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Nineteenth Year

DECEMBER, 1921

Number 11



In the Spirit of
Love, Humility, Brotherhood, Service,
and Fellowship,
The Best Wishes Possible to Give
For a
Happy and Prosperous New Year
Are Extended the Membership-at-Large
by

The Grand Officers

TRE	ASURER'S	RE	PORT.
Division	Collections	for	November.

Division Collections for Novem	ber.
Chicago\$	601.83
Detroit	243.15
Saginaw	20.54
Louisville Little Rock	90.63 116.53
Nashua	13.58
Dayton	64.32
Bay City	13.31
Cincinnati	109.23
Evansville	33.35
Nashville Springfield, O.	32.45 19.89
Olathe	93.01
Flint	143.02
Toledo	117.87
Milwaukee	180.87
Columbus.	90.13
Knoxville Cleveland	67.09 106.82
Indianapolis	259.39
Greater New York	355.33
St. Louis	280.84
New Haven.	25.12
Holyoke	49.25
Los Angeles	159.29
AtlantaPhiladelphia	125.05 177.94
Kansas City	150.79
Omaha	114.04
New Orleans	133.81
Kalamazoo	32.41
Boston	128.55
Pittsburgh.	160.59
Hartford	65.78 $45.02$
Memphis Portland, Me.	58.71
Buffalo	100.45
Portland, Ore. Newark	53.46
Newark	120.40
Providence	59.88
SeattleUtica	95.53 65.24
Washington	86.95
Baltimore	68.67
Syracuse	49.55
Cedar Rapids	77.04
Huntington	89.84
AlbanyRochester	38.75 55.84
San Francisco	106.56
Reading	39.75
Akron	287.66
Salt Lake City	17.45
Rockford	61.32
Springfield, Ill.  Davenport	91.92
Worcester	41.99 59.07
St. Paul.	259.80
Ft. Worth	83.74
Dallas	116.38
Denver	95.22
Waterbury	23.83
Bridgeport Springfold Mass	19.76 29.73
Springfield, Mass. Waco	29.73 88.52
Ogden	22.39
Pittsfield	39.77
Bangor	46.78
Kenosha	75.70
Birmingham Sieur Fells	66.54
Sioux Falls. Wichita.	17.26 50.68
Spokane.	24.99
Des Moines	46.87
Lowell	32.72

Berkeley	38.33
Delavan	89.48
Houston.	77.94
Scranton	53.42
Richmond	52.85
Norfolk	
Johnstown	CO at DOUBLE
Sioux City	
Total collections	\$7,704.37

## TREASURER'S STATEMENT For November, 1921.

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Balance, October 31	\$342,818.86
Division collections	7,704.37
Interest, mortgage loans	
Interest, Bonds	490.11
Interest, Banks	3.62
Increase in book value of bonds	3
by accrual of amortization	43.29
Profit on sale of bonds	148.34
Rent, Chicago Division	10.00
Sale of buttons	3.00
Recording and registry fees	.50
For exchange on checks	.88
Sale of regalia	33.44

## Total, balance and income....\$352,558.07

#### Disbursements.

Death benefits	1,500.00
Sick benefits	475.00
Accident benefits	130.00
Accrued interest on securities	
purchased for investment	397.11
Rent	125.00
Salaries.	710.82
Clerical services	235.00
Officer's expense	3.60
Emblem jewelry	39.24
Office expenses.	9.05
Printing and stationery	30.00
Printing, The Frat	139.28
Total disbursements\$	3,794.10
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#### Recapitulation.

Total, balance and income	\$352,558.07	
Total disbursements.	3,794.10	
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Balance, November 30	\$348,763.97	

## TRUSTEES' REPORT. Ledger Assets, September 30, 1921.

First Mortgage Loans	\$248,735.45	
First Mortgage Bonds	27,144.03	
U. S. Liberty and Victory Bonds	s 47,099.35	
Canadian Bonds	16,051.33	
Cash in Bank:		
Farmers Trust Co.	2,415.30	
Bank of Montreal	134.65	
Central Trust Co	5,960.85	
Grand Secretary's contingent	,	
fund	300.00	
Treasurer's Cash	923.01	
Total ledger assets.	\$348,763.97	
Balance in Funds.		
Recerve Funda	2952 900 7A	

balance in rungs.		
Reserve Funds	\$253,288.76	
Mortuary Funds		
Sick and Accident Fund	16,902.37	
Unallocated interest	15,507.69	
General Expense Fund		
Organizing Fund	1,530.99	
Convention Fund	2,149.53	
Total in all funds	.\$348,763.97	

#### Concerning Investments.

Net interest receipts in November, \$1,398.26.

Taking advantage of the current high market prices, the Finance Committee sold at 99.66 the \$10,000 U.S. Victory 4 3-4 % bonds purchased in 1920 at 96.20 and 96.70; a profit on sale was realized in this transaction of \$148.34 over the amortized book value at date of sale. The proceeds of this transaction, with part of current surplus funds, were applied to take up the balance due of an outstanding commitment—the \$25,000 montgage loan at 7% referred to in report of last month and the month preceding. This commitment has now been entirely absorbed.

As an investment for surplus Canadian funds, a \$1,000 Province of Ontario 6% bond, maturing in 1943, was purchased.

#### MARRIAGES.

September 28—A. B. Cartwright, New Castle, Pa., and Mrs. Mamie D. Gormley, St. Louis, Mo.

October 16—Alfred Hopkins, Little Rock, Ark., and Miss Florence Brewcyznski, North Little Rock, Ark.

October 22-F. G. Mitchell and Miss Emma Rogers, both of Providence, R. I.

November 18—Dennis K. Wickline, Akron, O., and Miss Myrtle Zelch, Pittsburgh, Pa.

November 24—Charles Bissey, West Terre Haute, Ind., and Miss Ola Wallace, Jasonville, Ind.

November 26—James P. Disharoon, Hampton, Va., and Miss Abbie E. Hummer, Parnassus, Pa.

November 30—John E. Purdum, Chicago, Ill., and Miss Doris F. Jackson, St. Louis, Mo.

December 3—George C. Roden, Shamokin, Pa., and Miss Clara Meseravich, Mt. Carmel, Pa.

November 10—Theodore G. Mayer and Miss Eulalie Wiedman both of New Orleans, La.

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E. B. Dirreen, Detroit	25.00
*W. A. Geiger, Cincinnati	10.00
*Nathan Greenberg, Evansville	15.00
*G. H. Rubin, Milwaukee	15.00
John Wright, Lakewood, Ohio	50.00
*P. H. Ballard, Jersey City, N. J	10.00
Wolf Schulman, Stapleton Sta.,	
N. Y.	50.00
T. J. Spurlin, Arnoldsville, Ga.	50.00
H. E. Belling, Forest Park, Ill.	40.00
Patrick O'Brien, Philadelphia	50.00
*P. W. Haner, Kansas City	30.00
C. McKenzie, Sheffield, Mo.	15.00
C. Garlington, Tioga, La	30.00
*H. V. Canares, San Francisco	15.00
Joseph Behl, San Jose, Cal	10.00
W. Gernandt, Jr., San Francisco.	50.00
W. T. Frith, Britton, Okla	10.00
Earl Maddox, Austin	10.00
*Floyd Hatcher, Alameda, Cal	10.00
*C. D. Anderson, Austin, Minn.	25.00
J. M. Goff, Delavan	50.00
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Total for the month.....\$605.00 \*Denotes accident claims.

#### BIRTHS.

July 18-Mr. and Mrs. Lewis'I. Peteron, Šan Francisco, Cal., a boy.

August 24-Mr. and Mrs. Howard Durian, Canton, Ohio, a boy.

August 31-Mr. and Mrs. William

Toomey, Canton, Ohio, a boy. September 18—Mr. and Mrs. A. J.

Schultz, Buffalo, N. Y., a girl.
September 18—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Armstrong, Montreal, South Quebec, Canada, a boy.

September 22-Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Gan-

non, Portland, Ore., a girl.
September 30—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Farris, Terre Haute, Ind., a girl.

October 6-Mr. and Mrs. Daniel King, Springfield, Ilt., a boy.

October 15-Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lloyd, Scranton, Pa., a boy.

October 16-Mr. and Mrs. William Walls, Lonoke, Ark., a girl.

October 24- Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bea-

ver, Detroit, Mich., a girl.
November 7—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clemen, Buffalo, N. Y., a girl.

November 12-Mr. and Mrs. John Quinnin, New Orleans, La., a girl.

November 17-Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Peters, Minneapolis, Minn., a boy. November 18-Mr. and Mrs. John H.

Wudel, Parkston, S. D., a girl. November 25-Mr. and Mrs. George

Wilds, Huntington, W. Va., a boy.
November 30—Mr. and Mrs. Henry

Swinney, Knoxville, Tenn., a girl.

December 1—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Cotner, Cincinnati, O., a boy.

December 1-Mr. and Mrs. Edward

Luchow, Royal Oak, Mich., a boy.

December 2—Mr. and Mrs. H. L.

Nirider, San Antonio, Texas, a boy.

December 20—Mr. and Mrs. F. L.

Woodworth, Chicago, Ill., a boy.

#### NOVEMBER DEATH CLAIMS.

Paid to Mrs. Maude Estella Paslay, North Topeka, Kansas, for death benefit Walter John Paslay, Certificate No. 5266, deceased September 6, 1921, \$1,-000.00.

Paid to Mrs. Margaret A. McCarthy, New York, N. Y., for death benefit of John Andrew McCarthy, Certificate No. 5309, deceased September 21, 1921, \$500.

#### OBITUARY. Adam M. Martin.

Brother Adam M. Martin died at Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 23, 1921. He was in his 63rd year. He was a charter member of No. 5, joining in November, 1903. At one time, Bro. Martin was Grand Financial Secretary of the society.

Joseph N. Bernstein. Brother Joseph N. Bernstein died at Hammond, Ind., Nov. 29, 1921. He became a member of Chicago Division in Sept., 1912. He was in his 37th year.

Boost the N. F. S. D.

#### DEATHS SINCE FOUNDING OF OR-GANIZATION.

#### Tabulated by Specific Causes.

In the following table, we give by groups the causes of death of N. F. S. D. members since the founding of the Society in 1901.

This period covering the last twenty years and dealing with only a comparatively small fraction of the total deaf population in the United States, does not afford sufficient data on which to base any reasonable conclusions regarding the deaf, their general health, prevalent physical weaknesses, if there are any, and their supposed liability to violent death by accident.

Some have advanced the claim that the deaf suffer most from diseases of the respiratory system. In the following table, this group comprises nearly 37 1-2 % of the total. In the two groups of deaths by accident, we find they comprise about 16% of the total.

We do not believe these percentages are abnormal. It would be interesting to compare these figures with those for the general population, but for the above mentioned reasons the result would not be conclusive.

In good time, when our data affords sufficient grounds on which to base fairly reasonable conclusions, we hope to publish figures that may shed light on several questions at issue regarding the deaf. The subjoined table may be taken for what it is worth:

#### DISEASES OF RESPIRATORY SYSTEM

Pulmonary tuberculosis	32*
Pneumonia	25
Influenza, grippe	18
Bronchial asthma	1
"Congestion of lungs"	1

Total for this group... 77 \*One case of intestinal tuberculosis is listed under "Diseases of Digestive System." Total deaths from all forms of tuberculosis, 33.

#### CHRONIC DISEASES OF SYSTEMIC **DEGENERATION**

Cardiac failure (heart disease)17	,
Angina pectoris	
Coronary sclerosis	2
Apoplexy 5	
Pernicious anemia	,
Hodgkins' disease	
Nephritis 8	3
Uremic coma 1	
Pyelitis	
Cholecystitis	
Gout and arthritis	
Diabetic gangrene	

	_
Total for this group	4:
DISEASES OF DIGESTIVE	SYSTEM
Appendicitis	
Ptomaine poisoning	1
Typhoid fever	3
Duodenal ulcer	1
Intestinal tuberculosis	
Obstruction of bowel	2
Intussusception of bowel	
Strangulated hernia	
Hemorrhage of stomach	
Peritonitis, following rupture	

gall bladder	1	
Total for this group.		17
(Note: Two (2) cases of stomach cancer are listed under head of		
Cancer.)		
DISEASES OF THE BRAIN,	SPI	NE,
AND NERVOUS SYSTEM	[.	Ť
Meningitis		
Acute dementia		
Cerebral degeneration Epilepsy	1	
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Total for this group(Note: Two (2) cases of brain		5
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tumor are listed under the head of		
Cancer and other Tumors.) CANCER AND OTHER TUMO	RS	
Cancer of face		
Cancer of mouth and throat	1	
Carcinoma of neck	1	
Sarcoma	1	
Sarcoma of spleen	1	
Sarcoma of hip and kidney.  Carcinoma of stomach	1 2	
Cancer of bladder	1	
Carcinoma of bladder and prostate	1	
Brain tumor	2	
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Total for this group MISCELLANEOUS FEVERS AN	n gr	12 VS-
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Malaria	1	
Lead poisoning	1	
Total for this many	-	9
Total for this group DEATHS BY ACCIDENT AND	) V	10- 10-
LENCE	, ,	10
Run down by trains, vehicles, etc.		
Killed by trains, while trespassing		
on tracks	9	
on tracks		
sections	4	
Run down by electric cars	4	
Struck by automobiles	6	
Run down by motorcycles Motorcyclists killed in collisions	2	
Motorcyclists killed in comstons	4	
		27
Industrial accidents		
Caught in shafting	1	
FallsBowel rupture, struck by flying	2	
board	1	
Peritonitis, following injury to ab-		
domen	1	
Gasoline explosion	1	
Total for this group		6
Other accidental causes		
Drowning	6*	
Blown from roof by wind	1	
Asphyxiation by heater gas. Sunstroke.	1	
	_	
Total for this group		0
		9
*Does not include one case of		9
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Grand Total, all causes

205



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In sending changes of address division Secretaries and individual members should always give the old address as well as the new one.

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#### DECEMBER, 1921

This issue of THE FRAT is late owing to rush of work near close of the year at Headquarters, and the fact that we are short of help. For these reasons, we ask the indulgence of our members.

Saint-1924-Paul.

If you are able to pay your dues a full year in advance, you should do so. It means safety for yourself, encourages thrift, relieves you of worry, and saves the auditor at the Home Office from going over your card eleven times.

What is your Division's RATING? You may have a few FAST WORKERS who get NEW MEMBERS regularly. But what of your Division AS A WHOLE? Is it ONE HUNDRED PER CENT PER-FECT in getting new members? Is your TERRITORY COMBED for ALL AVAILABLE MATERIAL? If it isn't, your Division is NOT 100% perfect.

Everything has a purpose-even garlic. In Liberia the natives rub their feet with garlic when they enter snake-infested jungles and the reptiles do not bother them. Hoosier. Might also prevent moonshine delirium reptilitis.

You may die penniless, but if you leave sufficient insurance to tide your family over the crisis following your demise, you will rest easier in your grave than you would had you made millions by questionable methods and left a trail of enemies in your wake.

#### SECRETARY GIBSON MAKING THE CIRCUIT.

Grand Secretary Gibson is now on an extended "swing around the circle." His itinerary took him first to the Southwest. Thence he went through the sunny South to Florida, erstwhile made famous by Ponce de Leon. Thence he goes up through the Carolinas, the Old Dominion,

and the Capital of the Nation, where, on January 16, he is scheduled to give a talk before the student body of Gallaudet College. He then goes to New York to install the new Division that is being organized in Manhattan. From there he comes home, probably without any stops en route; that is, if he manages to escape the importunities of the Divisions lying between the Atlantic seaboard and Chicago.

Brother Gibson visited Kansas City and Olathe Divisions on his way down to the Southwest, and was royally entertained at both places. He looked in on the Texas Divisions, which vied in making his visit a memorable one, and transacted some legal business for the Society in Dallas. Visits were made to Grand Vice-president Tracy at Jackson, Miss., and Atlanta Division enroute to Florida.

As a result of Secretary Gibson's trip through the South, a new Texas Division is in prospect, Alabama may add another Division before long, and the Carolinas, not yet represented in our growing family, may soon place themselves on our Division map

This is probably the longest trip our Grand Secretary and General Organizer has yet taken in the interests of the Society. His itinerary to date includes:

Kansas City, Olathe, Denton (Tex.), Ft. Worth, Dallas, Waco, Austin, San Antonio, Houston, Jackson (Miss.), Mobile, Atlanta, Daytona (Fla.), St. Augustine, Jacksonville, Savannah, Charleston, Columbia (S. C.), Cedar Spring, Charlotte (N. C.), Durham, Raleigh, Norfolk, Newport News, Richmond, Washington, D. C., Philadelphia, and New York. This itinerary is subject to changes that may be necessitated by circumstances.

Secretary and Mrs. Gibson spent Christmas as the guests of Bro. and Mrs. Max Kestner in Daytona, Florida, where they remained from Dec. 22 to 30, getting some needed rest in that balmy climate. Bro. Gibson will probably be back at headquarters about January 25, and will give an account of his trip in these columns.

#### MY BROTHER'S KEEPER.

During the present period of unemployment, many of our Divisions have been doing the handsome thing by helping those out of employment with money from local

Chicago Division maintains a relief loan fund, thereby providing money to pay the dues of deserving members rendered temporarily hard up by the unsettled times. In addition to this, at a recent meeting the Division voted a special assessment of \$1.00 from each member, to start a relief fund for members whose families were in immediate want, the fund to be administered and paid out for rent, groceries, and coal by a committee of three. So far, this provision has served to tide over several families who otherwise would have been thrown on public charity.

Boston Division reports it is turning the proceeds of all social affairs into a fund from which to advance dues of deserving members who may be in arrears.

Waterbury reports it is also looking after the dues of deserving members and

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refuses to drop a man on account of arrears.

Holyoke goes even further, and says it is willing to help members of other Divisions where local funds may be running low.

Other Divisions not mentioned herein are doing everything possible to tide over deserving members. This is as it should be. We would not be worthy of the name of Fraternity if such a spirit of mutual help did not pervade our member-May this spirit endure to the honor and the glory of the Fraternity.

#### STOCK SELLING SCHEMES.

In these troubled days, when the world is nervous and jumpy, the social order in process of upheaval, and the blythesome stock salesman abroad in the land, it behooves us all to sit tight and take mighty good care of the dwindling bank account.

Some of our members have written headquarters for information and advice regarding this and that issue of stock in divers companies. This headquarters cannot give. It cannot devote time to investigating schemes of this nature. The investor must judge for himself the value of the stock offered, or seek the advice of his banker or some friend familiar with such matters

Headquarters wishes it distinctly understood that it does not endorse, either directly or indirectly, any stock-selling scheme of whatever nature. The fact that a member of the society may be engaged in promoting stock sales is no indication that the Society itself is sponsoring the stock, and such fact is no proof whatever that the proposition advanced by the stock salesman is gilt-edged. It is merely an individual matter between the salesman and his prospective customer, and the responsibility rests solely upon them.

However, in this connection, it would be well to state that where a member of this Society, engaged in selling stock, knowingly unloads worthless securities on a fellow member, and uses his membership in the Society to promote his sales, such act makes him amenable to the laws of the Society, and would in all probability furnish sufficient grounds for expulsion.

#### ACCIDENTS AND THE DEAF.

Headquarters has received the following letter from a large insurance society in Sydney, Australia. This society is a forty-four million pound concern, with insurance in force of some 141 million pounds.

"Dear Sir: You are no doubt aware that Life Assurance offices do not as a rule issue policies on the lives of persons who are totally deaf, because it is supposed that such persons are much more liable to meet with accidents than are those who are in full possession of their faculties. It is suggested that modern methods of educating the deaf have made such progress that persons trained in modern institutions are almost if not quite as capable of taking care of themselves as are persons who are in all respects normal.

"I have not been able to find any Australian statistics dealing with the after history of totally deaf persons who have been trained in institutions, and the superintendent of the Volta Bureau, Washington, D. C., recommended me to write to you in connection with the matter.

you in connection with the matter.

"I shall be glad if you can give me any information or tell me where I am likely to obtain any."

In reply to this letter, we stated that our experience with sick and accident insurance has not been sufficient to warrant tabulation of statistics that would establish conclusive data. In time, however, we hope to do something of this nature.

We assured our correspondent that, in our opinion, deaf persons are not more liable to accident than the hearing. believe that the habit of caution becomes ingrained and instinctive, that a deaf man's capability of taking care of himself is not so much the result of modern methods of education as it is an elementary selfadaptation, developed by the conditions and needs of everyday existence. Common prudence, the instinct of self-preservation, precept, the general experience of himself and his fellow deaf, all serve to impress a deaf person with the necessity of being on guard against accidents. The habit of alertness becomes second nature, and goes far toward making the totally deaf person, depending upon sight, less liable to accident than the hearing, depending largely upon hearing and who are often confused by a medley of sounds.

When we come to think of it, a large number of accidents are such as could hardly be averted by the mere possession of hearing. Railway smash-ups, injuries from tools, falling objects, getting caught in machinery, falling off buildings, drowning, etc., such accidents as these could not be prevented by the possession of hearing.

We believe anyone conversant with the deaf will agree with us that a deaf person rarely meets with an accident as a direct

result of his lack of hearing.

Also, we suggested to the Australian company that it go over its list of accidents on which it has paid claims and note in how many of these deafness or the ability to hear would have made no difference, one way or the other.

Inquiry we sent an old line company writing insurance on the deaf without discrimination or extra charge, elicited the reply that their experience with the deaf was of such a limited character, in compariTHE pleasure of accomplishment is accessible to all, no matter how humble our occupation or responsible our duty. Out of life's great mine we can dig the gems of joy and a better existence only by hard and conscientious work.

—[J. Howell Cummings.

son with the total volume of business, that they could shed no light upon the question

## HOW THEY SAW THE OLD YEAR OUT.

December 31st, the Old Year was ushered into history with: Watch Night Party .. by Chicago Watch-Children Party by Toledo. Watch Night Party... by Norfolk. by Dayton. Social. Public Installation by Denver. Social.. by Seattle. Banquet. by Wichita. Social-Dance. by Boston. Open House. .by Delavan. by Philadelphia. Social by Baltimore. Smoker...

## NEW MEMBERS 2 Edward T. Payne Walkerville, Can.

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	Alfred E. Ross	
16.	Julius Hubray	Toledo, O.
18.	John C. Winemiller	Columbus, O.
	Lee Gardner	
32.	Fred R. Drum	Jackson, Mo.
72.	John Burke	Cornell, Wis.
	Winfield S. Ensign	
80.	Ludvik Landsverk	.Eau Claire, Wis.
	William Roth, Sr	
	Joseph E. Wachuta	
	William J. Foker	
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#### THE GET-ONE DEGREE.

Lots of good men are "on the fence" in regard to joining our society simply because no one has taken the trouble to fully explain the benefits of so doing. Headquarters does all it can, but it is personal solicitation that counts. That is where the individual member comes in. Have you come in?

Detroit Division—Ivan Heymanson. Little Rock—H. A. Unger. Toledo—Nathan Heinick. Columbus—William F. Mayer. Indianapolis—E. J. Hinton. Omaha—Harry G. Long. Kenosha—William J. O'Neil (2). Delavan—Fred J. Neesam (4).

#### MONEY NOT SCARCE.

The movie houses are crowded every night. The automobiles are so thick on the principal thoroughfares that it is almost impossible to cross. This is positive proof that people are spending money. The moral is, see all the people you possibly can. You know they need insurance. It is up to you to make them realize that need.—[A. H. Chambers.

#### A LODGE WITHOUT A TEAM.

Of all the helpless, hopeless things
Like ships without their sails,
Unable to avail themselves
Of Homeward waiting gales;
Like mariners without a chart
Or engines without steam,
Or salt without its savor—is
A lodge without a team.

A few come only now and then,
And some don't come at all,
Or only come to pay their dues
And quickly leave the hall.
They say they only joined because
Of the fraternity scheme,
And find no greater attraction in
A lodge without a team.

By shortest form, their candidates
They obligate and read
Their parts from musty rituals
With blundering haste and speed.
Then grumble that their membership
Don't come around and seem
Delighted at the working of
A lodge without a team.

They're growing smaller day by day,
Their gains are few and small;
'Twould take but little more to turn
Their charter to the wall.
But lodges that once were dead enough
To bury, it would seem,
Have been dragged from a dusty grave
To life behind a team.

A lodge to all appearance dead
May be but in a trance,
And may be roused to do its part
Our Order to advance.
And when they get to hustling
Their credit to redeem,

It's worth the trouble, time and cash
It takes to keep a team.

-[Western Odd Fellow.

#### A LIFE INSURANCE GUARANTEE.

The degree to which life insurance was able to stand the combined pressure of the war and the influenza test stand out strongly today as the best guarantee in the world that life insurance certificates are worth while and are guaranteed against seemingly overwhelming odds.

The small number of failures among life insurance organizations of all kinds is something of which we do not even yet realize

the stupendous significance.

Like a mighty reserve bank, the money was there and it carried us through. Deep down in the public understanding a sub-conscious basis of confidence has been established and while men do not generally talk about it, it is in a measure because it has become a living part of their outlook on life.

Life insurance has established itself by its own action—of safety in time of trouble.

It has been subjected to the greatest of tests—war and pestilence—lacking which there would have always been a doubt in the public mind, but being once encountered and withstood, leaves the critic without further say—and proves that there is a life insurance guarantee.—[Praetorian Guard.

#### THE OLD AND THE NEW.

The New Year came to the Old Year's door

When the sands were wasting thin, And the frost 'ay white on the Old Year's thatch,

And his hand grew chill as he slipped the latch

To let the New Year in.

And the New Year perched in the Old Year's chair

And warmed by the Old Year's fire, And the Old Year watched him with wistful gaze

As he stretched his hands to the fading blaze

And cinders of dead desire.

And the Old Year prated, as Old Years

Of summer and vanishing spring, And then of the future, with grave advice.

Of love and sorrow and sacrifice,

That the season's round would bring. And the New Year listened and warmed his heart

In the bloom of the Old Year's past, But he gave no heed to the thorns that lay

In the bud and blow of a coming day, And nodding, he dreamed at last.

The New Year came to the Old Year's

And warmed in the Old Year's chair, And the Old Year talked till the New Year slept.

Then forth in the night he softly stepped And left the New Year there.

#### HOLD FAST TO YOUR INSURANCE.

"What do you think of a man who desercs his wife and children?" was the Promptly question recently asked. Promptly came the answer: "Shoot or hang him."

The above question was asked a man who had suspended himself a month previously. He had no other insurance. Yet that man is kind to his family, provides for their comfort; but he was thought-

less, yea, careless to the greatest degree.
His answer of "Shoot or hang him," was characteristic and he meant it; but he never thought it applied to himself. Had he died while in suspension, having no other insurance, he would have deserted his family just as truly as though he did it while alive.

A man's duty does not end at the grave. He created responsibility by marrying and having a family. It is his duty to care for them while they are dependent. He must do that alive or dead. Otherwise, others not responsible for them must and experience is that it is not done as well.

A man risks everything even in temporary suspension. Why do it? The world is strewn with wrecks of lives because of that thoughtlessness and carelessness. Where one man is overinsured, thousands are underinsured. The average family has a hard enough time to get along when the bread winner is taken. How much harder will it be if the insurance has been dropped.

## THE PERFECT YEAR When we come to the end of a perfect year And reflect on the days that are gone Is the heart filled with joy-with never a tear, When we sum up the good we have done. Could we know what the work of a perfect year Would mean to the Master true We would never repine, but with courage and We would do what our hands find to do. Well, this is the end of a perfect year, A year that is full and complete. The work we've accomplished, the trophies won We lay at the Master's feet. This perfect year is now in the past, And a new one is just begun.

May we by our service, faithful and true

Win the Master's applause—"Well done!"

-From P. E. O. Record.

Do not let it be said at your death that you deserted your family; left them unprovided for. People will say of you, just as the man replied: "He should have been hung or shot," if your family suffers after your death. Hold fast to your insurance.—[Exchange.

#### THE "SOFT TIMES" GONE.

We're a little bit like spoiled children today. It isn't so much the stringency of the present that we detest; it's rather that yesterday's easy times are gone. We found it so delightful to travel ahead at first, second and third and it's both disconcerting and provoking to find out that life has a reverse speed as well.

The slopes of life are always with us. Very seldom indeed do we climb to a summit to remain there. After enjoying the view and congratulating ourselves on the success of the climb we're quite sure to take the descent, are we not? A hilltop is a place for inspiration, for refreshing, but seldom a place for continued staying. We could never progress did we stay-we are already at the top.

Even descent may mean progress if we go down rightly. Digging our heels into the earth, protesting and scolding at every step, we shall find the going down doubly difficult. Accepting the situation, going down as easily as may be, with our eyes fixed on other hilltops, we shall not so much mind the road. There are pleasures in the valleys also.

We've only just so much nerve force and strength at our command. That which we spend in worry and rebellion, and nothing takes more out of us than do these, we shall not have for living. What we cannot help, why worry about? That which we can change, why not use force and effort for changing?

Foolish optimism? Impossible vaporing? By no means. Merely plain logic and common sense. Try it and see!— [Danville Commercial-News.

"Do you ever feel that you would like to go back to Africa?" "No, sah; not me, sah," replied Brother Baggy. "I druther stay yuh in de Newnited States, whuh a cullud man isn't got no social standin' and dey cusses yo' and kicks yo' 'round and calls yo' 'nigger,' and den slips yo' a 'casional haffer dol-lah to saturate yo' feelin's, dan to go over dar to Africa, whuh everybody is free and ekil and dey cuts off yo' head wid a kyahvin' knife."

#### Still Missing.

"Say, paw, I can't get these Johnny: 'rithmetic examples. Teacher said somethin' 'bout findin' the great common divisor."

Paw (in disgust): "Great Scott! Haven't they found that thing yet? Why, they were huntin' for it when I was a boy."-[The Christian Evangelist, St. Louis.



#### Coming Division Events

January.						
Installation of officers	Chicago					
Public installation	Washington					
Public installation	Cincinnati					
Installation of officers	Pittsburgh					
Banquet						
Social gathering.	Rockford					
Public installation	Worcester					
Public installation	Lowell					
	Cleveland					
Peanut Social and bazaar	Baltimore					
Smoker and initiation	Pittsburgh					
Whist Party	Springfield					
February.						
	Chicago					
Annual Ball	New York					
	Delavan					
"Poor Frat Party"	Davenport					
Box Party	Nashua					
Annual Ball	St. Louis					
Masquerade Party	Little Rock					
Ball	Atlanta					
Annual Banquet	Pittsburgh					
Exhibition	Syracuse					
March.						
St. Patrick's entertainmen	t					
St. Patrick's entertainmen	t Pittsburgh					
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#### Chicago.

Recent visitors at headquarters were F. J. Neesam, Delavan, William J. O'Neil, Racine, Frank D. Smith, Ypsilanti, John T. Walker, Detroit, J. J. Martin, Kenosha, Rev. J. H. Cloud, St. Louis, W. O. Wilson, Racine.

The regular monthly meeting of Chicago Division, held Friday evening, December 2nd, was unusually interesting. Being annual election night, there was a good attendance, and though there were no contests for most of the offices, plenty of interest was shown in voting for the ones in which there was a contest. Results seemed to be quite satisfactory.

Another point of interest was the coincidence of the meeting date with the date of the incorporation of the N. F. S. D. On December 2, 1907, the then little fledgling first spread its wings and essayed to fly. How and where it flew need not be told here. It is too well known. Several of the "old-timers" made speeches of a reminiscent nature, and a box of cigars, furnished by the division, was passed around in celebration of the birthday.

The birthday jollity, however, was somewhat subdued by the fact that one chair was draped in mourning. Joseph Bernstein, who joined the society in 1912 and who has always been an active worker in division affairs, passed away November 29 after a very short illness. The cause of

his death was peritonitis. The division passed a resolution of sympathy for the bereaved family, and stood for two minutes with heads bowed in respect to their deceased brother.

Grand Secretary Gibson, accompanied by Mrs. Gibson, left the day after Thanksgiving for a combination business and vacation trip through the South. The vacation part will be spent at Daytona, Fla. where they will be the guests of Brother and Mrs. Max J. Kestner for a week or more. They expect to return to Chicago about the middle of January.

#### Springfield (Mass.).

While Springfield has not been heard from in a long time, the division is still on the Frat map and going strong. We are coming out of our seclusion to tell our friends that we have got "some" basketball team, and are ready to tackle any team in our class. We already have bookings sufficient to insure us an interesting season. Any team wanting a game should write to the manager, Earl Smith, 533 New Bridge St., West Springfield, Mass. The team is made up of Patrick Gaughan, R. G., Willis Ledoux, R. F., Max Dramin, L. G., Earl Smith, L. F., R. M. Palazzi, Cr., and E. Anderson, sub., C.

#### San Francisco.

The division's picnic held on the Mills' estate at Millbrae was a very successful affair. Over 100 were present, and enjoyed themselves to their hearts' content. Likewise, a goodly sum of money was added to our treasury. The only regret (if there was one) lay in the fact that the gate prize, which each one of us hoped to be lucky enough to win, went to our friendly rival of the South, Los Angeles, clutched in the fair hand of Miss Ella Roy of that place. Better luck next time!

Hallowe'en night the division started its winter social activities with a whirl. The hall was too small to hold the crowd comfortably, and if coming socials are as well attended, we will have to find a larger hall. The division meetings, beginning with January, will be held in California Hall, corner Turk and Polk streets.

San Francisco Division is naturally much elated over the fact that the First Vice Presidency should come to us through the election of Leo C. Williams to that office. The ovation given Brother Williams was such that there was a rumor that the roof of Druids' Temple had blown off. But for a wonder it didn't.

#### Houston.

The ball given by the division on October 25th was not a flattering success financially, but every one seems to have had a good time. As a matter of fact, while the monthly entertainments given by the division are more or less successful, the attendance is not what it should be. Where lies the blame?

The unemployment situation in Hous\* ton, while said to be less acute than in some other places of equal size, is far from satisfactory. Quite a number of local deaf are out of employment, and with a view of making a concerted effort to find employment for them, a meeting, attended by both frats, and non-frats, was recently held, and resulted in the formation of "The Houston Association for the Welfare of the Deaf," with 29 members. Officers were elected, and plans are now under way to push the matter of obtaining employment for those needing it. Present plans are to try and secure employment only for the Houston deaf, but if we are successful in educating employers as to the qualifications of the deaf as workers, we may make a bid for the title lately held by Akron-Mecca of the Deaf.

No. 81 has several applicants in prospect, and hopes to put them across in the not too distant future. Growing? Sure we are.

The writer receives many letters from brothers in many sections, making inquiries many and various. While he is always willing to answer inquiries, he must ask all correspondents to enclose stamp for reply. Neither he nor the division feel that they should pay for all this, for which they get nothing in return. This, of course, does not apply to strictly division business.

#### Pittsburgh.

No more satisfying play has ever appeared in our hall than the "Merchant of Venice," which gave such a large amount of pleasure and laughter to its audience on November 19. John L. Friend, as Shylock, was perhaps the star, but Brothers Painter, Leitner, Cusack, Forbes, Davis, Sarwer, Bentley and the rest were not far behind the jovial John. And as a personator of female parts, Edward Harmon, as Portia, was right there with the goods. In fact, it would be hard to re-cast the play so as to make an improvement in any part. Samuel Nichols was the director of the play. 'Nuf ced.

The annual election of division officers furnished us with a little extra excitement at the December meeting. There were some pretty close results, but everybody seems satisfied. Brother Friend, who has wielded the gavel for the past three years, declined re-election, but will continue his interest in the progress of the division.

The division will hold its annual Smoker and Initiation at its hall on January 21st, and all non-resident members should make a note of the date and plan to be present and be initiated, if not so already.

We wish all readers of THE FRAT a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

#### Detroit.

Detroit Division's Masquerade Ball at Concordia Hall on the evening of November 19th was one of the most pleasant affairs the division has ever held. Nearly 300 were present, and fully one-half of them were in costume. Dick's Novelty Orchestra furnished the music, and everybody sure had a big time. It set a mark for success that will be hard to beat. Money prizes totaling \$54 and several boxes of chocolates were given away to those whose costumes were best in their

various classes. But though the expenses were heavy, the division cleared about \$300 net. Pretty neat? The excellent management of the affair was due greatly to the efforts of Chairman Heymanson, and in recognition of these efforts, he was presented with a little present in the shape of \$10 in cash. Neat souvenir programs were gotten up and presented to those attending, and are also being sent to other divisions with Detroit's compliments. These were a fine source of profit, the sale of advertising space netting the division \$229. It is a scheme that other divisions would do well to adopt.

#### Delavan.

Delavan division held a Hallowe'en and Hard Times party in Odd Fellows' Hall Saturday evening, October 29. It was a success in every way. About seventy were present. Prizes were won by Mrs. Coulthard, Mrs. Krug, Mrs. Riege and Emil Hirte. All the booths were well patronized. Lunch boxes were auctioned off for anywhere from \$1.50 to \$3.00. The net receipts of the party were \$84.83, with a few cigars left over to be disposed of later. The next big event on the division's calendar is a mask ball February 11th.

The division has doubled its membership in the past year, and now boasts a membership of forty. It has given two parties, a dance and a picnic, and has several hundred dollars in the treasury. Pretty good showing for one of the baby divisions!—[Wisconsin Times.

#### Scranton.

Our December meeting was held at the Holland Hotel in connection with a banquet to celebrate our first anniversary as a division. A fine menu was served, and put "pep" into the proceedings. The principal officers were unanimously reelected. We start our second year with thirty members. One died during the year, and another was transferred. Several applications are in prospect, and the outlook for growth is very encouraging.

Our social season started auspiciously with a largely attended masquerade party on October 29th. A dance was held on Thanksgiving eve, Brother Koehler delivered a "Travel Talk" on November 13th, and a Watch Night party is scheduled for

New Year's Eve.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

#### Little Rock.

The widely advertised social of November 12th, held for the purpose of entertaining visitors in town during the State Fair, proved to be a huge success. The social was held in the chapel of the school, which proved an ideal place for such an entertainment. Superintendent Dobyns welcomed the visitors in happy strain. Response was made by Walter Bell, of Birmingham, Ala., whose rapid, forceful, yet graceful signs pleased us all. Dainty refreshments were served. The ladies of the school faculty aided us greatly, and their help was much appreciated. A handsome profit was realized from the social.

The next social event will be a masquerade party on the evening of February 22nd. We aim to make this an A No. 1 affair. Visitors will be welcome, and are encour-

aged to come in costume and see if they can beat us out on them.

Wallace E. Branson is the latest addition to our division, coming from Denver, Colo., by the transfer route. He is located in Van Buren. His many friends were glad to see him at the social.

Who says the deaf aren't progressing? Willie Hill has expanded his shoe repairing business by opening a shop in Adelphia. His partner, Fred K. Lee, has charge of the shop in Benton, and has Earl Grider, late of St. Louis, as his assistant. Brother Grider expects to transfer to our division soon.

For the year 1922 the division has leased Moose Hall, Main and Fifth Streets—over Hegarty's drug store. Future meetings will be held there. Members, paste this in your hat.

#### MEETING THOSE OBJECTIONS.

A frequent objection: "I am single and do not need insurance."

The answer: You probably will marry, but whether you do or not, you are the one who is going to be dependent upon yourself in old age, and an insurance policy taken out now guarantees the certainty of comfortable living at the time of life when you most need and appreciate it.

Twenty years from today it is likely you will either be dependent or have depend-

ents.

A more frequent objection: "I want to talk it over with my wife."

The answer: Why talk with your wife? You can get a better idea by talking to some other man's widow.

For sentimental reasons most wives object to life insurance because it suggests the idea of a money equivalent for their husband's life, but widows never object on any ground.

You had better wait until you get a policy. If you couldn't get a policy, your wife would be worried about you all the rest of her life.

This is a present for your wife. You don't generally ask your wife to let you buy her a present, do you?—[Weekly Underwriter.

#### LIFE INSURANCE AS AN INVEST-MENT.

An interesting point for a life insurance man to present to a prospect is the fact that about two per cent of the annual income of the people in this country is invested in life insurance. Yet when we make a survey of the estates that are left we find that more than 85 per cent of all the solvent estates left for administration consist of the proceeds of life insurance policies. After all there are but very few people who are capable of creating an estate that is worth while. Men lack in business sagacity. They make unfortunate investments. The surest way to create an estate is by contract. This can only be done through the medium of life insurance,-[National Underwriter.

If better brothers
You would like to be,
Keep on a-boosting
The N. F. S. D.

#### REGRET OR SATISFACTION.

Every man's or woman's life ends in regret or satisfaction. Past middle age, each man or woman indulges in retrospection. Upon the life as lived depends whether such analysis of past life is a source of regret or satisfaction.

A man well and truly said: "You will never live long enough to be glad you dropped your insurance." Dropping of insurance cannot result in other than regret. A man may be 80 years of age and if he has kept his insurance it is a great satisfaction to him. He knows it will comfort his remaining days. Those who are his beneficiaries will look after him and see that he is comfortable.

But the man who dropped his insurance goes into his old age unable to obtain any to replace it. He sees and feels himself neglected, without comfort, without home. Taking chances without life insurance is

folly.

Another man said, "A wife may object to insurance, but a widow never." Again it is true. "Blood money," as it was termed, is now little heard, but there are still wives who would rather enjoy the temporary fleeting pleasures of now, have their husbands do without insurance, than to make certain their own futures in cheer, comfort and pleasure, by insisting that husbands carry the proper amount of life insurance.

Which is the best? Will the widow feel regret or satisfaction with most pleasure? Only one answer, Insurance held by deceased never caused a widow to shed a single tear, but it puts hope, pleasure and renewed interest into her life.

No man can live long enough to beat life insurance, not even if he lives to be a hundred. The truth is that each man spends as he goes and old age finds him in bad shape without insurance.

Regret or satisfaction for yourself or your widow? You decide it.—[Exchange.

#### LIFE.

Man comes into the world without his consent and leaves it against his will. During his stay on earth his time is spent in one continuous round of contraries and misunderstandings. In his infancy he is an angel; in his boyhood he is a devil; in his manhood he is everything from a lizard up; in his duties he is a fool; if he raises a family he is a chump; if he raises a check he is a thief and the law raises the deuce with him; if he is a poor man he is a bad manager and has no sense; if he is rich he is dishonest but is considered smart; if he is in politics he is a grafter and a crook; if he goes to church he is a hypocrite; if he doesn't he is a sinner; if he donates to foreign missions he does it for show; if he doesn't he is stingy and a "tight wad."

When he first comes into the world everybody wants to kiss him; before he goes out they all want to kick him. If he dies young there was a great future before him; if he lives to a ripe old age he is in the way, only living to save funeral expenses. Life is a funny prop-

osition after all.-[Ex.

# National Fraternal Society of the Deaf

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How the Society Has Grown Since Its Chartering in 1907

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	Members	Assets in Hand	Insurance in Force
December 31, 1907.	520	\$ 3,066.50	\$ 260,000.00
December 31, 1908.	597	4,905.58	298,500.00
December 31, 1909.	774	6,692.73	387,000.00
December 31, 1910.	989	10,783.39	488,250.00
December 31, 1911.		18,731.71	705,950.00
December 31, 1912.		28,013.88	876,050.00
December 31, 1913.	1586	45,913.19	1,079,950.00
December 31, 1914.	1917	66,175.59	1,294,450.00
December 31, 1915.	2075	86,209.85	1,417,200.00
December 31, 1916.	2520	114,122.28	1,779,750.00
December 31, 1917.		152,363.03	2,297,750.00
December 31, 1918.		179,305.25	2,719,750.00
December 31, 1919.		221,763.76	3,191,500.00
December 31, 1920.	4807	281,418.90	3,855,750.00
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Death Benefits			\$101,893.41
Sick and Accident 1	Benefits		51,735.00

The National Fraternal Society of the Deaf writes life insurance on the same sound plan and correct principles as the regular old-line life insurance companies. Consequently life insurance in the N. F. S. D. is just as sound and safe as insurance in an old-line company, with these advantages:

Total......\$153,628.41

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In case of sickness or injury you can draw disability benefits.

You find yourself united for friendliness and goodwill with five thousand other members in an organization that is nation-wide—that is working always for the common good of all the deaf—that promises to attain an ever-increasing power and usefulness.

Do you believe in union and co-operation? Don't you want to have a part in this great and growing movement, which has but one object—to promote the general welfare of the American deaf?

You need insurance, and we need you. Every new member added makes the society stronger. We want your aid and influence—your help in making a bigger, better N. F. S. D.

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734 Broadway—First Saturday.  John F. Koeper316 Harrison St., Schenectady, N. Y.
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AKRON, No. 55.  AKRON, No. 55.  Akron, Ohio.  1729 Preston Ave.  SALT LAKE CITY, No. 56.  Salt Lake City, Utah.  240 9. Maiu 8t.—First Wednesday.  John Fehr.  160 E. Whitlook Ave.  Rockford, III.  1010 S. M. in St.—First Saturday.  Fred Shitwell.  1010 S. M. in St.—First Saturday.  SPAL NOFIELD. No. 58.  Springfield, III.  N. E. Cor. 5th & Monroe Sts.—First Saturday.  Daniel B. King.  306 E. Monroe St.  DAVENPORT, No. 59.  LO. G. F. Hall, 510 Brady St.—First Saturday.  Acthur E. Heritage.  2023 17th St., Rock Island, III.  WORCESTER, No. 60.  Worcester, Mass.  Geo. L. Tatro.  ST. PAUL, No. 61.  St. Paul, Minn.  Charles Thompson Memorial Hall—First Friday.  Fairview and Marshall Aves., St. Paul.  Jens P. Hanson.  3238 Aldrich Ave., N. Minneapolis, Minn.  FORT WORTH, No. 62.  Fort Worth, Texas.  Church for the Deaf, N. Ft. Worth—First Wednesday.  Joseph T. Sprouse.  1309 Vernon Castle Boul.  DALLAS, No. 63.  Labor Temple—First Saturday  Homer E. Grace.  1715 California St.—First Saturday  Homer E. Grace.  1036 S. Washington St.  WATERBURY, No. 65.  Waterbury, Cond.  WATERBURY, No. 65.  BRIDGEPORT, No. 66.  Bridgeport, Conn.  BRIDGEPORT, No. 66.  Bridgeport, Conn.
SALT LAKE CITY, No. 56 Salt Lake City, Utah. 240 5. Maiu St.—First Wednesday. John Fehr
ROCKFORD, No. 57 Rockford, III. 1010 S. M in St.—First Saturday.
Fred Shitwell
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POKANE, No. 10
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OHNSTOWN, No. 85Johnstown, Pa.
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#### MONTHLY PAYMENTS REOUIRED

#### CLASS A

#### ORDINARY WHOLE LIFE PLAN Without Surrender Allowance

This is the old plan on which all the society's certificates were issued prior to July 1, 1919. On this plan a member nakes stated, regular payments until his death. These certificates do not carry the privilege of a surrender allowance.

#### Monthly Net Rates for Death Benefit

			Fraternal Per Cent I		Mortality			
Entry Age	\$250	\$500	\$1000	\$1500	\$2000			
18 19 20	\$0.24 .24 .24	\$0.47 .47 .47	\$0.93 .93 .93	\$1.40 1.40 1.40	\$1.86 1.86 1.86			
21 22 23 24 25	.24 .24 .25 .26	.47 .48 .49 .51	.93 .96 .98 1.01 1.04	1.40 1.44 1.47 1.52 1.56	1.86 1.92 1.96 2.02 2.08			
26 27 28 29 30	.27 .28 .29 .30	.54 .56 .57 .59	1.07 1.11 1.14 1.18 1.22	1.61 1.67 1.71 1.77 1.83	2.14 2.22 2.28 2.36 2.44			
31 32 33 34 35	.32 .33 .34 .35	.63 .66 .68 .70	1.26 1.31 1.35 1.40 1.45	1.89 1.97 2.03 2.10 2.18	2.52 2.62 2.70 2.80 2.90			
36 37 38 39 40	.38 .40 .41 .43	.76 .79 .82 .85	1.51 1.57 1.63 1.69 1.76	2.27 2.36 2.45 2.54 2.64	3.02 3.14 3.26 3.38 3.52			
41 42 43 44 45	.46 .48 .50 .52	.92 .96 1.00 1.04 1.08	1.83 1.91 1.99 2.07 2.16	2.75 2.87 2.99 3.11 3.24	3.66 3.82 3.98 4.14 4.32			
46 47 48 49 50	.57 .59 .62 .65	1.13 1.18 1.23 1.29 1.36	2.25 2.35 2.45 2.58 2.71					
51 52 53 54 55	.71 .75 .78 .82 .86	1.42 1.49 1.56 1.64 1.72	2.83 2.97 3.12 3.28 3.44					
(Rat	(Rate for age at nearest birthday to be taken.)							

#### CLASS C

#### ORDINARY WHOLE LIFE PLAN

With Surrender Allowance

On this plan a member makes stated, regular payments until his death. Class C certificates carry the valuable privilege of a surrender allowance.

#### Monthly Net Rates for Death Benefit Based on the American Experience Mortality Table and

		4 Per Ce	nt Interest		
Entry					
Age	\$250	\$500	\$1000	\$1500	\$2000
18	\$0.28	\$0.56	\$1.11	\$1.67	\$2.22
19	.28	.56	1.11	1.67	2.22
20	.28	.56	1.11	1.67	2.22
21 22	.29	.57 .58	1.13	1.70 1.74	2.26
23	.30	.59	1.18	1.77	2.32
24	.31	.61	1.21	1.82	2.42
25	.31	.62	1.24	1.86	2.48
26	.32	.64	1.27	1.91	2.54
27 28	.33	.66 .67	1.31 1.34	1.97 2.01	2.62 2.68
29	.35	.69	1.38	2.07	2.76
30	.36	.71	1.42	2.13	2.84
				2110	2.04
31	.37	.73	1.46	2.19	2.92
32	.38	.75	1.50	2.25	3.00
33 34	.39 .40	.78	1.55 1.60	2.33	3.10
35	.40	.83	1.65	2.48	3.20 3.30
	74	.00	1.00	4.90	0.30
36	.43	-85	1.70	2.55	3.40
37	.44	.88	1.76	2.64	3.52
38	.46	.91	1.82	2.73	3.64
39 40	.48	.95 .98	1.89 1.96	2.84 2.94	3.78
40	-43	. 30	1.30	2.94	3.92
41	.51	1.02	2.03	3.05	4.06
42	.53	1.06	2.11	3.17	4.22
43	.55	1.10	2.20	3.30	4.40
44 45	.58	1.15	2.29	3.44 3.57	4.58
40	.00	1.19	2.38	3.37	4.76
46	.63	1.25	2.49		
47	.65	1.30	2.60		
48	.68 .71	1.36	2.71		
49 50	.71	1.42	2.84		
30	.13	1.43	2,31		
51	.78	1.56	3.11		
52	.82	1.64	3.27		
53	.86	1.72	3.43		
54	.90	1.80	3.60		
55	.95	1.90	3.79		

(Rate for age at pearest birthday to be taken.)

After joining, a member pays each month:

- (1) The mortuary assessment given in the tables on this page for his age at entry, class taken and amount for which his certificate is written. This payment is for the death benefit funds.
- (2) A per capita tax for the general expense, sick and accident and convention funds. On a Class A certificate this per capita tax is FIFTY-FIVE CENTS: on a certificate in Class C, D, or E, it is SIXTY-SIX CENTS.
- (3) A small monthly tax for local dues to meet necessary expenses of the Division to which he is attached. The amount varies with the different Divisions, according to local needs and conditions. Some Divisions do not charge any local dues at all. Others are obliged to, in order to meet their expenses.

These payments begin with the month of certificate issue and date. ample, a member whose certificate is issued in January is to pay the assessment, tax, and local dues for that month.

The dues, tax, and assessment are payable on the first day of the month for which they are due. Resident members (those who live in the city where the Division is located) must pay theirs at or before the monthly Division meeting. Non-resident members may send theirs to the Division Treasurer by mail. Remittances should reach him by the tenth day of the month.

#### Surrender Allowances

Note that certificates issued in Classes C, D, and E carry the right to a surrender allowance. This surrender allowance is granted in the form of paid-up insurance for a reduced amount of benefit.

This means that, at any time after three years from date of issue of the certificate, if the member holding it becomes unable to continue his monthly payments (as, for instance, if he were to become totally disabled from working) he can surrender his certificate and receive in its stead a certificate of paid-up insurance for such a part as his past payments entitle him to of the full amount for which he was insured on his old certificate. On this new paid-up certificate he will not have to make any more payments; but on his death the amount of the reduced benefit guaranteed by the new certificate will be paid to this beneficiary. And so he will get full value in the way of insurance protection for all the money he has paid in. And the longer he has been a member before being obliged to withdraw, the more his allowance of paid-up insurance will amount to when he surrenders.

There are several other great advantages in this right to a surrender allowance. The whole intent and purpose of it is to make sure that a member will not lose the just benefit of the payments he has made.

#### CLASS D

#### TWENTY-YEAR PAYMENT PLAN

With Surrender Allowance

On this plan a member makes stated, regular payments for the period of twenty years, beginning with date of certificate issue, or until his prior death. At the end of the twenty years his certificate becomes paid-up for life, subject to the conditions set forth in the society's laws The promised benefit becomes due and payable on the nember's death, whether he dies within the twenty-year term or outlives it.

#### Monthly Net Rates for Death Benefit

Based on the American Experience Mortality Table and

		4 Fer Ce	ur interest		
Entry					
Age	\$250	\$500	\$1000	\$1500	\$2000
18	.40	.79	1.58	2.37	3.16
19	.40	.80	1.60	2.40	3.20
20	.41	.82	1.63	2.45	3.26
21	.42	.83	1.66	2.49	3.32
22	.43	.85	1.69	2.54	3.38
23	.43	.86	1.72	2.58	3.44
24	.44	88	1.75	2.63	3.50
25	.45	.89	1.78	2.67	3.56
26	.46	.91	1.81	2.72	3.62
27	.47	-93	1.85	2.78	3.70
28	.48	.95	1.89	2.84	3.78
29	.49	.97	1.93	2.90	3.86
30	.50	.99	1.97	2.96	3.94
2.2					4.00
31	.51	1.01	2.01	3.02	4.02
32	.52	1.03	2.05	3.08	4.10
33	.53	1.05	2.10	3.15	4.20
34	.54	1.08	2.15	3.23	4.30
35	.55	1.10	2.20	3.30	4.40
36		4 40	0.05		
	.57	1.13	2.25	3.38	4.50
37	.58	1.16	2.31	3.47	4.62
38	.60	1.19	2.37	3.56	4.74
39	.61	1.22	2.43	3.65	4.86
40	.63	1.25	2.50	3.75	5.00
41	.64	1.28	2.57	3.85	5.14
42	.66	1.32	2.64	3.96	5.28
43	.68	1.32	2.72	4.08	5.44
44					
	.70	1.40	2.80	4.20	5.60
45	.73	1.45	2.89	4.34	5.78

(Rate for age at pearest birthday to be taken.)

#### CLASS E

#### PAID-UP AT AGE 60 PLAN

With Surrender Allowance

On this plan a member makes his stated, regular pay ments until he is sixty years old, or until his prior death If he lives to age 60 his certificate becomes paidup for life subject to the conditions set forth in the society's laws and his payments cease. The promised benefit becomes due and payable on the member's death.

#### Monthly Net Rates for Death Benefit

Based on the American Experience Mortality Table and

		4 Per Ce	nt Interest		
Entry Age	\$250	\$500	\$1000	\$1500	\$2000
18 19 20	.29 .29 .30	.57 .58 .60	1.13 1.16 1.19	1.70 1.74 1.79	2.26 2.32 2.38
21 22 23 24 25	.31 .32 .33 .33	.61 .63 .65 .66	1.22 1.25 1.29 1.32 1.36	1.83 1.88 1.94 1.98 2.04	2.44 2.50 2.58 2.64 2.72
26 27 28 29 30	.36 .37 .38 .39 .41	.71 .73 .75 .78 .81	1.41 1.45 1.50 1.55 1.61	2.12 2.18 2.25 2.33 2.42	2.82 2.90 3.00 3.10 3.22
31 32 33 34 35	.42 .44 .45 .47	.84 .87 .90 .94 .98	1.67 1.73 1.80 1.88 1.96	2.51 2.60 2.70 2.82 2.94	3.34 3.46 3.60 3.76 3.92
36 37 38 39 40	.52 .54 .57 .60 .63	1.03 1.08 1.13 1.19 1.25	2.05 2.15 2.25 2.37 2.50	3.08 3.23 3.38 3.56 3.75	4.10 4.30 4.50 4.74 5.00
41 42 43 44 45	.66 .70 .75 .80	1.32 1.40 1.49 1.59 1.70	2.64 2.80 2.98 3.18 3.40	3.96 4.20 4.47 4.77 5.10	5.28 5.60 5.96 6.36 6.80

(Rate for age at nearest birthday to be taken.)

## NATIONAL FRATERNAL SOCIETY OF THE DEAF



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 some seventy or more of the principal cities of the United States.

#### When and How Organized.

The society was founded in 1901, at Flint, Michigan, its organizers being some young deaf men just out of school. One of the principal reasons for the undertaking was the discrimination against the deaf by insurance companies and fraternal societies.

In 1907 the society was reorganized under its present name and received its charter from the state of Illinois.

#### Its 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.

#### Benefit Certificates—Amounts; Age Limits.

Certificates are issued for the following-named amounts of death benefit: \$250, \$500, \$1,000, \$1,500, and \$2,000.

A certificate for \$1,500 or \$2,000 cannot be issued to an applicant who is over 45 years of age.

Applications for full membership with benefit privileges cannot be accepted from persons under 18 or over 55 years of age.

#### Social Membership.

Social or associate membership, without benefit privileges, is open to deaf men who by reason of age or physical condition are not eligible to full membership with benefit privileges.

#### Death and Sick or Accident Benefits.

The society guarantees to pay to 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 injury for two full weeks or longer the society will pay a sick and accident benefit of \$5.00 per week. No benefit, however, is paid for disability of less than 14 days' duration; nor can any member draw more than \$50.00 within twelve months; and no member can draw sick or accident benefit for any part of the first three months after joining.

#### Payments Required of Members.

Rate tables and other information concerning payments required of members are given on the last inside page.

#### Social Features.

Most of the Divisions engage in social and literary entertainments for the pleasure and profit of their members—parties, balls, picnics, lectures, readings and the like. These social pleasures are part of the benefits of membership.

The spirit of good fellowship among the members is strong; and wherever one goes about this country of ours he will find cordiality and friendliness among his fellow-wearers of the Frat button.

#### Safeguards.

The society is chartered under laws of the state of Illinois and is licensed by the insurance departments of more than twenty-five other states in which it operates. An annual report of the society's business for the year and financial condition is made to each 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 general treasurer and the treasurers of all the Divisions are bonded by a surety company. The Board of Trustees makes a monthly audit of the treasurer's books and supervises all investments of the society's funds. Books and vouchers are at all times open for inspection by members or their legal representatives.

#### Why You Should Join.

Everyone knows the value of life insurance. It is the duty of every man to provide such protection for those dependent on him.

Again, life insurance is the best and most certain way to make sure that the cost of burying you will not fall on other persons.

This society offers you life insurance and disability benefits at the lowest possible cost consistent with necessary regard for permanence and safety.

It deserves your support, and the support of all the deaf. By joining, you will not only secure valuable benefits for yourself but moreover are helping and taking part in the most democratic, most useful, and already the most successful cooperative enterprise ever undertaken by the deaf anywhere in the world.

#### Cost of Joining.

The entrance fee is \$5.00 and is always to be paid with the application. In case of rejection the \$5.00 will be refunded. The applicant is also to pay the doctor's fee for the required medical examination—usually \$1.00 or \$2.00.

#### How to Join.

Write to the nearest organizer 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 for application blank or information to the Grand Secretary.

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.

For addresses of Organizers and Grand Officers, and a Directory of Divisions, see Pages 4 and 10.