

AMERICAN LEGION NEWS
WEEKLY NEWS LETTER

A nation wide scheme for the sale of articles made by sick and wounded soldiers through their own stores has been proposed to the American Legion Auxiliary by Mrs. Clarence R. Edwards, Boston, Mass., wife of the commander of the 26th Division, A. E. F. The plan will be discussed at a meeting of Auxiliary executives in Indianapolis January 18, 19 and 20. In the plan, the handiwork of the disabled would be sold in principal towns and cities in stores established and operated along lines of women's exchanges. Women dependents of the disabled also would there dispose of their home products. The plan would make the disabled self supporting and not patronized by charity, its backers declare.

American Education Week will be observed annually, with programs similar to those of December 4-10, according to the Americanism commission of the American Legion. The commission, with the National Educational Association, directed the initial movement.

Roused over the report of relatives that a soldier's body had been so jammed into a cheap casket that it was with difficulty removed for proper burial, the American Legion of New Jersey is making a thorough investigation of such practices.

A hero yesterday—broke and jobless today, Sgt. Carl Naef, who made a sensational but unsuccessful attempt to capture Grover Bergdoll, draft evader, in Germany, has been taken in charge by the American Legion of New York. His only assets upon returning from Germany consisted of a police dog.

A resolution unanimously endorsing Hanford MacNider, national commander of the American Legion, has been adopted by the Des Moines, Ia., Trades and Labor Assembly. "He has always been fair to the purposes of organized labor stands for, and has led the Legion for securing him as commander," the resolution reads.

More than 3000 veterans of the World War now suffering from tuberculosis, are without proper care or hospitalization in the state of New York, according to William F. Deegan, commander of the New York Department of the American Legion, who has just completed a survey through Legion posts of the state.

The first American Legion building financed exclusively through the sale of municipal bonds is that now under construction at South Pasadena, Calif. The building, which is to be of the bungalow type, will stand in American Legion Park, a public park of South Pasadena.

There is not one jobless ex-service man in Louisiana, the American Legion Employment Bureau of that state having found work for every veteran seeking employment. Maple Leaf Post of the American Legion at Seattle, Wash., composed of "British Tommies," has officially adopted Hanford MacNider, national commander of the Legion, into the circle of "jolly fine chaps." Mr. MacNider recently visited the post headquarters and shook hands with 300 members.

U. S. army tanks of the type that waddled over the Hindenburg line and ex-soldiers who fought on the line have combined in Duluth, Minn., to furnish Christmas trees for children of the city. The American Legion is supplying jobless ex-service men to do the cutting. Tanks and trucks haul them to a central location where the Legion is selling them, the proceeds going toward a merry Christmas for the unemployed and their dependents.

Employment projects ranging from land reclamation schemes to the working of a gold mine in Missouri have been submitted to the American Legion's national unemployment council, Milton D. Campbell, Cincinnati, O., has been appointed chairman of the council which will meet early in January at the Legion's national headquarters, Jeffersonville, to draft remedial measures for the winter.

Religious factions in American Legion posts have been severely condemned by Hanford MacNider, Iowa, national commander of the organization. Speaking at Fortland, Ore., Mr. MacNider declared that religion "is between a man and his God," and that the person who would bring religious differences into Legion activities "is not worthy of membership. This country was founded because of religious intolerance in others," the Legion head said. "The Protestant, Catholic or Jew who endeavors to force religious issues should be effectively squelched."

The alleged statement of Victor J. Miller, president of the police commissioners of St. Louis, Mo., that 75 percent of the present day criminals are ex-service men, has caused the American Legion of St. Louis to request his dismissal from office.

Portland—\$15,000 contract awarded to construct 2-story building.

Local Celebrities



STAR BOWLER OF THE TOWN - CLERKS IN STORE AS A SIDELINE

To Church by Airplane.

"Are you ready for church, John?" "Almost, Mary, but I'm afraid the air will be rather rough this morning."

That may be the general trend of any early Sunday morning conversation between husband and wife if Chaplain A. J. Foltz of Fort Crockett, Galveston Island, Galveston, Texas, continues his activities. For to Chaplain Foltz belongs the unique distinction of having held the first religious service which the entire congregation of a town attended by the aid of airplanes.

The congregation which helped fill Chaplain Foltz's church on Galveston Island took off in their airplanes from Ellington field, Houston, Texas. Twenty machines, containing 30 men each, traveled the distance of 36 miles in about 20 minutes, attended the services, and flew back to Ellington field again without mishap.

World Saved Twice at Marne.

About 300 years ago two skeletons were unearthed near Tournai, France. They have just been identified as Mr. and Mrs. Childeric. The name may or may not be familiar. Mr. Childeric was king of the Franks, the ancient French, in the year 451, when the Franks and their allies stepped Attila the Hun and his invading Chinese armies at the Marne, the same river where the French stopped William the Conqueror. Childeric's battle determined that Europe was to have a white instead of a Mongolian civilization. Three hundred thousand dead were left on the field. Now Childeric and his legions are nearly forgotten, but the world still has a yellow peril, especially if the white nations continue to make war against one another.—Brooklyn Eagle.

Mother's Protector.

Mr. T— was discussing painting the house and told the family how paint was added for two purposes—to beautify the house and also to protect it against the weather. A few evenings later he was waiting for his wife to get ready for a party. It took her an unusually long time, and he grew impatient. Finally he sent his twelve-year-old son to see what she was doing. Now, she was applying rouge to her cheeks and red to a stick to her lips. And the son knew father did not approve of paint, but he did like her to dress warm. So diplomatically he told him when he went downstairs: "Mother is adding a little protection against the weather." And father was pleased.—Indianapolis News.

Islands Worth a Visit.

Tahiti is the most important of the Society Islands, and from its principal city, Papeete, one may see Moorea Island, capped by the stately Maunaroa mountain. With its industry of pearl fishing, the famous society of the Areois, who cultivated the aroe and killed new-born babies, and the cult of free walkers, the Society Islands abound in the fascinating and the freakish.—National Geographic Society Bulletin.

Oregon City—Plans completed for temporary bridge across Willamette.

Medford—Baptists to construct \$40,000 church.

Linn county has \$29,816,506 taxable property.

Redwood—\$8,000 dredge to be built or use on Redwood-Scottsburg highway.

Portland Gas & Coke Co. erects \$2,000,000 ft. gas container costing \$1,000,000. City uses 2,000,000 ft. daily.

DAIRY HINTS

CONCRETE OR WOODEN SILOS

Test Made by Department of Agriculture Shows Material Used Cuts No Figure.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Is silage any better when put up in stave silos than when it is saved in concrete silos? Stave silos are probably the more common kind; they are usually less costly. Many people, however, prefer the more permanent concrete on account of the greater durability and the fact that the building material may be found near home in many cases; but there is an impression on the part of some people that the concrete silo does not give such good results in the preservation of the silage from spoiling and from freezing. Experiments made by the dairy division, United States Department of Agriculture, do not bear out this notion.

In experiments conducted on the dairy division farm, at Beltsville, Md., two silos were used, one concrete and one stave, standing side by side. The stave silo was directly south of the concrete one, and hence got more sunshine and less north wind. Otherwise they had exactly the same conditions. Temperatures in the two silos were



Concrete and Wooden Silos, Well Constructed.

taken by means of electrical thermometers buried in the silage, which made a record which could be read on the outside. The thermometers were placed 3 inches and 18 inches from the wall and also in the middle of each silo. Three sacks of silage were carefully weighed and buried in each silo at various depths, close to the thermometers; and when the silage was fed down to where the sacks were, their contents were taken out and analyzed.

The quality of the silage was judged by its appearance and odor and its palatability to the cows. If much difference had been apparent a feeding trial would have been made to see which lot of silage was better, but the results in the two silos were so nearly alike that it was not thought worth while to make the feeding test.

In short, neither the temperatures nor the chemical analysis of the two kinds of silage revealed any marked difference that could be ascribed to the material used in the construction of either silo. Cows ate the silage from both silos with the same avidity. It is concluded, therefore, that farmers may build stave silos or concrete silos, which ever they prefer, without any fear of not getting good silage from either one, if the silage is put up right. It is assumed, of course, that the silo in either case will be properly constructed, with smooth walls, straight up and down, so as to be free from pockets and bulges, and properly coated inside with coal tar or some sim-

ilar preparation; and that the silage will be properly packed, so that all air will be excluded. Silage will not keep in any kind of silo unless packed down and kept airtight.

GOOD PUREBRED BULLS HELP

Breeder Achieves More in Two Generations Than He Can in Five With Grade Sires.

With purebred bulls a breeder achieves more in the improvement of his herd in two generations than he can in five with grade bulls, says the United States Department of Agriculture. Department workers have thoroughly studied the subject of building up herds to better milk, butter and beef production. Better sires may be obtained either by individual purchase or by becoming a member of a bull association. Literature on the latter method can be obtained by writing to the department, and will furnish useful reading during the winter. Full information can also be obtained by consulting your county agent or state agricultural college.

DEHORNING CALVES IS EASY

Rubbing Caustic Potash Around But- ton of Young Animal Will Prove Efficacious.

Buy stick caustic potash at any drug store. Before the calf is a week old dampen the skin over the horn buttons, apply vasoline or lard freely to the skin around the buttons, wrap one end of the caustic with strong paper to protect the hand and then rub it upon the button until it is ready to bleed. Be careful to keep the caustic out of the eyes and do not burn skin other than that over the horn button.

Marriage.

"Snoring in a husband is a nasal certificate of good conduct." "It doesn't do to put your husband on a pedestal—the best of them is only a baby in a high chair." "Marriage is a very difficult pursuit. It is no good to a man who has to do anything else. It is like golf, no good, unless you can give your whole time to it—and then you will probably lose to an American." "If any woman wed her wiles on me she would find me adamant." "Yes, with the accent on the Adam." "I can say no more. It concerns a lady." "Quite." "No, not quite, but a very charming woman."—From a London Play, "The Trump Card."

Walk on Live Coals.

When a Tamil Hindu recovers from a serious illness he sometimes makes a vow to do something entailing discomfort and pain to himself as a sort of manifestation of gratitude combined with self-sacrifice and self-abasement. These vows take different forms, such as rolling over and over on a hard metal rod, lashing himself or being lashed on the back or wearing a hair shirt, but walking over live coals is the means most commonly chosen by the devotee, this being very often accompanied by other forms of self-torture.

Head Iron Works to install \$20,000 worth machinery.

Portland will spend \$1,500,000 in 1922 for street improvements and for sewers.

Sandy to erect \$40,000 school. Jacksonville—Road districts vote levies to co-operate with county in building roads.

Lebanon—Paper mill reduces wages.



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