



Oregon Legion Praised
PORTLAND—American Legion posts in Oregon are second to none when it comes to community activities and progressive legislation for the benefit of ex-service men, according to Harry S. Nelson, state adjutant of the legion, who returned last night from a conference of state adjutants held at the legion national headquarters at Indianapolis, Ind. Mr. Nelson also made an extensive tour of legion posts in eastern Oregon and visited the veterans' hospital at Boise, Idaho.

The conference itself was a success, Mr. Nelson reported, and dealt with internal organization affairs of the legion, the program for the care of orphans, membership and Americanization activities, business administration and the legislative program now before congress.

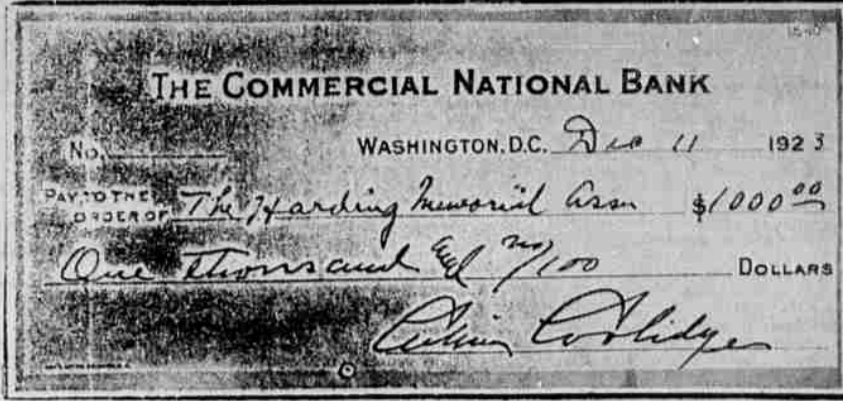
While at La Grande Mr. Nelson conferred with Fred E. Kiddie of Island City, state commander, who announced that the state executive committee of the legion would meet in Portland early in January. "The Oregon department is held in high esteem by the national legion organization and the depart-

ments throughout the union give this state high credit for its passage of beneficial laws for ex-service men," said Mr. Nelson.

WAKEFIELD, Mass.—The widows and children of Wakefield's most distinguished soldiers of the World War are not public charges today only because of timely assistance brought by Corporal Harry E. Nelson Post of the American Legion. The post was named after the husband and father, who was the first Wakefield man to receive the Distinguished Service Cross, and who died a year ago from his war wounds. Recently it was found that his family had insufficient funds to pay rent or buy food and clothing. The post instituted a campaign of relief, which brought immediate and adequate response from the townspeople.

ST. PAUL, Minn.—I. Gottlieb, a book private during the world war will head St. Paul Post No. 8, American Legion, during the ensuing year. That of the St. Paul convention of the national organization. This post, the largest in the northwest, has more than a

A Story Without Words



thousand members and is expected to play an important part in the entertainment of the visiting legionnaires in 1924.

MARSHFIELD, Wis.—A wanderer since 1918, unable to tell his own name, or that of his home, Willard Christensen, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Christensen, Marshfield has been located in a state insane asylum in Ferguson Falls, Minn. The combined efforts of the American Legion and all other relief agencies, and even the United States secret service, were used in finding him.

For years the legion strove to locate the Wisconsin man for his bereaved parents, but the search was dropped early this year because no clue was ever found. A patient in the Minnesota institution, he was unable to tell of his home or family, until one day while in delirium, he mentioned Marshfield to his attendants. In official reports that city, and through the Marshfield post of the legion located the parents who soon after claimed their son.

CARMEL LOSES ITS CHARMS FOR THE VAGABONDS

CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA, Cal.—(AP)—This little city is becoming too civilized for the vagabond artists. Time was when wandering and impetuous writers, painters, sculptors, playwrights, actors and others of the gentry found Carmel a haven of practical sympathy. The community took them to its heart and, when they departed, tore up their L. O. U.'s and forgot Carmel was proud of this tramp talent.

Rents were low then. It was even possible for a promising youngster to get a shack for nothing, and he could count on dining out at least three times a week. He could stay in bed the rest of the time, if necessary. A sixty-day credit with the grocer was common. But no more. Evil days have come. Taxes and the cost of living have been growing by bounds. First came electric lights and telephones, and the migratory Bohemians stood for that. But when, recently, the city trustees decided that Carmel needed a sewer system and levied assessments accordingly, it was too much for them. These here began to drift southward to some kinder climate and, the word going out that Carmel was not what it used to be, others quit coming.

Bulgarians Appreciate Yankee Teachers' Work

LOVETCH, Bulgaria. (AP)—The departure recently of two American women from this little town was the occasion of a spontaneous reception seldom equaled here. The women, Miss Kate B. Blackburn of Jacksonville, Ill., and Miss Dora Davis, have spent the greater part of their lives as teachers here and the entire town turned out to bid them a regretful good-bye. Miss Blackburn, who was principal of the Methodist girls' school, has been teaching 22 years, and Miss Davis has a record of 22 years in the same institution.

The mayor of Lovetch, in a farewell speech, said Miss Blackburn and Miss Davis will be gratefully remembered by hundreds of Bulgarian matrons, some of them the wives of national leaders, received their education and insight into American ideals from the two teachers. The feeling of the community toward the work of the American women, the mayor pointed out, was shown last year when, in the name of Miss Blackburn, an endowment fund of 20,000 leva was raised. Miss Blackburn will be succeeded by Miss Edith Percy of the faculty of the University of Oklahoma.

FLORIDA COAST IS A MECCA FOR WHISKY ADDICTS

SEABREEZE, Fla. (INS)—As the gay Yuletide season approaches, the number of persons appearing on the broad beach here with "binoculars" and "spades" increases—and there's a reason. Early one morning recently, bathers rubbed their eyes in amazement as they stumbled over floating cases of "Lewis & C." A few days later a carpenter, deserting his work on a beachfront home, pulled from the surf a package containing four quarts of Gordon gin. At about the same time, a contractor, digging sand from the dunes, unearthed two dozen bottles of German lager beer.

Hundreds of persons have been poisoned throughout the country this year from drinking bad liquor but not one has suffered any ill effects in this vicinity—for every bottle thus far unopened has been found to contain the "real goods" and usually bears the customs seals of foreign nations. At least this has been the general observation of those interested. There are no bootleggers in the triple cities of Daytona, Daytona Beach and Seabreeze. Whiskey lovers apparently are not worried over this fact, so long as the deep blue sea stands by them and sends out its "live spirits" at high tide.

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ARTICLE No. 4

One large "Don't" that all Auction players should bear in mind is: Don't insist on playing a hand as a no-trump just because you hold 100 aces. Many a big game or penalty is lost because the holder of 100 aces keeps on bidding no-trump irrespective of the better bid in his hand or of his partner's bidding. Of course it is only reasonable

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Z dealt and bid one no-trump. A passed, Y bid two spades, B passed and Z bid two no-trump. This was not such a bad error. With only four aces, there is a better chance for game at no-trump. A passed and Y now bid three hearts (the proper bid with a two suit hand). B passed and Z now bid three no-trump.

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With such a hand, Z's only sound bid is one heart. A heart bid practically assures a game, while a game at no-trump is doubtful. In this particular hand Z can make two no-trump, but no more, while at hearts, with proper play, five odd is a certainty and a little slam a possibility. The lesson to draw from these hands is to handle 100 ace hands for game, rather than for the honor score.

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B dealt and bid one heart and Z doubled, a most unusual bid but ever as it led B to believe that the heart strength was divided. A bid one spade, a good bid, as he had no hearts and feared that Y, if he held strength in hearts might pass the informatory double. Y, a good player, did not double one spade because he did not wish to show his spade strength. Instead, he bid two diamonds. B refused to heed his partner's warning and proceeded to

Solution to Problem No. 2

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Hearts are trumps and Z is in the lead. The problem is for Y-Z to win six of the seven tricks against the five of clubs, winning the trick with Y's singleton king. Y should then lead the ace and king of diamonds. On the first diamond, Z should discard the four of spades, but the second he should trump with the trey of hearts. He should now

Library Chats

Two of the greatest stumbling blocks to progress are prejudice and indifference. Many are prejudiced against anything new, or if not prejudiced, at least indifferent. The public library is comparatively new, and still not so very new. For eleven years we have been occupying our attractive building, waiting for the people to ask us for service. Now we ask you to help us. We can help you and we are very glad to do so.

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One of the most notable and interesting books added to the library this year, is the recent edition of "Life and Letters of Walter Pater" by Hendricks. Col. Pater was the American ambassador to Great Britain from 1912 to 1918. His account of his ambassadorship, consisting chiefly of intimate, revealing letters written to President Wilson, Colonel Edward House and friends, forms the basis of this biography. Colonel House said of them: "I have never read anything that can compare with them. They are destined to become classics." This work was awarded the Pulitzer prize for 1922 for the best American biography. It is hoped that it will have a wide circulation.

The library wishes to take this opportunity to extend best Christmas wishes to all of its patrons. We have enjoyed your patronage during the past year and hope that we may have many more opportunities to be of service during the coming year.

Seamer Visits Capital
SALEM, Or.—George Neuner, ex-district attorney of Douglas county, with headquarters at Roseburg, was in Salem conferring with the attorney-general prior to going to Lincoln county to prosecute a number of liquor cases.

Stowaways Get Hearings.
ASTORIA, Or.—Gustaf Prokopenko and Fredrick Charles Marzani, two Estonians, who were stowaways on the Dutch steamer "Tibberus," which arrived from Shanghai, received hearings before a special board of inquiry consisting of Immigration Inspector Roy J. Nottens, Federal Quarantine Officer Manning and Deputy Collector of Customs Lamie. Marzani who had a proper passport, was admitted but Prokopenko was debarred because his passport was not properly indorsed. He has taken an appeal to the secretary of labor.

Portland Man Gets Postion

SALEM, Or.—Miles McKee, of Portland was appointed assistant attorney-general and will be assigned to the new state income tax department. Mr. McKee is a graduate of the University of Oregon and prior to locating in Portland lived at Albany. He will assume his duties here January 1.



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