

CHAPLAINS CELEBRATE 173 YEARS

The U. S. Army Chaplain Corps will observe its 173rd anniversary on July 29, 1948.

While the Chaplain Corps, as such, was not established until 1920, the Continental Congress on July 29, 1775, granted the first formal recognition of the legal status of chaplains in adopting a resolution fixing their pay. It was \$20 a month. At the close of World War II the Corps numbered more than 8,000 and its members held the relative rank and pay of other commissioned officers.

During the Revolutionary War the Chaplaincy evolved from an unplanned supply of volunteer clergymen to an organized system of brigade chaplains. The Rev. John Hurt, of Virginia, an Episcopal clergyman, was the first Regular Army chaplain. He was appointed by President Washington on March 3, 1791.

Chaplains were assigned to regiments during the War of 1812. After that war, the only chaplain in the Army seems to have been one at West Point, who also was professor of history, geography and ethics.

In 1861 regimental chaplains were authorized and Jewish rabbis were made eligible. During the Revolution three Catholic chaplains had served. Of three Catholic chaplains who went to Mexico in Taylor's Army, one was killed by guerrillas.

During the Spanish-American War a number of chaplains served briefly with volunteer regiments in addition to those assigned to the regular service. In 1899 an act of Congress required ecclesiastical endorsement of chaplains by their own church bodies. During World War I the Rt. Rev. Charles H. Brent, an Episcopal bishop, served as senior chaplain of the American Expeditionary Forces under General Pershing. His work in coordinating the activities of the chaplains with those of other branches of the Army paved the way for the creation of the Office of the Chief of Chaplains in accordance with the National Defense Act of 1920.

The first Chief of Chaplains was Chaplain (Colonel) John T. Axton, 1920-1927. He was succeeded by Chaplain (Colonel) Edmund P. Easterbrook, 1927-1928; Chaplain (Colonel) Julian E. Yates, 1929-1933; Chaplain (Colonel) Alva Jennings Brasted, 1933-1937; Chaplain (Colonel) Brigidier General, Major General William R. Arnold, 1937-1945; Chaplain (Brigadier General, Major General) Luther D. Miller, 1945-present.

World War II brought an enormous problem of chaplain procurement. However, for the first time, the Army was not unprepared. During the interval between the two World Wars, a large Corps of Reserve chaplains had been built up. Many reserve chaplains had been called to duty in connection with the work of the Civilian Conservation Corps and were therefore familiar with camp life and problems of a chaplain in the field.

The chaplaincy today, with its Chief of Chaplains and well-organized system of Administrative and Supervisory Chaplains, with its uniforms and military grades, with its coordinated plans and policies, with its large number of permanent Post Chapels and efficient training school, is far different in organization, but not in spirit, from that of Revolutionary War times.

26 Polio Cases Reported in Oregon

Twenty-six cases of infantile paralysis have been reported this year in Oregon as compared to 9 cases at this same time last year according to Felix A. Montes, State Representative for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. The cases are located as follows: Multnomah County-4, Polk County-4, Malheur County-4, Umatilla County-3, Clackamas County-3,

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Clatsop County-2, Washington County-2, Coos, Baker, Jackson and Yamhill Counties 1 case each.

This is the second highest incidence of infantile paralysis in the history of reporting in Oregon. In 1928 45 cases, mostly from southern Oregon, were reported for the first six months of the year. Montes stated that with the coming of warm weather during the Summer and Fall, a higher incidence may be expected. Preparations and plans are being continued by the National Foundation and its County Chapters, together with public health departments and other groups, to meet an epidemic situation should it develop.

The following precautionary measures are suggested to parents for their children: Practice cleanliness and keep flies and other insects away from food. Don't get overtired. Avoid chilling and staying long periods in very cold water.

Check with the local Health Department to avoid swimming in polluted waters. Call your doctor if, in addition to fever, any of these symptoms appear—Headaches, nausea, a cold, upset stomach, muscle soreness or stiffness. Infantile paralysis starts in many different ways, most of them just like a lot of other childhood diseases. Be on the safe side, call your doctor, then get in touch with the local Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

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THE AMERICAN WAY--

THE THREE LEGS
By George Peck

A most interesting and informative document has just come to my desk. It's a beautifully illustrated booklet entitled "Pete Is a Prime Mover" put out by the Shell Oil Company, Inc. for distribution to its employees and dealers. In it "Pete" (short for petroleum) asks himself what makes America tick and comes up with the answers. You see, "Pete" has traveled all over the world and has had an opportunity to see how people live in other countries.

"Pete" wished to find out what is responsible for all the advantages we seem to have in America; why does our way of life get better all the time; and what are the things that have made all this possible?

And here's what "Pete" found out. It could happen only in a country like America where men are free and equal; where any person is free to own land and equipment or other goods and use them as he best sees fit; where any man can work where he wants to, buy what he wants to, and use his money any way he wishes; where Government is the servant, not the master.

"Pete" further discovered that it can only happen where a man has an opportunity to get ahead; where he knows he stands to profit from the use of any invention or improvement or idea he can devise; where hard work pays off in cold cash; where there's a standing reward for anyone with imagination, ingenuity, or enterprise beyond the average; that forward progress would be difficult to stop in any group of people among whom these things are true.

But most of all "Pete" learned that it could only happen under our economic system of individual enterprise and competition, which he says, "You don't have to be a Harvard professor to understand. It's built on three legs."

LEG 1—MASS PRODUCTION
In grandfather's day people did not have much because they did not

produce much. By means of automatic tools they began turning out parts that were so exactly alike they were interchangeable. This made assembly lines possible, which increased each workman's productive power, so that goods became plentiful and competition forced prices down, down, down; within the reach of almost everybody.

LEG 2—MASS SALES

It does no good to produce a lot if you do not sell a lot. There must be customers. An industry tries to sell its products to as many people as possible. It advertises them, makes them good in quality and reasonable in price. Whatever firm sells the most products makes the most profits. So all firms try to outdo each other in attracting and retaining customers. This is competition, which is what keeps industry moving ahead all the time, turning out better products at lower prices.

LEG 3—MULTIPLE OWNERSHIP

It takes people at work, it takes small businesses, it takes machines, and a lot of other things to make our economic system work. All these things cost money. To finance the larger organizations, a lot of

people pool their savings, to make available the large amount of capital necessary to run the business. In return, every person who has invested his money owns a part of the business, and earns a fair share of whatever profits are made.

There you have it. "Pete" explains it so simply that even a Communist ought to understand and appreciate our Capitalistic System.

"From the way the Democrats are talking, Truman is going to run against Stalin like Roosevelt did against Adolph Hitler in 1944."—Colliers. Overheard in Senate cloak-room.

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