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CONGRESS GROUP BLOCKS VET BILL

Veterans Rate City "Tops"

CHECK SHOWS HIGH AVERAGE LOCAL WAGES

Rochester veterans receive the highest median wage of any Metropolitan area in New York State and show their appreciation with the announcement that 91 per cent intend to continue to live here despite generally unpleasant winters, frequently wretched transportation service, and often pitiable housing conditions, according to a recent survey by the United States Department of Commerce.

The Buffalo and New York City areas showed an average weekly veteran wage of \$40 and jobs in the Utica-Rome area produced only \$1 more. The Rochester average at the time of the survey was \$47.

Some hope for single girls with family aspirations appears in the same report. Area veterans are divided about equally between married and single men, and the total is around 30,000. Girls who own homes would appear to be singularly

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TO HEAD WAC . . . Lt. Col. Mary A. Hallaran of the Women's army corps, who will become acting head of the corps when Col. Westray B. Boyce retires on May 6th.

"Put It There, Mac"



U. N. RULE FOR JAPAN . . . Turn the problem of occupation of Japan over to the United Nations is the advice that Gen. Douglas MacArthur recently gave the world. He is shown with Ambassador Paul V. McNutt, who visited Tokyo recently.

United Vet Front Opposes Army-VA Hospital Merger

Battle lines are drawn and scouts are out as veterans' organizations and the War Department prepare to slug it out over a War Department sponsored consolidation of Veterans' Administration and War Department hospital facilities. Whisperings of the plan floated through the Washington air several months ago but the first direct evidence that it was in the works came through recent testimony of General Eisenhower before the Senate Armed Services Committee when he said that the Budget Bureau had the plan under consideration.

This issue, unlike the universal military training proposals, finds the veterans with a solid front. The Veterans of Foreign Wars got to their man, Rep. James Van Zandt, Republican, of Pennsylvania, former national commander, and exhorted him to smash the consolidation as quickly as possible, preferably before it came to a vote.

The extremely capable Col. John Thomas Taylor, director of the American Legion's legislative committee, is probably already at work on his Congressional acquaintances as the

Legion is expected to enter the fray momentarily.

Basic objection of veterans to the plan is that patients in the VA hospitals are civilians and resent supervision by military personnel.

Origin of the plan is mysterious. Mrs. Edith Nourse Rogers, Republican, of Mass., chairman of the House Vets' Affairs Committee, hints that it was dreamed up to justify the promotion of Maj. Gen. Paul Hawley, VA medical director. Rep. John Taber, Republican, of Auburn, N. Y., chairman of the House

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Congressmen Snub Kearney Proposal For Ceiling Raise

Combined efforts of Mrs. Edith Nourse Rogers, Republican, of Mass., chairman of the House Vets' Affairs Committee, and sponsor Rep. Bernard W. (Pat) Kearney, Republican, of New York, to force a House vote on Kearney's bill to raise ceilings on combined subsistence and income for students and on-the-job trainees under the GI Bill of Rights continue to be bitterly opposed by Congressional leaders.

Friends Endorse Bob Abbott For Top County Post

Aspirants to command of the Monroe County American Legion have cast of their winter lethargy and are circulating briskly among the electorate.

The first formal announcement of a candidacy for the mantle to be discarded by Ray Felerski came from Samuel Atlas, commander of the Loeser-Shavlin Post, who said his post had unanimously endorsed Robert N. Abbott. The election will take place in June.

Abbott, a World War II veteran, is the director of the Monroe County Veterans Information Service Bureau. He formed the Loeser-Shavlin Post in 1945 and was the first commander.

County Legion activities included chairmanship of the membership committee in 1945 and on the executive committee in 1945 and 1946. His interest in veterans' organizations is not confined to the American Legion as he is also a member of the Downtown Post, VFW; Chapter 15, Disabled American Veterans; Rochester Chapter, First Division Society; Military Order of the Purple Heart.

War service of the potential commander started with enlistment as a private in the infantry in 1940.

The bill theoretically affects over 12,000 Monroe County veterans and is of vital importance to a great number of on-the-job trainees and students with part time work who find present ceilings are not commensurate with living costs.

Present ceilings are \$175 monthly for both wages and the subsistence payments which are \$65 for single veterans and \$90 to those with dependents. The increases under the Kearney bill would bring the maximum amount a person with more than one dependent could earn up to \$325.

If on-the-job training programs were frozen the bill would not cost the government any more money as there is no provision for increasing the

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A NEW RADIO SLANT . . .

Deserving Bouquets Bestowed. Likewise Eggs exposed in the feature.

DATES ON THE DIAL

An up to the moment resume of Current Radio Programs — appearing each week in THE VETERANS' VOICE.

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Editorial

Legislative specialists of big time veterans' organizations now realize that their primary task is no longer the introduction and passage of new legislation favorable to veterans. They have become involved, a trifle belatedly, in a last ditch stand to protect the exciting benefits from the hydrophobia-tinged bite of such eminent treasury watchdogs as Rep. John Taber, Republican, of New York, chairman of the House Appropriations committee.

While internecine war raged between Washington representatives of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars over who crossed whom on the universal training issue, the busy little bees of the Appropriations committee took another bite of the Veterans Employment Service budget and reduced it to a point where field operations will virtually cease.

Given last minute warning both organizations rushed to Rep. James Van Zandt, Republican, of Pennsylvania, who made an impassioned but futile plea and the reduction was approved by the House. More alert and co-operative opposition may defeat it in the Senate.

The Veterans Employment Service is useful, if not vital, and on its record warrants expenditure of the money involved. It assumes added importance to veterans as a symbol of the Congressional attitude toward them.

VES has functioned for 14 years as a quasi-independent arm of the Department of Labor activated when Congress passed the Wagner-Peyser Act. Provision was made in 1944 for a board composed of the Secretary of Labor, the head of the Veterans Administration and the Director of Selective Service.

Robert B. Snyder, assistant Veterans Employment Representative for New York State VES, Dept. of Labor, has functional supervision over the program in 12 counties with headquarters in the Terminal Building. The work is closely co-ordinated with that of USES.

William E. Hogan is the Monroe County Field representative and probable casualty of the slashed budget. His full time job is to solicit employer requisitions for veteran personnel for USES. He has been particularly successful inducing employers to replace women workers with disabled veterans. Approximately 40 per cent of the veterans in this category are rated disabled because of leg injuries and are quite capable of handling jobs performed while sitting down. His other tasks include a survey of the job potential of small employers in the area and dissemination of facts regarding on-the-job training programs. Recent contacts uncovered seven employers unaware of the training program and resulted in instigation of programs by two of them and additional inquiries by the others. number was more than adequate to justify his work.

The budget recommended for VES by Gen. Bradley, Secretary Schwollenbach and Maj. Gen. Hershey was \$3,400,000 to cover 1005 field agents and 57 headquarters employees. President Truman's Budget Bureau reduced this figure to \$2,200,000 to provide for 644 field agents and 32 headquarters employees. The House Appropriations Committee lopped off another \$500,000, which will undoubtedly be peeled off the operational end of the service, and the result will be a paper organization.

Edith Nourse Rogers, Republican of Massachusetts, chairman of the House Veterans Affairs committee, hinted recently that organized opposition to veterans had swung into action. Mrs. Rogers didn't identify the anti-veteran groups, a nice gesture of party loyalty, but did say it was unfortunate that they should become active at a time when national economy is at the peak of fashion.

Most champions know why they were crowned. They owe their success to a breakfast food, a cigarette, or a toothpaste. The Republican party is peculiarly unaware that it owes its domination of Congress to the fact that people became weary of the other team and wanted to see a new set of uniforms. They believe that the voters are concerned with the cost of government to the exclusion of fairness and efficiency.



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† REV. ROBERT H. HARPER †
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Lesson for April 13: 1 Samuel
9: 1-2; 11: 12, 13; 15: 22-26, 34,
35.
Memory Selection: Psalms 33:
12.

Except the first, the lessons of the second quarter concern the rise and fall of the Hebrew nation. Today we study the establishment of the kingdom and the rise and fall of the first king.

Samuel, the prophet and last of the Judges, anointed the first king. Saul went out to seek the straying asses and found also a kingdom. After he had led his people to great victory over the Amalekites, Saul won the hearts of the people, was solemnly crowned at Gilgal, and he entered with confidence the work of his great office. But his story soon changes into one of the most tragic in history.

Probably illiterate, certainly rough and uncouth, he was mighty in stature, looked every inch a king, and was fearless in battle. But he who often conquered others failed to conquer himself. Succumbing to the vanity of high place, he soon transgressed the will of God, especially in the campaign against the Amalekites, and the Lord rejected him as king of Israel. After delivering this awful verdict of God, Samuel departed from Saul and saw him no more.

Saul was unable to escape the nemesis of his evil deeds and he died by suicide in the battle of Gilboa. But the kingdom went on. Men pass away but the purposes of God go on. Let us share in his purposes as we conform ourselves to his will.

New Books

- ALL MY SONS: A Play in Three Acts, by Arthur Miller (Reynal & Hitchcock, \$2).
- BUT LOOK, THE MORN: The Story of a Childhood by MacKinlay Kantor (Coward-McCann, \$3.50).
- CHILDREN OF VIENNA, by Robert Neumann (Dutton, \$2.75). A novel.
- HELL HATH NO FURY, by Lois Eby and John C. Fleming (Dutton, \$2.50). A detective story.

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Considering the widely divergent viewpoints on foreign affairs among the members of congress, President Truman's historic message asking congressional approval of a \$400,000,000 loan to Greece and Turkey, and American personnel, both military and economic, to rehabilitate that section of the world, was well received.

And already steps have been taken by the foreign relations committees of both house and senate to get a bill or resolution into action by March 31. Senator Vandenberg, Michigan, leader of the GOP on foreign relations, was forthright in his acceptance of the President's plea.

Said Vandenberg: "The President has courageously faced the problem of Communism aggression and I would expect congress to support him. As to methods and details of how it will be done, I expect congress to reserve its own right to pass its own judgment."

The massive impact of the President's message is of the gravest import, for in it he sets out two alternatives . . . either support the free peoples who are resisting attempted subjugation by armed minorities or outside pressures from either Communists or Fascists and carry on the ideals for which we fought the war and for which we paid some \$90 billion dollars, or forget this expenditure of money and of lives and sacrifice our world leadership and world respect, all of which would mean the end of United Nations as an effective force. Indications are that despite the isolationist tendencies of some members of the congress, they will be voted down and the President will get the support he has asked.

In the meantime, determined Repr. Harold Knutson, of Minnesota, carrying on in the face of almost certain defeat, declares that no matter what the Greek-Turkish move costs the government, no matter what expenditures there are in store for the next fiscal year, he is going to reduce taxes in his 20 percent across-the-board bill.

Secretary of the Treasury Snyder urged against it in his testimony before the committee, declaring this was no time to reduce taxes and that whatever surplus there is after the appropriations are made should be applied to the national debt.

Official Washington and those out of government who have the wal-

fare of the country and the people at heart, are concerned deeply over high prices. It requires no second sight to perceive that this country cannot survive economically and win with the peace on \$2.80 wheat and \$1.00 porkchops. With all prices at the highest level since 1920, the question of controls is again in the offing. For despite all the promises made by private enterprise more than six months ago, prices are steadily on the increase instead of leveling off. Comes now the Mr. Bigs of Industry and Manufacture and Agriculture and say this last price spurge is the last fling of the inflationary era and that from now on, the way of all prices is down. However, the economists don't see that way unless somebody forces them to put the prices down. The average American, despite the high income of the country, is now going into his savings to survive and to live. He cannot live on his current income without sacrificing his standard of living.

Lest we forget . . . on July 3, 1946, the National Association of Manufacturers said:

"If OPA is permanently discontinued the production of goods will mount rapidly and through free competition prices will quickly adjust themselves to levels that consumers are willing to pay." That was eight months ago.

On July 5, 1946 the American Meat Institute said: "Painful experience has proved that under OPA regulations livestock does not come to market in sufficient quantities . . . and your meat dealer will soon be able to serve you at honest prices." That was eight months ago and meat has risen to an all time high.

Senator Brian McMahon, of Connecticut, taking cognizance of continuously rising prices, said on the floor of the Senate recently: "If a crisis develops in the next few months on the domestic scene, the reason will be failure to keep prices within reach of the mass buying through a failure to restrain the impulse to pile up profits in an inflating economy with prices uncontrolled. So far in 1947 I think we can all agree that labor has exercised restraint in trying to force higher wages . . . this despite steadily mounting prices from already inflated levels and profits at unprecedented heights."



Take An Orchid

BY JAMES H. RONYAG

Former World War II Lieutenant Thomas Carniolo, Culver Veterans of Foreign Wars Post and Arnamar Veterans' Association leader, performs his duties to his organizations with sincerity . . . Karl Powers, World War I veteran and his wife Margaret, both long time workers in patriotic affairs within this community rate tops with all who know them . . .

The Monroe County Council of the Army and Navy Union are looking forward to Sunday, April 13th when the New York State Department Commander Daniel Myers, of Utica, N. Y. will pay an official visit to Rochester . . . John Peartree, Spanish-American War Veteran and City of Rochester Building Bureau official retains a ready smile and a helping hand for all his friends . . . Mrs. Mabel Woolford, VFW auxiliary worker gives endless hours to hospital work . . .

The April 8th Overseas Party being sponsored by the Air Forces Post, American Legion, in Eagles Hall can't miss with a committee including Bernard J. Neumark, Charles E. Lathrop and Bernard M. Pogal handling arrangements . . . Hold it until we write in Lady Kilroy's admonition to the effect that what most of us need is accident insurance to cover the consequences of pursuing the wrong policy . . .

Marion Sigrist of the Foreman-Kramb American Legion Post adds joy to the heart of

Commander Kheel by her attention and interest when the session gets under way . . . Don't you agree that Congressman Kenneth B. Keating, World War I and II veteran does a grand veteran's job in the nation's capitol; by the way Congressman Keating is the principal speaker at the Chamber of Commerce Army Day Forum tomorrow . . . ATTENTION all World War II Veterans — you are reminded that George M. Clancy, former New York State Department Commander of the American Legion and President and owner of his own trucking concern did not head or own this company back in 1919, 1920 . . .

The Hon. Herbert Paddock, Front Street's Mayor and World War I veteran who did a trick of service in the Aleutians during World War II is back at his old stand at No. 27 (the street) . . .

To those Jolly Time Girls headed by Mrs. Hawley C. Handy goes a warning to have FOOD available at that planned April 13th dinner for YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE A GUEST . . .

Kenneth W. Lambert, World War II West Henrietta veteran and member of the Stevens-Corner American Legion Rush Post impresses us as being a lad who will go far in vete-ran-dom . . .

E. J. Fitzgerald, World War II 209th Coast Artilleryman is a fellow we like to see around and about . . . Colim F. Murray,

World War II member of the Fairport Perinton Memorial VFW Post will do a fine piece of work if given an opportunity . . . A. G. McGough, genial Genesee Valley American Legion Post member goes into high gear when telling the good things accomplished by his outfit . . . Here is another uplifter by Lady Kilroy with a heap of meat when she reminds us that the public mind is educated quickly by events —

James S. Cashman, World War II Sweetland American Legion member has a fine perspective as to the rights and privileges due ex-servicemen . . . Be sure and get a ticket for the Louis P. Lochner lecture being staged by the Lundgren Veterans of Foreign Wars Post in the Knights of Columbus Auditorium April 30th . . .

Kearney Bill

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subsistence allotments. Opponents of the bill include General Bradley, VA administrator, who estimates that the cost to the government would be \$156,492,000 during the first year through a sharp increase in training program participants. Under current ceilings, imposed by General Bradley in August, 1945, when it became obvious that highly paid men whose "training" was a technicality were milking the government for millions, on-the-job training is not too attractive. Firms participating in the program would presumably triple if the Kearney bill ceilings were approved.

There is a Southern Bloc in Congress headed by Rep. Rankin which is not too eager for ceiling increases because of depressed living standards in the South. They believe that the veteran would have too great an advantage over the non-veteran economically if ceilings approached the Kearney standard.

Additional ammunition was given enemies of the Kearney bill by General Bradley when he pointed out that increased ceilings or subsistence would make it imperative to resurvey the needs of totally disabled veterans who now receive only \$138 and the compensation of all 2,186,000 disabled veterans.

Mrs. Rogers has appealed to Rep. Leo Allen to make the Kearney bill a special order of business of the House immediately after Easter. He has consented to give her a hearing. The bill came up recently on the consent calendar reserved for non-controversial legislation but was passed up when the question of additional costs arose. Rep. Kearney, in an attempt to get quick action introduced a bill to put his brain child on the regular calendar of the House but this was referred back to Allen's powerful Rules Committee without action and the sole result has been to antagonize the GOP leadership by the attempt to force action.

The attitude of Republican leadership toward this bill confirms the common estimate of their attitude toward vet legislation. They are opposed to additional veteran benefits and will fight them with every parliamentary device at their command.

YOUR FAVORITE NEWSPAPER (Veterans' Voice, of course) reminds you that County Commanders will soon be elected — and IF some win success or defeat without your vote there is only silence expected from you . . . Ambrose (Whitey) Fredericks, one of the three ex-GI brothers in the Ames Street restaurant, is altar bound with Helen Margaret Zadzroszy April 12.

DATES on the DIAL



Last fall a poll of new shows most unlikely to succeed would have included a number of votes for Dennis Day. It is one of the few solid hits born during that period. All comedy shows are cut to fit the star and Frank Gaylord has been writing scripts that Day can handle well. The show this week was played in par for the course. The first basic situation placed Dennis in the woods as a former Boy Scout, albeit not a very good one. The gags were fairly obvious but well handled. Once out of the woods, literally,

Day and one of his stooges went into a radio selling routine that was highly entertaining. Gags in this show do not roll them in the aisles but develop steadily, and you don't have the feeling, as you do while listening to some shows, that the studio audience is being kept in stitches by a comedian dressed in pink bloomers dashing around the stage slapping feminine posteriors with a rolled up newspaper. Songs this week were "Linda" and "The Lord's Prayer." One of the better lines was Day's "It's employees like me that make the average national income less than anyone ever receives."

Red Skelton has the best entry for Bob Hope's jingle contest of all those that have been aired lately.

"My favorite brunette will be old and gray. Before Hope gives me a Chevrolet."

"We the People" has been prematurely buried more than any other show on the air. It celebrates its fifth birthday April 26.

The recent furore over program cancellations and lack of sponsor interest is largely a product of optimism in newspaper offices. What has happened is a normal reclassification of pinch hitters from star parts to their more satisfactory supporting roles. The wartime shortage of talent made poor principals out of good stooges and their relegation to secondary roles now is the sort of business which stockbrokers call a "healthy reaction." Like its financial counterpart the radio reaction is more healthy for some people than others.

Miss Chiquita is back at the old stand, the small stations, and her songs about bananas are clicking. The United Fruit Company, sponsor, is not mentioned in the broadcasts and doesn't have to be, as any banana you buy tinkles in their till.

"WHAM Houseparty" is an informal show with gag switched for local consumption. There was one switch we recognized from Pullman smokers with a tag line about a hen who watches men laying a sidewalk to see how it's done, and you don't have to kick it around far from there to come up with the original. People with children and one radio stand little chance to hear it as it is up against "The Lone Ranger" and "Ellery Queen." They can catch it as members of the studio audience at 50 Swan Street.

WSAY has four vet shows by their count, all at 6:15. One is a Navy recruiting deal which we are disinclined to place in that category. Another is "Service Housing" which this week, and probably most other weeks, is a literate and intelligent plea by Bill Cotten

to people who have rooms to make them available to one of the 1,000 ex-servicemen of the city still in desperate need of a place to live. The VA and the VFW have the other two fifteen-minute spots and when our new crystal comes we'll have a date on the dial with them.

Professional reaction to Margaret Truman's radio debut, tested in graveyards at midnight and other private spots, is that she is a good, game kid, and that with training and experience could be a satisfactory journeyman radio singer.

Harold Russell, handless veteran and recent Oscar winner for his performance in "Best Years of Our Lives" recorded an interview yesterday at the Sampson Veterans' Hospital and it will be run over WHAM Monday at 1:45 p. m. The record will contain a personal message of encouragement for hospitalized veterans, particularly amputees.

Investigation of Rep. Walter Horan, who introduced a bill in the House of Representatives asking for an investigation of crime shows, reveals that he has five children, all fans, and he chafes a bit under constant admonitions to keep quiet while heroes and villains are at work.

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VA Budget Slash Restored Under Record Vote Threat

Threatened with a record vote on a substantial veteran benefit measure House Republicans slowed their dramatic economy drive long enough to pass a deficiency appropriation bill of \$2,827,526,186 which included \$350,000,000 requested by the Veterans' Administration to meet current and anticipated obligations under the GI Bill of Rights.

Representative John Taber, Republican, of New York, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee and chief opponent of increased veterans' benefits, offered the amendment which included the VA funds in the overall deficiency bill. He explained that the committee slash which made the amendment necessary was due to a "misunderstanding" and a "mistake" in consideration of estimates submitted by VA. Numerous skeptics believe that restoration of the cut made last week showed a keener reaction to political sentiment and not a sincere effort to remedy an error. There is still a chance that the bill can be beaten in the Senate, but Taber approval, no matter what its inspiration, virtually guarantees passage by that body.

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Another amendment to the deficiency measure included a budget of \$6 million to subsidize hot school lunches which was opposed by most of the wellfed Republican members but passed with the support of sundry resurgent Republicans and the Democrats.

Most taxpayers will be in accord with paying the benefits to which the GI Bill of Rights entitles veterans. It is unfortunate, however, that a roll call vote on a major issue cannot be forced to show which is the more attractive to the House majority, strict economy or a program of fair treatment to veterans.

VET Survey

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fortunately situated, as only 62 per cent of the veterans are satisfied with the places where they now live.

Veterans are aware of the inflated quality of the real estate market and only four per cent would buy at present prices and quality. That even this small percentage retains a modicum of reason is indicated by the \$6,300 average price they would be willing to pay.

In a promised dream world with a housing market able to provide houses at the price, size, and quality that they desire a total of 16 per cent would buy or build a house within 12 months. Among the veterans who would buy or build under these conditions the average price they would be able to pay is \$6,100 and the average monthly payment they could afford would be \$51.

Veterans who would move and rent other quarters if they could get what they wanted

the average gross monthly rental they would be able to pay is \$46 for a five room unit. The average weekly income for these veterans was reported at \$49.

If you want to get a job get a wife, is an inference to be drawn from the report which showed married veterans 96 per cent employed and others only 77 per cent. In the latter category, however, were a number of recently discharged men who were not actively seeking employment. Married men averaged \$52 and single men \$39.

Housing hardship was reflected in the extent to which they were doubling up with relatives and friends. One-third of the married veterans and one-sixth of the single men were in this unenviable position. Only two per cent of the married veterans, however, were living in rented rooms, trailers, or tourist cabins. Veterans living in dwelling units in need of major repairs or lacked one or more standard plumbing facilities, comprised about one-twelfth of the total.

Veterans who own their own homes comprise but 9 per cent of the total and of these about one-half purchased after discharge which infers that they received none the best of the price situation.

The survey showed that only nine-tenths of one per cent of the dwelling units were unoccupied with three-fourths of these habitable.

Area houses are old. Approximately three-fourths of them were built prior to 1920. The depression effect on building is reflected in the fact that only two per cent were constructed from 1930 to 1939.

The survey included spot checks in Pittsford and East Rochester as well as Rochester.

GOAT GETS MEMBERS

The membership plan to end from West Newton, Pa., where membership plans is reported an American Legion post has employed a goat to swell its roster.

The post has obtained a live and obstreperous goat. The animal is assigned to a member and lives with him until said member comes up with a recruit. The in-scent-ive is said to be terrific, and under pressure 17 new members were corralled in the first week.

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Civil Air Patrol

By JAMES C. REDDIE
Captain, Commanding

One of the things that the Civil Air Patrol stands for, now and hereafter, is safety in aircraft operations at all times. Pilots in the CAP have been grounded nationally and locally for disobedience of flight orders, and for conduct not exhibiting good judgement in flying. In classroom work, and in flight operations, safe flying is always stressed to the pilots and the Cadets.

We were just reading the latest issue of CAA statistics on non-carrier aircraft accidents. These analyses bear out an old adage that is becoming more true every year. Airplanes are fool-proof, but they are not dam fool proof. Last year saw a rise of 113% in fatal and serious accidents resulting from reckless, low, and showoff flying. Serious accidents involving student pilots illegally and foolishly carrying passengers rose from 32 to 104 in a year. This kind of nonsense has got to stop if aviation is ever to acquire a good name. Fortunately the CAA is cracking down on violators of regulations framed for their own protection, and state and local law enforcement officers are being trained to assist such enforcement.

A recent visitor to Rochester was a man from the vicinity of Philadelphia who arrived in his new fast personal airplane. He has been flying privately for 32 years, and really puts his aircraft to good practical use as a means of transportation. His travels are conspicuous only for being sensibly conducted with good judgement. His most violent acrobatics for many years are orthodox take-

offs and landings; he wouldn't think of snap-rolling or stunting his ship. That is not why he bought it. The hope of the industry rests with such customers as this, who put airplanes to good use, do not make themselves conspicuous by reckless exhibitions, and who in turn go on flying year after year without getting into difficulties.

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ENTERTAINMENT

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Bob Hope, detective by courtesy of Paramount, talks over features of his one and only case with client Dorothy Lamour. During the fast-paced comedy "My Favorite Brunette", which came to the Century screen Wednesday Bob has trouble with a foreign gang after a secret uranium mine, is trapped in an insane asylum, and almost finishes prematurely in the San Quentin death cell. Miss Lamour's principal trouble is Hope.

Century Comedy Stars Bob Hope And Dot Lamour

Mistaken identity, the same screen cross which Bob Hope bore in "Monsieur Beaucaire", plagues him in his current picture, "My Favorite Brunette", which came to the Century Theatre Wednesday.

Hope plays a baby photographer who wishes to become a private detective and leaps at the opportunity when offered a chance by Dorothy Lamour. The trail of a missing uncle of Miss Lamour crosses that of sundry unpleasant characters portrayed by Peter Lorre, Lon Chaney, Jack La Rue, and John Hoyt. Reginald Denny, Ann Doran and Willard Robertson are also featured.

When Hope is not chasing the group of dastardly foreign agents he is pursuing Miss Lamour, through equally amusing situations.

Bugs Bunny, also a comedian of note, is on the screen in his latest number. The new issue of Paramount News completes the bill.

CAPITOL

David Niven and Loretta Young co-star in the romantic comedy, "The Perfect Marriage", which tops the current Capitol Theatre bill. The story concerns marital difficulties which arise after ten years of a very happy marriage, and the rather unusual solution of them.

The companion feature is "I'll Be Yours" which stars Deanna Durbin, Tom Drake and William Bendix. Adolphe Menjou has a supporting role. Miss Durbin sings four songs in her first film feature in over a year.

DROWNING RATE DROPS

Since the Red Cross Water Safety Service was inaugurated in 1914, the nation's drowning rate has been cut in half.

George Kaufman will make his bow as a movie director with "The Senator Was Indiscreet", from a screen play by Charles MacArthur. Kaufman is the author of several screen plays and several of his theatrical productions have been converted into cinemas. Nunnally Johnson, the producer, is angling for William Powell for the lead and Peter Lind Hayes has already been signed for an important role.

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and its promotion has been vigorously pressed by Sam Guadagnino and his entertainment committee.

The dance will be one of the largest Legion sponsored affairs of its kind in some time. Dance music will be provided by Joe Cody's Band featuring Len Hawley.

Beauty Contest entrants will compete in evening gowns rather than the more conventional bathing suits and although the usual points for judging will be important a certain amount of credit will be given for personality and charm.

Group Sponsors Memorial Flags

Funds for the proposed Mitchell Air Club, Inc., future home of all types of air interests and activities, will be raised by the Gen. William (Billy) Mitchell Garrison, No. 1900 Army and Navy Union, through the sales of a series of timely articles.

The housing committee has selected two items of Memorial Day interest to inaugurate the plan. Memorial United States flags 12 by 18 inches mounted on 30-inch staffs suitable for grave decorations will lead the list. Included in the flag assembly will be gold stars and small plates which will identify the arm of service represented. The other item is a fan shaped wooden holder for cut flowers with an organizational stamp or label on both sides.

Jack Campbell, garrison commander, said that the housing project is a long term objective but will be a definite addition to air interest facilities of the city when completed.

A PEEK at the STARS

By LYN CONNELLY
NWNS Radio-Screen Editor.

It was unfortunate that "Sister Kenny," which starred Rosalind Russell as the famous nurse, proved to be boxoffice poison, for while it wasn't handled too intelligently, it was, nonetheless, a picture that should have been seen by all who are interested in removing the scourge of polio... One can't help wondering if the studio couldn't have used more discretion in choosing the title... It's a fact that biographical films tend to frighten the public away... "A Song to Remember" was a boxoffice smash, but it wouldn't have done as well under the title of "The Life of Chopin"... Likewise, "Magnificent Doll" undoubtedly did better business than it would have if it had come out as "Dolly Madison"... There's something about the thought of history that strikes terror in the hearts of those seeking entertainment, and psychology applied in the right direction can go a long way.



R. Russell

Bing Crosby, whose program ratings have been dippy-doodling since he started his transcribed series on ABC, has again fallen out of the top 15 programs... Incidentally, Al Jolson is due for his third stint with Bing... This time, they'll combine their voices with that of John Charles Thomas in barber shop airs.

David Harding Cited
NBC comedian Danny Thomas, who made his radio debut on the Don Ameche show, may soon solo it with Don switching back to drama... ABC's "David Harding-Counterspy" has been cited for its programs on juvenile thieves as an aid in the fight against delinquency... Jack Owens, crooner of ABC's Breakfast Club, commented recently, "the fellow who thinks silence is golden hasn't heard about radio"... Yes, Jack, and then again, maybe he has.

Good casting by 20th-Century-Fox for their production of "Gentlemen's Agreement" which will co-star Dorothy McGuire and Gregory Peck, two of Hollywood's best... Jane Wyman and Ronald Reagan are expecting their second baby this fall.

PROPOSE GUARD

Efforts to obtain an Army detail to provide full military honors for area World War II dead returned from overseas will be made by the County Veterans Co-ordinating Committee if a proposal put forward by the executive committee of the Monroe County American Legion is accepted. The co-ordinating committee is composed of commanders of all veterans organizations.

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Beauty Contest Champion Will Be Chosen at Dance

Maira-Coniglio Post, American Legion, will hold elimination contests to select finalists in the title quest for Miss American Legion of Monroe County at the State Theater Thursday, April 10. The Beauty Contest Queen will be selected at the organization's dance in the Knights of Columbus Auditorium April 12 and will receive an appreciable amount of merchandise in addition to the title.

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Slants On Sports

The Rochester Royals, obviously playing for keeps, smashed down the Fort Wayne Zollners 76-47 in the third and deciding game of a three games series and will play the Chicago Bears for the Dr. James S. Naismith Trophy, emblematic of the National League playoff championship. The championship series is a three-of-five test and should be won by the Royals on both past performances and present form.

Rochester Red Wings showed a touch of class during the week and if a gentlemen's agreement can be worked out with the opposing clubs where-in they will promise not to hit baseballs around third base or center field, there is a fighting chance to finish in the first division. Glenn Gardiner looked good when he pitched nine innings against a pickup Columbus team and shut them out. He won 14 games with inept support last year and should be able to do as well or better in the forthcoming season. Eddie Green proved too much so and will probably be sent back for more seasoning. Howie Krist will do. He managed to go seven innings easily and allowed the Columbus first team only two hits. The team tacked together two errorless games which will give them a mark to shoot at during the regular season. Frantic appeals for help to fill sorry gaps at third and in center field may bear fruit from the Cardinal tree and if so the team should be better than last year. They could play with seven men and not be much worse. Russ Derry and Eddie Kazak will supply much of the batting power.

Repercussions of the sorry show of two weeks ago bounced against the ticket office of the Peter Provenzano A. C. and less than 1,800 fans paid to see Al Highers beat Jimmy Sanders in a match of listless larruping. Sanders liked to fight close, but not very much. The semi-final was close and good with a split decision breaking the 18 bout

win streak of Ray Lewis of Hawaii. Moe Harvey the winner, spotted Lewis considerable reach but made him miss frequently and landed the more solid socks. Tommy Stenhouse of Buffalo beat Harry Diduck of Brooklyn in another good eight-rounder.

The Rochester Thistles and a Windsor, Ont., UAW soccer team fought to a 4-4 tie and were still deadlocked after a 30-minute overtime period. The game, a quarterfinal contest in the National Amateur Cup play, will be replayed at a time and place to be designated by the National Amateur Soccer Association. The local team, aided by a strong wind led at the half 4-0.

Trout will be pursued legally by countless New York State fishermen beginning the second Saturday of the month. The weather is often a little on the unsympathetic side on opening day but that is a minor matter for the hardened fish fanatic. Some trout will probably fall in the pan. Perry B. Duryea, state fish and game commissioner, anticipates the heaviest season in years but says that the commission has planted 3,530,000 trout in the 20,000 miles of trout waters in the state.

Restless Jerry Cohn teamed with Dave Sax for his third city doubles handball crown. They beat Kermit Dickman and Bello Snyder 21-12 and 21-15 in a fast, tough finals duel. Cohn won the title with Chuck Rosenholtz in 1941 and Dickman in 1942. Army service kept him off local handball courts for several years.

Man o' War, out of racing since 1920 and deprived of his profitable romantic interludes since 1930, had a quiet birthday celebration as he eased into his fourth decade at Faraway Farms. He still takes a soupçon of exercise over the Faraway fields but he is no longer ridden.

The New Jersey State grab

The KNOTHOLE

By ELLIOTT PINE
NWNS Sports Writer.

IT'S still pretty cold for swimming in most parts of the country, but the indoor paddlers are busy keeping up their form. At the University of Michigan Bill Kogen has set a new A. A. U. record. He splashed the junior 300-yard individual medley in 3 minutes, 46.8 seconds. Kogen came from the Flatbush Boy's Club, Brooklyn, N.Y.



Twenty-five men and women skiers have been selected to represent the United States at the Olympic meet at St. Moritz, Switzerland, next winter. The U. S. team consists of 19 regulars and six alternates. They have started intensive training at Sun Valley, Idaho. One of the "women" is 14-year-old Andrea Mead of Rutland, Vt.

Joe Louis will defend his heavyweight title for the 24th time on June 26 in Yankee Stadium, New York City. That seems to be definite. The question is, who will the other guy be? It looks now like the victim will be either Bruce Woodcock, British Empire champion, or Joe Bakal, tough ex-coal miner who hasn't been beaten since December, 1945.

Most valuable basketball player on Big Nine squads is Glen Selbo of U. of Wisconsin, according to vote of league coaches and officials. Selbo, a guard, has completed his last season in collegiate basketball.

The Phillies have picked up two spectacular rookies. One is Phil Kennedy, a fresh kid from Brooklyn, who has displayed astonishing ability at second base. If his batting can be improved, he may be another Napoleon Lajoie. He was sent to the Utica Club for seasoning. The other colorful prospect is Puddin' Head Jones, one of those natural marvels from N. Carolina. He hits hard and often. On a sevyice team he batted .643. Puddin' Head is being groomed for a short-stop job, but it's his bat work that makes him interesting.

Elmore Morgenthaler, one of basketball's tallest stars (he's 7 feet 1 inch) got out of a sick bed to play for his Boston College team. He scored 29 of the 61 points by which Boston beat Brown, 61-50.

for additional revenues from racing will be modified by an ability-to-pay clause. Garden State Park near Camden claimed it was put in jeopardy by a formula under which its business could increase but it would still lose money. The Maryland Jockey Club, operators of Pimlico, has purchased the track from the estate of William R. Hammond.

Disabled veterans are able to bowl at the Batavia Veterans' Hospital despite partial paralysis or loss of a limb through use of a special platform rigged for wheelchairs in the hospital bowling alleys. Scores of the dozen men who bowl now average 112 and improve with each game. The platform has a low frame on the front which holds the wheelchair foot rest and stops side movement. Chairs are kept from the alleys by wheel blocks.

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Arctic Dog Trainer Signs Sportsmen's Show Contract

Regardless of the opinions of mail carriers and milkmen, most people consider dogs man's best friend, and spectators at the Rochester Sportsmen's and Boat Show will see a number of highly trained canines. Eskimo Huskies, Irish Water Spaniels, Golden, Black Labrador and Chesapeake Retrievers will star on the program. The show will be held in the East Main Street Armory, April 5 through April 13 from 1 to 11 p. m., under the auspices of the Genesee Conservation League.

The show will be the first in six years and will be the first mass demonstration of available sporting accessories and boats since a number of once scarce items have become available again.

Among the huskies which will be shown are some "parapups" trained by Dave Irwin to drop by parachute carrying first aid supplies for crashed airmen. Irwin will also tell interested sportmen and some of their uninterested women companions the details of a 2,000 mile trek by dog team in the Arctic Circle.

The retrieving dogs will be concentrated in Orin Benson's show. He says his dogs are not trick or show animals but working retrievers. They will put on an act in the big water tank under hand and whistle signals of their trainer.

Eddie Miller, eminent trick caster, practical fisherman, and piscatorial liar, will demonstrate cast from every conceivable position with either hand plus a few even more fancy casting tricks which should prove invaluable to fishermen who plan to get snarled up in the shrubbery early in the trout season.

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KEEPING POSTED

Col. William W. Gilbert Camp, United Spanish War Veterans, met in City Hall Annex last night. Plans for a series of coming events were discussed.

309th Field Artillery Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will install the following officers to command the organization during the 1947-1948 season. Commander Russell L. Pinkley; Senior Vice-Commander Frederick DeWolf; Junior Vice-Commander Harry Ellwell; Quartermaster Harry Eber; Post Advocate, C. Frederic Jefferson; Chaplain, Michel J. Kelly; Adjutant, Orr M. Sixbey; Trustees, Roy L. Brown, George Schwartz and Townsend Tygesen; Delegates to the Monroe County Council, Orr M. Sixbey, John J. Regan August F. Gleockle and Edward M. Zonneville.

Philip Guenther, Past New York State Department Historian assisted by Sol Guttenberg will be in charge of the installation ceremonies which will be conducted April 9th in the Ira Jacobson American Legion Club, 90 St. John Park.

Former World War I Marine Lieutenant "Bob" Crosby while visiting Rochester last week with his big name band when he appeared at the Palace Theatre found time to be guest of honor of the local Marine Corps League at a banquet tendered him at the Triton Hotel, Friday evening, March 28th.

Emerson Bowen, senior vice-commandant of the local Marine Corps League was in charge of the dinner arrangements being assisted by Thelma Kovalchukoff, Michael Kovalchukoff and John Bodner.

The Arnamar Veterans' Association will conduct their biggest event of the season when members of the organization and their friends gather in the 478 Alexander clubhouse the evening of April 12th for a spring jamboree.

John Marsh is General Chairman with James Colombo as co-chairman and the following members are on the committee: Nicholas Pronio, Ernest Becker, William Becker, E. Lauth, John Ferraro, R. Clark, Chester Johnson, C. Meyer, C. Palzone, L. Giambra, L. Lipman, B. McDonald, Samuel Compitello.

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The Michael E. Tressy Garrison and Auxiliary of the Army and Navy Union will hold a spring carnival on April 10th at 8:30 p. m. at the 22nd Ward Republican Club, 1050 Clifford Avenue.

The party is listed as a family turnout and all are invited to bring members and friends.

An invitation to journey along the midway, see the sensational sideshows, join in a heap of fun, take home a door prize and topped by meeting old friends is made by the committee.

There is well arranged program including eats, dancing, and singing.

Irad Marcus is general chairman for the Garrison while Ida Leo is general chairman for the Auxiliary.

George H. Barrett, New York State Department Assistant Chief-of-Staff of the Veterans of Foreign Wars was in charge of an organizational meeting held Thursday evening, April 3rd, 1947 in the rooms of the Monroe County Council of the VFW, 34 Court Street. The meeting was held for the purpose of bringing a new Veterans of Foreign Wars Post into the Monroe County Council. The post will be composed of overseas veterans living in the Dewey Avenue-Driving Park section of the city.

Norman W. Duemmel, 13 Malvern Street; William F. Lawson, 135 Glendale Park; Elroy F. Williams, 36 Brooklyn Street, and George H. Barrett, 23 Goodwill Street form the committee handling arrangements for the development of the new unit.

All veterans with an honorable discharge and with overseas services are asked to contact any of the committee for information.

The Air Force Post, American Legion, will hold a "giant overseas party" at Eagles' Hall Tuesday, April 8. The affair will be open to all veterans and their guests, regardless of organizational affiliations or

branch of service, according to John (Pat) Burgess, commander. The entertainment committee, headed by Joseph J. Burke and Bernard M. Pogel, has planned a seven-act floor show.

The Major Joseph E. Hurley Post No. 1183, American Legion, will launch a building campaign this month. Ultimate objective is erection of a Post home which will serve as a war memorial to all men and women from the 10th Ward who have served their country.

The home, when completed, will be available to all 10th Ward groups and residents for recreation and entertainment purposes, according to Art Kelly, commander. During the ten years of its existence, the Post has maintained headquarters in the ward. Meetings are now held in Celtic Hall at the corner of Lake Avenue and Driving Park.

Bert Colletta, past commander, is chairman of the building committee and William V. O'Shaugnessy, first vice-commander is co-chairman. They have been planning the campaign for several months and are expected to announce a series of projects soon.

Final arrangements have been completed for the 10th Anniversary banquet, slated for the Doud Post Home Saturday, April 12.

The 49th anniversary of the Declaration of War between the United States and Spain will be celebrated by L. Boardman Smith Camp, Spanish War Veterans, Muster Day, April 21. One major project for the Camp this year is aid to the Monroe County Memorial and Executive Committee in preparation of suitable markers in local cemeteries for graves of veterans of all wars, according to Otto Rosenhagen, camp commander.

Russell P. Felerski, commander of the Monroe County American Legion, will be guest of honor at a testimonial dinner Sunday, April 13. Putaski Post No. 782, American Legion, will be host and the dinner will be held at the Rochester Echo Club, 26 Sobieski Street. The County Commander is a member of the Post.

Stanley S. Pierce is general chairman for the celebration. Joseph H. Lawrence, post commander, will be toastmaster. Pierce has selected the following committee chairmen to assist him: Mr. and Mrs. Edmund J. Cudzilo, arrangements; Ned J. Bauer, entertainment; Miss Wanda Pietrzak, decorations; Alexander B. Tomczak, tickets; Raymond Kwiatkowski, Chester Kopczyński and John J. Kaleta, refreshments; Stanley J. Kowalski, checking.

Herbert F. Garlick, Seventh District commander, will be the speaker. The County Commander's wife and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Felerski, will also be guests of the Post.

Dr. Anthony L. Benedict, World War II veteran was

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electd commander of the Carl and Joseph Laemlein Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars at the annual election held at 1050 Clifford Avenue club rooms.

Officers who will support Commander Benedict include Raymond R. Novick, senior vice-commander; Richard Schlueter, junior vice-commander; Henry F. Cornelius, quartermaster; Earl Schaubert, chaplain.

The Laemlein Post of the VFW claims an unique record in that the fifth son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Archetko, 317 Knapp Avenue was initiated as a member. The Laemlein veterans claim their post is the only veteran organization within Monroe County with five brothers as members. The brothers are Nicholas, John, Peter, Paul and Henry A. Archetko.

The new officers will be installed in public ceremonies at the 22nd Club, the evening of April 23rd with Clayton E. Handy acting as installing officer and Harry J. Gaynor, business manager of VETERANS' VOICE as principal speaker.

A new Veterans of Foreign Wars Post to be known as the Pennington-Moye Post will soon join the Monroe County Council

of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The post made up of colored overseas veterans is named in honor of two World War II men who died on the fields of Europe. Lieutenant Leland Hedges Pennington, nephew of Mrs. Salman Young, 8 Alma Place, Rochester, N. Y., served with the 99th Pursuit Squadron. He died when his plane was shot down over Yugoslavia April 21st, 1945. Private Donald Franklin Moye, son of Mrs. Liela Moye, 106 Atkinson St., Rochester, N. Y., served with the 3511 Q. M. Trucking Company and was killed in the line of duty in Germany, May 27th, 1946.

Robert L. Holland will command the new post with Charles Shorts as quartermaster, Joseph Gaines, adjutant and Charles Budd, as sergeant major. Other officers will be elected at a future meeting.

Members of the post have pledged to aid in the fight against race discrimination and to strive to promote a wholesome environment and better living conditions in their community.

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New York Novelties: She used to walk with a preoccupied air through the downtown East Side streets in Manhattan. . . Not disdainfully or proudly, but with the fierce determination of the very young. . . She knew these streets and the people, and she hungered to know more. . . After studying dancing many years she became expert at the art, and when a big B'way show was being organized she applied for the job of putting on the routines. . . The producers took her on, and the notices singled out "the wonderful dance" which highlights the hit's theme. . . The hit is the musical version of Elmer Rice's "Street Scene". . . The dance? . . . The trilling number of two street kids. . . The choreographer? . . . Little Anna Sokolow, who had all the critics asking: "How could she have so truly captured the flavor of squalid city streets?" . . . "It's simple," says Anna, "when you've been part of them."

Manhattan Murals: The Broadway dance hall which advertises: "Most Exclusive Place in Town—Everybody Welcome" . . . Francois, a waiter at the Sobo cafe, who comes to work in immaculate attire plus spats, diamond stickpin, cane, boutonniere. . . The window-long sign on the canopy of a shuttered, boarded-up fruit market at 46th and 6th. It reads: "Never closed!" . . . The bootblack on 49th street who keeps a copy of Variety available for struggling actors who can afford a shine but not the two-bit show-bible.

Lament of a Broadway Press Agent (By Art Franklin): How tense he scans the papers nights and days. . . An adult mind he "prestidigitates" for pelt. . . How often does he swear to coin a phrase. . . That's good enough to credit to himself. . . Investing ebbing ingenuity . . . To build some small-time crooner, club or band. . . How pitiful the sum gratuity. . . That keeps some inept act from being panned . . . He camouflages talent "medi-oke" . . . With touches of a genius at his game. . . And if he strains enough—some third-rate "joke"—will cash his clippings in for movie fame. . . The simple fact is this—for he alone. . . Can lick his client's "flops"—except his own!

Talk about tough breaks: The cinema, "Nora Prentiss" was filmed before the OTRD rage afflicted the nation. One character in the movie is named Richard. During one episode another begs him to open a door. . . It's supposed to be serious sequence—but you can't blame the audience for howling.

Bigtown Smalltalk: Paul Mantz broke the coast-to-coast record with his plane, "Blaze of Noon," a stunt to put the film (same name) on the front pages. But "Betty-Jo" got the headlines. Ladies first, y'know. . . Broadway show gets sizzling (nice weather for it, ladies) at the story quoting director John Murray Anderson as grouching: "I'd rather work with elephants than show girls" . . . The very old song, "Last Night on the Back Porch" (a Johnny Long platter) has been banned on all networks because of its naughty wordage. . . Danny Kaye (who got close to three million in four years of film making) took four weeks of personal apps to raise tax coin. . . At least 10 of the nation's youthful political white hopes happened to match notes the other day. They found that Mayor O'Dwyer had told each "confidentially" that he was grooming him to be his successor. Such a letdown.

Sallies in Our Alley: Andy Russell relays this Hollywood conversation. One gal whispered: "I hear she's happily married." "I geddit," giggled another, "Separated, eh?" . . . Item: "Ex-Sen. Wheeler and Son Open Law Office. Firm name, 'Wheeler & Wheeler.'" . . . In Songs, Dances and Monotonous Sayings.

Health Group Draws Plans For County Program

Members of the County Health Committee of the Tuberculosis and Health Association met to consider the allocation of funds totaling \$29,000 for the 1947-1948 program of the committee in the county outside the city. This was the sum realized in the Christmas Seal Sale conducted in December.

County Health Executive Committee members include: John C. Malloch, chairman; Raymond Combs of Churchville; Dr. Joseph P. Garen, District State Health Officer, State Department of Health; Harry W. Cleveland, Brockport; Mrs. E. P. Curtis, Brighton; Mrs. Thomas Duryea, Clarkson; Lester B. Foreman, Pittsford; Mrs. B. J. Fryatt, East Rochester; Mrs. Mark B. Furman, East Rochester.

Comm. Jesse B. Hannan, Dept. of Social Welfare; Mrs. Frank Harroun, Spencerport; Mrs. W. Roy Hawley, Webster; Edward A. Roeser, Brighton; Mrs. Herman Russell, Brighton; Dr. George E. Sanders, Greece; Dr. William A. Sawyer, Penfield; Mrs. Douglas O. Scofield, Irondequoit; Dr. Benj. J. Slater, Greece; Mrs. John Van Voorhis, Irondequoit and Joseph P. MacSweeney, president of the association, ex officio.

Thursday of this week the Tuberculosis Prevention Committee of the Association met with Dr. Paul Beaven, chairman, in the office of the association. Plans for the Mobile Unit of Iola Sanatorium to visit several communities in the county outside the city during the next few months, were drawn. The first of these projects will be held in Brighton April 22, 23 and 24

Hospitals

(Continued from Page 1) Appropriations Committee, is involved in a violent feud with Gen. Hawley and Gen. Omar Bradley, VA administrator. The fact that the Budget Bureau has the plan under consideration indicates that it might be sprung as an economy scheme to follow the existing Republican party line. Rep. Taber has a fresh set of investigators working on vet hospitals. These are in addition to a set of Congressional sleuths Mrs. Rogers has sicked on the hospitals.

It would be difficult to determine the relative efficiency of VA and the War Department as hospital facility operators. Examples of maladministration by the VA now receive maximum publicity. Similar incidents in Army facilities can be and are usually are kept out of the limelight.

After an absence of more than five years, puncture-sealing safety inner tubes have returned to the automobile market.

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Veterans interested in advertising as a career are invited to attend the second Veterans' Counseling Forum at the Chamber of Commerce Monday, April 7, at 8:00 p. m. Albert Thomas, account executive of the Hutchins Advertising Agency and advertising instructor at RIT evening school, will be the principal speaker. The forums are sponsored by the Veterans' Service Committee of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Thomas, who spent three years in the Navy, was employed by McFarlin Clothing Company in an advertising capacity for 11 years prior to the war and won three national advertising awards. His talk Monday will cover general advertising and its related fields.

Panel members and counselors will include Willis T. Jensen, advertising manager of the F. A. Smith Manufacturing Company; Arthur Harris, market research specialist, Eastman Kodak Company; William McLaughlin, sales promotion manager, McCurdy and Company; Vincent Pettit, chairman of the committee. It is hoped to add a representative of a recently formed company to the panel. Martin Q. Moll will conduct the meeting and serve as moderator.

Veterans interested in advertising employment possibilities will find the forum instructive and informative, in the opinion of Mr. Pettit. Forums which will deal with other occupational fields will be held at approximately two-week intervals and will have experienced men on the panel in each instance.

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By the same token, let's praise our own system . . . the system that has given Americans more of the good things in life than any other people enjoy. Let's defend it and strive to maintain it. Let's get rid of those who try to sow discord among our workers in order to promote some foreign "ism." Let's improve our system where improvement is needed, but let's do it our own way and in the interest of all Americans.

Let's make this country even better by boosting production, by expanding and developing the facilities and the "know-how" that have helped to make our nation great. Let's stop scrapping among ourselves and work together for a better and happier era than the world has yet known.

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SENATOR DRAFTS HOUSING SUBSIDY

VA Medical Policy Faces Fund Battle Before Committee

The greatly accelerated medical care program of the Veterans Administration is in serious jeopardy from economy-minded Congressmen. Strained relations between Rep. John Taber, Republican, of New York, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee and General Omar Bradley, VA administrator, were not eased at a recent committee hearing when General Bradley forced restoration of cuts which had been made in the VA budget to cover readjustment allowances in the GI Bill of Rights.

Gen. Bradley scored "timid dollar-minded administration of the law" which might eventually delay veteran rehabilitation. He did admit that there had been some careless spending on the part of VA, particularly where contracts

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Doud Legion Post Indorses Banker To Head Council

Bruce Percy, of 144 Palmerston Road, backed by the powerful William W. Doud Post, is the second World War II veteran to announce his candidacy for the post of American Legion county commander.

Percy is assistant trust officer of the Genesee Valley Trust Company, a former president of Rochester Chapter, American Institute of Banking, and an officer of the Rochester Junior Chamber of Commerce. His Legion responsibilities include selection as county vice-commander and vicecommander of Yerkes-Couchman Post. He has served as chairman of the Legion's housing committee, chairman of the Armistice Day luncheon committee, and is a member of the 40 & 8 ritual team and of the county executive committee.

Robert N. Abbott, director of the Monroe County Veterans Information Bureau announced his candidacy about a week ago with the indorsement of Loeser-Shavlin Post. Several additional candidates are expected to enter the lists for the position now held by Ray Felerski prior to the final selection, which will be made at the annual county convention in June.

Cool Beauty



MISS FROZEN FOODS... Shirley Kimball, Berkeley, Calif., looks far from frozen after her coronation as "Miss Frozen Foods of 1947," during the first annual convention of the National Association of Frozen Foods, held recently at San Francisco.

Veterans' Potential To Pay Determines Costs In Proposal

The most radical proposal scheduled for imminent introduction on the program of the 80th Congress is a combined federal-state housing bill which will be sponsored by Sen. Raymond E. Baldwin, freshman Republican, of Connecticut. The sincerity of the bill is a little dubious as Senator Baldwin has been mentioned occasionally as a dark horse Republican presidential candidate and the measure might be basically intended to enhance his political future rather than to alleviate the critical national housing shortage.

Westiders Back Danskin For VFW County Chieftain

William F. Danskin, 214 Rugby Avenue, is the first avowed candidate for the office of County Commander, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Danskin rose from captain to colonel during his five years of service in World War II with the 407th Infantry Regiment of the 102nd Division. The division was part of the Ninth Army in the campaign in Germany.

He has been deeply interested in VFW affairs and has devoted much of his spare time to its activities, especially in trying to inform and assist veterans in their rights and benefits.

The candidate has been a veterans counselor for Monroe County and the State Division of Veterans Affairs since his discharge a year ago. He has a son, Robert, who has just returned from military police service in Germany.

Thurston-Brooks Post, of which he is a member, has indorsed him unanimously as the successor to C. Fredric Jeffer-son, whose term expires in May.

There is also a chance that party leaders seek the introduction of radical housing legislation in order to make the more conservative Taft-Ellender-Wagner bill look more attractive to the public.

The bill will propose a program of combined federal-state
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COMMUNISTS DANGEROUS... FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover told the house un-American committee that the Communist party in this country seeks to overthrow our form of government by bloody revolution. He is shown before committee.



CERRY BLOSSOM QUEEN... Nancy Anderson, lovely daughter of the secretary of agriculture and Mrs. Clinton P. Anderson, who will reign as queen in the 1947 Cherry Blossom festival in the national capital.

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Editorial

Certain naive elements became convinced during the war that the returned veterans, victims of political mismanagement on a worldwide scale, would develop an acute political consciousness, an insistence that the men who made decisions for them would be of the highest caliber obtainable, and that the decisions made would reflect accurately the will of the people.

It is unfortunate that the mental lethargy which made World War II not only possible but inevitable is abroad in the land today. Too few men give serious consideration to local issues which concern them vitally, and the number who have examined both sides of national and international problems and arrived at their own conclusions is infinitesimal.

The American government is an extension of the town meeting, necessarily distorted to cover the cumbersome national body. Active participation in town meetings was an obligation of the enfranchised. The result was generally close supervision of public monies and the selection of public officials of ability and integrity. Today candidates for important offices are selected by primaries and political conventions which appear designed to frustrate and not implement the free choice of the people. Both are tools of professional politicians.

What appears to be the intent of the political structure is perverted and one must be an acceptable candidate to the politician before he has an opportunity to be acceptable to the electorate. Correction of this condition is possible with existing machinery but would necessitate much more widespread participation by all people in the machinery of government.

The first step would be to force candidates for legislative positions to commit themselves definitely on foreseeable controversial issues. The political platform should be equipped with a trap which would be sprung on people who choose to construct it of deceptive and rotten generalities when sturdy planks of specific objectives are available.

People will rise occasionally and unseat a demonstrably inefficient public servant but it is a negative vote made against his vices rather than in favor of the virtues of his opponent. They are often non-existent.

Searching public inquiry into the life and thought of all candidates for public office by an aroused and intelligent electorate would send some officials from the public payroll department to the public welfare office, but would materially strengthen the governmental structure.

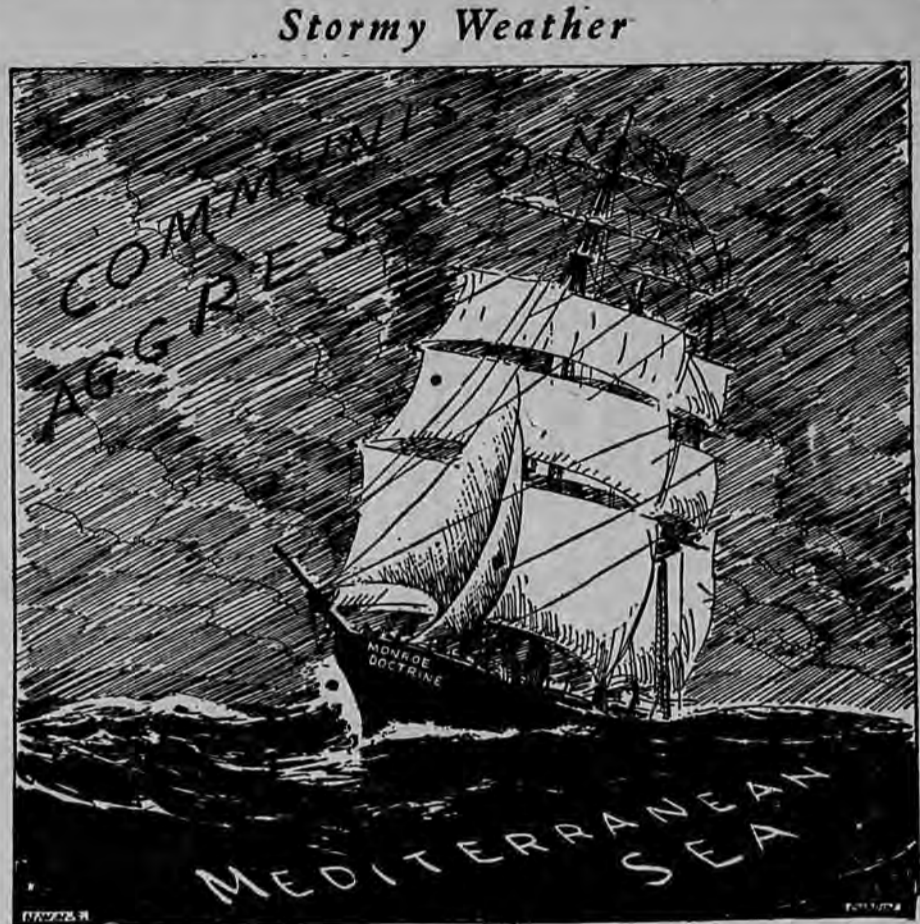
The difference between a democracy and a totalitarian state is that the former deserves the kind of representation it gets.

The soundest excuse for a dilatory attitude toward politics is the considerable inroads made in one's day by routine quests for food and rest. The history of political thought in totalitarian countries prior to the outbreak of World War II indicates clearly that it is possible to work and rest and still have time to acquire a political fervency of high intensity.

It is quick and painless to vote for a dogcatcher on the grounds that one candidate is a Republican and one a Democrat. It is slightly more arduous to discover and weigh the qualifications of both candidates through some such questionnaire as the following:

1. Do dogs have a tendency to bite you?
2. Are you allergic to dogs or work?
3. How does the salary compare with what you have been getting? If lower, please explain in detail why you want to be a dogcatcher?
4. Do you have any friends or relatives who operate or expect to operate pet shops?

Ten minutes concentration will provide additional questions. You will have more trouble, but if some such procedure is tried each election eventually you will have better dogcatchers. The basic questionnaire can be expanded and modified for candidates to more responsible positions. Eventually clearing houses could be established for exchange of information and selection simplified.



Six-Inch Sermon

† REV. ROBERT H. HARPER †

The Kingdom Strengthened and Enlarged
Lesson for April 20: II Samuel 5:6-10, 17-25.
Memory Selection: II Samuel 5:10.

David reigned seven years in Hebron over his own tribe of Judah. Then, upon the death of Ishbosheth, heir of Saul who had feebly ruled the other tribes, he was crowned king of the whole of the nation. His first great exploit was the capture of Jerusalem, the ancient stronghold of the Jebusites. And he made the city which has ever afterward been associated with the Hebrew name his capital.

On the northwest of Israel was the kingdom of Tyre. The friendly relations of Hiram and David provides a good example unto present day nations. The visit a month ago of Mr. Truman to Mexico City was a modern example of the good-neighbor policy.

The lesson tells of two great battles David fought against the warlike Philistines, who dwelt on the Mediterranean south of Tyre. Each time, before going to battle, David enquired of God. He finally completely broke the power of Philistia and incorporated with Israel the section where Tel-Aviv now stands.

David labored with sincerity to establish the religion of the true God. But his plan to build the temple in Jerusalem was forbidden him, and the work left to his son Solomon. But he was promised that his kingdom would never end. As his kingdom did end in time, we seek the fulfillment of the promise in the spiritual kingdom which the greatest of David's line established. Let us be true citizens of that kingdom of Christ and help extend its borders toward the ends of the earth.

New Books

THE HOME FREEZER HANDBOOK, by Gerald J. Stout (Van Nostrand, \$3.95).
NOW YOU SEE IT: Magic With a New Twist, by John Goodrum (Didier, \$2.50).
THE SIN OF HAROLD DIDDLEBOCK, by Harry Hershfield (Bart House, 25 cents paper). A novel based on a film written and directed by Preston Sturges.

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON



Sharp division between Senator Taft of Ohio and Congressman Knutson of Minnesota over the latter's tax reduction bill, acrid senate debate over confirmation of David Lillenthal as chairman of the Atomic Energy commission, action of the GOP majority in the house to gag opponents of the measure slashing appropriations for the labor and social security departments and the tendency on the part of some members of congress to discard tradition and invade the rights of the executive and judicial branches of the government, were highlights of the past week on Capitol Hill.

There is opinion expressed in some sources that President Truman may veto the portal-to-portal bill, which has passed both houses, on the ground that it goes too far and invalidates important sections of other labor laws, notably the fair labor standards act. There is also considerable speculation that in the light of the language of the President's message to congress, he may use the veto on the tax bill should it go through the senate in its present form.

The house has passed two appropriation measures, one for the treasury and postoffice departments and the other for the labor and social security departments. GOP proponents of the measures claim cuts in appropriations of about 890 million dollars on the treasury appropriation and some \$77,800,000 on the labor department appropriation, making a total cut on the two measures of approximately \$967,800,000. The facts are, however, that of the 890 million dollars cut in the treasury appropriation, some 803 million dollars was out of money asked for tax refunds for the bureau of internal revenue. This amount will have to be paid out the treasury eventually, so the cut actually amounts to less than 90 million dollars. On the second appropriation cut, some 73 million dollars actually was cut from the labor department, but instead of 50 million dollars for the social security administration for the Hill-Burton national hospital construction, act the GOP house committee made 150 million dollars available for this purpose, so actually the appropriation bill calls for approximately 72 million dollars more than the budget estimate instead of the cut of 77 million dollars as claimed. So the overall cut in the two appro-

priation bills to date amounts to only about 28 million dollars net, instead of the 967 million dollars claimed.

Congress has spent the first three months of its existence largely in organization and conducting hearings. No major legislation of national import has passed both houses. A presidential succession measure, calling for a constitutional amendment and ratification by two-thirds of the states, is the only major bill.

On the agricultural front, nothing has been done on a general overall agricultural program. Two bills with national significance have been acted on, since both houses passed a bill authorizing the secretary of agriculture to cooperate with the Mexican government in stamping out the hoof and mouth disease in that country. It carried a 9 million dollar appropriation. The other bill was a house-passed bill extending the program for importation of farm labor until December 31, 1947, and providing for its liquidation on that date.

Farm organizations, generally, have not been active as yet in the fight over the farm labor program but several, particularly livestock associations, were interested in the hoof and mouth disease bill. A subcommittee of the house agricultural committee held hearings on a fertilizer shortage and made six recommendations, none of them concerned with legislation, in its preliminary report. The committee urged that conversion of tank cars from petroleum to fertilizer be expedited, that the war department and other government agencies review their fertilizer-export commitments, and that the import of Canadian fertilizer materials be expedited.

These were emergency recommendations and had no bearing on the long-range fertilizer program fight shaping up. These emergency recommendations had the backing of both the farm groups and the fertilizer industry. However, the long-range program finds the farm organizations, American Plant Food council and National Fertilizer association in vigorous disagreement as to what should be done.



Take An Orchid

BY JAMES H. RONYAG

Orchids and of rare species go to the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion in their advancement of Chub Handy and Bill Danskin for the office of VFW County Council Commander and Bob Abbott and Bruce Percy for the American Legion County Commandership; all four candidates are tops . . . Lloyd Swart, commander and Orrin Stout, adjutant, of the Genesee Valley American Legion Post make a good working combination . . . James J. Colombo, World War II veteran recently elected commander of the Culver VFW Post and active Arnamar Veterans' Association member is a lad with a heap of good stuff on the ball. . . Two big parties tomorrow night, April 12th; the Beauty Contest and Dance being sponsored by the Mairaconiglio American Legion Post at the Knights of Columbus Auditorium and the Spring Jamboree at the 48 Alexander Street Arnamar Veterans' Club; both open to all. . . We send words of praise to the Pulaski American Legion Post and Commander Joe Lawrence's committee for the fine feeling they have and will prove when they honor that grand World War II veteran Monroe County American Legion Commander Russell P. Pelerski next Sunday; Russ has been an active and good commander during the past year. . . Where can you find a couple devoting more unselfish time to veteran work than Louie and Avis Goler? . . . Our own Kilroy, the feminine one, asks what profiteth it a man to laugh at a woman's silly hat, and be outwitted by the brains thereunder? . . . John D. Burgan, former Rochester newspaper man and World War II Navy veteran, is located at 183-D North Chestnut Street, Ventura, California; Jack devotes all of his time to writing and had a story printed in the March 1st Saturday Evening Post which was a wow. . . Harold B. Driscoll, City of

Rochester Plumbing Director and active VFW member always can find time to help serve on a committee and he does something about it. . . The Tombellis, Tommy and Dottie, are back from Florida and doing a good job getting into veteran-ism harness. . . Eugene R. Mooney, former 11th Ward Supervisor, World War II Doud Post American Legion member, continues to be one of our community's leaders. . . Theodore K. Grimsley, Marine Corps League earns considered attention from his comrades for he not only finds time to work for the Marines but the Veterans of Foreign Wars benefits because of his activity. . . Paul A. Klein, Gold Chevron VFW member typifies the fine caliber of men representing World War II in veteran organizations. . . Congratulations to Commander-elect John E. Culliton, Crouch-Dowd VFW; John has always been a faithful worker and the Crouch-Dowd will advance under his leadership. . . Albert Akun and Abe E. Baker, Jewish War Veteran's stalwarts, anxious and alert to perform good for veteranism. . . Don Benson, World War II veteran actively interested in the Catholic War Veterans. . . Beautiful orchids to Irad Marcus and Ida Leo for the truly big job they performed in putting over the Michael E. Tressy Army and Navy Union Garrison and Auxiliary spring carnival. . . We're glad Lady Kilroy is around us when she tells us that the essence of good manners is to treat the other fellow as though he were as important as he would like to have us think he is. . . ATTENTION ALL WORLD WAR II VETERANS — County Court Judge James J. O'Connor, World War I 309th Field Artillery veteran was not a county court judge in 1919 or 1920. . . We still believe that the James Lundgren VFW Post's April 30th lecture by Louis P. Lochner in the Knights of Columbus Auditorium is one of the top promotions ever engaged in by any local veteran organization.

Edward Small will produce two pictures at Columbia on a profit-sharing basis, and the screen rights will not substantially reduce his end. The pictures are "D'Artagnan" based on one of Dumas' sequels to "The Three Musketeers" and the other will be a screen version of Stevenson's "The Black Arrow."



DEFENDS JAPS . . . Miss Eleanor C. Goode, New York City, the first woman to appear before the 8th army tribunal as defense counsel for an accused Jap war criminal, is shown in court. Her client is charged with brutal treatment of Canadians.

Disabled Claims Will Reach Peak By 1960 - - DAV.

Disability compensation will be drawn by more than two million veterans during the first quarter of this year, according to VA figures. Disabled American Veterans, forecasting from a tabulation of World War I claims, estimates that the peak load of claims against the government will not be reached before 1960 and that by then the total will be staggering, according to Louis H. Yandeau, commander of Chapter 15.

General business conditions are also an accurate barometer of the number of claims which will be filed, Mr. Yandeau said. The number of disabled veterans who rely on government compensation is influenced by the number of jobs available. Claimants decrease during high employment and increase as jobs become scarce.

Preparation for the anticipated increase in claimants are being made by the National DAV in their Cincinnati headquarters. Additional national service officers will receive training to assist veterans, free of charge, with disability claim and job problems.

Service officer for the Rochester territory is Nicholas Parnell, with offices at 168 Clinton Avenue South.

PERMITS INCREASE

Rental of new units will be a trifle higher than last year, but the housing expediter's office in Washington reported recently that construction of new housing for veterans has recovered from a sharp dip the first of the year and is climbing again.

Study of 120,758 construction permits issued between December 24 and February 28 shows only 12.3 per cent or 14,932 covered rental units for veterans.

Officials said that under the priority system which was superseded by a permit system December 24, about 23.8 per cent were listed for rental.

DATES on the DIAL



The star-studded Lux Radio Theatre presentation of "Alexander's Ragtime Band" left this listener bewildered by too complex a plot, satisfied that he had heard some good music, and convinced that few people under 40 had listened to the entire show. Even the music, interpreted by workmen of proven competence, was of greater interest for its historic than for its intrinsic value. Lux made an effort to find a song or singer that would please everybody and signed Al Jolson, Alice Faye, Dinah Shore, Dick Haymes and Margaret Whiting. The story broke down under the load, a relatively unimportant point, as the music menu was the strong feature of the show.

The most successful all-star shows have been comedy productions, and the best of these, in one man's opinion, is the famous "Command Performance" number, "Dick Tracy's Wedding Day." The cost to a sponsor would have been prohibitive as the cast included: Hope, Crosby, Sinatra, Shore, the Andrews Sisters, Durante, Frank Morgan in a 55-minute travesty on the problems of the comic strip character.

The Lady Esther play starring Eddie Bracken was entertaining and amusing and competed favorably with the commercial. The latter shows a new and greedy tendency on the part of sponsors with development of a formula which requires use of the product twice each time. Smear your puss with the product, rub it off, and start in again. Ho Hum.

There was a rumor around some time ago that one of the soap operas once took four installments to get a man through a revolving door. The Monday episode of "Pepper Young's Family" was somewhat slower paced. Despite the beating the soap operas take, they remain surefire from the sponsors', or cashiers', viewpoint. Anyone having a good one lying around in their desk can peddle it immediately to General Foods.

"Double or Nothing" doubled its expenses, showed little or nothing on the sponsor's profit sheet, goes into the discard shortly.

Dr. I. Q. found the 83rd person in nine years who could repeat the tongue twister. Quiz programs exhaust questions quickly and those on this show vary greatly in the amount of background required. Our favorite stogie on a quiz program lately was the woman who was asked to substitute the missing liquids in three questions. The first was, "Hang your clothes on the hickory limb but don't go near the ———." She said, "Whiskey," which was morally sound but technically incorrect. The second question was "Your the in my coffee." Her selection of the word "sugar" explains in part why they have to choose the particular type of individual they do to conduct the programs. Normal people would shoot or sap most of the contestants.

The Rochester Royal game broadcasts sponsored by Edwards and handled by Bob Turner are consistently good. Fght broadcasts are hampered to some extent by the rapidity of action and horse racing descriptions are apt to be distorted by the phoney hysteria that the announcers feel is essential.

Walter Winchell moved from tenth to fourth in the Hooper ratings. The other three high ranking comedians are Bob Hope, Jack Benny and Fibber McGee.

Al Jolson, who has made recent guest appearances all over the dial, may have a show of his own in the fall.

Woody Herman and Peggy Lee will do a summer chore to relieve the "Hour of Charm" show. Pat O'Brien and Lynn Bari will play a comedy-drama series in places of the Durante-Moore show. Gerry Moore will probably start his own act in the fall.

Parents allergic to Shredded Ralston are in for a bad time. Tom Mix has dreamed up a Black Hawk arrowhead which will do everything but find an apartment and has a fair start in that direction as two of its features are a compass and a magnifying glass.

Quiz Kid Williams was read out of the act when he reached 16. His total war bond take was \$21,300. Throw away that baseball, Junior.

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Civil Air Patrol

By JAMES C. REDDIG
Captain, Commanding

New York State's bureau of aviation has arranged to team up with the Civil Aeronautics Authority (CAA) for the air-marking of the state. The Civil Air Patrol, New York wing, has been assigned the task of making the initial air surveys to select the marking place at the towns and cities designated by the air-marking program. This assignment fits in excellently with the impending season's activities. From those joining in forthcoming maneuvers and flights, teams will be selected to fly over specific towns en route and make a careful air study of what building or other ground feature could best serve as a location for the marker. These recommendations would then be submitted thru channels to the Commission, who then arrange to have the work done.

The government has, and is, spending a lot of money on airport development. This real

estate is costly. And now a minor piece of research and development work, on which only about \$50,000 has been spent, offers exciting possibilities of upsetting the whole program. The swiveling landing gear just demonstrated by the CAA allows an airplane to land on a single airstrip in any crosswind. We have talked to pilots who have tried it out and their enthusiasm for its simplicity and utter lack of trickiness is impressive. If its future bears out this promise, airport acreage requirements are cut to a small fraction, and it will permit more airports. Ground-loops and other ground accidents will be greatly reduced. The laugh in the whole deal is that Bleriot crossed the English Channel for the first time before World War I in an airplane mounting such a swiveling landing gear! The man really had something there that we have just found out about 35 years later.



SUITABLE NAME . . . Just why this unusual coiffure is called "Champagne Supper," is not made clear. Worn by Mrs. Frank Turner. It was designed for hairstyle show to be held in Hollywood for benefit of spastic children.

Hospital Benefit Rule Stipulates VA Notification

Misunderstanding of requirements in connection with veterans' hospital benefits has cost many Western New York veterans hundreds of dollars, according to William J. Joyce, medical administrative officer of the Buffalo VA regional office.

The VA will pay the bills only if notified within 72 hours of the veterans' hospitalization. When informed later than that the VA has to go through protracted processing and if payment is finally authorized anyway the veteran often has to wait as long as three months. Deferred notification usually results in forfeit, in part or whole of the advantage of "presumptive eligibility."

Authorization for free hospitalization in area hospitals, Joyce said, is determined by either medical or service records which prove the veterans' illness or disability is service-connected, or by a decision of a physician that the case is "presumed to have its origin or aggravation in the service."

During March, a total of 174 veterans in the 13-county region, received treatment at private and state hospitals at a cost to the government of \$20,000. Another 169 received treatment in the area's three VA hospitals, according to Joyce. He pointed out that because a veteran has a service-connected disability, it does not follow he may enter a private hospital for a condition other than that which is service-connected.

Iroquois Division Color Ceremony Planned Apr. 18

Formal activation of the 98th Infantry (Iroquois) Division, Army Organized Reserve, will take place April 18 when presentation of the colors will be made in Syracuse by Gen. Courtney H. Hodges, commanding general of the 1st Army, according to Colonel Kenneth C. Townson, acting division commander.

Military, Federal and State officials will witness the ceremony in Marshall Auditorium, College of Forestry, Syracuse University. Maj. Gen. J. A. Van Vleet, officer in charge of the New York, New Jersey and Delaware Military District, and Col. P. B. Rogers, senior instructor for New York State of the Organized Reserve Corps, are among military leaders expected to attend. Colonel Townson, accompanied by his staff, will receive the colors.

Other upstate Reserve Corps units which will also receive colors include the 409th Artillery Group, commanded by Col. Howard K. Snyder, of Wolcott; the 1123rd Engineer Combat Group, commanded by Lt. Col. Daniel F. Sheppard. These units are Army and Corps troops not parts of the 98th Infantry Division.

Colonel Townson announced also the assignment of Lt. Col. Michael Uchal, 39 Ketchum Street, general manager of the Shannon Supply Company, of Rochester, as division finance officer. Colonel Uchal, formerly of Syracuse, commanded the 137th Finance Disbursing Section in the Normandy invasion and campaign and served overseas 2½ years prior to his discharge a year ago.

DODGERS STILL HOT

Roundup of wilful draft evaders will continue despite the death of the Selective Service Act, according to J. Edgar Hoover, FBI director.

Unfounded charges of draft evasion flourished during the war years and FBI men were assigned to 598,506 cases since 1940. The fire that was indicated by so much smoke consisted of 15,458 evaders who were convicted.

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Baldwin Plan

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housing subsidies costing upwards of \$500 million to underwrite the difference between actual housing costs and what vets can afford to pay; amendments to the National Housing Act providing 100 per cent federal guarantee on vet home loans with reduction of the interest rate to 3¼ per cent and extension of the amortization period from 25 to 40 years.

The subsidies bill seeks low rentals and "fair" purchase prices on new home for sale to vets only, and will stress rents. The amendments would provide veterans with a means to buy or build without using their own cash.

Unfavorable reaction to the bill will come from all directions. Building and real estate interests may cry a little louder than the State governments, but not more than three decibels. Senate housing moderates like Taft and his co-sponsors of the T-E-W bill, which provides for conservative, long range housing will not be happy.

Senator Baldwin forsee that his bill will be called "socialistic" because it moves both federal and state governments smack into new housing controls over private enterprise although private enterprise will be expected to perform the work, for profit.

I follows that the federal and State governments, paying subsidies, will establish safeguards to protect the taxpayers. Governmental supervision must be provided to prevent overcharges, sub-rosa donations, and other obvious abuses. State authority must be established to determine the extent of the subsidies through compilation of building cost averages. Determination of the actual ability of the veterans to pay also presages difficulties.

State housing authorities have been set up in 22 states but few of them have compiled as extensive data as the operations of the subsidy plan will require.

Housing Program Receives Support Of Legion - VFW

The government veteran housing program received support virtually as written from the two major established veterans' organizations, but was considered much too restrictive by a World War 11 group.

Paul H. Griffith, American Legion national commander, urged retention of all nine provisions while VFW national policy was inclined to support eight sections of the plan but believed rent ceilings on dwellings might be scrapped.

Ray Sawyer, Amvets national commander, whose views on a number of veterans' legislation issues differs radically with those of the older organizations, favored retention of but three provisions of the nine involved in the current discussion. Sawyer said that his organization wished to have retained only the \$50,000,000 weekly limitation on non-residential construction, the 1,500 square feet of floor space limitation, and the veterans' preference on the purchase or rental of new housing. He had previously surprised a number of veterans by his request to have the government remove the \$80 maximum rent ceiling control on new GI houses.

Disabled American Veterans and the American Veterans Committee are slated to give Housing Expediter Frank R. Creedon their views soon. Both are expected to favor retention of a majority of existing controls.

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Tickets are on sale now for Skating Vanities at Bond's Store 133 E. Main St. Rochester daily from 10 A. M. to 5:30 P. M. Mail orders are also being accepted and promptly filled. Prices for reserved seats are \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00 tax included.

Boy Meets Girl

The coveted nurse's cap, goal of an overwhelming percentage of student nurses, held no appeal for Kenneth Humphrey, despite his completion of training, and by special arrangement he was permitted to wear an arm band on his left sleeve at graduation exercises held by the Middlesex, (N. J.) General Hospital School of Nursing, Humphrey, 23, studied nursing under the GI Bill of Rights and may have found the course interesting. He was the only male student in a class of 11.



By LYN CONNELLY
NWNS Radio-Screen Editor.

THE woman who knows them best has written a book about NBC's Quiz Kids . . . She is Eliza Merrill Hickok, program director . . . Her book, written in a smooth and light vein, carries the reader from the conception of the show, through auditions for the proper emcee and the original five kids, up to the present day, six hectic years later.

You find that quiz kids are only human and their trigger-like, alert minds are not always on the beam . . . They commit many a faux pas, embarrassing to both themselves, their parents and their companions on tour . . . Miss Hickok relates tales of boners on and off the air, their many experiences while on war bond tours, their meetings with notable, their idiosyncrasies and hobbies and their home lives.

J. Kupperman a revelation to every parent . . . You'll be amused at Joel Kupperman's nonchalance on a movie set and at the informal chat with Henry Ford . . . and you'll be saddened with the author at the tragic fate of Gunther Hollander, brilliant child who was killed by a motor car on Chicago's streets after surviving concentration camps in Germany and buzz bombs in England . . . If you are interested in these amazing children you'll find "The Quiz Kids" by Miss Hickok a very informative and entertaining book.

Say It With Verse
The greeting card industry has come forth with a new idea for those people who would like to write their appreciation of a good radio show but never have the time to sit down with pen in hand . . . Soon to appear on the market are cards to eliminate any work involved in sending such a message to your favorites . . . For example: "Just thought I'd take a minute, from a very busy day, to send you 'Thanks' for all the joy, your program brings my way." The industry has even induced NBC's Fred Allen to bury the hatchet and send one, in greatly enlarged form, to Jack Benny, and now ABC's Don McNeill is succumbing to the charm of the custom in sending one to his arch enemy, Tom Breneman.

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Hope and Lamour Comedy Continues On Century Bill

Bob Hope, as a tough private detective has chosen grim and ominous competition in his latest comedy, "My Favorite Brunette," which is now in the second week at the Century Theatre.

The supporting cast oozes menace through such characters as Peter Lorre, Lon Chaney, Jack La Rue, John Hoyt, and a reconverted Charles Dingle, who is once more unpleasant.

Dorothy Lamour co-stars with Hope in the takeoff on suspense thrillers as his client. Reginald Denny and Ann Doran are in the cast.

The program includes the latest "Bugs Bunny" cartoon, "A Hare Grows in Manhattan," a technicolor musical, "Sweet and Low," and the latest issue of Paramount News.



Bob Hope and Lon Chaney match wits in a scene from "My Favorite Brunette" which is playing for the second week at the Century Theatre. Hope is a private detective in the employ of Dorothy Lamour. The people who pay Chaney are not nearly as attractive.

REGENT

Margaret Lockwood plays the title role in "Bedelia," purported to be the most wicked woman that ever loved, which is the feature picture of the Regent Theatre bill. Miss Lockwood is presumed to have committed three murders before the picture opens and they appear to have been habit-forming. Ian Hunter and Barry K. Barnes provide excellent support in an entertaining picture.

The second feature will appeal to Senator Claghorn enthusiasts. This screen appearance of the radio comic is entitled, "It's a Joke, Son."

CAPITOL

Sonny Tufts is the star of "Swell Guy," main feature of the Capitol Theatre's current bill. The characterization differs sharply from previous Tufts roles. He plays a renegade war correspondent mistakenly accepted as a hero in a small California town where he arrives after the war to visit his mother.

The picture combines grim melodrama with psychological study.

Companion feature on the program is "Notorious Gentleman," which co-stars Rex Harrison and Lilli Palmer.

The James Warner Bellah story, "Massacre" will reach the screen as "War Party" and will include Henry Fonda and John Wayne in principal parts. The story is a grim tale of an officer reduced from an important command to an outpost and his reaction. It is to be done by the John Ford-Merian Cooper producing company, however, and Ford did one of the best war documentaries, also very grim indeed, from a nasty spot on Midway.

Don't let titles fool you. Clark Gable is not working travelogues. He recently received an assignment switch when he was pulled from "The Homecoming of Ulysses" to start "Angel's Flight."

Ex-GI Choristers Make NYC Debut

Hard up for a way to make the brave, new world pay off? Don't fall for the smuggling racket despite news reports that the U.S.-Canada border is wide open because of budget cuts. There must be a gimmick to that. It sounds like too soft a touch.

The American Male Chorus has a simple and more legal formula. Round up 31 other guys that sang with you in the service and form a singing group.

The Chorus was a smash hit in its New York debut. The 32 men who sang together as stooges for Uncle Sam decided to do business in the same stand after the war. They have received permission to wear their uniforms and decorations as part of the act and it is reputed to be terrific. Twenty-five former soldiers, five ex-sailors, and a former lieutenant of the merchant marine are on stage as the curtain rises and are conducted by their old baton beater, Lewis Bullock, one-time 1st lieutenant with the 86th Infantry Division.

The Chorus made its first public appearance in Manila February 22, 1946 as a military morale measure with 90 men including Australians, Chinese and Filipinos. It was later reduced to its present size and toured the Orient.

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Slants On Sports

Handicapped by the absence of both qualified reserves and a tall, tough player capable of converting rebounds into points, the Rochester Royals dropped the playoff championship of the National Professional Basketball League to the Chicago Gears, three games to one. Tired players recovered momentarily in the final game and tied the score at 49-49 after a disastrous second period, but the Gears were simply too good for them and pulled away for a 79-68 win. There will be an "appreciation" game against the Gears here Sunday and then it is expected that the Royals will pack their uniforms in moth-balls until next season. The team was a good one, and is technically the League champion. They have put on scrappy and satisfactory performances consistently before turnaway crowds at their home games.



The Rochester Red Wings become progressively worse as the regular season approaches and must recruit additional strength to put up a battle for seventh place unless their form improves considerably. They blow games to Columbus, Jersey City and Omaha and probably could have been had by less highly rated outfits if games could have been arranged.

Larry Caffione, rookie outfielder converted to a third baseman, has shown a touch of relative class. Max Surkont and Howie Krist both had sorry moments during the week. Despite what appears to be an inferior club but may actually be concealing its real form, the Red Wings are assured of a financially successful season, if public support of other sporting ventures here for the past year is any criterion.

Baseball rules specifically provide that disputes in baseball between club owners, managers and players are to be referred to the baseball commissioner's office for settlement, and the fact that the present commissioner is as willing as his predecessor to enforce these rules was brought home forcefully by the suspension of Brooklyn Manager Leo (Lippy) Durocher. It would be pleasant to believe that certain incidents in his private life had no bearing on the decision. There is reason to believe that they did affect his managerial ability, and Brooklyn has not suffered too much as a club through the suspension.

The wrestling matches at Edgerton Park Sports Arena continue to provide excellent entertainment. It is possible that they would be a trifle rougher if the contestants were permitted to bring blackjacks



and knives to work, but it is not necessarily so. Bobby Bruns whipped Wee Willie Davis Wednesday night in a match which would have brought considerable disapproval from rule makers of the Amateur Athletic Union but did please the crowd. Bud Curtis, of New Orleans, tried an innovation when he attempted to win on speed and what was once considered conventional wrestling. Ray (Sandy) O'Donnell, his opponent, apparently had never read Frank Merriwell, and went on to win in a nasty businesslike manner.

The Japanese "thought police" who arrested people whom they believed might harbor ideas of future subversive action have been out of business for some time but a similar United States outfit, the U. S. Lawn Tennis Association, is in fine fettle. The association has tacitly condoned padded expense accounts and has failed to refute numerous exposes of its peculiar conception of amateurism published by former trained seals. It appears that more magazine articles are "in the works" and will be published soon under the bylines of the most recent scapegoats, Miss Pauline Betz and Mrs. Sarah Palfrey Cooke. The girls were charged with the intent to become professionals at some later and unspecified date.

The KNOTHOLE

By ELLIOTT PINE
NWNS Sports Writer.

Correspondents rate the Detroit Tigers as the team likely to come in second, or at worst third, in the American circuit, trailing the brilliant Red Sox by a wide space. The solid, competent Tigers have all it takes to win a pennant except that vital spark. It is thought that the absence of Hank Greenberg will be keenly felt. He used to provide the spiritual lift and drive.



It's a little early, H. Greenberg but fight promoters are eagerly watching a 16-year-old heavyweight... Vince Donnelly of Minneapolis. The boy now stands 6 feet, 3 inches, and weighs 235 pounds... when he grows up he should really be something. Perhaps another Jess Willard. Most of the giant fighters, however, have been slow and awkward, easy to hit. Vince boxes well, it is reported, but he has not met any real competition yet.

London will be the scene of the 1948 Olympics, unless something pretty drastic comes along. This seems rather definite now. The British Olympic Organizing committee, in a semi-official announcement, has made it plain that nothing short of war could cancel arrangements now.

Paul Schrieber, Boston Red Sox pitcher, has been paid \$80,000 for his hurling—over a 10-year stretch. He is batting practice pitcher, whose job is to throw ones that the boys can hit for sure. His salary is \$5,000 a year, but he has been out in on \$30,000 in World Series shares... six times with the Yankees, once with the Red Sox.

Basketball teams were composed of 15 players, something like volleyball, back in 1909 when Dr. James Naismith was working out his new game.

Boxing fatalities are causing considerable concern in fistic circles. According to The Ring record book, which lists accomplishments of some 4,000 professional boxers, there were 11 deaths and 100 serious injuries in the United States last year. So far this year three men have died from injuries incurred in fights. Officials are blamed for letting men with long losing records, mostly by kayos, continue to compete.

FINDS HOME

Recruiting publicity hit the jackpot recently when it lured James A. Chestnut, 63, into the Army. Tinker Field recruiting officials, obviously at the bottom of the barrel, believe Chestnut is the oldest man ever accepted for military service. The adjutant general in Washington had to grant permission before Chestnut was accepted. The recruit did 15 years between 1904 and 1919, but plans to jump right out this time when he has eight years in and can retire.

Questioned about plans beyond retirement Chestnut said that 71 wasn't too old to start college. Chances are he'll never make it. Tinker Field will have a bright young man from the recruiting section on the job and Chesty will be re-signed before he gets all the way through the separation center.

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Army Week Opens With Celebrations

The remains of the United States Army paraded with mixed emotions at various Army Week functions which celebrated the thirtieth anniversary of its participation in World War I. With less than two divisions of effective combat men in any given theatre, the pleading and pessimistic tone of its leaders was understandable.

Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson reminded the nation in a Columbia Broadcasting System program that "in this imperfect world military strength still determines the destiny of nations."

General Dwight D. Eisenhower, Army Chief of Staff, said:

"However firm our resolve or our strength may be for the task before us, the mission of enforcing the peace and securing our national safety depends upon the American people's will that the job be done well and securely."

Both men have expressed concern that budget slashes will affect the military security of the country at a time when our foreign policy tends to be more positive.

Belated recognition of the single contribution Babe Ruth made to baseball has been taken by the American Legion and the Ford Motor Company, and not, as one might suppose, from the huge sports industry which rated him for years as its greatest single attraction.

The Babe will be a consultant in the American Legion Junior Baseball program sponsored by the Ford Motor Company. He will make personal appearances on the Legion programs throughout the country. The new job is one he should like. He has affection and gratitude for kids. He realizes that they contributed in a large measure to the financial success he enjoyed in his heyday.

His salary for the new job will about match his income from his annuities, if his health continues good enough for him to perform his prescribed duties.

The old home run king is crawling back to health. His weight dropped to around 90 pounds, Walter Winchell count, during his hospitalization but has crept back to a healthier amount. He should have a pleasant summer and a healthy one. Whatever the effect on him, it should be a great summer for the kids.

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KEEPING POSTED

With Hawley C. Handy, executive secretary of the Monroe County Council of the Veterans of Foreign Wars acting as installing officer and Thomas Camiola assisting the following officers were inducted into their positions to govern the 27th Division Post of the VFW during the 1947-1948 season.

The ceremonies conducted in the 1050 Clifford Avenue rooms of the post were attended by 200 members and friends of the organization. Clayton E. Handy, past Monroe County Council VFW Commander and Harry J. Gaynor business manager of Veterans' Voice were guest speakers.

Commander John E. Weiser; Senior vicecommander Morris E. Stidd; Junior vicecommander R. Green Hasbrouck; Quartermaster Carlton W. Wagner; Adjutant Herbert W. Jennings; Post Advocate Harry Smith; Chaplain Seth Strait; Officer-of-the-day Donald J. Mance; Patriotic Instructor Leo E. Gallagher; Historian Glenn L. Baker; Service Officer William J. Janess, Legislative Officer Frank Hasbrouck; Trustees Lewis J. Monk, C. John Schraven, George Tebo; Sergeant-Major Charles Jennings; Quartermaster-sergeant Howard Johnson; Guard Byron Houck; Color Bearers Harry Smith, Joseph Rehok, Courtland V. Root; Delegates to Monroe County Council Harry Damoth, William J. Janess, James L. Telfer, Leo E. Gallagher; United Veteran Relief Officers Frank W. Lawson and Charles Jennings.

A Miss GI of 1947 will be chosen from a dozen or more beautiful candidates in the Knights of Columbus Auditorium Saturday evening, April 12th when the Maira-Conniglio 1536 Post of the American Legion stage their first annual Beauty Contest and Dance. Girls appearing at the Saturday dance are the finalists and were chosen as the most beautiful contestants in a series of contests held throughout the city during the past month.

Samuel P. Guadagnino, General Chairman of the event announced last night that three judges including John E. Allen, Harry J. Gaynor and Howard B. Bloomfield have volunteered to pick the winner at the Saturday contest.

Guadagnino and a committee consisting of Philip Calcagno, Sam Mancuso, Christopher Pavone, Joseph DelVecchio, Paul Costanza, Joseph DiMartino, Louis DiVecchi, Anthony Tutobene, Anthony Fiano, Thomas Polvino, Vincent Rallo, Joseph Palermo, John F. Licata, Alphonse Augino, Thomas Guilian, Frank Indovino, Al Christiana and Robert Orlando have been putting in long hours promoting this first event to be staged by their post which is made up entirely of World War II veterans.

The Annual Banquet of Memorial Post, American Legion will be held at the 40 and 8 Clubhouse Saturday April 19, at 6:30 P. M. Commander Peter Barry, Third Battalion N. Y. Naval Militia, will be the speaker.

The following are assisting General Chairman Frank E. Donnelly in the arrangements for this affair: Speakers-Guests:

Sylvester Buelte, Post Commander, and Arthur Rathjen. Tickets: Dr. Walter Lockwood, Chairman; Wm. McKenna, Sol. Grossman, Norman Strong, Thomas St. Aubin, Bruce Wyman, Michael Kelly and Cal Hildreth. Publicity: John Schulz, Chairman; Leslie Erhardt, Edward Murphy. Dinner: Vincent Barker, Chairman; Fillmore Craver, Fred Reidel, Meyer Goldstein, George Rogers, Ray St. Aubin. Reception: William Barkley, Chairman; George Doerr, Marshall Knox, Dr. Moses Holtz, George Rust, Raymond Morrison. Music-Entertainment: Charles Franklin, Chairman; John O'Neill, George Weber, Robert Lathrop, Sarsfield Kelly and Donald Dangler.

Monroe County American Legion will hold the annual baseball dinner Tuesday evening, April 29, in the Powers Hotel.

Plans for the dinner were drawn at a recent meeting of the county committee. Members of the Freeman Allen Post baseball team, winners of the Legion League championship last year, and all players on the Rochester Red Wing roster will be guests.

Lewis Gracey of Penn Yan, chairman of the Legion Boy Scout Department, made a plea at the meeting for more young men to enter the scouting field.

The 57th Artillery, World War I, C.A.C. Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will install their 1947-1948 staff of officers in their Galusha Street club house on April 15th.

Harry J. Gaynor, business manager of Veterans' Voice will be the principal speaker while past Monroe County Council VFW Commander Edward J. Gnaedinger with Edward J. Marzell will handle the installation ceremonies.

Lazarus Shapiro, will head the post as commander with the following officers assisting: Raymond Brunet, senior vicecommander; Joseph Agnello, junior vicecommander; George Paul, retiring commander and newly elected judge advocate; William Biedick, chaplain; William Denk, officer-of-the-day; George Youngham, quartermaster; Frederick C. Venn, George Dowson and Elmer Harper, trustees; Joseph Schottmiller, adjutant, with Harry Hempel, William Denk and John Sturiale elected as delegates to the Monroe County Council of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Edward T. Tydings, General Chairman handling the arrangements in connection with the Louis P. Lochner lecture being staged by the James Lundgren Post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in the Knights of Columbus Auditorium the evening of April 30 has appointed the following members of the VFW organization to assist him: Walter J. Czarniak, secretary, and committee members Robert E. Malley, John J. Curtin, Peter J. Cumbo, Joseph Lauricella, Mark H. Ammering, William A. Tatyga, William C. Sanger, Richard S. Borsa, Joseph R. Ortolani, Anthony D. Crugnale, Bernard J. Yost, Raymond J. Hoefen.

Seats are still available for



OUTDOOR SPECTACLE . . . Immortalized by Helen Hunt Jackson in her novel, "Ramona," the romance and tragedy of the Indian couple, Alessandro and Ramona, will be recreated in the spectacular outdoor Ramona pageant, which opens for its 20th season on April 19. The play, which will be staged for three weekends, is presented in its own amphitheater situated at the foot of towering snow-capped Mt. Jacinto, near Hemet, Calif. Shown above are Juanita Encell as Ramona and Henry Brandon as Alessandro who have leading roles in the production.

the Gala All-Star show to be conducted in Madison Square Garden May 22 under the auspices of the New York State Department, Jewish War Veterans.

Sam Savage, commander of David J. Kaufman Post, Jewish War Veterans, said that a block of up to 100 seats has been reserved for the use of Monroe County veterans hospitalized in VA or Army hospitals in the New York City area. Reservations may be made by friends or relatives of such veterans by calling VETERANS' VOICE, Main 6986.

Performers who have consented to appear include: Milton Berle, Sophie Tucker, Henry Youngman, Peter Donald, Ethel Waters, Joe E. Lewis and many others.

The local post is sponsoring a contest and the winner will go to New York City with all expenses paid and will act as host for the Monroe County veteran delegation the night of the show.

The 108th Infantry Veterans Association will hold a party in the Enlisted Men's Club at the East Main Street Armory April 17. The affair will be stag with entertainment and an orchestra. Benjamin Oehmke, association president, has invited all former members of the 108th, officers or enlisted men, with either overseas service or Armory duty prior to induction, to attend.

The claim of the Carl and Joseph Laemlin Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, that theirs is the only Monroe County Post with five brothers on its roster, is challenged by the Lt. Rodney H. Dobson Post 2890, VFW, of Brockport, which has had its own five man brother act for more than a year. Peter Barber and his brothers Cosimo, John, Anthony and Dominic Jr., sons of Mr. and Mrs. Dominic Barber, 41 Millard Street, Brockport, have been active in all post activities. Peter succeeded Emerson J. Reed Sr. as post commander and Anthony is quartermaster.

posts in 33 states and is composed of men who have served in the armed forces, National Guard, Naval Reserve, Coast Guard Reserve, Civil Air Patrol, State Guard and are active in the State Guard.

The Griffin Post, which meets regularly the second Thursday of each month at the Main Street East Armory, received the third charter issued by the national organization.

Annual Army Day dinner of Clayton Warner Post, American Legion, took place Thursday at the Doud Post. Current world conditions were discussed by Edward Ogden, attorney, and veteran of two World Wars, who was an intelligence officer of the 467th Bomb Group for 18 months.

Guests of honor were Supervisor Thomas Broderick of the Town of Irondequoit; County Commander Russell Felerski, American Legion; County Commander C. Frederick Jefferson, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Mrs. Norman Carroll, county president, Legion Auxiliary; the Rev. Charles J. Bruton, former county Legion chaplain, and the Rev. Leo Matuszewski, present county Legion chaplain.

The annual banquet of the Bowling League of the Clinton L. Patchen Post No. 307, Veterans of Foreign Wars, was held at the post headquarters, 185 Chestnut Street, Tuesday.

Officers elected for next season are: Vernon Stewart, president; Albert Bohnke, vicepresident; Gus Verduyese, secretary; Otto Ruff, treasurer.

Lt. W. Kirke Otis Auxiliary No. 1457, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will v-celebrate their 20th Anniversary, Saturday evening, April 19th, at Runds Town Hotel, 48 South Avenue. Dinner will be served at 6:30. Reservations may be made by calling the following committee: Mary DeLettera—Monroe 5989-J; Lea Smith, Main 4289, or Ruth Hauck, Genesee 4433-W.

The following committees have been appointed: General Chairman, Sophia O'Halloran; Reception, Sophia O'Halloran, Grace Sprankle, and Lillian Otis; Entertainment—Mabel Woolford and Avis Goler; Degree—Grace Sprankle; Decorations—Helen Florack, Martina Wilkinson and J. Hermans.

Members and friends of other Veteran Organizations are cordially invited and reservations may be made by contacting the above committee. A good time is promised.

The new officers chosen for the coming year to guide the auxiliary are: President, Mary DeLettera; Sr. Vice-President, Marie Giofrida; Jr. Vice President, Lea J. Smith; Chaplain, Martina Wilkinson; Treasurer, Ruth E. Hauck; Conductress, Helen Florack; Guard, Lydia Butler; Trustees, three years—Marian Cashman, two years—Sophia O'Halloran; Delegates to County Council, two years—Avis Goler, two year alternate, Marie Giofrida.

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Midnight Memos:

Man About Town: The blog of former Police Commissioner Valentine (by a newspaper man) will have several bitter attacks on former Police Commissioner Enright and Jimmy Walker. . . . Liquor insiders fear that Indiana will be voted dry. . . . Medicos now warn you about taking benzedrine for reducing or for any other reason. They say you can injure yourself permanently. . . . Transcripts on the recent wiretapping (of the principals) in the Alvin Paris gambling fix case confused some of the newspaper men at first. All the scripts ended with the exclamation, "By Jove." It wasn't until the trial that they learned the reason for the sign-off. The lad who did the listening in for the gendarmes (and brought in the evidence) is a cop named Joe Jove.

The United Nations at Lake Success has had to cut personnel, for lack of money. . . . The irony of it! A mere fraction of any major nation's military budget would be more than sufficient. . . . In short, the world is pinching pennies for peace at the same time it is straining every financial sinew in preparation for war. The epitaph for the 20th century may well read: Billions for War and Hate—Not One Cent for Trust and Hope.

Washington Ticker: Touch of irony in Washington: The pins and passes used to identify the secret service (in the senate gallery) are red! . . . Have our intelligence services checked the report that the French representative on MacArthur's council, General Peckhoff, is really the son of the great Russian writer, Maxim Gorki? . . . The four peace treaties before the senate are obsolete before they are even ratified. . . . The great, big, beautiful investigation of the U. S. Maritime commission is ripening into full and odorous bloom. . . . Poor Henry Cassidy (one of our favorite commentators) made the fluff of the day on the News of the World menu. He sckhellly said: "Foreign Monster Bevin."

Touch of Irony: The struggle over Greece might result in another global war — yet Greece's population is less than New York City's—and the whole country is as large as North Carolina.

Signs of the Times: Bargains are coming back. The houseboat sitting on the corner of 52nd and 6th now is marked down to only \$5,900. . . . Sixty-cent haircut signs are showing up again in many barber shops. . . . Cabbies report their biz is off 40 per cent. Then howcum you still can't get a keb, hardly almost? . . . Irving Berlin, the poor songwriter, netted only \$850,000 (after taxes) in 1946. . . . "The Anniversary Waltz" (from the Jolson flicker) is the first waltz to make the Hit Parade, they say, in many years. . . . Howie's now gives you flavored toothpicks. Such airs. . . . Some employment agencies are sending wealthy widows and dowagers on assignments as baby-sitters. Breaks the loneliness, etc. . . . Sudden thaw! They're reviving everything on Broadway—except Broadway.

The Norwegian ambassador stated that the Norwegian government has no objection to Kirsten Flagstad, the opera singer now in the U. S., becoming an American citizen. . . . To the men and women of the United States armed forces: Please do something about this woman, who before and during the war was not on our team. . . . Kirsten Flagstad entertained the Quislings after they invaded her native land. . . . A voice which could lift itself in song amid the screams of torture of its own country—certainly can't mean much when it swears allegiance to the American flag. . . . Of course the Norwegian government has no objection to her becoming an American citizen! . . . Norway doesn't want her, which is one very good reason for the United States not to take her.

Advertising Career Forum Arouses Veteran Interest

The second of a series of Veterans Counselling Forums under the auspices of the Veterans Service Committee of the Rochester Junior Chamber of Commerce concerned advertising as a career. An enthusiastic audience engaged panel members in a spirited discussion, according to Vincent Pettit, committee chairman.

Albert Thomas, account executive of the Hutchins Advertising Agency and advertising instructor at RIT evening classes, was the principal speaker. He made the following suggestions for successful entry into the advertising business: College training is desirable but not imperative. Advertising men are usually moderate extroverts, and capable of dealing effectively with people.

Intuition, foresight, analytical mind, business ability, selling or related experience, reading of advertising journals or advertising itself were also mentioned as primary requirements or traits one should possess before one considers sales promotion as a career. Most important is effective advertising and selling of personal qualifications during interviews with advertising executives or prospective employers.

Members of the advisory board who supplemented Thomas' remarks were: Willis T. Jensen, advertising manager of F. A. Smith Manufacturing Company; William McLaughlin, sales promotion manager of McCurdy and Company; Samuel Feldman of the Feldman-Lefler Advertising Agency, and Vincent Pettit, service committee chairman. Martin Q. Moll introduced the speakers and served as moderator.

Future forums will be directed on behalf of veterans interested in job hunting, April 21, and those concerned with insurance as a career, May 5th.

Plans are being made with the co-operation of the Monroe County Council, Veterans of Foreign Wars, to broadcast miniature forums from WSAY April 18 and May 2.

KILIAN FLUNKS

President Truman deleted without comment the name of Lt. Col. James A. Kilian from a list of 63 lieutenant colonels slated for promotion to colonel by law because of seniority.

Lt. Col. Kilian was sentenced by a court martial last August to a reprimand and a \$500 fine for permitting "harsh, cruel and unusual" punishment of enlisted men under his charge at the Army Disciplinary Camp at Lichfield, England, during the war.

His name appeared on a promotion list during his court martial and caused some curiosity among the civilian population regarding the basis for Army promotions.

The entire list of promotions requested included 683 names. It was submitted by Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson, who pointed out that he had asked Congress to amend the law so that the Army could make promotions above the rank of first lieutenant on the basis of merit instead of seniority.

FIRST AID CERTIFICATES

Red Cross has issued more than 11,000,000 certificates for courses completed in first aid since the Service was inaugurated in 1910.

Medical

(Continued from Page 1) had been negotiated for excessive fees to professional men, dentists and doctors, and that there were instances of "consultants" receiving large fees for little work.

VA administration has not been cheap, General Bradley admitted, but said:

"Had I exercised undue caution and timidity in expansion of VA and thereby delayed its mission, I would have brought down severe criticism not only on myself but on Congress and the entire structure of the Federal government. If I have violated the intent of Congress then I accept full responsibility."

Medical expenses have skyrocketed under the present administrator for two reasons. The obvious one is the bill entailed by the war. Less well known but of considerable importance is the introduction of a superior medical program. General Hines was overly concerned with medical costs and successfully fought off any threat of advancement in the medical care program.

Maj. Gen. Paul Hawley, who became director of the medical division when General Bradley took over, has been and will be the storm center of a number of attacks from both Congressmen and reactionary medical men. He is a firm believer in continual research and improvement in medical techniques, and is one of the country's more able administrators. He has a huge capacity for fights but is believed discouraged by the number of attacks launched against his program. If he quits, as threatened, most top medical men in the department will leave with him.

Morale throughout the medical division is low. Reduction of its budget below the point where it feels that it can accomplish its important mission effectively will bring wholesale resignations and inefficient operation.

Indicative of the current trend, a letter to General Bradley from Dr. Karl A. Menninger, manager of the new VA hospital at Topeka, Kan., was read before the House Appropriations Committee. Dr. Menninger charged that "loud headline talk on the part of Senators and representatives about firing a million government workers . . . slashing payrolls . . . is injuring morale of hospital staffs to the point of bitterness and sometimes almost to the point of panic."

Dr. Menninger quoted staff members as saying, "It is the same old VA after all . . . we were lured into this program on the basis that the government really planned to do something big for the veterans . . . when jobs were plentiful we were coaxed into this on the implied promise that the government policy was stable and that this program would go ahead."

The doctor also wrote that the morale of hospital employees cannot be injured without affecting the care of vet-patients and that fewer man-hours by employees in a hospital inevitably means less treatment for the veterans.



ALL IN ONE BASKET . . . A bonnet and basket all in one is the latest product of female ingenuity. This bonnet, made from an ordinary basket and a few wisps of ribbon, created quite a stir at the spring fashion show staged by Peter Bond in New York. This basket could be used for carrying home the groceries—or when not needed for this purpose, it can be worn on the head.

Van Zandt Seeks M'Arthur Return

Rep. James E. Van Zandt, Republican of Pennsylvania, thrice national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, has introduced a resolution which would return General Douglas MacArthur to the ZI for a 30-day furlough. During this time Rep. Van Zandt said, General MacArthur might address a joint session of Congress on "matters affecting the security of the United States."

There is no threat to the United States apparent from either Japan or China so the resolution is a thinly veiled request for the views of General MacArthur on a possible Russian threat. Despite a paucity of press interviews, General MacArthur's opinion of the Russians is a matter of record. He dislikes them. It is doubtful that the entire occupation of Japan has caused him nearly as much trouble as the Korean situation which has been kept in constant turmoil by lack of co-operation and even communication between the Russian and American sections.

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DEWEY JUSTIFIES BONUS-TAX PLAN

Big Army Seen Essential

REPORT HINTS NATION NEEDS TRAINING LAW

Atomic warfare, current American model, does not obviate the necessity for a large well-trained army, and the best insurance for peace for the next five years would be a strong conscript army, according to a report submitted to Congress by Legislative Reference Service of the Library of Congress.

There had been some hope among Congressmen that the atomic bomb had made universal military training unnecessary. The War Department strongly favors conscription on the assumption that this country will never again enjoy a two year period to prepare for war.

Numerous independent surveys on universal military training have been conducted since Congress shelved the issue last year. The American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars both believe conscription essential but are at odds over the length of the training period.

The Republican leadership wants no part of the highly controversial issue but will be forced to consider it when it is introduced by an administration bill. It is inevitable that such a bill will be written and introduced in view of the present strong foreign policy. It is a political axiom that no foreign policy can be stronger than the armed force of the country which promulgates it.

There has been no stand taken by the Republican Policy Committee but the party has had an 81-page study made entitled "Pros and Cons of Universal Compulsory Military Training." Indicative of the line
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Former Vessel Horst Wessel



COAST GUARD SCHOOLS AT SEA . . . From the bowsprit of the coast guard cutter Eagle, new training bark for cadets of academy at New London, Conn., the ship exhibits its manifold. The Eagle came from Bremerhaven, Germany, where she was taken over from the defunct German navy. During World War II the ship was the German training vessel for naval officers and was named the Horst Wessel.

Highest Tribunal Decides Vet Loses Seniority Claim

The Supreme Court has ruled that the Selective Service Act does not guarantee indefinitely a veterans seniority on his job. The opinion written by Justice Wiley Rutledge with the concurrence of six colleagues, follows the train of legal interpretation begun with the Abraham Fishgold case last year.

This affirmed Fishgold's right to his old job with seniority he would have had if he had not gone to war but no so-called "super-seniority," and
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State Chief Insists Pay-as-you-go Plan Applicable To Vets

Public expenditures by New York State will continue to be made in conformation with a "pay-as-you-go" policy as long as the present administration is in power, Governor Thomas E. Dewey emphasized in a radio report on legislative accomplishments of the last session.

Greece Endorses Third Candidate For County Post

The contest for selection as the American Legion County Commander became a three way struggle this week as Lloyd J. Webb, of 120 Stone Road, Greece, entered the lists with the support of Greece Post, of which he is a past commander.

Webb is a county vicecommander and is a veteran of World War I. He is employed at Kodak Park.

Other acknowledged candidates are Bruce Percy and Robert N. Abbott.

Percy is a vicecommander of the county unit and a vicecommander of Yerkes-Couchman Post. He was endorsed by Doud Post and his own group and has since acquired extensive additional support. He is a veteran of World War II and is employed as assistant trust officer of the Genesee Valley Trust Company.

Abbott is on the Legion County Executive Committee and is a past commander of Loeser-Shavlin Post, which he helped organize. He is the director of the Veterans Information Bureau.

The winner will be decided at the county convention which will be held in the Powers Hotel on June 21. The incumbent is Russell Felerski.
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Part of the broadcast was a defense of the additional taxation which has been proposed to pay for the veterans' bonus in the event that it is approved at the polls in November. Vigorous opposition to imposition of a cent a pack cigarette tax and an increase of 20 per cent on basic state income taxes has developed recently, particularly among the veterans who are supposed to be the beneficiaries.

Governor Dewey explained, with sound logic, that one generation had no moral right to mortgage the future of another. If the bonus money was raised in what has been the conventional manner, issuance of 40 year bonds, the additional cost to the people for interest would amount to \$140,000,000.

The governor was very fond of little children throughout the broadcast. This is sound policy, socially and politically. It is unfortunate that anybody's affection strayed from children to veterans even for the moment necessary to enact the bonus bill in the first place. The only reason for the temporary defection seems to be that children can't vote.

Bonds for state bonus payments to veterans of World War I are still collecting interest from the state in the mouldy vaults where the purchasers have stashed them, probably an important factor in the inability of the state to show a surplus of more than \$58 million dollars during the past year.

The surplus, incidentally, was not mentioned in the radio report. The expense of veterans' (Continued on Page 4)

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Editorial

Three major veteran legislative issues were the victims of Congressional "passive resistance" tactics last week. Pressure of high priority legislation was responsible in some measure, but the principal reason is still the misread mandate of the people which the dominant political party believes to be an order to cut federal spending to the point of inefficiency if necessary. It is extremely doubtful that the majority of the people in the country would consider passage of veteran measures involved as wilful extravagance.



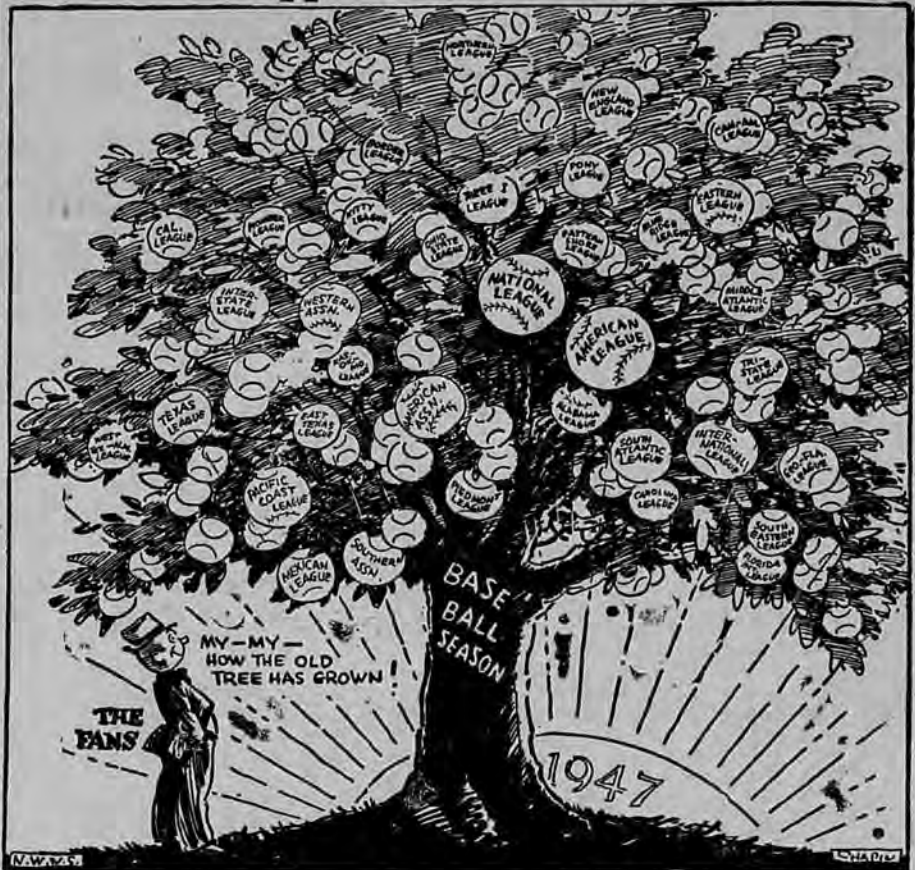
The bill to make terminal leave bonds convertible to cash immediately would involve some expenditure for administration. There will also be substantially the same expenses involved if the bonds are held five years and then converted. The one positive fact of the entire issue is that veteran need for cash is much greater now than it will be when the bonds mature. The House Rules Committee has consistently refused to permit the bill to come out of committee onto the floor for action. This policy is undoubtedly condoned by the House leadership, and possibly it follows specific orders. Sponsors of the bill instituted a "discharge petition" which would force action by the House when it received 218 signatures. It has circulated for more than a month and has been signed by 80 Representatives.

The Ramey subcommittee of the House Vet Affairs Committee has resumed hearings on a bill to increase the subsistence allowance of students and on-the-job trainees from the present \$65 monthly for single veterans and \$90 for veterans with dependents. This would be expensive in the degree to which the raises were granted, but as the bill is now written the promise of an education is slightly hollow. Advocates of increased allowances for students admit that many people have secured an education without as much outside assistance as that provided by the current payments. It is in colleges like Sampson, where opportunities for outside work are limited, that all parties feel the allowances are much too meager. The subcommittee invited Chat Paterson, AVC legislative director, to testify and then barred him after his arrival. He had brought with him a documented survey of student need which revealed through continued study by AVC local college chapters that the average single vet spends \$104 monthly for basic living expenses and the average married veteran requires \$152. Bills submitted for committee consideration do not approximate this figure. Similar surveys by the Army Times and educational councils coincide approximately with the AVC figures. The VA records list 900,000 withdrawals from the education and on-the-job training program, most of which were induced by poverty.

Rep. Bernard W. (Pat) Kearney, Republican, of New York, former VFW commander and a general officer in World War II, has taken advantage of the "discharge petition" device in an effort to have his bill to raise combined allowance and wage ceilings raised for students and on-the-job trainees forced onto the House Floor for a vote. It is presently in a Rules Committee pigeonhole behind at least three pigeons, two of whom are said to be setting. Ceiling increases to the extent advocated by Rep. Kearney would greatly increase the number of on-the-job training programs in operation and consequently would increase the number of allowances paid. How much of the expense would be cut down by reduction of readjustment allowance payments is impossible to compute. The present ceiling of \$175 for single veterans and \$200 for those with dependents has tended to limit inauguration of programs in industries which pay well. Kearney bill ceilings would be \$250 for vets without dependents, \$325 for those with one dependent and \$350 for veterans with more than one dependent.

It is peculiar that most of that sound legislation designed to give veterans certain rights but not extreme privileges is introduced by Republican Representatives. It is possible that they are in closer contact with the will of the people than the party leaders.

Apple Blossom Time



Six-Inch Sermon

† REV. ROBERT H. HARPER †

National Glory and Decay
Lesson for April 27: 1 Kings 3:5-9; 5:13-16; 11:4-9.

Memory Selection: Proverbs 3:5
The caption could also be the Rise and Fall of Solomon, for with him came national glory and decay. Celebrated for his wisdom, Solomon closed his life in sinful folly.

In the beginning of his reign, Solomon asked God for wisdom. And in addition to his fame in the Scriptures, his name is almost revered for wisdom in oriental countries to the present. He was certainly the wisest man of his age, surpassing the wise men of the east, and of Egypt, and contemporary scholars in his own country.

But his wisdom did not include the right ordering of his own life and the wise ruling of his own people. Instead of living a simple life in a simple court, his pride led him to outline the splendour of other monarchs. Instead of oppressing his subjects with hard labor in the mountains and the laying of exorbitant taxes upon them to support his great armies, erect magnificent buildings, and maintain a splendid court, he could have secured his kingdom by dealing justly with his people.

His pride, love of display, and moral weakness led him to sinful ruin as a man and his great kingdom to weakness and division. His hundreds of wives, many of them foreigners, turned Solomon's heart to false gods, and he set up heathen altars in Jerusalem and offered sacrifice. And the man, whose life had begun with brilliant promise, closed in moral darkness, and the builder of the temple lost touch with God. Young persons may beware of pride and compromise in spiritual things.

New Books

A CHARACTER OF THE TRIMMER: Being a Short Life of the First Marquis of Halifax, by H. C. Foxcroft (Cambridge University; Macmillan, \$4).

OPERATION LIFELINE. History and Development of the Naval Air Transport Service, by James Lee, with photographs by Joe Rosenthal Ziff-Davis, \$5).

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Coal Mine Disaster Results in Many Charges

As a result of the charges brought by John L. Lewis in labor committee hearings against Secretary of Interior Krug following the Centralia mine disaster there is a chance that finally the federal government may be given authority to enforce the recommendations of its mine inspectors as to safety violations in the nation's mines. As of now, due to the tenacious theory of states rights, the congress has denied this authority to the federal government and sole power to enforce the safety laws in mines is in the hands of the various states. However, Mr. Krug as secretary of interior and nominally in charge of the mines under government operation, could have ordered unsafe mines closed as he has done since the disaster. But those who are familiar with the situation point out that in attempting to fix responsibility for the disaster there is no single unit or person upon whom blame can be placed, that it is divided as between the states, federal government, the owners, and the unions and the miners themselves.

Every report of safety law violations by federal mine inspectors, it is pointed out, is sent to united mine workers headquarters in Washington, a copy to the mine operator, one to the state mine inspector and one to the local union which works the mine. A copy of these reports is ordered posted at the mine entrance or some other place where all can see. So, the unions, the miners themselves, the state inspectors, the mine owners and the union headquarters know when a mine is regarded unsafe. In addition, a union safety committee at each mine can recommend the mine be closed on belief that immediate danger exists. And mine managements are obliged to follow these recommendations unless the federal coal mine administrator rules otherwise. It is also pointed out that experi-

enced miners probably know better than any state and federal inspector when a mine is unsafe and that they should refuse to enter an unsafe mine as John L. Lewis has now ordered them to do.

The house-senate conference committee attempting to iron out differences of opinion on the contemplated cut in the Truman budget is still stalemated and has been for two weeks. The house is holding fast to six billion and the senate conferees are standing by four and a half billion.

In the meantime the house has sent the Knutson tax cut bill to the senate with a graduated cut from 30 to 10 percent, knowing full well that it will not pass the senate in that form. They also have passed along two appropriation bills to the senate, knowing too that cuts to the labor conciliation and other services will be restored in the senate.

The civil service commission report of federal employment for February is just out, showing paid employment in Washington at a net decrease for the month of 839, over January, while the employment in continental U. S. showed a net decrease of 6,532.

There is considerable talk about the enormous corporation profits in the first quarter of this year and some indications that as a result prices will start down, led by U. S. Steel. Experts say that prices must come down or wages will go up again starting another spiral. And on advice of federal reserve banks, member banks are tightening up on real estate loans. Building costs are too high and prices are too high, and the lenders do not propose to get caught in the inflated values.

The economists profess to see trouble ahead for the building industry because housing prices are all out of reason and there has already been a definite drop in new house purchases—all this in spite of the high sounding promises made by the real estate and construction lobbies, if only controls were taken off



Take An Orchid

BY JAMES H. RONYAG

Everybody glad to see former County Commander of the Spanish-American War Veterans Fred Neener back in circulation again; the old salted flat-foot had a bad time of it for a couple of months . . . It's a bundle of orchids to Ellen Hawley for the JOLLY TIME she arranged at the Red Men's last Sunday; the poetic section of her program was strictly out of this world . . . High praise to every member of the Maira Coniglio American Legion Post for the manner in which they put over their first annual Beauty Contest and Dance! it was a wow and everybody had a good time including the girls who didn't win . . . Pat Roncone and the members of the Bonaldi Brothers American Legion Post are wearing big cheery grins the past few days for their entrant in the Beauty Contest was declared the winner . . . John Marsh, Arnamar Veterans' Jamboree Chairman can really DO THINGS; he helped serve the food, collected and SOLD tickets, cleaned the joint and lo and behold he played in the orchestra — whatta guy? . . . That new commander staff of the 57th C. A. C. Veterans of Foreign Wars Post including Shapiro, Brunette and Agnello will really roll those cassions along . . . We know a post with a plan to get its members out to meetings; they are going to have tickets for a party printed and place a price of \$5.00 each on the pasteboards; then send them to all long absence members with a letter telling them the TICKETS ARE FREE; we're willing to betcha that the WOLVES will attend just to HOWL ABOUT THE SPENDING . . . Don't it make you feel good to see Captain George Siebert and charming Helen Siebert having a grand time . . . Say, all you lovers of romance, here is a pleasant bit of news — those beautiful children, in love since early childhood, the World War II veteran son of the George Sieberts and Doris Grube, daughter of World War I Fred Grube will be wed come an early date in May . . . Oh, Oh, we thought Lady Kilroy forgot we were here but after listening to the following we know she's

our ever present little so-and-so for she tells us that sentimentality is no indication of a warm heart for nothing weeps more copiously than a block of ice . . . We have mentioned Ronnie McFarland of the Foreman-Krumb American Legion Post several times; we like to mention her; she's a grand person and now once again WE ASK HERE AND NOW — when is she going to send more notes into YOUR FAVORITE NEWSPAPER (Veterans' Voice, of course) . . . Get your red pencil out and mark a circle around Saturday night May 10th for that's the date picked by the Keith-Miller Veterans of Foreign Wars Post for their Ken Renick Dance at Long Point Park on Conesus Lake . . . Have you purchased your ticket for the Lochner Lecture at the Knights of Columbus Auditorium the night of April 30th; this is one of the cleanest promotions ever undertaken by any local veteran organization and the Lundgren Veterans of Foreign Wars Post rate special praise for their ambitions . . . Anthony J. Ricotta, D'Angelo Post of the American Legion strikes us as being pretty nice people . . . Eddie Barrett and his witty wife Laura, patriotic workers for many years, endear themselves to all . . . We call to the attention of ALL VETERANS that on May 3d the Veterans of Foreign Wars will stage a gigantic Field Day and Track Meet for teen'agers on the old University of Rochester Field; the VFW, we understand, will enjoy HELP AND AID from any veteran whether a member of the VFW or not; it's worthy thing the VFW does on that date and merits the wholehearted support of all . . . Elton L. Stoeve, Sweetland American Legion Post member helps move things along at post meetings . . . Robert J. Landry, Ashton-Lynch-Buckley Garrison of the Army and Navy Union, always on the alert to advance the good of his organization . . . Our own Lady Kilroy tells us to remember, the only people who enjoy listening to your troubles are lawyers, doctors, and Mr. Anthony. They get paid for it . . . WHY DON'T YOU PAY YOUR 1947 DUES — THEN GO TO A MEETING — THEN YOU'LL SURELY PICK THE PROPER COUNTY COMMANDER.



BABY WITH TEETH . . . Chabby Paul Strecker, 10 months, has 16 sound and shiny ivories. His Dad, Henry, a Chicago baker, says Paul now tips the scale at 26 pounds, a gain of 16 pounds.

VFW Commander Urges President To Curb Wallace

The Veterans of Foreign Wars has recommended that President Truman revoke the passport of Henry Wallace, Louis E. Starr, national commander, stated recently.

Wallace statements that the United States was imperialistic have disturbed and angered the President and action is imminent, according to Commander Starr.

The VFW issued a statement that his organization had urged revocation of Mr. Wallace's passport "to relieve the Governments of France and Great Britain of the embarrassment of Mr. Wallace's presence and inflammatory statements."

Atlanta Veteran Avoids Eviction

The Atlanta Housing Authority will not evict Ralph C. Cowan, footless war veteran, from the Clark Howell Homes project despite the fact that his \$240 a month disability pension is a trifle higher than the law allows.

James Therrell, executive director, said the furor caused by an Atlanta Journal story that he would be evicted was unwarranted as in borderline cases where the eviction would work a hardship the authority has the power to make allowances.

The Rochester Emergency Housing Bureau has no maximum income limits for veterans for whom they secure places according to F. L. Greeno, managing agent.

Emergency housing projects in the city are designed for low income families and are adequate but not very attractive. It is seldom necessary to suggest that people who have had substantial increases in their income move, as that is one of their first thoughts when they acquire additional money, Mr. Greeno said.

Applications under the local program are screened by Service Housing and the sole stipulation made by that agency is that the veteran must be employed. Rentals that are so expensive that they would cause hardship for the families involved are not suggested.

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Legion Inaugurates Intense Campaign For Training Law

Necessity for a universal military training law will be publicized intensively by the War and Navy Departments and American Legion during the next few weeks in an effort to have an adequate bill drawn and passed during this session of Congress.

Principal stumbling block is the pressure parents of potential trainees are expected to exert against any bill sufficiently comprehensive to assure an adequate program.

Warren G. Atherton, chairman of the Legion's National Security Committee and a former national commander, has announced that the Legion will seek popular support for an organization-sponsored program which will call for four months intensive military training plus eight months of alternative study or training. The plan was drawn by Atherton, Bill Doyle of Malden, Mass., and Perry Brown, of Beaumont, Tex. The Disabled American Veterans, the National Guard* and the Reserve Officers Association will support the Legion measure.

The War Department is expected to advance a plan for six months intensive training and has the support of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Rep Walter G. (Ham) Andrews, Republican, of New York, chairman of the House Committee on Armed Services, has promised Legion chiefs that hearings on the issue will begin soon. The full committee will sit for a week to hear the mass of evidence prepared by the Legion and others and will then assign the task of writing a bill to the military training subcommittee.

Atherton fears that serious opposition will develop from parents on the ground that the atomic warfare now in vogue will not require a large army. He cited the recent atomic bomb tests at Bikini and the 40,000 men who participated in the tests as evidence that trained manpower in large numbers is still essential. It may not have been a happy choice as far as examples go as it is not customary to employ a large force of observers when bombs drop under combat con-

ditions. Repeated statements of qualified military men, however, have stressed the fact that large forces will be needed in any future war.

Evidence already prepared for the committee hearings will include testimony of clergymen and educators that the universal military law as outlined by the Legion will have a minimum effect on jobs or schooling and that the moral results will be beneficial rather than detrimental. The Legion will also contend that its plan will cost only about half as much as the War Department program.

The only serious legislative defeat that the Legion has suffered has been on the issue of military preparedness. Even the extremely able manipulator of public and Congressional opinion, Col. John Thomas Taylor, was unable to overcome the indifference of the public to the necessity for a strong military machine. It is possible that the grim justification of Legion policy which was World War II will do much to secure general support for the pending program.

SORROW SHARED

Women do change their minds. The Manager of a Southern marble works tells of a young widow who came to him and ordered an elaborate monument for her husband. The inscription ordered was, "My sorrow is more than I can bear." Before the work was completed she reappeared, more cheerful, and with a new wedding ring. She asked to have one word, "alone," added to the epitaph.

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Senate Committee Hears Army-Navy Merger Testimony

The proposed unification bill for the Armed Services is a delicate instrument which includes a number of carefully worked out compromises and any Senatorial amendments would probably reopen old sores, Kenneth C. Royall, undersecretary of war, told the Senate Armed Forces Committee.

Proposed powers of the new top Secretary of National Defense is the most likely target for anti-unification Senators, and one which required the most preliminary consultation between the War and Navy Departments, he said.

Army and Navy cross and joint procurement now covers only about 11 per cent of purchases but this figure could be increased to 60-70 per cent under the new bill, which would eliminate such other unpleasant and costly factors as competitive bidding, and save an appreciable sum annually, in the opinion of the Undersecretary.

Senator E. V. Roberston, Republican, of Wyoming, an anti-unification leader, and the committee witness had several sharp exchanges.

Bonus-Tax Plan

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housing and educational costs were reasonably prominent. Work done, plus new appropriations, will complete 9,000 apartments for veterans plus housing for 20,000 veteran college students, both single and married. Included in the educational program was construction of 800 classrooms and laboratories. The program cost \$70,000,000.

State bonuses have been passed by seven states, are under consideration in 22 more. With the exception of Connecticut, which passed a bill similar to that which New York State voters will consider, no state has raised the issue of debt burden for future generations. It has generally been given gladly as a token of appreciation, possibly on the assumption that the next generation or two will not be too reluctant to pay a few additional tax dollars in appreciation for services rendered.

The state did a splendid job in enlarging college and university facilities, geared to handle 105,000, to the point where they could manage the 200,000 student load imposed after the war.

Absent from the radio speech was any reference to the statement made by Governor Dewey in April, 1943, and previously quoted, "A million young men will come home to this State at the end of the war. Our duty to them is the highest of all."

The Tuberculosis and Health Association has a new radio program which is broadcast each Thursday at 6:15 p. m. over WSAY.

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STEALERS CAUGHT BLACK-HANDED . . . When the body is cold and miserable, the sense of distinction between "mine" and "thine" becomes nonexistent. Small wonder then that in coal-starved Europe the stealing of coal is no longer regarded as reprehensible. Shown here is a raid by women and children on coal cars at a siding near Frankfurt, Germany.

Supreme Court

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on the case of Lawrence Whirls, employed by the Trailmobile Company of Cincinnati, was concerned with what happens to veterans' rights after one year.

Whirls returned from the war to his prewar job with the Highland Body Manufacturing Company, a Trailmobile subsidiary, with seniority and prewar pay.

Highland's equipment and personnel were subsequently transferred to Trailmobile. More than a year after Whirls returned the CIO union signed a new contract with Trailmobile which reduced Highland's former employee seniority to that time when they went to work at the Trailmobile plant. Whirls seniority went back to 1935 and he sued to have it restored. Lower federal courts upheld him. It was argued on his behalf that his veteran's seniority rights protected him as long as he held the same job, and that the one year provision of the law was designed only to guarantee his employment for that period.

The company and the CIO local contended that he lost his seniority at the end of a year. Justice Rutledge said that the majority of the court found it "unnecessary" to pass upon the contention that all benefits under the law ended within a year. The majority report said:

"If this extraordinary statutory security were to be extended beyond the statutory year, the restored veteran would acquire not simply equality with non-veteran employees having identical status as of the time he returned to work but would acquire indefinite statutory seniority over non-veteran employees, a preference status we think not only inharmonious with the basic Fishgold rationalization but beyond the protection contemplated by Congress".

The opinion pointed out that treatment accorded Whirls was exactly the same as other employees, veteran and non-veteran.

Justice Jackson was not in accord. He contended that Congress did not intend that a veteran's seniority rights should

be reduced at the end of a year. He believed that the Fishgold decision did not hold that seniority rights ended within a year, and that they "by their nature lasted as long as the employment did."

"To have seniority rights for a year may not be an impossibility," he said, "but it is almost a contradiction in terms."

(Editor's Note: The significance of the decision to veterans and others is the protection which appears to be afforded against men who drift around the country and then decide that they will go back to work at their former job. The decision would prevent their replacing after one year, a man who had worked steadily. While the law only forces an employer to re-employ for the first 90 days after discharge there is nothing to prevent him from rehiring at a much later period, and then if seniority was granted after more than a year there is a possibility that steadier worker would suffer hardship. This is definitely not a guaranteed interpretation.)

VA Agency Shows Business Increase

Visits by Rochester area veterans to the Veterans Administration sub-regional office contact division jumped from 2,000 in July 1946, first full month of its operation, to 7,600 in January this year. Hugh A. McBride acting manager reported. Of the latter 50 per cent made applications for benefits, record show.

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Civil Air Patrol

By **JAMES C. REDDIG**
Captain, Commanding

The program for Reserve Officers of the AAF is everywhere being cut back. The Army Air Base at Rome is now being closed down to such an extent that local Reserve Officers will be unable to use this as a flight base.

The latest issue of "The Reserve Officer" suggests to this group the possibility of the formation of CAP units composed of reservists under CAP's Congressional Charter. This proposal is altogether feasible and sound, and this Group Command would welcome the activation of such a unit. It has held off from actively recruiting reservists until stabilized housing is arranged. The Squadrons have had to relinquish the school facilities formerly used for the next few months, and new facilities at

the Main Street Armory are not entirely worked out.

Initial aircraft deliveries to CAP units are being made, and our latest information is that an AAF airplane will become available to this Group sometime this month. In addition, official credit can be arranged for any Reserve Officer for time devoted to the instruction program directed for the CAP.

Instead of induction into the present ranks of the CAP squadrons, if any group of Reservists desire to organize into a solely reserve unit within the CAP structure, operating within its directives, this Headquarters will render every assistance to such organization.

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Budget Attacks Threaten Guard Unit Organization

Congressional economy measures threaten to delay the proposed reorganization of the New York State Guard, including Rochester units, according to Lt. Gen. Hugh A. Drum, commanding general.

The new 137th Fighter Squadron, Rochester unit which sought recruits for the past month, is one of four similar outfits which may have budget trouble. The pretentious New York program, planned to involve 60,000 ground and air force troops, will be among the first to feel a fund slash.

The proposed Rochester air unit when brought to full strength would have 33 officers and 137 enlisted men. Equipment would include 25 P-47s for tactical flights, four advanced trainers, a C-47 transport, and an L-5 liaison plane. Maj. George M. Manning was assigned here as Regular Army instructor for the unit and he has established headquarters in the Culver Road Armory.

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DATES on the DIAL



Theft of "The Hit Parade" from the CBS stable by NBC was only a patrol action in the network war expected soon. ABC has its greedy little eyes on Amos n' Andy, Mr. D. A., Dennis Day and Burns and Allen, currently NBC accounts. CBS properties coveted by ABC are Joan Davis, Kate Smith Sings and the Screen Guild Players. ABC selling point is that the shows are of sufficient interest to develop their own listener audience and that its outlets are less expensive.

Milton Berle has a much more amusing show than many of the more publicized comedians and is worth the attention of comedy addicts. Principal professional charge against him is that he is the fastest gag stealer in the country. If it is true he at least deserves credit for stealing some of the better gags and leaving certain dubious adventures into smut as the sole property of his contemporaries. The people who interrupt his show are one of the better running gags. The newscaster has moments of high humor, one of them this week when he tried to sell a rather unsavory character to the public as a congressman.

The "Baby Snooks" show has been signed for another three years by the present sponsor. It is a peculiar show in that it concerns a childish character and is written for adult appeal, yet has its strongest support from children. Its overall appeal reflects the success or failure of the publishing business at any given moment. People with good books will ignore it while it will appear a major boredom battler to people stuck with a publisher's less happy product.

The best of the family-comedies may be "The Aldrich Family," who is broadcast on a night when publication interferes with the monitor duties of the column. It has recently had a serious threat for top rating from "Date with Judy", a nice technical example of the entertainment value of journeyman players with a competent script. The episode this week was concerned with man's domination of woman, which is good for laughs unadorned.

Announcer Jimmy Wallington, an Eastman School by-product, is celebrating his 20th year on the air.

Tony Martin will have to develop self-confidence quickly to save his new show. Only experienced guest stars have kept him out of trouble in the initial broadcasts. He has good enough lines but louses up their delivery through meekness.

Jack Pearl will not return to radio. He was an acquired taste, and it is doubtful that enough people were rabid Pearl fans to start a "draft Jack" movement. Successful speculation with what he earned on the air has made him reasonably independent, and he is convinced that radio comedy is hard and exacting work.

The State Department has ordered more jazz music and less talk on the broadcasts to Russia. This is not to be construed as a forerunner to a revised foreign policy.

CAPITOL

A provocative story of three men and a lovely but neurotic woman is developed in "The Locket", RKO Radio's absorbing drama starring Laraine Day, Brian Aherne, Robert Mitchum and Gene Raymond, which is playing at the Capitol Theatre.

Miss Day has the role of beautiful Nancy Patton, whose irresistible mania for stealing jewels ruins the lives of the men associated with her. Mitchum, a temperamental artist, is the first to discover her failing and his career is wrecked as a result of her activities. So is that of Aherne, a psychiatrist, married to Nancy for years before he realized how mentally ill she is. Raymond is about to become her second husband

Schoolgirls Say 'Boomerang' Star "Oozes Oomph"

Dana Andrews, Twentieth Century-Fox's most dramatic bid for the bobby-sox trade, is starred as a prosecutor in "Boomerang", now playing at the Century Theatre. Jane Wyatt and Lee J Cobb head a supporting cast which contains such lesser luminaries as Cara Williams, Arthur Kennedy, Sam Levene, Taylor Holmes, Robert Keith and Ed Begley.

The picture was filmed in Stamford, Conn., where the handsome Andrews entranced the youngsters. He was followed by squealing souvenir hunters whenever he appeared on the streets. He oozed burnt matches rather than toss them aside and start the girls fighting. Letting his guard down for a minute, Andrew carelessly used a fresh and monogrammed match book to mark his place during a scene which was witnessed by 5,000 townspeople. A boisterous bobby-soxer whipped past police lines, scooped up the prize, to become a high school heroine for a brief period.

The remainder of the program consists of: Hal McIntyre and his orchestra in "Love in Tune"; a color cartoon, "Roughly Squeaking"; the March of Tim e film, "The Teacher's Crisis"! Paramount News.

REGENT

Dane Clark, Martha Vickers and Sidney Greenstreet star in the fast-paced and refreshing Warner Brothers picture, "That Way With Women", feature picture on the Regent Theatre screen.

The story concerns a millionaire auto tycoon who is turned out to pasture while he still possesses much of the energy which enabled him to rise from humble beginnings to a high financial position. He secretly buys into a run down filling station with a poor but ambitious young man. The tycoon is played by Sidney Greenstreet with considerable humor.

The co-feature will be the first of a series of mystery stories and is entitled "Philo Vance's Gamble." Alan Curtis plays Philo Vance and receives principal support from Terry Austin and Frank Jenks.

when Aherne reappears from the past to warn him and precipitates a poignant climax.

"The Beast With Five Fingers", Warner Bros. new suspenseful drama of murder and mystery, starring Robert Alda, Andrea King and Peter Lorre, is the companion feature on the program.

Myrna Loy will play the feminine lead in "The Red Pony", John Steinbeck's story which Lewis Milestone will produce and direct as a Charles K. Feldman group production for Republic.



DANA ANDREWS is shown trying to reassure Jane Wyman that the attacks on him as prosecutor are not serious. The scene is from "Boomerang", featured picture on the Century Theatre bill.

A PEEK at the STARS

By LYN CONNELLY
NWNS Radio-Screen Editor.

WHEN Garson Kanin was discharged from service he didn't return to his movie directing tasks, but instead wrote "Born Yesterday" and put it on Broadway . . . Since then companies have opened in Chicago and London, and in all three cities the play has been a smash hit.

Jan Sterling, a delightful stage actress, practically steals the show

as Billie Dawn, a stupid ex-chorus girl friend of a millionaire junk dealer. Thrown into the political limelight, Harry Brock, as played with zest by Richard Rober, finds that the object of his affections is jeopardizing his hard-earned position through her

lack of finesse, to say nothing of her lack of brain cells, but he is too fond of her to say goodbye. In an effort to have his cake and eat it, too, he hires a newspaper reporter to educate Billie.

Billie not only learns the art of conversation, but is also advised by her tutor of Brock's evil role in the world of today . . . Needless to say, she soon realizes Brock is not the hero she had pictured him to be and in a rollicking scene informs him that he cannot intimidate the people who "inhibit" the earth and go on unchallenged. . . She finds refuge and new love with the reporter and everyone is happy but Brock. While the play never preaches, with a little imagination the moral of the entire proceedings is this: Billie represents the indifferent public which thinks a new figure rising to the top by Machiavellian tactics is harmless—until it suddenly begins to read about him. There's plenty of food for thought in the laugh-provoking sequences if people will stop to analyze them and interpret the message directed at them.

Joan Blondell has been taken out of moth balls to play opposite Tyrone Power in "Nightmare Alley." No further comments, please.

Betty Hutton will begin work soon in "Dream Girl". This number could well be called "Dream Picture" by Elmer Rice, the author of the play, who reputedly received \$300,000 from Paramount for the screen rights in 1945.

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Slants On Sports

The wrestling matches this week were rough enough but briefer than usual. Carnera lumbered along the win trail that he hopes will lead to one of the assorted championships with a violent win over Ray (Sandy) O'Donnell which found the loser unable to continue after being hurled through a faulty rope and suffering lower back injuries.

Rochester Royals placed three members as officers of the newly formed GI Athletic Association, which has headquarters at 363-365 Andrews Street. Al Cervi is commander, Wilbur Coven, adjutant, and Frank Beatty, treasurer. The organization will sponsor teams, leagues and tournaments in various sports.

Although they weren't geared to win the National League playoffs, the Rochester Royals rate high with the fans. The appreciation dinner at the Powers Hotel attended by 600 rooters, is offered in evidence. Nat Holman, CCNY coach and a familiar figure



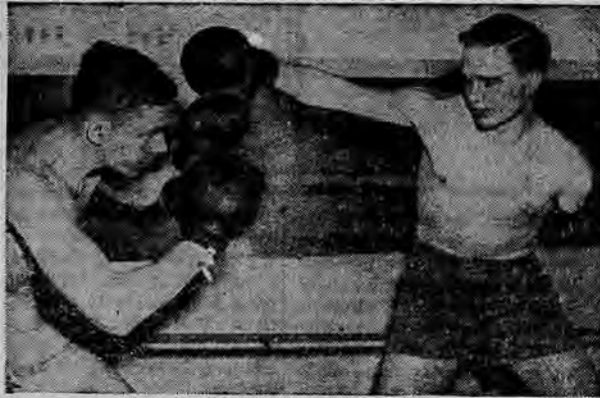
to oldtime fans who used to see the Celtic-Central games at the Armory, was the principal speaker. Lou Alexander, U. of R. Coach, analyzed the play of individual Royals from the coaches viewpoint. Joe Ziegler said some nice things about the two-time league winners. Speakers from the operations division were Dolly King, Al Cervi, Bob Davies and Coach Eddie Malanowicz. All were liberal in their praise of the fans. President-Manager Les Harrison didn't or couldn't say much but he seemed to be an extremely proud and happy citizen.

Bill Thompson, 35, of Brooklyn, Purple Heart winner who was hospitalized one year, has been added to the World's Professional Tennis League Championship lineup which will take place at the Sports Arena April 24-27. The cast also includes Vinnie Richards whom we are certain should have come to town much sooner—as technical director for the musical comedy, "Bloomer Girl."

The customers and the fighters have both started to come

to the Peter Provenzano A. C. fights after a short absence. The show this week was better than average as game and capable club fighters slugged it out at the Sports Arena. Eddie Smith beat Mexican Joey Peralta in a split decision in the second consecutive bang up fight. The first was a wild slugging brawl between Johnny Kaufman of Rochester and Billy Stemmer of Windson, Ont., which was won by the former. Johnny may not last long but he put up a game and aggressive battle in his third professional fight, his first to go six rounds.

The Red Wings will have joined battle by the time this is printed. There is a remote chance that the team will show a creditable showing and wind up in the first division. There is an equal chance that Johnny Flynn will become heavy-weight champion of the world. The Cardinal general strategy board is playing Rochester fans for suckers and they deserve no more financial support than enough to pay the salary of the ground-keepers. They will fare much better. The situation recalls again the story of the drunken cowpuncher and the faro game. After he had lost some of his bundle a friend tapped him and reminded him that he game had never been beaten. He replied that he knew that, but it was the only game in town.



ONE-ARMED BOXER . . . Tom Rodgers, right, Pittsburgh, Pa., Harvard student who lost his left arm in a train wreck, is shown sparring with Dave Gill. He competed in two classes in the recent Harvard tournament. Rodgers also has a permanent limp as a memento of the train wreck.

The KNOTHOLE

By ELLIOTT PINE
NWNS Sports Writer.

GREATEST pitcher of all time, on the statistical side is Denton T. "Cy" Young. Cy celebrated his 80th birthday March 30th, and was honored by an elaborate party at his home in Newcomerstown, Ohio. Among the 800 guests were Governor Herbert of Ohio and Bill Veeck, president of the Cleveland Indians. During his long mound



Cy Young

career Cy won more games than most pitchers ever played. In 22 years of big league hurling he won 511 games of the 750 in which he worked. Nobody has ever approached this mark. Cy still keeps secret his four deliveries—most pitchers have only one. In his first major league game he shut out the then famous Chicago White Sox, 3 to 0—and that was the first time he had ever seen a big league game.

Two more handicapped athletes who can give stiff competition to classy contenders are Donald Kerr of Los Angeles and Tom Rodgers of Pittsburgh. Kerr, whose left leg was lost in childhood, is one of the leading contenders in the U. S. badminton tournament at Los Angeles. He wears an artificial leg. Tom Rodgers is a middleweight boxer—with only one arm, and a crippled foot! He recently won the 155-pound title at Harvard.

Gambling on sports has hit the lowest rung—table tennis. It is reported that \$2,800 was wagered among players on one game in the recent national tournament in Chicago.

Chief Justice Fred Vinson was an up and coming ball player in his day. He was once a member of a pick-up team that defeated the champions of the American Association. Frank Crespi, former Cardinal second baseman, is preparing to undergo his 22nd operation on his left leg. He hopes this next surgical venture will restore its use. He broke it in a game while in the army. Crespi thinks he has two good years of big league ball left. Joe Dimaggio, star fielder and hitter of the Yankees, cannot play for two more months. His troubles began with a bone spur in his heel last season.

Claudette Colbert will play opposite Spencer Tracy in Liberty Films "State of the Union," which Frank Capra will produce and direct. Tracy will be a presidential candidate and Miss Colbert his politically astute wife.

VA Faces Sharp Public Relations Staff Reduction

Piecemeal sniping at the Veterans Administration by Rep. John Taber, Republican, of New York, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, continues with the Public Relations Division the current target. One item on the deficiency bill necessary to carry the VA through the year at present strength and efficiency is a request for funds to continue the present Public Relations staff of 282 headquarters and field workers. The ceiling is 300. Rep. Taber believes that the staff should be cut to 100.

Public Relations is one of the more effective divisions of VA and has done a good job with less than the normal percentage of bureaucratic incompetents. Noteworthy is the campaign to have ex-GI's reinstate their service insurance.

General Bradley, VA administrator, is in a position where if he stands still they will bite him and if he runs they will chase him. If he submits to the cut in the staff it will be a tacit admission that the department was flagrantly overmanned. If he makes an issue of the need of the men there will be Congressional retaliation when the 1947-1948 budget is drawn up.

General Bradley will have some support from Sen. Styles Bridges, Republican, of New

VFW Softball Meet Planned

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Softball League will open its second season sometime in May. The organizational meeting will be held at 8 p. m., April 21, in VFW Headquarters, 34 Court Street. All VFW Posts in Monroe County are invited to participate and to send representatives to the meeting. County Commander C. Frederic Jefferson has appointed Thomas Sullivan league commissioner.

Hampshire, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee. Sen. Bridges recently made an incredible speech before a taxpayers league in Boston where he said that anyone who did not favor immediate and drastic cuts in Federal expenditures was almost certain to be a Communist, and implied that only a thin line of dauntless Congressmen lustily swinging axes on budgets stood between this country and Kremlin domination.

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West End Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Auxiliary held installation ceremonies this week. Post officers were installed by William Hirner, assisted by Gasper Alessi. Helen Hirner was the installing officer for the auxiliary and Mary Hudon was the conductress.

Post officers installed were: Sam Viza, commander; Art Bliss, senior vicecommander; Art Newman, junior vicecommander; Earl Griffith, quartermaster; F. B. Eckhardt, advocate; R. Campbell, chaplain; Clyde Petri, adjutant.

Auxiliary officers installed were: Frances Foster, president; Alice Eckhardt senior vice-president; Jane Andrade, junior vice-president; Lois Foster, treasurer; Katherine Stark, secretary; Helen Newman, chaplain; Dorothy De Patie, guard.

The Keith-Miller (Dutch-town) Post No. 6595, Veterans of Foreign Wars claims the New York State championship where brother acts are concerned. Seven sons of Philip Fedele, 290 Simpson Road, are members. They are: Joseph P., Frank A., Vincent L., Nunzio C., Jerry A., Sal L. and Anthony R. Fedele.

Joseph R. Vay was elected commander at a recent election. He will be assisted by: Wilfred G. Winghaert senior vicecommander; Nicholas J. Barnes, junior vicecommander; John A. Selmyer, quartermaster; Thomas J. Scally, adjutant; Milton Fox, judge advocate; Richard Sauers, chaplain; Leonard Berna, surgeon; Loe Yehl, Ed Chamberlain, Peter Micket, trustees; Charles Stadtmiller, Charles Waffle, Howard Foland, delegates to County Council; George Boss, Harry Seuffert, Art Ciccarelli, alternate council delegates.

Installation will take place April 24 at the Baravian Club.

Miss Ann Pompa was selected "Miss GI of 1947" from a field of five finalists in the Beauty Contest sponsored by Maira-Coniglio Post No. 1536, American Legion, at the Knights of Columbus Auditorium Saturday night. Contestants represented American Legion Posts of Monroe County and Miss Pompa wore the colors of

the Bonaldi Brothers Memorial Post.

Miss Pompa, 22, is a West High School graduate and lives at 74 Columbia Avenue. She was selected titalist by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gaynor.

Mabel Meckes was installed as president of Culver Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Thursday night. Others installed were:

Alfreda Norden, senior vice-president; Leila Dostman, junior vice-president; Hazel Kitz, treasurer; Louise Gussman, chaplain; Ann Senetsinger, secretary; Viola Magin, conductress; Rosina Haldow, guard; Hazel Tice, patriotic instructor; Mae Schuron, banner bearer; Ann Staub, Gertrude Spencer, Esther Schwenn, Fredonia Sauerbier, color bearers; Florence Harter, historian; Florence Shaffer, musician; Louise Gussman, council delegate; Ann Snetsinger, alternate.

The installing officer was Lillian Fox and the conductress was Hazel Tice.

Mrs. Katherine Colbert president of the Monroe County Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars, installed the following officers of the Twenty-Seventh Division Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Dora Beaman, president; Mary Tebo, senior vice-president; Julia Strait, junior vice-president; Belle Klass treasurer; Prudence Hasbrouck, secretary; Mary Tebo, chaplain; Mary Jennings, patriotic instructor; Mabel Amies, historian; Mrs. Harry Demoth, conductress; Agnes Weiser, guard; Esther Hasbrouck, musician.

Formal presentation of colors to Thomas J. Griffin Post, Legion of Guardsmen, is scheduled for May 10 at the Culver Road Armory, Comm. Frank Pagnella announced. The Rochester post was one of the first formed after organization of the new national group.

At a meeting in the Culver Road Armory, William Springer, national aide de camp, presented pins to officers of the post and it was announced that Victor R. Clifford will be state organizer; Ralph Young acting state quartermaster and Ernest Boynton state convention chairman. Mrs. Clifford was appointed acting auxiliary president and county organizer. Five new members, Louis De Camila, E. J. Sloan, William F. Dempsey, P. S. Ogie and R. D. Mtsihke, joined the post also, bringing the membership to 70.

The 15th annual installation of officers of the Gold Chevron Post No. 2700, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Gold Chevron Auxiliary will take place at the Post meeting rooms, 1050 Clifford Avenue, April 25.

Clayton E. Handy, past county commander, will install Post officers and Ruth Akins past county council president, assisted by Katherine Ragan, past county president and installing conductress, will of-



DONATES MILLIONS . . . Hugh Roy Cullen, wealthy Houston, Tex., independent oil operator and his wife, Mrs. Lillie Cullen, who have announced gift of oil estimated at \$140,000,000. The money will be used for Texas educational, medical and charitable institutions. They say they want to see the money spent while they are still alive to see the good effects.

ficiate at the Auxiliary ceremony.

Those to be installed as Post officers are: Ed Marzell, commander; G. Toebe, senior vicecommander; R. E. Park, junior vicecommander; E. Akins, quartermaster; W. Faro, chaplain; George Batchelor, post advocate; R. M. Wilson jr., surgeon.

Those who will be installed as Auxiliary officers are: Nellie Holly, president; Freda Bierley, senior vice-president; Mabel McCarthy, junior vice-president; Katherin Ragan, secretary; Ruth Akins, treasurer; Virginia Wilson, conductress; Lena Carpenter, assistant conductress; Doris Andrus, guard; Bessie Francis, chaplain; Ann Williams, historian; Rose Mary Glover, patriotic instructor.

The annual banquet of Memorial Post, American Legion, will be held at 6:30 p. m. Saturday in the 40 and 8 Clubhouse, University Avenue. Principal speaker will be Com. Peter Barry, U. S. Naval Reserve. Vincent Barker will be toastmaster. Post Chaplain Edward Murphy will give the invocation and the address of welcome will be delivered by Post Com. Sylvester H. Buelte. Meyer Davis will lead the singing. A floor show will follow the dinner.

Mrs. Prudence S. Hasbrouck, general chairman of the 27th Division Auxiliary to Post No. 1554 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, announced recently that her organization will present a flag to the Genesee Valley Court, Order of the Amaranth, in a Patriotic Rally and Flag Presentation to be conducted in the East Main Street, Rochester, N. Y., Masonic Temple Parlor A, on Saturday evening, April 26th.

Harry J. Gaynor, business manager of Veterans' Voice and a former National President of the 27th Division Association will be the principal speaker.

Milton Fox, 674 Maple Street, general chairman of the Keith-Miller Veterans of Foreign Wars Dance Committee, announced that plans are moving along according to schedule with the program to conduct a series of dances at Long Point Park on Conesus Lake.

The opening dance, featuring Ken Renick and his orchestra, will take place Saturday evening, May 10th, with dancing starting at 9:30 p. m. and lasting until —

Tickets for the dance may be secured at the Columbia Music Store, 77 Clinton Avenue South.

State Commander Visits Rochester

Monroe County Council of the Army and Navy Union of the United States of America was host to New York State Department Commander Daniel B. Myers, Utica, N. Y. and his adjutant James McCarthy also of Utica, N. Y., Sunday afternoon, April 13th, 1947. The visiting veteran was entertained by the local organization in the Volunteer Firemen's Exempt Association on Mt. Hope Avenue.

Commander Myers reported to the gathering that the State Department has distributed 700 radis to veteran hospitals within New York State. Myers also reported that the Army and Navy Union will soon distribute television sets and projection books to men now in hospitals.

Leon Austin, Monroe County Council Commander was in charge of the meeting which was attended by 50 delegates.

Jacob Gubler, Chairman of the planned New York State Department convention announced that the 1947 conclave will be held in Rochester, with headquarters in the Powers Hotel. The dates have been set as July 16-20 inclusive. It is expected that well over 3,000 delegates and members of the state group will attend.

County Council Commander Austin introduced William J. Jensen, 4th Area District Army and Navy Union Commander of Rochester; Anthony Tomberelli, National Deputy Chief of Staff of Rochester and Harry J. Gaynor, business manager of Veterans' Voice. All of these men made brief addresses.

Tuberculosis kills seven times as many unskilled workers as professional people and three times as many skilled workers as professional people.

Employment Units Charged With New Job Despite Cuts

The Veterans Employment Service and the United States Employment Service have been made responsible for the procurement of former jobs for men who are currently discharged from service. Re-employment in the old job was formerly an obligation of the Selective Service officials.

Transfer of the responsibility would have little effect on the returning veterans if the two services now nominated for the work were able to function as they do now. Both are targets of the budget reduction group, however, and the House Appropriations Committee has recommended slashes of 34 and 77 per cent in their respective funds.

Ranking officials of both units declare that if their budgets for next year are cut to the recommended size that they will be reduced to the status of paper organizations. It is possible both staffs will be more concerned with an effort to find jobs for themselves than to assist veterans to recover their former positions.

Responsibility for the legal work involved will remain with United States District Attorneys but there is considerable additional detail work which has to be done.

Discharges from the Armed Services will be maintained at about 50,000 a month and it is expected that there will be a number of instances where veterans will require legal aid.

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Add trick names for models: Izal Wright. How cute can yez get? . . . We also hear there's a new gel around called Moanan Lowe. Oh, now looka here!

Manhattan Murals: The doorman of lip-decorated El Borracho, who in the daytime manufactures embroidered lingerie. His name is Marco, the owner of the V & D Machine Embroidery Co. at 1503 Lexington. . . . The gorjiss lacquered blonde (on the public libree steps) earning a pair of sox. . . . The beautiful 5-year-old girl being led up Vth Avenue by a pair of Russian wolf-ounds, both taller than she. . . . The spellbound kids watching the poster men paste up the three-sheets for the circus. . . . The kerrickter (male, we think) walking along Vth in the rain with a green bumber-shoot ulzo orange rubbers. . . . The old wooden chair against the wall (backstage at the Adelphi theatre on W. 54th street) which is never touched by actors or stagehands. It belonged to a beloved old stagehand who recently went Upstairs. . . . Delightful sensayuma on the banana-stand sign on 3rd avenue: "Please don't hurt my peelings!"

Winchellebrities: Andrei Gromyko (the furriner) having his boots polished by a Sixth avenue monocle'd bootblack. . . . Gene Tierney (who broke her best toe) limping glamorously into the Stork club. . . . Ruth Etting being planned against the Broadhurst theater by autografters, who do not recognize Mrs. Bing Crosby with her.

Midtown Vignette: Her name is Elizabeth Laus. . . . Liz has been working for 23 years over at the RKO publicity department, now in Radio City. . . . During those 23 years she watched time slip fun on the fingers of co-workers. . . . Seemed as if somebody was always getting married or having some kind of a party, and they were always receiving presents. . . . But none of these things ever happened to her—and to make life a little tougher—she was sole support of an aged mother and an ailing sister. . . . So what happened, fergoodnessakes, get to the point! . . . Oh, stop strippin' yer gears. . . . That's what I was just getting around to. . . . Harry Mandel (the chief publicity guy there) decided to do something about Liz. . . . A big surprise poddy was chucked for her. . . . And signs were all over the place reading "We Love Liz!". . . . And she is still very busy—counting her gifts.

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Manhattan Murals: Ladies of the Evening (as they are laughingly called) strolling near the swankier 5th Avenue hotels—some with dogs on leash. . . . The bracelets from Palestine worn by Jewesses—the letters cleverly spell it this way: WarUSAlem.

County VFW Plans Monster Field Day For Teen-Agers

Monroe County Council Commander C. Frederic Jefferson announced last night that the Veterans of Foreign Wars will conduct an all-county and city-wide teen age field day for boys and girls on May 3d. The event will be staged on the old University of Rochester Field.

Harry J. Gaynor has been appointed General Chairman of the event. According to Gaynor the Veterans of Foreign Wars will have the complete co-operation of the City of Rochester Playgrounds Bureau and the Promotion Department of the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle and Times Union.

The program will include a number of soft ball events, for the boys, consisting of throwing, batting, running while the girls will engage in short sprint races.

There will be close to 100 prizes awarded.

The event planned for 1947 will be the first of an annual series and is being conducted as a means to eliminate the trend of thought that May 1st is a day devoted to subversive and un-American activities by certain groups working to undermine the lusty and healthy American traditions.

Any boy or girl from 10 to 16 years can participate and any veteran whether a member of the VFW or not is invited to attend and help the committee put the program across.

SOUVENIR GUNS

Failure of many veterans to register fully automatic souvenir guns with the Treasury Department has resulted in an accelerated campaign to have them comply with the federal regulation voluntarily.

Contrary to previous reports there is no tax for the mere possession of such items as machine guns, sub-machine guns and automatic rifles. There is a levy of \$200 for the transfer of such registered firearms.

Treasury officials have drawn a letter for distribution by banks to their depositors which points out that registration is required by the National Firearms Act of 1934. There had been no trouble and virtually no prosecutions until after the war when large numbers of souvenir guns, brought home by returning soldiers, were found in the possession of characters of somewhat spotted reputation.

Veterans' Credit On GI Bill Loans Continues Good

Veterans as a group have one of the highest credit standings in the country, particularly when one considers the wide income range which they cover. The overall record of those who have borrowed under the provisions of the GI Bill of Rights to build or purchase homes shows that 99.7 per cent had no delinquencies on either principal or interest, according to Walter W. McAllister, president of the United States Savings and Loan League.

His report was based on actual figures from 1,832 savings and loan associations and co-operative banks. Only 184 reported delinquencies and most of them listed only one person in default.

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Training Law

(Continued from Page 1) which will be taken, unless modified by powerful public disagreement is the following excerpt from the study:

"Admittedly it is a highly controversial problem. That it would be a radical departure from the accepted American customs and traditions with national as well as international implications is realized.

"Compulsory military training would not merely be a new way of preparing citizens for national defense. It could not be confined only to military aspects. It would alter the entire political, economic, educational and social customs of the country as we have known them since 1789. This, in turn, may even affect beneficially or detrimentally the very military preparedness we hope to achieve."

Among those who had requested the survey were Senator Chan Gurney, Republican, of South Dakota, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee; Senator Harry F. Byrd, Democrat, of Virginia, a leader of the Senate economic bloc; Representative Chat Hollifield, Democrat, of California, member of the joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy, and Senator Edward V. Robertson, Republican of Wyoming, who is strongly opposing the bill for unification of the armed forces in current hearings.

The survey was made under the supervision of Dr. Bernard Brodie, assistant professor in the Yale Institute of International Studies. He stated in the report that the atomic bomb had become "the fulcrum of all debate on the (universal military training) issue." He also stated that "the principle of conscription in peacetime has always been repugnant to the American democracy" and that "the tradition concerning it is clearly one of rejection."

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VETS MUST REFUND HUGE OVERPAYMENT

Bond Conversion Plan Acquires Strong Support

MAY BE SOLE VET MEASURE THIS SESSION

The bill to cash terminal leave bonds is the only major veteran legislation which stands a fighting chance for House approval at this session, in the opinion of informed Washington observers.

There is reason to believe that this issue will be postponed as long as possible so that veteran groups will have no time to concentrate on other measures.

Anticipated public support of the cash-for-bonds campaign by Rep. Joe Martin, Republican, of Mass., Speaker of the House, has not developed, but he is known to favor the measure and is actually in charge of current maneuvers. Rep. Blackney, Republican, of Michigan, is chairman of the Armed Services subcommittee considering the legislation, but he reports to Martin for instructions on timing. Rep. Leo Allen, Republican, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the powerful Rules Committee, also favors cashing the bonds.

This triumvirate now seeks a method to sell the legislation to the confirmed Economaniac (Continued on Page 4)

VETS UNEMPLOYED

There are twice as many unemployed veterans as non-veterans and jobless veterans have increased by 300,000 since November, according to a statement prepared by the AVC in an appeal to have fund cuts of the U. S. Employment service and Veterans Employment Service restored.

AVC estimates that there are 1,600,000 veterans who are not in the labor market but added that completion of courses and inadequate subsistence allowances are expected to force one million of these men into jobs shortly.

Labor Boss



OPPOSES OUTLAWING . . . William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, told congress that he strongly opposes legislation to outlaw the Communist party because such action would help "the spread of Communism" in the United States.

TABER TAKES RAP

Chief of Congressional Economaniacs, from the viewpoint of veterans and others, appears to be Rep. John Taber, Republican, of Auburn, New York. Attacks on his policies and decisions appear frequently in this paper and are based on differences of opinion on veteran legislation.

Rep. Taber recently took an undeserved rap which subjected him to considerable ridicule and he took it without squawking. The clerk of the committee omitted the item of \$350,000,000, needed to pay readjustment allowances, from the VA deficiency bill. The committee chairman explained that it was a "misunderstanding" on his part.

The money was actually appropriated by the committee but the amount was excluded from the final bill by error.

Wins Award



HENDERSON MEDAL WINNER . . . Sedgwick N. Wright, 226 Thurston Road, Rochester, won a George R. Henderson Medal for development of a major railroad signal system. He is engineer in charge of train operation at General Railway Signal.

VA CONTENDS \$50 MILLION OWED AGENCY

Sudden imposition of ceilings on combined salary and subsistence allotments by the VA in August, 1945, has caused nationwide repercussions as the government now seeks to collect overpayments made through record delays.

The Rochester Veterans Administration office will not reveal the number of area veterans involved without permission of higher authority, but it is believed quite a few both in schools and on-the-job training programs have been asked to make restitution from the scanty income permitted by existing laws.

The total paid out before all records were corrected exceeds \$50 million and it is possible that 500,000 veterans are involved. The average overpayment demand is \$107.

VA records as of February (Continued on Page 4)

Field Day Aides Selected

Monroe County Council Commander C. Frederic Jefferson of the Veterans of Foreign Wars has appointed Harry J. Gaynor as General Chairman of the field day scheduled for the old University of Rochester Field, on East Main Street, Saturday, May 3d to start at 1:30 p. m.

The VFW is being joined in sponsorship of the event by the Promotion Department of the Democrat and Chronicle and the Division of Playgrounds of the City of Rochester — and Veterans' Voice.

The gala field day will include soft ball events for boys and a track meet for the girls.

Competition has been divided into the following age classes and events for boys in softball, circling

bases, hitting for distance, accuracy throw and throw for distance—Class D 10 years; Class C 11 and 12 years; Class B 13 and 14 years and Class A 15 and 16 years.

Girls classification and events are Class D 9 years; 25 and 35 yard dashes; Class C 10 and 11 years 35 and 40 yard dashes; Class B 12 and 13 years 40 and 50 yard dashes; Class A 14 and 15 years 50 and 60 yard dashes. A shuttle relay will be run as a feature event with teams from each playground competing.

Entry blanks for the affair may be had at all city playgrounds and are returnable not later than April 30th. Post entries will not be accepted. Boys competing in the softball events will be allowed to

wear spike shoes.

All boys and girls in the city and county will be eligible to take part but are requested to enroll with the playground nearest their home or school.

The affair will be fashioned after the Olympics with a parade and a band will be on hand to lend a hand to the marchers.

The following committee named by C. Frederic Jefferson, Monroe County Council Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars to handle the May 3d, Field day.

Harry J. Gaynor, General Chairman being assisted by Leadley R. Morris, Lazarus Shapiro, J. M. Loos, James Burns, James Morgan, Dr. Anthony Benedict, Frederick P. Renner, Russell L. (Continued on Page 4)

Burton Huse, VFW Leader, Dies At 50

C. Burton Huse, State Department Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, died on his fiftieth birthday in his Ogdensburg home after a long illness.

Commander Huse was twice wounded and gassed in France in 1917-1918 and was a semi-invalid thereafter. He was born in West Potsdam, N. Y. and was an apprentice printer when he enlisted in the Marines at the age of 19. He served in the Sixth Regiment, Second Division, AEF, and was first wounded at Belleau Wood. He received the Silver Star, fourth (Continued on Page 4)

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Editorial

The Associated Press carried a two-inch squib which informed readers that the long-range trend of the Army is away from specialized infantry divisions because such outfits need special equipment and Army money is running short.

The implications are ominous but familiar.

Initial successes of Axis nations were achieved in several ways. One of the most important was their immediate access to superior weapons, the result of long and costly research.

Lack of realism where the interdependencies of nations were concerned, plus severe military economies, had slowed the Democracies to a walk. Lashing them back to full speed was a costly and wasteful business.

Alexander Kirafly, author of an early book on the Pacific war, stressed the difference in thinking between totalitarian states and this country. A Japanese officer could appear before a committee and ask for an appropriation of 200,000 yen. Asked to explain why he wanted the sum he could say that it was necessary to develop a special gun to shoot American soldiers off mountains. The appropriation would be allowed.

An American officer who requested a similar appropriation to shoot Japanese soldiers off mountains would be in trouble. The committee might or might not take time to deny the funds requested. He would be called a war-monger and worse. His character, his associates and his branch of service would be put under a Congressional microscope. The Army as a whole might escape harassment and investigation, but only because such a project would be too costly.

The infantry division remains the basic unit of an army. There is reason to believe that it will continue to be until some inspired scientist sets off the ultimate chain reaction. It is entitled to the benefits of any research that offers a fighting chance for additional safety or additional effectiveness.

It is irksome in peace time to realize that even a few pennies of the tax dollar go to the support of a soldier. He is an economic parasite in that he produces nothing to eat, nothing to wear, nothing that can be used as shelter. No nation wants an army. Only the most inconsequential and hopeless nations dare be without one.

Public opinion favors a vigorous foreign policy. There should be no quibbling over the expense necessary to implement it. Money should be appropriated to the extent necessary to defeat any power or coalition of powers which would oppose that policy to and beyond the act of war.

It is possible that a foreign nation might wish to lend Mexico \$400 million dollars to curb certain democratic tendencies which have been noted. Adherents to the Monroe Doctrine would take a very dim view of such antics, particularly if technicians and military advisors were tossed in with the money just to fill out a ship load.

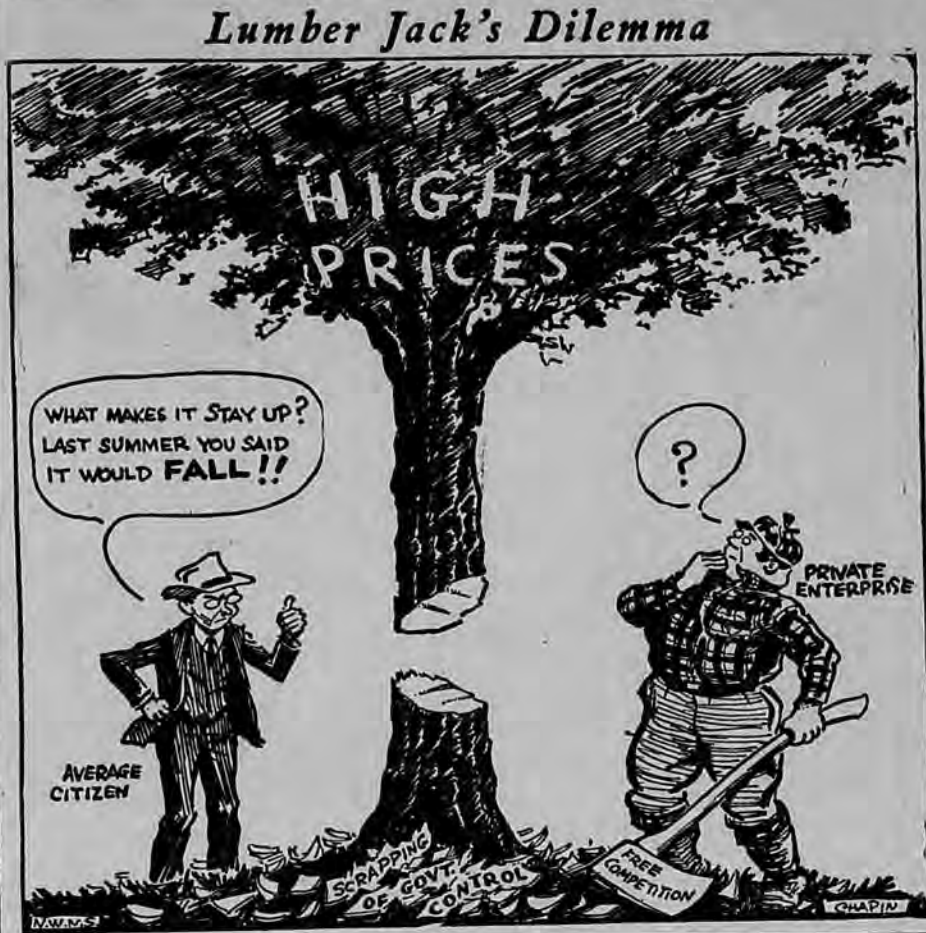
Whether or not the ship arrived in Mexico would not be decided by which nation had the strongest foreign policy. It would be a quick way to determine which nation had the more effective armed services.

There is danger in a strong army and navy. Soldiers are human with normal ambitions and desires, and promotions come faster in war. Leaders of a nation with a superior military machine are inclined to use it to impose their will on other countries. Democracy drops dead in countries where the military take over the government.

The peril inherent in a weak military machine is obvious.

Best chance for a happy medium appears to lie in a moderate striking force, an organized and efficient reserve, and substantial and intelligent research.

When the last foreign soldier lays down the last potentially unfriendly gun seems the ideal time to save just seeds of money on military research. Until that time special training and special equipment for particular tasks seems like a smart way to spend a few dollars.



Six-Inch Sermon

† REV. ROBERT H. HARPER †

The Revolt of the Northern Tribes.

Lesson for May 4: I Kings 12: 1-5; 12-15, 19-20.

Memory Selection: Proverbs 29: 23.

Today's lesson records the division of the Hebrew kingdom through the stupidity of Rehoboam and the ambition of Jeroboam. For several centuries the kingdom of the northern tribes and the kingdom of Judah waged wars against each other, while neither was able to make a strong stand against other nations. At length the people of Samaria were deported and absorbed by the Assyrians and they disappeared from history as the Lost Tribes of Israel.

Judah, with kings of the house of David, survived longer — until its people were carried away by Nebuchadnezzar. They were allowed by the Persians to return to their native land. And for a time they had some measure of independence under the Maccabees.

Rehoboam was a pampered product of Solomon's court. He lost the greater part of his kingdom through his folly in following the advice of young men as foolish as himself and refusing the advice of old counselors, to reject the petition of his people for lighter taxes.

Jeroboam was a "self-made man" who took advantage of the northern tribes' revolt to gain a kingdom for himself. He and Rehoboam were both indifferent to real religion — there is no evidence that either of them ever sought guidance of God.

In the whole of the circumstances attending the division of the domain of David and Solomon are lessons of value for nations of the present. We cannot look for union and peace among them if their rulers will not seek unto God for help.

New Books

BEFORE THE CROSSING, by Storm Jameson (Macmillan, \$2.75). A suspense story.
BASEBALL'S BELOVED BUMS: The Brooklyn Dodgers, by Joe Hasel (Weiser, \$1 paper).
COBLE HILL, by Edwin J. Becker (McBride, \$2.50). A novel.

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

The foreign relations committees of both house and senate have literally been up to their ears in hearings which have probed into every factor surrounding our new foreign policy as enunciated by President Truman in asking for a \$400,000,000 loan to Greece and Turkey.

Will it lead to war? Will it entail sending troops to Greece? Will it mean more money later on? What about the China situation? Answers to all these questions were obtained from witnesses, chief among whom was Under-Secretary of State Dean Acheson. Certainly there is risk of war, but Mr. Acheson thinks there will be no war, and troops are not necessarily needed in Greece. More money, maybe later for perhaps other countries. The situation is different in China.

The usually gay and complacent capital was gravely sobered over the tremendous import of this new foreign policy which backs up with action our oft-repeated declarations that we were squarely behind the downtrodden peoples and are determined they will get an opportunity to work out their own destinies free from attempted subjugation by communist or fascist nations.

In the meantime, the senate considered time and again the portal-to-portal pay bill and arguments have consumed much of the time in the upper house. Opponents of the present bill, already passed by the house, declared that it goes far beyond the attempt to outlaw portal-to-portal pay suits and actually emasculated the fair employment practices law and some sections of the wage-hour law.

And appropriation cuts, such as have been made thus far, are considered only paper cuts which likely will have to go back into the appropriation bill later. For instance, much was made of the fact that the house committee had slashed \$800,000,000 from the treasury appropriations. As a matter of fact, this sum was included in the treasury appropriations for tax refunds. So if the refunds are due then they will be paid, in spite of the cut, out of a deficiency appropriation, so nothing will have been accomplished by the initial slash. Appropriations for tax collection have paid dividends to the government and their reduction is false economy since the treasury with these appropriations has collected more than 3 billion dollars in taxes from persons who sought eva-

tion of their income taxes. For every dollar spent for this kind of tax collection, return to the government has been ten-fold.

The American Farm Bureau and the National Grange appeared before the senate agricultural committee asking extension of the life of the Community Credit corporation declaring this agency is "the heart of all our agricultural programs," and its price supporting operations have usually resulted in financial gain.

Controversy is again in the air over the housing situation. The national real estate and building lobbies are again loosing barrages of wrath aimed at Senator Taft and all others who are supporting the Taft-Ellender-Wagner housing bill which seeks to build 15 million new homes by 1958. This bill was passed by the senate last session, but adjournment caught it in the house and it did not come up for consideration. Very likely it will pass this session.

The Farm Bureau Federation also sent witnesses before the house committee on the tax bills and opposed "any material" reduction in taxes as long as inflationary tendencies prevail. The farm bureau wants "all possible" revenues applied to reduction of the national debt. Other recommendations included repeal of the transportation tax on movement of goods and a reduction to one cent of the federal gasoline tax.

Senators interested in curtailing big business monopoly as contained in several bills before both houses point to a report of the Federal Trade commission just issued showing that 1800 smaller companies have been gobbled up in mergers, with large companies since 1940. They had a value of \$4,100,000,000 which is five per cent of all manufacturing corporations. Senator O'Mahoney of Wyoming, Murray of Montana and Langer of North Dakota, are foremost in urging passage of measures which would end the concentration of economic power.

The National Electrical Manufacturers Association and the National Association of Automobile Dealers are urging Congress to direct the Federal Reserve Banks to remove restrictions on installment purchases. A bill to cancel this regulatory restriction was introduced in the house on March 10 by Rep. James C. Davis, Ga. Bankers and economists are opposed to removal of the restrictions.



Take An Orchid

BY JAMES H. RONYAG

This column has a bit of news which should thrill pleasure lovers in the Rochester area — we have been told that a local veteran's organization has signed the Buster Crabbe Water Ballet to appear in Rochester during early August — Buster was the co-star, with Eleanor Holm, in Billy Rose's New York World's Fair Aquacade — good luck to them and don't you all agree it is about time a BIG TIME SHOW CAME TO OUR TOWN? . . . The Culver Post and their Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars conducted a grand installation recently with that hurry 'em up fellow Chub Handy installing the parent post and Mrs. Lillian Fox, that fine loyal patriotic worker, performing nobly and well as installing officer for the auxiliary. . . . We must remind all and sundry that tickets can be had for that Lochner lecture being sponsored by the Lundgren VFW Post in the Knights of Columbus Auditorium come the evening of April 30th: THIS IS A WORTH-WHILE PROMOTION AND MERITS THE SUPPORT OF ALL CITIZENS. . . . How can the first annual dance of the Crozier-Engel-Winter Post of the American Legion, in the Eagle's Hall tonight, miss with Ella Troutman, Robert Steg and Joe Boyann directing . . . Take a look at the message sent in by this column's own and dearly beloved Lady Kilroy who tells us that another nice thing about not talking too much is, you get the benefit of the doubt. . . . It is always so good to see Sophia O'Halloran, businesswoman, patriot, loyalist and mother present at the various auxiliary and post installations. . . . We just have to mention Leonard L. Schieffelin, World War II Veteran and commander of the Lundgren VFW post, for he impresses us more and more with his zip and go. . . . Right here we want to greet George C. Greenauer, World War I 27th Veteran and wish him the best of good things. . . . Danny Myers, New York State Department Commander of the Army and Navy Union, of Utica, N. Y. heightened interest in the planned state conclave when he visited Rochester recently. . . . Nelson Kastner, Patchen VFW member and World War II veteran, exhibits great desire to perform good deeds. . . . Robert Brooks, Williams American Le-

gion Post hasn't sent in any words lately; you know, this fellow Brooks is quite a charming person . . . Leo D. Briggs, World War II veteran and 209th member is the type of guy who likes to help everybody. . . . John F. Skivington, lawyer and Caledonia American Legion Post Commander, gets a heap of himself into the advancement of veteranism. . . . James T. Regan, Genesee Valley Post American Legion member is a rain or shiner when it comes to getting to post meetings. . . . C. L. Lerkins, World War II member of the Sweetland American Legion Post is a lad who has ambitions. . . . Floyd E. Johnson and his gay, laughing and lovable wife Ruby certainly brighten a gathering. . . . Well, well, well — so Marines DO EAT ICE CREAM — and John F. Gilbert, Jr. (so there will be no confusion, we mean the JFG. Jr. of City Hall) DARE NOT DENY THE ACCUSATION. . . . RED LETTER MAY THE THIRD. It will be a DAY. You can help. The Veterans of Foreign Wars conduct their Field Day for Monroe County's boys and girls on the old University of Rochester Field. Remember, the committee invites you to come out and help, whether you are a member of the VFW or not there is a job for you. . . . Lady Kilroy delivers the following nifty — Knowing that juveniles spring from adults, need we look further for the origin of juvenile delinquency? Go ahead — you answer her. . . . You're missing bets by staying away from those Arnamar Club dinners being conducted weekly in their 48 Alexander Street establishment; there is another eating session there on the 27th with servings being scheduled at 1 p. m. to 2:30 p. m. and 5 p. m. to 7 p. m. . . . Milton Fox, chairman of the Keith-Miller VFW May 10th Dance Committee reminds all that there is heaps of fun and joy programmed; tickets can be had from any member of the post or you can secure them by contacting YOUR FAVORITE NEWSPAPER (Veterans' Voice, of course). . . .

WAR BOND SALES

War Bonds continue to sell, currently on a sound investment basis rather than that of patriotic urgency. Treasury figures indicate that current sales are being made to more affluent citizens with \$100 and \$500 bonds the preferred denominations. Holders of the \$25 bonds have begun to be ground between curtailed income and rising prices and quite a few have been forced to take advantage of the cash surrender provisions.

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HEADED TO HUNGARY . . . Seldon Chapin, currently serving as director general of the state department's foreign service division, has been nominated by President Truman as U. S. Ambassador to Hungary.

Guard Unit Plans Summer Training During June-July

The 21st Regiment, New York Guard, will go into a 15-day summer training session at Camp Smith, Peekskill, June 21, according to a schedule recently drawn in New York City, Col. Fred E. Wegner announced. The 1st and 56th Infantry Regiments from Albany and Troy will be encamped at the same time.

Plans have been mapped for a recruiting drive to boost the present strength of 70 officers and 450 enlisted men nearer to the authorized strength of 80 officers and 635 enlisted men.

Colonel Wegner has been advised that a supply depot will be established in Rochester for National Guard equipment to be turned over by the Army.

The Rochester unit will become an anti-aircraft unit upon transfer to the National Guard, a condition not expected to take place before next fall.

Companies K and L fired rifles and machine guns over the 3rd Battalion range in Rush recently under Capt. C. B. Kenyon and Capt. Earl J. Stieve.

VFW County Post Contest Attracts Laemlin Leader

Dr. Anthony L. Benedict, 40, of 196 Lux St., newly elected commander of the Carl and Joseph Laemlin Post, VFW, has been endorsed by his post as a candidate for commandership of the Monroe County Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Dr. Benedict is a graduate of the Buffalo Dental School. During World War II he participated in the invasion of Normandy, the invasion of Holland and the Battle of the Bulge. Wounded on Dec. 27 1944, he wears the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star, the Combat Medical Badge, a Presidential Unit Citation, Qualified Glider Badge with combat star, the Belgian Fourragere and Croix de Guerre with palm, the Dutch Orange Lanyard and the ETO Ribbon with arrowhead and four battle stars. He is a member of the Elks, the Business Men's Association Inc., the New York State and the Rochester Dental societies. The VFW election will be held in City Hall Annex May 6.

Exercise is essential, but it must be moderate.

New Type Veteran Requires Special Job Placement Aid

Unemployed veterans increased 11 per cent during February to boost the total number over the million mark, according to belated VA figures. Jobless veterans outnumber non-vets two to one. Figures which would compare the unemployed vets and non-vets on an age basis might be illuminating as most veterans presently unemployed are quite young and without business experience or skill.

Alaska Shipping Interests Chisel Federal Subsidy

Alaskan shipping interests, whose lust for profits before the war strangled a territory roughly one-fifth the size of the United States, have cried themselves into a subsidy arrangement whereby they will lease ships from the Maritime Commission at nominal costs and give 75 per cent of all profits in excess of 10 per cent to the government.

Shipping men say a cargo and passenger rate adjustment will be necessary. A rate adjustment has always been necessary if Alaska was destined to develop beyond an extremely primitive stage, but the shipping interests were well satisfied with crummy ships and exorbitant rates before the war. The enigma of a potentially prosperous land lying almost untouched for years was not too confusing to anybody familiar with Seattle-Seward freight charges.

The transportation gouge did not end at the waterfront but was felt cruelly by patrons of the Alaska Railroad, purchased at an exorbitant cost and indifferently operated by the Department of Interior.

The periodic drives to make Alaska attractive have increased their tempo lately and a concerted effort is being made to have veterans settle there. Prospective homesteaders are advised to be wellheeled, however, and are warned that even in that frequently lush country it will take a while to score for the first million.

The country is beautiful and productive. The cautious veteran might be curious as to why this wonderland is so sparsely populated. Alaskan storekeepers are not. They know who pays the freight.

The rather unlovely life of Lucrezia Borgia will form the basis for a film Paramount plans to produce. Her prediction for adding a touch to the cooks' preparation will be treated as a psychological murder mystery.

The number of men who have exhausted their readjustment compensation increases, understandably, every month and those who will draw their last check this month may reach 90,000. Monroe County applicants for the readjustment allowance remain at an extremely low figure in comparison with the national average. The current crop of job applicants however, offers a more difficult problem in placement.

The returning veteran formerly was a man around the mid-twenties who had acquired some professional skill prior to induction. Today he is more apt to be around 20 with 18 months service after high school and no employment history.

It has been found necessary to make changes in the procedure of the Veterans Employment Service and the New York State Employment Service to accommodate the new men.

Aptitude tests have replaced employment records. While test results are being processed the veteran is allowed to draw his readjustment allowance and make necessary adjustments to civilian life. These include a common misconception of hours and pay involved in civilian jobs, according to Edward E. Esse, veteran contact man at NYSES.

The veteran is called for consultation when test results are determined and it is often possible to suggest and even find work for which he shows preference and ability.

Veterans Employment Service representatives, Robert N. Snyder and William A. Hogan have contacted employers in an effort to find job openings suitable for the veterans.

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Vet Refund

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showed 129,000 vets had repaid \$14,183,000 while and additional 299,000 were expected to make restitution of \$32,259,000. The possibility that more than a very small fraction will be written off as uncollectible without a determined struggle is remote.

Subsistence allowance overpayments which resulted principally from imposition of the ceiling law and checks which came in after a veteran quit school are the basis of most of the demands. Where there is no element of fraud all that the VA can do is demand restitution and common practice is to work out a repayment schedule which will be easy on the veterans.

Strong consideration will be given to a waiver of repayment in cases where restitution would work a severe hardship on the veteran to the extent that it would defeat the purpose of the GI Bill of Rights. This would occur when a veteran would be forced to drop out of school or withdraw from a training program.

Most of the veterans involved were working on short bankrolls when the overpayments were made and few realized that they had received more than their legal payments. Fraud is hinted in only a small percentage of cases.

Veterans urged to repay money are in the position of paying for the conventional dead horse, and few can afford it.

Clerical errors within the VA resulted in overpayment in pension and compensation payments and there has been a small amount of chiseling. These have resulted in repayment of \$363,000 by 4,300 veterans, with an additional 13,000 still owing \$1,499,000.

The entire incident accentuates the need to raise the combined ceilings as suggested in the Kearney bill. Rep. Kearney, Republican of New York, who has tried vainly to have House action taken on the measure since its approval by the House Veterans Affairs Committee, February 25, has predicted that if present ceilings remain in effect 70 per cent of the job training program in his state will collapse soon.

June Havoc, absent from the screen since 1944, has been signed to play opposite George Raft in "Intrigue," which will be Sam Bischoff's first production under a new releasing agreement with United Artists.



AMERICA'S PIONEER AUTO BUILDER . . . Death came to the famed auto industrialist, Henry Ford at his home in Dearborn, Mich. With Mr. Ford was his ever loyal wife. Born July 30, 1863, he was 83 at the time of his death. He married Clara J. Bryant, daughter of a Greenfield farmer on April 11, 1888. She is shown in center. The present head of the Ford Company, Henry Ford II, is shown at the right.

Junior Chamber Committee Forum Advises Job Seekers

There are 1700 unemployed veterans in this area, the best record in New York State, but even this number can be substantially reduced by improvement of job-hunting procedures, Robert B. Snyder of the Veterans Employment Service told veterans at a forum on job-hunting conducted under the auspices of the Veterans Service Committee, Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Field Day

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Pinkley, John E. Culliton, Fred J. Hart, John Laughlin, Raymond W. Schilling, John E. Weiser, Ambrose C. Sweeney.

Samuel Compitello, James Colombo, Edward Marzell, Dominic Tomasso, George W. McCulloch, John J. Coughlin, Charles DeHollander, Raymond Depherd, F. Bruce Eckhardt, William Hoffman, Robert J. Whiteside, Joseph R. Vay, Earl Miller, Harry Burke, Alfred W. Eisenhauer, Howard C. Anthony, Harley Hill Jr., Martin K. Boher.

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The following members of the Division of Playgrounds of the City of Rochester will act as officials: Chester B. Leake, Raymond G. Slatery, Charles G. Schoener, Urban J. Schneider, Gerald Quigley, Frank Palasso, Albert Masters, Harry Goodno, Lois Giles, Hazel Pickens, Hazel Southwick.

The following associates of the Gannett Newspapers will aid: Howard B. Bloomfield, Captain William F. Butler, Ira C. Sapozink, Margorie Decker, Donald Kallock and Mrs. Paul Sullivan will participate for VETERANS' VOICE.

Civil Air Patrol

By JAMES C. REDDIE
Captain, Commanding

Cash For Bonds

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such as Rep. Taber and Rep. Bob Rich. Most potent possibility is the basic fact that it will be cheaper to pay the bonds than let them mature.

The cost of conversion is included in Treasury Department reports prepared to cover the 29 different bills that were introduced.

Preliminary estimates of the cost of the bond measure itself were extremely pessimistic. Initial estimates were \$8 billion, then \$4 billion. The actual cost will be about \$2 billion. Figures of February 28 showed 8,698,674 leave claims received with 5,956,376 processed at a cost of \$1,194,862,973 in bonds and \$85,058,667.19 in cash. The average is slightly less than \$214 against an estimate of \$250.

The Senate is expected to approve whichever House bill is passed. There is the remote chance that President Truman will veto any measure which would convert the bonds immediately. The President's recent speeches have shown extreme concern over inflation, and there is no doubt that some of the economic advisors close to him would label any plan to increase the immediate purchasing power in the nation by \$2 billion inflationary.

Sponsors of the original bill were shortsighted or frightened by the inflation threat. The obvious time for the maximum benefit from the terminal leave pay is during the time veterans are in school or low paid training programs. There is reason to believe that if cash allotments had been provided instead of bonds there would have been less than the acknowledged 835,000 withdrawals from educational and on-the-job training projects.

THISTLES WIN

The Rochester Thistles proved a thorn in the side of the UAW Local 200 soccer team from Windsor, Ont., and beat them 2 to 0 to advance to the semifinals of the National Amateur Cup soccer competition. They proved themselves superior mudders on a sloppy and snowy track to settle a question of soccer superiority which had been hanging fire three weeks. Mouse Bird kicked both goals after expert teamwork had moved the ball into scoring position. The Gallatins of Pittsburgh will oppose the Thistles Sunday in the Amateur Cup semifinals.

Spring floods brought disaster to communities in widespread sections of the country. The Civil Air Patrol was called out for emergency duty in several states. Cooperating in Montana with Sheriffs, State Police, the Red Cross, and radio broadcasting stations, the CAP flew repeated patrol reconnaissance over Montana's swollen and dangerous waterways. Where these surveys from the air showed threatened hazards, cooperating ground forces and agencies arranged the evacuation of families and livestock in time, holding property losses to a minimum. Recent heavy and costly floods in Michigan brought repeated requests for flood surveys and searches as the harrassed citizens fought to protect themselves against the torrents and creeping floods that crippled that section of the nation.

In such work as this, the CAP demonstrates its usefulness to the community in addition to the work of aviation training extended to its residents. And on a national scale this conservation and protective work afforded by the organization emphasizes the need for its continued support and growth.

Burton House

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highest American award for valor, and the Croix de Guerre in addition to the Purple Heart.

He operated a photographic shop in Ogdensburg after the war and later was an official of the United States Employment Service, where he worked as assistant field veterans employment representative in that area at the time of his death.

Commander Huse had long been service officer of Post 2936 of the VFW in Ogdensburg. He was elected State Commander last July at a Brooklyn encampment.

One of his last speeches as Commander prophesied defeat of the New York State Bonus bill in its present form.

He leaves a widow, a daughter and two sons. A third son was an Army Air Forces fighter pilot who was killed in action in 1944.

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ENTERTAINMENT



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BRIAN DONLEVY, YVONNE DE CARLO and CHARLES KULLMAN are shown in a scene from "Song of Scheherazade," Technicolor drama based on the early life of the famous Russian composer, Rimsky-Korsakoff. The Universal-International drama is the current attraction at the Century Theatre.

Bull Whip Fight Arouses Interest In Century Film

The bull whip battle between Jean Pierre Aumont and Philip Read is one of the highlights of Universal-International's "Song of Scheherazade," current feature attraction of the Century Theatre program. The men practiced three weeks and staged the final battle under the auspices of David Kashner, bull whip maestro.

The fight was caused by their reactions to Yvonne De Carlo, who plays a dancer in a low caste Arab cafe. The picture is a Technicolor drama based on the early life of Rimsky-Korsakoff, Russian composer.

The picture was directed by Walter Reisch and stars Aumont, Miss De Carlo and Brian Donlevy. The period portrayed is about 1865.

Short subjects which complete the bill include: Woody Woodpecker, a color cartoon; Kid Quiz, "Juvenile Jury," "Summer Trails," in color; Paramount News.

DATES on the DIAL



The joke which has started a chain reaction of comedian program cutoffs is a harmless little thing dropped into the Fred Allen show by tired scriptwriters.

ALLEN: There is a little man in the company we work for... (CUT OFF) He is a vice president in charge of program ends. When our program runs overtime he marks down how much time is saved.

PORTLAND: And what does he do with all the time?

ALLEN: He adds it all up—ten seconds here, 20 seconds there, and when the vice president has saved up enough seconds, minutes and hours to make two weeks, he uses the two weeks of our time for his vacation.

The gag was put in to explain a cutoff before the show was finished last week. Allen said an NBC executive asked him to substitute "an advertising executive" for a "vice president" and he refused.

Hope and Skelton took 15 second radio blackouts during references they made to the Allen show incident.

another year. Hollywood discovered Evelyn Knight at the premiere of the Tony Martin show. Fanny Brice answers her own telephone frequently. Perry Como is unhappy with his movie assignments and wants out. Radio sponsors are tired of free plugs for other products by their comedians, who often make a fast snatch of a new refrigerator or some other useful gadget in this manner.

Walter Winchell plummeted from fourth to 15th in the current Hooper ratings. Phil Harris and Alice Faye dipped out of the star list to 18th, which is still excellent. Hope is still head man. Crosby limped into third behind Fibber McGee but must give some credit to a recent impressive guest list.

BONDS BAFFLE

Veterans who wish to apply their terminal leave bonds to pay NSLI premiums are advised to contact the Veterans Administration office, 41 State Street, where they can receive advice and correct forms.

Many veterans who try to reduce the channels involved and take off on their own frequently wind up with troubles. Failure to endorse the bonds and incomplete information are the most common pitfalls.

Tuberculosis caused the death of approximately 1,000 World War II veterans in 1944.



By LYN CONNELLY
NWN's Radio-Screen Editor.
Several weeks ago the ABC show America's Town Meeting, emanated from Chicago...



Ellis Arnall... Backstage before the broadcast, Arnall was completely at ease... He's a quiet, soft-spoken man with typical southern charm, but when he arose to make his speech he did a Jekyll and Hyde and turned into a fireball... He was alert and brilliant in answering questions fired at him by the audience and others on the panel.

Arnall will be guest moderator this summer when George V. Denny goes to Japan on Gen. MacArthur's request, and a better man than Arnall couldn't have been chosen for the spot... Incidentally, Don McNell of ABC's Breakfast Club is also being considered as a guest moderator... Don is tops as emcee of a variety show but he hardly seems to fit the bill as a substitute for Denny.

Bogie Says "No"
Humphrey Bogart refused to wear a smock and a tasseled beret in his role as an artist for "The Two Mrs. Carrrolls"... Teresa Wright claims one of the most humble beginnings in show business... "When Martha Scott was starring in a stage play," she said, "I understudied Dorothy McGuire who was understudying Martha." Frank Sinatra will play the role of Father Paul in "Miracle of the Bells"... It will be a straight dramatic role with no singing, and his salary of \$100,000 will be donated by him to non-sectarian charities.

CBS' popular Durante-Moore team will break up this fall... The split is amiable with Garry wanting to take a sabbatical as a solo... The Kerrville, Tex., junior chamber of commerce will honor Johnny Olsen, emcee of ABC's Ladies Be Seated on July 2 when it observes a "Johnny Olsen Rodeo Day" during the annual championship rodeo to be held there July 2 through 5.

Michael Curtiz Productions has acquired an original screen drama, "No Common Play," which will be released, when screened, through Warner Bros.

REGENT

"Boomerang" bounces back for a second week as the feature picture on the Regent Theatre bill. The picture develops a stranger-than-fiction effect from a true story of a sensational crime in a small New England city.

Dana Andrews is the star, who as a district attorney, put a man's life above ambition and made American court history in the original trial.

The picture was produced by Louis de Rochmont, recently selected to produce an impressive number of short documentaries. His quasi-documentary treatment of such pictures as "House on 92nd Street" and "13 Rue Madeleine" have been extremely successful. The current picture conforms with his policy of filming away from Hollywood, and most of the scenes were shot in Stamford, Conn.

The program will include the latest March of Time, "The Teacher's Crisis."

CAPITOL

The Technicolor spectacle of frontier days, "California," is the principal picture on the Capitol Theatre program. It is an adventure-romance with a top flight cast including Ray Milland, Barbara Stanwyck and Barry Fitzgerald.

The story depicts the turbulent political scene in California prior to admission to the Union when some wanted to merge with the Republic and others felt that an independent empire should be established.

Miss Stanwyck is a gambler and adventurer and Ray Milland a soldier-of-fortune. Barry Fitzgerald is the leader of a more solid block of citizenry, the farmers. Many of the outdoor color shots are among the best that have been shot.

Companion feature on the bill is a mystery picture, "The Undercover Woman," making its Rochester debut. Stephanie Bachelor and Robert Livingston are co-stars.

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Slants On Sports

The Rochester Red Wings, forgotten men of the Cardinal chain, are currently in the International League cellar with two victories and five defeats. There are a few bright little spots in the dark picture. Ray Yochim, who can hit and pitch, promises to be a useful starting pitcher during the season. Vernon Benson has shown power with a bat and may develop.

There has been some criticism by the critics of the club, who were inclined to condemn the club before it had a chance to make good. The record justifies the critics to some extent, bears out their contention that the club needs extensive and immediate aid from the parent organization.

Fans will have a chance to decide for themselves the extent to which the team deserves support. The opening home game will be played against Newark April 30. The first doubleheader is scheduled against Jersey City May 4.

The University of Rochester blew a tough one to Cornell to open the season. The score was tied at 6 all in the seventh, but Cornell punched in an additional pair of runs in the late innings. It was their first victory in seven starts.

Joe Di Maggio came back to the Yankee lineup swinging. He liked a third inning pitch of Jesse Flores and knocked the ball into the upper left field stands and Flores into the showers. Bobby Brown and George McQuinn scored ahead of him. Di Maggio didn't play the second game of a doubleheader against the Athletics but Rookie Pitcher Don Johnson managed to stumble in with a 3 to 2 win in the tenth.

Branch Rickey may have been only fooling when he initiated charges against Durocher but Happy Chandler was

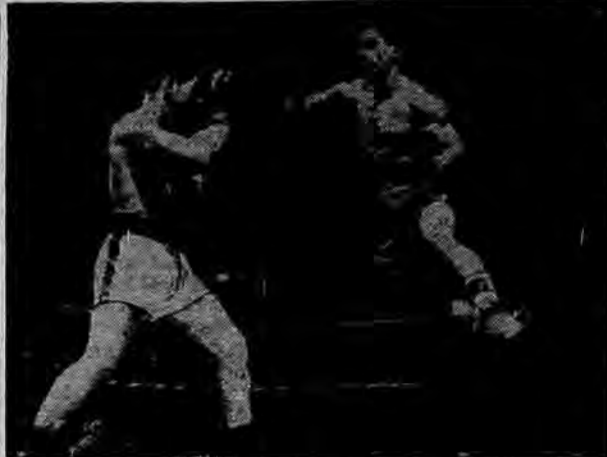
playing for keeps when he tossed the one year suspension at the Brooklyn manager. This was evident in Chandler's recent iteration that the case of Durocher was closed in answer to a plea for reconsideration made by Rickey and Ford Frick.

On Trust, California aspirant to Kentucky Derby honors, flew to the Louisville track. If they can find some way to rig the airplane's motors on him he would have a fighting chance May 3. Horses which raced at Santa Anita have little luck in the Derby no matter how impressive their western record. Gallahadion is the only winner in the past decade that a man too lazy to consult a record book can recall.

The amateur fights at the Elks Club were about par for the course. Earl Sabotin, Warren, Ohio, showed greatly improved form which could not be matched by Johnny Burt of Cleveland. The latter was knocked out after 1:30 of the second round. Local Calvin Leigh was an easy winner and knocked out Jim Fillapaldo in the fourth round of the semi-final.

Any lingering optimism regarding the pugilistic ability of one Johnny Flynn were dispelled in the seventh round of his recent encounter with an uncouth character named Joe Muscato. Flynn is a hapless fighter without personality or ability. He doesn't even please crowds when he wins.

Benny Leonard, 51, who retired undefeated as lightweight champion of the world, died of coronary thrombosis. He collapsed while refereeing a New York City boxing bout and died shortly after he was removed from the ring. His several fights with Lew Tendler, Philadelphia southpaw, ranked high in fistic entertainment several decades ago. He was a brilliant fighter,



PRIZE WINNER . . . Mathew Zimmerman, Associated Press, entered this prize winner in the annual Encyclopaedia Britannica photograph contest, sports photographs category. His picture "Jumpin' Joe Ready to Let Go," was made at the Jack Dicker vs. Joe Barone fight in Madison Square Garden.

The KNOTHOLE

By ELLIOTT FINE
NWNS Sports Writer.
By a slim three point edge, Joe Fulks of the Philadelphia Warriors professional basketball club piled up a new season scoring total of 1407 points. This betters the old record of Willie Kummer, whose mark was 1404.

Pauline Beta, outstanding woman tennis star, has been banned from amateur tournaments by the United States Lawn Tennis Association, because, it is charged, she planned a professional tour. She will miss the U. S. championship meets, and the international one at Wimbledon England. Also suspended is Mrs Sarah Cooke, and her husband, Elwood Cooke, on the same charges.

Babe Ruth, ailing baseball immortal, is recuperating in Florida from his recent serious illness. He intends to reenter baseball as an organizer and supervisor of young men's amateur teams under a national youth organization.

Another of baseball's great hitters Joe DiMaggio, is regaining his old form. His ailing heel has ceased to bother him, now that he has had a skin graft operation. Wearing a special shoe, he is able to play for short periods.

Sugar Robinson, welterweight champion, stopped his latest opponent in the fourth round by a technical knockout. Eddie Finazzo's second throw in the towel after Eddie had been dropped twice for the count of nine. The match was held in Kansas City.

Al Lopez of the Cleveland Indians is the only catcher who can say that he caught both Walter Johnson and Bob Feller, the two fireball hurlers. Lopez was Johnson's receiver in 1924, when the Washington club was in training in Tampa. Marcel Cerdan, spectacular French middleweight fighter, will be unable to box for two or three weeks. He fractured his thumb in a battle with Lew Burston in New York. Cerdan won by a knockout in the second.

U. of Illinois' great coach during the '20s and '30s, Bob Zuppke, is in Auburn, Alabama, to help Carl Voyles with spring football practice. Voyles was assistant coach at Illinois.

and was smart enough to inject subtle psychological touches which gave his opponents a little the worst of it.

Keith Miller Post Plans May Dance At Conesus Lake

Keith-Miller (Dutchtown) Post No. 8595, Veterans of Foreign Wars, makes its initial appearance on the big-time Post entertainment circuit when it holds its first dance May 10 at Conesus Lake.

Milton Fox is chairman of the dance committee and has Bob Fredericks, Charles Statmiller and W. Winghart as assistants. Music will be provided by the Ken Rennick Orchestra.

Members of all VFW Post will be welcome. Tickets will be sold by all members of the Post.

Commander Joseph R. Vay will hear reports of the building committee May 8.

SHOTTEN BOSS

Burt Shotten has been selected from the few competent and willing candidates for the managerial post of the Brooklyn Dodgers. Although there has been no definite announcement, the choice of Shotten is interpreted by most sportswriters to mean that Durocher will be back doing business at the old stand when his suspension is lifted next year. Shotten is conservative and capable, will know more about the team than he does now before he makes any changes. Umpires will be happier with Shotten than they were with his immediate predecessor. The former has been ejected from only two games in 39 years. He managed Syracuse in 1926-1927 and was boss of the Red Wings for part of the 1935 season.

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Frank J. Celento Post No. 588, American Legion, will hold installation ceremonies at Post Headquarters, 547 State Street, at 3 p. m. Sunday, April 27. A 12-man ritual team under the direction of Edwin J. Apfel will participate.

Monroe County Commander Russell P. Felerski will install the 40-member unit. Three members are brothers of Pvt. Frank J. Celento Jr., for whom the Post was named. Pvt. Celento lost his life on Leyte, November 26, 1944. He attended Jefferson High School and P. S. No. 5. He was employed in the lithographing department of the Rochester Folding Box Company prior to service. He had served overseas 18 months with an anti-aircraft unit.

Louis H. Yandeau, commander of Chapter 15, Disabled American Veterans, will present the new post with a gavel.

The James H. Lundgren Post No. 8948, Veterans of Foreign Wars, conducted the annual installation of officers at the Polish Falcons Hall, 290 Weyl Street. Paul M. Caprio, of the Thomas F. Healy Post No. 16, was in charge of the ceremony. He was assisted by J. Hockenberger of the VFW Police-Firemen Post.

Leonard L. Schieffelin was installed as commander. He will be assisted by the following staff: Clarence W. Lohfink, senior vicecommander; Laurence J. Burns, junior vicecommander; Robert E. Malley, quartermaster; Harold H. Hovey, chaplain; Harold A. Suits, judge advocate; Gerald J. Schultheis, surgeon; Joseph Kircher, trustee, three years.

William C. Sanger, trustee, two years; Frank Steigel trustee, one year; Raymond J. Richens, adjutant; Richard Floyd Tickner, service officer; Lawrence B. Weston, officer-of-the-day; Bernard J. Yost, guard.

The Post is composed principally of postoffice employees and four more men employed there became members. They are: Frank A. Weiland, Donald Hilliker, John C. Crowley and Ray C. Moore.

The WAC Mothers Association held a card party last night at the Union Hotel. Mrs. Harold Wahl was the committee chairman and she was assisted by Mrs. Arthur Bell and Mrs. Louise Meyer. Mrs. Louis Koehler was in charge of refreshments.

Three Rochester men will attend the State Executive meeting of Military Order of the Purple Heart in Utica Sunday. Sol C. Grossman, junior vice-commander of the State Department, Walter J. Grunst, past commander of the local Ebner-Christensen Post and state committeeman, and Michael J. Tressy, present commander, will make the trip. Purpose of the meeting is discussion of plans for the State Convention at Troy June 27-29.

Commander Ted King has announced that Perinton Memorial Post, 8495, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will hold the first of a proposed annual series of carnivals August 10-16, at the East Whitney Road Carnival Grounds, Fairport.

The midway will be operated by Pioneer Shows, Waverley, New York. There will be a carnival parade with all-veteran participation and invitations to march have been extended to vicinity posts.

First of the weekly dances will be held tonight at Fairport Fire Hall with round and square dances scheduled.

Monroe County Council Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars entertained the men at the Canandaigua Veterans' Hospital with a dance Thursday April 24.

Jeanette's Orchestra furnished music and were driven to the hospital by the Hospital Unit of the American Red Cross Motor Corps.

County Hospital Chairman Mrs. Prudence Hasbrouck designated the dance as Commander's night with all the Monroe County Council VFW post commanders being present.

Honorary Chairmen were C. Frederic Jefferson, commander of the Monroe County Council of the VFW and Mrs. Catherine Colbert, president of the Auxiliary to the County Council.

Hostesses were all members of the Lieut. Kirke Otis Auxiliary 1457 and Gold Chevron Auxiliary 2700.

Mrs. Marie Giotreda, hospital chairman of the Otis Auxiliary, and Mrs. Frieda Barley of the Gold Chevron Auxiliary assisted by members of the organization served refreshments during an intermission period.

Candy and cigarettes were distributed to the hospital patients after the dance.

Philinda Tritschler, publicity chairman, stated that the auxiliary and VFW members were transported to the hospital in buses furnished by the Valley Bus Company.

Genesee Valley Court, Order of Amaranth will receive a flag from the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 27th Division Post 1554 in ceremonies to be conducted in Parlor A, East Main Street Masonic Auditorium Saturday evening, April 26th, 1947.

Mrs. Dorothy Lawson, past president of the VFW auxiliary will make the presentation to Mr. J. Elmer Breckenridge, past grand royal patron of the Order of Amaranth.

Mrs. Lauretta Gommengener, president of the Court and Royal Matron has graciously extended an invitation to friends and members of all the Rochester VFW and their auxiliaries to attend.



OCCUPATION MEDAL . . . Presentation of World War II occupation medals took place during army week to army personnel who qualify as occupation troops. The silk ribbon is composed of a white stripe, a black band, a red band and a white stripe. About the size of a half dollar, the face of the bronze medal shows the Remagan bridge over the Rhine with two guard towers.

Guard Promised Modern Weapons From Army Pool

The National Guard will train with almost every weapon employed by the Regular Army, the War Department announced. This will be in sharp contrast to prewar days when broomsticks and canvas tanks were standard guard training equipment.

Weapons, vehicles and personal equipment from Army overflow stocks will be diverted to guardsmen, a move requested earlier by several prominent National Guard officials.

Equipment is now moving to Guard units in quantity. It will continue to do so, War Department officials emphasized. As elements organize in major unit size, with the training program patterned accordingly, full equipment of the Regular Army will be issued. Standard equipment will include artillery up to 8-inch howitzers and 155 mm. guns; light, medium and heavy tanks; all fire control and detection equipment including radar devices; transport and construction equipment, and many other items.

Regular Army liaison officers will keep the National Guard Bureau informed of the trend in new weapons, such as guided missiles, so the Guard units may plan for adoption of atomic age weapons as they become practicable.

Mrs. Hazel Wickstead will be soloist. Speakers will include Edward Allen, Assistant Grand Lecturer of District 16 of the Masonic Order, Rev. Schortel, a former Army chaplain, Monroe County Council Commander of the VFW C. Frederic Jefferson and Harry J. Gaynor, business manager of Veterans' Voice and former national president of the 27th Division Association.

Mrs. Henrietta Breckenridge, secretary of the Genesee Valley Masonic Court will assist General Arrangement Chairman and recently elected Secretary of the VFW Auxiliary Mrs. Prudence Hasbrouck. Mr. John Weiser, Commander of the 27th Division VFW Post 1554 is in charge of arrangements for the parent veteran unit.

AVC Piccolo Post Affirms Support Of Federal Aims

Disturbed over persistent rumors that the citywide AVC policy shows communistic tendencies, the Mathew T. Piccolo Memorial Post, AVC, has adopted the following resolution unanimously:

WHEREAS, we feel that the American Veterans Committee is fast becoming discredited and misrepresented to the American public by reason of the actions of a small minority of its members, we, the members of Mathew T. Piccolo Memorial Post, do hereby unanimously resolve

1. To support the President of the United States and the Congress in their efforts to keep World Peace by taking a strong stand against any nation or coalition of nations who would threaten it.

2. To support the National Planning Committee of the American Veterans Committee wholeheartedly in its announced campaign to eradicate from American Veterans Committee, all communists, their fellow travellers, subversives and all those who seek to undermine or overthrow the Democratic form of Government of the United States or its institutions.

Bradley Opposes Vet Auto Award Expansion Plans

Congressional awards of automobiles valued at \$1600 or less to every veteran with a serious disability will be strenuously opposed by Omar N. Bradley, VA administrator, who believes that their rehabilitation can best be accomplished through development of better artificial devices and vocational training programs.

The proposal to extend the car grants from leg amputees to veterans who were blinded or who lost their arms in the war has come before the House Veterans Committee and hearings are in progress.

Among the measures the committee will consider is one to give a new car to every veteran who lost an arm or a leg in any way or whose eyesight is as bad as 5/200 as the result of service duty.

Bradley contends that through logical progression it is quite possible that free automobiles would be supplied to all seriously disabled veterans in addition to other benefits and compensations. The administrator has opposed this type of legislation consistently and was against the original bill which provided \$30 million for purchase of cars for leg amputees.

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GREEK COMMANDER . . . Chief commander of the Greek Partisans, Yannulis, who is said to be communist-inspired and wants to overthrow the present Greek government in order to follow along the lines of the Russian teachings.

VFW Post Slates Lochner Lecture Wednesday Night

The James H. Lundgren Post No. 8948, Veterans of Foreign Wars, has completed arrangements for the lecture by Louis P. Lochner which will be held in the K. of C. Auditorium at 8 p. m. April 30.

Lochner will lecture on "Germany—Democracy or a Soviet State?" a subject on which he is eminently qualified. He was AP Bureau Chief in Berlin for 15 years, a position which called for close and constant contact with German leaders and careful observation of German masses. He has recently returned from Germany.

The Post has undertaken an ambitious program in its sponsorship of the lecture and deserves credit for pioneer work in an entertainment-cultural field which offers possibilities for other progressive posts.

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Man About Town:

Broadway Confetti: Passing an apartment the other day we heard some music. It brought us up short. It was beautiful. Here's the low-down: It won't be released until May. Watch it click. The name of the ditty: "Rockin' Horse Cowboy" (words and tune by Tony Starr and Frank Capano), recorded by Frankie Carle. The vocalists are Marjorie Hughes. . . . Murray Winchell's kiddie album, "It's Fun To Eat," is a click. He will do several albums—taking all child problems off your headaches. . . . Street scene in Washington Square: Little 7-year-old Susan Greenberg (in the early yawning), who has the honor of giving Fala his daily stroll.

From all those reports of American looting in Germany you'd gather that we have divested the Germans of everything but pro-Hitlerites. Reports from there indicate that nationalism again is on the rise. Well, you can't blame 'em. From the way we've been treating them, they are bound to think THEY won the war!

The Stage Door: Paulette Goddard, twitted for exotic evening dress (without hostery), observed the following afternoon anking (and such ankles) along 7th avenue with more sensible covering. . . . Leonora Corbett of the British stage is a new Yankee Doodle Dandy. . . . Not too many playgoers know it, but "The Importance of Being Earnest" was dashed off by Oscar Wilde when he was happily married, and not after his famous fumble. . . . Clark Gable told reporters he considered himself lucky to wind up with \$1,000 after a year of earning \$5,000 weekly. Lucky is right. One columnist we know (he makes almost twice that much) winds up owing his heirs 10 times what Gable keeps.

Midtown Vignettes: One of those naive, gullible, midtown husbands was finally told that his Mrs. was giving him the Old Razzoo. . . . "We'll show you with your own eyes," said a pal. . . . At a recent to a movie theater and, sure enough, there she was (neeking like anything) in the next-to-last row with a fella. . . . They watched the whole thing and then left. . . . "Well?" said the pal. . . . "So what?" was the answer. "I don't even know the guy!"

Colyumes: Herbert Lehman told a group seeking donations that he is unemployed for the first time in his life, with no prospect of a job in sight. Then he donated \$45,000. . . . Victor Gilbert's millionaire parent built (for him) a hotel in Ridgefield, Conn., which cost \$200,000. It makes most other hotels its size look like hobotels. The fee for a weekend is only \$200. . . . After reading a vignette here about Ben Grauer (the radiator) losing heavily at a gaming casino in Havana, the New York state income tax department sent Grauer a \$95 refund. . . . That's love department: Dr. Peter Lindstrom flew in from the coast (in risky weather) to spend two days with his beloved wife, Ingrid one-guess.

Sounds in the Night: In the Mermaid room: "Some big name actors have talent, but most have press agents." . . . In the Copacabana: "She didn't mind his wife, at all. She just couldn't stand his girl friends." . . . At Howie's: "Instead of giving Hollywood newlyweds best wishes, everybody gives them odds." . . . At Yank Sing: "He does the stage more ham than good." . . . In Bradley's: "Many a true word is spoken in whispers." . . . At Pallini's: "A typical society triangle—him, his wife and her money."

Lady Iris Mountbatten, great-granddaughter of Queen Victoria, shoves her title to become a working gal at Don Pallini's dance studios. . . . Wall Streeters are still chortling at a gazette's financial department, which indexed the stock market quotes under "Amusements" on pages 15-19.



"G. L. MOST LIKELY TO BECOME PRESIDENT . . . Sgt. Everett D. Frank, 28, Poacetto, Idaho, center, receives the congratulations of his "campaign manager" and commanding officer, Capt. C. P. Biggio, New Orleans, La., and the Red Cross girl who sponsored the election, Miss Annabelle Mitchell, right, Los Angeles. Sergeant Frank was chosen by his fellow soldiers at Marburg, Germany.

Post Told Radical Groups Imperil Present Day Youth

Open Letter Sent To Quartermaster Asks Burial Aid

There has been considerable apprehension among veterans organizations over the adequacy of existing facilities for proper execution of military rites at the final interment of deceased members of the armed forces whose bodies are returned here. The Monroe County Veterans Coordinating Committee is convinced that the Memorial Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, War Department, is in a position to provide the necessary accessories. Darwin B. Sherman, committee secretary, was authorized to draw and forward the following letter in an effort to allay existing anxiety.

The letter:
Gentlemen:
At a recent meeting of this committee plans were discussed regarding military rites during final interment for deceased members of the armed forces whose remains are returned to next of kin.

This committee is composed of County Commanders of major veteran organizations in this county and is in a position to realize the enormity of such a program. Present demands have taxed to capacity our facilities for conducting military funerals, and we sincerely hope that assistance may be forthcoming.

In anticipation of a considerable number of requests for military rites, this committee feels much apprehension regarding our facilities to cope with such an accelerated program.

As secretary of this committee, I have been directed to communicate with your department in an effort to solicit your cooperation, in having assigned to this area a sufficient number of military personnel as may be required to conduct proper and befitting military rites.

We trust you will advise us of any assistance your department may be able to provide, or offer a suitable alternative which in your judgement will satisfy the demand.

There is a possibility that Liberty Films, a partnership of George Stevens, Frank Capra, William Wyler and Samuel Briskin will merge with Paramount. Nobody involved has offered to explain what will be done about a releasing contract which Liberty has signed with RKO.

Harry J. Gaynor, business manager of VETERANS' VOICE and former Monroe County Assemblyman, speaking before the installation meeting of the Laemlein Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, in the organization's 1050 Clifford Avenue club house April 23d reminded his listeners that "only too recently has this land of ours been ravaged by groups who openly and brazenly sought to stamp out the goodness we seek. Many of our people were easy prey to the vultures of radical and peculiar unhealthy doctrines. Visionary utopian panaceas were advanced by the gabbling gabblers to have us trade the freedom of goodness and our significance as individuals for the imagined security of some cancerous pursuit."

The conditions are still with us, said Gaynor, and grave as these threats to our way of life are, they are made infinitely more serious among our boys and girls. It is trite to say that the future of any country rests upon the shoulders of its youth—but that is exactly the case. Ten years from now the boys and girls will be voting. Twenty years from now the government will be in their hands. The kind of government we have then is going to be exactly the kind of government they learn now to want.

The odds against us are great. But the stakes are the continuation of America. We have the faith in our boys and girls to choose the good way in preference to any other—if we make as much effort to demonstrate good things to them as others make to subvert them with various isms.

This is the present service which the youth expects of us. This is the pleasant duty we should set ourselves to perform. Our purposes should be to assist the boys and girls to grow into sturdy, upright individuals, into useful and responsible citizens and to give them the background and knowledge which will lead them to choose the good things intelligently and intentionally over any other way of living which may be offered to them.

Clayton E. Handy, past Monroe County Council Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, was installing officer assisted by former World War II Lieut. Thomas Camiola.

Dr. Anthony Benedict, World War II veteran was inducted into commandership to guide the 22nd Ward VFW for the coming 1947-48 season.

Scanning current casting assignments for the cinema indicates that there is another war on somewhere, and that Hollywood patriots have already gone overseas.

AVC LEADERS PLAN BATTLE FOR CHARTER

The American Veterans Committee has launched a smart campaign for official recognition by the House Committee on Veteran Affairs. Fifteen members of the committee voted to exclude AVC testimony from committee hearings last February, but recent surveys indicate that at least four of these votes will be switched when the issue is raised again.

Rep. John Rankin, Democrat, of Miss., whose record for half-cocked hatreds is clear and unsavory, charged that the organization was Communist-dominated.

Rep. Teague, Democrat, of Texas, who voted for the ban, said that the committee was swayed by an anti-AVC report purported to have been prepared by the House Committee on Un-American Activities and read by Rep. Rankin. Incensed AVC leaders sought a copy of the report from Rep. Thomas of the Un-American Committee and were informed that such a report had never been prepared and that there had never been an investigation. Best guess seems to be that the report was dreamed up by the Gentleman from Mississippi, who intimidated or let members deduce that it was a product of the Un-American Committee.

AVC was host at a luncheon for selected Democratic Congressmen recently with AVC-member Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr. as principal speaker. He discussed communist activity within the organization. Oren Root, former Wilkie lieutenant and an AVC member, was scheduled to be host today at a similar meeting for Republican Congressmen.

Rep. O'Konski, Republican, of Wisconsin, who introduced the resolution to bar AVC testimony, voluntarily sent AVC a letter repudiating the resolution and explaining that it was offered only to speed up action on legislation before the committee.

Rep. Jones, Democrat, of North Carolina, is another committee member who has suffered a change of heart and will support a future resolution to permit AVC testimony.

The Armed Forces Committee is also split on the issue of AVC testimony. Rep. Ramey, subcommittee chairman, invited Chat Paterson, AVC legislative consultant, to testify on a subcommittee allotment boost bill and then refused to hear the testimony after a long off-the-record committee debate.

AVC lost the committee vote 15 to 9 on the O'Konski resolution which was superficially

drawn to keep out all organizations whose members were not "active participants in American wars." AVC admits members of the Merchant Marine.

Breakdown of the committee vote by World War II veterans showed all Southern Democrats opposed admission, all Northern young vets favored it, and that older veterans from the North were split.

Charles G. Bolte, AVC national chairman, pointed out that strict interpretation of the O'Konski resolution would also bar VFW, the American Legion and Regular Veterans Associations from testifying.

VFW has consistently refused to admit that AVC is a veterans organization. Its objection is based on the Merchant Marine participation.

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