

## D. C. Legion Begins Plans For National Convention

Effort Will Be Made to Send Many Delegates to St. Louis—Drum and Bugle Corps Going.

OFFICIALS of the District of Columbia Department of the American Legion with the local department convention now out of the way, are looking forward to the national convention at St. Louis, Mo., September 23 to 26. Commanders of the various posts are rounding up members in an effort to have a large delegation represent the District at the annual gathering. Many members have planned to make the trip by automobile, while others will go by train. Several of the Drum and Bugle Corps of the District of Columbia Department are expected to participate. Col. Fred A. Botcher, chairman of the Trophies and Awards Committee, announced both the Drum and Bugle Corps and band contests will be held at the convention at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel and the latter at the municipal open-air theater. Col. Botcher, assisted by his vice chairmen, Al Meglitch and Tom Coleman, promises the finest service ever offered Drum and Bugle Corps of the Legion in a national contest. Every competing organization will have assigned to it a personnel escort. From time of arrival until departure the liaison representative will be at the service of the corps, arranging all details of mass transportation, handling of baggage, group valet service, etc. At the stadium surplus equipment will be available for any member needing uniform parts. This will be furnished free. The corps will also be a squad of tailors available. A feature of the band contest at the municipal open-air theater will be a huge revolving stage.

The national golf tournament at the national convention will be held September 23 at Westborough Country Club, St. Louis, it is announced by Dr. H. Untergerg, chairman of the Golf Committee. All golfers who are members in good standing in the Legion are invited to participate. Handicaps will be allowed. The tournament will be played under the rules of the American Golf Association, whether amateur or professional, are eligible for all events, but no more than two players from one post or three players from one State may play in the same foursome. Requests for groups when not conflicting with the above rule will be sanctioned by the committee. All play will be on a scratch score. W. G. A. rules will govern. Entries will be accepted at the tee.

A complete game of 18 holes only will be considered for the major prizes, though valuable prizes will be given for the best nine holes, the best putting score, the most eagles, birdies, etc. The greens fee will be \$1. For advanced entry send the fee to the Golf Tournament Committee, American Legion Convention Office, Broadway and Olive streets, St. Louis, Mo.

Government Printing Office Post Band delivered several selections at the tenth annual convention, American Legion Auxiliary, Department of the District of Columbia, on August 19. Plans are being made for the band to be in the line of march at the American Legion National Convention in St. Louis, Mo., September 23-26, inclusive. F. A. Minnich is business manager of the band.

The post was represented at the Executive Committee meeting of the Department of the District of Columbia held August 22 by Junior Vice Commander M. W. Blankinship. The next meeting of the post will be held in Harding Hall, Government Printing Office, September 9 at 7 p.m.

Bunker Hill Post, No. 31, met at the Hay Loft Club, 1326 Massachusetts avenue, last Tuesday evening, with Comdr. Robert R. Spriggs in the chair. Nominations for officers to be elected September 17 was the chief order of business. Those nominated were: For commander, L. J. P. Fichthorn, Thaddeus A. Bean, Z. P. Hamilton, Alfred James Sullivan and J. Fred Chase. For first vice commander, Raymond A. Eichhorn and Thomas Popham Royston. For second vice commander, William Leo Collins. For third vice commander, John E. McCabe. For secretary, J. Pettit, Francis P. Gauges and John Cogley. For finance officer, Alfred G. Powell, Morris Singer and William Leo Collins. For chaplain, Thomas Charles Baisden. For judge advocate, Robert Lee Irwin. For historian, Harry J. Barnholt and John R. Weitzel. For Americanism officer, Raymond A. Eichhorn and Thomas Popham Royston. For public relations officer, J. Fred Chase, Charles Harry Bair and John R. Weitzel. For quartermaster, Raymond J. Doyle.

The L-31 Club, at the last monthly meeting, presented the post a check for \$50 as a further expression of its desire to do its part to co-operate with the post along material and social welfare lines.

At the last regular meeting a resolution was passed that the post present to Maj. Edgar H. Hale the distinguished service American Legion medal for his faithfulness in the performance of his services to ill and disabled veterans, his kindness, unselfishness and good fellowship, as well as his efforts in the promotion of the interests and welfare of comrades of the American Legion.

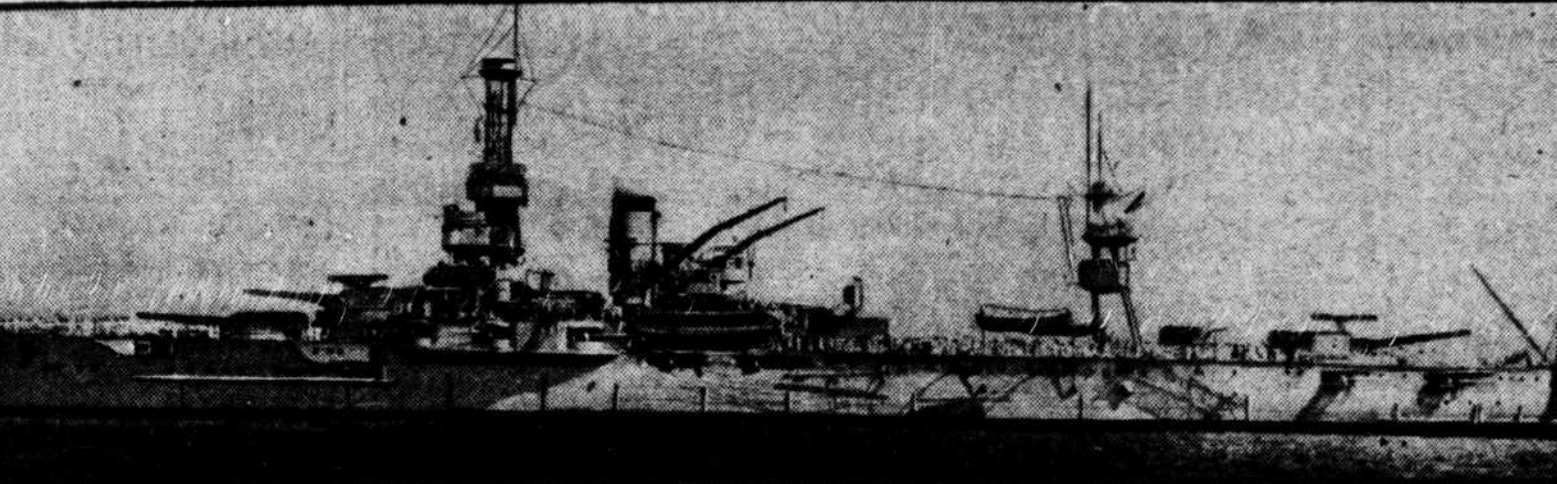
The Sgt. Jasper Post and Unit of the American Legion and Auxiliary Department, District of Columbia, have received many honors through the recent department elections. They are as follows: Past Post Comdr. Joe Malloy elected department commander and Jess Chaliet elected grand chief of the post.

From the Sgt. Jasper Post, American Legion Auxiliary, the unit president, Mrs. E. Louise Warren, was elected to chapeau of the Eight and Forty and Mrs. Mildred Eckles was elected to junior demi chapeau of the Eight and Forty.

Sgt. Jasper Post was awarded several cups for activities engaged in during the past year at the annual convention. These include the Spafford cup, awarded annually to the post showing the largest percentage of gain over its last three years' membership. This becomes the permanent possession of the post, it having won it for three consecutive years. The Peckham cup was also awarded to this post for the second time. This is awarded annually to the post turning in the largest membership. The post was also awarded the cup for the largest post in the permanent possession of the post, it having won it for three consecutive years. The Peckham cup was also awarded to this post for the second time. This is awarded annually to the post turning in the largest membership. The post was also awarded the cup for the largest post in the permanent possession of the post, it having won it for three consecutive years.

Sticker Campaign Works. HUNTINGTON, Ind. (AP)—Chief of Police Ray C. Post says that his idea of putting sticker stickers on the windshield of motorists who violate the law has cut traffic violations down 60 per cent. The motorist can get the sticker removed by paying a dollar. Otherwise, it remains on his car for 30 days.

## D. C. Reserve Sailors to Train on Battleship Wyoming



The three fleet divisions composing the 1st Battalion, United States Naval Reserve, in the District of Columbia, will take their annual sea duty next month aboard the battleship Wyoming. The ship, one of the Atlantic training squadron, has just returned from an European cruise with the midshipmen aboard. During her voyage with the reservists she will go to Halifax for the midcruise liberty period.

## VETERANS ELECT FOUR TO ORDER

Delegates Are Chosen to V. F. W. Supreme Scratch in New Orleans.

Meetings This Week. Monday—8 p.m., Front Line Post Auxiliary, No. 1401, Musicians' Hall, 1105 Sixteenth street northwest, Washington Post, No. 2364, Duffy's Sea Grill, 1508 Fourteenth street. Tuesday—8 p.m., National Capital Post, No. 127, Soldiers, Sailors and Marines' Club, Eleventh and L streets. Federal Post Auxiliary, Thomas Circle Club, 1326 Massachusetts avenue. Wednesday—8 p.m., Potomac Post Auxiliary, Thompson School, Twelfth and L streets. Defense Post Auxiliary, 2357, Northeast, Odd Fellows Hall, 2030 Rhode Island avenue northeast. Overseas Military Band, Drum and Bugle Corps, National Guard Armory, Sixth and Pennsylvania avenue.

Top Notch Tent, No. 1, Military Order of Cooties, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the District of Columbia, held a "Scratch" last Tuesday night at 935 O place and elected four to membership. They were Earl E. Naud of Front Line Post, Richard D. Dear, J. A. Mitchell and William P. Pilkas of National Capital Post. Seam Squirrel Leonard J. Bacon presided.

Delegates to the National Supreme Scratch, to be held at New Orleans, La., September 15 to 20, are Frank Topash, Charles Wolf, L. J. Bacon, Joseph E. Bae, chairman, Graham Wilson, George Behrens, Ralph Kelly and Emil Muelendorf.

Arrangements were completed for the members going to the St. Louis National Convention, and post members decided to motor and will stop over at national headquarters in Indianapolis for one day en route.

A Club House Committee was appointed and instructed to obtain necessary data concerning the building of a post club house—Past Comdr. Horton, chairman; Messrs. Creer, Braman, Gray, Bladen, Kostick, Byrd and Finan.

Vincent B. Costello Post, No. 15, and auxiliary held their annual picnic at Rock Creek Park, near Pierce Mill Tea House, last Sunday. Refreshments were served by the post in addition to those who brought baskets for their family friends. Base ball, tennis and other games were played. At 3:30 o'clock, with Comdr. Clark as master of ceremonies, numerous contests were held for participants of all ages from husband calling and throwing of rolling pins for women to sack and wheelbarrow races for the boys. The event of the day, a 100-yard dash, arranged for veterans of the post, was featured by Ray Queen's "home" slide.

The committee in charge was H. S. Heine, James Pistorio and Mack Clark from the post and Mrs. Cipriani and Miss Beaulieu for the auxiliary.

Plans are under way for a carnival to be held in Maryland Park September 8, the proceeds to go toward aiding in defraying the cost of the Centello Drum Corps at the St. Louis convention. Election of officers is scheduled for September 3 at Musicians' Hall, 1105 Sixteenth street.

## NEWS OF THE CLUBS

The Mary Tea Club held its annual picnic at River Park, Summer home of George Schonberger, where chicken dinner was served. Entertainment was furnished by Mrs. Ridgely, Mrs. Garner and Mrs. Middleton, with a play entitled "Visiting the Sick." Arrangements were made for an early fall opening of the club, and activities discussed.

A welcome feast will be held at the home of William Schonberger, 1221 Sixth street southwest, next Tuesday. The club had as its guests Mr. and Mrs. Robey and family, Gilbert Middleton and two nephews, Kenneth and Gilbert Fogle.

The opening meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Shipple, 1008 Fourth street southwest.

Washington Ladies' Auxiliary of the J. C. E.—Mrs. Harry Walsky is sending cards to the members of the auxiliary and friends for a musicale-tea at her home, Sedgwick Gardens, Wednesday, September 4, when plans will be completed for the fourth annual donor luncheon of the auxiliary, of which Mrs. Walsky is chairman, to be held at the Mayflower Hotel, November 6.

A rummage sale at 1241 Seventh street is now in progress for the benefit of members and friends to raise luncheon tickets. Communicate with Mrs. Walsky, Emerson 6165, for information.

Washington Zonta Club met for luncheon at Vacation Lodge, the Y. W. C. A. Summer place, Wednesday. The session was given over to good food, good stories and fun. Miss Ruth Bloodgood, acting director of the de-

## Reserve Officers Study Extension Course Plans

Short Cancellation Periods Not to Be Bar to Local Men Receiving Credit for Work Already Accomplished.

NOW that the summer training camp period is about over, District Reserve officers are directing their attention to the approaching inactive duty troop school assemblies and the extension school courses. Of particular interest in the latter connection is a policy recently enunciated by the War Department governing the conduct of Army reserve courses during the 1935-36 school year, in which several changes have been made pertaining to the courses that will be pursued by Reserve officers this school year.

One change of interest to local officers is that pertaining to material to be used and credit to be allowed Reserve students who have partially completed subcourses in prior enrollments. Under the revision, in case considerable time has elapsed between cancellation and resumption of work, student officers will be furnished the revised material and will be required to start with lesson No. 1. For periods between cancellation of enrollment and resumption of study, course area commanders may, in their discretion, allow credit for lessons previously completed. The credit to be given will be determined by the instructor on the basis of a comparison between the old subcourse and the new one. In the event considerable time separates periods of extension course study, officers will be required to start with lesson 1, repeating the lessons previously completed. For short periods between cancellation of enrollment and resumption of study, students will be permitted to take up their work where they left off.

Papers to Be Retained. Another change is the issue of approved solutions to students. In the past approved solutions to examination papers and review lessons and student officers' answer papers have been returned to the students. In the future these papers are to be withheld. The decision to withhold these papers is to reduce the opportunity for misuse of approved solutions to the greatest extent possible consistent with the value of the subcourses.

The mere withholding of approved solutions and answer papers to examinations and review lessons will not of itself prevent the improper use of approved solutions. That plan, however, will cause student officers to depend upon their own work for a part of the ratings attained and should make easy the detection of those whose primary interest is "getting by" the required subjects rather than really qualifying themselves in the appropriate subjects. The issue of approved solutions pertaining to numbered lessons (rated and non-rated) will be governed by paragraph 18, Army Regulations No. 350-3000.

During recent months the War Department has given considerable thought to devising some plan that would reduce the abuse and misuse of approved solutions without denying to students the instructional value of the solutions. As a means of accomplishing the desired purpose, it has been decided to provide for each subcourse one study unit, the approved solutions to which will be withheld from students without detriment to the instructional value of the subcourse. Subcourses to be completely revised and those initially prepared for the 1935-36 school year and for subsequent years will be prepared in accordance with the following:

Each subcourse will consist of rated lessons and an examination or review lesson. The examination will consist of a series of questions covering the subject matter of the entire subcourse, while a review lesson could be a map problem dealing with but one phase of the tactical principle or principle previously given in other lessons of the subcourse. One hundred points will be assigned to each lesson and to the examination or review lesson. Approved solutions will be prepared as at present, i.e., Section 1, the solution proper, to be prepared for all lessons and examinations, and sections 2, 3 and 4, discussion, comments, and cut sheet, respectively, where applicable. The determination of a student's rating on the new type material and the issue of approved solutions will be as follows: Fifty per cent of the average of the ratings attained on the lessons plus 50 per cent of the rating attained on the examination or review lesson, provided the student has attained a rating of 75 per cent or more on each lesson and on the examination or review lesson.

Paul J. McGahan, past department commander, as chairman of trophies, medals and awards, the American Legion Auxiliary, presented the Dorothy B. Harper junior trophy to Miss Mary Glenn Newell, president, Stephen P. McGroarty, Unit, No. 27.

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## LEGION AUXILIARY ELECTS LEADER

Miss Nicie B. Perrell Selected at 10th Annual Convention.

Miss Nicie B. Perrell was elected president of the District of Columbia Department, American Legion Auxiliary, at the tenth annual convention held Tuesday night at the Red Cross Chapter House, 1730 E street.

Other officers elected were: Mrs. Madelyn A. Pence, Mrs. Margaret Carroll and Mrs. Evelyn Copeland, vice presidents; Mrs. Mary K. Killen, chaplain; Mrs. Ione Z. Monroe, historian; Mrs. Julia West Hamilton, property custodian; Miss Irene Sheehan, sergeant at arms; Mrs. Victor Doleman and Miss Mary Glenn Newell, color bearers; Miss M. Edna McIntosh, national executive committee woman. They do not assume their stations until the close of the national convention in St. Louis, Mo., September 26.

The convention opened Monday night with Miss M. Edna McIntosh, department president, presiding. Miss Edna Cecilia Moreland sang "The Star Spangled Banner," accompanied by Miss Mildred Matimore. The Government Printing Office Post Band furnished selections. Miss McIntosh made an address of welcome.

Mrs. Jonathan Wheatley, national vice president, Eastern division, American Legion Auxiliary, and Department Comdr. Joseph J. Malloy, the American Legion, District of Columbia, were escorted to the platform by pages. The call to the convention was read by the secretary, Miss Lillian Reagan. The report of the Permanent Organization Committee was given by Mrs. Edythe M. O'Connor, national executive committee woman.

The report on rules was given by Mrs. Leon Arnold, chairman. Mrs. Ida Schroeder, chairman of registration, reported 98 delegates. Miss Irene Sheehan, chairman of credentials, made her report.

Mrs. Wheatley spoke and following her address was presented with an arm bouquet of roses. Mr. Malloy presented the Dorothy B. Harper junior trophy to Miss Mary Glenn Newell, president, Stephen P. McGroarty, Unit, No. 27.

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Nebraska Newspaper Cites Five Methods of Procedure. DONIPHAN, Neb. (AP)—There have been numerous assorted rain-making attempts, but the Doniphian Herald, crusading Journal of this Nebraska community, approaches the Nebraska from a different angle.

In proclaiming "rain week" in Doniphon, the Herald listed the following rules: 1. Wash your car. 2. Plan picnics and wear your best clothes. 3. Leave the car, the washing and the baby outdoors at night. 4. Put the bedding, the curtains and the carpets out for an airing. 5. Farmers, cut your hay, stack it and leave uncovered.

DIVA WOULD SING IN TUB. Galli-Curci Complains About Rules Imposed After Operation. LOS ANGELES, (AP)—Physicians may give their orders about how much practice Mme. Amalia Galli-Curci, opera star, may give her voice, but she has her own ideas about it all.

## Naval Officer Outlines Life Aboard Battleship

Local Reservists Given Information of Duties and Pleasures Facing Them on Annual Training Cruise.

ALL the comforts of a home town main street may be found aboard the battleship Wyoming which is soon to take the officers and men of the First Battalion, United States Naval Reserve of the District of Columbia, on their annual cruise next month. There are camera shops, chess houses and even soda fountains.

Lieut. William Klaus, United States Navy, communications officer on the Wyoming, has prepared a statement, telling about the ship, and which should give the local Reservists, many of whom are to take their first battleship cruise, just what to expect during the 14 days they will spend aboard her.

"The Wyoming," Lieut. Klaus writes, "is an ideal training ship, plenty of room, her crew being only 500; she takes 500 more without crowding. Her original complement was 1,050. This spaciousness allows for comfort in studying from books and a wider scope for practical instruction is attained. The regular officers and crew of the ship must make necessary contented and assist in instruction wholeheartedly.

Previous to the arrival of a contingent of Reserves on board arrangements for their billeting and messing are all made. There is no confusion attendant upon arrival. A few hours after the embarkation, you'd think the Reserves had been on board at least several days.

"First, there is the tour of inspection. Of course there is much interest shown by the young new comers in the canteen where the sweets are for sale—the ship's service store where they can get such things as souvenirs, films, watches and such things as make good presents for the fair sex. The biggest thrill of the first tour of inspection is the soda fountain. Imagine, on a battleship, regular sodas, sandwiches, hot dogs, etc., all at very low prices—then the photographic shop is discovered where one can have his films developed.

"The contingent usually comes on board in the morning and the ship is off at noon. Every minute of time has to be utilized, as a tremendous amount of ground has to be covered before the return to port. Gun crews are organized and stationed. The forenoon are usually taken up with gun drills, and drill scores are kept, as competition is keen. These are posted and cause much speculation as to the results of the actual firing. The afternoons are usually taken up with book work or practical instruction about the ship. The officers attend lectures such as strategy and tactics, navigation, etc.

"Saturday morning arrives and captain's inspection is held. All hands are on their best uniforms and each division endeavors to make the smartest appearance. This usually lasts from 9:30 to 11:30 o'clock. Competitions and sections of the cruise are handed out by the skipper. The afternoon is given over to a holiday. Then there are movies in the evening, regular first-class shows, talks, may be some are a year old, but if they haven't been seen before, they are just as good. On one night of the cruise a happy and well-kept occasion is looked forward to with much enthusiasm by the crew as well as members of the Reserve units.

"Preparations are made a day or two in advance. Contestants are entered for the various boxing and wrestling matches. Other entertainment features augment the sports events. When the anticipated evening rolls around all hands may be found in the highest of spirits on the flag-draped and brilliantly lighted quarterdeck. All available space is utilized for seating. The turret tops are the choice points of vantage. The chattering, together with the din of the ship's band playing at full blast, is deafening and is silenced when the master of ceremonies climbs into the ring to announce the evening's card. Good sportsmanship is never lacking, even the loser in a contest is given a cheer when it is obvious that he did his best. At the finish of the closing event all hands are served refreshments and the night is topped off with cigarettes and cigars. A happy hour aboard ship, new to some of the Reserves, an event which long remains a pleasant memory to all.

"The next day, back to the grind of drills. Time is passing rapidly; there is still lots to learn about the Navy and the firing day is drawing near. "There is the liberty port of the cruise. Last year one port was Port-au-Prince and one was Panama. Some of the younger boys had never been that far away from home. The day before the arrival in port the gun drill scores show a slight drop. The Reserve gun crew captains rave and wonder what is the matter, but the old-timers just smile.

"Anchored in the liberty port. The first liberty boat goes ashore. The chaplain of the Wyoming has arranged interesting sightseeing trips so that the most territory is covered during the short two days in port. Souvenirs are gotten and postcards mailed to the folks at home. The day in port isn't all play, though. There are get the boat drills for those who remain on board. A few learn the intricacies of the sailboat and many how to pull an oar. The officers bore sight the guns. "The two days pass quickly enough and back to the drilling for firing. The liberty port is left and all hands are down to real work, for the firing which is the most important thing in the world. All you hear at mess tables is ifs and buts—gun scores and hopes for clear weather—bets are made.

"The morning of the firing dawns clear and the sea smooth. The destroyer which is to tow the target hove in sight and the observing and repair parties from the Wyoming are put on board. "Every one takes their pre-firing bath as a precaution to minimize infection in case of casualty. Then breakfast. Mess tables are cleared quickly. Officers, gunners' mates and gun crews give the guns a last look over. Some of the new Reserves look tense. The old-timers try to look bored. "General quarters" sounds. All hands go to stations. "The Reserve navigator comes on the course. "Then they go through the target practice until all gun crews have completed their scores. Then, the lieutenant continues:

"All hands turn to and clean up the ship—you can feel the let-down in tension—every one seems happy. Back to the home port. Many real friendships between the Reserves and the Regulars are made on the cruise. Good-bys are said. The debarkation of the Reserves is quite as efficient as the embarkation. "Every day I want to sing in the bath tub!"

Place Was Refuge to Empress Who Fled Russian Revolution. Awaited Sain Son. COPENHAGEN (AP)—A jaunty little chateau known as Hvidovre, where the late Empress Alexandra was fond of dining with her sister, Empress Dagmar of Russia, and her brothers, King Frederik of Denmark and King George of Greece, is being turned into a "hot dog" stand.

When Damgar escaped from the Russian revolution, she settled at Hvidovre, living on a pension granted her by her nephew, King George of England. She refused to believe that her son, the last Czar of Russia, had been murdered and, according to reports, kept a candle burning in a window to guide his return.

When the Empress died, the castle was bought by a countess who now has sold it to two men who intend to make it a refreshment stand for Sunday motorists.

IRISH BILL HITS JEWS. Measure Would Regulate Pay for Practically All Trades. CORK, Ireland (AP)—A bill introduced by the De Valera government regulating rates of pay for practically every trade in the country is claimed to be aimed at Jewish immigrants who have emigrated to Ireland from Germany in recent years.

Taking advantage of the Free State's high protective tariffs, some of them as high as 500 per cent, hundreds of the newcomers have opened small factories and are popularly believed to be earning large profits. Proof that many of their employees, however, are making as little as 3 cents an hour has made the government determined to enforce equitable wages.

Street Cleaners Must Have "It." PORTLAND, Ore.—Street cleaners, by all means, must have personality. George Reis, superintendent of streets, so informed a delegation of candidates for jobs who objected to being dismissed when they took a civil service test. The highest mark for personality was 87.5.