#### CATTLE AWARDS ABOUT GREENSBORO KIWANIS EQUAL BETWEEN THE TWO/ CLUB IS ENTERTAINED RIVAL JERSEY COUNTIES

List Of Prizes In Livestock Party En Route To Asheville Department Shows That Catawba And Mecklenburg Ran Neck And Neck In Competition.

Honors were about evenly divided be-tween Catawba and Mecklenburg coupties in the Jersey cattle competition at the county fair last week. Aunounce ment of awards show that there is very little difference between the premiums won.

Of interest to Gaston county cattle men is the fact that Howard Rhyne, young son of O. L. Rhyne, beat his father in two or three entries in Guerasey cattle. Young Rhyne's catries were club cows,

The list of prizes in the cattle entries is as follows: Jersey ,Open to the World.

Bull under 6 months-First, Mecklenburg Jersey Breeders' Association; second, Carl Robinson, Gastonia. Heifer under 6 months-First, Sha-

third, Mecklenburg Jersey Breeders As-

Breeders Association.

lenburg Jersey Breeders Association; second and third, Shuford & Bollinger. Shuford & Bollinger; third, Mecklenburg real fun began. Jersey Breeders Association. Cow 1 to 2 years-First, W. T. Me-

Lean, Belmont. Bull 2 to 3 years-First, Fred Rhyne, Bollinger.

Cow 2 to 3 years-First and second, Shuford & Bollinger; tihrd, Mecklenburg Jersey Breeders Association. Heifer 1 year to 18 months-First

and second, Shuford & Bollinger; third, Mecklenburg Jersey Breeders Associa-Heifer 18 months to 2 years-First and second, Shuford & Bollinger; third,

Mecklenburg Jersey Breeders Associa-Bull 3 years and over-First and second, Mecklenburg Jersey Breeders Association; third, Shuford & Bollinger.

Registered bull, any age-First, Meck- core. lenburg Jersey Breeders Association; second, Shuford & Bollinger; third,

Fred Rhyne. Registered cow, any age; Pirst and second, Shuford & Bollinger; third, Mecklenburg Jersey Breeders Associa-

Registered aged herd-First, Shuford & Bollinger; second, Mecklenburg Jersey Breedrs Association; third, Carpen

ter & McLeau, Belmont. Registered young herd-First and second, Shuford & Bollinger; third, Macklenburg Jersey Breeders Association. Registered ball and his get-First and second, Shuford & Bollinger.

Guernsey. Calf either sex under 1 year-First boro ladies. and second, Dr. A. M. Whisnant, Char-

lotte; third, Scholtz & McIlvane, Char- sented and the menu, as it was not; Bull 2 years and over-First, O. L. Rhyne, Gastonia.

Cow 1 to 2 years-First, Howard Rhyne, Gastonia; second, O. L. Rhyne. friends, Cow 2 years and over-First, Scholtz & McIlvane, Charlotte; second, O. L.

Heifer over 1 year and under 2-First, Howard Rhyne; second, O. L. Rhyne; third, Scholtz & McIlvane. Herd, bull and 4 or more females-

First, Scholtz & McIlvane. Registered bull any age - First, Scholtz & McIlvane; second, O. L. wear.

Registered cow any age-First, Howard Rhyne; second, O. L. Rhyne; third, varnish on the market. Scholtz & McIlvane. Registered herd, bull and 4 or more females-First, Scholtz & McIlvane.

Holstein. second and third, D. W. Mitchem, Low-

Cow 2 years and over-First and second, D. W. Mitchem.

Regisetred ball any age-First, D. W. Registered cow any age-First, D. W.

Mitchem. Dairy Cattle, General, Gaston County. Family cow, breeding and age considered, also most satisfactory evidence of profitable animal-First, W. T. McLean.

Sweepstakes-Dairy Type. Registered bull under 18 months-First and second, Shuford & Bollinger; third, Mecklenburg Jersey Breeders As-

Registered bull over 18 months-First and second, Mecklenburg Jersey Breeders Association; third, Shuford & Bol-

Cow-First, third and fifth, Shuford & Bollinger; second, Mecklenburg Jersey Breeders Association; fourth, W. T.

Herd-First, R. L. Shuford; second, L. M. Bollinger, Newton; third, Carpenter & McLean.

Herd entered by county Jersey breeders Association-First, Mecklenburg Jersey Breeders Association; second and third, Catawba Jersey Breeders Associa-

RIGA, Oct. 16 .- (By The Associat-RIGA, Oct. 16.—(By The Associated Press.)—It was announced here January 22.27; Marth 22.41; July today that Leonid Krassin has resigned as Russian soviet minister of trade and commerce.

ham Wright, 59, well known in base-ball circles throughout the country, is dead here following an illness.

# HERE AT BREAKFAST

Gets Early Meal Here From Locals.

DISTRICT CONVENTION.

Wealth Of Wit And Jollity Feature Program At Country Club.

This morning the Gastonia Kiwanis Club entertained a party of 35 Kiwanians and Kiwaniettes from Greensboro at breakfast at the Country Club. The Greensboro party was en route to Asheville to attend the district meeting in session there this week, and spent last night in Charlotte. Mr. D. M. Jones, president of the Gastonia club, accompanied by Mr. C. W. Gunter, motored to Belmont this morning to meet the party. A huge sign "Welcome, Greensboro,'' greeted the visiford & Bollinger, Newton; second and tors at Belmont, and similar signs along the road pointed the way to Gastonia. At the turn into the New Bull 6 to 12 months-First, Shuford & Hope road the party was welcomed by Bollinger; second, Mecklenburg Jersey Mr. L. W., Kellner, and here the Breeders Association.

Heifer 6 to 12 months—First, Meckenburg Jersey Breeders Association; and here the sign read "Make it Snappy, Kiwanians, Coffee's getting cold." The road leading to the club house was marked with a sign, "Boys, How do you want your eggs?" and here the

Tables for breakfast were arranged in the assembly room of the club which was bright with a wealth of charmingly arranged Hallowe'en decorations. Gastonia; second, Meckienburg Jersey Mr. R. G. Rankin presided over the Breeders Association; third, shuford & Bollinger.

Bull 2 to 3 years—First, Fred Rhyne, by arranged Hallowe en decorations.

Mr. R. G. Rankin presided over the program and grace was said by Rev. J. W. C. Johnston. Before the party was seated the Gastonia Kiwanians favored the visitors with a breezy Between courses the of humorous selections. The band session a packet of letters showing bewas in grotesque clown costume and youd a doubt that the rector and Mrs. proved themselves royal entertainers. Mills were in love.

A mind reading stunt by Messrs. Geo. Braun expressed the belief that the the occasion of much hilarity, and the ber of the congregation, and that the Cow 3 years and over-First and Gastonia Kiwanis quartette added much pair were lured from their homes by the

> of his party at being guests of the Gastonia club, and Mr. E. G. Michaels, also of Greensboro, spoke briefly on Gastonia manners, he being in charge of the manners of the Greensboro indicating that the murder was a crime party. After breakfast hosts and of passion. guests joined in singing "Till We Meet Again," and in a burst of band music and hilarious song the Greensboro party were again on their way. A group of Gastonia Kiwaniettes in eluding Mesdames D. M. Jones, D. H. Williams, Lester W. Kellner, R. Gregg Cherry and T. M. Brockman, present to welcome the Greens-

The following is the program pre-

The Menu Soup, Maxim Silencers will be furnished gratis by Ken Gless who was forced to use them by his loving

Water, regular wet or garden variety. Ham, grown in our own gardens ight here in Gastonia.

Eggs, we intended to have them thru error they were but brought out in a Ford, hence will be

Hot Cakes, strongly woven and guaranteed to stand up under the hardest

"Save the surface and you Coffee, save all." We think this is the best Nuts, everybody is, of course, except yourself.

Note-The management announces that it is not responsible for the loss of Calf, either sex under I year-First, cut glass fruit jars, or other articles of like value unless checked in the cellar. We will have the rest of Gastonia there (if they hear about it) to see that nobody else gets the likker. We ask you to bear with us while

the following happenings happen: Presiding Elder, R. Grady Rankin. Invocation, Cantey Johnston. Song, "We Hate To Get Up In The Mornin", Everybody.

Welcome to Visitors, R. Gregg herry. Song. Quartette.

Stunt-A marvelous display of Mind apparent hardship to any class. Reading Ability, Mesrs. Gray and Williams. Three Minute Talks, including a joint discussion by Buck Merriman and Chas. Gold on "The Future Develop-

ment of Bootlegging." Song, "Till We Meet Again," Every-So Long Greensboro, Here's Hoping:

Your gas holds out Your tires hold up And you hold in, 'On to Asheville."

## COTTON MARKET

CLOSING BIDS ON THE - NEW YORK MARKET

NEW YORK; Oct. 16. - Cotton futures closed barely stendy.

GATONIA COTTON.

Conscience is a still small voice beenuse it doesn't talk enough.

Some Animals That Can Go By Mail

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16. - The old barnyard rooster cannot travel by United States mail but day-old chicks, according to a postoffice de-partment announcement today, still may be shipped from place to place provided their journey may be com-pleted within 72 hours. Moreover, these chicks may be insured against

loss, but not against death.

Harmless live animals, rated as inoffensive, and not requiring food or water in transit, may go by mail, along with baby terrapins, soft shell crabs, blood worms and chameleons. Under new regulations, live alligators up to 20 inches in length are the only live alligators Uncle Sam

#### SPECIAL PROSECUTOR FOR HALL MYSTERY

Private Detectives Announce That Murders Were Caused By Jealousy - Pair Were Lured From Home By Tele-

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 16 .-Supreme Court Justice Charles W. Parker was expected to announce today a special prosecutor to take charge of the inquiry into the murder of the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall, rector of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. John the Evangelist, and his choir leader, Mrs. Eleanor Reinhardt Mills. He is expected to name Attorney General McGran, but it is thought unlikely that McCran will personally look after the investigation. Mr. McCran is expected to desig-

nate an assistant to handle the matter. Private detectives working on the case declared yesterday that their investigations have convinced them that the murders resulted from jealousy. Julius A. Morning," after which a cordial wel-come was extended them by Mayor R. lotte and James Mills, daughter and husband of the slain choir singer, said that G. Cherry. Between courses the Band of the sam choir singer, and that Greensboro Kiwanis Band together with Miss Florence North, a woman lawyer, a group of club singers gave a number representing Charlotte, has in her pos-

A. Gray and Dameron Williams was love affair became known to some memthird, Shuford & Bollinger; second, Mecklenburg Jersey Breeders Association.

Costonia Kiwanis quartette added much to the pleasure of the morning with the pleasure the theory that the rector and Mrs. Mills Mr. "Bill" Pryor, president of the were confronted with each other, slain ed the pleasure and then taken to the spot under the crap apple tree on the Phillips farm, where

the bodies were found two days later. He pointed to the fact that the rec-Greensboro manners as compared with tor's eyes were closed as in sleep while those of Mrs. Mills were left open, as

#### TRANSLATING 50 SHEETS OF OLD HIEROGLYPHICS

Pennsylvania University Prof-Of Deciphering Old Papyri

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 16,-Translation of fifty sheets of papyri, dated in Broad street. He was under the influthe reign of Ptolemy, of Philadelphia, was to be begun today at the University of Pennsylvania museum by Dr. Nathaniel Reich, formerly of the Univer- a \$500 bond for his appearance in court sity of Vienna, said to be one of the only three living scholars capable of judgment will be passed, pending the reading demotic, which was the short-

hand of hieroglyphics. The sheets were found in scaled cylin ders or jars in the forecourt of a tomb at Thebes, by Dr. Clarence Stanley Stanley Fisher, and Egyptologists have been waiting impatiently for nearly a year to learn the secrets of ancient

Egypt hidden in the mystic writing. Demotic, it was explained, was used for officical documents and other records in which a shorter and more com-

on monuments. Enough deciphering has been done on the post exchange at Pearl Harbor, near the sheets to ascertain that they contain that they contain that they contain the sheets to ascertain the sheets the sheet the sheets the sheets the sheets the sheet the sheets the sheets the sheets the sheets the sheets and collected in Ptolemy's reign. Modern economists are particularly interest- today. ed in this, as the system was said to

CROWDS VOICE DISAPPROVAL

NEW YORK, Oct. 16 .- A crowd of nearly 1,000 persons in Times Square last night boord their disapproval of a traffic regulation whiche prohibits the cheerful, holding of street meetings in th theater district, when a patrolman took into cusody Captain Rheba Crawford, Salvation Army worker, on a charge of dsorderly

the woman from the policeman. The and it was necessary to call the reserves to drive them to the street, where they stood for more than an hour shouting their disapproval.

One man was held on a chearge of disorderly conduct.

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 16. - The to Cedar Keys; disturbance over north- 200,000 francs in bets, Dauphin being day. This letter, apaprently referring 22.18; Spots 22.45, five points sown, army transport Thomas, bearing passengers of the ill-fated City of Honolulu, anchored outside Los Angeles about 5 a. m. and it was expected the passengers would disembark between 6 and 7 o'clock.

Appendix over northwestern found to weigh 120 grams less than the way home I was thinking hard.

Caribbean sea central north-northeast of original. Dauphin, which was quoted at Cb, my darling babykins, what a muddle base for reaching to original. Dauphin, which was quoted at Cb, my darling babykins, what a muddle see for reaching to original. But I will be content. I dence of ral accomplishments, is content to finish, winning in a cauter.

Continued on page size.

### Twins Are 192



Mrs. Jane L. Ball (above), Mt. Pleasant, Ia., and Mrs. R. C. Hack enburg, Decatur, Ill., twins, have just celebrated their 92nd birthday. They hope to reach the century

#### MR. GEORGE WRIGHT IS INJURED IN AUTO WRECK and to their wording folk.

Car Driven By Alex Haynes Crashes Into Mr. Wright's Car On Franklin And Broad Corner - Wright Badly

Mr. George L. Wright, of McAdenille, was painfully cut about the head and eyes Sunday afternon at 4 clock when the automobile which he was driving was struck by one driven by Mr. Alex Haynes, of the Osceola Mill, at the corner of Franklin and Broad streets. Mr. Wright received three cuts in the forehead and nose from a broken windshield. The most serious wound is

above the right eye. From testimony in police court this morning, Mr. Wright was going down East Franklin on the right side of the street. Haynes was coming in the opposite direction and when in front of the essor Sets Himself fo Job P. & N. station veered to the left, struck Mr. Wright's ear and knocked it up on he sidewalk directly in front of Standard Oil Company's filling station. Mr. Wright was knocked from the ear. Haynes was also knocked from the car or else got out and walked on down ence of ligner and was arrested by Sherbut perhaps written many years earlier, iff Carroll and Officers Hord and Elliott, At the trial today in Monicipal Court before Judge Jones, he was placed under Monday morning, October 23, outcome of Mr. Wright's injuries.

#### Radio Caused Arrest Hero Wireless Operator 88 years old, great grandmother, who

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 16.-Radio, which saved the life of Leslie Dency At- Mrs. Richardson is staying over in kinson last Thursday, when the liner City of Honolulu burned at sea, yesterpact form of writing than the hiero- day turned against him, and chused his to Iown in the private car she charterglyphics which were used for inscriptions arrest. Today he was in custody on the ed for the trip. charge of leaving with army funds from | "I wanted Iowa to win, because my information as to how taxes were levied recited in a copyrighted dispatch publichose young players stretched flat lished by the San Francisco Chronicle every once in a while, my heart just

According to the account, Atkinson thing better could have been done for have been so evenly distributed that it left Honolula aboard the City of Hono them but just douse them in the face brought in tremendous revenues with no lulu, and when fate placed him on the with a wet sponge. They needed moth resene ship, the transport Thomas, ma- ering and I wanted to give it to them. rines identified him. Radio communica- I forgot all about the score. tion between the Thomas and army officers at Pearl Harbor resulted in the a round of theatres and dinners during ; OF NEW TRAFFIC RULES order for his arrest. their brief stay in New York.

Passengers on the City of Honolulu described him as the "life of the ship- again, she said, explaining that her slain with Mrs. Eleanor Reinhardt Mills, wreck." They said he was persistently

#### THE WEATHER

North Carolina, unsettled, probably Several attempts were made to take showers tonight and Tuesday; little change in temperature.

#### STORM WARNING.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16,-The -fol lowing advisory sterm warning was issued today by the weather bureau; eastern Gulf of Mexico has decreased in disqualified. intensity and is now apparently central

## AMERICAN LEGION'S FIRST DUTY IS TO DISABLED SERVICE MEN, M'NIDER SAYS IN ANNUAL REPORT TO MEMBERS

## New Orleans is Gay Under The Just Started To Fight With Festive Tread Of Legionnaires

Thousands Of Former Service Men From Every State In The Union Gather For Big Meeting-California Wants 1923 National Commander Outlines Convention-Old Memories Are Revived.

Associated Press.)-The American Legion opened its fourth national convencommander and adjutant.

The Legion has in no way diminished

the costumes adopted by state delega- erans of the World War. tions, the veterans of the world war Practically every state in the union of the tropics, was represented when the national coavention met this morning, as well as a

foreign countries.

here clad in broad brimmed black hats, and cheering. red shirts and knee boots, the costume of

were making themselves seen and heard, no way abated.

Here From South Bend

SOUTH BEND, MICH., Oct. 16.

same house with his wife Hazel Mc-

Nally, before and after the time he

charges she gave birth to twins, and

yet he failed to ever see them, will be told in the Hammond county

court Thursday by Frank McNally

of this city, who charges his young

wife with the murder of the babies,

said to have been born last Decem-

ber, he announced through his coun-

on a murder charge on a warrant

sworn out by her husband and

taken to Hammond to face trial.

The infants were said by McNally

to have been born December 8 last

year and not to have been seen alive

since. A search, however, has failed

to reveal any records attesting to the birth of the children.

ever having given birth to twins.

FOUND FOOTBALL ROUGH

NEW YORK, Oct. 16. - "Pears

to me, now I've seen the first game of

my life, that football is pretty rough

stuff," said Mrs. D. N. Richardson,

brought 25 relatives from Davenport,

Iowa, to see her Iowa boys win their

big game against Yale Saturday.

New York a few days lefore returning

went out to them. Seems to me some

Mrs. Richardson and her party plan

CAUSED LOSS OF RACE

last visit was in 1892.

LACK OF FOUR OUNCES

stunts. "

Mrs. McNally is said to deny

OCTOGENARIAN

Mrs. McNally has been arrested

sel last night.

It's A Strange Story

favorites were forgotten. The veterans NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 16 .- (By the lapsed from English into French with joyous abandon.

the Gang's All Here," none of the old

New Orleans, ancient center of French tion here today. Meeting in a converted civilization in the New World, resoundwarehouse on the Mississippi river front, ed to the tramp of young men's feetdecorated with fings of the allied nations also the feet of the young women who and red, white and blue bunting, the Le- served in the navy and the army nurse served in the navy and the army nurse corps during the war, as well as the women' old and young, who "kept the home fires burning" four and five years commander, delivered before the fourth gion heard the reports of its national corps during the war, as well as the in enthusiasm, judging from the cheers ago and are here today as delegates and annual convention of the Legian at its and activity which last night pervaded visitors to the convention of the American Legion auxiliary, composed of moth-Clad in uniforms, civilian clothes and ers, wives, sisters, and daughters of vet-

Early today the veterans and their made merry, held imprompts street women folk were en route to the convendances and generally enjoyed themselves. tion hall, under the sudden, flushed dawn always prevails in America. A great

A night of excitement, dancing and music had not decreased their enthusinumber of territorial possessions, and asm, and during the band msuic which representatives of posts of the Legion in preceded the opening of the convention, the first session of which was attended California, outstanding contestant for by members of the auxiliary, there were the 1923 national convention, arrived frequent interruptions of handelapping

The legionnaires had not arrived in such large numbers on the first day, as "See the west," was the slogan of were in Kansas City last year, the Pacific coasts delegates, and they But their "zip" and "go" were in

distributing yellow poppies to delegates They were youth incarnate, ready to A dozen medlies, reminiscent of the time to work for what they conceive enjoy a holiday, and ready at the same war, floated through the hotel lobbies of their right and proper dues from the New Orleans last night. From "The country for which they went to war in Star Spangled Banner" to "Hail, Hail, 1917.

#### WORKING GIRL HAS IT OVER PROFESSOR'S WIFE

Wife Of California Professor who hid when the country's life was at Says Poor Working Girl tray our right to citizenship. College Man's Wife.

BERKLEY, CALIF., Oct. 16. -The "Poor Working Girl" has it "all over" a college professor in the matter of allowances made by employers for subsistence, according to Mrs. Dorothy Hart Bruce, wife of H. L. Bruce, of the faculty of the University of California.

In a letter published in the University Chronicle, a faculty publication, Mrs. Bruce takes issue with the budget for household expenses for faculty members recently aunounced by the board of regents.

Mrs. Bruce said that the professor's wife must "choose between childlessness or the anguish and humiliation of many years of debt drudgery,' if she expects to live on the salary of her instructor husband. She said eight other wives of faculty members agreed with her.

Mrs. Bruce said a budget issued recently by a San Francisco teacher of home economies stated working girl needed \$290 a year

for clothes to appear well dressed.
"That allowanee," she declared,
"would look big to a professor's wife whose allowance for clothes is fixed at the pitiful figure of \$50." In the opinion of Mrs. Bruce at least \$350 a month is needed to

#### CHARGE THAT TELEPHONE HAD BEEN TAPPED

provide the bare necessities for a

faculty member's family if he has

a wife and three children.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Oct. 16 .-By the Associacted Press.) - A charge that the telephone belonging to Mrs. Ed-"I'm curious to see your town ward Wheeler Hall, whose husband was a choir singer in the church of which he "Styles and feminism?" she repeat. was rector, had been tapped was the lated. "Well you can take a good look est development today in the investiga-

at me and guess how much I care for tion of the double murder. these new fangled ideas. I'm a few This hearge was made by Sally Peters, America. months or so past the stage now who lives in the Hall household. She where I'd take up a lot of fancy said no important calls now were being made over it.

County and state investigators professed ignorance o fany wire tapping. Investigators today claimed to have learned that shortly before the murder PARIS, Oct. 16 .- Lack of four onnces the slain couple had spent a day at Mann the weight carried by Dauphin in the hattan Beach near Coney Island. As municipal council stakes at Long Champs tending to prove that an affection exist-Saturday cost the horse's owner, Cap- ed between Mrs. Mills and the rector, a tain Jefferson D. Cohn, 238,450 francs in letter alleged to have been written him Storm warnings down 10 a. m. Mobile stake money, and a little more than by the choir singer was made public toto the Manhattan Beach outing, read in

Jockey Sharps had weighed out cor part: about twenty miles north and \$1 west rectly, but Dauphin's girth snapped, and "Yesterday I was happy, in a way, in 

Compensation.

THE MEASURE IS RIGHT.

Program For Next Year's Work.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 16. - A decalartion that the American Legion regarded the interests of the disabled service man as its first responsibility, and that "with regard to the adjusted com-

opening session here today. "With regard to adjusted compensa-tion legislation," the report declared, "we've only just started to fight. The adjusted compensation legislation right-we know it is right-and right well-financed attack by interests which we cannot help but feel are sordid and selfish has given us one little setback, But those who represent the people in Washington are with us by great majorities. No one man, untouched by the war, without kith or kin those who served-no one group, financial or otherwise, can stand between the wishes of the American people and the fufillment of what they believe to

be a just obligation. "The American Legion is gathered here in convention assembled to build from its four years of experiences its platform for the legion year which lies ahead. The legion is recognized as the voice of the men and women who served with the colors during the great war-a whole generation. It must be our duty to so build it that its tremendous power and possibilities may be directed that it shall be as it was dedicated, to the highest service-to our

God and to our country. "Every eligible man and must be made to realize that if their best effort is not in the legion they are just as much slackers as those stake. To avoid that duty is to be-

Has More Money For Never before in the history of Spending Than Average America has such a great force in our national life appeared—never has such power and prestige been granted. I quote to you the words of one of the greatest soldiers of modern times, The American Legion is the gradle of the whole future of America.

"In relating here some of the endeavors and acts of the national organization, there is no thought of personal pride in accomplishment. "What has been accomplished, you

have accomplished. "This year started auspicously. The receptions for our distinguished guests at Kansas City and all over the United States constituted a tremendous undertaking splendidly performed. The Foch tour as a public service not only to our country but to our allies gripped and held the public mind.

"Starting a year of membership during one of the greatest industrial depressions America has ever experienced, the American Legion has grown in membership. Its post active and functioning in 49 departments in this country and 23 others scattered over the globe number eleven thousand two hundred odd. "I am well aware that the very de-

finite stand which has been taken in carrying out your commands has not aided in recruiting or holding those who place financial gods as their gods, or who are not willing, as good Americans, to forget their personal prejudices to help serve the whole. Those men have lost the best thing the service ever gave-th conception of their duty to serve those who served with them-to stick with the lad who had not had their advantage, who labors under an unfair handicap. He was the finest man under adversity and hardship that God ever created-just the average young American service man. He gave all he had and always will-the man on whom this country must always depend-the fellow who carried the pack. "While in the early years of legion etivities men joined, some only out of uriosity or because others joined, be-

cause in the great wave of enthusiasm it was the thing to do, the membership now, in this fourth year, is the solid, substantial actual fighting gang. who intend to stay with it, to carry on through all the coming years, that this legion of ours shall be the greatest outstanding symbol of service to all

"Thousands of posts have built themselves so well and so deep into their communities that their examples

alone guarantee to the United States an asset for good. an asset for good.

"Forty per cent of the legion's membership is in towns of under 2500—the highest type of American

citizenship. "Our efforts in a national way will be covered in the report of the Nutional Americanism commission, untienal education week, our activities in the boy scout movement, and the national

essay contest. "The reports of the chairmen of the