

# MOTORCYCLE ARMY TO ARRIVE THIS EVENING

ENDURANCE RUN RIDERS TO  
CHECK IN AT DENISON HOTEL

## BIG RECEPTION PLANNED

The army of ninety-six motorcyclists that left Cleveland, O., yesterday morning on a two-day endurance run to Indianapolis is expected to arrive in this city at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon. The riders will check in at the Denison hotel and the machines will then be taken to the Cadillac garage, 13 East Ohio street, and turned over to the members of the technical committee. They will at once commence the work of compiling the scores.

The sturdy riders are expected to receive a warm reception on their arrival this afternoon. Hundreds of Indianapolis motorcyclists will extend them a hearty welcome. A majority of the endurance riders are also entered in the motor speedway races Friday and Saturday, and they probably will be anxious to seek their beds tonight as soon as possible in order to recuperate quickly from the arduous run from Cleveland. A hill climb on the final leg of the route was scheduled to take place at Connersville.

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The parade, beginning at 1:30 p. m. tomorrow, at the Monument, will be one of the biggest features of the week and thousands of people are expected to witness the spectacle. The principal business streets of the city will be traversed. One thousand machines are expected to be in line. Various entertainments have been arranged for the visitors for tomorrow night. The annual convention for the election of officers and the transaction of other business will be held Friday morning, and it is believed Indianapolis will capture at least one of the national offices.

### Many Perfect Scores.

Seventy-six of the ninety-six starters in the endurance run checked in at Columbus, O. last night with perfect scores. Bad roads were encountered yesterday, but a big improvement was expected today, particularly after the Indiana line was crossed. Sand made it necessary for the riders to dismount many times on the first day. Last night's summary follows:

Reading Standard, 12; Indian, 14; Marsh-Metz, 2; Marvel, 1; Reliance, 5; Flying Merkel, 8; N. S. U., 4; Thor, 6; Pierce, 2; New Era, 1; Yale, 3; Excelsior, 4; Harley-Davidson, 5; Emblem, 3; Kieffer, 1; Torpedo, 1; Curtiss, 1; total, 76.

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### WILL OUTLINE 1910

An important meeting of the rules committee of the Manufacturers' Contest Association has been held and will take place at Indianapolis on August 20 and 21, during the initial race at the motor speedway. Howard W. Harkness, chairman of the general rules committee of the M. C. A., has outlined the important work to be taken up at the meeting. In a recent interview, which was as follows:

To a lack of proper preparation rather than to an inferior mechanical make can be ascribed nearly all the poor performances of American built motorcycles entered in international contests. Importers and American manufacturers well, are prone to excuse a poor performance upon the part of our cars, and even to blame the event be local, national or international, on the ground that we did not have the time at some stage of the game to give either our organization, or our motorcycles, the proper shape for the competition. The condition of chronic "unpreparedness" in the case of the American manufacturer is partially ascribed to a lack of attention to such matters on account of the success exerted in other lines directly associated with the producing and commercial end of the industry.

### Should Make Better Shows

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## SECOND BASEMEN TRADED.

### Detroit and Washington Managers Make Exchange of Players.

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From the beginning, the work of the organization has been aimed toward the elimination of the causes of the trouble toward the application of a cure to the individual complaint. The removal of those things that have gone to encourage the "if we had only had another way" is certainly not the least of the work mapped out by the Manufacturers' Contest Association.

## Will Outline New Rules

At this meeting will be discussed the members of this committee recommendations regarding changes in rules, classification for 1910. All changes suggested by the experiences of the present season will be considered. The 1909 rules of the board of the American Automobile Association are the result of the efforts of the general rules committee of the Manufacturers' Contest