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JULY

July 15, 1942

Cheviot Legion Holds Annual Election

Dick Borland Chosen for Commander

Joint Installation
With Auxiliary
Set For July 27

Dick Borland, long active in post affairs, was elected commander of Cheviot Legion Post No. 501 of the American Legion last night in the post headquarters at Rancho Golf course. The president-elect will succeed Commander Harry Smiley.

Borland has served in various active offices and chairmanships of the post and was greatly responsible in securing the present clubhouse.

Other new officers elected were Roy Botsford, first vice commander, T. O. McShane, second vice commander; Pat Riddick, adjutant; John O'Driscoll, financial chairman; Dale Hogue, historian; Mel Cobb, sergeant at arms; A. Conhan, chaplain; Ed Roos and Maury Wingo, executive committee.

Delegates Named

The following were elected delegates to the department convention to be held in Los Angeles next month: Hal Hughes, Smiley, Borland and Botsford; alternates, Ace Aseltine, Riddick and Alec Williams.

A joint installation meeting with the auxiliary of the post will be held on Monday, July 27.

Following election last night, the business discussion centered on the suit filed by the federal government in Los Angeles superior court against the state, county and the Cheviot post to acquire title to the Rancho Golf club property, the ownership of which has been in dispute for many years.

Hughes told members that he has been advised that the post will not be required to take action. He also said that it is very probable that as long as the property stays in the hands of the government that the post will not likely have to seek new headquarters. He further explained that the suit was merely to establish title to the property.

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EVENING STAR-NEWS

July 15, 1942



PRESIDENT-ELECT — Mrs. Bernard Geissler was elected president of the Cheviot Hills unit of the American Legion auxiliary at Monday night's annual election meeting held at the Rancho Golf clubhouse.

A.

EVENING STAR-NEWS,

July 15, 1942

**Mrs. Geissler
To Head Cheviot
Legion Auxiliary**

Mrs. Bernard Geissler was elected president of Cheviot Hills unit 501, American Legion auxiliary at the election of officers held Monday night in the Rancho Golf clubhouse.

Mrs. Geissler, who succeeds Mrs. Thomas McShane to the post, has been active in Legion affairs since the organization of the unit. She is one of the original charter members and served as secretary when the unit was first organized. Since that time Mrs. Geissler has served in virtually every capacity, except the presidency, and has held many important chairmanships.

Other new officers elected were Mrs. Richard Borland, first vice president; Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, second vice president; Mrs. Sue Hamilton, secretary; Mrs. McShane, treasurer; Mrs. Fred Marshall, chaplain; Mrs. James Washburn; Mrs. Clinard Chambers, sergeant-at-arms, and Mrs. Courtland, executive committee woman.

Mesdames Geissler, Borland and Ehrlich were elected delegates to the department convention, which will be held in Los Angeles next month. Serving as alternates will be Mesdames Elliott, Washburn and George Hively.

B.

JULY 17, 1942

INSTALLATION DATES FOR NEW CHIEFS ANNOUNCED

**Dick Borland, N. J. Neilsen, Mrs. Tom Garvin
and Mrs. Cecile Geissler Honored by
Culver and Cheviot Units**

New leaders for the Culver City and Cheviot Hills posts and auxiliaries of the American Legion today awaited installation in early August following elections this past week.

N. J. Nielson, Dick Borland, Mrs. Cecile Geissler and Mrs. Tom Garvin are the commanders and presidents of the posts and auxiliaries chosen.

Dick Borland and Mrs. Cecile Geissler will head the Cheviot Hills Post No. 501 of the American Legion and its auxiliary. Borland, former vice commander of the post, was advanced to the post of commander by his mates. Other officers of the post, elected along with Borland at the Wednesday night meeting included Roy Botsford, first vice commander; Thomas McShane, second vice commander; Pat Riddick, adjutant; John O'Driscoll, finance officer; George J. Coennen, chaplain; Dale Hogue, historian, and Mel Cobb, sergeant at arms. It was Cobb's sixth reelection to the position, which was believed in the post to constitute a Legion record.

Executive Committee

These officers, along with Harry Smiley, the retiring commander, and Maurice A. Wingo and B. C. Ed Roos comprise the new executive committee. All officers are chosen for one year.

Annual reports made at the post meeting showed the organization to be in splendid condition. These reports were by officers and committees, including the Community Betterment of which Ben Geissler is president, and Ace Aseltine, Walter Thiel and Hal Hughes are members.

Joint Installation

Joint installation ceremonies of the post and the auxiliary will be held July 28. At that time, officers of the Twenty-fourth district will install the new officers of the Cheviot post.

Officers who will serve with Mrs. Geissler are: Mrs. Richard Borland,, first vice president; Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, second vice president; Mrs. Sue Hamilton, secretary; Mrs. Thos. McShane, treasurer; Mrs. Fred Marshall, chaplain; Mrs. James Washburn, historian; Mrs. Bertie Chambers, sergeant-at-arms, and Mrs. Courtland Elliott, executive committeewoman.

Delegates chosen for the convention to be held here in August were: Mesdames Jane Hively, Washburn and Elliott.

THE PALISADIAN

July 24, 1942

Induction Of Officers Taxes Legion Hall

The walls of Legion Hall bulged Wednesday night when installation of officers for both the Post and Auxiliary brought out a crowd that taxed the capacity of the meeting hall and used up all available seating facilities. It was the largest attendance at a Legion function this year and found the women far outnumbering the men as District officers and visiting members from several Units came to witness the ceremonies.

District Commander Norman Dunbar was installing officer for the Post and formally conferred office upon the following recently elected men: Alfred Stelle, commander; Robt. J. Foster, first vice commander; Thos. Cheney, second vice commander; Wm. Kent Cooper, adjutant; R. G. Noble, finance officer; John Rupe, sergeant-at-arms; John Stadler, chaplain; C. D. Clearwater, historian; H. J. Keller and O. L. Potter, executive committeemen. Fred Hill, past District commander, acted as sergeant-at-arms.

Auxiliary officers for the coming year were placed in office by Betty Egglestein, 20th District Auxiliary president, assisted by Muriel Horton, District secretary, and Mary Ann Sorensen, junior past president, as sergeant-at-arms.

Auxiliary guests from neighboring units who were introduced included Muriel Horton, District secretary; Amelia Money, Beverly Hills Unit; Bernice Harvey and Loretta Marsick, Celtic; Margaret

McShane, Cheviot Hills; Katherine Barnard, Wilshire; Hazel Learned and Hazel Hill, Pacific; Martha Costello and Irene Schwartzfager, Westwood Bruin; Malessa Acker and Mrs. C. I. Pinkerton, Santa Monica.

Following the installation ceremonies the group was entertained by vocal solos by Mrs. O. L. Potter of the local Unit and with a half hour of magic by Arthur and Sylvia Howard of Hollywood.

Refreshments were served by members of the Auxiliary.

B.

EVENING STAR-NEWS,

July 23, 1942

Cheviot Unit to Install With Post Tuesday

Cheviot Unit 501, American Legion auxiliary, will hold joint installation ceremonies with the post Tuesday night in the Legion clubhouse at the Rancho Golf club grounds.

Mrs. Bernard Geissler will be installed president. She will succeed Mrs. Tom McShane.

Mrs. Jack Edelstein, president of the 24th district, will be installing officer for the women's unit.

A.

July 29, 1942

Cheviot Legion and Auxiliary Install

New Officers Take Posts at Ceremonies

Richard Borland,
Mrs. Geissler,
Head Groups

Joint installation ceremonies of new officers were held last night by Cheviot Hills Post 501 and its auxiliary at the Rancho clubhouse, with Norman Dunbar, American Legion commander of the 24th district, installing the post officers, and Mrs. Jack Edelstein, auxiliary president of the same district, installing the women's group.

New post officers installed were Richard Borland, commander; Roy Botsford, first vice commander; Thomas McShane, second vice commander; Pat Riddick, adjutant; John O'Driscoll, finance officer; George J. Coennen, chaplain; Dale Hogue, historian, and Mel Cobb, sergeant at arms.

Auxiliary officers installed were Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president; Mrs. Richard Borland, first vice president; Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, second vice president; Mrs. Merl Hamilton, secretary; Mrs. Thos. McShane, treasurer; Mrs. James Washburn, historian; Mrs. Clinard Chambers, sergeant-at-arms, and Mrs. Courtland Elliott, executive committee women.

Harry Smiley, outgoing commander, listed the war efforts and other accomplishments of the post during the past year.

Recognition plaques for outstanding service were presented to Helen Guest, Fran Frey and Capt. Geo. Uman. Carl Wirths, post member, made the plaques. Mrs. George Freeman, whose husband is serving as captain in the armed forces, was presented with a service flag. Mrs. Thomas McShane, retiring auxiliary president, presented gavels to her successor and to the new commander. The symbols of office, carved from Lignum vitae wood, were the handiwork of McShane and Richard Borland Jr., son of the new commander.

The post was presented with a gavel bell from the unit.

The retiring president of the unit was presented with her past presidents' pin, the presentation, in behalf of the auxiliary, being made by Mrs. Courtland Elliott, past president. Additional gifts and felicitations honored Mrs. McShane, who was also celebrating her 16th wedding anniversary last night.

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—THE PICO POST—

July 29, 1942

Hobnobbing Around Here, There And About Town . . .

BARBECUE FETE: Although "it's always fair weather, when good fellows get together," Old Sol beamed benignly to add an extra note of cheer when the Thomas McShane's entertained at a barbecue breakfast in the pleasant gardens of their Queensbury avenue home in Cheviot Hills last Sunday morning.

With the host doubling as chef, the huge griddle and grill provided copious quantities of sausage, bacon, eggs, hot cakes and other delectables, all eagerly devoured by guests whose appetites were whetted to unbelievable keenness when the tangy odor of coffee "perk-ing" out of doors mingled with the other delicious aromas.

Enjoying the feast and the pleasant session of conversation and camaraderie which followed were Carl (Ace) and Alice Aseltine, Norman and Mildred Mudge, Bernard and Cecile Geissler, Dale and Coral Hogue, Richard and Elsie Borland, James and Mildred Washburn, Courtland and Carmelita Elliott and George and Jane Hively.

An unexpected but welcome guest was ten months old Roger Aseltine who arrived at noontime with his older sister, Katinka, to enjoy his milk and pureed vegetables with the party. The poise and aplomb of this remarkable infant were a source of admiration and envy among the adults.

All of the breakfast guests were members of Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, and its auxiliary unit, which Mrs. McShane has served as president during the past year. Mr. McShane was recently elected a vice commander of the post for the ensuing term of office.

A.

—THE PICO POST—

July 30, 1942

McShanes Entertain at Morning Barbecue

The Thomas McShanes of Cheviot Hills, entertained at a barbecue breakfast last Sunday morning at their home on Queensbury avenue.

Guests of the McShane's were Alice and Carl (Ace) Aseltine, Mildred and Norman Mudge, Cecile and Bernard Geissler, Coral and Dale Hogue, Elsie and Richard Berland, Mildred and Dr. James Washburn, Carmelita and Courtland Elliott and Jane and George Hively.

All of the guests are members of Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, or its auxiliary unit, which Mrs. McShane has served as president during the past year. Mr. McShane was recently elected a vice commander for the ensuing term of office.

B.

July 30, 1942

Post 501 has installation

Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion and Auxillary held installation of officers Tuesday evening at the Legion Clubhouse on the Rancho Club grounds.

Post officers were installed by Norman Dunbar, American Legion Commander for the 24th District, assisted by various Post commanders. Mrs. Jack Edelstein, 24th District Auxillary president, read the impressive charges of office to the incoming unit officers and received their pledges.

Taking office in the Post were Richard Borland as commander; Ray Botsford, first vice-commander; Thomas McShane, second vice-commander; Pat Riddick, adjutant; John O'Driscoll, finance officer; George J. Coenen, chaplain; Dale Hogue, historian and Mel Cobb, sergeant-at-arms. Mrs. Bernard Geissler was installed as president of the auxiliary; Mrs. Richard Borland, first vice-president; Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, second vice-president; Mrs. Sue Hamilton, secretary; Mrs. Thomas McShane, treasurer; Mrs. James Washburn, historian; Mrs. Clinard Chambers, sergeant-at-arms, and Mrs.

Courtland Elliott, executive committeewoman.

After the formal ceremonies, recognition was given to members and other residents of the community who had performed outstanding service to Post and Unit during the past year. Plaques were presented to Helen Guest, Fran Frey and George Uman, all of whom, although belonging to neither post nor unit, contributed materially to the success of the last annual "Hillbilly show."

Service flags were given to unit members Jewel Rix and Marie Freeman, whose husbands, Major Howard Rix and Captain George Freeman are serving with the armed forces.

Outgoing president Margaret McShane presented gavels to her successor and to the new commander.

A gavel was given to the Post by the Unit, while Publicity Chairman Jane Hively presented Mrs. McShane with the press book assembled during the past year as a souvenir of her term of office. Refreshments concluded the evening's program.

Various Legion and Auxillary dignitaries from other Posts and Units of the 24th District were present. Among the latter were Hazel (Mrs. Fred) Hill of Pacific 290; Irene (Mrs. Larry) Swartfager, past president of Westwood Bruin unit; Mary Anderson of Pacific Palisades; Amelia Money, Past President of the Beverly Hills unit and Mary Ann Sorenson, Junior Past President of the 24th District.

July 31, 1942

American Legion Post and Unit 501 Install Officers

*Richard Borland
And Mrs. Geissler
To Guide Groups*

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Mrs. Bernard Geissler was installed president of the auxiliary; Mrs. Richard Borland, first vice-president; Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, second vice-president; Mrs. Sue Hamilton, secretary; Mrs. Thomas McShane, treasurer; Mrs. James Washburn, historian; Mrs. Clinard Chambers, sergeant-at-arms; and Mrs. Courtland Elliott, executive committeewoman.

After the formal ceremonies, recognition was given to members and other residents of the community who had performed outstanding service in the post and unit during the past year. Plaques were presented to Miss Helen Guest, Fran Frey and George Uman, all of whom contributed to the success of the last annual "Hillbilly show," although none are members of either post or unit.

Service flags were given to unit members Jewel Rix and Marie Freeman, whose husbands, Major Howard Rix and Capt. George Freeman are serving with the armed forces. Outgoing President Margaret McShane presented gavels to her successor and to the new commander. These symbols of office, carved from lignum vitae wood and bearing the names of the recipients and the American Legion emblem engraved on metal plates, were the joint handiwork of Thomas McShane and Commander Borland's young son, Richard Jr.

A gavel was given to the post by the unit, while Mrs. George Hively, publicity chairman, presented Mrs. McShane with the press book assembled during the past year as a souvenir of her term of office. Refreshments concluded the evening's program.

July 31, 1942

Legion Post, Auxiliary Install

Marked by the solemnity befitting an organization composed of the veteran soldiers of a nation again at war, and their wives, was the joint installation Tuesday evening of the officers who will head Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, and its Auxiliary unit during the coming year. The ceremonies were held at the Legion Clubhouse on the Rancho Club grounds.

Post officers were installed by Norman Dunbar, American Legion Commander for the 24th District, assisted by various Post commanders. Mrs. Jack Edelstein, 24th District Auxiliary president, installed the unit officers.

Taking office in the post were Richard Borland as commander; Roy Botsford, first vice-commander; Thomas McShane, second vice-commander; Pat Riddick, adjutant; John O'Driscoll, finance officer; George J. Coenen, chaplain; Dale Hogue, historian and Mel Cobb, sergeant-at-arms.

Mrs. Bernard Geissler was installed as president of the auxiliary; Mrs. Richard Borland, first vice president; Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, second vice president; Mrs. Sue Hamilton, secretary; Mrs. Thomas McShane, treasurer; Mrs. James Washburn, historian; Mrs. Clinard Chambers, sergeant-at-arms; and Mrs. Courtland Elliott, executive committeewoman.

After the formal ceremonies, recognition was given to members and other residents of the community who had performed outstanding service to Post and Unit during the past year. Plaques were presented to Helen Guest, Fran Frey and George Uman, all of whom, although belonging to neither post nor unit, contributed materially to the success of the last annual "Hillbilly show."

Service flags were given to unit members Mrs. Jewel Rix and Mrs. Marie Freeman, whose husbands, Major Howard Rix and Captain George Freeman are serving with the armed forces of the United States.

Various Legion and Auxiliary dignitaries from other Posts and Units of the 24th District were present.

July 31, 1942

Cheviot Hills Legion, Auxiliary Hold Joint, Annual Installation Ceremony

Marked by the solemnity befitting an organization composed of the veteran soldiers of a nation again at war, and their wives, was the joint installation last Tuesday evening, July 28, of the officers who will head Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, and its Auxiliary unit during the coming year. The ceremonies were held at the Rancho Club house.

Post officers were installed by Norman Dunbar, American Legion Commander for the 24th District, assisted by various present and past Post commanders. Mrs. Jack Edelstein, 24th District Auxiliary president, read the impressive charges of office to the incoming unit officers and received their pledges.

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After the formal ceremonies, recognition was given to members and other residents of the community who had performed outstanding

service to Post and Unit during the past year. Plaques were presented to Mel Guest, Fran Frey and Captain George Uman, all non-members who contributed materially to the success of the last annual "Hillbilly show." These were the handiwork of Carl Wirths, a Post member who is nationally recognized as an artist in metalcraft.

A service flag was given to Marie Freeman, whose husband, Captain George Freeman, is serving in the United States armed forces. Outgoing president Margaret McShane presented gavels to her successor and to the new commander. These beautiful symbols of office, carved from lignum vitae wood and bearing the names of the recipients and the American Legion emblem engraved on metal plates, were the joint handiwork of Thomas McShane and Commander Borland's young son, Richard, Jr.

A gavel bell was given to the Post by the unit, while Mrs. McShane received her past President's pin from the hands of Mrs. Courtland Elliott, herself a past unit President. Many other beautiful tokens were presented to the outgoing president, whose sixteenth wedding anniversary, coincidentally, was also being celebrated Tuesday evening. After adjournment the party repaired to the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho grounds for refreshments.

Various Legion and Auxiliary dignitaries from other Posts and Units of the 24th District were present.

Evening Star-News

July 31, 1942

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SHOULDER ARMS, AMERICA!

Once again America is on the march . . . fighting for freedom and the preservation of the American Way of Life.

We in Cheviot Hills are uniting with the Nation, working together to win this great struggle, by preparing our emergency relief stations, learning all we can about disaster relief, helping our local defense councils and purchasing War Bonds.

Cheviot Hills
American Legion Post
and Auxiliary

July 31, 1942

Gay Party At McShane Home

Although "it's always fair weather, when good fellows get together," Old Sol beamed benignly to add an extra note of cheer when the Thomas McShanes entertained at a barbecue breakfast in the pleasant gardens of their Queensbury avenue home in Cheviot Hills last Sunday morning.

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All of the breakfast guests are members of Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, and its auxiliary unit, which Mrs. McShane has served as president during the past year. Mr. McShane was recently elected a vice commander of the Post for the ensuing term of office.

A.

WESTWOOD HILLS PRESS

July 31, 1942

Thomas McShanes Give a Barbecue Breakfast Sunday

With the host doubling as chef, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McShane entertained at a barbecue breakfast last Sunday morning in the garden of their home on Queensbury av. in Cheviot Hills. All of the guests are members of Cheviot Hills post 501, American Legion, or its auxiliary unit, which Mrs. McShane has served as president during the past year. Mr. McShane was elected a post vice-president recently.

Enjoying the feast of sausage, bacon, eggs, hot cakes and coffee cooked on a huge grill and griddle, were Messrs. and Mmes. Carl Aseltine, Norman Mudge, Bernard Geissler, Dale Hogue, Richard Borland, Courtland Elliott, George Hively, and Dr. and Mrs. James Washburn.

B.

AUGUST

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

August 7, 1942

August 3, 1942

Mrs. Thos. McShane Is Elected Vice Head of District

Laurels came to Cheviot Unit 501, American Legion auxiliary, at the meeting of the 24th district of auxiliary Thursday night when Mrs. Thomas McShane, immediate past president of the Cheviot unit, was elected to the office of first vice president of the district.

Mrs. Henry Waggoner, newly-elected president of the district, has only recently moved to Cheviot Hills. She is a member of the Beverly Hills unit.

A.

Cheviot Juniors To Be Installed Monday Evening

Installation of the officers-elect of the Juniors and announcement of the new committee chairmen of the auxiliary will feature the meeting of Cheviot Hills Post Unit 501, American Legion, next Monday evening, at 8 o'clock at the clubhouse on the Rancho golf club.

Mrs. Cecile Geissler, new president, together with her official staff, will preside for the first time, and Mrs. Geissler will conduct the installation ceremony.

Junior officers to be inducted are: Ruth Cobb, president; Cressa Search, vice president; Patricia McMurray, secretary-treasurer; Barbara McMurray, chaplain, and Gale Hughes, Jr. sergeant-at-arms.

C.

West Los Angeles Independent

August 7, 1942

To Appoint Heads Of Committees

In a notice to members of Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion Auxiliary, that the first official meeting since her recent installation as president will be held next Monday evening, August 10, at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds, Mrs. Bernard Geissler outlines the policies by which she hopes to guide unit activities during the coming year.

According to Mrs. Geissler, business to be considered at the meeting Monday evening will include the appointment of committee chairmen and a working outline of plans for the coming 12 months. Officers of the Junior branch of the Cheviot Hills Auxiliary unit will also be installed. Those to assume leadership of the younger group are Ruth Cobb, president; Cressa Search, vice-president; Patricia McMurray, secretary-treasurer; Barbara McMurray, chaplain and Gale Hughes, Junior sergeant-at-arms.

B.

West Los Angeles Independent

August 7, 1942

Cheviot Hills Couple Gives Breakfast

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McShane recently were hosts at a barbecue breakfast given in the pleasant gardens of their home on Queensbury avenue in Cheviot Hills.

All the guests are members of the Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion or its auxiliary unit of which Mrs. McShane was president during the past year. Mr. McShane was recently elected a vice commander of the Legion post.

D.

THE **CITIZEN** AND CHEVIOT CHATTER

August 7, 1942

Cheviot Woman To Head A. L. District Unit Next Year

Mrs. Henry Wagoner, of 2569 Patricia avenue, Cheviot Hills, and a member of Beverly Hills Unit 253, was unanimously elected president of the Twenty-Fourth District of the American Legion Auxiliary at their monthly meeting, July 30, in West Los Angeles, with Pacific 290 as hostess unit. Also elected unopposed as vice president was Mrs. Thomas McShane, of 3159 Queensbury Drive, of Cheviot Hills Unit 501. Mrs. Mary Ann Sorenson, of North Hollywood Unit was elected delegate to the National convention to be held in Kansas City.

The newly elected officers will be installed with the usual ceremonies at the Department convention in Los Angeles August 16-17 and 18.

Gifts from the District were presented to the outgoing president, Mrs. Jack Edelstein, who presided over the session, and to Mrs. M. Horton, secretary, Mrs. Harold Mahan, department vice president, making the presentations. Yearly reports were given during the meeting.

A.

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

August 7, 1942

Juniors of Cheviot Unit to Be Installed Monday

Officers of the Junior branch of the Cheviot Hills unit of the American Legion auxiliary, will be installed Monday night at the regular meeting of the mother group, it was announced today by Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of the parent organization.

Ruth Cobb was recently elected president of the younger group.

Other new officers are Cressa Search, vice president; Patricia McMurray, secretary - treasurer; Barbara McMurray, chaplain, and Gale Hughes, junior sergeant-at-arms.

The meeting will be held at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds.

B.

, August 7, 1942

New Post Officers Installed In Colorful Ceremony



Here are the new officers of Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, and its Unit, who were jointly installed July 28 at Rancho Golf Club. Left to right: Harry Smiley, retiring commander; Mildred Washburn, Christine Marshall; Cecile Geissler, unit president; Sue Hamilton, Elsie Borland, Bertie Chambers, Margaret McShane, Ann Ehrlich, Carmelita Elliott; Second row, Maurice Wingo, Mel Cobb, Dale Hogue, Roy Botsford, Richard Borland, commander; George Coennen, John Driscoll, Thomas McShane and Pat Riddick.

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

August 7, 1942

**Cheviot Hills
Unit to
Install Monday**

In an advance notice to members of Cheviot Hills 501, American Legion Auxiliary, that the first official meeting since her recent installation as president will be held Monday night at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds, Mrs. Bernard Geissler outlined the policies by which she hopes to guide unit activities.

"The American Legion Auxiliary," the new president points out, "is one of the most important service organizations in existence, particularly right now. Its purposes are many, but I would like to stress five of the most important objectives, to the furtherance of which every auxiliary members should pledge herself. They are:

1. To help care for the men who gave their health for their country.
2. To look after children whose fathers were taken for a bigger duty.
3. To aid in the development of this great country for which so many were willing to die.
4. To raise a voice for the maintenance of its defenses.
5. To stand guard over its principles and ideals.

"While these objectives are part of a program subscribed to during an era of peace," Mrs. Geissler concludes, "strict adherence to them has become even more important now that we are again engaged in a bitter struggle for the survival of our American integrity."

According to Mrs. Geissler, business to be considered at the meeting Monday evening will include the appointment of committee chairmen and discussion of a working outline of plans for the coming months.

A.

West Los Angeles Independent

August 10, 1942

**WLA Woman
To District
Office**

A West Los Angeles woman, Mrs. Irene Wagner of Patricia avenue, was elected president of the 24th District of the American Legion Auxiliary Thursday when more than 60 delegates and visitors convened here at the Veterans Memorial Hall, 1770 Beloit avenue. She is a member of the Beverly Hills unit.

Mrs. Margaret McShane of the Cheviot Hills unit was elected vice president and Mrs. Mary Ann Sorenson of the West Hollywood unit was named national delegate.

Pacific Post 290 of West Los Angeles was hostess group.

B.

August 27, 1942

WESTWOOD HILLS PRESS

August 14, 1942

Cheviot Auxiliary 501 Has Meeting

Mrs. Bernard Geissler, newly-installed president of Cheviot Hills unit 501, American Legion auxiliary, conducted the first meeting to be held since her installation last Monday evening, Aug. 10, at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds.

Business at the meeting included the appointment of committee chairmen and a working outline of plans for the coming 12 months. Officers of the Junior branch of the auxiliary also were installed. They are: Ruth Cobb, president; Cressa Search, vice-president; Patricia McMurray, secretary-treasurer; Barbara McMurray, chaplain and Gale Hughes Jr., sergeant-at-arms.

Members of the Cheviot Hills unit are happy over the election of Mrs. Thomas McShane, junior past president of the unit, to the vice-presidency of the 24th District. Although a member of the Beverly Hills unit, Mrs. Henry Wagoner, president-elect of the 24th District, is a resident of Cheviot Hills, also.

A.

Cheviot Legion Ratifies Program

Entertainment Phases
Retained as Benefit
Projects of Posts

Meeting jointly, members of the Cheviot Legion Post No. 501 and the auxiliary of the American Legion, last night at a routine business session submitted their ways and means program for ratification to the post.

Despite wartime, the entertainment phase of the year's schedule will be continued for benefit projects, it was pointed out by Commander Dick Borland. The program calls for the annual hill billy dance, the annual show and other events that have been a feature since organization of the post and auxiliary unit.

Roger Riddick gave a detailed report on Boy State activities in Sacramento to the post, which sponsored his going.

Refreshments, under the supervision of T. A. McShane, were served at the close of the program.

Mrs. Bernard Geissler, auxiliary president, assisted the commander in conducting the meeting.

B.

SEPTEMBER

Cheviot Unit to Stage

Elaborate Tea Affair

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

September 2, 1942

Mrs. Geissler to Open Home Friday For Gay Gathering

Beginning this month, club and P.-T.A. activities will become 'a must' on the social calendar. Themes for many fall affairs and openings will center on the golden autumn motif.

One of the first groups to plan an elaborate autumn affair is the Cheviot Unit No. 501 of the American Legion auxiliary.

Designated as a membership tea, the party will be held at the home of the president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, 10405 Cheviot Drive, Cheviot Hills, Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Richard Borland is general chairman of arrangements. Assisting her will be Mesdames Anna Ehrlich, Christine Marshall, Norman E. Mudge, James Washburn, and Gertrude Barry.

Mrs. Roy Botsford is in charge of decorations, which will be carried out on a background of white, off-setting the silver service.

They Will Pour

Special guests at the affair will be Mrs. Irene Wagner, new president of the 24th district of the American Legion auxiliary, and the immediate past president, Mrs. Betty Edelstein. They will preside at the tea urns, alternating with the following past presidents of the Cheviot unit:

Mesdames C. D. Aseltine, Clinard Chambers, Courtland Elliott, George Hively and Thomas O. McShane.

More than 85 invitations have been sent out for the tea, Mrs. Geissler said today, but added that the affair is open to all members and prospective members. Membership into the auxiliary is eligible to wives, sisters and mothers of World War veterans No. 1, and No. 2, the current conflict.

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

September 3, 1942

Nutrition Class To Open in Cheviot Hills Soon

Sponsored by the Cheviot Unit 501, American Legion auxiliary, a nutrition class, under the auspices of the American Red Cross, will open on Wednesday, Sept. 30, in the group's headquarters at the Rancho Golf clubhouse.

Classes will be held every Wednesday for six weeks from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Enrollees will receive their certificates upon completion of the course.

Ann Martin will be instructor and demonstrator. She is being made available through the courtesy of the Bureau of Power & Light. Mrs. Jack Childress, member of the auxiliary, is responsible for bringing the class to Cheviot Hills.

All women in the vicinity may enroll in the class. Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of the auxiliary said, adding that she expected more than 75 would sign up.

A.

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

September 3, 1942

Fashion Show To Highlight Auxiliary Meeting

Colorful autumn fashions, under the direction of Bertha Ayres, will be the highlight attraction at the regular meeting of the Cheviot Unit 501 of the American Legion auxiliary on Sept. 14 at 8 p.m., in the Rancho clubhouse headquarters of the group. It was announced today by Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president.

In addition to the fall fashion review, there will be a program and refreshments.

B.

THE CITIZEN

September 4, 1942

Cheviot A. L. Auxiliary To Give Smart Tea Today

Planned principally for prospective and new members, American Legion Auxiliary of Cheviot Hills post 501 is giving a smartly appointed tea this afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock at the home of the president, Mrs. Cecile Geissler, 10405 Cheviot Drive. Mrs. Richard Borland, wife of the post commander, is in charge of the affair, and her capable assistants include Mesdames Milton Ehrlich, Norman Mudge, Christine Marshall and James Washburn.

Mrs. Roy Bottsford is in charge of decorations and a beautiful setting has been achieved through the use of a profusion of vari-colored flowers and greenery. Presiding at the tea table will be Mrs. Irene Wagner, president of 24th district auxiliary, and the immediate past president, Mrs. Betty Edelstein. Alternating at the urns also will be Mesdames Jae Hively, Carmelita Elliott, Alice Aseltine, Bertie Chambers and Margaret McShane.

This is the first big affair of the auxiliary this season and as more than eighty-five invitations have been sent out, the party is expected to be one of the outstanding events of the year.

Mrs. Geissler announces that a very delightful evening has been planned for Monday, September 14th, at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds, when a fashion show will be put on by Bertha Ayres. Special entertainment will be offered by Mrs. Christine Marshall, vocalist, in addition to other musical numbers.

F.

THE CITIZEN

September 4, 1942

To Hold Nutrition Class At Clubhouse

Beginning Wednesday, September 30, and continuing each Wednesday thereafter, a nutrition class will be held in the American Legion clubhouse in Cheviot Hills, it was announced today by Mrs. Cecile Geissler, president of Post 501 auxiliary. The class is sponsored by the auxiliary and will function under auspices of the American Red Cross.

Mrs. Gladys Childress, auxiliary member, has arranged for Miss Ann Martin, of the Bureau of Power and Light, to put on food demonstrations.

B.

THE CITIZEN

September 11, 1942

TEA HOSTESS



Mrs. Thomas McShane, junior past president of the American Legion auxiliary of Cheviot Hills Post, who assisted with the membership tea given recently at the home of the new president, Mrs. Cecile Geissler.

A.

THE CITIZEN

September 11, 1942

Fashion Show To Highlight Unit Session

Brief reports of the recent Department of California convention, a fashion show, entertainment and refreshments will be highlights of the evening when Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion Auxiliary, meets next Monday evening, September 14, at the Legion Clubhouse on the Rancho Club grounds.

Unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, who will preside at the meeting, announces that the Fashion Show will be staged by Bertha Ayres, a member of the group who is also an outstanding figure in the dress designing and manufacturing world. According to Mrs. Ayres, a particularly interesting feature of the show will be its revelation of the ingenuity with which feminine charm and appeal has been injected into the streamlined fall and winter modes demanded by wartime economy.

Further plans will also be discussed at the meeting for the Red Cross Nutrition class which opens at the Legion clubhouse on Wednesday, September 30, Mrs. Geissler declares. This will be conducted by Ann Martin, Director of Home Economics for the Los Angeles Bureau of Light and Power and will continue for six consecutive Wednesdays, from 10 to 12 a.m. The class is open to all women of the community, but enrollments are limited to seventy-five in number. Reservations may be made by phoning Mrs. Geissler at ARdmore 84762.

Officers of the Cheviot Hills Unit entertained recently with a tea in honor of new and prospective members. Arranged under the auspices of membership chairman, Mrs. Richard Borland, the affair was given at the home of the president on Cheviot Drive, with nearly a hundred women paying their respects in the course of the afternoon.

B.

WESTWOOD HILLS PRESS

SEPTEMBER 11, 1942,

**Cheviot Unit 501,
Legion Auxiliary,
Plans Style Show**

When the Cheviot Hills unit 501, American Legion auxiliary, meets next Monday evening, Sept. 14, at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds, the highlights of the evening will include a fashion show entertainment, refreshments and a brief report on the recent State convention.

Mrs. Bernard Geissler, unit president, announced that the fashion show will be staged by Bertha Ayres, a member of the unit who is a fashion designer. According to Mrs. Ayres, an interesting feature of the show will be its revelation of ingenuity with which feminine charm and appeal have been injected into the streamlined Fall and Winter modes demanded by wartime economy.

Plans will be discussed also at the meeting concerning the Red Cross nutrition class which opens at the Legion clubhouse on Wednesday, Sept. 30. The class will be conducted by Ann Martin, director of home economics for the Los Angeles Bureau of Power and Light, and will continue for six consecutive Wednesdays from 10 to 12 o'clock. The class will be open to all women of the community, but enrollment is limited to 75. Reservations for enrollment may be made by phoning Mrs. Geissler at ARdmore-84762.

Officers of the Cheviot Hills unit entertained recently with a tea in honor of new and prospective members. Mrs. Richard Borland, membership chairman, arranged the affair, which was given in the home of the president, Mrs. Geissler, on Cheviot dr. Nearly 100 guests attended during the afternoon.

A.

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

September 16, 1942

**Nutrition Class
Quota Rapidly
Being Filled**

According to Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of Cheviot Hills unit 501, American Legion auxiliary, the quota of reservations for the forthcoming Red Cross nutrition class, to be conducted at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds, is rapidly being filled, and all women interested are asked to telephone her at Ardmore 8-4762.

This class, which is open to all women of the community whether or not they are auxiliary members, will be conducted by Ann Martin, home economics director for the Los Angeles Bureau of Light and Power. Given under the sponsorship of the Cheviot Hills auxiliary unit and according to the approved Red Cross outline, it will feature new recipes and menus as well as stressing short cuts to providing an adequate and balanced family diet despite the advanced cost of living and the rationing of certain foods.

The first session will be held Wednesday, Sept. 30, from 10 to 12 a. m., and will continue for six consecutive weeks. A Red Cross certificate will be issued at its conclusion, according to Mrs. D. D. Childress, the Cheviot Hills auxiliary member who succeeded in making arrangements with the Red Cross for this important course of instructions.

B.

September 16, 1942

Cheviot Hills Women Learn About Fashions

Legion Auxiliary Sponsors Gay Fall Style Event

By JANE HIVELY

What everyone present declared to be one of the most interesting meetings in the annals of Cheviot Hills Unit, American Legion auxiliary, was held Monday evening at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds with the unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, directing activities from the official platform.

Following a brief business session, highlighted by reports from the recent Department of California convention and an outline of unit activities for the coming year presented by First Vice President Mrs. Richard Borland, the evening resolved itself into a preview of winter fashions, musical entertainment and a social hour when refreshments were served. More than ninety women enjoyed the program, which was open to the community and attended as well by a number of distinguished guests from other units of the 24th district.

The fashion show was presented by Bertha Ayres, a unit member who is also an outstanding figure in the women's clothing field of Los Angeles. Mrs. Ayres was assisted by her business associate, Esther Traynor, while her daughter, Doris Ayres, acted as mistress of ceremonies. Declaring that the fashion designers had taken the governmental dictums as a test of their ingenuity, Miss Ayres pointed out many interesting features of the new clothes, which she dubbed delightfully feminine as well as wearable and durable.

Many Fall Colors

Because of dye shortages, Miss Ayres explained, manufacturers are not concentrating on a few shades but showing a variety of hues so that no particular color will be too rapidly exhausted. Demands of the United States Navy have almost eliminated navy blue as far as the civilian public is concerned, she said, but every other shade of blue is to be seen, as well as mauve, purple, pink, green, wine, grey, red and black. Wool and silk shortages have led to experimentation resulting in many new fabrics, one of the best looking made from skim milk and another from the bark of the redwood tree. Fringes, sailor collars, lace or chiffon yokes, draped fronts and softer dressmaker suits were features to which attention was called as the models strolled past wearing everything from early morning robes to sophisticated evening gowns.

Attractive Models

Models selected from junior and senior auxiliary members included Coral Hogue, Katinka Aseltine, Ruth Cobb, Beatrice te Groen, Margaret McShane, Mildred Mudge, Creta Traynor and Joan Parker.

In line with the nation Legion auxiliary program which names September as music month, a program was presented with Mrs. Fred Marshall, Barbara Geissler and Orlean Geissler giving vocal numbers and everyone joining in community singing as a finale. Mrs. Bertie Chambers, unit music chairman, accompanied at the piano.

Among the many guests present were Mrs. Henry Wagoner, 24th district president, Alvia B. Matthews, 24th district press chairman, Mrs. Martha Costello, Westwood Bruin president, Mrs. Larry Swartfager, Mrs. Fred Hill, Genevieve Cramer, Mrs. Adele Heyes, Mrs. Nelson Saunders, Mrs. George Roesch and Mrs. Esther Wynn.

THE CITIZEN

, September 18, 1942

**Musical, Style Show Highlights
Night Meeting of Cheviot Unit**

What everyone present declared to be one of the most interesting meetings in the annals of Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion Auxiliary, was held Monday evening at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds with the unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, directing activities. Following a brief business session, highlighted by reports from the recent Department of California convention and an outline of unit activities for the coming year presented by first vice-president, Mrs. Richard Borland, the evening resolved itself into a preview of winter fashions, musical entertainment and a social hour when refreshments were served. More than ninety women enjoyed the program, which was open to the community and attended as well by a number of distinguished guests from other units of the 24th District.

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Among the many guests present were Mrs. Henry Wagoner, president and Alvia B. Mathews, press chairman, of 24th district, Mrs. Martha Costello, Westwood Bruin unit president, Mrs. Larry Swartfager, Mrs. Fred Hill, Genevieve Cramer, Mrs. Nelson Saunders, Mrs. George Roesch, Mrs. Adele Heyes and Mrs. Esther Wynn.

September 18, 1942

THE CITIZEN

September 18, 1942

Cheviot Unit To Sponsor Class

The quota of reservations for the Red Cross nutrition class, to be held in the Legion clubhouse on Rancho club grounds, under sponsorship of the Cheviot Hills Auxiliary unit, is rapidly being filled, and all women interested are asked to phone Mrs. Bernard Geissler, unit president, at ARdmore 8-4762 at their earliest convenience. The class, open to all women of the community, will be conducted according to the approved Red Cross outline, by Ann Martin, home economics director for the Los Angeles Bureau of Light and Power.

The first session will be held Wednesday, September 30, from 10 to 12 a.m. and will continue for six consecutive weeks. A Red Cross certificate will be issued at its conclusion, according to Mrs. D. D. Childress, auxiliary member, who arranged for the course of instruction.

A.

Class Quota Nearly Filled

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B.

September 18, 1942

Fashion Show Highlights Meeting

Members of Cheviot Hills Unit American Legion Auxiliary, met Monday evening at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds, with the unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, directing activities.

Following a brief business session, highlighted by reports from the recent department of California convention and an outline of unit activities for the coming year presented by first vice president, Mrs. Richard Barland, the evening resolved itself into a preview of winter fashions, musical entertainment and a social hour when refreshments were served. More than 90 women enjoyed the program, which was open to the community and attended as well by a number of distinguished guests from other units of the 24th District.

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Models selected from Junior and Senior Auxiliary members included Coral Hogue, Katinka Aseltine, Ruth Cobb, Beatrice Green, Maragret McShane, Mildred Mudge, Creta Trayner and Jean Parker.

In line with the National Legion Auxiliary program which designates September as Music month, a program was presented with Mrs. Fred Marshall, Barbara Geissler and Orlean Geissler giving vocal selections and everyone joining in community singing as a finale. Mrs. Bertie Chambers, unit Music chairman, accompanied at the piano.

September 21, 1942

Cheviot Unit holds fashion show at Monday meeting

Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion Auxiliary, held their meeting last Monday evening at the Legion clubhouse, on the Rancho club grounds, with president Mrs. Bernard Geissler, directing activities.

Following a brief business session, highlighted by reports from the recent Department of California convention and an outline of unit activities for the coming year presented by first vice-president, Mrs. Richard Berland, a fashion show was presented by Mrs. Bertha Ayres.

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Among the many guests present were Mrs. Henry Wagoner, 24th District president, Alvia B. Mathews, 24th District press chairman, Mrs. Martha Costello, Westwood Bruin president, Mrs. Larry Swartfager, Mrs. Fred Hill Genevieve Cramer, Mrs. Nelson Saunders, Mrs. George Roesch and Mrs. Esther Wynn.

September 23, 1942

Nutrition class here

According to Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion Auxillary, the quota of reservation for the forthcoming Red Cross nutrition class, to be given at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds, is rapidly being filled, and all women interested are asked to phone her at ARdmore 84762 at their early convenience.

This class, which is open to all women of the community whether or not they are Auxillary members, will be conducted by Ann Martin, home economics director for the Los Angeles Bureau of Light and Power. Given under the sponsorship of the Cheviot Hills Auxillary unit and according to the approved Red Cross outline, it will feature new recipes and menus as well as stressing short cuts toward providing an adequate and balanced family diet despite the advanced cost of living and the rationing of certain foods.

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A.

Cheviot Unit Members to Sew For Red Cross

Adding another assignment to its already heavy program of wartime activities, members of Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion Auxillary, have pledged themselves to sew one day each month at the recently opened Red Cross Production Division, 10606 Pico boulevard.

Signed up to report for duty next Friday, September 26, are Mrs. Bernard Geissler, unit president; Mrs. Courtland Elliott, unit sewing chairman, Mrs. Hal Hughes, Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, Mrs. Dale Hogue, Mrs. Thomas McShane, Mrs. Richard Borland, Mrs. Roy Botsford, Mrs. Mel Cobb, Mrs. Clinard Chambers, Mrs. Vernet Bloeser, Mrs. George Hively and Mrs. Fred Marshall.

Many members of the Cheviot Hills unit have also volunteered to serve as blood donors, when the Mobile Blood Bank visits the Red Cross headquarters, 10965 Weyburn avenue, Westwood, next Tuesday, Sept. 29. Reservations are now being made at the above address.

A few more women can be included in the nutrition class which opens at the Legion clubhouse, on the Rancho club grounds, at 10 a. m. next Wednesday, Sept. 30, according to Mrs. Geissler. Conducted by Ann Martin, home economics director for the Bureau of Light and Power, this class is open to the entire community, whether or not they are Legion auxiliary members. Reservations may be made by phoning Ardmore 8-4762.

B.

September 24, 1942

Cheviot Unit and Post

to Give Army Dinner

Military Motif To Feature Soldier Event

Inaugurating the social program planned jointly by the Cheviot Hills post and auxiliary of the American Legion for the coming year will be a dinner Saturday night in honor of soldiers stationed in the vicinity.

Dubbed an "Army dinner", the affair will be carried out in the military motif with informal talks and entertainment to be program features.

Thomas McShane, second vice commander of the post, will function as chef, assisted by Mrs. McShane, junior past president of the auxiliary and vice president of the 24th district, and Mrs. Richard Borland, first vice president of the unit and wife of the post commander.

Other Events

Other events on the joint social program for 1942-43 include the following:

- Oct. 17—Hillbilly dance.
- Oct. 24—Midnight benefit show.
- Dec. 12—Bachelor dinner.
- Jan. 23—Navy dinner.
- Feb. 20—Bachelor dinner.
- April—Annual show, the exact date to be announced later.
- May 1—Formal dance.
- June 12—Potluck dinner.
- July 10—Army dinner.

Proceeds from all affairs, whether sponsored by the post or unit, are shared equally by both groups, it was announced by leaders of the auxiliary and post, Mrs. Bernard Geissler and Commander Richard Borland, respectively.

THE CITIZEN

September 25, 1942

Cheviot Legion, Auxiliary, Opening Winter Social Program Tomorrow Nite

Inaugurating the social program it will present jointly with its auxiliary unit during the coming year, Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, will open its clubhouse doors at 6 p.m. tomorrow evening, for a dinner party. In honor of the fighting forces this has been dubbed an "Army dinner," and there will be informal talks and entertainment to carry out the military motif. In charge of arrangements is Thomas McShane, second vice-commander of the post, who will also function as chef. Assisting the chief cook will be Mrs. McShane, junior past president of the auxiliary unit and vice-president of the 24th district, and Mrs. Richard Borland, first vice-president of the unit and wife of the post commander.

Other events on the joint social program for 1942-1943 are: October 17, hillbilly dance; November 14, pot luck dinner; December 12, bachelor dinner; January 23, navy dinner; February 20, bachelor dinner; March 20, marine dinner; April, annual show; May 1, dance; June 12, pot luck dinner and July 10, army dinner.

Proceeds from all these affairs, whether sponsored by post or unit, are shared equally by both groups, between which complete co-operation exists, not only in social but in wartime and community welfare activities.

A.

THE CITIZEN

September 25, 1942

His many friends in Cheviot Hills are rejoicing over the rapid recovery of Lieutenant Commander Walter M. Blumenkranz, USN, who was recently operated on at the Sawtelle Veterans' Facility for an emergency appendectomy. Commander Blumenkranz has frequently addressed the Cheviot Hills American Legion and its auxiliary on problems of national defense and offense, both before and after Pearl Harbor.

B.

SEPTEMBER 25, 1942.

Fashion Show at Auxiliary Program Draws 90 Spectators

*Cheviot Hills Legion Auxiliary Unit 501
Members Serve as Manniquins for Show*

More than 90 women gathered at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds on Monday evening when the Cheviot Hills unit 501, American Legion Auxiliary, witnessed a preview of Winter fashions and a musical program, and concluded the evening with refreshments. Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of the unit, presided at a short business session, preceding the program.

The fashion show was presented by Bertha Ayres, a unit member who is a designer of women's clothing. Mrs. Ayres was assisted by her business associate, Esther Trayner, and her daughter, Doris Ayres, who acted as mistress of ceremonies.

NEW FABRICS

Declaring that the fashion designers have taken the governmental dictums as a test of their ingenuity, Miss Ayres pointed out many interesting features of the new clothes, which she called "delightfully feminine as well as wearable and durable."

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Models selected from the Junior and Senior auxiliary membership included Coral Hogue, Katinka Aseltine, Ruth Cobb, Beatrice Groen, Margaret McShane, Mildred Mudge, Greta Trayner and Jean Parker.

Conforming with the National Legion auxiliary program which names September as "music month," a program was presented with Mrs. Fred Marshall, Barbara and Orlean Geissler singing a group of songs, and everyone joining in community singing as a finale. Mrs. Bertie Chambers, unit music chairman, accompanied at the piano.

Among the honored guests who attended were Mrs. Henry Wagoner, 24th District president; Mrs. Bartholomew Matthews, 24th District press chairman; Mrs. George P. Costello, Westwood-Bruin unit 271 president; Mrs. Lawrence G. Swartfager, 24th District chaplain and junior past president of the Westwood-Bruin unit 271; Mrs. Paul Revere Cramer, 24th District national and civilian defense chairman; Mmes. Fred Hill Nelson Saunders, George Roesch, and Esther Wynn.

THE CITIZEN

September 25, 1942

Cheviot Legion Elects M. A. Wingo Post Adjutant



M. A. WINGO

Maurice A. Wingo was elected adjutant of the Cheviot Hills post No. 501 of the American Legion this week to fill the unexpired term of Pat Riddick who resigned. Riddick now is working at Douglas in the evenings, and this made it impossible to give his office the full attention he wanted to give it.

In the Cheviot Hills area, the American Legion and the Woman's club go far beyond the usual fields of such organizations, serving as community activities of all kinds and for the completion of community needs. This is because of not being incorporated or having a chamber of commerce. The combination has caused the patriotic Legion to become a dominant factor in Hilltop affairs, and has caused the legion position of adjutant to be an unusually vital one.

Dick Borland, post commander, said it was with extreme regret that the resignation of Riddick was accepted as adjutant, but that he was happy to have as adjutant a man like Col. Wingo for the office.

The post will hold open house at 6 o'clock tomorrow night for the active officers on duty at nearby points with army units at an unofficial "army" dinner. Tom McShane, second vice commander, will serve as chef Saturday night, as-

sisted by his wife and by Mrs. Borland of the woman's auxiliary.

THE CITIZEN

September 25, 1942

Cheviot Group To Give Day To Sewing

Adding another assignment to its already heavy wartime program, members of Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion auxiliary, have pledged themselves to sew one day each month at the Red Cross production division, 10606 Pico boulevard. Signed up for duty tomorrow are Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president, Mesdames Courtland Elliott, sewing chairman, Hal Hughes, Milton Ehrlich, Dale Hogue, Thomas McShane, Richard Borland, Roy Botsford, Mel Cobb, Clinard Chambers, Vernet Bloeser, George Hively and Fred Marshall.

A few more women can be included in the nutrition class which opens at the Legion clubhouse on Rancho club grounds, at 10 a.m., September 30. The class is conducted by Ann Martin, home economics director for the Bureau of Light and Power. Phone ARdmore 8-4762 for reservations.

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B.

-THE PICO POST-

September 28, 1942

To sew for Red Cross

**Cheviot Hills unit
pledge to sew**

Adding another assignment to its already heavy program of wartime activities, members of Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion Auxiliary, have pledged themselves to sew one day each month at the recently opened production division of the American Red Cross, at 10606 Pico boulevard.

Those who reported for duty last Friday, September 25 were. Mrs. Courtland Elliott, unit sewing chairman; Mrs. Bernard Geissler, Mrs. Hal Hughes, Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, Mrs. Dale Hogue, Mrs. Thomas McShane, Mrs. Richard Borland, Mrs. Roy Botsford, Mrs. Mel Cobb, Mrs. Clinard Chambers, Mrs. Vernet Bloeser, Mrs. George Hively and Mrs. Fred Marshall. According to unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, at least as many more women are expected to join the group at a later date.

Auxiliary members are also ransacking closets and chests for usable material needed in the work of the Cheviot Hills Production Center, which is a subdivision of Branch 19 of the Red Cross.

A.

September 28, 1942

Cheviot Post And Auxiliary Give Dinner

**Patriotic Musical
Program Given
At Rancho Club**

Attended by more than 80 persons, the first combined dinner affair of Cheviot Post 501 and the auxiliary of the American Legion held Saturday night in the Rancho country clubhouse was featured by a musical program of patriotic numbers.

Vital Hayes, veteran of the first world war, and Bill Olley, known on the stage as Glen Dale, of New York comedy fame and dubbed the songbird of AEF in military realms brought to life the old familiar songs of the first World War, followed by community singing. Mrs. Clinard Chambers was piano accompanist.

Tom McShane, entertainment chairman and second vice commander of Cheviot post, was general chairman of the event. Dick Borland, commander of the post, and Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of the auxiliary unit, headed the list of guests.

B.

ORDER

THE CALIFORNIA LEGIONNAIRE

OCTOBER 1, 1942

New Officers and Chairmen Dist. 24

By ALVIA B. MATTHEWS
Press Chairman

At the first meeting of the 1942-43 year, Mrs. Henry F. Wagoner, 24th District President announced the following appointive officers to assist her in the District program: Vice-president, Mrs. Thomas McShane, Cheviot Hills, 501; Secretary, Mrs. Fred Larson, Santa Monica, 123; Treasurer, Mrs. Fred Hio, West Hollywood, 405; Historian, Mrs. L. G. Swartfager, Westwood-Bruin, 271; Chaplain, Mrs. Clyde Holdbrook, Beverly Hills, 253; Sergeant-at-arms, Miss Eleanor Wagoner daughter of the District President, Beverly Hills, 253; Marshal, Mrs. C. Kennedy, Pacific, 290; Musician, Mrs. T. Pinkerton, Santa Monica, 123; and Parliamentarian, Mrs. Thomas Stoy, West Hollywood, 405.

The Beverly Hills Unit, the District President's "own" were hostesses in the Post Clubhouse on north Robertson Blvd. in Beverly Hills, California.

A.

WESTWOOD HILLS PRESS

October 2, 1942

Cheviot Legion Post and Auxiliary Have Joint Dinner

Inaugurating the social program it will present jointly with the auxiliary unit during the coming year, Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, opened its clubhouse last Saturday evening for a dinner party.

In honor of the military forces, the affair was carried out with an "Army" motif, both in decorations and speakers. Thomas McShane, second vice-commander of the post, acted as chef. He was assisted by Mrs. McShane, junior past president of the auxiliary unit and vice-president of the 24th District, and by Mrs. Richard Borland, first vice-president of the unit and wife of the Post commander.

Other events scheduled for the joint social program during 1942-43 include a hill billy dance on Oct. 17; a pot luck dinner on Nov. 14; a bachelor dinner on Dec. 12; a Navy dinner, Jan. 23; bachelor dinner, Feb. 20; Marine dinner, March 20; annual show during April; formal dance, May 1; pot luck dinner, June 12; and an Army dinner, July 10.

B.

West Los Angeles Independent

October 2, 1942

Cheviot Legion Begins Social Programs

Inaugurating the social program it will present jointly with its Auxiliary unit during the coming year, Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, opened its clubhouse doors Saturday evening for a dinner party.

In honor of America's military forces it was dubbed an "Army dinner", and the speakers and entertainment furthered the military motif.

In charge of arrangements was Thomas McShane, second vice commander of the Post, who also was chef. He was assisted by Mrs. McShane, junior past president of the auxiliary unit and vice president of the 24th district, and Mrs. Richard Borland, first vice president of the unit and wife of the post commander.

Other events on the joint social program for the year include: October 17, hill billy dance; November 14, pot luck dinner; December 12, bachelor dinner; January 23, Navy dinner; February 20, bachelor dinner; March 20, Marine dinner; May 1, formal dance; June 12, pot luck dinner and July 10, Army dinner.

Financial proceeds from all these affairs, whether sponsored by post or unit are shared equally by both organizations.

A.

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

October 7, 1942

Cheviot Unit To Hear Laura Mahan

Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of American Legion auxiliary, Cheviot Hills Unit 501, announced today that at the regular meeting of the group next Monday night at 8 p.m., Mrs. Laura Mahan, past department vice president, will hold a roundtable discussion with officers and chairmen. Mrs. Mahan is a member of the Santa Monica unit and is past president of the Venice unit.

The executive board will convene at 7:30 preceding the regular meeting.

Mrs. Geissler also announced today that plans for the annual Hill-Billy dance on October 17 were looming ahead, and it is expected that the affair, as in preceding years, will be one of the big events of the season.

All affairs and meetings of the post and auxiliary are held at the Rancho Country club at the Cheviot golf grounds.

B.

THE CITIZEN

October 9, 1942

USO CHAIRMAN



Mrs. Bertie Chambers, USO chairman for Cheviot Hills Unit, American Legion Auxiliary, who is serving as hostess-pianist one Sunday per month at the USO Hut in Santa Monica, serving sandwiches and coffee and entertaining 100 soldiers from 7 to 11 p.m. She also acts as pianist one Thursday night in each month when Mrs. Bertha Ayres, also of Cheviot, is hostess at the Hut.

A.

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

October 9, 1942

Hill-Billy Dance Plans to Be Made

Plans for the forthcoming Hill-Billy dance on Oct. 17 will be outlined at Monday night's meeting of the Cheviot unit of the American Legion auxiliary, it was announced by Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president. The dance, Mrs. Geissler explained, will be given with members of the post, and is one of the big entertainment features of the year for both groups.

B

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

October 14, 1942

Hillbilly Dance Set For Saturday Night

Sewing machines are humming busily and mysterious boxes lurk on closet shelves as Cheviot Hills and its surrounding communities prepare for the Hillbilly dance to be given next Saturday, by Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, and its auxiliary unit.

With the Rancho Golf club as its locale, this gala annual event promises to go into high gear this year, providing dancing to the well known Mills orchestra, awards for the best and funniest costumes, and games and refreshments in keeping with the spirit of the occasion.

Proceeds of the affair, which is open to the public, will assist in carrying on the many wartime activities in which both post and unit are engaged. These include community air raid work, participation in Red Cross and USO activities, direct welfare work among the families of service men and rehabilitation assistance to those already wounded in combat.

Many Activities

The current week's calendar is a crowded one for both the post and unit. On Sunday night a contingent from both groups accompanied USO chairman Bertie Chambers took over one of the nearby huts, where food and entertainment was provided for the service men.

Headed by rehabilitation chairman, Ann Ehrlich, a dozen women spent Monday afternoon at the Sawtelle Veterans' facility, rolling bandages. Wednesday morning is always devoted to the Red Cross nutrition class sponsored by the unit for women of the community, while fifteen members have agreed to spend Friday sewing at the Red Cross production center, 10606 Pico boulevard. Mrs. Courtland Elliott is chairman of this phase of unit activities.

C.

THE PICO POST

October 15, 1942

Cheviot Hills Post 501 plan hillbilly dance

Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, are preparing for their Hillbilly dance to be given Saturday evening at the Rancho Golf Club ballroom.

Dancing will be to the Mills Orchestra, and prizes for the best and funniest costumes will be given, as well as refreshments served.

Proceeds of the affair, which is open to the public, will assist in carrying on the many war-time activities in which both post and unit are engaged. These include community air raid work participation in Red Cross and USO activities, direct welfare work among the families of servicemen and rehabilitation assistance to those already wound-

ed in combat.

The Cheviot Hills Auxiliary unit held its regular meeting at the Legion clubhouse Monday evening with Mrs. Lora Mayan, Department of California Child Welfare Chairman, as the principle speaker. The Post met the following evening, with a large part of the program devoted to the important program of juvenile delinquency.

An official from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's office discussed causes for rapid increase and possible solutions. Mrs. Bernard Geissler presided at the unit meeting and Commander Dick Borland at that of the Post.

A.

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

October 16, 1942

Hobnobbing Around Here, There And About Town . . .

HILLBILLY DANCE . . . Tomorrow night at the Cheviot Hills Rancho Golf club promises to be one of the social highlights of the Cheviot area . . . Mills orchestra is going to provide the dance music . . . Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of the Cheviot unit, which is giving the dance together with the post, is busy as a bee . . . so is Jane Hively, that efficient publicity chairman, who has just written reams about it and as certainly made it sound attractive . . . To say nothing of the many other women of the unit and men of the post who have given of their time and effort towards the BIG EVENT.

B.

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

October 16, 1942

Cheviot Unit Given

Legion History Review

Mrs. Harold Mahan Is Guest Speaker At Meeting

Stressing unity of purpose and action as the basis of all successful civilian wartime activity, Mrs. Harold B. Mahan, child welfare chairman for the department of California of the American Legion auxiliary, proved an instructive and inspiring speaker when she addressed members of Cheviot Hills unit 501 at their meeting last Monday evening.

Giving an interesting resume of American Legion history, Mrs. Mahan discussed the part the organization and its auxiliary expects to play during the present conflict as one of complete co-operation with all other existing welfare agencies, in addition to carrying out its own extensive program for the well being of both World War I veterans and World War II service men.

The speaker painted a picture of a program in which there was a single point of convergence for such apparently separated phases as rehabilitation, child welfare, Americanism, national defense, education and civilian war activity. She gave it as her opinion that the veterans of the last war and their families were particularly fitted by both experience and sympathy to cope with the problems of the present.

A brief business session preceded Mrs. Mahan's talk, presided over by unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler. Interesting reports were given by Mrs. Clinard Chambers, Mrs. Thomas McShane, Mrs. Bert Ayres, Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, Mrs. Courtland Elliott and others.

THE CITIZEN

October 16, 1942

Departmental Head Addresses Legion Auxiliary; Stresses Unity of Purpose

"United we stand; divided we fall."

Striking her keynote from this fundamental American principle, Mrs. Harold Mahan, child welfare chairman for the Department of California of the American Legion auxiliary, provided both guidance and inspiration when she addressed the members of Cheviot Hills Unit 501 at their meeting Monday evening.

Stressing unity of purpose and action as the necessary basis of all civilian wartime activity, Mrs. Mahan explained the part of the American Legion auxiliary during the present emergency as one of complete and whole-hearted co-operation with other existing agencies, in addition to its own established program.

Briefly reviewing the history of the American Legion and its auxiliary over the quarter of a century separating the first World War from the present conflict, Mrs. Mahan pointed out that the veterans, their wives and daughters, were by virtue of both sympathy and experience, particularly fitted to understand the problems confronting the men now in service, whether on the battlefield, in training camp or hospital, and suggested selfless service in their behalf.

Before she introduced Mrs. Mahan, the unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, held a brief business session. Mrs. Courtland Elliott, Red Cross liason chairman, announced that in the future the unit would devote the third Friday of each month to sewing at the Red Cross

production center, 10606 Pico boulevard, and asked for volunteers. The hours are from 10 to 4, but Mrs. Elliott requested any woman who could not devote an entire day to this activity come for such portion of it as was possible.

Rehabilitation chairman, Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, made an eloquent plea for the needs of the disabled veterans, both of past and the present wars, at the Sawtelle Facility. She asked for additional workers to accompany her each Monday afternoon, when members of the unit assist the nursing corps in rolling bandages. She also stressed the need for a variety of materials needed by convalescents in the making of articles to be sold in their Hobby Shop, and requested that those interested telephone her at ARdmore 8-5619.

An intriguing hint of exceptional gaiety and good fellowship lurked in the report given by Mrs. Dick Borland on the Hillbilly dance which takes place tomorrow evening. This annual costume affair will be held at the Rancho Golf club, with dancing, prizes, games and refreshments providing the set-up for a general good time, Mrs. Borland promised.

October 19, 1942

Child welfare chairman talks to Cheviot Unit

Mrs. Harold Mahan, child welfare chairman for the Department of California of the American Legion Auxiliary, addressed members of Cheviot Hills Unit 501 at their meeting held last Monday evening.

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THE PICO POST

October 22, 1942

**Cheviot unit
hold dance**

Annual hillbilly dance was given by Cheviot Hills Post 501 last Saturday evening at the Rancho Golf Club with Commander Dick Berland in charge.

Honors for the most original costume went to Dale Hogue, post historian, who appeared as "Mahatma Ghandi visiting in the Ozarks." Others whose variety of dress contributed to the evening were Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, as "Sis Hopkins," C. D. (Ace) Aseltine as a football hero, Mrs. Aseltine (Alice) as a sweater girl, Mrs. Bernard Geisler, unit president, as "Sadie Thompson" and Mrs. Dale Hogue as a Mexican senorita. Mrs. Marshall (Betty) Riddick wore the same hand embroidered white dress she had worn on the occasion of her graduation from grammar school.

Dance music was provided by the Mills orchestra, with an interlude of songs and piano entertainment provided by Helen Guest.

Commander Berland promises an interesting report on the proceeds to be given at the Post meeting, Tuesday evening, October 27, at the Legion clubhouse.

October 23, 1942

Pearl Harbor Vets In Hospital Here Need Things; Will You Help Out?

By JANE HIVELEY

Once their agile hands piloted planes and guided tanks; handled bayonets and machine guns. Now they are a bit more clumsy, scarred by wounds or stiffened by lingering illness. Nevertheless, from waste household articles which ordinarily find their way to incinerator or junk pile, they fashion a gala array of products to be sold in the little store they call their Hobby Shop.

They are our veterans, the lads we sent forth to fight for Democracy—some of them a quarter of a century ago, some of them since Pearl Harbor. They lie in hospital cots at the Sawtelle Veterans' Facility, or sit on benches about the grounds recuperating from operation or illness. Frequently their recovery is hindered by despondency. Doctors agree that handicraft is an excellent antidote to depression, affording both an interest and a source of small, but much needed revenue.

Because all these lessons have been brought home to her since she has been functioning as rehabilitation chairman for Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion auxiliary, Mrs. Milton Ehrlich is making a plea for the bits of salvage now urgently needed by the veterans at Sawtelle, so that they may manufacture articles for Christmas gift sale in the Hobby Shop. Among the items which the boys eagerly await are old beads, clocks, pieces of cloth of almost any kind, fountain pens, spectacle rims, old costume jewelry, old rayon hose, nails and screws, tin foil, plywood, picture frames, wrapping paper, yarn, empty spools, paint and varnish, old tooth brushes, warp, old radios and radio parts, rag carpet balls, wood for carving, old leather purses, miscellaneous tools and stationery.

She will be glad to call for any such articles and take them to the hospital, Mrs. Ehrlich announces. Her telephone number is ARdmore 85619, and her address 2540 Prosser avenue. She also suggests that everyone visit the Hobby Shop at the Sawtelle Facility and see for themselves the ingenuity with which the former soldiers utilize the articles mentioned and a wide variety of others.

THE CITIZEN

October 23, 1942

**Delinquency Among
Juveniles Aired
At Legion Meet**

Problems of juvenile delinquency in Los Angeles county was discussed last Tuesday by Joe Donkin of the sheriff's office at the Cheviot Hills post 501, American Legion. Quite a desperate situation has been created, he stated, due to boys and girls being lured here by the prospect of work in the defense industries.

"The youths are at loose ends; here without funds and when they fail to get work, they get in trouble of various kinds," he said. "Many older boys are being picked up and given their choice of going to jail or joining the army."

Donkin said excellent reports had been given by army officers of boys who had enlisted, showing, he stated, that all they needed was proper discipline to make fine soldiers.

Bertie Chambers, USO chairman for the Legion auxiliary, presented the post with a plaque in appreciation of the post putting over projects she sponsored. George Hively was elected executive committeeman to fill the vacancy caused by resignation of Maurice Wingo, who became adjutant. Richard Borland, commander, conducted the session.

THE CITIZEN

October 23, 1942

Plans Completed For Cheviot Post Dinner And Midnight Benefit Show

With its annual Hillbilly dance relegated to the realm of pleasant memories, Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, and its Auxiliary unit, are turning their attention to the pot luck dinner and midnight benefit show, to be given on Saturday evening, November 14.

Commander Dick Borland says final plans for the dual events will be formulated at the Post meeting next Tuesday evening at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds. Present arrangements call for dinner at 7 p.m., with food to be provided by the Auxiliary unit. The early hours of the evening will be devoted to games, and shortly before midnight the entire assemblage will trek to the Stadium theatre to witness a program of unreleased pictures in the preview stage. The show is one of the hundreds being arranged all over California by the American Legion, in conjunction with both independent and chain picture theatre owners, the proceeds to be devoted to Child Welfare work.

By unanimous vote of the large crowd attending the Hillbilly dance given by the Cheviot Hills legionnaires at the Rancho Golf club last Saturday evening, honors for the most original costume went to Post Historial Dale Hogue, who came as "Mahatma Ghandi." Others whose variety of dress contributed to the gaiety of the evening were Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, as "Sis Hopkins"; C. D. (Ace) Aseltine, as a football hero; Mrs. Aseltine as a "Sweater Girl"; Mrs. Dale Hogue as a Spanish senorita, and Mrs. Bernard Geissler, unit president, as "Sadie Thompson."

WESTWOOD HILLS PRESS

October 23, 1942

Cheviot Legion Post Gives Gay Hillbilly Dance

The Rancho Golf club was the scene of a gay hillbilly dance last Saturday evening, when members of the Cheviot Hills American Legion post and auxiliary 501 gathered to dance to the music of Billy Mills and his orchestra. Prizes were awarded for the best and funniest costumes, and refreshments, in keeping with the spirit of the occasion, were served.

Honors for the most original costume worn at the affair went to Dale Hogue, post historian, who appeared as "Mahatma Ghandi visiting the Ozarks." Others whose variety of dress contributed to the general gaiety were Mrs. Milton Ehrlich as "Sis Hopkins," Mrs. Bernard Geissler, the unit president, as "Sadie Thompson," C. D. Aseltine as a football hero and Mrs. Aseltine as a sweater girl. Mrs. Marshall Riddick wore the same hand embroidered white dress she wore when she graduated from grammar school.

Helen Guest, radio performer who is well known to Cheviot Hills audiences for her work with the annual Legion show cast last May, entertained with an interlude of songs and pianologues.

Proceeds from the affair will be used to carry on the wartime activities in which both the post and auxiliary are engaged. These include community air raid work, participation in Red Cross and USO activities, direct welfare work among the families of service men, and rehabilitation assistance to those already wounded in combat.

The Cheviot Hills auxiliary unit held its regular meeting at the Legion clubhouse last week with Mrs. Lora Mayan, Department of California Child Welfare chairman, as the principal speaker. The post met the same week, with a large part of the program devoted to the program of juvenile delinquency. An official from the Los Angeles County sheriff's office discussed causes for the rapid increase of delinquency, and its possible solutions. Mrs. Bernard Geissler presided at the unit meeting and Commander Richard Borland at that of the post.

October 23, 1942

Open Social Season with Hillbilly Dance

Highlighting the autumn social season for the community was the annual Hillbilly dance given at the Rancho Golf Club Saturday evening by Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion and its Auxiliary Unit, with Commander Dick Borland in charge of festivities.

Honors for the most original costume worn at the gala affair went to Dale Hogue, post historian, who appeared as "Mahatma Ghandi visiting the Ozarks." Others whose variety of dress contributed to the general gaiety were Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, as "Sis Hopkins," C. D. (Ace) Aseltine as a football hero; Mrs. Aseltine as a sweater girl; Mrs. Bernard Geissler, the unit president, as "Sadie Thompson" and Mrs. Dale Hogue as a Mexican senorita. Mrs. Marshall Riddick wore the same hand embroidered dress she wore on the occasion of her graduation from grammar school.

Dance music was provided by the Mills orchestra, with an interlude of songs and piano entertainment by Helen Guest.

Commander Borland will report on the proceeds at the Post meeting, next Tuesday evening at the Legin Clubhouse. Profits will be divided between Post and discharged from the Army.

The Open Door

By the City Mother of Los Angeles

Vets' Hobby Shop

Dear City Mother:

In your column you replied to a "Mrs. B." relative to the disposition of silk stockings.

You might be interested to know that used silk stockings are in great and constant demand by the convalescent men at the Sawtelle Veterans' Facility, National Soldier's Home, Sawtelle. They use them for rugs and other articles which they sell in their Hobby Shop. The small sums realized through this medium means much to these men, who often have no other way of procuring cigarets and the other small luxuries not provided by the Government.

Because of wartime conditions, used silk stockings are not as plentiful as formerly, and most of us have them mended while they hold together. But if they are in a bad condition, discarded and washed hosiery can still be utilized by the veterans who cut the good portions in strips.

They are also glad to get old toothbrushes, empty spools, pieces of silk or woolen material, old neckties, pieces of leather, and lots of other things one might think of no use.

Right now the veterans need material badly. They are making gift articles to be sold in the Hobby Shop before Christmas. Incidentally everyone should visit this marvelous place and see for themselves what these convalescents make out of sheer ingenuity, with almost no materials and endless patience.

Any member of the American Legion Auxiliary will be glad to get these things and pass them along through the rehabilitation chairman of her unit, who is in

constant touch with Sawtelle and at least a weekly visitor.

It might interest you to know that many patients at Sawtelle are victims of the present war. Right after the Pearl Harbor incident, many of the veterans of the first World War were moved to hospitals farther inland and the seaboard hospitals cleared for the incoming patients. Anything we do for them is a concrete contribution to the war effort and one way of showing our gratitude to our men.

—J. M. H.

You make the Hobby Shop seem very much alive to all of us. It is a very close-at-hand patriotic service with which you are inviting people to help. I know you will be swamped. In that case, remember there are other places of need. We must try to help in all the necessary places.

I understand that our convalescents use toothbrush ends to make most attractive lapel pins in the shape of little boots, that even neckties are made into rugs, that fine hotplate mats are made, and attractive bird houses.

These lovely things are sold at the Los Angeles Art Association Auxiliary of the American Red Cross, 2425 Wilshire boulevard, Los Angeles, FAirfax 1617, which is open daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, from 10 to 4 o'clock. This Auxiliary will be glad to pick up things to be donated to the Hobby Shop.

By the way, there is a fine new exhibit of pictures at the Los Angeles Art Association at the above address, which you can enjoy when you go to see the lovely things for sale for the Hobby Shop.

THE CITIZEN

October 30, 1942

Legion To Give Dinner

As fresh evidence of the close co-operation which exists between Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, and its auxiliary comes the announcement from the unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, that the women of her group will give a pot luck dinner at the Legion clubhouse on the evening of Saturday, November 14, preceeding the benefit show at the Stadium theater which is being sponsored by the post.

At the meeting of the post held Tuesday evening it was explained by Commander Dick Borland that the auxiliary unit was offering special price concessions for the dinner to those who also bought tickets to the show. The latter is one of the 300 midnight benefit shows being arranged throughout California with the co-operation of several theater chains. Proceeds will be devoted to the care of veterans of both World War One and the present conflict and children of these veterans. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the Cheviot Hills post, Commander Borland said, at the Stadium theater box office, and from auxiliary members in conjunction with tickets to the pot luck dinner.

Since the Post meeting coincided with the National observance of Navy Day, special honors were paid to members who had served with Uncle Sam's sea forces. The former gobs included Roy Botsford, C. D. (Ace) Aseltine, Courtland Elliott, Ed Roos, Maurice Wingo and Hal Beeton.

NOVEMBER

November 3, 1942

L. A. LEASES RANCHO CLUB

Golf Grounds Will Become Public Park

Development Like
That of Griffith
Center Planned

Awarded a three-year lease to the Rancho golf course, in Cheviot Hills, the city of Los Angeles today started preliminary procedure for converting the grounds into a park and recreation center similar to that of Griffith park, recreation officials announced.

The lease was granted the city by the commissioner of internal revenue in Washington, D. C. The golf course, in lieu of back taxes, has been government property for approximately six years.

Turning the property over to Los Angeles for a park has been advocated by the Cheviot American Legion post for many years, according to Commander Dick Borland, who said that Bernard Geissler, past commander and community betterment chairman, has worked untiringly towards this goal.

The Cheviot Legion post and its auxiliary have used the Rancho clubhouse as headquarters for a number of years and both groups have been interested in creating a park and playground for the vast acreage surrounding the club, to be used by the public as a recreational center.

According to plans of city officials, the clubhouse will be remodeled and repainted. Men who landscaped Griffith Park will take a hand in rounding out the recreation and park plans for the golf course, which call for picnic grounds, tennis courts and outdoor fireplaces.

Work on the project, city officials said, is slated to begin immediately.

West Los Angeles Independent

November 6, 1942

Auxiliary Plans Pot Luck Dinner

As fresh evidence of the close cooperation which exists between Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, and its auxiliary comes the announcement from the unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, that the women of her group will give a pot luck dinner at the Legion clubhouse on the evening of Saturday, November 14, preceding the benefit show at the Stadium Theater which is being sponsored by the Post.

The benefit show is one of the 300 midnight benefit shows being arranged throughout California with the cooperation of the Fox West Coast Theaters, the Independent Theater Owners Association and Warner Brothers. The proceeds will be devoted to the care of veterans of both World War One and the present conflict and the care of children of these veterans. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the Cheviot Hills Post, Commander Borland said, at the Stadium Theater box office and from auxiliary members in conjunction with tickets to the pot luck dinner.

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City

November 4, 1942

Cheviot Auxiliary To Entertain 24th District

Announcement of a special meeting of Cheviot Hills unit 501, American Legion auxiliary, comes from the president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler. The meeting, called for the transaction of general business, will be held next Friday afternoon from 2 to 4 p.m., at Mrs. Geissler's home, 10405 Cheviot drive.

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THE CITIZEN

November 6, 1942

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November 12, 1942

Cheviot Hills Unit

Hostess to 24th District

Laura Mahan Is Principal Speaker at Meet

By JANE HIVELY

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A quintet of unit members, composed of Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president, Mrs. Tom McShane, Mrs. Courtland Elliott, Mrs. James Washburn and Mrs. Dale Hogue, presented entertainment in the form of musical numbers from past performances of their annual "Mellerdrama and Follies." Songs were also rendered by a quartet from the 24th district glee club.

At conclusion of the session, refreshments were served.

Special Dinner Event

A special meeting of Unit 501 was held on Monday at the home of Mrs. Bernard Geissler, at which arrangements were concluded for the potluck dinner to be given on Saturday night at 7 p.m. at the clubhouse. Early reservations are urged for those wishing to attend. Following this dinner, guests will attend the benefit midnight show at the Stadium theater, where the Mills Brothers will be the featured attraction, in addition to a pre-release motion picture preview and other headline entertainers. The proceeds of this show will be devoted to child welfare and rehabilitation work by the post and unit. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the post. Everyone is urged to attend, with the guarantee of an evening of thorough enjoyment.

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November 12, 1942

Talents Used

Five members of the Cheviot unit gave a program of Gay Nineties songs and dances. Participating were Mmes. Mildred Washburn, Carmelita Elliot, Cecille Geissler, president; Paul Hogue, and Margaret McShane. They were directed by Mrs. Bertie Chambers, a past president of the auxiliary.

The unit will put on a pot luck dinner Saturday, and a program at the Cheviot Hills American Legion Clubhouse.

Plans are being completed for a midnight benefit show staged jointly by the Cheviot Hills Legion and Auxiliary, at the Stadium Theater, Saturday. Proceeds will go to the Legion rehabilitation funds.

With the problems of child welfare uppermost in their minds, members of the 24th American Legion Auxiliary held a district meeting recently at the Cheviot Hills Club House.

Mrs. Harold Mahan, chairman of the American Legion Auxiliary child welfare department, spoke.

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West Los Angeles Independent

November 13, 1942

District Auxiliary Meeting Monday

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THE CITIZEN

November 13, 1942

Approbation Showered On Hilltoppers

Cheviot Legion Benefit Set for Tomorrow Night At Stadium.

Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, held its regular bi-monthly meeting last night at the clubhouse on the Rancho grounds.

Highlighting the evening was the showering of congratulations on those members, who for the past five or six years, have been tirelessly active in obtaining the transfer of the Rancho Golf course from the federal government to the City of Los Angeles, part of it to be used for recreation and playground purposes.

Fowler Jones, "Ace" Aseltine, Bernard Geissler, Hal Hughes, Norman Mudge, Hal Beeton, Harry Smiley and many other members of the post, were named as among those who have worked ceaselessly to bring about this community betterment, the accomplishment of which has brought to the residents of this area a sorely needed facility.

The meeting was presided over by Commander Dick Borland, who again urges all those who wish to attend the post and auxiliary pot-luck dinner at the Legion clubhouse Saturday evening, and the child welfare benefit motion picture and vaudeville show at the Stadium theatre which will follow at midnight, to get their tickets and reservations early. The show will be headlined by the Mills brothers, accompanied by a pre-release motion picture preview and other top-notch entertainment.

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THE CITIZEN

November 20, 1942

Cheviot Auxiliary
Annual Dinner

Cheviot Hills auxiliary of Unit 501, American Legion, held their semi-annual dinner last Saturday evening, at the Rancho Legion clubhouse. Mrs. Richard Borland, first vice president, had charge of the affair and a delicious dinner, prepared by some of the famous cuisine experts of Cheviot Hills, was served.

A program followed with Charles Souva, popular violinist, rendering a number of delightful selections with Bertie Chambers at the piano. Mrs. Helen Guest entertained the group with her clever songs and piano selections. Vital Heyes and Christie Marshall gave a number of vocal numbers.

After the dinner and program the guests left for the gala midnight show at the Stadium theatre, given by the Cheviot Hills post for the benefit of child welfare and rehabilitation.

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West Los Angeles Independent

November 13, 1942

BUSINESS MEETING

Members of the Cheviot Hills Legion Auxiliary met at the home of their president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, last Friday for a business session at which routine business was transacted and plans for the pot luck dinner this Saturday evening were discussed. The dinner at the Cheviot Hills clubhouse will precede the benefit midnight show at the Stadium theater.

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DECEMBER

THE CALIFORNIA LEGIONNAIRE

DECEMBER 1, 1942

District Officers Serve Community In Fire Emergency

By ALVIA B. MATTHEWS
Press Chairman

Cheviot Hills Unit was hostess to the 24th District, at their clubhouse on the Rancho Country Club grounds, November 9. Presiding was Mrs. Henry C. Wagoner, District President.

The 24th District Quartet, composed of Mrs. Wayne Thayer of West Hollywood Unit; Mrs. C. Joscelyn of Cheviot Hills Unit; Mrs. Al Roche of Santa Monica Unit and Mrs. Andy Ward of Westwood-Bruin Unit, which placed Second in Class "A" at the Convention entertained. This quartet missed tying with the winner of First Place, by one point.

It was announced that Beverly Weeks of Santa Monica had won the \$25 prize in the Class II section of the National Poppy Poster Contest.

Mrs. Wagoner announced the appointment of Mrs. Leo. Sevy of Pacific Unit No. 290 as District Chairman of Disaster-Relief. During the recent fire in the Topanga Canyon Region, Mrs. Sevy, Mrs. Wagoner, (Beverly Hills Unit) Mrs. A. Pickell of Santa Monica Unit; Mrs. Paul Revere Cramer, Chairman of War Activities and Civilian Defense, and Mrs. Bartholomew Matthews, served actively on the fire line as commissary agents, sandwich makers, and material officers.

Announcement was made of the appointment of Mrs. Wagoner, 24th District President, as Americanism Chairman of the County Council.

Mrs. Harold Mahan, Department Child Welfare Chairman explained the National Program carefully, and especially stressed the need for active legislation.

It was voted to experiment with attendance, by calling the December meeting to order in the afternoon, the place and time to be designated by the District President.

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

December 9, 1942

Cheviot Hills Legion Auxiliary Schedule Session Tonight

The Cheviot Hills Legion auxiliary post will meet tonight at the Rancho Country club to plan for the mobile blood bank which is coming to Cheviot Hills, Dec. 18, it was announced today.

Attention was called to the regular December meeting of this auxiliary which is scheduled for this coming Monday at the same place. Reports will be given by Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, rehabilitation chairman, on plans for the entertainment of the Veterans at Sawtelle over the holiday.

Wilma Jones, well-known commentator and book reviewer, is scheduled to discuss India and its place in the present world war. A resume of some of the new Christmas gift books will also be given.

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The Citizen

December 11, 1942

Blood Bank At School Dec. 18th

At the regular meeting of Cheviot Hills American Legion post 501 Tuesday evening, Richard Borland, commander, announced that the mobile blood bank which the post and auxiliary is sponsoring, will be open from 3 o'clock to 5 o'clock in the afternoon, Friday, December 18, at Overland Avenue School. Approximately 200 people can be accommodated, according to Ed Gilbert, who is chairman of the project for the post.

For appointment, donors to the blood bank are asked to phone Mr. Gilbert at ARdmore 83824; Mrs. Bernard Geissler, auxiliary president, at ARdmore 84762, or Commander Borland, ARdmore 85336.

Many Cheviot Hills organizations, including the Overland Avenue P.-T. A., the Cheviot Women's Club, the Cheviot Hills-Monte Mar Vista Garden Club, are co-operating 100 per cent with the post in putting over the project, Borland said.

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Cheviot Auxiliary To Meet Monday

December is rehabilitation month for the Cheviot Hills Auxiliary of the American Legion and at its program Monday evening, Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, chairman of the rehabilitation committee, will report on its activities.

She will outline the work of the Auxiliary among the Veterans of the past and present war now at The West Los Angeles Facility, tell of their hobby shop and Christmas plans to entertain the Veterans.

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Blood Bank in Cheviot Hills

The Cheviot Hills Legion Post and Auxiliary with the cooperation of other civic groups in that area are sponsoring the bringing of a mobile blood bank unit to the community December 18, it was announced today by the committee in charge.

Cooperating groups include the Overland school and P.T.A., the Cheviot Women's club, the Garden club, the Air Raid Warden service and the Auxiliary police.

The unit will be stationed at the Overland school and hours will be from 3 to 5 p. m.

As only 200 can be accommodated during these hours, reservations are being made in advance. Those wishing to volunteer are to call either Dick Borland, post commander, at Ardmore 85336; Mrs. Bernard Geisler, Auxiliary president, at Ardmore 84762 or Ed Gilbert, chairman of the blood bank arrangements, at Ardmore 83324.

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The Citizen

DECEMBER 11, 1942

Rehabilitation Chairman To Talk At Legion Unit Session Monday

Since December is Rehabilitation Month for the American Legion Auxiliary, Post 501, Mrs. Ann Ehrlich, rehabilitation chairman of Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion Auxiliary, will be featured at the meeting next Monday evening to be held in the Cheviot Hills Legion clubhouse on the Rancho Club grounds, with Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president, presiding.

Mrs. Ehrlich will talk on the work of her department and also of the Hobby Shop maintained by the veterans at the Veterans Facility in Sawtelle. There are many unusual and beautiful gifts now on sale at the shop, all made by the ex-soldiers, many of them blind.

For the program hour, Mrs. Wilma Jones, well known as a book reviewer and commentator, will give a talk on "India and Its Place in the World at the Present Time." She will also present short reviews of books suitable for gift giving for both adults and children.

Mrs. Geissler urges all members who have not as yet renewed their membership or are delinquent with dues, to see the treasurer Monday evening.

December 17, 1942

Cheviot Hills Legion Auxiliary Stresses Rehabilitation Work

With December named as rehabilitation month on the calendar of the American Legion auxiliary activities, the Cheviot Hills unit last week devoted much attention to the detailed reports on this work given by their rehabilitation chairman, Mrs. Milton Ehrlich.

Placing particular emphasis on the work done at the Sawtelle Veteran's Facility, Mrs. Ehrlich revealed that since last September the Cheviot Hills women have devoted 330 hours to rolling bandages for hospitals. Gratitude was expressed to Mrs. Carl Wirths, who, although not a member of the unit, gathered together a group of friends to work in conjunction with Mrs. Ehrlich and her assistants.

Listing the many articles discarded in the average household which the convalescents at Sawtelle could utilize in making saleable articles for their hobby shop, Mrs. Ehrlich described the successful campaign she had waged for the collection of this valuable scrap. She pleaded for a continuous flow of material and urged her audience to visit the Hobby shop before completing their Christmas purchases.

Several veterans were completely outfitted before discharge from the hospital by clothing donated by post members, while an impressive array of children's garments was given to the Lark Ellen Home for Boys as part of the unit service program.

Appearing as principal speaker of the evening was Wilma Jones, a Cheviot Hills resident, who is rapidly winning an enviable place for herself as one of the outstanding news commentators and book reviewers of Southern California. India and her uncertain place in the present world conflict was discussed. A list of books suitable for Christmas gifts was also reviewed.

The meeting, which was presided over by the unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, was followed by refreshments and a social hour.

THE CITIZEN

DECEMBER 18, 1942

NEW OIL FIGHT RAGES OVER CHEVIOT HILLTOP

MASS MEETING CALLED FOR TUESDAY NIGHT

**Los Angeles City Planners Receive Request For Permit
To Drill On Old Westwood Golf Club Property;
Possible Extension Feared**

Cheviot Hilltoppers and others from nearby residential areas are scheduled to hold a big demonstration mass meeting at 8 p. m. in the Cheviot Hills American Legion clubhouse on the grounds of the Rancho Golf Club Tuesday to protest oil drilling in this general area which would endanger residential values.

Bernard Geissler, chairman of the betterment committee of the Cheviot Hills Post No. 501 of the Legion is leading the fight to prevent drilling in the vicinity of Cheviot Hills, Cheviot Knolls, Country Club Highlands and Monte Mar Vista.

This latest attempt to bring objectionable features into life on the Hilltop came about last Tuesday when F. R. Long, agent for W. C. McDuffie, of 731 Richfield building, 555 South Flower street, Los Angeles, applied to the Los Angeles City Planning Commission for permission to drill for oil on the site of the Westwood golf course. This is not in Cheviot proper, but borders it, and is objected to by neighbors as well as by Chevioteers who know that no oil field ever has consisted of a single well.

Some 25 or 30 protestants appeared at the meeting last Tuesday of the planning commission and gave their views. It was after that meeting that the mass meeting was called for this coming Tuesday night, which will give ample time for community consideration prior to the next consideration of the proposition by the planners on Tuesday, December 29, at 2:30 p. m., at which time President Charles E. Scott of the planners said action might be taken. This was held problematical, however, as action is not mandatory by the planners, and other evidence may be submitted in written form in the meantime, which will require further study. It was pointed out at the planning commission office this week that there will be no oral hearing at the planners meeting on the 29th, as that was taken care of last week, but that written material may be submitted in the meantime.

Representatives of the affected communities were among those at the last Tuesday planners meeting, although all present did not speak. The protesting group declared the drilling would menace the surrounding area both in peace and property values, and they further said they had further information that attempts would be made to establish other wells near the proposed Westwood Golf Club well site.

Assisting in the protest advanced by the Legion post are the Cheviot Hills Auxiliary of Post 501 of the Legion, the Cheviot Hills-Monte Mar Vista Garden Club, the Overland Avenue P.-T. A., and the Monte Mar Vista Property Owners Association.

CHEVIOTEERS PETITION AGAINST OIL INVASION

\$7,000,000 VALUE LOSS IN PROPERTY FORESEEN

**Speakers Urge 100 Persons At Mass Meeting
To Write Protests To Los Angeles City
Planning Commission At Once**

One hundred Cheviot Hilltoppers and neighbors signed a petition Tuesday night to the Los Angeles city planning commission protesting the proposed encursion of oil development into the area, at a mass meeting held in the Cheviot Hills American Legion clubhouse on the Rancho Golf club grounds. Deterioration of the entire area as a home area, and a \$7,000,000 loss in property values was envisioned by speakers.

Commander Dick Borland opened the regular meeting of the Legion Post, and adjourned it, so that Ben Geissler, chairman of the Legions' Community Betterment committee might assume the chair.

Hearing Tuesday

Geissler told of the hearing last week before the Los Angeles city planning group at which time verbal protestations were received. At that meeting, President Charles E. Scott of the planners set Tuesday, Dec. 29, at 2:30 p. m. as the time for further consideration of the petition on the part of certain operators to drill for oil on the Westwood golf course. That original request came from F. R. Long, agent for W. C. McDuffie, 731 Richfield building, 555 South Flower street, according to commission records. Scott said that on Dec. 29 there would be no further oral hearing, but that written material would be accepted up to that time. There is no positive assurance that a final decision will be handed down by the commission on Dec. 29, but it was indicated the commission would rule on it if possible to do so.

Mrs. Ben Geissler, representing the Legion auxiliary, urged everyone in the possibly affected area to write immediately to the Los Angeles city planning commission protesting the issuance of any oil drilling permit in the Westwood-Cheviot area.

Harry Pines

Harry Pines, attorney, told of the loss in property values, estimated at \$6,000,000 to \$7,000,000 which the proposed drilling might cause.

Hal Hughes reviewed the fight which started some 15 years ago to do the same thing in the same area and said eternal vigilance is vital to fight off attempts of the oil industry to invade the residential area.

Walter Thiel said present plans called for drilling on the Westwood golf club, Hillcrest country club, California country club, the Pacific Military Academy grounds and the Leimert properties. It was said at the meeting that an option to drill already had been let on the Hillcrest property and that a further and complete exploration of the entire area might be expected.

Mrs. Lydia Roth of the Monte Mar Vista Garden club spoke for her group and said they would fight the oil advance.

Representatives of the Westwood-Beverly area said petitions already have been circulated in that district opposing the oil development. Cooperation among communities that probably will be affected was urged.

JANUARY

The Citizen

January 1, 1943

Cheviot Hills Commentator Gives Fine Program For A. L. Unit 501; Rehabilitation Work Reviewed

With the eyes of the world focused on India and her uncertain status in the present conflict, members of Cheviot Hills unit 501, American Legion Auxiliary, received much illumination on this unhappy land and her gigantic internal problems when Wilma Jones discussed them as the principal speaker at the December unit meeting.

The caste system, outstanding political leaders, racial customs and religious conflict were all explained in interesting fashion by Mrs. Jones, a Cheviot Hills resident who is rapidly winning an enviable place for herself all over Southern California as an outstanding news commentator, speaker and book reviewer. In this appearance before women of her own community, Mrs. Jones also reviewed a number of outstanding books which she suggested for Christmas gift presentation, including "They Were Expendable," "Flight to Arras," "This Is the Enemy," "Song of Bernadette," "Seventh Cross," "Night Shift," "See Here Private Hargrove," "My World and Welcome to It," and "Drawn and Quartered."

With December named as rehabilitation month on the calendar of auxiliary activities, the unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, called upon her rehabilitation chairman, Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, for a detailed report of her work with war veterans, particularly the former soldiers hospitalized at the Sawtelle facility.

Mrs. Ehrlich revealed that as part of its service program, the Cheviot Hills unit had collected considerable children's clothing and donated it to the Lark Ellen Home for Boys. She offered to take any additional items given her to this worthy institution, which particularly needs shoes and all kinds of wearing apparel suitable for boys from 9 to 12 years old.

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DISTRICT 24
 Americanism, Mrs. Byron O. Harbert, Westwood-Bruin, 271; Child Welfare, Mrs. Fred Doane, Pacific, 290; Constitution & By-laws, and Legislation, Mrs. Thomas Stoy, West Hollywood, 405; Community Service, Mrs. P. C. Sorenson, West Hollywood, 405; Distinguished Guest, Mrs. Harold Temple, Pacific, 290; Employment, and Rehabilitation, Mrs. Thomas King, Santa Monica, 123; Finance, Mrs. C. D. Hazeline, Cheviot Hills, 501 assisted by Mrs. Schuyler Graves, Beverly Hills, 253 and Mrs. Walter Hamill, Pacific, 290; Membership, Mrs. Thomas McShane, Cheviot Hills, 501; Motion Picture, Mrs. Charles Harvey, Beverly Hills, 253; National and Civilian Defense, Mrs. Paul Revere Cramer, Westwood-Bruin, 271; Past Presidents' Parley, Mrs. Jack Edelstein, Wilshire, 319; Poppies, Mrs. L. R. Henderson, Westwood-Bruin, 271; Salvage, Mrs. Clarence Petter, West Hollywood, 405; Auditing Committee, Mrs. Clifford Goedike, Wilshire, 319 assisted by Mrs. C. A. Marcenek, Celtic, 569 and Mrs. James Valk, W. Hollywood, 405. Mrs. Bartholomew Matthews is Chairman of Press and Radio.

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The Citizen

January 8, 1943

Cheviot Unit Meets Monday

The semi-annual war activities report will be an important item on the rather heavy business program to be reviewed before Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion Auxiliary, at the regular meeting of the unit Monday evening, at 8 o'clock, at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho Club grounds.

January is legislation and education month, and reports on these two divisions will be made by Mrs. Pauline Yount, legislation chairman, and Mrs. Coral Hogue, education chairman.

Mrs. Irene Wagoner, 24th District chairman, will be the honored guest of the evening, and will address the group on Legion activities in the district. Mrs. Elsie Borland will be in charge of the social hour and refreshments. Preceding the meeting the executive board will meet at 7:30 o'clock.

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The Citizen

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Vets Entertained By Bertie Chambers Of Cheviot Unit

Mrs. Anne Ehrlich, hospital and rehabilitation chairman of Cheviot Hills Unit, American Legion post 501, arranged a program for the veterans in the convalescent ward at the Veterans Facility in Sawtelle Wednesday afternoon in the solarium. Mrs. Bertie Chambers, one of the favorites of the "boys," was the featured musician, singing and playing the favorite tunes of the men.

Mrs. Ehrlich reminds members and friends of the unit of the attractive gifts for sale in the Hobby Shop at the hospital, all articles made by the ex-service men.

January 8, 1943

Cheviot Legion Auxiliary to Meet

Unit 501 of the Cheviot Hills American Legion Auxiliary will meet Monday evening at 8 p.m. at the Legion clubhouse on the grounds of the Rancho Club.

Mrs. Irene Waggoner, 24th district chairman, will be present as honored visitor.

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The Citizen

January 22, 1943

Presidents Of Legion Units Entertained

The home of Mrs. Cecile Geissler, president of the Cheviot Hills unit, American Legion Post 501, 10405 Cheviot Drive, was the setting for a delightful gathering Tuesday of this week when the gracious hostess gave a luncheon honoring the unit presidents of the 24th district, American Legion.

The luncheon table carried out a color motif of turquoise and blue, with pottery service in the two colors, and spring blossoms effectively arranged for a centerpiece. Covers were laid for Mrs. Ruth Yancey, West Hollywood; Mrs. Berenice Harvey, Celtic Unit. Mrs. Martha Costello, Westwood Bruins; Mrs. Edith Brown, Wilshire Unit; Mrs. Maude Butterfield, Beverly Hills, and the hostess.

The unit presidents call their club the "Blue Bears Club" their mascot being a little blue bear. Failure to bring these to the monthly meetings imposes a fine, the fine money being used for a very special purpose.

B.

The Citizen

January 22, 1943

Cakes, coffee and cigarettes were provided for the boys at The Hut in Santa Monica Sunday evening by Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of the Cheviot Hills auxiliary, American Legion Post 501, Mrs. Betty Riddick, Mrs. Wilma D. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Steinkamp and Mrs. Bertie Chambers. The Steinkamps and Mrs. Chambers acted as hosts, the latter delighting the soldiers with piano selections.

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EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

January 25, 1943

HONORING UNIT PRESIDENTS . . . of the 24th district, Mrs. Cecile Geissler, president of the Cheviot Hills American Legion Post Auxiliary, No. 501, last week entertained at luncheon in her lovely home at 10405 Cheviot drive.

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EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

January 28, 1943

Cheviot Post Plans Production

The Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion and its auxiliary unit will present its seventh annual Hillbilly show and Frolics in the early spring, it was announced today by post heads.

The show will be produced and directed by Fran Frey, who directed last year's play. Helen Guest entertainer and musician, who took part in last year's show will again perform.

In addition to the play there will be numbers by an auxiliary chorus ensemble and old-time favorites by the group of Cheviot Hills members.

Tryouts for the play and first rehearsals are planned for next Sunday. The date for the showing has not been set but it will be given in the Culver City Women's clubhouse.

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The Citizen

January 29, 1943

Pianist-Organist Now Available

With a background of many years of rich experience, Mrs. Bertie Chambers, prominent Cheviot Hills musician and entertainer, has announced that her services are available for piano and pipe organ music at weddings, clubs and other events necessitating a musical program. Mrs. Chambers was for eight years organist in leading Fox West Coast theatres, and was the first woman organist to broadcast on Los Angeles radio stations. She is a member of Cheviot Hills Unit, American Legion 501, and has given her time and talent to entertain the veterans in the Sawtelle Soldiers Home and is now playing regularly once a week for the USO Hut in Santa Monica.

B.

FEBRUARY

The Citizen

February 5, 1943

CHEVIOT POST PLANS SEVENTH ANNUAL HILL-BILLY SHOW

Decision to maintain a cherished tradition despite wartime exigencies was revealed with a joint announcement from Dick Borland, Commander of Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, and Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of the Auxiliary unit, that rehearsals will begin shortly for the seventh annual Hillbilly show and Frolic, to be given in the early spring.

Eagerly looked forward to by Cheviot Hills, Culver City and neighboring communities, the show will be given at the Culver City Women's Club, as is customary, will feature an all Legion and Auxiliary cast. In addition to a short comedy drama, there will be numerous skits, singing and dancing numbers and a grand olio in which the audience will be invited to take part.

Fran Frey, actor, producer and musical director, who handled the Legion show so successfully last year, will again be at the helm. Helen Guest, well known radio entertainer, has again consented to play the musical accompaniments. Commander Borland and President Cecile Geissler will be in charge of general business arrangements, with special committee appointments to be announced later.

Initial try-outs were held by Mr. Frey at the Legion clubhouse last Sunday afternoon, with further auditions and first rehearsals planned for next Sunday.

The Citizen

February 5, 1943

"Americanism" To Be Stressed

February is "Americanism Month" for the American Legion post and units, and in observance of the period, Cheviot Hills Unit 101, American Legion, will present a special program at the regular meeting, Monday, February 8th, at 8 p. m. in the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho Golf grounds, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president, announces.

Mrs. C. D. Aseltine. Americanism

chairman, will give a talk on the flag, relative to its display and code. Mr. Baake, Bay district nurseryman, will give a talk on Victory gardens, and members are reminded to bring their notebooks and pencils to jot down valuable hints on soil preparation, planting and cultivation of vegetables. Most of the members of the unit are planning to raise their own vegetables this spring, Mrs. Geissler stated, and pointed out the unit was very fortunate in securing some one who could give authentic information on this subject.

The Citizen

Friday, February 26,

Cheviot Hills American Legion Unit Highly Praised For Outstanding Service To USO, Other War Projects

While supporting a heavy World War II activities program, Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion, is continuing its usual work for veterans of World War I, according to Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of the unit. High class entertainment in the form of a musicale, arranged by Mrs. Ann Ehrlich, hospital chairman, was given to members of the National Military Home and the armed forces in Company 13, last Thursday at 2 p. m. Those who helped to pass out cigarettes were Mrs. Richard B. Borland, wife of the post commander, Mrs. Howard Young, Mrs. Geissler and Mrs. Brubaker, music instructor of Overland avenue school.

Cheviot Hills unit has received a great deal of praise from the Veteran Facility of West Los Angeles for their participation in the making of surgical dressings at the hospital. Ten to twelve women put in a day or so each week.

Mrs. Bertie Chambers, U. S. O. chairman of the unit, has arranged two programs a month for the boys at the Santa Monica Hut. Coffee and cake are served.

Mrs. Courtland Elliott, Cheviot Hills sewing chairman of the Red Cross, and her committee of some 18 women meet every third Friday and have completed many articles.

Mrs. Betty Riddick, national defense chairman, make an outstanding record in the sale of war stamps and bonds recently.

The post and unit are preparing for the seventh annual "Follies and Mellerdrummer," scheduled this year in May. Fran Frey is directing the show and many new laughs and thrills are promised.

MIRCH

The Citizen

March 5, 1943

Cheviot Unit To Hear Talk On Drive

Both wartime and peacetime activities will occupy the attention of the Cheviot Hills Unit, American Legion post 501, at the regular meeting Monday evening, March 8, at 8 o'clock at the Legion hall on the Rancho Golf Club grounds, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president, announces. S. E. Brogan, petty officer from the United States Navy Recruiting Station in Culver City, will talk to the group on the urgent need for women to enlist in the WAVES and SPARS and the qualifications required.

"Relieve a man to whip Japan" is the slogan of the drive now being conducted by the Navy to recruit women for the Navy and Coast Guard auxiliaries, and Brogan is the speaker for the local campaign.

Cooperating with Mrs. Mary Anne Sorrenson, district Community Service chairman, the local auxiliary is conducting a drive for groceries for the orphanage in Hollywood, the community service project of Cheviot unit. Members are asked to bring donations of canned milk, cereals, home-made jellies and jams or low point rationing goods for this project to the Monday night meeting. Mrs. Geissler is community service chairman.

All members are urged to attend the session, as several major items of business are to be taken up at this time, including the forthcoming "Vodville" show of the post and unit, scheduled as a spring event.

Mrs. Gale Hughes and Mrs. Vernice Casebier will be co-hostesses for the evening.

The Citizen

March 5, 1943

Cheviot Unit In Meeting

Highlighting the meeting of the Cheviot Hills Auxiliary Unit 501, American Legion, was a talk by S. E. Brogan, special first class, of the Culver City Navy recruiting station, who gave a very interesting talk to the women in regard to the urgent need for women to enlist in the WAVES and SPARS, navy and coast auxiliaries, to replace seaworthy men. He asked them to keep in mind the slogan "Relieve a Man to Whip Japan." Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president, conducted the session.

Tuesday afternoon a recreational program was given at the Sawtelle facilities to entertain ex-soldiers. Helen Guest, pianist and soloist, gave a number of delightful selections, and she also accompanied Betty Riddick and Christine Marshall in favorite tunes for the "boys" at the hospital, which they always enjoy. Mildred Washburn and Mrs. Geissler also attended, passing out cigarettes and helping in the community sing.

A.

The Citizen

March 19, 1943

Unit Pushes War Effort Program

All members of the Cheviot Hills Auxiliary, American Legion, are urged to be present for the Red Cross sewing, to be held today at the Legion club house on the Rancho club grounds, with Mrs. Courtland Elliott, chairman, in charge.

National Defense chairman, Mrs. Pat Riddick, accompanied by Mrs. Bernard Geissler, auxiliary president, sold stamps and bonds in the auxiliary booth in Loew's State theatre Wednesday.

All the "boys" in the Hobby Shop at Sawtelle Veterans' Facility were delighted to see Ann Ehrlich, chairman of veterans activities for the auxiliary, who is recuperating from an accident, as she spoke to each one on her visit to them Sunday.

B.

The Citizen

, March 19, 1943

Many New Hits To Feature Legion "Vodville" Show

The program for the Spring Show of the Cheviot Hills Auxiliary and post, 501, American Legion, is rapidly taking shape, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, auxiliary president, announced today. One of the outstanding numbers will be a 1943 version of the old-time "meller-drammer" titled "Wedding Knell." Vernice Casebier is playing the leading role, with Ann Ehrlich and Alice Aseltine in the supporting roles. Maurice Wingo and Hal Beeton, last year's favorites, will be seen again as father and son, not forgetting Roy Botsford and George Coennen in surprise roles.

A number of special numbers will also be seen, including singing and dancing acts and impersonations. Betty Riddick, who was highly acclaimed last year in her version of "The Bird in a Gilded Cage," will again delight her audience with many "sob" songs.

The show will be given May 14, 15, 21 and 22 at the Culver City Woman's Club.

APRIL

The Citizen

April 2, 1943

Heard About Hilltoppers

Mrs. Elsie Borland, wife of Dick Borland, commander of the Cheviot Hills post 501, American Legion, is getting together a committee who will serve hot coffee to an anti-air battalion stationed in the Cheviot Hills district. Mrs. Borland is ways and means chairman of the Legion auxiliary.

A.

The Citizen

April 9, 1943

Busy President



Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of the Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion, who has arranged an Americanism program for the meeting next Monday evening. She is also busy completing details for the annual post and auxiliary Follies Show in May.

B.

April 9, 1943

Hillbilly Show Now in Rehearsals

With its premiere only a month in the offing, new numbers continue to be added to the already impressive program of the seventh annual Hillbilly show and follies to be given by Cheviot Hills Post and Unit, American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary, according to Mrs. Bernard Geissler, unit chairman, in active charge of the affair.

Latest addition to the cast of the all-comedy production is Glenn Dale, noted musical comedy-night club and radio singer. The golden-voiced tenor, who was associated with the Ziegfeld Follies and Shubert musical comedies on the Broadway stage, will give a series of both old-time ballads and comedy song characterizations.

The show, which is being directed by Fran Frey, well known musician, band leader and stage producer, features a cast entirely composed of Legion and Auxiliary members, except for the director and Helen Guest, radio artist, who will play the musical accompaniments and give several specialty numbers. The "singing waiters," who scored a pronounced success with audiences who saw the show last year, will give a group of favorites of the gas-light era. There will be song and dance numbers by a chorus ensemble and a one-act comedy drama.

Initial presentation of the show will be at the Culver City Women's clubhouse May 14, with subsequent performances May 15, May 21 and May 22. Tickets are now on sale and reservations may be made by telephoning Norman Mudge, ARdmore 83075.

The Citizen

April 9, 1943

Wartime Problems To Be Discussed By Pan-American Chairman At Meeting of Cheviot Unit Tuesday

According to an announcement from Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of the group, Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion Auxiliary, will focus its attention on worldwide and wartime problems at its next meeting, to be held Monday evening, April 12, at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho Club grounds.

Since April is Pan-American month on the Legion Auxiliary calendar, the principal guest-speaker of the evening will be Nina Belle Nichols, Pan-American chairman for the 24th District. Two motion pictures dealing with aspects of the global conflict and the problems which follow in its wake will be presented. The meeting is open to the public, and members are urged to bring their friends and neighbors. Following the meeting there will be a social hour and refreshments.

In addition to the program the unit president promises to reveal the complete outline of the forthcoming seventh annual Hillbilly Show and Follies, to be given at the Culver City Women's Club on Friday and Saturday, May 14 and 15 and Friday and Saturday, May 21 and 22. Rehearsals are being held each Sunday afternoon and Thursday evening at the Legion clubhouse under the direction of Fran Frey.

New members have been written and old favorites resurrected for the chorus ensemble which includes Mrs. Geissler, Mrs. Thomas (Margaret) McShane, Mrs. Dale (Coral) Hogue,

Mrs. James (Mildred) Washburn, Mrs. Courtland (Carmelita) Elliott and Vernetta Van Dern. They will be accompanied at the piano by Helen Guest, who will also give some of her own selections, in which she scored such a hit at last year's show.

Ballads of the gas-light era will be presented by the "Singing Waiters," a group of post members composed of Mel Cobb, Mel Coakley, C. D. (Ace) Aseltine, Earl Gilbert, Wilbur Long and Roy Botsford. Specialty numbers will be given by Betty Riddick, Christine Marshall, Glenn Dale and "Doc" Halstead. Courtland Elliott will function as master of ceremonies.

There will also be a one-act comedy, the cast of which included Mrs. Ed (Vernice) Casebier, Mrs. Milton (Ann) Ehrlich, Mrs. C. F. (Alice) Aseltine, Hal Beeton, Maurice Wingo, Harry Smiley, Roy Botsford and George Coennen.

Tickets for the Legion and Auxiliary show may be reserved by phoning Norman Mudge, ARdmore 83075.

The Citizen

April 16, 1943

In Legion Show



One of the outstanding members of the cast of Cheviot Hills American Legion and Auxiliary seventh annual Follies Show is William Ooley, active member of the post, known professionally as Glenn Dale. He is a former Ziegfeld tenor and known to musical comedy and radio audiences all over America for his golden voice. He is a native son of Los Angeles and graduate of Los Angeles high school, where he was a classmate of both Mr. and Mrs. C. D. (Ace) Aseltine, prominent Hilltoppers.

A.

The Citizen

April 16, 1943

Mrs. Bertie Chambers, USO chairman for Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion, accompanied the president of the unit, Mrs. Cecile Geissler on a tour of the Culver-Palms USO and The Hut in Santa Monica last week end. She also played several hours for the Culver-Palms USO. Sunday evening, and served as hostess last evening at The Hut.

B.

MAY

CHEVIOT HILLS

LEGION TO

GIVE SHOW

Annual Musical Is Booked For May 14 Opening

Show Director



Fran Frey, widely known to musical audiences, is the director of the forthcoming annual show to be presented by the Cheviot Hills American Legion post and auxiliary. Opening date has been set for May 14.

Direction By Fran Frey Is Promise of Hit

Following the first complete rehearsal, held at their clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds, members of Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, and its affiliated auxiliary unit, expressed the belief that the seventh annual show booked for mid-May presentation "will be the finest and funniest entertainment yet offered by the group."

The show, which is being directed by Fran Frey, well known musician, band leader and stage producer, features a cast entirely composed of Legion and auxiliary members, except for the director and Helen Guest, radio artist, who will play the musical accompaniments and give several specialty numbers. The "singing waiters" who scored a hit with audiences last year, will give a group of favorite songs of the gaslight era. There will be song and dance numbers by a chorus ensemble and a one-act comedy drama, patterned after an old-time vaudeville routine.

premiere at the Culver City Women's club on Friday, May 14. Other performances will be given on Saturday, May 15; Friday, May 21; and Saturday, May 22. Tickets are on sale and reservations may be made by phoning Norman Mudge, ARdmore-83075.

Tribute to Fran Frey's outstanding contribution to the show has been made by Mrs. Bernard Geissler, unit president and Post Commander Dick Borland. Although not a post member, Frey became interested in the annual show while a resident of Cheviot Hills and volunteered his assistance, which was felt to have contributed a great deal to the unparalleled success of last year's production. From stage and radio experience which include collaboration with such comedians as Cantor, Jackson, and others able to...

The Citizen

Seventh Annual Follies Funfest To Be Presented By Cheviot Legion Groups

Next week bids fair to be the busiest one on the 1943 calendar for members of Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion and its auxiliary unit.

On Monday evening the auxiliary unit will hold its regular monthly meeting with Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president, in the chair. The following night, Tuesday evening, the post will meet, both gatherings to be held at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho Club grounds.

A complete dress rehearsal of the seventh annual Follies to be given by the auxiliary in collaboration with the post, will be held at the Culver City Women's Club on Wednesday evening, with the premiere of the show booked for Friday, May 14, at the same place. Another performance will be given on Saturday evening, May 15.

The Legion show, which is staged and directed by Fran Frey, is said to be a well rounded comedy production, on the order of an evening at a vaudeville theater, when that form of entertainment was at its peak. In addition to a one-act comedy drama there are a variety of amusing skits, song and dance numbers, impersonations and comedy specialties.

Included in the impressive cast are Glenn Dale, Dwight Halstead, Vernice Casebier, Maurice Wingo, Ann Ehrlich, Harold Beeton, Alice Aseltine, George Coennen, Roy Botsford, Harry Smiley, Dale Hogue, Earl Gilbert, Vernetta Van Dorn, Cecile Geissler, Mildred Washburn, Coral Hogue, Margaret McShane, Carmelita Elliott, Ace Aseltine, Mel Coakley, Mel Cobb, "Doc" Long, Betty Riddick and Christine Marshall. Courtland Elliott will be master of ceremonies, while all musical accompaniments will be played by Helen Guest, stage and radio pianiste.

A.

THE CITIZEN

May 7, 1943

Showing Them How!



Because of her experience in an aircraft plant, Margaret (Mrs. Thomas) McShane is acting as technical director of the "Rosie the Riveter" chorus, one of the specialty acts in the Cheviot Hills Post-Auxiliary Follies show at the Culver City Woman's Club next week end. Mrs. McShane is a past president of the auxiliary.

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May 7, 1943

Tuesday Bridge Tea by Auxiliary to Accent Fall

The bridge tea of the Cheviot Hills American Legion Auxiliary 501 Tuesday afternoon at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho Club grounds will accent the community's autumn season.

On display will be articles from the hobby shop of the Veterans Administration Facility and handwork of nurses at the cottage at West Los Angeles, both illustrating work being done in occupational therapy.

Mrs. Bert Ayres and Mrs. C. F. Chambers are chairmen.

Legion Post, Unit Plan Open House

Cheviot Hills Legion auxiliary 501 will have as its speaker Mrs. Edna Mudge at the regular meeting on Monday night, May 10, in the clubhouse. Mrs. Mudge will talk on health and posture. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. The neighborhood is invited.

A joint meeting of the post and auxiliary will be held the following evening, Tuesday, May 11. At the meeting, colored films will be shown of the African and Southwestern Pacific fronts. The event will be open house for members and hilltoppers.

A.

Evening Star-News

May 10, 1943



WILL PRESIDE — Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president, will conduct tonight's regular meeting of Cheviot Hills unit 501, American Legion auxiliary, at which time plans for the dress rehearsal of the group's seventh annual Follies show will be discussed. The rehearsal will be Wednesday night and the premiere of the show will be held May 14 in the Culver City Woman's Club.

Cheviot Post Schedules Busy Work Week

Members of the Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion and auxiliary will have a busy week of it starting tonight.

This evening the auxiliary unit will hold its regular monthly meeting with Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president, presiding. Tomorrow night the post and the auxiliary will meet at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds.

A complete dress rehearsal of the seventh annual Follies to be given by the auxiliary in conjunction with the post, will be held at the Culver City Women's club on Wednesday night, with the premiere of the show booked for Friday night.

The show, which is being staged and directed by Fran Frey, is described as a comedy production fashioned after old-time vaudeville. In addition to the one-act comedy drama a number of amusing skits, song and dance numbers, impersonations and comedy specialties are included.

Members of the cast are Glenn Dale, Dwight Halstead, Vernice Casebier, Maurice Wingo, Ann Ehrlich, Harold Beston, Alice Aseltine, George Coennen, Roy Botsford, Harry Smiley, Dale Hogue, Earl Gilbert, Vernetta Van Dorn, Cecile Geissler, Mildred Washburn, Coral Hogue, Margaret McShane, Carmelita Elliott, Ace Aseltine, Mel Coakley, Mel Cobb, "Doc" Long, Betty Riddick, and Christine Marshall. Courtland Elliott will be master of ceremonies, while all musical accompaniments will be played by Helen Guest.

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Evening Star-News

Auxiliary Sponsors. Mrs. McShane for District President

The American Legion Auxiliary, Cheviot Hills unit, is sponsoring Mrs. Thomas McShane, a past president, for the presidency of the 24th district of the auxiliary.

Announcement of the sponsorship was made at this week's meeting of the unit.

Mrs. McShane is at the present time serving as vice president of the district. In the local organization, she has not only served as president, but in the capacity of secretary, rehabilitation and child welfare chairman. She has taken part in all of the local activities and has been an active member for more than six years.

Mrs. Edna Mudge, a recognized authority on health, spoke on "Posture and Health."

Announcement of the dress rehearsal for the post and auxiliary's show, the Seventh Annual Follies, was made and will be held in the Culver City Woman's club tomorrow night. The show will be presented to the public Friday and Saturday of this week. Tickets may be arranged for by calling Norman Mudge of the post at Ardmore 8-3075.

Committee reports were given. Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president, conducted the meeting, which was held by candlelight—not to produce a soft effect on the members, but because something was wrong with the power, one member said.

Following the business session the evening was given over to a candlelight social hour with Mrs. Clinard Chambers and Mrs. George Hively as hostesses.

Evening Star-News

May 12, 1943

Post, Auxiliary Endorse District Heads

Follies Show Will Open Friday Night

The Cheviot Hills post of the American Legion and its auxiliary are setting forth to capture several district honors by sponsoring both a post commander and auxiliary president for the 24th district it was disclosed at last night's meeting of the post.

The post is sponsoring C. D. 'Ace' Aseltine, charter member and past commander, former district vice commander and district adjutant, for district commander, while the auxiliary is sponsoring Mrs. Tom McShane, past president and district vice president, for district auxiliary head.

Philo Chambers, district commander, was special guest at last night's meeting, which was given over to motion pictures of various war theaters.

Vote to Extend Show

At an executive meeting held following the regular meeting, it was voted by both the men's and women's groups to extend the seventh annual Follies show to an extra Saturday night, May 29. The show will have its premiere showing this Friday night and will be open to the public Saturday, the following Friday and Saturday, May 21 and 22, and Saturday, May 29.

The extra Saturday was voted due to popular demand as virtually all nights have been sold out, it was announced. The show is being staged and directed by Fran Frey and is described as a comedy production fashioned after an old-time vaudeville presentation. In addition to the one-act comedy drama a number of amusing skits, song and dance numbers, impersonations and comedy specialties are included.

A complete dress rehearsal will be held tonight in the Culver City Woman's club where the show will be presented.

May 14, 1943

Legion Auxiliary Unit Discusses Forthcoming Show

Group to Purchase Piano for Women Veterans at Home

Members of Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion auxiliary, met on Monday evening of this week for the regular monthly meeting in the Legion clubhouse. Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president, called a meeting of the executive board preceding the general meeting. When the clubhouse lighting system failed to work, Mrs. Geissler dispatched an emergency squad for candles.

When the candles arrived, the regular routine of business followed, with committee reports, announcements regarding the play which opens this evening at the Culver City Women's clubhouse, a musical program, an interesting speaker and in conclusion, refreshments and a social get-together.

It was voted, on the motion of the Rehabilitation chairman, Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, that the unit purchase a piano for the nurse's cottage at the Sawtelle Veterans' Facility. Mrs. Clinard Chambers, chairman of the Past Presidents' Parley for the unit, told of the need for additional recreational opportunities for these feminine war veterans.

Their welfare is the object of especial attention from unit, department and national past presidents throughout the nation. It was decided to make the presentation of the piano an occasion for a party in honor of the women veterans, with refreshments and entertainment to be provided by the Cheviot Hills auxiliary.

A discussion on "Posture in Its Relation to Health" was given by Mrs. Edna Mudge, nationally recognized authority on the subject, who pointed out the effect of correct walking, standing, and sitting habits on the efficiency of women in war activities.

Upon the motion of Mrs. C. D. Aseltine the Cheviot Hills unit voted to sponsor its junior past president, Mrs. Thomas McShane, for the presidency of the 24th District during 1943-1944. Mrs. McShane is currently serving as 24th District vice-president, and in addition to an outstanding year as its leader, has served her unit as vice-president, secretary, treasurer, rehabilitation chairman, Child Welfare chairman, and in various other capacities.

All members who have not yet secured tickets for friends who wish to see the annual show were urged to call Norman Mudge immediately. Mr. Mudge, former post commander and in charge of ticket sales, came for a brief visit, accompanied by Mel Cobb, one of his committeemen.

THE CITIZEN

MAY 14, 1943

"Follies" Bigger and Better Than Ever

Cheviot Hills Legion Show To Have Premiere Tonight

**Large Cast of Clever Entertainers In Smart Revue
Which Is Chock Full of Laughs and Tuneful
Production Numbers Highlight Event**

The seventh annual "Follies," sponsored and produced by Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, will be presented tonight and Saturday in the Culver City Woman's Club.

A complete dress rehearsal held Wednesday evening was evidence that the show is truly a wow and is chock full of laughs and tuneful production numbers.



**DICK BORLAND,
Legion Commander**

It is a smart revue and reveals the splendid direction of Fran Frey and the excellent work of the large cast and those who assisted in the staging of the show. The post was assisted greatly by the Women's Auxiliary.

The cream of talent in this area take part in the one-act drama, sketches, song and dance numbers and other specialties and the show is a fast moving vehicle from start to finish.

Included in the impressive cast are Glenn Dale, Dwight Halstead, Vernice Casebier, Maurice Wingo, Ann Ehrlich, Harold Beeton, Alice Aseltine, George Coennen, Roy Botsford, Harry Smiley, Dale Hogue, Earl Gilbert, Vernetta Van Dorn, Cecile Geissler, Mildred Washburn, Coral Hogue, Margaret McShane, Carmelita Elliott, Ace Aseltine, Mel Coakley, Mel Cobb, "Doc" Long, Betty Riddick and Christine Marshall. Courtland Elliott will be master of ceremonies, while all musical accompaniments will be played by Helen Guest, stage and radio pianiste.

Much credit is due Dick Borland, commander of the post, and his loyal crew of comrades who have worked tirelessly for many weeks to make the annual event a success.

May 14, 1943

Assisting Mrs. Bertie (Clinard) Chambers in entertaining at the USO Hut in Santa Monica next Sunday night will be Mr. and Mrs. Elwain Steinkamp and Mrs. Walter Gill. Mrs. Chambers, hostess, is the USO representative from the Cheviot Hills Unit, American Legion.

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WESTWOOD HILLS PRESS

May 14, 1943

Cheviot Hills Auxiliary 501 has donated a piano to the nurses' home at Sawtelle. The piano is for the use of the first World War's Women Veterans. Mrs. George Hively sold the piano to the auxiliary for the price of a ham without the ration points.

B.

May 14, 1943

Cheviot Legion Unit Votes Purchase of Piano For Sawtelle Nurses' Cottage

With that resourcefulness which is characteristic of American women, members of Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion Auxiliary, refused to be daunted by the fact that the clubhouse lighting system was not functioning when they assembled for their regular monthly meeting Monday evening. Dispatching an emergency squad for candles, the unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, called a meeting of the executive committee in semi-darkness, while a hastily appointed reception group met members and guests at the door to guide them to seats.

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MAY 15, 1943.

24th District

By JAMES F. SWEET

Hi-lights of the 24th District meeting April 29.

Distinguished Guests Mesdames Edlestein, Wagner, McShane and Hill of the Auxiliary introduced in the absence of Chairman Mitchell by our capable Vice-Commander Collins.

Politics: Introduction of John MacGilvray who announced that he has his hat in the ring for 4th Area Commander, and his experience and work performed for the Legion during the 25 years he has been a member.

Bond Purchases: In attending the meetings of the District this reporter realizes that each Post announces the total Bonds purchased by Post members. Here is a tip, send this information to Department headquarters, so your Post will get proper credit. The names of purchasers, the amount now held, and what amount you expect to purchase. AND DON'T FORGET to include those Bonds purchased with Post funds.

MEMBERSHIP: 4133 paid up members, 135% plus, nice going fellows, we still can catch up with the 19th and pass them, before the end of the year.

County Council Service Department is calling for assistance to help the needy. Send your donations direct to the County Council. Letters are being sent out asking for donations. All funds will be used for rehab work only.

POPPIES: Yes, again time to purchase the Flower of the Legion, and the Poppy Chairman asks that all bachelor Posts have the lady members of the family assist the Auxiliary in the sale. Volunteers should contact Jr.-P. President Betty Edelstein.

Quite a parade and turn out for the annual Beverly Hills Post May Day. Military, WAACS, WAVES, Service Clubs, Scouts, Civilians, and yes, believe it or not, members of The American Legion. SPECIAL Notice: Beverly Hills has a World War II Veteran, none other than Congressman Will Rogers, Jr.

Climax of a very busy Legion week. The reception and tea held in honor of Vice-Commander-at-Large Silver, by Post 185 at the home of Comrade Jevne. Large attendance, and many compliments upon the very efficient manner in which the Women Veterans Welfare has been handled by the 24th District V.C.L.A. member.

Special Announcement: On the 14, 15, 21 and 22 of May the Chevy Chase Hills Auxiliary have their annual Vodvil Skit, nominal admittance. Let's fill the theatre for the girls.

EVENING STAR-NEWS, Culver City,

May 20, 1943

Cheviot Hills Annual Legion Show To Be Presented This Weekend in C.C.

The seventh annual follies show of the Cheviot Hills Post No. 501 of the American Legion will be presented again this weekend at the Culver City Women's clubhouse on Friday and Saturday nights, it was announced today.

Audiences who saw the production last weekend are widely acclaiming the success of the show to local citizens and urging that they attend the weekend performances.

The modern sophisticated comedy combined with the sentimentality of yester year is one of the chief appeals of the show, proclaim those who have attended.

Featured entertainer on the program is Helen Guest, well known pianist, who played all musical accompaniments and offered a solo song and several musical numbers. Miss Guest is known as an entertainer of service men at USO canteens.

Courtland Elliott, as master of ceremonies; Fran Frey, producer and director; Vital Heyes, DeWight Halstead, Glenn Dale, noted tenor, Christine Marshall and Betty Rid-



HELEN GUEST

dick were others in the spotlight of individual successes.

May 21, 1943

Legion Post's Hit Show Draws Full Houses First Week

Show to be Given This Weekend And Saturday, May 29

Sentimentality of yesteryear and modern sophistication were blended in a gay medley of entertainment when the seventh annual show of Cheviot Hills Post and Auxiliary Unit 501, American Legion, was given its premiere at the Culver City Women's club last Friday evening.

A capacity audience greeted with applause every act of the program, which was patterned after an evening at a vaudeville show. Produced under the direction of Fran Frey, the show included song and dance numbers, a one-act drama, comedy skits, and various specialty numbers. Musical accompaniments were played by Helen Guest, radio and concert artiste, who also entertained with a group of songs.

Glenn Dale, a native of Los Angeles who rose to fame as a Broadway musical comedy star, appeared in the Legion show between the supper and midnight shows of a downtown night club where he is appearing. The tenor sang many favorite old musical comedy selections.

A group of impersonations by DeWight Halstead, assisted by Dale Hogue, were a comedy highlight of the evening. Tizzie Lish of radio fame, Mahatma Ghandi and Eleanor Roosevelt were among the celebrities who were made the object of good-natured caricature.

War has made its inroads on the ranks of the "Singing Waiters," a group of legionaires who have been a feature of the show since its inception. Missing faces were those of "Cappy" Rix and George Freeman, the former now a colonel and the latter a captain on active duty with the United States Army. The present lineup includes Ace Aseltine, Roy Botsford, Mel Coakley, Mel Cobb, Erle Gilbert and "Doc" W. H. Long.

Garbed in new costumes and with gay original routines, but boasting the same personnel, was

the chorus ensemble made up of Vernetta Van Dorn, Cecile Geissler, Mildred Washburn, Coral Hogue, Margaret McShane and Carmelita Elliott.

Other post and unit members of the cast were Christine Marshall, Vernice Casebier, Maurice Wingo, Ann Ehrlich, Harold Beeton, Alice Aseltine, George Coen-

nen, Harry Smiley, and Betty Riddick. Courtland Elliott was master of ceremonies, while Vital Heyes, brother of the unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, gave a group of songs.

Repeated last Saturday night, the show will be presented again on Friday and Saturday of this week and on Saturday, May 29,

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LEGION'S TALENT SHOW PROVES A TERRIFIC HIT

FOLLIES ARE SCHEDULED TO BE REPEATED

**Production This Year Is Declared To Be
The Finest and Merriest Musical
Ever Produced By Legion Group**

The annual "Follies" given by the Cheviot Hills Post, No. 501, American Legion proved an absolute "wow" at the two performances given in the Woman's Club rooms last Friday and Saturday nights. In fact the attendance and response was so terrific that three additional performances will be given. They are scheduled for tonight, tomorrow night and on Saturday, May 29th.

The show, under the direction of Fran Frey, moved along at a smooth pace, contained a variety of comedy, music and specialties and there was not one spot in the entire production that did not leave the audiences entirely satisfied.

The opening, with Helen Guest at the piano, features the posting of the colors with the National Anthem. Next is a medley by the singing waiters, followed by the "Darktown Strutter's Ball" sung by Courtland Elliott and chorus.

A sketch, "An Odd Situation," proves exceptionally hilarious and is played by Vernetta Van Dorn, Mel Club and Erle Gilbert. Christine Marshall and Ricardo, then do a Spanish dance that is excellent.

Songs by Glenn Dale, musical comedy star, known to the Legion as "Bill Ooley", proved a pleasing highlight of the show.

"Wedding Knell" a sketch was truly a laugh-provoker. The players were Vernice Casebier, Maury Wingo, Ann Erlich, Hal Beaton, Alice Aseltine, George Coennen, Ray Botsford and Harry Smiley.

There were songs by Helen Guest in her own inimitable style and impressions by DeWight Halstead, assisted by Dale Hogue with a brilliant finale by the entire company.

The chorus ensemble included Vernetta VanDorn, Cecile Geissler, Mildred Washburn, Coral Hogue, Margaret McShane and Cermelita Elliott.

The singing waiters were Ace Aseltine, Roy Botsford, Mel Coakley, Mel Cobb, Erle Gilbert and "Doc" Wilbur Long.

Vital Heyes rendered several selections which won the audience's acclaim.

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IT WAS A SHOW OF SHOWS . . .
 Daisy witnessed last Sattiday nite
 Chev Hills Legion post
 Pulchritudinous chorus gals, Cecile
 Geissler, Coral Hogue, Mildred
 Washburn, Margaret McShane, Ver-
 netta Van Dorn and Carmelita El-
 liott decked out in gowns worn by
 Rita Hayworth, Betty Grable, Alice
 Faye and other screen stars. . . .
 Cort Elliott was a grand Emsee. . . .
 The Singing Waiters were a
 sc-re-am in their barber shop num-
 bers. . . . Everybody did their part
 supersuper. . . . The show's on for
 three more nights. . . We sat across
 from Jane Hively who wore a most
 becoming hairdo. . . . She had her
 brother-in-law Herb and his Lucille
 from Burbank as guests. . . . Pop-
 corn and the wherewithall to wash
 it down gave zest to the interludes.

A.

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May 21, 1943

Overland PTA, Garden and Women's Clubs, Legion Auxiliary are Active

War or no war, the American Legion works on and on. Its program is primarily one of rehabilitation. Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Ann Ehrlick, this unit ranks second for hospital work in the 24th District.

On the third Friday of each month, 16 members work regularly at the production center of the Red Cross on Pico blvd. Mrs. Courtland Elliott is chairman.

Under the auspices of the USO, Mrs. Samuel Cohen, Mrs. Walter Thiel, Mrs. Clinard Chambers, and Mrs. A. Steincamp work in the canteens in this area.

Bond chairman is Mrs. Marshall Riddick.

B.

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WESTWOOD HILLS PRESS

May 21, 1943

Singing Waiters Add Gayety to Legionaires' Frolics



When the seventh annual Frolics of the Cheviot Hills American Legion Post and Auxiliary Unit 501 were premiered last Friday evening at the Culver City Women's clubhouse, the singing waiters again were a featured hit

of the show, marking their seventh annual consecutive appearance. The line-up includes, left to right, "Doc" Wilbur H. Long, Mel Coakley, Roy Botsford, Ace Aseitine, Erle Gilbert, and Mel Cobb.

— Press Photo.

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In Follies Chorus



Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president of the Auxiliary of Cheviot Hills American Legion Post, who is appearing in the chorus ensemble, of the post's annual Follies showing May 29 at the Culver City Woman's club.

Cheviot Unit Poppy Sale

Despite strenuous activities in connection with the annual play, which will have its final performance of the season on Saturday evening at the Culver City Women's clubhouse, members of Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion Auxiliary, are not overlooking the national Poppy sale to be held on Friday and Saturday of this week.

According to announcement from Mrs. Courtland Elliott, Poppy chairman for the group, an appreciable percentage of the unit membership have volunteered to sell the flaming flowers, handiwork of sick or disabled veterans who make them as reminders of their buddies who fell in battle.

Mrs. Elliott calls attention to the fact that every penny of the money realized from the sale of the Poppies is returned to the veteran, either directly as recompense for his time and labor, or in the Rehabilitation and Child welfare work which play such a prominent part in the program of the American Legion Auxiliary.

"It is well to remember," Mrs. Elliott points out, "that the present scope of Rehabilitation and Child Welfare among soldier and veteran families is greater than it ever has been in the history of the American Legion Auxiliary. Not only is it necessary to provide for the ever increasing victims of the present conflict, but for the older men who similarly offered their lives in World War One. It is through the generous response of the public during the annual Poppy sale that it is possible for the American Legion Auxiliary to render this needed assistance."

The Poppy chairman and the Unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, express gratitude to Twentieth Century-Fox and RKO studios, both of which organizations have agreed to permit Cheviot Hills Auxiliary members to sell Poppies on their respective lots.

Among the women who will function as volunteer saleswomen are Mesdames Elliott, Geissler, Thomas McShane, Dick Borland, Roy Botsford, Milton Ehrlich, Pat Riddick, Fred Marshall, Clinard Chambers, Hal Hughes and George Hively.

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June 4, 1948

Legion Post And Unit 501 to Give Show for Veterans

*Frolics will Be
Staged at Facility
Tomorrow Evening*

Convalescent war veterans at the Veterans' Facility in Sawtelle will be the guests of Cheviot Hills Post 501, American Legion, and its affiliated auxiliary unit, when the hilltop legionaires and women present their seventh annual show in the theater on the hospital grounds tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.

This will be the concluding presentation of the musical entertainment, which had its fifth and final public showing last Saturday, at the Culver City Women's club.

According to Post Commander Dick Borland and Unit President Cecile Geissler, this year's show was an unprecedented success both from the standpoint of public response to its entertainment value and box office returns. The revenue thus derived, it was explained, will finance next year's program of philanthropic and wartime activities.

President Geissler said the public response to the Poppy sale last week, during which the Cheviot Hills unit disposed of 2,500 of the veteran-made flowers, also was gratifying. This year, in the opinion of the volunteer workers who sold the Poppies, the public bought willingly, even eagerly, and were more generous than ever before in their individual contributions. Approximately \$400 was realized by the Cheviot Hills unit, every penny of which either will go directly to the veterans who made the poppies or be used for Child Welfare and Rehabilitation work.

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June 11, 1943

Legion Show Cast Receives Gifts

In appreciation for aid given the cast of the American Legion play in connection with the staging of their show, Commander Dick Borland and Mrs. Cecell Geissler president of the Legion auxiliary, presented their helpers with several gifts, last Saturday night in the club house.

Gifts were presented to the following: Miss Helen Guest, a coffee table; De Wright Halstead, three rare recording blank records; Milton Ehrlich, a large picture of the chorus; Courtland Elliott, a salad bowl; Vetal Heyes, two wine bottles; Fran Frey, a silver meat platter.

After the presentations a spaghetti dinner was served to 60 people. The dinner was prepared by Thomas Mc Shane. Miss Helen Guest played the piano for community singing.

Last Saturday night I got fun, at the American Legion after-the-play supper party. The party was given for members of the play, the people who worked on it, and the press—I being the press.

Tom McShane served his famous spaghetti and meat ball dinner. I had two servings.

The presents given to the behind-the-scenes workers were wrapped by Mrs. Roy Botsford. Each one had a corsage attached. The flowers and ferns were all grown in her garden.

Mrs. Cecil Geissler had combed her hair on top of her head. She was surrounded by complimentary men and women. "Benny," her husband, hates the new hair-do.

Fran Frey, the director of the play, is famous for his song "Old Man River." He was asked to sing it. As the pianist, Miss Helen Guest struck up the opening chord, his two wire-hair dogs knew the signal and came bounding into the room and barked at Fran.

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Artists Given Gifts By Post, Auxiliary

Gifts of appreciation to the artists who so generously donated their talents to the annual Follies show sponsored by Cheviot Hills post and auxiliary, American Legion, were presented to the group at a party given by the post and unit last Saturday evening at the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho golf grounds. Prior to the party, the show in its entirety was presented for the veterans in Sawtelle hospital.

In charge of the party were Dick Borland, commander, and Mrs. Bernard Geissler, auxiliary president. A committee assisted in serving refreshments following an impromptu program.

Helen Guest, who was guest pianist, was presented with a coffee table; Frans Frey, director of the show, with a silver platter; Cortland Elliott, master of ceremonies, a barbecue salad set; Milton Ehrlich, who provided the beautiful costumes for the Glamorous Girls chorus ensemble, photos of the girls in the costumes. Vital Heyes, whose vocal numbers contributed much to the show, and De Witt Halstead, well known impersonator, also received gifts.

Monday evening at 8 o'clock the post and auxiliary will meet in regular session at which time reports will be given on the financial outcome of the show and a committee of three will be named to appoint a nominating committee for the spring election.

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June 18, 1943

Legion Auxiliary
Unit 501 Hears
Annual Reports

*Box Supper to Be
Held July 11 To
Conclude Season*

Reports upon the activities of a crowded and successful year were the order of the evening when Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion auxiliary, met Monday evening in the Legion clubhouse on the Rancho club grounds.

Singled out for commendation were Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, rehabilitation chairman, and Mrs. Clinard Chambers, USO chairman, whose accomplishments in their particular fields of wartime endeavor were reviewed by the unit president, Mrs. Bernard Geissler. The successful Poppy sale and the unprecedented returns from this year's show also were the subject of reports.

It was decided to give an old-fashioned box supper as the concluding social event of this year's club schedule. All post members will be invited to the affair which will be held on Sunday evening, July 11.

As a prelude to the election of officers for next year a nominating committee was selected to prepare a slate of candidates for presentation at the July meeting. Members are Mmes. Dale ... Bert Ayres, and George Hively.

Refreshments and a social interlude followed the business meeting, with Mrs. Bert Ayres acting as hostess of the evening.

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June 18, 1943

Rehabilitation and USO Chairmen of Cheviot Unit Lauded For Fine Work

Very notable work was accomplished by the chairmen of the two outstanding programs of the year of the Cheviot Hills Unit 501, American Legion, Mrs. Anne Ehrlich, rehabilitation chairman, and Mrs. Bertie Chambers, USO chairman, and at the meeting Monday evening of the auxiliary when the annual reports were given, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, president, expressed her great appreciation of the splendid efforts put forth by the two women. She also thanked the entire membership for their co-operation and interest in all projects launched during the year.

One of the fine gestures of the unit was the donation of a piano for the Women's Cottage at the Sawtelle hospital.

Mrs. Ehrlich and Mrs. Chambers have planned a tea Wednesday, 23rd, at the Cottage, and the auxiliary will furnish the refreshments.

Another forthcoming event will be an old-fashioned box dinner to be held at the Legion clubhouse Sunday, July 11th, which will be the final social affair of the year. Mrs. Bert Ayres will be in charge of arrangements. As usual at these delightfully informal affairs, the women will vie with one another in preparing tasty lunches in attractive boxes which will be auctioned off to the men who will be their dinner partner.

Mrs. Dale Hogue, Mrs. George Hively and Mrs. Ayres were named as a committee to prepare the slate of candidates for election of new officers for the next year.

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June 25, 1943

Legion Aux. Heads Meet

A business meeting and luncheon of the presidents and historians of the 24th district, American Legion Auxiliary, was held Monday at 12:30 o'clock, at the Westside Tea Room in Westwood, with Mrs. L. G. Swartfager, district historian, as hostess.

Presidents and historians from the district units attending the meeting were: Mrs. Cecile Geissler, president; Mrs. James Washburn, historian, Cheviot Hills; Mrs. L. F. Butterfield, president; Mrs. Carl W. Reis, Beverly Hills; Mrs. C. I. Pinkerton, president, Mrs. C. L. Wendell, historian, Santa Monica; Mrs. Johannes, president, Pacific Palisades; Mrs. Margaret Fletcher, president, West Los Angeles; Mrs. G. P. Costello, president, Mrs. Marion Coykendall, historian, Westwood Bruin unit; Mrs. M. Harvey, president, Celtic unit.

Mrs. Henry Wagoner, president of 24th district, who presided, and Mrs. Jack Edelstein, junior past president of the district, were also present.

At the business meeting the historians discussed the histories being compiled for presentation to the Legion convention in August, and other matters were acted upon.

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June 25, 1943

Cheviot Hills Legion Auxiliary Presents Piano To Women Veterans

Presentation of a piano to the women veterans of World War I was made by Cheviot Hills Auxiliary, Post 501, American Legion, Wednesday afternoon at a tea held at the women's cottage at Sawtelle Veterans Hospital. Mrs. Bertie Chambers, unit chairman of the President's Parley of 24th district, who was responsible for raising funds to purchase the instrument, was in charge of the program and tea, assisted by Mrs. Ann Ehrlich, rehabilitation chairman of the local unit.

Mrs. Cecile Geissler, president of Cheviot Hills auxiliary, and four past presidents of the local unit, Mrs. Jane Hively, Mrs. Carmelita Elliott, Mrs. Chambers and Mrs. Margaret McShane, were present, and also Mrs. Mary Anne Sorensen, and Mrs. Betty Edelstein, past presidents of 24th district, and Mrs. Irene Swartfager, a past president of Bruin unit, and the new president of the President's Parley.

Mrs. Christine Marshall sang and gave a Spanish dance with a dummy dancing partner; Mrs. Betty Riddick and Mrs. Chambers entertained with songs, the latter playing for a community sing. The local auxiliary furnished sandwiches and homemade cakes for the tea, and also bouquets of flowers for the table and room.

Presents Piano



Mrs. Bertie Chambers, member of Cheviot Hills Auxiliary, American Legion and unit chairman of the President's Parley of the 24th district, who was responsible for the presentation of a piano from the auxiliary to the women veterans of World War I at Sawtelle hospital.

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5. "Spanish Dance" Christine Marshall and "Ricardo"
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7. Songs by Glenn Dale (Bill Ooley to the Legion)
8. "The Sheik" Glenn Dale and the Chorus
9. "Wedding Knell"

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Vernetta Van Dorn, Alice Aseltine, Erle Gilbert, and Mel Cobb
13. "Dear Old Girl" Song Medley Singing Waiters
14. Impressions by De Wight (Doc) Halstead, assisted by Dale Hogue
15. "A Pretty Girl is like a Melody" Glenn Dale and the Chorus
16. Songs of Yesterday Betty Riddick, assisted by the Singing Waiters
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CHEVIOT HILLS POST & UNIT # 501

There will be a joint installation of the newly elected officers of the Cheviot Hills Post and Auxiliary Unit # 501, at the Westside Tennis Club, 3034 Motor Ave, (at Manning Ave) on Saturday evening, July 31st, 1943, eight thirty o'clock.

The Hollywood Post 43 Ritual team will install the officers for the new year.

After the installation an informal dance will be held for the Post and Auxiliary Members and our quests - refreshments will be served.

You are cordially invited to bring your family and friends.

The outgoing officers of both the Post and Auxiliary wish at this time to express their appreciation of the support accorded them during the past year by the membership of both organizations.

Dick Barland
Commander

Cheviot Hills Post # 501
The American Legion

Cecile Greissler
President

Cheviot Hills Unit #501
The American Legion

Installation of Officers

At a joint meeting of Cheviot Hills Post #501 and Unit, held on July 1942, at the Rancho Golf Club, the officers for the ensuing term were installed.

The meeting was called to order by the retiring Commander, Harry Smiley, who spoke of the activities of the Post during the term just passed. He introduced the distinguished guests present from the 24th District, and presented the incoming president, Cecile Geissler, with a gift. ~~xxxxxxx~~ Mrs. Margaret McShane, retiring president of the Auxiliary, introduced her officers of the past year and made a short talk.

The new officers were installed with impressive ceremonies by members of the 24th District, headed by Norman Dunbar, Commander, and Betty Edelstein, President. Music was furnished by Helen Guest. Those installed were:

<u>Post</u>		<u>Auxiliary</u>	
Richard Borland	Commander	Cecile Geissler,	Pres.
Roy Botsford	1st Vice "	Elsie Borland	1st V.P.
Thomas McShane	2nd " "	Anne Ehrlich,	2nd " "
Pat Riddick	Adjutant	Sue Hamilton	Secty.
John O'Driscoll	Finance Officer	Margaret McShane,	Treas.
G. J. Coennen,	Chaplain	Mildred Washburn	Hist.
Dale Hogue,	Historian	Bertie Chambers	Sgt.
Mel Cobb,	Sgt.-at-Arms	Carmelita Elliott,	Exec.C.
		Christine Marshall,	Chaplain

The following non-members received plaques, in recognition of their outstanding contribution to the success of the annual play: Mr. Fran Frey, Mrs. Helen Guest and Mr. George Uman.

Mrs. McShane presented a service flag to Mrs. George Freeman, whose husband is in the service. She also presented gifts to various officers and a beautiful bell to the Legion from the Auxiliary.

After the ceremonies the members and guests were served with refreshments at the Legion Club house and an informal party was held.

AMERICAN LEGION
CHEVIOT HILLS POST #501

Los Angeles, California,
September 3, 1942

Dear Comrades:

The Post will hold its next regular meeting come Tuesday, September 8th. There it is, sandwiched in between Labor Day and Admission Day, so make it three-in-a-row and be there!

Subject to confirmation by District Commander, Philo Chambers, the following members of this Post have been selected to serve on the respective Committees of 24th District:

Hal Hughes. Americanism Committee
Norman Mudge. Community Betterment
Hal Beeton. Finance
Ace Aseltine. Junior Activities
Roy Botsford. Membership
Maury Wingo. Military Affairs, Home Defense
Walter Thiel. Resolutions
Harry Smiley. Dist. Service Relations
Mel Cobb. Ass't. Sergeant-at-Arms
(Watch these men, they're going places)

The Program of Events for the '42-'43 year, mutually adopted by the Post and the Ladies Auxiliary, together with the shares of the "work" and the "take" reads like this:

September 26th.	Army Dinner.	50-50
October 24th.	Hill-Billy Dance	50-50
November 14th	Pot-Luck Dinner.	Auxiliary
December 12th	Bachelor Dinner.	Post
January 23rd	Navy Dinner.	50-50
February 20th	Bachelor Dinner.	Post
March 20th.	Marine Dinner.	50-50
April (2-3da.?)	Annual Show.	50-50
May 1st	Formal Dance	50-50
June 12th	Pot-Luck Dinner.	50-50
July 10th	Army Dinner.	50-50

There it is - but your calendar will show it only if you mark it!!!

In accordance with motion adopted at the last meeting, the Post is presenting, with its compliments, membership cards for the ensuing year to those Comrades on active duty with the Armed Forces: George Freeman, Cappy Rix, Clare Neuner, and Lee Scamahorn.

M. S. Riddick
Adjutant

CHEVIOT HILLS UNIT # 501

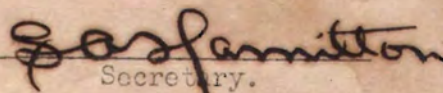
A special meeting of Cheviot Hills Unit # 501 will meet at the home of the President, Mrs. Bernard Geissler, 10405 Cheviot Drive, Los Angeles, on Friday, November 6th, at 2.00 P.M., for the transaction of special business.

The 24th district meeting will be held in the Legion Clubhouse on Monday evening, November 9th, at 8.00 P.M. Everyone is requested to attend. There will be entertainment and refreshments.

Mrs. M. Ehrlich, rehabilitation chairman, has made a special plea to all members to bring to the club house articles which can be utilized by the men at Sawtelle. There is a complete list on the bulletin board but the following are particularly need, mens clothing, beads, pocketbooks, and alarm clocks. Please bring anything that you may have and check with your neighbours to see if they have anything they wish to donate.

Don't forget the pot luck dinner to be held at the Cheviot Legion Club house on Saturday, November 14th. at 8.00 P.M. There will be a special surprise at this dinner and there will also be a programme between the dinner and the midnight show, which is held at the Stadium, and is being sponsored by the American Legion. The dinner is 60 cents and the show is 75 cents, but a combination ticket may be obtained for \$1.25. Rumour states that there are to be several celebrities at the show and it should be very interesting. Kindly phone the reservation on your dinner, in advance, to Mrs. Borland, ARdmore 8- 5336.

CHEVIOT HILLS UNIT # 501


Secretary.

The regular monthly meeting of Cheviot Hills Auxiliary, Unit # 501, will be held Monday evening, February 8th, 1943, at 8.00 o'clock. This meeting will be preceded by an executive committee meeting at 7.30 o'clock.

February is Americanism month, therefore Mrs. Aseltine, Americanism Chairman, will speak.

Our guest speaker will be from Baake's Nursery, and will give advice and suggestions for the successful growing of Victory gardens.

Refreshments will be served by the hostesses of the evening.

CHEVIOT HILLS UNIT #501

Ed Hamilton

Secretary.

NOTICE

The next regular meeting of the Cheviot Hills Auxiliary Unit #501 will be held Monday evening April 12th, at 8.00 PM, preceded by an executive board meeting at 7.30 PM at the regular meeting place, the Legion Club House.

Mrs. Nina-bell Nichols, District Pan-American Chairman, will outline the program of Pan-Americanism for the month of April.

The above meetings will begin promptly at the times stated as we are to have a showing of two excellent movies, the Standard News Parade and Know your enemy-Japan. It has been extremely difficult to secure these pictures and as they are very interesting it is requested that you attend if at all possible. Members of the Post are also invited to attend and you may bring your friends and neighbours.

Refreshments will be served by the hostesses of the evening.

CHEVIOT HILLS AUXILARY

E. S. Hamilton

Secretary

The regular monthly meeting of Cheviot Hills Auxiliary #501 will be held Monday evening, May 10th, at the Legion Club House, at 8.00 P.M. preceded by an Executive Committee meeting at 7.30 P.M.

Mrs. Edna Mudge, Nu-Bone Co. representative, has been secured as a speaker. She will speak on Health and Posture. In order to secure Mrs. Mudge as a speaker it has been necessary to guarantee a minimum audience. You may invite your friends and neighbours.

Refreshments will be served by the hostesses for the evening.

Commander Borland has invited members of the auxiliary to attend the meeting of the Unit, on May 11th, at 8.00 P.M. at the Legion Club House. They are to have an interesting showing of motion pictures by the Standard Oil Co.

Dont forget to reserve your tickets for the show. The nights are May 14th and 15th, May 21st and 22nd. Reservations may be made by contacting Mr. Norman Mudge.

CHEVIOT HILLS AUXILIARY #501

P. Hamilton

Secretary.

The regular monthly meeting of Cheviot Hills
Auxiliary, Unit # 501 will be held on Monday
evening, at the Legion Club House, March 8th,
at 8.00 o'clock, preceded by an executive
board meeting at 7.30 o'clock.

Mary Ann Sorrenson, District Chairman, has
suggested bringing gifts of food for the L.A.
Orphanage. The following are needed, cereals,
canned milk, peanut butter, jams, jellies, and
fruit juices, etc. These will then be taken to
the district meeting on 3/25/43.

We have been promised a speaker, Mr. Jeffrey
Morgan, from the Douglas Aircraft Co. He is to
speak on women in war work.

Mrs. Casebier and Mrs. Hughes, our hostesses for
the evening, will serve refreshments.

CHEVIOT HILLS UNIT #501

J. S. Hamilton

Secretary.

AMERICAN LEGION
CHEVIOT HILLS POST #501

The next regular meeting of the Post will be held Tuesday, April 13, at the Club House 8:15 PM. If you have not received your tickets for our annual show, phone Comrade Mudge, ARd 83075 for your reservations at once. Its the best show in years. Tickets are selling fast.

Mrs. Geissler, President of the Auxiliary, has invited all members of the Post and their ladies to be present at their meeting next Monday night, April 12, at the Club House, 8:00 PM. They will show two very interesting motion pictures.

Maury Wingo
Adjutant

The regular monthly meeting of Cheviot Hills Unit, Auxiliary # 501, will be held Monday evening, June 14th, at 8.00 P.M. at the Legion Club House, preceded by an Executive committee meeting at 7.30.

The above meetings will start promptly as there is a considerable amount of business to transact. Your attendance is urged as this will be an extremely important meeting. A committee will be selected to nominate the officers for the coming year.

Refreshments will be served by the hostesses for the evening.

CHEVIOT HILLS UNIT AUXILIARY #501

P. S. Hamilton

Secretary

APPENDIX

EVENING HERALD AND EXPRESS:

AUGUST 17, 1942



Leaders of the Legion Auxiliary are shown at a meeting. Left to right, Mrs. Harry Owen Holt, of the national executive committee women;

Mrs. Joseph W. Forster, state president; Mrs. Alfred Mathebat, candidate for the national president, and Ethel Flynn, state secretary.

Glee Club competition results: Class A—First place, Twenty-fourth District Glee Club, directed by Mrs. Louis Jarmie, with a score of 96 per cent; second, Carl Ross unit club. Class B—First, Benjamin Bowie Glee Club. Class A trio and quartet contests—First, Benjamin Bowie and Carl Ross units. Class B trio and quartet—First, Benjamin Bowie and Westwood Bruin.

AUGUST 18, 1942



UNOPPOSED CANDIDATE for president of the American Legion Auxiliary in California is Mrs. George Cloney, left, who is pictured against a background of American Flags with Mrs. Ethel M. Flynn, Auxiliary executive secretary.

LOS ANGELES EXAMINER

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HONOR GUEST yesterday was Mrs. Rose Radzinski, seated, who has 10 sons in the present war, two now prisoners, and four

each in the Army and Navy. With her is Mrs. Monica L. Forster, president of the California Department Auxiliary.

Los Angeles Times

AUGUST 20, 1942.

HERE ARE VICTORS IN LEGION AUXILIARY CONTESTS



SONG WINNERS—This 24th District Glee Club of Los Angeles triumphed in the State contest of the American Legion Auxiliary. Left to right, seated, are Mmes. Jack English, M. P. Mackey Jr., Harry H. Vaughn, Louis Jarmie, director; L. P. Mondor, Earl L.

Hilburg, Clyde W. Holbrook; standing, Mmes. C. F. Joscelyn, Wayne Thayer, Andrew V. Ward, Edgar R. Schmitz, Harold Kurson, Paul A. Van Sluyters, Albert H. Roche, Chalme D. Day.

September 11, 1942

Dist. Presidents, Vice Presidents

District

- 1 President: Mrs. Wm. H. Partridge, Scotia, California.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Don Alexander, Talmadge, California.
- 2 President: Mrs. William Sisson, Box 324, Project City.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Florent Van de Weghe, Hilts.
- 3 President: Mrs. Russell Wing, Box 1772, Westwood.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Alta Craig, Gen. Del., Quincy.
- 4 President: Mrs. L. A. Manor, Williams.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Howard S. Little, 1406 Normal St., Chico.
- 5 President: Mrs. Berton P. Warfield, P. O. Box 1321, Vallejo.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Fred Booker, 3352 Wilson Ave., Santa Rosa.
- 6 President: Mrs. Avon Smith, 1908 23rd St., Sacramento.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Elmar Skogland, Rio Linda.
- 7 President: Mrs. L. Braden, 623 15th Ave., San Francisco.
Vice-Pres: Miss Mae Hearst, 1222 15th Avenue, San Francisco.
- 8 President: Mrs. B. A. Mibach, 2359 20th Ave., San Francisco.
Vice-President: Mrs. Elward Sharkey, 122 Hancock St., San Francisco.
- 9 President: Mrs. Howard Johnson, 441 38th St., Richmond.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. David Callahan, R.F.D., No. 2, Concord.
- 10 President: Mrs. Harry H. Kruse, 5311 Wentworth Ave., Oakland.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Joseph P. Sanchez, 1123 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley.
- 11 President: Mrs. Avery Sigler, Rt. 3, Box 295A, Lodi.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Frank Cargay, 26 Walnut St., Tracy.
- 12 President: Mrs. Herman Kugler, Midpines, Mariposa County.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Harley Gallup, 138 High St., Modesto.
- 13 President: Mrs. O. B. Averitt, 1065 Lincoln Court, San Jose.
Vice-Pres: Miss Genevieve Penna, 732 5th St., Hollister.
- 14 President: Mrs. H. Gunderson, 318 No. C St., Madera.
Vice-Pres: Miss Celia Crocker, Rt. 1, Box 131, Selma.
- 15 President: Mrs. Art Falconer, Rt. 2, Box 77, Porterville.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. J. H. Christensen, Randsburg.
- 16 President: Mrs. William Proud, 219 N. S. St., Lompoc.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Clifford R. Austin, Box 480, Santa Paula.
- 17 President: Mrs. Earl Pinney, 1254½ Citrus Ave., Los Angeles.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Frank T. Stump, 1630 7th Ave., Los Angeles.
- 18 President: Mrs. Glenn H. Taylor, 2056 Milan Ave., So. Pasadena.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. E. A. Omohundro, 51 W. Mariposa Ave., Altadena.
- 19 President: Mrs. Floyd Cook, 1247 Bayview, Wilmington.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Gene Sharp, 17403 Vermont Ave., Gardena.
- 20 President: Mrs. Ray Hartley, 6640 Shady Grove Ave., Tujunga.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Earl Campbell, 859 No. Ave. 67, Los Angeles.
- 21 President: Mabel Searl, Hemet.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Albert Roling, Newport Harbor No. 291, 122 E. Bishop, Santa Ana.
- 22 President: Mrs. Edna Morrison, 626 Main St., El Centro.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. H. E. Cooper, 4130 Hamilton St., San Diego.
- 23 President: Mrs. Owen C. Gates, 1430 W. 64th St., Los Angeles.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. George J. Glanzman, 622 W. 112 St., Los Angeles.
- 24 President: Mrs. Henry Wagoner, 2569 Patricia St., Los Angeles.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Thos. McShane, 3159 Queensbury Dr., Los Angeles.
- 25 President: Mrs. R. L. Smith, 1142 Sheridan St., Ontario.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Ralph H. Martin, 2869 Arrowhead, San Bernardino.
- 26 President: Mrs. Eugene Signarowitz, 714 Grand Ave., South San Francisco.
Vice-Pres: Mrs. Jean Camgros, 1449 Balboa Ave., Burlingame.

SEPTEMBER 15, 1942

President Names 1942-43 Chairmen

Americanism: Mrs. Clarence Steele, 167 No. San Dimas Ave. San Dimas.

Child Welfare: Mrs. R. H. Mahan, 1028 24th St., Santa Monica

Civilian Defense: None.

Community Service: Mrs. Dayton Murray, 2025 G. St., Eureka.

Motion Pictures: None.

Distinguished Guests: Mrs. Harry Owen Holt, 237 Grattan St., San Francisco.

Drill Team: Mrs. Edwin K. Lipinski, 429 West 56th St., Los Angeles.

Education Committee: Mrs. Wm. A. Huggins, 3925 W. Adams Blvd., Apt. 5, Los Angeles; Mrs. Harold N. Lineau, 2985 Palm Canyon Dr., Palm Springs; Mrs. Richard Clifford, 521 Garden St., No. Sacramento.

Employment: None.

Finance Committee: Mrs. Sidney Brannaman, 526 Addison Ave., Palo Alto; Mrs. Ray Mills, 2968 D St., San Bernardino; Mrs. Ormsby Donogh, 2466 Shattuck Avenue, Berkeley.

Junior Activities: Mrs. George McClyman, 815 W. 99th St., Los Angeles.

Legislative: Mrs. Edmond Burke, 2209 Houser Blvd., Los Angeles.

Membership: Mrs. Fred Heartt, 1495 No. Lake Ave., Pasadena.

National Defense: Mrs. Joseph W. Forster, 10333 Tujunga Canyon Blvd., Tujunga.

National News: Mrs. Mervyn Sullivan, 1371 37th Ave., San Francisco.

Pan American Study: Mrs. Vernon E. Lochausen, 6833 King, Bell.

Poppy Committee: Mrs. Grover Wendland, 1932 Pearl St., Alameda; Mrs. Robert H. Sandon, 1315 Louise, Santa Ana; Mrs. L. B. McKinnon, Concord.

Press-Editor: Mrs. Allan Pontius, 124 Romain St., San Francisco.

Rehabilitation: Mrs. William E. Snelson, Rt. 1, Box 144A, Concord.

Radio: Mrs. Meredith Blair, 886 Cleveland St., Oakland.

Trophy and Awards: Mrs. Myron Albright, Avenal.

Dept. Convention Chairman: None.

Chairman, Past Presidents' Parley: Mrs. Bernice O. Keyes, 862 So. Catalina, Los Angeles.

Secretary, Past Presidents' Parley: Mrs. Earl Marsh, P. O. Box 243, Upland.

8 & 40: Mrs. Charles H. Marshall, 2712 Best Avenue, Oakland.

Secretary: Mrs. John Dubinski, 2648 68th Avenue, Oakland.

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS APPOINTED

Chaplain: Mrs. James Watson, Guerneville.

Historian: None.

Parliamentarian: Mrs. F. Ray Elsey, 2524 E. 11th Street, Long Beach.

Segeant-at-Arms: Mrs. Ray Hughes, 817 No. Harrison St. Stockton.

Marshall: Mrs. Marvin H. Anglin, 421 Brower Bldg., Bakersfield.

Musician: Mrs. Bryan L. Hendricks, P. O. Box 522, Paso Robles.

THE CALIFORNIA LEGIONNAIRE

NOVEMBER 1, 1942.

Officials Address Instruction School

By ALVIA B. MATTHEWS
Press Chairman

The following Department Chairmen were introduced by Mrs. Henry Wagoner, District President, and spoke briefly on their respective Committee activities at the 24th District School of Instruction on October 9th: Mrs. Clarence Steele, Americanism; Mrs. William Huggins, Education; Mrs. Fred Heartt, Membership; Mrs. Harold Mahan, Child Welfare; Mrs. Vernon E. Lochausen, Pan American. Mrs. Jackson S. Henkle, 18th District Chairman of Past Presidents' Parley, was the special guest of Mrs. Jack Edelstein, 24th District Chairman of the same Committee, and mentioned the problem of the post-war service woman.

The problems of each committee, and the growing overlapping of activities, as well as the need for continued cooperation between Chairmen, was evidenced and emphasized.

Members of Pacific Unit 290 served a hot luncheon to those attending the School.

October 15th Westwood-Bruin Unit 271 was hostess to the 24th District at their Clubhouse on Legion Hill in Westwood Village. Mrs. Henry E. Wagoner, District

President, presided, and announced her appointment of Mrs. Edgar Lynch of Beverly Hills Unit as District Chairman of Salvage, and Mrs. George Doane, of Pacific 290, as District Marshall.

Mrs. Thomas King, District Hospital Chairman, reported Col. R. A. Bringham's official thanks to the women of the 24th District for their outstanding work of wrapping bandages at the Facility Hospital for more than 500 hours.

Mrs. Peter Christian Sorenson (Mary Ann) reported on her trip to the National Convention in Kansas City, highlighted by asides which were revealing, interesting and amusing.



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This is to Certify that Cheriot Wells unit # 501

has rendered to this organization valuable help and cooperative assistance,

in acknowledgment of which this *Certificate* is hereby awarded

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Mona Van Dyke Schaper
CHAPTER NUTRITION INSTRUCTOR

Things Enjoyed Lately High On the Hilltop

By **CECILE GEISSLER**

A VERY INSTRUCTIVE as well as inspirational talk was given by Mrs. Ralph Lewis, juvenile protection chairman, 10th district California Congress of Parents and Teachers, to the members of the Cheviot Hills American Legion Auxiliary 502. She gave a resume of the conference on Childhood and Youth in Wartime held recently at the Ambassador Hotel. Mrs. James Washburn, first vice president, acted as president in the absence of Mrs. Milton Ehrlich, president.

THE NORMAN MUDGES of 10322 Bannockburn drive celebrated their 19th wedding anniversary on Saturday, Oct. 7 with cocktails and dinner. A number of their closest friends were bidden to the affair.

ANYONE PASSING 10527 Dunleer drive about 6 Sunday evening, Oct. 8, could hear music, peals of laughter and the clatter of dishes. It was another of those famous barbecues given by the Courtland Elliots in honor of the missus' birthday. Those enjoying the delicious steaks were the Dale Hogues, Howard Youngs, Don Colwells, Leonard Brooks, Agnes Ross and mother, Mrs. Farrell.

A GREAT DEAL of excitement seemed to have taken place at the Roy Botsford residence on 2964 Haddington street, last Tuesday, Oct. 10 while Jess Botsford was entertaining her PEO with a delicious luncheon.

ANN EHRLICH, president of the Cheviot Hills Unit 501, also famous for her tamale pies, was stirring one up on Saturday, Oct. 7 for a large family reunion. It was a potluck affair, taking place in her garden and barbecue.

JANE HIVELY, Carmelita Elliot and one Eleanor Roosevelt are all celebrating birthdays on October 11.



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