

LEGION FAVORS STATE BONUS FOR THOSE IN SERVICE

People to Vote on Proposition at the Next General Election on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

At the general election held on Tuesday, next after the first Monday in November, this year, the people of the State of Illinois will vote on the proposition of granting compensation to the Sons of Illinois who honorably served their country during the recent war.

In another part of this issue the Soldiers' Bonus Act is published in full. It is hoped that all voters will familiarize themselves with the provisions of this bill, so that they may vote intelligently on this very important question.

The bill proposes, in short, that every soldier, sailor and marine receive compensation of fifty cents a day for every day that he was in the service; this amount, in no case, to exceed \$300.00.

To meet this expense, a bond issue of \$55,000,000.00 will be sold, these bonds to be retired serially through the levy of a direct annual tax.

You will be asked to vote "Yes" or "No" on this question. At a meeting of the local post of the American Legion, the post went on record as being in favor of this legislation, and respectfully requests the support of the people of the community.

The men who served their country during the war enlisted with no thought of a bonus. They were prompted simply by a sense of loyalty, and if the occasion arose, most of them would go again, bonus or no bonus. However, for nearly two years and

BEFORE STARTING FURNACES INSPECT ALL SMOKE PIPES

Eternal Vigilance is Needed to Safeguard These Important Danger Points.

In the fall and early winter special attention should be paid to stove pipes, furnace pipes, smoke vents and flues. Where these are of metal they frequently rust, come apart or deteriorate during the summer, and when fires are started up in the fall, or they are put to a severe test during the very first cold weather, a blaze is likely to result. Now that fire prevention and safety first have be-

come national slogans, the importance of careful supervision of heating apparatus and flues should be recognized by every good citizen, and a thorough inspection should always precede the first use of heating apparatus.

There is special need of unusually careful attention to flues, smokestacks and heating apparatus generally this season, because of the abnormal fuel conditions. Millions of householders will be compelled to use soft coal who have heretofore used hard coal, and the change will necessarily introduce many serious fire hazards, unless great care is taken to see that flues and smoke-pipes are kept clear and that proper safeguards are provided for the other dangers which will develop.

Fires due to faulty furnace pipes and smoke pipes have been unusually numerous this season, especially where there was dampness. Where the surface was already corroded by the heat and fumes the dampness soon rusted the metal so that a pipe which looked all right on the outside would collapse with the slightest strain. The danger of such pipes in basements, often near wooden partitions and ceilings is evident, but only an inspection would reveal the interior weakness.

These warnings should be especially emphatic as to dwellings for basement fires are apt to get under dangerous headway before they are discovered, and when they occur at night, life as well as property is endangered. Special attention should also be paid to furnace pipes and smoke vents in churches and schools, because of the large numbers of people whose lives are at risk. School boards and church trustees, working on the theory of personal responsibilities for preventable fires, should pay special attention to these danger points, and if necessary, the metal smoke pipes leading from the furnace to the chim-

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