The American Legion

News: Local, State, National

Veterans' Mountain Camp to Ask Legislature to Develop Highway and Make Forest a State Preserve

Wants Law Enacted Forbidding Sale of Poppies During Memorial Period Except for Needy Veterans

The New York State Legislature will be asked when it next convenes to aid the veterans' mountain camp of the American Legion, situated on Paradise Point, Tupper Lake, N. Y., according to a statement made yesterday by Charles Pope Caldwell, president of the camp, whose office is at 50 Church Street.

Mr. Caldwell said that the Legislature will be asked to develop the military highway from the present state road through the camp and to authorize the camp to utilize the water power that may be developed under a bridge across the Bogg River where the military highway crosses that stream. The Legislature also will be asked to protect the game in the state forest preserve, which adjoins the camp, for the next twenty years, and that the state condemn and take title to three sections of land belonging to the International Paper Company and make it a part of the state forest preserve. A part of this land adjoins the domain of the mountain camp, he said, explaining as his reason for this request that the camp desires that none of the property adjacent to it be utilized for commercial purposes.

Want Streams Stocked

The president of the mountain camp also wishes the state to stock both Big Tupper Lake and the Bogg River with bass and trout in large quantities, so that fish may be plentiful for the camp and that fishing may be one of the principal sports of the unfortunate veterans who will be at the camp.

The Legion will also request that a law be enacted stipulating that the sale of poppies on Memorial Day and the week before and the week after be prohibited except where they are sold for the aged, indigent, sick and infirm honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of the United States army and navy, and that no organization of veterans or others be allowed to sell poppies by the use of paid employees. It also will be requested that the poppies to be sold shall be manufactured in the United States and that all receipts over and above actual price be paid in for the benefit of such veterans, under a penalty to be prescribed by the Legislature.

Chelsea Post Block Party

Chelsea Post, 496, will start its fall activities with a block party on Twenty-first Street, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, Saturday evening, September 23. With the funds derived from the event the officers of the organization are planning to assist needy and disabled ex-service men.

Chelsea Post is one of the strongest American Legion organizations on the West Side and has been active for three years. It has clubrooms at 409 West Twenty-first Street. The officers of the post are Benjamin F. Fox jr., commander; Frank Maher, William Brennan and Joseph Matthews, vice-commanders; George Donaldson, finance officer; Louis Zocchi, adjutant; Norman Brigadier, chairman entertainment committee; John Regan, chairman membership committee, and Joseph John, chairman publicity committee.

Will Elect Officers

At the last meeting of United Service Post the executive committee named a nominating committee which met and selected the following for election to post offices: Daniel I. Curtis, commander; Frank J. Pickett, first vice-commander; John C. Hefferon, second vice-commander; Le Roy Kelsey, third vice-commander; James Leahey, adjutant; Frank M. Hannon, treasurer, and William Maroney, sergeant-at-arms.

Those nominated to serve on the executive committee are Pierre C. Bingham, Timothy F. Driscoll and James P. Timoney. The nomination for county delegate was given to Henry W. Boyce.

The election will take place at the meeting next Monday at the North End Democratic Club, 195th Street and Webster Avenue.

Murray Hill Post Meets To-night

When Murray Hill Post meets to-night in the Kips Bay Building, Second Avenue and Forty-fourth Street, many items of interest will come up for discussion. The program for to-night's session follows: Initiation of new members; report of the county convention, held August 24; election of the nominating committee; carnival to be run the latter part of this month; entertainment and dance to be held November 24 at Anderson's Hall, East Sixteenth Street.

A delegation from this post will attend the state convention at Syracuse September 21, 22 and 23.

Bell Post Active

A dance will be held to-morrow night under the auspices of the Edward J. Bell Post, No. 790, at the Brooklyn Home, Knights of Columbus, Bushwick Avenue and Hart Street. This is the first event of the fall-winter calendar of the post and a crowd is expected.

Next Sunday morning, September 17, automobiles will leave the post headquarters, Bushwick Avenue and Hart Street, for some nearby Long Island bathing resort. This outing is limited to the members and their friends, and will be an entirely stag affair. The committee in charge, which consists of John T. Roeber, Andrew J. Diver and Joseph S. Dwane, expects a large attendance and promises a day full of activity for all who attend.

This post has passed in membership the 100 per cent mark of 1921 and bids fair to be one of the largest posts of the American Legion in the upper Brooklyn section.

The officers of the post are: Commander, John F. Fitzpatrick; first vice-commander, Thomas J. Troy jr.; second vice-commander, John T. Reeber; third vice-commander, Philip L. Devereux; adjutant, Nicholas M. Collins; treasurer, Frank X. McCosker; executive committee member, Edward V. Dodd; post historian, Duncan A. Fraser; sergeant-at-arms, Thomas A. Lyons, and delegate to county committee, John C. McCullough.

"Few of Us Left," Says Boy of '61; Falls Dead

James O. Smith, secretary of the 13th New Jersey Veteran Volunteers' Association, fell dead from heart disease just as he finished reading the organization's death roll for the last year before its annual convention in Newark yesterday.

"There are only a few of us left"—— he read solemnly, then lurched forward and died.

His last words came home to the gray-headed soldiers of the Army of the Potomac with a force they had never felt in former years as they counted their dwindling numbers.

New Officers for Drew Post

At a recent meeting of the S. Rankin Drew Post new officers were installed for the ensuing year. They are: Commander, Wells Hawks; vice-commanders, S. G. Gumpertz and Louis H. Frohman; adjutant, Benjamin L. Gray; treasurer, William H. Willis; historian, Oliver C. Underhill; chaplain, the Rev. Peter H. Hoey; sergeant-at-arms, Richard W. Konter; executive committee, Fred E. Baer, Henry C. Bate, George C. Blenderman, Michael Clofine, J. M. Loughborough, William G. Newman and Victor M. Shapiro.

Five Children Weeps as Mother Is Taken to Jail

Crowd Assails Detective Who Arrests Her on Charge of Conducting Still

Five small children wept disconsolately yesterday afternoon when they were taken from their mother, Mrs. Kate Kubes, thirtytwo years old, of 18 Carlyle Street, by the police and left with neighbors until their father should returnhome. The mother was taken to jail by Detective R. Cridland, of the Chief Inspector's staff, on charges of conducting a whisky still and of manufacturing alcohol.

The detective seized a tengallon still in the rooms of the Kubes, on the third floor of the tenement. He reported that Mrs. Kubes was operating the still with seemingly skilled hands, while her children played about the kegs, jugs, bottles and barrels of mash, which also were seized.

The raid excited a crowd in the neighborhood that stormed the stairs of the tenement, and it was necessary for the detectives to call reserves from the Old Slip station. The crowd criticised the detective for separating the mother from her children. She was locked up at Old Slip.

Muriel McCormick Departs

Returns to Chicago to Continue Musical Education

Miss Muriel McCormick, with her friend, Mlle. Graziella Pareto, a young Spanish singer, departed from the Hotel St. Regis for Chicago yesterday, after a stay of about a week. Miss McCormick plans to continue her musical education at home, for the present, it was said.

Miss McCormick has denied herself repeatedly to reporters, and many conflicting reports as to her plans appeared in print. She said that she had come to New York for a brief vacation and would return to Chicago shortly. In one statement she was quoted as saying that she intended to go abroad on the Homeric, which sailed last week, to study voice culture, preparatory to entering opera in the same company which will star the former Ganna Walska, bride of Harold F. McCormick, Miss Muriel's father.

Banks Deny Borah Charge

New York banks, accused by Senator Borah in Congress Monday of trying to interest the United States government in a Liberian loan for their own enormous gain, last night flatly denied the charges in a message to Mr. Borah. The Idaho Senator asserted that Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the National City Bank and J. P. Morgan & Co. had claims of more than $1,000,000 against Liberia; that the new loan was being urged in order to pay these claims; that the claims had been bought up by the bankers at 10 to 20 cents on the dollar, and that they are now being turned in and taken care of by the United States government on the basis of dollar for dollar.

The banks named advised Senator Borah that they have no knowledge of or interest in a new loan for Liberia and that the combined present claims of the three institutions against Liberia are composed of less than $5,000 bonds, for which they paid 90 per cent of par.

Mme. Tartoue Sues Ansonia For $100,000

Wife of French Artist Says She Was Insulted; Ordered to Quit Hotel by William Grace, Assistant Manager

Sees Hand of Husband

Persecution Began After He Met Grace, She Says; Climax When She Was Ill

Claudia Windsor Tartoue, wife of Pierre Tartoue, the French portrait painter, filed suit in the Supreme Court yesterday against the Hotel Ansonia Corporation for alleged indignities suffered at the hands of the management of the hotel, where she was a guest in March of this year. She asks $100,000 damages.

Through her attorneys, Berger & Hartmann, Mme. Tartoue charges among other things that while suffering from influenza and under the care of the house physician and a nurse, William Grace, assistant manager of the hotel, abused and insulted her in the presence of guests and ordered her out of the house without cause. A summons in the action was served upon Edward M. Tierney, vice-president of the corporation.

Mme. Tartoue recently became the Countess Claudia Windsor de Rampan de Chanquetot through her adoption as the legal daughter and heir of the Mme. La Comtesse Clerel de Tocqueville, member of a famous old family of French nobility.

In the apartment of her foster-mother, at the Ritz Carlton Hotel last night, Mme. Tartoue said:

"I have been a wreck for months over the terrible persecutions of Mr. Grace. I suffered insults and humiliations which I could not let pass by without proper answer. They began shortly after I was forced to leave my husband, and sue for separation, and I was timid and afraid of every one.

"I found what I thought was an ideal little home away from the world in my studio on top of the Ansonia with my wonderful birds. I studied and wrote there, but my peace was not for long. My husband soon began hovering about, made the acquaintance of Grace, and so came fresh troubles for me.

"The climax of these persecutions came when I had been ill with influenza for two weeks. I had a private nurse and was under the care of the house physician. On the evening of my eviction three men called to inquire after my health, and have a bite of dinner. My nurse was always present and I had told them to drop in. A young man from the Yale Club and another chap from the Spanish Consulate came in first. Later an Englishman, a well-known clubman, arrived without being announced at the desk and joined the other two men in having some coffee.

"Suddenly the phone began to ring furiously and it was Grace ordering me in great excitement to get those two men out of my room. He had not known of the third gentleman. I was embarrassed beyond words. I persuaded the two who arrived first to leave. They did not know what was the matter. My nurse had left for the moment. I didn't know what to do.

"I requested the third gentleman to protect me, as I did not know what would happen. In came Grace, very excited. He uttered vile words and epithets. The nurse arrived. There were some other persons there. He ordered me out of the hotel. I became desperately ill and tired to get a doctor, but the telephone service had been cut off. The gentleman wrote a protest to the management and demanded that I be permitted to call a physician. The house doctor and another summoned, Dr. Richard Hoffman, of 48 West Fifty-ninth Street, warned Grace that I should not be moved, as it might endanger my life."

Ship Seized as Rum Runner

Cargo of Scotch, However, Eludes Atlantic City Searchers

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 13.—Federal agents, acting it is said, on a report from the Bahama Islands, today seized a schooner alleged to be a rum-runner, near this city. No trace of a cargo of Scotch case goods, believed to be on board, was found.

Despite this fact warrants are said to have been requested of United States Commissioner John E. Iszard by Assistant United States District Attorney Frederick A. Pearse and three Federal agents. Pearse came here from Trenton for the purpose of swearing out the warrants, it is said. He would not reveal names of the men mentioned in the warrants or the identity of the schooner.

Girl Saved at Fire Hits, Trails Robber, All in Week

Helen Doherty, 14, Plans to Take Rest After Her Exciting Exploits

It's been a busy week for fourteen-year-old Helen Doherty, but now she's going to rest. She's entitled to one, she figures, after repelling a youthful burglar with her fists, being rescued from a fire and finally engaging in detective work until she had discovered and caused the arrest of her burglar.

Helen lives at 3 Liberty Street, Brooklyn. Sunday night when she and her brother were alone in the apartment, Helen awoke to discover a youth of seventeen years or so about to wind her up in a tablecloth by way of a combination gag and bonds.

It was her mother's best tablecloth and newly-ironed, and Helen was indignant. She punched the intruder in the left eye and followed up the punch with some fancy scratching. He retired by way of the fire escape to the roof, where Helen and her brother found some of the family wardrobe packed up for carrying away.

The next night Helen was rescued when there was a fire in their house, and all day Tuesday she prowled the water front where she suspected her burglar spent his hours of leisure. Yesterday she renewed the search and found him, making doubly sure of her identification by his gorgeously decorated left eye. He said at the Poplar Street police station he was John Hunt, of 59 Talman Street, Brooklyn. His brother Albert also was arrested. Both youths are said to have admitted the attempt to rob the Dohertys.

Sick Mother Not Told As Slain Boy Is Buried

News of Messenger's Death Will Be Kept Till Her Recovery; Gangsters Arraigned

Goodwin Diamond, the sixteen-year-old messenger boy who was shot through the heart Tuesday night as he was passing a gang fight on the corner of Varet Street and Bushwick Avenue, Brooklyn, was buried from his home, at 205 Siegel Street, yesterday afternoon, without any word of his death being given to his mother, Mrs. Minnie Diamond, who is recovering from typhoid fever in Bikur Cholim Hospital.

Plans had been made to bring her home Sunday, but yesterday it was decided to send her to her mother's home for a few weeks in order to keep the news of her boy's death from her until she is stronger.

Salvatore Piazza, of 177 Boerum Street, who is alleged to have fired the shots, was arraigned in the Bridge Plaza court and held without bail on a charge of homicide. Giuseppe Geluso, his companion, was held under $2,500 bond on a charge of felonious assault.

Leon Klotz, of 229 Cook Street, and Albert Carera, of 215 Varet Street, who were wounded in the fight, were said to be recovering at St. Catherine's Hospital.

Work Bars Medicinal Liquors From Mails

Announces Bar on Containers Sent Under Physicians' Prescriptions

WASHINGTON, Sept. 13 (By The Associated Press).—Intoxicating liquors under no circumstances will be permitted to be sent through the mails by surgeons, physicians or pharmacists, under an interpretation to-day of the postal laws by Postmaster General Work. Even should containers be designed for medicinal purposes under physicians' prescriptions, they, nevertheless, will be barred from the postal system, it was announced.

The decision was occasioned by a recent ruling of the postmaster at Philadelphia that liquor could be confiscated by the government if discovered in the mails. Dr. John F. Culp, of Harrisburg, Pa., appealed to the Postmaster General for a revocation of the decree.

Dr. Work declared that the entire subject was covered by the United States Criminal Code, which, among other things, provides that "all spirituous, vinous, malted, fermented or other intoxicating liquors of any kind are hereby declared to be non-mailable and shall not be deposited in or carried through the mails."

Paris Prize to Pittsburgher

FONTAINEBLEAU, France, Sept. 13 (By The Associated Press).—Beveridge Webster, of Pittsburgh, to-day was awarded first prize in the competition in the higher course of piano playing at the American Conservatory here. Miss Maria Pettit, of New Jersey, received second prize, while honorable mention went to Myra Polache, of San Francisco, and Elizabeth Webster, of Pittsburgh.

In the preparatory course the first medal was awarded to Catherine Legman, of Springfield, Ill.; the second to June Sanders, of Washington, and the third to Leyland Coon, of Boston. Agnes Nicholson, of Cincinnati, received honorable mention.

The competitors played behind a curtain, hidden from the view of the jury, which was composed of some of the most eminent musicians in France.

Enright Order Brings First Police Victim

Brooklyn Patrolman Feels Ax When Charged With Extorting $150 From 2 Former Saloonkeepers

Letter Is Stern Warning

District Commanders To Be Held Responsible for the Speak-easies in Areas

One policeman was arrested charged with extortion and one was publicly reprimanded in court yesterday following a letter to police precinct commanders from Commissioner Enright charging negligence in liquor cases by members of the Police Department. Prohibition Director Ralph A. Day, commenting on the letter yesterday, referred to the stand of the Commissioner as "courageous."

The Police Commissioner said yesterday that the letter bespoke closer co-operation between the Police Department and other prohibition enforcement agencies, and said it was a routine communication, spurring the police to greater efforts. He said it was only such a letter as he was accustomed to send to police heads at intervals. He said the charges of graft and bootlegging contained in the letter were based on rumors of trouble which had reached him, and which were being investigated. The letter follows:

To Hold Commanders to Account

"Hereafter when arrests are made by the Federal authorities or by special squads of this department, the commanding officer of the district and the commanding officer of the precinct will be held to strict accountability and they will be required to show cause why charges should not be preferred against them for neglect of duty and any other culpability of which they might reasonably be charged.

"The drinking public is being robbed and poisoned by reason of this illicit trade. There are considerable grounds for believing that members of this department of high and low degree are palpably negligent or corruptly interested in this vicious and unlawful business.

"Toleration of these conditions or excusing any negligence upon the part of any member of this department in connection with the proper enforcement of this law is at an end and there must be no misunderstanding on this score."

The letter is interpreted by the police to mean that when Federal agents come into their precinct and stage a raid, without calling the police in to assist in the raid, that the police may be brought up on charges of neglect of duty in not knowing that the place raided even existed as an alleged "speak easy."

No Ill Feeling, Says Day

"There never has been any ill feeling between Federal officials and the police, although we have had a few conflicts between some of our agents and policemen," said Director Day. "We do not intend to have any such conflicts in the future. We intend to avoid all conflicts and maintain a better feeling."

The first policeman to feel the swing of the ax since the Commissioner's circular letter began to circulate was Policeman Albert E. Helmerson, of the Parkville station, Brooklyn, arrested and suspended from the force on charges of having extorted $150 each from William Goores, of 5123 Second Avenue, and George Schneider, of 5201 Second Avenue, both proprietors of former saloons.

The complainants charge they handed the money to Helmerson who counted it and handed it to a second man, for whom the police are searching. Helmerson was held in $5,000 bail on two separate extortion charges.

Magistrate Geismar, in Coney Island Court, severely reprimanded Patrolman Edward Lamauree, attached to the special service division at Headquarters, Manhattan, for his methods in getting evidence against Louis Smith, a waiter at Stauch's, Coney Island. Lamauree, it is charged, used a woman decoy, who pretended illness and called for whisky to ease her suffering.

Dr. Lorenz Returning

TRENTON, N. J., Sept. 13.—Professor Adolf Lorenz, noted Austrian specialists, is on his way to this country to take part in the homeopathic convention to be held here next month and will hold a clinic in the McKinley Hospital here, Dr. Arthur W. Belling, of this city, announced to-day.

Dr. Belling has invited the managers of the Orthopedic Hospital here to open their clinic to the specialist. While at the convention Professor Lorenz will demonstrate his treatment for club feet and hip contraction. He will be assisted by his son, Dr. Albert Lorenz.

Enright Lays City's Traffic Evils to State

Commissioner at Police Conference Asserts It Turns Loose Applicants to Drive Cars Whether Fit or Not

He Wants License Power

Advocates $10,500,000 Fees Collected Be Distributed Among Cities for Traffic

Many of the traffic evils in this city are due to faulty supervision by the state, Police Commissioner Enright told the members of the National Police Conference yesterday at its session at the Waldorf-Astoria devoted to "Traffic."

The Commissioner charged the state with being criminally negligent in its failure to insure proper regulation of automobile traffic, saying that after collecting license fees it then turns defective drivers and machines loose on the streets after subjecting the chauffeurs only to a highly superficial examination, without finding out whether they have criminal records, whether they are fit mentally or whether the cars they apply to drive are safe, or if they are stolen.

"This is a very large part of the source of the traffic evil," he asserted, "and if this work were given to the police they would do the job properly along with their other work. The trouble is lack of licensing by the police. All the state does is collect the money, and it leaves the dirty work to the police."

Commissioner Enright also advocated that the fees collected by the state, which amount to about $10,500,000, annually on automobiles licenses, should be distributed pro rata among the municipalities for the regulation and improvement of traffic facilities, instead of being absorbed for state uses.

It is planned to regulate the area between Fourteenth Street and Fifty-ninth Street in such a manner that all important up and down town traffic on the avenues will move simultaneously, and that when it is halted all cross-town traffic will move together, it was announced at the morning session by Special Deputy Police Commissioner John A. Harriss, who is in charge of traffic for the New York Police Department, and who reviewed the general experience of this city in the matter for the benefit of the delegates.

Europe's Traffic Problems

The French and English representatives declared that outside of Paris and London their countries have little if any difficulties with traffic, but Hakon Jorgensen, sub-director of police in Copenhagen, Denmark, said that the great problem in Copenhagen was created by the heavy bicycle traffic. No fewer than 260,000 bicycles a day cross one important street intersection in that city, he said, and since they are not identified in any way nor licensed, there is always great difficulty in locating the ones responsible for the minor accidents that occur.

Public opinion must be educated to regard the loss of human life by traffic accidents as just as serious as any other form of killing, instead of merely as a routine incident to be forgotten, said Police Commissioner James W. Inches, of Detroit. Until that time comes, he added, improved regulations and ordinances and attempts to educate chauffeurs will never succeed fully, as there is a class of drivers upon whom no amount of work will have any effect and who can only be reached by the fear of serious punishment.

"Traffic accidents should be investigated and placed by the police in the same category as any other crime," he declared. "Killing a man with an automobile amounts to the same thing as killing him with a gun."

Danes Telegraph Fingerprints

The conference's afternoon meeting took up the question of criminal identification. Sub-Director Jorgensen explained a system of "distant identification" he has evolved, by which the characteristics of a set of fingerprints may be reduced to a numerical formula, enabling police departments at a distance to telegraph a suspected person's fingerprints to his native town for comparison with the local files, effecting a great saving in the time that would be necessary for transmission of photographs of the prints by mail. The Danish police official illustrated his proposition by charts and declared that it would make possible an international directory of criminals, such as that which Denmark has already established.

Commissioner Enright declared that the Danish scheme offered great possibilities in the direction of international police co-operation, and added that the New York force intends to install the system as soon as possible. The methods of identification and of police procedure in use in Belgium and Argentina were explained respectively by Alfred Kepper, principal police judiciary of Brussels, and by Cesar E. Etcheverry, Commissioner of Criminal Investigation of Buenos Ayres. Major General L. W. Atcherly, British Inspector of Constabulary, also described the systematized form of investigation of crime which he introduced in England for the use of the uniformed policeman.

Entertained at Waldorf

The 450 delegates to the conference were the guests at luncheon yesterday of 1,200 members of the Fifth Avenue Association at the Waldorf. Dr. Harriss, who is a member of the board of directors of the association, was toastmaster.

Commissioner Enright, as the first speaker, said that the organizers of the National Police Conference had made a great stride toward the co-ordination and co-operation of the police departments of the world, and General Atcherley, who paid tribute to the high standard set by the New York department, predicted that under the guidance of the conference a world police department would be formed with an international clearing house which would handle crime instead of having it handled locally as now. Commissioner Inches spoke of the work of the Detroit police force.

Last night the delegates were taken in a body to the Hippodrome. Discussion this morning will be on "Police Orpanization," and this afternoon's topic is "The National Police Bureau."

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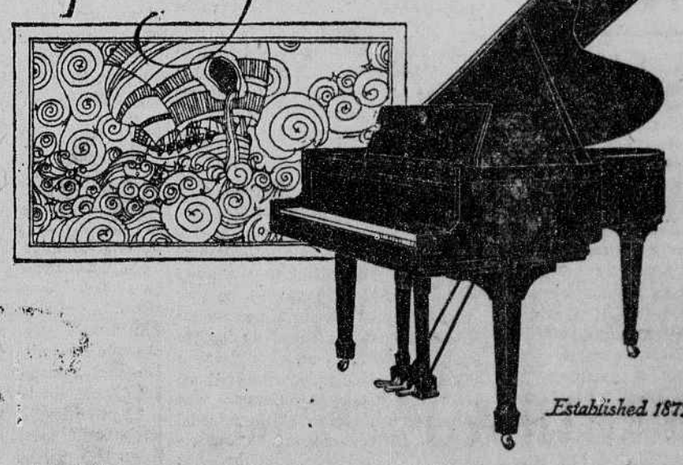

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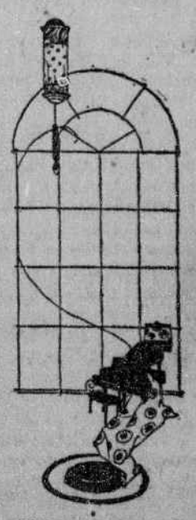

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