

The New Orleans Chapter of the Military Order of the World Wars held its regular meeting at Lenfant's Boulevard Room, 5236 Canal Boulevard, on 24 July 1961. The meeting was called to order at 1900 hours.

PRESIDING: Rear Adm. T. J. Ryan, Jr.

PLEDGE: Capt. Gayle Schneidau, Jr.

PREAMBLE: Capt. Francis Grevemberg

INVOCATION: Col. Lansing L. Mitchell

The Commander called for the introduction of guests and roll call, and welcomed one new member present and attending the meeting for the first time, and explained to him the purpose and objective of the Order. There were 70 members and 5 guests present. (See attached list)

In the absence of the Adjutant, Col. Frank Spiess read the minutes of the previous meeting and the membership approved the minutes as read.

The Treasurer's report for the month of June was read showing a cash balance of \$1,057.06 as of 30 June 1961. There being no objection, the report of the Treasurer was received and filed.

Commander Ryan reported for the Chairman of the Americanism Committee that the Times-Picayune had accepted the "Fly the United States Flag" campaign, obtained 3,000 flag kits, and will run a large ad in the paper on 6 August 1961. The target day to have everyone possible fly the flag is Veterans Day, 11 November.

The recommendation of the Nominating Committee, in a letter dated 13 July, to the Chapter Commander and signed by Captain Neville Levy as Chairman, was read by Lt. Colonel Harrie Pearson, Vice-Chairman. (See attached letter.)

Captain Francis Grevemberg moved that the nominations be received for action at the meeting of the Executive Committee Council and by the membership at its next meeting. This was seconded by Captain Gayle Schneidau. The motion was unanimously carried.

Commander Julian B. Humphrey, designated as notary to prepare and pass the Articles of Incorporation of the Military Order of the World Wars, reported that all of the incorporators have signed the Act of Incorporation and that the Act has been recorded in the Mortgage Office for the Parish of Orleans, and that a certificate of recordation and a copy of the Act has been forwarded to the Secretary of the State of Louisiana for recordation in his office; that as soon as the certificate of the Secretary

of State is received, it will be forwarded to the Commander. Under the law of Louisiana, since the Act of Articles of Incorporation have been recorded in the Mortgage Office of the Parish of Orleans, the Military Order of the World Wars is as of this date authorized to function as a corporation.

The speaker of the evening, Captain D. W. Ferrie, Senior Pilot, Eastern Airlines, spoke on Cuba - - April 1961, Present, Future. At the opening of his presentation, he indicated his talk would be controversial. When partly through the presentation, the Commander rose, apologized for interrupting the speaker, and told him the tenor of his remarks, up to that point, were contrary to the preamble and objectives for which the Military Order of the World Wars stands and that if he wished he could speak, not as our guest speaker, but as a private citizen and to the members present as private citizens after adjournment of the meeting. Captain Ferrie determined he would stop his presentation.

Commander Ryan then formally adjourned the meeting in accordance with the prescribed ritual at 2100 hours.

FRANCIS A. WOOLFLEY
Adjutant

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Frank G. Spiess