

Beard Installed As American Legion Commander

Payment Of Bonus Is Urged

Thousands Witness Parade And Installation Ceremonies

Beard Pleads For Larger Enrollment Of The Legion

Bryce Beard was installed Monday as commander of the North Carolina department of the American Legion.

Commander Beard, in his acceptance speech, advocated the immediate payment of the bonus, and urged an active legion program for the present year.

Beard was installed by Henry L. Stevens, Jr., past national commander, who also installed all other officers of the department and district in the Legion and Auxiliary. Henry C. Bourne, retiring commander, presided.

The ceremonies took place at Brookdale Park where Mrs. Frank Johnson of Statesville was installed as president of the Auxiliary. H. M. Arthur, of Union, S. C., South Carolina department commander, was present for the exercises.

The program began late with a parade that terminated at the park. There the officers were installed and following this various legion posts put on a stunt program. A barbecue and dance wound up the day's vents.

Legionnaires were urged by Stevens to follow the leadership they have chosen and to stand solidly behind their officials. At the same time he pleaded for the veterans to be patient and considerate while their officers struggle with the many perplexing and puzzling problems with which they are faced.

Lapel buttons were presented by the past national commander to Bourne and Con Johnston, of Mooresville, a former State commander.

Trophies for re-enrollment were awarded: Class A—C. W. Francis at Oteen; Class B—Cumberland at Fayetteville; class C—Lee at Sanford, which had 110 per cent of last year's figures, and the Chadbourne post.

In the parade uniformed units from Winston-Salem, Kannapolis, Greensboro, Albemarle, Salisbury, Charlotte, Gastonia, Raleigh and High Point marched by the reviewing stand. Bands were on hand from Salisbury, Fort Bragg and Winston-Salem.

In his address of acceptance, Beard pledged himself to be not only your commander in name but also the chief servant of all legionnaires in North Carolina, adding "I hope to be an all-time commander."

"It is needless for me to tell the men assembled here," he said, "of the work which has been carried on in the past for our disabled veterans; our child welfare work; our position on the national defense and our Americanism program or the work which was so ably carried on for the unemployed last year. These phases of our activities you are most familiar with and I assure you all of these activities will be intensified during the coming year."

Beard said "we feel it necessary for us to undertake a program to acquaint the communities in which we live more thoroughly with the plans and purposes of the legion. In this we hope for support of all civic clubs and other organizations."

The new commander outlined a program in which accidents over the State may be reduced this year and offered plans for formation of an organization "the sons of the legion," in this State. He said the organization would tend to mold the boys' futures around high ideals and possible promote a better type of citizen.

Beard said he attended the national convention at Portland which worked for the resolution adopted

asking immediate payment of the bonus.

"As your in-coming commander, I have a mandate to carry out these instructions," he said, "and I pledge to you my untiring efforts to see that this has favorable action by our government at the earliest possible time."

Concluding his address, Beard said "I hope you will go back home into your posts and spread the doctrine of this legion to the men who should belong, who now constitute approximately 75 per cent of the men who served in the World War and are not members."

"Our organization is composed of the cross-section of the American people and we have, without doubt, rendered service to our communities, State and nation as great in peace time as that rendered in the military service of our country. I therefore pledge to you that the legion this year will continuously intensify this great endeavor of real and constructive service for God and country."

Along with Commander Beard the national commander installed a large number of newly elected officers in post, district and State departments. Mrs. Frank L. Johnson, of Statesville, new head of the auxiliary, pledged her whole hearted efforts to promote the interests of the auxiliary and the legion. Robin Kirby, head of the 40 and 8, speaking as retiring officer and representing the newly elected officer, M. L. Newsome, of Raleigh, who could not be present, pledged support to the new commander.

SIDE LIGHTS ON THE LEGION INAUGURATION

Monday's parade was the largest ever staged by the American Legion in this city. It was also the most colorful. Practically every uniformed legion organization in the state was in the line of march, the drum and bugle corps from Albemarle, Charlotte, Raleigh, Greensboro, High Point, Gastonia and Kannapolis; The 5th Field Artillery Band from Fort Bragg, the Winston-Salem Legion band and the Boyden High school band; the Charlotte Legion Auxiliary drill team and the Salisbury Memorial Flag Escort; and Co. C. 105 Engineers.

Captain E. W. Cole and 1st Lt. R. R. Goodson deserve much credit for the splendid showing of the local company of the National Guard in Monday's parade. Co. C. looked like an outfit from the regular army. Were they snappy? And how!

Bryce Williford, commonly known as "Bub", and the strutting drum major of the Kannapolis drum and bugle corps, was one of the real hits of the parade. "Bub's" capers on Main Street won him the plaudits of the crowd. I wonder how many knew that in everyday life he is a jeweler and a justice of the peace?

On the edge of the parade and in front of crowd was a poor fellow, wearing a legion cap and button. Both of his legs were amputated between the knees and hips. Loud were his hand-clapping and applauding as his comrades marched by. He is still carrying on fourteen years after. As we passed him by and marched along, we wondered about him and what happened yonder in France. Unconsciously, our minds went back to 1928, and we visualized the roar and crash of a high explosive shell. Or perhaps it was a light Maxim machine-gun which caught him above the knees—one cut dirt from under our feet once, a sickening sensation after it was over. But whatever happened back there on the Hindenburg Line, at Bourges or in the Argonne, to render this buddy of ours a hopeless cripple for life, he is still one of the gang, le pauvre mutile.

Henry Stevens got a big hand

in Salisbury and I daresay he'll never forget the ovation received at Brookdale Park.

Our new Department Commander, Bryce P. Beard, together with the other department, district and local post officers were installed by Ex-Commander Stevens. Bryce has a big job during the coming year, but being a big man, his record is assured. The legion will soon know him in the state as we have known him in the district, a hard-working, energetic, loyal and capable executive. Here's to you, Bryce, "Old Rock of the Marne".

"We're with you yet, Lest you forget, lest you forget."

Approximately 20,000 people lined the streets of Salisbury Monday, to see the Legion on parade. It was one of the biggest crowds assembled in the city in many a day.

Among our distinguished guests was H. M. Arthur, Department Commander of the South Carolina Legion. Legionnaire Arthur Hales from Union, S. C. I wish he would invite the Tar Heel uniformed legion outfits to Spartanburg, next year, to attend the S. C. Legion convention. The Carolinas have many interests in common, and we should get together whenever possible.

—The Liaison Agent.

CENTRAL ITEMS

Misses Rachael Cauble and Mollie Neel Barringer are attending College at East Carolina, Greenville, N. C.

Mrs. Albert P. Seaford spent last week with her mother, Mrs. B. M. Cauble.

L. M. Safriet is digging his sweet potatoes. He reports a nice crop, also A. J. Cauble.

Mrs. M. A. Sapp has seed onions for sale.

Rev. and Mrs. Sidney Safriet spent Tuesday with her mother, Mrs. L. M. Safriet.

The boys of this community have had quite a lot of fun catching opossums. They have caught a number of nice ones.

All short term schools will open October 31st.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Carl Houck attended the State Grange Convention October 5th and 6th at Greensboro. They reported the largest convention ever with the real spirit of organization and co-operation for the farmer.

Mrs. Cress Cauble motored to Greensboro Wednesday and was honored at three bridge parties.

Mrs. H. E. Isenhour, and two children, Mary Elizabeth and Bobby, spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. B. M. Cauble.

Rev. and Mrs. G. Foyle Houck of Mill Gap, Va., are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Stevenson.

There will be preaching services at St. Mark's Church every night beginning with the 18th of October, through the 21st., with neighboring pastors to assist the pastor, Rev. E. R. Trexler. Everybody welcome.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

1—What proportion of the people of the U. S. are affiliated with a church or other religious organizations?

2—What was George Washington's profession when a young man?

3—Why do oil trucks have chains dragging on the ground?

4—What amount of payment did Columbus receive for his discovery of America?

5—Which state has made the largest gain in population during the past ten years?

6—Who wrote, "Uneasy lies the head that wears a crown?"

7—Of what country is the maple leaf an emblem?

8—What is an animal that has four legs called?

9—How far is the moon from the earth?

10—Which is larger in area, the United States or Brazil?

11—How old is Alfonso XIII, former king of Spain?

12—Which of the Great Lakes empties directly into the St. Lawrence river?

13—Which two battles of the Civil War had the largest number of casualties?

14—Who has Adonis?

15—What are the three Scandinavian countries?

16—Were Henry Ford's parents born in this country?

17—How long a residence in Reno is required before one may make application for divorce?

18—What is the world speed record for a foot race, one mile?

19—Does "light wine" refer to the color of the wine?

20—What is the lowest place on the earth's surface?

21—Who wrote the opera "Carmen"?

22—Where is the woman's penitentiary for federal prisoners?

23—How long must an alien live in the United States before he can become naturalized?

24—What name is given a public slaughter house?

25—What is the largest desert in the world, and how many square miles does it contain?

26—What political office did Woodrow Wilson hold before his election to the Presidency?

27—What are the three large independent cities in the United States not in counties?

28—What insect carries the germ of yellow fever?

29—Where was the body of Judas Iscariot buried?

30—What is the chief executive of a town of Germany or Holland called?

ANSWERS

1—The religious census of 1926 gives 54,576,346 as church membership, approximately 4 per cent of the population.

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2—Land surveying.
3—To prevent a possible explosion as a result of static electricity. The chain provides a metal ground.

4—About \$320.
5—California.
6—Shakespeare.
7—Canada.
8—A quadruped.

9—The mean distance is estimated at 238,840 miles.
10—Brazil is a little larger.

11—Forty-six; he was born in May, 1886.
12—Lake Ontario.

13—Battle of Gettysburg and battle of Antietam.
14—A mythical youth, loved by Venus for his beauty.

15—Norway, Sweden and Denmark.
16—His father was born in Brandon, Ireland, of English stock, his mother near Dearborn, Michigan.

17—Actual residence of at least 42 days.
18—4 minutes, 9 1-5 seconds, by Jules Ladoumeque, France.

19—No; it applies to wine containing a low percentage of alcohol.
20—The Dead Sea in Palestine.

21—Bizet, a French composer.
22—Alderson, W. Va.
23—Five years continuous residence before final paper.

24—Abattoir.
25—Sahara; 3,500,000 square miles.
26—Governor of New Jersey.

27—Washington, Baltimore and St. Louis.
28—Mosquito.
29—In the potter's field.

30—A burgomaster.

"Every time I get a few highballs in me," sighed the flapper, "I'm sorry mother ever told me—"

INSULLS RESIST RETURN

Samuel and Martin Insull, wanted for embezzlement in the failure of the huge Insull power trust, are resisting extradition. Samuel Insull fled from Paris to Greece, Sunday. This nation has no extradition treaty with Greece. Martin Insull posted a \$50,000 bond in Canada, pending a hearing on extradition proceedings.

RIDES BICYCLE AT SEA

Provincetown, Mass.—Vladimir Bobri, New York illustrator, enjoys bicycling—at sea. His machine consists of a regular bicycle frame and pedals, mounted on pontoons. The marine cyclist is a familiar figure in the artists' colony here.

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