

COMMUNITY LETTERS

News Correspondents

Elm Valley

Mrs. Howard Burdick, Reporter

March 13—Mr. and Mrs. Earl Schoonover and son, Elwin and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Rogers of Hornell were Sunday dinner guests at the home of their daughter and sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Heselton of Grove Street. The occasion was the 70th birthday anniversary of their father, Earl Schoonover.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lewis were Thursday evening guests at the home of their daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Richard Crandall of Coudersport, Pa.

Elm Valley Community Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Virginia Weber, Wednesday, March 20th for their monthly tureen dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Weber and family and Elwin Schoonover were Friday evening callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Burdick of Wayland.

West Hill

Mrs. Dan Mullen, Reporter

March 13 — Jeff Brewster accompanied Reu Harris of Wells-ville on a trip to New York City recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Sherman of Canisteo called on Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Mullen and family.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brewster were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Meng and Pam of Athens, Helen Rogers and Keith and Neil Brewster.

Mrs. Wilbur Donaldson and Mrs. Guy Donaldson were in Andover Tuesday P. M.

Mrs. Harold Sisson, Mrs. Freeman Dennison and Mrs. Howard Brewster attended the Floral Arrangement Demonstration put on by Alfred Ag-Tech students at the Andover Masonic Temple Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Mullen, Florence and Doris and Mrs. Margaret Mullen called on Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Mullen, of Canaseraga recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brewster called on Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brewster of Whitesville Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Krusen, Arlene and Allen of Greenwood were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Mullen and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Rogers and Dureen of Andover called on Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brewster Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Feenaughy and family were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Mullen.


Mrs. Burdette Hulise and son, Mike called on Anna Mullen Saturday P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rogers of Albuquerque, N. M., called his mother Mrs. Helen Rogers on the phone Sunday. They were well and also talked with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Brewster and John Redmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Mullen and two children and Margaret Mullen were in Rochester on business Tuesday.

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Korean Bonus

Members of Lynch-Burgett Post No. 397, The American Legion and Auxiliary, and Veterans of all United States Wars—

Associations of war veterans are among the oldest organized societies of history. Their purposes are well defined in the Preamble to the Constitution of the American Legion. It states that among other things its members are associated together "To consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by devotion to mutual helpfulness." For generations every great veterans organization has been faithful to that commitment.

Legionnaires, members of the Auxiliary, and all veterans right now have a splendid opportunity demonstrating our acceptance of that obligation, the opportunity to extend helpfulness to our comrades of service in the Korean conflict.

As you well know, residents of New York State who served in world wars I and II were given recognition and appreciation of their devotion to the cause of Freedom was manifested by the granting of a bonus following those wars.

Notwithstanding repeated appeals by the American Legion and other veterans groups our state legislature has pursued an inexplicable departure from the State's tradition and failed to accord to those who served in the Korean conflict the recognition and expression of appreciation extended to veterans of previous wars.

This persistent failure of our State to appropriately recognize the valor and devotion of her citizens who served in this more recent conflict seems to imply that the Korean veteran made somewhat less of a contribution to the cause of Freedom and warrants somewhat less appreciation from his fellow citizen than that accorded his predecessors of world wars I and II. This we know is not so.

In an effort to correct this situation a resolution adopted by the

American Legion at its 1962 State convention committed its Department of New York to a vigorous campaign having as its goal the persuasion of our State Legislators that they should permit the citizens to decide whether or not the Korean veterans are entitled to receive a bonus from the State of New York.

This campaign, under the direction of Junior Past Department Commander, John R. McNamara, is now in full swing on a statewide scope. At its last regular meeting the membership of Lynch-Burgett Post No. 387 gave it unqualified support to this effort and a committee was formed to enlist the cooperation of all veterans of this locality. That is the purpose of this article and you are urged to carefully read what follows and then take the action suggested.

First, let it be said that we are keenly aware of the many perplexing fiscal problems confronting our State legislators at this time, the mounting costs of aid to education and municipalities, an unprecedented budget, as well as sources of income to maintain the pay-as-you-go plan of state financing.

Inasmuch as an amendment to the State Constitution would be required to authorize a Korean bonus, it probably would be late 1966 or 1967 before any payments could be made. It therefore would have no immediate effect upon the pay-as-you-go policy. This is because a proposed amendment must first have approval by two separately elected legislatures, then final approval by the voters in a statewide referendum.

The procedure would be like this: The legislature now in session must be persuaded to authorize a constitutional amendment proposing payment of a bonus to each veteran who was a resident of New York State at the time of entering upon service with the Armed Forces and who had active duty at some time during the period of the Korean conflict between June 25, 1950 and July 27, 1953.

Subsequent approval of the proposition would then be required

of the next elected legislative body in 1965. This would provide for submitting the matter to the people of the State at the general election in the fall of 1965. If approved by the voters, most of the year of 1966 would be needed to devise the mechanics of payment. Hence, it probably would be some time in 1967 before any payments could be made.

Amounts proposed by the resolution of the American Legion Department of New York are \$250 to those served overseas and \$150 to those whose service was within the continental United States. On the basis of currently available statistics the cost to the State would be approximately \$103,000,000. Here it should be noted that the cost of the bonus paid to world war II veterans, including interest on bonds and administration, amounted to \$372,000,000.

To defray the cost a special cigarette tax was imposed and 10% of personal income tax was earmarked for the purpose. Receipts from those sources proved sufficient to retire all bonus bonds by the end of 1958. Notwithstanding liquidation of that indebtedness, the special cigarette tax is still being collected. The American Legion contends, and so stated in its earlier overtures to the legislature, that this revenue should have been allocated to payment of a Korean bonus instead of being diverted to other State functions as is now being done.

So, wont you add the weight of your support to a proposition allowing the people to decide this matter by writing to the following legislators:

Governor Nelson Rockefeller, The State Capitol, Albany, N. Y.

Senate Majority Leader, Walter J. Mahoney,
Assembly Speaker, Joseph F. Carino,
State Senator Barber F. Conable,

Assemblyman Don Cummings,
Address your letters to all of the above at the State Capitol, writing somewhat as follows: "I think the voters of the State should be allowed to decide whether or not a bonus should be paid to the Korean veterans of New York State. Your active support of such a proposition is respectfully requested." To be of any effect, it is imperative that this be done immediately.

It is recommended that you express the foregoing in your own style of writing. Stereotyped form letters, like petitions and resolutions, make little impression upon our legislators. It is the impact of personalized letters from their constituents that gets results. You are urged to ask your friends and neighbors to write too.

It would be appreciated if you would report to any member of this committee the comment contained in any replies that you may receive from those to whom you write. This will aid the committee in fully cooperating with our State and County committees in the pursuit of this all too long delayed recognition of the service of our Korean comrades.

Yours in Comradeship,
JOHN R. GAVIN

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ON TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 1963

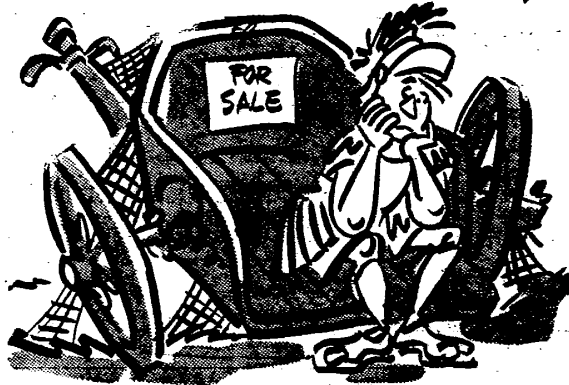
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