

Legion Post Has Recognition Dinner For World War 1 Veterans

Special Awards Are Made, Legionnaires Are Thanked

By - Staff Writer

One of the highlight events, locally, of the 50th Anniversary of the American Legion was the recent Recognition dinner meeting of World War I veterans.

Legionnaires of the Monroe Wilson Post No. 88, paid tribute to the men who fought in the first World conflict at the dinner meeting.

Some 60 legionnaires were on hand, and 19 of them were World War I veterans.

Commander Don Culin is compiling a roster of Transylvania WW I veterans; and the list to date is carried on this page.

Those attending the Recognition dinner were given awards in the form of a key chain holder, commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the American Legion.

The commander was aided in awarding the awards by past ommanders, Bill Hampton and Bill Baughn.

The delicious dinner was prepared by Legionnaire Dan Hawkins and his staff, and it was served by members of the Legion auxiliary.

Brevard's popular mayor, Raymond F. Bennett, was a guest speaker at the meeting.

Being a veteran of World War I, Mayor Bennett ably gave a historical background of the Monroe Wilson post.

A life member and a trustee, Mayor Bennett has played a prominent role in the progress that has been made both by the legion and in the community.

SPECIAL AWARD

A special award was presented to Vella Parker, vice commander and a veteran of World War I. Legionnaire Parker has 50 years of continuous membership in the American Legion.

Commander Culin gave special thanks to auxiliary members, Mrs. R. M. Neely, Mrs. Oleta Short, Mrs. J. B. Pettit and Mrs. Vella Parker for their fine work at the dinner meeting.

They also provided beautiful floral displays to brighten the legion hall for the auspicious occasion.

As the American Legion celebrates its 50th Anniversary, we commend all local members. Their loyalty and fortitude sets an example for all of us to follow. For dedication to their country and for the many services which they contribute to the community, the Legionnaires deserve our special praise, and we extend to all members our thanks and best wishes.



WORLD WAR I veterans who attended the 50th Anniversary dinner meeting of the American Legion are pictured above. These men were honored at the highly successful dinner meeting. On

the front row, from left to right, are: B. F. Merrill, C. E. Orr, S. Hollins, Vella Parker, W. B. Head, Sr., F. B. Bauer, J. E. Galloway, L. B. Ard and H. C. Enlow. Back row: J. B. Pettit, C. Raxter, F. B.

Sutherland, G. B. Lynch, W. A. Weilt, H. D. Wyatt, Sr., J. M. Gaines, J. H. Keener, R. F. Bennett and W. W. Duckworth.



ROSTER WORLD WAR I VETERANS

Monroe Wilson Post, No. 88,
The American Legion

The following names were taken from the records of the post, Court House records and letters received by Commander Don Culin. Corrections, additional names, etc., should be reported to Commander Culin.

Allender, J. W.
Allison, C.
Ard, L. B.
Arden, J. M.
Armfield, Wade

Bagwell, A. L.
Bauer, F. B.
Bednarz, W.
Bell, G.
Bennett, Raymond F.
Brown, A. O.
Brown, J. R.
Bryan, H. J.
Bryson, H.

Crisp, J. A.

Davis, T. N.
Devore, W.
Duckworth, Ralph J.
Duckworth, W. W.

Eller, J. J.
English, H. E.
English, H. R.
Enlow, H. C.

Fenwiche, C. C.
Finch, Herbert F.
Fisher, C. W.
Fisher, W. I.
Franks, R. J.

Gaines, J. M.
Galloway, J. E.
Goodson, B.
Gravley, P.

Hall, J. F.
Hamilton, C.
Hamilton, N.

Head, W. B., Sr.
Heath, J. M.
Heath, R. E.
Holden, C. H.
Holden, H. C.
Hollins, S.
Hooper, W. G., Sr.
Huggins, J.
Huggins, V.
Hunter, J.

Jackson, Glover
Jones, S. E.
Keener, J. H.
King, J. M.

LeValley, John R.
Lynch, G. B.

McCall, F.
McCall, G. C.
McCall, J. A.
McCall, W. J.
McCrary, E. K.
McLain, P. C.

Merrill, B. F.
Merrill, O. E.
Miller, N. C.
Mitchem, E. C.
Moore, G. E.
Moore, L.

Neill, A. C.
Newland, C. L.
Norris, C. F.
Norris, C.
Norton, C. F.
Norwood, J. H.
Orr, C. E.

Orr, R. L.
Owen, B.
Owen, R.
Owen, W. K.

Parker, G. M.
Parker, Vella
Pettit, J. B.
Powell, R. C.
Price, H. C.
Purdy, C. E.

Raines, A. E.
Ramsey, Ralph H.
Reed, D. A.
Raxter, C.
Rhodes, E.

Saunders, F. H.
Searcy, C. E.
Shipman, M. C.
Simpson, J. A.
Simpson, L. P.
Sims, Eck L.
Smith, C. N.
Smith, L. W.
Surette, A. C.
Sutherland, F. B.

VanDeusen, R. K.
Webb, E. H.
Weilt, W. A.
Whitmire, E.
Whitmire, G. C.
Whitmire, O.
Wiley, Grover C., Sr.
Willix, T. L.
Wilson, A. E.
Woodring, W. W.
Wulpi, J. M.
Wyatt, H. D., Sr.



VELLA PARKER, Vice Commander and World War I Veteran, cuts the 50th Anniversary cake at the 50th Anniversary Dinner-Meeting.

Auxiliary member Mrs. Oleta Short, Commander Don Culin and Legionnaire Jack Nix assisted with the cake cutting.



WORLD WAR I VETERANS, Ben Merrill, Raymond F. Bennett, and Walter Duckworth were reminiscing and telling the younger vet-

erans how things were done in the old days at the recent 50th Anniversary Dinner - Meeting.



COMMANDER DON CULIN awarded a certificate of 50 years continuous membership in the American Legion to Vice Commander and World War I Veteran Vella Parker.

Past Commander Bill Hampton assisted with the presentation, which was held at the 50th Anniversary Dinner - Meeting.



MEMBERS of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 88 who served as hostesses at the 50th Anniversary - Dinner Meeting are pic-

tured above. From left to right they are Mrs. J. B. Pettit, Mrs. Vella Parker, Mrs. R. M. Neely and Mrs. Oleta Short.

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