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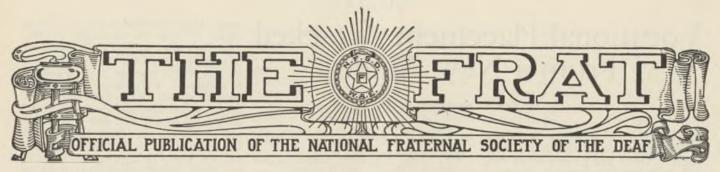
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# Vocational Placement Attacked From a New Angle

By Tom L. ANDERSON

EARLY last spring, Adolph N. Struck called here on his way to the West Coast. "Dorf" and I had a lot of fun, and some valuable training, working together on various student projects while at Gallaudet twenty years ago. We kept the faculty up o' nights fearful lest we dispose of the college buildings in our ambitious deals. usually let me do all the talking, while he kept open the lines for precipitate retreat. Once we actually talked a movie magnate into turning over his H Street nickel theatre to us for a grand "Gallaudet Benefit," our intention being to give the proceeds to the athletic association. The horrified faculty, however, bought us out and The horrified called off the "benefit." But we got the money.

Brother Struck introduced me to Charles R. Lepicier of Omaha while here, probably the greatest service he ever did me. Out of this introduction was born an alliance in an effort to serve the deaf in a new way. Since only two men know the complete story, and Mr. Lepicier is not likely to tell it to you, I may be pardoned for revealing my part in it. The story should be told in order that others may take

up the good work.

Charles R. Lepicier played around the Michigan School for the Deaf when he was a small boy. His deaf sister, Winifred, now Mrs. Herbert McLennan of Detroit, attended the school. In charge of the printery at that time, Brother Bristol allowed the boy to play around the shop, and even taught him something of the trade. The boy has since risen in the printing world as workman, owner, and now as superintendent of the Acorn Press in Omaha. He is the man responsible for Edwin Hazel's opportunity to develop as a monotype casterman. He also employed Adolph Struck at the monotype keyboard in Milwaukee. Out of his experience with the deaf has grown a big-hearted sympathy with the deaf printer and a consuming ambition to aid all deaf printers in overcoming the prejudice that exists against them in many shops today. Out of this ambition was born an altruistic dream, and into this dream I seem to have floated at just the right time, in accord with his plans. The dream?

What if every printing office had one deaf printer on the force? No great burden on the foreman, no great problem at all to find plenty of work for the deaf man, wherever he chanced to fit in best. Just one man, that's all. In Omaha alone there are 84 printing plants. One deaf man in each plant, that's 84 deaf men at work. Chances are that Omaha printing firms couldn't find enough deaf printers. But how

to bring this about? mused Charlie Lepicier.

One of Mr. Lepicier's hobbies is the Craftsmen Club. His foreman, Art Leuhesmann, is president of the Omaha Craftsmen Club, or to put it in the accepted form, the Omaha Club of Printing House Craftsmen, a branch of an international organization. The membership of these clubs is made up of superintendents, foreman, and other plant officials not eligible to belong to



TOM L. ANDERSON

Mr. Anderson, a member of the Society, is in charge of the Vocational Department, Iowa State School for the Deaf, editor of The Iowa Hawkeye, and of The Vocational Teacher, a quarterly magazine now in its second year. He is a leader in the new trend of vocational instruction in our schools for the deaf, had experience in the commercial printing and newspaper fields before assuming his present post at the Iowa school, and is well qualified to pass judgment on conditions confronting the deaf in the workaday world.

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the I. T. U. (the workmen) on the one hand or the U. T. A. (the owners) on the other. Thus the Craftsmen members in each plant are apt to be the men who do the employing.

If the Craftsmen could be led to see the good in the deaf as workmen, mused Mr. Lepicier, there would be less disposition to kick the deaf out of the employing office without a fair trial. If the Craftsmen Clubs could be made to see the altruism of Mr. Lepicier's plan of one deaf workman in each shop, perhaps they could agree to accept the plan as a Club service to humanity. Every large service Club likes to sponsor some pet civic movement. Otherwise, service Clubs would be purely selfish, and end in the dry rot of selfishness. Just how to sell the idea to his service club was the one big worry in Mr. Lepicier's life at the time "Dorf" Struck happened in and viewed the situation. "Dorf" went back twenty years to recall how we "sold the College," and brought us together.

Thus it came about that I was privileged to help Charlie Lepicier sell his big idea to the Craftsmen Clubs in Omaha and Des Moines. And because of his personal friendship with the national president of the organization, Mr. Ortleb of St. Louis, Mr. Lepicier succeeded in getting the latter to travel to Des Moines to hear me tell the Craftsmen, on a hot August night, who and what the deaf are, and what

they can do.

The Omaha talk came first. Due to another speaker taking more than his share of the time, I had to tell my story in fifteen minutes. It was an incomplete story. But afterwards, I was heartened when the manager of the American Typefounders Company branch came up to say: "Years ago I worked in a plant where they had two deaf and dumb fellows and they could work rings around the other men. It's a damn shame such men are being barred from the plants these days!"

At Des Moines, they gave me an hour; and they held me thirty minutes more asking questions. President Ortleb got up and in an impassioned manner endorsed Mr. Lepicier's plan. "It is the opportunity for civic service we have been looking for," he said. "Get behind this and push it. I shall bring it up at the National Convention, and personally see what I can do."

Subsequently, the Des Moines Club of Printing House Craftsmen wrote to the Iowa School officials suggesting a plan whereby we may work together in placing competent printing apprentices graduating from this school. details will be worked out in time. But one of the principal things they asked of us was to give these pupils more practical experience; and one of the principal things I told them, as the one responsible for their training in school, was that I would not send an apprentice to them with credentials whom I would not cheerfully employ myself if I were a commercial printer.

What did I tell these men? In general I told them what the deaf cannot do, which takes a lot less time than the tale of what they can do; that "the deaf" are their fellow citizens sons and daughters, not some strange race of far-off people; that their own beloved sons and daughters might any day be so stricken as to become listed among the deaf. I told them all the

human interest stories I could about ourselves, including the tale of Jim Noble of South Dakota, who won the horse and hog calling contests at the Corn Palace Exhibition at Mitchell, and exactly how he acquired the power of voice to make a mare tear down the fence to come to him. But since my mission was to sell deaf printers to them, the following outline of facts was of value, and it is here given in the hope that it can be used effectively elsewhere by others in a position to push Mr. Lepicier's plan:

#### FACTS BEARING ON THE SCHOOL TRAINING OF DEAF PRINT-ING APPRENTICES

ONE person in every 1500 of the general population is deaf, or what is popularly termed a "deaf-mute." Many more have defective hearing to some extent.

Every state (except two) supports at least one public residential school

Male students enrolled in these 64 schools total 7,249, or an average of 113 male pupils to the school. (Figures from the January, 1930, issue of American Annals of the Deaf, Washington, D. C.)

The United States Census Report of 1920 estimates that of the total adult deaf-mute population in this country reported upon, 6.6% are engaged in some branch of the printing industry.

This percentage figure just about covers the proportion of students in the printing departments of the various schools. We may safely say that of the average of 113 boys in each school, 6.6% or about 8 boys are taking the course in printing.

Practically every state supported school has a printing department. Instruction is given in most of them as far advanced as the care and operation of the Linotype and Intertype. Only one of our schools has a Monotype.

Equipment varies. Some schools

pass an appropriation of thirty-five hundred for a type casting machine, or five thousand for a real press, for use in training deaf students to be printers. Schools add to their equipment a little at a time.

What is needed first of all is a uniform conception of the nature and amount of equipment needed in a standard printing school, then a judicious campaign of education among legislators to enable the schools to get the money for this equipment.

As to efforts at placement, few of the schools attempt anything in the way of aiding graduates secure jobs. As a rule, the graduate does the best he can to find something in line with his school training, and if he fails, he is likely to take any job he can get. He usually makes good in the new line, after a time.

Two states, Minnesota and North Carolina, have state employment agents for the deaf. These are political offices, maintained in the state capitols, and the agents do good work within their limitations, to aid deaf adults in finding places.

California has a placement agent attached to the state school for the deaf. This agent is in a most favorable position to aid the students, as he can scout out jobs, then advise the school, and thus enable the school to train pupils for definite jobs. He also assists in overcoming the prejudice that employers may have concerning deaf workmen.

Students from the printing departments were well liked by employers in the old days. The industry is holding well to many of the old-timers, but it is not taking to the newcomers so well. Most of the young fellows find doors closed to them. Various reasons may be given. Group insurance operates against the deaf in states where the compensation law operates, in all lines using machinery. Foremen have acquired a prejudice. They seem to dislike to break in a handicapped worker, the more so if there is a surplus of labor.

Many deaf students leave school before their training is far enough advanced to make them valuable apprentices in a printery. These young fellows, nevertheless, will apply for work as "printers," and if fortunate enough in securing a trial, they quickly turn the foremen and employers against deaf workmen. Thus we see the need of a recognized standard in school training, and a willingness of the employer to cooperate with the schools, if the expenditure of public tax money for printing equipment and instruction in these public schools is to be justified by results in the trade.

Some of the schools for the deaf are doing work for other state institutions, and a few carry on most of the state printing used by Boards of Control under which they operate. Where such schools are willing to do the printing for the Board, the Board is more

## CHARLES R. LEPICIER

Superintendent of the Acorn Press, Omaha, Neb., leader in Printing House Craftsmen Clubs, interested in the success of the deaf in the printing and allied trades. As a boy he played around the printery at the Michigan State School for the Deaf, then in charge of our former President E. M. Bristol, and there picked up the rudiments of the trade. His idea of vocational placement for the deaf is a splendid one, conceived from intimate knowledge of the deaf as printing craftsmen.



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for deaf children. Some have two or more. New York has 7 and Pennsylvania has 4. In all there are 64 public residential schools for the deaf. These take care of children who are too deaf to attend the regular public schools.

There is one institution for higher education in this country, supported by the Federal Government. This is Gallaudet College, in Washington, D. C., authorized by Congress to grant collegiate degrees. It is the only such institution in the world. About one percent of the deaf who enter the state schools reach this college. Printing is among the subjects taught here.

These residential state schools house and instruct all the way from 74 at the Arizona School to 603 at the largest Pennsylvania school, the Mt. Airy school in Philadelphia. This includes male and female students. Iowa has around 330 pupils in its school at Council Bluffs.

have excellent equipment, including two or more Linotypes or Intertypes, a Miehle cylinder press, one or more platen presses, with an occasional automatic feeder; most have a fair assortment of job faces, and practically all have cases of news type for beginners. All the schools get out a magazine or newspaper, all the way from a weekly blanket sheet to an elaborate illustrated monthly or semi-monthly, which are mailed all over the country.

The school job work, together with these regular publications, form the bulk of the practice. Linotyping is carried on to where the older boys maintain a speed of 3000 or better, with fairly clean proofs, and learn to care for the machines.

As a rule, the equipment problem is the most serious one in our school shops. Money for this equipment must be asked for of state legislatures. Printing equipment is costly. Men elected to cut down taxes are loath to

willing to allow expenditures for equipment; or else an arrangement is in force whereby the Board pays for the printing and the money enriches the school funds. This arrangement is beneficial in some ways, as it gives a wider range of practice on big jobs, and results in better equipment and better maintenance of plant, not to mention the better class of instructor at the head. However, the teacher of printing who must execute an order for state printing with a class of boys is not to be envied.

As to communicative ability: Prejudice seems to exist against all deaf workmen who are not excellent lipreaders. In spite of the widespread propaganda concerning the use of lipreading and its benefits, do not expect too much of the deaf workman in this connection. Lip-reading is an art, and has its drawbacks, one of which is the element of guesswork which cannot be eliminated. Too many words in the English language look alike when uttered by the average person, and too many average persons have no idea of proper articulation. Viewing lip-reading as an art based on the art of perfect articulation, the deaf applicant for work who fails to understand the lips of the foreman articulating around a pipe or through a chew of tobacco is no more at fault in his art than the foreman may be in his.

At least one successful printing establishment of my knowledge insists on the rule that "all orders and instructions must be in writing." same printery uses a standard form of job envelope, containing the legend: "If you do not understand, ask." This is one shop where the deaf printer would be on an equal footing with the other men. There is no element of hardship apparent in expecting the foreman to write a few brief sentences of instruction.

The deaf workman, if patiently treated at first, will come to fit in with the other workmen, and in due time become a fixture. The hardest part is the adjustment period at the start. It is as hard for the deaf worker as it is for others. Therefore, he shrinks from going through it all again in a strange shop, so prefers to remain with his first employer, if conditions are fair otherwise. Consequently, an employer can feel that when he secures a good deaf workman and gives him the special training required of the plant, this man is a permanent employee. Records of deaf workmen who have been from 25 to 40 years in one plant are common.

The average time spent by the pupil in a printing class in a school for the deaf is 12 hours a week. The school year is 40 weeks, so the time given to the trade amounts to 480 hours a year, or 60 full working days. Pupils remain in this class from 4 to 8 years. In this time, they are advanced all the way from the case through job composition, imposition, platen and cylinder presswork to the linotype,

where they develop a speed of 3000 or better with clean proof, while required to take care of their own machine as far as time permits. Compare this with the attainment of the average young printing apprentice in the trade after two years' time.

There are only two ways in which a deaf pupil's training in the school printery may be lengthened, and his experience increased: (1) Through eliminating some of the academic (1) Through work, substituting more time in the (2) Post Graduate courses with full time for trades training. The latter is likely to prove the more acceptable to the employers, who are demanding at least two years of high school work as the basis of apprentice training, and are better pleased with four years. Employers say that they cannot devote the use of costly machinery to the purpose of training operators, so they expect apprentices to come to them reasonably well trained to take hold and keep the machines producing. This expectation applies to the hearing apprentice as well as to the deaf one.

# The Faithful Few

By H. O. SCHWARZLOSE

WHEN the meeting's called to order And you look around the room, You're sure to see some faces That from out the shadows loom. They are always at the meeting,
And they'll stay until its through.
The ones that I would mention
Are the "always faithful few."

They fill the many offices
And are always on the spot,
No matter what the weather,
Though it may be awful hot,
It may be dark and rainy,
But they are tried and true.
The ones that we rely on
Are the "always faithful few."

There are lots of worthy members
Who will come when in the mood,
When everything is convenient;
They can do a bit of good.
They are factors in the meeting
And are necessary, too;
But the ones who never fail us
Are the "always faithful few."

If it were not for these faithful,
Whose shoulders at the wheel
Keep our Division moving
Without a halt or reel,
What would be the fate of meetings
When we have so much to do?
They sure would be bad failures
Without the "always faithful few."



COME hae meat and canna eat, And some would eat that want it;

But we hae meat and we can eat, Sae let the Lord be thankit. -ROBERT BURNS.

### Lange-Mack Argosy Bu J. FREDERICK MEAGHER

BILL LANGE, a senior, and Angelo Maccono, a junior ("Andy Mack," DMG Gallaudet College correspondent), bought a 1923 model Ford touring car last June for \$35, and drove 8,480 miles, Washington to California and back, on \$51.52 for 392 gallons of gas. Lange "coined" a new sign here, when he stated: "Andy is like a Jew in his ability to get money, and like a Scotchman in his ability to keep it." He made the sign "Scotch" on his left sleeve with the right hand, and at the same time used the left hand to scratch his chin in the sign for beard, which has come to signify the Jew.

A statement in one of numerous newspaper clippings on the Lange-Mack argosy needs correction. Listen carefully; it may yet keep youyes, you-from developing a rupture:

"Lange's prodigious strength came in handy when tires went flat, for their jack wouldn't jack any longer. Bill would merely get both hands under the axle, TAKE A DEEP BREATH, heave his shoulders, and lift the machine."

Wrong, all wrong. Never take a deep breath before a lift. That's what causes rupture. Wrestlers and professional strong men, stage and circus, always expell all air from the lungs just before a lift. This allows the contracting stomach muscles to send the intestines, etc., up where the empty lungs allow parking space. Your stomach muscles simply will contract during a lift; the full complement of intestines, etc., then must go somewhere; ergo, they often burst through the walls of the body, what is called a rupture.

If you did not know this before, better clip it out, re-read and practice it a few dozen times inside the next few weeks. It may save you hundreds in doctor bills and avert untold agony. Wrestlers find, after practicing it a few times, expelling the breath comes naturally thereafter. This explains the seemingly marvelous ability of "strong men" to catch cannonballs without injury.

## Births

June 19—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kilthau, Denver, Colo., a boy.

August, 3—Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Young, Akron, Colo., a girl.

August 15—Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Miller, New York, N. Y., a boy.

August 25—Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Scott, Nashville, Tenn., a boy.

August 26—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hyman, New York, N. Y., a girl.

September 6—Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Spitaleri, New York, N. Y., a boy.

September 8—Mr. and Mrs. Herman von Hippel, St. Paul, Minn., a girl.

September 11—Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Frederick, Detroit, Mich., a boy.

September 11—Mr. and Mrs. Earl Huff, Nashville, Tenn., a boy.

September 26—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Anderson, Columbus, O., a girl.

September 26—Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hrabousky, St. Louis, Mo., a boy.

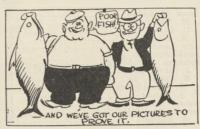
September 29—Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Eccles, Chicago, Ill., a girl.

September 30—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cohen, New York, N. Y., a girl.

October 2—Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Tyhurst, Los Angeles, Cal., a boy. June 19-Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Kilthau, Den-

## THE SPOTLIGHT

WE WILL now hear the case of Akron's Iva M. Robinson. His offense is daring to question the truth and accuracy of the September Spotlight.



He clips out this picture, and drawing an arrow indicating the fish held by that banjo-eyed bum on the right, pens this miserable doggerell:

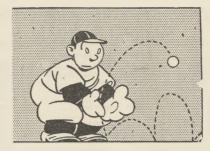
I have caught them, I have skinned them, I have fried and ate them, too; But I never--no, I never-Saw a catfish looked like you.

Listen: When Old Man Spotlight says a catfish is a catfish, that catfish is a catfish. The reason I know that that catfish is a fish-cat, is because I personally interviewed it. When I "caught" it, as it flopped about on the Kansas sands from Joey Kauffman's seine, I thrice asked it orally, manually, and in signs: "Silence gives consent; you are a catfish, are you not?" The fish replied never a word; merely regarding me with hurt wonder in its fishy eye-amazed at my perspicacious piscatorial pisciculture. Akron's Ivy is herewith found guilty, and sentenced to try to pick further flaws in this column of weighty wisdom.

Charles Smith died in Courtland, N. Y., September 13. He had only one arm, but played quarter on the Rochester school's football team when I entered in 1899; and first base too—rigging a sort of pillow-pad on his stump, instead of using the usual mit. Thus doubly handicapped, he was naturally my first schoolday idol. Smith afterwards managed many fighters and wrestlers, deaf and hearing.



G. Dean Tussing of Jeanette, Pa., had one of some 50,000 exhibits at the Patent Exposition in Chicago—a pencil sharpener that serves as an erasercap when not in use. He hoped to sell the patent outright for \$25,000—but times are hard.



THINGS YOU AUTO KNOW: Pittsburgh's late Bill Becker was once given a try-out with the Pittsburgh Pirates. . . Everett (Silent) Rattan, contender for the world's welterweight (145-lbs.) wrestling championship, is raking in coin all over the country. Wrestling seems the only game in which we deaf always have at least one Grade AAA representative. . . . Dr. Gabe Croom, a leading physician of Asheville, N. C., declares his deaf-



mute chauffeur, Louis Riddle, the best and most careful driver he ever had. . . . Kelly Stevens' exhibit of paintings in the Dallas Public Art Gallery recently was warmly praised by the press. . . . Fred R. Murphy of Kansas City, orally taught, received a Bachelor of Journalism degree from the University of Missouri last June. . . . Chicago Divisions No. 1 and No. 106 reciprocate, admitting widows of members to all socials of either or both, free.

The first deaf-mute to make and fly his own plane was C. A. Brown of South Dakota, who perished in a 400ft. crash during the air circus at Mitchell, July 28. He was given a military funeral, the squadron flying over the cemetery with one plane out of formation, dropping flowers. . . . Alice, daughter of Olof Hanson, Seattle's former president of the NAD, was elected grand president at last summer's national convention of the Beta Phi Alpha. . . . I attended Cincinnati No. 10's Labor Day picnic at Coney Island. Found all the "knockers" last time I was there, nearly 25 years ago, are now loyal members. (Hush; I was a "knocker" then, myself. But don't you let anybody know.) . . . Seems every deaf man of account is a frater, these days. "Not more members, but better members," should be our slogan now.

Fourteen Episcopal deaf ministers, in triennial conference in Chicago, wisely voted to make admission to the ministry harder, to bar all but the best qualified. They proved mighty fine fellows to meet, even if they are sky-pilots. . . . Happiest parson here was Art Steidemann of St. Louis. His



Cardinals were just winning the world's baseball championship. Hank Pulver and Jake Koehler were the saddest. Yes, you guessed it; they hail from Pennsylvania!

Olathe's Thanksgiving Day football game between Illinois and Kansas may settle 1931's deaf schools championship... First oralist to become physical director in a deaf school is Fred Tell, graduate of Armour Tech, Chicago. He earned a "B" in the summer course in physical education at the University of Southern California, and now teaches in the Arizona school. Bachelor, and good looking.



Utah minnows weigh as much as 80-lbs. (Akron's Iva: Pipe down, please. Ripley says so.) . . . Will interested Gallaudet alumni please go after that 6-ft., 4-in. oralist, Jake Lempert, 18-year-old tackle on the Far Rockaway High football team, N. Y.? . . . Add the name of Mrs. Gerald Ferguson, Washington, D. C., to the ever-growing list of crack deaf writers. Her essays, stories and poems have appeared in many publications; and she recently won a \$250 cash prize from True Story Magazine.



Lemay Jette of Pembroke (Canada) was the only deaf swimmer in the annual Toronto marathon, in icy Lake Erie. . . Average wages in the United States are \$1,205 a year. Most of us deaf do better than that; so, maybe, there is not such an imperative demand for a government bureau of labor for the deaf.

The Spotlight is manipulated by J. Frederick Meagher from the heights of 3135 Eastwood Ave., Chicago, Ill.

LET'S WORK FOR THE GRAND FRATERNITY OF MANKIND

# **FINANCES**

COLLECTIONS FOR SEPTEMBE	
Grand Division \$ Chicago No. 1 Detroit Saginaw	42.4 $449.9$
Detroit	281.9 34.2
Saginaw Louisville	34.2 102.8
Little Rock	201.8
Dayton	94.5
Bay City	37.0 287.1
Cincinnati	26.8
Nashville	74.0
Nashville Springfield, Ohio Olathe	9.4 146.2
Flint	192.7
Flint Toledo (August) Toledo (September) Milwaukee	47.5
Milwankee	190.6 214.8
	213.0
Knoxville Cleveland Indianapolis	84.3
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ndianapolis Brooklyn St. Louis	584.0
St. Louis	375.2
New Haven Holyoke	83.6 66.5
Jos Angeles	413.0
Atlanta	155.9
Philadelphia Kansas City	306.4 118.1
Jmaha	149.3
New Orleans	101.9
New Orleans Kalamazoo Boston	69.4 280.5
Pittsburgh	239.0
Pittsburgh Hartford Memphis	105.0
Memphis	112.0 90.4
3 u i a i u	93.6
Portland, Ore Newark	210.0
Providence	119.0 101.8
Seattle	203.4
Seattle Utica Washington Baltimore	178.4
Wasnington	144.7 161.4
syracuse	85.8
Cedar Rapids	133.6
Huntington	130.0 92.8
Rochester	143.0
Rochester San Francisco Reading	208.1
Akron	177.0
Salt Lake City	447.3 90.5
Rockford	129.8 90.6
Davenport	42.4
Artillake City Rockford Springfield, Ill. Davenport Worcester	72.5
St. Paul-Minneapolis Fort Worth	210.6 180.4
Dallas	209.5
lenver	138.4
Waterbury (July) Waterbury (August) Waterbury (September) Springfield, Mass.	24.5 19.8
Waterbury (September)	83.3
Springfield, Mass	98.9
Waco	56.8 69.4
Kenosha	114.6
Birmingham Sioux Falls	91.7
Sioux Falls	68.7 108.8
Wichita Spokane Des Moines Lowell	49.3
Des Moines	71.4 80.3
Jowell Berkeley	80.3 58.5
Delavan Houston	178.6
Houston	212.3
Geranton Richmond	47.1 136.9
ohnstown Manhattan acksonville	40.4
Manhattan	317.1 131.7
acksonville	131.7
Peoria	31.8
Persey City	120.6
Columbia	160.9 70.6
harlotte	82.7
	108.3
	36.8 35.6
Grand Rapids Foronto Duluth	205.5
Duluth	40.5
Canton Faribault	26.3 60.9
South Bend	71.3
Council Bluffs	100.1
Fort Wayne	72.0
Chicago No. 106	58.8 168.2
Chicago No. 106 Miami	65.1
Singnamton	99.7 78.8
Singhamton Wilkinsburg San Diego Lau Claire Sulphur	34.7
Fan Claire	82.4
Salabase	101.3

# Treasurer's Statement for September, 1931

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Balance and Income	
Balance August 31, 1931.  Division collections Interest, mortgage loans. Interest, bonds Interest, banks Refund convention expenses Lodge supplies Recording and registry fees Subscriptions to FRAT Exchange on checks Sundry supplies	14,244.68 6,413.10 1,170.00 8.66 6.00 11.30 18.00 5.45
Total balance and income	\$1,491,698.78
Disbursements	
Death benefits Sick benefits Accident benefits Disability payment after 70 Old Age Income payments. Refunds of dues Accrued interest, mortgage Salaries Services Official publication Rent Office expenses Sundry supplies Surety bond premium Postage	1,885.00 1,060.00 50.00 30.91 9.99 270.00 545.82 470.00 347.54 250.00 139.33 4.00
Total disbursements	\$ 8,566.58
Recapitulation	
Balance and income Disbursements	\$1,491,698.78 8,566.58
Balance, September 30, 1931	
Trustees' Rep	ort

Real estate	\$ 11,000.00
Mortgage loans First mortgage bonds	1.205.135.00
First mortgage bonds	222,915,31
U. S. Liberty bonds	15,000.00
Canadian bonds	10,996.38
Cash in banks:	10,000.00
Central Republic Bank	₽
Trust Co	6,273.66
Trust Co.	2,689.58
Bank of Montreal	
Grand Sec'y-Treas.' cash	909.14
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Total ledger assets	\$1,483,132.20
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Reserve fund	\$1,251,262.49
Mortuary fund	57,386.61
Sick and Accident fund	99,768.74
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Convention fund	
Organizing fund	
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General evnence fund	1,794.91
General expense fund	1,794.91 8,483.78
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Ledger Assets, September 30, 1931

# September Death Claims

Paid to Georgia M. Gutting, Omaha, Neb., for death benefit of August Gutting, certificate No. 4771-C, deceased August 8, 1931, \$500.00.

Paid to Mary A. Longnickel, Kansas City, Mo., for death benefit of Karl W. Longnickel, certificate No. 8158-D, deceased April 24, 1931, \$500.00.

Paid to Bernice H. Maynard, Clio, Mich., for death benefit of John A. R. Maynard, certificate No. 7167-D, deceased August 21, 1931, \$500.00.

Paid to Blanche Kerscht, Detroit, Mich., for death benefit of Clyde R. Barnett, certificate No. 1265-C, deceased August 29, 1931, \$1,000.

Paid to Winnifred Pugh, Winnipeg, Can

Paid to Winnifred Pugh, Winnipeg, Can, for death benefit of Richard Pugh, certificate No. 8470-D, deceased September 5, 1981, \$1,000.

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## September Disability Claime

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*L. T. Herbold\$	100.00
George Hagan	50.00
*E. B. Elsey	25.00
*Wm. Blust	75.00
J. C. Ewing	40.00
M. H. Pretz	40.00
A. E. Eaton	40.00
*Charles Beadle	25.00
*M. L. Offenburger	15.00
Karl Longnickel	20.00
James McKenna	10.00
J. M. Thompson	5.00
C. C. Dille	250.00
*H. A. Bingham	100.00
*Solly Landau	10.00
Frank Simpson	200.00
Abraham Wirshberg	75.00
J. J. Racioppi	10.00
*C. F. Cleary, Jr.	50.00
*H. H. Rickenbrode	15.00
W. S. Runde	15.00
*Samuel Noel	10.00
*Carroll Upchurch	80.00
L. R. Baggett	100.00
Earl Williams *F. W. Piccard	150.00
*F. W. Piccard	10.00
*M. J. Ashline	50.00
*Anthony Puopolo	20.00
Frank DiAmbrose	60.00
W. S. Thirsk	15.00
D. A. Turrill	45.00
P. H. Vidrine	10.00
F. H. Krahling	50.00
W. F. Murphy Fred Vogliotti W. E. Dorworth	15.00
W. F. Murphy Fred Vogliotti	75.00
W. E. Dorworth	15.00
W. H. Mishler	30.00
L. N. Crosby	75.00
G. A. Calame	125.00
B. E. Neathery	150.00
*H. A. McNeilly	20.00
*D. C. Reddick	75.00
*R. B. Redlich	10.00
*W. R. Sanborn	35.00
G. A. Matzart	15.00
G. A. Matzart *J. F. Hovanec, Jr.	125.00
*Mephi Larson	50.00
W. O. Trenholm	50,00
*Andrew Stinar	20.00
*J. A. Seely	50.00
*A. M. Bowman	75.00
R. B. Barrowcliff	125.00
Richard Pugh	40.00
Total for the month\$2	,945.00

\*Denotes accident claims.

# Long Time Employees

Here is our honor roll of faithful employees who can show a service of twenty years or more. Send in your record and that of your friends, giving name, occupation, place of employment, city or town, and number of years of service.

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John F. Shea, printer, Wright & Potter Printing Co., Boston, Mass., 20 years.
John Campbell, blacksmith helper, American Locomotive Co., Schenectady, N. Y., 33 years.
Harry Dundas, barber, Greenwald Barber Shop, Saginaw, Mich., 30 years.
John L. Janicke, cabinet maker, Germain Piano Co., Saginaw, Mich., 43 years.
Samuel Wardman, with H. H. Wilder Co., Lowell, Mass., 35 years.
Fred Peasland, Jr., finisher, Hall & Sons, Inc., Buffalo, N. Y., 32 years.
Albert A. DeVoe, in business as painter and paper hanger, Earlville, N. Y., 40 years.
Charles E. Sayler, blacksmith, Penn. R. R. Co., Altoona, Pa., 30 years.
James H. Buterbaugh, blacksmith, Penna.
R. R. Co., Altoona, Pa., 28 years.
John R. McIntyre, laborer, Penna. R. R. Co., Altoona, Pa., 28 years.
Abraham O. Richman, linotype operator, Altoona Morning Tribune, Altoona, Pa., 26 years.
Charles C. Chathams, blacksmith, Penna, R. R. Co., Chathams, Chat

years.
George Chathams, blacksmith, Penna. R. R.
Co., Altoona, Pa., 33 years.
Ernest W. Brookbank, compositor, Altoona
Mirror, Altoona, Pa., 25 years.
George Stevenson, mechanic, Penna. R. R.
Co., Altoona, Pa., 23 years.
Jacob Otto, blacksmith, Penna, R. R. Co.,
Altoona, Pa., 45 years. Retired.

Man: "Over a period of three years I have directed the destinies of over seven football teams at as many colleges, and never lost a game."

"Who are you, some super-Boy: man?"

Man: "No, I'm a motion picture director."

## **MEMBERSHIP**

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## *SCORE CARD*

Below are the names of the leading con-tenders, so far, and the number of points scored in the race for honors in our member-shin drive:

Points on New Members	Points on Div. Increase	Total
F. L. Ascher, Springfield, Mass. 14	35	49
G. H. Davies, Sulphur 5	19	24
A. L. Slater, Rochester 8	11	19
R. H. Rou, Miami 3	12	15
W. T. Griffing, Sulphur 3	11	14
R. C. Morriss, Houston 5	8	13

## Deaths

September 5—Ray Dreblow, brother of Paul Blount, Miami, Fla.
September 15—Fanny Stigleman, mother of William Stigleman, St. Louis, Mo.
September 16—Mary Hemmelder, mother of Frank Hemmelder, Dubuque, la.
September 18—Wife of Charles Boss, Los Angeles, Cal.
September 29—Joseph Cowan, brother of Sanders Cowan, Toledo, O.
October 1—Mother of Henry Senderhauf, Brooklyn, N. Y.
October 2—Father of J. R. Quarles, Miami, Fla.

Fla.
Thomas Unsworth, brother of J. W. Unsworth, Akron, O.

# Marriages

September 12—Edwin M. Hazel, Omaha, Nebr., and Irene Schiffno, Pittsburgh, Pa. September 16—Edmund Berney, Omaha, Nebr., and Wanda Marszalek, Chicago, Ill. September 18—Will O. Kimball, Portland, Me., and Alice McCabbe.

# Engagements

J. Eddie Lacour and Mamie Nestor, both of New Orleans, La.

# Obituary

MURRAY CAMPBELL, 50, of Berkeley Division No. 79, died August 6, 1931. He joined the Society August 1, 1919, and held certificate No. 4577.

DAVID BASALYGO, 26, of Toronto Division No. 98, died September 13, 1931. He joined the Society November 1, 1927, and held certificate No. 8368.

CHARLES BOFFINGER, 39, of Newark Division No. 42, died September 15, 1931. He joined the Society July 1, 1919, and held certificate No. 4531.

EMIL C. MARTIN, 61, of Utica Division No. 45, died September 19, 1931. He joined the Society September 2, 1918, and held certificate No. 4151.

JOSEPH A. STEELE, 49, of Akron Division No. 55, died October 11, 1931. He joined the Society June 2, 1913, and held certificate No. 1694.



# BUILD STRONG

By H. W. DRESSER

WHAT I am thinking and doing day by day is resistlessly shaping my future, a future, in which there is no expiation except through by own better conduct. No one can save me. No one can live my life for me. If I am wise I shall begin to-day to build my own trucr and better world from within.

-ACCREDITED NEWS.

# RESOLUTIONS

#### EMIL C. MARTIN

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WHEREAS, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, has removed from our midst our friend and brother Emil C. Martin on September 19, 1931; and

WHEREAS, Brother Martin, by his cheerfulness; his helpfulness and his thoughtfulness during his years of membership had endeared himself to all of us who had the good fortune to know him; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That we, the officers and members of Utica Division, extend to the immediate members of his family our heartfelt sympathy in their great loss, realizing the passing away of one so dear to them is an occasion of great sorrow; and be it further

RESOLVED, That our charter be draped in his memory for a period of thirty days, that these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Division, a copy be forwarded to the family of Brother Martin, and a copy be sent to The Frat for publication.—D. A. COSTELLO, R. J. SIVER, T. D. HARTER, Committee.

#### WILLIAM E. FAXON

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WHEREAS, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, on July 29, 1931, removed from our midst Brother William E. Faxon; and WHEREAS, Brother Faxon, holder of certificate No. 1266 was a valued and loyal member of Detroit Division No. 2, and by his death Detroit Division has lost a worthy friend; therefore, be it RESOLVED, That we, the members of Detroit Division, extend to the immediate members of his family our sincere sympathy in their sorrow; and be it further RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of Brother Faxon, a copy spread upon the minutes of the Division, and copies forwarded to THE Frat, The Deaf-Mutes' Journal, and The American Deaf Citizen, for publication.—A. A. STUTS-MAN, S. A. GOTH, OTTO BUBY, Committee.

#### CLYDE R. BARNETT

CLYDE R. BARNETT
WHEREAS, Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom, on August 29, 1931, removed from our midst our brother, Clyde R. Barnett; and WHEREAS, Brother Barnett, holder of certificate No. 1265, had during his membership taken an active interest in the Society which won our high esteem, and by his death Detroit Division has lost a worthy worker; therefore, he it

be it
RESOLVED, That we, the members of Detroit Division, extend to the immediate members of his family our heartfelt sympathy in their sorrow; and be it further
RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the family of Brother Barnett, a copy spread upon the minutes of the Division and copies sent to THE FRAT, The Deaf-Mutes' Journal, The American Deaf Citizen, for publication.—A. A. STUTSMAN. S. A. GOTH, OTTO BUBY, Committee.

# New Members

Cleveland—Henry Drapiewski.
Brooklyn—Samuel Kalmanowitz.
St. Louis—Ernest Shipman.
Philadelphia—Charles Killian, Morris
Krivitzkin, Joseph Schmuller.
Kansas City—Henry Maher.
Baltimore—Irvin King.
Rochester—James Wells.
Scranton—Robert Runyon.
Richmond—Ellis Prince.
Manhattan—Isidore Hager, Morris Kruger,
Wilkiam Plavsky.
Toronto—Abraham Levine.
Wilkinsburg—Robert Stangarone, Arthur
Ciotti, Bruno Legonci.
Sulphur—Richard Hoy.

# The Get-One Degree

Ascher, F. L., Springfield, Mass. Bialosky, I. A., Manhattan. Brady, J. F., Philadelphia, Craig, J. C., Wilkinsburg. Davies, G. H., Sulphur. Davis, J. R., Richmond. Goldstein, Alex., Toronto. Goldstein, Joseph, Manhattan. Hoffmeyer, C. B., Kansas City. Hughes, P. T., St. Louis. Krakover, Leon, Philadelphia. La Curto, R. J., Brooklyn. Painter, C. A. (2), Wilkinsburg. Pillert, C. B., Philadelphia. Slater, A. L., Rochester. Vernovage, A. E., Scranton. Weiner, Leo, Manhattan. Wriede, A. A., Baltimore.



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#### NOVEMBER, 1931

\$1,483,132.20.

The international economic jumble is still weighing heavily upon nations, ours included.

It has been a long pull.

The stock market crash of 1929 hit rock bottom.

Then this country showed its resilience by promptly starting back to normal.

The drought scare of 1930 halted recovery for a time only, and we were on the upgrade again.

Then this year Germany, and later England faced a crisis in financial affairs. The former has staved off disaster for a time, at least. England has revamped its government, changed its monetary standard, and gone to the country for a new parliamentary line-up. The outcome of these maneuvers is still uncertain, to some extent, but it is believed that England will reestablish herself on a firm basis.

The American bankers' Credit Pool, just formed, should take out of cold storage a large amount of assets, and the liquidation should be a help in restoring credit facilities and giving a vigorous impetus to industrial recovery in this country.

The coming international conference next February should witness an agreement for the reduction of armaments, which are breaking the backs of European peoples. Readjustments of the war debts should also make things easier all around, and restore

world trade, upon which our nation, as well as others are dependent.

In short, it is becoming increasingly apparent even to the most rabid isolationist that nations are inter-depen-Normal economic development with sufficient employment to insure peace and plenty for the working masses cannot be brought about by one nation's taking everything and giving nothing in return.

We have execrated the so-called instigators of the last war. Its price in blood and treasure was greater than anything the world has heretofore

But appalling as that price was, we are slowly coming to the realization that the sanguine conflict has brought home to us the necessity of World Unity, if our present system of civilization is to endure.

Forces are working toward World Unity. Conditions have vastly changed since the days of our forefathers, who could be sublime in their isolation and self-sufficiency. Today we cannot isolate ourselves. Circumstances amply confront us with the fact that we are not self-sufficient, set apart from other nations. Our economic life and well-being, if nothing else, depend more and more upon the amity and good will of other nations, their ability to absorb our surplus products, keep the wheels of production turning and our workmen contentedly employed.

We are not through the valley yet, but we are approaching the upgrade.

The GRAND FRATERNITY OF MANKIND may prove to be an unattainable ideal, but it is worth striving

# Edison

WE ARE told that a railroad brakeman, otherwise unknown to fame, some seventy years ago so roundly boxed the ears of an equally unknown urchin that he gave to the world an intellect capable of concentrating upon and producing a score or more of inventions that have completely revolutionized civilization on the face of the

Edison, who has just passed on to his reward, often commented upon the fact that his deafness gave him greater power of concentration, shutting out noises that otherwise would have disturbed him.

This fact is not new to those of us who have lived both in the world of hearing and in the world of silence. It is, after all, a compensation vouchsafed by wise providence, which, having unfortunately handicapped us in one respect, turns around and bestows upon us the blessing of silence in a turbulent world.

Our maternal grandmother, upon finding that we had unfortunately entered into that world of silence, remarked that the blessing of it lay in the fact that never again would we hear blasphemous utterances or the swear-words that make the American language picturesque. Unfortunately or otherwise, deafness has not shut us off from that form of questionable entertainment, but it has often enough been a boon when we wished to concentrate upon a particularly knotty problem.

Edison benefited mankind with the products of his inventive genius, but at the same time made life harder for those who are deaf, as was he himself. In the fields of business and the higher callings, many a deaf man otherwise brilliant and able has been held back from achieving a full measure of success by his inability to use the telephone, the development of which Edison made possible. We are not sure that the telephone is looked upon as an unmitigated blessing by those who have to listen to its incessant jangling throughout the day, and again long after they have gone to bed. But its utility in our fervid and vehement business life is unquestioned. The motion picture added pleasure to the life of the deaf in their leisure hours, due to the Edison genius, but that same genius took it away again by the invention of the talking picture, something which Edison regretted, possibly not for the reason we regret it, but because he believed silent pictures were superior and offered a wider scope.

But as we started out to say, concentrated effort gets results. Edison's achievements are monuments to that fact, as they are to his genius. If deafness leads to concentration, then in this flamboyant world a little more deafness would serve a good purpose. If it is a quality that makes for effectiveness in business and industry, then the deaf possess that quality in full degree, and their worth in this commercial, machine-jangling should be recognized to a greater degree than it has been heretofore.

# The Man and the Job

WE ARE planning to publish each month at least one leading article dealing with the deaf and their problems, or with matters affecting their welfare.

Last month, we published Mr. Howard L. Terry's excellent resume of the status of the deaf, and recounting some of the things for which the deaf are striving.

This month, we have an able article by Mr. Tom L. Anderson who outlines a plan for vocational placement that deserves attention.

While the plan has to do with placement in the printing and allied trades, there seems no reason why it could not be followed in other trades which the deaf have been able to acquire, either

in school or afterward. Co-operation on the part of clubs or other dominant organizations in each trade would, perhaps, be necessary to the ultimate

widespread use of the plan.

We recognize that in Mr. Lepicier the deaf have a friend who knows from long experience their capabilities and limitations in the printing line, and one who by his position in the industry is able to wield great influence in favor of the idea he has advanced. In other trades, the deaf may not be so fortunate in influential connections. but if the printing trade plan advanced should be widely adopted by employing printers, its success should inspire adoption in other trades in which the deaf are proficient.

# Message to Garcia

TAST month, the number of new members reported reached a low ebb, due to various causes, chief of which were the usual mid-summer slump, convention year inactivity, in the recruiting line, and the world-wide economic situation.

However, there is no occasion to take this as an ill omen for the future. This month, the number of new members reported is back nearly to normal. We expect to finish out the year with an average number of new members, something that will speak well for our loyal Division deputy organizers who have been laboring under untoward industrial conditions.

As we have pointed out previously on different occasions, the question of new recruits is not one of paramount importance to the existence of the Society. The organization is on such a stable financial basis that it could continue its existence with few if any new recruits, and meet its obligations down to the last man without difficulty.

But we wish to reach all possible prospects and to bring to them the advantages which the Society is able to offer. We established the Society and are in business for that purpose. greater the number who receive its benefits, the greater will be the service rendered the deaf.

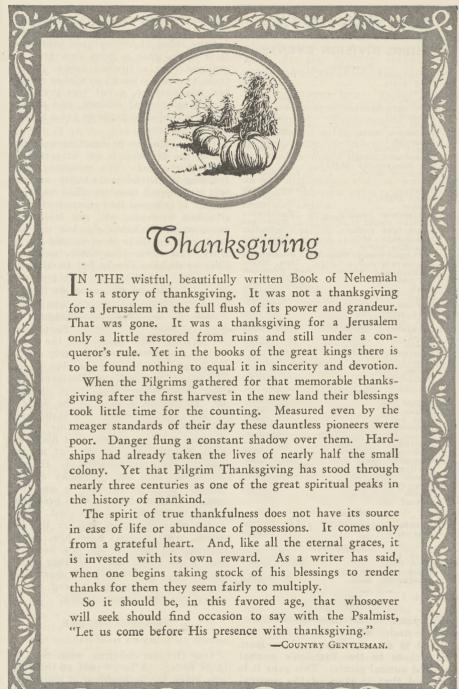
With the improvement in industrial conditions which we have every reason to expect within the next few months, we should be able to forge ahead and carry our message of sound and adequate protection at the lowest possible cost to every eligible deaf man.

So, Deputies, up on your toes! Let us keep in the vanguard, and carry the message to Garcia.

Vale, Springfield, No. 13 SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, Division No. 13 closed its existence as a Division of the Society in October.

The Division was chartered in June, 1906, and had, therefore, a long and honorable existence covering a quarter of a century.

A MAN MAY THINK HE IS SELF-SUFFICIENT, BUT HE ONLY THINKS



During the last few years the Division had been weakened by the removal of members seeking employment elsewhere, and had become reduced below the number of residents required by our laws. Under the circumstances, it became necessary to disband the unit.

Members who were attached to Springfield have been transferred to Dayton, Toledo, and Columbus Divisions.

# New Edition of Laws

THE Home Office now has in process of publication a new edition of the Constitution and General Laws of the Society, incorporating the amendments adopted at Boston.

Examination of our supply of law books disclosed that it was insufficient to meet demands during the next four years, hence the idea of printing a small supplement incorporating the recent amendments was abandoned.

The new edition will be off the press within a few weeks, and supplies will be sent all Division secretaries for distribution to their members.

## **DIVISION NOTES**

#### COMING DIVISION EVENTS

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7.	Card party Social	St. Louis
7.	Social	Olathe
7.	Movies	New mayen
7.	"500" and bunco	San Diego
7.	Mask hall	Holyoke
7.	Social	Detroit
7.	Halloween party Reception	Little Rock
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7.	Cereal social	Rochester
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14.	Magic night	Toronto
	Smoker	Titian
14.	Anniversary supper	Washington
14.	Literary social	washington
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14.	Relief fund social	Bunalo
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17.	Armistice party	Houston
21.	4th Anniversary reception	nBinghamton
21.	Masquerade ball	New Haven
21.	Thanksgiving social	San Francisco
21.	Masquerade ball	Manhattan
21.	Magic show	Springfield, Ill.
21.	Social	Peoria
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21.	Hard times social	Toledo
21.	20th Anniversary banque	tKalamazoo
21.	Hard times social	Baltimore
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22.	Movies and social Anniversary banquet Social	Akron
26.	Anniversary banquet	Birmingham
26.	Social	Olathe
27.	Ladies' night	73.1.3. 3
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### CHICAGO No. 1

For years the Division has had a local rule under which each member was obliged to use or dispose of at least two tickets to the Division's annual ball and annual picnic. This year it is admitted that in view of the general depression, and the fact that many of our members are either entirely idle or working only part time, enforcement of the rule would work considerable hardship on quite a number of members; so at the October meeting the Division voted to suspend the rule as far as it applied to the annual ball in February. As a consequence, tickets will be sold only at the door. Should results show that the enforced sale of tickets is no longer necessary or desirable, the rule may be entirely done away with. Collections for unsold tickets has always been a bothersome job for committee chairmen, and has often resulted in hard feeling. So if the members wish to show that we can get along without the rule, it is up to them to turn out in good numbers to the annual ball, and by helping turn in a good profit, prove their point. It's up to you!

On October 24 the Division will give a benefit dance, with "500" and bunco on the side, to raise additional funds for the relief of unemployed members. It is hoped that a good sum may be realized. As a further means of increasing the Division's available means for this purpose, a cut was proposed in the salaries of officers, and an attempt will also be made to get a reduction in hall rent.

Once again the nominating committee of the Division is out after candidates for office. The problems confronting the Division are many, and we will need good men in office to solve them. It is hoped that competent men, if asked to serve, will not make excuses or shirk their duty, but will accept, roll up their sleeves, and go to work. In times like these, personal likes or dislikes should not be allowed to weigh. If you feel that you are able to help, seek office and do it.

At our October meeting a chair was draped in mourning in memory of John P. Dahl, who died on September 19. Brother Dahl was one of the members of the old Fraternal Society of the Deaf, and on the reorganization of the Society as the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf was allotted number 69. In the early days of the Society he was always one of its staunchest supporters, outspoken in his views without being arrogant. In his later years he was less active, but always ready to lend a helping hand. He will be missed, and the sympathy of the Division goes to his widow and the family. He was at one time president of the Division, and his Past President's pin, presented him by the Division, was buried with him. funeral was held at his late home in Oak Park, with Rev. Brother Flick officiating. At the grave, a short Frat service was held, with Grand Secretary-Treasurer Kemp leading.

### CHICAGO No. 106 By F. B. Wirt

Our October meeting went thru in short order. A large part of the time was given to the problem of continued relief loans, which, at present, in common with other Divisions, is a drain on our treasury. While we are able to carry on in giving relief, we felt that there were not sufficient safeguards for the Division, when it comes to members of less than three years standing. This matter, no doubt, will work itself out, and when the present business barometer goes up, will be less of a problem to all the Divisions.

We were more than glad to welcome to our meeting, as visitors, four of our distinguished brothers, Grand Secretary-Treasurer Kemp, Rev. Brother F. C. Smielau, Rev. Brother Stanley Light, and Rev. Brother A. O. Steidemann. Brother Steidemann unfortunately had to leave early to catch his train home, and the others were given the privilege of addressing us. Brother Smielau gave an amusing talk, very much to the point, as also did Brothers

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At the same time, our auxiliary held open house for the better halves and feminine friends of our members. Refreshments were served, and prizes were given those fortunately ahead in the 500 games and bunco.

We all know and feel that it takes a lot of courage and confidence for anyone to start a business of his own, in these days of stress, particularly the deaf. Our Brother Herbert Kaufman seems to have the last word in confidence, in that, after many years in the office of one of the large stock yards firms, he has just opened up his own business in the line of printing and office supplies, taking in three employees. To add the final touch, he has just purchased a new Essex car. We can do nothing less than wish him good luck in his venture.

October 7, 8 and 9 was the occasion of a convention here that is outside the activities of our fraternal society. During these three days, the Conference of Church Workers Among the Deaf, in the Episcopal Church, met at All Angels' Parish Hall, on the invitation of Rev. Brother Flick. Of the eighteen clergy, thirteen were present. These were Rev. Brothers Flick, Tracy, Whildin, Merrill, Koehler, Steidemann, Pulver, Light, Watters, Braddock, Smielau, Grace, Hanson, and Fletcher. The latter a few days ago, joined the N. F. S. D. thru New Orleans Division. Aside from the business end, the social evenings were among the best that were ever given at All Angels', and those who stayed away surely missed a real treat. They would have gotten more for the money than they would have received going to the "talkies", and as it happened, there was nothing special going on elsewhere for the deaf.

#### DETROIT

By A. A. Stutsman

Casimir Sadows has been kept indoors with a swollen face for a couple of weeks, but is now on the road to recovery.

The stork left a baby boy at the door of Brother and Mrs. W. Frederick's home on September 11.

William Bullock and family have returned here from their three-weeks' visit with their parents and relatives in Springfield, Illinois. While there, they made a side trip to Jacksonville and visited their Alma Mater.

The election of new officers for 1932 is drawing near. If you are ambitious for some office, make it known to the Nominating Committee, and make a few soap-box speeches if you wish. The committeemen are Peter Hellers and Arthur Meck.

A surprise party was sprung on Brother and Mrs. Aloysius Japes at the home of Austin Franke on Sunday, October 4. It was gotten up by a dozen of deaf people to celebrate Brother and Mrs. Japes' tenth wedding anniversary, which fell on the 5th. Articles of tinware were heaped upon them as souvenirs.

J. J. Hellers, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee for the last quarter of this year, announces that there will be a social Saturday evening, November 7, in the Card Room, third floor of the G. A. R. building, corner Cass and Grand River Avenues. The said room adjoins the Post Room where we, members of Detroit Division, meet on the same date. As soon as the meeting adjourns, the dividing doors will be thrown wide, and the social on in earnest. So every one of you frats will please set your watches an hour ahead, and your clocks too, so your wives, and members and friends of your families will dress early and come with you. We boys will see that the meeting gets over in record time, bang the doors open so you boys and girls may rush into the arms of each other for the big time of your lives. Don't bother about your dinners at home, as light lunches will be offered for sale during the social. Charge for admission will be small, so come and help swell the Division's thin Brothers Whitehead, Lobsinger, Ben Beaver and Stutsman will assist the chairman for the evening.

#### FORT WAYNE

By J. E. Pershing

A Jiggs Party sponsored by Chairman Butler was held at the home of Gifford Lehman on Sunday afternoon, September 27. There was a large crowd of deaf persons attending the affair. Chairman Butler estimated the crowd at 60, which was larger than he expected. Various games devised by the chairman were indulged in. Refreshments were served. Miss Stech, niece of the chairman, and a school teacher in Huntington, did much to make the affair a success. The writer was not there long, because of the illness of his wife. The affair continued until 11 o'clock, when they went home well repaid.

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There were some wedding anniversaries that took place in the Northern part of Indiana on Sunday. One of them was the 20th wedding anniversary of Brother and Mrs. R. Otis Yoder, held at their home in Angola, There were 53 persons coming from Illinois, Michigan and Ohio to congratulate the couple, and wish them prosperity and happiness. The couple appeared on the porch in the costumes which have been preserved since their marriage. Mr. Hainline of South Bend, Indiana, spoke of Brother Yoder's life before he was married in a humorous manner. A bountiful dinner was partaken of by those in attendance. A set of chinaware was presented to the couple, who greatly appreciated the present.

Ernest Thomas was attacked with acute indigestion while he was eating his breakfast at the Dudlo Mfg. Company, where he is employed. He has been confined to bed one week. He is improving gradually.

#### ALBANY

By Robert Paterson

About forty visitors from Albany, Troy and Schenectady were at the convention in Boston. Most of them spent one week, and enjoyed it very much.

Brother and Mrs. Benjamin Mendel motored to Boston, New York, and other points in their Buick car during their two weeks' vacation last summer. They reported they had an enjoyable trip.

Brother and Mrs. Chester Brown spent several weeks in West Hartford, Conn., visiting their friends, after they attended the Boston convention.

At the August meeting of the Division, Delegate Morris treated the members to a fine report on the doings of convention week. We were pleased to know about the results of the election of new officers of the Grand Division.

Brother Earl Calkins was chairman of the social which was held at Maccabee Temple, Saturday evening, September 5, and also was in charge of the Field Day games which were held at Miami Beach, North Troy, Sunday, September 6. A chartered bus carried the crowd from Albany. Many visitors from Schenectady were there. Some visitors from Hartford, Conn., also were there. Chairman Calkins and his aides did very well, and made it a success.

Joseph Girard has been transferred to our Division from Jersey City Division No. 91. He is welcome.

#### OMAHA

By R. W. Mullin

Our director, Ed. Berney, used to sit prone at nearly all former meetings. O, yes, he was aware of what was going on, but his mind appeared to be on something else, which kept us sort of puzzled. This mystery has just been solved. It's this way: On September 16 he braced up in a wedding uniform and married Miss Marszalek of Chi-

cago. Bravo! It was at St. Cecilia's Cathedral, and they were the only deaf couple to marry in such an exquisite place since it was built some 15 years ago. In the evening there was a shower, followed with cake, cigars and rice.

A few days later, James Jelinek gave a shower at his home for Mr. and Mrs. Berney. There was a table full of handsome gifts, mostly from frats, who took time to relax from the surprise. We would like to name all the gifts, but you can simply find them in the dictionary, and we will assure you that Ed. now grins wider than he ever did before.

Brother Bishop sunk his head in a nice soft pillow or two for a week at Covenant Hospital last month after an operation that prevented him from sitting still. All's well that ends well.

For some three weeks the Omaha frats carried on anxiously about Brother Hazel. Every one asked every one, and the dark, bleak house of this same Professor Diagnostican of Law and Order answered no one. Then, all of a sudden, he looms up among us, full of sunshine. No questions necessary. He is happily married, and now his home is all lit up. Besides, his brother and sister, who had a bad auto accident in Minneapolis, are home again, marvelling at the healing wonders of modern surgery. Now, fellas, don't kid Brother Hazel out of his bimetalism, for he already has three patents, a radio, a typewriter, a tooth brush, and best of all, a frat policy.

We will not have to guess who this year's Santa Claus is, for Brother Osmun has elected himself out of the wide open spaces. He is getting up a monthly Christmas fund which swells after every meeting with the serving of tasty tid-bits and hot coffee, the right stuff for a full grown he-man. This beats squandering on the sloppy soda fountains and slipping on the pantry butter at home. An' then, when Christmas comes, we will only have to hang our sox. If the wife is nice and plump, boys, borrow hers.

#### **JACKSONVILLE**

By Ernest Tilton

Fred Fancher, William Johnson, Edward Heber and son, and Ernest Tilton, delegate, made the trip to Boston via Brother Fancher's Packard. They went through 15 states, and made the trip there and back with no trouble, not even a punctured tire. After the convention they took in the sights of New York City, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and Niagara Falls. It was a thoroughly enjoyable trip.

Our second annual picnic held on

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was a large crowd present, including several brothers and their families from St. Louis, Springfield, Peoria and Decatur. A fine time was had by all, and the committee tenders thanks to all who attended.

James Orman and Charles Marshall are sporting new automobiles. Orman's is a Chevrolet and Marshall's is a Chrysler.

Ernest Tilton, who was our delegate to the convention, surely enjoyed his trip, except the Shore dinner at Plymouth. Too much sea food, and not enough of the Famous Boston Beans, which were nowhere in sight!

Robey Burns is as busy as a bee coaching his football team these days, and is building it up again, as he lost several of his stars by graduation. His team meets Brother Foltz's team at Olathe, Kansas, on Turkey Day, and the fur will surely fly.

The depression is being felt here as it is everywhere else, and some of our brothers are out of work, but the Division is helping them keep up their assessments until times get better.

#### **BUFFALO**

By A. E. Ode

Before Labor Day the Buffalo Division held a fish fry picnic at Brother Kaufmann's grove, which was enjoyed by about 150 people. Games were played. The winners were Mankiewicz and Miss Briel. Among the picnickers were Brothers Goldberg and Abelson of Pittsburgh.

Recently, Boston convention movies taken by Brother Michael Nowak were shown at Elmwood Music Hall. Quite a number attended. The movies were very clear, as well as interesting. After the show iced tea and cake were served.

A few weeks ago Brother William Myles of Youngstown, Ohio, was a guest of Louis Wanat.

#### **DUBUQUE**

By W. G. Wright

Barney Data and wife, and F. H. Dohrmann drove out in the country where their friend, Mr. Pothoff invited them to pass the day last Sunday.

Some of our members and friends gave Mrs. Otto Roth a nice surprise birthday party about two weeks ago. They presented her with a nice present

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cake were served, and all enjoyed themselves.

#### **HARTFORD**

By H. V. Jarvis

Vacations are over, and now we are busy with the fall and winter activities, especially about new members, as we are still short of seven to make the sixty active members we are aiming at. Brothers, go forth as brave knights of old days to conquer the tenderfeet for our riding school of goats. You can get them, and do not try to say "No use, because the depression hit us." Not all of us are out of work. Right in Hartford only one member is out of work, while the other members are on short days and hours, but working. We need new red hot blood for our Division, and need that

Secretary Jarvis has received many letters from the members of various Divisions for information not connected with frat matters, without any stamp for return. Please be considerate about the stamp if you wish an answer, and he will be glad to reply.

Notice to all members: We have secured a new meeting hall in I. O. B. B. Hall, 327 Trumbull St., beginning October 10. Will give more details

Remember, the fee of \$3 to new members will end in December.

Join now. No regrets afterward.

#### MILWAUKEE

Bu Samuel Sutter

On November 14 our local Division will have a literary social at which pleasant surprises will be staged. Admission 10 cents. Be sure to come and enjoy an evening in Milwaukee in November 14. The proceeds from this will go toward the Silver Jubilee fund. The jubilee will take place some time during May, 1932. Arthur G. Leisman is chairman.

Mrs. Frank Poellman was given a very pleasant surprise party on October 4, which happens to be her birthday. Her husband and all their children attended, and also their relatives and friends. One of their sons was wounded very badly in the World War in France, and was suffering all the time till he passed away three years

Paul Krueger gave up his farm life by moving back to within the limits of Milwaukee, so now he can attend our regular meetings hereafter. He is an expert tailor, employed at the Winter and Moritz Clothing Company. also examines the suits before they leave the factory. He was once a foreman at the Globe Tailoring Company, for about 35 years.

Henry F. Hein was at Green Bay on October 3 to watch a football game between the champion Packers and the Giants. It is suspected that he has something up his sleeve.

Do not forget to come to 755 North

September 20 went over big. There of a dozen glasses. Ice cream and Plankinton Avenue, third floor (Milwaukee Silent Club Hall) on November 14 to see what the surprises will be. Admission only 10 cents.

Walter J. Lindman has been spending his vacation with all his family at Pewaukee Lake since July. He is some sort of real estate man, as he resells his homes after occuying them for a short while.

#### ST. LOUIS

By A. O. Steidemann

Fred Hammer of Rockford Division, and a former St. Louisan, was in town for a few days showing off two strapping sons. We had not seen him for twenty years, but found the same Fred, minus a mustache formerly the pride of his life. Fred found a few changes in the city he had left, not the least being the big Division we now

The Jacksonville picnic on the 20th of September was attended by many local fraters, among them being Brothers Ed. Miller, Harden, Keim, Endrizzi, Serrati, Kleinschmidt, Barth, Bennett and Kilpatrick. On the way home, Brother Miller had some tough luck when his auto went flooey near a small Illinois town, and an auto mechanic took five hours to hammer it into sea going condition again. A good time was had, just the same.

The Cardinals winning of the pennant brought several out of town frats to stand in line half a night at the ball park to get bleacher tickets. Formerly there were several flush boys in the Division who went down in their jeans for reserved seats for the big show, when the Athletics came, but this year we have heard of none. Many of the locals, however, went without perfectos and pork chops to get the coveted pasteboards for bleacher seats.

Brother and Mrs. Chenery took a vacation for a month in Michigan, among the scenes of their old home, as both came from that state in the early nineties. A good time was had with relatives and friends in that state.

Brother Hughes of Fulton, Missouri, with an extra flat pocketbook on account of the depression and a trip to Europe, looked about for some spare change ere connecting with his job at the state school for the deaf. With diligent. labor and persuasion, he caught a candidate for our Division in

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Brother and Mrs. Paul Hrabousky are rejoicing in the arrival of a boy, the first born in the family. Brother Stigleman is mourning the loss of his mother, and has our sympathy.

Brother Toma is getting things ready for our annual ball on February 6, and will endeavor to roll up some badly needed coin for the Division. Our balls in the past have been very profitable to the musicians and hall managers, but this year it is intended the profits will go to the Division. As Brother Toma is an expert in the gentle art of extracting funds without a blackjack for local purposes, we are looking to a day when the red ink side of our accounts will be but a memory of past days.

The Frat Relief Fund in the hands of Brother Kierman will come to life with a card party at the Gallaudet Club on November 7, at Grand and Finney Avenue. As the need is obvious, it is hoped the response will be great enough to help several hard up local members. We have heard that business is on the up-turn; we trust it is so, as it could hardly be worse than at present. So on that night drop everything and come to help a good cause.

Ed. Alt and wife had a motor trip during the summer to Detroit to visit the Whilimis in that city. Brother Branstetter entertained a brother and his family, who, being ardent baseball fans, came up all the way from southwest Arkansas to see the Cardinals play. They saw the Cardinlas win, making their happiness complete.

There is grave danger of the local evening school for the adult deaf closing down for lack of attendance. As everything is free, including use of tools and materials in woodworking, cooking and sewing, along with "book learning," it is surprising that the deaf do not attend more for their own good. The main trouble is the cost of carfare, yet there are plenty of social affairs where car fares apparently are



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not thought of. It is hoped that more frats and non-frats will attend, and keep up this unique school for those of the deaf whose age debars them from day attendance.

#### ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS

By J. J. McNeill

Mr. and Mrs. Herman von Hippel have been looking rather more happy than usual, and the reason is because a fine baby girl arrived on the 8th of September. They are all getting along fine, and here is hoping that they will keep on increasing the population of this country. Congratulations!

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brant announced the birth of a son to a daughter of theirs, hence they are both grandparents, but they don't look it. Fred has been working at the printing trade as a printer and stoneman for about 45 years. Congratulations!

The duck hunting season opened on the first, and Brothers Langford and Werner drove out with Emil Rishary and Larry Ryan to Brownsville, and expect to bring back a big load.

Our dear old friend and teacher, Dr. J. L. Smith, will be at the club house on the 10th to give a talk. We all will be glad to see him again, and

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expect a big crowd. Dr. Olaf Hanson of Seattle will arrive the same night from a conference in Chicago, and will be at the club to meet many of his old friends. The deaf of Minnesota are very proud to have two great deaf men with the title of doctor. Dr. Hanson was educated here, but moved to Seattle.

Rev. Homer Grace, the cowboy evangelist, was seen at the club house and also at the frat meeting.

The Division will have a barn dance at the club house on the 31st, and expects a good crowd. Don't forget the date!

#### HOLYOKE

#### By Arno Klopfer

With the coming of autumn, the Division has started preparations for its socials and dances. Funds to meet running expenses, and to make up for the outlay on delegate to the Boston convention have got to be raised. The first gun in the campaign will be fired on November 7, when we hold our mask ball at Caledonian Hall, one block north of the city hall. All who can do so are urged to come in costume, Hallowe'en or country style. Who knows but what you may be adjudged as having the handsomest or the funniest costume. Remember the date, November 7, and the place, Caledonian Hall, 189 High St.

The penny party on September 26 was well attended, about 50 being present. It was given for the benefit of the Division, and all enjoyed the

evening, which was given over to penny games. One lady proudly displayed an old penny dated 1798, and another had one dated 1803. Among those present were two couples from Hartford and Stamford, Conn.

Our members are feeling the business depression, but are in hopes of better times soon. Most of them are working only part time, and others are laid off entirely for an indefinite period. We are doing all we can to lend a helping hand through our Division local fund. The year 1932 will soon be here, and we hope it brings prosperity and renewed employment.

The family of Edward Lavigne have moved from Chicopee Falls to Hawley, about 35 miles from Holyoke, where his father has bought a farm of several hundred acres. The members will miss him, but will surely take a trip out to the farm some day.

#### **TOLEDO**

By S. G. Henry

Despite the small crowd, our grocery social at Kapp Hall on September 19 was very successful. Our thanks are due to the many non-resident members of Tiffin, Sandusky, Fremont, Fostoria and other towns who lent us their presence and help, and also made donations of vegetables and farm products. Everything was disposed of, and the affair netted us about \$23. Our thanks are also due to Mrs. Tussing and Mrs. Lee for their generous help on the refreshment end. The committee in charge consisted of S. G. Henry, chairman, and Brothers Tussing, Steinwand, Deak and Lee.

The Chevrolet Motor Company's plant, where Elmer McVicker and Max Green work, has closed down for a month's inventory. Brother McVicker and wife are spending his enforced vacation with relatives in Columbus and Worthington, Ohio.

On the opening of the school for the deaf at Columbus, Arnold Deak drove down with Mrs. Schwartz and their children, to place them in school. Brother and Mrs. Henick also took their little girl down, making the trip in a friend's car.

#### **KALAMAZOO**

By Daniel Tellier

At our meeting on October 3, J. F. Cordano, our delegate to the Boston convention, gave us an interesting account of convention work. He also told of the social side, the banquet, trip to Plymouth, etc. He was followed by J. C. Howard, who gave further details of the convention.

Our social on September 19 was not

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as well attended as we could have wished. Unemployment was the cause in a large measure. But we are not discouraged. We will hold another—a Hallowe'en social—on October 31, and a banquet on November 21, the latter in celebration of our 20th anniversary as a Division.

President J. J. Burnett had a nearserious mishap on a nearby farm recently. While attempting to fix the gears of a windmill, he slipped off the top and fell to the concrete top of the well beneath, and was unconscious for sometime. Fortunately, no bones were

M. M. Taylor and family of Allegan made a motor trip east in July, making visits to Ithaca, N. Y., where they had a view of Cornell University and Cayuga Lake, where the famous oarsman, Courtney, used to hold sway as coach, and Rome, Oneida, Albany and points in Massachusetts. The return trip was made through Canada.

#### **GRAND RAPIDS**

By W. H. Miller

Everything is well with Grand Rapids Division. We were interested listeners to Delegate Miller's account of the Boston convention, and feel that all is well in the Grand Division, too. However, we think that things might be better with us in the way of membership. There are many young men, good prospects for insurance, here and in Muskegon, who have not yet seen the advantages of our Society. Every member of the Division should make it his duty to try and bring in at least one of these young men. Then how quickly would our membership be doubled! Get busy, brothers.

Ralph Bunting is back home, after about two months of work in a furniture factory in Laurel, Miss. Too much Jim Crow?

To offset Brother Bunting's return, we lose Henry Riordan. He was laid off from work, and is now staying with his parents down in Illinois. We hope he may be able to return soon.

Business is very dull here, but most of our members are working.

#### PORTLAND, ORE.

By H. P. Nelson

The many friends of Bud Hastings were shocked to learn of the serious and nearly fatal accident in which he figured recently. He was knocked down by an auto only a few blocks from his home, and received concussion of the brain, several broken ribs and possible pelvic fracture and spine injury. Although his case is very serious, the hospital report is that it may not prove fatal, and we all sincerely hope for his recovery. He joined the Society about 20 years ago, and has served this Division both as president and treasurer.

Fred Delanoy surprised his friends by appearing at our September meeting. He feels much better, but is still weak. We were glad to have him with us again. After our meeting on October 3, Brother Linde gave an interesting account of his trip to the Boston convention.

#### **BRONX**

By L A. Saracione

We were much gratified at the attendance at our October meeting. There were about 55 present, a record for the Division, in its nine years of existence. We hope to have as many at our November meeting, when nominations for office for 1932 will be considered.

Our second annual Christmas carnival will be held on Saturday, December 19, at Ebling's Casino, with Albert Laccetti in charge. Bring your kiddies to meet Santa Claus and get free presents. Everything absolutely free. Paste this in your hat.

Albert Lazar, in charge of our annual smoker, has his plans about completed, and will make them known soon. Keep an eye out for them.

We expect soon to start making arrangements for our 10th anniversary banquet. The date will probably be in July

December is almost here, brothers. If you want to get any more new members for 1931, get busy. The time is short. Three more and we will be in the 75-member class.

### AS GOOD OLD BEN FRANKLIN WAS WONT TO SAY: HANG TOGETHER, OR HANG SEPARATELY

The sympathy of the members is extended to Henry Sunderhauf in the death of his mother, which occurred recently.

Don't forget that our November meeting is "Nomination Night." Come and see to it that good men are put up for the coming December election. Good officers are important.

# SIOUX FALLS By E. P. Olson

Henry Gunderson, wife and daughter, of Silverton, Ore., who have been visiting in Sioux Falls, left on September 18 for Brother Gunderson's old home, Porter, Minn., to visit his parents. G. E. Daniels intended to drive them up in his car, but the latter was out of commission, so E. P. Olson drove them and Brother and Mrs. Daniels up in his car. The Gundersons expressed great pleasure at the hospitality shown them by the Sioux Falls deaf.

Rev. Brother Grace was again with us on Tuesday, October 6, after a three months' vacation. He delivered a very interesting sermon. He is expected again on November 2.

President Burnes of our Division was called from his study of art in Chicago the week before the opening of the school, to make drawings for the school's exhibit at the Huron state

fair, and also some drawings for our Labor Day picnic. He is certainly an excellent artist and cartoonist. He has since resumed his duties at the school.

At the October meeting Robert Otten was given permission to manage a benefit party at Guild Hall of the Episcopal church, 13th St. and Main Ave. It will be held just before or just after Thanksgiving.

The Executive Committee of the South Dakota Association of the Deaf met in Sioux Falls in September, to discuss the holding of a convention in Yankton next summer. Owing to unfavorable employment conditions, it was deemed wise to postpone the convention until 1933, when it is hoped that conditions will be better.

#### KNOXVILLE

By L. A. Palmer

Walter Burns is a skillful presser on men's suits. He has been such for perhaps 20 years. For sometime he has been working in the Goodall & Co. shops in Knoxville, which turn out thousands of suits per week, with 500,000 a year as their future goal. Brother Burns is the right hand man of the foreman in the pressing room, which has about 50 pressing machines, and sometimes acts in the place of the foreman when the latter is absent. Deafness seems to be no bar to the success that may attend the earnest effort of a deaf man to do as well as any hearing man in a mechanical line. Ross Hutcheson is a "pupil" of Brother Burns, trying to master the pressing art. Here is our hope that he succeeds.

Gordon Midget dreads no distance as he travels about the continent, transporting people hundreds and thousands of miles in his trusty iron steed. Last September he took the writer's two daughters and the three little children of one of them from Knoxville to Faribault, Minn., being a round trip drive for him of about 2,500 miles. Last July he took the writer and Brothers Chambers and Mann to Boston for the Frat convention, swinging first to Atlanta, Ga., where the Executive Committee of the Dixie Association had a meeting in reference to the transfer of the Home near St. Augustine, from the donors, T. S. Marr and Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Bush, to the Association. Brother Midget brought his human freight



A MULE can't kick while he is pulling. And he can't pull while he is kicking.

safely back, by way of New York City, Frederick, Md., and the wonderful Shenandoah valley. He has also been to Colorado and up Pikes Peak, to California and Death Valley, a distance both ways of around 7,000 miles. Quite a traveller, I should say.

Chandler & Chandler recently started a "Textile News," which as a periodical seems to take well with the mill people and operatives in Knoxville. It is printed in the printing outfit of John B. Chandler, and managed by his sons.

#### **BINGHAMTON**

By J. M. Lewis

The scribe failed to report the events of this Division last month, as he was busy moving his family and effects into a newer and better domicile at Johnson City. His address is 57 Cook St., Johnson City, N. Y.

The joint picnic between Scranton and Binghamton Divisions came out far better than was expected, considering the short time we had preparing for it. It was held at Heart Lake, back in August, and much fraternal spirit was shown at this event. It is planned to make this an annual affair between these two Divisions. The notable sport on the program was the playground baseball game between the would-be Babe Ruths of both Divisions, and resulted in a win for the Binghamton Division by the score of 19 to 5. The coal city frats were forced to use two pitchers to stop the Binghamton boys, but to no avail, as the damage was already done. Next year we shall make it a bigger and better affair.

The Division's annual Hallowe'en party will be held on Saturday, the 31st of October, under the leadership of Henry Decker. He has several unusual events up his sleeve, and those wishing to find out might do well to be present at this party and satisfy their curiosity.

The best and most exciting event of the year is the annual birthday reception of this Division, which is always held on the third week of November. The occasion this time is the fourth birthday of the Division, and it promises to be a bigger and better event, as a result of the convention held at Boston, because Brother Hoag and his committee, under Chairman George Lewis have booked six reels of films of the Boston convention, which will be shown at the reception on the 21st of November. Remember, this is the only official convention movies approved or sponsored by the N. F. S. D. Home Office. The deaf of Utica, Syracuse, Rochester, Elmira and Scranton will do well to be present at this reception,

FOURTH ANNUAL

MASQUERADE BALL

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home well satisfied, and never regret having made the trip. Come all and everybody, and help boost Division No. 108 on its fourth birthday anniversary.

The Division plans to stage a Christmas festival, but the committee is uncertain about it, so nothing will be said until the writer receives further information.

#### SEATTLE

By A. W. Wright

Brothers Waugh, Wilson and Boesen were among those from the west side who went over to the east side to help pick the Yakima Valley apple crop. Wilson had been at work but a few days when a faulty ladder broke, pitching him to the ground, and spraining or breaking his wrist, and laying him up for three or four weeks.

John Gerson, Tacoma, was laid off from work a year ago, but during that time has built a handsome six-room. modern house that he has just put the finishing touches to, and now offers for sale. This is the fifth house he has built.

Daniel Hubbard and Miss Bertha Plum were married last month. The young couple will make their home at Selah, Wash. What a Plum!

### DON'T LET GEORGE DO IT ALL. HE IS OVER-WORKED. DO YOUR SHARE

#### CINCINNATI

By J. M. Shepherd

We wish to call the attention of our non-resident members, especially those in and around Middletown, of the change in address of our Division Treasurer, Mathias Buck, which is 2135A Freeman Ave., Cincinnati, O., same as we gave out three months ago.

Our Division Secretary, L. Bacheberle now lives in Newport, Ky., but his address is the same, Lock Box 95, Norwood, O., which postoffice is only a few blocks from his place of employment.

Rev. Brother F. C. Smileau is back with us after a two months' absence in Europe. He held services here September 27. His talk concerning the methods used by the deaf in Europe was very interesting.

We acknowledge the invitation of Akron and Dayton Divisions to attend socials during this Thanks. But we regret to state that none of us are able to attend. The depression, you know.

The business depression seems on the down grade. At our October meeting several members reported being laid off during the past month, many say they are working shorter hours, while a few state they are working five days a week. Frats and non-frats continue flocking to Cincinnati in hope

and take in the movies. They will go of luck. It is well that they remain where they are, as it is a waste of car fare and board to come here hunting for work, as this locality is no better than any other.

> The stork has been a frequent visitor in our midst, leaving little tots at a number of homes, including Brother and Mrs. Boake, a boy, and Brother and Mrs. Exie Saylor, also a boy.

Arthur Wenner is back home after several months in Dayton where he was working. Business took a drop, and he was laid off for the time being. Clifford Ellerhorst is still in that city, working part time in the same last works.

Another officer of our Division has changed his address. Deputy Wylie Ross has moved to 4325 Verne Avenue, Oakley, Cinn.

Howard Crews and wife made a motor trip down to Bluefield, W. Va., for a week's visit to his father, September

We found our hall topsy turvy when we reached there for the meeting. The walls were being cleaned preparatory to receiving a new coat of paint. We expect to have a very bright meeting place after our November meeting.

#### CEDAR RAPIDS

By Chas. Kinser

Sam Robert and V. Horacek went to the Boston convention in Brother and Mrs. Siesseger's car. They never said anything about their plans, but surprised us all and Delegate Osterberg at Boston. After the convention, they journeyed to Florida to see how hot it was, and to visit different places. Brother Horacek is still talking about the Florida trip and what a thrill he had in a boat with a bunch about twelve miles away from Florida, and caught some fish. They came home on August 22.

On September 6, thirty-five deaf people trooped out to Kinser's farm, east of Marion, and enjoyed the open air and had a real chicken dinner. Mr. and Mrs. George Anthony of Toddville came down, too, as they wanted to be with the crowd, but went home early in the evening. Mr. Anthony is still suffering from paralysis, and is a perfectly helpless man. Mrs. Anthony takes care of him like a noble woman, getting their living from three milch cows and between three and four hundred chickens, and she sure has made things go.

We were glad to have Ralph Carpenter of Marion among us again recent-He has been working with a gang on the paved road just completed, and expects to be called again anytime or in the Spring with the same gang.

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Carl Osterberg has torn down his old horse barn and turned it into a modern garage. The floor of the garage and drive-way are of cement. Right now he is putting new shingles on his house, and expects to have the house and garage all painted, too.

#### **FARIBAULT**

By Toivo Lindholm

The hunting season is on, and Brothers Boatwright, Oelschlager and Rodman have taken out their guns, cleaned them and tried them out on a few poor loons. What those ardent Nimrods will bag can only be conjectured, considering the drouth that has driven away mallards and other game birds.

At the conclusion of the last meeting, Brother Schwirtz was amazed to find himself the possessor of two Elgin watches in his vest pocket, instead of just one. Being an honest man by nature (or, would you say by training?), he asked if any one missed a Sure enough, Brother Spence missed his. It developed that Brother Spence, while delivering his delegate's report, had laid his watch on the speaker's stand, the better to time him-After finishing his report, he had forgotten to take the watch with him. President Schwirtz, after dismissing the meeting, had pocketed the

Mrs. Boatwright and Miss Evelyn King, prepared the refreshments for the bridge party after the last meeting. They lived up to the usual high plane of the culinary art of the other sisters here. The proof is in the eating, and we saw nothing left on the plates afterward, which attests to the excellence thereof. The usual order is salad, buns or sandwiches, cake and

Brothers Irvin and Elwyn Dubey were at the last meeting, noteworthy because of their visits here are so few and far between.

#### LITTLE ROCK

By P. B. Jones

The writer followed the vacationists by taking a rest from the frat correspondence, though he would have much preferred a real vacation, such as he has not enjoyed in many moons.

Delegate Luther Shibley arrived home in time for the August meeting, and thus brought his batch of news hot from the convention. He was full of praise for the efficient manner in which the convention was conducted, and the hospitality of the Boston people. He reported no trouble in his 4,000 mile motor trip, except two punctured tires.

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Owing to the incompletion of the new school and auditorium hall, and other improvements, the school opening is postponed until November 4, yet most of those vacationists have returned, because they must place their hearing children in school. Mr. and Mrs. Ransick spent a month in Virginia. Mr. Ransick will be principal of the colored department, which will be housed in a newly constructed building. Mr. and Mrs. James Smith summered with their relatives in St. Louis and Eastern Illinois. Nathan Zimble attended the convention in Boston and is now busy making arrangements for the opening of school.

Despite the late opening of the school, Earle Bell has had his football team in training. They are scheduled to play the Kansas school team. Bell's "Razorbacks" are whetted to eat into Foltz's "Cornhuskies."

Fred Lee has been selling ice and oil at his home, and reports a good business.

Luther Shibley has been busy putting the finishing touches to his pretty new suburban home about fifteen miles from Little Rock, with the aid of U. G. Dunn and Clyde Chambless. They also cleared the premises that was once a dense wilderness, but will be a villa before long. He is ready to accept suggestions for a suitable name for his happy homestead.

### CARRY THE MESSAGE TO **GARCIA!**

# **SULPHUR**

By B. A. Lucas

The October meeting of Sulphur Division was one of the best and most interesting yet. G. H. Davies was with us after an absence of three months. Brother Davies was our delegate to the Boston convention. He made a very interesting and instructive talk, giving briefs of the convention which were very much appreciated by the members. The meeting was well attended.

Brother and Mrs. Ted Griffing are the proud parents of a baby girl born in September.

Bert Neathery and wife have recently returned to Sulphur from Garvin, Okla., where they have been living for the past few months.

Brother and Mrs. G. H. Davies have purchased a home in Sulphur, and their many friends wish them well. They were secretly married nearly two years ago and did not announce the marriage until last Spring.

An application for membership in our Division was passed upon at the October meeting. The applicant was Richard Hoy of El Reno. We are glad to welcome this new member, and hope for more in the near future.

### **GET THAT MEMBER!**

#### **DENVER**

By H. B. Herbold

There was a big attendance, including many non-residents, at our September meeting. Many came to hear our delegate, T. Y. Northern, report on the Boston convention. He gave a fine report. He, with his wife, had a fine trip, which was extended to New York City, Washington, D. C., Kentucky and other states. Brother Northern wishes to express his appreciation to the Denver Division members for sending him as their delegate. After the meeting we had a brief smoker in charge of Brothers Rasey and Brooks. John Kilthau, director, was unable to be present to take charge, owing to being sick. Those who had the courage to get acquainted with our Billy Goat were F. Lessley, J. Alford, H. Wolfe, L. DeSelm, E. Long, S. Janovick, J. Shaner, H. Herbold, W. Thielke, W. Skehan, V. Herzberger, A. Wright, W. Cart and F. Dombroski. Brother Wolfe was taken home in an ambulance because he could not strive on "friendly terms" with our Billy. He was badly battered. Everybody reported having a good time, especially being pleased with Brother Northern's report.

There are still some non-members at large in Denver and vicinity. Let us all co-operate and get at least one new member each and make Denver 100 per cent frat. Do it now before another year rolls in.

John Kilthau is seriously ill with rheumatism, having been in bed mostly since Labor Day. He has not been at our two previous meetings. We all wish him a speedy recovery, and hope to see him at our next meeting.

Geo. H. Schwede was transferred to our Division from Waco Division at our October meeting. He is our gain and Waco Division's loss. He expects to stay in Denver with his brother.

Rev. H. E. Grace has been spending a couple of weeks in the East, attending the Deaf Episcopal Ministers' convention in Chicago, and giving sermons in some of the large cities in the central states. He expects to be back home on about October 12.

The secretary has solid gold frat buttons (small size) and also due card holders. The buttons cost \$1.25 each, and the due-card holders cost thirty-



LEARN to stop croaking. If you cannot see any good in this world, keep the bad to yourself.

five cents each. If any member wishes to buy either, please communicate with the secretary.

#### KANSAS CITY By O. L. Sanford

At the meeting of the local Division on September 4 there were quite a few visitors. Brothers Foltz, Simpson and Kent of Olathe and Brother Haig of St. Louis were among those present

Outside frats who think Kansas City is not worth considering for a visit, had better tune in and consider again, as we are having great doings and colossal parties, bazaars, shows, etc., these days in getting ready for the 1935 convention. Things are going on well oiled cogs at most any time.

We have our hearts and souls in hot water, and perhaps our feet will be in it, too, this month, as two conventions are on the horizon, to say nothing of the various clubs and societies to be taken care of. Incoming visitors should not be expected to have their pockets turned inside out, as the fees are small, but gatherings are held often, and a crowd of 150 up is not uncommon. For instance, on September 20 Brother Brantley and aides rented a forty-seven dollar a night hall for their burlesque for boys, and in spite of the fact that two-thirds were outsiders, he managed to get a fair sized profit. The depression which is leaving us flat as a pancake, and putting our budget on a diet, hampered the Kansas City crowd greatly, thus hold-But one ing down the attendance. must not forget that small town folk have a better opportunity of fattening bank accounts. Many of us have had our salaries cut, but be it ever so blue, there's nothing like getting laid off, so we are contented.

Brother Rebal, our jolly mixer, is now in Maryland, as the school shoe repairer and instructor. We regret his hurried departure. Brother Haig came near replacing him here, but the employment bureau sent him back to St. Louis, which is our hard luck.

Kansas City Division cannot praise highly enough the Olathians in their effort to co-operate with us at our gatherings, as they have attended most of our meetings and parties in good size groups.

With two applications on file and quite a few more within a stone's throw, if we hit them into consciousness, we expect to reach the long desired goal of 100 frats or more.

Brother Sherman is in the sign and show card display business, and first rate satisfaction is his promise. have already tried to patronize our brother frat.

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#### **AKRON**

By B. M. Schowe

They tell us that we ought to boost But it is hard to boost anything that is in its own element up We are writing among the clouds. of the giant airship Akron, now. Not one Akronite missed the sight of her sailing out on her maiden voyage. The sky was flecked with gnat-like airplanes. The great queen rose up among them and floated away, slow and serene, as if conscious of majesty and power. A plump bellied little blimp tagged dutifully in her wake, and off against the horizon could be seen two more of the little ships of the air hovering respectfully in the distance. If you can picture this in your mind's eye, you will know that it was a great show.

Since that first day, the Akron has had five flights, and a total of twentyseven hours in the air without mishap. This city is airminded, especially in the matter of lighter than air craft. It watches every move of the big ship with personal solicitude.

The Division's orators were silenced, and business quickly dispatched at the October business meeting. Wives and friends of members were waiting for the social hour scheduled to follow. F. X. Zitnik was responsible for the program. He offered varied entertainment, that included movies of the Schmelling-Stribling fight at Cleveland, and a campaign speech by a candidate for Mayor-manager of Akron, E. L. Marting. It was an enjoyable evening and a large crowd filled the hall to capacity.

Apparently, Akron does not approve of the sentiment that social programs should be curtailed on account of "hard times." In times like the present, there is even more than the usual amount of work for the Division, and offering wholesale recreation at small cost, is a feature that should be especially appreciated. Plans for the annual masquerade in October have not been trimmed down to meet the depression. Instead, arrangements are being made for this to be big enough and jolly enough to meet our actual needs. Brothers Newman, Thompson, Laingor and Murphy are members of the committee, and will see to it that the cost is kept within our means.

About November 21 Bill Townsend will try his hand at putting on a lively social evening.

A Golden Wedding Anniversary was celebrated at the home of L. A. Snyder last month. Not Brother Snyder, but his parents were the guests of honor. Forty relatives from Pennsylvania and Ohio were in attendance. Where there are golden weddings there are usually to be found health, peace and plenty.

### NO FRAT CAN AFFORD TO BE AN ISOLATIONIST

#### **SCRANTON**

By H. B. Young

Boom! Bang! Boom!

Don't get frightened, folks-that is just No. 82 off to a flying start with the fall activities. September 26 was the date, and true to Chairman Vernovage's promise, it was an evening of surprises, the main feature being a balloon dance which furnished quite a lot of fun. Among the many out of towners present, we were pleased to greet Hartley Davis and party from Elmira, N. Y. Come again brother.

Plans are shaping splendidly for our evening to be devoted to Mr. Billy Goat. Nuff said-all roads will lead to Scranton October 17. Another big night is planned for November 21, and those who stay away will be sorry, as Chairman Vernovage assures us it will be even more entertaining than ever,

so let's go!

Another application for membership was presented to the Division at its October meeting, and was accepted. We are hoping to have the privilege of greeting the applicant as a brother at our next meeting, as from all reports he is a fine, manly fellow.

Attendance at our October meeting was a record breaker, only two resident members being absent. We hope the December meeting will bring out every member, as the annual election of officers takes place then. It is earnestly requested that those in arrears should pay up so they can use their privilege of voting for men of their choice. It will also make it easier for the Home Office in compiling their report, so come on Scranton, show the wav.

#### SALT LAKE CITY By G. S. Laramie

On the evening of October 3, under the auspices of Salt Lake City Division No. 56, there was a big buffet dance at the Y. W. C. A. hall, which entertainment proved a howling success, due to the efforts of the committee. The affair drew a crowd of about ninety people. Motion pictures were featured, which roused the interest of the entire assembly. We extend thanks to some of the members' wives who kindly contributed delicious sandwiches of different varieties, which made a good refreshment along with the lime punch which was served free.

Wheelock Freston of Mt. Pleasant, a distant town, was a visitor for one



**I**<sup>F</sup> you encountered no difficulties the office boy could take your place.—FORBES.

week. Here's hoping he can come here more often to be with us.

Konrad Hokanson, a graduate of the 1931 class of Gallaudet College, is printing instructor and coach at the Utah School for the Deaf. He is a member of Washington Division No. 46, and may be transferred to our Division.

The banquet committee composed of Chairman Glenn and Brothers Stone and Laramie, is busy arranging for our annual banquet, which will be held in the middle of November. The date and place haven't been designated, so brothers who want any information regarding it may write to George Laramie, 28 N. State St., Salt Lake City.

#### **BOSTON**

By A. A. Sinclair

We had a showing of the convention pictures after our meeting on October 3, with nearly 300 attending. Of these, probably three-fourths were local members, their wives and members of the Auxiliary, who were admitted free. Everybody enjoyed the pictures, and we intend showing different pictures once in a while. Watch The Frat for announcements.

The Division's Auxiliary has disbanded, much to the regret of our members. They were organized for convention time only. They certainly deserve great credit for their excellent work, and we, the local members, want to thank them one and all for

their fine help.

A 100 per cent surprise party was tendered Grand Vice President Battersby at Eagle Hall, Lynn, on September 26. He was induced to go to the hall in the belief that it was to hire it for a whist party, only to find a crowd there to welcome him. He was showered with confetti and streamers. Speeches were made, and a tidy sum of money was presented him, to go toward the purchase of secretary's desk and chair.

The members were pleased to see Marcus Brown of Hudson, Mass., at our October meeting. Come again and oftener, brother.

Because of the depression, only a small crowd from Boston went up to attend Springfield's three-day fraternival.

W. J. Garland reports that plans for our coming annual ball on December 31 are all set. It will be held at Convention Hall, corner of St. Botolph and Garrison Sts., Boston. The hall is the largest in the city, and is but a short distance from the Hotel Statler.

A collection was taken up at the moving picture show, and a nice sum

THE PRICE OF WAR MAY BE TERRIBLE, BUT SOME MEN CANNOT BE REASONED WITH UNTIL AFTERWARD

of money donated to the New England Home for Aged Deaf-Mutes at Danvers on its donation day. Thanks.

Don't forget the local Division's best event of the year, the night before New Year. Lots of fun at Convention Hall.

#### SAGINAW

By G. J. Janicke

At the August meeting, William Minaker gave us a very interesting account of his trip to Boston as delegate from our Division. His talk was well received, and applauded.

Two days before Labor Day Ray Coeur, Harry Dundas, George Janicke and two friends motored to Mio, Mich., on a fishing trip. Mio is also a fine deer country, but they did not see any. From there they went to Houghton Lake, well known to many of the deaf of Michigan. They climbed a fire tower, and had a splendid view of the forest of pines. They could see nearly sixty miles. They also stopped at Beaverton to visit Brother Dundas' folks, returning home safe and sound, without any motor or tire troubles of any kind.

Alexander Gibson of this Division has been working as a first class draftsman at Bay City for nine years, commuting back and forth. But now he has moved to Bay City, and may ask for a transfer to that Division. We shall hate to grant it, for he has been a great help to our Division in many ways. We hope that he won't forget us.

John Janicke, one of our charter members, has been in a tuberculosis hospital for two and one-half years. According to the doctor's report, he is getting much better. We sent him a present of a nice pipe and a jar of tobacco as a token of our sympathy and regard.

We will have a smoker after our November meeting on the 13th.

# FT. WORTH By Albert Tully

Recently a couple of fraters from the vicinity of Chicago came this way in a dilapidated ancestor of the motor car, looking for work. A few miles west of here their ancient vehicle decided that it had reached the end of its journey, and gave up the ghost. A sympathetic crowd gathered around to view the remains. Upon learning that the two men were deaf, they were directed to the farm home of a membr of Ft. Worth Division, who in turn took them to another member of this Division in Mineral Wells, Tex., who secured them jobs at his place of employment. Another argument in favor of being a member of the Society.

It seems that this Division will have gone through the year with only one addition to its membership. The depression is hanging heavily over this section. Most of the deaf out this way are either out of work, or employed only part time. Cotton, the Texas money crop, and all other farm

commodities being so low in price, it is practically impossible to get those in the rural districts to join. Of course, those who have their farms clear of debt and practice living at home are in a much better condition than are those living in the cities, and depending on city employment to keep body and soul together. The writer. as deputy organizer, has extended his efforts even over into New Mexico, with no luck. The Home Office should look into the feasibility of having Divisions in Austin and San Antonio, to reach those in the Rio Grande valley and the Mexican border.

Living on an attractive 15-acre place just outside of the city limits of Denton is an ex-resident of Chicago, but whose membership is now in Omaha Division. After many years in Chicago and Omaha as a bookkeeper, he is well satisfied with his change to the farm, where he has found peace and contentment, and is there for keeps. He has cows, chickens, hogs and his own lighting plant; no wonder he is contented. Who wouldn't be?

#### ATLANTA

By Muriel C. Bishop

Atlanta frats who keep their eyes open for news, now say there isn't any. Nobody is sick, hurt, been away or come back, nobody has got married or been divorced, nobody has lost a job or found one, our Division hasn't lost a member nor have we been able to annex a new one, in fact nothing has happened; going to work on weekdays, and going to church on Sundays is the most exciting thing we do. In the matter of work, some of our frats are employed only part time, while those at the Chevrolet and Ford factories are laid off temporarily. We are supposed to fill up our column with something, and we usually do, but if you expect to read "Atlanta news" don't go any farther, you'll be disappointed. However, we expect some social affairs later on to provide some interesting reading matter. Our Halloween party will be held Friday night,



# THOUGHTS ON LIFE

LIFE, after all, contains only one great problem—that of so adjusting yourself to the inevitable that you can keep your peace of mind and your self-respect. The great victory of life is the conquest of worry. The greatest discovery a man can make is how to escape envy and hate.

-Douglas Freeman.

30th, write-up in the next issue. The week following the B. Y. P. U. will have a birthday party (Nov. 6), everybody is invited to help us blow out the candles, and eat their share of ice cream and cake. Benefit affairs sponsored by The Nadfrat Club and the D. A. D. will follow, and then it's time to rotate again, no conflicting dates here—we take turns.

Coming! A bigger and better FRAT! We hope everybody read "Making a Magazine" in the October issue. The editor "wants every Division in the country to send in news-notes every month." That means the thirty-five who came last month, and the seventyseven who went fishing'. Even if the editor gets all those news-notes, what's he going to do with them? How's he going to get 'em all in the twenty-four pages now allotted to THE FRAT? Must be we are going to branch out, and buy more paper to spread all this on. That's fine! Then we can have all sorts of new departments and columns. Let's have a Vox Pop a la Liberty, and let everybody tell us how the magazine should be run, let's call all that fact-and-figure stuff "Fratistics," let's have a little contest department and start with K. C. slogans, but let's not have any cross-word puzzles (we never could finish one of the darn things!) - and "crosswords" are out of place anyway in a magazine of fraternalism.

The "depression" has hit everywhere, we note, where O. O. McIntyre has something to say about it as concerns "fashioners of fiction" (which in everyday talk means writers and authors). The magazines are not buying much, and prices have slumped, several high priced ones are "to parachute to ten cents per copy." (Some already have.) Which leads up to what we were going to say that The Frat is probably the only magazine in the United States that raised its subscription price this year! But it has always been worth that, hasn't it?

An Atlanta daily has a column appropriately called "The Sportlight" and we suggest that the manipulator of our "Spotlight" insert an "R" in his head-line, and then he'll be what he is. Practically his whole page is given over to sports, with the exception of that first paragraph about the newlyweds,—(and goodness knows matrimony "ain't no sport.") And this spotlight that can't spot anything but sports has a cartoon that says—"Some coaches have flat-wheels" and "Ours was a sleeper." Is he talking about football coaches, we wonder?

SILENCE IN A TURBU-LENT WORLD MAY BE A BLESSING, BUT WE KNOW A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO WOULD FOREGO THE BLESSING AND ENDURE THE NOISE

Note where ManHATtan's correspondent (he never wears a hat) decorates his corner with an original poetic selection. Reminds us of Way-backwhen every bunch of news-notes had its own little theme song, quite a few of the contributors wrote their own. a few more tried to and didn't make a very good job of it, while some openly admitted they couldn't do it, but objected to having their notes served without the customary cocktail, so Headquarters had to do it for them, but all of them, regardless of their origin, had to pass the editor's blue pencil-like kids lined up for Mother's final inspection before they start to Sunday-school, and lots of 'em had to have their ties straightened and their hair brushed and parted again. It was generally conceded the Headquarters force could spend their time doing something better, so that practice was finally discontinued. It's all right to sing if you feel like it, but mighty few of us possess typewriters with musical keys, so we're not likely to start that

One of the frats recently checked up to see how many of our Division brothers considered gasoline bills a necessity, and found that of the thirtythree resident members, fourteen own their own cars. Out-of-town members please note that this check-up also revealed that you number just the same as the Atlanta residents. Why expect us to furnish all the news? Of course, you like to read what the Atlanta crowd is doing, but let's turn the tables now and then and let resident members read what the nonresident half is doing. This column is as much yours as theirs, if you have a bit of news-anything interestingslip it in when you send in your dues; we will do the rest.

Fred Jones and his bride recently fitted out a cozy lovenest apartment on East Ontario Ave. in West End, and are home to their friends. We are glad to claim them as Atlanta residents again.

Ernest Herron has returned home, having graduated from the printing school in Nashville, Tenn. This young man is a good prospect; who will be the go-getter to sign him up?

#### BIRMINGHAM, ALA. By S. B. Rittenberg

Hereafter No. 73 will hold its regular meetings the first Monday night of each month, instead of Tuesday, at the Ben Hur Hall, 1809½ Fourth Ave., North. Our old meeting place at Fairview Masonic Temple had nothing the matter with it, only that it was so out of the way, about twenty-five minutes by street car from town.

# SAMUEL FRANKENHEIM INVESTMENT BONDS

168 West 86th Street NEW YORK CITY

Correspondent of LEE, HIGGINSON AND COMPANY Ben Hur Hall is right down town, and its location will enable us to have a larger attendance. Another thing, it will enable some of the members' wives to attend a show while the head of the family is at the meeting, and then meet them afterwards. And another thing, our exchequer will be \$1.50 to the good, meaning we will pay only \$2.50 for rent whereas the old figure was \$4. All members please take notice of the new meeting place and date.

James Stiles is about entirely recovered from his long illness, which forced him to relinquish the president's office. His illness began in March, and since then he has not been able to attend a single meeting. Last May his good wife, the former Elizabeth Black, underwent a minor operation from which she recovered. And on August 19 Brother Stiles suffered the loss of his father, Judge J. P. Stiles, in an auto accident. Judge Stiles was personally known to all the members of No. 73, and no finer man ever lived. Judge Stiles always spoke well of our organization, and he let it be known he was proud that his son was a member of such an order as ours. And yet Brother Stiles bore all his troubles like a Spartan. We have missed Brother Stiles' presence at our meetings, and here's hoping he will soon be well enough to attend.

After spending the Summer in Oklahoma, G. A. Morgan is back at his duties at the school in Talladega. So is Brother Gilchrist, after his trip to the Boston convention. Lest we forget C. E. Jones, who has been running a filling station in North Carolina the past year, is now back at his old teaching job at Talladega. Two other Frats, Brother Baynes, of New Orleans Division, and Brother Grace are also at the school. We hope all these good Frats will soon honor us with their presence at one of our meetings.

The writer had the good fortune to attend the Frat stag supper during the convention of the Tennessee Association of the Deaf at Memphis in August. About sixty seated themselves around the festive board. Some fifteen non-Frats were invited to the Stag supper, and before the fun was over all these "nons" promised to join the Order. It was certainly a clever way to recruit members, and all glory to Memphis Division! (Bro. A. O. Steidemann, of St. Louis, you don't know what you missed by leaving ere the Stag Supper. And what you don't know won't hurt you none!)

J. F. Brocato has just started saving his pennies, so that he will be able to attend and root the Birmingham Barons into another Southern League and Dixie Series championship next Summer. Brother Brocato, a rabid baseball fan, is still talking about how the barons beat Houston for the Dixie championship, and it's well nigh onto a month since they did it. D. M. Huffman has gone back to night work at Birmingham Linotype Composing Co.,

and this means we won't see him at the meetings! Harry Smith, of Mobile, reports the arrival of an addition to his family, and this time it's a girl. Congratulations! We regret to hear of the death of Brother Matzner's mother in Meridian, Miss. Brother Matzner's has been holding down a good job on the Meridian Star for more than twenty years, and he's still going strong.

Now, don't forget about our new meeting place and date!

### SPRINGFIELD By F. L. Ascher

Our Fraternival week-end Party has come and gone. It was one of the best events we ever had in years, even though it did not surpass our memorable Frat Nite Club Dance on May 30, 1931. The crowd for the three days was estimated at 300, which was large in spite of big business depression. All the patrons were happy, and enjoyed themselves in our friendly town. Most of them felt at home, because they were regular attendants of our previous parties. Things went on smoothly, which made the affair go over big. The activities began with a Masquerade Ball at El Patio, Hotel Clinton. The ballroom was attractively decorated with Halloween streamers and hanging balloons, which spelt a big frolic nite. Over fifty masqueraders helped make the night a merrier one. First place was awarded to Miss LaMoyne Young for having the most original costume. Oh, yes! it is worth while describing. Her costume was a dress sewed with "Frat" magazine front and back covers from top to bottom, and her headgear was a sailor hat with a large colored frat emblem painted on the top, with a large brim marked, "ARE YOU A FRAT?" attached to it. She even wore a frat emblem ring and two paper bracelets which spelled "are you a frat?" in signs. Very original!



SILENCE is part of the Eternal. All things that are true and lasting have been taught to men's hearts in the silence. Amidst the babel of schools we are bewildered and affrighted. Silence teaches no creeds, only that God's arms are round the universe. Listen to the voice of silence, for it is the voice of God.

—Jекоме K. Jекоме.



# FRATERNALISM—BACK-BONE OF THE NATION

By WALTER FEARN

BELIEVE that there is a far greater need to-day for applied fraternalism than ever before. We must make up and realize it and do our part. In the past, it has been proven that the fraternal societies of the United States were the backbone of the nation. The last great World War crisis proved this without any doubt.

May God forbid that the great white light of true brotherhood should ever become extinguished. It would indeed be a sad day for this nation. If fraternalism seems to be dead in some of your sections, let's try to revive it by applying it to the fullest extent. Make it interesting that old and young will be attracted and interested and want to be a part in making this world a better place to live in.

-F. A. U. News.

Miss Margaret Low was second as Fraternity. Inspiring speeches were "Miss Beauty." Mr. Charles Mousette had the most comical costume, with Mesdames O'Connell and Klopfer, impersonating two dear fat "Mammy Aunt Jeminas," a good second. Mesdames Haggerty, Lamoreaux, Ferris and Mr. Jacques received honorable mention. The judges of the masquerade contest were President Cryan of Boston Division No. 35, President Blumenthal of Brooklyn Division No. 23 and Miss Kosinski of Hartford. The best dancers of the Waltz contest were James King of Providence, and his partner, Miss Grace Saunders of Wallingford, Conn. The great climax of the night occurred when balloons fell from the ceiling, and serpentine confetti was scattered all over the dancers. Indeed the night was highly enjoyable, and all the patrons were tired, but expressed their satisfaction, and thought their money well spent.

On the second day there was a social reunion of fraters and friends in El Patio. Grand Fourth Vice President Battersby was our guest of honor. He made a very impressive address, during which he gave a clear meaning of "FRATERNITY." He reminded the audience that all such social events are made possible by Frat organizations, and that the primary duty of all the deaf people is to see that every male person gets into the lodge of

given by President Blumenthal of Brooklyn Division No. 23, President Cryan of Boston Division No. 35, Brother Beck of Brooklyn, Brother Collins of Bronx Division No. 92, Secretaries Klopfer and Jarvis of Holyoke and Hartford Divisions respectively, and Brother Abbott of Schenectady, Movies of the Boston Convention activities, and the premier showing of "Mike gets Abe for five dollars" were shown, and were greatly enjoyed. A buffet supper followed the program, and after supper all the visitors enjoyed themselves by renewing friendships and making new friends throughout the evening. A Field Day at Forest Park on the last day terminated the activities. There were Scottish games, track events, touch foot ball and horseshoe tournament. Thus the perfect week-end was over, with thanks for the beautiful weather which we had during our stay. We thank all for coming down to help us, and hope that they will come again during the weekend of May 28, 1932. That is a long way off, but we are planning now for a bigger, greater, grander event than ever. The entertainment committee deserves a good rest after three months of hard labor. Manager Kelly of Hotel Clinton, our headquarters, thinks very highly of us, and thinks that we are very clever and do know

how to get along well without depending on the hearing world. That is what and how Fraternity does for us. THANKS. COME AGAIN.

Any division or society wishing to rent the moving picture films of "Mike and Abe" should communicate with Secretary F. L. Ascher, 193 Pine St., Springfield, Mass., for further information.

Notice to members: We have our November meeting on Friday evening, Nov. 6.

# **MANHATTAN**

By J. N. Funk

The October meeting of the Division was well-attended, eighty-one of the brethren being present. Good attendances have become the rule, the membership's interest in the business of the Division and the Society keeping pace with its steady growth in numbers, which, according to THE FRAT, now totals 173.

Five applications for membership were received, four of which were acted on at the meeting. In some inexplicable way, the depression seems to have stimulated, instead of retarding, the growth of the Division. It may be that hard times give pause to the heedless and unthinking, and bring home to them forcibly the need of investing in protection such as the N. F. S. D. affords.

There were five claims for disability benefit acted on, also. While exact figures are not available, it may be said without exaggerating, that this year has seen more misfortune visited upon the members in the form of accidents than any previous twelve-month. There has been, to date, but one case of sickness, that of Alex Mirol, who suffered an attack of spinal-meningitis from which terrible disease's effect he is not yet recovered.

The congratulations of the Division were extended to Henry Hyman and Robert Cohen and their wives, the stork having recently called at their respective domiciles, leaving baby girls as mementoes. And also to Mr. and Mrs. Meyer Miller, on the birth of a

Do not forget our Masquerade Ball at Odd Fellows' Memorial Hall, 309 Schermerhorn St., near Nevins St., Brooklyn, to be held on Saturday evening, November 21. There will be a contest for the Most Popular Girl; also a dancing contest. And last, though by no means the least, a



THINK that to have known one good, I THINK that to have all of the old man, one man, who, through the chances and mischances of a long life, has carried his heart in his hand, like a palm-branch, waving all discords into peace-helps our faith in God, in ourselves, and in each other more than many sermons .- G. W. Curtis.

"Francis P. Gibson Memorial Trophy" will be awarded to the club with the largest representation at the ball. Tickets, at door, \$1.00.

Reuben Tunick, a transfer from Brooklyn Division, was admitted at the October meeting.

Edward Sonnenstrahl was given the obligation at the same meeting.

### Tuba

Played by PAUL LOMBARD

OUR band leader, Doc Veder, Handed me the big Morning Glory Because I was the only man strong To carry it in parade. strong enough To carry it in parade.
In every piece we played
I blew four times with the
First key in, and three times
With the second key in, and never
Changed. I played five years;
And when the band broke up
Not one of the boys let on
That I was tone deaf—
And stone deaf.
—Eastwood Lane's "Spean Biver

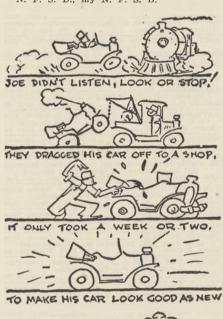
-Eastwood Lane's "Spoon River of a Country Band,"

# The N. F. S. D.

By MRS. HARRY B. YOUNG

WOE and misery are all about us, N. F. S. D.. W OE and misery are all about us,
N. F. S. D.,
But more and more you grow to be,
N. F. S. D.,
Friend and guide to all who by our laws abide;
Seven thousand strong you are to-day,
A million and more to keep the wolf away,
Which year by year I hope to see
Gain till thrice a million it will be,
N. F. S. D., my N. F. S. D.

N. F. S. D., how dear you are to me,
When pain and anguish 'round me crowd,
Your hand outstretched, I've always found,
To aid and comfort all those dear to me.
And so to you I'll always be
Ever faithful, ever true,
Striving hard to gain new members, too,
N. F. S. D., my N. F. S. D.





THEY FOUND NO EXTRA PARTS FOR JOE

-Courtesy, The Safe Driver.

# Approving Claims

By John N. Funk

WHILE such ringing phrases as "All for one and one for all,"
"United we stand, divided we fall," and that well-known motto found on the nation's currency, "E Pluribus Unum," may be trite and in no way applicable to the N. F. S. D., in view of the steady growth of the order numerically and financially, still it seems we can pause and consider their significance even now with regard to the attitude taken by Divisions in the matter of claims for disability benefit.

Claims for disability benefit are paid by the Home Office only with the approval of local Divisions. This method is not a mere formula but necessary. because the Home Office cannot as yet afford the expense of paid investigators into such claims and must, perforce, rely on the local Division's re-

Now, without going into details, it appears to be a more or less general custom to approve any and all claims even though there may exist doubt as to the validity of some. Either through indifference based on the false assumption that the claim will be paid by the Home Office and, therefore, is of no concern to the local Division, or through fear of offending the member putting in the claim, a dangerous line of reasoning has gained force, the substance of which may be summed up thus: "Let George do it," or, more pointedly, "If there is anything wrong, let the Home Office find it out."

Such an attitude is inimical to the interests of the Order, since we are all bound by the same oath, with a common interest that goes beyond mere Division lines and embraces the welfare of the Order as a whole.

We are all in the same boat, and it is our duty to guard against any possible leaks which, while they cannot possibly sink the boat, will slow-speed the good ship N. F. S. D.

EDITOR'S NOTE: All Divisions not pass claims as readily as Brother Funk seems to think. But at the same time, there is room for improvement in some quarters. Divisions and Division officials entrusted with approval of claims, should be absolutely sure that the claimant is fairly entitled to benefit before approving claim. After all, it is not the money of the Home Office but the money of every member who contributes to our funds.

He: "I'm going to speak to your father now. And what shall I tell him?"

"Well, he'll want to know She: what you work at. By the way, what do you do?"

He: "I'm selling electric refrigerators now."

She: "Perhaps you'd better not mention that. Father drives an ice wagon."

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# NATIONAL FRATERNAL SOCIETY OF THE DEAF



'HE 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 nearly a hundred principal cities of the United States and Canada.

### 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.

### **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 death benefit: \$250, \$500, \$1,000, \$2,000, \$3,000, \$4,000 and \$5,000.

A certificate for more than \$3,000 cannot be issued to an applicant who is over 45 years of age, or for more

than \$1,000 if past 50.

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

#### Social Membership

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

### Death, Sick and 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 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.

#### 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 member-

ship.

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 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 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 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.

For addresses of Grand Officers, and a Directory of the Division, see Page 22.