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THE SPOTLIGHT

By J. Frederick Meagher

IRELAND is no longer the happy heaven of good old St. Patrick's time. Some Irish movies make men sit on right side of aisle, ladies on left. Then heck with my own dear Ireland—give me free and footloose U. S. A.

Bro. Dr. Raybin wrote learned article in Dec. issue Dental Digest . . . Berkeley-Oakland is first to make quota in '44 Membership Derby . . . Brooklyn div. votes \$25 towards wooden leg of its former Bro. Grossman . . . Sweeney says Trenton Daily Times has for four years run weekly "News of Deaf" column . . . "What has National Ass'n of Deaf ever done?" asked one Manhattan wiseacre, in meeting. The Hash handler in last issue of FRAT says it has done lots in 64 years of existence. Let's ask "What good did soldiers of Valley Forge ever do?" Lots—yet so many good things nobody can now recall specific examples . . . "Forget the queer ways of your friends; remember only their good points," says the hungry hash-eater.

RECORD 1125 at Chi-First annual "mask ball"—and not a single masker! Only conventions and NYC affairs ever beat that 1125 in Deafdom. Managed by Masinkoff, who won Derby year ago.

REMEMBER years ago THE FRAT ran names of deaf men who had stuck to one job many years? Advised fraters "stick to your job." Many afterward wished they had heeded the warning—too late. Today, with everybody working, too many of us are switching jobs in the same old way . . . Cost of market basket was \$3.26 in 1933; now back around the 1929 peak of \$6 . . . OPA says cost of living has increased only 26%; for same time in last war, increase was 59.6% . . . Will Russia overrun all Europe? In past centuries, Russian armies have been in Berlin four times; in Paris twice . . . Shortage of doctors will make deathrate jump, yet; every great war is accompanied by epidemics. Last war saw "flu" . . . Who carries freight in war-time? Railroads 71%; Great Lakes 12%; pipelines 8%; trucks 5%; rivers, etc., 3%. Planes, less than 1/4 of 1% . . . Who is winning this war? In 2 1/2 years we have recaptured about 5% of territory Japs grabbed. We are still as far from Manila as Salt Lake is from Boston; as far from Tokyo as England is from NYC . . .

"**NAZI**" is a word never used in Germany; means "a dope."

DEAFENED soldiers are being rehabilitated in three army hospitals. Scouten and Baughman, Gallaudet normals with pedigrees, teaching at Borden—Chickasha, Okla. Soldiers deafened from heavy bombing, artillery fire, etc. Some will wear hearing aids.

"**DEAF** aircraft workers are called 'handicapped' by fellowmen because of their efficiency."—Volta Review.

SCHOOL bigshots don't like idea of National deaf school of farm, trades, and technical training . . . Some supts do spare-time war-work. Conn's Boatner toils in Hartford hospital daily, wearing a surgeon's white smock . . . Says Mt. Airy supt: "Skills and Aptitudes are needed for success. Brains and book-larnin' are not enough." He's right! . . . Twelve deaf state schools have Boy Scouts. First was Central NY, 1917 . . . Typo error of month: Hawkeye's: "Barret graduated from Gallaudet college in 1844." Most remarkable man, then. Honest: only chap I ever knew who was smart enough to graduate from a college 20 years before the college was founded!

KENTUCKY school not opened this year? Closed last June. Why?

"**ARMY** has three former pupils of Minn."; Ind. and NJ claim four each. Ind. has one in England, one in Africa, one in States, one released. NJ service flag of four stars not definite on its pride and joys. Puzzle: how can anyone deaf enough to attend our schools, suddenly hear good enough to pass through army tests? Minn's Lind, who gradually regained his hearing, is army sergeant . . . Companionable: "All trains are still blacked out on Pacific Coast."

SHRINER C. E. Jones, principal Ala. school negro deaf and blind, says real deaf can't join Masons. He wears ear-phone.

JONES spent one year at Gallaudet, joined Masons 19 years ago while hearing was very good. Jones is a frater. Know any other fraters who are Masons? . . . Papers are feuding over how many real deaf are in US. Am. Medical Ass'n claims 55 million handicapped in US; Federal Security Adm. admits 23 millions . . . Bro. Isadore Newman's sergeant son in Africa saw couple "natives" (guess he means Arabs) talking on hands; talked with them 20-min, starting with French, English, and other languages; couldn't savvy their signs and spelling. Proves we are wrong to think sign language is the same all around the world.

AKRON has only 900 deaf workers left!

GOODYEAR Aircraft rumor: after war they make prefabricated houses, refrigerators, radios, autos. Synthetic tires take more men and material to build than did old rubber tires . . . Griffing is only editor of deaf sheet to stick a full year in any war-plant, this war. War-work is no picnic, as Ohio's Moore, Kansas' Foltz, Cal's Patterson, myself and others can profanely assure you . . .

OHIO Chron runs super-swell "Humble Men and Vainglorious," by Bum Schowe. How one Akron plant decided deaf had flunked as airplane-workers, called them off; a minor official heard of it, used his pull with Mr. Big to get deaf put right back on, an hour later. When he didn't even know any deaf. Turned out he lived few doors from our '24 delegate Iva Robinson; had long admired Iva's sterling character and uncomplaining cheerfulness; decided all deaf were like Iva, so—wham, we get a beautiful break. Article ends: "Fair warning; beware men who talk about 'service.' People who really 'serve' are always too busy to talk about it."

DEAF man in Cal. died and left \$15,000; was a bum bet for success when he was in school. Why is it us smart men usually die poor?

The Huey Long owner of La Sydney—prima donna of our July conv, brags his New Orleans has America's widest street. Canal st. is 170-ft. wide, including sidewalks. Quick: somebody please raise the ante. Hey, F. J. Roberts, how wide is Market st. in old San Francisco? Huey says its spoken New Orleans, or New Or-lyuns; never New Or-leenz. I thought N'Awl-yunz was correct. Pity the poor oral teachers down South.

LIVSHIS column in JOD says Ill. Home for Aged Deaf will be discontinued, the four remaining residents "boarded out." To think I had to learn this National news-beat from Livshis Lagnippe—when the President of the Home's Board of Managers is my own favorite wife, Frau Frieda! What's the country coming to when my own wife gives exclusive "scoops" to rival reporters?

YOU are a stockholder in one magazine, in a way. Editor of THE FRAT always gives ear to his "stockholders" (fraters) if enough object to any one feature. Let's see how much you "stockholders" know of the magazine game. Who is best-known James Meagher in American literature?

Head-editor of the American Poet, Brooklyn (hearie tag).

NAME world's first known newspaper.

ZIETUNG, Germany, 1609. But a manuscript newspaper called Acta Diurna was delivered daily to Rome subscribers during Julius Caesar's reign. But it was not PRINTED.

NAME the biggest and best of all American Deafdom mags.

SILENT WORKER, illustrated monthly; blew up just before 1929 depression. Printed in NJ school. Bro. George Porter was a better editor than Bobs—he did not throw out so much of my copy. (Yes—that's why the Worker busted, you drip.—ED.)

ORCHIDS to Wis. Pilotless! Bro. Rev. Leisman, editor.

WISCONSIN is one state don't forget dead deaf Trojans! "Warren Robinson went broke in money and in health, trying to make a go of this splendid national deaf paper, many years ago." The writing-publishing game is like horse-racing—you just can't beat it! You all die broke. Oh, why didn't my mammy done tot me. Wish I had majored in something easy and profitable, like Wall st., or real estate, or building tires, or lady-killing. To think I'll be dead soon and never get to write the Great American Novel!

TRUE or False? Myrt Magnuson says paralysis on the right side usually means death; on left side, you usually get almost-well. Anybody know why?

DELEGATE dope. San Francisco Glidden's car wrecked, returning from work at Fords. He is treas. of Oakland deaf club which just bought \$8000 clubhouse . . . Beautiful Mrs. "Cowboy" Tuggle leaves Montana ranch to toil and toil in Boeing, SF . . . In three years at Pearl Harbor, Major Guerry Bishop II (son of Atlanta '35 del) never got a scratch—even during Dec. 7 surprise attack. Yet he broke his leg stepping off bus in D.C. His ma, Muriel, used to run a column in THE FRAT . . . Remember Oscar Sanford of the KC '35 local com? Helped Foltz put over a gala time in the hottest deaf convention in history—106 in the shade. Sanford was broke. Six years ago he borrowed \$250 to start a machine shop. Got navy contracts. Today he is worth over \$50,000.

RAISING boys to age 18 costs parents \$5,680; girls \$5,750. I don't see how-come; girl wear so little clothes. (How does an old sinner like YOU know anything about girls' clothes? Been on the pry again?—Ed.)

How far do you walk each day? Housewife walks 8 miles daily—in one year that equals distance between Boston and San Francisco. Hospital nurses walk 13 miles; waitresses and police 14; active boy 15; mailmen 22; farmer 25. Wonder if I ought to change my mind about quitting the newspaper game and buying a farm? Us old boxers always have wobbly pins. Value of Ky. farms increased over 50% last four years; Ind., Tenn., Wyo. next. Only Neb. and the Dakotas declined in value. Why?

AIRMAIL stamps are a gyp! I just got airmail validated Jan. 8, received 13th. Planes are too full of soldiers to carry mail—so postoffice pockets difference and ships by train.

Goodyear invents farm tires using water, not air; claims them much better for lumpy farms. Pour anti-freeze in winter . . . Hear we have invented super-gas giving 40-m.p.h. on sale after war. If true, that means gas costs us about \$20 from Chicago to the 1947 Los Angeles Grand convention of our NFSD. . . . Dec. 15 this global war lasted as long as world war. Austria attacked Serbia July 28, 1914; it was four years and 106 days later to Nov. 11, 1918 armistice. Hitler started this rucus by attacking Poland Sept. 1, 1939.

WHEN did our Gallaudet college lick Annapolis at football?

Dec. 4, 1886. Score 16-0—J. Schuyler Long was quarterback. Long then went to our Wis. school as coach. One of his players was killed on goal-line; Long quit Wis. and quit football. Carried bitter memories of that dead kid to the day of his death. . . . Neesam now coaches football at Wis.; dean of all deaf coaches with 29 years—37 of them at Wis. What's the difference between Neesam and the editor of Spotlight? Think hard, now—its a "catch."

Name of Grand v-p Neesam is Frederick James; mine is James Frederick.

WHERE THE FUEL GOES



AN ARMY LIGHT TANK may burn one gallon of gasoline a minute.



A HEAVY BOMBER cruising at a speed of 250 m.p.h. may use 200 gallons of gasoline in one hour.

Hash a la Mode

Concocted by Old Frat

BAD EGGS

A FRIEND of mine who has had abundant experience with the deaf in a volitional way, writes me, in part, as follows:

You seem to take the position that the deaf worker is a helpless pawn of fate, that cycles of employment (and discrimination) blow him hither and yon without the least opportunity for him to control his own destiny.

I think it is better for leaders among the deaf to point up the self-responsibility of deaf workers. Being a 4-F at this time is an advantage. Time will come when it is NOT an advantage. We should all realize that this is inevitable.

Nevertheless, in these halcyon days for 4-Fs, the deaf have a marvelous opportunity to make friends. If—note that "if"—they make the most of this opportunity, not all of the wartime gains are going to be lost the moment that a peace treaty is signed. At least some of their new made friends will not forget. The proportion of the wartime gains which will be retained depends, not on fate, but on the conduct of the individual deaf workman on the job. This is a personal and individual responsibility which cannot be overemphasized.

All of which is undeniably true. I do not take the position my friend mentions. On the contrary, I have time and again warned the deaf that one bad egg among them sometimes damns all the rest of them in the eyes of certain employers. Not all employers, mind you, but a distressingly large proportion of them are apt to condemn all the deaf for the shortcomings of a few.

The deaf are in an unfortunate position in this respect. Anyone who knows them at all, knows that the proportion of the lazy, incompetent, and malcontent among them is no greater than in any other category of the human species. The trouble is that, being so comparatively few in the mass of workers, one misfit among them stands out like the ear on an elephant's head.

Continuing, my friend says:

During the past few weeks I have been responsible for the firing of more deaf workers than hiring. I don't want to be melodramatic about it, but the only way I can think of to describe my feelings is to say that it is like a knife in my heart to see how they fritter away their opportunities.

You may say that it merely proves I am inept at placement in the first place and I will admit that I cannot look at a man and decide that he has all the aptitudes required for a certain job. At the same time, if you could observe all the goings-on up close, I think you would weep, as I do, for the future of these deaf men. I have been through the mill, you know, and I can see these fellows in my mind's eye, three or four years (maybe six or seven) in the future, slipping into the employment office and begging for a job—any job, sweeping floors or anything that will buy them regular meals. We won't have any jobs for unskilled labor without seniority then and they will have to curse fate, the same fate that they are scorning today.

Aptitude tests are being used more and more in the placing of workers. However, some people are simply unemployable. Authorities estimate there are more than five million such unemployables in this country.

There are unemployables among the deaf as there are among the hearing. When a man is afflicted with a cussed nature, and won't work, no amount of exhortation will change him.

The point that should be emphasized is that here and there you will find a no-account among the deaf, as you will among other people, and employers should judge deaf workmen on their individual merits, not on the failure of one or two scalawags.

WHAT NOW?

WHEN in my teens I became deaf, my sorrowing parents took me to numerous men of medicine in the hope they might cure my affliction. Some of these medicos gave me so called cure-alls, others jolted me with electric shocks, and still others rubbed greasy ointment behind my ears.

They might as well have employed Indian medicine men, who were still plentiful out in the wild west where we lived. The docs were all mediocre men, a goodly proportion of them probably having gone through Kansas City diploma mills which flourished in great number at that time. You could become a practicing medico by attending one of these schools six weeks or so and learning how to prescribe calomel for practically all ills of the body.

In fact, the outstanding practitioner of the medical art whom I went to see was somewhat of a mystic, albeit he wore red suspenders and no collar, who, instead of the usual quackery, resorted to incantations to hidden deities, accompanied by formidable grimaces and contortions. My reaction to these antics resulted in cold chills running up and down my spine in such number and with such speed that they might well have restored my hearing had it been at all restorable.

Since then I have observed over a rather long span of years numerous alleged cures for deafness which never cured and numerous medical men who alleged they could cure deafness by surgery.

Indeed, in the period between 1900 and about 1925, a number of cases came to light where deaf children were subjected to surgical operations in the hope of restoring hearing, but with deplorable results. At one time, the National Association of the Deaf waged a campaign against malpractices of this kind with the hope of educating parents to the fallacy of such operations.

However, medical science has taken great strides forward since that time. It may well transpire that many defects of the human body long deemed incurable may some time be overcome by advances made in medicine and surgery.

In the news at the present moment, and recorded in medical journals, is another surgical procedure alleged to cure deafness. I lift entire the account of

this carried in a recent issue of the *Deaf Oklahoman*:

Damages amounting to \$24,000.00 were awarded to Mrs. Racie B. Sherry of Chicago as the result of a recent decision of the New York State Supreme Court on a case in which it was charged that Dr. Julius Lempert destroyed the plaintiff's hearing. Said to have operated on numerous ears with success which had brought him fame and riches, Dr. Lempert was blamed with performing a middle ear operation on Mrs. Sherry that resulted in total deafness, roaring noises, loss of sense of balance, and nervous disorders. The court upheld the charge.

Describing the methods used, Doctor Lempert is reported in *Newsweek* to have said: "I go into the middle ear. I go right through and cut out the ear drum. I do not take it and throw it in the trash basket, but I keep it . . . I then drill a hole in the semicircular canal. I drill it with a drill, and then I take this ear drum and put it over that hole so that when sound comes into the ear it hits this and vibrates . . . then you hear . . . as before." The story says further:

"It was March 1940 when Dr. Julius Lempert, New York ear specialist and surgeon, first created a sensation. At a meeting of the New York Academy of Medicine he exhibited fifty patients who apparently had been cured of 'hopeless' deafness by an operation he had introduced from Europe. The press told of his triumphs and patients came from far and wide to have the 'miracle' operation performed at a cost of between \$750.00 and \$1,000.00 per case.

"Now he has operated on some 700 ears and was accounted a wealthy man. Besides the surgical fees, it was asserted, additional remuneration came from teaching.

"Admitting the surgeon had operated upon both of Mrs. Sherry's ears, W. F. Martin, attorney for the doctor, denied all charges of unprofessional conduct. 'I wish to state here that there is living in this world today no man who knows more about hearing than Dr. Lempert.

This man has made one of the greatest single contributions to medical science in history.'"

Apparently unimpressed by this argument, the high court awarded \$20,000 to Mrs. Sherry and \$4,000 to her husband.

Disclaimer

By W. T. GRIFFING

THE Spotlight editor of THE FRAT has named us Grief Griffing. That is all right—a rose by any other name is just as sweet. But we cannot in fairness to others let certain of his statements pass without a mild correction, for when items are released to the press, they should be the genuine McCoy.

Mr. Meagher, the Spotlihter, said we were back after a year of bossing a big war plant deaf force. Inasmuch as we were merely one of the gang, we must disclaim such an exalted role.

Mr. Meagher goes on to say we quit our job in Tulsa because the pay check of a backward pupil equaled ours. Of all the reasons for quitting a vital job, that would be about the silliest, wouldn't it? In almost each issue we have been trying to get the idea across that we are mighty proud of what our boys and girls are doing in Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Los Angeles, and in many other war center cities. We have tried to give the retarded pupils a pat on the back whenever possible because we are genuinely interested in them and in what they are doing. We would be a poor example of a teacher if we could not feel an inner glow of pride at what most of the former pupils are doing for the war effort and for themselves.

As to why we quit, well, that is a long story and it would interest only a few, so we elect to let the matter rest.—The Deaf Oklahoman.



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

MARCH, 1944

On Council

WE take the following from the *Lone Star*, published by the Texas School for the Deaf at Austin:

Recognizing the deaf as a distinct group of the physically disabled citizens eligible for service under the provisions of the expanded rehabilitation program, Paul V. McNutt, administrator of the Federal Security Agency, wherein the rehabilitation service has been placed, has invited Dr. Tom Anderson, president of the National Association of the Deaf, to serve on the National Rehabilitation Advisory Council as the representative of the deaf of the United States.

"There are many important problems which will affect plans for the expanded program on which we need advice from all groups concerned with welfare of our handicapped citizens," says Mr. McNutt in his letter to Dr. Anderson. "To have a group available for continuing advice and support, I have established the National Rehabilitation Advisory Council. I am writing to ask if you will accept membership on the Council.

"I recognize that the pressure of your own work in these days may make you hesitate to assume additional responsibilities. We do not anticipate that this Council will meet frequently, and we will be as considerate as possible in the matter of calling its members to Washington for meetings. However, we do need urgently to rely on your counsel in planning the program and on your support in the community. I sincerely hope that you will find it possible to accept this invitation for membership."

Representatives from over twenty groups of physically handicapped citizens have been named on this Council. It is anticipated that their recommendations and advice will materially affect the success of the program for physical restoration, vocational guidance and training, and placement in employment, made possible by the 1943 Amendments to the Vocational Rehabilitation Act expanding the Federal program of grants-in-aid to the States for service to the handicapped.

Dr. Anderson advises us that he has accepted the appointment. He has had long experience in vocational training and placement of the deaf, and is well qualified for work with the Advisory Council.

The Executive Committee of our Grand Division Board of Directors has endorsed the appointment, seeing in it a recognition of the fact that one inti-

mately connected with the deaf in their vocational education and placement, as is Dr. Anderson, can give worthwhile advice in the government's program.

While the vast majority of deaf people able and willing to work are now gainfully employed, it is a foregone conclusion that when peace returns there undoubtedly will be severe dislocations in the employment field. The deaf probably will feel this more than normal people. Now is the time to plan for this period of readjustment.

Were You Born?

AN exchange recently told about the difficulty one of our members had in proving when and where he was born. To the bureaucrats having such things in charge, one does not exist until he can show a birth certificate. A scrap of paper is far more important in such a case than is the individual.

The article goes on to say that this man finally emerged from the (to him) serious dilemma by getting a statement from this society, giving the date and place of his birth.

At the Home Office here, this procedure has long since become an old story. Hundreds of our members have written in for such statements of data to be extracted from our files. All such requests are gladly complied with.

Getting a "delayed" birth certificate is some job, as we know from experience. Having first seen the light of day out on what was then the booming western frontier, where vital statistics were embalmed only in the memories of the hardy pioneers, no permanent record was ever made of the important fact that the world had been favored with our presence.

We have been at it for over a year, trying to prove that we were born but the bureaucrats still insist there is some doubt about it, and after a while we may come around to their way of thinking.

Amendments

AMENDMENTS to the society's laws have been printed and are ready for distribution.

They will be sent early in March in bulk packages to Division secretaries, for distribution to their members.

Envelopes will also be provided by the Home Office in which secretaries may send copies to their non-resident members. When sent unsealed in these envelopes, each piece will take one and one-half cents postage.

Secretaries who incur postage in mailing the amendments to non-resident members will be reimbursed by the Home Office, when bill for same is rendered.

The booklet containing the amendments is slightly smaller than the regular edition, and may readily be inserted in the red book containing the laws.

Thanks, Friends

AS this issue goes to press, the Home Office staff is just emerging from the day and night work of the past few weeks, required in getting out annual statements and valuation reports for the year just closed to some thirty-eight different State and Canadian Insurance Departments.

During this time, things that could wait had to be postponed until this job was completed. Now that it is out of the way, we shall be able to give prompt attention to other matters, among them the accumulations that have piled up in this hectic interval.

We thank our members for their patience during this time.

Tax Problems

By JOHN F. FUTCHER

Legal Department, Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society

FOUR years ago the Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code were amended excluding certain services performed for fraternal benefit societies and the local lodges from the application of these laws, and yet Collectors of Internal Revenue are still requiring local lodges to pay taxes on the compensation paid by the lodges to their officers.

No Social Security Taxes are required to be paid by local lodges of fraternal benefit societies in cases where the service performed for such lodges is compensated at \$45.00 or less in a calendar quarter, nor if the service performed for the lodges is that of collecting dues and premiums and is performed away from the home office, nor if the service is ritualistic. Either because of some erroneous interpretation of the amendments to these laws, or because of over-zealousness, Collectors are still demanding of local lodges the payment of such taxes with respect to the above services. Such action not only causes additional work on the part of the officers of the lodge in making the returns, but subsequently requires the lodge to file a claim for refund of these erroneously assessed taxes. In such cases hundreds of claims have been filed and allowed by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

There is no provision in the Social Security Act to include employees for benefits on a voluntary basis, and the Social Security Board has advised that it has no authority to use such compensation as a basis for computing the amount of Social Security benefits. Under the circumstances there is no advantage to the local lodge or its officers in paying these taxes, as no Old Age Benefit can be paid to an officer, nor Survivors Benefit to his family, even though the local lodge reports the compensation and pays the taxes.

A practical solution of the problem is for the officers of local lodges to

inform the home office of the Society of any demands made by the Collector's office and request the home office to attempt to convince the Collector that compensation paid for services performed for its local lodges, if it is of the kind excluded, is not the subject of taxation. This method has proved successful in many instances and has relieved the local lodge, the Collector, and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue of much additional work.

N. F. S. D. Helps

EDDIE FRANCISCO SPIELER was born in San Francisco in 1884, an American, pure and simple. The city and state regulations pertaining to vital statistics were not then in existence around this part of the country or rather were not functioning properly, or perhaps somebody responsible for sending this information to the offices was derelict in his duties, so Spielers birth was not recorded. In spite of all this, Spielers was very much alive and going through his natural course of existence without hitch or bother, up to recently. Then imbued with patriotic fervor and enraged at the dirty deal the Japanazis were dishing up to us Americans, Spielers applied for work at a defense plant to help ease the man-power problem in production. He passed the physical tests and was declared in A-1 condition in spite of his years. But then he ran into a snag. He could not produce his birth certificate so in effect was non-existent, in spite of his presence in the very flesh. Undaunted he produced a letter from the Washington School for the Deaf of his record there; affidavit of birth; census record; certificate of registration from Canada; membership certificate, National Fraternal Society of the Deaf; confirmation certificate. To no avail.

Finally the state registrar of vital statistics at Sacramento, Calif., came to his rescue with a suggestion that he procure from the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf in Oak Park either a photostatic or certified copy of his application for membership.

Now Sacramento has a record of his birth, after all these almost 60 years. Spielers got his birth certificate at last, and though his fervor has been somewhat dampened by all this so unnecessary superhuman efforts to prove his existence and identify himself (all this effort, if diverted instead to the proper channels, might have produced for MacArthur the requested planes) he (Spielers) can at last go to it and up the production line on the wall chart and give the enemy the thrashing it deserves.

And brothers, here's the angle we want to stress. The N.F.S.D. has more uses than giving out sickness, accident and death benefits. It is becoming a sort of bureau of vital statistics of the deaf who become frats. If they will not believe your existence even when you are there in the flesh, unless you produce a birth certificate, and you cannot produce one, if they will turn down every other evidence of your existence (record from your school, affidavit of birth, census record, church record, etc., etc.) they most likely will not turn down your record in the N.F.S.D. for the simple reason that life insurance companies are very careful and very sure of your birth date, birth place, and all other necessary data.—**Silent Broadcaster.**

Obstacles

PROGRESS in life insurance resulting from the free play of the American competitive system would have been impossible if the business had been established under the present governmental bureaucracy, George A. White, president of the State Mutual Life Assurance Company, Worcester, Mass., said recently. He addressed a meeting of the Executives' Club of Chicago in the Sherman Hotel.

White asserted that the national administration's "arbitrary and artificial depreciation of interest rates under a managed currency for the obvious purpose of reducing the car-

rying charges on a mounting government debt" was partly responsible for the decline in insurance company investment yields from 5 to 3 per cent in the last 15 years.

He expressed the hope that future investment funds would not be "put in cold storage to become merely an adjunct to deficit financing," and declared the insurance companies had demonstrated their cooperation in war financing by investing more money in government bonds than the total represented by their increase in assets since the Japanese attack on Pearl harbor.

White criticized the federal tax system which levies the same rates on white collar workers without benefit of increased salaries that it does on the war plant worker "who earns more in a week than he used to earn in a month." Pending bills to levy higher tax rates on those with war swollen earnings have little chance of passage, he said.

Although insurance in force has reached 130 billion dollars, "the average coverage of American families is still wholly inadequate on any economic measure of worth," White said. If insurance had been begun as a bureau of government, the total assets of life companies never would have reached their present 30 billion dollar level, he declared.—Chicago Tribune.

Maxims

By GEORGE WASHINGTON

THINK before you speak.

Let your recreations be manful, not sinful.

Speak no evil of the absent, for it is unjust.

Let your conversation be without malice or envy.

Speak not of doleful things in times of mirth nor at the table.

Be not apt to relate news, if you know not the truth thereof.

Detract not from others, but neither be excessive in commending.

Let your discourse with men of business be short and comprehensive.

Be not hasty to believe flying reports to the disparagement of anyone.

Gaze not on the marks or blemishes of others and ask not how they came.

Associate yourself with men of good quality, if you esteem your reputation.

Undertake not what you cannot perform, but be careful to keep your promise.

When a man does all he can, though it succeeds not well, blame not him that did it.

Show not yourself glad at the misfortune of another, though he were your enemy.

Labor to keep alive in your breast that little spark of celestial fire called conscience.

1944

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

During the year 1944 the campaign to get new members based on quotas allotted Divisions will be continued.

Big Cash Prizes

are offered individual contestants in the 1944 free-for-all. The Home Office will pay

Ten Dollars for Each Block of Five

new members obtained, beginning with applicants in December, 1943.

Same Quotas

Division quotas will remain the same, as shown in another column. We believe all Divisions can equal or exceed their quotas in 1944, due to prosperous times.

A contestant who obtains five new members will receive not only

Ten Dollars

from the Home Office, but also will be awarded the \$1.00 endorser's fee by his Division for each new member, giving him

Fifteen Dollars for Each Block of Five

In 1943 we distributed \$1,500 in cash prizes. If you want to win a prize in 1944, then

Go To It

We obtained 1242 dues-paying members in 1943. Let's start now to beat this all-time record.

News from the



Divisions

MARCH

4. Social	Richmond
4. Party	Des Moines
4. Movies	Denver
4. Spring social	Akron
4. Movies	Syracuse
4. Social	Utica
4. Military whist	New Haven
4. Bingo	Colorado Springs
4. Lecture	Buffalo
4. Social	Rochester
5. Movie social	Flint
11. Bowling party	Kitchener
11. Social	Grand Rapids
11. After meeting social	Cincinnati
11. Whist party	Boston
11. Social	Cedar Rapids
11. After meeting social	Salt Lake City
11. Crazy party	Rockford
11. Lucky star game	Davenport
11. St. Patrick social	Waterbury
11. Aux-frat social	Binghamton
13. St. Patrick party	Reading
14. Card party	Wilkesburg
18. St. Patrick party	New Orleans
18. St. Patrick party	Syracuse
18. St. Patrick whist party	San Francisco
18. St. Patrick party	Salt Lake City
18. St. Patrick party	Hamilton

APRIL

1. Card party	Trenton
1. April fool day party	Kitchener
1. Frat smoker	Portland, Ore.
1. Easter party	New Haven
1. Frolic	Reading
2. Smoker	Reading
2. Smoker and initiation	Flint
7. Lecture	Chicago No. 1
8. Annual monster whist	Berkeley-Oakland
8. Anniversary banquet	Memphis
8. Initiation smoker	Johnstown
8. Social	Grand Rapids
15. Smoker	Milwaukee
15. Smoker	Spokane
22. 31st annual party	Portland, Me.
29. Smoker	Faribault
13. Spring dance	Berkeley-Oakland
13. Social	Grand Rapids
13. Movie show	Boston
13. Smoker	Portland, Me.
14. Lecture	Reading
20. 29th annual party	San Francisco
20. Smoker	Seattle
20. Banquet	Lowell
27. Annual ball	Providence

CLEVELAND (By Philip Hanover)—Bro. Harrison made a new altar to replace that old bulky pillar we had. Centrally located on the floor the old altar had caused insufferable pains for brothers who had to sit behind it, twisting and craning their necks to see what was happening on the presidential floor. The new one is a peach; it conforms along modern lines—smooth, low and cheerfully painted. To Bro. Harrison goes the credit of saving us from the hazard of warped necks for the rest of our lives. We do thank you, Bro. Harrison, for your efforts.

Abe Simon has been transferred to the Detroit Division. We missed him at recent gatherings. Good luck, brother, and trust you and your wife will be happy in your new surroundings.

Many of you will remember that Peter Samolis led the list of bowling scores by 299 in the last Great Lakes Deaf Tournament. Recently he made another near record in a Home League game here. He knocked a 214 in

the first game, a 232 in the second where he made four strikes. In the third he banged a 296 score, having 11 strikes and leaving four pins standing. Some record, eh, Buddy?

Please note, fraters, the new treasurer's address: Casimir J. Kolk, 1247 Carlyon Road, East Cleveland 12, Ohio.

JERSEY CITY (By L. A. Alfonso)—Division President Nicholas has selected Brothers Lyons, Furgione and Nardone to serve as an entertainment committee for the year 1944. Any member who has an idea for the reaping of revenue or giving out social pleasure should contact one of them. Brother Lyons has already announced a card party for after the meeting on March 4. The business meeting will start at 7 to give plenty of time for the social.

In the interests of economy we contemplated moving from our present location to cheaper quarters, but after investigating several locations we decided we were better off where we were. In spite of higher rental, we were getting our full money's worth. So members may discount any rumors of our moving. We shall continue to meet at our present location, 880 Bergen Ave., Lawyers' Building, Jersey City.

SEATTLE (By Carl Spencer)—It was John T. Bodley night at the February meeting. Having retired after 17 years' continuous service as division treasurer, it was thought proper that he be fittingly decorated. The decorations were in humorous vein, being mostly of the junk variety, crowned by a 10-inch auto hub disc hung around his neck. He was then given a box of junk, out of which he salvaged a candy bar, a tin of smoking tobacco, a tie, several cigars, a desk fountain pen set, and a pipe set containing two briar pipes and accessories.

The fine craftsmanship of William Mellis is exhibited in the handsome ballot box he presented to our division at the meeting. With its brass trimmings it was a work of art. It was even lined to deaden the thump of the marbles!

We are making plans for a smoker in May. Watch for later announcements. As a large crowd from here is expected to journey to Portland for that division's smoker in April, we hope to see a nice reciprocal crowd from Portland at our affair.

SAN DIEGO (By Willard Foster)—At the February meeting two applications were received, the first for 1944. Eight more to get to fill our quota. Can we do it? We'll sure try.

Clyde Houze, a member of Syracuse Division No. 48 was a visitor at our last meeting. He is working as a machinist on a government job. If he decides to remain here, his wife and children will join him. We hope he will transfer to our division.

Our January social was a great success. It was in charge of Brother Berg, and over 40 were present. We hope the next social will draw an even larger crowd.

PITTSBURGH (By J. K. Forbes)—The change in meeting night from Friday to Saturday resulted in a large attendance. As a result, we have decided to continue meeting on Saturday evenings, for awhile at least. Ft. Pitt Hotel, of course.

Our smoker on Feb. 5 was largely attended, and lasted until the wee sma' hours. The Degree Staff had their hands full handling the goat and the 14 candidates. Refreshments were served.

SAN FRANCISCO (By F. J. Roberts)—A program committee for 1944 was appointed at the February meeting. The committee will announce dates for socials from time to time. The first of the year will be a St. Patrick's Day Whist Party, to be held on Saturday evening, March 18, at the rooms of the San Francisco Club of the Deaf, 991 Mission St.

Have you noticed Brother Luddy's coat lapel? A four-star service pin! Three boys in the armed forces, and a daughter in the WAC. Who can beat it? Brother McNeilly also has three boys serving Uncle Sam.

The first transfer to our division for 1944 was that of Joe Greenberg, from Hollywood Division.

COLUMBIA (By C. S. Wilson)—Because the city is always crowded with soldiers from Ft. Jackson on their pay day, the first Saturday

of the month, we have decided to change our meeting date to the second Saturday. This will also be a convenience to the division trustees, who can meet right after the division meeting, with the president on hand to view their work.

The division is planning on having a "Goat Ride" early in the coming summer.

WATERBURY (By S. E. Minicucci)—Our Valentine Social on Feb. 12 was much enjoyed. Bros. Ercoliani and Bellmay deserve great credit for their efforts to give us a night of merry-making.

Next will be a St. Patrick's Day Social on March 11. Committeemen McGuire and Voghel are arranging for something good. Come and see what it is, at Mechanic's Hall, 11 E. Main St.

TRENTON (By Kenneth Murphy)—There will be no social following the meeting on March 4. The meeting will be called to order at eight o'clock.

The meeting for April 1 is set for 7:30 p.m., and a card party will follow immediately after adjournment. Bill Tuma is making arrangements for this, and he promises a big time for all. As usual, it will be held at 309 Chestnut Ave.

BIRMINGHAM (By G. H. Harper)—Though not having won a single game, our division's basketball team continues to show its class in the city "Y" league. The team has been receiving favorable comments from the local sports writers. It has made a fine impression, and no doubt will be invited to play again next year.

Brother Logan has our heartfelt sympathy in his bereavement in the loss of his wife, who died recently. Bro. Logan recently retired after 45 years of continuous service as an ad-setter, the last 23 of them with the Birmingham Age-Herald.

FLINT (By Abe Stern)—We have about 20 new members soon to be initiated. Chairman William Bielinski is busy making plans for the smoker at which they will be put through. James Fry and Gordon Smith, our two chief Go-Getters, are to be congratulated on their good work, which we hope they will keep up during 1944. The smoker will be held on April 2, with an admission of only 50c. A grand time assured.

After the business meeting on Feb. 13 an address was given by Mr. Eric Malzkuhn, a teacher at the school for the deaf. It was much enjoyed.

After the adjournment of our business meeting on March 5 a good movie social will be held. Come and enjoy the movies.

CHICAGO (John B. Davis)—The Feb. 12 mask ball was a huge success from the financial standpoint. The division trustees, on seeing the crowd of about 1,125 people, went into a "football huddle," immediately voted to buy \$500.00 in war bonds, thus boosting the No. 1 total in the War Bond race to \$2,300.

BASKETBALL DOUBLE BILL AND GIGANTIC SOCIAL

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Visitors from Washington, D.C., California, Akron, Detroit, St. Louis, Milwaukee, Madison, and Minneapolis came to uphold Chicago's position as crossroads of the nation. Some inconveniences were incurred from crowding and hat-check girls were hard-put to handle the huge crowd, but what do we care as long as the money spent went into war bonds. Credit the success of the annual ball to Chairman Mas-sinhoff and his hard-working committee.

After the April 7 meeting Grand President Arthur Roberts will make a speech on a subject not yet disclosed. Admission will be 10c, the proceeds going into the 1951 Golden Jubilee convention fund.

On June 3 J. B. Davis will be the chairman for a card party and dance affair at Viking Temple, 3200 Sheffield Ave. The proceeds will also go in the 1951 convention fund.

The members unanimously approved the new lighting system over the president's dias. The hall being rather narrow and long made reading of signs hard on the eyes. The lights cost around \$18.00 and is money well spent.

On April 29 50 humble, quivering, quaking, fearful, sinking new members will crawl into the gnashing jaws of the roaring hades in order to become full-fledged members of the NFSD. Chairman Linus Francini will be in charge of this smoker. Admission will be \$1.10 for every man bearing paid NFSD dues up to date. Entertainment, beer, sandwiches will be included in the admission price. The place will be 32 W. Randolph St.—same building holding No. 1 meetings but on a different floor.

WASHINGTON (By Larry Ward)—Preparations are under way for this division's biggest smoker in years. It will be held on two floors of the Masonic Temple, Northeast Branch, Saturday evening, April 8. About 30 new members will be lined up to give the billy goats a tussle. There may be more if our go-getter, Gunnar Rath, continues his good hunting. Gunnar is a new member himself and expects to make light work of the ferocious bearded denizens which are at present on a diet of rocks and glass due to the need of tin and paper for the war effort, or so he says. The survivors will join with the spectators at a feast of unrationed eats and beer, the latter made possible through friendly channels. Any member in good standing will be welcome, but the degree team will not be responsible for any undue behavior on the part of the billy goats.

Brother Looney has resigned as chairman of the newly organized Program Committee. In his stead has been named Brother Engelgau, affectionately nicknamed "Mr. 466," due to his successful management of the Hotel Statler dance last October which drew in a profit of \$466. Brother Engelgau could well rest on his laurels but according to his testimony the October affair could have shown a little improvement in spots and that was why he accepted once more to direct the operations on the social side. He said he is going to make the next annual dance so perfect that he will be criticized only for doing it too well! There is a fellow any division would be proud of. Blessings on thee, little man.

WESTCHESTER (By R. W. Bowdren)—Our last meeting, one enlivened by the addition to our roster, via transfer, from Brooklyn Div., of Bros. Louis Bayarsky and Irving Goldstein, plus two new members; and the handing in of three applications for membership by three Southerners, now employed up our way—2 from Tennessee and 1 from Arkansas. Deputy Boyan started the ball rolling for an application a month during the year 1944. Go to it, Brothers. Remember, Pres. Giordano's statement that the fields are overflowing with prospects.

Treasurer Lynch in his annual report showed the division's financial condition to be very healthy. He also stated that our roster contains 52 members to date and that the division now possesses \$1,300 in Victory Bonds

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Abe Saslaw.....	Cleveland	16
Gunnar Rath.....	Washington	15
Lester Naftaly.....	Berkeley-Oakland	9
James Forbes.....	Pittsburgh	6
Charles White.....	Toronto	6
Carl Spencer.....	Seattle	5
James Fry.....	Flint	5

with additional purchases to be made in the near future.

After the meeting Bro. Bayarsky entertained the members with his projector, showing moving pictures of the "Ice Follies of 1944," "Hollywood Ice Revue," "St. Louis Zoo" and "Here comes the Circus." After the show refreshments were served.

Chairman Boyan has appointed Bro. Pivarnick as his assistant for our forthcoming social event to be announced later. . . . Bro. Louis Campochiaro is the proud father of a baby girl. . . . Bro. Geo. Bilensky is back in our midst again, having returned to his old job in Yonkers.

BOSTON (By Leon Auerbach)—The division was saddened by the news of the sudden passing of Bro. Daniel Cantlin on February 5th. He belonged to the exclusive group of "old-timers" who had worked earnestly for the good of the division in their younger days. Though he has departed this life, his spirit will always remain with us.

Chairman Allegaert of the social committee announced the plans for the first half of the year. Immediately after the meeting on March 11th, a whist party will be held, starting around nine o'clock probably. The admission charge will be thirty cents. A movie show, consisting entirely of films relating to the deaf such as N.F.S.D. and N.A.D. conventions, scenes at Gallaudet College, etc., will be shown after the regular meeting on May 13th. Bring your sweethearts, wives and friends to the above functions.

Brethren, let's hustle and bring in new members. Explain to your friends the advantages and the protection afforded by the society. Let's join hands and bring glory to the division by being the first to fill our quota for the year. There are so many deaf persons who have not yet joined and who are missing splendid opportunity.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS. (By Isadore Zisman)—We are pleased to announce that we will hold our customary dance in May. Omitted last year, we have decided to hold this popular New England event in reply to public requests. So watch future issues of THE FRAT regarding date and place.

William Osmola will be head man at the after-meeting social on March 11 in the Hard of Hearing League Hall.

At our last meeting Treasurer Thompson reported that for the first time since he could recall, no members were in arrears. It is to be hoped that members will keep up this fine record, for now, of all times, is a poor time to let your insurance lapse.

READING (By James N. Cutler)—Your scribe thought that it was cold for the January meeting, but February was worse and a lot colder than January. The snow and ice still lay on the ground, but twenty-seven brothers braved the cold to attend the meeting, but only half as many for the afternoon social. If it was not for the ladies, we would get stuck—so our prayers are always for the ladies who are the real backbone of the brothers. Two new members were admitted and we look for a couple more at next month's meeting, so that they can be accommodated at our April second smoker. The social committee is preparing for a big crowd for the two-day Frat frolic and monster smoker, April 1 and 2, and it seems to your scribe that enough liquid refreshments have been ordered to swim in from Reading down to Philadelphia, so we will look for our Philadelphia brothers to come up in a body and

help liquidate same. A goodly number of our brothers and wives attended the Frolic in the city of brotherly love on February 5th, and we hope they will be here and overwhelm us, and we can assure everybody of a good time. This will be your last FRAT article about the frolic and smoker, this being the March issue, and the affair is just three weeks off, so please do not think it can be put off any longer. The time is now here, so get all your duds ready and come to Reading, Pennsylvania, Saturday and Sunday, the first and second days of April. We'll look for you and you and you!!!

SYRACUSE (By E. J. Berrigan)—The local division now boasts of having \$900 in war bonds by purchasing \$200 recently and helping the Grand and Subordinate Divisions reach the estimated \$500,000 to their credit. Hooray!

A goodly crowd, including many out of towners, is anticipated for a "must" date—Saturday, March 4th, at 8:30 P.M. at Larned Building. Reason: Bro. Hinchey, a staunch believer in reading advertisements, regardless of how often he reads the same old ones, came up with the announcement that he has completed arrangements with the Trico Movie Service of Baltimore (see ad, pleez) for the rental of "The Hidden Treasure" for the said date.

The St. Patrick's Party will be held on March 18, to be engineered by Bro. Youngs at the same old hideout as usual.

NEWARK (By O. W. McInturff)—At the meeting, February 5, it was announced Ben Kahn's committee plans a card, parchesi and chow-mein party on April 1. As negotiations for hiring a hall had not been completed, we are not able to give name of place where party will be held.

We learned that our five times president of Division 42, Bernard L. Doyle, had been elected president of Newark Silent Club for 1944. He is still active in our division, being chairman of the Board of Trustees. The retiring president of Newark Silent Club is our brother, Frank Parella. Also on the roster of officers of that club is another brother, Alfred Shaw, who is on the Board of Trustees.

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Chicago Division No. 1

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April 29

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RICHMOND (L. R. Wickline)—There was a large gathering at the dance the division held Saturday Feb. 5. A large profit was made, and enough donations were collected in the Bond Rally to buy a \$50.00 bond. Maurice Graham took moving pictures of parts of the dance and the floor show. In April he expects to come to Richmond to show these and other movies.

March 4 another social will be held. It will be a card party, but also a new game will be played. This social is in charge of Bro. Martin.

MONHATTAN (By D. A. Davidowitz)—All we eat, sleep, and drink is our coming National Basketball Tournament of Champions to be held on March 18. With Buffalo, Hartford, Trenton, and a New York team yet to be selected, New Yorkers are wondering who will be the champ. Twelve teams applied for participation, but curtailment of travel hampered final arrangements, Chicago and Pittsburgh being two distant teams wishing to enter. The committee had a real job selecting the teams, and went on discussing means to eliminate a bottleneck of games . . . meaning that as soon as the Japs and Huns have been put on the scrap pile, No. 87 will begin its own postwar plans to bring as many teams as possible together for a real national jamboree of sports . . . A two-day meeting will be the offering in the future, providing the clubs playing are willing to play for sport.

Some of the younger members of Manhattan Division plan to turn up a new idea every time one is accomplished. Right now several are nursing some humdingers along, waiting until the National Tournament is over. Metropolitan pleasure seekers will be getting a year 'round dose of novel good times from us . . . and boy think! what times!!

Bro. Nichols from the "Smoky City" (Pitt.) is living in our part of the country, and he enjoyed our February meeting.

As an additional attraction, "Y" Director R. Kern has arranged for a floor show to be given on March 18, in connection with our regular *four games* during the afternoon and evening. Sixteen young ladies will give a Mexican Dance, costumes and all, followed by an Indian Club exhibition of sixteen young men. The finale will have three "fire-club" swingers, giving a blazing show.

BERKELEY-OAKLAND (By Lester Naftaly)—In our February meeting, the President instructed the Secretary to write to all new members to attend the March meeting to take their oath of initiation. Hope the Brothers will notice this request and respond to the call cooperatively.

The date for our Spring dance has been set as May 13, 1944, so look for the program through our Aux-Frats, or any other source.

Plans have been started for our 24th Anniversary Banquet at a certain hotel sometime in June. Harry Jacobs will have the responsibility to make this affair a success. Further developments of this banquet will be announced

to our members later on, and this will apply only to Fraters and their wives.

BALTIMORE (A. A. Hajna)—On April 15, our Division will celebrate the 30th anniversary of the founding of our lodge by holding a banquet at the Lord Baltimore Hotel. A dance and a gala floor show will follow afterwards. The banquet will start at 7:00 P.M., but guests should come to Lord Calvert Room before 7:00 P.M., in order to find the number of tables reserved for them. Those who have not yet made reservations but would like to, better consult the chairman, Bro. McCall, or one of his committee, Bros. Wriede and Kauffman, for choice reservations. Price of the banquet ticket is \$3.50 per person. A good time is promised one and all. So come you all and join in our happy celebration!

PHILADELPHIA (By H. J. Cusack)—The annual Frat Frolic came off on schedule and it was the best ever. In fact it was a record-breaking achievement, both in numbers and the profits realized. We weren't in on the counting of the shekels, but we can safely say that Treasurer Stern will deposit a sizeable sum. The committee, headed by Bro. Manieri, heavy-scoring forward of the SAC basketball team, deserves all the praise that has been bestowed upon it. It seemed the world and his brother were there. Among the multitude we espied Bros. Schenck and C. Hoshauer from Reading, Mitchell from Millersburg, representatives from the various New York divisions, and a party of 20 from Bridgeport, Conn., headed by the Brothers Bakos.

At our last meeting two applications were acted upon—Andrew Knottok and James Stern, the latter the youngest son of our Treasurer. This brings our father-son combination up to three. The others are Bros. D. Singerman and John Allen.

CHICAGO DIVISION NO. 106 (P. J. Livshis)—We lost one more member in the same month of December, Brother James O'Brien, through death due to cancer of the stomach, on the 24th. When he knew what was coming he requested his wife not to forget to put in his coat lapel the gold emblem of the society. It was touching, since by nature he was a solitary fellow, and this explicit request brightened it up with the memory of fellowship.

Earl Nelson was called back to the night work at the Chicago Daily News as a line operator. It did not daunt him as far as the division interests are concerned. Immediately he let it be known that he has planned to invite the division to a party in the basement of his home some Wednesday night, perhaps in April, as it is his day off, and the proceeds thereof are to go to the Chicago Golden Jubilee Convention Fund. In minor matters Jule Guthman will sub for him in convention work.

Our attendance has improved, perhaps due to the decision of the division to send postal notices since last month. They are giving it six months' trial.

DANVILLE (By Chas. A. Thomas)—Daniel Middleton, who recently transferred from Louisville Division, was appointed chairman of the Valentine Party to be held in Danville, February 19. Dan is a real hustler and a good sport and a good mixer, so don't be surprised if many a so-called broken heart is mended during his party.

Fayette Baker, stereotyper on the Danville Daily Messenger, was appointed assistant to the delegate fund chairman. He has ways and means of emptying our pockets of that glistening silver coin and he has promised to send the next delegate to the National convention with plenty to spend.

Bligh Beauchamp, who has been residing in Louisville for several months, has returned to his home in Danville, awaiting the opening of the Kentucky school for the Deaf, where he is employed.

Lawrence Glass of Summer Shade, Ky., was a guest of friends in Danville for about ten days. He reported that his tobacco crop brought in a pocket full, and is out to repeat his big success in farming this year.

Thelbert Pearson was appointed chairman of the St. Patrick's party to be held here in March. He has not set a date for the party as yet, but we can rely on him to furnish an everlasting good time.

Our division is all out to help win this war. It has voted to buy another hundred dollar War Bond and more will be bought as time goes on.

PORTLAND, ORE. (By W. B. Fritch)—Noting that the December 4th meeting was election day, 54 members, second largest attendance of 1943, attended the meeting. Harold Skalicky is the new president. After 8 years of faithful service as treasurer, Miles Sanders decided to take a good rest and let the burden fall on the shoulders of Willis Van Roekel.

Our New Year's Eve party attracted a large crowd with many out-of-town members present. Apparently everyone had an enjoyable evening. Congratulations were extended chairman Howard Taylor and committee for making this one of the most successful events of the past year.

Our division is looking forward pleasantly to our annual smoker to be held April 1. Our ace chairman, Frank Amann and Cortland Greenwald will no doubt make it one of the best the division has had in many a year.

TORONTO (By J. F. Gotthelf)—Six applications for membership were considered at our February meeting, mostly from the far western provinces and Quebec province. There are signs that more new members may soon be recruited in Ontario, Brother Maitre of Windsor having shown an ambition to be another Peikoff in going-getting-'em. That is the stuff, Ernest.

The salaries of the treasurer and the secretary have been increased, because of more work resulting from a much greater membership roll—we look after the equivalent of three divisions existing in eastern and western provinces, besides our own large Ontario following.

As March will usher the 20th anniversary of our division's existence we have decided to have a banquet, probably some time in the fall, to celebrate it. The entertainment committee of George Corbett, chairman; John Crossen, John Richardson, Wallace Nahrang and Robert Pierce, has been entrusted with the plans for this banquet, which will be open to all.

Peter Topilka, Thomas Lonergan and Patrick O'Brien have been transferred to Montreal division, and George Traini has been transferred to Hamilton division.

On January 19 Sir William Mulock of Toronto, who was instrumental years ago in mak-



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ing post-office clerical positions available to the deaf, celebrated his 100th birthday, and we sent him a telegram of warm appreciation and affectionate greetings on the rare event. Sir William wrote us a warm and grateful note of acknowledgment. King George VI of England sent his personal congratulations to him, the oldest member on the Privy Council. Prime Minister King of Canada came from Ottawa to have breakfast with Sir William in the latter's Victorian mansion. Messages from all parts of the world came to him. It is characteristic of the Grand Old Man of Ontario—one of the most distinguished and most revered figures in Canadian history—to be kindly and helpful towards the deaf. He will be remembered by many American delegates as having opened the 1939 convention of our society in Toronto. That Sir William is still in possession of his faculties was indicated by the fact that on the day before his centennial birthday he was at the University of Toronto, of which he is the chancellor, bestowing an honorary degree on Crown Prince Olaf of Norway.

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BROOKLYN (Al. Fleischman)—No. 23 is to enter the Membership Derby with a bang. Individual competition has begun and is great, and five dark horses (Bro. Berch included) have taken command of the go-getting opportunity. At the February meeting, five new members were brought up for approval, and from what we hear there are plenty more in the bag for each month. The battle is on in Brooklyn, peace terms won't be signed till the end of the derby, and the field is wide open for you—you—you! A new member gotten by you does not only mean back slapping or duty done, there is also a cash prize of \$10 for every block of five. So go to it, grab whatever you can, bring home the bacon to double our quota and keep the good go-getting honors in Brooklyn!

The 35th Annual Ball and Entertainment sponsored by our division on Lincoln's Birthday can't go unmentioned. Chairman Frank Fischer has proved himself an excellent ball commander. We advertised the Ball as the "Nite of Nites" and it surely was. Who would deny that? The box office recorded a steady inflow of some 1000 patrons. The gaiety and entertainment took place in the grand ballroom of Manhattan Center and the tunes of a jazz-playing band and the floor show given by professional entertainers who perform along Broadway enlivened the evening to make us forget our woes, gloom, and worries. A dancing contest was held, and together with prizes, plenty of \$\$\$ were distributed. Brooklyn Fraters were hosts to numerous brother fraters and their wives from various divisions in and out of New York, and their get-together was a pleasant occasion. Our Balls have become an annual tradition and a watchword all along the eastern states and to several westerns to. Brooklyn Division enjoyed your company and extends to you a cordial invitation to call again.

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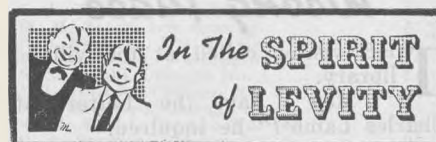
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War Bonds

OUR Divisions have come through with \$50,-625.00 in war bonds, bringing the society's total to \$500,625.00. Keep right on.

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Sioux Falls No. 74.....	100.00
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Binghamton Auxiliary.....	100.00
Des Moines No. 77.....	100.00
Indianapolis Auxiliary.....	100.00
Eau Claire No. 111.....	100.00
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New Haven No. 25.....	100.00
San Francisco Auxiliary.....	100.00
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Vancouver No. 113.....	75.00
Boston No. 35.....	75.00
Jersey City No. 91.....	75.00
Olathe No. 14.....	50.00
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San Diego No. 110.....	50.00
Memphis No. 38.....	50.00
Faribault Auxiliary.....	50.00
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Suitor: "Darling, how can I ever leave you?"

Father (shouting downstairs): "Bus, train, or taxi cab."

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The cavalry recruit was told to bridle and saddle his horse. Ten minutes later the sergeant came along and found the recruit standing in front of the horse with the bit in his hands.

"What's the matter with you?" he roared.

"I'm waiting until he yawns," replied the recruit.

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Salesman: "Here is a very nice pistol, lady. It shoots 9 times."

Fair customer: "Say, what do you think I am, a polygamist?"

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Dad took little Joey to see the governor ride by in a parade.

"Who are all those men on motorcycles around the governor?" Joey wanted to know.

"They are policemen," replied Dad.

"They are?" said Joey in surprise.

"What did the governor do?"

* * *

"My husband plays tennis, swims and goes in for physical exercise. Does your husband take any regular exercise?"

"Well, last week he was out seven nights running."

John: "My brother is a haberdasher for a railroad."

Joe: "What does he do?"

John: "He has charge of the ties."

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"I don't often eat such a sumptuous dinner as I've had today," complimented the important guest.

And the small son of the family piped up: "We don't either."

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"Grandma, if I was invited out to dinner somewhere, should I eat my pie with a fork?"

"Certainly, Vernon."

"You haven't got a piece of pie in the house that I could practice on, have you, Grandma?"

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Wrong Place

THE visitor called at the village library.

"May I have the 'Letters of Charles Lamb'?" he inquired.

"You're in the wrong building, Mr. Lamb," said the new clerk pleasantly. "The post office is across the street."

Still Waiting

BECAUSE she listened to BBC broadcasts from London, an old Dutch woman was arrested and brought before a Nazi court.

"Why did you tune in on an English program?" queried the judge.

"Ah, but your honor," she responded, "Hitler promised us that he would be in London in October, 1940. Since then, I have been listening each day. I would not wish to miss der fuehrer."

ENGAGEMENTS

Donald Cox, Kitchener, Ont., and Lillian Barber, Galt, Ont. (Erroneously listed in January Frat as married).

Maynard Koppenhaver, Philadelphia, Pa., and Naomi Kemmerer, Allentown, Pa.

Carmello Di Chiaro, Milwaukee, Wis., and Vivian Quamm, Racine, Wis.

Arthur Hinks, Milwaukee, Wis., and Gertie Dittes, Sheboygan Falls, Wis.

Edward Van Dusen and Violet Fidler, both of Milwaukee, Wis.

Marrison Hedden and Marguerite Baker, both of Akron, Ohio.

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—Hearth Songs.

NEW MEMBERS

CHICAGO NO. 1—John Alberti, George Majha, Stanley Pranwick, Woodrow Davis.

LOUISVILLE NO. 4—Gaylord Letcher, Robert Stanley.

NASHVILLE NO. 12—Frank White.

FLINT NO. 15—Glenn Cushman.

CLEVELAND NO. 21—Charles Brooke, Hoyt Jones, Dick Petkovich, Salvatore Santangelo, Marvin Stitt, Biagio Travarca, Jr., Salvatore Travarca, Frank Pecek, Jr., Donald Patterson.

INDIANAPOLIS NO. 22—Russell Evans, John Graham, Billy Butts.

BROOKLYN NO. 23—Irving Kaplan, William Sillyman, Isadore Sparaga.

ST. LOUIS NO. 24—George Guion, Jr. (Social member).

NEW HAVEN NO. 25—Raymond Holmberg, Raymond Hodson.

LOS ANGELES NO. 27—Frank Scolaro, Milton Wilson.

ATLANTA NO. 28—Joseph Bertoni.

PHILADELPHIA NO. 30—James Stern, Andrew Knott.

BUFFALO NO. 40—John Starczewski.

NEWARK NO. 42—Albert Levy.

PROVIDENCE NO. 43—James Bains.

WASHINGTON NO. 46—Paul Baldrige, Earl Elkins, Thomas Fishler, William James, Robert Kleberg, Lyle Martensen, Charles Pollock, Lyle Wiltse, Woodrow Zimmerman, Charles Boyd.

ALBANY NO. 51—Adelbert Cleaveland, Henry Hoffman.

ROCHESTER NO. 52—David Batzold, Arthur Geyer.

AKRON NO. 55—Harold Tritt.

ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS—Edwin Olson.

DALLAS NO. 63—Marcellus Kleberg.

RICHMOND NO. 83—Bascom Blevins, Willie Harris, Ralph Kiser, Fred Norman, Melvin Crews, Jr., Wilbert Oakley.

JERSEY CITY NO. 91—Frank Candela.

TORONTO NO. 98—Remi De Backer, William Scott, Henry Ewasuk, Albert Quintin, James Hayward (Social).

DULUTH NO. 99—Elton Platte, Felix Rutkowski.

CHICAGO NO. 106—Freeman Davis.

WILKINSBURG NO. 109—Leland Frank.

SAN DIEGO NO. 110—James Bentley, Avice McCallon.

SULPHUR NO. 112—Thomas Stokes.

WESTCHESTER NO. 114—Fred Byrge, Ernest Pippin, Donato Stangarone, Bela Pivarnick.

COLORADO SPRINGS NO. 126—Bennie Dietz.

THE GET-ONE DEGREE

CHICAGO NO. 1—Sam Golin (2), Joseph Miller.

LOUISVILLE NO. 4—Joseph Balasa, Burnam Noe.

NASHVILLE NO. 12—Byron Boyd.

FLINT NO. 15—James Fry.

CLEVELAND NO. 21—Abe Saslaw (8), Wroth Hetzler.

INDIANAPOLIS NO. 22—Arthur Norris, Harold Stauffer (2).

BROOKLYN NO. 23—David Berch (2), Joseph Call.

NEW HAVEN NO. 25—Martin Marcinko, Curtis Caulkins.

LOS ANGELES NO. 27—Thomas O. Elliott (2).

ATLANTA NO. 28—Leonard Dickerson.

PHILADELPHIA NO. 30—Sylvan Stern, Hugh Cusack.

BUFFALO NO. 40—Russell Martina.

NEWARK NO. 42—David Berch.

PROVIDENCE NO. 43—Vincent Mendillo.

WASHINGTON NO. 46—Gunnar Rath (8), Wallace Edington, Robert Hopkins.

ALBANY NO. 51—Peter Corrigan, Edward Schuyler.

ROCHESTER NO. 52—Glenn Samuelson (2).

AKRON NO. 55—Wroth Hetzler.

ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS NO. 61—Fred McNabb.

DALLAS NO. 63—William Bruns.

RICHMOND NO. 83—Thomas Cherry, Jr. (4), Obie Nunn, Meade Dalton.

JERSEY CITY NO. 91—Joseph Bruno.

TORONTO NO. 98—Joseph Rosnick (2), Charles White (2).

DULUTH NO. 99—Carl Magnuson (2).

WILKINSBURG NO. 109—Lawrence Frank.

SAN DIEGO NO. 110—Theodore Law, Leonard Cartwright.

SULPHUR NO. 112—Eldon Davis.

WESTCHESTER NO. 114—Joseph Boyan (3), George Rawlston.

COLORADO SPRINGS NO. 126—Fred Gustafson.

COME BACKS

BROOKLYN NO. 23—Edward Kirwin.

TORONTO NO. 98—Lucien Lefebure.

CHICAGO NO. 106—Milton Moskow.

MEMBERSHIP QUOTAS—1944

GIVEN below is the quota of new members each Division is expected to get during 1944. Every Division is urged to complete its quota.

DIVISION	1944 Quota	New Members
Chicago No. 1	50	9
Detroit	30	1
Saginaw	10	
Louisville	10	7
Little Rock	10	
Dayton	10	
Cincinnati	20	
Nashville	10	1
Olathe	10	
Flint	20	7
Toledo	20	2
Milwaukee	20	2
Columbus	30	4
Knoxville	10	
Cleveland	20	17
Indianapolis	30	8
Brooklyn	50	4
St. Louis	30	1
New Haven	10	2
Holyoke	10	
Los Angeles	30	2
Atlanta	10	4
Philadelphia	30	4
Kansas City	20	4
Omaha	10	
New Orleans	10	1
Kalamazoo	10	
Boston	30	4
Pittsburgh	20	6
Hartford	10	
Memphis	10	2
Portland, Me.	10	2
Buffalo	10	2
Portland, Ore.	10	
Newark	10	1
Providence	10	1
Seattle	10	5
Utica	10	2
Washington	20	21
Baltimore	20	
Syracuse	10	
Cedar Rapids	10	
Albany	10	3
Rochester	10	2
San Francisco	10	
Reading	20	3
Akron	30	1
Salt Lake City	10	2
Rockford	10	1
Springfield, Ill.	10	2
Davenport	10	
Worcester	10	1
St. Paul-Minneapolis	20	4
Fort Worth	20	
Dallas	20	2
Denver	10	
Waterbury	10	
Springfield, Mass.	10	
Bangor	10	
Sioux Falls	10	1
Wichita	10	1
Spokane	10	1
Des Moines	10	
Lowell	10	1
Berkeley-Oakland	10	10
Delavan	10	
Houston	10	
Scranton	10	
Richmond	10	6
Johnstown	10	
Manhattan	30	1
Jacksonville	10	1
Peoria	10	1
Jersey City	10	4
Bronx	10	
Columbia	10	
Charlotte	10	
Durham	10	1
Grand Rapids	10	
Toronto	20	21
Duluth	10	3
Canton	10	1
Faribault	10	
Council Bluffs	10	
Fort Wayne	10	6
Schenectady	10	
Chicago No. 106	10	4
Binghamton	10	
Wilkinsburg	10	2
San Diego	10	2
Eau Claire	10	1
Sulphur	10	2
Vancouver	10	
Westchester	10	4
Queens	10	
Hollywood	10	2
Hamilton	10	
Kitchener	10	
Trenton	10	
Danville	10	4
Colorado Springs	10	1

JANUARY COLLECTIONS

Grand Division.....	\$ 32.96
Chicago No. 1.....	894.76
Detroit.....	328.43
Saginaw.....	29.73
Louisville.....	117.28
Little Rock.....	207.39
Dayton.....	154.66
Cincinnati.....	223.46
Nashville.....	62.88
Olathe.....	119.90
Flint.....	200.57
Toledo.....	295.14
Milwaukee.....	271.56
Columbus.....	261.71
Knoxville.....	117.88
Cleveland.....	348.47
Indianapolis.....	460.89
Brooklyn.....	1,066.06
St. Louis.....	426.25
New Haven.....	63.75
Holyoke.....	71.87
Los Angeles.....	394.85
Atlanta.....	213.19
Philadelphia.....	586.58
Kansas City.....	248.64
Omaha.....	200.23
New Orleans.....	264.89
Kalamazoo.....	35.23
Boston.....	439.89
Pittsburgh.....	236.77
Hartford.....	93.73
Memphis.....	226.10
Portland, Me.....	162.58
Buffalo.....	119.92
Portland, Ore.....	282.39
Newark.....	80.46
Providence.....	105.14
Seattle.....	186.17
Utica.....	165.59
Washington.....	292.08
Baltimore.....	285.97
Syracuse.....	70.75
Cedar Rapids.....	68.05
Albany.....	53.68
Rochester.....	227.15
San Francisco.....	77.78
Reading.....	331.02
Akron.....	883.16
Salt Lake City.....	85.60
Rockford.....	161.29
Springfield, Ill.....	137.75
Davenport.....	68.19
Worcester.....	84.81
St. Paul-Minneapolis.....	240.39
Fort Worth.....	123.13
Dallas.....	289.34
Denver.....	106.85
Waterbury.....	66.53
Springfield, Mass.....	127.75
Bangor.....	58.74
Birmingham.....	178.78
Sioux Falls.....	88.83
Wichita.....	170.76
Spokane.....	237.85
Des Moines.....	132.05
Lowell.....	87.01
Berkeley-Oakland.....	403.92
Delavan.....	213.03
Houston.....	202.36
Scranton.....	84.99
Richmond.....	181.23
Johnstown.....	84.37
Manhattan.....	357.99
Jacksonville.....	76.56
Peoria.....	44.67
Jersey City.....	103.76
Bronx.....	133.72
Columbia.....	98.56
Charlotte.....	117.83
Durham.....	155.62
Grand Rapids.....	105.89
Toronto.....	638.33
Duluth.....	133.16
Canton.....	33.64
Faribault.....	117.78
Council Bluffs.....	89.06
Fort Wayne.....	79.87
Schenectady.....	31.91
Chicago No. 106.....	373.74
Binghamton.....	119.79
Wilkesburg.....	154.21
San Diego.....	22.65
Eau Claire.....	100.73
Sulphur.....	175.19
Vancouver.....	89.23
Westchester.....	152.76
Queens.....	45.76
Montreal.....	72.00
Hollywood.....	98.54
Hamilton.....	30.31
Kitchener.....	24.78
Trenton.....	59.85
Danville.....	360.61
Colorado Springs.....	50.76
Total collections.....	\$19,942.40

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR
JANUARY, 1944

Balance and Income	
Balance, Dec. 31, 1943.....	\$2,648,805.43
Division collections.....	19,942.40
Interest.....	5,663.72
Rents.....	3,985.42
Escrow deposits.....	3,393.74
Liquidation of lien.....	25.00
Income tax withheld.....	170.05
Mortgage fees.....	50.00
Refund, real estate operating exp.....	129.95
Social security tax withheld.....	15.95
Lodge supplies.....	27.60
Recording fees.....	26.00
Subscriptions to The Frat.....	3.50
Refund, printing and stationery.....	1.50
Total balance and income.....	\$2,682,240.26
Disbursements	
Death benefits.....	\$ 6,444.00
Sick benefits.....	1,710.00
Accident benefits.....	380.00
Old-age income payments.....	86.66
Class F monthly income payments.....	12.50
Liquidation of lien.....	25.00
Refund of dues.....	.25
Convention expenses.....	172.65
Escrow withdrawal.....	86.29
Clerical services.....	360.00
Employees' income tax.....	172.86
Insurance Department fees.....	5.00
Lodge supplies.....	149.44
Mortgage expenses.....	75.00
Office expenses.....	185.71
Officers' and Trustees' salaries.....	929.16
Official publication.....	265.32
Social security tax.....	201.58
Postage.....	64.50
Printing and stationery.....	120.00
Property insurance premiums.....	141.80
Real estate operating expenses.....	2,100.68
Total disbursements.....	\$ 13,688.40
Recapitulation	
Balance and income.....	\$2,682,240.26
Disbursements.....	13,688.40
Balance, Jan. 31, 1944.....	\$2,668,551.86

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Ledger Assets, Jan. 31, 1944	
First mortgage loans.....	\$ 931,361.22
Bonds and stocks.....	856,401.14
Real estate.....	687,829.57
Bank deposits.....	186,947.83
Home Office equipment.....	4,860.12
Cash in society's office.....	1,152.48
Total ledger assets.....	\$2,668,551.86
Balances in Funds	
Mortuary funds.....	\$2,426,743.25
Sick and accident funds.....	161,912.03
General expense fund.....	50,952.76
Convention fund.....	18,234.75
Accumulated interest.....	5,663.72
Indemnity fund.....	5,045.35
Total in all funds.....	\$2,668,551.86

OBITUARY

DANIEL CANTLIN, 76. Entry April 1, 1914. Died Feb. 5, 1944. Certificate No. 2002-C. Boston Div. No. 35.

CHARLES M. GORDON, 61. Entry Oct. 1, 1914. Died Jan. 15, 1944. Certificate No. 2186-D. Lowell Div. No. 78.

GEORGE W. FOX, 56. Entry Jan. 2, 1918. Died Jan. 17, 1944. Certificate No. 3785-D. Columbus Div. No. 18.

AUGUST BJORKQUEST, 76. Entry Sept. 1, 1922. Died Feb. 2, 1944. Certificate No. 6275-C. Jacksonville Div. No. 88.

ROBERT E. SHAW, 49. Entry Aug. 1, 1924. Died Jan. 3, 1944. Certificate No. 7084-D. Toronto Div. No. 98.

RENE JOANNETTE, 39. Entry Feb. 1, 1933. Died Dec. 18, 1943. Certificate No. 10009-D. Montreal Div. No. 118.

WILLIAM A. NELSON, 85. Entry Aug. 9, 1919. Died Dec. 20, 1943. Social member Davenport Div. No. 59.

MARRIAGES

Oct. 23—Clifford Isham, Kenosha, Wis., and Joyce Van Kammen.

Nov. 26—Robert Sampson, Stamford, Conn., and Miss Mehorn, Akron, O.

Dec. 4—Joseph Sorrentino and Rose Mullins, both of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Jan. 23—Anthony Cirasella, Lowell, Mass., and Catherine Hubbard, Wakefield, Mass.

Feb. 9—Willard Foreman, Baton Rouge, La., and Anna Primeaux, Abbeville, La.

Feb. 16—Richard Tanzar and Rozaline Rozin, both of Chicago, Ill.

JANUARY DISABILITY CLAIMS

N. L. Gleadow, Hamilton.....	\$ 15.00
M. M. Zenor, Los Angeles.....	30.00
R. J. Stillman, Los Angeles.....	30.00
Thomas Wood, Washington.....	10.00
F. S. Rajski, Chicago No. 1.....	50.00
J. L. Glutzer, Chicago No. 1.....	30.00
J. R. Bradford, Chicago No. 1.....	90.00
A. M. Knauf, Chicago No. 106.....	45.00
C. A. Stewart, Chicago No. 1.....	20.00
Harold Wood, Indianapolis.....	120.00
Emmett Andrews, Olathe.....	30.00
E. J. Richard, New Orleans.....	135.00
P. H. Myers, Flint.....	50.00
W. N. Bennett, Kansas City.....	35.00
I. L. Howden, Omaha.....	150.00
J. A. Pingitore, Jersey City.....	45.00
J. P. Kirby, Queens.....	30.00
Harold Goode, Manhattan.....	60.00
Irving Blumenthal, Brooklyn.....	60.00
Morris Weiner, Brooklyn.....	30.00
Louis Baker, Brooklyn.....	45.00
C. C. Dille, Akron.....	90.00
W. M. Cooper, Dayton.....	60.00
B. L. Craven, Portland, Ore.....	75.00
O. L. Clark, Scranton.....	150.00
Leland Maxwell, Memphis.....	45.00
S. H. Engene, Seattle.....	20.00
*O. N. Little, San Francisco.....	30.00
*H. R. Elliott, Baltimore.....	60.00
*David Rosen, Queens.....	150.00
*E. A. Markum, Utica.....	20.00
*J. S. Klein, Manhattan.....	30.00
*Samuel Nadler, Brooklyn.....	30.00
*Ben Beltsender, Brooklyn.....	60.00
J. W. Simcox, Peoria.....	50.00
P. S. Hadden, Little Rock.....	60.00
C. F. McCarthy, Boston.....	50.00
Total for the month.....	\$2,090.00

*Denotes accident claims.

JANUARY DEATH CLAIMS

Charles W. Belcke, Peoria.....	\$ 500.00
Norman L. Gleadow, Hamilton.....	1,000.00
*James D. O'Brien, Chicago No. 106.....	783.00
*Annis Brock, Columbus.....	179.00
*Walenty Chmielewski, Toledo.....	208.00
Arthur F. Jean, Detroit.....	1,500.00
*Daniel P. Kelly, Chicago No. 106.....	274.00
Richard I. Bruard, Delavan.....	1,000.00
Charles F. McCarthy, Boston.....	1,000.00
Total for the month.....	\$6,444.00

*Denotes paid-up benefits.

DEATHS

Oct. 27—Infant son of James Tracey, Lyon Mountain, N. Y.

Dec. 4—Lillian, wife of Axel Ljunquist, Woodhaven, N. Y.

Dec. 24—Olive, wife of Henry Brauer, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Jan. 19—Lulu, wife of Thomas Kinsella, Utica, N. Y.

Jan. 21—Esther, wife of Lee Minter, Morton, Pa.

Jan. 24—Ida May, wife of John Blaine, Washington, D. C.

Feb. 7—Winnie, wife of Dewitt Logan, Birmingham, Ala.

BIRTHS

Sept. 8—Mr. and Mrs. Troy Hill, Dallas, Tex., a girl.

Oct. 21—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Breeze, Toronto, Ont., a girl.

Nov. 13—Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Tatreau, Portland, Ore., a girl.

Nov. 15—Mr. and Mrs. John Kaufman, Portland, Ore., a boy.

Dec. 19—Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Benowitz, Brooklyn, N. Y., a girl.

Jan. 2—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lankenau, Akron, O., a girl.

Jan. 9—Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Cundy, Akron, O., a girl.

Jan. 11—Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Haley, Saugus, Mass., a boy.

Jan. 11—Mr. and Mrs. Herschel Moore, Lebanon, O., a boy.

Jan. 16—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, Moss Point, Miss., a girl.

Jan. 18—Mr. and Mrs. Michael Mamula, Dayton, O., a boy.

Jan. 18—Mr. and Mrs. Steedley Cauthen, Talladega, Ala., a girl.

Jan. 20—Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bueltemann, Chicago, Ill., a boy.

Jan. 21—Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Brownlow, Portland, Ore., a girl.

Jan. 23—Mr. and Mrs. Francis Sevier, Beaumont, Tex., a boy.

Jan. 26—Mr. and Mrs. Everett Winters, Omaha, Nebr., a boy.

Jan. 27—Mr. and Mrs. Sam. Johnson, Houston, Tex., a girl.

Feb. 4—Mr. and Mrs. Morris Wilkinson, Moss Point, Miss., a boy.

Feb. 13—Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Deitch, Chicago, Ill., a boy.

National Fraternal Society of the Deaf

GRAND DIVISION OFFICERS: President, Arthur L. Roberts, 433 So. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.; 1st Vice Pres. Frederick J. Neesam, 130 S. Third St., Delavan, Wis.; 2nd Vice Pres., David Peikoff, 923 Avenue Road, Toronto, Can.; 3rd Vice Pres., Sam B. Rittenberg, 1525-36th Place, North, Birmingham, Ala.; 4th Vice Pres., Foster D. Gilbert, 3111 Ivy St., Los Angeles, Calif.; Secretary-Treasurer, Charles B. Kemp, 433 So. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.; Asst. Secretary-Treasurer, L. S. Cherry, 433 So. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.; Trustees: George F. Flick, Harrison M. Leiter, Washington Barrow, 433 So. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.

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

Objects

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

Death, Sick and Accident Benefits

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

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

Safeguards

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

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

Cost of Joining

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

How to Join

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

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

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

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

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

SICKNESS AND ACCIDENT BENEFITS AND RATES

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

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

MONTHLY NET RATES FOR DEATH BENEFITS

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

Rates per \$1000 of Death Benefit Certificate

Entry Age	CLASS G Whole Life	CLASS H 20-Pay Life	CLASS I Income at 65
18	\$1.25	\$2.09	\$1.65
19	1.27	2.12	1.69
20	1.30	2.15	1.74
21	1.33	2.18	1.79
22	1.36	2.21	1.85
23	1.39	2.25	1.91
24	1.42	2.29	1.97
25	1.46	2.32	2.03
26	1.50	2.36	2.10
27	1.53	2.40	2.18
28	1.57	2.44	2.26
29	1.62	2.49	2.34
30	1.66	2.53	2.43
31	1.71	2.58	2.52
32	1.76	2.63	2.62
33	1.81	2.68	2.73
34	1.86	2.73	2.85
35	1.92	2.78	2.97
36	1.98	2.84	3.11
37	2.05	2.90	3.25
38	2.12	2.96	3.41
39	2.19	3.02	3.60
40	2.26	3.09	3.78
41	2.35	3.16	3.97
42	2.43	3.24	4.18
43	2.52	3.32	4.41
44	2.62	3.40	4.67
45	2.73	3.49	4.95
46	2.84	3.58	5.26
47	2.96	3.68	5.61
48	3.08	3.79	6.01
49	3.21	3.90	6.45
50	3.36	4.02	6.95
51	3.51	4.14	7.52
52	3.67	4.28	8.18
53	3.84	4.42	8.95
54	4.03	4.57	9.86
55	4.22	4.74	10.95

Rate for age at nearest birthday to be taken.