

# Ten Forty Times



DELMAR, NEW YORK

MAY 1960

## MEMORIAL DAY EVENTS

The annual program for this important date in the Legion year is being prepared under the chairmanship of George Butman.

The Day will begin with a touching scene at 9:00 a.m. at the graveside of the brave soldier for whom our Post is named, Nathanial Adams Blanchard. The grave is located in Bethlehem Cemetery at Elsmere and Kenwood Avenues. With a prayer by our Chaplain, Commander Greenwood and Auxiliary President Ruth Jorgenson will place wreaths upon the grave after which the Post Firing Squad will fire three rounds of blank cartridges followed by the crying call of a Bugler's "Taps". These words cannot express the emotional feeling that you will get by hearing for your-self the re-echoing sounds of the gun-fire and the bugler. For that feeling and what it means — be there!

Following the Memorial Service at the grave, the annual Memorial Day Parade sponsored by Blanchard Post, gets underway at 10:00 a.m. from outside the Post grounds, at Elsmere and Herber Avenues. Assembly time is a half hour before — at 9:30 a.m.

All Legion members are urged to do honor to the memory of our departed Comrades by parading. Uniform is optional, but the wearing of the Legion cap helps to lend color and identification to the symbolism of the occasion.

The parade will be led off by Dr. Stanley Klett as Grand Marshal. Town of Bethlehem Supervisor Bertram Kohinke and a Past Commander of Blanchard Post, will also be at the head of the

parade as Honorary Grand Marshal.

The parade route, as previously, follows over Elsmere to Kenwood, on Kenwood to the Four Corners, on Delaware to Memorial Park.

At 11:00 a.m., at the conclusion of the parade, final Memorial Services with a Flag-raising will climax the day's events.

In past years this parade and the Memorial Services have been an important event of the year for Bethlehem. For this year, Commander Greenwood and Parade Chairman Butman asks of Blanchard Legionnaires two things: (1) Be in the parade if you can; (2) When the Flag is paraded by, set a good example for the young people, and those who apparently need it, by saluting or standing at attention.

#### 44 to GO!

With only this month left before he retires from this Post job, Membership Chairman Jules Aupperle is arduously seeking 44 members, old or new, to meet our quota of 622.

Most of the credit for the 578 paid-up members on the rolls for this year goes to Jules. The best way we can recognize his good work is to help him get these 44 and more. Those of you who know you've been contacted and deferred your dues payment, please get your dues into the Post quickly. We others can scout around to get new members signed up. There are many vets around just waiting to be asked—and signed.

In case you don't know, our membership affects our Post representation for the County Committee Convention.

Also, for Commander Greenwood who has given the Post an outstanding leadership this year, you are urged to do your part in securing the quota for the good of Blanchard Post and the Legion.

#### Bunny Hop

For the colorful decorations and good time had by all who attended the Easter Dance, thanks go to Chairman John Blanchard and his committee of Don Cronk, Tom Dare, Ken Albert and Doc Klett and his hamburgs. For their part, also, we thank the aforementioned wives, Gloria, Thelma, Jo, Mary and Gerry. And, don't forget Peter Rabbit!

#### Coming In Party

Installation ceremonies for the 1960-1961 officers of the Post will take place Saturday evening, May 21. The installing officer will be Past Commander Harold Barkhuff. Following the transfer of titles from Commander Greenwood and staff to his successors there will be dancing to commence at 10:00 p.m. with music by Sammy Bruno and his musicians. A buffet supper will be served. All Post members and their guests welcome.

#### COMING EVENTS

MAY - POPPY MONTH

MON., MAY 2—Regular monthly meeting. Nominating Committee reports their slate of officers for 1960-61. Refreshments, of course.

MON., MAY 9 — Executive Committee meeting (this is the last scheduled meeting for the administration of Commander Greenwood).

MON., MAY 16—Mid-monthly meeting. Annual elections. Refreshments.

SAT., MAY 21—Installation of officers. Dancing follows with buffet supper.

MON., MAY 30—Memorial Day Parade.

TUES., JUNE 14—Flag Day —

display the Flag.

TUES., JULY 4—Independence Day—display the Flag.

#### **BOWLING WINDUP**

The Marines have landed!

The close of the 1959-1960 bowling scoreboard shows these standings:

	Won	Lost
Marines, Clayt Smith	58	26
Artillery, Dick Cole	47	37
Infantry, Al Greenwood	431/2	$40\frac{1}{2}$
Engineers, Frank Walsh	41	43
Coast Guard, Bill Johnston	40	44
Navy, Jules Aupperle	37	47
Tanks, Walt Berry	36	48
Army, Frank Denson	331/2	501/2

Frank Walsh topped 'em all. In the Class A group his high average was 185, high single, 246 and high triple of 673.

In Class B, Bert Jablon had the high average of 158; Ed Loftus a 241 high single; and Paul Devio a 570 high triple.

Class C merits go to Bill Tougher who had 152 high average, tied with Ralph Butler for high single with 221; and hit 567 for the high three.

Looked upon as the most improved bowler is Bill Mesick.

The team of George Butman and Garry Guertze won the Hi-Lo tournament with 1,055 pins; George had 565 for the high triple and Charles Loftus a 223 single.

Blanchard's representation to the Department tournament at Newburgh made a bright showing in their personally-purchased red bowling shirts with the Post name emblazoned on them. The members of the two teams had a good time, so who cares about the scores!

#### 1959-1960 BLANCHARD POST

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#### **OFFICERS**

ALVIN W. GREENWOOD	$\dots$ Commander
FREDERICK H. VOGEL	ice-Commander
RICHARD P. DALTON	ice-Commander
GIVEN S. HYNDS	ice-Commander
WILLIAM H. BUTMAN	Finance Officer
ALEXANDER J. WOEHRLE	Adjutant
PATRICK H. IGOE S	Sergeant-at-Arms
REV. CHARLES H. KAULFUSS	Chaplain
GEORGE F. WENGER	
OTTO DE HEUS	Historian
Julius Aupperle, Jr Member	rship Committee
FRED E. BUKER, JR	.Service Officer

ALEXANDER J. WOEHRLE, Editor

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Harold E. Jorgensen	3 yrs.
Herbert G. Drew	3 yrs.
Joseph V. Von Ronne	3 yrs.
Arnold F. Mosmen	2 yrs.
Harold C. Barkhuff	2 yrs.
Edward E. A. Starkweather	2 yrs.
William Johnston, Jr.	1 yr.
Charles E. Waldron	1 yr.
Frederick J. Dearstyne	1 yr.
Richard C. Lenseth - ex o	fficio

#### COUNTY COMMITTEE

Harold C. Barkhuff, Chairman Alvin W. Greenwood Herbert G. Drew Patrick H. Igoe William Johnston, Jr. Richard C. Lenseth

#### ALTERNATES

Henry Voorhees William Segur Alexander J. Woehrle Stanley Klett Julius Aupperle, Jr. Wayne Davis

#### WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

Newest additions to Blanchard Post membership roster are Lawrence B. Mc-Arthur of Burhans Place, Samuel T. Frone of Ridge Road, Robert H. Manley of 275 Delaware Avenue, and John J. Beglin of Lincoln Avenue. Their applications for Legion membership was approved last month by the Executive Committee.

Larry McArthur served nearly four years with the Air Corps during WW2. He's now with the State Civil Service Dept. and is a colonel in the Air Force Reserve, presently assigned to the recently organized Reserve Selective Service System Selection in Albany. His Legion membership was sponsored by Fred Dearstyne.

Sam Frone served nearly three years with the Army in WW2. His sponsor is Joe Von Ronne.

Bob Manley, an attorney, had Navy duty for two years in WW2 and then two more years with the Air Force in the Korean conflict. Tom Cleary signed him into the Legion.

John Beglin had over seven years with the Navy. Now he's a salesman. Guy Smith, Jr. is his sponsor.

#### HONORED

Fourteen Past Commanders of Blanchard Post were present at the annual Commanders' Dinner on April 2. Star of the night was Herb Drew who gave a scintillating performance as emcee. Past Dept. Comdr. John Ryan was guest speaker. The theme of his talk was a call for more participation in Legion affairs by its members. Chaplain Kaulfuss made the Invocation and gave the Benediction. Otto de Heus presented his fellow pastcommanders Ralph Butler, Harold Barkhuff, Bert Kohinke, Harold Williams, George Butman, Bill Segur, Joe Von Ronne, Bill Johnston, Jim Fanning, Fred Dearstyne, George Schreck, Herb Drew and Dick Lenseth.

To accompany the honors bestowed by the Past Commanders upon their husbands, corsages were presented to Mrs. Wenger and Mrs. Woehrle and Auxiliary President Ruth Jorgenson was likewise

recognized for her work.

For outstanding service to Blanchard Post, the Past Commanders presented their coveted awards, diamond-studded Legion pins, to the Judge Advocate, George Wenger, and the Post Adjutant, Al Woehrle. George earned his honor for the work he did in preparing the revised Constitution and By-Laws of or Post. The new Constitution goes into effect next month. It will replace the present one which was written in the era of post World War I and prohibition and served the membership of our Post for thirty years. His pin was awarded to him by Harold Barkhuff.

Al Woehrle won his pin for editing the TEN FORTY TIMES for the past two years. Dick Lenseth made the presentation because it was in his regime that Al succeeded to the editorship from Herb Drew who began the TIMES during the commandership of Bob Schreck. Your present Commander, Al Green-wood, made it the slick publication it

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#### **BOAT SAFETY PROGRAM**

Under the chairmanship of Given Hynds, our Post is sponsoring a Boat Safety Program which the N. Y. State Conservation Dept. is eager to have extended to all children between the ages of 10 and 14. The obvious affect of this

program is reducing boating accidents. With Chairman Hynds, Legionnaires Bill Johnston, Joe Von Ronne, Maury Otis, Doc Klett, and Bud Mosmen, accompanied by Bud's son, Bud, and Joe's son, Ronny and Madison Kern, are attending a course for instructors at the Albany Yacht Club after which they will be certified to conduct the classes which will be at the Post Hall. The time for these classes will be announced later.

These classes will be open to the general public. In initiating the program, Commander Greenwood announced "this is another means by which the American Legion can show its usefulness to the community. I am happy that Given Hynds and his associates are willing to give their time and effort to this worthy public cause. I know these Legionnaires will do their part in the program. I am hopeful the public responds to the seriousness that brought on this program."

#### A BOYS' STATER REPORTS

Comdr. Greenwood has named Executive Committeeman Ed Waldron to again be chairman for Blanchard's Boy's State program. As in previous years, the 1960 Boys State meeting will take place in Hamilton College. Last year David Fordham was Blanchard's delegate to Boys'

State. Here is his report:
"Attending Boys' State of New York is something, having once experienced it, no one can ever forget. From the basis of the quality and character of the participants alone, the occasion would have been memorable. But add to that the purpose of Boys' State to give the students practical knowledge and experience in our democratic form of government and vou get something that is unsurpassed in excellence and worthiness.

"Each citizen at Boys' State obtained a close look at the operation of both politics and government, and learned by actually doing the work and effort required in the operation of public office at

city, county and state government levels.
"I have nothing but high praise for the American Legion for arranging this fine program for the future citizens of our State and America."

#### BATTER UP!

Legion baseball gets underway in mid-June. For it plans are now being set by Blanchard's team manager, Dick Dalton, who is also secretary for the County Legion Baseball Program. At the last Post meeting Dick gave us this report: Albany County has ten teams of pre-18 year old lads. There are 16 boys on a squad. Tryouts commence at the end of the school season. Occasionally our boys go on to a major league (Johnny Stokey of Milwaukee came from our Post).

Most all of the teams have a sponsor. Blanchard is sponsored by Livermore Chevrolet Co. for a good part of the team's expenses—uniforms, equipment, etc. To supplement this, the County solicits Boosters at 25¢ a ticket (5 for \$1) and has a drawing on May 26 for a Hi-Fi or Portable TV, a transistor radio and a \$25.000 Government Bond.

Commander Greenwood has appointed "Lucky" Joe Von Ronne and Bud Mosmen to direct Blanchard's quota of 150 Booster Books to be sold.

Helping Manager Dick Dalton are Jim Hamlin, Willie Delaney and Clarence Lephart, who will form and manage our squad. Some of the team will be holdovers from last year. However, a good part of the squad will be new material.

When the schedule of games is announced, Manager Dalton looks for Blanchard Posters to turn out in enthusiastic numbers to root our team on.

#### Paste This on Back Bumper

The week of May 9th is to be Safe Driving Week. To keep Blanchard Legion Post members alert to this event, this item is published with the suggestion offered in the headline and the reminder to any motorist "If you can read this, you're too da - - ed close".

#### Let's See You Cap This!

No doubt you have frequently promised yourself to buy a Legion cap-but just never got around to it.

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