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The membership of Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040 American Legion would like to give our heartfelt thanks to the following merchants for their wonderful receiving of our Fund Raising Committee workers. At this time our total amount raised stands at \$9,000. We take pride in publishing the fellowship list of merchants that have been so understanding of our dream for a new Legion Home. Our drive is now starting to progress and our intentions are to keep adding names in each issue of our paper as drive members bring in additional donations. Our door to door drive of Legion Members is also in progress.

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Replying to a plea from the Albany County Chairman, Bill Alwell, as chairman from Blanchard, is seeking out Legionnaires to volunteer their time and service at the annual Cerebral Palsy Telethon fund-raising campaign, February 8-9.

The nineteen hour show will be broadcast live from the Washington Avenue Armory in Albany from 11:00 p.m. Saturday, February 8th through

5:00 p.m. Sunday, February 9th. During the telethon the American Legion furnishes manpower to serve as security guards inside the Armory. Anyone willing to work on one of the four-hour shifts should contact Bill Alwell.

Volunteers, thus far, besides Bill himself include Ollie Palmer, Fred Grasser, Bill Campbell, Hugh Stowers, Sid Kaplan, John Mullen, Mike Mele and Phil Lee.

BLANCHARD CALENDAR

SATURDAY, February 1—Indoor Sports annual party, 1:00 p.m. at Post Hall.

MONDAY, February 3—The Post Affairs Committee meets at 7:30 p.m. Regular Post meeting at 8:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, Feb. 8—Italian Nite Dinner and Dance at the Post.

WEDNESDAY, February 12—Lincoln's Birthday—Fly the Flag.

SATURDAY, February 15—Annual Ice Carnival for the children at Herrick's Pond in Slingerlands 1:00 p.m.

MONDAY, February 17: Regular Post meeting at 8:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, February 18 — Auxiliary Birthday Party, 6:30 p.m. at the Post Hall.

SATURDAY, February 22—Washington's Birthday—Fly the Flag.

MONDAY, February 24—Board of Directors—8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, February 27 — Albany County American Legion meets at Colonie Post No. 1256, Osborne Road, Loudonville, at 8:30 p.m.

OUR PATRONS MERIT YOUR PATRONAGE

ITALIAN NIGHT AT POST

Gus Williams will again be Chairman of this "Always Successful Nite", Saturday, February 8th.

The menu this year will start with a red Italian wine "Out of the Keg"—served with appetizing antipasto, followed by baked lasagna, sausage, and meat balls, salad, fruit, nuts, and coffee with Italian bread and cookies.

Dinner will be served from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and will be followed by music for dancing.

Tickets will be limited — priced at \$3.50 per person.

The committee made up of amateur entertainers promise a full night of laffs, and include co-chairmen of Dining Room, "Tony" Stinson and "Giovanni" Ennis, Chairman of Italian Night Awards "Phillipo" Gianconie. Chef Ambrose will handle the kitchen.

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*** AUXILIARY NEWS****Auxiliary President's Corner**

BY MARCIA ROSENFELD

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Hurrah, Hurrah! Through the diligent work of Zen Campbell, all who helped her and those wonderful gals who paid their dues promptly—we reached our membership quota plus 3—163. Zen is also proud to introduce us to eight new members: Doris Owens, Marjorie Murphy, Janice Blodgett, Barbara Palmer, Marcia Nelson, Ann Lee, Marcia Kindberg, Josephine Bollman. We'll look for your place-cards at the Birthday Dinner so we can say, "Welcome".

The Auxiliary received a letter from our sponsored Cub Scout Troop No. 258 thanking us for our \$25 contribution. Enclosed in the letter was a copy of their Charter which will be passed on to Gloria Broome to keep in our history book.

We also received a letter from the Committee that Cares, again thanking us for our contribution. My thoughts now are personal and travel to the home of my sister-in-law in Herkimer, N. Y. Her cousin, married the Saturday before Thanksgiving, left for Vietnam the day before Thanksgiving, went on his first patrol five days before Christmas—killed—age 22. Oh how we pray for the success of the peace talks!

President Maud sends her warm, "Thank You" to those who helped at the

V.A. Gift Shop in December. Mary Deitz, Joan Stowers, Margaret McGuirk and also to those who gave gifts.

Sorry You're Ill, Get Well Soon

December and January seemed to be the months in which just about everybody was unlucky enough to have the flu bug, break limbs or have other ailments. Chris Barkhuff, Kay Lenseth and Marcia Rosenfield were hospitalized. (Chris called to say she appreciated the many cards sent to her.) Dorothy Bahn broke her arm. The Hong Kong flu put everybody in bed from the President down through the membership list. It's easier to tell who wasn't sick. By now we hope everyone has recovered and will be in good health for the Birthday Dinner.

This month we celebrate the Auxiliary 38th Birthday. A delicious hot meal will be catered and served at the Post Rooms on Tuesday the 18th. After the aches and pains of the previous months it's time to relax and enjoy a hearty meal and a piece of birthday cake.

Auxiliary Calendar

TUESDAY, February 18 — Birthday Dinner at the Post at 7:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, February 21—County meeting at 8:00 p.m.

IN SYMPATHY

We sympathize most deeply and send our comfort to Sue Gander who lost her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Genniveiv Oakley who lost her husband, Mr. C. King Rabineau who lost his wife Doris and the family of Helen Maxwell. It should be noted that although Mrs. Rabineau was not a member of the Auxiliary she volunteered her time to assist at the many parties held at the V.A. Hospital and contributed stacks of sandwiches and cookies for these affairs. To the members of the above families we offer our condolences.

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March 3rd Meeting

The annual renewal of Troop 58 charter will be held at the first meeting in March instead of 2nd meeting in February. More on this in our next issue.

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The events will take place Saturday, Feb. 15 at 1:00 p.m. on the estate of D. Cady Herrick on McCormack Road in Slingerlands.

Ollie Palmer has been appointed chairman by Post Commander Campbell.

This year's 1969 Carnival will be bigger and better for the kids in the Town of Bethlehem.

There will be ski-doo rides and racing for all groups. Four-year-olds and under and a second group from five to thirteen years old, and prizes for every winner.

There will be plenty of hot dogs and hot chocolate.

All parents are invited to this event. Besides himself, Ollie has an eight-man committee ready to help at the occasion: Fred Grasser, Bill Mitchell, Guy Williams, John Mullins, Bill Campbell, Hugh Stowers, Bill Atwell, and Joe Cannizzaro.

Committee members and volunteers are reminded to wear Legion hats.

DID YOU KNOW . . .

That Sid Kaplan is quite a skier? He is so good he has been asked to instruct the new comers at some ski lodges. Also that Jim Fanning was in the ski patrol during World War II? Ask him sometime. What is happening at the Post on Friday nights? The crowd has been tremendous . . . maybe Art is giving something away, or maybe it's his great sandwiches. There is dancing with the best bands, just check the juke box, who needs a piano player anyway? Also give credit to member Merwyn Atwood, who is there every Friday night working hard at his post duties.

K. P. Duty

If you had happened into the Post kitchen on a recent Saturday, you would have seen a committee hard at work with soap and water, brushes, mops and plenty of elbow grease doing a thorough job of cleaning.

The Post wishes to thank the "crew" who worked to put everything in tip-top shape: Phil Lee, Bob Getner, Guy Switzer, Hank Voorhees, Hank Kindberg, Gus Williams, Bill Campbell, Frank Freeman and King Rabineau.

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A major responsibility of the FBI is protecting the internal security of the United States. By Presidential Directive of September 6, 1939, the FBI was given the duty of correlating internal security investigations. This directive called upon all law enforcement agencies to furnish promptly to the FBI any information in their possession regarding espionage, sabotage and other subversive activities.

The FBI's investigations are designed to gather both intelligence data and evidence which can be used in legal proceedings. The FBI also has the responsibility of immediately disseminating the information it has gathered to the appropriate officials of the Government.

New Left Movement

The New Left movement has mushroomed into a major security problem, with some of its adherents talking about sabotage, violence and the forcible destruction of certain key facilities. Basically a college student group, the New Left draws its supporters from a motley variety, including beatniks, hippies, disenchanted intellectuals, young faculty members and some "overage" students still on the campus. The movement is held together by a bitter hatred of what is called the "Establishment," that is, the institutions of democratic society. This hatred is reflected by intense opposition to the war in Vietnam, the draft, the ROTC, military recruiting on campus, and the participation by universities in military research. At heart, New Leftist philosophy is anarchistic and nihilist.

At the core of the New Left movement is an organization known as the Students for a Democratic Society (SDS). This group is highly militant and has been chiefly responsible for the New Left's move from a position of "passive dissent" to one of "active resistance." The SDS has been the striking arm of student rebellions, such as at Columbia University in New York City, where violence erupted, including the kidnapping of academic personnel, the seizure

of buildings, and the destruction of property.

The concept of violence as an instrument to destroy the existing social order is inherent in the New Left as it is in the philosophy of the old-line communists who have worked for years to undermine this Nation. Gus Hall, General Secretary, Communist Party, USA, has described the SDS as one of the groups the Party "has going for us." Two of SDS's recently elected national officers have publicly identified themselves as communists "with a small c" to signify that while they are communists, they are a brand different from the so-called "Old Left" Communist Party, USA.

In June, 1968, the SDS held its National Convention at Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan. The mood was one of militancy, referred to as the "Columbia Spirit," meaning the aggressive violence of the Columbia University riot. One of the workshops dealt with sabotage and explosives. The participants discussed various devices which might be developed for use against Selective Service facilities. In addition, they discussed Molotov cocktails fired from shotguns and combustible materials and bombs which might be directed against communication and plumbing systems.

Communist Activities

The Communist Party, USA, with headquarters in New York City, continued its effort to gain respectability in the Nation. The Party has worked unceasingly to encourage Americans to accept it as a legitimate political party (which it is not) and as an organization which works for the best interests of the country (which it does not).

This drive for respectability has been buttressed by a wide variety of public appearances by top leaders, including Gus Hall, Herbert Aptheker, Henry Winston, and others. The Party has been debating a Draft Program (which will set out its position on a variety of topics of current interest) and plans to nominate candidates for President and Vice President at a Special National Convention scheduled to be held in New York City during the first week of July, 1968.

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The Party will also encourage members to run for public office in local and state elections.

Another phase of the Party's drive for respectability was the effort to issue a new paper, the "Daily World," which will replace "The Worker." The "Daily World" is to be a daily paper ("The Worker" was issued twice a week) and will be designed to appeal to noncommunists also. The new paper, however, is being edited by veteran Party members, Carl Winter and John Pittman, and will faithfully follow Party line.

The Communist Party, USA, during the 1968 fiscal year continued to oppose the war in Vietnam, giving support to groups and individuals advocating similar aims. At a press conference on May 18, 1968, in Philadelphia, Gus Hall indicated that campus troubles, strikes, and even the Poor People's March are part of the communist line. The Party is eager to increase its influence in the labor field. A Party Industrial Conference was held in Chicago in April, 1968.

Youth, however, continues as the Party's key target. Michael Zagarell, National Youth Secretary, began a nationwide tour of college campuses in March, 1968, primarily in an effort to enlist student support for the new Marxist paper, "Daily World."

The New Left movement is of considerable concern to the Party. The Party wants to obtain recruits from these students, many of whom talk in Marxist terminology and detest democratic institutions with a passion equal to the Party's. However, the Party realizes that the individualism and lack of amenability to discipline of the New Leftists provide problems. Early in 1968

the Party issued a "Youth Resolution on the New Left" which stated: "We communists do not see the 'New Left' as a force separate and apart from our Party or from the rich, long tradition of the American left. We see it rather as an outgrowth of the seeds we and others helped to sow."

In international relations, the Party furnished steadfast support for the Soviet Union. On the 50th Anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution in November, 1967, the Communist Party's National Committee issued a statement reaffirming its determination to work for American-Soviet friendship and for the triumph of "socialism" in the United States. While in Moscow, as the leader of the official Communist Party delegation to the anniversary celebration, Hall denounced the United States Government in a speech at the Kremlin. In the Arab-Israeli conflict, the Party backed Moscow's support of the Arabs. Hall soon found that there was not wholehearted agreement for this position and was forced to resort to disciplinary measures to quell the dissident members who came out in support of Israel's position.

Splinter Groups

The ideological conflict between the Soviet Union and Red China resulted in the formation of numerous pro-Chinese "splinter" groups. One of the largest and most militant is the Progressive Labor Party. It has a membership of roughly 300 and has branches in New York City, Los Angeles, San Francisco and other cities. Its activities during the past year have centered around racial and anti-Vietnam issues.

Subversion from Abroad

The Soviet Union and its European allies continue to regard the United

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States as a prime espionage target. The two Soviet intelligence networks directed against this country are the KGB (Committee for State Security) and GRU (Soviet Military Intelligence).

A Soviet defector, a former KGB officer, has stated that approximately 70-80 percent of all personnel assigned to a Soviet diplomatic establishment work in the intelligence field. There are two Russian diplomatic establishments in this country: the Soviet Embassy in Washington, D. C., and the Soviet Mission to the United Nations in New York City. A review of the number of Soviet officials in this country over the past 14 years reveals an increase in Soviet diplomatic personnel, which also means more intelligence officers. In 1954, for example, there were 175 Soviet officials; five years later, in 1959, the number had increased by more than 100 and there were 282. By 1964, the figure was up to 346; and as of June 1, 1968, there were 573 Soviet officials here.

In similar fashion, the Soviet satellite nations have targeted their intelligence services against the United States. For example, a Hungarian defector source has indicated that the Hungarian Intelligence Service considers the United States as its prime target. The intertwining of the Soviet and satellite intelligence services is evidenced by the Soviet advisors who lend counsel and assistance to their satellites at a headquarters level and by the liaison maintained in the United States between the representatives of the Soviets and their satellites.

The responsibilities of the FBI in the Cuban area are primarily: (1) the penetration of Cuban intelligence activities in the United States; and (2) the identification of pro-Castro individuals and organizations. The Latin-American Solidarity Organization (LASO) Conference in July and August, 1967, and the Cultural Congress in January, 1968, were held in Havana specifically for planning ways and means of undermining U. S. influence throughout the Western Hemisphere and for infiltration of intelligence agents into the U. S. from Cuba. Therefore, increased vigilance has been necessary in this regard.

Red China continued to regard the United States as its Number One enemy. This fact has resulted in Chinese communist intelligence activities in this country, overt as well as covert, to obtain needed material, especially in the scientific field. Communist China continues its extensive efforts to collect scientific and technical publications from the United States. The FBI remains alert to this danger.

Klan and White Hate Groups

The FBI devoted great effort to groups and individuals whose programs

have the effect of undermining law and order.

Fourteen Klan-type organizations with a combined membership of approximately 12,000 individuals were under investigation. The largest Klan group is the United Klans of America, Incorporated, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, with headquarters in Alabama. It has a membership of approximately 10,000 and is headed by Imperial Wizard Robert Shelton, who was convicted on September 14, 1966, of contempt of Congress for failing to produce organizational records subpoenaed by the House Committee on Un-American Activities. Shelton was sentenced to one year in prison and fined \$1,000. This matter is presently under appeal.

Another prominent Klan organization is the White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan in Mississippi. It was organized in 1964 under the leadership of Imperial Wizard Sam Bowers. In October, 1967, Bowers was convicted of complicity in the murder of three civil rights workers (James Chaney, Andrew Goodman and Michael Schwerner). He is presently free on bond awaiting an appeal of his conviction.

The American Nazi Party's head, George Lincoln Rockwell, was assassinated in August, 1967, in Virginia. Since his death, the Party has closed most of its chapters and only a small contingent remains at this time. Headquarters are located in Arlington, Virginia. This group espouses hatred against Negroes and Jews.

A GOOD SPORT

Hugh Fullerton, famous New York sports writer, once compiled what he called the ten commandments of a good sport. At the same time he pointed out that they can also apply to any and every sort of contest in which human beings take part. They might just as well be called the ten commandments of business, or the ten commandments of friendship. Anyone who can come up to the requirements of these ten rules in the Game of Life, as well as in an athletic contest, automatically becomes a member of the noblest society in existence — the Good Sports.

1. Thou shalt not quit.
2. Thou shalt not alibi.
3. Thou shalt not gloat over winning.
4. Thou shalt not sulk over losing.
5. Thou shalt not take unfair advantage.
6. Thou shalt not ask odds thou are unwilling to give.
7. Thou shalt always be willing to give thine opponent the advantage of the shade.
8. Thou shalt not underestimate an opponent, or overestimate thyself.
9. Remember that the game is the thing, and he who thinks otherwise is a mucker and no true sportsman.
10. Honor the game thou playest, for he who playeth the game straight and hard, wins even when he loses.

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TIME IS GOLD

Don't hurry if you meet a friend,
Sweep by with just "Hello,"
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INDOOR SPORTS DAY

On February 1st our Post will again have the pleasure of providing our annual Indoor Sports Day for those shut-ins for whom this party is planned each year to be held the first Saturday in February. These guests, men and women mostly of adult age, reside in and around our town and the Capital District area. They are a group of people who for various afflictions are confined to their homes mostly.

Commander Bill Campbell has called upon Mike Norton to be our M. C. this year and Fred Grasser to be in charge of the transportation for those attending. The luncheon as usual will be prepared and served by the members of Blanchard Auxiliary. President Maud Hafley will have a committee of her Auxiliary women on hand for this affair.

Entertainment for the afternoon will be provided by a local band known as "The Images". The five young men in this group are Ned Costigan, Steve Kaulfuss, Ronnie Green, Doug Graham and Tom Scherer.

Fly the Flag Feb. 12 and 22

In a continuing effort to have a display of American flags on specific holidays, particularly by Post members we will continue to offer for sale 3 by 5 cotton bunting 50 star flag kits with jointed pole, halyard and bracket for \$3.50 complete.

Kits may be purchased at the Post or from flag chairman George Reeber, 524 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

We also will continue to give a flag kit FREE to any Vietnam veteran in the Tri-Village area.

Oratorical Winner

Ned Stringham has been chosen to represent Blanchard Post 1040 in the American Legion Oratorical Contest. Ned is on the debate team at Bethlehem Central High School and is also on the Student Council. Ned belongs to the First Presbyterian Church, and enjoys skiing, tennis, rock n' roll music, and reading. He is an eleventh grade student. Blanchard Post is grateful to have such a boy representing us. Good luck, Ned.

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10-Year Man "Art"

In a brief ceremony Art Quinn was given a cake and purse celebrating his tenth year as the Post bartender New Year's Eve.

Art wishes to thank everyone for this real surprise and in doing so, he says; "It's nice to work for and with nice people."

ARONOWITZ TO ASSIST LEGION FETE

Samuel E. Aronowitz who was chairman of the front legislative dinner of the state's American Legion in 1919, will be one of three honorary chairmen of the 50th anniversary dinner Feb. 10 at the Thruway Motor Inn.

Aronowitz, a World War 1 veteran and a past department commander of the Legion, will be joined by Lt. Gov. Malcolm Wilson and Mayor Erastus Corning, World War 2 veterans.

The dinner is the climax of the Legion's annual two-day legislative conference and honors legislators who are war veterans, according to Edward R. Delehanty, past department commander and dinner chairman.

William A. Doyle of New Jersey, national commander of the American Legion, will be principal speaker, Delehanty said.

Committee members are Stephen A. Maney, George Jiga, Jr., Thomas Igoe, James Farrell, John McKenna, James Looby, Dan Johnson, Ed Lansing, Niles Tanner, Fred Steinke, Ray Steede, Roy Gomez, Robert Lansing, Charles Fenning, Andrew Kerr and Emil Van Der Kruik.

NEW YEAR'S EVE

New Year's Eve was a gala success. We had a tremendous turnout in spite of weather and the Hong Kong flu.

The Post very happily reports all expenses for this party were met by the reserved ticket sale, extra breakfast plates served and a ham raffle.

The committee wishes to thank one and all who took part in making this night successful. Thanks to those who decorated the hall, to the many people who helped with our breakfast, to the workers who helped clean up and to all who came and supported their post.

Our thanks to Cromwell Printing and Jack McConkey for their donation of the tickets for our New Year's party.

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