

The AMERICAN LEGION

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TO FIGHT FOR WORLD PEACE

Interallied Veterans' Association Asks Assistance From Ex-Service Men In All Countries.

Recommending the establishment of an international court followed by universal disarmament, the Interallied Veterans' association at its convention in New Orleans has called upon ex-service men in all allied countries to take up the fight for world peace. Charles Bertrand, a member of the French Chamber of Deputies, was re-elected president of the organization.

Another prominent delegate was Julien David, a member of the Belgian Chamber of deputies one of the few men to be captured by the Germans who escaped and returned to their old regiments. Ezio Gioja, head of the Italian delegation, was wounded four times with the loss of one leg.

Sessions of the convention were attended by twenty-eight representatives from the following powers:

United States, represented by five members of the American Legion; Great Britain, France, Italy, Belgium, Rumania, Czechoslovakia and Serbia.

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"From this international reunion of allied war veterans, we send to our comrades and to the world a message in behalf of restoration of peace, order and well-being. It is our deliberate judgment after admitting the failure of repeated international conferences and councils, and the steady growth ever since the armistice, of influences that make for distrust, disunion and disaster, that the only way to tranquility and prosperity for mankind as a whole, lies in a return to a sacred observance of those principles upon which we achieved our victory—the allied war aims. The calamities which have since overtaken civilization have been primarily due to recklessness to those pledges."

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Medal for French Girl.

Miss Olga Appleby, nineteen-year-old daughter of Capt. William Appleby, British representative to the recent Interallied Veterans' association convention at New Orleans, was decorated by France in "recognition of her filial devotion in the hour of her father's greatest affliction." She has been his companion since he was blinded at Ypres in 1915. The medal was bestowed in the salon of the steamer Lorraine on the voyage to America. The presentation was made by Charles Bertrand, president of the Interallied Veterans' association. Miss Appleby is said to be the only woman to receive the medal "Le Merit de L'Union Nationale des Combattants."

Post to Have Building.

An old school building at Bandon, Ore., is being remodeled and put into shape for use as an American Legion clubhouse there. The Bandon post is spending about \$4,000 in putting the place into shape.

THE NEW LEGION COMMANDER

Alvin Owsley, Texas Man, Chosen at National Convention—Anticipates No Harm From Sawyer.

The national convention of the American Legion has expressed itself, so far as retaining Brigadier General Sawyer as head of the federal hospitalization board is concerned, and until I have had a personal conversation with President Harding I cannot believe that he would do any World War veteran any harm."

This answer was made to queries by the new national commander of the American Legion, Alvin M. Owsley, as he passed through Indianapolis, national headquarters, on his way to New York to bid bon voyage to the Fidae, five days after the Legion convention in New Orleans. Mr. Owsley had spent a day with his parents in Denton, Tex., received a big hug from his mother and a hearty handshake from "dad," been carried on the shoulders of his home-town admirers, then hurried to New York for a last meeting with the distinguished foreign visitors, who, as delegates of the interallied veterans' organizations, held a peace conference in New Orleans in conjunction with the Legion convention.

In Denton, Tex., after Commander Owsley had been carried to the public square, the inevitable occurred for this outstanding orator of the Legion—a speech. He said:

"Any personal honors which I have received I bring to you now and lay at your feet."

Mr. Owsley's career is interesting. He was born in Denton June 11, 1888. He attended the public schools of Texas and later graduated from the Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va., in the class of 1909, where he merited the honor as first captain of his class. Following his graduation he entered the University of Texas and there graduated in 1912. During this time he instructed in the schools of Texas.

He entered the firm of lawyers of Owsley & Owsley, which was founded by his grandfather, and practiced law in Denton, Tex.

He was elected a delegate to the thirty-third legislature of Texas from Denton county in 1913, gaining great prominence by his persuasive oratory.

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He was in two offensives, the Aisne-Champagne and the Meuse-Argonne. He was discharged in July, 1919, at Camp Dix and returned to his home in Texas and was made assistant attorney general of Texas shortly afterward, in which capacity he served until February, 1921, when he accepted the position of assistant national director of the American Legion's Americanization commission.

He helped to organize and was first post commander of the Arthur McNulty post of the Legion in Denton, Tex. He was appointed national director of Americanism in June, 1921, in which capacity he has served until the present time.

Will Prob.

Some insidious force is filling American histories with stories reflecting on the continental leaders who founded this republic, it is claimed by the American Legion's Americanism commission. Members of the first constitutional convention are described as "ignorant man"; George Washington was said to have sided with the American revolutionists because of failure to get a commission in the British army; Patrick Henry was an "ignorant country lawyer," and other heroes were mentioned with veiled slurs. The Americanism commission will launch an investigation.

Small Hats for Winter Wear;

Tuxedo Is Staple Sweater

AMERICAN women like the small, spirited hat for wintertime; it looks well with fur or other enveloping wraps, and may be as brilliant and colorful as a jewel. They are buying the small hat—and some hats at the other extreme of size; their choice falls upon either a little or a big hat.

Our group of hats for winter starts off with a wide-brimmed model of velvet having a bulky but graceful crown, shirred into ingenious drapery.

With the aid of modern machinery, who have grafted style, novelty and perfected dresse onto the old sturdy stock of things knitted, with the result that the present generation witnesses almost an unbelievable revelation in knitted apparel.

When one thinks of the convenience of having at hand the right knitted sweater at the right time, it is not at all extravagant to include several in one's wardrobe, say, a Navajo or fan-



Group of Winter Hats.

The lines of the brim are flattering and the shape picturesque. At the left, a small cloche is covered with gray velvet, shirred over heavy cord. Silver leaves across the front and a velvet bow at the right side, tell its quiet but fascinating story. Another cloche, at the right, is covered with crushed velvet and trimmed with a chic bow and ends of twisted velvet.

At the left of the group, a small, black velvet hat combines the features of a little poke shape with a turban drapery of silver cloth. It is a velvet season and the large round hat with crown of velvet ribbon in two colors, plaited in checkerboard pattern, adds to its width by a wide, upstanding flange of velvet about the brim. A tied bow of velvet ribbon adorns it at the right side and the color combination is beige and black.

The other type shown is a cardinal sweater coat, practical, serviceable and stylish. Many of the sweater

coats are accompanied with handsome knitted hats and scarfs. A clever idea is for a solid colored tuxedo, with gowns in the wood shades or pure white, being especially smart worn with a scarf and hat of identical shade and weave.



Two Sweater Styles.

less sedate in coloring; the popular gold and silver laces and metallic fabrics, with fur and flower or feather trimmings, contributing toward brilliant millinery for midwinter.

Ever since novelty knitted outerwear has been "discovered," it is adding an eighth wonder to the world of fashion. Of the wizardry of a Burbank, creating new species of flowers and plants, is the magic touch of designer and manufacturer with

Daddy's Evening Fairy Tale

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MAC ABROAD

"You have heard," said Daddy, "of Mac, the Alredale dog?"

"Oh yes," said Nick.

"Indeed we

have," said Nancy.

"Two little girls

named Mildred

and Janet own

Mac, don't they?"

"He especially

belongs to Mil-

dred, doesn't he?"

asked Nick. "Isn't he the dog you

mean, daddy?" he

belongs to Mil-

dred. Of course

Janet is Mildred's

sister and she is

as plain as Mac's while Mil-

fred is like a mother.

"Mac says that MAC is the correct way to spell his name, though sometimes it is spelled Mack. But Mac is correct, though we have called him Mack. But it has made no real difference."

"But we will call him Mac from now on. Of course I don't suppose I should say that we have called him Mac for both sound just the same!"

"Instead I should say that now we will spell his name Mac though we have spelled it Mack. It sounds the same either way."

"As you know Mac is a beautiful Alredale dog, just as good and fine and wonderful as a dog can be—and you know that is pretty good and fine and wonderful!"

"A little while ago Mildred's mother and daddy said that they were going to live abroad for a year or so.

"Mac looked a little worried at this for a moment but he was soon all right.

"For he knew that he was going to go too, and that was all he cared about. He knew from the way they acted that they were not going to leave him.

"That was quite, quite plain. He could tell that perfectly. There were great times getting ready to go, with the packing of trunks and the putting away of things and the saying good-by to friends.

"Mac thought his tail would have to go to bed all by itself after he got on board the ship for it was so weary from so much wagging.

"How much Mac did wag his tail!

"Well, they all went aboard the ship to sail for Europe. Mac and his family and the trunks—all went! And Mac felt very proud to think he was going across the Atlantic ocean.

"Everything was very strange and new to him when he first got to Paris. Of course he was with his own dear, beloved family.

"He cared more about being with them than anything else. He would rather have been in a strange country with them than in his most familiar home town without them.

"They explained so much to him, too, and the little home they had soon became like home to Mac too.

"At first it had all seemed very, very strange.

"Well, soon Mac began to learn French. They spoke to him in French and he understood.

"He learned to obey in French too. He would be told to lie down and he would lie down and do all his tricks in answer to French orders.

"Well, he was quite proud of himself, for it was something to learn a new language so quickly that he had never heard before in his life.

"Of course he wanted to be thought a bright dog and he knew that all bright dogs could understand a language after they were in the country for a time where that language was spoken.

"And Mac was a bright dog. Oh yes, he got so he understood French perfectly and when the family were talking in French he would show that he understood.

"Mildred wrote to her friends in America and told them how much Mac liked French life.

"He did not have as many dog friends in France, she said, as he had had at home, but that he was contented.

"And she said that he kept very well and that the life seemed to agree with him.

"Mac's friends miss him as they miss

Mac's family, and they are eager to see him when he comes back again.

"For he will have been such a traveled dog. He is going to spend the summer traveling. Think of that! And he is going to visit places in a foreign land, and see, oh, so much of the world!

"For the family would not enjoy going away without Mac, and Mac says that is the way to have one's family feel!"

Julie Bottomly

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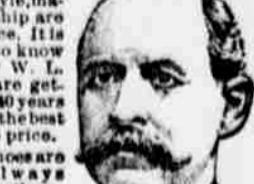
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