The Eighth Annual American Legion Convention

October 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 :: 1926
To the Members of the American Legion:

On behalf of the people and the State of Pennsylvania, I am delighted to send the heartiest welcome I know how to convey to the members of the American Legion coming to the convention in Philadelphia in October. We welcome you to the shrine of American liberty, you fighters who labored so hard and sacrificed so unstintingly to preserve it. The doors of Independence Hall are ever open to you, who, by valiant service and sheer fighting grit, have won the right to enter them first.

Most of all we are glad to have you when Philadelphia, through the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition, is celebrating the birth of liberty in our land. Our forefathers won it, you preserved it, and I earnestly hope that all who possibly can will come to join hands in spirit with those comrades in arms of an earlier day, and to tell the world that the liberty they won at so costly a sacrifice will still be maintained at any price—that the rock on which our Republic was founded is as solid as ever and as enduring as the eternal hills. I wish I could take each one of you by the hand and tell you how glad we are to have you. Pennsylvania bids you welcome.

GIFFORD PINCHOT,
Governor of Pennsylvania
To the Men and Women of the American Legion

It is with genuine pleasure that I extend to you a cordial welcome to the City of Philadelphia. It is very fitting, indeed, that the annual Convention of the men who rallied to the colors during the World War should be held in this historic old City during the Sesqui-Centennial of American Independence.

What the patriots did to build this Nation one hundred and fifty years ago, and what their successors in arms accomplished during all the wars in which this Country has been engaged, was followed by the noble sacrifices and deeds of heroism of you and your comrades in the World War.

The Nation, the State, and the City of Philadelphia are very proud of the Legionnaires and, as Chief Executive of the City in which the Declaration of Independence was signed, the Constitution of the United States adopted, the home of the Liberty Bell and the Birthplace of the American flag, I welcome you with open arms on behalf of more than two million patriotic and appreciative citizens.

I trust your visit here will be a memorable one and that the sessions of your Convention will have the most productive results and redound, not only to your benefit, but to the benefit of the American people.

W. FREELAND KENDRICK,
Mayor of Philadelphia.
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THE EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE

AMERICAN LEGION

Oct. 4: 9:00 A. M.—Opening, National Headquarters, Sesquicentennial Auditorium.

Oct. 9: 3:00 P. M.—Meeting National Finance Committee.

Oct. 9-10: 9:00 A. M.—Meeting National Rehabilitation Executive Committee, Third Regiment Armory (Room F).

Oct. 10: 10:00 A. M.—Meeting Delegation Chairmen and Secretaries, Third Regiment Armory (Room A).

Oct. 10: 10:00 A. M.—Meeting Board of Directors, Legion Publishing Corporation, Third Regiment Armory (Room C).

Oct. 10: 11:00 A. M.—Meeting Convention Committee on Credentials, Third Regiment Armory (Room E).

Oct. 10: 1:00 P. M.—Meeting Convention Committee on Rules, Third Regiment Armory (Room J).

Oct. 10: 2:00 P. M.—Meeting Convention Committee on Permanent Organization, Third Regiment Armory (Room G).

Oct. 10: 2:00 P. M.—Meeting National Child Welfare Committee, Third Regiment Armory (Room I).

Oct. 10: 3:00 P. M.—Meeting National Executive Committee, Third Regiment Armory (Room A).
MONDAY, OCTOBER 11


10:00 A. M.—Call to Order by the National Commander.
Invocation by the National Chaplain.
Advancement of Colors.
Singing of "The Star-Bangled Banner" by Florence Macbeth.
Reading Call of Convention by the National Adjutant.
Addresses of Welcome:
Honorable Gifford Pinchot, Governor of Pennsylvania.
Honorable W. Freeland Kendrick, Mayor of Philadelphia.
Lucius McK. Crumrine, Commander, Department of Pennsylvania.
Vincent A. Carroll, National Vice Commander, Chairman Philadelphia Convention Committee.
Response by General Wilder S. Metcalf.
Presentation of Gavel by Department of Nebraska.
Committee Reports:
(a) Permanent Organization; (b) Credentials;
(c) Rules.
Report of the National Commander.
Greetings from:
The American Legion Auxiliary by Mrs. Eliza London Shepard, National President.
Forty Hommes et Eight Chevaux by Stanley M. Doyle, Chef de Chemin de Fer.
Grand Army of the Republic.
United Confederate Veterans.
Report of Chairman, National Rehabilitation Committee.
Address by General Frank T. Hines, Director U. S. Veterans Bureau.
Memorial Services:
(a) "There is No Death" by Florence Macbeth;
(b) Silent Prayer; (c) Taps.
 Retirement of Colors.
Adjournment.

2:30 P. M.—Meetings of all Convention Committees, Third Regiment Armory.
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12

8:30 A. M.—Music by Columbus, Ohio, Band and St. Paul Drum Corps.

9:00 A. M.—Call to Order by the National Commander.
Invocation by the National Chaplain.
Advancement of Colors.
Address by James L. Fieser, Vice-Chairman, American Red Cross.
Address by General John J. Pershing.
Greetings from the Republic of France.
Address by Honorable Charles G. Dawes, Vice-President of the United States.
Retirement of Colors.
Adjournment.

1:00 P. M.—American Legion parade.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13

8:30 A. M.—Music by Beaver Dam Band and Kankakee Drum Corps.

9:00 A. M.—Call to Order by the National Commander.
Invocation by the National Chaplain.
Advancement of Colors.
Address by Admiral Robert E. Coontz, U. S. N.
Address by Honorable David A. Reed, United States Senator from Pennsylvania.
Address by Judge Kenesaw M. Landis.
Address by Major General John A. LeJeune, Commandant U. S. Marine Corps.
Address by Honorable Myron T. Herrick, Ambassador to France.
Committee Reports:
(a) Constitutional Amendments.
Retirement of Colors.
Adjournment.

2:30 P. M.—Meetings of Convention Committees.
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:30 A. M.—Music by Oklahoma City Band and Fond du Lac Drum Corps.

9:00 A. M.—Call to Order by the National Commander.
Invocation by the National Chaplain.
Advancement of Colors.
Greetings from:
Veterans of Foreign Wars.
Disabled American Veterans.
United Spanish War Veterans.
Awarding of Trophies:
(a) Foreman Trophy; (b) MacNider Trophy;
(c) Galbraith Trophy; (d) D'Olier Trophy;
(e) Lindsley Trophy; (f) North Carolina Trophy; (g) Emery Trophy; (h) Drain Trophy; (i) Quinn Trophy; (j) 100% Membership Honor Plates; (k) Award of Miscellaneous Membership Prizes.
Committee Reports.
Retirement of Colors.
Adjournment.

2:30 P. M.—Meetings of Convention Committees.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15

8:30 A. M.—Music by Winning Band and Winning Drum Corps.

9:00 A. M.—Call to Order by the National Commander.
Invocation by the National Chaplain.
Advancement of Colors.
Committee Reports.
Unfinished Business:
(a) Awarding of Convention Prizes.
New Business:
(a) Election of Officers.
Presentation of Colors to Outgoing and Incoming National Commanders, by Major General Milton J. Foreman, Past National Commander.
Retirement of Colors.
Adjournment.
OFFICIAL PROGRAM

THE SIXTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE

AMERICAN LEGION

AUXILIARY

October 5
9:00 A. M.—Opening, National Headquarters, Elks' Club.

October 10—Registration of Delegations all day Sunday—Administration Room, Elks' Club.

Thruout day—Meeting of all Committees—Elks' Club.

8:00 A. M.—ALOHA BREAKFAST—St. James Hotel, 13th and Walnut Streets.

10:00 A. M.—Meeting National Executive Committee—Elks' Club.

1:00 P. M.—PAST PRESIDENTS' PARLEY LUNCHEON—Betsy Ross Room, Benjamin Franklin Hotel, 9th and Chestnut Streets.

7:00 P. M.—Meeting Delegation Chairmen and Secretaries—Elks' Club.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11

9:00 A. M.—Opening Auxiliary Convention.

Music.

Processional.

"The Star Spangled Banner"—Soloist, Miss Florence Macbeth, Coloratura Soprano, Chicago Civic Opera Company.

Call to Order—National President.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 11—Continued

Addresses of Welcome:
Honorable W. Freeland Kendrick, Mayor of the City of Philadelphia, and President of the Sesqui-Centennial Exhibition Association.
Mrs. William H. Biester, Jr., Chairman 1926 A. L. A. National Convention Arrangements.
Response by National President.
Greetings from National Commander of The American Legion.
Committee Reports.
Recess.

1:30 P. M.—Reconvenes.
Report of Committees.
Exemplification of Manual of Ceremonies.
Adjournment.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12

8:30 A. M. Music.
Departmental Insignia Inspection by Emblem Committee.
Call to order by National President.
Report of Committees.
Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13

No Convention sessions.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DAY at Sesqui-Centennial.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:30 A. M.—Music.
Call to order by National President.
Report of Committees.
Nomination of Officers.
Recess.

1:30 P. M.—Reconvenes.
Report of Committees.
Departmental Quartette Contest.
Adjournment.

Eight and Forty to hold Business Meeting in Auxiliary Convention Hall, immediately following adjournment Thursday afternoon.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15

8:30 A. M.—Music.
Call to order by National President.
Greetings from other Organizations.
Report of Committee on Trophies and Awards.
Recess.

1:30 P. M.—Reconvenes.
Award of Trophies.
Unfinished Business.
New Business.
Election of Officers.
Installation of Officers.
Adjournment.

(Meeting of National Executive Committee to be announced.)
THE SEVENTH ANNUAL PROMENADE NATIONALE OF
La Societe des
40 HOMMES ET 8 CHEVAUX

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10
4:00 P. M.—Meeting of Cheminot Nationaux, Y. M. H. A. Auditorium, Broad and Pine Streets.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11
10:00 A. M.—Meeting of Delegation Chairmen and Secretaries, Y. M. H. A. Auditorium.
10:30 A. M.—Meeting of Committee on Credentials, Y. M. H. A. Auditorium.
10:30 A. M.—Meeting of Committee on Permanent Organization, Y. M. H. A. Auditorium.
10:30 A. M.—Meeting of Committee on Rules and Order, Y. M. H. A. Auditorium.
2:00 P. M.—Call to Order by Chef de Chemin de Fer, Stanley M. Doyle.
Invocation by Aumonier Nationale Ezra J. Clemens.
Advancement of Colors.
Reading Call of Convention by the National Adjuvant.
Address of Welcome by Hon. W. Freeland Kendrick, Mayor of Philadelphia.
Response by Chef de Chemin de Fer.
Greetings from The American Legion, National Commander John R. McQuigg.
Address of Welcome, Edwin E. Hollenback, Grand Chef de Gare, Grand Voiture of Penna.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 11—Continued

3:00 P. M.—Reports of Committees.

(1) Permanent Organization.
(2) Credentials.
(3) Rules and Order.

3:30 P. M.—Reports of National Officers.
Announcements.
Retirement of Colors.

4:00 P. M.—Adjournment.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12

10:00 A. M.—Meeting of Committees, Y. M. H. A. Auditorium.

1:00 P. M.—American Legion Parade. All Voyageurs will parade with their respective Departments.

7:00 P. M.—Banquet. Open to all Voyageurs, their ladies and Eight and Forty, Elks' Club.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13

10:00 P. M.—Meeting of Committees, Y. M. H. A. Auditorium.

2:00 P. M.—Call to Order.
Advancement of Colors.
Invocation by Aumonier Nationale Eugene Clark.

2:15 P. M.—Reports of Committees on:

(4) Paraphernalia.
(5) Voiture Activities.
(6) Ritual.
(7) Finance.
(8) Initiation and Parade.
(9) Resolutions.
(10) Child Welfare.
Retirement of Colors.

4:00 P. M.—Adjournment.
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14

10:00 A. M.—Meeting of Committees, Y. M. H. A. Auditorium

1:30 P. M.—Call to Order.
Advancement of Colors.
Invocation by Aumonier Nationale Ezra J. Clemens.

1:45 P. M.—Unfinished business.
Reports of Committees on:
(11) Constitution.
(9) Resolutions (supplemental).
New Business.
Election of Officers.
Retirement of Colors.
Benediction by Aumonier Nationale Eugene Clark.

4:30 P. M.—Adjournment.

7:00 P. M.—Forty and Eight Street Parade. Terminates at the Academy of Music, Broad and Locust Sts.

9:00 P. M.—Promenade and Initiation, Academy of Music.

12:00 P. M.—American Legion Ball—Exposition Auditorium.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15

2:00 P. M.—Meeting of Cheminot Nationaux, Y. M. H. A Auditorium.
NATIONAL CONGRESS ON AMERICANISM
HELD UNDER AUSPICES OF
THE AMERICAN LEGION
PHILADELPHIA, OCTOBER 9-10, 1926

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9

4:00 P. M.—Organization Meeting and Registration of Delegates, Mayor's Reception Room, City Hall.
Report by Committee on Arrangements.
Address of Welcome—Honorable W. Freeland Kendrick, Mayor of Philadelphia.

7:00 P. M.—Dinner—For Delegates to Americanism Congress—Penn Athletic Club.
Chairman E. K. Bixby, Chairman National Americanism Commission.
Addresses by Mrs. William Walter Husband, National Chairman Americanization, D. A. R.; Dr. Edwin C. Broome, Superintendent of Schools, Philadelphia; General John R. McQuigg, National Commander, American Legion.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10

Chairman—Frank C. Cross, National Director of Americanism, The American Legion.
Discussion.
Address: Dr. George J. Fisher.

8:00 P. M.—MAIN SESSION—The Auditorium, Wm. Penn High School, 15th and Mt. Vernon Sts.
Chairman, Dr. Edwin C. Broome, Superintendent of Schools, Philadelphia.
Invocation.
Singing of “America” by the Assembly.
Motion picture: “Americanization Work in Public Schools” with explanatory comment by Mr. William Henry Welsh.
Address: Honorable F. Trubee Davison, Assistant Secretary of War.
Prize essay: “Why I am an American.”
Demonstration by winners of American Legion School Award.
Reading of the resolutions adopted by afternoon conference.
Announcement of committee memberships.
Singing of “The Star-Spangled Banner” by the Assembly.
Benediction.
PHILADELPHIA streets are laid out on the "square" system originated by William Penn. The principal numbered streets run North and South, while the named streets run East and West. City Hall is situated at the intersection of Broad and Market Streets. Numbers "North" and "South" start from Market Street.

Spotted on the map above, which includes only that section of the City between the Delaware River, The Schuylkill River, South Street and Spring Garden Street, are places of particular interest to visiting Legionnaires.

Broad Street, the "Convention Highway," runs North and South from League Island Navy Yard . . . through the Sesqui Grounds . . . . to the City Line, twelve miles distant. It is the longest straight street in the world and the only through North and South street in Philadelphia not named by number. It is the equivalent of "Fourteenth Street."

The Third Regiment Armory, not shown on the above map, is located at Broad and Wharton Streets, approximately one mile south of City Hall.
1. — Bellevue-Stratford Hotel Broad and Walnut Sts.
2. — Academy of Music .. Broad and Locust Sts.
3. — Registration Headquarters,
     Atlantic Building, Broad and Spruce Sts.
4. — Walton Hotel ....... Broad and Locust Sts.
5. — Y. M. H. A ......... Broad and Pine Sts.
6. — St. James Hotel .... 13th and Walnut Sts.
7. — Union League ...... Broad and Sansom Sts.
9. — Ben Franklin's Grave .. 5th and Arch Sts.
10. — Betsy Ross House ... Arch St. near 3d St.
11. — Reading Terminal .... 12th and Market Sts.
12. — City Centre Bldg ... Broad and Cherry Sts
13. — Y. M. C. A ......... Arch St. west of Broad
14. — Elks Club ......... Broad and Vine Sts.
15. — United States Mint .. 16th and Spring Garden Sts.
16. — Broad Street Station .. 15th and Market Sts.
17. — B. & O. Station .. 24th and Chestnut Sts.
18. — Penn Athletic Club ... 18th and Locust Sts.
19. — Army and Navy Club . 313 So. Broad St.
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Special Features and Entertainment

1926 American Legion Convention

Saturday, October 9th

2:00 P. M.—Football—Univ. of Pennsylvania vs. Swarthmore College (Franklin Field).
Philadelphia Quakers vs. Pacific Coast Wildcats (Stadium).
Frankford Yellow Jackets vs. Buffalo All-Americans (Frankford).

7:00 P. M.—Dinner —Congress of Americanism Delegates (Penn Athletic Club).

Sunday, October 10

Morning. —Special Services in Central City Churches of all denominations.

8:00 A. M.—Aloha Breakfast—Auxiliary (St. James Hotel).

1:00 P. M.—Past Presidents' Parley Luncheon—Auxiliary (Betsy Ross Room, Benjamin Franklin Hotel).

2:00 P. M.—Tours of Historical Philadelphia. (See Tours.)
Tours to Valley Forge. (See Tours.)

All Day —Visits to Sesquicentennial International Exposition.

Monday, October 11, "Sesquicentennial Day"

10:00 A. M.—Opening of American Legion Convention—(Exposition Auditorium).

10:00 A. M.—Opening of American Legion Auxiliary Convention—(Elks' Club).

All Day —American Legion Day at Sesquicentennial Exposition.

1:00 P. M.—Junior World Series Baseball Championship—Opening Games (2) Stadium.

1:00 P. M.—Yeomen (F) Luncheon—By Post No. 50, Philadelphia—(The Arcadia).
Special Tour of Historical Philadelphia for Yeomen (F) to follow luncheon.

2:00 P. M.—Opening Session 40 and 8 Convention—(Y. M. H. A. Auditorium).

2:00 P. M.—Tours of City and Fairmount Park. (See Tours.)
Tours to Valley Forge. (See Tours.)
MONDAY, OCTOBER 11—Continued


4:30 P. M.—Reception and Tea for YEOMAN (F), by Women’s Committee, Mrs. J. Willis Martin, Chairman. "High Street"—Exposition Grounds.

5:00 P. M. to 11.00 P. M.—Reception, Exhibition Drills, Musically, Buffet Supper and Dancing—For Legionnaires and Ladies—The John Wanamaker Store. A special whole-hearted "home welcome" evening for The American Legion and its ladies. Store tours of unusual interest, including a view of city from roof, will also be conducted commencing at 9 o'clock A. M. Tours will start from Visitors’ Headquarters—8th Floor.

6:30 P. M.—Dinner and Reception to Auxiliary National Executive Board—(McCallister’s)
By Philadelphia County Council.

8:00 P. M.—Dancing and Band Concerts—Broad Street "White Way".
Special Feature: Individual Drum Contest.

8:00 P. M.—Vaudeville—Keith’s Theatre—For Legionnaires as guests of the Knights of Columbus who have reserved Theatre for this performance and for Thursday evening performance as special offering to former service men and women. Distribution of tickets through National and Departmental Adjutants.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, "VICE-PRESIDENT’S DAY"

10:00 A. M.—ADDRESS BY VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AT THE AMERICAN LEGION CONVENTION SESSION—(Exposition Auditorium).

11:00 A. M.—JUNIOR WORLD SERIES BASEBALL (SEMI-FINAL)—STADIUM.

1:00 P. M.—AMERICAN LEGION PARADE.
 Starting point—Parkway near City Hall.
 Route—Southward on Broad Street.
 Reviewing Stand—IN STADIUM.
 Best place to view parade—THE STADIUM.

1:00 P. M.—LA CROSSE GAME (Montclair Athletic Club vs. Philadelphia Legionnaires) AND SPECIAL AVIATION FEATURES AT STADIUM.
Special cards for American Legion Reserved Section may be procured at Registration Headquarters all day Sunday and following days.
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12—Continued

2:30 P. M.—PARADE ENTERS STADIUM FOR REVIEW BY NATIONAL COMMANDER AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES.

6:30 P. M.—Dinner—Department Secretaries Association—Auxiliary (St. James Hotel.)

7:00 P. M.—GRANDE BANQUET NATIONALE—FORTY AND EIGHT AND LADIES (ELKS' CLUB).

7:00 P. M.—Legion Nurses Dinner—By Post No. 412, Philadelphia (Penn Athletic Club). Special tour of the Club preceding dinner.

7:00 P. M.—Evening Tours (Individual)—Sesquicentennial International Exposition.

8:00 P. M.—Illumination of Central City Office Buildings as tribute of appreciation to The American Legion—By Building Owners and Managers Association of Philadelphia.

9:00 P. M.—Dancing and Band Concerts—Broad Street “White Way.”

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13, “ARMY DAY”

9:00 A. M.—Rifle and Pistol Contests (Rifle Range—Essington).

9:00 A. M.—Trap Shooting Contest (Quaker City Gun Club).

9:00 A. M.—AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY DAY AT SESQUICENTENNIAL EXPOSITION.

5:00 P. M. (No Auxiliary Sessions during this day.)

9:00 A. M.—Band Contests—Semi-Finals (STADIUM).

10:30 A. M.—Special Musicale for Legionnaires and Ladies—The Strawbridge & Clothier Store. This entertainment will feature celebrated radio artists and will be followed by tours of the store and a luncheon at 12 o’clock in the Strawbridge & Clothier Restaurant.

11:00 A. M.—Drum and Bugle Corps Contests—Semi-Finals (STADIUM).


1:45 P. M.—BAND CONTESTS—FINALS (STADIUM).

(5 Five Bands selected from the Semi-Finals will compete for $2500 in cash and prizes).

3:00 P. M.—Open House and refreshments for Legionnaires—By American War Mothers.

6:00 P. M. “The Little Wooden House”—“High Street”—Exposition Grounds.

3:30 P. M.—SMOKI INDIAN SNAKE DANCE—ARIZONA DEPARTMENT—(STADIUM).
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 13—Continued

4:00 P.M.—ARMY CIRCUS AND AERIAL ACROBATICS (STADIUM).

4:00 P.M.—Reception and Tea for National Officers and National Executive Board—American Legion Auxiliary (“High Street”—Exposition Grounds)


7:00 P.M.—States Dinner—Auxiliary (Elks’ Club).

7:30 P.M.—DRUM AND BUGLE CORPS CONTESTS—FINALS (STADIUM).

(Seven winning teams selected in semi-finals will compete for $2500 in cash and prizes).

8:30 P.M.—Military Review and Ball for Legionnaires by 111th Inf., N. G. P., Armory, Broad and Wharton Streets. Dancing 9:30 to 1. (Informal)


10:00 P.M.—MASKED BALL—Forty and Eight—Musicians Hall, 120 North 18th Street.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, “NAVY DAY”

10:00 A.M.—Tour of League Island Navy Yard and Inspection of Historic Warships “Constellation” and “Olympia.”

11:00 A.M.—JUNIOR WORLD SERIES BASEBALL—SEMI-FINAL (STADIUM).

11:00 A.M.—Demonstration of Airplane Catapult and Inspection of Naval Aircraft Factory in operation—(League Island Navy Yard).

1:00 P.M.—Departmental Quartette Contests—Auxiliary (Elks’ Club).

2:00 P.M.—FOOTBALL—NAVY (New London Submarine Base), vs. MARINES (Philadelphia Marines) (STADIUM).

3:00 P.M.—Open House and refreshments for Legionnaires—to By American War Mothers

6:00 P.M. “The Little Wooden House”—“High Street”—Exposition Grounds.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14—Continued

4:00 P. M.—Annual Meeting National Eight and Forty (Elks’ Club).
4:30 P. M.—Catapult Demonstration—Navy Yard.
5:00 P. M.—Forty and Eight P. G.’s Report at Academy of Music—Stage Door.

7:00 P. M.—FORTY AND EIGHT STREET PARADE.
 Starting Point—19th and Parkway.
 Route—Southward on Parkway and Broad Street to Academy of Music.
 Reviewing Stand—South Side of City Hall.

8:00 P. M.—Vaudeville—Keith’s Theatre—For Legionnaires as guests of the Knights of Columbus who have reserved Theatre for this performance as special offering for service men and women. Distribution of tickets through National and Departmental Adjutants.

8:00 P. M.—Eight and Forty Initiation (Roof Garden—Hotel Adelphia).

9:00 P. M.—FORTY AND EIGHT PROMENADE AND WRECK (Academy of Music).

10:00 P. M.—CONVENTION BALL (EXPOSITION AUDITORIUM).

2:00 A. M.
 Special Features: (a) Auxiliary Drill Contests
 (b) Legion Quartette Finals.
 (c) Minnesota Glee Club.

12:00 P. M.—AWARDING OF FREE ROUND TRIPS TO FRANCE (EXPOSITION AUDITORIUM).

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15

9:00 A. M. Closing Session American Legion Convention and Election of Officers (Exposition Auditorium).

10:00 A. M.—Individual Tours of Historic Shrines and Stores.

2:00 P. M.—JUNIOR WORLD SERIES BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP—THE DECIDING GAME (STADIUM).

All Day —Special Features—Sesquicentennial Exposition.

2:00 P. M.—Meeting of Cheminot Nationaux (Y. M. H. A. Auditorium).

2:30 P. M.—Swimming Tournament—Auxiliary (Elks’ Club Pool).

12:00 P. M.—Midnight Frolic—Forty and Eight.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16

2:00 P. M.—Football—University of Pennsylvania vs. University of Chicago (Franklin Field).
 Philadelphia Quakers vs. Newark (Stadium).
 Frankford Yellow Jackets vs. New York Giants, Frankford.

All Day —Special Features—Sesquicentennial Exposition.
Supplemental Information

HEADQUARTERS

Eighth Annual American Legion Convention Headquarters—Exposition Auditorium.

Sixth Annual American Legion Auxiliary Convention Headquarters—Elks' Club.

Seventh Annual Forty and Eight Convention Headquarters—Y. M. H. A. Auditorium.

Philadelphia National Convention Committee Headquarters—City Centre Building.

REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION

Headquarters for both registration and information are located at Atlantic Building, Broad and Spruce Sts., in the heart of the city. Additional information booths will be found on City Hall Plaza and in City Hall Courtyard.

STADIUM AND REGISTRATION CARDS

Special STADIUM CARD passing bearer to American Legion Reserved Section of Stadium for all entertainment features (including parade and review) may be procured at Registration Headquarters, Atlantic Building, Broad and Spruce Sts. This card is a combination card containing:

(a) Two admissions to Sesquicentennial Exposition.
(b) Stadium Card for entertainment features.
(c) Name Card for Registration Files.
(d) Coupon for participation in FREE award of three round trips to France.

These cards should be obtained immediately on arrival in the city. Distribution is free to all Delegates and Alternates through Department Adjutants and distribution to all other Legionnaires, families and friends will be at nominal figure of $2.00. The round trips to France have a cash value of $400 each and if for any reason the Legionnaire or friend who is awarded same cannot make the trip in 1927 he or she may elect to take and receive the cash equivalent instead.

MEDICAL FIRST AID

All Legionnaires requiring Medical Aid are invited to report to the U. S. Veterans' Bureau, 20th and Arch Streets, Philadelphia. Telephone Rittenhouse 7510. Dispensary will be open day and night during convention. First Aid Stations will also be found at Registration Headquarters, Convention Hall, Police Dispensary at Broad and Spruce Streets, and Stadium.

CONTESTS

All organizations and individuals who are to take part in the various scheduled contests must register with Contest Committee at Registration Headquarters, Broad and Spruce Streets, immediately upon arrival. Detailed information as to all contests will be available at Contest Committee desk at these headquarters. It is important to keep in close touch with the Contest Committee in case of changes in plans.
CONTESTS—Continued

 Auxiliary Drill Teams
 Competitive drill will be held at the beginning of the Convention Ball, Exposition Auditorium, Thursday, October 14th, at 10:00 P. M.

 Band Contests
 Out of the parade the Judges will select fifteen bands which will compete in the semi-finals in the Stadium, Wednesday, October 13th, at 9:00 A.M., from which five are chosen for the finals in the Stadium at 1:45 P. M. Wednesday, October 13th.
 Prizes: Cash Prizes, $1,750.00. (See Contest Committee for additional lists.)

 Drum and Bugle Contests
 Fifteen corps will be selected from the Parade to compete in semi-finals in the Stadium, Wednesday, October 13th, at 11:00 A. M. from which the five are chosen for the finals in the Stadium at 7:30 P. M., Wednesday, October 13th.
 Prizes: Cash Prizes, $1,750.00. (See Contest Committee for additional lists.)

 Rifle and Pistol Contests
 These will be held at Pennsylvania National Guard Range, at Essington on Wednesday, October 13th, at 9:00 A. M. Special cars will leave Registration Headquarters, Broad and Spruce Streets, at 8:00 A. M.

 Quartette Contests
 Finals will be held in connection with the Convention Ball at the Exposition Auditorium, Thursday, October 14th after 10:00 P. M. (Should the number of contestants be large, semi-finals before Thursday may be necessary. It is important to keep in contact with contest committee at Registration Headquarters, Broad and Spruce streets.)

 Trap Shooting Contests
 These will be held at the Quaker City Gun Club at Holmesburg, Wednesday, October 13, at 9:00 A. M. Special cars will leave Registration Headquarters, Broad and Spruce streets, at 8:00 A. M.

 TELEPHONE SERVICE.
 The Bell Telephone Company has established a special convention section for official convention business. Owing to the very heavy volume of telephone business anticipated during convention week it will be advisable for all general information inquiries to be made at the various information headquarters and booths in person for most satisfactory results.

 FLOAT PERMITS FOR PARADE
 Organizations or units desiring to enter floats in American Legion Parade must make application to Parade Committee at Registration Headquarters, Atlantic Building, Broad and Spruce Sts., to receive permits and instructions. All applications must be filed before 10:00 A. M., Monday, October 11th.
SPECIAL HOUSING ARRANGEMENTS

It is anticipated that the very large number of visitors who will visit Philadelphia during the week of October 11-16 will exceed the available hotel accommodations considerably. Arrangements have been made with the Official Sesquicentennial Exposition Housing Bureau to provide visiting Legionnaires and families with suitable accommodations in private homes where advance hotel reservations have not been made and in the cases where same are not available for those who come to Philadelphia without such reservations. Desirable accommodations may be had through this housing bureau by application at any of the fifteen housing booths located at the City Hall and about the city.

ADMITTANCE TO CONVENTION SESSIONS

All American Legion Convention Sessions will be held at the Exposition Auditorium, entrance to which will be through the door at northeast corner to the right of Exposition entrances. Although the Auditorium is with the Exposition Grounds it is not necessary to enter the Exposition grounds to attend convention sessions. The entrance referred to at northeast corner of Exposition Auditorium opens direct to street outside the Exposition Grounds.

Admittance to delegate and alternate sections will be by official badge. Admittance to special other sections will be by ticket. Until 8:45 A. M. general admission will be confined to Legionnaires wearing official souvenir badge. After 8:45 A. M. the general public will be admitted.

On Vice-President’s Day, October 12th, admission to the Auditorium will be restricted to Legionnaires, members of the Auxiliary and holders of Reserved Seat Tickets.

TOURS

Tours for Legionnaires will leave Atlantic Building, Broad and Spruce streets, 2:00 to 3:00 P. M. on Sunday, October 10; and 2:00 to 3:00 P. M. on Monday, October 11. These tours are for visiting Legionnaires and ladies.

There are several companies in Philadelphia operating special sight-seeing busses on attractive routes for individual touring. Information relative to these companies and their tours may be obtained at the Information Booths.

GOLF

Eighteen golf clubs in the Philadelphia districts cordially offer their facilities to American Legion visitors. Legionnaires wishing to golf should apply “Golf Desk” at Registration Headquarters.

PARKING SPACES

All downtown streets, except Market, Broad and Arch, are one-way streets. For this reason, automobilists are urged to watch carefully for Parking Signs. Parking spaces in downtown streets are limited.

REUNIONS

Society of First Division. Dinner Tuesday, October 12. Second Division Association. Reunion in the Armory, Broad and Callowhill Streets, Monday, October 11, 8:00 P. M.
REUNIONS—Continued

Seventh Division Association. Dinner, Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Saturday, October 16, 6:30 P. M.

Eightieth Division Veterans Association. Reunion, Tuesday, October 12.

U. S. Army Ambulance Corps, Section 536. Reunion, Benjamin Franklin Hotel, Friday, October 15, 8 P. M.

Other reunions and dinners are being arranged as this program goes to press. For information concerning all reunions, inquire at Reunion Desk, Registration Headquarters.

AMERICAN WAR MOTHERS

The American War Mothers have headquarters in “The Little Wooden House” at the Sesqui-Centennial in “High Street,” and will keep open house between 11:00 A. M. and 6:00 P.M., Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, for Legionnaires. Light refreshments will be served from 3:00 to 6:00 P. M. each day.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee Meetings of the American Legion will be held at the Third Regiment Armory, Broad and Wharton Sts.

AMERICAN RED CROSS

While it is expected that the U. S. Veterans Bureau and the various departments of the Legion will generally care for the needs of Legionnaires, their families and friends, the American Red Cross stands ready as always . . . to render assistance at its Headquarters, 1610 Locust Street; Telephone Pennypacker 8380.

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AMERICAN LEGION PARADE

Tuesday, October 12

PARADE ORDERS No. 1

I. ASSEMBLY

Time of Starting: Head of Parade will move at 1.00 P. M., October 12, 1926.

Initial Point: Northwest intersection of Parkway and Logan Circle.

Assembly Points: As shown for Departments on Assembly Map and according to the order prescribed in Par. II of this order. These Points will be designated by marker for the head of each Department. Numbers on Assembly Map refer to Order of March.

Order of Precedence: For Departments as prescribed in Par. II herein; for Posts to be as decided within Departments.

Formation at Assembly Points: Street intersections to be kept open to traffic. Assembly on RIGHT side of street only to allow continuous flow of traffic. Except in second Division, floats accompanying Departments will form in column on left side of street. ORGANIZATION COLORS will be massed at the head of each Department. Bands will accompany their organizations.

Routes to Assembly Points: North on following street cars:

From Sesqui: Routes No. 2-20-53.

From City Hall: West on Filbert St. Routes Nos. 16 and 21; West on Arch St. Routes Nos. 9 and 33.

(Note limits of Assembly Area—N.-Spring Garden Street; E.-20th Street; S.-Cherry Street; W.-23d Street)

Time of Assembly: Departments NUMBERED 1 to 31 INCLUSIVE, as shown in Par. II herein, will be in position at 12.30 P. M. Departments NUMBERED 32 to 56, INCLUSIVE, will be in position at 1.30 P. M.

(Note: Organizations arriving late will be given positions at end of parade.)

II. FORMATION OF PARADE AND ORDER OF MARCH

Parade will be formed in two divisions as follows:

1st Division: American Legion and Floats directly connected with departments.

2nd Division: Special Floats showing no direct connection with a department.

On arriving upon the Parkway organizations will be formed in a column of masses as follows:

Width—16 men

Depth—16 ranks

Distances—between Ranks—2 paces

between Masses—8 paces

between Depts.—20 paces

between Divisions—40 paces

Order of March: The parade will move in the order named below; the departments following consecutively as shown. The point of rest for the head of each department at the assembly point is designated after the name of the department.
II. FORMATION OF PARADE AND ORDER OF MARCH—Cont.

Police Escort, on Parkway, west side of Logan Circle.

Grand Marshal and Staff, in rear of Police Escort.

Monaghan Post Band, Sioux City, Iowa, in rear of Grand Marshal.

American Legion Auxiliary Colors (Massed), on Parkway at Logan Circle.

National Commander and Distinguished Guests, on Parkway east of 20th St.

Marshal, 1st Division and Staff on Parkway at 20th St.

Police Band, City of Phila., on Parkway rear of Marshal, 1st Div.

1. Delaware, on Parkway head at 20th St. extending N. W.
2. Florida, on Parkway head at 21st St. extending N. W.
3. Idaho, on Parkway head at 22d St. extending N. W.
4. France, on Parkway rear of Idaho extending N. W.
5. Wyoming, on Parkway rear of France extending N. W.
6. West Virginia, on Parkway rear of Wyoming extending N. W.
7. Arizona, on Parkway rear of W. Va. extending N. W.
8. Colorado, on 22d St. head at Parkway extending North.
9. Canada, on 22d St. rear of Colorado extending North.
10. Philippine Islands, on 22d St. rear of Canada extending North.
11. Alabama, on Penna. Avenue head at 22d St., extending N. W.
12. Georgia, on Penna. Avenue rear of Alabama extending N. W.
13. Panama, on 21st St. head at Parkway extending North.
14. Connecticut, on 21st St. head at Callowhill St. extending North on Callowhill St. and West on Hamilton St.
15. Oregon, on 21st St. head at Hamilton St. extending North.
16. Oklahoma, on 21st St. rear of Oregon extending North.
17. Utah, on 21st St. rear of Oklahoma extending North.
18. Kansas, on Spring Garden head at 21st St. extending West.
19. North Carolina, on Spring Garden St. rear of Kansas extending West.
20. Tennessee, on Spring Garden St. head at 22d St. extending West.
21. Nevada, on Spring Garden St. rear of Tennessee extending West.
22. Illinois, on Hamilton St. head at 21st St. extending East.
23. Maine, on Callowhill St. head at 21st St. extending East.
24. Wisconsin, on Callowhill St. rear of Maine extending East.
25. Minnesota, on Callowhill St. rear of Wisconsin extending East.
26. Washington, on 20th St. head at Parkway extending North.
27. Nebraska, on 20th St. rear of Washington extending North.
28. Texas, on 20th St. rear of Nebraska extending North.
29. North Dakota, on 20th St. head at Callowhill St. extending North.
30. South Dakota, on 20th St. rear of North Dakota extending North.
31. Pennsylvania, on Wood St. head at 20th St. extending East.
32. California, on 20th St. head at Parkway extending South.
33. South Carolina, on 20th St. rear of California extending South.
34. Mississippi, on 20th St. head at Race St. extending South.
35. Montana, on 20th St. rear of Mississippi extending South.
36. Ohio, on S. W. side of Parkway head at 20th St. extending N. W.
37. Arkansas, on S. W. side of Parkway rear of Ohio.
38. Indiana, on S. W. side of Parkway head at 22d St. extending N. W.
39. Louisiana, on Callowhill St. head at Parkway extending West.
40. New Hampshire, on S. W. side of Parkway head at Callowhill St. extending N. W.
41. New Mexico, on 22d St. head at Parkway extending South.
42. New York, on 22d St. head at Wood St. extending South.
43. Mexico, on Cherry Street head at 22d St. extending East.
44. Rhode Island, on Cherry Street rear of Mexico extending East.
45. Alaska, on Cherry St. rear of Rhode Island extending East.
46. Virginia, on Race St. head at 22d St. extending East.
II. FORMATION OF PARADE AND ORDER OF MARCH—Cont.

47. Massachusetts, on 21st St. head at Parkway extending South.
48. Iowa, on Cherry St. head at 21st St. extending East.
49. Vermont, on Cherry St. head at 19th St. extending East.
50. New Jersey, on Race St. head at 21st St. extending West.
51. Hawaii, on Spring St. head at 21st St. extending West.
52. Maryland, on Summer St. head at 21st St. extending East.
53. Michigan, on Vine St. head of column at 21st St. extending West.
54. District of Columbia, on Vine St. rear of Michigan extending West.
55. Kentucky, on Vine St. rear of District of Columbia, extending West.
56. Floats, on Arch St. head at Parkway extending West.

III. ROUTE OF THE PARADE

S. E. on Parkway to City Hall; S. around west side of City Hall to Broad St.; S. on Broad Street to Stadium at Sesquicentennial. The parade will enter the stadium at the W. Main Gate; proceed around the oval and leave the stadium at the N. E. gate where it will proceed according to the directions prescribed in Par. V of this order. The parade will halt for five minutes at the end of each fifteen minutes.

IV. ORDER FOR THE REVIEW

The parade will be reviewed by the Vice-President of the United States from the reviewing loge, in center of west side of stadium. The formation for the review will be the same as prescribed for the parade in Par. II above. Appropriate honors will be rendered the reviewing officer.

V. DISMISSAL OF PARADE

The parade after passing in review and proceeding through the NE gate, will dismiss as follows:

The head of the parade will turn east, then South, around outer wall of stadium; the departments entering the stadium at the entrances shown below, where seats are reserved:

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Upon conclusion of the ceremonies the formation is dismissed. Trolley cars will be found at the terminals north of stadium grounds, and at the main gates of the Sesquicentennial grounds; trolley route numbers being as given in Par. I.
VI. FLOAT ASSIGNMENTS

The designs and reading matter carried on floats will be submitted to the parade committee for assignment to the proper division in the parade.

VII. MESSAGES, ETC.

Messages will reach the Grand Marshal at the intersection of Parkway and Logan Circle from 12.30 to 1.00 p. m.; thereafter at head of column.

Distinguished Guests in automobiles will be in position assigned at 12.50 p. m.

By Order of the Parade Committee:

WILLIAM G. PRICE, JR.
Chairman.

AMERICAN LEGION PARADE FORMATION MAP

For Key see pages 29 and 30
THE SESQUI-CENTENNIAL

Celebrating 150 Years of American Independence

The Sesqui-Centennial International Exposition now being held in Philadelphia is the ideal background and setting for the national convention of the American Legion.

Celebrating 150 years of American Independence, the Exposition has particular appeal to all who have upheld in time of war and are now upholding in time of peace the principles on which the United States was founded.

Though international in scope, the Exposition is predominantly a vital expression of American patriotism. No one can see it and not be a better American.

From the colossal luminous Liberty Bell near the main entrance to the Exposition grounds to the warships moored at League Island Navy Yard, which is virtually part of the Exposition, an area of 2000 acres is teeming with wonders of American achievement.

The Exposition is inspiring, educational and entertaining. On the spacious grounds are a model United States Army Camp, with 1000 picked troops of all branches of the service; a model United States Marine Corps camp, with a reproduction of Tun Tavern, the birthplace of the Marines; a fully equipped and manned Coast Guard Station, and many other features of particular interest to men who have been in the service of their country. The United States Navy Department has provided a comprehensive naval exhibit in a special building.

The arts and crafts of all the world are displayed in five great exhibition palaces. Foreign, state and special exhibition buildings dot the beautifully landscaped grounds.

Aviation plays a prominent part in the daily programs of special events for the entertainment of visitors. Army aviators in giant bombers, observation planes and pursuit planes perform amazing feats of flying at all hours of the day over the Exposition grounds.

The already famous Sesquicentennial Stadium is the scene of pageantry and athletic events. In the Great Auditorium musical events hold sway.

“High Street of 1776,” a reproduction of Market Street, Philadelphia, in Revolutionary days, is an outstanding patriotic feature of the Exposition. Millions have gained from a visit to High Street, with its quaint Colonial buildings, its faithful portrayal of the beginnings of the Republic and its colorful pageants, a new inspiration in Americanism.

Lakes, lagoons and gardens beautify the wide expanse of the Exposition grounds. Venetian gondolas, electric launches and canoes ply the lakes and lagoons. At night an elaborate system of colored lighting transforms the Exposition into a “dream city.”

The Gladway is the center of amusements. Here are “Treasure Island,” a paradise for young and old; spectacles on a mammoth scale, such as “Fire and Flame,” “The Battle of Gettysburg,” “Hawaiian Nights,” “Streets of Cairo,” “Chinese Village.” Here also is the encampment of hundreds of Indians representing all the surviving tribes in an “Indian Congress.”

The Sesquicentennial is universal in its appeal, but to none could it have so direct an appeal as to members of the American Legion.