

# COUNTY COUNCIL OF LEGION HAS MEETING

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waist and we had a lot of fun in trying to figure out a pair of trousers for him. Finally we took two pair of trousers and made one pair suitable for him. Then came the problem of shirts, which was solved as was that of black ties for the boys. Shoes were the regular ones the boys wear, so that question took care of itself.

"Caps were out of the question because of the lack of funds. They cost about two dollars apiece. However, we secured some regular issue overseas caps and tried to dye them to the Legion blue. After several attempts we secured a grayish-green color that was deemed satisfactory. Needless to say the boys are happy to wear a regulation uniform as every good drum and bugle corps should—and their playing and marching has improved wonderfully because of it."

### Business Session

The business session of council was made very brief by County Commander Charles C. Kapschull. Short reports from committee chairmen and officers present were given. Copies of the Lake County Legionnaire containing a full program of the coming district convention at the North Chicago hospital grounds on Sunday, August 3, were distributed to post representatives. Commander Kapschull told in part of what was planned for this event, (which is given in detail in another part of this article, Lions', Kiwanis', Rotary clubs, and chambers of commerce along the north shore are lending their support to this event.

### Waukegan Post Home

Bruno E. Henderson gave a rather detailed statement of the problems arising in connection with the building or securing a suitable home for the Homer Dahringer Post in Waukegan. He pointed out that their committee had many angles to solve largest of which was not erection but maintenance in future years when members reach the retiring stage of life and most of them limited in activity and income. The plans, he stated, were being made to take care of the building in such a way that a fund would cover all such expenses without obligation on the part of post members. In their dicker with the park board for a piece of property (which appears certain to succeed) the post secures the land by a 99-year lease, property and building reverting to the park board at that time. Mr. Henderson expected to have a complete report to submit at the next council meeting.

Dr. Henry E. St. Antoine, on behalf of himself and staff, welcomed the Legion to the hospital on Sunday, August 3, and urged everyone to come, spend the day in having a good time and see how their war-scarred comrades were cared for and how the Legion had helped and could further aid in this great work.

The next meeting of the Lake County Council will be held at Lake Forest on Friday, August 15, instead of at Fort Sheridan as previously announced. The change became necessary because of the Citizens Military Training camps being in session there on that date.

The program for the district con-

vention for Sunday, August 3, at the North Chicago Hospital, is as follows:

### Business Program

2 to 4 p.m.

- Auditorium of Recreation Building Call to Order
- Presentation of the Colors by Sharvin Post Drum and Bugle Corps.
- Invocation by Eighth District Chaplain, the Rev. Allan Billman.
- Greetings from department officers and distinguished guests.
- Reports of Eighth District Officers and Committees.
- Report of Eighth District Commander Charles C. Kapschull.
- Retiring of Colors.
- Adjournment.

### General Program

- 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., hospital open to the public.
- 12 noon, Reception in Recreation hall to department officers and officers of the American Legion Auxiliary.
- 12 noon to 2 p.m., Band concert on lawn adjacent to Recreation hall by Army Band from Fort Sheridan and Sharvin Post Drum and Bugle Corps.
- 1 p.m., Luncheon to the distinguished guests, Dr. Henry E. St. Antoine, host.
- 2 p.m., Eighth District Convention called to order, Commander Charles C. Kapschull presiding.
- 2 to 4 p.m., Convention in session in auditorium of Recreation Hall. Field meet for children on lawn near Recreation hall; baseball game Auxiliary vs. lady employes of the hospital.
- 4 p.m., Addresses by Ferre C. Watkins, past department commander; Dr. Henry E. St. Antoine, medical officer in charge of the hospital; Captain C. P. Kindelberger, U.S.N., in charge of naval hospital at the Great Lakes Naval Training station.
- Presentation of Sterling silver baseballs to Deerfield Post team, champions of the Eighth District.
- 1:20 p.m. Field meet of patients at southeast corner of the hospital grounds.
- 6 to 9 p.m., picnic on grounds north of main highway.

## CARELESSNESS CAUSE OF MOTOR ACCIDENTS

Statistics Show That Most of Them Might Have Been Avoided

The great number of motor vehicle accidents resulting last year in the death of 31,000 persons and injuries to 1,000,000 more are due to comparatively few causes, all of which may be prevented with the exercise of care and caution, according to the findings of the third National Conference on Street and Highway Safety, of which Robert P. Lamont, United States secretary of commerce, is chairman. The conference has just completed a detailed study of the accident and fatality situation and the causes involved.

### Pedestrians Run Down

"Fifty-five per cent of the automobile deaths in 1929 were of pedestrians who were run down by automobiles," the report states, "and more

than half of these took place at street crossings. Reports of the police departments and motor vehicle bureaus of some of the states and cities of the country, covering a large number of accidents in 1929, showed that the number of injuries where the pedestrian was crossing with the traffic light or signal amounted to 4,244, while 37,681 were injured or killed while crossing against lights or signals or at crossings where there were no lights or signals."

Safety education and the strict enforcement of regulations and driving rules is the recommendation of the conference as a means of curbing and checking the accidents and death toll. The conference points out at the same time that the adoption of the uniform vehicle code by the states and uniform traffic ordinances by municipalities, as sponsored and urged in the three sessions that have been held, will go far toward reducing the accident toll.



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