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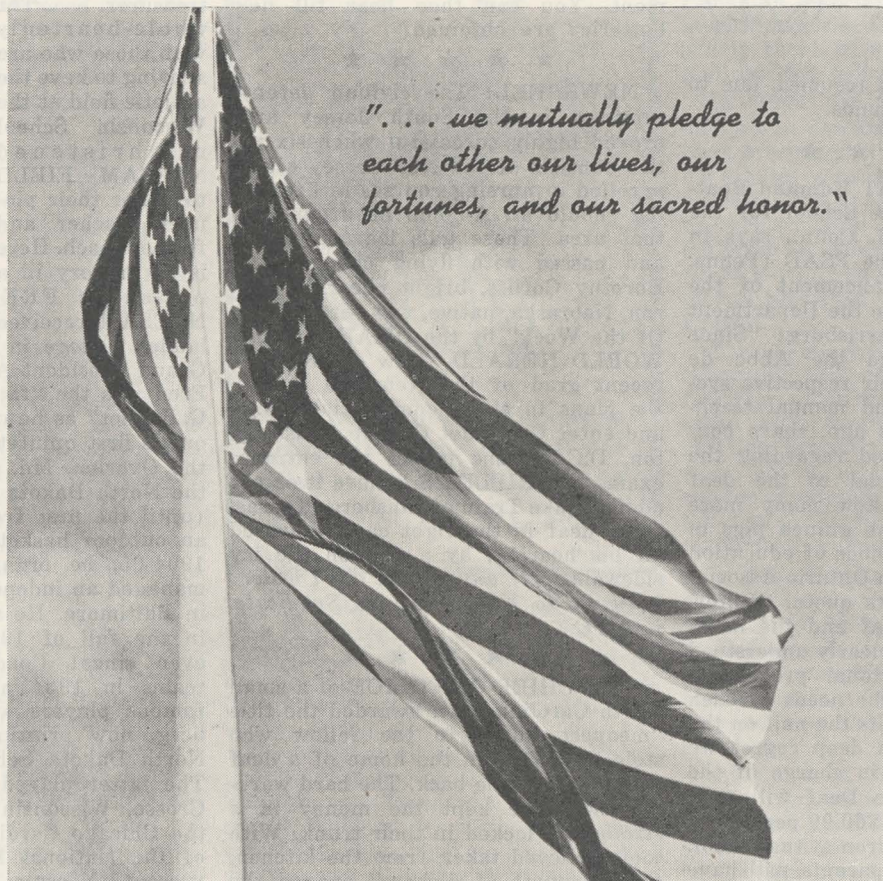
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*"... we mutually pledge to
each other our lives, our
fortunes, and our sacred honor."*

Started

2-1-30 by

J. F. Meagher

THE SPOTLIGHT

By Lenny Warshawsky



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E DUCATION: The 33rd meeting of the Convention of the American Instructors of the Deaf was held June 17 to 22, inclusive at the Missouri School for the Deaf, Fulton. Not to be outdone, the Executives of the Schools for the Deaf held their 23rd meeting at the same time and at the same place . . . Dr. Richard G. Brill may as well be termed the superintendent without a school or faculty. Recently appointed to head the new school for the deaf in Southern California at Riverside, Dr. Brill has shown much patience all this time waiting for construction to be resumed, due to the lack of sufficient funds.



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SUPERINTENDENT Edmund Boatner, of the American School for the Deaf, West Hartford, Conn., says in his speech made to the PSAD (Penna. Society for the Advancement of the Deaf) and read before the Department of Education, at Harrisburg: "Since Samuel Heinicke and the Abbe de l'Epée formulated their respective systems of both oral and manual teaching almost 200 years ago, sharp controversies have existed regarding the method most beneficial to the deaf child!" We wonder how many more years we'll have to be guinea pigs in deciding the best methods of education for us deaf? Here's an Ontario Association of the Deaf news quote: "Difference between the deaf and the hard-of-hearing should be clearly understood and different educational procedures be adapted to meet the needs of each group." This surely hits the nail on the head. . . . It is with deep regret we note that the Board in charge of the Texas School for the Deaf will soon require a payment of \$60.00 per month from all resident children at the school. This will mean that parents will have to pay a total of \$580.00 for the entire year or place an I.O.U. with the school if they cannot afford this much.

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LOYALTY PAYS OFF: The army doc eyed the new recruit suspiciously. "And what do you do for social life?" he asked.

"Oh," said the recruit, "I just sit around."

"Don't you go out with the girls?"
"Nope."

"Have you any desire to go out with girls?"

"Well—sort of."

"Then why don't you?"

"My wife won't let me!"

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PARADE OF PROGRESS: Latest of hearing devices is the answer to the old annoying question: what to do when the "A" battery in your hearing aid goes on the "blink" and you just cannot hear for the time being. With the new one now on the market, you just flick a little switch and presto, an emergency power source rejuvenates the instrument. You can then hear till new batteries are obtained.

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NEWSREEL: The civilian defense program in the South Jersey area proved highly successful when six petite damsels of the New Jersey school enrolled in nursing courses in life saving should an A-bomb be dropped in that area. Those gals learned plenty and passed with flying colors. . . . Dorothy Corliss, bright cheerful Hebron, Nebraska, native, was voted "Teen Of the Week" by the OMAHA (Neb.) WORLD HERALD. Now at 18 and a recent grad of the Nebraska School, she plans to study commercial design and enter Gallaudet College, Washington, D.C., if she passes the entrance exams. . . . RIPLEY'S believe it or not oddity: Jake Train of Linsberg, Kansas, stone deaf in the right ear, recovered all his hearing, by a fall on the icy sidewalk. (If any of you don't believe it, write to King Features Syndicate, in NYC.)

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THE CHIEF OF POLICE of a small North Carolina town awarded the title "meanest thief" to the fellow who stole \$50.00 from the home of a deaf couple some time back. The hard working two-some kept the money in a strong box locked in their trunk. With tools believed taken from the kitchen, the "meanest of filchers" opened the trunk and made off with the box containing the cash! . . . **MORE CRIME:** Allen Jones, deaf mute, who strangled to death William Knight over love for the slain man's wife, in Atlanta, Georgia recently was sentenced to from 10 to 20 years in prison, being convicted of voluntary manslaughter, after the jury disregarded the State's demand to send Jones to the electric chair. Time for the jury to agree on the verdict:

58 minutes . . . John R. White, deaf Omaha layreader and former relief supervisor at Iowa School, Council Bluffs, choked his wife, caught a fast express to Chicago to hide. After reading that he had killed his wife, he walked into the nearest Chicago police station and gave himself up.

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SPORT SPARKS: The new officers of the Eastern States Schools for the Deaf AA elected at the recent Mt. Airy Basketball meet were: Jack Wise, of the American School, president; James Behrens, of the Maryland School, vice president; and John Rybak, of the St. Mary's School (Buffalo), secretary-treasurer. . . . This department agrees whole-heartedly

with those who are striving to have the athletic field at the Wisconsin School re-christened **NEESAM FIELD** to honor their pioneer teacher and former coach. Here is his history in a nut-shell: **FREDERICK JAMES NEESAM** received his B.S. from Gallaudet College in '04 with our NFSD Grand President A. L. Roberts. Lanky Fred was the "father of basketball at Gallaudet" as he organized and played on its first quintet. He first tutored in the Overlea, Md., School and then in the North Dakota School for the Deaf (until the first freeze—they only had an outdoor basketball court then). In 1904-05, he organized, coached, and managed an independent "Silent Five" in Baltimore. He started at Wisconsin in the fall of 1906—has been there ever since! Coached national cage teams in 1934 and 1937. His most famous players were Ernest Langenberg, now printing instructor at the North Dakota School and Gus Boldt. The latter played pro football in La Crosse, Wisconsin and played against the Chicago Cardinals and Green Bay of the National Football League. At present, Neesam teaches in the advanced department and is Northern Veep of our National Fraternal Society of the Deaf. He has his own cozy little abode on Third Street in Delavan. His three children, Beulah, Ralph and Lucille are College and normal trained. The former teaches at the Washington State School, Ralph is a supervising teacher at Berkeley, Calif., while Lucille, a former teacher, it married and lives in Minnesota.



Kidd Gets Ph.D.

THE proudest moment in the life of Donald J. Kidd, nearing 29, occurred on June 8 when he was awarded his Ph.D. from the University of Toronto during colorful Convocation Day exercises. It was his reward for completion of an arduous campus career and for the faculty acceptance of his excellent thesis, "The Geochemistry of Beryllium." Don, born deaf, therefore becomes the first person devoid of hearing in Canada ever to receive this coveted honour.

Coming all the way from their home in Red Lake were Don's proud parents. His father, who is chief electrician in a gold mine in the Red Lake region, in a particular feels elated over the success of his son upon whom he exerted wise early parental influence which shaped his university career. Because the father had to quit school after finishing only grade 8 in order to support his folks at home, he realized his great deprivation of a liberal education. He was resolved to see Don obtain what he had missed out and through friendly heart-to-heart fireside chats he converted the then disillusioned and discouraged Don to renewed faith in himself and in his future varsity career. Don's mother, a former school teacher, also was a great encouragement to the struggling deaf boy.

Don was born in Nordegg, Alberta, at the foothill of the majestic Rockies in June, 1922, and grew up in this village until 1927. They remained in the city of skyscrapers for six years. Don attended the Wright Oral School for five years and shifted to PS. 47 day school for just one year.

The family returned to Toronto for a stay from 1933 to 1936. Don was enrolled in the senior deaf class at the Clinton street school for only five months, under Miss Ann Aitchison and thereafter was moved upstairs into the regular public classes for two years and three months until his entrance to high school. Don's dad worked as an electrician in a gold mine on McKenzie Island in the heart of the Red Lake gold fields.

In 1936 Don Kidd accompanied his mother and brother to McKenzie Island, where there were then no schools, the nearest being five miles away. That fact prompted Don to take up a correspondence course in Grade 9 subjects provided by the Ontario Department of Education.

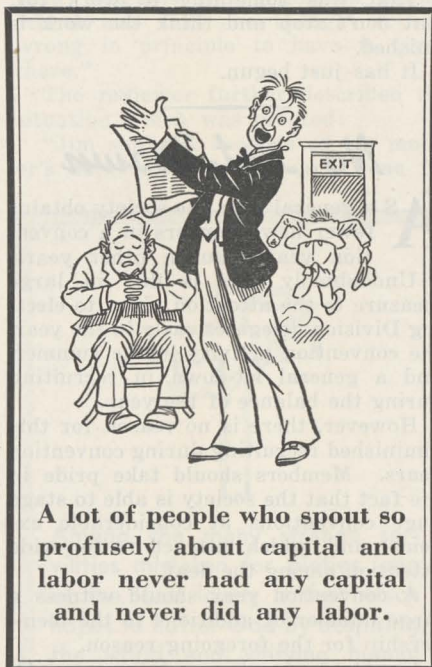
In 1937 McKenzie Island citizens built a continuation school. There Don took Grade 10 subjects, conducted through special arrangements by Dalton Jordan, a highly talented and understanding teacher. Mr. Jordan, as Don recalls, taught him grade 10 subjects while also taking into tow his younger brother and a girl in grade 9 subjects. On top of these Mr. Jordan also handled 30 other pupils in grade 8 work.

Don reminisced that in 1938 a new continuation school was opened at Red

Lake. He had to travel there by a dog team alone to tackle Grade 11 subjects. He had to trudge on his snowshoes during a blizzard or after a night of heavy snowfall to break the trail on the lake ice. Sometimes it was so cold in the morning that the dogs' black coats were white with frost. After the freeze-up before snow covered the new ice, Don would skate to and from school. In the spring before the break-up of the ice, Don attended school on a bicycle. In early fall and late spring he would sail in a skiff with outboard motor in fair as well as in stormy weather—a regular Viking was he, born to tame the worst tempest that dared him.

The next year there were two other pupils from McKenzie Island going to Red Lake continuation school which prompted the school board to send the three of them by snowmobiles every school day in the winter.

For Grade 13, Don Kidd flew to the high school at Kenora, 130 miles to the south and boarded with the sheriff for a year. That school did wonders for the



A lot of people who spout so profusely about capital and labor never had any capital and never did any labor.

one deaf student. The standards were high and it required all the upper class pupils to do at least three hours of homework every night. Don led a robust life of a sportsman, participating in rugby, skiing and boating.

From 1941 to 1945 Don took up Chemical Engineering at the University of Toronto and found the going plenty tough. He had to write two supplementals in his third year. He worked eight summers during high school and undergraduate years in the mines and around the bush of Red Lake.

In December of 1943 something happened in the social life of Don who up to now had rarely mixed with the deaf and who could not even finger spell nor use sign language. He chanced to visit a former Clinton day school classmate and through him was introduced to an ever-widening circle of deaf acquaintances. It opened a new vista for him

and impressed him greatly as to the crying need for solution of complex problems which deafness poses. He has never lost his interest in this social study with its teeming challenges.

In the summer of 1946 Don worked at Oakville as production foreman in a new pigment factory to supplement his slender nest egg. It enabled him to take in for the first time the diamond jubilee convention of the Ontario Association of the Deaf held at Royal York Hotel, at which affair he met Dr. L. M. Elstad who was principal of Wright Oral School when Don was a student. He also met Dr. Cadwallader Washburn, world-famous deaf etcher and artist and admired his 100 or more paintings on exhibition at the Ontario Art Gallery.

As he was a keen observer of people and things, Don was invited to conduct a column in the O.A.D. News under this title "No Kidding." His feature article on Dr. John Kitto was lifted from the O.A.D. News and printed extensively in the little paper family.

Don was elected a director of the O.A.D., and for one year served as secretary of the Toronto Division No. 98, N.F.S.D., and is still a director of the Canadian Association of the Deaf which administers the Canadian Deaf Scholarship Fund, of which Don is a valued and spirited member.

In 1946 Don Kidd received his M.A.Sc. in Chemistry and Geology. The next five years saw Don persevering in his studies with an eye trained on the biggest prize of all which he is about to receive from his alma mater. He majored in chemical and geological subjects while working either half time or full time in a laboratory to support himself.

The peculiarly complex problems of educating deaf children were brought forcibly to Don Kidd last year when he acted as a substitute teacher at the MacKay School for the Deaf in Montreal. He is a firm advocate of the combined system of instruction and takes great fancy to the simultaneous method of communication.

During summer months between varsity studies Don worked on geological reconnaissances by canoe, and travelled to Yellowknife for fresh explorations. He also prospected in Kirkland Lake region, eastern Manitoba and Labrador and may venture into Alaska this summer.

As Chief of the Research Bureau of the Canadian Association of the Deaf, Don Kidd is determined to compile factual data and in this connection as the first step he attended the tenth triennial convention of the Western Canada Association of the Deaf at Saskatoon the last week in June and the first week in July. From there on he may work his way to Alaska before returning to the east.

Equipped with a wonderful education, Don is destined to go far in life and his career will be watched with the greatest of interest by the deaf of Canada.—*Canadian Paper.*

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FRANCIS P. GIBSON'S LAST MESSAGE:
"CARRY ON"

JULY, 1951

Fifty Years

WHEN this issue reaches our readers, the Society will be convened in its Sixteenth Quadrennial Convention and celebrating the Fiftieth Anniversary of its existence as a fraternal order.

Fifty years is not a very long time in the record of societies, associations and the like. It is, however, quite a span of time in the life of man. Few of the men who witnessed the birth of this organization are alive today.

The present generation whose existence up to the present time has been eased over the rough spots by handouts, unemployment insurance (supplied by deductions from the incomes of going concerns), boondoggling, and what not, have little realization of the difficulties faced by the society in its early years. The pioneers in the movement were tough of fibre. They had to be.

Also, it was a mighty good thing the society came into existence at the time it did. State regulations were comparatively easy in those days. The requirements in the formation of a society such as ours were then quite meagre. We remember how numerous fraternalists started about the same time as ours, or a few years before, and most of them faded out of the picture in a short time. They faded with such regularity that the old line companies were able to work up a decided antipathy to fraternalists on the part of the public.

Even today, we once in a while meet some old timer whose memory is long, and when we casually mention "frater-

nal society" to him, he goes up in the air and comes down frothing at the mouth.

But a lot of history has gone into the books since 1901.

Regulations have stiffened. Requirements are numerous and hard to meet on the part of fledgling concerns. The wise societies grew with the requirements and gradually got on a sound basis. They have survived and are strong going concerns. That is to their credit. No longer are fraternal societies derided. They are respected for their strength as financial organizations and for the great good they are doing their members.

Today, the old line companies are taking a leaf out of the fraternalists' book and adopting numerous ideas originated by fraternalists, ideas that have been in practical use by our orders for years.

Our first fifty years have been the hardest, but the effort was worth while when we now find our society up among the top-notchers, irrespective of size.

That was something to work for. But don't stop and think the work is finished.

It has just begun.

No Let-Down

AS a general rule, the society obtains a fewer new members in a convention year than in other years.

Undoubtedly this is due in large measure to the attention given to electing Division delegates early in the year, the convention activity in the summer, and a general let-down in recruiting during the balance of the year.

However, there is no reason for this diminished recruiting during convention years. Members should take pride in the fact that the society is able to stage huge conventions at considerable expense and which attract nation-wide attention among the deaf.

A convention year should witness a large number of additions to the membership for the foregoing reason.

Use it as one of your talking points. Pound it home that ours is the largest, soundest, and most helpful organization of the deaf in the world.

Don't hide your light under a bushel. Go to it now and BRING THEM IN.

They Are Here

WE HAVE just received, as this is written, the first consignment of the new Degree Emblems.

They are beautiful examples of the skilled jeweler's art and were made by Wright & Street, Inc., well-known manufacturing jewelers of Chicago. They are the result of many painstaking consultations with Mr. Frank Gannon, representing the company, who was very helpful with suggestions as to details.

We are very proud of the new Degree Emblems and are sure our members will be also.

Degree holders will take pride in wearing them. They are beautiful evidence of the wearers' ability and devoted service in building up our Order.



ORDER your Degree Emblem now. This may be done through your Division Secretary or by letter direct to the Home Office. Send no money in advance. Just send in your name and the Degree held and we will do the rest. You will be billed when your Degree Emblem is ready.

Some one hundred and seventy-five advance orders have already come in for these Degree Emblems, mostly in the higher Degree brackets. All those who have ordered were sent notices that their Emblems are now ready, and they are being shipped out as fast as replies come in.

Those who have not yet ordered may do so now. It will take about four weeks to fill future orders.

Due to advance in costs all along the line, the Emblems will cost slightly more than we first estimated in a previous issue of this paper. The prices are:

5th to 20th Degree.....	\$ 5.65
25th Degree	13.00
30th Degree	20.35
34th Degree	27.75

The 25th Degree Emblem has one diamond, the 30th Degree two, and the 34th Degree three. Thus the possessor of a 25th Degree Emblem may have one diamond added when he attains the 30th Degree, or two diamonds when he receives the honorary 34th Degree. He will not have to buy a new Degree Emblem after the 25th, but simply have diamonds added as he attains higher Degrees. This was planned for the sake of economy.



It seems natural to attribute failure to bad luck, and success to good judgment.

THE HOPE OF CIVILIZATION

By Walter Basye
Editor *The Fraternal Age*

ON A DAY over 20 years ago Art Cromwell sat in my office, showing the rendering of a building he had designed to be erected in one of the county parks. He wanted me to give it a boost.

Art is one of the pleasantest men I have ever known, and it is enjoyable to visit with him. Affable, with a good sense of humor, he has an interesting line of conversation.

On that day he had a heart attack. I thought he was going to die, and I was on the point of calling an ambulance. He said to call a cab. So I took him to his home in Plymouth Square and Mrs. Cromwell met us at the door.

Then I realized why he appeared to live a life of ease. He did not dare exert himself. As an architect he gave some attention to the profession. He and Mrs. Cromwell were highly educated and did some writing.

Art made some money by writing political articles, usually letters to the editor, in which he set his fellow citizens right on local issues of the day.

But his influence was not what it should have been. He made himself unpopular by pursuing another line. He was what the newspapers called him, a "self-styled atheist." There is not much profit in being an atheist. I believed and still believe that he criticized religion and the churches for fun, and that is the reason I am taking the liberty of writing about him now.

I WAS THINKING OF THIS on Easter afternoon, after seeing the tremendous crowds going to the churches for the various services. The Houses of God were packed. The people gave their money generously and I, as a church treasurer, was worked to exhaustion.

Glancing at the book review section of the New York Herald Tribune that afternoon, I saw a review of "One Woman's Fight" by Vashti Cromwell McCollum. It was the story of a legal struggle that led to victory in the Supreme Court of the United States.

Arthur Cromwell told me that the reason he named his daughter Vashti was because he found that Vashti was the only woman in the Bible who talked back to a man. Art was a student of the Bible. When he got into letter-writing arguments with the clergy, he often quoted the Bible to confuse his opponents.

THE BOOK was reviewed by Marcus Duffield, the historian, who described the situation as follows:

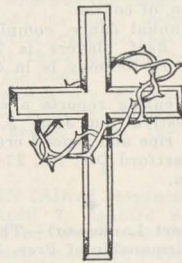
"One day in the early 1940s Vashti McCollum's oldest boy came home from

his session in the fourth grade at the Southside School in Champaign, Ill., and asked his mother to sign a slip permitting him to take sectarian religious instruction in school once a week. His mother was to indicate whether he was to have Catholic, Protestant or Jewish instruction. She declined to sign the slip, and thereby started a chain of events which culminated in a Supreme Court decision in 1948. The court ruled that sectarian religious instruction in a public school is a violation of the Constitution."

Mr. Duffield states that Mrs. McCollum was not anti-religious. "The reason she refused to let her son, Jim, take religious instruction in public school was that she thought it was wrong in principle to have it given there."

The reviewer further described the situation which was created:

"Jim suffered because of his mother's decision. When it came time for



Among the many strange servilities mistaken for pieties, one of the least lovely is that which hopes to flatter God by despising the world and vilifying human nature.

G. H. Lewes

religious instruction, he was required to leave his classroom and go into exile in a music room; once he was required to sit in a hall. It was like being put in the stocks. Teachers glared at him and made sour remarks about his failure to take religious instruction. The other pupils labeled Jim as 'different.' and with the sadism latent in kids they picked on him. When community hostility rose against Mrs. McCollum, Jim was beaten up time and time again.

"Mrs. McCollum's fight in the courts aroused emotional fury against her in Champaign and throughout the nation that is almost unbelievable. People denounced her in the most fanatical

and even obscene ways by telephone, telegram and letter. People tried to get her husband fired from his job as professor of agriculture in the University of Illinois. One Hallowe'en Mrs. McCollum answered the doorbell with her hands full of candy, only to be hit in the face with a barrage of over-ripe tomatoes. She believes it was a group of adults, not children, that made the ugly attack."

IN THE MAJORITY DECISION of the Supreme Court it was stated:

"Pupils compelled by law to go to school for secular education are released in part from their legal duty upon the condition that they attend the religious classes. This is beyond all question a utilization of the tax-established and tax-supported public schools system to aid religious groups to spread their faith. And it falls squarely under the ban of the First Amendment (made applicable to the states by the Fourteenth)."

I AM NOT STATING any opinion here about the question involved. I am simply telling about Art Cromwell, because during the years this likeable man has given me much amusement. I have discussed with several associates the idea of writing about him, and they say, "Why bother with a person like that?"

It was several years ago that I saw him last, and he said, "The Deity and I are at it again." If he said that to some people, they would expect to see him stricken down. But I laughed.

He has moved to a rural community in Wayne County. Last December the newspapers reported he objected strongly to a Christmas program in the village school. He called it "bootlegging religion." A few days ago he was up in arms about an Easter program in the same school. I had to laugh.

CHRISTIANITY is the foundation of America, as Communism is the foundation of Russia. Under our American Way of Life a person may criticize our religion without fear of harm, although his popularity may not be anything to envy.

Suppose a person criticized Communism in Russia! I do not have to expound on that, for the reader knows.

Some of our clergy get very indignant about Arthur G. Cromwell and write their thoughts to the newspapers. I think they would be better off if they laughed.

Religion is a success, as witnessed by the millions of people going to church, not only on Easter but on every Sunday. It is the hope of civilization. It is our relationship with God, and inspires man's relationship with man, which we call fraternalism.

Possibly I should not have bothered to write about this man, but I think it is an interesting story.

News from the



Divisions

JULY

- 14-15. Delegate Party.....Kansas City, Mo.
- 14. Picnic.....Omaha
- 14. Social.....Davenport
- 14. Social.....Grand Rapids
- 15. Picnic.....Toledo
- 22. Outing.....Providence
- 22. Picnic.....Akron
- 22. Picnic.....St. Paul, Minn.
- 22. Picnic.....Denver
- 22. Picnic.....Faribault
- 29. Picnic.....Milwaukee
- 29. Picnic.....Philadelphia
- 29. Outing.....Boston
- 29. Picnic.....Pittsburgh
- 29. Outing.....Syracuse
- 29. Outing.....Springfield, Mass.

AUGUST

- 4. Smoker.....Buffalo
- 4. Party.....Bangor
- 5. Outing.....Bangor
- 5. Frat-Aux. Picnic.....Spokane
- 5. Picnic.....Delavan
- 5. Outing.....Scranton
- 11. Social.....Portland, Me.
- 11. Social.....Grand Rapids
- 12. Picnic.....Vancouver
- 12. Picnic.....Grand Rapids
- 12. Picnic.....Duluth
- 18. Outing.....Waterbury
- 19. Joint Picnic.....Los Angeles & Hollywood
- 19. Picnic.....Portland, Ore.
- 19. Outing.....Providence
- 19. Picnic.....San Francisco
- 19. Picnic.....Rockford

SEPTEMBER

- 1. Aux-Frat Social.....Danville
- 2. Outing.....Albany
- 2. Picnic.....Springfield, Ill.
- 2. Picnic.....Richmond
- 3. Bowling Tournament.....Houston
- 8. Smoker.....Dayton
- 8. Social.....Hartford
- 9. Corn & Wiener Roast.....Johnstown
- 15. Social.....Berkeley-Oakland
- 22. Frat-Aux Social.....San Francisco
- 22. Social.....Canton
- 29. 6th Annual Ball.....Albany
- 29. Dance & Floor Show.....Waterbury

OCTOBER

- 5. Great Goat Ride.....Philadelphia
- 6. Movies.....Los Angeles
- 6. Card Social.....Albany
- 6. Movies.....Richmond
- 12. Hallowe'en Social.....Dayton
- 13. Dance.....Springfield, Mass.
- 13. Annual Variety Show.....Berkeley-Oakland
- 13. Banquet & Dance.....Baton Rouge
- 20. Annual Dance.....Washington, D.C.
- 20. Monster Whist.....San Francisco
- 27. Annual Ball.....Hartford
- 27. Banquet.....Providence
- 27. Masquerade Party.....Spokane
- 27. Annual Ball & Variety Show.....Jersey City
- 27. Hallowe'en Party.....Schenectady
- 27. Banquet.....Colorado Springs

NOVEMBER

- 3. Smoker.....Los Angeles
- 3. Thanksgiving Social.....Albany
- 10. Fall Frolic.....Faribault
- 17. Dance.....New Haven
- 24. Annual Dance.....Worcester
- 24. Social.....Canton

DECEMBER

- 1. Smoker.....Syracuse
- 1. Christmas Party.....Albany
- 1. Christmas Party.....Berkeley-Oakland
- 1. Smoker.....Richmond
- 15. Christmas Party.....San Francisco
- 31. New Year's Social.....Albany

JANUARY

- 5. "500".....Richmond

FEBRUARY

- 16. 42nd Annual Ball.....Brooklyn

BROOKLYN (A. Hurwit)—We wish to remind you again of our annual summer outing on Saturday, August 11th, at Steeplechase Park, Coney Island, from 1 P.M. to 1 A.M.—rain or shine. Steeplechase boasts of having the world's largest glass-covered pavilion. Last year over 1000 merrymakers had the time of their lives. Brother Nat Morrell, the major domo, is confident this affair will surpass last year's. Only one combination ticket will be on sale, 8 rides for 70c. And again the committee respectfully asks all to use the Surf Ave. and West 17th Street booth, where all tickets sold will be credited to No. 23.

As is expected now that the summer vacation season is nearing, the usual activities are slowing down, especially so in view of the balmy weather we are enjoying. Our younger set, led by Brother Murray Finkelstein, have their annual summer exodus to the country and seashore resorts in the planning stage, while others are now eagerly getting prepared for our 16th Quadrennial Convention and Golden Jubilee out in the Windy City.

Another important removal notice: Treasurer Isidore Guttman, to accommodate his growing daughters, has moved to a more spacious apartment. His new address is 35-34 21st Street, Long Island City 6, N. Y. Members please note the change in your address books.



DULUTH (Wm. L. Nelson)—Our annual picnic will be held at Lafayette Square, Minnesota Ave. and 30th St., at Park Point on Sunday, Aug. 12. Chairman Gruwell promises visitors that there won't be a dull moment all day. The Auxiliary will cooperate by serving refreshments. Our regular meeting and social will precede the picnic on Sat. evening, Aug. 11.



WATERBURY (F. P. Keating)—Saturday, Aug. 18 is the date of our outing at Liden Park, Union City, just off the main highway between Waterbury and Naugatuck, Conn. All the outdoor recreations, including softball, horseshoes and group games are being arranged under the chairmanship of Bro. Keating. Refreshments too, of course.

Our 33rd annual dance, complete with a 4-act show by deaf players is scheduled for Sept. 29. Bro. E. Bellmay is in charge of this affair.

Chairman Keating reports a success of the strawberry festival on June 8. The berries were nice and ripe and a good crowd, including many from Hartford Div. No. 37 were on hand to enjoy them.



AKRON (Robert Lankenau)—The May social, under the chairmanship of Pres. J. M. Bradley, was one of the most successful socials we have had in a long time. Proceeds tripled the average income from previous socials. The Division owes Bro. Bradley and his helpers a sincere "thank you."

Just a little reminder to all brethren—there will be no socials during the summer months. In addition, meetings will commence at 8 P.M., instead of the regular starting time of 7:30 P.M.

Don't forget to make plans to attend our annual picnic at Geauga Lake Park on July 22.



A mother giraffe has little trouble "keeping her eye" on a playful youngster. Giraffes have eyes which allow them to see behind and to the sides without turning their heads.

The foot as an English unit of measurement was at first based on the actual length of the human foot. Before the unit was standardized at a length of twelve inches, it varied from about twelve inches to nearly twice that length.

Little Jack Frost might as well get lost, for Childcraft books establish the fact that vivid red and yellow autumn leaves are those colors all the time. Hidden by the great amount of green chlorophyll that is in leaves during the productive summer months, the brighter colors are disclosed when the chlorophyll is used up.

BOSTON (Edgar V. O'Brien)—July 29 is a date well worth remembering. It's the date of our annual outing to the Home for Aged Deaf in Danvers. The old folks are from all the New England states and look forward with eager anticipation to seeing their old friends again. The Home shares in the admission charge, which will be 60c and besides this, the old folks have a reunion and the rest of us have a real good time. This is a New England day—we'll see you there.

The Division was saddened by the recent death of James H. Abbot, Sr., and Otis Crocker. Both were old-time Frats and had a host of acquaintances among the deaf of New England.

Boston deafdom received quite a bit of newspaper publicity in recent weeks, due to the popularity of Eugene Hairston, New York deaf boxer who was the feature in two recent bouts here. All newspaper comments were exceedingly favorable to the deaf.



HOLLYWOOD (Connie Marchione)—Bro. Al Yates, Chairman for No. 119's part in the jointly-sponsored Frat Picnic with No. 27 at Brookside Park in Pasadena on August 19, announced that there will be swimming races and a softball game between men and women as features. Appointed to No. 119's committee are Bro. Ernest Holmes and yours truly. Bros. Rabb, Christensen, McClary and Chrimer will pinch-hit as ticket-sellers at the park.

Due to a change of shift in his occupation, Bro. Jack Hedden resigned with regrets from the sergeant-at-arms post. Bro. Wayne Christensen was elected to fill out the vacant position for the remainder of the year.

Only two brothers from No. 119 will go to Chicago for the Fratvention. One being our Delegate, Paul J. Smith, who is making his first trip East and the other being yours truly. The lucky fellows . . .



SEATTLE (Oscar Sanders)—Bro. George T. Wilson has purchased a cozy little five room home in the West Woodland District just outside the city limits and with his family, moved into it recently.

Bro. Harold Stickel is now the proud owner of a 1951 Plymouth. He is chairman of the approaching state convention and is doing everything in his power to make it the best ever.

Bro. Guy Wonder had the misfortune to fall 60 feet from a church on which he is assisting in construction and received a badly sprained ankle. He was laid up for several



The men with the muck-rake are often indispensable to the well-being of society, but only if they know when to stop raking the muck.

Theodore Roosevelt

days pending the doctor's examination of the sprain. At present, he is back on the job.

Bro. George Riley of Victoria, B. C., was in Seattle the early part of June visiting friends.

SCHENECTADY (Robert D. Neill)—Division No. 105's Silver Anniversary Banquet was held May 26, with about 79 people from far and near in attendance. This figure was more than the committee had expected and hard-earned appreciation is extended our president, Paul T. Sack, who chairmanned the affair. Expenses exceeded income, but everybody was satisfied with the program and floor show which followed.

Heading the committee in charge of arrangements for our Halloween Party slated for Oct. 27 is Merton Robinson. Since Danish Hall, the site of the affair, was remodeled last year it has become a popular place for deaf affairs, so we aren't worried about a good-sized crowd.

Bro. Rufus Durocher is back with us again after a sojourn away from Schenectady to learn linotyping. Time has been good to Rufus and he is now with the Knickerbocker News, one of the big dailies in Albany.

The writer took a recent trip to visit Utica Division No. 45 and had a swell time meeting old friends. Since moving to a new meeting place, things are picking up there and to be sure, some of us from Schenectady will take trips to Utica now and then to enjoy their socials.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS. (E. D. Cameron)—A grand time is in store for everyone who attends our outing at Robinson State Park in Agwaum on July 29. Volley ball, baseball and swimming will be the features of the day. Directions on how to reach the park will be posted on four different routes. Be seeing you there.

A BIG affair is scheduled for this Fall—October 13. One of Springfield's leading hotels will be the site. More details will be announced in next issue of THE FRAT.

Here's hoping that all those who attend the Convention in Chicago have a glorious time.

PITTSBURGH (Geo. W. Phillips)—The committee for our picnic at West View Park on July 29 are drawing up big plans for a day full of fun. Vacationers from out of town who happen to be in Pittsburgh on that day are urged to join us. There will be plenty of games with prizes going to winners.

Bro. Dale Alexander is the most recent new member of our Division. We hope that Dale's joining will be the start of an avalanche of more new members.

WESTCHESTER (R. W. Bowdren) — Our "Delegate's Frolic" brought in 9 delegates from the Metropolitan, New Jersey and Connecticut Division. All report a swell time and they promised to be back with us at our outing at Rye Beach on August 5 to swap yarns of what happened while attending the Convention in Chicago.

Our 20th Anniversary Ball & Entertainment committee have already signed up an array of Broadway Stars for an "All Star Show." As our Division's policy has always been to "spend money to make money," we are looking forward to a full house on Oct. 13 at Turn Hall, 10th and Stevens Aves., Mt. Vernon. This hall has always been a favorite get-together place for our Division.

An announcement re our 20th Anniversary Banquet will be made in the next issue of THE FRAT. The large gathering at our memorable 15th Anniversary Banquet can look forward to an even better time. Our delegate, S. Riley is trying to get the national officers to come down.

It was good to see Secretary Scannapeco back in our midst at the last meeting . . . Bro. Joe Boyan, rolling with New Jersey's stellar bowling team, copped several cash prizes at the Albany Division's bowling tournament . . . Bro. George Lynch has procured his driver's license and all his old friends can look forward to his acceptance of their invitations . . . Defense work and inability of others to get time off from work has cut down the number accompanying our delegate to the Chicago Convention. However, those of us who will be there will give us good representation.

1951 Membership Campaign

Aaron Hurwit.....	Brooklyn	7
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PROVIDENCE (Edward Vigeant)—Please take notice—our secretary, Edward Vigeant, has moved to 809 Wieden St., Pawtucket, R. I., so address all communications to him there.

Our May 26th dance at Roger Williams Park was a big success, thanks to the large crowd that attended.

CHICAGO No. 106 (Jerry Strom)—The Beauty Contest affair held on June 9 was a grand success. Over 250 people jammed the hall at 117 No. Wells St. Forty fair lasses paraded about the hall, their fingers visibly crossed. After a brief discussion among the judges, Miss Marilyn Juby was chosen Queen of Division No. 106. Marilyn is really a choice selection as you conventioners will see this July. Second place went to Miss Margaret Shanley and third to Miss Florence Cohen.

Prizes totalling sixty-five dollars were awarded to the winners of the bunco and pinochle games, also the door prize winners. Congratulations go to chairman Irvin Friedman and his committee for their fine work in making this affair one of the finest we've had.

A new member was sworn in at our June meeting. His name is Lowell Myers, a recent graduate of the University of Chicago, majoring in Accounting. Here is a bright prospect for our treasury position. Congrats, Lowell.

TORONTO (Donald Simonds)—As this goes to press, the picnic held at Soper Park in Galt will be a thing of the past, and the Queen of Division No. 98 will have been chosen. Delegate-elect Doyle, who was the judge in selecting the Queen is said to have spent many hours practicing sprint starts so that he could escape the wrath of those disgruntled beauties who did not get his nod.

Congratulations are extended Bro. Donald J. Kidd, who recently received his Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Toronto.

NEW HAVEN (Alfred Stevenson)—The Easter social of April 7, handled by chairman J. Augustine, Fred Wood and Philip Quinn and the May social, under the direction of Stephen Syrotiak and J. Augustine were both highly enjoyable affairs. Our June social was in the form of a strawberry festival, attended by over 50 people, and ended our social season until next Fall. This successful get-together was ably managed by chairman Alonzo Baran, John Curtin and Philip Quinn.

Draper Letter

Sent in by
William J. Marra

THE following letter copied word by word from the Congressional Globe for the year 1867-1868 was read Tuesday, July 14, 1868, by Rufus P. Spalding, a Representative from Ohio, in the House of Representatives in Congress during a debate on the increase of the number of students from ten to twenty-five at the National Deaf-Mute College (now Gallaudet College) in Washington, D. C.

The letter was written to the late Dr. Edward M. Gallaudet, president of the National Deaf-Mute College, by the late Dr. Amos G. Draper, who was at the time seeking admission to the College. He succeeded in obtaining admission and was graduated from it in

1872. Upon graduation he became a professor at the College and continued in that capacity until 1916. He passed away in 1917. The name of the college was changed to Gallaudet College about 1894.

Aurora, Illinois, May 5, 1868.

Dear Sir:

I wish to apply for admission to the collegiate department of the institution under your charge.

I am twenty-two years of age, and have been totally deaf since my twelfth year.

I was at the Hartford school a short term, leaving there in 1862. Since I have been in various printing offices in this State, in all capacities—boy of all work, composition, foreman, and editor; and during the closing years of the civil war was a correspondent for the Chicago Tribune.

I can lay no claim to "scholarship," as the term is usually received; have no acquaintance with any foreign language, except such phrases as a general and too desultory reader gathers.

I regret that I was not sooner aware of the advantages which you have placed within reach of myself and fellow-unfortunates; because, at my age, I do not think it will be profitable for me to undertake either the study of the dead languages or the four-year course. As to the former (Latin first) I would be willing to accept your better judgment and make all the preparations I can make in my leisure moments between now and the opening day. I should much prefer to take up German, rather than Latin, as I can turn the former to practical use; also algebra the first year, object-drawing, and such other studies as will be most apt to perfect me as a writer.

Being entirely dependent on my own exertions for support, I ask the aid granted by Congress in such cases.

In case you decide to admit me, an early reply to that effect would greatly oblige me, for the reason mentioned above in speaking of studies.

Mr. John B. Hotchkiss was acquainted with me at Hartford, and, I think, will be pleased to answer any questions you may see fit to ask concerning me.

Yours most respectfully,
AMOS G. DRAPER.

NO CORE

THERE'S plenty of boys that will come hankering and gruvvelling around when you've got an apple, and beg the core off you; but when they've got one, and you beg for the core and remind them how you gave them a core one time, they make a mouth and say thank you 'most to death, but there ain't-a-going to be no core.—Tom Sawyer.

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Cincinnati	20	2
Nashville	10	
Olathe	10	
Flint	20	
Toledo	20	
Milwaukee	20	1
Columbus	30	1
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Cleveland	20	1
Indianapolis	30	2
Brooklyn	50	9
St. Louis	30	7
New Haven	10	
Holyoke	10	
Los Angeles	30	1
Atlanta	10	4
Philadelphia	30	4
Kansas City	20	2
Omaha	10	3
New Orleans	10	
Boston	30	
Pittsburgh	20	
Hartford	10	
Memphis	10	1
Portland, Me.	10	1
Buffalo	10	
Portland, Ore.	10	1
Newark	10	
Providence	10	5
Seattle	10	1
Utica	10	1
Washington	20	1
Baltimore	20	4
Syracuse	10	1
Cedar Rapids	10	
Albany	10	
Rochester	10	
San Francisco	10	
Reading	20	2
Akron	30	5
Salt Lake City	10	
Rockford	10	
Springfield, Ill.	10	
Davenport	10	
Worcester	10	
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Fort Worth	20	4
Dallas	20	2
Denver	10	1
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Birmingham	10	1
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Des Moines	10	
Lowell	10	
Berkeley-Oakland	10	
Delavan	10	3
Houston	10	
Scranton	10	
Richmond	10	
Johnstown	10	1
Manhattan	30	6
Jacksonville	10	3
Peoria	10	
Jersey City	10	
Bronx	10	2
Columbia	10	
Charlotte	10	3
Durham	10	2
Grand Rapids	10	
Toronto	20	11
Duluth	10	
Canton	10	
Faribault	10	
Council Bluffs	10	1
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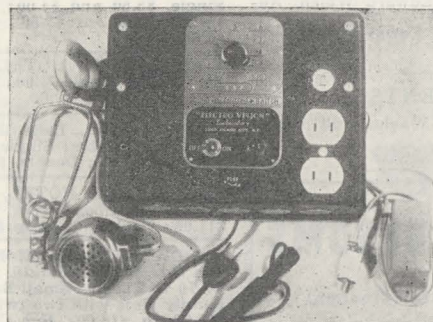
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 June 2—Paul Chioceoli and Theona Hankinson, both of Johnstown, Pa.
 June 6—Carder Wilson, Kitchener, Can., and Blanche Styles, Smith's Falls, Can.
 June 23—Wasy (Bill) Chuhay and Charlotte McArthur, both of Toronto, Can.

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 Mar. 13—Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth S. Lawrence, Lincoln, Neb., a boy.
 Apr. 5—Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Rash, Peoria, Ill., a girl.
 Apr. 19—Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lindsey, Rochester, N.Y., a girl.
 May 1—Mr. and Mrs. R. Schneider, Milwaukee, Wis., a girl.
 May 1—Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Bakos, Bridgeport, Conn., a boy.
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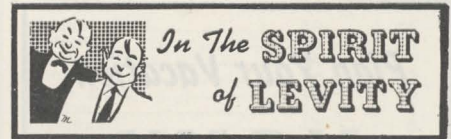
DRAKE HOTEL, Lake Shore Drive and N. Michigan Blvd. Rates: Single, \$5.50 to \$7.00; Twins, \$9.00 to \$14.00; Double, \$9.00 to \$14.00.

BLACKSTONE HOTEL, South Michigan Blvd. and East Balboa Drive. Rates: Single \$5.00 to \$11.00; Double, \$9.00 to \$15.00.

EDGEWATER BEACH HOTEL, 5349 N. Sheridan Rd. Rates: Single, \$4.90 to \$9.00; Double \$7.70 to \$13.00; Small Suites, \$15.00 to \$18.00; Family Unit with two twins and connecting bath, \$15.00 to \$18.00; Sun Parlor Suite, \$18.00 to \$25.00. Close to Lake Michigan.

LAWSON Y. M. C. A. (MEN ONLY), 30 W. Chicago Ave. Rates: Single, \$2.75 to \$3.50 without bath; Single, \$3.50 to \$4.00 with connecting bath; Double, \$2.50 per person.

Y. M. C. A. HOTEL (MEN AND WOMEN), 826 S. Wabash Ave. Rates: Single, \$1.60 sleeping room, \$2.60 wash bowl, \$3.00 wash bowl & toilet, \$3.75 washbowl, toilet & shower; Double, \$2.70 sleeping room, \$3.70 running water, \$4.00 running water & toilet, \$4.75 running water, toilet & shower. Dormitory for men, \$1.00 per person per night, in groups of 14 or 18.



Teacher: "What is the name of a group of islands in the Pacific belonging to the United States?"

Pupil: "Huh? Why—ah—"

Teacher: "Correct."

"On the day on which my wedding occurred—"

"You'll pardon the correction, but affairs such as marriage, receptions, dinners, and things of that sort 'take place.' Only calamities 'occur.' You see the distinction?"

"Yes. As I was saying, the day on which my wedding occurred—"

"Your mother," said the sergeant to the very awkward recruit, "is rather upset because you left home to become a soldier?"

"Yes, sir, she is," replied the awkward one.

"Well, just write and tell her not to fret any more," continued the sergeant. "Unless the war lasts fifty years you'll never be a soldier!"

He: "Please?"

She: "No!"

He: "Aw, please?"

She: "No!"

He: "Even if I tell you that I love you more than anyone else in the world?"

She: "Positively no!!!"

He: "Aw, but Mother, all the other freshmen stay out after nine!"

A certain newspaper that makes a practice of answering inquiries from readers received this one: "Please tell me what is the matter with my chickens. They go to roost apparently well. The next morning we find one or more on their backs on the floor, stiff, combs white, and their feet in the air."

It was the editor's busy day, so this is what the reader received: "Dear Sir: Your chickens are dead."

A party of visitors were being shown over a large lunatic asylum. The doctor who acted as guide paused before a cell in which a man sat fondling a large doll which was dressed in the gay and gaudy costume of an up-to-date young lady.

"This poor fellow," explained the doctor, "has a very sad history. See how he is bent over that doll and fondling it so tenderly. He spends most of his time like that. He was engaged to a girl, of whom he was very fond, when she jilted him and married another man. He lost his reason over the affair."

The visitors were much touched, and uttered various expressions of sympathy.

They passed to the next cell, which was barred and thickly padded.

"And this," resumed the doctor, "is the other man."

MAY COLLECTIONS

Grand Division.....	\$ 47.93
Chicago, Ill., No. 1.....	374.94
Detroit, Mich.....	263.17
Saginaw, Mich.....	42.19
Louisville, Ky.....	109.75
Little Rock, Ark.....	134.82
Dayton, O.....	204.73
Cincinnati, O.....	163.23
Nashville, Tenn.....	94.15
Olathe, Kans.....	103.91
Flint, Mich.....	137.46
Toledo, O.....	102.62
Milwaukee, Wis.....	397.21
Columbus, O.....	125.28
Knoxville, Tenn.....	32.08
Cleveland, O.....	237.53
Indianapolis, Ind.....	214.57
Brooklyn, N. Y.....	349.56
St. Louis, Mo.....	226.96
New Haven, Conn.....	41.84
Holyoke, Mass.....	58.60
Los Angeles, Cal.....	438.38
Atlanta, Ga.....	138.14
Philadelphia, Pa.....	412.56
Kansas City, Mo.....	151.75
Omaha, Neb.....	173.42
New Orleans, La.....	123.62
Boston, Mass.....	247.86
Pittsburgh, Pa.....	142.63
Hartford, Conn.....	46.85
Memphis, Tenn.....	100.32
Portland, Me.....	69.35
Buffalo, N. Y.....	98.63
Portland, Ore.....	177.05
Newark, N. J.....	120.30
Providence, R. I.....	69.11
Seattle, Wash.....	197.60
Utica, N. Y.....	115.55
Washington, D. C.....	261.41
Baltimore, Md.....	151.16
Syracuse, N. Y.....	61.93
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	120.25
Albany, N. Y.....	78.53
Rochester, N. Y.....	105.10
San Francisco, Cal.....	115.19
Reading, Pa.....	189.85
Akron, O.....	269.90
Salt Lake City, Utah.....	137.26
Rockford, Ill.....	54.78
Springfield, Ill.....	98.97
Davenport, Iowa.....
Worcester, Mass.....	54.39
St. Paul-Minneapolis, Minn.....	255.35
Fort Worth, Texas.....	163.27
Dallas, Texas.....	194.81
Denver, Colo.....	109.05
Waterbury, Conn.....	38.04
Springfield, Mass.....	68.46
Bangor, Me.....	30.97
Birmingham, Ala.....	283.10
Sioux Falls, S. D.....	69.54
Wichita, Kans.....	73.11
Spokane, Wash.....	55.20
Des Moines, Iowa.....	57.09
Lowell, Mass.....	100.58
Berkeley-Oakland, Cal.....	176.67
Delavan, Wis.....	101.18
Houston, Texas.....	210.07
Scranton, Pa.....	49.60
Richmond, Va.....	101.49
Johnstown, Pa.....	67.30
Manhattan, N. Y.....	135.79
Jacksonville, Ill.....	67.02
Peoria, Ill.....	58.30
Jersey City, N. J.....	82.45
Bronx, N. Y.....	112.12
Columbia, S. C.....	87.71
Charlotte, N. C.....	72.07
Durham, N. C.....	43.57
Grand Rapids, Mich.....	84.23
Toronto, Ont.....	386.65
Duluth, Minn.....	78.88
Canton, O.....	33.12
Faribault, Minn.....	87.10
Council Bluffs, Iowa.....	73.40
Fort Wayne, Ind.....	81.45
Schenectady, N. Y.....	42.20
Chicago, Ill., No. 106.....	98.13
Binghamton, N. Y.....	60.59
Wilkinsburg, Pa.....	210.24
San Diego, Cal.....	42.11
Eau Claire, Wis.....	36.31
Vancouver, Wash.....	22.58
Westchester, N. Y.....	91.67
Queens, N. Y.....	61.39
Montreal, Que.....	145.53
Hollywood, Cal.....	85.59
Kitchener, Ont.....	66.92
Trenton, N. J.....	78.28
Danville, Ky.....	180.25
Colorado Springs, Colo.....	72.67
Ogden, Utah.....	48.82
Baton Rouge, La.....	96.86
Total collections.....	\$13,113.25

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR MAY, 1951

Balance and Income	
Balance, April 1, 1951.....	\$3,351,078.45
Division collections.....	13,113.25
Interest and dividends.....	7,033.22
Rents.....	175.00
Escrow deposits.....	5,499.13
Exchange deposits.....	253.38
Liens and surrender charges.....	57.45
Property insurance premiums.....	300.38
Withheld income tax.....	275.30
Withheld social security tax.....	32.83
Lodge supplies.....	38.50
Recording fees.....	3.50
Advertising in THE FRAT.....	154.00
Subscriptions to THE FRAT.....	2.00
Total balance and income.....	\$3,378,016.39

Disbursements	
Death benefits.....	\$ 7,087.00
Sick benefits.....	2,200.00
Accident benefits.....	105.00
Old-age income payments.....	11.81
Class F income payments.....	12.50
Cash surrender values.....	767.95
Refund of dues.....	10.14
Escrow refund.....	125.65
Exchange checks.....	253.38
Convention expenses.....	19.00
Liquidation of lien.....	25.00
Mortgage expenses.....	590.00
Clerical services.....	566.66
Employees' income tax.....	275.30
Insurance Department fees.....	5.00
Officers' expenses.....	9.98
Officers' & Trustees' salaries.....	1,470.83
Postage, telegraph, telephone.....	97.56
Property insurance premiums.....	370.38
Real estate operating expenses.....	157.68
Social security taxes.....	65.66
Total disbursements.....	\$ 14,226.48

Recapitulation	
Balance and income.....	\$3,378,016.39
Disbursements.....	14,226.48
Balance May 31, 1951.....	\$3,363,789.91

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Ledger Assets, May 31, 1951	
Bonds and stocks.....	\$1,586,698.89
First mortgage loans.....	1,342,980.37
Bank deposits.....	321,340.00
Real estate.....	66,770.47
Certificate loans.....	36,725.81
Home Office equipment.....	8,921.11
Cash in society's office.....	353.26
Total ledger assets.....	\$3,363,789.91

Balances in Funds	
Mortuary funds.....	\$2,938,243.22
Sick and accident funds.....	279,755.07
General expense fund.....	54,101.53
Accumulated interest.....	44,100.65
Suspense account.....	27,480.98
Convention fund.....	14,809.35
Indemnity fund.....	5,299.11
Total in all funds.....	\$3,363,789.91



ROADS

I like the dusty country roads,
 On each side trees of gray;
 The deep dust-covered fields of
 grain
 Where yellowed grass-spears
 sway.

The man-made clouds of heavy
 dust
 Paint roads in pastel grays . . .
 Too many bright green hours can
 hurt,
 I like some dusty days.

By Cora Blakesley

MAY DISABILITY CLAIMS

Jack Gleicher, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	\$ 160.00
Jos. Cacciatore, Colorado Springs, Colo.....	15.00
Jos. Abarbanell, Chicago, Ill., No. 1.....	45.00
Martin Kerr, Philadelphia, Pa.....	50.00
H. E. Tiffee, Indianapolis, Ind.....	50.00
A. M. Hanson, Delavan, Wis.....	35.00
J. E. Sizemore, Atlanta, Ga.....	50.00
R. E. Carpenter, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.....	45.00
A. N. Shoup, Pittsburgh, Pa.....	20.00
C. R. Kerr, Toledo, O.....	90.00
G. W. Lind, Akron, O.....	105.00
Irving Blumenthal, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	30.00
B. A. John, Albany, N. Y.....	10.00
R. M. Dean, Sr., Dallas, Texas.....	30.00
F. T. Emerick, Berkeley-Oakland, Cal.....	20.00
J. N. Curtis, Kansas City, Mo.....	40.00
R. L. Floyd, New Orleans, La.....	45.00
Arthur Rasmussen, Akron, O.....	10.00
Michael Ciulla, Boston, Mass.....	75.00
R. G. Marshall, Kitchener, Ont.....	15.00
*S. R. Armfield, Binghamton, N. Y.....	75.00
D. J. Carey, Los Angeles, Calif.....	105.00
Isadore Krasne, Los Angeles, Cal.....	105.00
H. L. Fairchild, Flint, Mich.....	45.00
George Lewan, Los Angeles, Cal.....	45.00
*G. E. Drinville, Spokane, Wash.....	30.00
W. W. Scott, Toronto, Ont.....	10.00
G. T. Atkinson, Toronto, Ont.....	125.00
L. G. Duggan, Portland, Me.....	60.00
J. P. LaFay, Portland, Me.....	100.00
C. V. Dillenschneider, Kansas City, Mo.....	30.00
I. B. Marshall, St. Louis, Mo.....	90.00
S. S. Millick, St. Louis, Mo.....	15.00
H. H. Brauer, Queens, N. Y.....	75.00
Nick Mainos, Wilkesburg, Pa.....	45.00
A. C. Waldron, Louisville, Ky.....	20.00
J. F. Zoeller, Cleveland, O.....	75.00
J. L. Palka, Hartford, Conn.....	15.00
W. Blinderman, St. Paul, Minn.....	15.00
L. H. Kutner, Brooklyn, N. Y.....	30.00
L. R. Hyde, St. Paul-Minneapolis, Minn.....	250.00
Total for the month.....	\$2,805.00

*Denotes accident claims.

MAY DEATH CLAIMS

Asa A. Stutsman, Detroit, Mich.....	\$1,000.00
William J. Walker, Philadelphia, Pa.....	500.00
Edmond B. Ross, Springfield, Mass.....	500.00
*Emanuel Jacobs, Detroit, Mich.....	338.00
*Pearl W. Haner, Kansas City, Mo.....	872.00
Charles E. Jones, Charlotte, N. C.....	1,000.00
*Alfred King, Newark, N. J.....	187.00
John F. Shearer, Little Rock, Ark.....	1,000.00
James A. Dexter, Lowell, Mass.....	500.00
*Kenneth R. Wendell, Chicago, Ill., No. 1.....	690.00
Earl Wilkins, Columbus, O.....	500.00
Total for the month.....	\$7,087.00

*Denotes paid-up benefits.

OBITUARY

ALEXANDER STIRLING, 69. Entry Nov. 1, 1916. Died May 25, 1951. Certificate No. 2860-D. Worcester Div. No. 60.

GEORGE DUNN, 69. Entry June 1, 1918. Died June 11, 1951. Certificate No. 4003-E. Chicago Div. No. 1.

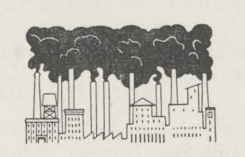
JAMES E. APLEGATE, 77. Entry Dec. 1, 1923. Died June 12, 1951. Certificate No. 6776-C. Columbus Div. No. 18.

CHARLES HOLLAND, 62. Entry Jan. 2, 1926. Died June 9, 1951. Certificate No. 7565-D. Grand Rapids Div. No. 97.

JOSEPH P. LaFAY, 59. Entry Dec. 1, 1938. Died June 15, 1951. Certificate No. 11196-D. Portland Div. No. 39.

JOSEPH L. YOUNG, JR., 40. Entry Aug. 1, 1947. Died June 8, 1951. Certificate No. 15649-H. Los Angeles Div. No. 27.

KENNETH A. BLUE, 43. Entry Dec. 1, 1950. Died June 3, 1951. Certificate No. 16316-H. Charlotte Div. No. 94.



Any power must be the
 enemy of mankind which en-
 slaves the individual by
 terror and force . . . All that
 is valuable in human society
 depends upon the opportu-
 nity for development and ac-
 corded to the individual.

Albert Einstein

National Fraternal Society of the Deaf

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THE NATIONAL FRATERNAL SOCIETY OF THE DEAF is a fraternal life insurance association of deaf men. It is organized on the lodge system and has branch lodges, called Divisions, in over a hundred principal cities of the United States and Canada.

Objects

The society's objects are: To pay death benefits to the families of members who die; to pay benefits to members who fall sick or meet accidental injury; to unite all deaf men of good health, habits and character in a brotherhood of friendliness and good fellowship for the purpose of helping one another and making life better and happier for all of its members and the deaf as a class.

Death, Sick and Accident Benefits

The society guarantees to pay the beneficiary of a deceased member the amount for which his certificate is written, subject to the requirements and restrictions set forth in the society's laws.

To a member disabled by sickness or accident for two full weeks or longer the society will pay a benefit ranging from \$5.00 to \$25.00 per week, depending on the amount of weekly benefit chosen by the member and for which he has paid the required tax. No benefit, however, is paid for disability of less than 14 days' duration; nor can any member draw more than 10 weeks' disability benefit within any twelve consecutive months; and no member can draw sick and accident benefit for any part of the first three months after joining.

Safeguards

The society is chartered under the laws of the state of Illinois and is licensed by the insurance departments of thirty-seven other states in which it operates, and by the Dominion of Canada. An annual report of the society's business for the year and financial condition is made to all of these state insurance departments. From time to time the insurance department of the society's home state of Illinois makes an examination and verifies the returns made in the annual report.

A voucher system is in use at the home office and every expenditure must have the approval of the Grand President. The Grand Treasurer and treasurers of all the Divisions are bonded. The Board of Trustees makes a monthly audit of the Grand Treasurer's books.

Cost of Joining

The entrance fee is \$3.00 and is always to be paid with the application. In case of rejection the \$3.00 will be refunded. The applicant has also to pay the doctor's fee for the required medical examination—usually \$2.00.

How to Join

Write to the nearest secretary and ask for an application blank and any further information you desire.

If you live in a city where there is a Division, see any member or officer of that Division.

If you live very far from any city which has a Division, or in a state in which no Division has yet been organized, write to the Grand Secretary for application blank or information.

If you do not live in or near a Division city you will be attached to some Division as a non-resident member.

In writing for blank or information be sure and give full name, age, occupation and address.

SICKNESS AND ACCIDENT BENEFITS AND RATES

Minimum Weekly Benefit \$5.00; Maximum Weekly Benefits: \$25.00 at Entry Ages 18-40; \$20.00 at Entry Ages 41-45; \$15.00 at Entry Ages 46-50; \$10.00 at Entry Ages 51-55. Minimum Disability Period 2 Weeks; Maximum Disability Period 10 Weeks in any 12 Consecutive Months.

Entry Age	WEEKLY BENEFITS AND RATES PER MONTH				
	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$25.00
18-40	\$.30	\$.60	\$.90	\$ 1.20	\$ 1.50
41-45	.35	.70	1.05	1.40	
46-50	.40	.80	1.20		
51-55	.45	.90			

MONTHLY NET RATES FOR DEATH BENEFITS

Minimum \$250; Maximum \$5000 to Age 45, \$3000 to Age 50, \$1000 to Age 55

Rates per \$1000 of Death Benefit Certificate

Entry Age	CLASS G Whole Life	CLASS H 20-Pay Life	CLASS I Income at 65	CLASS J 5-Yr. Term	CLASS K 20-Yr. Endow.
18	\$1.25	\$2.09	\$1.69	\$.67	\$3.70
19	1.27	2.12	1.74	.68	3.70
20	1.30	2.15	1.79	.68	3.71
21	1.33	2.18	1.85	.69	3.71
22	1.36	2.21	1.90	.69	3.72
23	1.39	2.25	1.96	.69	3.73
24	1.42	2.29	2.03	.70	3.73
25	1.46	2.32	2.10	.71	3.74
26	1.50	2.36	2.17	.71	3.75
27	1.53	2.40	2.24	.72	3.76
28	1.57	2.44	2.33	.73	3.76
29	1.62	2.49	2.41	.73	3.77
30	1.66	2.53	2.50	.74	3.78
31	1.71	2.58	2.63	.75	3.80
32	1.76	2.63	2.74	.76	3.81
33	1.81	2.68	2.85	.77	3.82
34	1.86	2.73	2.96	.79	3.84
35	1.92	2.78	3.09	.80	3.85
36	1.98	2.84	3.22	.82	3.87
37	2.05	2.90	3.36	.83	3.89
38	2.12	2.96	3.52	.85	3.91
39	2.19	3.02	3.69	.87	3.94
40	2.26	3.09	3.87	.89	3.96
41	2.35	3.16	4.07	.92	4.00
42	2.43	3.24	4.29	.94	4.03
43	2.52	3.32	4.54	.98	4.07
44	2.62	3.40	4.80	1.01	4.11
45	2.73	3.49	5.09	1.05	4.16
46	2.84	3.58	5.42	1.10	4.21
47	2.96	3.68	5.78	1.15	4.27
48	3.08	3.79	6.19	1.22	4.33
49	3.21	3.90	6.65	1.28	4.40
50	3.36	4.02	7.17	1.36	4.48
51	3.51	4.14	7.74	1.45	4.57
52	3.67	4.28	8.43	1.54	4.67
53	3.84	4.42	9.23	1.65	4.78
54	4.03	4.57	10.18	1.77	4.90
55	4.22	4.74	11.31	1.90	5.03

Rate for age at nearest birthday to be taken.