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East Michigan V. F. W. Council Plans Formed

Units Will Parade At Royal Oak On Armistice Day; Acorn Post Is Host

Final steps to form an Eastern Michigan Council, Veterans of the World Wars, were taken at the meeting of the various posts located in Oakland and Macomb Counties held on Sunday, October 30 at Codlings Hall, Royal Oak. It is expected that the few officers of this council will be elected and installed at the regular monthly meeting in November.

Plans were also completed for the Annual Torchlight Parade, which will be held in Royal Oak under the auspices of Acorn Post No. 1669 this year on November 11, to which all veterans organizations are invited. Each Post holds this parade in turn.

The mayor and city officials of Royal Oak will be in the reviewing stand at Third and Main Streets.

The parade will be led by Charles Blackman of Acorn Post, general chairman of the committee; William Kramer of Paul Hornaday Post, grand marshal; and the aides to the grand marshal, Graudaudin, past commander of Acorn Post; Past Commander Hall of Pontiac Post, and Past Commander Clyde Stabler of Paul Hornaday Post.

The Royal Oak G. A. R. members will ride in autos at the head of the parade. Five divisions will follow.

Divisions

First division: V. F. W. Auxiliaries, led by Ladies' Drum and Bugle Corps of Paul Hornaday Auxiliary.

Second division: V. F. W. Posts, headed by Acorn Post Drum and Bugle Corps; Paul Hornaday Post No. 1407 of Ferndale; Acorn Post No. 1669 of Royal Oak; Lovewell Hill Post No. 2502 of South Lyon; Northwestern Post No. 1735 of Detroit; Andrews Post No. 1794 of Mt. Clemens; Head of the Line Post No. 4706 of Keego Harbor; Striber Post No. 2502 of Romeo; Lapeer County Post No. 2492 of Imlay City; North End Post No. 140 of Detroit; and Don Shuber Post of Detroit. Other posts are expected to participate.

Third division: Disabled American Veterans, guest division. D. A. V. Posts and their auxiliaries, led by the Elks' Band of Ferndale.

Fourth division: American Legion guest division, led by Drum and Bugle Corps of Vincent Legion Post No. 120 of Highland Park; Vincent Post, Frank Westland Post No. 232 of Royal Oak, and other Legion posts.

Fifth division: Fraternal and Patriotic Organizations and Boy Scouts, led by Boy Scout Drum and Bugle Corps.

The parade will form at 7:00 p. m. and will leave promptly at 7:30. The route of march is as follows: north on Washington to Fourth, east on Fourth to Main Street, north on Main Street to Catalpa Drive, west on Catalpa to Washington, and from there south to the Royal Oak High School, where the parade will disband. Following the parade the Acorn Post will hold its Armistice Day Dance at the High School Gymnasium.

The first division will form on Hudson Street, east of Washington facing Washington; the second division will form on Lincoln St. east of Washington facing Washington; the third division will form on seventh street east of Washington facing Washington; the fourth division will form on the same street; the fifth division will form on Sixth Street east of Washington facing Washington. This will be a torchlight parade, and suitable flares will be carried. It is now assured that this will be an event of considerable magnitude and well worth the trouble of attending, even by those living at considerable distance from Royal Oak. It will interest the grown ups and the kiddies alike.

To the relatives and friends of those who were over there in the Spanish-American War it will have a deeper meaning and should be supported by your presence on the line of march.

HEADS PONTIAC 40-ET 8



Ralph O. Rouse, Chief of Gare of Voiture 811, 40 et 8, of Pontiac, is one of the most popular and energetic Legion leaders in the 17th District.

Pontiac Post Plans Parade

Military Ball Also Arranged; Numerous Activities Taken Part In By Cook-Nelson

Cook-Nelson Post, No. 20, American Legion, Pontiac, will celebrate Armistice Day with a parade in the afternoon, in which all military, patriotic, and civic organizations have been invited to participate. Other veterans' posts participating in the parade will also be welcome to participate in the parade.

Ernest Inwood has been named chairman of the parade committee, and will be assisted by Merle Mitchell, Lewis Jarrendt, and John Howard.

The parade will form at 1 p. m. and move at 1:30 p. m. from Whyanore street north on Saginaw Street to Lafayette Street, then to Wayne Street where it will disband. All military, patriotic and civic organizations have been invited to participate.

Guard companies will parade and give a performance at the Birmingham Drum and Bugle Corps will in line.

Echo taps will be sounded from the House tower at 11 a. m. Armistice Day.

A Military Ball is planned by the Carl Keller, chairman of the Entertainment Committee. It will be held at the Army, and the 228th Field Artillery 14-piece orchestra will play. Veterans and their families are requested to wear uniforms. Tickets are \$1.50.

In order to carry on the welfare program for the year, a drive for welfare plans will take place at once. A clothing drive may also be put on in the future.

Joseph F. MacGregor, District Committeeman, and Department Vice-Commander Lloyd Stanley presided at the installation of officers October 27.

The men of the Order of the Purple Heart has been received by Comrade Leland P. Morford. It is a very fine distinction, well worth wearing.

Carl Keller is planning numerous activities in rapid succession to stimulate the Post membership, as chairman of the Entertainment Committee. The good professional bowlers among the membership are expected to form a strong basis for this year's bowling team.

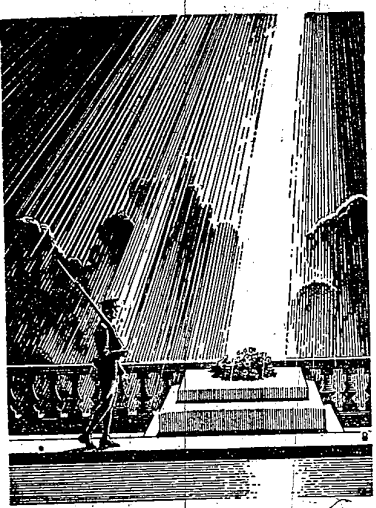
Comrades Charles W. Cole, Ira Alvin, and Rose were the first to receive a supper given in honor of the Junior Baseball Team, Junior Rifle Club, and Boy Scouts. The boys had a very fine time.

The Post represented Valley Forge in the George Washington Memorial parade held Friday, October 21. A reproduction of Washington's historic camp constituted the float, with members of the Cook-Nelson post parading in committee posing as the first president's soldiers. Comrade Ivan Royal was chairman of the committee, and Comrades Ira Alvin, Ernest Ogden, William Drouin, Charles Cole, Martin Drenig, Evans Rosnick, and Rose assisted.

Vice-Commander Robert E. Hopps is planning a membership drive which he believes will work out very well. He will present his idea at a luncheon the drive as soon as possible.

Additional Veterans' news will be found on other pages of this section.

Armistice Day



To the men who were ready to serve their country in time of War, and continue, though hostilities came to an end 14 years ago, to do their bit in time of Peace, is Armistice Day dedicated.

Birmingham Post Makes Envious Record In The Boy Scout Field

By Roy D. Montgomery (Publicity Officer, Charles Edwards Post, Birmingham, and Seventeenth District, American Legion)

The Birmingham Post of The American Legion can well be proud of its record in the Boy Scout field. For four years the Boy Scout activities of the Department of Michigan were supervised by Lloyd L. Stanley as State Chairman. Mr. Stanley was the man who organized the Council of Boy Scouts in Birmingham and served as Commissioner for six years, resigning during his seventh year.

Mr. Stanley also organized the Troop of Scouts which the local post now sponsors, Troop 23, the scoutmaster is Howard Grull, who for three years was a member of the post.

Each year the Department of Michigan sends out to each post in the state a questionnaire regarding the activities for the past twelve months. The tabulation given below shows how the Boy Scouts have grown under Mr. Stanley's guidance. When the chairmanship was taken over, Michigan stood well down towards the bottom in the United States; today, after four years of sincere work, Michigan stands at the top in the United States with three other states.

Year	Returned	Boy Troops
1929	73	26
1930	88	41
1931	54	39
1932	135	69

Year	Sea Scout Ships	No. of Com. Cub Scouts	No. of Missions
1929	0	0	40
1930	5	0	45
1931	8	0	127
1932	18	10	88

There are many more Commissioned Leaders than show as the questionnaires in many cases they had checks for local post leaders furnished.

Mr. Charles D. Carr, a member of the post, has been chairman of the Scout Troop Committee for several years and he has made a success of his work.

During the past four years Troop B-3 has taken three state prizes under the Department of Michigan American Legion. One of these years the standing was first place among all the Legion Troops in the state, once as third place in the state and twice as first place in the Sixth District.

Not only is Mr. Stanley beloved much of the credit for the local standing of the Scouts in Birmingham and their successes but to him also belong the honors for outstanding success of the state organization. The local post was given three high awards during the three years in which Mr. Stanley was its commander.

Resolution Hits Economy Leaguers

Legionnaires of the 17th District truck back at some members of the National Economy League at the District meeting in Royal Oak last Friday night, when the following resolution was offered by Comrade Benning:

"Resolved, that the 17th District, American Legion, go on record as favoring the barring of any bona fide Legionnaire forever from the Legion who has resigned or who in the future publicly resigns from the American Legion." The resolution was passed unanimously.

D. A. V. Gives Thanks For Aid

Welfare Fund-Raising Is Successful; Will Give Feather Party November 22

South Oakland Chapter of Disabled Veterans, No. 19 Royal Oak, wishes to thank the members of the other veteran organizations, and the public as well, of the communities of Royal Oak, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Berkley, and Clawson, for their unstinted support of the recent Forget-Me-Not drive, the D. A. V.'s annual welfare fund raising project.

Upon discharging of the Forget-Me-Not Committee, Norris Arnold was given a most hearty vote of thanks for his excellent work as chairman. Arnold is also doing some fine work as chairman of the Welfare Committee.

On Friday, October 21, A. G. Miller of Royal Oak and George R. Barnard, of Detroit, were initiated to membership, and immediately Mr. Barnard was elected as organizer of a comedy band. All members of the chapter who wish to join this band are asked through this medium, to communicate with Commander Hall.

Robert Wilson is in charge of a Feather Party, to be held on Tuesday, November 22. All Veterans, the families, and friends, are invited.

On Armistice Day the Chapter will participate in the Veterans of Foreign Wars annual Torchlight Parade in Royal Oak, and Chapter members will form at D. A. V. Hall, 1137 S. Washington, at 7 p. m.

On Sunday, November 13, South Oakland Chapter is joining Acorn Post, V. F. W. and Frank Westland Post, American Legion, in attending Armistice Memorial Services at St. Johns Episcopal Church. They will meet at American Legion Hall, Fourth and Main Streets, Royal Oak, at 1:45 a. m. and proceed in a body to the church.

All members of the Chapter who have received the Purple Heart are urged to so notify Edward Levinson, District Officer and Publicity Officer, at 937 Yale, Hazel Park, or Township Clerk's office.

Next regular meeting will be Friday, November 4, at 8 p. m.

BIRMINGHAM POST PLANS ARMISTICE DAY CELEBRATION

Every Member Will Join In Welfare Drive; To Meet With Scouts

The regular meeting of Charles Edwards Post No. 14 of Birmingham was held on Wednesday evening, October 26, at the Community House. Commander David Levinson called the meeting at 7:30 and proceeded with the routine business of the month.

J. B. Minton, chairman of the Entertainment committee, announced a big meeting on Armistice Day, beginning with a parade followed by a football game, a barbecue, and a grand military ball in the evening at the Birmingham community house with the 228th Field Artillery Band providing music.

Past Commander E. A. Burtraw moved that the Post conduct a Welfare Drive and Commander Levinson accepted the chairmanship for Welfare Drive, if every member would consider himself one of the Committee.

The next regular meeting will be a joint meeting with the Boy Post. Everyone come and get acquainted with the Boys in your Troop.

November 16 will be the first annual Post Commanders night. This will be regular old time get-together and as the Boy Scouts will also attend, it should be one of the largest meetings of the season. Come out and let us see you young boys and old boys together.

Commander Levinson wants volunteers for the Food and Clothing Welfare Drive of Saturday, November 5, and any member of the Birmingham Post who can and will volunteer will be giving one day's work for a Charity which is worthy.

The Star and Times Party held Saturday night, October 29, at the K. of P. Hall, was very successful in that those present certainly enjoyed a pleasant evening and a very good lunch by the ladies.

17th District Legion Meets At Royal Oak

Hear Talk For Crusaders; J. B. Minton Reports On National Convention

(By Roy D. Montgomery)

The 17th District Committee meeting for October was held Friday evening October 28 at the Frank Wendland Post No. 253 Headquarters on South Main Street, Royal Oak.

The meeting was called to order by District Committeeman Joseph F. MacGregor and roll call by posts was as follows:

Present from Birmingham, 10; Berkley, 2; Clarkston, 3; Pontiac, 5; Rochester, 3; Royal Oak, 5; Plymouth, 5; and Hazel Park, 7.

Comrade Baker of Detroit gave a short but interesting talk for the Crusaders on the importance of voting "yes" for the first amendment on the State Amendments ballot on November 8.

J. B. Minton, delegate to the National Convention at Portland, gave a very complete report on the National Convention and gave an interesting talk about his quite extensive trip to Portland.

The next regular meeting of the 17th District will be at Plymouth, Friday November 25 and will be another joint meeting held with the Ladies' Auxiliary.

DEARBORN TEAM AIDS INSTALLATION AT BEALS POST

Colorful Drill Team Gives Plymouth Fine Installation; Northville Also Guests

(By Harry D. Barnes)

What a turnout we had! I mean the Myron H. Beals Post No. 32, American Legion, of Plymouth. More out-than chairs for them to sit on. Fort Dearborn Post turned out with 33 band, including their Drum and Bugle Corps. Northville also let us know they were out in a body and what a body.

Mrs. Lida Murphy, new 17th District Committeewoman gave a nice talk, as did Mrs. Leah MacGregor, past committeewoman of the old club, yet mustn't forget what a colorful affair the Auxiliary from the Fort Dearborn Post put on. You know they have their blue capes lined with bright red, blue overseas caps trimmed in white and did they know their stuff! Mrs. Dean was the installing officer. Joseph MacGregor handled the installation of the Post officers as any good officer can.

Commander Kalatsky of the Lloyd H. Green Post gave a short but to the point talk, as did Commander Paget of the Fort Dearborn Post. Did you ever hear the Fort Dearborn Post "theme song" sung by Corbin and Crawford (Crawford wrote the words). If not, you have missed plenty.

The enjoyable evening was brought to a close with light refreshments.

Don't forget our Armistice Day dance, November 11, at 8:30 p. m. Everybody welcome. The proceeds go to charity. This dance will be in Washington, Bi-Centennial affair, so old costumes are in order. The more the merrier, fifty cents per couple will be the charge.

Birmingham G. A. R. Veteran Dies At 83

William Henry Clemens, G. A. R., aged 83, was buried at Franklin Cemetery with Auxiliary honors by the Charles Edwards American Legion Post of Birmingham.

Green Post Arranges Dance, Feather Party

Two big events are on the schedule of Lloyd H. Green Post No. 147 of Northville for November. On Friday evening, November 11, the annual Armistice Day dance will be held at the Northville High School Gym. Chick Miller's orchestra will furnish the tunes.

Decorations and favors will be novel and in keeping with the event and refreshments will be served as usual. The price totals one buck and two bits and that includes everything. We invite the district to be with us and help celebrate this day as it should be done.

On Monday evening, November 21, the annual Thanksgiving party will be held in the Legion building on Main Street, Northville. Again we invite you to attend but be sure to bring along a crate or bag or trailer so that you may safely return your new found feathered friends to your domicile. Mix profit with pleasure on this visit. You are welcome.

A new furnace has been installed in the Legion building. This will guarantee that he or she pays a visit will leave our "warm flens."

NEW INSTRUCTOR

The Birmingham Drum and Bugle Corps have engaged a new instructor, who was with them for the first time on Monday evening, October 31, at the regular weekly practise in the McBride Garage on South Woodward.