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HERE ARE YOUR NEW LEADERS



Recently installed officers of the Post, from left to right are, John Brady, Kenneth Burns, Michael Mele, Robert Smith, Henry Voorhees, Joe Cummings, Daniel Lantz.

INTRODUCING OUR NEW COMMANDER

Although he was born in Albany, Bob grew up in Orwell, Vermont, a small town on Lake Champlain directly across from Ticonderoga, N. Y. In spite of being urged to stay on the farm by the local draft board, he enlisted in the army as soon as his high school graduation.

Upon completion of training and maneuvers Bob went overseas as a heavy machine gun squad leader with D Com-

pany, 289th Infantry of the 75th Division. He readily admits that it was in the European Theater of Operations that there were many times he wished he had listened to the draft board.

As is true with most infantrymen, his highest prized decoration is his Combat Infantry Badge even though he was awarded the Purple Heart, Bronze Star and three Battle Stars.

In 1947 Bob married Lenore, a native Vermonter. Seeing as how they had known each other since they were six, you could hardly say they had a whirlwind courtship. Bob and Lenore have two children, Bette, a student at the Senior High and John who is working his way through the Middle School in Delmar. Bob, a tax examiner, has served the State of New York for over 22 years.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE NEW COMMANDER

I was most pleased to be installed recently as Commander of Blanchard Post. To me it is an honor and one that I am proud of. It is also a position of such responsibility and trust, far too big a job for one man to do alone.

If our post is to continue to grow and prosper, it will require the help, work and cooperation of all of the membership. The knowledge that this help is readily available in our post was a major factor in causing we to accept the position of Commander.

I am sure the membership will not let me down. I hope and pray that I will be able to live up to the precedent of fine leadership established by previous commanders of Blanchard Post.

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Memorial Services

The Legion and the Auxiliary did a fine job in turning out for the Memorial Services held at St. Stephens Church on May 23 at 7:30. A conservative count of the attendance was around 75 and probably 96 percent were Blanchardites.

We would be greatly remiss if we did not take this opportunity to publicly thank our Post Chaplain Father Kaulfuss for the fine service he led us in. It was straightforward and to the point, but done with the greatest dignity.

GRAND MARSHALS FOR 1971 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE



Alvin Greenwood, left, and George Brown, right, are two of the "Three Muskateers" who were Grand Marshals for the 1971 Bethlehem Memorial Day Parade that was held in Delmar at 10 a.m. on May 31. The missing Muskateer is Guy Smith who, unfortunately, was a patient at the Albany VA Hospital at the time the picture was taken. Brown, Greenwood and Smith are long-time residents of Delmar and active in the affairs of the Nathaniel A. Blanchard Post, American Legion.

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Joint Installation Held

For the first time since its conception, Blanchard Post held a joint installation of officers with the Legion and Auxiliary participating. Robert J. Smith was installed by Harold Barkhuff as the new Commander and Maud Hafley installed Barbara Palmer as the new President of the Auxiliary. The installation service. which was quite well attended, was followed by refreshments served under the direction of outgoing Commander John V. Ennis.

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The 1971-72 leadership of the Auxiliary, from the left, Peg Korp, Gloria Broom—pro tem for Marcia Turner, Helen Quinn—pro tem for Maud Hafley, May Smith, Barbara Palmer, Lenore Smith, Della Brady, Barbara Whitney, Diane Grasser and Maud Hafley.

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And address by Eric A. Walker, Ph.D. to the graduating class of Penn State University during his recent tenure as President.

This ceremony marks the completion of an important phase of your life. It is an occasion in which all who knew you can share in your sense of pride and accomplishment. But no one has more pride in your accomplishment than the older generation. But I am not going to say we have made a mess of things and you, the younger ones, are the hope of mankind. I would like to reverse that process. For if you of the graduating class will look over into the bleachers to your left or right, I will reintroduce you to representatives of some of the most remarkable people ever to walk the earth. These are people you already know your parents and grandparents. And, if you will bear with me for five minutes, I think you will agree that a remarkable people they are indeed.

These — your parents and grandparents — are the people who within just five decades 1919-1969 have by their work increased your life expectancy by approximately 50 percent — who, while cutting the working day by a third, have more than doubled per capita output.

These are the people who have given you a healthier world than they found. And because of this you no longer have to fear epidemics of flu, typhus, smallpox, diptheria, scarlet fever, measles or mumps that they knew in their youth.

Let me remind you that these remarkable people lived through history's greatest depression. Many of these folk know

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what it is to be poor, what it is to be hungry and cold. And because of this, they determined that it wouldn't happen to you.

Because they gave you the best, you are the tallest, healthiest, brightest, and probably best looking generation to inhabit the land.

They are also the people who fought man's grisliest war. They are the people who defeated the tyranny of Hitler, and who when it was all over, had the compassion to spend billions of dollars to help their former enemies rebuild their homeland. And these are the people who had the sense to start the United Nations.

And they made a start — although a late one — in healing the scars of the earth and in fighting pollution and the destruction of our natural environment.

While they have done all these things, they have had some failures. They have not yet found an alternative for war, nor for racial hatred. Perhaps you, the members of this graduating class, will perfect the social mechanisms by which all men may follow their ambitions without the threat of force - so that the earth will no longer need police to enforce the laws, nor armies to prevent some men from trespassing against others. But they - those generations — made some progress by the sweat of their brows than in any previous era, and don't you forget it. And if your generation can make as much progress in as many areas as these two generations have, you should be able to solve a good many of the world's remaining ills.

It is my hope, and I know the hope of these two generations, that you find the answers to many of these problems that plague mankind.

But it won't be easy. And you won't do it by negative thoughts nor by tearing down or belittling. You may and can do it by hard work, humility, hope, and faith in mankind. Try it.

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TEN-FORTY TIMES BOWLING NEWS

... AND THE really big news is in, to wit: by a landslide vote the duly elected League Officers for 1971-72 are:

President George Butman
Vice President John Haker
Secretary Charles Wiley
Treasurer Lawrence Monette
... Class A Awards—Ron Unser, high
average 172; Walt Berry, high triple

600; Skip Larkin, high single 246. ... Class B Awards—Vern Eagan, high average 147; Fred Buker, high triple 592; Charles Wiley, high single 229.

... Most Improved Bowler — William Mitchell, from 149 to 161.

... Winning Team: The Marines—Capt. Aldon Pugliese, Angelo Tangora, Doug Roach and William Campbell.

... Special Trophy Award presented by Ronald Unser (Sporthaven Alleys) to Bill Alwell for seventeen straight spares. ... Hi-Lo Prizes: For Team (1) William Volk/Richard Cole; (2) William Campbell/Richard Lenseth; (3) Walt Berry/ Lawrence Monette • High Triple (1) W. Johnston; (2) C. Larkin; (3) R. Cole · High Single (1) W. Berry; (2) A. Tangora; (3) W. Johnston • Low Score Single and Double-Edward Somebody. ... etc. etc. etc. ... A big vote of appreciations to Al Beckmann & Dick Cole for the splendid door prizes . . . & the meal at the 5/22/71 banquet was excellent . . . & we have been a tourney minded league this year (a) Cortland where Bill Mitchell, Ed Bollman, Bill Alwell, Jack Brady, Ed Hanrahan and Ken Burns had one heckuva good time-there was some fine bowling by some of the members & some not-so-fine BUT the fabulous stories that you hear around what ye editor calls the Soda Fountain are so much better than (1) I could fabricate, (2) what actually happened—that I will not add anything but these few facts:

1. Bill Mitchell won the admiration of all by setting a new course record—four steaks consumed within fourteen hours;

2. There was a mix up in signals and

one of our teams could not participate. However, I understand that the Dalton/ Adams team did very well in the singles and doubles entry;

3. Ken Burns thinks that he won the prize for sleeping eleven straight hours, however, the prize money for this has not yet been released;

4. Ed Bollman won a tribute from the Cortland Explorer Scouts for scouting every inch of territory within 50 miles of Cortland:

5. On the way out we stopped for a little refreshment & all ordered a glass of ginger ale. Being ecology and sanitary minded we naturally looked over the plumbing facilities. We were forced to leave the joi....! er I mean establishment in a hurry when much to the disgust of John Brady he discovered that they were dispensing intoxicating beverages and much to the horror of Bill Alwell he overheard some of the customers using profane language;

6. The five of us have talked it over & all agree that they are looking forward to the next State Tourney to be held at Hempstead, Long Island. Ed Hanrahan hasn't been contacted but I think that he would say, "I'll drink to that!" ... We put two teams in the Tourney of Champions-both teams did quite well & the team who bowled under the Engineers banner hope for a little prize money perhaps. The bowling Engineers were: Jack (not Ed) McDermott, Ken (not Kin) Burns, Bill (or Wm.) Volk, Bill (ditto) Campbell and Ray (mond) Bender. The bowling Infantrymen were Bill Mitchell, Jack Brady, Ed Loftus, Bill Alwell and Dick Lenseth.

... & let's all cooperate with our new officers to get all teams filled and have eight teams with five men on each team for the entire 1971-72 season ... & thank you for reading our column this past season & let's go-go-go on Friday, September 10, 1971 at 6:45 p.m.

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"On the second day, man looked upon the waters of the Earth and said, 'Let us put our waste in our waters and the dirt will be washed away.' And man did. And the waters, the rivers and the lakes, became polluted and foul in their color and smell. And man said, 'It is good.'

"On the third day, man looked upon the forests of the Earth and saw that they were beautiful. And man said, 'Let us cut the timber for our homes and grind the wood for our use.' And man did. And the land became barren and the trees were gone. And man said, 'It is good.'

"On the fourth day, man saw that the animals were in abundance and ran in the fields and played in the sun. And man said, 'Let us cage these animals for our amusement and kill them for our sport.' And man did. And there were no more animals on the face of the Earth. And man said, 'It is good.'

"On the fifth day, man breathed the air of the Earth. And man said, 'Let us dispose of our wastes in the air for the winds shall blow them away.' And man did. And the air became heavy with smoke and dust. The sun could not be seen and the winters became long and cold. And man said, 'It is good.'

"On the sixth day, man saw himself; and seeing the many peoples, their languages, their cultures and their colors, he feared and hated. And man said, 'Let us build great machines and bombs,' and the Earth was fired with the rage of great wars. And man said, 'It is good.'

"On the seventh day, man rested from his labors and the Earth was still, for man no longer dwelt upon the Earth. And it was good."

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