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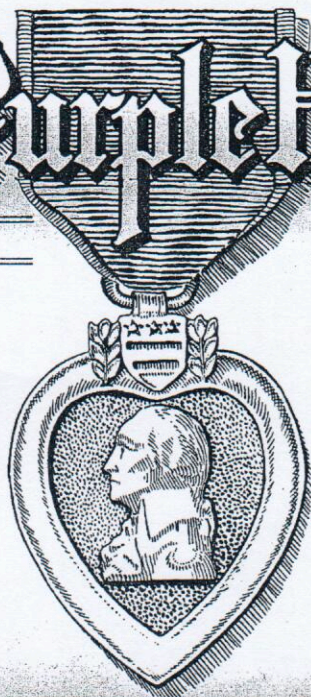
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LOCHBILER DRAWS ELEVATION TO COMMANDERSHIP

**New Chief Has Fine
Military and Detroit
Police Corps Record**

Purple Hearts, salute our new commander!

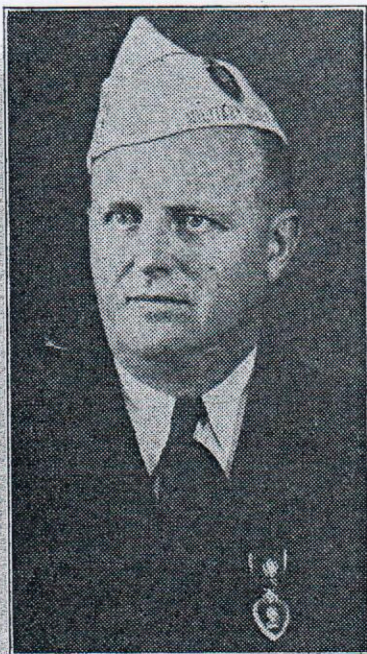
That new national commander is Wendell A. Lochbiler, 1300 Beaubien St., Detroit, whose military history



AUXILIARY OF M.O.P.H. ELECTS ETHEL GIANNINI

**Popular Socialite of
San Francisco Wins
Highest Honor**

At its national convention in San Francisco, held in conjunction with the national meeting of M.O.P.H., the Ladies Auxiliary of the Order bestowed its highest honor upon Mrs.



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Wendell A. Lochbiler
National Commander

was given briefly in the June issue of THE PURPLE HEART. He is an outstanding executive in the Detroit Police department, being one of the youngest men in the country to hold the rank of inspector of police in a major city.

Cmdr. Lochbiler was unanimously elected, without opposition, following a crisp but glowing nominating speech made by Natl. Jr. Vice Cmdr. Fred K. Myles, Indianapolis. His nominating address was seconded by Gen. Heinrich A. Pickert, commissioner, and

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*"The road to glory in a patriot army
and a free country is open to all."*
—Washington.

*"He jests at scars that never felt a
wound."*—Shakespeare.

INDIANAPOLIS IS 1940 MEET CITY

**Hoosier Capital Walks
Away With Convention
Next Year**

Royal treatment for Purple Hearts in 1940!

With Natl. Jr. Vice Cmdr. Fred K. Myles as its eloquent champion, Indianapolis, Hoosier capital, won the 1940 convention in a walkaway, and the famous Hoosier hospitality soon will be demonstrated to battle-wounded and gassed who gather there for a meeting which will be larger and better than ever, due to the fact that M. O. P. H., under the sturdy membership chairman, Frank L. Holland, of the Ford Motor Co. chapter, and his hustling committee, is growing swiftly.

Indianapolis, according to Patriot Myles, who represented, Indiana's governor as well as the mayor and the city of Indianapolis, promises Purple Hearts that royal time, and urges that every holder of the combat medal begin plans at once to attend the 1940 meeting. Dates will be fixed at the next annual meeting of the national executive committee and published immediately thereafter, so that every member will have ample time in which to arrange for attendance.



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Ethel Giannini
National President

Ethel Giannini, 3333 Judah street, San Francisco.

Mrs. Giannini is one of the most popular social personages in San Francisco, a leader in many of the city's cultural and patriotic movements, and is especially well known for her endeavors in behalf of combat-injured men and their families. Under her leadership, the auxiliary expects to continue its rapid strides forward, for the new president, like her predecessor, is an enthusiastic

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