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JUNE 1964

## ADJ. O'HARA NOW COMMANDER

Post Commander for 1964-65 is Charles J. O'Hara. After serving successively as a Vice Commander in 1962-63 and Post Adjutant this past year, the O'Hara name headed the slate of nominees prepared by the Nominating Committee. That committee had for its chairman, P.C. Al Greenwood with P.C. Joe Von Ronne and Art Quinn as members.

Elected with the new commander were:

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Charlie O'Hara was born in New York City. He and his family have been residents of the Town of Bethlehem for

the past 11 years. Their home is at 119 Orchard Street, Slingerlands. Mary and Charlie O'Hara have four little O'Haras—two boys and two girls. Charles, Jr. is on the Mullens Intermediate Little League Team—and his dad, our Commander is the team manager.

It was while Charlie was Vice Commander and Membership Chairman, last year, that Blanchard Post scored the highest membership record in its history—760. He's been a Legionnaire since 1950 and transferred to our Post from Albany's Fort Orange Post.

At one time in his military career, Charlie was a "Fighting Irishman" during his service with the 165th Infantry of the New York National Guard. From the Infantry, Charlie was switched over to the 9th Air Force and sent to the European Theatre of Operations. During the Korean "Police" Action he was *retreaded* and only recently was retired in the grade of lieutenant colonel.

Our new Commander was graduated from New York University with a degree of bachelor of science in business administration. He is in the personnel division of the New York State Department of Social Welfare.

At installation ceremonies on May 23, the title of Post Commander transferred from Richard P. Dalton who now joins the ranks of Past Post Commanders.

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## Your Social Security

For his first mid-monthly meeting, our new commander, Charles O'Hara has arranged for a speaker to present a subject that has considerable interest for all members of the Post and the Auxiliary as well as their families, neighbors, and friends. An open invitation is given to all the grown-ups in the community to attend the June 15 meeting—scheduled for 8:30 p.m.

Speaker for the evening will be Stephen A. Carraro of the Federal Social Security Administration. With a film presentation and a question-and-answer period, Mr. Carraro will offer the "Social Security Story".

## BLANCHARD CALENDAR

MONDAY, JUNE 1—Post Affairs Committee meets at 7:30 p.m.

MONDAY, JUNE 1—Regular monthly Post meeting at 8:30 p.m.; Refreshments follow.

SATURDAY, JUNE 6—Bus Ride to Mets-Dodgers Game at Shea Stadium in New York City; Fee is \$12; for tickets see Dick Lenseth HE 9-2096.

SUNDAY, JUNE 14—Flag Day—Display the American Flag.

MONDAY, JUNE 15—Regular Mid-monthly Post meeting at 8:30 p.m.; Guest speaker to talk about Social Security; Refreshments follow.

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## SAFE SUMMER

With more cars on the highways, more small craft afloat, and flying always on the increase, it is timely that the annual reminder be made for a safe and sane summer.

Mark your calendar now for the first monthly meeting after summer. That will be Tuesday, September 8.

Some other dates to mark are: July 4, to fly the Flag; the Post's Jr. Baseball Schedule during this month and next; County Legion meeting at Scully Post in Albany on June 28, a Sunday afternoon; a look-in on Boys State at Colgate University or Girls State at Elmira College if you're in those areas later this month.

A destination you may want to keep in mind is a trip to the American Legion Mountain Camp at Tupper Lake. Several of our members, make this an annual outing. It can be for a day or a week-end or a week. Try it, once. (And by the way have you joined up for a \$1 as a Mountaineer to maintain the veteran's welfare function of this project?).

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## Sick Call

Reported sick last month were: Jim Cornes and Bill Spaulding. Art Mabeus was also in the hospital for a while but has returned to his home in Albany.

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**MARY'S CORNER**

On Tuesday evening, June 16, President Mary Conner will preside at the last regular Auxiliary meeting for this season. On that night a nominating committee will be named which will present a slate of officers for election and installation at the September meeting. Auxiliary unit activities take a vacation during the months of July and August. Department Convention will be at Syracuse this year on July 30, July 31 and August 1, to which our unit will send President Mary and another delegate to be elected at the June meeting.

On May 16 Mary Conner and Maud Hafley attended the Spring Conference held at Sharon Springs, N. Y.

As a result of the efforts of some of our hard-working gals, a tidy sum was turned over to the Treasury following a dinner at the Post Rooms which was served by them and the clean-up taken care of. The Food Executive Association arranged for this dinner, which was provided by the Campbell Soup Co., on Tuesday evening, May 12. Mary Conner, chairman, was assisted by Esther Cooke, co-chairman, and the following Auxiliary members: Toni Spinosa, Helen Quinn, Maud Hafley, Christine Barkhuff, Viola Knapp, Claire Colonna, Henrietta Ballo and Peg Lilly. From what we hear, Peg Lilly and Helen Quinn, after the experience gained that night, could qualify any time for a dishwashing contest and win with flying colors. Our hearty thanks to this entire hard-working committee!

Charlotte Johnston, Chairman of Ways and Means, extends a sincere thank you to her committee and also all Auxiliary members who helped with the recent raffle, particularly on the night of the card party, April 22nd. Esther Cooke was the lucky winner of the Hamilton Beach Electric Portable Hand Mixer, and the net proceeds amounted to approximately \$65.00. This left a small balance to be retained in the Treasury after the \$50.00 Auxiliary donation to the Bethlehem Memorial Fund was written off the books. The success of this endeavor was most gratifying and Charlotte is to be commended for her efforts.

Typical of the causes in which our Auxiliary participates throughout the year is the \$50.00 contribution voted at the last meeting for the Alaskan Relief Fund. This is the sort of thing of which our Unit can be justly proud, along with all the other worthwhile programs it supports.

As announced in the last issue, Miss Suzanne Flandreau, 19 Rose Court, Elsmere, will represent Blanchard Unit at Girls' State to be held at Elmira College the week of June 19 to 27. Unit Girls' State Chairman, Helen Quinn, will escort Miss Flandreau to the Tea being held at Silverstein Post on Sunday, June 7, for all area Girls' Staters. We sincerely hope that her week at Girls' State will prove both enjoyable and educational for Suzanne, and we will look forward to our visit from her when meetings resume in the fall.

It has come to our attention that some Post members have inquired with regard to Auxiliary membership for their wives. We wish it were possible to personally seek out those interested ladies. Through this column it is hoped that our cordial invitation to join will

reach them. Eligibility can be through a husband, father, son or brother presently in good standing with any Legion Post. The Auxiliary is primarily a service organization, but its members enjoy many social opportunities as well. The programs are many and varied which it sponsors. We work but we have fun while we work, and we welcome and need new interested members. As you who are presently members read this column, please think whether or not there is someone you know eligible whom you could bring around to meetings in the fall. Non-members who read this and feel interested, don't hesitate to come forward! Norrine Cooke, Membership Chairman, will be more than happy to give you all the details. Telephone HE 9-3057.

Did you hear what Rickey Cooke give his Mother for Mother's Day—a case of German Measles? Norrine is back in harness and no longer speckled! President Mary, at this writing, is still handicapped with a cast on her arm, but she is in there fighting all the way! Florence Holmes is now recuperating at the Steadwell Nursing Home, 1445 Rugby Road, Schenectady, N. Y. She would love to hear from her Auxiliary friends. Mary Deitz, by the time this issue is printed, should be back home recuperating from a recent operation. Ona Brown also is on the convalescent list and recuperating at home from a recent illness. Our sincere best wishes for speedy and complete recoveries go out to all these members.

While this is being written, plans for the Annual Poppy Sale under the able chairmanship of Ruth Jorgensen are being completed. It is not possible to list the workers at this time but Ruth wishes to express her appreciation and thanks for the cooperation received and the hard work put into this drive by all who took part or helped in any way.

Remember, the June 16 meeting will be preceded by a Pot Luck Supper. It starts at 6:30 p.m. Bring along whatever food you'd like to share—and also your own place-setting. Chairman for the occasion is Ruth Dalton.

Have a pleasant summer and enjoy every minute of it!

'Bye, Kay Mosmen

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## BOY'S STATER

Blanchard Post's representative this month at the American Legion Boy's State meeting is Robert Spence, 15, a junior at Bethlehem Central High School. He is the son of Dr. and Mrs. James R. Spence of 36 Delmar Place, Delmar. Robert's father has a doctorate degree in education and is director of the admissions program for the State University of New York.

Boys State is at Colgate University, Hamilton, New York, from June 21 to June 27.

The Boy's State Committee which chose Robert is Chairman Whitman Daniels with committee members P.C. Herbert Drew and William Hazel who is a past chairman of the Boy's State Committee.

At a fall meeting Boy's Stater Spence will make a report to our Post.

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He doesn't get to meetings too often, but when he does he gets results. He is Gus Williams. At the May 4 meeting he brought up the matter about water seeping into the lower floor of the Post's quarters. Some discussion brought out that to have this corrected would be costly. Gus told how the job could be done for very little cost and volunteer help. By the mid-May meeting the job was done. Ed Costigan helped Gus get it done. Now Gus is working on a project to have a ladies' room on the downstairs floor of the building.

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## No. 5 Pin Missed

Blanchard Post's entry in the Department of New York American Legion Tournament came "in the money". The 5-men team had for its captain, Dick Williams. Behind him were Frank Walsh, Bill Tougher, Barney Green and Commander Dick Dalton. In the team event they marked up 2898 points which placed them in a prize position. In the singles, Frank Walsh scored with a 594. The other members of the team report there's no telling how far out in front they may have gone if Commander Dalton hadn't missed Number 5 pin.

The tournament was in Cortland. After the games, our Star team members with their wives went on to Syracuse for a happy Saturday night.

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**BATTER UP!**

With his retirement from the commandship of Blanchard Post, Dick Dalton is prepared to give back some of that extra time he has devoted for so long to managing the Post-sponsored junior baseball team. Here's the upcoming schedule for the season:

Tryouts and practice sessions for the Blanchard Post American Legion Baseball team are scheduled for Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7 at the Bethlehem Central Senior High School Field.

Times are as follows:

10:30 A. M. Saturday, June 6  
1:30 P. M. Sunday, June 7

All area boys who have completed their Babe Ruth eligibility and will not be 19 years old until after September 1, 1964 are eligible to participate.

There are a number of vacancies on the roster as only seven boys are returning from last year's Southern Division championship club.

BLANCHARD POST OPENS THE SEASON ON SATURDAY, JUNE 13 WITH SCULLY POST AT BLEECKER STADIUM AT 2:00 P. M.

THE BALANCE OF THE SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS:

Sunday, June 14 at 2:00 p.m.  
Voorheesville at Voorheesville  
Thursday, June 18 at 6:30 p.m.  
Fort Orange at State College  
Saturday, June 20 at 2:00 p.m.  
Capital City at State College  
Sunday, June 21 at 2:00 p.m.  
Coeymans at DELMAR  
Wednesday, June 24 at 6:30 p.m.  
Capital City at DELMAR  
Saturday, June 27 at 6:00 p.m.  
Coeymans at Ravena  
Sunday, June 28 at 2:00 p.m.  
Voorheesville at DELMAR  
Monday, June 29 at 6:30 p.m.  
Scully at DELMAR  
Wednesday, July 1 at 6:30 p.m.  
Fort Orange at DELMAR  
Saturday, July 4 at 2:00 p.m.  
Menands at Mullon Park  
Sunday, July 5 at 2:00 p.m.  
Green Island at DELMAR  
Wednesday, July 8 at 6:30 p.m.  
Cohoes at Cohoes  
Thursday, July 9 at 6:30 p.m.  
Colonie at DELMAR  
Saturday, July 11 at 2:00 p.m.  
Beverwyck at DELMAR  
Sunday, July 12 at 2:00 p.m.  
North Albany at Mullon  
Wednesday, July 15 at 6:30 p.m.  
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## TIME'S RUNNING OUT

We need 55 paid-up members to get our quota. The deadline to hit that mark is June 28, the date of the County Legion Convention. For those who have been putting off until tomorrow the job of forwarding current dues (\$7.50) to the Post, perhaps this will serve as a reminder to do it TODAY. Continuous membership has its merits—don't risk the loss of those merits. Maybe some of our current paid-up members can spend a little extra effort to encourage a veteran eligible for Legion membership to join us and get us closer to that 755-mark. If you're without a membership application blank, just get the prospective member's name, address, and wartime service data with the dues and forward them to the Post before the deadline date.

For his work this past year, despite the increase in dues, a standing ovation was given Vice Commander and Membership Chairman Fred Stahlhut at the mid-May meeting. Retiring Commander Dalton pointed out that Fred's efforts were especially noteworthy because he took on the difficult chore of membership several months after the Legion year had begun.

## Contributions

Under the auspices of the Americanism Committee, last month Blanchard Post contributed \$5 toward the support of the International Center in Albany. This project was recommended by Legionnaire Fred Muchelot. This year Fred and his family will be hosts to a Foreign Exchange student. For those unfamiliar with the program of the International House, Fred recommends a visit to their quarters on Willett Street in Albany.

Another Legion - sponsored project which had the support of Blanchard Post last month is the Alaska Disaster Fund. On a motion by Pat Igoe, approval was given to donate \$10 to the County Legion Committee for this program.

## Booster Up!

Albany County Legion is conducting its annual Booster program which helps to support the Legion Baseball Program. P.C. Dick Dalton, our Junior Baseball Committee Chairman has a supply of Booster tickets, 25¢ each or 5 for \$1, for all of us to participate in this program. Dick says "Every little boost helps!" Please do.

## Welcome, Buddies

Recently inducted new members into our Post were: Rufus W. Burlingame, Joseph P. Senecal and Harry H. Sheaffer.

Next induction ceremony is scheduled for the mid-June meeting.

## FISHING'S OVER

This arrived too late for last month. Sally Foster, as secretary of the Post's Bowling Mixed League, even with her new baby, took the effort to make it available. Here's the standing of the League at the close of the season:

Three top teams are:

1. Perches—Stan Klett, George Butman, Fran Hynds and Belle Mayers.
2. Bullheads—Bill Flint captain.
3. a. Piranhas—Chet Becker, captain and  
b. Smelts—Clarence Lephart, captain

Top three men are:

1. Clarence Lephart—176
2. Gus Franze—165
3. Stan Klett—164

Top three women are:

1. Grace Franze—147
2. Fran Hynds—146
3. Tillie Lephart—143

High Single (men) Jules Aupperle 256;  
(women) Betty Brandon 203.

High Triple (men) Bill Flint 619;  
(women) Tillie Lephart 509.

New Officers are:

Grace Franze, President; Jules Aupperle, Vice President; Adele Strickland, Secretary; George Mayers, Treasurer.

Retiring Officers are:

Howard Lockhart, President; Grace Franze, Vice President; Sally Foster, Secretary; Adele Strickland, Treasurer.

## FLAG DAY CEREMONY

An invitation to attend the Flag Day Program sponsored by the Bethlehem Elks Lodge at their Lodge Quarters on Flag Day, June 14, is extended to all of us by Exalted Ruler Bill O'Neil of the Elks who is also a Blanchard Legionnaire. The Elks Lodge is off the River Road (Rte. 144) near Winne, in Selkirk. Ceremonies get underway at three p.m. There will be a buffet.

In connection with this subject, our new Vice Commander George Reiber reminds those who want to purchase a Flag kit they are available at our Post at \$4.40. George, who has been serving as the Post's Flag Chairman was instrumental in obtaining an American Flag which recently flew atop the United States Capitol. The Architect of the Capitol gave the Flag to Representative Leo W. O'Brien with the following letter:

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