

The American Legion

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PUT BONUS MONEY TO WORK

Iowa Veterans Do Not Recklessly Squander Allowance, as Had Been Predicted.

Iowa veterans who received the state bonus are, contrary to expectation of some persons, placing the money in savings accounts, using it for the payment of debts and for the extension of business. It had been unfavorably predicted by a certain element that the money would be squandered in reckless fashion.

Newspaper reports from all sections of the state tell of the receipt of the warrants by the former soldiers, and what they expected to do with the money.

Iowa business houses have conducted wide advertising campaigns, suggesting to the former soldiers uses that might be made of the compensation money. According to word from various parts of the state, the savings banks profited most from this campaign.

Earl Brownie, an American Legion member of Davenport, Ia., who received the first warrant, put it in a savings bank to draw interest. Harlem Wyatt of Des Moines, first to receive a check in that city, told reporters that his check was going to make the last payment on a little home. Another veteran said that his plumber was waiting in his business place for the check when it came by post. Still another "vet," appreciative of how he obtained the money, said to reporters: "Five dollars of my check goes to join the American Legion and the rest to the bank."

Interesting facts in regard to the payment of compensation to the state were developed. More than 350 applications to the state were filed by the soldiers because they were unable to write. Instead, the fingerprint method was used. When the warrants were mailed the fingerprints were on the backs of the checks. Two hundred and fifty names will receive checks for service in the World War.

A warranty on the part of Iowa veterans to take advantage of the bonus money offered by the government is noted by American Legion officials. A survey of records of the past showed about 20 per cent of the men receiving compensation returned their government insurance. Nearly \$100,000 in premiums was collected in one day, according to officials of this post.

The Iowa law allows for extra pay for a maximum of \$200. All claims of compensation have been set aside until after all other men have received their pay, when their claims will be considered.

PROUD OF LEGION'S EMBLEM

Affiliated Ex-Service Men Tell of Complacency Displayed by Indiana World Warriors.

The spirit of complacency among former soldiers of the United States is deepened, rather than diminished by time, according to evidence of friendly aid and help for veterans temporarily in need. This is particularly true among organizations composed of World War fighters, such as the American Legion.

Many striking examples of this comradeship came to the attention of national officers of the organization. A splendid example was noted in a recent letter to Legion officials concerning friendly acts of an Indiana post toward a sick comrade.

Written by T. A. Rogers, a veteran of Battery E, Fifth field artillery, the letter tells how he was taken sick as he passed through Lebanon, Ind., with his wife. After reaching a hotel there Rogers was told that he was threatened with pneumonia, and his limited resources were a source of worry.

"That afternoon," Rogers' letter says, "the adjutant of the local post of the American Legion came to the hotel and made me feel I was among friends, promising that my comfort would be looked out for. The next morning I awoke to see a bouquet of carnations in my room. In the afternoon the post commander came to see me, and in him I met another fine fellow.

"I was sick for a week. Although food wasn't much it left me broke, and when the finance officer made me admit it he brought a \$10 bill for meals. When I was strong enough to walk about I decided to go to Chicago. The American Legion gave me car fare, the adjutant guaranteed my hotel bill and a member of the post took us to the train in his car.

"What do you think of a bunch of fellows like that? Do you think they would be just as regular sports if they weren't Legion men? I confess I don't know, but I think these buddies have caught the one big idea of the founders of the American Legion.

"In conclusion, let me say that I have learned what the emblem of the Legion stands for, that I take increased pride in being permitted to wear it, and that, as time goes on, I hope my grateful heart knows in the great grand of the emblem."

ROOSEVELT LETTER TO POSTS

Facsimile of Former President's Personal Message to Men in Trenches Is Sent Out.

A copy of the only personal message ever prepared by former President Theodore Roosevelt for American soldiers in France, written on the day he was apprised of the death of his son, Quentin, has been sent to every post of the American Legion in the form of a specially prepared facsimile of the original message. This letter was prepared for the soldiers of America and was to be conveyed to them by Cass Conaway of Buffalo, N. Y., who was unable to deliver the words of Roosevelt because of war duties.

Through the 11,000 posts of the American Legion Mr. Conaway has been able to complete distribution of the message, and it will be framed in Legion homes, presented to libraries and museums, that all Americans may read of the feelings of a fighter to the fighting men of America.

Conaway was an attorney in Indianapolis before the war. His two sons enlisted, and his wife took up Red Cross work. When he found he was the only one of the family not in service he closed his office and volunteered as a "Y" but secretary, unable to enter the army on account of his age.

Before he was ordered to France, Conaway conceived the idea of carrying a message to the Hoosier boys at the front, telling them of how they would be welcomed on their return to the United States. Gov. James P. Goodrich of Indiana prepared a splendid message, as did Booth Tarkington, Meredith Nicholson, George Ade and other well-known Indiana men. Then Conaway enlarged on his original idea and wrote to the governors of every state for similar words to the men of their commonwealth in the trenches of France. All responded, and so there was added a tri-lingue, penned in English, by Cardinal Gibbons.

On July 15, 1918, Mr. Conaway relinquished his plan to former President Roosevelt. The day following, Quentin,



CASS CONAWAY

24-year-old, was killed as he flew over the German lines, and he was buried in American soil July 17 of the same year.

Conaway sailed for France and shortly after landing was assigned to duty with the legal division of the Y. M. C. A. He was unable to send the message direct to the men at the front, but succeeded in having it printed in the Paris edition of the London Daily Mirror, though few of the men were privileged to see it. Continued letter with the "Y" as chief of the division, judge, advocate and chief of the legal division held up delivery of the message. Conaway then returned to the United States and was separated from the service to become managing director of the Buffalo real-estate board.

Still feeling his obligation for delivery of the words from Mr. Roosevelt, Conaway sought permission from Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., now assistant secretary of the navy, for authority to issue the letter. Further permission was obtained from the Roosevelt Memorial association, which is gathering mementoes for presentation at Roosevelt house in New York city, the birthplace of the president, and where the original of the message will be placed. Identical copies of the statement to the troops were prepared. Then the American Legion was appealed to as being the best means for distribution of the message and it went forward through the various posts of the organization.

The message follows:

"To the Soldiers of the American Expeditionary Forces Overseas: I send my heartfelt greetings to you men at the front. You have made all of us who stay behind lift our heads high with pride by what you are doing. It is you men, and only you men, who are doing one vital work for the American people today. All good Americans at this time owe homage to the fighting men at the fighting front. What you are doing is vital for the honor and the interest for the future welfare, and for the very existence, of our republic; and you are also battling for the liberty of every well-behaved civilized nation, big or little.

"I congratulate you on the great good fortune that is yours in that you now have the chance to endorse handsomely and with a great glad heart to render to our country the greatest of all services. I would give anything to be over with you. Faithfully yours, Theodore Roosevelt."

BOY SCOUTS

(Conducted by National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.)

BOY SCOUTS AND THE FLAG

Definite rules for the correct use of the American flag were considered at the National Flag conference held recently in Washington under the auspices of the American Legion. Delegates from sixty-seven national organizations, including the Boy Scouts of America, whose memberships total 5,000,000 Americans, were present. The Ode committee, headed by Mrs. Anthony Wayne Cook of the Daughters of the American Revolution, brought in recommendations for the proper and dignified use of the flag as suggested by the flag codes of the Boy Scouts of America, the War Department and the American Legion of Ohio.

The code has been described as "the basis of the first organized effort since the flag was created by the Revolutionary fathers in 1776, to establish firmly the national emblem in the high place it should hold in the lives of the citizens of the Republic and to prevent endless forms of its misuse."

In his speech at the National Flag conference, President Harding called upon the American people to maintain in America, unimpaired, the things for which the flag stands. The President cited a recent instance of the respect shown the flag by a young naval officer sitting opposite his stand at one of the Shriners' parades during their national convention in the capitol city. The young officer referred to was Ensign Warren D. Taylor of Submarine S-48, who rose and saluted the colors 138 times during the ceremony, "the only one performing that service that we noticed in the large company assembled in that reviewing stand," said President Harding.

"To me the President's speech was one of strongest inspiration," said E. S. Martin of the Boy Scouts of America, who is also a member of the Ode committee. "The fact that something is being done in the house of 430,000 boys the points which the President stressed, brings more clearly the realization of the glorious opportunities these kids have in regarding reverence for the flag by their example and direct affiliation to the teachings of the movement."

TWO GOOD SCOUTS



A scout and a mascot from the Palisades Interstate (N. Y.) boy scout camp, the target camp in the world.

SCOUTS HOLD CONVENTION

With the tang of the fresh outdoors in it, the recent thirteenth annual meeting of the national council, Boy Scouts of America, held at the famous boy scout camp at Palisades Interstate Park, N. Y., and attended by over 300 representative business, professional, church and school men, proved to be one of the most unique gatherings in the convention history of this country.

Palisades Park is a great wilderness of natural beauty, and a chain of 18 scout camps dot the shore of the placid Kanohwahke lake. At the central camp the delegates were allotted their tents. One of the most picturesque meetings was that held around a mammoth campfire. At this particular session the camp questions were discussed. The representatives, between sessions, had opportunity to practice scout-craft and to hike over the new White-Bar trail, of sixty miles, which circles the scout camps. Other sessions were held at the Bear Mountain Inn. The delegates made the trip from New York to the camps and return on special boats via the Hudson. Boy scout guides pointed out the spots of interest along the historic river.

FIRST LADY PRAISES SCOUTS

A compliment by the first lady of the land to the alertness, thoughtfulness and loyalty of boy scouts, one that will go down in the annals of the Boy Scouts of America as a cherished tribute, was contained in the telegram recently sent by the presidential party to the scout executive at Tacoma, Wash. "Mrs. Harding states she felt safer when boy scouts aided in guarding the President. Please make offer to local committee of the services of a small group of boy scouts."

EMPLOYED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL

Sunday School Lesson

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LESSON FOR AUGUST 12

MARTHA AND MARY

LESSON TEXT—Luke 10:38-42; John 11:1-46; John 12:1-9. GOLDEN TEXT—Mary hath chosen that good part which shall not be taken away from her.—Luke 10:42. REFERENCE MATERIAL—Proverbs 31:10-31. PRIMARY TOPIC—Two Loyal Friends of Jesus. JUNIOR TOPIC—Martha and Mary. INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—True Friendship Shown by Martha and Mary. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Home Problems Illustrated by Martha and Mary.

In order to properly understand these two characters, it will be necessary to look at the several narratives in which they are brought to our view. These are three in number.

I. The Behavior of Martha and Mary in the Days of Sunshine. (Luke 10:38-42.) In this picture we see Martha engaged in preparing a meal for Jesus. In her effort to make the best preparation for her honored guest, she became distracted. She not only was cumbered with much serving but she found fault with Mary for not helping her. She even censured the Lord for permitting such neglect. Martha has had her followers in all ages. Every church knows them. The busy, troubled and fussy women who are engaged in service for the Lord with little patience for those who sit at the feet of Jesus. Mary sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word. She had taken her turn in the service as the word "help" would imply. She did not neglect service, but had the kindness of perception to discern that communion with the Lord was more prized by Him than the serving of a meal. Both of these women loved the Lord and it is impossible to say which loved Him more. In the days of sunshine in this house, Mary made the good choice of communion with her Lord.

II. Mary and Martha in the Day of Great Sorrow. (John 11:1-46.) The next scene which occupies our attention is the occasion of the resurrection of Lazarus. In the time of the sickness of Lazarus, these sisters had sent for Jesus. Jesus loved the members of this household, and yet, strange to say, He delayed His going unto them. Martha met Him with rebuke, saying that if He had been there her brother had not died. This carried with it the essence for His delay under such trying circumstances. After this interview with the resurrection, after this interview with Martha, who came to Mary with the message of a call from Jesus. Mary was composed and remained in the house until called for. She immediately responded to this call and used the identical words of Martha, but instead of rebuking her, He mingled His tears of sympathy with hers of sorrow. The reason she had such composure in this dark hour was that she had silently sat at His feet and listened to His word so that she understood the meaning of the tragedy. The difference then in the behavior of these two women in this dark hour was doubtless due to the fact that in the days of sunshine Mary had entered fully into fellowship with the Lord and that Martha had lost this grace through her fretfulness.

III. Jesus Entertained at Bethany. (John 1:1-9.) At this supper appeared Mary, Martha and Lazarus, who was raised from the dead. Doubtless this supper was in grateful appreciation of His help and sympathy in the days of their trial. At this meal Martha was back at her old business of serving, but it would seem with an untroubled disposition. Mary took a pound of spikenard, very costly, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped them with her hair. This was a token of her great love and devotion. She was back in her accustomed place at the feet of Jesus. With the keen intuition of true love, she brought her costliest gift as an evidence of her love. She thus anticipated His death and burial, knowing that she could not minister unto Him then. The Lord received this act of love at its full value. Against the foul criticism of Judas, Jesus defended Mary. He declared that it was no more a waste than the ointment placed on the bodies of the dead in embalment. In fact it was the doing of this very act beforehand unto Him. Only Mary of all His disciples had really understood Jesus when He said He must be crucified and raised again the third day. The announcement of His crucifixion brought unto the others dismay. They refused to believe in the resurrection, but Mary came to anoint His body for burying.

Manners. Manners should bespeak the man independent of fine clothing. The general does not need a fine coat.—Emerson.

Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ, the consecration of divinity, and the exaltation of humanity.—Phillips Brooks.

Action of the Spirit. The most intricate work difficulty that has long been impressed on the

ST. MATTHEWS TO CELEBRATE

Nationally and State Reputed Orators Expected to Be Present August Tenth.

St. Matthews.—If the signs of the times do not deceive, all roads will lead to St. Matthews August 10. The local chamber of commerce has so decreed, and it is going to come near being so. At a meeting of representative citizens and members of the chamber of commerce, it was decided that on that day, everything in the nature of a "shop" will be laid aside and every hour of the day is going to be devoted to something interesting, if not new. At a call meeting a program of rather daring dimensions was agreed upon. It was announced that a number of men of state and national reputation will be urged to attend. A fixed number of speeches will be arranged for without surfeiting with too many and too much. The names of the national celebrities have not been divulged, but it is known that one or perhaps two whose names one knows from ocean to ocean have been invited and the committee hopes they may attend.

Governor McLeod will be a certainty unless unavoidably prevented and will have a part in the day. At the meeting a number of committees with well defined duties were named and they are actively at work in the discharge of their respective duties. One of the features of the day will be a barbecue dinner. Plates for thousands will be provided. When the program is announced with the accredited list of celebrities who are expected to attend, it is known that the attendance will be the greatest ever seen here. In fact, St. Matthews, formerly distinguished alone for being the county seat and later put on the map of the world as the home of the American Cotton Association, expects to be known hereafter as the place where men who may later be greater in the affairs of the nation made their first speech in South Carolina. This town expects to be a big host that day.

Manning Cannery in Operation. Manning.—The Carolina Canning company is now in full operation and a variety of canned tomatoes are being shipped. The first carload was shipped to Charleston, the buyer being the well known firm of F. W. Wagner & Co.

Last spring at a meeting of Charleston farmers an agreement was made to plant the required acreage to secure the cannery of enough tomatoes to run the cannery. Orders were taken for the Charleston county canned tomatoes and now the entire output has been sold.

Carts, wagons and trucks are slowly rolling through the streets from farms to the cannery, which is located near the Atlantic Coast Line depot, loaded with baskets of large, bright red tomatoes, an unusual sight in the town of Manning.

Negroes Raid Four Chester Safes. Chester.—Edgemont, in Chester county, was visited by negro thugs who showed that they were adepts at getting into safes, as they entered four with all ease, and helped themselves to the part of the contents that interested them. The safe in the Seaboard Air Line ticket office, the American Railway Express company safe, the safe in W. H. Hamilton and company's store, and W. C. Nunnery's safe were all entered, the robbers first breaking into the Seaboard Air Line railway section house and securing the tools with which entrance was effected. As well as can be ascertained about \$175 was carried off by the burglars, about half of which was recovered.

Plan Publicity for Carolina. Greenville.—A movement for the organization of a publicity commission to promote South Carolina's development by nationally advertising the state was launched by the board of directors of the Greenville chamber of commerce, officials of which announced after a meeting that definite decision as to ways and means and as to the details of the plan to be followed would be made at an early meeting. It was stated that an effort might be made to have the publicity work supported in part by the state.

Bean Weevil in Anderson. Anderson.—In Pendleton and Belton communities there is another pest that has been added to the boll weevil, the Mexican bean weevil, and according to Farm Agent Byars the pest may do much damage in this county. It is possible to poison, but not practical, says Mr. Byars. The weevil is particularly fond of every kind of bean, velvet, soy and alfalfa, but will not destroy the Mung bean. The insects have 16 spots on their backs and as a rule infest the bean vines on the under side of the leaves.

Bitten by Shark. Marion.—William Lee Hewitt, popular young man of this city and an employee of the Marion National bank, was painfully bitten by what was supposed to have been a man-eating shark while in bathing at Myrtle Beach according to news received here. Mr. Hewitt is said to have dived beneath a breaker when he felt a sharping or grip upon his right arm and hand. A physician present found that Mr. Hewitt's arm and also his right hand were punctured by what appeared to be the teeth of a shark.

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Billion Trees. The American Tree association is working to the end that a billion trees be planted in this country in 1923. In other words, reforestation cannot be accomplished merely by debate.—Birmingham Age-Herald.

If You Need a Medicine You Should Have the Best

Have you ever stopped to reason why it is that so many products that are extensively advertised, all at once drop out of sight and are soon forgotten? The reason is plain—the article did not fulfill the promises of the manufacturer. This applies more particularly to a medicine. A medicinal preparation that has real curative value almost sells itself, as like an endless chain system the remedy is recommended by those who have been benefited to those who are in need of it.

A prominent druggist says, "Take for example Dr. Kilmor's Swamp-Root, a preparation I have sold for many years and never hesitate to recommend, for in almost every case it shows excellent results, as many of my customers testify. No other kidney remedy has so large a sale."

According to sworn statements and verified testimony of thousands who have used the preparation, the success of Dr. Kilmor's Swamp-Root is due to the fact, so many people claim, that it fulfills almost every wish in promoting kidney, liver and bladder ailments, cures urinary troubles and neutralizes the uric acid which causes rheumatism. You may receive a sample bottle of Swamp-Root by parcel post. Address Dr. Kilmor & Co., Birmingham, N. Y., and enclose ten cents; also mention this paper. Large and medium size bottles for sale at all drug stores.—Advertisement.

Baby Talk. "Do you sleep much during the day?" "Yes, I find it's the only way I can get the pep to rear all night."—Judge.

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