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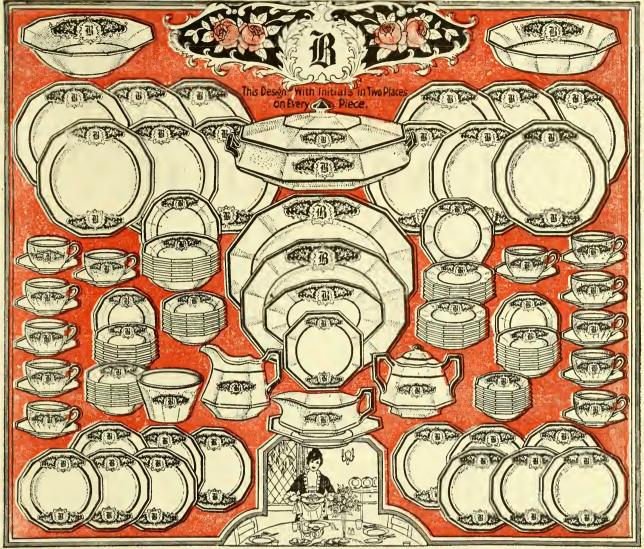
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A cheap suit of clothes is an abomination and utterly worthless. The money one puts into it is lost.

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Good clothes have their goodness built into them. Their shape is abiding. A year from today they are still good clothes.

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Private Feeser's \$7,346

By Preston Kayser

RIVATE FEESER had been out of the guard house six hours. was stretched upon his cot this sunshiny afternoon, lying upon his back and squinting through half-closed lids at the hole in the top of the tent. blue-bottle fly buzzed and circled above his face and caused him a mild feeling of annoyance at its intermittent obstruction of the view.
"Private Feeser!" called a soldier,

entering the tent.

"Yeh-here," answered Feeser, shifting his glance toward the intruder. "Some more fatigue?"

"Private Feeser, a letter!" an-nounced the soldier, in the tone used by the hospital nurse informing daddy of the arrival of a son and heir.

Feeser sat up with the alacrity of a raft drifting upstream. He took the envelope, held it out before him and turned it over and over with a sus-picious air. He made no comment. The soldier who had brought it departed.

Of course this was some joke. His comrades were always attempting some miserable jest. He examined the post-mark. Hello—"Greenlee, Vermont"— why, that was where his grandfather had lived years ago; possibly that was where he still lived. But since when

had the old boy taken to writing?

He felt sure there was something queer about the affair but, since there were no witnesses about, he opened the missive and read:

Dear Mr. Feeser:

After a search of some months we have just discovered your whereabouts.

We regret to announce that your grandfather, Henry Gruber, of Greenlee, Ver-

mont, departed this life on the 14th of January, this year.

His will, which appointed us his executors, bequeaths you his entire fortune amounting to \$7,346 in cash and some minor articles of small intrinsic value. The interest on the sum will, of course, bring the amount to a somewhat higher figure.

Can you communicate with us at once so that we may finally dispose of the matter?

Respectfully, HANKEL & HANKEL,

Attorneys and Counselors.

He read it through again and again, and when full comprehension dawned he felt as though his temples would burst.

Dutiful grandchild that

he was, he then tried to feel sorry for old man Gruber. Failing in this, he attempted to feel pity for himself for having lost a grandfather. That, too, missed fire. Next he tried to work himself into a passion of sorrow for the other surviving relatives, but he felt, somehow, that there were none. He knew that he would never have been left \$7,346 if old Gruber had had anyone else in the world to leave it to.

He searched his memory for any past evidences of the old fellow's wealth, but in vain. He had never heard him referred to by anyone as a moneyed man. But then he had been a mere child the last time he had seen his grandfather—and it was so long ago.

Anyhow, here was wealth, pleasure, triumph! At last, at last!

Two tentmates shuffled into the tent and he hastily tucked the letter into his

pocket.
"Hi, Feeser," shouted one of them,
"how long you out for, this time? And why the devil don't you knock that blue-

bottle fly off your nose?"

Feeser was always taciturn when
he had something up his sleeve, or in his pocket, and disdained reply. He set about the business of tidying his clothes, washing his hands and brushing his hair, while his audience of two affected wonderment and delight at the proceedings. His toilet completed, he sauntered out and up to the first sergeant's tent. He knocked and was bidden to enter.

"Sergeant, I'd like to ask your ad-

"Now, me boy," answered the bulky man who was seated upon his bunk engaged in fastening his leggins, "if ye think ye can get fresh every time we let ye out for a breath of air—"
"No, sergeant, I'm not trying to get
fresh. Honest, I want to ask your advice. Could you tell me where I ought to put \$7,346; in the bank, do you think, or would Liberty Bonds or oil companies be better?"

The first sergeant did not throw a shoe, nor a fit. He was a very patient man. He buckled the last buckle on the last leggin, then lifted his shaggy head until his eyes played full and d:rect into Feeser's. An impression came to Feeser that his case needed bolstering so he reached into his pocket, fished out the precious document and handed it over with the gesture of a tramp showing a policeman a fifty-dollar bill.

Donovan read it carefully, slowly, skipping such words as "executors" and "intrinsic" but getting the general impression nevertheless. So Feeser was rich! Well, for the love of Mary and

Myrtle and Mike!
"Feeser, me boy, ye are to be congratulated. Ye ask how should ye invest the amount. Having no experience with such figures I'd suggest ye keep it in your shoe, which is about the right size for a cargo like that."

Feeser experienced for a moment the

sensations of a German mark.
"Sergeant," he said finally, with quiet

dignity, "I think I'll buy out—buy my discharge. What will it cost?"

"Tis like ye, bothering me with paper-work when the clerk is on furlough. Can ye not wait? He will be here of a Tuesday week."

No, he could not wait. master now. He was

"'Twill cost—let's see—" Donovan pawed through the general orders,

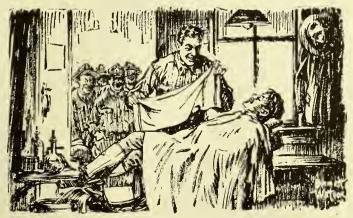
fifty dollars, me boy, cash or certified check, forwarded with application. So."

"Won't this letter—?"

"Cash or certified check. Is the letter a certified check? No, then?"

Feeser returned to his tent in order to formulate a plan of procedure. He sat silently upon his cot, feeling his superiority over the two paupers sitting over on theirs and removing mud from beneath their fingernails by means formidable pen-knives. He could afford a manicure.

He resolved to say nothing to anyone. He might throw out a few veiled hints and when the ridicule and insults had been launched in his direction he would suddenly thrust the



For nearly two hours the lucky fellow was swamped with lather or buried beneath steaming towels

letter in their faces and then-but never mind, now. He would take the wind out of their sails, you bet. It would compensate a person for being

out of the guard house.

Yes, he was going to keep it quietbut he had already told the first sergeant. First sergeants are soldiers of a very superior type—we all realize that. Possibly they realize it them-selves. But they are soldiers, and when you whisper a piece of news into the ear of a soldier you may as well have stuffed it into Gabriel's trumpet in the midst of a blow. Professors may say that soldiers are uneducated, but a regiment of 700 men has 700 private tooters.

Thus it came about that at the evening meal the buzz and hum of mcss hall conversation was all on the subject of Feeser and his new-found wealth. In the general excitement Corporal Green forgot to demand more respect for the butter because of its age, and when the steak went around, Artificer Hicks neglected to make his pretense of going back to the tent for his saw. Out in the kitchen Cook Schneider was so absorbed that at least once he poured coffee into a rcceptacle already dedicated to gravy, but neither the kitchen police who held the dish, nor the soldiers who consumed the ensuing mixture with their potatoes, noticed the error. It was a memorable meal.

After chow the company barber inveigled Feeser into his shop and exercised tonsorial arts upon a head, neck and face that had long been strangers to such embellishments. For nearly two hours the lucky fellow was swamped with lather or buried beneath steaming towels, and when he finally emerged, sprayed from head to foot with lilac, bay rum and witch-hazel, he felt as peaceful and pungent as a young lady's shirt-waist on the eve of a dance. And he could pay when he liked-yes,

indeed.

Stepping outside he was met by the twenty-percent man, the frog-bellied genius who kept out of the guard house because all the officers owed him money. Would Feeser care to borrow funds so as to negotiate the trip to Vermont?
By George! There was a suggestion

The problem was solved. you. That's exactly what he would do. Yes, he could use fifty dollars.

The twenty-percent man pressed a hundred on him and took his note and thanked him profusely.

When that transaction was completed the clothing

salesman from The Hub miraculously arrived from town and besought the rich man to visit the shop that very evening. It was closed for the night, but he would open it es- Wotson pecially for him. Surcly, he would

need an outfit of civvies for the trip home. So in a few minutes Feeser was down in the shop. He could pay when he liked,

certainly.

After an hour there he sallied forth, rigged in civilian habiliments. To the ordinary observer he was faultlessly attired. To Sam Browser, jewelry salesman, who was standing, providentially, just outside, he was nearly naked. He hadn't a diamond ring! What kind of reception would he expect in Greenlee, Vermont's, society circles? It was nothing to Browser, of course, but if Feeser desired a good ring, here was a three

my legacy"

hundred dollar one that he would let go for fifteen. Pay for it now? "And he opens the No, indeed. There package and I see was plenty of time, plenty of time.

Next thing on the program was to call regimental headquarters on the telephone and request a ten-day pass effective on the morrow. He was assured that it would be granted. Then he climbed into a taxi and was whisked to the depot, four blocks

distant, and completed the eventful evening's activities by purchasing a round trip ticket to Greenlee.

The clock in the station tower boomed

At four o'clock this very day he had been a lazy, hopeless hulk of pauper flesh, lying supine upon an army cot, listening to the song of a blue-bottle fly and looking through half-closed lids at a hole in the top of a tent.

Now it was eleven. And here stood a clean-shaven, immaculately groomed, radiant-eyed citizen of the republic, arching a resplendent chest, drinking deep of the sharp night air and looking with keen, steady vision into the home of the stars. No blue-bottle fly in Christendom dared alight on him now.

An hour later he sank smiling into Sleeping on that old cot for slumber. the last time-thank Heaven-for the last time. His last waking thought was one of kindliness toward his fellows-they were pretty good scouts, after all.

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Hatless, minus his satchel and running at full speed, there he went!

At the depot next morning there was a committee of one to bid him godspeed the twenty-percent man, who always missed drill, somehow or other. He patted Feeser upon the back and shook his hand and, when the time came, helped lift the satchel into the Pullman. When the train pulled away he gazed after it, marvelling at the mysterious ways of Providence, for he had never

anticipated the day when he should see a train pull out with ${f ilde{F}eeser}$ inside and not hope that it would fall through a bridge.

During the ensuing two evenings Company A's barber shop became a scene of much wrangling and squabbling over the question of who had first discovered Feeser's good points. Even little Ike Branstein, the bugler, told how he had once

intervened with the Colonel on Feeser's behalf. But nobody believed Branstein (he weighed less than a hundred and twenty pounds), and they chased him out of the shop. By the third evening the debates had died down. The three

Now, just before noon of the fifth day, a trifling conversation occurred in front of regimental headquarters. The first sergeants had gathered about the bulletin board, getting their daily

reports.
"Heard from Feeser yet?" queried the "top" of Company C.

"Not yet," replied Donovan, "he was going to send the money be the telegraph so I could be making out the papers. Belike he ain't got it. 'Twas a fake, maybe—so he could get a pass."

That was all, at regimental headquarters. The rest was the work of the private tooters.

That evening there was a larger as-semblage than ever in Company A's barber shop. It developed that no one present had ever noticed anything particularly worth while about that Feeser. The diamond merchant, for instance, divulged that he had trusted him with nothing but a four dollar ring, for he always knew a crook when he saw one. The barber and the clothing salesman and the twenty-percent man remained strangely silent and looked as though consumed by some secret sorrow. Even little Ike Branstein, the bugler, sur-mised that the Colonel may have been in the right when he turned down Ike's plea in Feeser's behalf. But nobody believed Branstein (he weighed less than a hundred and twenty) and they chased him out of the shop.

Feeser had been gone ten days; his furlough would expire at midnight; a train from the East was due at ninethirty. Naturally, there was a small group of soldiers upon the station platform at nine-fifteen, and the group was augmented by two civilian gentlemen, one of whom was plainly a clothing salesman and the other a man who would sell three-hundred dollar dia-

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How to Work the Government

It Is Your Political Action and Mine That Determines Whether It Shall Function in the Way That We Desire or Not

By Everett Kimball
Author of "The National Government"

Say of a man that he works the Government for a living, and the picture painted on the mind of the average citizen is of a rat sneaking into the public treasury and emerging a second later with a set of whiskers powdered with gold dust. But "working the Government" can be said with an altogether different sort of emphasis. For instance, a benevolent lumberjack might inquire of a tenderfoot in the woods, "Think you can work that saw?"—meaning, of course, "That saw is a difficult piece of mechanism for anyone to manage who is not an expert. Do you understand its operations sufficiently well to make it perform the way you want it to?"

That is what "working the Government" means in the present article—we have the Comment work and the contract was a sufficient.

That is what "working the Government" means in the present article—making the Government work, causing the Government to function, or, in more dignified speech yet, making the popular will effective in the State. Far from being a graft, it is an obligation, a duty imposed upon every one of us who is a member of the great American

electorate.

The electorate is a more exclusive body than we may think. It is a group of people chosen to represent the great mass of people in expressing the will of the State. In the most democratically-organized State, not all the inhabitants of the State have the vote and are members of the electorate. Only those who are deemed fit and able to express public opinion are included. Thus, children and idiots and persons convicted of felony are not given the

right to vote.

Each State in the Union determines for itself who shall be the representatives of public opinion; that is, the electorate. This statement must be qualified by the limitations of the Federal Constitution, for no State can deprive any citizen of the United States, aged twenty-one, or over, of the right to vote, on account of race, color, previous condition of servitude, or, by the Nineteenth Amendment, on account of sex. Aside from that, the States are free to choose whom they will for the electorate.

In most States, the electorate consists of citizens of the United States who have been resident within the State a certain length of time

State a certain length of time and, in an increasing number of States, those who are able to read and write and who have appeared before the proper officials and registered as members of the electorate. These are the simplest forms of the

suffrage requirements and may not be exactly what they are in your State or mine. Some States allow property qualifications to take the place of the educational test. Others require the payment of taxes. Some debar people who have been convicted of certain crimes—in New York State, for example, betting on an election. Some States have long residence requirements, others short. In general, the States attempt to get as members of the electorate those people who are best qualified to express public opinion.

Have they done so? It would seem as if the requirements of most States were satisfied at excluding the classes who were most unrepresentative of popular opinion. Thus, criminals and insane persons are everywhere denied the franchise. But we need something more. We need a positive test. What shall this be? Theoretically, an intelligence test like that applied in the Army sounds good. But how can you test political intelligence? Some of the most learned men I know are the most learned men in the learned men i ignorant of political affairs, and college graduates have been known to develop into dangerous political bosses. On the other hand, some of the most useful and active men in politics, men who know how the Government works and could cause it to function efficiently, have been men of little education or culture. Our system of suffrage qualifications must be designed always to exclude those who are absolutely unfit. Why not try as well to get those who are fit? But what shall be the standard?

Excluding those who are criminals and mentally incompetent, excluding the alien and the non-resident, it seems to me what should be sought is interest in the Government, not only knowing how the Government works, but willingness and ability to work the Government. We can't expect the great mass of the electorate to familiarize themselves with the rules of procedure in our state legislatures, or with the complicated election laws or all the details of the primaries, but we can expect them to be interested enough in the Government, willing enough to work the Government,

to take part both in the elections and in the preliminary elections which we call the primaries or caucuses. What is the test? In New York City,

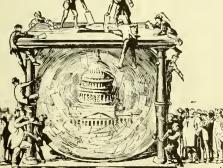
What is the test? In New York City, it is required that every member of the electorate shall annually, in September before the primary, which comes about sixty days previous to the election, register in person before the proper officer. This seems a very little thing, but it isn't. It means that at least two months before the excitement of the election people are willing to take some step in working the Government. It means that their interest is not of the artificial kind which is stimulated by campaign rallies and fervent appeals, but that in a period when there is no excitement they begin to perform their duty of working the Government, of causing it to function. Such an act shows genuine interest and requires some little intelligence.

It may be said that this is a very little thing, but the registration requirement of New York prevented more people from voting in that State than did the educational requirement in Massachusetts. And the New York registration system has the advantage that it is a genuine test of political interest and intelligence, while the Massachusetts educational requirement can be fulfilled by a society butterfly as well as by a college president. The first step, then, in working the Government is getting an electorate which is willing to cause the Government to work.

Assuming that we have an electorate—people who represent public opinion and who are willing to work the Government—how can they work it? This involves political action. And the word "politics" is a most misunderstood word. Haven't you heard the phrase "He's just talking politics," or "He only made a political speech," or "That's merely a political appeal?" Some people regard politics as a game, others as something disgraceful. Most of us like to talk politics occasionally, but we seldom take part in them.

When Chief Justice Taft was President of the United States he said that he was going to give a government of laws and not of men. That sounds fine, but no matter how fine and perfect the law is, no matter how good the frame of government may be,

we have a government of law, administered by men. A law or a constitution is nothing but a rule or a grant or a restriction or a direction. It is as dead and cold as a motor car without (Continued on page 19)



Your Post and Your Town

The Legion Is Remembering Its Obligation to the Community

A Mixer That Produced

AST February our post decided to stage a "community mixer"everything free, and all sorts of entertainment and amusement. affair was so successful that we de-

cided to make it an annual event. The second one was held in December. Since it was a community affair the officers of our post proposed before this gathering that a community club should be organized. The people favored the plan and appointed a committee to draw up plans and report. The committee reported last month at another community meeting, called by the Legion post, and put the proposition before the people. They decided to

organize, and officers were elected. The Hope Community Club promises to be a success, and our post feels that it can take part of the credit for its organization.-ROLFE C. M. Kraabel, Adjutant, Earle V. Jefferson Post, Hope, N. D.

Swelling the City Treasury

SOME two weeks ago we began pasting small stickers and handing out and generally seattering cards bearing the following notice:

> PAY YOUR POLL TAX Be 100 Percent American Vernon D. Hart Post No. 100 American Legion

Here is a copy of a letter received

today from the city manager: "I wish to tell you for your informa-

tion and by way of encouragement that The American Legion campaign is evincing its success as shown by this comparison: Last year on January 20th there were paid in this city 122 polls, while today shows 409 paid."— W. O. CATON, Adjutant, Vernon D. Hart Post, Stamford, Tex.

Running a Street Fair

THIS is what happened in our town last September:

Business men had for years held an annual fair on the principal streets, with exhibits of farm products, races, free attractions, band concerts, merry-go-round, ferris wheel, etc. The fair gave visitors a big time and encouraged business among local storekeepers. In fact, the Fort Plain Street Fair was an annual gathering place for thousands.

The fair was abandoned, however, during the war. Last August local business men signed a petition asking the village fathers to resume the fair to boom business and the town. The local Legion post was granted permission to use the entire business section of the town to put the fair across. Let me state here that it was some job-we had three weeks' notice and no experience in this line.

The fair opened Monday, September 26th, and closed Saturday, October 1st. It was a grand and glorious success. This adventure of our post brought in thousands of people from nearby cities and towns. Business men reported a big boom in sales and new customers

S your town a better place to live in because it has a Legion post? What has your post done to prove its practical and unselfish interest in its community? The letters published on this page are in answer to those questions. This magazine wants more like them. Address Community Cooperation Editor, The American Legion Weekly, 627 West 43d Street, New York City.

> for the future. The post received much publicity throughout central New York. Legion members acted as special police and rendered valuable service to police and state troopers in handling the traffic and crowds.

> When all bills were paid we had a balance of \$650 for our memorial building, which will cost nearly \$8,000.

> Our post was given great credit for the excellent manner in which the fair was conducted, and will have the op-portunity of holding the fair next year. —HARVEY H. GLOSSER, Commander, Fort Plain Post, Fort Plain, N. Y.

Taking the Buck from Carol

THE village of Henning, in Otter Tail County, Minnesota, is in the heart of the Gopher Prairie country as mapped out by Sinclair Lewis, but instead of a fickle Carol Kennicott to lead it, we have an American Legion post, and the community has been awarc of its influence for good since the founding of Axel Buseth Post in

One of the first acts of the post was the purchase of a rugged tract of land in the center of the village and adjoining the high school. This tract was dedicated as the Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Memorial Park at a monster eelebration on July 4, 1920. The title was transferred to the municipality, and the control is vested jointly in the municipal council and the executive committee of the Legion post. The present school building is inadequate, and when a new high school is built it is proposed to erect it in this park as a memorial to the service men and women from this community. women from this community. According to the present plans of the memorials committee, a life-size bronze statue of a doughboy will be erected on the highest point in the park, overlooking the will a side of the park overlooking the will a side of the park. ing the village.

The park contains two double clay surface tennis courts, and a lily pond that is converted into a skating rink in winter. This spring the avenue through the park will be planted with memorial trees to those from this

community who made the supreme sacrifice in the war.

This is the one outstanding accomplishment of this post to date, but we have not been inactive otherwise. have taken care of the needs of all exservice men in this community; we have seen to it that all pa-

triotic holidays are fittingly observed (which was not the case in years before): we have conducted with full military honors the funerals of two comrades whose bodies were brought back from France; we have silenced the agents of anti-Americanism in this community, and we have sponsored clean sports and amusements. — HAMILTON TRAUB, War Risk Cincer, Axel Buseth Post, Henning, Minn.

On Hand in an Emergency

T all happened like this: Heavener, peaceful little city at the foot of the Ozarks, in the extreme eastern part of Oklahoma, was aroused overnight and found itself in the midst of a small-pox epidemic. City authorities took the situation in charge and declared a strict quarantine in less than an hour after word had come over the wires that practically two-thirds of LeFlore County had been exposed to the disease.

For four days and nights men of the Legion watched the workings of the quarantine; then, calling a special meeting, they placed themselves on record as being willing to lend aid to the city authorities in allowing persons to enter and leave the city limits. The mayor accepted the offer and thirty-five Legionnaires were sworn in as special

officers.

Then the work began. No more evenings of entertainment, no banquets, no smokers. Heavener was under guard of the men who had served. Fourteen posts were designated about the city and guards were stationed at the city and guards were stationed at the city limits with the orders, "Let no one enter without a health certificate properly signed within the last 24 hours!" And did they enter? Never! While sister cities were each day recording new state. cases and being inspected by state health authorities, Heavener continued vaccinating its citizens, and there was not a single death.—T. M. BEAIRD, Commander, Lumpkin Post, Heavener, Okla.

Free Eats Plus Cigars

WHEN the Strathcona Co-operative Creamery Association held its annual meeting January 10th, the members of Stephen Gust Post served a free hot lunch at noon to all who attended. Also cigars. The effort of the post in evoking a better community spirit has been well repaid. Many complimentary remarks in favor of the post have been heard since the meeting.—Otto H. PAULSON, Adjutant, Stephen Gust Post, Strathcona, Minn.

Mark Time in Winter? Not This Legion

Dobbs-Frazier Post of Duncan, Okla., started 1922 with a membership round-up, employing a ready-made "patrol" that hauled in eligibles from all over town (right). The husky delegate in the center is a real deputy sheriff, by name Two-Gun Brown.

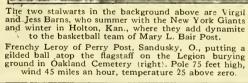
The monster wood-and-cardboard doughboy below graced a Kansas City department store front during the National Convention. Members of M. N. Eberts Post of Little Rock, Ark., reassembled it in their city and used it as a background when they installed new officers.

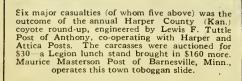


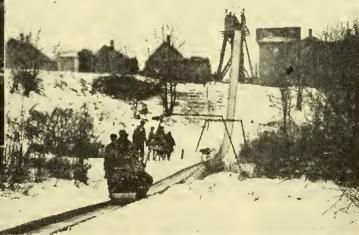












Keeping Step with the Legion

and The American Legion Auxiliary

Keep Out of This Outfit!

THE S.O.L. Club is now being organized. According to the eligibility rules of this club, only those veterans who fail to pay their 1922 Legion dues are eligible for membership. Membership in the S.O.L. Club carries with it the following privileges:

The privilege of not attending post

meeting or taking part in what is going to prove the biggest year in the Le-

gion's history.

The privilege of not receiving The American Legion Weekly after the next

(February 24th) issue.

A member remains in good standing in the S.O.L. Club as long as his Legion dues are unpaid. If he pays his Legion dues, he is automatically expelled from the club.

Present indications are that the S.O.L. Club is going to be one of the most exclusive organizations on record. Hundreds of thousands of men and women have deliberately brought about their ineligibility to the club by paying their 1922 dues to the Legion.

The membership books of the S.O.L. Club, we forgot to say, will not be open until March 1st, though recruiting is now going on. Every Legionnaire who has not yet paid his dues has until March 1st to decide which organization March 1st to decide which organization he wants to belong to—The American Legion or the S.O.L. Club. After March 1st, if he has paid his Legion dues, he will continue to receive The American Legion Weekly. After March 1st, if he has not paid his dues, his name will have received from the Weekly's mailing be removed from the Weekly's mailing list and placed on the mailing list of the official organ of the S. O. L. Club. The only difficulty is that, since the S. O. L. Club has no dues, it can't get out any official organ.

W E should not have tried to get away with all this fresh stuff if we had not been supported by a fine let-ter from Adjutant Harold H. Hickey of St. Charles (Ill.) Post. Hickey writes that "there have been a great many talking points for a fellow's getting into the Legion but it seems to me that one of our best is The American Legion Weekly. Just mention to a member that his Weekly will soon be stopped if he doesn't pay his dues and believe me, you soon get action."

And believe us, it will be stopped, too. The Circulation Manager says the man who kept the guillotine oiled will have nothing on him when it comes to lopping off heads eleven days from now. Bang goes the axe—on March 1st. After that, Friday will be just like any other day. The letter carrier may keep on bringing you the same old oil stock prospectuses and the same old poll-tax reminders, but unless you've paid your dues he won't bring you the same old

St. Charles Post, incidentally, has a machine for paying dues that ought to work smoothly, and we have seen the same plan put into effect by other posts.

If you live in St. Charles and want to pay your dues you don't have to hunt up Adjutant Hickey who, for all we know, lives away across the creek in East St. Charles. No, indeed. You can pay it to Karl J. Gartner, down in Gartner's bakery. Or Alfred Borman, in Nord's Hardware Store, will be glad to take it. And Barney Naughton also stands ready to relieve you of spare change down at Sinton's News Stand. The only thing lacking in the St. Charles plan is a Legionnaire dentist

Legion Calendar

Dues

Don't risk your life in the final crush —see your post adjutant or finance officer today. And rush your subscription card to the Weekly.

Community Co-operation

Has your post done something to make the home town as proud to own you in 1922 as it was in 1918?

Unemployment

A veteran for every available job—and new kinds of jobs where the familiar ones aren't available.

Service Census

Departments are laying down the tape for the jump-off. Get set for the whistle.

Auxiliary

No stag posts. Start a unit and watch things hum.

Clubhouses

Tell the Weekly just how you raised funds for your post home. Other posts have the will-show them the way.

hanging out a sign: "Painless extract-

ing from the mouth or the pocket."

Three more words before we leave this important subject:

Pay your dues.

Home Missionary Work

OUR post may already have been Y informed by your department headquarters of your department's plans for the Legion's service census. The Indianapolis conference of department commanders and adjutants, which approved the National Commander's suggestion for the nationwide service campaign, outlined a general list of questions to be asked veterans everywhere by Legion representatives. The preparation of the blanks for answers and of the information which the Legion census taker must have at his fingertips to make the campaign ef-

fective was left to the machinery of the national organization; in every other detail the plan becomes a department affair. It is for the departments to pick their own zero hours, to map out their own sectors, to lay down their own barrages.

The beauty of the service census idea is that it is not a new idea. It has the advantage of having been tested. It worked last year in Iowa—worked with conspicuous success. It was not an all-Legion affair either; the Auxiliary had a big share of the work-in

iary had a big share of the work—in some districts practically all of it.

The same plan, in slightly modified form, has been adopted and operated successfully by individual posts. Ventura County (California) Post has a card index of the men in its territory in which it carries information on which the carries information on which it can base a definite program of aid to the man who has a claim against the Government he fought for.

The card contains space for the following record:

Name and address: Any claim against the Government?

Has it been settled? Disabled account service? Made claim for compensation acc't same?

Employed-Yes: No: Occupation best fitted for: Member American Legion?

Why not? Dues paid? Date:

Does the plan work? Does it help the post as well as the man who wants assistance? Post Adjutant Charles P. Daly ought to know:

As soon as I made an effort to take care of the man's problem regardless of whether or not he was a member of the Legion, I created a booster for the Legion, and consequently a member; in addition I secured the boost of the man's family and friends. The results your Circulation Manager can vouch for in the number of cards that we have been sending in since the receipt of the 1922 books. We are still working, and soon will have a complete census of the county in accordance with the questions listed on the card.

I have found, as adjutant of this post, and I take it that the same thing applies in all localities, that the men do not wish to have to write a lot of letters about their claims or fill out a lot of blanks. In fact, rather than do this many of them will insist that the claim is not worth bothering about. I assure them that I am hired to do this very thing and that if they will just give me the dope I will do all the correspondence. I ask them to let all checks and correspondence come addressed through the post, so that I can know when a claim is being taken care of. I have found that this personal interest pays the new members we have secured without any solicitation are proof of it.

I noticed an article in the Weekly recently about the care of discharges. This is a matter which we are continually urging on ex-service men. Legislation in this State permits recording of discharges by county recorders. The fellows send or hand me their discharges and I have them

recorded and mailed back. In many instances I have found, when a man let me take his discharge to record, that he had additional travel pay coming to him, or even his sixty-dollar discharge bonus, which he would otherwise have known nothing about.

You who happen to be reading this: You wouldn't be reading it if you had no interest in the Legion and the welfare of the veteran; you wouldn't be reading it if you couldn't read. You're pretty well off. But if you had bought some Liberty bonds on the allotment plan and hadn't received them, would you know how to go about getting them? Would you know how to get your sixty-dollar bonus? Can you give a concise explanation of the provisions of the Adjusted Compensation Bill? Could you pass with a mark of sixty percent an examination on national and state veteran legislation?

Yet you're a tolerably intelligent sort of person or (beg pardon) you wouldn't be reading this. Well, think of the thousands of veterans who aren't reading it (the Advertising Manager will probably get aboard us for that), who can't read it, who are wholly ignorant of their rights and privileges as men who served. Think of the thousands of others who have a vague idea they're entitled to something but don't know how to go about getting it—who, as Adjutant Daly says, will insist their claims are not worth bothering about rather than fill out a mess of Forms XYZ and 73485789-GX.

These are some of the people the Legion's service census will reach.

Big Ideas

I N this week's issue of the Weekly appears a collection of letters from Legionnaires detailing what posts have CABLEGRAM-"VIA COMMERCIAL"



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WALDRON VACUUM OIL.

This cablegram is not a greeting from the Mohammedan Veterans' Association couched in the original Hindustani. Translated from the Bentley code, it says: "American ex-service men desire post. Send full details to Waldron, Vacuum Oil." Calcutta Post, when organized, will fill the biggest non-Legion gap at present existing on the globe. Its nearest Legion neighbor on the west will be Turkey, on the east China.

done for their communities. To our mind this is the most important thing in the magazine. Mr. Wallgren insists, of course, that his dues cartoon is really the big thing in this number, and the Advertising Manager also has some pronounced ideas about what's best. But we absolutely decline to yield either of them a single inch, and will even go further and say that the commurity co-operation letters are the most important thing we ever printed. That ought to hold them for awhile.

Two facts stand out in these community letters. The efforts of the posts to improve their towns were practical. They were unselfish. In some instances the efforts produced revenue for the post, but that was incidental. The main thing was to help the town. The main thing was to render practical and un-selfish service. Those two words can't be repeated too often.

Bathing beaches, parks, playgrounds, poll tax campaigns, community clubs—there is nothing hifalutin or up-in-theair about plans like those. They are all solid, substantial, tangible—buildings, ground, real cash money, things that would hurt if they hit you on the head. Practical things, just as a can opener is and a corkscrew was.

And they were unselfish, in that, with one or two exceptions, they brought no actual contributions into the post treasury. It is no crime to bring money into the post treasury; in fact, it is pretty necessary if you expect the post to live. But these community endeavors did bring to the post a contribution as necessary to its success as dues. They brought the posts good will—the good will of every man, woman and child in the town, and without that the most amply-endowed Legion post must be a flat failure.

This is fact, not preaching. We don't have to preach—the community co-ophave to preach—the community co-operation letters are good enough sermons in themselves. We want more like them. By more we mean hundreds. We won't guarantee to print them all, but we'll print the best. Remember that such letters must fulfil the following requirements:
They must record practical and un-

selfish efforts made by Legion posts to make their home towns better places to live in.

They must record efforts that have already produced results—efforts that have passed from ideas to accomplishments.

Preferably, they should record efforts in which the post took the initiative.

And they should describe these efforts briefly, but at the same time with enough detail to make the plan clear to any other post that would like to try them out.

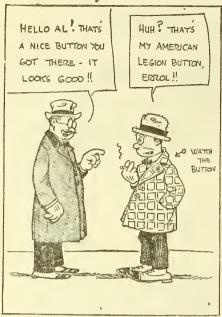
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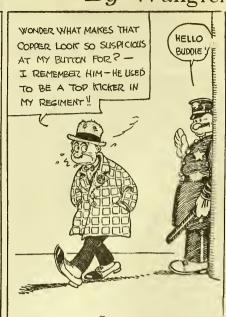
A certificate of merit is to be awarded every Legion post in Minnesota that sends in state and national dues of 100 percent of its 1921 membership by February 28th. Certificates of a similar sort have been awarded Minnesota posts which remitted to department headquarters state and national dues of 75 percent of their 1921 membership by December 31, 1921. Eighty-four posts won certificates in this latter class.

A Guilty Conscience

By Wallgren

















WELL THEN, YOU

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SURE - I FELT LIKE

I WAS MASQUERADING

FINE BUDDIE -

BETTER LATE

"Swing Your Partner, Buddy!"

From St. Paul to Sitka and Beyond, the Post Dance Boosts the Legion



And It's as Easy to Put One On in Your Home Town as Anywhere

By Franklin Stetson Clark

MAKE oil and water, they don't mix. Cognac and le meme choses don't always mix so well, either. Your girl, or your wife and a crap game, they don't mix at all, not usually.

But in Alaska it's different. When Sitka Post gave a dance recently, included among the decorations were a bevy of dance hall girls, a nice lively little crap game, a bar with an over-worked bartender, a roulette wheel, and such popular games as Black Jack, stud poker and faro. All collected under the same roof, at the same time, at the same dance.

One buddy who didn't like to dance very well gathered up \$79,000 while amusing himself as best he could in

other ways.

Here's the way the Sitka lads put it over. Some of them got awful his-torical-like, and began talking as though sump'n surely ought to be done to pay due and proper respect to the good old days of '98, when the Klondike was a-runnin' a stream of gold and Dangerous Dan McGrew was just gettin' acquainted with a lady named Lou. Talking it up that way they didn't have a bit of trouble, not only in getting the approval of the Auxiliary, but actually getting them to help out a bit in puttin' up the decorations and rustlin' the

Of course, they had to make the thing

sort of decent-like. Mr. Volstead, for example, couldn't have found any incriminating evidence at that bar. Lemonade and soda water were the strongest liquids to be And the money that changed hands at the crap tables and in similar fields of activity was specially printed for the occan-supplied to the

amount of \$500 to each and everyone present, in exchange for one United States half-dollar, the price of admission.

The dance hall girls, they were real girls all right, because they were members of the Auxiliary and its guests. But they weren't real dance hall girls; just "historic-ally" costumed and full of fun and mis-chief, special extra for the occasion.

And here's another thing that was genuine, \$500 in solid American money, the profits made over and above all expenses, for the two evenings the dance was held.

Of course the fellow who won \$79,000 is probably still figuring what he would have done with it, if there hadn't been a trick in that. Anyway, he was given a sweater coat for being "gent winning most money," as was "the lady winning most money," a toilet set.

It goes without saying everyone had good time. Perhaps after all's said have if everything had been real. Those rough parties don't always work out so

well, you know.
But Sitka Post isn't the only post that knows how to give a dance. In St. Paul The American Legion posts combined forces under a central committee and put over a membership ball which took off "Slippery Gulch," including such well-known landmarks as the "Bucket of Blood Saloon," and mixed crap games and things like that, quite as successfully as they did up in Alaska. A membership card and a girl were all you had to show for admission to that dance. Needless to say, quite a few buddies who liked to dance, fulfilled

these two requirements.

The days of '98 and "Slippery Gulch" are a long ways from Wenonah, New

Jersey, but that hasn't prevented the Arthur J. Holeton Post from working a little color and interest into the dances it has given. One of the most successful stunts it tried was an Oriental dance, at which Chinese costumes were the favored garb of those present. A volcano on the stage that spouted fire during the moonlight dances and a "prayer arch" which would have tickled any Buddhist pink were some of the

Lafayette Post of Poughkeepsie, New York, gives an Armistice Day ball each year which has come to be one of the social events of the Hudson Valley, a region famous as the home of the old Knickerbocker families and where dwell today some of New York's best known millionaires and social leaders. But any buddy who can scare up a dress suit or find something in an O. D. or a navy serge that the moths haven't eaten is eligible for this event. It doesn't make any difference whether his ancestors lived in sight of the Hudson, the River Lee, the bonnie Clyde or the Great Arabian Desert, or whether his old man has a million or only ought to have. The Armory is especially dec-orated for this occasion and boxes are supplied for the guests and families of those attending. Armistice Day is a popular date for large formal American Legion dances the country over

In New York City The American Legion Basket Ball League makes it a practice to give a dance before and after each game, in order to get the crowd out and supply additional entertainment.

These are just examples, taken at random, of posts which are giving dances, getting some fun out of them, and in many cases making money.

Money—what do they do with the money? A lot of it has gone to help out disabled buddies whose allotments are insufficient, or tied up in red tape for one reason or another. Some of it has helped to tide over buddies who are out of work. Middle Village Post of Middle Village, New York, gave a subscription dance to supply poor folks with Christ. (Continued on page 22)



One buddy who didn't like to dance very well gathered up \$79,000 while amusing himself

EDITORIAL



The High and Wide Barrage

THE Old Guard of entrenched national selfishness is making its last stand against the American Legion's Adjusted Compensation Bill. Waterloo is almost over and the field marshals of the opponents are driving their forces to battle with flattened swords. The press is in action and a defensive barrage of alarmist newspaper articles on the country's financial condition is being laid down upon the public. The big

financial journals, the metropolitan newspapers and the lesser publications which take their cue from them are, with some notable exceptions, joining in the bombardment. The Big Berthas are also booming—the Washington newspaper correspondents, whose articles are syndicated in newspapers throughout the country.

The Wall Street Journal (with whom business has always been business in discussing compensation) sent up the signal for the barrage when it quoted an unnamed senator as saying, "Nothing will check the successful agitation in Congress except a display of public opinion on the other side through the newspaper press." The response was instantaneous. Forth came editorial after editorial, cartoon after cartoon, article after article, all on the common theme—the "bonus bill" must be defeated. Louis Seibold, whose writings

Louis Seibold, whose writings appear in the New York Herald and many other newspapers, is one of the Washington special correspondents who have been talking in billions and howling calamity. He terms the demand for compensation "dollar patriot-

ism." Dollar patriotism, indeed, the modest demand for a squaring of accounts with the man who fought the war for from eight or ten dollars up per month net! Dollar patriotism, Mr. Seibold, connotes in most people's minds the man who said in 1917 and 1918, "Nothing will be too good for you boys when you get back," and then turned around and got all the dollars he could while the getting was easy.

And, says Mr. Seibold:

The President and Sceretary Mellon have convinced almost everybody except Congressional candidates and a comparatively small percentage of ex-service men that the Government cannot safely assume any further financial obligations.

This is unqualifiedly false. The implication that only a small percentage of ex-service men want compensation is too ridiculous to require an answer. To refute other implications of Mr. Seibold, we quote the words of this country's leading political observer, Mark Sullivan:

It isn't merely the bulk of the soldiers who are demanding a bonus; what weighs more with Congress is the fact that the bulk of the people generally seem to be demanding it.

It was readily apparent that the one episode that had most to do with causing Harding and the other Republican leaders to change front was the election held in Ohio last fall. That election was on the

specific issue of a bonus to be paid by the State locally to its own soldiers. The project carried by a vote of something over 900,000 to 300,000, and the State was directed by a clear mandate of the people to make an initial appropriation of \$25,000,000. That was interpreted as an unmistakable indication of public feeling such as no party in power can ignore.

Mr. Sullivan might have added that fifteen States besides Ohio have indorsed the principle of adjusted compensation, and in three-quarters of these referendum votes were held in which the people showed themselves for compensation by a majority of three to one. The Legion long ago won the verdict of the people of the United States in favor of adjusted compensation. Congress, in passing the Legion's pending bill, will only be executing the popular will—and that is the function of every legislative body.

The American Legion may view this last minute bombardment merely as a phenomenon, confident in the knowledge that the people have already made up their minds on the moral issue involved in the compensation proposal. It knows that the American people believe that a debt can be met in only

one way.

Washington's Birthday

February 22, 1922

N the day when every American who loves his country and respects its privileges of eitizenship and its institutions honors the memory of the founder of this Republic, the men and women of The American Legion draw renewed inspiration from the memory of Washington to carry on our work and to serve in peace, as well as in war, as constructive citizens.

His high devotion to the principles we like to call American and splendid faith in his fellow men, particularly those who served with him in America's first battles for the rightful integrity of our country, form a firm foundation for our future endeavors to uphold the government Washington and his Continentals created for us.

The American Legion stands for America and for the defenders of America. It is our aim to instill in our organization, and through it to all America, a vital sense of civic righteousness in dealing with the intricate and ever-increasing problems before us which shall guarantee to posterity an unswerving and exact fulfillment of the principles whereof the founder of our country game us such wise and high example.

HANFORD MACNIDER

Chronicling the War

THE hip-hip-hooray type of war book died with the Armistice. It was a welcome casualty, but unfortunately the spectacle of its demise frightened many publishers. Angel books, they argued, must not rush in to replace fool books that had been caught in the peace barrage. And so, while the making of many books continued to have no end, the making of war books nearly did. They kept appearing timidly and one at a time, like runners sent out with messages that never reached the headquarters of General Public—runners who were continually being caught in a cross fire of Apathy and Forgetfulness—at least so it seemed from the publishers' firing line. Then came Private Dos Passos in charge of a detail of "Three Soldiers," and though none of the trio was of the stuff of which citations are made, General Public displayed enough interest in their activities to cause some revision of publishers' estimates of alleged indifference to "war stuff."

Meanwhile the production of war books detailing the accomplishments of American units has

continued methodically, with no regard to the sentiments of General Public, but with complete regard for the exactions of history and of the men who made up those units. Company, battery, regimental and ship historics have appeared by the score, and, more important yet, the roster of A.E.F. divisional histories is growing steadily. No less than twelve divisional books have now been published, and at least one other important chronicle, the story of the First Division, is scheduled soon to appear.

Divisional histories are not the kind of books to point a moral or adorn a tale—or even a library table in the average home, perhaps. But each one of them holds an enthralling interest for more than thirty thousand men—men who see printed on each page the noble device: "All of which I saw,

and part of which I was."

Some people have gained the impression from the Watson hearings that the most common order in the A. E. F was

"Sergeant, shoot that man and take his name!"

Bank clerks complain that the new silver peace dollars are hard to stack. Something else for jobless ex-service men to worry about!

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Some Newspaper Views on Compensation







Interpreting Compensation—I

A Discussion of the Cash and Insurance Options of the Legion's Bill

By Philip Von Blon

BUYERS of rainbows and poultry mathematicians—those who count their chickens before they are hatched—are prominent bad examples exhibited to the youth of each new generation. So youth manages to acquire and maintain the perspective of scepticism necessary to enable it to avoid being duped by gold-plated promises. The former soldier or sailor is particularly wary of sure things and guaranteed hopes—his service made him that way. He knows that ice cream never was served in the trenches and that the Q. M. C. beefsteaks of the lines of communication were as intangible as a mirage. He will be pardoned then for withholding his cheers until Congress has passed the Adjusted Compensation Bill and he has had a chance to read just what benefits the law will offer him.

As this is written, it seems reasonably

As this is written, it seems reasonably sure that Congress will pass the bill. It is also reasonable to expect that the bill will be passed in its present form, with five options from which each veteran may select the one which will help him most.

But because of the scepticism among veterans, which events since the Armistice have heightened, it may be doubted whether the majority of men have yet decided which of the five options they would select if opportunity offered. It isn't important that they should make their decisions at this stage, sight unseen. It will betime enough to decide when the terms of the law are known. The framers of the Legion's bill apparently had this view, for prominently at the beginning of the bill as written is the provision that the Government shall make a

great effort to acquaint every man with the provisions of the five options. The bill states:

The Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy shall, as soon as practical after the passage and approval of this act, jointly prepare and publish a pamphlet or pamphlets containing a digest and explanation of the provisions of this paragraph, accompanied by such statements of the comparative advantages of each of the plans enumerated, as may be of assistance to veterans in making their choice among the plans; and they shall from time to time thereafter jointly prepare and publish such additional or supplementary information as may be found necessary.

Bearing this in mind, there can be no harm in looking into the provisions of the law as written, in studying the advantages of the proposed options. With each man, the problem of selection later will be an individual one, to be determined by his circumstances.

Every Legionnaire knows by this time that the pending bill provides that cash payments would be on the basis of \$1 for each day of home service, and \$1.25 for each day of overseas service. But there is a qualification. Because Uncle Sam paid each man upon his discharge the sum of \$60, in reckoning the time for which compensation payment is due sixty days is to be deducted. To make this clear, we'll quote the paragraph with this stipulation:

There shall be paid to any veteran ... the following sums for each day of active service, in excess of sixty days, in the military or naval service of the United States

after April 5, 1917, and before July 1, 1919, as shown by the service or other record of such veteran: \$1.25 for each day of overseas service and \$1 for each day of home service; but the amount payable to a veteran who performed no overseas service shall not exceed \$500, and the amount payable to a veteran who performed any overseas service shall not exceed \$625.

But here is something else to consider. The authors of the Adjusted Compensation Bill have drawn that bill carefully to make it fit in with a wise government financial policy—opponents of the bill to the contrary notwithstanding. They realized that if the law should provide for an immediate cash payment to each man for the full amount to which he is entitled, the Government would have to have available at once a disproportionately large sum. To give your Uncle Sam breathing space in which to raise the money without straining his resources, the cash payment option of the bill contains this clause:

The payments authorized by the provisions of this title shall be made in installments, beginning on the first day of July or January next succeeding the fifteenth day after the date of filing the application, as follows: (1) if the total amount payable is \$500 or over, in ten equal quarterly installments; and (2) if the total amount payable is less than \$500, in quarterly installments of \$50; except that any installment necessary to complete the payments may be less than \$50.

Thus, if a man should be entitled to \$500, it would be two and half years be (Continued on page 23)



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Adjutant's Call!

Nineteen Twenty-two is here, Pay your dues. Keep your Legion record clear, Pay your dues. Do your part and never fail To dig up the yearly kale; Drop that letter in the mail, Pay your dues.

What if wifie needs a hat, Pay your dues.
She can wait for things like that, Pay your dues. It will scare away the "blues," Even if your tailor sues, And baby needs a pair of shoes, Pay your dues.

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Let your adjutant be happy,
Do not be a backward chappie,
Come on, fellows, make it snappy! Pay your dues. -Allworth Webb.

About 3,000 Miles

"Did you like that batch of foreign jokes that Wagge brought back from his European vacation?"
"Nope. Too far-fetched."

The Big Bully

Mrs. Peck, kitchen knife in hand, had pursued her meeker half until he ducked for protection into a closet and interched himself behind the garments that hung on

the hooks.
"Come out this instant," she demanded menac-

ingly.

"I won't come out." he retorted.

"I'll show you who's boss around here!"

On Time

"Why, where's the tick?" ex-claimed Mrs. Ler-

ret, when she received her husband's Christmas present, a noiseless clock.
"Oh," airily replied Lerret, "that's what I bought it on."

Before Disarmament

The edifying tale of little George Washington and the cherry tree had been related by a fond mother to her offspring with the hope that he might gain inspiration for a better life, but he remained

unimpressed.
"Don't you see the lesson, Billy?" she asked. "George could not tell a lie. He told the truth even though his father stood there with a cane in his hand."
"Huh!" said Billy. "That's nothin'. George had the hatchet, didn't he?"

Improbable Conversation

He: "Can I kiss you?"
She: "No, that's wrong."
He: "Hanged if I see why."
She: "You should say, 'May I?"

Whither Away?

The neck of the waist and the hem of the skirt will now join (in singing), "Where Do We Go From Here?"

Single-Track Mind

"When is your daughter thinking of getting married?"
"Constantly."

Suggestions of a Doughboy

Being the Suggestions of a Doughboy on the Manner of Conducting the Next War, Together with Certain Reflections on the Conduct of the Last One.

Last One.

11. That all officers and men in the Q.M.C. be instructed that when a combat unit sends back to them a requisition for, say, "Thirty pairs of shoes, size 7½ E." that the seemingly mystic numbers "7½ E" really have a purpose in being mentioned, and are not written there simply to fill in an otherwise empty space. Impress on them that two pairs of No. 6's, twenty-seven pairs of No. 10½'s and a couple of off shoes for the left foot are not just as good. good.

(To be continued)

Among the Best Sellers

Blackstone: "Have you ever written anything for publication?"
Webster: "Only a couple of love letters to a movie actress."

Misunderstood

"I hear he has "I hear he has been beating his wife up lately."
"The brute! Why don't they jail him?"
"Oh, I mean he

has been getting up first and cooking the breakfast in the morning."

Helpful Advice

Doctor (to pa-tient): "It's nothtient): "It's nothing to worry about—just a little boil on the back of the neck. But your eye on it."

Murderers' Row Miss Hibrough:

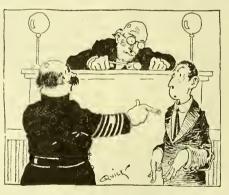
"I do not approve of promiscuous osculation." S. Lang: "You said it, dearie. nothing like bunching your hits." There's

If All Is Dry

This thought has caused us consternation-If there is not a wet-goods shop, We fear the coming generation Can't irrigate its wild oats crop.

Here's Sad Niouxs

A girl from the tribe of the Siouxs
Was often afflicted with Bliouxs.
The trouble, she found,
Was down near the ground—
Her feet were too big for her shiouxs!



"He's crazy, yer honor. I found him down on the main street trying to crank a car."
"Why, that doesn't prove him crazy."

"But there was no car there, yer honor."

Private Feeser's \$7,346

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monds for fifteen. They had been talking quite vehemently for a considerable time but as nine-thirty approached they became solemn, subdued and anxious.

A whistle sounded in the distance; then, as if operated by an invisible mechanism that someone had suddenly jerked, all heads simultaneously turned

toward the East.

A roaring, a rumbling, a hissing of steam, a quivering of the earth ushered in the Limited. Lanterns flashed, a trunk thudded, voices called, a bell clattered and the long train moved again. Not much of a station—Douglas. But the dickens with that; where was Feeser?

The barber stared ruefully at the receding lights of the observation car and enunciated a sentiment that burned in at least four souls:

"Well, don't it beat hell, fellers?
Don't it, now?"

"There he goes! Look at him go!"
Again someone had jerked the invisible mechanism—all looked where the diamond merchant was pointing. Sure enough, a full block up the street, hat-less, minus his satchel and running at full speed, there he went! The street lights were none too bright but there could be no doubt that the flying vision was Feeser. He had evidently left the train on the off side, for he was a man of instincts.

The reception committee took after him at full speed, with the diamond merchant in the van, but Feeser had gotten a long head start and was speeding like a cat from a dog pound. Even a merchant seeking to retrieve a threehundred dollar diamond cannot hope to

out-distance a man who is running for the sanctity of his hide. Feeser arrived on the main street and went flying through the evening crowds, dodging between sauntering couples, darting through the middle of groups of soldiers and leaping from the sidewalk to the street and back again. His affrighted glance espied the Colonel of his regiment. He rushed toward him and stopped, panting and blowing, and gasped out:

"Cc-Colonel—pfuff—do you—pfuff— pfuff—do you wear corsets?—pfuff—

sir?"

The Colonel pfuffed a bit himself and commenced to sputter and gargle like a Tennessee tobacco chewer engaged in political debatc. Feeser doesn't know the answer to his query to this day, for an M.P. came up, recognized the Colonel's annoyer, closed a firm set of fingers over his coat collar and dragged him speedily away.

The clock in the depot tower boomed eleven.

The two prisoners out in the guard house of the Twenty-second didn't

hear it. "Well, how'd it come out, Feeser?" asked Bunk Brown, the other inmate, "open up. Don't be so clammy. Didn't the old man leave any legacy?"

"Yeh," said Feeser, drowsily turning over on his cot, "he left a legacy, all

right. I had a hard time finding any-body that knew him. I finally found three that did; two of 'em used to be saloon keepers—he owed 'em money—



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and the other was a policeman. The old man died five years ago, they said.
The 'me to the county clerk's office. That That got a pack e out of the basement. 'I got the da r here,' he says, 'and I find Mr. Greber left a lot of liabilities.' 'That's what I'm after,' I says, and I showed him the letter. 'Oh, he says, 'here is the articles which the letter says is of small intrinsic value, but which you may find of more value than that.' And he opens the package and I see my legacy that I wents two thousand miles for. There was a couple of red flannel shirts that was a little too small for me, and a pretty good pocketknife with two broken blades.

"Well, how about them liabilities, Feeser, you got them?"

"Yeh, I got lots of them. Let's go to sleep."

Feeser had learned things up in Greenlee, Vermont.

After the drill period next morning the barber and the twenty-percent man

and the clothing salesman and the diamond merchant were seen standing near the foot of the company street gesticulating, cursing, threatening. It seemed that they had fallen out among them-

"It was you, you, that first started the damn rumor, and for a half a cent

"Oh, dry up, you big, bloated—why, for gawdsake, you blame me, and me out three hundred dollars for a five-hundred dollar diamond?"

"Shut up, both of you. It was that bugler, fellers—get that bird."
So it went. Voices grew more vibrant, more vengeful; countenances darker and more ominous.

But before actual hostilities commenced, a taxi came to a skiddy stop nearby and the company clerk, just back from his short furlough, stepped out, carrying his two satchels. His face was cheery and bright as of one who returns from a pleasurable vacation. He hardly noticed the dreary aspect of the group. He advanced with a breezy

air, and smiled genially.
"Hello, fellows," he shouted, putting down his grips and placing one friendly hand on the barber's shoulder and the

other on old twenty-percent's.
"Hi, Sidney," said the soldiers, without enthusiasm.

"What's a matter? Looks like a funeral. Hike to-morrow? But say, Feeser's still in the hoosegow, ain't he? That's good. Heard anything about any money being left to him?"

The assemblage started, jerked by the

invisible mechanism.
"We heard a little," said the barber,

sarcastically. "Has he had anything to say, specially?" continued the clerk.
"No. Very quiet," remarked the

clothing salesman. "That's funny," went on the clerk, patently disappointed about something, "you know, I pulled something on that bird. Got the name and address of his grandfather off the descriptive card and wrote a letter on the train telling him the old boy died and left him a bunch of dough. Mailed it up there in Greenlee, Vermont, when I went through. Funny you didn't hear about

it.' Well-and this hasn't anything to do with the story—the twenty-percent man can no longer be called that, for he charges twenty-five; the barber gives

you a rotten shave unless you promise him a tip when pay day arrives; downtown you can't get a decent suit of clothes for less than fifty doll of pot cash, and if you think you can any a three-hundred do ir diamond for less than twenty-five vou can think again. All on account o the high cost of living and doing business. Something about manufacturers passing down the tax and retailers forfeiting excess incomes and the surtax interference with the Interstate Commerce Commission. (That may be a little mixed. I can't expl in it all, myself, but they can.)

And, oh, yes—something I nearly rgot. I was talking to the medico the other day and he says that the company clerk is doing as well as can be expected.

How to Work the Government

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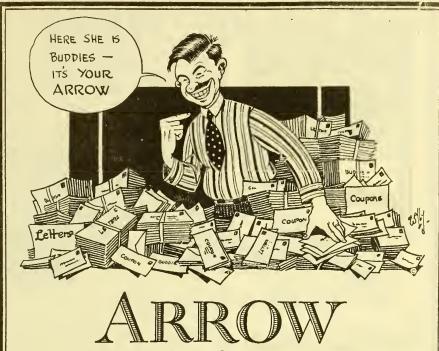
gasoline. Politics is the action and reaction of men in making and ad-ministering this law, in causing the

Government to function.

In one way, there are no rules or laws for politics. The law may tell me how I shall take political action, but it never tells me what political action I shall take. Politics, to employ technical language, is the use of the discretionary power confided by the Constitution or Government in the electorate or its officers. What does that phrase mean? Let us seek illustrations. The President of the United States may sign or yet a kill. The Constitution sign or veto a bill. The Constitution tells him how to do it, but whether he signs or vetoes it is at his own discretion. It is a political act. Your representative is elected according to law, but whether he votes for or against the Adjusted Compensation Bill is a political act which he himself performs, guided by his own judgment and discretion. You and I perform political acts when we vote for the Republican or Democratic ticket. No law compels us to belong to either party or to any party, or even to vote at all. But if no one performed the simple political act of voting the Government would not work.

Politics, then, is not a thing to be decried. It is the very breath of life in our State and not to take the political action which the State lays upon us is to be as treacherous in time of peace as a man who failed to register for the draft was treacherous during the World There is this difference, however -failure to register for the draft was made a crime by law, while failure to take political action is left to the conscience of each individual citizen.

Supposing we have an electorate with the best will in the world to work the Government. How can the individual members do it? Individually they count for very little. In combination they count for a great deal. Individually I help work the Government when I vote. But all that means in most cases is that I vote the Republican or the Democratic ticket. It is true that I have performed a political function, that I have helped to work the Government, but that does overnment to function as I wanted it to.
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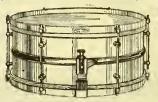
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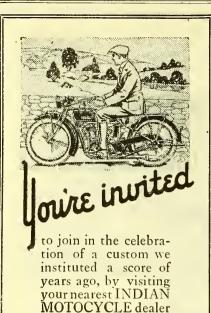
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State should be and do.
This does not mean that all members of the party think alike or all want the same things. Senator Hiram Johnson and Senator Lodge want the Republican party to do very different things, and Senator Underwood and Senator Reed want the Democratic party to do very different things. But both Senator Lodge and Senator Johnson agree on some common fundamentals which are the policy of the Republican party, just as Senator Reed and Senator Underwood are in agreement on certain fundamentals for the Democratic party. It is to accomplish these fundamentals that we join one party or the other and try, by the election of our candidates to cause the Government to work in the way we want it. The real way, then, in which we work the Government is by the election of our party candidates. Hence, to work the Government, we must work our parties.

The party itself may be worked both from without and from within. A sufficient number of the party's members may vote for the candidates of the other party and thus work the party out of its job of running the Government. There is not much satisfaction in this method of controlling the party. It really means giving the Government to your opponents to work it as they want.

The other way to control the party is to work within it—to cause it to stand for what you want the Government to In general, almost any active group within a party, if it is genuinely interested and takes the time and thought and energy which political action requires, can make the party organization listen to it and influence its action.

When The American Legion was organized almost the first question that came up was, "Should it go into poli-tics?" It was settled in the negative early. And it was settled wisely because no veterans' organization could ever have succeeded in making its members vote solidly for any political party. The Legion is composed neither of Republicans or Democrats. It is American and includes representatives of all political parties. Nor could any organization of ex-service men ever have formed a successful political party of its own since, aside from the impossi-bility of obtaining agreement upon the common political principles necessary to create a party, it would have comprised but a small fraction of the electorate. Such a political party would be doomed to be a minority one—and a powerless

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made a dent. There are no more striking examples of the power of a nonpolitical organization upon politicians and upon the Government than the accomplishments of The American Legion during the last two or three years, not only nationally but in many States and many communities. But this activity, great as it has been, is influencing the Government, not working it. It is doubtful if the Legion, as the Legion, could ever work the Government if it That is for the individuals tried. within a party.

But with The American Legion as an organization outside of politics, should its individual members refrain from efforts to work the Government as they consider it should be worked—with an ambition, perhaps, for the advancement of the policies for which the Legion stands? The answer is, of course, emphatically no: It is almost a platitude to say that every citizen owes it to his country and to himself to take as much of an interest in politics as he can and the Legion is founded upon good citizenship. The admonition is none the less needed, however. And every citizen should take a primary interest in the affairs of his party to see that it works the Government right. Every citizen should pay his poll tax and vote, and his participation should extend beyond this minimum exhibition of interest in proportion to the time and effort he can give.

Help Your Disabled Buddy

THE queries given below are printed in behalf of disabled men seeking to get in touch with comrades whose aid is necessary to substantiate claims for government compensation. magazine will publish further inquiries from men seeking proofs of disabilities incurred in service, but can do so only after the usual means of obtaining the information have failed.

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Joseph Brown, 90 Chestnut st., Lowell, Mass., wishes to hear from former members of Co. F. 53d Pnr. Inf.

Frank S. Butterworth, Chairman State Fund Committee, 129 Church st., New Haven, Conn., wishes to locate William H. Mizzen, formerly of Bty. A, 18th Fld. Art., in connection with claim to be filed by Mizzen's mother.

Ralph L. Chambers, 1110 Moran ave., Norfolk, Va., wishes to hear from anyone knowing the whereabouts of Theodore Gaebe, formerly of the 6th Reg. Sply. Co., U.S.M.C.

Dennis J. Farrell, 1101 Mulberry st., Ottawa, Ill., wishes to hear from a former buddy of his son, Pvt. John E. FitzGerald, Btry C, 338th Fld Art., or from the Medical Officer of the battery who attended him before his discharge and d ath from tuberculosis.

Charles C. Gifford, Kenmare, N. D., wishes to obtain information regarding claims from Capt. Photefield, who at last reports was in the 9th Inf., and of Capt. Hale, formerly of Co. C, 2d M. G. Bn, 18th Inf., 1st Div.

Harry R. Holt, National Soldiers Home, Tagus, Me., wishes to communicate with old buddies of Co. D, 58th Inf., Camp Greene, and of Co. D of the Casual Camp.

LUMEY JONES, R. F. D. No. 1, Glencoe, Ala., wishes to get in touch with former members of Btry. D, 44th Art., C.A.C.

Frank McCall, 520 Madison Ave., Syracuse, N. Y., would like to hear from Pt. Miller and Pvt. A. O. Daniels who were in the Med. Det. of Co. I, 51st Pnr. Inf. at Cobern, Germany.

KONSTANTIN SEDELNIK, Marine Hospital, Detroit, Mich., wishes to communicate with Lieut. Becker of his former outfic, Co. D, 110th Inf., 28th Div.

SAM ED TROXEL, Ravenden Springs, Ark., whese to communicate with M. B. Elbert, formerly First Licutenant in Co. C, 1st Bn., Replacement and Training Center at Camp Pike, Ark.

Neil E. Watts, Havensville, Kans., wishes to communicate with Frank L. Fry, of Pennsyl-

Ark.
NEIL E. WATTS, Havensville, Kans., wishes to communicate with Frank L. Fry, of Pennsylvania; Richard G. Hayward, of Indiana, and Thomas J. FitzGerald, of Michigan. He would also like to locate his former lieutenant.
J. P. Wiggins, Stollings, W. Va., wishes to hear from members of Co. K. 357th Inf.



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"Swing Your Partner, Buddy!"

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mas baskets. In many instances the door receipts from dances have been used to good advantage to help out the post's or the Auxiliary's treasury.

It isn't so difficult to give a dance. A good orchestra is the foundation. The number of pieces needed depends on the size of the hall. Ordinarily, four or five pieces should supply enough jazz

to keep everyone happy.

It is usually a good investment for a large public dance to hire a professional orchestra with a well enough estab-lished reputation so that it will be more or less of a drawing card in itself. But sometimes the post has enough musicians among its own members to pick up a satisfactory orchestra, especially

for informal dances.

Now, if you're going to spend time and thought in getting up a worthwhile dance, you want people to turn out to it, whether it's a public dance for making money or just an affair for Legion members. That means you must advertise it and let people know about it.

To begin with, tell the newspapers

about it, and if possible get a short advance story printed a week before the dance is to be held. Then a day or so before it is to take place, get in touch with the newspapers again, and supply them with material for a longer advance story. The best plan is to supply a typewritten outline, with the names of the committees and officers in charge, patronesses, guests of honor, and so on. In addition, some one officer or committee member thoroughly familiar with all details should be appointed to interview the newspapers or the reporters assigned to cover the dance personally. All newspapers should be supplied with complimentary tickets. Probably the best newspaper story of all will be the one that describes the affair after it has been held.

Attractive posters put in shop windows and other places where they are likely to be seen will serve to keep people reminded of the event. One post advertised its dance effectively by having notices of it flashed on the screens at moving picture theaters and by dis-

tributing descriptive leaflets.

But in addition to all this—to get people to buy tickets and to come-the members of the post can do good work by "talking it up." The committee should see to it that the post, and the Auxiliary, too, for that matter, does this. Word o' mouth advertising will bring in actual results. It will remind Tom and Susie that the poster down in the drug store has a message for them personally, and that if they want a good time they'd better turn out, the way all their friends are going to on that evening, buy tickets and go to the dance.

No matter how good it is, the same old thing over and over is likely to become tiresome. It's well to remember this in getting up dances. Many posts com-bine formal and informal dances giving, say, informal dances every week, and a formal dance, with the post's officers in the receiving line, many patronesses, guests of honor, specially gotten-up programs, and so forth, once a month. For informal dances one or two patronesses are usually enough, though of course this depends on circumstances.



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And incidentally, it isn't such a bad plan to consult the Auxiliary all the way through. Some of the most successful Legion dances have been given under the direction of joint committees, representing both post and Auxiliary.

No one who has had his eye teeth cut thinks this world is inhabited by angels. And no buddie who has had orders bellowed at him by a top sergeant or lost his month's pay in a crap game is totally ignorant that some people will bear watching. When an American Legion post gives a dance the name of the American Legion and what it stands for goes with it. It's always well to carry out such provisions as your own common sense might suggest or your wife or your girl recommend to make doubly sure that everything is clean, open and aboveboard.

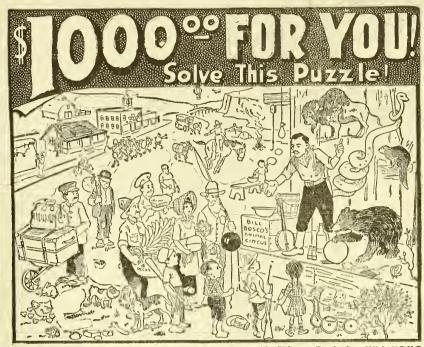
It's pretty hard to generalize about dances because the problem is different in almost every case, according to local customs, the size of the town, and so on. But it's safe to say that the dances the Legion posts have held have been very much worth while. They have supplied fun and good times. They have helped the members of posts and Auxiliaries to become acquainted with each other. Often they have supplied a means for raising needed funds. They seem to be a good thing—worth giving, and worth giving in the right way.

An Outline of Compensation—I

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fore he would have received the full amount. No man would draw more than \$200 in cash in any one year.

The Legion has always believed that the cash option would be selected only by those men urgently in need of cash, men who have been long jobless, for instance. A dollar today would be of more use to them than five dollars would be five years later. The other four be five years later. The other four options are designed to present advantages to men who can afford to wait for their payments. The great majority of veterans probably have been able to overcome partly the handicap which their many months of service represented. Most of them have been working, they are not bothered unduly by creditors or obligations which are difficult to meet. They are not particularly flush, not accustomed to extra income from clipping bonds, but able to break even and do a little better perhaps. They are on farms, in towns or in the army of city workers in offices, stores and factories. To them the cash would come in mighty handy just now-especially those who compose the army corps of newlyweds, those waiting to get married and those who are the fathers of post-armistice sons and daughters. It is to appeal to these that the remaining



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four options of the Legion's adjusted compensation bill have been drawn.

An especial appeal is contained in the second of the five options—the plan offering adjusted service certificates in place of cash. These certificates in reality would be paid-up twenty-year endowment insurance policies. The bill describes this second option as follows:

The Secretary of the Treasury, upon certification from the Secretary of War or the Secretary of the Navy . . . is directed to issue without cost to the veteran designated therein an adjusted service certificate of a face value equal to the sum of (1) the adjusted service pay of the veteran increased by 40 percent . . . plus (2) interest thereon for 20 years at the rate of 41/2 percent per annum, compounded annually (such amount being approximately equal to 3.38 times the adjusted service pay of the veteran). The veteran shall name the beneficiary of the certificate and may from time to time, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, alter such beneficiary. The amount of the face value of the certificate shall be payable (1) to the veteran 20 years after it becomes effective, or (2) upon the death of the veteran prior thereto, to the beneficiary named.

This benefit is in effect a paid-up twenty-year endowment insurance pol-The veteran who is not in immediicv. ate need of money will find it an op-portunity to provide for his own future and to give protection to his family in the meantime. As pointed out in the quotation above, the amount the veteran will receive eventually will be more than three times the amount he would get by taking cash payments. should he die, his family will receive the full face value of his certificate. example will show the merits of this plan over the cash option.

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There are some other general considerations affecting the bill as a whole which ought to be included here. Going back to the first part of this article, there should be explained more fully perhaps just what conditions affect eligibility to receive adjusted compensation. First there are the definition of home service and overseas service. The bill says:

The term "overseas service" means service on shore in Europe or Asia, exclusive of China, Japan and the Philippine Islands; and service afloat, including the period from the date of embarkation for such service to the date of disembarkation on return from such service, both dates inclusive: and the term "home service" means all service not overseas service.

What has been written makes it clear that the cash option and the adjusted service certificate option each would have an especial appeal to different groups of veterans. Next week, in a continuation of this article, the advantages of the three other optional plansvocational training, farm or home aid and land settlement—will be described. Each plan would have outstanding advantages for certain veterans. farm or home aid option, for instance, would present unusual opportunities to an unusually large group and more men might accept this benefit than any other.

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If you were the hostess of a dinner party and your out-of-town guest arrived rather late, how would you present him? Would you introduce him to all at once? Would you introduce him to the person in whose honor the dinner is given? Would you take him to each guest individually? Which is correct?

THE man who would be cultured, well-mannered, and the woman who would possess that coveted gift of charm, must cultivate the art of introduction. For he who can create a pleasant atmosphere between strangers, who can make conversation run smoothly and pleasantly, distinguishes himself as a person of breeding.

Every day, in both the business and social worlds, occasion arises for the introduction. Perhaps it is a business acquaintance who desires to meet your brother. Perhaps it is a friend who would like to meet another friend. The next time you introduce two people, notice whether the feeling you create is friendly and pleasant or whether it is uncomfortably strained.

Let us pretend that you are at the club with Mr. Jones, a young friend. There you meet elderly Mr. Blank. In introducing your two friends, would you say "Mr. Blank, let me present Mr. Jones," or "Mr. Jones, let me present Mr. Blank"? If Mr. Blank is the cultured, well-bred gentleman he seems to be, would he 'say, "Pleased to meet you?" What would be the correct thing for him to say?

As he is an old friend of the family, you take Mr. Blank home for dinner. But your sister has never met him. Would you say, "Mr. Blank, this is my sister, Rose," or "Rose, this is Mr. Blank?" Is it correct for Mr. Blank and Rose to shake hands? If she is seated, shall Rose rise and acknowledge her brother's introduction?

Later in the evening you go with Mr. Blank to the theatre. In the lobby, Mr. Blank recognizes some friends of his wife, and he greets them. You have never met the ladies; never spoken to them. Should you lift your hat, or merely nod and smile?

In the box at the theatre is Mrs. Blank with several friends. Mr. Blank presents you—do you shake hands with the ladies? Do you bow to Mrs. Blank? Would you use any of these expressions: "How do you do?" Pleased to know you," "Delighted."

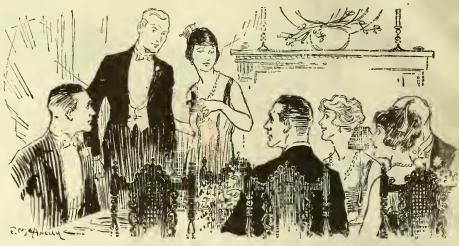
Ordinary, haphazard introductions are as ungraceful as they are ungratifying. If correctly tendered, the introduction becomes a graceful and becoming art. To be able to introduce correctly is to command the respect and honor of all whom you come in contact with.

How Do You Ask a Lady to Dance?

One breach of etiquette in the ballroom condemns you as a hopeless vulgarian! One little blunder and people begin to wonder whether you are such a tremendous success, after all!

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Let us pretend once again. You have taken your fiancee to a dance. The first few dances were hers, of course. But for the fourth you decided to ask a young lady, who happens to be a wall-flower, to share with you. How shall



you excuse yourself to your fiancee? How do you ask the other young lady to dance? Which are the correct and which the incorrect forms? Can you make the young lady feel happy and at ease, or will she feel uncomfortable and embarrassed?

The music ceases and you must return to your fiancee. Do you find another partner for the young lady you have been dancing with? Do you escort her back to her seat? What is the proper thing to do; to say?

It is growing rather late, and you are warm and tired. Is it in accordance with etiquette's laws to wander out on the veranda? What is the correct thing to do if you cannot, for any reason, fulfill a promised dance?

And the woman at the dance. What shall she wear? May she under any condition ask for a dance? May she refuse to dance without reason? What are the usual forms of refusal? How many times is it correct for a girl to dance with the same partner? What shall the young girl who is not asked to dance do?

Both the man and woman must know the etiquette of the ballroom—must know just what to do and what to say. It is the badge of culture and refinement, and not even poverty can hide it.

What Shall I Wear Tonight?

You have asked yourself that question many times. "What shall I wear to-night?" Whether you are a man, or a woman, it is utterly essential that you wear only what is perfect in taste and correct according to the etiquette of the occasion. What does a man wear to an afternoon dance? What does a woman wear? What is worn to the evening entertainment? to the wedding? to the funeral? Do you know what a Tuxedo is? When is it worn? We will pretend, once again, that you are invited to an important afternoon function. What would you wear? Is the high silk hat correct? And if your sister accompanies you, what should she wear?

Are pearls worn in the afternoon? When are diamonds worn, and to what functions? What is the proper dress for the young lady's chaperon? Is it permissible to wear black to a wedding, even if one is in mourning?

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