

The regular meeting of the Keels-Grennie Post #316, American Legion, Dept. of New York was held at Post Hqts., Amboy Road, Staten Island 6, New York, on August 27, 1954

ATTENDANCE. . . . 11 members present, including officers

Officers present: Commander Teitjen, Vice Commanders Vastola and Grendvill, Treasurer Torgerson.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Torgerson reported that after the audit a deficit of \$1,500 was the final figure. It was brought out, however, that this was incurred many years ago.

DONKEY BASEBALL:

Commander Teitjen and Chairman Vastola reported on the sad events leading up to the forced cancellation of the Donkey Baseball game. On the way to play at our Post, the truck overturned and four donkeys were injured so badly that they had to be destroyed. Mr. Dillon, owner of the donkeys, however, graciously volunteered to pay for all the expenses incurred by the Post. All money collected for tickets would be returned. It is hoped that the game will go on next year.

BOWLING:

Unfortunately, this year our Post could enter but two teams in the league. One teamed was discontinued. It was voted to sign up the two teams.

BOY'S STATE:

We were privileged to hear from Frances C. Evans the boy we sponsored at Boy's State this year. He gave the Post a full accounting of his activities at Colgate and the many things he learned about the functioning of government. Frances also told of his trip to England, Ireland and Wales which he won resulting from his prize-winning essay sent in to the Journal American contest. Again he gave an accounting and also his many observations.

At the conclusion of his talk, Commander Teitjen remarked that if this lad were typical of our American youth today, "We have nothing to worry about!" These sentiments were echoed by the entire Post.

MEMBERSHIP:

Three new members were voted into the Post

Chairman Balbach reported that the slogan for our Post this year is "Five for Fifty five." At the meeting he reported that 43 members had already signed up and paid their dues.

PICNIC:

The picnic this year will be held on September 26 at the Post field. Soft drinks and beer will be served by the Post; members to bring their own box supper. Admission: \$1.50 for adults, \$1.00 for children.

These minutes are submitted subject to correction for errors and omissions.

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