broadcast by making the request to the Hallock & Watson Radio Service, No. 192 Park street, Portland. The records if available in the city will be played as soon as previous requests have been complied with. The program to be played in the daily program and will include the name of the fan making the request.

What is a radio fan?
That is a question that has aroused many people who have seen the strange antics of the so-called lunatics of the air in the various phases of their work. They have been seen scouting around on roofs looking for a location suitable for an antenna; they have been seen prowling around electrical shops in search of copper wire or scurrying home with an assortment of oddly shaped bundles containing the necessary things that go to make a radio outfit.

To the query as to what a radio fan is, there have been many answers. The best and most authentic description of this new type of person is summed up in the statement that a radio fan is a "nut with a bug in it."

Washington, D. C., Aug. 12.—According to statistics compiled by the bureau of standards, "static" or "atmosphere" are most common during the period between April 1 and October 1. The strength of these atmospheres varies, ranging from a weak minor interference to a continual crashing that may last all night.

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Not so long ago there was a serious case of radioitis reported from Albina. It seems that J. O. Genoud, a young pharmacist, became inoculated with the radio germ and could find nothing in his apothecary shop to assist his recovery. Genoud is figuring out an intricate system whereby he can import from the Canadian line several cases of—well, the Volstead law is in effect and the name shouldn't be mentioned, but with three guesses available, only one is needed.

Last but not least there is the sad case of one Morton Frank Hager, a promising young commuter from Oswego. Hager caught the dread ailment from his younger brother, Roderick, who specializes in crystal sets that can be made for 30 cents. The disease spread in the family with great rapidity, for now Hager is catching all manner of concerts and rackets at his domicile.

Yes, verily, the radio fan is a nut with a bug in it, and the plague, if such it may be called, is spreading throughout the nation.

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"Kop" Is Call For Police of Detroit City

SOONER or later in every game a joker comes popping up before the players. Sometimes that joker is very embarrassing and at other times it is merely to create fun and diversion.

The radio game has gone on for some time and there have been several of the jokers floating around in the air, but the funniest is without doubt the one that lit on the aerial of the broadcasting station operated by the Detroit police department.

The call sign of that station is "KOP." That is as it should be, for what is a police station if it isn't the hangout for all the "flat feet?"

Now the Detroiters can get his "arm of the law" by loudly and lustily calling via radio for "KOP." That ought to be easy, too, for there is something in the call that reminds one of the guardians of municipal peace that are so seldom seen when they are wanted. They can be called by the Detroiters from sound slumber by the radio.

Maybe the city will sooner or later have a receiving set installed in the helmet of each copper as he patrols his beat. Then when an argument arises with the loa-man and the pick is brought into play the party of the defense can summon aid.

The only objection to the system is that without a doubt the burglar's union will see that a radio set is installed at their meeting place. Then by the aid of a directional radio compass the movements of the cops can be traced out.

This of course is one of the drawbacks that must be overcome. Maybe the cops will do this by using the "scrambled" system of transmitting, but that will be a dangerous stunt, for what would an added message mean to a cop with such equipment under his hat? Ah, there is the rub—as it were.

Be that as it may, the broadcasting stunt is becoming quite popular and statistics show that at present there are more than 400 licensed stations in the country. They extend from one end of the country to the other and take in very nearly every form of activity. Schools, churches, newspapers, electrical supply stores and other institutions have licenses and are using them.

Springfield, Or.—The first radio service to be had in Springfield was completed on Tuesday evening. The poles and receiving station were placed on the home of Philip Johnson on East Main street. On Tuesday evening he listened in to San Francisco, Seattle, Spokane and Portland.

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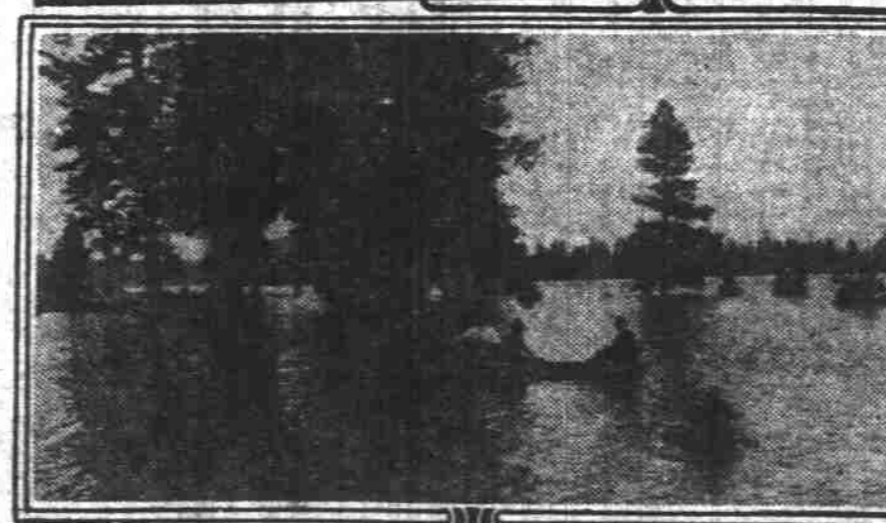
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WATER CHANGES LANDSCAPE



Two views of Thompson valley storage reservoir showing large trees partially submerged. Mt. Hager is seen in the distance. Below—Trees under water in reservoir. This picture is taken looking southeast toward Mt. Schroeder. The Thompson valley reservoir is a part of the Silver Lake project.