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Building Fund Finance Committee Reports

Your Committee has contacted the membership in person or by phone over the past two months. We have actually talked with over 500 members via the telephone and, in addition, have written personal letters to some 200 members. The response to our efforts has been most gratifying and to-date cash and pledges received has amounted to over \$27,000.00.

The Building Fund needs at least \$40,000.00 in order for us to break ground. This means we need \$13,000.00 to reach our goal. We are sure that if those who have said they would donate or pledge, fulfill their obligation, the \$13,000.00 would be over-subscribed. Please!!! If you haven't yet sent in your donation or pledge - do so at once!

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Blanchard Post Baseball

Tryouts for the 1969 team will be held at the Junior High Shool field on Saturday, June 7, at 11:00 a.m. and on Sunday, June 8, at 1 p.m. All boys born or after August 1, 1950, and who have completed their Babe Ruth eligibility,

are cordially invited to attend.

Blanchard Post has openings for at least eight new players this year. If you know of any boys who want to play ball, who fit the eligibility requirements, and who are capable of meeting Legion Competition, please inform them of try-

out times.

Warren Boutelle will be coaching the team for the sixth season this coming year. In Warren's first year we went to the State semi-finals, but we haven't been as successful since. However, we have had good clubs every year and have enjoyed many close games and pennant races. We are sure that our 1969 club will be a representative team.

The schedule has not been formally adopted as yet. We are experiencing some difficulty with availability of baseball fields in the Capital District area. The schedule will be printed in local papers and copies will be available at the Post.

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Auxiliary President's Corner

By Marcia Rosenfield

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AUXILIARY NEWS

Congratulations and best wishes toward a successful year to the officers for 1969-70:

President—Maud Hafley First Vice President—Marcia Rosenfield Second Vice President-

Zenith Campbell Secretary—Lenore Smith Treasurer—Frances Tymann Corresponding Secretary-May Smith Historian—Janet Setzer

Chaplain—Mary Conner Sergeant-at-arms—Helen Quinn

Appointed to the executive committee for a term of three years are Joan Stowers, Gloria Broom and Irene White; for a term of two years—Esther Cooke, Mary Conner and Ada Turner; and for a term of one year-Helen Quinn, Lee Hurley, Norrine Cooke, and Helen Reynolds.

Accepting membership on the Albany County Committee are Maud Hafley, Zenith Campbell, Mary Conner, Helen Reynolds, Lenore Smith and Marcia

Rosenfield.

The Girl Stater representing our unit has been chosen, lovely Sydney Jones. All members are invited to meet Miss Jones at the Girls State Tea held at the Joseph E. Zaloga American Legion Post on June 8th between 2 and 4 p.m.

This summer the program for the Girls Staters will be held at the State University at Albany. All are welcome

AUXILIARY NEWS

to attend the installation ceremony held at SUNY on Thursday night, June 26th at 8:00 p.m. Geraldine Klett, Empire Girls State Chairman has always found this ceremony to be most impressive and inspirational.

Card party Chairman, President Maud Hafley and Zen Campbell extends a warm "thank you to all who helped to make the evening of June 6th a success. Lee Hurley is indebted to the members who donated prizes. Norrine Cooke adds that the sandwiches were plentiful and delicious. Thank you to all the workers, at home and in the Postrooms.

My apologies-one omission and one error were noted in last May's column after the issue went to press. When rereading the published edition, I noticed I omitted the names of the ticket chairmen for the card party. This is a committee that begins its work weeks in advance and continues to tally the receipts after the event. The dedication of Mary Conner and Janet Setzer should not go un-noticed by our read-

We expressed our pride in President Maud Hafley in the May issue because she received a certificate from the administration of the Veterans Hospital honoring her for her 250-error hours of volunteer work. Well, we should now increase our round of applause to Maud by two thousand because the correct figure of volunteer hours is 2,500.

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The June meeting—17th—will begin with a covered dish supper at 6:30. Refreshment chairman, Joan Stowers and Ada Turner request that you bring your own china and silverware. As to the food, the "Galloping Gourmet" and "Julia Child" couldn't do better.

The president and officers of the auxiliary wish you a safe and happy summer with plenty of sunshine, no poison ivy and delicious barbecues.

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SUNDAY, June 8-Girls State Tea at the Joseph E. Zagola Post 2-4 p.m.

TUESDAY, June 17—Regular monthly meeting at the Post, covered dish supper at 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, June 26-Girls State Installation ceremony at SUNY at 8:00

THURSDAY—Saturday, July 17-19— State American Legion Auxiliary Convention at Niagara Falls.

TUESDAY, September 16-First regular monthly meeting of the fall season at the Post. Covered dish supper at 6:30 p.m.

HONORED MEN

All these men were honored at the Past Commander's Dinner. All of these men also have their pictures on the wall at the Post Rooms. Take a look at it some time. They are the men whose leadership led the Post to where it is today.

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PAST COMMANDERS DINNER

The Past Commanders Dinner was held Saturday, April 26 at the Post Rooms. The attendance for this fine affair was about one-hundred and thirty

members and guests.

Master of ceremonies was given to Past Commander Sid Kaplan and Sid did a very fine job. Although our guest speaker, Ben Becker was ill and could not appear, Sid with his usual calmness, called on Win Robinson, our first commander of the Post. As it turned out, Win came down ill, so Sid turned to a guest of the dinner, Bertram Kohinke, a past commander, in the year 1946-47. Even though it was a rather sudden occasion to speak, Mr. Kohinke came through with flying colors. Harold Barkhuff gave the roll call of Past Commanders, and Charles O'Hara gave out the diamond pin award. This year it was given to a member who really worked hard and deserved the diamond pin. Of course it was Bill McGoey and like Charles O'Hara said, Bill was always around when something had to be done, and gave his time unselfishly each and every time. Congratulations to Bill Mc-Goey!

Of course we had to have our floral presentation, and Sid Kaplan picked wisely for this job to present the women their just awards, it was as Sid said "the handsome and personable Joe von Ronnie". Joe presented the floral awards to the fine and hard-working gals auxiliary president, Maude Hafley and Zen Camp-

bell (Vice Pres.).

Bill Campbell, our commander was introduced, and even though he was ill he made it, and also spoke a few words at the head table. During the course of the night, someone realized it was past commander Dick Dalton's birthday and Sid Kaplan introduced Dick to the crowd attending. Sid said Happy Birthday to Fuddy Duddy Dick, I wonder where that came from. George Butman gave up a bowling banquet to be there and it was appreciated by all.

Other people attending were Mrs. Otto deHeus who I'm sure has great memories of the past. Her husband was our second commander of the Blanchard Post and many remember him well.

Also at the dinner were Mrs. Scheiberling, wife of the well known late judge, county and state commander of the American Legion, Mrs. Oakley and Mrs. McGuirk. Other members seen there were, the Woehrles, the Costigans (Ed and Betty)the Cannizaros, the Meles, Ruth and Dick Dalton, Mary Kaplan, and many others.

Music for your dancing pleasure after the dinner was arranged. Wow! So everyone had a good time. The dinner was excellent and service was terrific. It can be said that the 38th Past Commander's dinner was a big success. Hats off to Sid Kaplan and helpers for a good night.

"Crime Thrives on Apathy"

The following commentary was written by Father Edgar Holden, a Franciscan priest of Rensselaer, New York, and appeared in the Times-Union of April 19, 1969. Father Holden is a highly respected member of the clergy who could never truthfully be accused by anyone of being an extremist or alarmist.

We thought those who may have missed the article would appreciate our

reprinting it.

Charles J. O'Hara

"A friend phoned yesterday. With understandable emotional sobs, she managed to relate how she was pummeled with fists, slashed with a chain and separated from her purse the other night.

It happened in Capitaland.

Her crime was that she stepped outdoors at a reasonable hour to perform a small errand.

The sweet things who perpetrated this dainty feat were five young men ranging in ages from 12 to 16.

They have not been apprehended.

While visiting my sister in Baltimore last week, I suggested it'd be pleasant to take a short stroll after the evening meal.

'I see you don't value your life,' she said laughingly.

We didn't take the walk. At that point my mother informed me that, in Washington, it's no longer safe for a woman to walk to the store at high noon.

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That life in the 'land of the free' has continued on page seven



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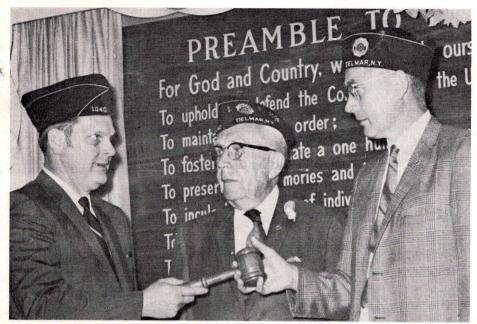
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FROM THE PAST TO THE PRESENT



Past Commander Bill Campbell, on the right, handing the gavel over to our New Commander for 1969-1970, Hugh Stowers with Harold Barkhuff (center), the Installing Officer, looking on.

THANK YOU

A sincere "thank you" to Ed Korp and his committee for their many efforts in making this year's Memorial Day Parade, as usual, a "big success".

As the commander's year draws near the end there is a great deal of joking at takes place in the count-down of the number of meetings left that you will conduct but I can assure you that it has indeed been a great honor to be the commander of the best of all posts in this area.

How can I begin to thank all of the many men and women who have put in many hours of hard work to make every activity successful. We have had a very busy year and you wonder, as you begin, where will you find all those workers you are going to need, but with the people who take pride in the accomplishments of Blanchard you soon find things running smoothly. Since you have all had to listen to my lengthy speeches during this past year, I will be brief and simply say "thank you all" as I join the ranks of past commanders.

To our new commander, Hugh Stowers, and his officers our sincere congratulations as you begin your year of leadership of our post. I know that with

the cooperation you will receive from all concerned with the prestige of Blanchard Post. You are due for further progress during the coming year.

Bill Campbell

Since the last issue of the Ten-Forty Times the following letters have been received by the Post which we felt would be of interest to the membership:

May 2, 1969

Dear Commander Campbell:

I want you to know that I greatly appreciated your thoughtful remarks following the April 18 news conference. It was kind of you to give me the benefit of your views regarding the action taken by the United States as a result of the recent EC-121 incident.

With best wishes,

Sincerely, Richard Nixon

May 5, 1969

Dear Mr. Campbell:

Dear Mr. Campbell:

I would like to commend you on your attitude in regard to writing the President in reference to the downing of C121. I have been watching the paper to see if other Legion's would do the same thing but I haven't found any haven't found any.

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Col. William Mulheron, Jr.

Col. William Mulheron Jr. will be the new commanding officer of Watervliet Arsenal, effective January 1, 1969.

He succeeds Col. Arthur Sweeney Jr. who was named deputy commander of the U. S. Army Weapons Command, Rock Island, Ill., last August 19. Since then deputy commander, Lt. Col. O. W. Lee Jr. has been acting C. O.

Colonel Mulheron comes from Washington, D. C. where, since June, 1966 he has been deputy program manager for the joint U. S.-Federal Republic of Germany project that is developing the Main Battle Tank to be used by both nations in the '70s. At Watervliet one of his chief responsibilities will be design and development of the tank's principal weapon, the 152mm gun-launcher.

A native of Chester, Pa., Colonel Mulheron attended Rutgers University and entered active Army service upon his

graduation in 1942.

During World War II he earned seven battle stars in Africa and Italy as he participated in the campaigns in Algeria, Tunisia, Sicily, Naples, Anzio, Rome, Arno and the Po Valley.

He has also served in Germany as chief inspector for the Ordnance Officer, U. S. Army in Europe, ordnance procurement representative for the Turkish Army at Ankara, and as an ordnance battalion commander in Korea. Other assignments have taken him to the Detroit Arsenal, Office, Chief of Ordnance, Washington, and Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

He is a graduate of the Army Command and General Staff College, and the Army War College and holds a master's degree in business administration from the University of Chicago.

Col. and Mrs. Mulheron have one son, William, 15.

News Items

Ken. Jopp, who recently received a 50 year consecutive member card and who will serve as one of the Grand Marshalls of the Memorial Day Parade, has announced his affiliation with the Graziano Realty Company of Albany as their representative in the Delmar, Elsmere, Slingerlands area. Ken. says, "if you want to buy a home in this area, ask the man who owns one".

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Bill Campbell, Past Commander

Bill Campbell, our immediate Past Commander, can now take it easier. Although Bill knows this, we are all positive that he will be right in there pitching

Bill knows the heartaches and problems of being Commander and even at its toughest times he came through. Hats off to Bill and also the help and patience of his lovely wife, Zen, for pushing our Post up another notch on the road to success. Bill will be on the board of Directors and we are sure it will be a great asset to the Post. Also we are sure he will assist our new commander, Hughie, in every way possible.

Again from all the members of the Post; Bill, Thanks for a tough job.—Now try to gain some weight.

Congratulations, Hughie Stowers

As most of you know, I'm sure, that our new commander for 1969-70 is of course Hughie Stowers. We believe it in order to let all the 1040 members know something of their new commander. Aside from all the fine work Hughie has done for our legion in the years he belonged, here is a run down on his service record:

To begin with, I believe Hughie is the youngest Korean veteran to hold the

job as commander of 1040.

Hughie was with the Third Infantry (the best branch of service) Division, 7th Regiment, with two years service.

His medals and awards consist of the Combat Infantry Badge, (of which he's most proud and I agree with that), the Purple Heart from wounds received in action, three Bronze Stars for Heroism, a Unit Presidential Citation, the Good Conduct Medal, two Campaign Stars, and last, the one medal not many front line soldiers receive—The Silver Star, which is the second highest medal award an infantryman can get—next to the Congressional Medal of Honor. The Silver Star is awarded for above and beyond and for Galantry in action. How about that!

With a service record like that we are all proud and certain Hughie Stowers (a hero in his own right) will do a great job, and work very hard for an even greater Post. Good Luck, and you can bet one thing, Hughie, we will all be behind you 100 percent.

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BLANCHARD CALENDAR

MONDAY, June 2 — The Post Affairs Committee meets, 7:30 p.m. Regular Post monthly meeting, 8:30 p.m.

MONDAY, June 16—Mid-monthly Post meeting, 8:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, June 17—Blanchard Post Auxiliary meeting.

SATURDAY, June 21—Baseball Bus ride to New York Mets, 8:00 a.m.

MONDAY, June 30—Board of Directors meet at 8:00 p.m.

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NEW BLANCHARD POST OFFICERS



New officers of the Blanchard Post 1040—at the Installation of Officers—(left to right) are Bob Smith and Hank Kindberg, our Vice Commanders; Hugh Stowers, Commander; John Ennis, Vice Commander; Bill McGoey, Finance Officer; and John Mullin, our Sergeant-at-Arms.

Thank You

My Dear Sid,

The Past Commanders' Dinner and program last Saturday, I mean on April 26, was most enjoyable. Thank you again for the kind invitation. Also I very much appreciated your arrangement to have Mrs. Scheiberling and Mrs. Oakley seated at the table with Mrs. McGuirk and me.

It was a memorable evening and my best wishes for the Post in continuing with their activities.

Sincerely yours, Anne M. de Heus

"Crime Thrives on Apathy

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reached such catastrophic depths is sad enough. Sadder, however, is the apathy of America's citizens in doing precious little about this nightmarish situation.

Action begets action.

If mothers and fathers and sisters and brothers raised enough bloody hell with their clergy, city officials, civic and professionel groups, newspapers and communications people, congressmen, senators and Mr. Nixon—if all these groups were pressured into finding a soution, a solution would be forthcoming, and quick.

The one great weakness of our democratic form of government is that it is founded on the premise that enough people care about good government and the good life to insure its continuance.

Once upon a time American people did feel that way. Unfortunately, they no longer do. Perhaps the grotesque direction that crime is taking in our country might be providential. Who knows, it might force us to become Americans after all."

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