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THE SPOTLIGHT

By J. Frederick Meagher

S **SPOTLIGHT** starts 13th year with this issue, Bob tells me. Looked it up in my records; sure enough, Bobs is right. How come he knows more about me than I do?

SPOTLIGHT began Feb. 1930, under nom-de-plume of "Carrie Yon", (Carry On), last words of our immortal "Gib." Now 13 is my lucky number—won my first National AAU title on the 13th. During 13th year, I expect big things of myself and will expect full cooperation from the Kable proofreader. He is a very convenient cuss; I pass him the buck whenever any of my four steady readers kick on anything in this column!

MEAGHER'S meager monicker did not appear at head of this page until March, 1932—month before hindquarters moved to "world's noisiest corner." Low rent; deaf only tenants who didn't kick about the noise.

BIGGEST news beat in this column's history was prophecy of Jap war—over a year before Pearl Harbor. Only Bobs threw it out. So no beat. Here's another utterly worthless Meagher prophecy: Huns quit in '43; Japs japanned in '44. (If Japs ain't, I'll blame the comma shortage of Kable proofreaders, as usual.)

HEARST'S Saturday magazine—national circulation many millions—for Dec. 12, had article: "Murder in Silence."

El Reno, Okla., deaf couple named Richard Hay, 1938. Hearie killed their baby. "Sounds of scratching on paper." First I ever knew pencils make a noise when we write. If Oak Spark neighbors ever complain hindquarters makes too much noise, it will be the sound of Bobs' blue-pencilling out more of my beloved copy for this page.

BEST fiction writer in America, Dashiell Hammett, in same Hearst's for Nov. 28, introduced our old enemy, the Impostor. True to life! "Dead Yellow Women" was the yarn:

"**'DUMMY'** Uhl was a dope. Any day on which his sad face, his package of pins, and his I Am Deaf and Dumb sign didn't take in \$20 out of the office buildings along his route, was a bad day. His big card was his ability to play the statue, when skeptical people yelled or made sudden noises behind him. When the 'Dummy' was right, a gun going off beside his ear wouldn't make him twitch an eyelid. But too much heroin broke his nerves, until a whisper was enough to make him jump." Hammett kills off the rascal quick.

KNOW the greatest sudden-gust of NAD activity in our history was probably Impostor Bureau I headed in 1915?

Spending about \$25, in half-year we dug up hundreds of vigorous deaf "chiefs, marshals, deputies"; jailed probably 100 fakirs. In that one winter, we got about nine state legislatures to pass sudden laws, putting impostors in the cooler. All done by us deaf, not by hearies. This about killed the racket, then widely-prevalent; it has never since been a real menace to our clan.

ARMY drafts a Gallaudet prep—right off campus!

Wayne Schleiff, 6:4½, has 65% hearing. On Ark's National Deaf cage champs of 1941 . . . Texas' W. J. Capps is in Engineers, stationed at Little Rock. Was in Gallaudet during last war. Doff your caps to Capps . . . Remember loveable Bro. Chauncey Laughlin, Olathe delegate to Phila '18? His boy in India hospital—one of famous Flying Tigers!

SOME fear Jap war lasts 5 to 10 years. Oh yeah; want to bet the cow jumped over the moon?

TUNIS is close to site of famous Carthage, founded 2490 years ago after Ulysses and his Greeks made mincemeat of Troy over beautiful

Helen. You ever love a girl named Helen? All the Helens I loved were glamorous queens, polished, polite, proud and intelligent. But none of 'em fancied me an Ulysses or an Ajax. Los Angeles has a frater named Ulysses; last name Cool. Swell chap. Any others named Ulysses or Ajax?

SPORTING NEWS for Dec. 24 had full page on our own Luther "Dummy" Taylor. Great!

PICTURES of Mrs. Taylor No. 3, etc.; interesting inside info—like Matty playing first base (news to us all) and lifetime record. Started Albany 1900; played Giants eight years; also on Cleveland Americans, Buffalo, Montreal and New Orleans. Taylor's big year was 1904, when N. Y. Giants won pennant; he pitched in 37 games, won 21, lost 15, struck out 138, gave 75 bases on balls. Lifetime record is 256 games, 112 won, 99 lost, percentage .531. Ended in N. O. '13. Heck; saw him twirl for our Good-year Silents in last war. Now "housefather" (supervisor) in our Ill. school; acts tough with those tough sons of tough foreigners; thank heavens!

NEW Wis. supt. is Valentine A. Becker. Bet you 5c you can guess his birthday.

SCHOOLS upset everywhere. Ill. has 540 pupils; eight teacher already left—their places not filled; economy . . . Crammatte quit Fanwood again; now in D.C. . . . Monaghan of Miss. may lose arm; operated on . . . Phillips quits Ind. to work in Indianapolis . . . Mich. garnering all-star staff; grabs famous poet-painter Felix Kowalewski from W. Va. . . . No copy of "Canadian" in long time; did soldiers grab school like they took over our Manitoba? . . . A few schools had no Christmas holidays; some pupils were left stranded in bus stations; others had to stand entire trip, soldiers took seats . . . Texas had only four days Christmas liberty; gained 1½ weeks which means kids go home that much earlier next summer.

FRAU FRIEDA's First-Aid class taught her never rub frozen ears with snow. That's old-fashioned witchcraft; may cause gangrene.

NEVER roll drowned man on barrel. Never wash wounds with soap and water; water has tiny germs swimming in each drop. Wash wounds with alcohol; then paint with "2% iodine." Throw away your bottle of common iodine; it is NG. There are three kinds of shock; two kinds of fractures (broken bones); all have different cures and treatment.

NAD publicity com. Lauritsen, etc., has nice send-out on deaf.

"**DEAF** don't need any help, just now; am disposed to let events take their course," postals NAD prexy Tomasso d'Anderson, the Texan hombre who now travels 1800 miles monthly—in his new role as a biggie for our Texas school. Just hasn't the time to carry on his promising NAD program—not during this war.

KILLED in Action at Solomon islands: Lieut. Rhodes, son of Bro. Rhodes, Columbia div. On warship Atlanta.

"**PRaise** the Lord, and enroll more members" is our motto for 1943. Grands "up" quotas; Chi-First and Brooklyn now 50. "Will do," vow the tried and true.

NFSD has 102 divisions; 640 new members in 1942 makes about 6½ members each div. Is your own proud lodge up to standard? If not, shake a leg. . . . Hearie insurance gained 4% in '42; we beat that mark. . . . Grands smile in joy, as wartime building restrictions bring a profit on their buildings. . . . Grand v-p Neesam, 39 years a cage coach, still tramps all day in fall. Bags limit shooting pheasant, partridge, rabbit, duck and geese. (Hey, what's difference between duck and geese?)

HOW MANY friends can you name, who died on own birthday?

Dr. Robert Patterson did, Dec. 11, aged 94. Ohio principal 40 years; got his Gallaudet diploma from Pres. Grant. . . . Mrs. Ben Beaver found dead in kitchen. A one-woman army in advancement of Detroit deaf; one of best on my private list of news-tippers. . . . The great Pitner, hearie prof, dies at only 57. Nation's most noted educational-researcher; collaborated with Gallaudet's mighty Fusfeld in valuable findings.

FBI bags Touhy gang; killed two—couple blocks from Grand Trustee Flick's church!

FBI makes sure and certain—never takes a chance! (Of all deaf men, I ought best to know.) Lost only 13 agents while arresting 55,000 in past ten years; killed only 24 men, including Dillinger. FBI uses special magnum pistols—357-cal. with 150-grain powder-charge. Velocity 1512-ft. per second; cops' 38-cal. has 800-ft. per sec. Only hand-gun with higher hitting power, is the 9-mm. Luger pistol.

BOWLING. Nobody knows if Pittsburgh will hold annual deaf cannon-ball binge. Gov't cracks down on travel.

BEST record is not Milwaukee club's 8 teams; Detroit's has 20 men's and 4 ladies' teams. That beats even proud Chicago . . . Detroit deaf club pays volunteer bartenders 50c hour. War wages so high, club never has enough part-time bartenders. . . . Akron should win binge; several stars from other cities there.

FAMOUS hard-of-hearing (deafened) listed by Robey Burns:

Eleanor Roosevelt, Rupert Hughes, Royal Brown, Carolyn Wells, Dorothy Canfield Fisher, writers; John Garner, ex-v-p; Stanley Baldwin ex-British prime-minister; Senators Arthur Capper, Kans., and Hiram Bingham, Conn.; Ernest Elmo Calkins, advertiser; Dr. Carl A. Miniger, psychiatrist and author; Owen D. Young, lawyer and corporation official; Walter B. Pitkin (who's he?)

"**PETO,**" first submarine built on Lake Michigan, took 13 days floating the 1500 miles from Chicago to New Orleans!

FIRST U. S. fighter ever built away from an ocean. Carried on a floating dry-dock down rivers. Bad time—Mississippi river at flood stage; dangerous driftwood. Cops cleared all bridges before Peto floated past—fear Nazi sabotage. Sub is 300-ft. long.

"**BLACKOUT,**" is the disrespectful title applied to this enlightening Spotlight page, by Leo the war-like Warshawsky. For that, he dies at dawn!

LATEST deaf writer is Chicago oralist, Chester S. Geier, 21, 6:4, stone-deaf at age 12, says Livishis. His short story, "Sphere of Sleep," ran in Oct. issue of Amazing Stories. . . . The Fugates said to be quitting Florida; managed Dixie Aged Deaf home for several years. . . . "Crutch" is Detroit inspector of GYRO compasses used on our warships. He offers "special rates for any deaf who want to buy one or two." Has over 2000 parts; cost \$9000 each. . . . Writes Trenton tripe: "Dimlight, you use only one 'm' in Grumman planes. I make 'em. Precision; fool-proof; blue prints; precision." And then Trenton, so "precise," forgets to sign his name; so I can't sass back at him. Gurr—am I mad!

BRAIN TEST. What was first tire-shortage? What animal uses a deaf-dumb language? How many U.S. presidents married widows? (You'll be surprised.) How many islands in Pacific Ocean? What is secret of kangaroo's jump?

JAN. ANS. First "Leathernecks" or Marines had shiny black leather collar around their necks. Also wore powdered wig and baby-blue hair-ribbon; crossed belts in front; stockings of Revolutionary war type . . . "Doughboy" or infantry, so called in Mexican war—"Adobe boy," adobe is Spanish for mud. Uniform often covered with mud. . . . World's fastest auto-bus? Damascus to Bagdad at 60 mph; 600 miles over desert without a single stop-light. Carries 14. . . . Olden Romans put honey on oysters, as relish. . . . Romans also named Africa—after Berber word "Ifriqa" . . . Who said "I'd rather be right than be president"—Bobs, TLA, Jack Ebin? No; it was Henry Clay. He almost became president anyway.

Notable Deaf Persons

By Guilbert C. Braddeock

No. 74—ANGELINE A. FULLER FISCHER

IN a once popular but now inaccessible volume of large dimensions called "Women in Sacred Song," published a few decades ago, prominence was given to a deaf poetess, Angeline Fuller Fischer. Twenty-one of her poems and hymns were included in this anthology, according to a writer in the old *Silent Worker*, who adds that she was also quoted in another collection, "Poets of America." Fame is indeed fleeting, and poets pass rapidly across the American landscape, but in her day Mrs. Fischer was a celebrity who received praise from other and greater poets.

Angeline Ashby Fuller was born in Savannah, Carroll County, Illinois, August 11th, 1841, the daughter of John and Sarah Ashby Fuller, midwestern pioneers formerly resident in Augusta, Maine. The broad Mississippi River, a few rods from her house, formed the background for her earliest childhood recollections, which were of wading in the muddy waters of the stream. She learned the alphabet in the ordinary course of things, at the usual age of six, attending village school until the age of thirteen, when misfortune befell her in a series of illnesses—whooping cough, typhoid fever, lung fever, and congestive chills in succession—which totally destroyed her hearing and left lifelong after-effects in weakened eyesight and a tendency to paralysis.

For five years afterward she lived a lonely life, shut out by her deafness from the accustomed companionship of other people. Not knowing of the existence of other deaf persons, she imagined herself entirely alone in this oppressive silence, doomed to bear "this strange cross of total deafness," as she afterwards phrased it. Her delight in poetry dates from this dark period, however; she found consolation and comfort in recollection of the beauties of sound as she had once heard them.

In 1859, at the age of eighteen, she was enabled to complete her education, having read an article in a magazine about the Illinois School for the Deaf and applied for admission. She went to school there until 1869, but did not spend all that time in studying, as much of the time she suffered spells of blindness, during which she could only attempt to read by the sense of touch. Her first verses were composed mentally at such times, and put down in writing from memory when sight returned to a sufficient degree. As early as 1865 she started publishing her poems in the home-town newspaper, the *Savannah Weekly Register*.

Education alone was not the sole benefit derived from her stay at the School for the Deaf. She discovered there, also, that social relations were once more permitted to her, with companions handicapped like herself. After school, she began to correspond by letter with deaf people all over the country. Her first connection with the public activities of the deaf was in 1875, when she collected ten dollars to send to the building fund of the Gallaudet Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf in New York, and commenced to write to the editor of the *Deaf-Mutes' Journal* letters advising the deaf women of the nation in matters cultural, literary, poetical, and religious.

By 1880, she was the leader of the feminists among the American deaf, and in that year voiced in the *Journal* the desire of the deaf women to figure in the proposed National Convention of the Deaf (at which the National Association of the Deaf was organized in the city of Cincinnati). She stated very convincingly the need of women at such a gathering, to establish a high standard of decorum that would reflect favorably upon the deaf; and, this point established, proceeded to censure the pre-convention squabbles: "If the presence of ladies is wanted to give a gentle tone to the Convention, contentions about office must quickly cease." She also insisted on a church service on the Sunday before Convention; stating that if the men were too busy to arrange one, the ladies could quite competently conduct it.

Then, as now, the matrimonial possibilities inherent in national conventions were discernible, and "Angie" Fuller recognized their existence with that restrained tolerance suitable to a pious upbringing. In one paragraph she said: "The only spirit wanted is the spirit of courtesy, charity and love, Christian love—sentimental love, too, if that is decreed, and no doubt in some cases it is; so be brave, ye fated ones, and pass the trying ordeal as gracefully as possible." One of the fated ones was a semi-mute gentleman of Warren, Maine, Mr. G. E. Fischer, who also wrote to the *Journal* on the subject of conventions, and acknowledged the decrees of destiny in these words: "Let us meet together in brotherly love—yes, and sisterly love also, for we are led to the slaughter by the weaker sex." Some time after 1884, and some time before 1893, Angie Fuller became Mrs. Fischer. In the interim, she received considerably more notice.

No sooner was the first National Convention of the Deaf disposed of, than she directed her attention toward the need for a college for deaf women. At that time, Gallaudet College did not admit women. When the college received government funds to build a stately gymnasium in addition to its other buildings, Miss Fuller wrote a sarcastic letter to the *Journal* protesting that the funds should have been dedicated to a building for woman students, and delivering herself of the opinion that "neither the students of the National College, nor any other deaf-mute school wherein signs are used to any considerable extent, need the exercise of a gymnasium, because the sign language is eminently a muscular exercise." An interesting controversy was thus started in the publications of the deaf. The college students took a hand, by saying they did not want any girls around to mess things up; to which unchivalrous words Angie Fuller replied: "All the girls can do is to bear the injustice as philosophically as righteous indignation will allow,—and after this if any of the mute girls ever condescend to marry them, it will be one of the grandest proofs of woman's magnanimity and thorough angelicness of nature that the world has ever seen." In the end, Miss Fuller pledged five dollars to start a fund to build a "College for Mute Ladies," or a "Seminary for Deaf-Mute Girls," to be situated as far removed from the men's college as possible. Some ninety dollars was contributed by the end of 1880; but public opinion had been brought in favor of higher education for women, and Gallaudet College soon became coeducational.

In 1883 Angeline Fuller published a book of poems, which she called "The Venture." It sold for \$1.50 a copy, \$1.75 with gold edges, and contained 232 pages of verse accumulated in nearly twenty years. It received good notices. Ella Wheeler Wilcox, a popular poetess, said of the book that it showed "a real lyrical gift and beauty of expression." Oliver Wendell Holmes said in a review: "The circumstances under which these poems were written would disarm the most relentless critic . . . The book is very creditable to the tender heart and the metrical talents of the authoress, with whom every reader must sympathize, and whose cheerful activity of mind under the natural impediments demands our highest respect and esteem." While not saying much about the actual merits of Miss Fuller's poetry, this pronouncement served to deter any unfavorable reviews of her work. (Remembering the Biblical passage "A certain man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the King of Israel," the book critics would not loose any shafts at "The Venture," lest they should hit Oliver Wendell Holmes.) Another great poet, Whittier, was also sympathetic, for Miss Fuller had been in correspondence with him for some time, and he had encouraged her in her efforts to turn her thoughts and feel-

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

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1943 Convention

ELSEWHERE in this issue announcement is made of the change in location of the 1943 Grand Division convention, originally scheduled for Los Angeles.

The matter of the convention location has been before the Executive Committee of the Grand Division Board of Directors constantly since Pearl Harbor. The situation has been carefully examined at each monthly meeting of the committee since that time. It was hoped that by waiting until the last possible moment, the convention might still be saved for Los Angeles.

Finally the Home Office took up the question with the Office of Defense Transportation at Washington. It advised, among other things, that where postponement of conventions is not allowable by State laws or constitutional requirements, associations will hold small executive meetings for the transaction of essential business.

It also advised that the outlook for civilian travel during the coming months is not optimistic, and only through the voluntary co-operation of everyone can more rigid restrictions be avoided.

In view of this situation, it was concluded that holding our convention in Los Angeles this summer is not advisable.

Since we are required by State laws to hold a Grand Division convention at least once in four years, our last convention being in 1939, the Grand Division Board of Directors voted to hold the meeting in Chicago, at which only the 102 delegates and 10 grand officers will be present. Essentially this will be an executive meeting with the minimum number in attendance, and will comply with the suggestions of the Office of Defense Transportation.

Elect Delegates in April

LEST some Divisions may overlook the fact that the last quadrennial convention of our society changed the time of the election of convention delegates from the month of February to the month of April, we print below the law as amended at the Toronto convention in 1939:

Section 36. Subordinate Divisions shall elect one delegate and may elect one alternate to the quadrennial convention of the Grand Division at the April meeting previous to the convention; provided, that no money shall be appropriated for an alternate by his Division unless he actually goes to the convention because the regular delegate is unable to attend. In case of vacancies occurring after such election, they may be filled by Division action up to one week prior to the date of the convention.

This law in its present wording shows Section 36 amended in three particulars:

1. The delegates are to be elected in April instead of in February, as formerly.
2. Alternates may also be elected in April, if desired. Formerly there were no alternates.
3. If alternates are elected, the Divisions shall not appropriate any money for their expenses to the convention, unless they have to take the places of the regular delegates who may be prevented from going for some reason.

The convention will be restricted to three days at most, on July 13, 14, 15. If necessary, night sessions will also be held.

Visitors to the convention will be discouraged, due to the transportation situation, the difficulty in getting hotel reservations, and the fact that no entertainment features will be provided.

In all fairness to our Los Angeles and other Pacific Coast members, in this situation in which they are nowise to blame, our promise to hold a national convention on the coast ultimately should be kept. The convention this summer will be asked to give the 1947 convention to Los Angeles, if by that time the war is over and the country has returned to a normal peace time basis. The present Local Committee in Los Angeles will continue to function until a convention of the society is held there.

In Demand

THE Illinois Association for the Crippled was organized in 1936.

Its main objective is to place the crippled and handicapped in gainful employment, and make them self supporting.

This Association had not been in existence very long before conscription began to deplete the industrial manpower of the country. There arose a steady demand, which has increased in extent with time, for employable handicapped people. The Association found it necessary to get an employment counsellor to deal with this demand and with the handicapped. They obtained the services of Mrs. Frances Karlsteen, who was connected with the special schools department of the Chicago Board of Education, and who had experience in the Illinois State Employment Service, Cook County Bureau of Public Welfare, and at the Spalding School for Crippled Children in Chicago.

Here follows in part some comments

by Mrs. Karlsteen concerning the work she is doing for the handicapped:

"A lot of old prejudices and fixed ideas about handicapped people are being dropped overboard for the duration," she says, "and maybe when the war is over they will have been forgotten. I hope so. We are apt to think of all one-legged men as watchmen and all blind persons as broommakers. We think of the worker in terms of his handicap. Actually, it's not what is gone that counts, but what is left. No employer calls a placement office to ask for a man with two artificial legs. He calls for a hosiery mender, or somebody who can be trained to be one. The physical demands are: good vision, use of thumb and index finger of one hand, sufficient use of other hand to hold stocking tightly over block, use of one foot to manipulate pedal. . . . Or he asks for a dental mechanic with good eyes, good hands, finger dexterity, interested in learning occupation in a growing field . . . or a watchmaker with good vision, dexterous fingers, willingness to undergo three or four years of training at small wages.

"When an employer who has never hired physically handicapped people decides to break his old policy, he often asks for a 'deaf mute.' There are reasons for this. The deaf are usually normal, healthy and strong. Their trouble isn't noticeable. They aren't disturbed by noises. They are in great demand right now for certain jobs.

"But I don't know of one single deaf mute who isn't employed. My problem is to substitute someone else. I recognize the employer's preference, put it down on the order, and then tell him that deaf mutes are just as scarce as well-qualified tool and die makers." [Perhaps Mrs. Karlsteen did not know it, but a number of the deaf are themselves "well-qualified tool and die makers."—ED.]

The italics are ours. The words quoted express what we have known for a long time. For upward of eighty years, the associations of the deaf, State and National, have constantly reiterated the fact, and dinned it into the public, that the physical handicap of deafness is not an industrial handicap.

Mrs. Karlsteen's report is only another indication that our efforts have borne fruit, that the deaf workman is on a par with his hearing brother in industry. Only through the perversity of human nature have some industrialists occasionally failed to recognize this fact.

In this long struggle of the American deaf to demonstrate their industrial fitness in practically every trade and calling, their associations have borne the brunt of the battle. They

have never, in their adulthood, identified themselves in any way with the general groups of the physically handicapped, including the blind, the hard of hearing, the bodily crippled, the mentally subnormal. Their attitude has long been that identification with any or all of these handicapped groups would instill and intensify in the mind of the general public the erroneous idea that the deaf are of limited capacity, subjects of special attention in adult life, objects of pity and charity. The deaf have always scorned pity and charity. They have always chosen to go it alone.

As Mrs. Karlsteen says, "their trouble isn't noticeable." Their endeavor has been to show employers the difference between their abilities and those of their hearing brethren isn't noticeable either, unless it be in their favor. Quoting Henry Ford: "The deaf require no special consideration. They do their work one hundred percent."

Bill's Signs

THE following clipping from the Washington Post was sent us the other day by Brother W. W. Duvall of Washington, D.C.:

Bill Knudsen did something the other day which amazed even his friends. They had not suspected that he could talk in deaf-mute language.

Lieutenant General Knudsen was inspecting war plants, accompanied by other Army officers. He dropped in at the Reynolds Metal Co., Louisville, Ky., where approximately 25 per cent of the employees are deaf-mutes.

By shifting the lunch period, the management gathered all the workers to hear a talk from Knudsen. The foreman told him about the deaf-mutes, adding as a jest, "You'd better talk to them in sign language."

But it was no jest to Knudsen. To the amazement of the foreman and the Army officers, he broke into the sign language and carried on a discourse with his hands. The officers gasped, then applauded.

Later, individual workers were brought up to meet Knudsen, and he stood around talking with them in the sign language.

NOTE: By finding war work for these handicapped workers, Reynolds Metal Co. has increased their earnings from \$17 a week to \$40-plus.

Bond Purchases

OUR Divisions have now purchased a total of \$25,300.00 in U.S. War bonds. With the \$150,000.00 purchased by the Grand Division, the society has helped in the war effort to the extent of \$175,300.00. Here they go:

Grand Division	\$150,000.00
Utica No. 45	2,500.00
Rochester No. 52	1,500.00
Akron No. 55	1,250.00
Brooklyn No. 23	1,100.00
Columbus No. 18	1,000.00
Cleveland No. 21	1,000.00
Reading No. 54	900.00
Delavan No. 80	700.00
Syracuse No. 48	600.00
Chicago No. 1	600.00
Philadelphia No. 30	500.00
Scranton No. 82	500.00
St. Paul-Minneapolis No. 61	500.00
Binghamton No. 108	500.00
Houston No. 81	500.00
Los Angeles No. 27	500.00
Manhattan No. 87	400.00
Springfield, Mass., No. 67	400.00
Cincinnati No. 10	400.00
Milwaukee No. 17	400.00
Chicago No. 106	400.00
Westchester	400.00
Dayton No. 8	400.00
Toledo No. 16	300.00
Providence No. 43	300.00
New Orleans No. 33	300.00

1943 Convention Location Changed

BY VOTE of the Grand Division Board of Directors, the location of the society's 1943 quadrennial convention has been changed from Los Angeles, California to Chicago, Illinois.

THE convention will meet in Chicago, Illinois on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, July 13, 14, and 15, 1943. The Hotel Sherman has been selected as convention headquarters and all sessions of the convention will be held there in the Crystal Room.

ONLY delegates and officers will participate in the convention. There will be no local committee. The Grand Division Board of Directors will make all necessary arrangements. No entertainment will be provided. It will be a strictly business session, without the usual time and energy wasting frills.

ON account of the short time the convention will be in session and the absence of the usual entertainment features, visitors are not expected.

THIS action is in conformity with the wishes of the Office of Defense Transportation, which desires to keep at a minimum unnecessary travel by those not engaged in the war effort.

NOTABLE DEAF PERSONS

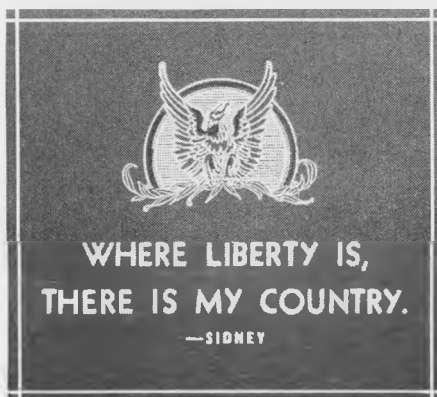
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ings into melodious words. Poetical ideals were high in those days, and Miss Fuller was qualified by her keen sensibilities, her thorough appreciation of the pure, the true, and the beautiful, and her facility in mid-Victorian language, to turn out poems which were above the average in excellence.

Arts domestic, as well as arts poetical, were Angie Fuller's occupation. At the World's Industrial Exposition, held in New Orleans in 1885, she had an exhibit of her own, labelled "Poems and Fancy Needlework." After her marriage, she kept house for her husband in Omaha, Nebraska. He died July 4th, 1904, and Angie went to live with her eldest sister in Rockford, Illinois, later in Chicago. She spent her summers with her brother at the old home in Savannah. Wherever she went, the weekly newspapers blossomed out with poems contributed by her, and they were most lavish in praise of her genius. She continued to write prose articles for the periodicals of the deaf, of an advisory nature: warning the young ladies that "Cupid's golden bands that seem so light at first, may grow heavy as iron fetters ere the hair is gray"; or else exhorting all the deaf to "maintain an honorable social position, the cornerstones of which shall be real and not apparent virtues, positive and not pretentious piety."

In 1908 she took part in another public controversy of the time, opposing the creation of a "national home for aged and infirm deaf," in favor of the present system of state and regional homes as securing the greatest good to the greatest number. In 1915 she made her last appearance in the *Silent Worker*, with a proposal to establish a permanent memorial to America's first notable deaf woman, Sophia Fowler Gallaudet. Since then, a new generation has arisen, which knows not Angie Fuller and her leadership. Her fame will stand, however, as long as the libraries keep copies of her book, "The Venture."

Albany No. 51	250.00
Kansas City No. 31	200.00
Washington No. 46	400.00
Peoria No. 90	200.00
Johnstown No. 85	200.00
Worcester No. 60	200.00
Springfield, Ill., No. 58	200.00
Indianapolis, No. 22	200.00
Schenectady No. 105	200.00
St. Louis No. 24	300.00
Davenport No. 59	200.00
Rockford No. 57	200.00
Holyoke No. 26	200.00
Wichita No. 75	200.00
Omaha No. 32	200.00
Toronto No. 98	200.00
Bronx No. 92	200.00
Flint No. 15	175.00
Portland, Ore., Auxiliary	125.00
Detroit No. 2	100.00
Newark No. 42	100.00
Faribault No. 101	100.00
Council Bluffs, No. 103	100.00
Cedar Rapids, No. 49	100.00
Bangor No. 71	100.00
Fort Worth No. 62	100.00
Waterbury No. 65	100.00
Portland, Me., No. 39	100.00
Kalamazoo No. 34	100.00
Hartford No. 37	100.00
Birmingham No. 73	100.00
Sioux Falls No. 74	100.00
Berkeley-Oakland No. 79	100.00
Queens No. 115	100.00
San Francisco No. 53	100.00
Denver No. 64	100.00
Pittsburgh No. 36	100.00
Spokane No. 76	100.00
Dallas No. 63	100.00
Ft. Wayne No. 104	100.00
Kitchener No. 121	100.00
Detroit No. 2	100.00
Seattle No. 44	100.00
Grand Rapids No. 97	100.00
Kansas City Auxiliary	100.00
Providence Auxiliary	100.00
Hollywood No. 119	100.00
Baltimore No. 47	100.00
Hamilton	100.00
Little Rock	100.00
Nashville No. 12	50.00
San Diego No. 110	50.00
Lowell No. 78	50.00
Binghamton Auxiliary	50.00
Vancouver No. 113	50.00
Boston No. 35	50.00



A Challenge

"AN anvil that has worn out many hammers," a characterization originally applied to another great institution might well have been said also of the insurance business. It is a good phrase to recall at moments when the outlook is clouded by trends which are hard to appraise and which may contain hints of menace.

The expansion of social insurance, for example, is a development that has some insurance men considerably worried. Probably this concern is emphasized by the widespread and intense interest in the Beveridge report. While the document deals solely with conditions in Britain it hardly seems likely that the present administration at Washington would willingly take a back seat to our English cousins in the matter of social security liberality. Realizing this, many insurance men have wondered whether government social insurance might not go so far as to eliminate the need of private insurers and the American agency system.

Of course, the nightmare in which an all-powerful federal government announces that henceforth everybody is insured without limit against every possible contingency is still only a fantasy. Aside from the remote possibility of this country's becoming completely socialized, like Russia, there would seem to be no danger of the insurance business being crowded out of more than a portion of its present domain. And without being foolishly optimistic it would seem reasonable to suppose that whatever curtailment of the insurance business results from the expansion of social insurance will be fully offset by increased opportunities resulting from greater stability of income among beneficiaries of social insurance plans.

There are certain very important qualifications to any such hopes, however. The proper place of social insurance must be determined and then recognized in legislation or else there is likely to be an overambitious setup that will be so expensive and burdensome as to make its benefits of doubtful value.

Another point, and one which has been mentioned in connection with the Beveridge report, is that even the best possible social insurance system is powerless to create wealth but can only act as a means of distributing wealth that has already been produced. No one likes to think of men working because they are constantly haunted by the spectre of unemployment and hunger, yet the hard fact remains that there are many who would prefer to draw unemployment insurance benefits than to make considerably more money at work. As to health insurance, it was proved by the experience of life companies with income disability that altogether too large a section of the citizenry would rather draw a modest allowance for doing nothing than to concede that their disability was no longer either permanent or total.

These facts are no reflection on the great majority of persons who would rather earn their money through honest work than to get it through a dole, by whatever term it is known. The point is that it does not take an extremely large percentage of malingers and shirkers to make insurance, whether private or social, so costly as to be impracticable. It is of course possible to weed out most of the dead beats but if they are present in large numbers the policing job may cost more than the saving in benefit payments.

Those who feel that wartime emergency regimentation is going to result in an omnipotent federal government running everything, including the insurance business, should take heart from a talk made by Donald B. Woodward, research assistant of Mutual Life of New York, before the New York chapter of the American Statistical Association. Mr. Woodward pointed out that far from lulling the nation into placid acceptance of governmental regimentation and regulation these wartime measures are going to have just the opposite effect.

People are going to be so fed up with wartime restrictions of one kind and another that they will take delight in junking them just as soon as the return of peace makes it possible. If Mr. Woodward is correct in his reasoning—and certainly there has been enough irritation at restrictions to bolster the first part of his contention—then there would seem to be no need to fear a nationalization of the insurance business as part of an all-encompassing socialistic trend.

On the other hand it seems likely that a certain amount of expansion in social insurance will be sought in this country before the war's end on the same grounds as are advanced for enactment of the Beveridge proposals, namely, as a cushion against widespread disorganization in changing from a war footing to a peacetime basis in industry. Expansion of social security is not likely to be regarded by the great mass of people as a form of regimentation and hence would not be subject to any great amount of

1943 Membership Campaign

Name	Division	New Members
David Berch	Brooklyn	11
David Peikoff	Toronto	8
Samuel Kline	Cleveland	4
Uel Hurd	Olathe	4
Gordon Allen	Houston	4
Sylvan Stern	Philadelphia	3
Joseph Balasa	Danville	3
Weldon Fouts	Indianapolis	3
Russell Martina	Buffalo	3
Thomas Northern	Denver	3
Curtis Caulkins	New Haven	2
Edward Cafiero	St. Louis	2
Dominick Cozzo	Hartford	2
Fred Armstrong	Memphis	2
Donald North	Salt Lake City	2
Alford Duda	Des Moines	2
Joseph Rosnick	Toronto	2
John Boatwright	Faribault	2
Louis Massinhoff	Chicago No. 1	2
Joseph Miller	Chicago No. 1	2
Arthur Anderson	Columbus	2
James Forbes	Pittsburgh	2
Lawrence Nine	Akron	2
Ralph Razook	Wichita	2
Colin McCord	Lowell	2
Percy Goff	Delavan	2
Charles Lawrence	Vancouver	2

modification in any reaction against regulations and restrictions. Hence it is particularly important that whatever social insurance legislation is enacted, even though under wartime pressure, be drawn so as to stand the test of time. Errors can be extremely costly and the complications attendant upon straightening them out could be stupendous.—*The National Underwriter*.

Postponed

PATRIOTIC ACTION BY GREAT LAKES DEAF BOWLING ASSOCIATION

By HERMAN S. CAHEN, Pres.

TO be patriotic is definitely the order of the day, and every thinking person wants to cooperate towards this end to the best of his ability. Pittsburgh has helped to contribute to the war effort and incidentally helped G.L.D.B.A. to solve the 1943 tournament problem by making the decision of postponing it, through the Emergency Committee appointed by myself, and which met during my sojourn there Oct. 22 and 23, 1942, until conditions are more favorable.

Due to the war, transportation facilities are not adequate to accommodate 1 to 3 thousand deaf bowlers and visitors comfortably (if at all) at the same time and there is even a possibility of train travel being rationed at some later date. For this means of transportation is vitally needed for the movement of troops, war material, defense personnel, etc. So it does not seem too much of a sacrifice for us deaf bowlers and fans to forgo the pleasure of our annual tournament until after victory. After all, this is one of the pleasures and privileges we are fighting for. And there are a great many of us whose jobs or working schedule may not permit a leave of absence for the tournament anyway.

Secretary-Treasurer Thomas Hinchey of Syracuse, N. Y. has announced the postponement of the G.L.D.B.A. tournament for 1943 to the executive committee; and we, the bowlers, hope that you will join us in our agreement that this is the only wise and patriotic decision that could be made.

After the war is over, we feel sure that with the typical cooperation of the G.L.D.B.A. we will pick up where we left off and rise to greater success than ever before. Let's all do our part.

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Lincoln

By Grenville Kleiser

OF humble origin and with small opportunity, Abraham Lincoln had largeness of vision, character and capacity. Reading, thinking, meditating far into the night, he pictured the kind of man he wanted to be some day, and with unflinching courage set his face toward the unknown future. Splitter of rails, lanky lawyer, humorous story teller, melancholy dreamer, lover of justice, unadorned speaker, tender-hearted President, this gaunt, noble-minded man—man of destiny—is forever enshrined in the hearts of Americans as one of the greatest men of the ages. His infinite patience is an immortal lesson for young men and women who aspire to take a place of worth in the world. Patience in adversity, patience in face of injustice, patience under all circumstances, however vexatious, this is still a universal need.

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News from the



Divisions

FEBRUARY

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| 5. Lecture | Chicago No. 1 |
| 6. Frat frolic | Philadelphia |
| 6. Magic show | Buffalo |
| 6. Valentine party | New Haven |
| 6. Aux-frat social | Baltimore |
| 6. Social | Denver |
| 6. Party | Des Moines |
| 6. Party | Delavan |
| 6. Card party | Richmond |
| 13. Initiation—Buffet lunch | Binghamton |
| 13. Social | Portland, Me. |
| 13. Valentine party | Dallas |
| 13. Party | Davenport |
| 13. Valentine party | Providence |
| 13. Valentine party | Portland, Ore. |
| 13. Valentine social | Toronto |
| 13. Commando raid party | Washington |
| 13. Valentine social | Dayton |
| 13. 30th anniversary. Open house | Pittsburgh |
| 13. Social | Cedar Rapids |
| 13. Valentine party | Rockford |
| 13. Valentine social | Toronto |
| 13. Social | Danville |
| 14. Floor show 2 P.M. | Reading |
| 20. Washington party | Portland, Ore. |
| 20. Macaroni party | New Orleans |
| 20. Annual ball | Brooklyn |
| 20. Mardi gras | Chicago No. 1 |
| 20. Washington birthday party | Syracuse |
| 20. Box supper | Wichita |
| 20. Bowling party | Kitchener |
| 27. Anniversary social | Cincinnati |
| 27. Hot supper and social | Kansas City |

MARCH

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| 6. Movies | Bangor |
| 6. Educational movies | Buffalo |
| 6. Monte Carlo night | Albany |
| 13. St. Patrick party | Rockford |
| 20. St. Patrick party | Portland, Ore. |
| 20. Anniversary social | Dayton |
| 20. Movie show and social | Canton |

APRIL

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| 3. Smoker | Portland, Ore. |
| 24. Easter frolic | Portland, Ore. |

HOLLYWOOD (By George Eccles)—Attendance at the January meeting was the largest in our history. The following officers took hold and will serve the division through 1943: President, Ernest Holmes; vice president, Aldrich Yates; secretary, George T. Eccles—who is also chairman of the division trustees; treasurer, Alfred McCarthur; director, Edward McNulty; sergeant, Robert Jones. Edward McNulty is also the 2-year hold-over trustee, while the new 3-year trustee is George Harper.

Brother Harper hopes to make a staff and stand for our flag, and have it ready for the February meeting. He also plans to bring in five membership applications to celebrate our 5th birthday. We hope he will not be disappointed on either count!

DAVENPORT (By Richard Anderson)—Our last regular meeting was very interesting throughout, with the newly elected president Loughran in the chair. The secretary and treasurer, both re-elected, were also at their stations. A committee was chosen to draft plans for providing better literary entertainment in the future, made necessary by rationing.

After the meeting a social time was enjoyed by all, much of the credit for this going to Brother Jennisch, who generously used the \$10.00 he received from the Home Office for

getting five new members. So we all drank a toast to him, to the chorus of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow!"

Our next social will be held on Feb. 13. Everybody welcome.

CHICAGO NO. 1 (By John Davis)—The reason why not much has been heard about the Mardi Gras ball on Feb. 20, at the Skyline Athletic Club, Randolph and Wells Sts., is that Chairman Berry Reynolds has been out of the Windy City. This put all plans for the dance up in the air. President Harry Keesal has taken temporary charge, and may decide to carry it through himself. Facts known are that the big ballroom has a capacity of 1,500; floor show selected to appeal to the taste of the deaf; excellent bar service; checkroom service by professionals, and other things. See advertisement in this issue.

President Keesal will make his maiden speech as a lecturer after the February meeting, to help increase the division treasury. Members have been rather lethargic in the matter of managing money-making socials.

Looking over the list of new members obtained by the various divisions, the writer seems to note that several members have apparently been desirous of contesting our Deputy Massinoff's bid for the first place crown. But "Massy" has no intention of playing the hare and letting the tortoise beat him. He is simply marking time, and lining up prospects for later action. Since Simon Legree Arthur Roberts has doubled our quota we cannot afford to leave it all to Brother Massinoff. Each one of us should try his best to emulate him. That will make our quota of 50 easy of accomplishment.

DULUTH (By Carl Magnuson)—The local frats have a bowling team in the Head of the Lakes League again this year. At the start of last season they made good, but later dropped to 5th place. Then they got back into form, and in their 14 consecutive games made up for the set-back, and on Jan. 4 were only one game behind the top team.

At the War Bond tournament on Jan. 3, based on a 190 average, with bowlers getting two-thirds of their handicap on a limit of 30 pins, Treasurer Clarence Sharp won a place in the contest, winning \$3.00 in war stamps.

SAN FRANCISCO (By Don Glidden)—Our party on Dec. 12 was well attended, and many Christmas presents were exchanged. Refreshments were served in cafeteria style by a committee of Aux-Frats.

The program committee is busy preparing for 1943 socials. Watch the Coming Events column in THE FRAT for dates.

Brother Reneau, elected as vice president, has had to resign the office. He has secured a better job in the ship yards, on the swing shift.

Mayhew Norton of Portland, Ore. Division was a visitor at our recent meeting. He will remain in San Francisco for a few months.

ALBANY (By Edward Schuyler)—Because of war conditions there was not as good an attendance at our watch night social as in former years. But we are still carrying on, and will make our socials as attractive as possible.

Our social for March 6 will be called a Monte Carlo Night. A party of this kind gives everyone a chance to satisfy their urge to

gamble! What kind of gambling it is remains to be seen. Enough that we are sure it will turn out to be a source of real pleasure to all who attend.

WATERBURY (By Francis Keating)—The division has lost its old meeting hall, it having been taken over by the government. President Ercoliani, recently voted \$5.00 by the division as the most worthy and loyal member, did his best to find another hall for Saturday meetings. But he had to be content with one for Wednesdays. Too bad.

We do not know how we are going to celebrate our 25th anniversary in April. We had been hoping for a banquet, but what with rationing of everything, the outlook isn't rosy. But we will have something, all right.

BRONX (By Joseph Collins)—The January meeting was well attended, and the new officers took their battle stations. The new skipper is Benny Friedwald. Hymie Rubin retains his place of put and take, while yours truly takes over as barker. Now, boys, jam the meetings and cram them with action. And don't forget to bring 'em in. \$15.00 for every five is the bribe.

WORCESTER (By Bart Burns)—After our February meeting, the bingo games will be in charge of Chairman Di Natale, assisted by Edward Brown, Jr. It will be held at the Day Building, 306 Main St., on Feb. 6.

Chairman Burns reported an attendance of about 180 at our affair on Nov. 21. A good profit was realized.

At the December election both Secretary Burns and Treasurer Loughlin were re-elected. Non-resident members should make a note of this fact.

BALTIMORE (By Anthony Hajna)—The New Year's Eve dance went over big, especially in a financial way. Brother Behrens, with capable aid from his committee, deserves a lot of credit for his praiseworthy efforts to make us forget rationing and other restrictions on fun and pleasure. He has accepted the job of managing next year's affair, also. Energetic fellow, he is!

Anthony Hajna has been chosen chairman of our funeral committee at our recent meeting. This is a standing committee, and their names will be announced in the March issue.

Father Time must be relentless in his drive against us, and we are sadly obliged to chronicle the passing of one more member of our division. He is Rev. Brother Daniel E. Moylan, widely known for his biblical pantomime and sweet disposition. We shall miss him.

CLEVELAND (By Vic J. Knaus)—Activity in our division is perking up lately. Gradually but surely we are signing up the laggards who've been "on the fence" for years. This spirit is gaining momentum and with all our members taking an active part in signing up those who as yet do not belong, we should have every deaf man in the city on our roll before long. That's the way to do it, boys, get out your lasso and rope them in! They'll like it.

Prexy Johnson made a wise move in appointing "Perpetual Motion" Herman Cahen as chairman of the Valentine Social to be held Saturday night, Feb. 20. Whenever we have Hoiman acting as chairman of this or that, things are bound to happen. So we advise each and sundry to be at the American Legion Hall, corner 17th and Chester, on the aforementioned date. The committee isn't telling what it has up its sleeve, but we'll wager that it won't be wise to miss it all. Since practically all of us are working hard on the home front, it is every doctor's advice that we relax by having a little fun. And there will be plenty of it on Feb. 20.

Our Cleveland deaf are getting a nice break these war days. Factories which in the past have frowned on the hiring of deaf workers, are now welcoming them with open hands. The latest shop—and one of the most modern in the city—to open its doors to deaf workers, is the Cleveland Graphite Bronze Co., which is doing 100% war work. Both men and women are taken in. At present the only trouble is that almost all local deaf are already employed. Many of the firms having deaf em-

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ployees have post-war programs and it would be well for the deaf to stick.

And by the way brothers, are you doing your full share for Uncle Sam? If not, join the 10% club and keep on buying and buying. The investment is a safe one and ten years hence it will be doubly welcome.

SYRACUSE (By E. J. Berrigan)—There will be an annual Washington Birthday party held Feb. 20 at Larned Building with our new prexy, Gail Cassidy, as commander-in-chief. Everybody welcome.

G. L. D. B. A. Secretary-Treasurer Tom Hinchey has announced that the bowling tourney scheduled for this year in Pittsburgh has been officially postponed for the duration.

The 2nd annual New York State Bowling tourney sponsored by the Empire State Association of the Deaf will be staged in Rochester the latter part of March or early April, provided that more than ten teams can be able to enter. For particulars, write Secretary-Treasurer Angelo Coppola at 321 Butternut St., Syracuse, N. Y. Next month's column will give the answer.

Rochester took measure of our Frats in a contest of maple-toppling by a wide margin at the Kodak City Jan. 10th. Bob Moore was high for losers with a 526 total.

Rev. Bro Herbert Merrill and wife were up to their old tricks—that of observing their 45th wedding anniversary quietly and getting away with it. O dear Lord, please spare us brothers the strength for the back-slapping job when their 50th comes in. However, thru this medium congrats are in order.

ST. LOUIS (By Elmer Griser)—Chairman Gasterich announces that our mask ball will be held on Feb. 20, at Gambrinus Hall. This will be our 34th annual affair. Plenty of prizes, music, dancing, refreshments and a good time generally.

At the January meeting President Dykes appointed James Price as chairman of our 1943 picnic. He is taking no chances on not finding a suitable location, so made his appointment early.

NEW HAVEN (By Curtis Caulkins)—Starting with the February meeting the division will hereafter meet on the first Saturday of each month. Same place, same time.

Beset by numerous problems imposed by increasingly strict gas rationing, our entertainment committee is planning a series of small socials, using the available facilities of Hejaz Grotto to the fullest extent. These will provide enjoyment to those of our friends who may be able to attend through the use of local transportation services.

Attendance at our January social topped the 50 mark. Bowling and billiards were enjoyed, with our new members, Bros. Marchitto and Salemma volunteering as pin boys. Refreshments were served.

SEATTLE (By Carl Spencer)—Congratulations to Treasurer John T. Bodley, who is again returned to that post, which he has held for the past 16 years.

Carl Garrison announces that our coming smoker in April is going to be the last word in such affairs. With a goodly number of new members on hand, he should not disappoint us.

CHICAGO NO. 106 (By Albert Rensman)—Brother Ursin was in charge of our installation of new officers for 1943. The following were installed: Gordon Rice, president; Joseph Stulga, vice president; Albert Rensman, secretary; Henry Bruns, treasurer; Walter Thiele, director; Charles Rabelhofer, 3-year trustee, and Fred Hinrichs, senior trustee in place of Ralph Weber, resigned.

The division has decided to have a smoker of its own instead of going in with No. 1, which has candidates aplenty, without ours. The date has not yet been selected, but we are assured it will be soon.

Charles Duick, recently of No. 1, but now of Sioux Falls Division No. 74, was a visitor at our last meeting.

OMAHA (By C. J. Falk)—Installation of officers took place at our regular monthly meeting January 9th. After holding various offices during the past fifteen years, Nick

Petersen is now at the helm. Chas. Falk, who served as president the past three years, now occupies the secretary's seat. Victor Beran and Hans Neujahr continue at their places another year as vice president and treasurer respectively. The attendance at the January meeting was unusually large, and it is hoped that future meetings will be as well attended. The division purchased another \$100 war bond to boost its total bond purchases to \$200.

Ziba Osmun who had been a non-resident for a good many years has moved to Omaha. We expect him to again take an active part in the division activities. He is being employed at one of the local tire shops.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (By Isadore Zisman)—Non-resident members are advised that the new treasurer is Max Thompson, whose address is 1869 Roosevelt Ave., Springfield, Mass.

Our January after-meeting social under the chairmanship of Frank Malaguti, was in the form of a Monte Carlo whist party, and this new game proved entertaining. However, due to the OPA order banning pleasure driving on the Eastern seaboard, the attendance was not up to expectations.

President Osmola will be in charge of the social on Feb. 13, which will follow the meeting. Members are requested to make every effort to be on time for the meeting, which is scheduled to open at 7 p.m.

ROCHESTER (By C. L. McLaughlin)—The meeting on January 9 was packed with thrills that not only will be long remembered by those present, but should provide a strong impetus to the recruiting of new members this coming year. The program opened with a fine dinner as a compliment to our new members for 1942, the tables being set at seven o'clock for 32 plates. The regular monthly meeting was then called to order, during which new officers were duly installed and new members were "goated," ten of them. To salve the rude shocks and surprises that enlivened the initiation rites, the division provided a program of professional entertainment and movies that lasted into the wee hours of the new day. The entire program was well managed and worked out without one flaw, for which credit was enthusiastically awarded to Brother Yates Lansing, chairman, and his assistants, Brothers Herbert Altemoos and Glen Poland.

One of the best news this winter: Brother Ira Todd is much better. He was confined for eight months with a severe illness that reduced him to the shadow of his husky and athletic figure. Thanks to his fighting nature and to the much admired devotion on the part of his wife and his daughter, Ruth, he is up and around in the house, and it looks as though he will actually return to his work before long. Let us all hope so!

BOSTON (By H. N. Colby)—Our monthly meetings will be held at the Wesleyan Hall, 581 Boylston St.

Ex-President Michael Convey, who was president for the year 1942 was awarded a gavel as a remembrance.

The annual ball held at Hotel Lenox on Jan. 9 under the direction of Chairman Peter Amico and Pierre Allegaert was a great success with attendance of nearly 300 people. The winner at bridge and whist were awarded U. S. Victory stamps.

Fred Scribner was chosen as chairman of Entertainment Committee for 1943.

We were given a 15 membership quota for 1942, and we got 11 new members. Let us keep on looking for more members for 1943.

BROOKLYN (By Al. Fleischman)—A sizeable crowd was on hand at the January meeting to witness the installation of 1943 officers. The new regime consists of Arthur Taber, President; Henry Hecht, Vice President; Harry Goldberg, Secretary; Israel Kaplowitz, Treasurer; Director, Louis Bayarsky; Sergeant, Paul Gaffney; Trustees, Louis Baker, William Schurman and Joseph Arnovich.

Calling All Fraters—Our 34th Anniversary Ball and Entertainment to be held on February 20 is a MUST-ATTEND affair. Place—Hotel Diplomat's grand ballroom, West 43d St., between Broadway and 6th Avenue. Chairman Dave Berch and his faithful assistants have left no stones unturned in their efforts to assure you of a gala and most glorious war-time ball. The program, delightful with an all-star swing and jazz orchestra and a floor show with top professional entertainers, will enliven the evening and insure your enjoyment. Plenty of cash will be awarded to dancing contest winners. All in all it's a ball worth attending, and an entertainment fitting to be seen. Have a grand time—in the heart of Broadway. So remember the date—FEBRUARY 20. Come one! Come all! Make your George Washington's Birthday weekend one of a million and the time of your life.

Julius Byck, chairman of our April smoker, flew to Chicago and took in the smoker there on Jan. 16, given by No. 1. His plane had an accident at Detroit, and he completed the trip to Chicago by train. He returned home with a memorandum of everything he saw. Now watch for the date of the smoker. He promises to make it a wow.

WESTCHESTER (By R. W. Bowdren)—At last month's meeting the installation of new officers for the year of 1943, while not held on a large scale as in yesteryears due to the troublous times, was executed with the utmost decorum. Retiring President Lynch in a short address thanked all the members present for their marvellous spirit of cooperation during the past year, and pleaded for the continuation of the same spirit of harmony during the present year. Pres. Bowdren in a few words said that due to the strife and turmoil of the present time, he would strive to make his year in the chair a year devoted to economy, placing great emphasis on an all-out effort towards the purchase of more Victory Bonds. He also asked each member to take definite and proportionate responsibilities, working on the theory that cooperative teamwork is necessary for a well-balanced and happy division.

Our New Year's Frolic, while not as successful financially as in the years gone by, was by far the best managed, and from comments received, the jolliest and most enjoyable New Year's Frolic we ever put on. Defense work and so many house parties cut down the attendance to 132 patrons. Congratulations are due Bro. Boyan and his committee for the splendid way they handled the affair.

All members were asked to make it a point to attend Brooklyn's Division's Annual Ball at Hotel Diplomat on February 20, to impress Chairman Berch with the ever old adage, "In Unity lies Strength."

DAYTON (By Bernard A. Ryder)—Now it's 1943! Let us all roll up our sleeves and get new members to keep our division going on to bigger and better achievements. There are many young men who are employed now, so get busy and try to break our record of last year.

Michael Mamula will be in charge of our anniversary social on March 20. He assures us that everyone will have a good time so come and help us to build our fund to buy more War Bonds so we can blast the Axis.

At our January meeting we voted to buy another \$200.00 in War Bonds to make our total \$400.00 of the best investment in the world. Watch us grow!!!

TORONTO (By J. F. Gotthelf)—With the exception of initiations, financial report and a dozen applications for membership, our meeting was adjourned because it got under way late, owing to bad traffic conditions after the big snowstorm; afterwards, our room was open to ladies and friends for a pleasant evening of

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bingo. Wallace Nahrgang of Kitchener was a welcome guest.

Brother Goodall was master of ceremony at the installation of new officers. Treasurer Buchanan advised us to budget in order to pay our dues promptly—words of wisdom in these days of heavy demands on our pocketbook for war bonds, war stamps, war taxes and donations to the numerous relief funds for war victims of Great Britain, Russia, China and other Allied countries.

Brother Jaffray paid tribute to Deputy Organizer Peikoff for his efforts in expanding the Canadian roll of members. (A dozen applications for membership had just come from the West, mostly Winnipeg.) Brother Seidler, Brother May and Brother Lively promised to give their best in their new offices respectively. President Peikoff also spoke. So did the secretary. If anyone else had spoken but was not mentioned in this item, blame lack of space or editorial condensation, or the weather. All speeches were brief, for which everyone was no doubt grateful.

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DANVILLE (By J. B. Beauchamp)—Greetings from the newest division! After long, weary waiting the magic words from Chicago arrived and on December 26, 1942, Division 125 was born. Long have we read with avid interest of the doings of other divisions, so move over, brothers, we want a place in the sun. Our installation was held January 9, 1943, with the aid and guidance of Brother J. W. Ferg, of Louisville, long-time Secretary-Treasurer of Division No. 4, who is wise in the ways of the Society.

We appreciate the good wishes from the Grand Division Headquarters, Cincinnati No. 10, which were conveyed by Brother William Suttka; and Louisville No. 4 along with its generous gift.

On January 9 our President, Joseph Balasa, presented the names of two new applicants whose names will be given later. This is the way "Quaker-horn" Balasa goes and gets 'em. Ours is a school town and we hope for outstanding work from the younger generation of the Deaf.

On February 13 we will hold a social following our business meeting and hope for an enjoyable gathering. Cordial invitation is extended other division members to attend and sample our hospitality.

◆
ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS (By H. Von Hippel)—Believe it or not, but the paratroops actually landed right here in the Twin Cities! Private Baby Boy was born to Brother and Mrs. Ernie Hahn on Dec. 11. Baby Girl of WAAC was born to Brother and Mrs. Harry Ginsburg on December 19. Congratulations.

Our New Year Dance was a huge success, though it did not differ greatly from those in past years. Spotlights (I do not mean Jimmy) were a new high record in profits and a little more liberal in giving away prizes than it was used to be. Brother Birr, in charge of the dance, made a spectacular success in making profits. As matter of fact it was the best record in the history of the division and old records do not look significant along that of his. Apologies to past committees. We salute Brother Birr and his hardworking committee. A good time reported by all, and everything clicked smoothly. Chalk up one more salute for Brother Birr.

The outlook for new members is not as bright as it was in 1942, but our promise is to try and bring one in each month. It can be done, if every member is not lax in his efforts and we can possibly try to double our quota in two successive years. We have learned to stop doubting the impossible.

◆
LOS ANGELES (By H. O. Schwarzlose)—Brother Hatcher is happy in the fact that his son, Orville, of football fame, who is now with the Coast Guard, has undergone his first torpedoing without harm. Advice reached him

of the fact recently and the Hatchers are celebrating. We hope that Orvie comes through unscathed.

The new officers were installed at an impressive ceremony. All our capable men and we have great hopes for the new year.

Our Organizer, T. W. Elliott, is "all out" for membership. Since the war started Los Angeles has been booming. Many out-of-state deaf have gotten defense jobs and brought their families here to start a new life. The Los Angeles Club, wherein the Frats meet, is always filled with those we could use on our membership rolls. Just to prove the fact, Brother Elliott left the meeting on January 2 for a few minutes and came back with a new application all filled. We hope it will keep up in the same way every week.

Word comes that Terry Page was run down by a street car at Western and First Streets and died at the hospital without regaining consciousness, on January 8. Our sympathy is extended the family.

Grand Vice President F. D. Gilbert has been unable to attend any of the Division meetings on account of his working hours. He has to get up at 4 a.m. but for a time he was changed to 8 a.m. and was delighted to be able to mingle with us once more. Then, finding that the new hours were not working out as planned, the time was changed back. "Gil," who has often held us spell-bound with his talks on the platform, is sadly missed.

◆
MANHATTAN (By F. L. Ascher)—Out with 1942! Welcome 1943! Manhattan Division has its face almost completely lifted—six out of nine officers being new. The list of officers is as follows: President, Lester Cohen; Vice-President, Michael Hamra; Secretary, Charles Sussman; Treasurer, Henry Stein; Director, Philip Brown; Sergeant-at-Arms, Max Mandell; Senior Trustee, Marcus Marks; Second Year Trustee, Julius Fersheiser; Third Year Trustee, Joseph Goldstein.

Late in the year of 1942, our retiring president, Moses Schnapp, got bitten by a "defense bug" and absented himself from the meetings, but he was well-remembered with a small token of \$8.00 worth of war stamps for his good work during his term as president. Also our retiring Secretary Arthur Kruger answered the call to work for Goodyear Aircraft Co., Akron, Ohio, in December. For his seven years' faithful duties as our secretary and past three years of his leadership during the basket ball tourney, we rewarded him with a cash gift. Suffice it to say that 1942 was a profitable year for us, because of the tremendous financial success we had during our last basket ball tourney. Yet in spite of the fact that we got only one-third of our required quota of new members, we feel that we have accomplished much, so we salute the retiring officers and members and thank them for their good efforts. Now on with 1943, we shall cooperate with the new officers and shall strive to get 30 new members. (Home Office says so!) WATCH US!

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Quotas Raised

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Capture

By Lillian Boyle

WAR lords had stirred impatient for the fray,
Emboldened to unleash the bitter death,
But not a gun in all that massed array
Could speak, nor yet a man draw venge-
ful breath.

The while they gazed in subtle spell on these:

The slipper-footed wave that soon erupts
In silence on a pool the stars appease,
While water-lilies close their golden cups.

So ever calmer spread the evening light
That worlds in that vast witchery must
doze.

To hold the battle lines in willing plight
And bind the magic round, brave Peace
arose.

In splendor from green shadows on the hill

To whisper soft, "O restless ones, be still."

DEATHS

November 27—Nellie Sparling, wife of Wil-
liam Sparling, Los Angeles, Calif.
December 6—Ida Weiner, wife of Morris
Weiner, Brooklyn, N. Y.



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Detroit:	Stanley Blasczienski
Robert Beaver	Akron:
Louisville:	Raymond Beekman
Alvin Reese	Elmer Green
Little Rock:	Frederick Beem
George Gardner	Denver:
Troy Bradley	Clarence Camminga
Dayton:	Gerald Mayes
Orval Shroyer	Richard O'Toole
Olathe:	Waterbury:
Arnold Johnson	Edward Bokoski
Milwaukee:	Sioux Falls:
Bernard Ratz	Norman Hagen
Columbus:	Wichita:
Leslie Murdock	Harold Maisch
Ray Winters	Spokane:
Cleveland:	Richard Hand
Rudolph May	Lowell:
Indianapolis:	William Newell
Leo Elder	Delavan:
John Gibson	Glenn Byrne
Raymond Pepperdine	Russell James
Brooklyn:	Houston:
James DeLuca	James Barber
Murray Finklestein	Toronto:
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Fred Lewis	Jack Borsa
Irving Miller	George Finney
St. Louis:	Charles Hardy
Carl Hibbs	Leonard Hull
Philadelphia:	Anthony Koskie
Arthur Corson	Hugh MacMillan
Boston:	Edward Petrona
Robert Sampson	Council Bluffs:
Pittsburgh:	Charles Eichhorn
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Memphis:	John Savage
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Portland, Me.:	Harold Rife
Warren Inman	Danville:
Buffalo:	Everett Flynn
Francis Briel	James York
Casimir Jacobowski	

THE GET-ONE DEGREE

Chicago No. 1—Louis Massinoff, Joseph Mil-
ler (2)
Detroit—Ralph Beaver
Louisville—Joseph Balasa
Little Rock—Frank Reagan, Nathan Zimble
Dayton—Virgil Shroyer
Olathe—Uel Hurd
Milwaukee—Oscar Meyer
Columbus—Arthur Anderson (2)
Cleveland—Samuel Kline
Indianapolis—Weldon Fouts (3)
Brooklyn—David Berch (6)
St. Louis—Raymond Halbach
Philadelphia—Sylvan Stern
Boston—Joseph Sampson
Pittsburgh—James Forbes
Memphis—Leland Maxwell
Portland, Me.—Charles Gillan
Buffalo—Russell Martina (3)
Washington—Thomas Wood
Syracuse—Carl Ayling
Akron—Lawrence Nine (2), Russell Oprian
Denver—Thomas Northern (3)
Waterbury—Theodore Ercolani
Sioux Falls—Ivan Curtis
Wichita—Ralph Razook
Spokane—James O'Leary
Lowell—Colin McCord
Delavan—Percy Goff (2)
Houston—Gordon Allen
Toronto—Ernest Maitre, David Peikoff (8)
Council Bluffs—Robert Brown
Binghamton—James Lewis
Vancouver—Charles Lawrence
Danville—Joseph Balasa (2)

COME BACKS

Rochester—Sam Privatera, Wayne Boyer
Toronto—George Simmons, Joseph Reeves
Vancouver—Emit Hodgson, Dean Horn

MEMBERSHIP QUOTAS—1943

GIVEN below is the quota of new members
each Division is expected to get during 1943.
Every Division is urged to complete its quota.

DIVISION	1943 Quota	New Members
Chicago No. 1	50	4
Detroit	30	1
Saginaw	10	1
Louisville	10	1
Little Rock	10	2
Dayton	10	2
Cincinnati	20	1
Nashville	10	
Olathe	10	4
Flint	20	
Toledo	20	
Milwaukee	20	2
Columbus	30	2
Knoxville	10	
Cleveland	20	4
Indianapolis	30	3
Brooklyn	50	11
St. Louis	30	3
New Haven	10	2
Holyoke	10	
Los Angeles	30	
Atlanta	10	
Philadelphia	30	4
Kansas City	20	
Omaha	10	1
New Orleans	10	1
Kalamazoo	10	
Boston	30	3
Pittsburgh	20	2
Hartford	10	
Memphis	10	8
Portland, Me.	10	1
Buffalo	10	4
Portland, Ore.	10	
Newark	10	
Providence	10	1
Seattle	10	
Utica	10	2
Washington	20	1
Baltimore	20	1
Syracuse	10	1
Cedar Rapids	10	
Albany	10	
Rochester	10	1
San Francisco	10	
Reading	20	1
Akron	30	4
Salt Lake City	10	2
Rockford	10	1
Springfield, Ill.	10	
Davenport	10	
Worcester	10	
St. Paul-Minneapolis	20	
Fort Worth	20	
Dallas	20	
Denver	10	3
Waterbury	10	1
Springfield, Mass.	10	
Bangor	10	
Sioux Falls	10	1
Wichita	10	3
Spokane	10	1
Des Moines	10	3
Lowell	10	2
Berkeley-Oakland	10	
Delavan	10	2
Houston	10	4
Scranton	10	
Richmond	10	
Johnstown	10	
Manhattan	30	
Jacksonville	10	
Peoria	10	1
Jersey City	10	
Bronx	10	1
Columbia	10	
Charlotte	10	
Durham	10	1
Grand Rapids	10	1
Toronto	20	11
Duluth	10	
Canton	10	
Faribault	10	2
Council Bluffs	10	1
Fort Wayne	10	
Schenectady	10	
Chicago No. 106	10	1
Binghamton	10	2
Wilkinsburg	10	
San Diego	10	
Eau Claire	10	
Sulphur	10	1
Vancouver	10	2
Westchester	10	
Queens	10	
Hollywood	10	
Hamilton	10	
Kitchener	10	
Trenton	10	
Danville	10	2

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Grand Division	\$ 60.78
Chicago No. 1	435.16
Detroit	205.23
Saginaw	20.99
Louisville	185.48
Little Rock	107.49
Dayton	56.36
Cincinnati	114.81
Nashville	48.56
Olathe	89.22
Flint	149.70
Toledo	136.54
Milwaukee	126.49
Columbus	152.37
Knoxville	29.56
Cleveland	208.36
Indianapolis	218.05
Brooklyn	473.84
St. Louis	269.03
New Haven	51.36
Holyoke	27.78
Los Angeles	329.84
Atlanta	151.55
Philadelphia	296.43
Kansas City	198.91
Omaha	184.96
New Orleans	151.62
Kalamazoo	30.72
Boston	520.26
Pittsburgh	129.22
Hartford	85.04
Memphis	75.98
Portland, Me.	66.75
Buffalo	61.74
Portland, Ore.	231.00
Newark	102.69
Providence	76.24
Seattle	134.15
Utica	147.40
Washington	175.51
Baltimore	179.22
Syracuse	58.20
Cedar Rapids	51.35
Albany	44.56
Rochester	87.73
San Francisco	132.50
Reading	133.86
Akron	242.69
Salt Lake City	124.22
Rockford	77.13
Springfield, Ill.	52.61
Davenport	64.69
Worcester	76.55
St. Paul-Minneapolis	171.10
Fort Worth	54.29
Dallas	94.76
Denver	84.95
Waterbury	31.83
Springfield, Mass.	58.93
Bangor	77.19
Birmingham	87.38
Sioux Falls	130.03
Wichita	45.44
Spokane	63.28
Des Moines	63.31
Lowell	104.17
Berkeley-Oakland	180.62
Delavan	122.53
Houston	145.57
Scranton	67.95
Richmond	74.46
Johnstown (Nov. & Dec.)	172.91
Manhattan	219.19
Jacksonville	54.91
Peoria	37.51
Jersey City	104.21
Bronx	66.54
Columbia	64.58
Charlotte	98.26
Durham	57.97
Grand Rapids	26.85
Toronto	290.69
Duluth	19.49
Canton	25.58
Faribault	80.07
Council Bluffs	108.56
Fort Wayne	61.98
Schenectady	23.21
Chicago No. 106	58.61
Binghamton	86.87
Wilkesburg	47.41
San Diego	15.94
Eau Claire	64.72
Sulphur	109.60
Vancouver	26.81
Westchester	82.58
Queens	43.51
Montreal	55.44
Hollywood	60.57
Hamilton (Nov. & Dec.)	52.78
Kitchener	67.07
Trenton	97.58
Total collections	\$11,682.27

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR
DECEMBER, 1942

Balance and Income	
Balance, Nov. 30, 1942	\$2,609,282.34
Division collections	11,682.27
Interest and dividends	6,796.14
Rents	5,049.00
Rent allowance, Home Office	2,400.00
Amortization, bonds and stocks	149.69
Escrow deposits	134.88
Liquidation of lien	12.50
Mortgage fees	171.55
Property insurance premiums	373.96
Refund, office expenses	1.69
Refund, real estate operating exp.	785.24
Refund, taxes on real estate	199.28
Lodge supplies	9.55
Recording fees	15.50
Advertising in THE FRAT	7.75
Refund, postage	2.84
Total balance and income	\$2,637,074.18
Disbursements	
Death benefits	\$ 4,486.50
Sick benefits	1,265.00
Accident benefits	165.00
Old-age income payments	106.75
Liquidation of lien	12.50
Escrow withdrawal	1,484.88
Depreciation, Home Office equip.	562.19
Amortization, bonds	828.33
Refund of dues	8.99
Clerical services	311.85
Mortgage expenses	.50
Office expenses	78.58
Officers' and Trustees' salaries	784.49
Official publication	269.28
Organizing expenses	6.80
Postage	67.09
Printing and stationery	23.83
Property insurance premiums	159.20
Refund, recording fees	1.00
Real estate operating expenses	1,563.99
Rent allowance, Home Office	2,400.00
Taxes on real estate	1.61
Total disbursements	\$ 15,259.56
Recapitulation	
Balance and income	\$2,637,074.18
Disbursements	15,259.56
Balance, Dec. 31, 1942	\$2,621,814.62

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Ledger Assets, Dec. 31, 1942	
First mortgage loans	\$ 872,840.00
Real estate	801,864.33
Bonds and stocks	700,371.95
Bank deposits	235,820.59
Cash in society's office	5,857.99
Home Office equipment	5,059.76
Total ledger assets	\$2,621,814.62
Balances in Funds	
Mortuary funds	\$2,336,064.70
Sick and accident fund	143,179.22
Accumulated interest	65,435.92
General expense fund	45,940.52
Convention fund	26,479.02
Indemnity fund	4,715.24
Total in all funds	\$2,621,814.62

DECEMBER DISABILITY CLAIMS

J. T. Sprouse, Los Angeles	\$ 120.00
L. J. Pucci, Washington	25.00
Nathan Shorr, Brooklyn	90.00
J. W. Grossman, Brooklyn	150.00
W. M. Sylvester, Brooklyn	75.00
Edgar Bloom, Jr., Manhattan	30.00
R. C. Mahon, Philadelphia	10.00
W. C. Scott, Richmond	30.00
*W. C. Case, Columbus	15.00
*Paul Krueger, Milwaukee	10.00
G. S. Elliott, Toronto	15.00
Wm. Kesterson, Council Bluffs	20.00
*D. J. Lynch, Westchester	30.00
John Opfer, Denver	150.00
M. X. Calvaruso, Buffalo	30.00
H. T. Fancher, Hartford	15.00
E. A. McNeal, Vancouver	10.00
*C. C. Sullivan, Washington	20.00
*O. E. Gallagher, Jr., Kansas City	30.00
C. J. Sanford, Queens	30.00
L. R. Wood, Little Rock	20.00
W. C. Thiele, Chicago No. 106	35.00
A. E. Chebultz, Jr., Wichita	30.00
R. E. Mowry, St. Louis	45.00
M. J. Ashline, Utica	30.00
B. L. Craven, Portland, Ore.	30.00
R. R. Garbett, Philadelphia	35.00
Arnold Williams, Reading	90.00
M. M. Johnson, Sioux Falls	150.00
*W. M. Lester, Berkeley	10.00
*R. R. Scott, Flint	50.00
Total for the month	\$ 1,430.00

* Denotes accident claims.

DECEMBER DEATH CLAIMS

John D. Thomas, Los Angeles	\$ 1,000.00
*Daniel H. Brown, Brooklyn	274.00
*Louie Bechaud, Milwaukee	321.50
*John I. Parks, Columbus	216.00
William H. Schaub, St. Louis	1,000.00
Jesse H. Loer, Peoria	500.00
Frederick F. Hering, Newark	1,000.00
*Frank A. Johnson, Chicago No. 1	175.00
Total for the month	\$4,486.50

* Denotes paid-up benefits.

OBITUARY

TERRY PAGE, 74. Entry Sept. 1, 1907. Died Jan. 8, 1943. Certificate No. 185-E, Los Angeles Div. No. 27.

MATTHEW A. SCHUETTLER, 72. Entry Oct. 1, 1908. Died Jan. 19, 1943. Certificate No. 317-C. Chicago Div. 1.

HOWARD W. CRUISE, 56. Entry July 1, 1910. Died Jan. 2, 1943. Certificate No. 996-D. Reading Div. No. 54.

CLARENCE K. McCONNELL, 75. Entry Aug. 1, 1910. Died Jan. 15, 1943. Certificate No. 1003-C. Seattle Div. No. 44.

JOHN T. LEEPPARD, 72. Entry Oct. 2, 1911. Died Jan. 3, 1943. Certificate No. 1215-E. Akron Div. No. 55.

DANIEL E. MOYLAN, 74. Entry April 1, 1914. Died Jan. 8, 1943. Certificate No. 1961-C. Baltimore Div. No. 47.

PAUL E. SEYMOUR, 59. Entry April 1, 1923. Died Dec. 26, 1942. Certificate No. 6525-D. Jacksonville Div. No. 88.

CLAYTON L. McLAUGHLIN, 66. Entry April 1, 1925. Died Jan. 15, 1943. Certificate No. 7296-C. Rochester Div. No. 52.

MILLER G. CAIN, 46. Entry June 1, 1926. Died Dec. 22, 1942. Certificate No. 7826-D. Durham Div. No. 95.

FRANK A. JOHNSON, 65. Entry March 1, 1926. Died Dec. 24, 1942. Certificate No. 7688-E. Chicago Div. No. 1.

MARRIAGES

June 10—Milton Bueltmann and Virginia Penland, both of Chicago, Ill.

September 12—Walter Stenman and Jean Bimpson, both of Seattle, Wash.

October 17—William Coffey, Canton, Ohio, and Miss Richeson.

November 18—Benjamin Romsey, Springfield, Mass., and Helen Fisher.

November 26—Stanley Blasczienski, Syracuse, N. Y., and Genevieve Puszy, Schenectady, N. Y.

November 28—Torrance Lowe and Frances Stephens, both of Springfield, Ill.

December 5—John Eoher and Mrs. R. Ward, both of Springfield, O.

December 19—Francis Sevier and Lottie Hinton, both of Baton Rouge, La.

December 22—Charles Gee and Alberta Mills, both of Indianapolis, Ind.

December 24—Tony Bartolomeucci and Hildred Truby, both of Springfield, Ill.

December 24—Thaine Ayers, Olathe, Kans., and Margaret Hanrahan, Emmett, Kans.

December 26—Leon Zacek, Middleville, N. Y., and Mary Natale.

BIRTHS

September 17—Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Levin, Philadelphia, Pa., a boy.

September 21—Mr. and Mrs. Race Drake, Little Rock, Ark., a boy.

November 10—Mr. and Mrs. Gus White, Houston, Tex., a girl.

November 12—Mr. and Mrs. Andreas Schramski, Delavan, Wis., a boy.

December 17—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Conn, Oklahoma City, Okla., a boy.

December 22—Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dey, Omaha, Neb., a boy.

December 28—Mr. and Mrs. Archie Kerr, Los Angeles, Calif., a girl.

January 2—Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Brown, Springfield, Mass., a girl.

January 6—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lickfield, Belleville, Ill., a boy.

January 14—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Artietta, Baton Rouge, La., a girl.

ENGAGEMENTS

Harold Stickel, Seattle, Wash., and Marjorie Evans, Tacoma, Wash.

Elmer Francisco and Mildred Catron, both of Seattle, Wash.

Eugene Turk, Jasper, Ala., and Peggy Travis, Mobile, Ala.

Frederick Klein, Los Angeles, Calif., and Hazel Smith, Bakersfield, Calif.

Stephen Belinski and Emelia Kasper, both of Chicago, Ill.

Joseph Goretti and Vivian Carlino, both of Buffalo, N. Y.

Ruben Tenenbaum and Eleanor Kossover, both of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Charles Duick and Edra Hunt, both of Sioux Falls, S. D.

Theodore Juzba and Phyllis Darbe, both of Springfield, Mass.

Clayton Ackley, Bangor, Me., and Evangeline Smith, Portland, Me.

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Safeguards

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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 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.

Cost of Joining

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

How to Join

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

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

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

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

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

Certificate Classes

The society issues the following certificates: Class C—Whole Life, Class D—Twenty-year Payment Life, Class E—Paid-up at Age 60 Life, and Class F—Old Age Monthly Income at 70 for Life.

Withdrawal Equities and Income Options

All certificates carry withdrawal equities in the form of paid-up insurance after three years. Members in Classes C, D, and E, on reaching age 70, have the option of a liberal monthly income in lieu of the promised death benefit.

Required Monthly Payments

After joining, the member pays each month: (1) The mortuary assessment for entry age, class, and amount given in the table below; (2) Sick and Accident tax, ranging from 25c to 75c, according to amount of weekly benefit chosen; (3) Per capita tax of 35c for the General Expense and Convention funds; (4) A small tax for local dues, varying with the different Divisions. These payments begin on the first day of the month of certificate issue.

MONTHLY NET RATES PER \$1000

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

Entry Age	CLASSES			
	C	D	E	F
18	\$1.11	\$1.58	\$1.13	\$1.20
19	1.11	1.60	1.16	1.20
20	1.11	1.63	1.19	1.20
21	1.13	1.66	1.22	1.23
22	1.16	1.69	1.25	1.27
23	1.18	1.72	1.29	1.30
24	1.21	1.75	1.32	1.33
25	1.24	1.78	1.36	1.37
26	1.27	1.81	1.41	1.41
27	1.31	1.85	1.45	1.46
28	1.34	1.89	1.50	1.50
29	1.38	1.93	1.55	1.55
30	1.42	1.97	1.61	1.60
31	1.46	2.01	1.67	1.66
32	1.50	2.05	1.73	1.72
33	1.55	2.10	1.80	1.78
34	1.60	2.15	1.88	1.85
35	1.65	2.20	1.96	1.92
36	1.70	2.25	2.05	2.00
37	1.76	2.31	2.15	2.08
38	1.82	2.37	2.25	2.17
39	1.89	2.43	2.37	2.26
40	1.96	2.50	2.50	2.36
41	2.03	2.57	2.64	2.47
42	2.11	2.64	2.80	2.59
43	2.20	2.72	2.98	2.71
44	2.29	2.80	3.18	2.85
45	2.38	2.89	3.40	3.00
46	2.49	2.98	3.65	3.16
47	2.60	3.08	3.95	3.34
48	2.71	3.18	4.29	3.54
49	2.84	3.29	4.69	3.75
50	2.97	3.41	5.18	3.99
51	3.11	3.54	5.76	4.25
52	3.27	3.67	6.49	4.53
53	3.43	3.82	7.41	4.85
54	3.60	3.97	8.64	5.21
55	3.79	4.14	10.35	5.62

Rate for age at nearest birthday to be taken