WASHINGTON, D.C.—The emasculated draft extension bill passed the House was accepted and passed by the Senate on May 14, and was immediately signed by President Truman, who declared it a "bad bill" but signed it as the "lesser of two evils."

The bill as passed and signed extends the draft until July 1, but provides that youths of 18 and 19 may not be drafted, and also bans the drafting of fathers.

The bill was passed by the Senate less than six hours in advance of the midnight deadline, when the draft law would have expired.

In the passage of the bill and the signing of the reasons by the President, there is also preserved the rights of the returned veterans of World War II in their right to return to their jobs, no matter what barriers are put in their way by the law.

The American Legion will continue to press for the enactment of the Hill-Sparksman draft extension bill, which proposes that Section 8 of the Selective Service Act be enacted as a separate law. This is the section that provides that ex-servicemen may return and claim their former job or one equally as good, and must be employed for one year.

The provisions of Section 8 have been a matter of litigation, and there have been several Supreme Court of the United States, and the Supreme Circuit Court of Appeals, in which the American Legion gave an appearance, in an effort to have the draft court clearly define the rights of returned veterans to special re-employment. The Hill-Sparksman draft extension bill has been enacted into law, but there is no guarantee of the rights of veterans while the veteran is absent_IA.
Two Generals Will Join Post in Kansas

Two generals as candidate for membership and a governor as speaker will highlight the initiation program of Peoria-Kellar Post No. 17 of The American Legion at Manhattan, Kans., on May 20. Maj. Gen. J. D. White, commanding the cavalry school at Fort Riley, and Brig. Gen. Clinton A. White, commander at Fort Riley, Governor Andrew F. Schoppel of Kansas, a Legislator, will be the speakers.

Legion Post Complains; Veteran Work Speeds Up

After Twin Falls, Idaho, Legion Post No. 127, the Legion’s District VI Grand Committee of Chambers pointed out to Washing- ton that the rate of handling the huge pile-up of veterans’ housing applications has been slow, the Peoria-Kellar Post No. 17, Ill., Field office, processing of applications on the credit application form, would like to do it in less than a week, according to Twin Falls Commander U. N. Terry. New veterans can get their applications processed quickly, but a material shortage is crippling construction, Terry said.

A $235,000 fire destroyed the clubhouse of The American Legion Post in Peoria, Ill., on May 14.

Memorial Ships 2,940,559; Virginia Is Trophy Winner

Alabama to Lead Parade at Convention; Illinois in 200,000 Class

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Ohio Post Will Parade Behind Its New Band

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Legion Offers Nation a Complete Training Program

Redrawn Legislation Gives Congress a Detailed Plan

Civilian Full-Time Commission Proposed; Rates of Pay
Set for the Organization of Proposed National
Security Training Corps

Past National Commander Warren H. Atkinson, chairman of the national security committees, William H. Doyle, chairman of the national security legislative committees, R. Perry Review, chairman of the national defense committees and Rev. Mgr. Edward J. Smith, national chaplain, met in Washington, May 8, 9, and 10, for the purpose of recommending to Congress a National Security Education Bill. The new bill would provide a federal training program of a non-military nature such as would meet the needs of the nation, the military and the related training.

The legislation as will be offered to Congress—a plan known as the "HR 1123"—would establish in the United States a National Security Training Corps in which the young men of the nation would obtain their military training and related training.

The legislation would be under the administration and supervision of a four-person National Security Training Commission appointed by the President. The commission would be composed of a chief executive civilian director appointed by the President as a civil service commissioner, a person appointed as a civilian board, appointed by the Congress, to formulate the program and authorize the establishment of a non-military corps of a non-military nature such as would meet the needs of the nation, the military and the related training.

The military and national security training would be within limits set by the commission, under the administration of the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy.

Under this plan young men will be eligible for enlistment at the age of 18 years or upon graduation from any high school or preparatory school, whichever is later, and be required to serve for a period of 20 years after the 20th birthday. Graduates of high school or preparatory school who graduate before or during the 17th year can with parental consent enter training in their 17th year.

Basic training will be for 16 weeks during the year and may be divided into two periods for the purpose of enabling the recruit to attain sufficient training for his entry to the services either as a recruit or as an instructor.

(a) Enrolling in basic scientific, professional, technical or specialized training in a field of the military or national security of the nation or in instruction in trades, crafts or businesses, in industry, schools of technology, colleges, universities or institutes, in courses which must be approved by the armed forces for a period of at least 16 weeks prior to basic training.

(b) Entering and satisfactorily completing a course in any field of study in a public or private school, college or university and satisfying the minimum requirements of the United States Armed Forces.

(c) Enrolling in basic scientific, professional, technical or specialized training in a field of the military or national security of the nation or in instruction in trades, crafts or businesses, in industry, schools of technology, colleges, universities or institutes, in courses which must be approved by the armed forces for a period of at least 16 weeks prior to basic training.

(d) Other courses which the trainee may have been accepted to enter the armed forces for a period of at least 16 weeks in basic training.

(e) Membership in the corps to receive training for the purpose of changing the ability or death as is accorded to such membership in the United States. Dependency allowances to be made in an amount of $50 per month for Regular and ordered commissioned officers and enlisted men who hold such membership are exempted in the same manner as new prisoners of war.

(f) Assignment or deferment is offered to conscientious objectors, to other than military training and does reserve the effort of the future security of the nation.

COMRADES IN DISTRTE

Young Hero Honored

Morale-Building Team to Break Up, Take New Duties

McConegal and Pfeffer End Work in Service Hospitals,
Will Take Up New Legion Duties at VA Branch Offices

The great morale-building team of McConegal and Pfeffer is about to be broken up. Under a new allocation of training American Legion personnel to places of great need, Charles McConegal will go to San Francisco as senior American Legion rehabilitation representative at the Veterans Administration of the state of California, and Harry Lee Pfeffer will be associated with The American Legion rehabilitation staff at the Veterans Administration branch office in New York City.

This reallocation is another indication of the end of the service hospital program, since both the medical and service hospitals began to get so much of the back fields of Africa, Europe and China, that both service and medical staffs were all returned to their normal and more normal daily routines. The best of the medical staffs, however, will be taken to the United States. The office there, and Herman Pfeffer will be associated with The American Legion rehabilitation staff at the Veterans Administration branch office in New York City.

One of the significant accomplishments of the service hospitals, the occupational therapy, including physical therapy, medical and psychiatric, is the rehabilitation and training and the help given in the making of men physically capable of the service and the giving them a place to go when they are finished with the war. The work of the service hospitals has been an indication of the end of the war era and has been a comfort to the people of the nation.

Another Campus Post

Will Take Up New Legion Duties at Break-Up

Queen City Post 457, which was established in Rochester, Minn., in August, 1941, made its first presentation of the model of the heroines who provided the nation with over 14,000, when Post Commander Claude Davie gave the model and accompanying certificate to Mrs. Hunter, 1435 Ruas Street, Eureka, Calif.

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MEMORIAL DAY, 1946

The guns are silent—now! Another period of peace has been purchased with the blood and sacrifice of the finest flower of our youth.

Again, as in past decades, we will march to the cemetery and lay the sweet blossoms of memory on the last resting places of our hero.

While we at home are doing the little that we can, on this one annual day of memorial, to ensure that those who have served as American Legion men or women who remain, similar ceremonies will be taking place in far places beyond the sea where those who have not come home, but who rest on that far frontier of war where duty required that they go.

Again we will parade. We will place flags and flowers over those who fell. We will listen to speeches, hear the rifle salute to the dead—and as the notes of 'Taps' are echoed from a distance we may ask ourselves, 'Why did this have to be? What can we do to prevent this in our future?'

We note with fresh amazement how the harvest of death has grown since those days when we observed a peaceful Memorial Day. How fast have become the Soldiers' and Sailors' Memorial posts in the four long years our nation was engaged in this last bitter struggle.

The American Legion and its Overseas Graves Decoration Trust will not forget, as it has never forgotten. No grave of those who served the colors will be neglected.

Not only will The American Legion remember our dead on this Memorial Day, but it will recall the years and years during which our people were told, 'Unless this nation takes the steps to prevent another war—it could happen again.

The steps were not taken. It did happen again. And again The American Legion tells the nation that these United States must be—strong—firm enough to insure the peace we pray for; strong enough to guarantee the peace we love so dearly despite our historic refusals to pay with our blood in time and interest and money to maintain it.

This Memorial Day again points to the eternal truth—we will pay for peace in one way or another, at one time or another! Either with effort and time and money now, or with the lives of our youth when the war tommorrows heard.

These things The American Legion believes will preserve the peace so dearly won: Full cooperation with other countries to make the United Nations a practical and operating agency; an intelligent effort to understand other nations as we hope they will understand us; The American Legion plan for national security through universal military training.

Joe Wanted Bunting:
Taylor Wood Hunting

The shortage of one item important to a national convenion, bunting for decoration, was reported at the National Convention. By the time arrangements were made the supply was already over.

Legion Post Owls Join That Held Jesse James

The Tickey L. Ford Post in Independence, Mo., of which President Ira T. Durrant is a member, is building a charter which will be presented to the Commander of the Missouri Department of the American Legion.

This is the same organization, under the leadership of President Ira T. Durrant, that held Jesse James. The building will be erected into a meeting hall and office, and in 1946 friends of Jesse James held a reunion. The building will be kept intact, for historical purposes, the old dugout, built of three-foot cube stone blocks, will be preserved.

Truman Keeps
All-Star Group of Defense Experts

Eight 5-Star and Two 4-Star Officers Get Permanent Assignments

For the first time in the history of the United States four Army generals and four naval admirals have been given permanent ranks of five stars. The War Department has ordered the appointment of four stars to the following generals:


The above-named men will form a permanent organization for the purpose of advising the President. The Commander-in-Chief, the President, and will review full time the war effort and the work of the armed forces while serving in this capacity.

World War II Ritual Teams

Here are presented the pictures of two well-trained American Legion ritual teams, each of which is composed of World War II veterans of the American Legion.

The upper picture shows the fine team of Burlington (Iowa) Post No. 32, which is completely uniformed both men and women. The team has been selected for the 4th of July ceremonies in several posts and are always ready to respond to an invitation. The members are active with other assignments aside from their team work: reports Paul Palas, 1st District Commander of the Post, an active member of the American Legion Veterans of Foreign War.

The lower picture shows the fine World War II ritual team of Meriden (Conn.) Post 45. Recently organized, well-trained, the members have had their baptism by initiating a first class of 100 new members on April 23, and are ready for any future appearances. Pictured—is Post Commander Edgewood Sherwood and Harvey Elliott, who has acted as coach.
The fact that family groups are joining the American Legion is new. We have printed the pictures and stories of many such in the columns of this newsgroup. We have purposely not presented them in columns in the future. These pictures show several such groups.

The six sons of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Redditt, who joined Post No. 102 at Milledgeville, Ill., are shown in the top picture. All Army veterans of World War II, these brothers joined the post in a group.

From left to right they are: Leonard; Kenneth; John; Wilbert; and Harvey. The first five named retired for the release of Harvey from an Army hospital so they could become Legionnaires in return.

In the second picture are shown the six Redditt brothers who were initiated into Clarence LeRoy Redditt Post 72, of Toledo, Ohio, on April 18. From left to right the brothers are Hubert C.; Max L.; Lesley H.; Melvin R.; Lawrence K.; and Everett L. Redditt.

The third picture shows the six Boehm brothers of Miltstadt, 111. From left to right they are: Arthur Welnert; Martin; Conrad Redlitz; Edward; Gerhard Redlitz; Edward; and Ernest Loser.

These are part of the Indiana Post 702 group. The Redditts are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Redditt of Milledgeville, Ill., who have been active members of the post since its inception. The post has had a membership of over 100 members since its inception.

V. A. Checks Will Be

Several agencies responded to the call for support of the V. A. hospitals and the American Legion has been able to assist in the distribution of these checks. The fiscal service of the American Legion was able to assemble these checks and distribute them to the veterans who are in need.

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The American Legion presents these checks to the veterans who are in need. The American Legion is deeply grateful for the support of the American Legion post in this endeavor.
ESSAY CONTEST

The Department of Veterans Affairs, Department of Defense, and Federal Home Loan Bank of Texas have announced an essay contest for veterans on the subject of "What I Wish I Knew in the Early Days of American Legion." Suitable themes are to be announced. Entries must be postmarked not later than May 15, 1946. The Department of Veterans Affairs will announce essay contest for eligible veterans on the subject of "History of the American Legion." Suitable themes are to be announced.

NARRATIVE COURSE PROGRAM

The American Legion, National Coots Council, has announced that its June session will be devoted to "The Story of the American Legion." Suitable themes are to be announced.

FILM TABLET AVAILABLE

There is a new mystery tablet available for those interested in film. The tablet is used to show幻灯 pictures. It is available for $5.00.

WORLD POSTAL LAPER

A suggestion: How about all posts using local newspapers in the near future? It is suggested that a column be added to the local newspaper where the location of the Post headquarters is given and how to reach them. The column might be of interest to those who are not familiar with the Post and a good way for the Post to get its name out. There will be a few cents a week per column that will pay for the cost of the column.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Summer vacation is almost over, but not by official date but anyway it's time to plan for activities that will carry on during the school year. Activities as baseball, tennis, golf, and swimming are ones that every Post should have. More tools needs to be obtained for the Post to be able to give more than just the usual amount of activities. It's a good way to get more members and it's a problem that isn't forgotten.

MUSICAL REVIVAL

The San Francisco National Convention met this week and all Post members attending this week will see a great revival of Legion bands. The bands and drum teams are the key points of this year's convention. All Post members attending this year's convention are sure-fire winners when it comes to increasing membership.

QUIZ NIGHTS

American Legion Post 509, 524 North Park Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, has developed an effective program in increasing its membership. Each month, the Post holds a quiz night and an answer night. All veterans are invited to attend. Questions are varied and are based on the War, the War of 1812, and the War of 1861. The questions are designed to lead the discussion and to answer the questions on such subjects as housing, claims, compensation, medical care, and employment problems of veterans. All those in attendance are asked to bring the answer sheets to the meeting.

GET 'EM, AND HOLD 'EM

(Member Expansion and Stabilization)

By C. W. M. Wilson, Member Expansion-Stabilization Service

Col. Clair W. Baird Dies
In Port Washington, N. Y.
Col. Clair W. Baird, U.S.A., Ret., who was remembered by many Legionnaires as command- ing officer at Camp Upton, N. Y., at the outbreak of World War II and later the commanding officer at Camp Kimes, N., N., and at Pine Camp, N.Y., died recently at his home in Port Washington, N.Y. He had retired from the service, and was an active member of The American Legion Post 509 in Port Washington, N.Y.

Dr. Howard Rusk
Will Assist the VA

A. Rusk, a member of The American Legion National Medical Advisory Board, has been appointed by the Department of Veterans Affairs to rehabilitate patients suffering from neuropsychological disabilities and to supervise the training of rehabilitation professionals. A former colonel in the medical corps, Dr. Rusk served as chief of rehabilitation at the Army Air Forces during the war and is now associated with the New York Times in their nationwide rehabilitation program.

San Francisco Is Under Way

Kick-off Banquet Starts the Ball Rolling for 1946 Convention

With the arrival of National Commander John Stella and National Director of Public Relations Raymond R. Fields in San Francisco, May 13, plans for the 28th annual convention officially got under way. Commander Stella spent four days in the convention city completing and arranging the convention program.

State, city and county government officials were guests of honor at the Bay City's Fairmont Hotel on Monday evening May 6, where The American Legion's national convention officially kicked off. Distinguished guests included Governor Albert E. Gore, Mayor Roger Lapham, Mayor of San Francisco, both active Legionnaires.

Labor Leaders Endorse the Legion Job Essay Contest

AFL Joins CIO in Praising American Legion for Its Role in Assembling Facts Useful in Promoting "Jobs for All"

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Endorsement of The American Legion's "Jobs for All" Essay Contest was received from another labor union in the AFL-CIO. The CIO, through its Executive Board, announced its endorsement of the essay contest held by the Legion for enlisting public interest in seeking a solution for employment in the nation. "Unless peacetime production is vastly expanded and a high level of employment is maintained in America, our economy will never be safe from the danger of a mass unemployment crisis," Green explained.

"The American Legion, therefore, is to be highly commended for enlisting public interest in the solution of the national employment problem through its "Jobs for All" Essay Contest."

The contest is designed full employment for returning veterans and for increasing employment is a common concern of The American Legion and the AFL-CIO. The Legion's Federation of Labor. It should also be one of the deep responsibilities of governments and political parties, the Federation declared.

The $2,000 contest, offering a top prize of $1,000 in cash and 12 other prizes ranging from $50 to $500, was also praised by Mr. Murray, who said that he was pleased that the contest serves as "a mediating force...in bringing about the continuing national employment program for former members of the armed forces.""
What IS A PSYCHONEUROSIS?
By H. D. Shapiro, M. D.
Senior Medical Consultant
National Rehabilitation Committee

There is a great deal of misunderstanding of the term "psychoneurosis," which is a medical and hospitalization subject, and that the question may very well be just a matter of fact, the psychoneurosis in most instances is a permanent condition and is called by the medical profession for many years. Fortunately, in the past, little attention has been given to the term "psychoneurosis," and this is very important, the individual's attitude and efforts toward treatment of symptoms. Psychological emphasis has been placed on "the longer you put it off, the harder it is to get a job, and to get a job, you must do something". Therefore, a psychoneurosis is the term as an accepted diagnosis with a number of these private mental hygiene clinics available to take care of the problem. As a result, there were no public mental hygiene clinics available to treat the individual's mental condition. It is very important, the individual's attitude and efforts toward treatment are the key factors in the production of a psychoneurotic state. This is very important, the individual's attitude and efforts toward treatment are the key factors in the production of a psychoneurotic state. The American Legion hopes to prompt the lay public to this term as an accepted diagnosis with the idea that psychoneurosis is a mental hygiene term used interchangeably, is a term that has been recognized by the medical profession for many years. Fortunately, in the past, little attention has been given to the term "psychoneurosis," and this is very important, the individual's attitude and efforts toward treatment of symptoms. Psychological emphasis has been placed on "the longer you put it off, the harder it is to get a job, and to get a job, you must do something". Therefore, a psychoneurosis is the term as an accepted diagnosis with a number of these private mental hygiene clinics available to take care of the problem. As a result, there were no public mental hygiene clinics available to treat the individual's mental condition. It is very important, the individual's attitude and efforts toward treatment are the key factors in the production of a psychoneurotic state. This is very important, the individual's attitude and efforts toward treatment are the key factors in the production of a psychoneurotic state. The American Legion hopes to prompt the lay public to this term as an accepted diagnosis with the idea that psychoneurosis is a mental hygiene term used interchangeably, is a term that has been recognized by the medical profession for many years.
Legion in U.S. Supreme Court
To Protest Vet Work Rights

Judge Advocate Files Brief
And Appears in Case
Up on Appeal

RALPH R. GREGG, national judge advocate of The American Legion, revealed in a brief filed recently before the United States Supreme Court in the case of Fishgold vs. Bureau of Veterans Administration, that seniority rights of non-veterans are being fraudulently taken away.

In the case, the veteran Fishgold returned from military service and was refused to his former employment because of a preference being given to a non-veteran under a collective bargaining arrangement between the employer and the union. Mr. Gregg contends that the collective bargaining agreement was made under the impression that the veteran was not available for employment during the absence of the employer who was in military service.

When Fishgold sued for the wages he would have been entitled to had he been employed and working during this period, the Supreme Court gave him a judgment. The case is being reviewed in Washington, D.C., that the seniority rights of non-veterans are being fraudulently taken

Since this case presents the rights of the veteran to his former position and affected his former employment, it is in The American Legion's effort to prevent any fraud of a union against the veterans)

Besides, the case was written consent to the American Legion, that The American Legion Service Center would thereafter protect all veterans under the law.

Liberal Construction

Mr. Gregg, for The American Legion, states in the brief that it is liberally construed to carry out the Congressional intent. In the case it is contended that the legislation is in derogation of the Constitution and cannot be interpreted by collective bargaining agreements.

The brief states that seniority rights of non-veterans are being fraudulently taken from the veteran without his knowledge and that this is in conflict with the rights accorded the veteran in Section 8 of the Act.

It is also contended by Mr. Gregg that the agreement made by the collective bargaining arrangement, to give the veteran work for one year after his return, is a violation of Section 8 of the Act, also that the rules of the

The American Legion Service Center is in jeopardy of losing its right to represent the veteran in any case.

GI Bill Students Who
Select Mexico Warred

Veterans planning to study in Mexico under the GI Bill of Rights will find it possible to maintain themselves financially by obtaining honorary membership in The American Legion in Mexico, as well as in any other section of the country. This section is available to all veterans who have served in World War I and have been in Mexico.

GI Bill of Rights financial assistance will be available for all veterans who have served in World War I and have been in Mexico. In this case, the veteran will receive their GI Bill and the differences in the GI Bill will be taken care of by the RFC Mortgage Company under the new plan.

More GI Loans to
Follow New Plan

RFC Creates Secondary Mortgage Plan to Aid Small Financial Concerns

It has been announced by Francis M. Sullivan, assistant national legislative director for The American Legion, that the RFC has created a new plan to aid small financial concerns. The plan will be based on the RFC Mortgage Company under the new plan.

Under this plan, private financial institutions which have made home mortgages under the GI Bill of Rights can now all loans to the RFC Mortgage Company under the new plan.

This new policy of the RFC will deal only with original lenders, familiar financial institutions, but not much revenue will be in a position to negotiate additional GI loans, based on the number of which a secondary mortgage is accepted by the RFC. Under the arrangement, however, "the seller must certify that the loan is not being offered because of any existing or expected conditions affecting the mortgagor or his affairs which, in the opinion of the seller, will cause the mortgage indebtedness to become delinquent."

Sacred Duty Undertaken
by American Legion Since 1920

Because of its deep and unyielding interest in the graves of our overseas dead, The American Legion has arranged for their proper decoration on Memorial Day of this year. Through the Legion's efforts, the graves of our heroic dead will be decorated by service organizations throughout the world on this special day in honor of those who gave their lives for freedom throughout the world. The American Legion has actively undertaken this obligation since 1920.

An example of this year's observance is contained in this message from Dr. Anthony Blake, commandant of Alpha Post No. 1, Athens, Georgia:

"This year, having recovered a bit from the results of the occupation and being in position to appreciate the meaning of freedom for which our comrades fell, we intend to do our best, and we ask you to plan as follows:"

"At the cemetery the customary religious ceremony will be performed and thereafter every grave will be decorated with a wreath of the historic bough, while numerous young girls will shower each grave with flowers. The ceremony will be photographed as a whole and a picture will be taken of each grave so that a photograph can be mailed to the families of those heroes, provided their home addresses can be obtained from the American Legion here."

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Linton, Ind., Post
Honors Sherwood

Post to Be Organized in 1919
to Give Americanism
Director a Party

Frank Courtney Post 23 of Lin-
ton, Ind., have organized a home party for Elmer W. Sherwood, director of the Americanism Department of The American Legion, on June 1. The post will operate as a means of promoting the Legion's program, and the first post of the party, the director of the office he now holds in the Americanism Department, will be held in the office of the post.

The director will be welcomed and entertained at a home party for Elmer W. Sherwood, Ind., will have a welcome-
WASHINGTON—Congress will have extended until the end of this fiscal year the limited price control law established by the Fair Play for Cuba Act. This is a great hardship to many people who oppose the act, and it is a great relief to many others.

Inflation

The Office of Price Administration was created for the purpose of trying to control inflation, and it has been doing a good job. The Office of Price Administration is now attempting to control the price of gasoline, and it is doing a good job. The Office of Price Administration is also attempting to control the price of textiles, and it is doing a good job.

Failures at Paris

The attempts of the Big Four powers at Paris to achieve a settlement of the war questions have failed. The Big Four powers are: Great Britain, United States, Soviet Union, and China. The Big Four powers are attempting to negotiate a peace settlement.

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Agricultural Committee's Meeting

The Agricultural Committee's Meeting was held in Washington, D.C., on April 16, 1946, to discuss the problems of the American farmer. The members of the committee included: Senator James O. Eastland, Chairman; Senator Hubert Humphrey, Vice-Chairman; and Senator John Sparkman, Secretary.

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Community Vote
On Post Project

Chatham, N. J.'s, Citizens
Will Determine What New
Building Shall Be

The American Legion post at
Chatham, New Jersey, has called
up to the citizens of that city to
determine what post building
shall be erected by the post—and
James D. Coleman, Commander
of Post 25, says it will be guided
by the will of the community.

Chatham needs a building which
could be used by the community as
a recreation center for youth or
adult groups. Post 25 needs a new
auditorium because its present
building has made the present
quarters small. A new building
on the two appeared to be an ideal
proposition, but the post felt it
must have support of community
interest.

To carry out the plan, a printed
description of the proposed new
building, which will cost an esti-
mated $100,000, was prepared. An
architect's drawing of the exterior
and plans of the interior was shown.
A Citizens Committee met and
the committee service record was
included.

Mrs. Elizabeth J. Kelly, widow of the former superintendent of
police in Washington, D. C., was recently decorated with the
American medal voted to her husband posthumously by the George S. Pat-
ton Post—Tank Corps Post 19 of Washington, D. C. The award of
medal and citation is being made by Post Commander Harry Yer-
vers Ye. A Witness of Colonel Kelly, which was carved in wood
by a Negro veteran, can be seen as

The vote, at the most recent re-
presentation of Chatham's fa-
vor to the American Legion pro-
ceeding with its more ambitious
plan.

Breaking Records
Becoming a Habit

Membership Claims Come
In from Posts to Meet
Challenges

Records are made to be broken.
This is the story of one such
record. The American Legion
post scholarship of the New
York City of the American Legion,
with a population of 4,000, boasted a
record enrollment of 1,021. But
the Legion, good, they thought—and so did we—had many more
members in the membership popula-
tion in their town.

It is the little mountain town in
northeast Georgia, reported 520
members of the population in a pop-
tion of 6,000. Our goal is 600.
But instead—by the efforts of the
Commander and Field Com-
mander O. A. Teasley.

Mahony City, Pa., claims this
accomplishment: 1140 post mem-
bers in a population of 6,000.
April 30, according to Adjutant
E. Lamar Christ, with 17 of the
men War II veterans—and a
new building center costing

Gowanda Post 49, Gowanda, N. Y. 14070, has a membership of 780
and claims 976 members in the population of 5,360. It has 425
members in every neighborhood of the town. There are 60
percent of the population, or a percentage of 12.8 of the
population, are legion members.

It is the little town on its own
home since 1830 and has ample
time to devote the expected increase in membership.

Charles E. Rochester
Is Now Hotel President

Charles E. Rochester, known to
friends as "Cholly," has been elected
president of the Union Hotel
in New York City. He is the late
distinquished guest committee
of The American Legion post at

of the Legion has been made

The Returning Veteran Gets a
Sons of The American Legion is

The team from Upper Darby,
alleys, gymnastics, etc.
The First Division, in Cook Coun-
day—WITH DAD.

Other rifle events of interest to
nationals and NLA riflemen are
the Society of the American
Sons of The American Legion is

Michigan Drive Will
Boost S.A.L. Interest

Tenny S. Flakes, S.A.L. De-
Oyster Bay, N. Y., To Erect Library As a Memorial

 Thornton Theodore, Jr., one of the original founders of The American Legion, will be honored by the villagers of Oyster Bay, N. Y., through the establishment of the General Theodore Roosevelt Jr. Memorial Library, which is a project of citizens and service men, headed by the American Legion Post 10 of Oyster Bay, and the Nassau County State Legion organizations. The library is sponsored by a group of the Legion's membership of 385 members and its membership of 200 members is taking the leading role in the establishment raising funds for the library. The General was a charter member of the American Legion and served as its commander in 1939.

Air National Guard to Have 3,000 Pilots

Reserve for Air Forces Also Planned, With Annual Training Course

Tentative plans for an Air National Guard of 3,000 pilots, 3,000 mechanics and 3,000 support personnel, have been disclosed by Lt. Gen. (Ret.) George E. Vasey, commanding general of the Air Defense Command. The Air Force, it is said, would have 2,000 planes at 75 air bases — including at least one in each state — under the plan, which was worked out by the War Department and approved by the armed services. In addition to the annual training courses for enlisted men, with plans for 100,000 officers and 125,000 mechanics, each reserve unit will get a 15-day annual training course.

Army’s New Reserve

Will Train This Year

The Army now has the reserve corps of the U. S. Army, which is preparing for a three-month training program during the coming winter. A training course, which has been prepared by the War Department, estimates that approximately 655,000 veterans will be the eventual strength of the reserve. Present estimates of the reserves is 225,000 officers and 530,000 enlisted men, and each reserve unit will get a 15-day annual training course.

Idaho Names War II Man

As Assistant Adjutant

A World War II veteran, A. H. Brailler of Boise, Idaho, has been appointed assistant adjutant to the Idaho department of the American Legion. Twenty years ago the same post was occupied by Sheriff Rackerby who was assistant to Sheriff Elton V. Jones and served much of the time in the field. The Stocky former Marine captain is a Pacific veteran. His wife, Mrs. Ruby Rackerby is an ex-Navy nurse and also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary.

D. C. Memorial Design

Presents New Claim

A preliminary design for a memorial to the 2,000 dead of the U. S. military planes that have been completed by a Washington architect, has been submitted to the Fine Arts Commissions for study, reports the Washington Star.

Mailing Invitations

No Grave Is Neglected

"I am filled with gratitude to the American Legion, which never forgets nor neglects to honor all who have won the proud uniform of our great Teddy. That is a great service of a great organization, and it does great public and appreciation for this steadfast service. That is why I appreciate it and have received it," wrote Miss Sickie Hurst Dickerson, Miss Hurst's granddaughter, James Dickerson Hurst, who had been a captain in the Missouri regiment of the Union army, a year ago, and is buried in a cemetery in Yuba, Oklahoma.

During the years that have elapsed, the family scattered, and none had visited his last resting place for many years. However, this spring, the old field was visited in person. Mrs. Hurst made it a point to visit the graves of all veterans since 1923, and has a file and charts showing the graves of all of the war veterans of the world who served after the war, and he has a record in The American Legion file of all veterans buried since that time.

Mrs. Hurst is on past president of the West Hollywood East 65 of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Citizenship Law For Foreign-Born

Veterans of the Second World War are eligible for American citizenship by a new law, which went into effect on Dec. 27, 1945. The 1939 and before Dec. 27, 1945, alien veterans are urged to file for citizenship, in most cases the usual $8 fee will be waived. All members of the American Legion auxiliary will be granted a charter to help them in their case the usual $8 fee is considered by the committee. As this law expires on Dec. 31, 1946, alien veterans are urged to get fees at once for their citizenship. In their case the usual $8 fee is waived. Veterans still in military service may also file. Any post service officer of the American Legion can file any fee paid. Veterans who applied for naturalization in a much shorter time is required of non veterans.

A Bowling "Brother Act"

Here are the five McDonald brothers — from left to right being George, Jim, Roy, Bill and Larry — who won the bowling championship at the 23rd Annual National Bowling League Tournament in Hollywood, Calif. With $50 to $30 to stake, they are now stepping into the national scene. The McDonalds are American Legion tournament pair which 100 entries are entered. All of the McDonalds are members of Hollywood Post 48.
Heroes Again to Be Our Guests at Nat’l Convention
Congressional Medal of Honor will again be the guest of The American Legion at the 1946 National convention in San Francisco. This was announced by National Adjutant Donald G. Glaspie.

Last year’s national conventions in Chicago and New York were attended by 155 congressional medalists, and 218 have been postmasters of their communities. At its initial session the CMHA agreed to meet annually at the Legion’s national conventions. It is composed of 80 veterans of World War II and four veterans of World War I in Chicago at 7:30 a.m. June 9.

Attract Crowd
The five veterans attended the dedication of the Chicago, Central Standard Time, and will be released at 2 p.m. EST on June 8, arriving back in Chicago for the McLeansboro party, only 60 miles away in the opposite direction.

An informal tour of the city followed the parade, and the Legionnaires then gathered at the Hotel Kinzie for a banquet. The guest speaker was O. Howard, national president of the exclusive organization.

Stelle Party to Attract Crowd
(Continued from page 1)

Aurora, Illinois, to the Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railroad, will leave Chicago from the Dearborn Street station on Friday, June 7th at 11:45 a.m., Central Standard Time, and will arrive in St. Louis at 2 p.m. on June 8th. The train will leave St. Louis for the return trip at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 9th, and will arrive in Chicago at 7:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 10th.

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Legionnaires who can possibly be contacted are invited to take the day off and come to McLeansboro for the Stelle’s greatest occasion.

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