

Legion Holds a Most Interesting March Meeting

Lake and Game Preserve, Refrigeration Plant, Highway Safety and 'Boys' State' Endorsed

Numerous important matters of business occupied the attention of American Legion members at the regular monthly meeting held last night at the newly enclosed stage at the community building.

Roof improvements, a ceiling in the kitchen, additional painting and interior decorating are among the work planned for the immediate future, as Legionnaires give of their time to do the necessary work.

Prospective future installation in the main assembly room includes three motor-driven ceiling type gas heaters. Heating engineers have made a survey of the premises and submitted figures and blue prints on the size and cost of these units, which will not be installed before fall.

Membership in the post has now passed the half hundred mark, but is still far below quota and special efforts will be made to "bring 'em in alive" by March 15th, which marks the 19th anniversary of the founding of the Legion at the Paris caucus.

Community Service
March being Community Service month on the Legion and Legion Auxiliary calendars, time was given by Commander E. G. Ofe to a discussion of these matters.

Among the matters of community interest touched upon was the resolution that the post go on record as favoring the proposed lake and game preserve near King Hill, principal objective of the newly organized Sportsmen's club.

Legion members were urged to also join this new club, that has as its main objective the preservation of wild life, and several paid dues for the current year.

General approval was also given the proposal to establish a refrigeration plant in Plattsburgh and members desiring to rent space therein were urged to put up their money now, so the demand can be determined and, if sufficient, the plant built this summer.

L. S. Devoe was named as the Legion representative on the Youth Movement council, now being organized, adjunct to the city planning board.

A school safety patrol and an early showing of Legion sponsored safety pictures in Plattsburgh were among the things discussed along this line.

Over the entire nation the Legion is co-operating in the Safety movement, hopeful of being able to reduce the great number of automobile fatalities.

Boys' State
Considerable discussion was engaged in over the new youth training movement to be inaugurated this year by the Nebraska department of the Legion—Boys' State. This has been carried out in five or six of the states since it was started by the Indiana department several years ago, and has proven most successful.

Briefly, the idea includes the organization of Boys' State, to exist and function in the same manner as other states in our union do, for one week in June.

Boys eligible to be sent there by sponsoring organizations in the different communities over the state must be Juniors in high school this year and between the ages of 16 and 18. There can be no individual sponsorship of boys, but organizations or groups of organizations in any town may sponsor one or more boys for attendance. The cost involved is \$12.50 per boy, plus the responsibility of providing transportation to and from Lincoln.

Biff Jones, athletic director at the University of Nebraska, will be the Legionnaire in charge of Boys' State. Aiding him will be no less a personage than Governor Cochran, also a Legionnaire, and other prominent state officers.

On arrival in Lincoln, boys will be taken to the Agricultural college

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campus. Their first task will be to perfect the various subdivisions of government common to each of our states, electing the various state, county, township, city or village, school district and judicial officers. Elected officers will in turn make their lawful appointments the same as is done over the state in like administrative positions.

From then on Boys' State will become a self-governed commonwealth in every sense of the word. With the acceptance of office will come all the responsibilities that office bears in real life. The governor will have his duties and likewise the small-town constable. A legislature will convene and grope with real problems of state. County commissioners will discuss how to meet the mounting cost of relief and collect taxes and the scores of other problems that come to this group; sheriffs will be called into duty; state, county and city treasurers will mull over figures and strike difficult balances; mayors and town councils will debate and act upon the questions of importance to their respective municipalities. All in all it will be a training course of unestimable value to any boy.

The only strings attached are that the boys on their return home appear before their sponsoring organization and render a report on what they have learned about how the affairs of government are conducted. Since they will be seniors in high school next year, it is quite certain also they will pass on to their fellow students much of the valuable information they will gain during this week of training.

PUBLIC LIBRARY NOTES

2384 books were circulated in the Plattsburgh public library for the month of February. The number of new borrowers and re-registrations was 13. To date, there are 29 members in the Y. L. R. K. A. Twenty books were added to the library.

The corner for garden books has been made more attractive and convenient by a small change in shelves. Now is the time of year to do the reading and studying on that subject, to be put into action in April and May. Will those who have 1938 plant and seed catalogs that are duplicates or that they do not wish to keep, please give them to the library? They will be put on the garden shelves where many people can use them.

An example of social responsibility has been exhibited in one of our school rooms. One pupil in the room ruined a library book. The rest of the children felt so responsible that they took up a voluntary collection to pay the library for it.

A course in library education will be given this summer at the University of Nebraska, by Robert A. Miller, director of libraries. It is intended primarily for high school principals and teachers who may be responsible for or interested in school library work.

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Death of Noted Nebr. Physician in Omaha Friday

Dr. William O. Bridges, Former Dean of the University Medical College Dies at 81 Years.

OMAHA, March 5 (UP)—Dr. William Orton Bridges, 81, former dean of the University of Nebraska medical college, died at a local hospital last night.

A native of Canada, Dr. Bridges who practiced medicine in Omaha from 1883 to 1929 in 1931 suffered a fall at the home of his brother, the late Dr. E. L. Bridges, resulting in a fractured pelvis. He recovered and was active until last November when he was taken to a hospital where he remained until his death.

A graduate of the medical department of the University of the city of New York in 1879, Dr. Bridges, was king of Ak-Sar-Ben in 1927-'28.

He joined the faculty of the old Omaha medical college in 1888 and was made president of the Nebraska State Medical society in 1895. In 1903, he was appointed head professor of medicine at the Omaha medical school when the college affiliated with the University of Nebraska. He served as dean from 1910 to 1914 and continued on the faculty until 1926.

He also served as president of the Douglas County and Missouri Valley Medical societies and was delegate to internal medical congresses at Madrid, Budapest and London.

He was a bachelor and would have been 82 April 30. For many years, Dr. Bridges made his home at the Omaha club.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. F. K. Moody, Evanston, Ill., and two nephews, S. C. Moody, Plainfield, N. J., and Dr. William B. Moody, Omaha.

BUY WAR MATERIAL

WASHINGTON, March 5 (UP)—China and Japan led all other countries in the purchase of arms, ammunition and implements of war in the United States during the month of February, it was revealed today by the state department.

China purchased \$1,918,613 worth of war materials, of which \$1,404,484 went for military airplanes and \$458,492 went for commercial aircraft, motors and spare parts.

Japan's purchases for February, totaling \$1,184,950, reached an all-time high. Of this amount all but \$49 went for purchases of non-military aircraft, motors and spare parts. During the month of January Japan obtained export licenses for only \$538,340 worth of war materials.

OMAHA TO CUT BEER HOURS

OMAHA, March 1 (UP)—Sale of beer after 1 a. m. would be illegal in Omaha under an ordinance prepared for introduction by city council today. The present closing hour is 2 a. m. Hard liquor sales would cease at midnight as at present. No female would be allowed to serve hard liquors, although they can serve beer under terms of the ordinance, and "dime a drink" girls are barred by a provision making it unlawful for women to induce the sale of either liquor or beer.

TRANSFER REV. NEIMOELLER TO CONCENTRATION CAMP

BERLIN, March 4 (UP)—The Rev. Martin Neimoeller, Evangelical church leader, has been transferred to a concentration camp at Oranienburg, north of Berlin, until further notice, it was learned today.

The preacher and former submarine commander was taken into "protective custody" by secret state police after conclusion of his trial on charges of defying the government.

TRY TO STOP TRESPASSING

Burlington special agents were here today checking up on the habit of persons trespassing on their right-of-way and the railroad yards. There has been a great many complaints made that parties have the habit of walking along the tracks and right-of-way and which constitutes a danger as they may be struck by passing trains.

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GRETA PLAYS WITH ANIMALS

RAVELLO, Italy, March 4 (UP)—Greta Garbo, vacationing here with Leopold Stokowski, spends part of her time within the walls of the Villa Cimbrone playing with the barnyard animals, it was disclosed today.

On one of their strolls through the villa gardens, she and Stokowski decided to visit the stables on the grounds. There they were introduced to a fawn colored cow named Emma.

Miss Greta stroked her and asked for a stool. While Stokowski held Emma's head she drew three quarts of milk, it was reported. It was said that they probably would remain here until March 20.

Flood of Applications for New Housing Loans

Many Seek to Take Advantage of the Administration's New Housing Program.

WASHINGTON, March 5 (UP)—A flood of applications for loans under the administration's new housing program prompted officials of the Federal Housing Administration today to predict a general upturn in residential and apartment building this summer.

During the week ending February 26, for the first time in 1938 the value of loans on small dwellings, the agency selected for appraisal exceeded the value for the same week last year.

Officials reported that the volume of applications for loans coming into private lending institutions is nearing last year's peak with the seasonal increase that comes with summer building weather well in the future.

Under the provision of the new law which permits loans for the modernization and repair and for construction of small homes costing less than \$25,000, district officers report "tremendous" activity.

Under the new act approved by President Roosevelt February 3 the FHA can insure loans for home construction of \$6,000 or less where the down payment is only 10 per cent. The FHA makes no loans itself but insures loans made by banks and other private lending institutions.

PERFECT ARMY PLANS

WASHINGTON, March 5 (UP)—The army has perfected plans for dropping squads of troops equipped with machine guns behind enemy lines by parachute, war department spokesman said today.

The strategy calls for dropping a limited number of picked men to hold an important position until reinforcements can be rushed up by land, it was said.

Officials asserted that mass operations, such as were conducted by the Soviet army in Russia recently, were not contemplated by this country.

"Tests in this country have shown that the plan is perfectly feasible in time of war, and the army is prepared to utilize it," a spokesman said.

SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

Charles Howard, who is at the Methodist hospital in Omaha recovering from the effects of injuries sustained in an auto wreck a few weeks ago, is now doing very nicely. He is still bedfast but attending physicians have decided that it will not be necessary to have him placed in a cast and it is hoped that the present treatment may soon knit the broken bones.

SOCIAL

From Thursday's Daily—

Entertains for Relatives—
Mrs. Merritt Kerr entertained at dinner Tuesday her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Breeze of Red Oak, Iowa, their daughter, Mrs. Dell Buchler and a niece, Mrs. Bill Dahms of Valentine, Nebraska. Mrs. Kerr then went to Lincoln with them for a visit, returning yesterday.

Honor Recent Bride—

On Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Timus Bomberg and Miss Carey Zimmerman entertained about sixty-five friends at a shower in honor of Mrs. L. A. Dasher, a recent bride.

Games were played and prizes were awarded to Mrs. John Buchler, Mrs. Norman Renner, Mrs. L. A. Dasher and Miss Helen Jane Kopp.

At a suitable hour a delicious lunch was served.

The bride received many useful and beautiful gifts.

Altar Society Meets—

A general meeting was held Wednesday of the St. John's church altar society at the school building, a very large number being present to take part in the meeting.

The meeting was in charge of circle No. 2, Mrs. John Bergman, chairman, others on the committee being Mrs. Rose Bookmeyer, Mrs. R. V. Bryant, Mrs. Joseph Bied, Marie Fitzgerald, Mrs. John Clويد, Mrs. Frank M. Bestor and Mrs. Robert H. Bestor.

The ladies enjoyed an excellent talk given by Rev. Robert Salmon of the St. John's church and held a short business session.

Birthday Party—

Yesterday in honor of her third birthday anniversary, Miss Patty Ann Heil and several of her little friends were entertained at a birthday party given by her mother, Mrs. Guy Heil.

Table decorations were the birthday cake with candles, place cards and favors.

It was also the birthday of one of Patty's little friends, Joan Horn, who joined her in the celebration who also had a lovely birthday cake to add to the day's joys.

The guests were: Jean and Joan Horn, John Horn II, Jimmy Bob and Sally Lou Graves, Mrs. Will Rummel, Mrs. John Rummel, Mrs. John Horn, Mrs. Clyde Graves and Mrs. Guy Heil.

Presbyterian Federation Elects—

Circle No. 5 entertained the Presbyterian Federation yesterday in the Fellowship room at the church. The business meeting was held. Mrs. P. T. Heineman and Mrs. L. O. Minor were elected as delegates to the Presbytery which will be held in Lincoln April 26 and 27. The election of officers was held.

Those elected were: Mrs. Roy Knorr, president; Mrs. L. L. Wiles, first vice-president; Mrs. John Wolff, second vice-president; Mrs. Henry Nolting, third vice-president; Mrs. Herman Tiekotter, secretary; Mrs. William A. Robertson, treasurer; Mrs. P. T. Heineman, missionary chairman; Mrs. L. O. Minor, secretary of literature; Mrs. Raymond Larson, secretary of children's work; Mrs. A. J. Triley, White Cross chairman; Mrs. Wiley Sigler, spiritual life group.

Mrs. George Farley had the devotions. The program consisted of news items from Gambell Station in Alaska and Dorland Bell school in South Carolina, a letter from Korea and a series of questions and answers on the Presbyterian church given by

Mrs. Dick Beverage and Mrs. L. O. Minor. Mrs. Searl Davis, Mrs. Bertha Shopp and Mrs. C. H. Martin assisted with the program.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses.

From Friday's Daily—

Mrs. L. W. Egenberger Entertains—
Mrs. L. W. Egenberger entertained the bridge club last night. Mrs. Roy Knorr won the first prize, Miss Laura Meisinger, second, and Mrs. Emil Pisk got the consolation prize.

Neighborhood Club Meets—

The Neighborhood Pinochle club met Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray J. Larson with four tables of the players to enjoy the evening. First prizes were awarded to Mrs. John Weest and William Swands and the consolation to Mrs. August Haupt and E. H. Schulhof.

Have Pleasant Meeting—

Thursday afternoon the Woman's Auxiliary of the St. Luke's church had a very pleasant meeting at the home of Misses Mia and Barbara Gerling, a large number of the members being present. The Auxiliary is studying "The Moslem World" and this was discussed by Miss Barbara Gerling most interestingly. Mrs. John W. Falter of Falls City was a guest of the afternoon, being here as a guest of her sister, Mrs. R. F. Patterson. Light refreshments were served at an appropriate hour.

Methodist Federation Meets—

The Gleaners Circle entertained the Methodist federation yesterday at the church. The business meeting was held. It was announced that the men's glee club of the Wesleyan University will be here on March 21.

Rev. J. C. Lawson gave a fine talk on the Lenten season. Mrs. A. H. Duxbury had charge of the program which consisted of several songs by a group of Methodist girls of the junior high school, under the direction of Miss Lois Brandhorst, and a piano solo by Whipple Leonard.

There were about 75 present, a large number being visitors.

Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses. The table decorations carried out the theme of St. Patrick's day.

The hostesses were Mrs. R. Brogan, Mrs. Frank Biggs, Mrs. Logan Covert, Mrs. A. H. Duxbury, Mrs. Blanche Price, Mrs. W. L. Heinrich, Mrs. J. C. Lawson and Mrs. R. H. Walton poured.

ELMWOOD HOLDS CAUCUS

The voters of Elmwood held their annual caucus this week to select candidates for the village board and the following were chosen to make the race.

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