Veterans Entertained at Bonus Party

More than 500 veterans of the World War were entertained Monday night at a free celebration of the paying of the soldiers' bonus, at the Homer Dahringer Legion home in Waukegan.

Charles C. Kapschull, former Illinois commander of the Legion, in a short address explained that the American Legion took no part in the passage of the original bonus bill and made no move to ask congress for a bonus. The Legion was content to have the government take care of the veterans still incapaciated for their usual vocations through wounds and illness.

When the bonus bill was passed, however, the Legion assisted the veterans in making application and then, when 50 per cent of the loans was made available, assisted them in making the loans.

During the past few years, when the government was spending money in huge sums for relief and financing useless projects as a means of taking care of the jobless, the Legion asked full payment of the bonus as a means of helping jobless veterans and those in financial straits by giving them in advance the funds they had coming without forcing them to accept charity, either on the dole or federal projects.

Kapschull declared that with the bonus paid and the government giving good care to the wounded and sick veterans, the Legion now centers it activities on comradeship and the keeping alive of memories of the veteran's service together in the World war

All Illinois Cities Now Receive Electric Service

Every community, even those with only 100 population, within the 6,000 square mile area in which the Public Service Company of Northern Illinois operates is receiving electric service, according to an analysis of a directory of electric service in Illinois recently issued from Springfield by the Illinois Commerce Commission. The report, prepared by the Rates and Research Section of the Commission in collaboration with the engineering section, covers all incorporated villages and towns and unincorporated communities in the state and the list of communities which have no electric service, including those as small as 100 population, contains no towns in the area served by the Public Service Company of Northern Illinois.

This record of complete saturation of the available communities within its area is the result, according to officials of the company, of the Public Service Company's long-standing policy of broad extension of electric lines into rural areas, thus bringing electricity to smaller communities on the same basis and at the prices as it is available to the city-dweller.

87 Girl Scouts Camp at Skokie House

With new registrations coming in every day, the Girl Scout Day Camp at Skokie House, under the direction of Miss Ruth Kelly, is entering its third week of activity. 87 Scouts are registered, and an everage of 50 a day are benefiting from the varied Scout program and outdoor camp life.

Other groups of Scouts are having a taste of overnight camping at the house, living there for a week or more at a time. Registration for overnight or day camping may be made through Mrs. A. L. Arenberg, telephone H. P. 230.

Dr. Roy A. Crossman, who has always been an active supporter of the Girl Scout movement, is making a special rate for physical examinations for the Girl Scout camps, required for all but the Day camp.

The bus schedule for Day campers has been changed to: N. E. corner of Clavey and Ridge, 8:45—one trip and rainy days, 9:05.

S. E. corner Roger Williams and Burton avenue, 8:55—one trip and rainy days, 9:15.

Northwestern station, Highland Park, 9:05—one trip and rainy days, 9:25.

Return bus will leave Skokie House by 3:30 p.m.

New Swimming Area

Word has just been received at the Skokie Area Girl Scout office that a new swimming area on Lake Ripley is to be used this season by the campers at Hickory Hill, the Girl Scout camp near Edgerton, Wis. The lake is clear, deep and has a sandy bottom, and will be an added attraction for all the Girl Scouts who have formerly enjoyed the camp life in one of the five units of this well-organized camp.

Camp folders may be secured from Mrs. Albert L. Arenberg, telephone H. P. 230. Immediate registration should be made by all those interested in attending camp, as the number of places available is limited.

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Home Ownership Shows Increase in Illinois

The increased interest people have in home ownership is one of the wholesome trends of the times—a trend which indicates a healthy situation and adds to the stability of the country, according to John R. O'Connor, district director for northern Illinois of the Federal Housing Administration.

"Whatever part of the state you are in, people are talking home ownership and the building of new homes," Mr. O'Connor said. "You hear it on the trains, in the clubs and hotels, at dinner parties, and in banks and business houses. Modernization and new homes likewise form a common topic of conversation in family circles.

"We like to think of ourselves as constantly advancing, but this is one instance where we have slipped back a generation to the time when home ownership was a first requirement of a well-regulated family. Again we are confident that more satisfaction and safety comes where families are housed in their own homes.

"Just what has brought about this change in our thinking may be a matter of controversy. Probably the days of stress from which we have emerged have made us more serious and have caused us to attribute more importance to fundamentals. Possibly the Federal Housing administration has contributed to the change in our viewpoint. Be that as it may, more and more people are planning to own and build homes, and the public is giving added consideration to housing problems.

"The proof is that home-owners everywhere are enthusiastically repairing and remodeling dwellings. Painting and shingling, laying new floors, remodeling exteriors and interiors, modernizing kitchens and bathrooms, buying and building new homes—these and similar activities are providing the people of this country with modern up-to-date, and pleasant homes. Much of this may be attributed to the Federal Housing Administration, which has made it easier for people to repair their homes and to buy or build new homes. The Federal Housing Administration has been the means of releasing money by insuring home loans when loans are made by banks, building and loan associations, and other financial organizations cooperating with the Federal Housing Administration. Not only has the Federal Housing Administration assisted in making money available, but it also has created a plan of lending which the public feels safer in using.

"Mortgage loans, under the insured mortgage plan of the Federal Housing Administration, have longer maturities—sometimes up to twenty years — bear fair interest rates, and are so arranged that people repay them in monthly payments. Mortgage loans thus insured by the Federal Housing Administration may be made in amounts greater in proportion to the appraised value of the property than was the previous practice.

"The Federal Housing Administration believes that worthy people should own their own homes, and it is doing its part to make it easier for everyone to buy or build a new home. Whether you buy or build a $1,200 or $20,000 home makes little difference. We want you to live in your own home—we want you to live in the home for which you can afford to pay."

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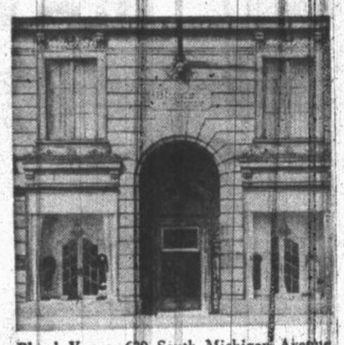
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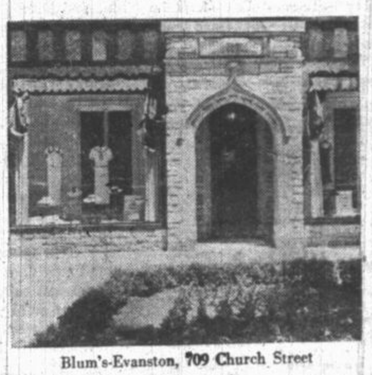
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