

LEGION COUNCIL HAS ITS MONTHLY SESSION

Meets in North Chicago Friday Evening of Last Week; Proceedings Detailed

(by Dan Hunt)

"A new plan has been put into effect at North Chicago hospital No. 105," said Dr. Henry St. Antoine to the Lake county Legion meeting at North Chicago Friday, Feb. 20. "Such a radical departure from customary activities in a hospital of this sort, the plan was inaugurated only after most careful investigation.

"We have taken the best patients in the hospital and placed them in a ward by themselves. There are no guards, no nurses or orderlies on duty in this ward. From among the men themselves, by popular ballot, were chosen a commanding officer, officers of the day, orderlies, and various committees deemed necessary for a self-governing organization.

"Since the new regime has taken charge we are proud to say that the men have taken a real interest in their own activities. The officer of the day checks up on all men on leave at bedtime and reports to his commanding officer, and he in turn to the hospital authorities. This new ward is always spotless and orderly for the men are far stricter with themselves than the hospitals dare to be. Many other fine improvements have developed in this ward. In fact we are so pleased with its success that we plan to increase its membership rapidly as behavior warrants. This new thought has wrought wonders in the men and I believe that men from this ward, on leaving the hospital as 'cured' will stay cured and will not be compelled to return after a probationary period as in the past.

Many Groups Aid

"Many organizations have aided the hospital authorities in bringing new pleasures and helps for the men. One furnished a piano, another magazines and newspapers, pictures, chairs and other furnishings have been forthcoming to make the room have a 'homey' atmosphere. And to top it off the Sparton Radio Corporation donated a fine new radio.

"I could tell of many other fine things that patriotic organizations are doing for the boys but the best way for the public to know about them is to call in person. To that end I have asked and received the Eighth District American Legion and auxiliary promises to sponsor Hospital day on May 12. On this day we will be prepared to show the new wards now under construction comprising some 971 new beds. I wish I could personally reach each and every citizen in Lake county and ask them to come and see what a government hospital is doing for the ex-service men."

Art Montgomery of Highland Park, appointed as chairman of the school medal award committee, responded with a brief sketch of what the award meant and taught school children.

Relief Funds Short

Brad West of Waukegan, Bogardus act officer, announced that at the present rate, consumption funds allotted the Legion by the county board of supervisors would be exhausted about April 10. He urged strict investiga-

tion by Legion posts in their relief work. Men holding certain types of medical discharges, discharges from the draft, and dishonorables, he said, were not entitled to aid.

Mancel Talcott, state graves registration officer, reported a very interesting trip to Bloomington and Springfield with Commander Charles C. Kapschull. In spite of business depression, he stated, districts that had a greater number of unemployed than Lake county were up above the mark made last year. Upon talking with representatives he found that only hard work and a tremendous enthusiasm for the Legion made this remarkable record possible. He urged greater activity on the part of those posts still below the grade.

Bob Gullic, hospital relations chairman, reported the auxiliary had agreed upon giving a certain sum as an aid in increasing the revolving fund that purchased materials for the vets to convert into things to sell. He asked for and received a like sum from the council for the same purpose.

George McGaughey, district judge advocate, asked for and received a committee to aid him in revising the constitution and by-laws of the district.

Fred Gallagher and Art Montgomery of Highland Park told of the plans for the commanders and adjutants dinner to be held in their town. Owing to certain portions not meeting general approval action was postponed until the March meeting to be held in Highland Park.

Dan Hunt, "pony express rider" from the Lake county Legion, in the recent membership drive of that name, gave a humorous illustrated sketch of his trip which received hilarious approbation of the gathering.

A resolution, asked for and given the Highland Park delegates, called upon school authorities to refuse the use of public schools to meetings such as recently took place in Ravinia wherein a well-known communist was the principal speaker.

The next meeting of the Lake county council was announced for March

20 at Elks hall, Laurel and McGovern avenues, Highland Park, with Duvarasq-Spencer post as host. Past Commander Ed Hayes has agreed to be present and deliver the address. He is noted as being a powerful and interesting speaker.

Fifty New Cars for State Highway Cops

The new autos are all Ford coupes. Where bandits and booze runners are most plentiful, the need of more automobiles for patrol and pursuit has been recognized by the state department.

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