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Commander: Adjutant:

Herbert Drew Arnold Mosmen lst. Vice-Commander: Harold Jorgensen

Finance Officer: Richard Dalton

2nd. Vice-Commander: Richard Lenseth 3rd. Vice-Commander: Stanley Klett

MEETINGS: Regular Meeting, January 6th., Monday, 8:30 P.M. Sharp. Executive Meeting, January 13th., Monday, 8:00 P.M. Regular Meeting, January 20th., Monday, 8:30 P.M. Sharp.

The January 20th. meeting will be CHARTER MEMBERS-OLD TIMERS NIGHT. Some Citations for continuous membership in the American Legion will be presented. We are sorry that citations for all members with five or more years of continuous membership cannot be obtained for this meeting. We need your help. If you are eligible for a 5, 10, 15, 20, etc. year card, please contact Otto De Heus, Harold Barkhuff, Ralph Derby, Ralph Butler, Stan Klett or Herb Drew, and give the month and year you joined the American Legion. Then we can secure your card as soon as possible. Also, at the January 20th. meeting, we plan to have an initiation ceremony for all new members who have not been initiated previously. Should be an interesting meeting. Please pick up any members you have secured this year and bring them over. On January 5th., we plan to keep calling numbers until our anonymous donation of \$60.00 is won by someone. If you are not in attendance, you don't stand a chance. Our condolences to two members who almost won money at the December meetings but were absent. They are Al Greenwood and William Hasselbarth.

WHAT'S THIS? A dance, a buffet supper, and all liquid refreshments for \$5.00 a person? This is something to be seen, not heard, so cancel all other appointments for Saturday January 25th. Pay your money by January 10th, at the latest, and boys and girls together can join us at the Post that evening for fun and frolic. Everything free for nothing after 8:00 P.M. No money transacted (except for \$5.00 per person, \$10.00 per couple). All members of the activities committee will meet the next day to be fired. Each of the members below has eight tickets only. Contact them. Herb Drew, 9-2755; Otto De Heus, 9-654; Harold Barkhuff, 9-1135; Walt Waterbury, 9-2170; Mort Lilly, 9-2823; Ralph Derby, 9-1073; Ed Starkweather, 9-1689; George Butman, 9-3705; Fred Dearstyne, 9-3945; Joe Von Ronne, 9-037; Dick Dalton, 9-3458; Herb White, 9-1487; Dick Williams, 9-1154; Harold Williams, 9-2719; Matt Fitzgerald, 4-7753; Dick Lenseth, 9-2096; Bud Mosmen, 9-2965; Bill Johnston, 9-3448; Al Studler, 9-2214; Harold Jorgensen, 9-2160; Joe Lentz, 9-2071; Royce Day, 9-3097; Mike Norton, 9-3241; and Ray Patterson, 9-4719.

Speaking of activities, the egg nog party, Tinsel Ball, and Children's Party were all heavily attended, and Dick Lenseth and his helpers, Matt, Santa Claus, and many others deserve a lot of thanks for their efforts in making this holiday season one to remember.

DUES: A second dues notice will be sent out soon, and we hope everyone will respond as soon as possible. Send your \$5.00 dues to Dr. Stanley Klett, 4 Bradford Place, Slingerlands or give them to one of the officers. There are many serious reasons why: we need your membership. One of the most important being that many veteran's benefits obtained by the efforts of the American Legion in past years may be cut back by Legislation unless our membership remains strong and able to voice effective opposition. It is essential that we not only maintain our number, but steadily increase.

KITCHEN: Bill Johnston reports the kitchen is ready for use, although there is still work to be done. Many of you have seen it in your visits to the Post during the December activities, and the comments have been very gratifying to your kitchen committee. Bud Mosmen obtained a beautiful new refrigerator at a substantial saving, and the Auxiliary ladies paid \$430.00 for it. That is their contribution to the new kitchen, and we can't think of a more important one. We have had several cash donations recently as follows:

Darwin Mott ----- \$5.00 Bill Streets 10.00 Ken Jopp 10.00 Main Bros. Oil Co. 25.00

Our most sincere thanks!!

Your House Committee has reupholstered the bar stools, among other improvements this year. Ralph Derby has donated a piano to the Post, and it has been tuned for action. Frank Nealon and Dick Lenseth furnished material and labor for a very classy bulletin board, an item we have needed for years, and they really did a job!!

SKATING RINK: If it ever freezes this winter, we are going to maintain a large ice skating rink in the valley back of Joe Von Ronne's house. The kids need a place to skate, and this looks like it fills the bill. All we need is ice, naturally. We will be asking you to help police it once in awhile and know we can count on your cooperation.

FLAG: Our Flag in front of the Post has been ruined, due partly to the fact that it is left up overnight sometimes, and bad weather has taken its toll. Of course, we are not properly respecting the Flag, and since it is impossible to ask one or two men to lower the Flag every night, we would appreciate it if those who arrive at the Post in the late afternoon would cock an eye upward and lower Old Glory if it has not been done.

Well, that's about it, and may you and your families have a HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!!!!!!