

LEAGUE MEETING AT GENEVA BEING WATCHED BY ALL

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Geneva, Sept. 12.—The league meetings, whether of the assembly or of the committees, are followed by an ever growing group of international spectators, both critics and enthusiasts. The reason is obvious. The league activities touch, on the one hand, Utopia and the dream of a better future, and on the other hand, every step in the economic game of grab or sordid international politics.

The consensus of opinion among the Americans present is that the American government continues to consider European, American and Asiatic governments grouped for efficiency in a League of Nations as something different from the same governments taken separately. To a great extent the league embodies the moral conscience of nine tenths of mankind.

WARNING TO TURKS
Its latest step through the council in warning the Turks that supposed atrocities on the part of the Greeks will not in any sense excuse counter atrocities by the Turks, must meet with the approval of all humane citizens everywhere.

The league's intractability is also growing. Peru's withdrawal and the supposed threat of Nicaragua to withdraw, acts which every supposed please Washington, are offset by the fact that Hungary is coming in, Czechoslovakia has apparently withdrawn all opposition to it, and it is now merely a matter of form and a few days' time. Germany's entrance will not be discussed this year, though it no longer meets with bitter opposition even from the French, some of whom feel that the presence of the Germans in the league would help to force respect for international obligations upon that country.

CECIL PLAN SUPPORTED
But the great question is that of disarmament. Monday's discussion was lively, and the so called Cecil plan found many supporters, and the British gave conditional adherence to many points. Some time today, according to the writer's information, Fisher will declare the approval by his government, first of the extension of naval limitation to powers not signatories of the Washington agreement or the Seagrave plan, and second, of the Cecil scheme for land disarmament. Fisher, in his speech Monday, regretted deeply the unwillingness of the United States to enter into an agreement for a limitation of the manufacture of arms by private concerns. Without such an agreement, the limitation would be impracticable elsewhere. Perhaps few persons realize to what an extent Europe's post-armistice brambles have been waged with American-made war material.

AGAINST FALSE HOPES
One of the features of the discussion of the disarmament question was the speech of the French delegate, M. De Jouvenil. The Frenchman, while paying ample homage to the idealism of Lord Robert Cecil, urged the delegates not to arouse false hopes. The French point of view, he said, really hesitated between a real desire to adhere to the disarmament plan with proper guarantees the moment economic settlements permit it, and a real fear of the combined forces of Germany and Russia. He considered that guarantees should precede disarmament. Lord Robert, however, holds that the two are inseparable, and must be realized simultaneously.

NORWEGIAN VIEW GIVEN
The Norwegian point of view was ably expressed by Herr Lange, who said he preferred a series of local groupings according to the desire of the several states, and these groups could finally work toward amalgamation. He sternly held the attention of the delegates to realities when he declared that the league's energies should not be concentrated on the regulation of details such as preventing the use

of poison gas, but on preventing war. According to him, armaments could be reduced because they really do not give the security which the nations demand.

The outstanding fact is that no nation dares to oppose or condemn as Utopian the disarmament plan. The success of the Washington conference has had an encouraging effect on all the world's efforts for betterment. It is hoped here that the Pan-American conference of 1923 may lay the foundation for that Association of Nations which was proposed by President Harding, and with which the League of Nations can work thereafter.

King Alexander of Serbia in London
(By United News)
London, Sept. 12.—King Alexander of Serbia and his secretary are occupying the royal suite at the Claridge. It is announced that the visiting monarch is traveling "very incognito" and desires his visit to be regarded as purely private. Unofficially it is said he is going to fill a few social engagements, shoot grouse, and replenish his wardrobe. This is his first trip since his recent marriage to the Roumanian princess. She is not accompanying him.

Haines to Greet Portland Caravan
Haines, Sept. 12.—Monroe Goldstein, advance representative of the 1923 special, visited Haines Monday and was the guest of the Haines Ad club and representative business interests of this city. Plans for the reception of the Portland fair caravan, which will occupy the high school auditorium during its visit here September 19, include the dismissal of the schools and closing of business houses.

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IF JOE BENJAMIN continues to keep on stalling about not being able to box on account of petty injuries, he ought to retire from fistie circles. Every time Joe gets a little ache or pain he seeks to have a scheduled bout postponed indefinitely or wiped off the slate.

Joe's latest ailment is a strained ligament, but an X-ray photo revealed that all that is needed is continuous work to work out the injury. By laying off, Benjamin would have a recurrence of the strain when he resumed training.

Talk about prima donnas, Benjamin takes the cake. Joe ought to come down to earth, or else he'll have the ring fans against him solidly. No boxer in the world has disappointed fistie fans more often than Joe has the Portlanders.

Joe Wood, secretary of the commission, says the bout is on. It's a cinch that Joe'll have to square off with Jimmy Sacco, the Boston lightweight, or else retire from the ring as far as Portland is concerned.

It's up to you, Joe, to make yourself popular. All bouts, save the semi-windup attraction, have been arranged. Ray Showers and Chuck Helman, who fought a great four round draw on the last card, will tangle over the six round distance in a special event. Chic Rocco will box Tim Callahan, and "Red" Burley and Jack Griffin will meet in a return event in the curtain raiser.

TRAPSHOOTING
J. B. TROEH leads Class A in the six month tourney now going on at the Everding Park traps of the Portland Gun club. He has broken 300 out of a possible 300, while C. E. Preston has 294, James W. Seavey has 290 and Dr. C. F. Cathey 283. In class B the scores to date are: V. C. Under 291, Archie Farrott 280, Dr. E. R. Seeley 275, J. S. Crane 275, while class C scores are: Dr. O. D. Ireland 282, L. D. Broadhead 280, W. L. Crowe 274, G. B. Huston 273, H. H. Ward 273, E. J. Blaser 265.

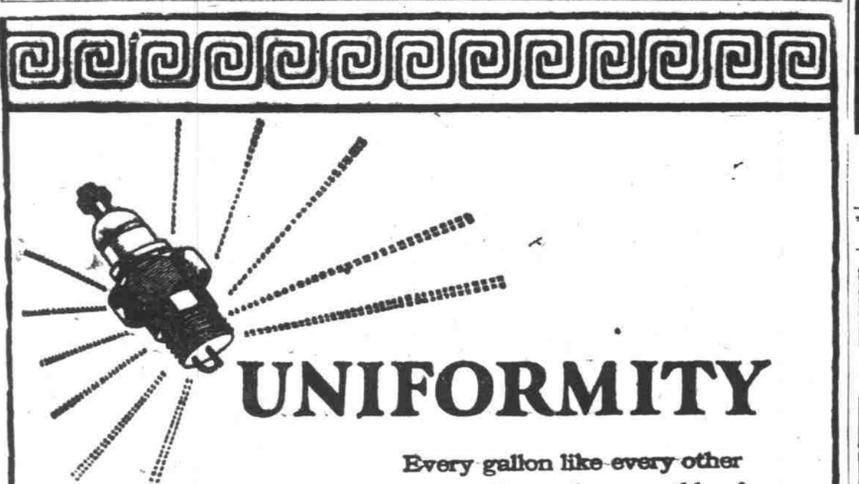
There will be no shooting at the Everding Park traps next Sunday, according to an announcement made by Manager O. N. Ford, because quite a number of Portland scatter gun artists are going to take in the shoot at Tacoma, Wash. A feature of the Tacoma gathering will be a five man team race and the Portland Gun club has hopes of capturing first prize.

The eighth and final registered shoot of the 1922 season at Everding Park is scheduled for Sunday, September 24. In the practice shoot held last Sunday, E. J. Blaser led with 48 in the first 50 target competition, while J. B. Troeh took first in the second 50 bird event. The scores on the first 50 bird race follow: E. J. Blaser 48, J. B. Troeh 46, L. D. Broadhead 33, G. B. Huston 33, Jack Heiser 44, V. C. Under 43, H. H. Ward 42, Rube Noldeke 40, C. H. Stokke 40 and Alfred Price 40. The second 50 bird races: J. B. Troeh 46, L. D. Broadhead 44, G. B. Huston 44, Jack Heiser 44, V. C. Under 43, H. H. Ward 42, E. J. Blaser 42, O. M. Clark 41, C. H. Stokke 41, Alfred Price 40.

Minor Baseball
WAUNA, Or., Sept. 12.—Manager Cooper sent in "Toughy" Irvine to twirl for Wauna against the Montavilla tossers of Portland here Sunday and it was a good move for the locals won, 11 to 7, Irvine allowing only six hits. Wauna made 12 safe blows. Both sides made plenty of errors. Wauna being charged with six and the visitors with seven.

Hoquiam, Wash., Sept. 12.—The fast Cosmopolis baseball team won the Grays Harbor league pennant here Sunday by defeating the Aberdeen Knights of Columbus, 1 to 0, in a terrific game on Stewart field. The Knights had three on bases with none out, twice, but failed to score. The Smoke Shop team of Aberdeen won a double header from the Hoquiam Eagles, 6 to 4 and 15 to 6.

The Washington state supreme court has denied the petition for rehearing presented by James H. Mahoney, who was convicted at Seattle of the murder of his aged wife.



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