

MEDAL MAN HONORED

Joseph E. Shantz, Wilmette Postmaster, Cited at Dinner Given for National Legion Commander

The annual dinner of the Combat Medal Men's association was held Monday evening, February 22, at the Sherman hotel, in honor of National Commander McQuigg of the American Legion.

The Combat Medal Men's association is composed of members of the American Legion who, at some time during the world war, distinguished themselves for heroic deeds and valor. The citations of these men were read to an audience of 1,000 guests.

Included in the list of these distinguished heroes was the name of Joseph E. Shantz, Wilmette postmaster, who received numerous medals and citations for his bravery while a lieutenant in the 33rd Division. His citation stated, "that after being wounded in the head by shell fire he continued in command of his men until he received still further wounds unabling him to carry on his meritorius work." He was later commissioned to the rank of captain for his bravery, which rank he held the balance of the war.

Captain Shantz was in charge of the arrangements for the evening in which a number of the residents of Wilmette participated, including the Sanderson family of musicians which furnished the music for the program.

President Walter Dill Scott of Northwestern university was the speaker of the evening. He suggested that bronz tablets be placed on the school buildings calling to the attention of the children the heroism and patriotism of the men who fought in the world war and other wars.

In Scoutdom

Last Friday evening, February 19, Scouts met as usual. Troop 3 under Mr. Mills had preliminary knot contest for the picking of a troop team. Going to the gym they had drilling with Troop 1 under Dr. Eisenbrand. Then they had some relay races. As usual Troop 1 won.

After that they went to their own rooms, Troop 3 had its Charter framed by Scout Ralph Johnsen. Then attendance was taken and assignments given out and notice given that the boys were to have their Scout staffs finished and to have their codes by next meeting. Later, a Patrol leaders' meeting was held.

Troop 1 had a Semaphore contest and drilling in the gym. Dr. Eisenbrand gave out patterns for the moccasins which Troop 1 is making. Next week another contest in Semaphore is going to be held.

Cook County Pays Third of Motor License Fees

The total automobile license fees collected by Illinois Secretary of State Emmerson last year for the construction and maintenance of the state road systems was \$12,969,754 or almost \$1,500,000 more than was collected in 1924. Of this total, Cook county paid \$4,788,890, or almost one third. Cook county's increase last year over 1924 was \$641,892 while that of all the downstate counties combined was \$781,656.

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