



# Ten Forty Times

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PROJECT 49 STARS is the name of a program Blanchard Post is sponsoring to encourage the community to display the American Flag, particularly on holidays. This activity is especially timely now with the addition of a star for Alaska in our National Colors. Accordingly, the Post's Executive Committee and the members who attended the mid-January regular meeting approved a measure to initiate the program. Commander LENSETH appointed a Committee of TEN FORTY TIMES Editor ALEXANDER J. WOHRLE, Judge Advocate GEORGE WENGER and Past Commander HERBERT DREW to make the arrangements. Tentative plans point to a call upon all Post members to participate in a task-force that will serve to bring the new Flag into every home in the community. The drive should take place in late Spring so as to have the "49 Stars" available by July 4. To those accepting the Flag, the cost will be nominal. (Should you be concerned about the rise of a Star for Hawaii, bear in mind the historical value of passing out newest Flag on to succeeding generations).

CHALLENGE is in order for unrecognized members patronizing the Post's refreshment counter - (bar, to snobs!) A safeguard is to carry your 1959 or recent Legion membership card.

PAID-UP members now number 428. If you're among the 192 from whom Membership Chairman Doc Klett is trying to collect, remind yourself of these advantages from your Legion dues: promotion of your interests and benefits as a veteran; AMERICAN LEGION MAGAZINE; Boy Scouts Charter; Boys' State; Oratorical Contest; Indoor Sports; to mention but a few. If you're paid-up then remind a non-member veteran to join or rejoin the Legion.

NEW members will be initiated into the Legion at the Feb. 16 meeting. Sponsors of new members should mark this date on their calendars and arrange to accompany the new buddies to Blanchard Post that night.

BOY SCOUT Troop 58, at the Post mid-month meeting on Feb. 16 will receive its '59 Charter. A demonstration of Scout activities will be presented. Russell E. Johnson is Scout Master. Chairman HAROLD WILLIAMS is making the arrangements.

MARDI GRAS night is Saturday, Feb. 7. It tops the Post's social whirl for the month. Be sure to come dressed - fancy, that is! Best costumed to be awarded prizes. For no costume it'll be "fine"! Chairman Harold Jorgenson promises a night full of fun for all who attend.

BASEBALL time is about a home-run away. Blanchard's team needs a manager. Aspirants should contact Commander LENSETH or Chairman DICK DALTON. On the same subject, Blanchard Post's assignment from the County Legion is to return a quota of \$200 to be raised by distribution of tickets. Books for this purpose will soon be available at the Post. Your assistance in this project as an aid for the youth of our community is strongly urged.

BOWLING Chairman WILEY reports a need of 4 entrants for Blanchard to have 3 teams at the Legion State Tournament in Albany commencing March 14.

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LEADERSHIP kits designed to encourage Legion activities can be obtained. Publicity Chairman WAYNE DAVIS reports they make good reading for those interested in promoting Legion programs. He also recommends the American Legion Legislative Reporter for information about current proposals in law affecting Legion matters.

SALUTE Bethlehem Town officials for assigning a police officer to control traffic control during evening rush hours on Delaware Avenue at the Elsmere Shopping Plaza. This assignment came into being after Blanchard Post last month took steps to bring the traffic congestion problem to the attention of Town Supervisor Oliver.

"COUPON PROGRAM" sponsored by the Auxiliary give all Legionnaires of Blanchard Post a chance to help in a small but rewarding task. For those of you who don't save box tops from cereal and other containers you can start collecting them, turn them in at the Post and they will be forwarded for redemption to the credit of the Ida Ashby Memorial and other VA institutions. Mrs. ANN HEILMANN is Chairman.

SICK CALL: Edward Spain reported in VA Hospital.

TAPS: JOSEPH J. BASTIAN III.

REGULAR MEETINGS IN FEBRUARY: 2nd. and 16th.; EXECUTIVE MEETING TO which all are also invited in on the 9th.

Your Editor  
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