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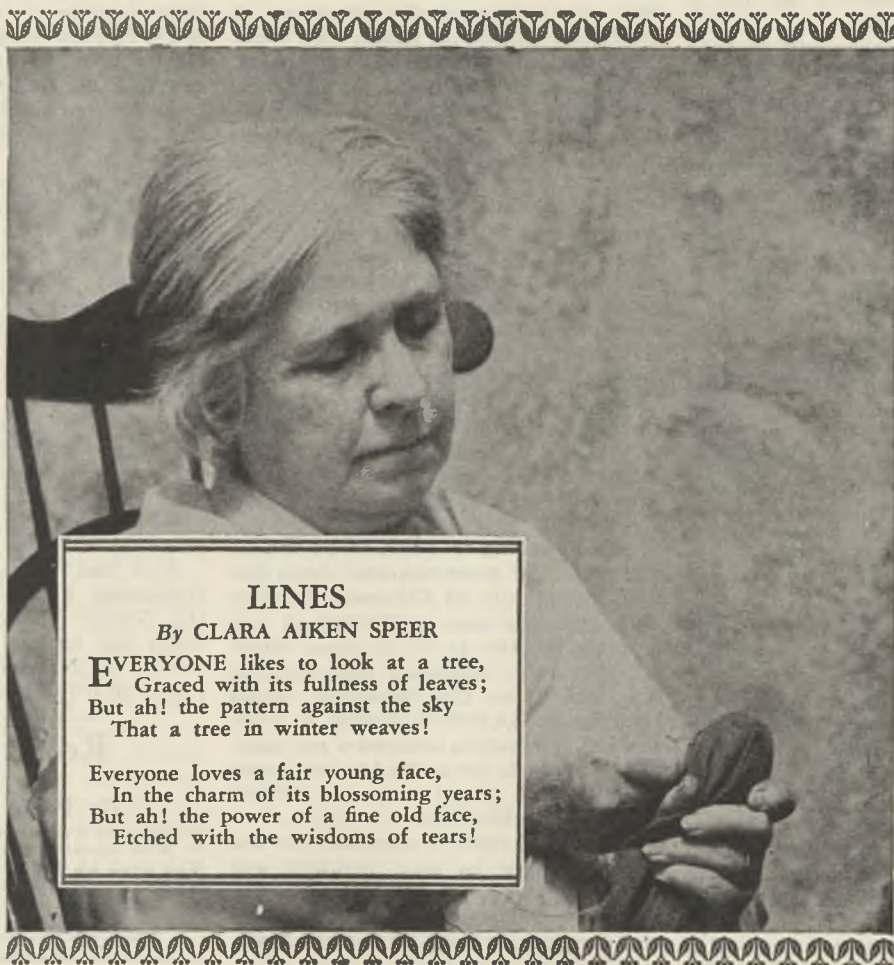
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LINES

By CLARA AIKEN SPEER

EVERYONE likes to look at a tree,
Graced with its fullness of leaves;
But ah! the pattern against the sky
That a tree in winter weaves!

Everyone loves a fair young face,
In the charm of its blossoming years;
But ah! the power of a fine old face,
Etched with the wisdoms of tears!

The Next Big Occasion of Fratdom

By A. G. LEISMAN

TWENTY-FIVE years ago seven Frats signed the charter which established Milwaukee Division No. 17. Today four of them are still alive and will proudly participate in the silver jubilee which that division will celebrate during the three days of May 28-30, 1932.

Invitations have been sent to neighboring Divisions in the Middle West, and to others the Jubilee Committee takes this means of extending a cordial welcome. The program is so arranged that the official festivities will be held in the evenings, thus permitting ample time for visiting and sight-seeing. There is something irresistible in Milwaukee, the jewel of Lake Michigan (with due apologies to Chicago), which the casual visitors cannot escape noticing. The many places of diversion it offers truly help one to forget the palmy days of yore which a certain Mr. Volstead so ruthlessly threw into the river. (Ain't it funny—I am not a dry, yet I am not wet.)

As a starter, a smoker will be held Saturday evening, May 28, at 8 p. m., in the Oddfellow Hall on Tenth street. There will be no initiation of new members. Just a series of good shows for he-men and plenty of eats and drinks. Only caution I need to sound here is—be sure you are not in arrears in dues payments, and be sure you bring your due card with you, otherwise you will not be permitted to enter.

While the frats are over at the smoker on Saturday evening, the ladies' club will entertain all female visitors at the club rooms.

Sunday evening, May 29, at 7:30, will be the occasion of the jubilee banquet. Grand President Roberts will be there, brothers, and maybe a few other grand officers. After a few toasts (we'll make them mighty few, you bet!) a grand ten-reel continuous silent movie show will be shown. Ticket to the entire affair is \$1.50 per person. Send in your reservation, together with remittance, to Chairman A. G. Leisman, 4068 N. 13th St., Milwaukee, Wis., and be sure to send it not later than one week before the banquet date. The more there are at the feast the merrier. Come on, fellows; bring your wife or sweetheart. Remember most of you will be pushing up purple violets when the next jubilee—golden—rolls around. While there's life let's make merry.

As the finale, an entertainment of a surprising nature will be held at the Milwaukee Silent Club, 755 N. Plankinton Ave., on Monday evening, May 30, to which admission will be free. This club will also be the headquarters of all visitors where they are invited to register and to make free use of its rooms.

Any further information desired can be secured by writing to the chairman mentioned above,

Cost of a Home

By WILLIAM MYLES

IN the FRAT many pros and cons have been voiced in regard to the Gibson Memorial Home, which never interested me until I was confined in the sanatorium at the Union Printers Home maintained by the International Typographical Union in Colorado Springs, Colo. I beg space to give facts, statistics and financial statements of the latter institution.

Although I now favor the proposed home and hospital plan, I am afraid that it will be impossible to erect one for a quarter of a century. But if many good fraters, condemning my opinion, believe it could be done before long, I would like to ask at least three questions: 1—Would we be able to finance the home successfully? 2—What's the big idea to admit the women to the home unless they are members of the N. F. S. D.? 3—What would become of the Homes for Aged and Infirm in some states?

From a sketch book of Union Printers Home, I am gathering some lines that might interest the dreamers of the Gibson Memorial Home. To begin with, the International Typographical Union, founded in 1852, had a total membership of 7,563 in the year of 1869, taking 17 years as compared to 30 years for the N. F. S. D. to pass the 7,000 mark in membership.

In 1882, after the proposition was turned down three times, the I. T. U. finally adopted a resolution that a committee be appointed to consider the feasibility of the establishment and maintenance of a home for disabled printers. Four years later two wealthy Philadelphia men presented the I. T. U. with a check for \$10,000. (Would someone donate that much money to the N. F. S. D.?)

The I. T. U. had increased its membership to about 12,500 (could the N. F. S. D. do the same?) in a score of years, ending in 1889, when the 80 acres of land were acquired from the Board of Trade of Colorado Springs.

In 1889 the sum of \$21,689.45 was reported in the I. T. U. home fund. An appeal for voluntary contributions was issued to the members, which brought in \$4,199.55 within a year, and the convention ordered a per capita tax of \$1 to be applied to the home fund. (Don't forget they had 20,000 members at that time.)

In March, 1891, a contract for the main building to cost \$60,000 was awarded. A few months later a resolution was adopted that an assessment of 10 cents a month be levied on the membership to be applied to the building and maintenance of the home.

In 1892 the home was dedicated. A few years later it soon became necessary to build a hospital to accommodate the sick patients. The annual convention passed a resolution in 1896 that an assessment of 50 cents on each member be levied to provide funds to build a hospital annex to the home before February, 1897. After the as-

essment was paid in, the erection of a hospital building took place immediately. (Think of too many assessments! No doubt, many poor fraters would be kicking against them.)

The home houses at present some 330 residents and patients out of 80,000 members of the I. T. U. The average cost of maintenance per resident is about \$1,000 a year, including doctor and dentist bills, clothing, food, small weekly pension and others. The book says: "... \$1,000 a year, a remarkably low figure when one considers the physical condition of most of the residents and the devoted care and scientific treatment they are given in the home."

The home has a herd of 145 head of cows, an extensive poultry department and a good-sized swine herd. The total area of the home site is now approximately 300 acres.

According to its financial statement, the receipts from the inception of the home to June, 1930, totalled \$5,375,629.87 and the expenditures \$5,164,735.95, leaving a balance of \$210,893.92 in the fund of that date. The latest reports revealed that the balance is \$173,000 now, and it is expected to fall to five figures shortly after the new \$85,000 building, under construction, is completed and the additional cost of drastic changes in the landscape is met.

As far as I know the Modern Woodmen of America and the Moose fraternities maintain homes, too, but it must not be forgotten that each organization has more than 1,000,000 members.

Compare the N. F. S. D.'s death benefits ranging from \$250 to \$5,000 against only \$75 to \$500 for the I. T. U. In conclusion, I am of the opinion that it would be a "suicidal" proposition if the N. F. S. D. ever attempted to provide a Home in our present financial condition, and that an increase in our dues would not do any good for it would result in many lapses.

Now that I have furnished the above statement, I urge those interested in the Gibson Memorial Home plan to study the figures on membership and funds, to determine whether we can really afford to maintain a home.

Rest In Peace

(L. L. C.)

By PAUL REVERE WYS

LOST have I a friend so dear,
With clasping hand and ever near,
Who lived his life both right or wrong,
With cheer for weak and cheer for strong.
But all the same,
The vandal mongers did him wrong,
And smirched his name.



**A MAN SELDOM REGRETS
WHAT HE DOESN'T SAY.**

Gibson Portrait Unveiling

By TOM J. BLAKE

ON May 30, 1932, at about 4 p. m. in the New Jersey School for the Deaf, Trenton, N. J., the combined Divisions of the N. F. S. D. of Newark and Jersey City will present to the school and unveil a framed likeness of Francis P. Gibson, the deaf man who made the N. F. S. D. a million dollar organization.

The program so far arranged subject to changes is as follows:

Presenting the picture to the school on behalf of the Divisions by Tom J. Blake, President Newark Division No. 42.

The deaf of New Jersey, by Charles T. Hummer of Jersey City Division.

Francis P. Gibson and the N. F. S. D., by Alexander L. Pach of New York City.

Unveiling picture by Patricia Kulikowski Blake, 3 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom J. Blake.

Accepting picture on behalf of the school by Superintendent Alvin E. Pope of the New Jersey School for the Deaf.

The various Divisions of the N. F. S. D. in nearby cities and states have been invited to send representatives. All frats and the deaf in general are welcome to attend the unveiling ceremonies. As it is a holiday and there are very good roads to Trenton, N. J., a historic city, a large turn-out is expected.

It is Alma Mater Day at the school for the graduates and former students of the New Jersey School for the Deaf. The Alumni Association of the school have kindly allowed the Divisions of the N. F. S. D. part of their day for the unveiling ceremonies. They are also in charge of transportation arrangements from Newark, Jersey City, and Paterson. DeLux buses of the Public Service Company will be chartered to carry the deaf direct to the main entrance of the school, which is away out in the country. The round trip fare by bus from Newark Public Service Terminal is \$2. The round trip fare from Jersey City and Paterson, N. J., is a little higher.

If you intend to go by bus, make reservations in time. The following committees of the New Jersey Alumni Association are in charge of making bus reservations. You have to pay \$1 down when you make your reservations, balance on May 30.

Newark—Cappasso and Doyle.

Jersey City—Dixon, Droste and Garland.

Patterson—McClelland and Miss Leitner.

The New Jersey School for the Deaf is new and one of the most modern in the United States. It is worth seeing. The Delaware where Washington made his memorable crossing to attack Trenton is not far away.

Be exact. Slipshod methods bring slipshod results.

"Carry On"

By GEORGE JANICKE

"CARRY ON!" These are simple words in themselves, but what vast meaning and thought they can carry, when used as President Gibson used them.

Did he mean by this to erect statues in his name? Did he mean to endow a memorial educational fund? Did he mean to benefit certain individuals of our afflicted? No. He meant to carry on the goodwill, brotherhood, courage, and the will to fight, to make the N. F. S. D. a fraternal organization, worthy of recognition by all people for all time. He meant that the N. F. S. D. was a still growing organization and had to be backed and carried on by every one of its members, that it was a strong chain and each link in it had to be forged and welded to a uniform strength so that it made the N. F. S. D. a certain of fraternal brotherhood, a long and lasting constructive force benefiting all the deaf of America, young and old alike.

Benefiting members of the N. F. S. D. can be done in numerous ways, but what better way to benefit members, especially aged members than with a home of comfort and ease in their twilight of life. A home that may mean joy and happiness after years of struggle, worry, and heartbreaks. A home that may make aged hearts happy, with social contact with members of the same affliction. A home that may have a gentle stream nearby for fishing, a workable amount of ground to tinker in, a few dairy cows and poultry, to make things more homelike.

This is the type of thing Pres. Gibson meant by "Carry On." A noble project created to benefit our members, life-long members of the N. F. S. D., who have become too aged to participate in regular meetings.

I, for one, would like to suggest that a body of members be chosen to find ways and means for constructing such a home, and would also suggest that prevailing conditions in all parts of the country be considered, and having nearness to the home office nothing to do with likely location. I think that price of land, materials, and all year round upkeep, and climate, should be the deciding elements in creating such a home.

So, brothers of the N. F. S. D., let us, who are able, put our shoulders to the wheel and make this dream a reality, for there can be no better and nobler cause than a Gibson Memorial Home for the Aged Deaf.

Once again, let me appeal to your sense of Christianity and humanity to better an organization that is already a strong and worthy one.

Do it now! And let us remember, "The N. F. S. D. cares for its own."

And Down! The elevator and the alarm clock have done more than any other inventions to help men up in the world.

Membership

Net total number of members in each Division is given after making additions and deductions due to transfers, lapses and deaths.

Division	New Members Since Jan. 1	Total Members March 31
Chicago No. 1	1	289
Detroit		198
Saginaw		15
Louisville		78
Little Rock		97
Dayton		56
Bay City		18
Cincinnati		123
Evansville		26
Nashville		26
Olathe	1	60
Flint		102
Toledo		93
Milwaukee		114
Columbus		144
Knoxville		47
Cleveland	1	99
Indianapolis		137
Brooklyn		327
St. Louis		200
New Haven		42
Holyoke		31
Los Angeles		199
Atlanta		67
Philadelphia	3	204
Kansas City	2	100
Omaha		74
New Orleans		70
Kalamazoo		26
Boston	2	174
Pittsburgh		118
Hartford		54
Memphis		39
Portland (Me.)		33
Buffalo		61
Portland (Ore.)	1	90
Newark		79
Providence		49
Seattle		91
Utica		80
Washington	4	87
Baltimore		89
Syracuse	1	44
Cedar Rapids		42
Huntington	1	52
Albany		35
Rochester		82
San Francisco		93
Reading		103
Akron		167
Salt Lake City		25
Rockford		45
Springfield (Ill.)		37
Davenport		34
Worcester		35
St. Paul-Minneapolis		96
Fort Worth	1	56
Dallas	2	98
Denver		70
Waterbury		22
Springfield (Mass.)	1	49
Waco		37
Bangor		30
Kenosha		38
Birmingham		43
Sioux Falls		35
Wichita		35
Spokane	1	29
Des Moines		48
Lowell		38
Berkeley		44
Delavan		70
Houston	1	60
Seranton	1	33
Richmond		60
Johnstown		32
Manhattan	5	174
Jacksonville		50
Lewiston		40
Peoria		25
Jersey City		50
Bronx		68
Columbia		35
Charlotte		40
Durham		51
Dubuque		17
Grand Rapids		27
Toronto	6	168
Duluth		18
Canton		21
Faribault		31
South Bend		36
Council Bluffs		37
Fort Wayne		26
Schenectady		25
Chicago No. 106		83
Miami		26
Binghamton		32
Wilkesburg		42
San Diego	1	17
Eau Claire		21
Sulphur		35
Vancouver		12
Westchester	8	21
Queens		21
Total	44	7,172

This 'n' That

By MURIEL BISHOP

HEY! GARCON!

I often like portions of This
And, frequently, sections of That.
So, she, who has both of them, is
To whom I'm now doffing my hat.
Then, lady, from where you are at
Come, deal 'em and stick to the biz,
And give us a helping of That
And also a saucer of This.
'Tis meat that we fancy, I wis,
The milk we will give to the cat,
So feed us large doses of This
And That.

HETZ.

This turned up in our mail recently, and not having much applesauce on the pantry shelf, we're obliged to use it to help fill up. We suppose it's poetry. (If the editor prints it, that proves it is—or isn't.) We know the budding aspirant will be thrilled, indeed, at seeing his, or her, name in print for the first time. (But we're still wondering how he, or she, happened to get our address.)

So, we got the worst of our little spat with The Spotlight! Well, how about the other 7,682 readers, who were either too lazy to count 'em up, or to write you about it after they did? Somehow, we got the notion that was an old gag, brought over from the days when we boasted only three Vice-Grands, and having decided it was that, we couldn't see anything else. Anyway, Mr. Manipulator's miffing proves the judges of that Liberty contest were all wrong when they didn't award us a prize for our name anagram. Here 'tis—

(M)u(r) (i)el S(o)(f)i(a) B(ish) (o)(p)
I'M A POOR FISH!

That really was a prize-winner, but it just happened that week, a fellow named Sherman horned in ahead of us, he got "WAR IS ----" (you-know-what) out of his name, so what chance did we stand?

Didja enjoy April's only national holiday? We didn't. Our mail that day proved a fizzle. There was a card with a Chicago post-mark—from Sears-Roebuck Co. Two of the letters were bills, and the third which we thought sure was a real letter, turned out to be some kind of a Chinese crossword code puzzle fulla pollywogs and question-marks. The only cipher not in it was \$\$\$. Why? Are they that scarce? Not a hint as to what the thing might be about, but we're going to stick to it till we find out whether it's an "Ode to Our Income Tax" or a "Requiem for a Cock-roach." Now, we're not keen for puzzles at any time, and least of all when we're having a tussle with tonsillitis and a touch o' flu, this duo spent the week-end with us, and fooled us out of two parties.

That's What Happened. . . Of course, you folks noticed our half-page ad. in the April issue anent moving. As soon as This-n-That got started going, the need for more room at once became imperative. Grands held a special session, "We're too

crowded," they agreed. "Won't do to have these dumb visitors walk in and stumble over a bundle of T.N.T." So we moved. That office expense for several dozen blue pencils, and a brand-new waste-basket, that was ours, too.

And Then This! . . . As soon as we got our corner all swept out and that waste-basket installed, ready for an influx of fan mail, Congress went and passed that 3-cent postage bill. Aw shucks! (Scuse us while we go over to The Spotlight and borrow a cuss-word or two.)

WE'VE GOT HIS NUMBER!

Ezonus Puzzle Dept., (Open all night) According to the table used by numerologists, Chicago's number is one, ie..... 1
Chicago has Division number One..... 1
This Division has a member whose name equals 11 (eleven)
His birth-date also equals 11
Street address where he lives equals 11
Place where he works equals 11

He mailed a letter on Armistice day at 11 P. M. The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. Who was he? (He doesn't know he did this, so don't ask him.) All you have to do is, get a numerology table and check over the 295 members of Chi 1, (we are allowing for 2 or 3 new ones by the time this is printed) until you come to the one whose name, etc., equals as above. Suppose there's more than one? There might be for all we know, but it's the one that mailed the letter, we're talking about. Above tables are on sale at all stores, 10c each (without rubber tips). We furnish tips free, if you send a stamped envelope. Contest is open to everyone, including residents of Illinois. Answers must be in by April 1st, this year. Prize—one 11c stamp. Official entry blanks not necessary, use any paper—fly paper preferred.

Personal Mention: We see by the papers that President Bobs has been playing on the T n' T theme, himself, ie., Trains 'n' travel, talking 'n' telling 'em.

Your Frat and Mine

By OSCAR SANFORD

OUR frat, boys, 'tis of thee,
Short cut to prosperity,
Of thee I chant:
We blew a pile of dough
To keep it on the go,
Now we must make it glow,
On the upward slant.

Thy meetings have the pep,
Good old K. C.'s in step,
Hold heads up high;
Sing us another song,
Help push our frat along,
Bring 'em in one by one,
Fourteen thousand our cry.

Long may thy emblem shine,
Long may glory be thine,
To thee we bow:
Thy banners wave on high,
Letting the blues go by,
Ten thousand is very nigh,
Let's keep our vow.

The spirit of our youth,
Our friendship, love and truth,
Be yours divine;
Let's all get together,
Love and cherish each other,
Bring in just another,
Your frat and mine.

Births



January 8—Mr. and Mrs. E. Ringnell, Center Point, Iowa, a girl.
February 13—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ozee, Carriers Mills, Ill., a boy.
February 27—Mr. and Mrs. John Gableman, West Allis, Wis., a girl.
March 6—Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Isaacson, Washington, D. C., a girl.
March 6—Mr. and Mrs. Robert O'Conner, Somerville, Mass., a boy.
March 9—Mr. and Mrs. Desmond Parker, Clyde, N. Y., a boy.
March 10—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Balasa, Philadelphia, Pa., a boy.
March 11—Mr. and Mrs. William Hillmer, Albert Lea, Minn., a girl.
March 11—Mr. and Mrs. Elton Koch, Minneapolis, Minn., a boy.
March 13—Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Colberg, Jr., Wildwood, N. J., a boy.
March 24—Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Pitre, New Orleans, La., a girl.
March 24—Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Sedlowsky, New York City, a girl.
March 31—Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hasson, DuBois, Pa., a girl.

Deaths

December 26—George D. Mercer, son of Albert C. Mercer, South Bend, Ind.
February 1—Father of Bert Tussing, Toledo, Ohio.
February 2—February 10—Mother of Samuel Gouner, Mattapan, Mass.
February 27—Mary Sittig, mother of Le Roy Sittig, St. Louis, Mo.
March 2—Daughter of William A. Cotter, Berkeley, Cal.
March 9—E. H. Tegtmeyer, brother of Emil Tegtmeyer, St. Louis, Mo.
March 16—John Quinley, brother of Creed Quinley, Washington, D. C.
March 16—William McHale, brother of Walter McHale, Hartford, Conn.
March 17—Ethel Bernsdorff, wife of Elmore Bernsdorff, Washington, D. C.
March 18—Hugh McGinley, brother of James McGinley, Philadelphia, Pa.
March 14—Mary E. Maynard, wife of Julius Maynard, Cleveland, O.
March 22—Fannie Hatowsky, wife of Louis Hatowsky, New York, N. Y.
March 22—Wife of J. D. Nichols, Danvers, Mass.
March 28—Kate Wiegand, mother of Joseph Wiegand, Watervliet, N. Y.
April 1—Ella F. Hartsell, wife of Luther T. Hartsell, Durham, N. C.

New Members

Toledo—Peter Caputo.
St. Louis—Theo. Wrausmann.
Philadelphia—Harry Miller.
Portland, Me.—Floyd Harrington.
Birmingham—Robert Fletcher.
Toronto—Antonio Chicoine.
Faribault—Cornelius Lock.
Council Bluffs—John Ringle.
Chicago No. 106—Paul Pernecky, Jr., William McElroy.
Queens—Henry Koster.

The Get-One Degree

Toledo—R. I. Shimp.
St. Louis—W. G. Lambur.
Philadelphia—J. T. Tosti.
Portland, Me.—A. P. Walker.
Birmingham—J. F. Brocato.
Toronto—R. E. L. Smythe.
Faribault—J. J. Doheny.
Council Bluffs—Z. B. Thompson.
Chicago No. 1—Peter Livshis, F. W. Hinrichs.
Queens—W. H. Aufort.

The Spotlight

Manipulated by

J. FREDERICK MEAGHER

SPOTLIGHT'S second annual All-American, consisting of the pick of basketball players in state schools for the deaf, has at least one frater—Kuglitsch on the second team. Stangarone on the first team, and Teare and Watson on the second, are the only holdovers from 1931.

1932 ALL-AMERICAN

Forwards—Doneghue, Ill.; Waxman, Mt. Airy.

Center—Puzausky, Western Pennsylvania.

Guards—Stangarone (capt.), W. Penn.; Ingle, Kans.

SECOND ALL-AMERICAN

Forwards—Teare (capt.), Nebr.; Ewans, Hartford.

Center—Jahnel, Nebr.

Guards—Kuglitsch, Wis.; Watson, Kendall.

National Champions—Western Pennsylvania school, located in Edgewood—a suburb of Pittsburgh.

I still decline to select an All-American frat five, until there are at least ten strong teams in competition. In time, yes. Wait and see!



At last one of our schools has attained full public high school standing!!! Iowa's June graduates now stand on an equality with high school graduates anywhere, fully accredited to any college affiliated with the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. "This means no less than Junior standing at Gallaudet College," claims The Hawkeye—and The Hawkeye is generally 100% accurate. The beauty of it all is Iowa is one of the schools still heavily manned by deaf teachers—including even a deaf principal, Dr. J. Schuyler Long!

Sad Sara Ragna, the Stony Riter, "got a mad on" and sends just one short verse to complete my completion of her lovely poem in the last issue:



PEOPLE, like news, fall into three categories: important developments, commonplace occurrences, or unfortunate incidents. Classify yourself.

—GRANGE NEWS.

Pinch, proud Pote, the patient penny;
Short and sweet be your respite!
Once you're there you won't have any—
Bleeding Kansas, bleed him white!—S. R.

If Stony Sara thinks this don't call for a sappy comeback, she's goofy:

Kansas City "has a heart"—
She won't "bleed" this meager mite;
Yet, my dear, you're right in part—
Kansas sure will "treat us white!"

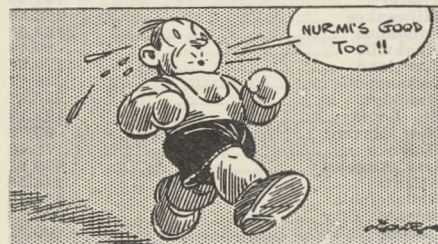


FRATISTICS—Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and several other states, postpone alumni triennials to 1933. . . . Newark and Jersey City divisions unite to unveil a large Gibson photo in the New Jersey school, May 30. . . . Milwaukee celebrates Silver Jubilee with three-day Fraternalism around Decoration Day. . . . Houston raised \$120, which bought Christmas baskets of groceries for needy deaf families—although Houston had already spent a big sum at Boston, vainly trying to chisel KC out of the 1935 plum. . . . Detroit's board of directors vote an annual award for her "most valuable frater"—based on attendance at meetings, new members indorsed, promptness in dues-payments, and general service to the division. Prize is a button, pin, ring, or charm with our emblem.

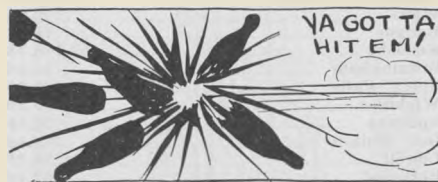


Luther "Dummy" Taylor will umpire this summer in the "Ban Johnson League" around Kansas City—one of the strongest semi-pro circuits in the mid-west. . . . John McGraw, in newspaper resume of his 30 years as manager of the "Giants," picked his own all-time Giant stars—six pitchers and three men for each other position. The twirlers he rates his best were: Matthewson, McGinity, Marquard, Wiltse, Nehf, and "Dummy" Taylor! . . . Four oral products studying at the University of Chicago. . . . Latest figures list 203 schools for deaf in U. S.; 18,835 pupils and 2,670 instructors. . . . England is trying to raise \$250,000 to found a college for the deaf. . . . Tom Anderson's \$2 magazine, The Vocational Teacher, grows better and better. . . . Kansas pupil writes me: "Dear Mr. Wise Man:—Write me a short poem, cause I am sure you are a great poetry." If I knew which of my tormentors put the kid up to it, I'd nail his hide to the barn door. We columnists get strange requests—usually without even a stamped return envelope. Every few days someone wants a free poem, or some similar favor. Yeah? Time is money, and

we gotta earn our bread and butter the same as you. . . . American Deaf Citizen (see ad on another page) starts its third year, still depression-proof. . . . Indiana pupils had a four-hour marathon, 38 boys and some girls. Russel Lambert won, running 370 laps—or a little under 17 miles. A girl, Lois Myers, finished sixth with 330 laps—exactly 15 miles. God bless US Irish!



Washington division is preparing a smoker during the Gallaudet College alumni reunion, June 16-19. Her 1926 smoker I still adjudge best of the bestest since Omaha's 1915 Ak-Sar-Ben. . . . Remember "Pie" Seeley, Omaha delegate at Philly '18? His son, Perry Jr., is swimming instructor in Omaha's YMCA—has 15 Nebraska school kids in his class, using our manual alphabet. . . . "Penny" Friedwald has started a "Kansas City Savings Club"—expects fully 50 Manhattanites will entrain on his Friedwald Flyer. . . . Mysterious Muriel Bishop (yah, depend on the wimmin to think up such ducky dafodils) figures we have a frat division for every letter of the alphabet except X, Y and Z. As if Bobs would grow another gray hair, worrying over that! We may yet have prospects in Xenia, Ohio; Yakima, Wash., and Zanesville, Ohio.



Mauling the maples for a singles mark of 583, in the American Bowling Congress in Detroit, March 27th, Harrison Leiter made it nine out of the last 13 straight A-B-C's he has finished in the prize-money! . . . Brothers Troy Hill, Bernard Teitelbaum and Jim Sullivan, the NAD committee on workmen's compensation and employers' liability insurance, report that there is in no state anywhere, anything barring deaf men from working for any company. Employers claiming so are only making excuses to avoid hiring the deaf—possibly owing to the bad record of some deaf incompetent in the past. . . . Poems of Hollywood's Howard L. Terry—in my opinion easily our best living deaf poet—are being broadcast at 9:30 by Warner Bros., over KFWB. . . . Terry's youngest son just married a U. of Southern Cal. graduate—who was amazed to discover the Terrys were once students at the college founded by her distant cousin, Edward Miner Gallaudet! . . .

March Collections

Grand Division	\$ 34.21
Chicago, No. 1	501.07
Detroit	304.64
Saginaw	26.50
Louisville	116.41
Little Rock	143.92
Dayton	77.00
Bay City	29.66
Cincinnati	230.29
Evansville	21.45
Nashville	89.75
Olathe	102.40
Flint	147.55
Toledo	141.46
Milwaukee	208.49
Columbus	268.90
Knoxville	80.12
Cleveland	170.31
Indianapolis	245.17
Brooklyn	760.87
St. Louis	422.13
New Haven	95.78
Holyoke	78.42
Los Angeles	379.47
Atlanta	146.56
Philadelphia	338.41
Kansas City	224.26
Omaha	209.01
New Orleans	101.05
Kalamazoo	78.19
Boston	266.09
Pittsburgh	229.08
Hartford	100.81
Memphis	91.77
Portland, Me.	76.31
Buffalo	156.74
Portland, Ore.	142.72
Newark	262.90
Providence	95.06
Seattle	164.79
Utica	165.61
Washington	138.03
Baltimore	130.01
Syracuse	98.63
Cedar Rapids	71.92
Huntington	92.34
Albany	81.12
Rochester	226.96
San Francisco	205.58
Reading	151.50
Akron	468.40
Salt Lake City	112.65
Rockford	103.66
Springfield, Ill.	61.67
Davenport	42.79
Worcester	92.87
St. Paul-Minneapolis	215.43
Fort Worth	150.63
Dallas	245.89
Denver	136.86
Waterbury	27.55
Springfield, Mass.	100.97
Waco	100.75
Bangor	70.74
Kenosha	118.73
Birmingham	68.04
Sioux Falls	72.28
Wichita	81.39
Spokane	65.55
Des Moines	119.99
Lowell	70.38
Berkeley	57.46
Delavan	157.34
Houston	220.24
Scranton	114.50
Richmond	109.92
Johnstown	57.40
Manhattan	379.40
Jacksonville	112.80
Lewiston	87.03
Peoria	24.03
Jersey City	102.16
Bronx	143.40
Columbia	63.71
Charlotte	61.92
Durham	79.35
Dubuque	53.75
Grand Rapids	34.28
Toronto	357.15
Duluth	71.67
Canton	62.39
Faribault	79.46
South Bend	55.37
Council Bluffs	103.87
Fort Wayne	54.11
Schenectady	68.02
Chicago No. 106	137.70
Miami	50.44
Binghamton	81.97
Wilkesburg	67.80
San Diego	31.76
Eau Claire	84.62
Sulphur	59.90
Vancouver	34.25
Westchester	38.21
Queens	53.42
Total collections	\$14,598.94

Treasurer's Statement for
March, 1932

Balance and Income	
Balance, February 29, 1932	\$1,547,878.48
Division collections	14,598.94
Interest, mortgage loans	5,451.46
Interest, bonds	1,170.00
Interest, banks	14.45
Lodge supplies	23.30
Recording and registry fees	11.25
Subscriptions to The Frat	2.20
Advertising in The Frat	9.00
Surety bond premiums	244.82
Exchange on checks	1.80
Total balance and income	\$1,569,400.70
Disbursements	
Death benefits	\$ 3,816.00
Sick benefits	3,615.00
Accident benefits	1,515.00
Old Age Income payments	29.83
Accrued interest on mortgages	236.17
Convention expenses	22.37
Salaries	545.82
Services	496.25
Official publication	322.64
Rent	250.00
Office expenses	182.70
Sundry supplies	35.27
Insurance Department fees	15.00
Printing and stationery	10.10
Postage	2.68
Total disbursements	\$ 11,094.83
Recapitulation	
Balance and income	\$1,569,400.70
Disbursements	11,094.83
Balance, March 31, 1932	\$1,558,305.87

Trustees' Report

Ledger Assets, March 31, 1932	
Real estate	\$ 11,000.00
Mortgage loans	1,260,885.00
First mortgage bonds	222,920.64
U. S. Liberty bonds	15,000.00
Canadian bonds	10,996.58
Cash in banks:	
Central Republic Bank & Trust Co.	24,112.65
Continental Illinois Bank & Trust Co.	961.89
Bank of Montreal	9,984.46
Grand Sec'y-Treas.' cash	2,444.65
Total ledger assets	\$1,558,305.87
Balance in Funds	
Reserve fund	\$1,385,319.65
Mortuary fund	32,527.97
Sick and accident fund	102,982.39
Accumulated interest	20,243.08
Convention expense fund	6,896.83
Organizing expense fund	1,794.91
General expense fund	8,541.04
Total in all funds	\$1,558,305.87
Investments	
In March, maturities amounted to \$500, and the Society invested \$11,000 in first mortgages.	

Marriages

April 5—George Lord and Margaret Reddy, both of Albany, N. Y.
 April 8—Samuel Bashein and Sadie Leder, both of New York, N. Y.
 April 9—Patrick Kelly and Mrs. W. H. Alexander, both of Griffin, Ga.
 April 19—Charles Sussman and Judy Solomon, both of New York, N. Y.

March Death Claims

Paid to Elizabeth Brennan, Louisville, Ky., for death benefit of Daniel Brennan, Jr., certificate No. 190-E, deceased February 15, 1932, \$500.
 Paid to Mildred R. Dawson, Newcomers-town, Ohio, for death benefit of Benjamin P. Dawson, certificate No. 7635-D, deceased February 22, 1932, \$1,000.
 Paid to W. H. Clemons, Guardian, Miami, Fla., for death benefit of John R. Quarles, certificate No. 8106-D, deceased March 4, 1932, \$1,000.
 Paid to Edna L. Greene, Kansas City, Mo., for death benefit of Louis L. Coleman, certificate No. 5317-D, deceased March 14, 1932, \$1,000.
 Paid to Emmett Kilgour and Mae Aylor, Burlington, Ky., for death benefit of William H. Kilgour, certificate No. 239-C, deceased March 9, 1932, \$316.

March Disability Claims

A. M. Borsoff, Berkeley	\$ 30.00
G. L. Esterly, Denver	10.00
W. P. Souder, Washington	20.00
T. C. Simpson, Olathe	10.00
J. W. Jackson, Lowell	20.00
R. C. Burdick, Akron	100.00
J. M. Purvis, Philadelphia	40.00
A. S. McGhee, Philadelphia	20.00
Raymond Kunes, Philadelphia	10.00
G. N. Charter, Memphis	25.00
L. W. Price, Knoxville	50.00
J. W. Floerke, Fort Worth	50.00
*J. R. Gardner, Atlanta	10.00
*J. D. Walls, Philadelphia	40.00
J. E. Carlon, Springfield, Mass.	50.00
J. L. Janicke, Saginaw	50.00
Carl Strail, Syracuse	50.00
L. E. Clinker, Toledo	50.00
Walter Krohngold, Akron	50.00
L. R. Bradford, Memphis	100.00
G. B. Allen, Houston	125.00
J. S. Lumpkin, Richmond	50.00
Julius Hertel, Cedar Rapids	40.00
*H. C. Lines, Olathe	50.00
*Mac Armstrong, New Orleans	10.00
*J. L. Williams, Durham	15.00
Joseph Goldman, Toronto	200.00
G. W. Fox, Columbus	50.00
L. W. Moreland, Columbus	20.00
R. J. Robinson, Philadelphia	10.00
F. R. Pairet, Dallas	75.00
Chas. Suttka, Louisville	10.00
Jackson Morrison, Louisville	90.00
C. H. Carman, Detroit	10.00
Max Miller, Manhattan	15.00
G. H. St. Clair, Manhattan	10.00
P. J. Murphy, Bronx	50.00
Hyman Rubin, Bronx	225.00
G. J. Cowan, Philadelphia	50.00
H. C. Davis, Wilkesburg	20.00
B. L. Tunstall, Waco	15.00
*G. D. Allen, Louisville	10.00
*L. F. Price, Reading	15.00
Robert Ford, Chicago	10.00
A. M. Kloppe, Omaha	50.00
A. M. Bowman, Waco	175.00
*Ward Belford, Chicago	10.00
*Howard Keyser, Utica	30.00
*W. J. Nichols, Toledo	15.00
*E. S. Coleman, Akron	50.00
*C. A. Collins, Providence	15.00
Anthony Kihm, Denver	50.00
Harry Hoffman, Manhattan	50.00
J. J. Schmelzer, Indianapolis	50.00
G. O. Weimer, Indianapolis	50.00
W. S. Edwards, Springfield, Mass.	25.00
J. J. Burnett, Kalamazoo	15.00
A. J. Pederson, Duluth	50.00
W. M. Strong, St. Louis	10.00
G. W. Fox, Columbus	20.00
T. E. Hill, Dallas	50.00
G. M. Slaughter, Houston	125.00
*Cleveland Davis, Miami	50.00
*G. D. Allen, Louisville	25.00
*J. I. Kelly, Boston	50.00
*David March, St. Louis	25.00
*Harry Kurz, Manhattan	50.00
*B. L. Craven, Portland, Ore.	75.00
*W. K. Manning, Memphis	15.00
Joseph Goldman, Toronto	50.00
*O. K. Price, Sr., Baltimore	150.00
J. T. Dilke, Berkeley	50.00
D. D. Cronin, Berkeley	75.00
LeRoy Kuelper, Rockford	50.00
C. W. Osterberg, Cedar Rapids	50.00
J. E. LaCour, New Orleans	150.00
Edward Jellison, Lewiston	15.00
J. P. Hansen, Faribault	50.00
L. D. Moegle, St. Louis	50.00
T. J. Blake, Newark	50.00
Thomas Kelley, Jersey City	30.00
C. C. Leach, Binghamton	75.00
Fred Albert, Cleveland	30.00
L. D. McMillan, Portland, Ore.	50.00
*H. V. Jarvis, Hartford	10.00
*H. F. Ware, Atlanta	250.00
*J. W. Kuhlman, Fort Wayne	50.00
Jesse Reel, Council Bluffs	50.00
*A. M. Hinch, Flint	250.00
*W. D. Ellis, Toledo	25.00
Geo. Anthony, Cedar Rapids	50.00
J. H. Mueller, Louisville	75.00
G. A. Lemaster, Cincinnati	80.00
E. C. Ritchie, Reading	75.00
*F. B. Ellerhorst, Cincinnati	150.00
M. J. Lafleur, New Orleans	30.00
*Mac Armstrong, New Orleans	20.00
Total for the month	\$5,130.00

*Denotes accident claims.

Obituary

AUGUSTUS V. W. ROSS, 62, of Jersey City Division No. 91, died March 17, 1932. He joined the Society June 1, 1922, and held certificate No. 6206-C.

WILLIAM H. COWLES, 63, of Louisville Division No. 4, died March 29, 1932. He joined the Society October 4, 1923, and held certificate No. 6703-C.

Pushing Ahead

By TOM J. BLAKE

THIS is a comeback to keep the ball tarolling and also to stress a few of my own ideas a little more. We need more discussion pro and con on various subjects to enlighten and to be enlightened before the Kansas City convention.

The plan to donate a photo of Francis P. Gibson to the various state schools for the deaf I still consider very good, because it honors a deaf man who deserves it. Very few schools have a picture of a deaf man or woman whom the students can look up to as an inspiration. In fact, F. P. Gibson is the only deaf man who became a great leader and organizer of the deaf. So, let us uphold and push the legacy he has left us in every way possible. Expansion of the N. F. S. D. is one of the most important undertakings before the Society. My educational feature combined with the picture unveiling would be a great step in that direction. The deaf boys would be informed about and interested in the N. F. S. D. before they left their schools. As it is now and has been in the past, their minds are poisoned by enemies of our great organization who are so selfish and narrow minded that they will do almost anything for a dollar. When the N. F. S. D. was organized and for some years after, it was hard for a deaf man to get insurance from the big companies, except at increased costs and often not even then. Conditions have changed. These companies take all the deaf they can get now and many of them have deaf men attending to the work for them. We must sell the N. F. S. D. if we want it to expand and keep on expanding. F. P. Gibson's untiring and wise leadership, his character and unimpeachable honesty was the main instrument in putting the N. F. S. D. where it is today. New and bigger methods for increasing the membership of the organization must be put in force and its strength trebled before a home and hospital can be thought of.

Lectures before the deaf in all the schools for the deaf, a couple of times a year with prizes of some sort and stressing of our laws and the social and other benefits to be obtained is well worth while. Such would be as good as a Boy Scout course for the deaf boys. Our laws require that you be industrious, of good moral character, sound in body and in mind. There is a wealth of wisdom in all this for expansion and educational purposes pertaining to the N. F. S. D. Junior branches of the N. F. S. D. in all state schools or other thickly populated places would bear fruit.

The time has passed when organization work can be left to the enthusiasm of individual members. There will have to be paid organizers in every state. The individual member who is free to do organization work does more harm than good generally. Of course, there are many

exceptions, especially in years gone by.

My frank opinion is that the present membership will never allow themselves to be compulsorily taxed to establish a home. Ten or twenty thousand new members may be able to put it over.

This talk of a home is only by a few. I wonder how many really want a home or would use it if we had one. The majority of the frats are married. In their old age very few would want to leave friends and home surroundings when they could easily get care if needed nearby that they are entitled to and which is not charity either. A home on the "poor farm" plan does not look good. A deaf man who could work on a "poor farm" could also work elsewhere.

A bigger FRAT paper, a much larger FRAT paper is of more importance to our membership than a home. With a great paper behind us we would reap more and more benefits right here at home. A great FRAT paper would always be our ally and friend. We could fight unjust laws and discriminations against us with it. We could educate the hearing public—which they greatly need—about us. What could we not do with a great up-to-date monthly magazine? A big paper would greatly increase our membership and make the deaf more cohesive.

As Brother Meagher says, it costs money and where is it coming from? Well, the price for THE FRAT could be gradually increased as it is gradually enlarged, and I feel sure there would be no kick about it. The deaf have shown again and again they want a paper, and if they are convinced of a sure thing, they will support it.

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.

J. D. Lowry, deputy, county clerk's office, Waco, Texas, 30 years.

Joseph Johovics, nailer and packer, Standard Sanitary Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., 21 years.

Fred H. Wheeler, Sr., with Kalamazoo Loose Leaf Binder Co., Kalamazoo, Mich., 28 years.

John F. Schild, gold rouger, Dueber Watch Case Co., Canton, O., 25 years.



MOTHER

THE fairest word on earth
that's heard,

On human lips the fairest
word, is mother.

To whom such name shall once
belong,

High honor hers her whole
life long.

—CARMEN SYLVA.



THE DEAD

By RUPERT BROOKS

BLOW out, you bugles, over the rich
dead!

There's none of these so lonely and poor
of old

But, dying, has made us rarer gifts than
gold.

These laid the world away; poured out
the red

Sweet wine of youth; gave up the years
to be

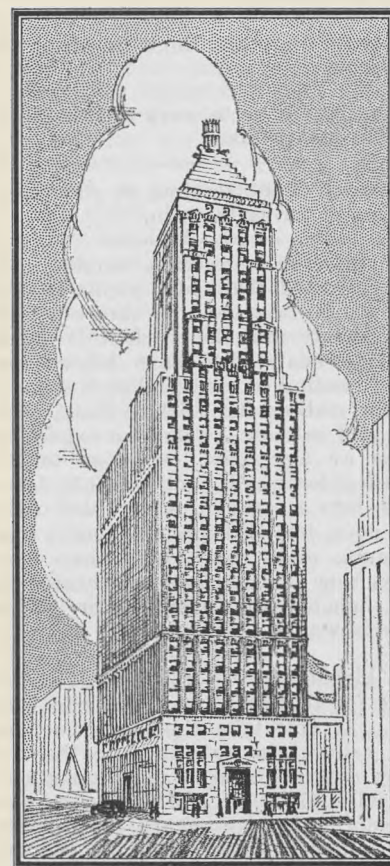
Of work and joy, and that un hoped serene
That men call age; and those who would
have been,

Their sons, they gave, their immortality.

Blow, bugles, blow! They brought us,
for our dearth,

Holiness, lacked so long, and love and
pain.

Honor has come back, as a king to earth
And paid his subjects with a royal wage;
And nobleness walks in our ways again,
And we have come into our heritage.



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Get the business. Don't let obstacles stop you.

You may have to work a little harder, but get results.

Deputy Organizers, up on your toes. Let's go. Bring them in.

In these columns some months ago, we suggested that older pupils in our schools for the deaf be interested in the Society and the work it is doing for the deaf. We have placed the boys' reading rooms at all such schools on the mailing list of THE FRAT, with this end in view. Later we expect to make an aggressive campaign to interest older pupils, and possibly form them into a sort of junior order without dues, but with certain honors and insignia, and from which they may when they leave school be elevated to full membership in the order. This idea is worth developing.

A bigger and better FRAT? Yes, we hope for that and are working to that end. It will take time, and money. We believe the existence of the Society depends a great deal upon our official publication, and surely there is no more effective means to promote the solidarity and growth of the order. We have made and are making certain economies in the management of the Home Office, in keeping with the times. But we do not wish to curtail THE FRAT in any way. We believe the money spent on the publication is well spent, and that it brings returns to the Society as a whole. Help us make the paper better in every way.

Moving

AS our members know, headquarters has been moved to a new and better location. Get posted on the new address mentioned in another column.

Moving headquarters was some job. We had accumulations of years to go over, sort out, and discard such junk as was no longer needed. It took the staff two weeks and more to get ready to move a block, and another week to get settled in the new quarters. Things have now been straightened out in the new location. We have an excellent up-to-date office with a much better lay-out, one that no visiting frater will be ashamed to show his friends as the Home Office of the Society. By the move we are also making a considerable saving in annual rental.

We hope that our members at large will understand we have been in the midst of considerable confusion in moving, and some work has been delayed a little. However, we are now cleaning up the accumulation and hope to be ahead of the game shortly.

Our members and their friends are cordially invited to come around and inspect the new office.

Kansas City Convention Committee

FOLLOWING the visit of the Grand President to Kansas City on March 19, these appointments were made to the Local Committee on Arrangements for the 1935 convention in that city:

T. L. Sexton, chairman; Willard Stanfill, secretary; Joseph Jenkins, treasurer; Fred Murphy, publicity; Edward S. Foltz, Oscar Sanford, Pearl Haner, Frank Herrig, Fremond Offerle, C. Dillenschneider.

We believe this is a first class committee in every respect, one that will be able to make suitable arrangements for entertaining the 1935 convention, and one fully able to uphold the prestige of Kansas City, the Heart of America.

The committee is now well organized and has started its work. It will have no easy task. No local committee has ever had an easy task, as those who have served on one can testify. We are confident that our members in Kansas City and the entire Missouri Valley will get behind the committee and aid it in its difficult labors. The committee has the full cooperation and best wishes of the Home Office.

Visits

THE Grand President had the pleasure of visiting with the fraters at Kansas City on March 19, St. Paul-Minneapolis on March 26-27, and Jacksonville, Illinois, on Apr. 2.

At Kansas City, he addressed members and their friends, following which there was a social affair and dancing. Local and Topeka talent put on some clever stage skits during the intervals, and refreshments were abundant, all

of the mild variety, however. While in Kansas City, he was the guest of Brother and Mrs. Sexton.

On Sunday, the 20th, he motored down to Olathe in Brother Stanfill's car, and visited his old stamping ground, the Kansas School for the Deaf, where during his younger days he spent fifteen years as pupil, officer, and teacher. While there, he was the guest of Brother Foltz, and had the pleasure of addressing the pupils that evening.

At St. Paul and Minneapolis he gave a talk on the evening of the 26th at the Thompson Club hall. On the afternoon of the 27th, Deputy Organizer Allen put on a rally at the club and kept the Grand President busy talking on the Society, expounding its benefits, and answering questions from 2:30 to 5. It was a pleasure to meet so many of our members in the Twin Cities, and also prospective members. While there, he was the guest of Brother and Mrs. Winston.

At Jacksonville, the boys of No. 88 fittingly celebrated their tenth anniversary as a Division with a banquet at the Peacock Inn. It was some banquet and the fraters did full justice to the excellent repast. Following this, there were impromptu talks by visitors and members of the Division. A number of brothers from Springfield and Peoria were present. The diners then adjourned to the Gallaudet Club rooms where they joined the ladies and enjoyed several reels of motion pictures. While in Jacksonville, the Grand President was the guest of Brother and Mrs. Marshall.

It was good to see the enthusiasm and fraternal spirit in all of these places visited. It was a pleasure to meet old friends and to make new ones on these trips. We hope to make many more personal contacts with the rank and file, who constitute the backbone of the Society, as time goes on.

Winner For 1931

BROTHER Franz Ascher of Springfield Division No. 67 led in the number of new members secured during 1931, and has been awarded a frat emblem ring.

Brother Ascher has long been active in his district, and we hope he will continue to maintain his good record in the recruiting line.

Deputy Change

BROTHER Robert J. Siver has been appointed Deputy Organizer for Utica Division, succeeding Brother James A. McGovern, resigned. Force of circumstances made it necessary for Brother McGovern to relinquish his duties as deputy, after an active campaign in which he secured quite a number of new members, leading the drive in 1930.

DIVISION NOTES

COMING DIVISION EVENTS

May	
5. Social	Saginaw
7. Smoker and initiation	Portland
7. Banquet	Atlanta
7. Lecture	Utica
7. Keno social	Detroit
7. Mother's day and goat party	
7. Movies and vaudeville	Los Angeles
7. Hard time party	Des Moines
14. Strawberry festival	Newark
14. May festival	Cedar Rapids
14. Social	South Bend
14. Frat night	Bronx
14. Social	Johnstown
14. Party and movies	Holyoke
14. Movies	New Haven
14. Social	Hartford
14. Social	Rockford
15. Indoor picnic	Reading
17. Movies	Houston
20. Strawberry social	Pittsburgh
21. Social	Toledo
21. Social	Brooklyn
21. Anniversary party	Atlanta
21. Social	San Francisco
21. Smoker	Chicago No. 106
21. Strawberry festival	Binghamton
27. Spirit of spring party	Houston
28. Annual party	Bangor, Me.
28. Annual dance	Providence
28. Outing	Richmond
28. Leap Year social	Scranton
28. Social	Seattle
28. Birthday dinner	Syracuse
28. Aux-frats social	Akron
28-29-30. Spanish fiesta	Springfield, Mass.
28-29-30. Silver jubilee	Milwaukee
29. Outing	Wichita
29. Picnic	New Orleans
29. Strawberry festival	Fort Wayne
30. Movies	Louisville
June	
2. Social	Saginaw
3. Strawberry festival	Albany
11. Boat excursion	Washington
11. June festival	Columbus
11. Strawberry festival	Cleveland
18. Social	Brooklyn
18. Smoker	Toledo
19. Picnic	Toledo
19. Picnic	St. Louis
21. Movies	Houston
25. School day party	Scranton
26. Picnic	Milwaukee
July	
2. Smoker	Des Moines
3. Picnic	Des Moines
4. Picnic	Atlanta
4. Picnic and movies	Waco
4. Picnic	Council Bluffs
4. Joint outing	Washington
10. Picnic	Reading
16. Field day	Utica
17. Picnic	Syracuse
30. Picnic	Bronx
31. Picnic	Duluth

ATLANTA

By Muriel Bishop

Our Division celebrates its 22nd anniversary with a banquet May 7. Details as to place, price, etc., have not been given out. Write-up next month.

Our first try-out on the short business session, with a social afterwards, was a success. A good crowd was present and bunco was the feature of the evening.

Rev. Brother J. W. Michaels, who is one of the oldest, if not the oldest active frat, now in his 80th year, is soon to be honored with a unique Silver Jubilee celebration, participated in by fifty or more church classes throughout the southern states. Rev. Michaels has been an active minister for the Baptist Home Mission Board for the past 28 years.

The bunco parties of The Nadfrat Club are growing more popular every month. Miss Margaret Magill and Mrs. W. E. Gholdston had their turn at entertaining in February. Six tables

were played at the Bishop's boarding-place in March. The April affair, sponsored by Miss Gwen Robinson, bids fair to draw the largest turnout yet. It will take place on the Ansley Hotel roof-garden on the 15th. Entire proceeds of these affairs go to the sick benefit fund of the club.

The West End seems to be a mecca for the newlyweds of Atlanta. First, the Will Jeff Scotts set up residence there, then Fred Jones and his bride. A few months ago the J. F. Ponders went to housekeeping in an apartment built for two, and now the Hartsfields, our newest newly-weds, choose that part of town, to live-happy-ever-after in. Yes, there's enough couples out there now to start some kind of a club.

Mr. Joe Jabaley, of La Grange, is a visitor in Atlanta now and then. He is another good prospect that we hope to land. His father is in the theater business, and Joe helps out as operator.

Pat Kelly and Mrs. W. H. Alexander were married April 9th. They will reside in Griffin, where Brother Pat is employed as a job pressman.

Herman Ware was laid up for 10 weeks at his parents' home in Alabama, with some kind of foot and ankle trouble. He received a sick benefit check for \$250 which is the largest ever paid to a member of this Division.

DETROIT

By A. A. Stutsman

G. W. Reeves, president of Toronto Division, No. 98, sprung a big surprise upon us by making his appearance at our April meeting. He talked some 15 minutes, but it was worth 15 pounds in gold. His subject was what we have been wanting to learn more of, and clearer—the different systems of the various insurance companies, and the comparison of their credits with those of the N. F. S. D., and the weighty arguments in the N. F. S. D.'s favor. Come again, Brother Reeves.

The addresses of the following: Herbert Shugart, Joseph Abelson, Balthey Champagne, and Milton McLean, are wanted by Stutsman, the secretary, to be recorded in the membership book.

The social held in the card room on April 2 was a fair success, considering the size of the crowd. The winners of the games were Mesdames John Hellers, Sadows, and Walker, and Floyd Mowrey. On May 7, we will have another Keno social, and possibly, a movie in addition. This may be the last after-the-meeting social until next fall, so come at any cost, bring friends along and help bid Mr. Depression good-bye.

It will not be amiss here to mention the food donated to the March 7 smoker, and the donors. It was this small but thoughtful matter which made the success of the smoker possible. One loaf of bread by Brother and Mrs. McMullen; 3 loaves by Brother and Mrs. Holbrook; 6 loaves by Brother Schneider; 2 jars of mustard by Brother and Mrs. Dirreen, and 2 pounds of coffee, one each by Brother and Mrs.

Goth and Brother and Mrs. Japes. Brothers Behrendt and Rheiner each donated 10 cents. The Division voted sincere thanks to those persons, and again to Madames Japes, Holbrook, Dirreen, Goth and McMullen, who gave a greater part of their evening to preparing and serving the refreshments.

OMAHA

By R. W. Mullin

This is Fools' month, with its merry roles like the old hat-brick trick. Sorta hard on Mary's li'l lamb without any protection until he joins the frat, and then becomes much wiser and saner. Then, some day, later, St. Peter learns what a good frater he was, a good mixer too, a jolly old sport, a leader, a builder, and mostly a man among men. Gone? No. He lives on. On and on. 'Tis no difficult role to play, fellers, and it's the only genuine way you will ever enjoy life. Just step right in and sense the real feeling of safe and sound protection, with your investment growing big and strong; then you're a fool no more.

Brother and Mrs. James Jelinek are centering their happy moments on their little Mary Aileen, only ten months, ever so bright and amusing with her cute little tantrums. It was not but a couple of months ago that she innocently won a prize cup for being the most perfect baby among hundreds of others in a baby contest, and then had her picture in the papers. Last Sunday she was christened by Bishop Shaylor at the Trinity Cathedral amid a good crowd, Reverend Grace's crowd, you know, and the sermon was splendid—worth listening to. And we are going to regulate our church attendance after all. Brother Clayton joined in with his little son, John William, also christened. We all know what a printer he is—spreads ink that makes us think—even our own printing which he gladly turns out for us, is followed like Friday's footprints.

Sunday, the 3rd, was Brother and Mrs. John Toner's 30th Anniversary, with nearly the entire deaf population out to see them make merry with the gift of a pearl pen. Games and cards ensued, then there was a mock wedding by Brother Harry Long as Mrs. Toner, Brother Jelinek as Brother Toner, and Brother Cuscaden as the minister. So well did they play their parts that many held their sides in tearful laughter.

Brother Revers and wife are back with us again. Welcome brother and sister; only we regret you are laid off from your job down South, trusting that you will find better luck here. Brother Long treated them to a little shower on Friday the 1st. No foolin', mind you. They now have a lot of handy things and look sunny enough to bait a good job here.

Our unmentioned quiet Brother Durland has been working for a long time at Kuenne's Bakery, making bread for

many of us—brotherly bread that we shall eat while we cannot afford meat. So, let's do our stuff, fellers, give him a hearty shake and tell his boss what a good guy he is.

Albert Johnson's father passed away after a short illness, and was buried beside his mother who left several years earlier. Albert and his father then lived and worked together like pals. Now that he is bravely facing the future alone with meager capital, we are earnestly watching his welfare, ready to skin the old wolf if it barks at him.

Say, brothers, whenever you need a frame-up, minding not whether it is good or bad, don't forget to see your newly initiated Brother Barnes. The aroma of our pet goat has vanished, and he will be mighty glad to see you at Hospe's Art Department where he makes picture frames. Yes, he's a framer, pure and simple, does his work so square that you will never have a fuss to spare.

The advertising firm where Edwin Hazel has for many years operated a monotype machine without wearing it out, has merged with another combine, and his boss will hop the rails for California. Blame it on the depression. Edwin shrewdly sold off his furniture and rented his home. He and his wife are boarding at the home of the writer as long as he can hang to his job. Dunno what's next, unless it's Chicago or Pittsburgh, bullets and smoke; but we'd miss them a lot. Anyway, there's paved highways, airplanes and air mail, so why weep?

FRIBAULT

By Toivo Lindholm

Attention, Brother Griffing! Naughty boy! Papa spank! You have incurred the displeasure of Brother Lauritsen for certain expressions about him that you penned in the first paragraph of your news in the last FRAT. Is that nice? Is that your gratitude to him after he had pulled you out of a dilemma by presenting you with a stupendous check of \$.04? Ponder and confess your shame. You said his letter was a mixture of slang, Swede and cuss words, and you called him a danged old son-of-a-gun. In the first place, Wesley is a perfect failure at slang, having never had time to partake of the contents of any but religious and school text books; in the second place, Wesley feels insulted in being called a Swede (indirectly), inasmuch as he is a Dane by birth and can write only Norwegian outside of Noah's English (to say nothing of the language he learned at college which however does not include collegiate); in the third place, cuss words are outside his system, he being no Irish, and therefore too stolid for sudden outbursts and blue streaks of eloquence. Get me! However Wes thanks you for other and more polite expressions concerning him.

Brother and Mrs. Ben Nelson, of Detroit, who have spent the fall and winter at Ben's parental home in Fari-

bault, have gone to Indiana to stay at Mrs. Nelson's parental home until employment at Detroit beckons Ben. Like so many in these depressing times, Ben had to forego his lucrative job at Detroit last fall. We hope and pray he finds employment soon.

Warren Brant, who was bereaved of his wife last January, was a visitor in Faribault for a few days as the guest of Brother and Mrs. John Klein. He has changed his place of residence from Lamoni, Iowa, to Renville, Minn.

The entertainment at the Frat social following this past month's meeting was a great one, particularly the excellence of the refreshments, thanks to the efforts of Mesdames Roth and Boatwright, the team that cannot be beat. At bridge, Brother Lauritsen came out first, and R. Miller, second. On the ladies' side, Miss Dahl came out ahead, trailed by Miss Ressler.

We are happy to report, at this time of writing, that Jens P. Hansen, who, January 3, fell sick due to intestinal hemorrhage and other causes, has been able to get up and move around a bit. He is taking short walks daily, which in itself is reassuring.

The Faribault Division plans a great event for the evening of May 14. There will be an annual track and field meet at the School for the Deaf in the morning, and—what the alumni of the school is coming for—a baseball game between the alumni and the school in the afternoon. Then from the time after the game till the wee hours of the morning, the local Frats and the Auxes will entertain those who will condescend to be entertained at the Frat supper, meeting and card party of 500, bridge and bunco. Time, 5:30; supper at 6:30, and then the party proper. Place, new Eagles Hall, Third street, across the street from the fire department. Remember, if the time gets too hot, there's the fire department to take care of us. The halls of two divisions have burned down since Christmas. We hope we are safely located. (Two raps on virgin wood.) We ain't superstitious, but we ain't taking no chances.

The sun shines brighter, and the birds sing more blithely since the family of Wesley Lauritsen has returned from its winter sojourn in the south. Mrs. Lauritsen and children, Charles and Nancy, went to South Carolina on a summons to the sickbed of Mrs. Lauritsen's mother. The mother is recuperating, hence their return.

SAGINAW

By George Janicke

Attention, Brother Lawrence of Bay City! Get your feet off the desk and get busy getting more members, if you don't want your Division to lose out in the race. I have a few tricks up my sleeve, and am not worrying.

William Minaker and George Janicke, as banquet committee, have as yet been unable to locate a place for holding our 30th anniversary banquet. By the time the next issue is

out, they hope to be able to make an announcement.

Last month a supper social was given after the regular meeting, and we are pleasantly surprised at the nice profit made. All of the members donated food, so we were saved much of the expense of buying. A similar supper will be given after our meeting on May 5. The profits from both socials will go to our relief fund.

William Minaker has started to raise broilers on his farm at Harriet, Mich. He has 200 to start with, and will increase if the business pays. We wish him success.

The Division extends its sympathy to Stephen Brownrigg in the loss of his mother, who passed away on Easter Sunday.

FLINT

By L. F. Williams

After the regular business meeting of March 1, Brother Bristol put on a social that was called "Questions and Answers." It was very funny, and kept us laughing. The meeting was well attended, and nice refreshments were served at a small charge. Everyone enjoyed the evening.

Brother Scott, who recently got back his old job with the Stewart Body Company, had the misfortune to have two fingers on the right hand and one finger on the left hand cut by a saw while working. They are healing nicely.

President Roberts wants to see our Society receive more new members this year. We have not found one yet. We are sorry to see many good members leave because of lack of work.

Brother Sicotte has been away on a visiting trip. He is now in Minneapolis visiting with his mother and other relatives. He will come back to Flint next fall when the Fisher Body Corporation calls for him. We miss him.

Brother Greenwood of Manistique, Mich., a successful florist, is busy taking care of ten thousand plants to sell this coming spring.

Brother Juillet, who was struck by an automobile on March 8, is now at his home with a fractured arm and severe lacerations. The driver was arrested on a reckless driving charge, and also because the brakes on his machine were defective. We hope that Brother Juillet will recover rapidly.

AKRON

By W. H. Townsend

Brother Rassmussen announces that the aux-frats are planning something new for their social on May 28. Vague hints about a dialogue and some special new games are the only information we have for this writing.

F. A. Andrewjeski was elected as secretary at the April meeting in place of W. H. Townsend, resigned. Non-residents please note Brother Andrewjeski's address, which is 1566 Preston Avenue, Akron, O.

Mutt Richard McCann Baker and Jeff Henry Sherrill rode the goat at



**BOWLING TEAM
SYRACUSE DIVISION
No. 48**

**New York State
Champions**

Top row:

**Carl Strail
Rozelle Ackerman
Frank Lenn**

Bottom row:

**Edward Herlan
John Mancino
Thomas Hinchey**

the April meeting. The goat protested violently against carrying double, but the Degree Staff overruled its objections in favor of Brother Baker's request for company in his misery, especially so when they found out that Brother Sherrill was eligible for the ordeal. The Degree Staff will have to muzzle the goat after this, as it was reported that the rumpus it created in the back room caused Brother Hardwick's sudden disappearance just before the initiation ceremonies started.

Members should notify the secretary at once upon becoming sick or disabled. Don't wait until you are well before you do it. It only costs one cent to send the secretary a post card, while failure to do so at the right time may cost the loss of part or all of the sick benefit due a member.

KANSAS CITY

By O. L. Sanford

Grand President Roberts blew in on the 19th of March, and the committee of the day gave him the warmest reception they possibly knew how. After a brief rest before the party, he was

taken for a two-way ride over Kansas City's far famed boulevards and shown sights that were of possible interest to out-of-town visitors. Some easterners are wondering whether he saw any "Injuns" and cow punchers. They are reported to have said Kansas City is so far west that everybody goes around carrying a rod on one side and a gat on the other. At the party, Brother Roberts' jokes kept us giggling most of the time, and Folly's little round tummy looked like an eight cylinder motor in action.

On March 20th he was taken to his old haunts around Olathe, and was the guest of Eddie Foltz.

Everette "Silent" Rattan, Kansas City's professional wrestler, seems to be raking in quite a bit of coin, since he has applied for an increase of insurance.

No. 31 is planning a big week for the M. A. D., starting the first of July. Many interesting events will be had, including a smoker for frats only, and a field day at some amusement park. Final details of this event will be told in the next issue of THE FRAT.

PITTSBURGH

By E. A. Ludovico

Hail the new champion! The Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf varsity basketball team captured the championship of the Eastern states tournament at Trenton, N. J., recently. Pittsburgh Division and the Pittsburgh Association of the Deaf wish to congratulate the school team because of its fine showing and clean sportsmanship. Eugene Stangarone, member of our Division, was an outstanding player during the three games. The other players did very well. We all hope that they will retain the championship next year when the tournament will be held in Edgewood.

The Alumni Night under the auspices of the Alumni Association of the Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf will be held at Edgewood on Saturday evening, May 28. President Samuel Rogalsky and the committee promise that we will have good games and refreshments. The admission will be 25 cents. In the afternoon the Alumni team will play baseball against the School team. Come and have fun!

At the April meeting the members favored a change from the Executive committee to the Investigating committee to help the members who are in arrears, as our Relief Fund is low. We are glad that they are going to save the members from being dropped.

Our best wishes to Westchester Division, No. 114, and Queens Division, No. 115.

The Pittsburgh Silent basketball team had a good record this season. They won 15 games and lost only 9 games. The players are mostly members of our Division, and are as follows: Roy and Enza Ludovico, Wesley Stevenson, Harry Puke, Julius Kirsch, Charles O'Hara, William Schuback, Earl Stangarone and Samuel Frank.

Last December Joseph Johovics and some friends went hunting for deer at Dubois, Pa. They wandered through the woods all afternoon and couldn't find any deer. But finally Brother Johovics saw a doe running, shot and killed it, and they took it home with them.

LOUISVILLE

By J. W. Ferg

Once more the Grim Reaper has invaded our ranks, this time removing Brother William H. Cowles of Butler, Ky. He was one of a very few to join No. 4 at the historic 1923 centennial anniversary reunion of the Kentucky School for the Deaf, and remained a loyal member to the very end. He held certificate No. 6703. Brother Cowles was of a quiet and unassuming disposition, and attended strictly to his own business. He is survived by his wife, Mamie Long Cowles, and a brother-in-law, Professor L. Alva Long of Devils Lake, N. Dak., who incidentally joined at the same time, and ever since has been one of the Society's strongest boosters.

Charles A. Thomas, formerly of Corbin, Ky., writes that he is now manipulating the ivories of a "merg" on the Mullens, W. Va. Advocate, one of the Woodyard chain of 16 county newspapers in that state. He adds that he is well pleased with his new surroundings, and his family have already joined him. By a strange twist of circumstances, Brother Thomas is succeeded on the linotype on the Corbin Times by ex-Brother S. G. Goodin, who promises that as soon as he is settled down, he will re-apply for membership. That's the right spirit!

Ever since our good friend, Rev. R. C. Fletcher has been coming to Louisville for the last two years, we have gone after him with hammer and tongs each month to get him to cast his lot with us, but with no apparent result. When he recently filled his April date here, he gladdened our hearts by letting it be known that his application was being acted upon this month (April) by No. 73. Congratulations on you giving in at last, Rev. Fletcher, and welcome into the fold.

"Uncle" Patrick Dolan, No. 4's perennial venerable "prexy," is redeeming one of his pledges made at his in-

auguration last January. He is seeing to it that the dust is being brushed off the long-shelved social activities of the Division, and stays brushed off. A social is on tap for Saturday evening, April 30, for the pleasure and edification of the members, the "nons," of course, to pay a door price of 25 cents flat. For Decoration Day, Monday, May 30, a movie party is contemplated, showing films of the recent Boston convention, with a comedy or two thrown in. The secretary is in correspondence with various deaf parties having films, and will report at the May meeting. The proceeds from the movies will replenish our rapidly decreasing local fund to help take care of the dues of members out of work. No free gate—sorry, but everyone must have a ticket. For further particulars as to place, price of admission, etc., watch these columns next month.

PORTLAND, ORE.

By H. P. Nelson

Jacob Garberson, who came from North Bend, Ore., to a local hospital in Portland last February for a 15 day treatment, left the hospital for his home somewhat improved, but will not be able to go back to work for some time. He was injured in a sawmill last fall, being struck on his side by a piece of heavy lumber.

Brother Craven underwent an operation for nasal trouble, but is now fully recovered and back to work at the Cooperage Company.

Brother Delanoy, who has been a very sick man for the past year, has gained some flesh, but is still weak.

At our March meeting, a motion was made to put off the Halfway Picnic, which is held every year the last part of July, at Centralia, Wash. It was carried. This was on account of the O. A. D. convention which is to be held at Salem, Ore., September 3-4-5. As the two events were so close together, it was considered too expensive for most of the deaf to attend both, during these bad times with many only working from 3 to 4 days a week, and some not that much. Portland frats are waiting for Seattle Division's idea in the matter before being certain.

Brothers Lynch and Darling proved to be good bowlers, as they scored very high recently, in a match game at Salem.

Ray Hummel of Salem has been very busy lately building himself a boat for fishing. He is not only a fishing sport, but is also an expert hunter, as he usually bags some big game every season.

Brother Lindstrom of Salem was given a birthday surprise March 23, and received many fine presents. He has been a teacher for many years at the Salem school, and is associate editor of the Oregon Outlook and other school papers.

Brother Lawrence of Vancouver Division was a visitor at our meeting. Fred Wondrack attends our meeting every month, as Vancouver is only

across the Columbia River from Portland.

The S. F. L. Auxiliary's Easter party came out successfully despite the small attendance of about 50. The ladies put on a fine program. The event opened with an egg hunt, then was followed by many other games.

Brother Van Eman is trying to arrange some way of getting a moving picture outfit for our Division's entertainment, if means can be had from the Division's funds; but during these bad times when many need help, the action has been postponed.

Portland Division has selected Brother Tatreau as entertainer after meetings. The ladies of the S. F. L. club drop in after the meeting, and dancing, bunco and cards are on the program. The deaf public is invited to these after-meeting parties. Many young and old deaf are getting to be expert bridge players, and may at some future date play Vancouver Division, where there are quite a number of expert players.

ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS

By J. J. McNeill

The Roberts night at the clubhouse was a grand success. The hall was packed to the limit, and Grand President Roberts gave a very interesting and amusing talk, and everybody was pleased with it. He also spoke at the rally the following day, and explained everything about the Order, and we hope we will get a bunch of new members as soon as times are better. Come again, Roberts!

On Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Petra Howard entertained Brother Roberts with a dinner. She invited Brother and Mrs. B. S. Winston, Brother and Mrs. J. J. McNeill, Brother and Mrs. I. Dahl and Gordon Allen to the dinner to help her amuse the mighty Roberts, who seemed to be much pleased.

Hans Saterlund is sporting a new Willys-Knight coach. He has a steady job with a branch radio company in Minneapolis, and doesn't worry about the depression.

Mrs. Ingval Dahl and her son will spend the spring and summer on a farm of a friend, doing housework for a deaf farmer whose farm is close to her old homestead. Brother Dahl will back it in St. Paul, and may go back to Chicago if his contractor there sends for him. Here is hoping that Mrs. Dahl will sweat out many pounds and have a jolly time.

Frank Holton, who was laid off from a steel structural company last fall, has gone into a business of his own, sharpening lawn mowers and also repairing them. He has a machine in his basement called Electrakun Process and anyone who has work for him just call him up by phone—Cherry 9137, Minneapolis.

Gus Torgerson was tendered a small birthday party by his wife on the 3rd, and seven of his old-time buddies were invited. Cards was the program, and a swell dinner was served, besides plenty of pre-Volstead days' cheer. Gus

was much pleased, and promised to give another party later in May. Here is hoping Gus will live many more happy years.

WACO

By A. M. Bowman

In the April issue of THE FRAT there appeared a challenge from our old friend Troy E. Hill of Dallas Division for any Division to play a chess game by mail. Sorry, Brother Hill, we cannot take you up, as there are no expert chess players in our Division, but we have a member who is an expert checker player, and we challenge Dallas Division or any Division in Texas to produce a player that can defeat him.

We are going to have a picnic on the glorious Fourth of July. Plans are now being made to rent a convention film to show to visitors. The writer, who happens to be secretary of Waco Division, receives many letters asking about work. We would say for all such to remain where they are, as Waco is as hard hit as any other city, and there are at least ten men to every job.

At our last meeting we had as our visitors Brother T. E. Hill and Bob Hazel of Dallas. Brother Hill and the writer were delegates to the Boston convention from their respective Divisions, and are making every effort to bring the movie film to our picnic on July 4. Bear the date in mind, and be there. Waco is bound to show all a good time.

SAN FRANCISCO

By H. O. Schwarzlose

Brothers Boyer and West showed up at the April meeting, the first time in months. We sometimes wonder how it happens that members attend about two meetings a year, and then when things go wrong blame everyone except themselves. It is the members that make a Division. They must realize that. So we are in hopes that our non-resident members who live just across the bay will show up at our meetings more regularly.

Fred Buenzle, Jr., was admitted as a member on April 2. He is the first of the 1932 crop of new members which No. 53 intends to add to its rolls.

C. J. Sullivan, who has lived in Millbrae for several years, has moved to San Francisco so as to be nearer to our meeting place. Millbrae is so far out on the highway that he couldn't attend our meetings.

We send our sympathy to Brother Cotter and family of Berkeley on the death of his young daughter on March 2.

Let us congratulate Queens, No. 115, and at the same time congratulate the N. F. S. D. on the birth of its 115th child. A pretty large family, say I.

M. O. Austin was badly hurt on March 28, when his motorcycle charged full tilt into the side of a fire truck. He received a badly crushed

left foot and a fractured shoulder. He was taken to the hospital, but later removed to his home, and is under the care of his father, Doctor M. O. Austin. In explaining the cause of the accident, Austin reported that the clutch on his motor slipped. Our sympathy is extended, and we hope for a speedy recovery.

Mansell Crockford was chosen to fill Brother Austin's place on the Social committee for April 23. In loving (?) memory of April 18, 1906, Art Koenigsthal is to give an Earthquake party. We suppose all games will be up-side-down! We hope they do not start by giving the prize first, and playing the game afterwards.

C. F. Taylor, proprietor of the "Millbrae Cleaners," has got out a neatly printed blotter, check book size, as an advertisement of his cleaning and pressing shop. He reports a rush of work that keeps him busy from dawn until long after dark. We are glad for his success, and advise all brother members of No. 53 to patronize his establishment.

FORT WAYNE

By J. E. Pershing

Jesse W. Kuhlman of Huntington, Ind., is able to be up with the aid of his cane, though a little lame. It will be remembered that he met with an accident which resulted in the fracture of his ankle, when he fell from a ladder on October 12.

A social was held at Stolzenau hall for the benefit of the Division on Sunday, March 20, from 1:30 to 9:30 P. M. About two weeks ago the committee met at the residence of Fred Kummer, the chairman, and talked of giving the social up for fear that the attendance would be very small on account of Lent. It could not be given up, as the hall had been engaged for that date. Yet there was a fair-sized crowd in attendance. The writer gave a talk on Washington's eight years as the first president of the United States. Following the talk, R. Otis Oder of Angola, Ind., sold boxes of lunch at auction. Later, games were played and there were contests for prizes under the direction of Brother Yoder.



CREDO

I WISH to be simple, honest, frank, natural, clean in mind and body, unaffected, ready to say "I do not know," if so it be, to meet all men on absolute equality, to face any obstacle and meet every difficulty unabashed and unafraid—to cultivate the hospitable mind and the receptive heart.

—ELBERT HUBBARD.

Our Division will have a strawberry festival on a vacant lot adjoining the home of Fred Kummer on Sunday evening, May 29. J. A. Butler is chairman, and will see to it that everything is made pleasant for those who come.

SEATTLE

By A. W. Wright

The list of those on the Division roll in arrears continues to grow instead of diminish. It cannot be helped by those out of work over a considerable period, but others who can pay are reminded they are not entitled to disability benefits while delinquent.

The Division so far has been very lenient with resident members absent from meetings, fining them only 15 cents, the price of their carfare. At the last meeting the fine was raised to 25 cents. By progressive steps the Division may finally arrive at levying a real gentleman's fine of at least 50 cents.

"Silent" Olson arrived in Seattle some time ago, and won his first wrestling match in this town. The day after the match, Carl Garrison took him around to meet the boys before the Division opened for business. Olson joined Dallas Division before he left for the coast, but had not received his credentials at the time.

Durwood Tatreau, with Lyle McInary and Glen Moen, were up from Portland March 19 and arranged for an indoor ball game with the locals on May 30. To entertain the Portland boys, if they show up, the Division is planning a social at Plymouth hall on May 28.

James Scanlon and Ed Hale were over from Tacoma to attend the April meeting, and invited the local people over to the "kid" party on April 16.

Portland and Seattle Divisions, by agreement, will not hold a midway picnic this year, which has been an annual affair with both Divisions for some years past.

CINCINNATI

By F. J. O'Brien

The uncertainty of life was aptly illustrated when William J. Cowles died March 29. He attended Rev. Staubitz's religious services Sunday, March 27. Two days later we were saddened to learn of his death. Our condolences are extended to his bereaved family.

On Easter Sunday Louis Seinennsohn and wife of Akron, O., motored to Canton where they had previously arranged to meet Mrs. F. J. O'Brien, who was visiting one of her sons, a student at Brunnerdale Seminary.

We congratulate and welcome "Silent" Olson into fratdom as a member of Dallas Division. Brother Olson is a brother of the vivacious wife of Brother Ancil Lippert of Cincinnati Division, and is well known by all local frats.

Brother Janicke's idea of a memorial home seems to be gaining momentum,

judging by the two excellent articles, contributed by Brothers Lawrence and Wirt in the April issue of THE FRAT. Keep it up!

"Silent" Rattan wrestled recently in one of the preliminary 30-minute bouts with Merle Dolby of Columbus, O., who has been unbeatable so far in Cincinnati. A draw was the result.

Brother Morlock's little daughter was stricken with scarlet fever. Happily, it is a mild case, and latest reports have it that she is on the road to recovery.

SCRANTON

By H. B. Young

The April issue of THE FRAT contained a page of wonders, but we dare say, some of you just gave it a passing glance. We mean page 4, which was devoted to the annual statement. Those figures contained a story, a very interesting story. Look them over and be proud you are a partner in such an enterprise as the N. F. S. D. And say, what about the announcement of a new home for the headquarters staff? Well! Well! Aren't we stylish? Quite in keeping with a million-dollar organization, we say.

Have you got your member for 1932 yet? No! Well, it would please this secretary greatly to be able to ask the Home Office for a fresh supply of application blanks, and use them all. Come on boys, show Brother Bobs that we of Scranton are working hard to bring them in.

It is very rare, indeed, that we get the opportunity around here to congratulate a deaf couple on the successful rounding out of 50 years of wedded life; however, we had such an opportunity when on April 6 our own Rev. Brother J. M. Kohler and wife celebrated such an event. Due to the recent illness of Brother Kohler, the celebration was a quiet one, only the family and a few friends attending. His many friends will be glad to hear he is steadily improving. He is able to get around now, though his left arm still shows the effect of the stroke he suffered on January 17.

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The weather man treated us pretty mean on the night of our Easter social. The crowd was not as large as usual, but we realized a neat profit none the less. An egg hunt was the feature of the evening, and furnished considerable amusement. Brother Gentile being the lucky winner, was awarded the prize of a handsome Easter basket well filled with bunnies, chicks and the like.

The Entertainment committee surely does believe in taking Time by the forelock, and they certainly are not afraid of making work for themselves. Now, here is what they plan for our amusement the next few months: Movies in April, leap year social in May, a "school day" party in June, a lawn social out at the country home of Brother Kohler in July, and in August comes that second annual joint picnic of Bingo and Scranton. This year it will be in the form of a treasure hunt, more of which later will be announced in this column. Plans also call for a series of card parties to be held at the homes of members, proceeds to go into our reserve fund. Any member wishing to entertain in this manner is advised to get in touch with Chairman Vernovage, who has charge of the dating for same.

Say, folks! Do you want to boost good old No. 82? O. K! Here's how. Start saving now for the 12th anniversary banquet in December. See Brother Young for details, as he has been appointed "watch dog" of the banquet fund. Save your pennies, nickels and dimes, and the dollars will take care of themselves. Spread the news. We want to celebrate our 12th birthday in a blaze of glory. Boost your own No. 82 and its parent, the great N. F. S. D., and let's try to have a doubled membership before then.

On your toes! Get set! Go! Get that member!

WATERBURY

By F. G. Cossette

The leap year party held at Liberty hall, Saturday, April 2, following our regular meeting, was a financial success, almost eclipsing that of March 5. This time there was a larger crowd, and various games were played by ladies who picked their male partners by drawing lots. The first prize went to Miss Laura Kosinski of Hartford, and her partner, Harry Kelly, their highest total of points being 17. Miss Nancy Cossette of Meriden, and her "Beau Brummel," John Paradise of Hartford, won the second prize with a total of 16 points. The third prize went to Mrs. Henry Spring of Hartford, and her partner, Bob Digerio of Meriden, with 7 points.

Preparations for our first annual outing are under way. Chairman Wenslowes and his able aides are working hard for a large turnout. It may be held either in June or July.

Hearty welcome to Queens Division, No. 115! We wonder who will come next?

PROVIDENCE

By A. H. Enger

Station N. F. S. D. No. 43 speaking, and yours truly in behalf of Providence Division heartily congratulates Westchester and Queens Divisions. Being a product of New York and distinctly familiar with the suburbs, I personally think Kings would be an appropriate entry in the event a new Division should be chartered, thereby having a Regal couple of Divisions with a Jester Division in the offing.

Extensive plans are now under way to usher in our calendar event, which generally occurs around Memorial Day. On this occasion we are obliged to hold our gala affair on Saturday evening, May 28, and the committee, which is composed of young blood with new ideas, are zealously working overtime to assure all who attend the time of their lives. From the writer's point of view, and the enthusiasm shown by the committee, and the advance sale of tickets, the affair promises to go over big.

The entertainment part of our program will be furnished by hearing talent of note, who will give the audience several solo numbers of the terpsichorean art, ballet, acrobatic and tap dancing. This is not the only surprise entertainment of the evening, as the committee has something up their sleeves which they refuse to divulge, so those who are adverse to curiosity once killing a cat will find the price of admission well expended. Dancing of course is also a part of the program, and as usual our favorite orchestra, which sure can vibrate plenty, will Beethovenize the air, and members of nearby Divisions who contemplate a change of scenery as well as entertainment will not regret a stop-over in these plantations on May 28. The affair, due to the advanced sale of tickets, will be transferred to K. of C. hall, 14 Greene Street, Providence. Cards will be 50 cents per head, so paste this in your hat.

Our Division held a military whist party on the evening of April 2, after the business of the evening had been dispensed with. Thanks to the valuable assistance of the aux-frats, who made the affair possible, our profits, though not astounding, were gratifying, and our treasury, which had been working overtime, besieged by members who have been hit hard by the

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depression, is coming back for more. The writer regrets that he cannot give names of the winners of the prizes, but all who attended voted it a good time. Refreshments concluded the evening.

We are bending every effort to have our brothers realize that they are members of an institution that is ranked among the best in the land, and that no truer fraternal spirit ever existed than that which can be found within the N. F. S. D. Members who are still in the toils of old man depression and dreading the consequences meted out due to arrearages can find consolation from our treasury in the form of loans. Your ineligibility need never be questioned; loans are yours for the asking. It pays to be a frat.

President Vigiant carted a load of frats in his Flying Cloud up to Whitinsville to call on Brother Donovan, who has been incapacitated from the use of his left leg. Brother Donovan was immensely pleased to have his old friends from Providence honor him with a visit, and would appreciate more calls of this nature. It is our sincere hope that he will regain the use of his leg in the very near future, and be able to make his customary visits to our fair Providence.

One new member has been added to our roster, Brother Goss of Putnam, Conn., a welcome addition, and Brother Jarvis of the same town, but a member of Worcester Division, is contemplating a transfer. Several likely prospects are in the offing. Ere long we will be hovering around the 60 mark, with 100 as the goal, or rather 100 per cent.

BRONX

By J. R. Collins

Our meeting, which fell on the night of April Fool's day, almost kidded us out of a meeting altogether. It was not until around 9 P. M. that we finally got a quorum. Now, you chronic absentees, don't be bragging about what a nice prank you almost played on us. It is just an advantage taken by the discontinuance of the fine for non-attendance. It is only fair and for the good of the Society as well as yourselves that you attend meetings.

The custom of distributing tickets for our affairs among the members for

disposition has been discontinued, as these hard times have tempted some of our members to hold out on us illegally, and rather than see them continue this practice, which some day may send them up the river to the big house if they try their hand in the game elsewhere, we will in the future depend on the attendance at the door to carry us over the top.

Alfred Ederheimer, who went astray recently and joined the ranks of the benedicts once more, hopes to report in next month's issue that his strawberry festival for April 23 was another success, as is his second matrimonial venture.

The writer, who is also deputy of his Division, formed a corps of tipsters and with them went out scouting for new bloods to count on to join our ranks. We encountered many prospective entrants, gave them a sniff of the powerful frat boloney as bait on our hook, and using hokus-pokus methods, tried to make them bite, but to no avail.

On May 14, at Irving Plaza, we will hold a frat night, the proceeds to be used to pay the initiation fees of new entrants to our Division. We will take as many newcomers as we can get who meet the necessary requirements. So get busy and spread the glad tidings.

SYRACUSE

By Thomas Hinchey

At the March session, there arose a complaint from one of our brethren alluding to the writer's conduct of this column. He contends it contains too much bowling and too little news of members themselves and that the March issue failed to include the masquerade event. We wish to remind you that the 10th of the month is the dead line for correspondence, and the masquerade was held on the 13th. In justice to myself and bowling, in the last few months I appealed to local members through this column and at meetings for co-operation in turning in news. At the December session I had a news box installed for members to drop in their news, but it remained empty. What has bowling done for us? It has brought us wholesome recreation, contact with business men and more fraternal enthusiasm with neighboring Divisions. It also was instrumental in bringing in three new members, and made possible the large crowd at the February 13 masquerade in spite of the depression. Being a Saturday night worker, I once more ask you to turn in your news to Secretary Ayling. This will insure accuracy.

It is with deep regret that we see Brother Devlin, our new member, leave for Elmira, his native home town, where he expects to reside indefinitely. Brother Devlin was forced to relinquish his job when the city authorities discovered he was a non-resident. Come often, Brother Devlin.

The recent severe snowstorm proved a boon to several unemployed frats,

when they were given work helping clear the city's streets.

Chairman Frank Lee of the anniversary dinner to be held May 28 has announced the site. It is none other than Drumlins hall, and we are assured of an ideal place for our entertainment. One dollar per plate.

Paste July 17 in your hat, for it is the date of our annual picnic to be held at Brother Keller's camp on Seneca River, near Baldwinsville. Those who attended the corn roast last September will remember the delightful pleasures of that place.

The bowling tournament March 20-21 at Rochester proved a tremendous success. It featured the winning of the state title by our pin knights. The Rochester tussle was rolled Saturday afternoon, and resulted in a one-sided victory for the Saline brethren by 302 sticks. In the doubles event, Brothers Lenn and Hinchey nosed out the Flower City team of Foland and Privatera by 20 pins. Sunday, the much heralded Buffalo divisional team clashed with us for the title, the outcome ending in a slim margin of 120 pins for Syracuse. The tournament is a step further in the formation of a divisional league next year. Due credit went to Brothers Lansing and Klock for staging the successful meet. A capacity crowd attended both tussles.

Johnny Mancino, as a keen student of bowling, has submitted his selection for an all-state divisional bowling team as follows: First team—Hinchey, Syracuse; Nowak, Buffalo; Leach, Birmingham; Green, Utica; Lenn, Syracuse. Second team—Booth, Utica; Siver, Utica; Mancino, Syracuse; Herlan, Syracuse; Foland, Rochester.

The averages of the Syracuse klegers for 33 games are: Lenn, 183; Hinchey, 183; Mancino, 169; Herlan, 169; Strail, 163; Ackerman, 159.

After the April meeting, 45 guests indulged in a whist party. E. Herlan, Miss Clara Schmidt, J. Hamolet and Mrs. Mallinger were the winners. Candy prizes were won by Robert Conley and E. Herlan. Refreshments were served, and everybody went home satisfied. Teddy Hofmann was the chairman.

ROCKFORD

By B. F. Jackson

Hereafter on frat nights while the Division is in session, the aux-frats will hold a social in the ante-room next to the hall. The out-of-town frats should note this, and bring along the missus. After the meeting the hall will be thrown open for a social and good time—cards, bunco, etc., and an occasional spread.

Several card parties have been held



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at the homes of members on different evenings during the winter. This will be discontinued now, and everyone will meet at the hall. All are welcome, and there is no charge.

Rev. Brother Flick of Chicago has kindly offered to give the deaf of Rockford an evening of movies in the near future. It will be at the church hall, and a small admission charged. The Boston convention films will be included. Watch for the date. Everyone will want to be there. Come all.

Brother and Mrs. Shatwell attended the services at Rev. Brother Flick's church in Chicago on Easter Sunday, and also called on Mrs. F. P. Gibson.

Will French of Freeport had the misfortune to drop a heavy iron on his ankle while at work. Consequently, he has been confined to his home for the last three weeks.

Here's a story that touched the hard heart of the writer when he read it: "A man once met a small lad staggering along the road under the heavy burden of carrying a smaller boy who was unable to walk. The man said to him: 'Is he not too heavy for you to carry?' To which the lad replied: 'Oh no, sir, he's not heavy, you see he's my brother.'" In times like the present, Divisions should copy this small lad's philosophy, and help any unfortunate brother who is out of work and unable to pay his dues by carrying him through till he is on his feet again. Such is true fraternalism.

Arrangements for our annual picnic are going forward. The date and place will be announced in the next issue of THE FRAT.

NEWARK

By Bernard Doyle

Both Newark and Jersey City Divisions are preparing to attend an annual convention of the Alumni Association of the New Jersey School for the Deaf to be held at West Trenton, N. J., on May 30, for the purpose of unveiling a picture of the late Brother Francis P. Gibson. Incidentally, most members of both Divisions are also members of the said association. Bus transportation is being arranged to convey members and visitors from three cities to the school. Brother Doyle of Newark, Brothers Dixon, Droste and Garland of Jersey City, and Brother McClelland of Paterson, comprise the transportation committee. Buses will leave their respective places for the school about 9 o'clock. A round trip ticket between Newark and Trenton is \$2 a person, and it costs a little more to Jersey City and Paterson.

Brothers Doyle, Lattanzio, Lynam

and Zachman of Newark Divisions, and Brother Davison of Jersey City Division are happy members of the Port Richmond, S. I., Council of the Loyal Order of Moose. They all have enjoyed monthly suppers and entertainments.

ST. LOUIS

By C. B. Smith

We learned with pleasure that Brother Clyde Cowhick secured a position as printer in Harvard, Illinois, after two months of unemployment. That town being famed for its lake resort, he might be able to hold a position as life-saver on evenings and Sundays.

An inquiry from a member in California regarding the conditions of shoe factories in our city was promptly answered that any one who succeeded in securing a position in any shoe factory here would be regarded a very lucky dog. Job seekers are getting wanderlust this spring.

William Strong of Dexter, Missouri, hopes to soon close a deal on exchanging his farm for another within 60 miles of our city. As a resourceful, practical farmer, he will sell good butter and eggs to us. Best wishes to him.

Brother Spiegel announced that he would put up a fish market at 1310 South Broadway St. soon. He expects it will be something of an undertaking until he gets enough business to justify him in hiring a larger store. He will sell only fresh and live fish, and will probably have a large patronage from his friends. Best wishes from No. 24.

The annual picnic for the benefit of our Division on June 19 will be held at the Chain of Rocks. The chairman gives out directions to out-of-town visitors of Illinois who intend to attend, as follows: Go to Mitchell, Ill., on highway No. 4, cross Chain of Rocks Bridge, turn left on Riverview Drive Road, until on the left a sign marked "Parkview Amusement Company" is seen, then go into the park, and look on the left for the lake behind the stands.

Attention, frats, if you have not yet received your new Constitution and By-Laws, ask the secretary for it at the May meeting.

MANHATTAN

By Joseph Worzel

The Tip Toe Inn was recently the scene of a "500" card party, and exactly 116 people attended. At the conclusion, refreshments consisting of coffee and cake were served. A good time was had by all.

The Division extends heartfelt sympathy to Brother Hatowsky in the recent loss of his beloved wife, Fannie. May her soul repose in peace.

Brothers Sam Bashein and Charles Sussman were recently kidnapped by the Bonheur girls, Sadie Leder and Judy Solomon, respectively, and compelled to face the altar, pledging their allegiance to support, obey and love

them till death do them part. Congratulations.

The writer regrets that he was compelled to tender his resignation as secretary, due to his inability to attend the meetings on account of night work. Cards are sent out to the members urging them to attend the meeting on May 4 to elect a new secretary.

The string of successive months of getting at least one member is broken. Please try and make it up by getting two this month.

BOSTON

By D. McG. Cameron

Spring, the season of renewed hope, is here again, and we in common with all are looking for good and better times, which has been stalled just around the corner so long, to get out of the rut and make the turn at last.

Mrs. Nichols, wife of J. Daniel Nichols, passed away March 22 at the Peabody hospital, where she had been taken after an auto accident on March 17. The car in which she was riding, and driven by Brother Nichols, was side swiped by a big oil truck, and



COURAGE

By W. KNOWLES

BECAUSE I hold it sinful to despond,
And will not let the bitterness of life
Blind me with burning tears, but look beyond
Its tumult and its strife;

Because I lift my head above the mist
Where the sun shines and the broad breezes
blow,
By every ray and every raindrop kissed
That God's love doth bestow;

Think you I find no bitterness at all,
No burden to be borne like Christian's
pack?
Think you there are no ready tears to fall,
Because I keep them back?

Why should I hug life's ills with cold reserve
To curse myself and all who love me?
Nay!
A thousand times more good than I deserve
God gives me every day.

And in each one of these rebellious tears
Kept bravely back, He makes a rainbow
shine.
Grateful, I take His slightest gift, no fears
Nor any doubts are mine.

Dark skies must clear, and when the clouds
are past
One golden day redeems a weary year;
Patient, I listen, sure that sweet at last
Will sound His voice of cheer.

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she received concussion of the brain and other injuries, while Brother Nichols, not badly injured, was removed to the hospital at the Home for Aged Deaf in Danvers, of which he is superintendent. Mrs. Nichols, who took a leading part in all social activities and welfare for the deaf, will be sadly missed, and our sympathy goes to Brother Nichols.

The movie show after our meeting on the 2nd was largely attended, and was a reminder of our activities during the years we were working for the convention. It was good to see the ladies again among us. The films showing the Boston convention, taken by Max Lubin of New York, were excellent, and caused favorable comment. We understand the films are now the property of the Deaf Mutes' Union League of New York. The expected films from Buffalo, also showing the convention, did not arrive for some reason, and caused some disappointment.

The Boston Silent Club holds a social and dance on May 21 at Huntington Chambers, where a silver cup will be given to the prettiest deaf-mute girl in New England, who will be crowned Miss New England. The boys here are backing the Boston girls to more than hold their own against all New England. This is also a reminder to give the plucky boys of the club a helping hand, as they are striving to better their position and condition. The club has shown it is a good primary school for Boston Division, as all new members so far this year have come from this club.

Free weekly movies in the community school centers of the city have furnished us with good entertainment through the winter, and we are beginning to forget our resentment towards the talkies. These shows are to give students an opportunity to learn how to operate moving picture machines. By attending a different community each day one could almost get a whole week's free shows. In the Roxbury center as many as eighty deafmutes take advantage of their show each week.

The secretary has of late received requests for new due-cards, post office money orders, and cash to pay dues from non-residents through the mails, the excuse being given they did not know the new treasurer's address. While the writer is willing to oblige all in such matters, the limit was reached when one member sent a money order made out to him, and his 1932 due-card with the treasurer's address stamped on the back, so for the benefit of all, the treasurer's address is here given, Chester W. Heeggar, 32 Coolidge Road, Allston, Mass.

TOLEDO

By N. P. Henick

A fair crowd attended the St. Patrick's party sponsored by our Division on March 19, and the hustling committee, consisting of Chairman Arnold Deak, S. Cowan, J. Hubay, E. Hop-

kins, M. Green and Elmer McVicker, did well, giving everyone an enjoyable evening at several new games. The thanks of the members and committee are given Mesdames Deak and Cowan for their valuable help, besides their kindly donations. Mrs. Myron Burt won the paper-tearing contest, Leo Russello of Monroe, Mich., won in the embroidering game. In the candle race, Mrs. Burt's team won. Vernal Sclosser took the honors for the best marble shooting among the male sex. A neat profit was realized. Among those from a distance attending were Alfred Hohman of Tiffin, Joe Guephier of Akron, L. Russello and Harry Parish of Michigan.

Everett ("Silent") Rattan contemplates leaving for Texas soon on business. He states he will be back in Ohio, later. "Silent" has indeed made a good showing in the grappling game in Ohio and Michigan, and every fan taking in a bout in which he is one of the principals surely gets his money's worth. Accordingly, in his recent match at Flint, Mich., over 150 came to watch their fellow frat and friend, who won two out of the three falls.

Our Division seems to be in tough luck due to its inability to pay any money out of its treasury since last November to several disabled members, on account of bad financial conditions. However, we trust that we can settle with those who are patient, and wait for their money.

Harland Eller and Frank Shanahan are expecting to file their disability claim benefit papers as soon as they are discharged from the attending doctors. They are improving at this writing.

Elmer McVicker captured the state Y. M. C. A. fancy diving championship title for the fifth successive year at the recent tournament in Akron, last March. His team also won the swimming contest from several competitors. While in the "rubber city," Elmer was the guest of Brother and Mrs. Roller, and we understand Mr. Roller was one of the judges at that tournament.

A new applicant by the name of Peter M. Caputo was admitted by ballot at the April meeting, and we hope some other non-members will follow in his steps before very long. Some



NEED OF FRATERNALISM

IT IS by no means an exaggeration to say that fully half the population of the United States belongs to one or more fraternal societies. But we wonder if full heed is paid to the significance of the fact. A phenomenon like this great number of fraternal organizations cannot have come into being except in response to a deep-seated need.

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of our old members have to be dropped from membership, as we are unable to help them, on account of bad conditions. We regret this very much.

Robert Shimp, Marion McLaughlin and Peter Caputo were among the participants at the 27th anniversary party of Dayton Division last month. An enjoyable time was had.

President Neal has appointed the committees for our Division's jubilee celebration and smoker, June 18, and picnic, June 19. The board of officers will take care of Billy Goat that evening; for the picnic, Sam Henry, general chairman; lunch chairman, Louis Blum; ice cream, Bert Tussing; drinks, Edward Hetzel; prize contests, Nate Henick, Clarence Lee, and C. George. The place for the picnic has not been selected as yet.

David Gerner is preparing to operate a shoe repairing business of his own in his home town, Port Clinton, Ohio. He came here to arrange with a big wholesale firm regarding the equipment, etc. A lot of good luck, Dave.

WASHINGTON

By H. L. Tracy

After serving the "art preservative of all arts" for nearly fifty years, just lacking two months, Hunter S. Edington will be retired and placed on pension the last of May, he having been connected with the Government printing office for the full term of thirty years. He was No. 46's delegate to the St. Paul convention, and has been several times honored with positions in and out of the Division. He is reluctant to give up his case at "GPO" but the Civil Service regulations are inexorable, hence his retirement. What his future plans are, deponent knoweth not, but he will in all probability remain in close proximity to the national capital, maybe seeking a home in the suburbs, where he can raise chickens and watch garden sassa come up. Thus another government printer, and union member at that, has earned the privilege of living in ease the rest of his days.

"Spring is here once more; we doff our heavy overcoats." Just as THE FRAT with the above editorial quips was received, flurries of "the beautiful" were seen, and a brisk norther came our way. The writer was out in West Virginia then and had the unusual experience of seeing the famed Alleghenies completely blanketed with a heavy layer of the fleecy material. Sure enough, the heavy overcoats and mufflers were comfortable. It is the 8th now, and those heavies are still being used!

Preparations are going forward for our annual smoker, which takes place on the 9th of this month, and one and all are anticipating the usual jollification. Hunter S. Edington is chairman, and the other members of the committee are old hands at initiating the "greenies," so we are in for a lot of fun. On the 23rd Chairman Harmon promises us a rip-roaring good time

with a play entitled "What a Nightmare."

William A. Renner of Manhattan Division, No. 87, accompanied by Mrs. Renner and their young hopeful, was in Washington for several days around Easter time, and was shown many courtesies by friends. Brother Renner once lived in Washington, and has never been able to resist visiting it every once in a while. He was able to notice the great number of changes going on and a New Yorker though he be, he predicted this burg will shine in all its glory in the very near future.

In his Eastern swing we hope Grand President Roberts will include his old stamping grounds, and give us a chance to convince him he made a great mistake by going Chicagoward. This is the bicentennial period, and he must come and see what is going on.

So the business of our Society has necessitated the 5th removal to new and better quarters! We are not grumbling.

Jacob Eskin, the latest bridegroom, was remembered by his Division at its last meeting with an electric waffle iron. It has been the Division's custom to make its bridegroom members glad they mustered up enough courage to get married. And now there are rumors of several more who will wend their way to the Supreme Court building to blushing purchase licenses.

NEW HAVEN

By Clarence Baldwin

New Haven Division had a whist party following its meeting on April 9 at 8:30 P. M. The attendance was not as large as was expected, but we were gratified to note more of our Bridgeport members present than usually come to our meetings. Brothers Caulkins, M. Bakos, Kirk and Galluzzo attended. Brother Galluzzo, formerly a member of Washington Division No. 46, transferred to New Haven Division at our April meeting. He is an aggressive go-getting type of lad, and we expect great things of him in assisting the local Division at its various affairs. At our April meeting he showed he has the stuff in him that makes for leaders. The following received prizes: First, Mrs. Royden, powder jar, Brother Bakos ash tray; second, Mrs. Caulkins, card tray, Harry Kelly, a useful prize; Miss Mildred Doheney received a powder puff as the booby prize for the ladies, and Brother Galluzzo a comb for the men's booby prize. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were sold, and when the affair was over and all bills paid, a neat sum was turned over to Treasurer Quinn to be added to our local fund.

Thanks are due to Brothers Leeper, Syrotiak, Hague, Chamerda, Howlett, Chagnon and Kirk for their willingness and true fraternal spirit in loaning the Division a sufficient sum to enable it to pay the balance due on our 16 mm. movie projector and thus relieve us of high interest charges on this balance. The projector is now the property of New Haven Division. We hope

it will prove of value to us as a means to increase our fund and supply entertainment as well.

Joseph P. Youngs, after being out of a job nearly three years, is now working with one of West Haven's progressive firms. We hope this indicates business is on the up grade locally. His being taken on should prove an encouraging sign to the rest of the unemployed.

Alfred Stevenson has returned to Saybrook, Conn., which is an exclusive summer resort for wealthy folks. He has spent his winters in New Haven and summers at Saybrook for the past few years, and we will envy him his position there where the cool breezes blow while the rest of us swelter in the city on hot summer days.

Our Division is planning a good movie show following its meeting on May 14. The admission will be only a quarter, which is very cheap considering the exclusive features which will be shown. Let us hope there is a record crowd present, so we all may enjoy a good silent movie show.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

By F. L. Ascher

May 7, the date of our regular meeting, will also be an initiation night for several of our members who have not met our Billy Goat. Yes, Billy Goat, we have plenty for you! In view of the fact that this event will be long, the regular meeting will start at 7:15 P. M. Please be there early. Neophytes are urged to attend this initiation, as we will not have another one this year.

On April 9 Dramin and Company staged a vaudeville show which was a huge success. Mike and Sol in the guise of Brothers Haggerty and Dramin made everyone laugh, and helped a lot in driving away depression on that evening. The rest of the acts were good. Some of them will be repeated on May 29 for the benefit of those who will be our guests during the week-end of May 28-30. Thanks for making the evening very enjoyable are due to Brothers Dramin and Haggerty.

Chairman Haggerty reports that his committee is progressing nicely with the arrangements for our fraternal week-end May 28-30. Saturday the 28th will be devoted to dancing in El

Patio, Hotel Clinton, 1976 Main Street, Springfield, from 8 P. M. to 12 P. M. Prizes will be given to best dancers in the waltz contest. On Sunday there will be an all-day reunion of fraters and friends in El Patio, and the program for the day will include speeches, vaudeville show and silent movies. Plans are not definitely made for Monday the 30th, at this writing. However, all details for the week-end will be sent to all the secretaries of nearby Divisions before their next meeting. The management of Hotel Clinton has kindly offered special rates for rooms at the hotel for overnight guests. Many who know about our hospitality will find an enjoyable week-end here. Come one and all, and help us be merrier at the Spanish Fiesta and Ball on Saturday evening, May 28. Please make this date your date with us. Chairman Haggerty of 282 Central Street will be glad to hear from anyone desiring information about our fraternal week-end.

DAYTON

By Jackson Bates

Our 27th anniversary celebration held on March 19-20 was unexpectedly successful, in spite of the depression. More than 90 attended, many from our nearest neighbor, Cincinnati, and also many ladies from Columbus, who always take great interest in meeting their old acquaintances at our anniversaries. They were cordially welcomed. Financially we cleaned up a good sum. Thanks to all. Brothers Black, Riddle, Hahn and Ankerman of Piqua did not show up at our anniversary, due perhaps to the rainy weather, but Roy Conkling and his wife were with us, and enjoyed meeting their old schoolmates.

The business of our April meeting was finished in an hour, and then we visited the kitchen, to find several ladies of the members fixing up eats. We closed up at 11 P. M., having made enough money to pay for a month's rent. We have discontinued having socials on the third Saturday of each month, because there was no profit made.

The depression is keeping many of our members working 2 or 3 days a week, but Brothers Alby Peterson and Fred Friemuth have good steady jobs at the White Baking Company, and are more lucky than others.



IT ISN'T the mountain ahead
that wears you out—it's the
grain of sand in your shoe. Be
master of you petty annoyances
and conserve your energies for
the big, worth-while things.

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Bernard Ryder has been appointed chairman of our July picnic at the Old Fair grounds. He is a sign artist and will have a big sign out about the picnic. He is an ardent soft-ball player and will have a strong team to challenge out-of-town teams.

CHICAGO No. 1

By H. W. Perry

Prior to entering the meeting hall on April 1, Secretary Perry rushed to the Home Office and greeted the bunch with some good news. He had six new members for No. 1. Grand President Roberts received it with a pleased face, and leaned over to inquire who they were. Perry answered "April Fool." Funny that we old people forget when our fool day comes around. Yet many will fool their families at their death when they find they had left their dues lapse. Keep up your dues, boys, and the relief committee will help those out of work, but it is not fair to us when some of those boys lose a few dollars at cards or in the bookie's office. It is better to be absent from the poker table than from the meeting. We have given out over \$600 in relief loans so far.

The May meeting will see a big debate between Drys and Wets. The debaters picked out were Brothers Garrett, Craig, Cherry and Henry, the Four Horsemen of Gallaudet college. Odd to say, all these four are really wet, but two of them will dig up the best points on prohibition and debate the best they can. We would like to see a debate by the aux-frats on "Can Women Live Without Men?" for our next program. Come, you love-sick and men-hating girls, and let us hear your side. The writer of this column himself does not yet understand women. He drove miles north to a kennel and bought a male pup, and three days after his wife kidded him on his ignorance; she had discovered it was a female pup.

We have re-leased the same meeting hall at the Capitol Building for another year at the same rental. We are convinced that it is the best hall for us, as its location is ideal and suits everybody's convenience.

The aux-frats are planning a "500" and bunco for our relief fund on April 30 at the Pas-a-Pas hall. Mrs. Joe Miller is chairman.

CHICAGO No. 106

By F. B. Wirt

Our April meeting was again shortened in order to give time for a movie show.

A month ago we decided to revert to the five dollar fee with application for all new members, three dollars to go to the Home Office, and the balance to the endorser. Possibly as a result, we were presented with two applications for membership at the April meeting. They were from W. P. McElroy and Paul Pernecky, Jr. One was so sure of being admitted that he also enclosed two months' dues in advance. We would have had another

application, if he had not been below minimum certificate age. The endorser can do whatever he pleases with his two dollars; he may pay the physician's fee for applicant, or give him an emblem button, or keep the money.

The movies were attended by our auxiliary and their friends. Quite a few of No. 1's auxiliary were present. The projectors, two of them, were handled by Brother Schmidt. He used regular theatre size films, showing the old silents with sub-titles. Two were shown, an amusing Krazy Kat film, and "The Donovan Affair," a murder mystery, featuring Jack Holt.

Early in April one of our sisters in the auxiliary, Miss Sadie Crooks, gave a card party for the benefit of our relief fund. It was fairly well attended, the net receipts turned over to us amounting to nearly eight dollars. On the 23rd of the month, the auxiliary is giving another benefit for our relief fund, a "500" and bunco party at Occidental hall. This affair will be managed by Mrs. Edward Filiger. More will be told of this affair later.

We are giving our smoker on May 21 at Occidental hall, 14 North Sacramento Ave., Walter Haley, chairman. Because of the low condition of our treasury, we are making an admission charge of 25 cents. Aside from the usual running of the goat around the ring, there will be free smokes, drinks, eats, and movies, as well as possible other entertainment. The admissions, after all expenses, will be turned over to our relief fund. All frats are cordially welcome, and all who desire to be present would do well to pay up their dues, as those who are behind over two months will not be admitted.

Chairman Bruns and his Annual Dance committee have shown a lot of pep in the short time they have functioned, having already secured the hall, and made other preliminary arrangements. As this affair will be held in October next, details will be given out later in the year.

Our bowling team closed their season the middle of April. They are having their annual banquet at the Hotel Atlantic early in May, at which the awards will be made.

TORONTO

By M. A. Warnier

The stork recently visited the writer's home and left another little lady. Now I know my fate with five young ladies and my better half. I am doomed to be a pampered lady's man. They will see to it that my tie is "just so," my nails manicured, hair brillantined, and the crease in my pants just sharp enough to ward off any stray dog.

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Boys! Do you or do you not envy my position?

There are more than 25 members in Montreal now, and they are certainly live wires. They meet every second Friday of the month at Mackay Institute. Alexander Goldstein is their secretary, and they are mighty pleased with him.

We welcome Brother A. Chicoine of Montreal, who applied for membership at our last meeting. Keep your eyes on him; he bears watching, and will break the record as a go-getter or my name isn't Warnier.

Here's sad news. Brother Baskerville informs us that one of our little goats died of indigestion. The poor fellow must have been overfed by the boy. However, its daddy is as wild and woolly as ever, and the other two youngsters have cute little horns, three inches long. How many pennies have you saved up for the great occasion in November?

Alfred Reeves is a new addition by transfer from Chicago Division No. 1. Welcome, Buddy, hope the others will follow.

Jack Herman, otherwise known as "Smiling Jack," is still very much alive. He should be, because it is his courting days. Let us in on the date, Jack.

The writer regrets his inability to continue as secretary of Division No. 98 on account of his new business, which requires all his attention, and wishes to thank most sincerely those who co-operated with him in the past.

Non-resident members, attention! At our last meeting it was decided that in the future, the entry fee for membership will be \$4 instead of \$3. Endorsers are to get \$1 for their trouble, so now get busy. Get in as many as you can, to keep the Home Office busy.

BROOKLYN

By John Kirby

The night of Saturday, March 12, saw the brilliant and successful 23rd annual masquerade ball of Brooklyn Division in the Columbus Auditorium, 1 Prospect Park West. About one thousand were present. Members of the five other metropolitan district Divisions came in solid bodies, while 25 outlying Divisions were fairly well represented on the floor of the ballroom, which boasts the largest floor in the city, with a dim-lighted and soft-carpeted horseshoe balcony. From this place the masqueraders were seen clearly.

The galaxy of rioting colors and secretive disguises was too numerous to describe. At 11 o'clock the maskers paraded, performing their antics before the judges, John Roach of Philadelphia, F. L. Ascher of Springfield, Mass., and Mrs. Frank Hoppaugh of Newark, who decided on the winners.

The arrangement committee, to whom the success of the affair is due, were Chairman Edward Kerwin, Peter Goetz, Herbert J. Carroll, William Schurman, Daniel A. Aellis and Samuel Glassner. The floor committee,

who looked after law and order were Chairman Benjamin Friedwald, Joseph Zeiss, John Willets, Roslino Lacurto, Irving Blumenthal, Charles Wiemuth, Louis Baker, Benjamin Dembo, Harold Ebert, and Ralph and Francis Borge.

From 8 o'clock until the closing hour, the guests whiled away the time in dancing or in partaking of light lunches and delicious drinks in a luxuriously equipped dining room one floor below. At 2 a. m. the last couple left the dancing floor, along with the committeemen, who were joyful over such a masque crowned with success in this time of depression. Now the 23rd annual ball is history. A word or two more: 1934 is the silver jubilee year of the Brooklyn Division.

MILWAUKEE

By Samuel Sutter

We wish to make it known that we will have our next picnic on June 26, and no picnic on June 2, as reported in the April FRAT through error.

Grand Vice-President Neesam of Delavan was in Milwaukee on April 9, accompanied by his family, and delivered good stories from O'Henry, which were greatly enjoyed by those attending. Before he took the platform, there was a question and answer contest. Chairman Leisman put questions which puzzled us. Mrs. Joseph M. Angove succeeded in staying till she was the last to be questioned, and won a prize. There was another contest, "the true confession contest," and only three of the many contestants appeared to understand the intent of this new contest. Edwin W. Nelson came out best, winning the prize.

Jacob Elmer is still laid up at the General County hospital, after being kept from work for nearly two years.

Raymond Fiedler resigned as chairman of the Picnic committee, because of his probable return to Minneapolis, on account of unemployment in this city.

We cannot encourage any outside members to come to Milwaukee to try and find employment just now. Many of us are idle, or working only a few days a week.

JACKSONVILLE

By Ernest Tilton

Jacksonville Division celebrated its tenth anniversary on April 2 with a banquet at the Peacock Inn, with Grand President Roberts as the guest of honor. A fine menu was served, which was thoroughly enjoyed by the

large company of brothers present. Brother Marshall, as toastmaster, called on different members for remarks, and those of the last speaker, Grand President Roberts, were thoroughly enjoyed. He spoke of the growth of the Society, and also told some funny stories to illustrate his points.

After the banquet, the guests adjourned to the Gallaudet club room, where three reels of moving pictures were enjoyed, and a very pleasant evening was spent in playing cards, talking, and another address by Brother Roberts. Later, refreshments were served, and the guests departed at a late hour, voting it an evening of great enjoyment, and a huge success.

Brother Cunningham of Peoria Division and Brothers Shaffer, Gerbing, and Otto of Springfield Division were welcome guests, and we were all pleased to have them with us.

UTICA

By Thomas Booth

On behalf of Utica Division we wish to express our best wishes to the new Queens Division, and hope for great success in their future years.

Brother Lashway has reported his fast recovery from a fall, which injured his hip some time ago, and is now back on his job. Brother Lashway will receive his claim check soon, and it will sure show enough proof to all the non-members up in the far north that the frat business is straight.

The Division's basketball team had quite a good record this year, though starting rather late in the season. They chalked up seven victories without a defeat, thus making a clean record for the year. Several games were cancelled during the month of March because of the heavy snowstorms that were raging all over the country and making the roads dangerous. In some places there were drifts 10 to 15 feet high.

Everything is all set for the lecture on May 7. There will also be our monthly meeting before the time for the lecture, so if members wish to attend the latter, I would advise them not to leave your due-cards at home, because talking cannot get you through the doors; only those carrying their due-cards are admitted.

Owing to the depression, there are a lot of our members out of work, or doing only three or four days work a week, but none of them seem to show their troubles when the day of the meeting is on, and everybody attends as if nothing was wrong, so our meetings are well up to their work.

CLEVELAND

By E. E. Rosenmund

The combined picnic of Akron, Canton and Cleveland Divisions will take place some time this summer. The purpose of this plan is to draw more people from distant communities and make it one of the biggest outings of the year. Watch for further an-

nouncements later in this column.

Cleveland lost one of its most kindly deaf women when Mrs. Mary E. Maynard, wife of J. C. Maynard, passed away after a short illness. The interment took place at Matewan, W. Va. We tender our heartfelt sympathy to Brother Maynard and his family.

Pret Munger barely missed a perfect 300 score in his last game of the season with the Plain Dealer Bowling League. He started the game with three strikes and finished with eight more. A wild fourth spoiled his chance for an A. B. C. medal. Pret is secretary of the league, and handles about 3,600 figures each week. His team won the championship with steady bowling. The Typographical News says: "Pete Munger is tough competition for an adding machine—he figured his team in before the season was three weeks gone."

Henry Drapiewski's fine floorwork and his accuracy in beating the basket brought his team to the second place in the Catholic Church Basketball tournament, which took place last month. He is a proud owner of the runner-up medal. This popular young frat is now turning his attention to baseball. We wish him better luck.

Herman Koelle, Jr., slipped down stairs one evening and sprained his left wrist.

William Grinfin figured in another automobile smash-up. But this time he got away with only a slight injury. The damage was covered by insurance.

Brother and Mrs. Adelson celebrated their silver wedding anniversary with a big dinner party on March 19. They received many beautiful gifts.

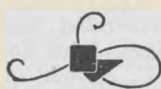
Mrs. E. E. Rosenmund spent the Easter holidays with her parents at Bridgeport, O. Before her return, a small party was given in her honor by her friends.



WORTH WHILE

By ANDREW HILL

NOT what you get,
But what you give,
Not what you say,
But how you live;
Giving the world
The love it needs
Living a life
Of noble deeds.
Not whence you came
But whither bound,
Not what you have
But whether found
Strong for the right—
The good—the true.
These are the things
Worth while to you.



IT is not the number of square miles that makes a country great but the number of square men.

—THE CHARIOT.

Make Health a Life Habit

A vast number of people in America are making health a habit, as it should be. They make it their business to be well every day and all the time, and the rules whereby they succeed are endorsed by every physician. First, think health.

Health and Personality

SEVERAL years ago Dr. Robert Hutchison of London, gave a talk before the Cambridge University Medical Society, on the relation between a man's physical constitution and his character. Among other things he said:

"There can be no doubt that a man's character is largely dependent upon his physical constitution. This is certainly the case so far at least as several important elements of character are concerned, such as energy, courage, vivacity, and good temper, although as regards some of the finer elements, sympathy, sincerity, and so forth, the physical basis may not be so obvious.

"Sir Walter Scott said, 'Yes, it does appear to me that high and independent feelings are naturally, though not uniformly or inseparably, connected with bodily advantages. Strong men are usually good-humored, and active men often display the same elasticity of mind as of body.' To quote Mr. H. G. Wells, it may be that 'even the capacity for friendship is a question of physique.'

"Herbert Spencer, in an interesting chapter of his autobiography, ventures the opinion that much might be said about the mental effects of bodily deformity. One, he suggests, who knows that he is looked upon by others with disfavor or pity cannot help being in some measure soured, or if his deformity is of such a nature that he cannot join in the pursuits of normal men he may become the prey of envy. In present-day language he is said to suffer from an inferiority complex."

Unquestionably, as Dr. Hutchison suggests, the state of health and physical constitution of the individual have much to do with his personality.—Life Extension Institute.

The secret of perfect health and vigorous activity lies in keeping your mind always buoyant and cheerful; never worried, never hurried; never burdened by fear, thought, or anxiety.—Dr. Thind.

THE preservation of health is the first essential of life. It is the basis on which is founded the success and prosperity of the individual, as well as the nation. A people lacking in physical and mental vigor cannot get far in business and industry.—Floyd W. Parsons.

A Few Health "Don'ts"

DON'T drink ice or very cold water when you are overheated, unless you hold it in your mouth long enough to warm it before it enters your stomach.

Don't eat between meals; that is the time to drink water slowly.

Don't eat fast, take one-half hour to eat your meals. If you have to eat in a hurry don't eat until you have the time to do it properly. It is better to go without food than to abuse your organs and health by eating too hurriedly.

Don't wash your food down with a lot of water or other liquids. It dilutes the normal digestive secretions, and they cannot act properly upon the food.—Dr. Chas. F. Browne.



IF THERE be a saving way, at all, it is obviously this: Substitute health and happiness for wealth as a world ideal; and translate that new ideal into action by education from babyhood up.—John Galsworthy.

Too Much Exercise Is Dangerous

EXERCISE is an aid to health. It lengthens and strengthens the muscles and adds to the attractiveness of the body. It stimulates the circulation, furnishing oxygen to the blood and aiding in the removal of waste products. It encourages intestinal elimination and increases perspiration.

Valuable as it is, however, exercise can be carried to extremes. It is principally dangerous to the heart. If the heart is healthy there is no danger, but if it has been affected by some infectious disease such as diphtheria, rheumatism or scarlet fever, one must beware of abnormal exercise, warns Dr. James O. Nall in *Hygeia*.

Exercise is useful in the treatment of many diseases. It is used in hospitals for mental patients to aid in the recoordination of mind and body and in physical therapy departments of general hospitals for general treatment of disease. It corrects postural defects in many cases.

Exercise, therefore, must be indulged in with due regard to one's age and



THERE is only one real asset in this world, and that is your health. Bet on it and you can't lose if you are careful. The strangest thing about this bet is that Nature lets you be the stakeholder. She trusts you, but in spite of this advantage, many continue to lose the bet too early in the game of life.

physical condition. A moderate amount is a necessity for a healthy person and it is a method of treating the sick. It is a standard tonic, but like other tonics it has its purpose and proper dosage.

A Determination to Be Happy

THE following quotation is taken from that excellent book of John Cowper Powys entitled, "The Meaning of Culture":

"The unspoken creed of culture implies an obstinate determination to be happy at all costs; and even where happiness is impossible, to assume what might be called the mental gesture of happiness until the wheel of chance shall turn."

A "determination to be healthy" will greatly help in this quest for happiness. Dr. Arnold Lorand tells of an old boatman in the bay of Capri who could row as long and as fast as any of his younger companions and whose buoyant and vigorous health was most noticeable. When this boatman was asked the reason for his apparently fine physical condition he replied, "Sempre allegro." (Always merry). No doubt the boatman's merry disposition had an influence upon his health, but the good doctors knew that the man's splendid health was one of the principal reasons for his happy disposition.

This same fact has been testified to by physicians and scientists who have come in contact with workmen in timberlands and surveying projects where an ideal, hygienic, out-of-door life is lived. As one scientist stated with reference to a large group of workmen he met in the mountains of Colorado, "I never saw so good-natured and happy a crowd of men. Nothing ever seemed to make them angry. They were too full of exultant health."—Life Extension Institute.

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Edwin C. Ritchie	28 E. Lancaster Ave., Shillington, Pa.
AKRON No. 55	Akron, Ohio
Cor. N. Arlington & E. Market Sts.—First Saturday	
Frank A. Andrewjeski	1566 Preston Ave., E. Akron, O.
SALT LAKE CITY No. 56	Salt Lake City, Utah
First Tuesday	
George S. Laramie	28 N. State St.
ROCKFORD No. 57	Rockford, Illinois
1016-18 Fourth Ave.—Second Saturday	
B. Franklin Jackson	108 Lincoln Park Blvd.
SPRINGFIELD No. 58	Springfield, Illinois
Carpenters Hall, 505½ E. Monroe St.—First Saturday	
John G. Otto	716 South 13th St.
DAVENPORT No. 59	Davenport, Iowa
I. O. O. F. Hall, 510 Brady St.—First Saturday	
Charles E. Loughran	427 East 32nd St.
WORCESTER No. 60	Worcester, Massachusetts
306 Main St.—First Saturday	
Delbert J. Trask	347 Packachoag St., Auburn, Mass.
ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS No. 61	St. Paul, Minnesota
1824 Marshall Ave., St. Paul—First Saturday	
John J. McNeill	912 Marshall Ave., St. Paul
FORT WORTH No. 62	Fort Worth, Texas
Third and Calhoun Sts.—First Saturday	
Albert Tully	3209 S. Jennings Ave.
DALLAS No. 63	Dallas, Texas
Labor Temple—First Tuesday	
John F. Brown	2348 Wycliff Ave.
DENVER No. 64	Denver, Colo.
Howe Hall, 1548 California St.—First Saturday	
Frank A. Lessley	2915 Douglas Place
WATERBURY No. 65	Waterbury, Connecticut
305 Bank St.—First Saturday	
Frank Cossette	92 Congress Ave.
SPRINGFIELD No. 67	Springfield, Massachusetts
Memorial Hall, 44 State St.—First Saturday	
E. Douglas Cameron	199 Forest Park Ave.
WACO No. 68	Waco, Texas
First Sunday	
Andrew M. Bowman	Route 1, Penelope, Texas
BANGOR No. 71	Bangor, Maine
Royal Arcanum Hall, 173 Exchange St.—First Saturday	
Leo E. Trainor	21 Hazel St.
KENOSHA No. 72	Kenosha, Wisconsin
Knights of Columbus Hall—Second Saturday	
George Hebard	2516-55th St.
BIRMINGHAM No. 73	Birmingham, Alabama
Ben Hur Hall, 1809½ N. 4th Ave.—First Monday	
Sam B. Rittenberg	7027 Division Ave.
SIOUX FALLS No. 74	Sioux Falls, South Dakota
Chamber of Commerce—First Monday	
Byron B. Burnes	Box 716

WICHITA No. 75	Wichita, Kansas
Y. M. C. A.—First Saturday	
Joseph B. Kaufman	Belle Plaine, Kan.
SPOKANE No. 76	Spokane, Washington
1029 W. Chelan Ave.—First Saturday	
Frank W. Lobaugh	3918 N. Lincoln St.
DES MOINES No. 77	Des Moines, Iowa
Moose Hall, 920 Locust St.—First Saturday	
John A. Robinson	809 Guthrie Ave.
LOWELL No. 78	Lowell, Massachusetts
84 Middlesex St.—Second Saturday	
J. B. McMahon	95 Fourth St.
BERKELEY No. 79	Berkeley, California
561 Eleventh St., Oakland—First Saturday	
Emery Vinson	2644 Etna St.
DELAVAN No. 80	Delavan, Wisconsin
I. O. O. F. Hall—First Saturday	
Marvin C. Goff	119 N. Main St.
HOUSTON No. 81	Houston, Texas
Ross Lodge Halls, 910½ Preston Ave.—First Tuesday	
Richard C. Morris	400 Quitman St.
SCRANTON No. 82	Scranton, Pennsylvania
232 Wyoming Ave.—First Thursday	
Harry B. Young	115 S. Blakely St., Dunmore, Pa.
RICHMOND No. 83	Richmond, Virginia
Labor Temple, Hall 2—Second Saturday	
R. H. Baughan	604 N. 22nd St.
JOHNSTOWN No. 85	Johnstown, Pennsylvania
Swank Annex Bldg., Main & Bedford Sts.—Second Sat.	
Joshua Wilkinson, Jr.	Route 5
MANHATTAN No. 87	New York, New York
143 W. 125th St.—First Wednesday	
Joseph Worzel	1907 Loring Place, Bronx, N. Y.
JACKSONVILLE No. 88	Jacksonville, Illinois
Gallaudet Club Hall—First Thursday	
Ernest Tilton	414 Kosciusko St.
LEWISTON No. 89	Lewiston, Maine
Knights of Pythias—First Saturday	
Patrick J. Thibodeau	R. 2, Box 6, Gray, Me.
PEORIA No. 90	Peoria, Illinois
Proctor Recreation Center—First Saturday	
Charles J. Cunningham	1713 N. Madison Ave.
JERSEY CITY No. 91	Jersey City, New Jersey
Odd Fellows' Hall Bergen Square—Second Saturday	
Charles Schlupp	15 Summit Ave.
BRONX No. 92	New York, New York
Casino, 156th and St. Ann's Ave.—First Friday	
Albert Sumner	3457 Kingsland Ave., Bronx, N. Y.
COLUMBIA No. 93	Columbia, South Carolina
Y. M. C. A.—First Saturday	
H. R. Glover	2415 Park St.
CHARLOTTE No. 94	Charlotte, North Carolina
K. of P. Hall, 408 Piedmont Bldg.—Second Saturday	
Donald W. Gledhill	Box 652
DURHAM No. 95	Durham, North Carolina
Y. M. C. A.—First Saturday	
J. M. Vestal	P. O. Box 397, Burlington, N. C.
DUBUQUE No. 96	Dubuque, Iowa
1355 Bluff St.—First Wednesday	
F. H. Dohrmann	3135 Central Ave.
GRAND RAPIDS No. 97	Grand Rapids, Michigan
Y. M. C. A.—First Friday	
William H. Miller	421 Quimby St., N. E.
TORONTO No. 98	Toronto, Canada
I. O. O. F. Temple—First Thursday	
Marcel A. Warner	20 Chambers Ave.
DULUTH No. 99	Duluth, Minnesota
Suite 14, Winthrop Bldg.—First Sunday	
William L. Nelson	2013 W. 4th St.
CANTON No. 100	Canton, Ohio
211 North Court St.—First Saturday	
William N. Toomey	2007 Kirk Ave., N. W.
FARIBAULT No. 101	Faribault, Minnesota
Eagles Hall, First Saturday	
Toivo Lindholm	416 Shumway Ave.
SOUTH BEND No. 102	South Bend, Indiana
Moose Hall—Second Saturday	
A. P. Rink	223 W. Navarre St.
COUNCIL BLUFFS No. 103	Council Bluffs, Iowa
Railroad Y. M. C. A.—Second Saturday	
Ransom H. Arch	Route 1, Crescent, Iowa
FORT WAYNE No. 104	Fort Wayne, Indiana
Y. M. C. A.—First Friday	
John E. Pershing	3406 Barr St.
SCHENECTADY No. 105	Schenectady, New York
612 Union St.—Second Saturday	
John F. Koepfer	501 Becker St.
CHICAGO No. 106	Chicago, Ill.
Great Northern Hotel—Second Friday	
Frederick B. Wirt	211 Williams St., Aurora, Ill.
MIAMI No. 107	Miami, Florida
Y. M. C. A.—First Sunday	
Fred I. Pollock	P. O. Box 352, Homestead, Fla.
BINGHAMTON No. 108	Binghamton, N. Y.
120 Court St.—Second Friday	
Lewis P. Garbett	Route 3, Binghamton, N. Y.
WILKINSBURG No. 109	Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania
1018 Penn Ave.—First Sunday	
Laurence Frank	1109 Walnut St.
SAN DIEGO No. 110	San Diego, California
Chamber of Commerce Bldg.—First Saturday	
L. B. Cartwright	4227 Iowa St.
EAU CLAIRE No. 111	Eau Claire, Wis.
Y. M. C. A.—First Sunday	
William Roth	631½ N. Dewey St.
SULPHUR No. 112	Sulphur, Okla.
School for the Deaf—First Monday	
W. T. Griffing	Box 192
VANCOUVER No. 113	Vancouver, Wash.
School for Deaf—First Thursday	
E. C. Langlois	3504 E. 7th St.
WESTCHESTER No. 114	Mt. Vernon, N. Y.
Marlotte Bldg., 201 S. 3rd Ave.—First Friday	
Fred C. Berger	145 Sickles Ave., New Rochelle, N. Y.
QUEENS No. 115	Jamaica, L. I., N. Y.
Y. M. C. A., Jamaica—First Saturday	
H. A. Gillen	525 DuBois Ave., Valley Stream, L. I., N. Y.

MONTHLY NET RATES FOR LIFE INSURANCE IN THE N. F. S. D.							
Minimum, \$250; Maximum, \$5,000 to Age 45, \$3,000 to Age 50, \$1,000 to Age 55							
RATES PER \$1,000 OF DEATH BENEFIT CERTIFICATE							
AGE	CLASS C	AGE	CLASS D	AGE	CLASS E	AGE	CLASS F
18	\$1.11	18	\$1.58	18	\$1.13	18	\$1.20
19	1.11	19	1.60	19	1.16	19	1.20
20	1.11	20	1.63	20	1.19	20	1.20
21	1.13	21	1.66	21	1.22	21	1.23
22	1.16	22	1.69	22	1.25	22	1.27
23	1.18	23	1.72	23	1.29	23	1.30
24	1.21	24	1.75	24	1.32	24	1.33
25	1.24	25	1.78	25	1.36	25	1.37
26	1.27	26	1.81	26	1.41	26	1.41
27	1.31	27	1.85	27	1.45	27	1.46
28	1.34	28	1.89	28	1.50	28	1.50
29	1.38	29	1.93	29	1.55	29	1.55
30	1.42	30	1.97	30	1.61	30	1.60
31	1.46	31	2.01	31	1.67	31	1.66
32	1.50	32	2.05	32	1.73	32	1.72
33	1.55	33	2.10	33	1.81	33	1.78
34	1.60	34	2.15	34	1.88	34	1.85
35	1.65	35	2.20	35	1.96	35	1.92
36	1.70	36	2.25	36	2.05	36	2.00
37	1.76	37	2.31	37	2.15	37	2.08
38	1.82	38	2.37	38	2.25	38	2.17
39	1.89	39	2.43	39	2.37	39	2.26
40	1.96	40	2.50	40	2.50	40	2.36
41	2.03	41	2.57	41	2.64	41	2.47
42	2.11	42	2.64	42	2.80	42	2.59
43	2.20	43	2.72	43	2.98	43	2.71
44	2.29	44	2.80	44	3.18	44	2.85
45	2.38	45	2.89	45	3.40	45	3.00
46	2.49	46	2.98	46	3.65	46	3.16
47	2.60	47	3.08	47	3.95	47	3.34
48	2.71	48	3.18	48	4.29	48	3.54
49	2.84	49	3.29	49	4.69	49	3.75
50	2.97	50	3.41	50	5.18	50	3.99
51	3.11	51	3.54	51	5.76	51	4.25
52	3.27	52	3.67	52	6.49	52	4.53
53	3.43	53	3.82	53	7.41	53	4.85
54	3.60	54	3.97	54	8.64	54	5.21
55	3.79	55	4.14	55	10.35	55	5.62

RATE FOR AGE AT NEAREST BIRTHDAY TO BE TAKEN

NATIONAL FRATERNAL SOCIETY OF THE DEAF



THE NATIONAL FRATERNAL SOCIETY OF THE DEAF is a fraternal life insurance association of deaf men. It is organized on the lodge system and has branch lodges, called Divisions, in 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 of 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 of age.

Social Membership

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

Death, 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 membership.

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

Safeguards

The society is chartered under laws of the state of Illinois and is licensed by the insurance departments of 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.