

# The American Legion

## News: Local, State, National

### Secretary Issues Instructions Governing \$1,500 Contest to Promote Patriotism Among School Children

### "Legion Weekly" Offers \$1,385 to Members and Auxiliaries in Effort to Increase Enrollment

John L. Riley, secretary of the state committee on Americanization of the American Legion, has issued instructions to all county commanders governing the essay contest now being held throughout the country by the national Legion. The contest was started for the promotion of patriotism among the younger generation. Prizes amounting to \$1,500 will be awarded. The contest is open to all boys and girls between the ages of twelve and eighteen. The topic is "How the American Legion can Best Serve the Nation."

The instructions to county commanders follow: County chairmen of the American Legion are requested to assume full responsibility for handling all matters relating to this essay contest in their respective counties. Special directions, given in the preceding paragraphs, have been prepared for their information.

County chairmen should get publicity for this contest through the newspapers in their counties. They should also try to interest superintendents of schools in the contest and give them all necessary information.

Superintendents of schools of cities, villages and supervising districts are requested to announce that they will receive papers from contestants. They should transmit such papers to the county chairmen of the American Legion so that he will receive them not later than midnight of August 1, 1922.

Three Judges to Make Choice The judges in each county shall consist of the county chairman of the American Legion and two additional persons appointed by the county chairman. These three judges shall select the one best essay for the county. The winning essay for the state should be forwarded to the state committee on Americanization, American Legion, Educational Building, Albany, not later than midnight of September 1, 1922. With the winning paper, the county chairman should send a certificate naming the name and address of the superintendent of schools from whom the paper was received, and the names, addresses and official positions of the three judges who examined the papers.

No essay should be received by the county chairman except from a superintendent of schools. The State Commissioner of Education of New York will select three judges for the state who will select the three best essays from the winners in the counties. The winning essay for the national contest should be forwarded to the national headquarters of the American Legion at Indianapolis. It is expected that the national winners will be announced early in October.

The contest was not received by the state committee until recently. The time is short in which to obtain the co-operation of local public school authorities. However, if the facts regarding the contest are published widely in the press and if superintendents are willing to co-operate in spreading this information among their pupils, a New York girl or boy may win the first national prize.

Membership Prizes The "American Legion Weekly" has offered in prizes summing \$1,385 to the members of the Legion and its auxiliaries who secure the greatest number of new members between midnight of June 30 and midnight of August 31. There will be eight prizes, ranging from \$1 to \$500 for the Legionnaires getting the most members. There will also be five prizes for the auxiliary members who secure the most members. These prizes will range from \$10 to \$200.

Veterans Camp Cost Paid Charles Pope Caldwell, chairman of the Veterans Mountain Camp Committee, has announced that he has paid to the attorneys for the Barbour Estate checks aggregating \$86,000, the purchase price of the Veterans Mountain camp at Big Tupper Lake. Every member of the Legion in the State of New York under the articles of incorporation is a member of the corporation.

The organization meeting will be held at the camp on July 1. At this time a hearing by the State Health Commissioner on the application for a permit to open the camp as a hospital will be held.

Ely for Vice Commander At a recent meeting of the Westchester County Committee County

### Commander W. A. H. Ely was unanimously endorsed and recommended for the state vice-commandership. The county committee announced that it would make every effort to elect him to the office at the state convention to be held in Syracuse on Sept. 21 and 22. He has served two terms as county commander and four as commander of Spencer Kelly Post of Tarrytown.

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Dinner to Driscoll Timothy F. Driscoll, retiring commander of the Bronx County organization, will be the guest at dinner of the 7th Regiment Army next Wednesday night. He will tell of the work accomplished by the Legion and its program for the future. Other speakers will be State Commander William F. Deegan and Joseph Thompson, commander of the department of Pennsylvania.

MacNider to Be Guest National Commander Hanford MacNider will be the guest of the New York and Bronx County organizations at the 7th Regiment Army next Wednesday night. He will tell of the work accomplished by the Legion and its program for the future. Other speakers will be State Commander William F. Deegan and Joseph Thompson, commander of the department of Pennsylvania.

Dinner and Get-Together The 49th Infantry Post will have its second annual dinner at Tappan's Sheepshead Bay, to-morrow night. The dinner will be held at Tappan's Sheepshead Bay, to-morrow night. The dinner will be held at Tappan's Sheepshead Bay, to-morrow night.

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# Outrageous, Says G. A. R. Leader of Lincoln Charges

### Censures Lady Astor for Alleged Criticism of Veterans in Speech Delivered in London

Memorial exercises under the auspices of the allied organizations of the Grand Army of the Republic were held yesterday at Soldiers and Sailors' Monument, Eighty-ninth Street and Riverside Drive, and it was charged that Jefferson Davis and General P. G. T. Beauregard were responsible for the Civil War and not Abraham Lincoln.

Julius Isaacs, chairman of the G. A. R. committee, said: "The remark made recently in Richmond regarding Lincoln was one of the most outrageous things that ever happened. To teach that Lincoln was the cause of the Civil War is outrageous. If there ever was a lie that is one. The war was thought out before Lincoln was thought of for public life. Secession was the real cause. Lincoln desired war and wanted peace. His inaugural speech touched on that subject."

"If Jefferson Davis and General Beauregard weren't the cause of the Civil War, who was? I hope there is no underlying motive behind these attempts to pervert the minds of the children of the South. I hope that it will bring back such a stinging rebuke to the South that they will understand that the North is actuated by the same spirit of loyalty as in 1861."

Mr. Isaacs said that if an American went to England and made the slur on Lincoln, he would be in London Tower or some other dungeon before you knew it.

Three generations of one family were represented at the exercises. There was Colonel Isadore Isaacs, commander of the New York State Department of the G. A. R.; his son, Julius Isaacs, chairman of the committee, and Bert Isaacs, his grandson, who recited Lincoln's Gettysburg address.

Other speakers were the Rev. Dr. Andrew Magill, of the First Presbyterian Church, Jamaica, L. I., and Isadore Lang, president of the allied organizations.

One measure that will come before the convention will be the demand for more hospitals for the mentally affected "buddies." Many officials, both of the United States government and of the Disabled American Veterans of the World War, as well as other organizations, are here.

To-morrow San Francisco Lodge, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, will assist in receiving and entertaining, Monday being known as "Elks' Day." An all-day automobile sightseeing tour, under the auspices of the Mayor's citizens' committee, is planned, with stopovers at the Marine and Letterman General hospitals, in the Presidio of San Francisco, where hundreds of sick and wounded "buddies" will be visited by the convention delegates and visitors. One hundred girls will serve luncheon to the visiting disabled vets in Golden Gate Park.

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Laundry Shut by British King to Reduce Expense Royal Washing Will Now Be Given Out to a Private Company

LONDON, June 25 (By Mail)—Like many other well-to-do people the King is doing his best to cut down expenses in these days, and he is not too proud to let his faithful and loyal subjects know it. He considers that thereby he is setting them a good example.

In order to effect economies he has decided to close the Royal laundry at Richmond which was opened in the days of Queen Victoria. It is here all the washing has since been done for the royal household. The work is henceforth to be given to a laundry company which will take over the whole of the employees of the royal laundry, numbering twenty-four, so that they may not lose anything by the change. This is also by the King's directions, it is said.

Gen. Dunn Heads Veterans Massachusetts State Convention Elects Officers

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., June 25.—General John H. Dunn, of South Boston, was elected state commander at the Marine department convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars here to-day. The office of senior vice-commander went to John J. Trump, of Worcester, and of junior vice-commander to Charles M. Waide, of Everett. Thomas Kelly, of Roxbury, was elected quartermaster; Nathan Efrom, of Dorchester, judge advocate; Dr. Julian B. Lucas, of Dorchester, department surgeon, and Rev. Dr. Leo E. Laviolette, of West Springfield, chaplain. Eugene W. Driscoll, of Somerville, was elected to the council of administration for a term of five years and John Fitzgerald, of Fitchburg, for two years.

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### Nominated for Senator



Mrs. Maud Lewis, who was chosen at the Democratic primary in Minnesota to make the race against Senator Kellogg, Republican.

### 1,500 Disabled Veterans Gather for Convention

### Reach San Francisco Aboard Two Special Trains to Discuss More Federal Aid

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25.—Fifteen hundred broken Americans came to San Francisco to-day to attend the national convention of the Disabled American Veterans of the World War. Two special trains brought them. Many without an arm or leg, some were sightless and one or two came here with both legs gone.

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# Dr. Sun a Prisoner As Divided Army Makes Last Stand

### Followers Said To Be Deserting Fallen Leader of South China Republic; Gen. Hsu Still Reported Fighting

PEKING, June 25 (By The Associated Press)—Latest advices from Canton report Dr. Sun Yat-sen, defeated southern leader, detained aboard a gunboat there with his navy and the Kwangtung provincial assembly definitely aligned against him and general Chen Chiung-ming's troops in full control of the city. Sun's forces in Kwangtung are reported to be deserting in large numbers, and his army is being reorganized and looting the territory over which they are scattered.

Canton advices dated June 23 said that the Kwangtung army of Sun Yat-sen was answering its fallen leader's call and has launched a pincer drive against Chen Chiung-ming.

AMOY, China, June 24 (Delayed) (By The Associated Press)—Sun's army from the Province of Kwangtung, which he marched out of Canton a few weeks ago to conquer the north and unite all China under his own banner, has turned in its tracks and split into two sections, is hearing down on Chen's headquarters at Weichow in what is believed here to be a forlorn hope to save the wreck of the south China republic.

At the head of the Kwangtung levies is General Hsu Sung Chi, known as the "Troublemaker of Kwangtung," an avowed enemy of Chen Chiung-ming and the man whose plots are said to have done much to bring about the final break between Chen and Sun.

The vanguard of Hsu's forces and the pickets of Chen's army encamped around Weichow already are reported to have clashed in preliminary skirmishes.

Hsu, with little to anticipate if victory perched on Chen's banners, is rushing his divided army against Weichow. One wing is traveling overland from Shikwan, while the other is taking the railroad from Shikwan to a point between Canton and Weichow, the two advances constituting a pincer movement in which Hsu and Sun hope to crush Chen at Weichow.

General opinion here is that Hsu's advance is Sun's last stand in the game of South China and that it cannot win. In the meantime the City of Canton is reported to have become thoroughly consolidated against Sun Yat-sen and in favor of the Peiping government's military and political program. The southern navy, despite Sun's assertions to the contrary, is declared to have disowned its former chief.

Merchants and other residents of the city at a mass meeting adopted resolutions indorsing President Li Yuan Hung and the Peiping administration, requesting General Chen Chiung-ming to return to Canton from Weichow and urging cessation of all hostilities.

Kidnaped Doctor Knows No Motive for Act, He Says

Woman Office Attendant Quits Town When He Is Told to Leave

Special Dispatch to The Tribune

MACON, Ga., June 25.—A divorce case and a woman came into the limelight to-day in connection with the kidnaping of Dr. Eugene Schreiber, formerly of Boston, last night.

Dr. Schreiber was taken in an automobile to the country last night, blindfolded and gagged at the point of a gun. He was ordered to leave the city and he says he will comply in the next day or two. He was unarmed and was dropped out of the car and told to "beat it."

Walking to the terminal station Dr. Schreiber talked to Mrs. Vera Bergenheim, his office attendant, who, he says, is his sister-in-law. She took the next train for Jacksonville, Fla. Two hours before, while the kidnaping was in progress, two of Mrs. Bergenheim's

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# "Real Christian Colony" Is Planned in Virginia

### Promoter Asserts Modern Life Is Corrupting and Spiritually Demoralizing

WINCHESTER, Va., June 25.—Convicted that modern life is corrupting and spiritually demoralizing, and that church members themselves are not living up to the right standards, the Rev. M. Allen Stieckley, until recently pastor of a group of churches of the Disciples of Christ, announced to-day plans to set up a "real Christian community" in Patrick County. Those who join in the movement, he said, intend to dwell together according to the conception of manner "in which the Scriptures require Christians to live."

The leaders of the movement have acquired a tract of land in Patrick County it is said, and the colony will start with about 50 members from Georgia, Virginia, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia.

True Democracy Held Idle Talk Till Everyone Works

League Conference Also Told Soviet Proved Failure of Repressive Measures