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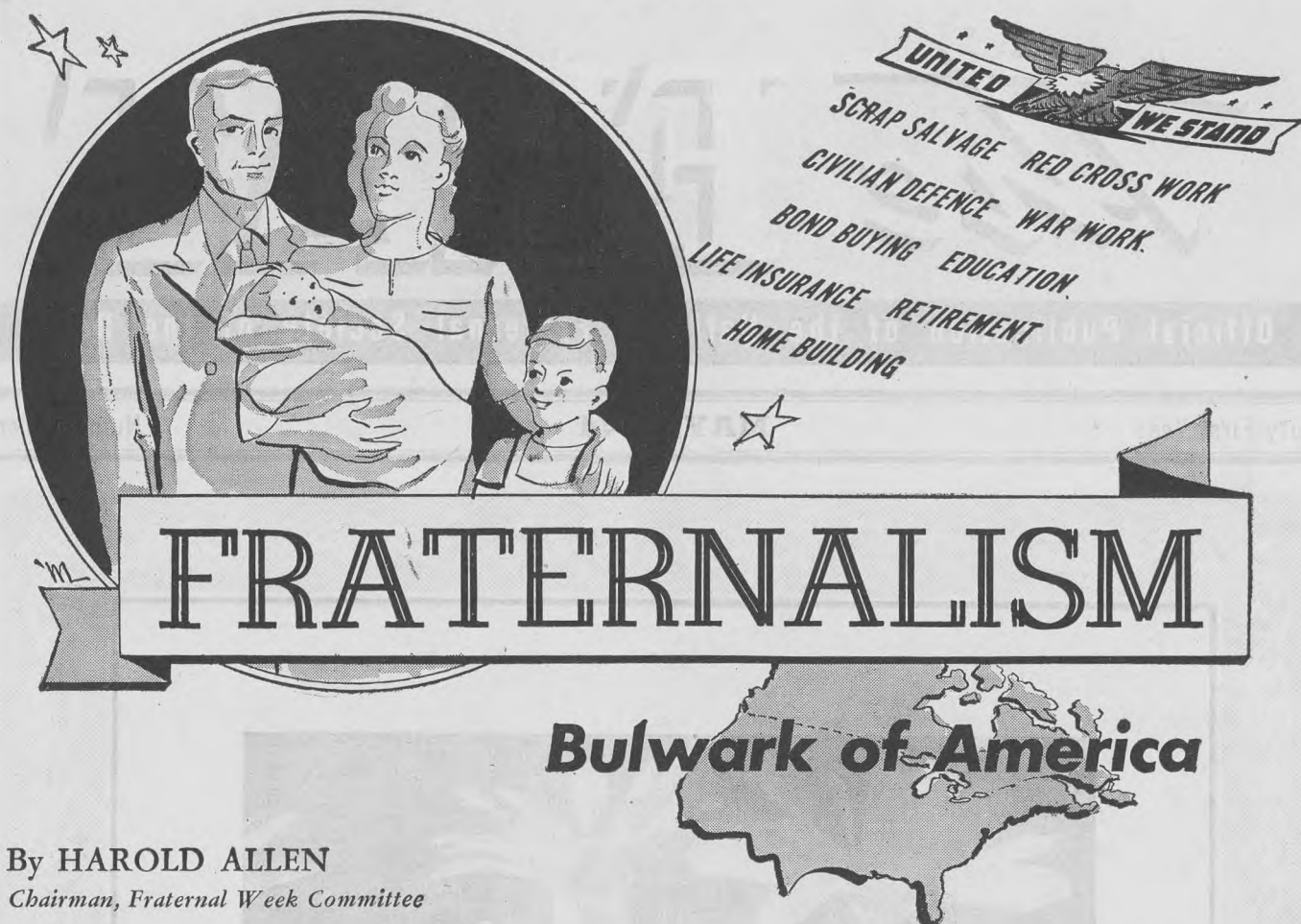
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AMERICA has been termed the melting pot of the world. How true! That soldier boy in America's front line may have a Polish accent. He may be of Greek ancestry, but to us he's an American! Probably the life-blood of more nationalities has flowed for the preservation of our country than for any other.

But somehow, somewhere, these boys, worlds apart, must have been imbued with a feeling of kinship, of sharing, of realizing that though their traditions may be widely different, their ideals, their hopes, are strangely alike. They have not been asked, for instance, to forget their ancestry, to completely close off old customs; but rather they have been encouraged to retain all of these, to cull the best of them and to merge these "bests" into one "great."

Fraternalism may well be called the melting pot of *America*. Among the fraternal benefit societies of

America, there are 62 different nationalities. Each society is a distinct group managed by its members. Some are non-sectarian. Others are confined to a certain religion, nationality or occupation, but all work together shoulder to shoulder in perfect harmony.

Those who feel the warmth and friendliness of fraternalism like to picture it as a hearth about which many men and women of twenty-six different nationalities gather. A few are leaders, others followers, but all have one common ideal—the democratic way of life. The warmth of these hearth fires has melted away any strained or ill-feeling and given all who stopped, a new conviction in their belief that all men really are created equal.

That fraternalists have been men and women of unusual fortitude can be learned by studying the early

history of fraternalism. This history has been one of romance and courage. The fraternal system is not merely a plan of life insurance. It has always meant more than that. It is an ideal which was nurtured through hundreds of years. It has been the primitive instinct of man to band together against a common foe. This trend toward unity might well have been the early signs of modern labor unions. In the 18th and 19th centuries, it was common to have fraternal societies made up of persons of one occupation. In addition to caring for the bereaved upon the death of a member, these groups cared for families during the illness of the members and through social means attempted to better the lives of each individual affiliated with their groups.

Fraternalism did not originate in America. It dates back to ancient

times in Europe, flourished in the great Friendly Societies of England, but was destined to reach its greatest heights here. This idea springing to life on the American continent three-fourths of a century ago was eventually to become the original "Social Security" of millions.

Back in its formative years, our country was settled by groups from various European nations. During the first two or three hundred years following its discovery, news of the New World spread throughout the continent of Europe. It was as a fresh sea breeze to those in whose nostrils there still lingered the stench of despotism and anarchy. It was as a cool, inviting drink to a people long thirsty for freedom. It called like a wild clarion to the adventurous. It encouraged the timid. But once the migrants arrived here, the situation took on a different aspect. Friends were difficult to find. Everything moved at a different tempo. When the provider died, the family was almost destitute. Life insurance was not available to millions, because of occupation and other reasons. So the Fraternal System came into being.

The first society was founded in 1868 by John Upchurch, it is generally accepted, although several societies have good claims to have antedated even Upchurch's organization. He believed that life insurance was a necessity for the men and women of limited means. He also noted the lack of entertainment facilities and cultural advantages. "Father John" not only had the vision of a new social era for these "Little Men" but he had the courage to see it through. Through simplified plans and greatly reduced premiums, life insurance was made available and with it lectures, libraries and a new social life. The plan was eagerly accepted and rapidly spread through the New World. Societies of a similar nature were formed. People used it as a means to learn more about their

adopted country. Illiteracy became less evident. Mingling with persons of other backgrounds, other customs, yet with one common interest did much to eliminate uncertainty in the hearts and minds of these folk. They became conscious of the fact that they were AMERICANS, a new people with new ideas and equal voice in a democratic government.

This solidification of the "Little Man," who is, as we all know, the important cog in the wheel of American industry, the man who controls the ballot box, and who is in the majority in the front line defense of his country today, was perhaps one of the most important forward steps in American history. Acting through thousands of local units, his influence on the social, economic and spiritual welfare of the Nation has been beyond measure.

This move led also to another larger union. What was more natural for these many societies who had so much in common than to unite into one large body? By uniting they could become thoroughly solvent, and could become a great unit in maintaining and encouraging true American ideals.

That they had progressed a long way in the "melting" process was evident when the leaders of the many Societies first met together. They reached an early agreement and soon the formation (1886) of the National Fraternal Congress was under way. Today it has a membership of 102 Societies representing over 6,000,000 people. There are 100,000 lodges, units or branches of Fraternal Societies scattered throughout the United States and Canada.

Fraternal Societies consistently engage in social welfare work on a vast scale. Fraternals have cared for their aged and orphans, have hospitalized their sick, have voluntarily joined every worthwhile

charitable enterprise. Pick up any newspaper today and you will find the invaluable services they are performing on the Home Front. Not the least of which is the regular purchase of War Bonds in tremendous sums. The Red Cross in many towns has found their assistance invaluable. They boast community leaders in their midst. Their Juvenile Divisions have scrap drives, do Junior Red Cross work, sell and buy War Bonds.

Yes—not many generations ago, and possibly one only, these families were English, Scotch, Germans, Greeks, Italians. Today they are AMERICANS!

Their sons—daughters—fathers—husbands—sweethearts are in the front line on foreign battlefields. They are, themselves, working in War Plants, buying War Bonds and helping in Civilian Defense.

26 different nationalities with one common bond—they are Americans!

The National Fraternal Congress is sponsoring the celebration of Fraternal Week, May 8 to 13, 1944, in the United States and Canada. The watchword of the fraternal benefit system for the week is appropriately enough, "Working for Victory; Building for Peace."

FRATERNAL WEEK
May 8-13, 1944



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

MAY, 1944

Paper Rules

UNDER the new paper rules announced by the War Production Board, THE FRAT is limited in 1944 to the number of pounds of paper stock it used in the year 1942, the base year.

With the large increase in membership during 1943, and expected this year, the ruling is pinching us somewhat. In order not to reduce the number of pages in THE FRAT, for a while at least, we have pared our mailing list down to the bone and switched from the 45-pound paper heretofore used to 35-pound paper stock, which is a little too thin for a publication without a cover, such as ours.

However, we are glad to do this if it will help in the war effort. It may become necessary later in the year to reduce the number of pages to 8, at least temporarily, in order not to exceed our allotted poundage.

Seven Hundred

NOW is the time to speed up the membership drive in all our Divisions.

So far, during the first four months of this year, we have brought in only 311 new members.

We are counting on adding at least 1,000 new members this year. That figure being our goal, about 700 more new members must be obtained between now and December 1.

There are only seven months left.

That calls for an average of 100 a month during the remainder of the year. With the prosperity now so evident among the deaf, this should be

easy—provided everybody goes out and brings in new members.

Often at social affairs we have had young men approach us and ask for membership in the society. That must have happened to many others in like manner.

It shows that very many of our young men are only waiting to be asked to join. They want to join but do not know how to go about it.

Now let's all get busy on the job. Don't put it off until later in the year. Start now. Get a supply of application blanks from your Division secretary and use them. Always carry a few in your pockets and be ready to nail a prospect on sight.

Let's have more pep in the 1944 drive.

Deputies

IN another column will be found the list of Division Deputy Organizers who will serve for the next twelve months. Their duties begin with the publication of the list in this issue.

Deputy Organizers are appointed by the Grand President, who is also General Organizer. They are under his direction and responsible to him.

The general duty of Deputy Organizers is to supervise the recruiting of new members and to approve with their signature the applications obtained either by them or by others.

They should not approve applications of those who are unknown and who are not endorsed by some member in good standing.

If there is any doubt about a prospect, his application should be held up until a complete investigation can be made to see if he is worthy of membership.

We repeat, quality and not quantity counts in the long run. This should be remembered by everyone who is trying to build up our society.

Atlanta Calls

WE have been deluged during the past year or so with letters and telephone calls, requesting that we supply deaf workers in various places, war plants, factories, hotels, and what not.

Had we received these requests for help two or three years ago, we could have supplied a lot of workers then idle. But not now. Everybody who wants work is working. All except that well known variety of the species, the deaf racketeering peddler, who does not want to do an honest day's work if he can help it, even when we are at war and need every available person in our war plants. The honest deaf people in every town should form vigilante committees and run such gentry into jail, or into war plants.

The latest request comes from the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation in the Georgia State Department of

Education. We quote the letter in full, as received from Mr. W. H. Morris, District supervisor, with office in 131 State Office Building, Atlanta:

This Division has inaugurated a program with Bell Aircraft Corporation of Atlanta to employ male deaf mutes and hard-of-hearing.

These people will be employed as riveters on the assembly line. They should be able to read and write, and to do simple arithmetic. The ages should be sixteen to fifty, inclusive. They will train for two weeks in Atlanta at sixty-five cents (65c) per hour. After completion of this training period this rate will increase five cents (5c) per hour. Any further raises will depend entirely upon the ability of the individual. They can get to \$1.20 per hour on this particular job.

Before reporting to Atlanta they should have a clearance card from the United States Employment Office servicing their area, their birth certificate, draft classification and social security card.

We need these men badly. If you have any deaf people in your city who are interested in securing employment with Bell Aircraft and who are not employed in essential war work, have them report to the above address or contact me immediately.

Those reading this who desire to obtain work in Atlanta should heed carefully the instructions contained in the foregoing letter, and apply directly to Mr. Morris at his office address given above.

Enlightened

IN connection with the various comments in our last issue on the book, "Deafness and the Deaf in the United States," the author, Dr. Harry Best, professor of sociology in the University of Kentucky at Lexington, writes us as follows:

We may be sure that no school of social work today would propose a title for a thesis linking the deaf with certain other classes, as was the case with me many years ago.

In addition, all schools for social work have given up carrying names of "philanthropy" or "charity." This is particularly true of the present New York School of Social Work, which is one of the most enlightened in the country.

This school as well as all other schools have now quite different approaches, connotations, and terminology. They have a much clearer understanding of the situation with the deaf.

Which is fine, indeed. While our more interested hearing friends have become enlightened as to the status of the deaf, some of our own deaf people appear to be bending every effort to head us back into the dark ages when we were dubbed "asylum inmates" and classified with the feeble-minded, epileptics, et al. That is what we have been driving at.

Another Hero

THE following is clipped from the Memphis, Tennessee, *Press-Scimitar*, telling of the bravery of another son of deaf parents. Mr. Sidney L. Wallace, the elder, is a member of our Memphis Division No. 38:

Second Lt. Sidney L. Wallace Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace, 371 N. Montgomery, Memphis, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for "extraordinary achievement in aerial flights in the Mediterranean area, as bombardier of a B-17 Flying Fortress." The decoration was presented by the commanding general of the 15th Air Force.

The citation states that "on Dec. 2 while on a bombing mission over the enemy submarine base at Marseilles, France, Lt. Wallace, after causing great damage to the objective by accurate disposition of part of his bomb load, discovered that one of the bombs would not release, having been pinned down by others, and was accidentally armed and dangerous be-

cause wind from the open bomb-bay doors was causing the arming vanes to spin.

"Removing his parachute, and with only a limited supply of oxygen. Lt. Wallace made his way out on the narrow beam, in freezing weather and at a high altitude, and in danger of explosion from the slightest concussion. He straddled the open bomb-bay and succeeded in releasing the bomb, thereby saving the ship and the crew."

War Deafened

CONTINUING its efforts to provide all possible recreational and social services to war-injured veterans, the American Red Cross has obtained the services of Miss Betty C. Wright, one of the nation's outstanding pioneer social workers in the field of assistance to the deaf, it has been announced by Red Cross national headquarters.

Miss Wright, deaf herself, has been granted leave of absence from her post as executive director, American Society for the Hard of Hearing. She will act as consultant to the Red Cross on special problems of war-deafened soldiers, dividing her time between Deshon General Hospital, Butler, Pa., Hoff General Hospital in California, and Borden General Hospital in Oklahoma. These hospitals have been designated by the Army for the special care of deaf veterans.

The appointment had the full approval of Col. M. R. Mobley, who developed the Army program for treatment of soldiers whose hearing is impaired or lost in service.

Born and educated in Virginia, Miss Wright worked with the deaf in the Navy during World War I, later served an apprenticeship with the Volta Bureau in Washington, D. C., and has been with the American Society for the Hard of Hearing since 1923.

Reeducation of such veterans is one of the Army's primary concerns. It is the Army's aim, as well as that of the Red Cross supplemental service, to allay the feeling of a veteran that he is shut off from surrounding activity. Everything possible is done to prepare him for civilian life both practically and psychologically.

The Army's program, including specialized medical care, adjustment of acoustical devices, and teaching of lip reading, is supplemented by Red Cross hospital units which provide visual recreational activities and social services to the men while hospitalized. The units also assist in filing pension claims and provide information on vocational training. Families are carefully prepared through Red Cross channels for return of the handicapped.

It will be Miss Wright's aim, through the Red Cross hospital program, to bring to each deafened veteran the realization that he can be and is a productive member of society; that he has a wide choice in occupation, either immediately through the United States Employment Service or through retraining or special instruction; and that he is not shut off from activities he enjoyed before injury.—*American Red Cross.*

Deputies

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LITTLE ROCK No. 5—L. C. Shibley.
DAYTON No. 8—Michael Mamula.
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OLATHE No. 14—E. H. McIlvain.
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TOLEDO No. 16—E. M. Hetzel.
MILWAUKEE No. 17—Warren Reige.
COLUMBUS No. 18—E. J. Kennedy, A. E. Anderson.
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COLORADO SPRINGS No. 126—W. E. Cart.

War Bonds

Grand Division	\$450,000.00
Utica No. 45	3,500.00
Baltimore No. 47	3,225.00
Chicago No. 1	1,800.00
Cleveland No. 21	1,700.00
St. Paul-Minneapolis No. 61	1,600.00
Rochester No. 52	1,500.00
Westchester No. 114	1,400.00
Akron No. 55	1,200.00
Philadelphia No. 30	1,200.00
Brooklyn No. 23	1,025.00
Columbus No. 18	1,000.00
Milwaukee No. 17	1,000.00
Washington No. 46	1,000.00
Houston No. 81	1,000.00
Reading No. 54	1,000.00
Dayton No. 8	1,000.00
Cincinnati No. 10	1,000.00
Toledo No. 16	1,000.00
Syracuse No. 48	900.00
Flint No. 15	725.00
Delavan No. 80	700.00
Kansas City No. 31	700.00
Schenectady No. 105	700.00
Springfield, Mass., No. 67	600.00
Binghamton No. 108	600.00
St. Louis No. 24	600.00
Scranton No. 82	600.00
Indianapolis No. 22	600.00
Los Angeles No. 27	500.00
Chicago No. 106	500.00
Hartford No. 37	500.00
Toronto No. 98	450.00
Manhattan No. 87	400.00
Rockford No. 57	400.00
Worcester No. 60	400.00
Portland, Ore., No. 41	400.00
Wichita No. 75	400.00
New Orleans No. 33	400.00
San Francisco No. 53	400.00
Seattle No. 44	400.00
Albany No. 51	350.00
Providence No. 43	300.00
Holyoke No. 26	300.00
Omaha No. 32	300.00
Birmingham No. 73	300.00
Dallas No. 63	300.00
Detroit No. 2	300.00
Danville No. 125	300.00
Spokane No. 76	300.00
Davenport No. 59	300.00
Johnstown No. 85	250.00
Springfield, Ill., No. 58	250.00
Bronx No. 92	225.00
Peoria No. 90	200.00
Ft. Wayne No. 104	200.00
Portland, Me., No. 39	200.00
Berkeley-Oakland No. 79	200.00
Pittsburgh No. 36	200.00
Trenton No. 124	200.00
Buffalo No. 40	200.00
Louisville No. 4	200.00
Portland, Ore., Auxiliary	150.00
Duluth No. 99	150.00
Richmond No. 83	150.00
Hollywood No. 119	125.00
Nashville No. 12	125.00
Newark No. 42	100.00
Saginaw No. 3	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
Kalamazoo No. 34	100.00
Sioux Falls No. 74	100.00
Queens No. 115	100.00
Denver No. 64	100.00
Kitchener No. 121	100.00
Grand Rapids No. 97	100.00
Kansas City Auxiliary	100.00
Providence Auxiliary	100.00
Hamilton No. 120	100.00
Little Rock No. 5	100.00
Binghamton Auxiliary	100.00
Des Moines No. 77	100.00
Indianapolis Auxiliary	100.00
Eau Claire No. 111	100.00
Lowell No. 78	100.00
New Haven No. 25	100.00
San Francisco Auxiliary	100.00
Salt Lake City No. 56	100.00
Cedar Rapids No. 49	100.00
Jacksonville (Ill.) No. 88	100.00
Vancouver No. 113	75.00
Boston No. 35	75.00
Jersey City No. 91	75.00
St. Paul-Minneapolis Auxiliary	75.00
Olathe No. 14	50.00
Atlanta No. 28	50.00
San Diego No. 110	50.00
Memphis No. 38	50.00
Faribault Auxiliary	50.00
Knoxville No. 20	25.00
Wilkinsburg No. 109	25.00
Canton No. 100	25.00

THE SPOTLIGHT

By J. Frederick Meagher

FDR's son, Elliott Roosevelt, is being sued for divorce by granddaughter of our Wis. school's ex-Supt. Swiler—when Neesam was a kid. Our Grand v-p remembers her mother, Ruth Swiler, teaching Wis. She can sign well.

"MISSING IN ACTION—Lieut. Lindstrom." Pilot in bomber raid over France. Dad Gallaudet '06, veteran Oregon teacher. Our schools and college should run standing-list of casualties to offspring of alumni. Make interesting data for dummies who ask "What good am dem deaf?"

CONVENTIONS. Neb. alumni, June 3-4. Wis. state, Madison, June 16-18. Dixie ass'n, Memphis, July 11-13. Ill. state, Chicago, Oct. 21-22. Any others?

THREE div. made their yearly membership quota by April—Toronto, Wash., Berkeley-Oakland.

REMEMBER dear old Denver '27? Ohio Chron says Rocky Mts. are getting higher—gain a few inches every 1000 years. How? ... Last July's delegates rode Lake St. elevated to visit Home office. "Streetcars on stilts." Over the street: H. E. Overstreet built it, decades ago. [Note the name.] Died April 1, aged 81. ... Death of "Hank" Anderson, leaves only one past-Grand prexy of our NFSD still living. Detroit's Hellers—frater No. 1 and Grand Pres. No. 1—still "carries on" ... The good Old Guard is going fast, buddy; give 'em a glad hand while you can.

YOU must plan for your own future!

SMART men are buying farms as ideal investments for the horrible inflation—and, later, depression—they think will surely follow this Global war. I might buy a few acres myself, if on a nice little fishing stream having super-swell deaf neighbors who can play bridge and chess. Any reader know such a Heaven-on-Earth? Should be well away from principal roads, as Babson says some day mad mobs from starving cities will ravage the farms along auto routes.

MYLES the "Will-lie" truthfully warns us his 1944 baseball forecast is all guess-at-it—too many 4-F and drafted players.

AMERICAN—Chi, Cle, Wash. NY, Det. Bos, Phil, St. L, National—Pit, Cin, St. L, Chi, Bos, NY, Phila, and a club he names? ? ? ? Says "Dem Bums" will drop clear out of the league. Myles better keep away from meetings of Brooklyn 23 div. if he values his health!

AKRON Club of Deaf won first Great Lakes deaf cage title, in a six team tourney in Akron, March 25-26.

Two teams from Okron, two from Detroit, one each from Toledo and Columbus. Detroit had already upset Chicago Silents, so no team from Windy City area was invited. Maybe I should not breathe a word, but something really g-r-e-a-t in cage clashes, next year, is now on the fire. Might break by the time copy is ready for our June issue.

FRISCO's Roberts is a truthful turkey: "Yes; New Orleans' Canal St. is 170-ft. wide—including those little parks in the center, and the sidewalks; but our Market St. is 120-ft. clear." He surprises me by claiming two streets in San Francisco are now wider than the famous Market—Van Ness and Geary are 125-ft. wide. Dear old Frisco—happy memories.

ONLY deaf school to "go on the air" bi-weekly, is Arizona. Entertainment and information over Station KVOA.

ARK's ex-supt. Henderson sold his newspaper, after getting one editorial reprinted in Congressional Record. Now patriotically farms his 1300 acre plantation near Ol' Man Ribber. One thing I like about the wounded war vet—he never speaks ill of anyone ... Minnie's cute name for not-bright pupils, "God's Second Best" ... W. Va. school now teaches language only, every minute of first six weeks of each

semester. Reports vast progress ... Newspaper: "Schools are on the down-beat. Pupils know less and less about more and more; educators more interested in enrollments, surveys, teachers' credits; neglect sound disciplinary and moral training." Same trend in some of our deaf schools—especially "credits." Why pay teachers on "credits" basis—whether they really can "teach" worth two toots in Tophet? You pick your football coach on a basis of games won—not on his ability to "cram" and bark loud-mouthed alibis. The Big Three of deaf education—Hall, Bjorlee, Stevenson—are gonna climb my neck for this heresy. But facts are facts.

ANNALS announces 64 residential schools for the deaf in the U.S., with 13,730 pupils and 1,951 teachers; 118 public day-schools with 4,823 pupils and 549 teachers; 19 denominational and private schools with 1,025 pupils and 182 teachers. Total in U.S., 201 schools, 19,578 pupils, 2,682 teachers. Canada has 10 schools, 1,267 pupils, 165 teachers.

"GOD help the poor sailors on a wet and windy night." Also help the poor supts. of our deaf schools—when every few days some star buck or linesman suddenly quits the faculty. For better pay; or to have a baby; or I-don't-like-Simon Legrees; or for general cussedness; or for 99% other reasonless reasons. Quitters—bah! As Rockne said: "A winner never quits, and a quitter never wins" ... School salaries in South so low, our S.C. school starts "training teachers" by lecturers and nurses from a hospital—who know minus-zero of the teaching racket" ... Adv. in N.D. Banner: "Teachers wanted for primary, intermediate and advanced depts. A. P. Buchanan, supt."

GOOD state-booster, over long years, is Cal's Runde, the Winfield Scott. He even gets a whole page of Golden Gate hinge-oil in the Ala. Messengerboy! Free ad, too.

PRESS. Ohio's Greenmum says puffs in shop and crafts sheets will help us deaf get jobs after war. **Bakers' Helper** and **Laundry Digest** latest to praise deaf workman ... Oklahoman's annual estimate of "best" deaf papers might list N.D. Banner as best state-booster; runs crackerjack "exclusives" on that cold clime. But wonder why the everlasting line "Buy Dakota Maid Flour"? ... Seems smart editor MacFarlane of Alabama Messengerboy reads this column. Honest. Admitting Spotlight's slam for type errors, Mac retorts Spotty made couple errors, too. "Solomon didn't say 'all men are liars,' it is in Psalm 116. 'Bible states the child is father to the man' is wrong—its in Wm. Wordsworth's poem." Humm; guess we all danyanks better quit pickin' on dem Johnny Rebs, suh; dey's too all-fired smart fer we uns, honey chile. [Mac is no Johnny Reb. He is a transplanted Minnesotan.—Ed.] ... Ohio Chron runs two col. of pupils' dope on animals. One says camels complain all the time (just like us humans) and "some camels have one hump, some have two humps." News to me. Thought the one hump beast was a dromedary, not a camel.

WHAT became of "Silent" Joe Hill, and a dozen other promising deaf pugs of recent years? Wine and women get 'em down?

CHAMP—4th annual "National Deaf Clubs" tourney—Manhattan div's own pioneer pride: 1 Buffalo, 2 Hartford, 3 NYC, 4 Phila. Travel trouble, and work in war plants, kept several good teams out. Attendance 700 ... Olden sectional school tourneys are no more, so several schools now have their own state tourneys—coaxing alumni and city clubs to come play the school team for a Mad March Hare. It's fun! ... Wis. school star was a full-blooded Indian. Wis. used to take a jug of home water to tourneys; won more games than it lost ... Coach Peterson of Neb. used to feed his boys TEA, instead of milk, before a game. His Nebraska team of '31 was the only deaf team in history to win a state hi hearie tourney. Wonderful form; beat Iowa twice by 40-4 and 40-6,

that year ... Iowa's two-month pupil ping-pong tourney had 76 entries. "An athletic contest is only a game—not a matter of life or death for either player, coach, official, fan, community, state or Nation," says Ind. sports authority. Right; yet we like to play—pretend it is—like kiddies play with toy soldiers, or adults inwardly live again their vanished dreams when viewing screen romances.

MINN's great deaf poet, Jimmie Bowen, died March 21, aged 71.

Minn. lost three real aces in quick succession—Dr. James Smith, Vjctor Spence, Bowen. Smith willed ten shares of good stock to the Minn. ass'n. ... "This will blot your ink, but only repentance will blot out your sins," says blotter from Gospel Witness to the Deaf, P.O. Box 282, Minneapolis, Minn. Anybody know if this is on the up and up—or just another crooked racket? Akron saw several deaf rack-ets in last war ... Come to think of it, how did those Swedes know I am a sinner? I pretended to be such a goody-goody when visiting there ... Edna Baynes: "Meagher's obit will say: 'The only thing good about him was his wife'."

AIRPLANES started about same time as our frat; today they fly 18-cylinder 2200-horsepower engines, and we have some 10,000 members.

AIR RECORDS. Germany's Richtofen shot down 80 planes; France's Fonck 75; our Rickenbacker 26. Are those Germans just lucky, or are they better natural-warriors? And if better warriors, how come so few Germans have flashed to fame in the prize-fight racket? ... Air-raid refugees safe? 18,000 women and children in Hamburg took refuge in tunnel under river Elbe. British bomb hit river right over tunnel; all 18,000 drowned ... "Sunlight penetrates water only a few hundred feet; bulk of ocean is black."—JOD. If you ever dived down some 15-ft. you'd know it is 50% black there, already. Never dared to dive deeper, but reckon 50 to 75 feet sees utter blackness. Hey, Roller or Clem Dillenschneider or somebody—can you experts give exact figures?

WONDER why sound travels faster on a hot day than in cold weather? Why do ships travel faster in cold water than in warm water? Why do Alaskan blackfish, frozen in ice, swim happily away when ice melts?

WHO really invented printing? Ruins in Asia reveal a block-printed Chinese book dated 868 A.D. Japs claim printing there in 770 A.D. Why do we go to school to learn a lot of "facts" we have to "Ripley," later? ... Some of our smart fraters have weird idea if we go Socialist or Communist, we can all live without working. Who is gonna feed us food? ... Republics of South America met in Montevideo, 1886, to become a United Nation like our U.S. Fire broke up the meeting, and nothing came of it ... Democrats have elected 8 presidents; Republicans 11 ... 1944 sees more women than men in America for first time in history. Our grandpops on the plains used to marry 3 or 4 wives; kill them with hard work. Today, women outlive us men. That's why wise girls demand their menfolks join our frat—a penniless widow is sure up against it! ... In New Boston, Texas, the jailors turn lose one prisoner daily—to give the bloodhounds exercise. Each prisoner is promised freedom if he gets away—but only one man has escaped in 14 years ... 60th anniversary issue of Inland Printer—the gospel of typos—mentions deaf experts ... U.S. reports six citizens killed by wolves in '35. (Not the kind of "wolves" who whistle at the girls on street corners.)

WHY does Gallaudet college name the girls' dorm "Sophia Fowler Hall"?

Sophia Fowler was deaf pupil of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet—founder of first permanent school for deaf in America, 1817. He married her. Youngest of their eight children was Edward Miner Gallaudet, who founded what is now Gallaudet college, in 1864, under Abe Lincoln. EMG hired his famous mother as matron of Gallaudet for its first six years.

WHAT'S world's punkest hemisphere?

ANTARCTIA—5,000,000 square miles, twice the size of Australia. Plateau 6000-ft. high; mountains 7000-ft. higher—including South Pole. Glaciers of moving ice, end to end. Windy snow-storms day and night; no soil—so nothing grows. No people or animals live there. Good place to send Tattle-bum for giving me a loaded cigar at last July's convention, isn't it?

News from the



Divisions

MAY

6. Social	Wichita
6. Social	Denver
6. Smoker	Worcester
6. May day social	Akron
6. Movie night	Albany
6. Social	Washington
6. Social	Hartford
6. "Eroc-Min" social	Waterbury
6. Social	Utica
6. Bingo	New Haven
6. Leap year ball	Buffalo
6. Card party	Richmond
6. Frat party	Des Moines
7. Box social	Fort Wayne
13. Spring dance	Berkeley-Oakland
13. Movie show	Boston
13. Smoker	Portland, Me.
13. Social	Salt Lake City
13. Social	Grand Rapids
13. Social	Dayton
13. Social	Cedar Rapids
13. After meeting social	Cincinnati
13. Box social	Rockford
13. Social	Schenectady
14. Lecture	Reading
20. Party	Knoxville
20. Social	Danville
20. Play	Baltimore
20. Whist social	Holyoke
20. May frolic	Cleveland
20. 29th anniversary banquet	San Francisco
20. Smoker	Seattle
20. Banquet	Lowell
21. Banquet-Dance	Springfield, Mass.
27. Vacation party	Birmingham
27. Movies and card party	Vancouver
27. Annual ball and banquet	Providence
27. Social	Hamilton
28. Bowling tournament	Providence
28. Annual picnic	Olathe
28. Picnic	Wichita

JUNE

1. Box social	Toronto
3. Card party and dance	Chicago No. 1
3. Strawberry festival-social	New Haven
3. Social	Bangor
3. Social	Wichita
10. 30th anniversary celebration	Cedar Rapids
10. Jitterbug night	Bronx
10. Social	Grand Rapids
17. Banquet	Berkeley-Oakland
17. Bowling party	San Francisco
18. Smoker	Berkeley-Oakland
24. Frat anniversary party	Spokane
25. Picnic	St. Louis

JULY

1. Banquet	New Orleans
1. Smoker	Danville
2. Picnic	New Orleans
2. Annual picnic	Washington
2. Picnic	Richmond
16. Potomac excursion	Washington
22. Picnic	Chicago No. 1

RICHMOND (By L. R. Wickline)—Our April social and movies had a large attendance, and a nice profit was added to the War Bond Rally. M. B. Dalton and his committee deserve a vote of thanks.

Bernard W. Moore is our chairman for May. We will have a card party.

S. C. Armstrong, our treasurer for the past four years, put in his resignation on account of over work. Meade B. Dalton was elected as our next treasurer starting in May. Members sending in dues should mail all to Meade B. Dalton, 3419a First Ave., Richmond 22, Va., hereafter.

1944 Membership Campaign

Name	Division	New Members
Abe Saslaw	Cleveland	19
Gunnar Rath	Washington	15
Lester Naftaly	Berkeley-Oakland	11
James Forbes	Pittsburgh	6
Charles White	Toronto	7
James Fry	Flint	6
Warren Riege	Milwaukee	9
David Berch	Brooklyn	8
Carl Spencer	Seattle	6
Louis Massinoff	Chicago No. 1	5
Joseph Balasa	Danville, Ky.	5

Plans are going forward for a picnic to be held in Richmond in July. Details later.

AKRON (By E. C. Carney)—The return of warm weather has brought with it an increased attendance at our monthly meetings. We look forward to even larger and consequently more interesting gatherings as winter's chill thaws from the bones of some of the old-timers who go into hibernation when wintry blasts are nipping noses.

The last two socials have been huge successes, both in attendance and in financial remuneration. Plans are already under way for the annual picnic which will probably be held in July. The place has not been decided upon as yet, gas rationing being what it is at present. Despite this, all indications are that it will be the biggest yet.

At the instigation of B. M. Schowe, the local division has purchased a copy of Dr. Harry Best's new book, *Deafness and the Deaf in the United States*, and presented same, with an appropriately inscribed flyleaf, to the Akron Public Library. This book, which was written after a long and intimate association with the deaf by the author, covers its subject most thoroughly, and is currently being widely read by the deaf and those engaged in teaching the deaf.

Park Myers was elected Sergeant-at-arms at the April meeting to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Bro. Huff. E. C. Carney was elected Trustee in place of Michael Preston, who is now making his home in Chicago.

TORONTO (By J. F. Gotthelf)—Our division has expressed its deepest sympathy to Brother Ignatius O'Neil and Mrs. O'Neil, whose son, Warrant Officer Charles O'Neil of the Royal Canadian Air Force, lost his life during air operations in Ceylon. Another son, Harold, is with the R.C.A.F. in England.

After our business meeting was had a social evening for ladies and friends, who enjoyed a debate, "Married life is better than single life," the affirmative side being represented by Charles Davey and George Forfar of Montreal Division No. 118, both young and married, and the negative side being represented by Charles McLaughlin, an incurable bachelor, and Wallace Nahrgang, pretty young and single. The judges were Mrs. Guy Lively, a newlywed, and Arthur Hazlitt, quite young and unattached, and your secretary, a graying breadwinner. Each debater swayed the judges by turns, but toward the climax the affirmative side succeeded in showing that married life tends to be character-building and a blessing worth its many responsibilities. After Brother Hazlitt announced the vote of 3-0 in favor of the affirmative side, Wally Nahrgang rose and announced that personally he would rather get married. His conscience must have bothered him, or his fancy must have turned to love and perhaps a certain girl this spring.

This being the 20th year of our division's existence, numerous holders of Class D certificates have become paid-up; and even if our quota in the membership drive is already exceeded, we should get more new members to replace those who will be receiving their paid-up certificates at intervals. The wise fellows who have completed their 20th year of easy monthly payments have peace of mind, secure in their knowledge that there is insurance be-

ing reserved for their families when they will not be here to look after their welfare.

SAN FRANCISCO (By F. J. Roberts)—On Saturday, May 20, the division will celebrate its 29th Anniversary with a Birthday Party. The committee is functioning along nicely with plans for this affair, and it is something no one will want to miss.

Of our 15 charter members, only 4 are active and with us today. So we take the pleasure and honor of congratulating them on the 29th anniversary of No. 53, as it was through these few members who got us started that we are where we are today: Victor Majourau, Charles Sullivan, David Cademartori, Martin Johnson.

SEATTLE (By Carl Spencer)—Two dozen Seattle Frats, led by Carl Spencer, invaded Portland on April 1. The occasion was the smoker given by the Portland Division. We were welcomed most warmly, and every effort made to see that we enjoyed the occasion—which we did, immensely. We returned home filled with pleasant memories of their hospitality. We hope that an equal number of Portlandites will attend our smoker on May 20, so we can return their hospitality in kind.

This smoker will be held in A.O.U.W. Hall. Carl Spencer and a committee of ten is preparing for the best smoker ever held by the division. About 30 candidates are expected to report for initiation, assuring plenty of fun. A floor show will also be on the program. For members only; bring your dues receipt.

WORCESTER (By Bart Burns)—On the afternoon of May 6, between 4:00 and 4:30 the members will meet at the Parkway Diner on Shrewsbury St., near E. Central St., where they will be served with meatballs and spaghetti. Hunger satisfied, they will adjourn to 306 Main St., where our regular meeting will

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be held at 6:30. After the meeting a smoker will be held, at which five new members will be introduced to the goat. A grand time is anticipated.

WINNIPEG (By Clarence Pettypiece)—A successful "Hike" was held by the Winnipeg Frat Club in February. Bros. Chalkousky and Drake were in charge, and they led us a merry chase from the hall to the Red river and back, when hot dogs and coffee were indulged in. Brother Reeves staged a minor bowling tournament for those who preferred to stay at the hall. The consensus of opinion was that we should have more such hikes.

On Saturday, March 18, Brother Reeves staged a "Snooker Tournament" in the Strand Billiard Parlor. As he was not familiar with the ability of all the boys, the handicapping was a little off, nevertheless everyone showed good sportsmanship, as was to be expected of our boys. The surprise of the evening was Scott Drake's masterly handling of his cue, he copping second prize, George Finney beating him for first. Brothers Sutherland and Petrone came out third and fourth. The prizes were worth while, too.

WATERBURY (By S. E. Minicucci)—Our St. Patrick social on March 11, and our Easter social on April 8 were both successful, and furnished plenty of enjoyment. We were pleased to notice an increased attendance from the ladies, not that the boys needed cheering up, but because the ladies always add to the pleasure of any affair, woman-haters to the contrary notwithstanding. At our "Eroc-Min" social on May 6 we look for an even greater attendance from the ladies.

Our meeting and social will be held on May 6 instead of the regular second Saturday. Most of us will go to New Haven on the 13th to help that division celebrate its 35th anniversary, as we consider it as the "mother" of our division.

ST. LOUIS (By Elmer Griser)—James Price, chairman of our last year's picnic, will act in the same capacity at this year's picnic. It will be held at the same place, Lemay Grove, 1100 Lemay Ferry Rd., on June 25. Plenty of games, with prizes. Also, drinks and refreshments will be served. Don't miss it.

Hilliard J. Summers of Washington, D. C., was a visitor at the April meeting, and brought us greetings from Washington Division, and was requested to convey ours to that division. Brother Summers is working in Washington, and may ultimately transfer; if so, we shall be sorry to lose him.

Albert Schmitt, who managed our February mask ball, reports a good profit from the affair.

FLINT (By A. H. Stern)—After the business meeting on March 5 a social was held. A good crowd was present and enjoyed the movies.

On April 2 we had a smoker and initiation at the Flint Association of the Deaf hall which was a big success, 28 new members being initiated. We all enjoyed it immensely. Cigars were passed, and refreshments and drinks were served. Hats off to Chairman Bielinski and his committee.

After our regular monthly meeting on May 7 a movie social will follow. Admission to social will be 25 cents.

SPOKANE (By F. J. Bright)—The division held a St. Patrick's Day party at the Lutheran church hall on March 19, under the direction of Chairman Sackville-West, assisted by Brothers Henry Silk and Richard Beer. While attendance was not large, the affair was a success, and a nice sum was realized.

TRENTON (By Kenneth Murphy)—The card social of April 1 was well arranged and well attended. Handsome prizes were awarded and delicious refreshments were served. The proceeds from this affair were contributed to the American Red Cross.

Our next meeting is scheduled for May 6, at 8 p.m., at 309 Chestnut Ave. At this meeting we hope to complete arrangements for a picnic in July and our annual ball for next winter.

Our New Brunswick brothers journeyed to Trenton on the 25th of March to complete their challenge to our Trenton bowlers. As a result, the New Brunswick components went home with a big smile on their faces and apparently well satisfied in trouncing the Trentonians to the tune of 3 to 0. Come again.

BRONX (By J. R. Collins)—After a monotonous and boresome winter packed with balls, tournaments, card parties and the like, the Bronx is swinging something new on the market in the form of a Jitterbug Night. So come up, over and down from all over the town to the atmospheric Corless Inn, 484 Willis Ave., Cor. East 147th St., the Bronx and whoop it up with one of the cute bugs.

Saturday evening, June 10th, will be the date. Free beer and eats. Haul down all you want.

We admit our recklessness in the way we throw a blow-off. We care not for profit. We aim to please. So come on, you pistol packin' mamas, park the irons and jitter it up, while the old man's on the swingshift, for a mere 75 cents. Our policy of satisfaction or a refund still stands.

PORTLAND (By W. B. Fritch)—The great smoker of the Portland division, which was held on April 1st, turned out to be a howling success. A record crowd of 111 members attended, including many from Seattle and Vancouver. There were 21 members initiated, including several from the Seattle division. This smoker will be one long to be remembered by local and visiting members.

The Frat auxiliary also held an initiation for new members and it was very successful.

PROVIDENCE (By Fred Ruckdeschel)—Once again we want to remind you Fraters and friends that May 27 will be a red letter day for the Providence Division. Tom Aidala and his gang have arranged what is guaranteed as a bang up program for the evening. The Narragansett Hotel has been selected, and its ballroom is second to none in the city. The festivities of the evening will start off with the banquet, to be followed by a professional floor show. A first class orchestra will dispense toe tingling dance music to top off the evening. Come and let the division from the smallest state show you the biggest time you have experienced in some time.

HOLLYWOOD (By Edward McNulty)—Harold Woodley, a charter member of our division passed away on March 15th due to cerebral hemorrhage. Our Brother George Eccles represented the division at the impressive funeral services.

The Hollywood Division, on May 13th and hereafter, will meet on the second Saturdays of the month at our new location, the Hotel Cabrillo, 11th and Broadway, on the 5th floor. Members and visitors, please don't forget the address, which is only a block from the Los Angeles Club for the Deaf.

MANHATTAN (By D. A. Davidowitz)—With over seven hundred fans on hand, the Manhattan frats breathed a sigh of relief on March 18th after Buffalo took home first prize money, beating Hartford, Conn., for the national title. In the fight for third place New York beat Philadelphia H.A.D., to give the home town boys a better place than last year. Needless to say, the crowd enjoyed every minute of the night, which was extra entertaining because the Central Y under Director R. Kern put on a fine show of gymnastics and dancing.

Financially, the event proved to be just as good as any year, considering the crowd, the war, and the obstacles brought on by the Huns and Japs.

Buffalo brought down a fine group of players, bent on making new friends, having a good time, and taking home the prize. With that old Gallaudet star, "Hoffy" Hoffmeister, formerly of Pittsburgh, now of St. Mary's School for the Deaf, Buffalo, leading the team, no wonder they won—what a team! R. Sneak, who towers near the basket, looking to be about six feet, eight in the ozone, together with Echols, the colored lad with rubber springs in his legs, gave the Lake boys an unbeatable outfit. There isn't a team in the country, no matter what Kruger or any other expert may say, that will compare with them. . . . The Newark Silent Club, which contains many national school champ stars, would have had a tough time beating them, and the Newark crowd took over the Trenton team of last year. Boys, the NATION CHAMP IS BUFFALO, and Manhattan frats are bringing them back next year to New York City if war obstacles do not interfere, and if any of the other so-called imaginary champs on the say-so of smiling Artie Kruger want a crack at them, then write the secretary of Manhattan Division for a chance to play on March 17, 1945. If the next meeting is what it should be, the rest of the country can look forward to hearing of six to eight teams playing in New York on March 17th.

At the April meeting a real surprise was sprung when membership attendance jumped 20%. The meeting being advanced one week due to the Easter Holiday, found the members ready to hear the basketball chairman's report on what went on to get the final four teams to play in the national tourney. A fair profit was realized, and a final report will be made at the May meeting.

Bro. S. Intirator told a good story when he spoke a few words on why he finally joined the N.F.S.D. Seems he was always ill, or getting hurt, and when his friend, who had the same trouble, found all these misfortunes stopping the moment he joined the N.F.S.D., he felt it must be a goodluck charm to be a member, and so—Sam is now one of us. Well, we walked under ladders, crossed the paths of black cats, etc., and threw those ideas out the window, after reading our Medieval History Book. If such things are true, we are glad to have 27 more such members to just meet our quota.

READING (By James N. Cutler)—In spite of rain all Saturday afternoon and evening, a vast crowd of 192 attended the frolic and floor show and it was vastly enjoyed, most likely due to the promise made two months ago of plenty of liquid refreshments for the two-day affair. The deaf came from as far away as Binghamton, New York, Scranton and Harrisburg, Pa., and a goodly bunch from the City of Brotherly Love, Philadelphia. We were unable to get the names of all the folks, as many of them left for home in the early hours of Sunday morning, completely happy.

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The meeting of the division on Sunday morning was cut down to the minimum, due to the Smoker which followed. The attendance was 29 resident members, 13 non-residents, one visitor from Binghamton, and fourteen visitors from Philadelphia headed by Secretary Cusack and Treasurer Stern. They actually brought one new candidate for our smoker class, which was much appreciated. Our class of seven, together with the candidate from Philadelphia, all have now learned the true way to wisdom and glory in our beloved NFSD.

After the smoker, there was a big social in the afternoon, consisting of a floor show by one of our brothers, and a magician showed a number of new tricks. There were 138 present in the afternoon, and the yellow liquid loved by the folks went fast. A lot of credit is due to the officers under Chairman Schenck for the success of the affair.

Don't forget the lecture, May 14, 2 p.m., by Rev. H. J. Pulver. COME!!!

BOSTON (By Leon Auerbach)—Boston Division deeply regrets the resignation of William Hill as a Trustee, the office he has ably held for a number of years. The action was necessary in view of the fact that he has accepted a position as monotype operator in the Government Printing Office in Washington, D. C., and cannot attend to the duties required of this office. Herbert N. Colby was elected to succeed him.

Your secretary wishes to know of any member of the local division who has not received his copy of the amendments to the Constitution and General Laws of the N.F.S.D., adopted at the 1943 convention. If any of you have failed to receive your copy, please drop him a card and he will send it to you immediately. The secretary's address is 53 Washington Elms, Cambridge 39, Mass.

Boston Division claims the proud distinction of having the oldest active member in the Society in the person of Albert Chapman who recently passed his 87th birthday, and who holds policy number 152, the lowest issued to an active member in this division.

Remember the movie show on May 13th. The place is Wesleyan Hall, 581 Boylston St., Boston. The price of admission is thirty (30) cents. Rev. J. Stanley Light will be in charge of the projection. Bring your wives, sweethearts and friends.

ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS (By H. von Hippel)—All of Minnesota was shocked and saddened by the death of our beloved James S. S. Bowen on the 22nd of March. His influence and ever-ready wit will be keenly missed by all who knew him. The division extends its deepest sympathy to Mrs. Bowen and family.

The bowlers of No. 61 "stole the show" recently, and made a thrilling stretch to the finish in the few last games. Having trounced the leaders for a pair of games at the close of the season, the team just missed two games to go in a tie for first place in the league. It was really a pleasure to see the rest of the league pulling for the team to win. It consisted of Jack Kunz, Dan Kirievisky, Ted Stawikoski, Alby Peterson, William Wilczek and Wilbert Birr. The Minneapolis team, who set a fast pace in the league, was made up of Fred Griefenhagen, Chick Revak, Ted Johnson, Howie Johnson and Mike Harter.

Membership in the division was increased by another transfer in the person of Chas. Schatzkin himself, who must have been attracted by

Minnesota's famed climate. How come you no longer enjoy the southern climate. Brother? We hope you will stay in the division.

It is gratifying to note that there has been a large attendance at the meetings for the past year. The roll call revealed 63 members present at the recent meeting.

BALTIMORE (A. A. Hajna)—Bro. Wriede, Chairman of the Annual Stage Play, completed his plans for a grand stage play program to be held May 20 at Gehb Hall, Lexington and Calhoun Streets. The melodrama, to be given that day, promises to be one of the greatest our Play Director Wriede ever has directed. Other playlets and skits of a humorous nature will also be given. Curtain rises at 8:00 p.m. sharp! Try to come earlier, so as not to stand up for the performance. First come, first seated! Admission to the affair will be posted on May 20th at the aforesaid hall. Don't disappoint yourself or your friends. Come early!

BROOKLYN (By Al. Fleischman)—The division with a smile approved the membership applications of two newcomers, both endorsed by Go-Getter David Berch. Brothers, we aren't failing or falling behind—we're plenty red hot in it but the month of March wasn't favorable with us in the derby race. At least we keep up with the monthly contribution to the membership drive is all that counts. And how about you, brothers?

Coming events of the division: The long planned thirty-sixth anniversary banquet is scheduled to be held sometime in October. The whole event is pending on the food and wartime banquet restrictions. Watch for further details in the coming issues. The 1945 Annual Ball and Entertainment under the managing hands of yours truly will hold its gala night of nights at the Manhattan Center's Main Ballroom on February 24th, 1945. Jot it down, paste it in your hat or fill up the empty spaces of your February 24, 1945, memos and calendars.

The division was visited by Pittsburgh's Sam Nicholas who came up to live in New York last January. Mr. Nicholas is a Gallaudetian from the class of 1900, and a frater from Pittsburgh Division No. 36. His words of greetings were well received.

BIRMINGHAM (By Herman Harper)—New babies and marriages are the important happenings among our members these days. James Stephens passed fine "twin" Havanas around at the April meeting. He is the first Frater in Alabama to claim the distinction of being the father of twins—both boys. Bro. Hogg and his bride took a honeymoon trip to New Orleans. Our congratulations and best wishes to this popular young couple. Another member will become a benedict soon.

Our division will celebrate a Frat night May 2 at Rickwood Field in honor of Bro. Sipek at the opening of the Southern League, Birmingham-Memphis. At this writing Bro. Sipek is handling himself in a big way in every department. Watch his brilliant career.

Several members, including Grand Third Vice President Rittenberg, are going to help celebrate the 34th anniversary smoker at Atlanta on May 13.

Please remember our May 27 School Vacation Party and Labor Day smoker and banquet Sept. 3 and 4.

CHICAGO No. 1 (John B. Davis)—President Harry Keesal tendered his resignation because of long working hours. Vice-President Francis Fitzgerald assumed the vacant office.

Bro. Brogan is putting his shoulder behind the 1951 Convention Committee by taking up the "Barn Dance" and Halloween frolic on Oct. 28 under No. 1 auspices, but proceeds will be donated to the convention fund. Bro. Brogan also will conduct the divisions annual picnic on July 15th at Grandview Gardens, 6401 W. Grand Ave.

Grand Pres. Roberts gave a very instructive lecture on "Our Friends, the Russians." We need more intelligent, educational talks that help add to our worldly knowledge.

Bro. Massinoff is considering on using 75% handicap from 190 scratch in the bowling tournament on Sept. 3rd in singles and doubles. All entrants will be required to furnish their latest previous averages with written proof

by their league secretaries. This will help equalize the opportunities of all entrants to prize money. In a couple of weeks entry blanks will be ready. For information or entry blanks write to Bro. Louis Massinoff, 841 N. Sacramento Blvd., Chicago.

Anticipating a large crowd of card players on June 3, a group of card tables will be utilized at once without waiting until all card tables are filled. Drinks will be on hand for eldbow benders. The time is 7:30 p.m., and the address is 3257 N. Sheffield Ave., Chicago.

NEWARK (By O. W. McInturff)—Ben Kahn's card and parchessi party, which was held on April 1st, came off successfully. A fairly large crowd turned up for this party. Just as things were getting under way a series of accidents to the lighting system lent an eerie atmosphere to the rooms in which the party was held, as though in keeping with the spirit of All Fools' Day. A fuse blew out and the lights went off. Candles and a lantern, kept handy for the blackout in the air raid precautionary drills, were put to use. A new fuse was inserted and the lights came on only to go out when the new fuse blew out. A third fuse also blew out. But the fourth fuse held, and the games were resumed. While the scores were being counted, refreshments were on sale and were quickly depleted. A social followed the games and it was well into the early morning hours when the homeward trek started.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS. (By Isadore Zisman)—Plans have been completed for our Banquet Dance to be held on Saturday evening, May 27, at 6, in the Hotel Highland, Hillman St., off Main St. Douglas Cameron, well versed in the art of entertainment, is in charge of the event, and assures every one a good time. His committee consists of William Osmola, Max Thompson, Frank Malaguti and the writer. Reservations for the event should be made by May 20, and may be had by writing to the chairman: Douglas Cameron, 218 Hopkins Place, Longmeadow 6, Mass. Take our advice and send in your reservations NOW for this big event, for which the admission is \$2.50 per plate, tax included.

In appreciation of his 11 years' service as treasurer, Alexander Brown was presented a beautiful wallet, suitably engraved.

The final of our series of winter after-meeting socials was held on April 8, with one of the largest crowds of the season attending. The main feature of the day was a fashion show, prizes being awarded to several well-groomed ladies. Whist also was played. In charge was Bro. Cameron, assisted by Asa Gallin and William Osmola.

WASHINGTON (By Larry Ward)—The program Committee, working hard as ever, will present to the many members, friends and patrons of the local division a monster card party and dance to be held in the Chantilly Room of Hotel Hamilton, 14 and K Sts., N.W., Washington, D.C., Saturday evening, June 17, 1944. It will be a sort of a preview of our annual dance in October. The setting, atmosphere and service will be as first class as can be found in Washington. To make certain of satisfaction the committee has put up \$150 to guarantee adequate bar facilities. There will be plenty of drinks for all. If the sales don't reach the figure of \$150 the local divisions will be in the red. So if everybody who likes to dance, play "500," drink and otherwise have a good time, be sure to come to the affair at Hotel Hamilton, June 17. All of us in the war effort are making so much hay while the sun shines which is a good thing. So to boost morale why not make hey-hey while the moon shines on Saturday, June 17. Just this once, friends, just this once, and the Washington division will surely be out of the red. Admission will be 90 cents, which includes 20% tax.

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Retort

A FUSSY, overbearing lady entered a crowded street-car and began grumbling noisily over being compelled to stand. After edging everyone about for a time, our hero tapped her on the shoulder and asked, "Madam, you are standing on my foot, would you mind getting off?"

Bristling with indignation, she snapped, "Why don't you put your foot where it belongs?"

The answer came back as the *retort* eloquent:

"Don't tempt me, Madam, don't tempt me!"

OBITUARY

JOHN W. BLAINE, 81. Entry Jan. 2, 1915. Died April 4, 1944. Certificate No. 2254-C. Washington Div. No. 46.

JOHN E. CROUCH, 65. Entry Oct. 2, 1916. Died April 2, 1944. Certificate No. 2761-C. Dallas Div. No. 63.

JAMES S. S. BOWEN, 72. Entry May 1, 1918. Died March 22, 1944. Certificate No. 3991-C. St. Paul-Minneapolis Div. No. 61.

GILBERT F. GILLESPIE, 73. Entry Aug. 1, 1918. Died April 3, 1944. Certificate No. 4103-C. Indianapolis Div. No. 22.

BENJAMIN N. GALLOWAY, 63. Entry June 1, 1923. Died April 1, 1944. Certificate No. 6599-D. Richmond Div. No. 83.

FRED I. POLLOCK, 58. Entry July 2, 1928. Died April 14, 1944. Certificate No. 8569-E. Atlanta Div. No. 28.

HAROLD H. WOODLEY, 48. Entry Feb. 1, 1935. Died March 15, 1944. Certificate No. 10265-C. Hollywood Div. No. 119.

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NEW HAVEN NO. 25—Michael Petrofacia.
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COLORADO SPRINGS NO. 126—Fidel Castro.

COME BACKS

FLINT NO. 15—Fred Edwards.
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DALLAS NO. 63—Henry Moran.

THE GET-ONE DEGREE

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DANVILLE, KY., NO. 125—Joseph Balasa.
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ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS NO. 61—Andrew Pangrac.

MARRIAGES

June 15—Norman Magnus and Essie Goldsmith, both of New York, N. Y.
Nov. 27—Hyman Goldstein, Chicago, Ill., and Mary Lakin, Philadelphia, Pa.
Mar. 11—Robert Bahm and Virginia Benowitz, both of Rochester, N. Y.
Mar. 19—Oscar Rome and Marjorie Babin, both of New Orleans, La.
Mar. 19—Marion Hedden and Marguerite Baker, both of Akron, O.
Mar. 26—Leonce Clement, New Orleans, La., and Genevieve Remme, St. Rose, La.
Apr. 8—John Hogg and Lynora Frazier, both of Birmingham, Ala.
April 15—Washington Pernazza and Jacqueline Paxton, both of Trenton, N. J.

ENGAGEMENTS

Ralph Vintinner, Westbrook, Me., and Gloria Swallow, Portland, Me.
Elwood Allen, Philadelphia, Pa., and Eleanor Patrice, Camden, N. J.
Joseph Ricuitti, Marlboro, Mass., and Helen Grandman, Boston, Mass.
Gunnar Rath, Washington, D. C., and Mary Faux, Albion, Ind.
Maurice Graham and Anna Swartz, both of Washington, D. C.
Ray Wahowiak and Helen Eickhorn, both of Flint, Mich.
Don Miller and Eleanor Cline, both of Wichita, Kans.

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	16
Detroit	30	3
Saginaw	10	
Louisville	10	9
Little Rock	10	
Dayton	10	1
Cincinnati	20	
Nashville	10	2
Olathe	10	
Flint	20	8
Toledo	20	2
Milwaukee	20	10
Columbus	30	
Knoxville	10	5
Cleveland	20	19
Indianapolis	30	8
Brooklyn	50	8
St. Louis	30	1
New Haven	10	3
Holyoke	10	
Los Angeles	30	5
Atlanta	10	7
Philadelphia	30	5
Kansas City	20	7
Omaha	10	1
New Orleans	10	2
Kalamazoo	10	
Boston	30	4
Pittsburgh	20	6
Hartford	10	3
Memphis	10	2
Portland, Me.	10	2
Buffalo	10	4
Portland, Ore.	10	
Newark	10	2
Providence	10	3
Seattle	10	6
Utica	10	2
Washington	20	21
Baltimore	20	1
Syracuse	10	
Cedar Rapids	10	
Albany	10	3
Rochester	10	2
San Francisco	10	1
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	5
Fort Worth	20	
Dallas	20	2
Denver	10	
Waterbury	10	
Springfield, Mass.	10	1
Bangor	10	1
Sioux Falls	10	1
Wichita	10	1
Spokane	10	1
Des Moines	10	
Lowell	10	1
Berkeley-Oakland	10	12
Delavan	10	1
Houston	10	1
Scranton	10	1
Richmond	10	6
Johnstown	10	
Manhattan	30	3
Jacksonville	10	1
Peoria	10	1
Jersey City	10	4
Bronx	10	1
Columbia	10	
Charlotte	10	1
Durham	10	2
Grand Rapids	10	
Toronto	20	25
Duluth	10	3
Canton	10	2
Faribault	10	1
Council Bluffs	10	
Fort Wayne	10	6
Schenectady	10	1
Chicago No. 106	10	5
Binghamton	10	1
Wilkesburg	10	3
San Diego	10	3
Eau Claire	10	1
Sulphur	10	3
Vancouver	10	
Westchester	10	5
Queens	10	
Hollywood	10	2
Hamilton	10	
Kitchener	10	
Trenton	10	
Danville	10	5
Colorado Springs	10	3

MARCH COLLECTIONS

Grand Division.....	\$ 72.98
Chicago No. 1.....	520.92
Detroit.....	193.45
Saginaw.....	44.91
Louisville.....	142.99
Little Rock.....	119.46
Dayton.....	76.68
Cincinnati.....	145.88
Nashville.....	49.38
Olathe.....	122.95
Flint.....	275.90
Toledo.....	142.75
Milwaukee.....	203.77
Columbus.....	196.27
Knoxville.....	103.64
Cleveland.....	264.14
Indianapolis.....	207.83
Brooklyn.....	617.30
St. Louis.....	284.47
New Haven.....	92.44
Holyoke.....	27.41
Los Angeles.....	321.16
Atlanta.....	280.44
Philadelphia.....	316.76
Kansas City.....	261.75
Omaha.....	172.61
New Orleans.....	147.89
Kalamazoo.....	33.79
Boston.....	208.80
Pittsburgh.....	78.19
Hartford.....	77.56
Memphis.....	122.89
Portland, Me.....	113.23
Buffalo.....	115.70
Portland, Ore.....	223.02
Newark.....	128.01
Providence.....	63.26
Seattle.....	228.98
Utica.....	104.23
Washington.....	308.90
Baltimore.....	140.70
Syracuse.....	45.77
Cedar Rapids.....	28.99
Albany.....	71.05
Rochester.....	154.12
San Francisco.....	175.16
Reading.....	188.58
Akron.....	464.98
Salt Lake City.....	140.43
Rockford.....	87.16
Springfield, Ill.....	41.67
Davenport.....	64.52
Worcester.....	46.55
St. Paul-Minneapolis.....	257.18
Fort Worth.....	83.04
Dallas.....	198.56
Denver.....	89.59
Waterbury.....	69.98
Springfield, Mass.....	112.79
Bangor.....	69.19
Birmingham.....	159.62
Sioux Falls.....	173.04
Wichita.....	147.04
Spokane.....	69.75
Des Moines.....	68.09
Lowell.....	118.52
Berkeley-Oakland.....	298.09
Delavan.....	167.82
Houston.....	148.14
Scranton.....	34.51
Richmond.....	112.70
Johnstown.....	52.09
Manhattan.....	224.23
Jacksonville.....	88.68
Peoria.....	25.08
Jersey City.....	144.66
Bronx.....	72.91
Columbia.....	102.19
Charlotte.....	86.33
Durham.....	71.68
Grand Rapids.....	11.97
Toronto.....	541.31
Duluth.....	76.70
Canton.....	41.98
Faribault.....	151.35
Council Bluffs.....	85.44
Fort Wayne.....	121.29
Schenectady.....	39.04
Chicago No. 106.....	104.45
Binghamton.....	95.07
Wilkesburg.....	136.02
San Diego.....	30.77
Eau Claire.....	40.03
Sulphur.....	114.57
Vancouver.....	43.30
Westchester.....	66.16
Queens.....	87.10
Montreal.....	64.85
Hollywood.....	68.93
Hamilton.....	23.45
Kitchener.....	58.82
Trenton.....	55.65
Danville, Ky.....	155.12
Colorado Springs.....	29.86
Total collections.....	\$14,346.10

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR
MARCH, 1944

Balance and Income	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1944.....	\$2,683,303.46
Division collections.....	14,346.10
Interest and dividends.....	5,592.43
Rents.....	4,118.60
Escrow deposits.....	1,860.61
Income tax withheld.....	169.00
Liquidation of liens.....	29.14
Mortgage fees.....	894.80
Property insurance premiums.....	248.24
Refund, real estate operating exp.....	1.00
Refund, taxes on real estate.....	203.17
Social security tax withheld.....	15.32
Refund, office expenses.....	1.00
Lodge supplies.....	8.25
Recording fees.....	25.75
Advertising in The Frat.....	30.00
Subscriptions to The Frat.....	5.40
Total balance and income.....	\$2,710,852.27
Disbursements	
Death benefits.....	\$ 7,661.86
Sick benefits.....	2,820.00
Accident benefits.....	860.00
Old-age income payments.....	93.17
Class F income payments.....	12.50
Liquidation of liens.....	29.14
Refund of dues.....	2.73
Escrow withdrawal.....	3,504.73
Clerical services.....	360.00
Insurance Dept. fees and exp.....	11.00
Employees' income tax.....	169.05
Lodge supplies.....	6.93
Mortgage expenses.....	125.50
Officers' and Trustees' salaries.....	929.16
Office expenses.....	64.60
Official publication.....	245.49
Postage.....	77.14
Printing and stationery.....	26.36
Property insurance premiums.....	280.78
Real estate operating exp.....	1,348.10
Total disbursements.....	\$ 18,628.24
Recapitulation	
Balance and income.....	\$2,710,852.27
Disbursements.....	18,628.24
Balance, March 31, 1944.....	\$2,692,224.03

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Ledger Assets, March 31, 1944	
First mortgage loans.....	\$ 904,001.92
Bonds and stocks.....	856,401.14
Real estate.....	687,269.57
Bank deposits.....	237,710.88
Home office equipment.....	5,027.15
Cash in society's office.....	1,818.97
Total ledger assets.....	\$2,692,224.03
Balances in Funds	
Mortuary funds.....	\$2,432,603.44
Sick and accident funds.....	164,174.83
General expense fund.....	57,584.21
Convention fund.....	18,542.67
Accumulated interest.....	14,273.53
Indemnity fund.....	5,045.35
Total in all funds.....	\$2,692,224.03

BIRTHS

June 15—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fletcher, Cumberland, Md., a girl.
Nov. 9—Mr. and Mrs. Victor Lyon, Vancouver, Wash., a girl.
Dec. 31—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hickey, Akron, O., a boy.
Feb. 5—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Amann, Portland, Ore., a girl.
Feb. 13—Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Altizer, Washington, D. C., a girl.
Feb. 14—Mr. and Mrs. Willard White, Oakland, Cal., a girl.
Feb. 25—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Master, San Diego, Cal., a girl.
Mar. 2—Mr. and Mrs. James McCabe, Hartford, Conn., a girl.
Mar. 3—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lavigne, Indian Orchard, Mass., a boy.
Mar. 3—Mr. and Mrs. Donald Habbkirk, Flint, Mich., a boy.
Mar. 3—Mr. and Mrs. William Stroud, Flint, Mich., a boy.
Mar. 5—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fabry, Akron, O., a girl.
Mar. 11—Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bienvenu, Baton Rouge, La., a girl.
Mar. 16—Mr. and Mrs. James Stephens, Birmingham, Ala., twin boys.
Mar. 18—Mr. and Mrs. William Peeler, Pascagoula, Miss., a boy.
Mar. 20—Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Spencer, Milwaukee, Wis., a boy.
Mar. 21—Mr. and Mrs. DeHaven Cook, Seattle, Wash., a girl.
Mar. 28—Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Warne, Minneapolis, Minn., a boy.
Mar. 31—Mr. and Mrs. John Micalizzi, Malden, Mass., a girl.
Apr. 13—Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Eckstein, Brooklyn, N. Y., a girl.

MARCH DISABILITY CLAIMS

R. E. Munro, Chicago No. 1.....	\$ 150.00
Edward Petrone, Toronto.....	30.00
E. N. Watt, Los Angeles.....	30.00
G. P. White, Denver.....	90.00
C. F. Dermody, Hartford.....	50.00
H. H. Williams, Atlanta.....	10.00
L. C. Barrow, Atlanta.....	30.00
H. A. Markin, Fort Wayne.....	60.00
B. G. Ditzler, Indianapolis.....	30.00
T. C. Simpson, Olathe.....	50.00
E. A. Hall, Louisville.....	45.00
F. C. Roudenbush, Louisville.....	15.00
L. R. Brownell, Worcester.....	10.00
J. A. Virkstis, Grand Rapids.....	120.00
Edward Greenspon, Detroit.....	40.00
K. W. Mantz, Detroit.....	15.00
R. E. Oelschlager, Faribault.....	15.00
M. W. McCreedy, Newark.....	10.00
Harry Rudnick, Albany.....	60.00
J. J. Wall, Albany.....	20.00
J. N. Funk, Manhattan.....	30.00
H. W. Schroeder, Jr., Westchester.....	60.00
Jacob Landau, Brooklyn.....	60.00
J. W. Pope, Durham.....	35.00
Norbert Pilliod, Toledo.....	30.00
R. N. Meinzer, Toledo.....	50.00
C. W. Bender, Cincinnati.....	105.00
W. A. Huebner, Dayton.....	20.00
R. C. Wilkinson, Philadelphia.....	40.00
Chester Collins, Providence.....	30.00
T. M. Crenshaw, Houston.....	30.00
Joseph Armao, Milwaukee.....	10.00
R. N. Jankiewicz, Milwaukee.....	30.00
*A. H. Pilon, Detroit.....	50.00
*G. E. Tilleskjor, St. Paul.....	40.00
*Joseph Rutka, Utica.....	50.00
*P. J. Dicesare, Utica.....	30.00
*Murray Finkelstein, Brooklyn.....	45.00
*W. E. Wilds, Columbus.....	30.00
*C. F. Patterson, Jr., Portland, Ore.....	75.00
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E. R. Lloyd, Scranton.....	150.00
Vincenzo Zelano, Providence.....	15.00
L. E. King, Dallas.....	70.00
*M. B. Potter, Faribault.....	75.00
Carl Mueller, Delavan.....	20.00
*Edward Bradley, Newark.....	20.00
Guy Jaspas, Toronto.....	60.00
*O. J. Schooley, Scranton.....	30.00
*Julius Stern, Montreal.....	15.00
H. A. Grossman, Brooklyn.....	30.00
A. N. Borsoff, Berkeley.....	15.00
Fred Harrison, Hartford.....	90.00
Fred Gengler, Chicago No. 1.....	30.00
K. J. Munger, San Diego.....	10.00
C. H. Scott, Indianapolis.....	90.00
I. M. Hebert, New Orleans.....	45.00
A. Brown, Springfield, Mass.....	50.00
Louis Weissenborn, St. Louis.....	90.00
Samuel Teich, Brooklyn.....	15.00
J. L. Nine, Akron.....	10.00
R. W. Walker, Salt Lake City.....	30.00
*Raymond Lapiere, Lowell.....	50.00
*Thomas Petrovic, St. Louis.....	35.00
*W. H. Miller, Jr., Binghamton.....	105.00
*Wm. Newman, Manhattan.....	120.00
*Barnett Goldstein, Brooklyn.....	30.00
*H. W. Berholtz, Milwaukee.....	25.00
I. J. Jenkins, Kansas City.....	50.00
F. H. Scalzo, Westchester.....	30.00
Total for the month.....	\$3,680.00

*Denotes accident claims.

MARCH DEATH CLAIMS

Rene Joannette, Montreal.....	\$ 250.00
*Nathan Stein, Buffalo.....	387.50
Daniel Cantlin, Boston.....	250.00
Henry H. Neil, San Francisco.....	1,000.00
George Hansz, Detroit.....	1,000.00
*George W. Fox, Columbus.....	249.00
*Phillip A. Cossette, Waterbury.....	268.00
Henry P. Prinsing, Jersey City.....	250.00
*Wm. H. Garwood, Indianapolis.....	360.36
George H. Roberts, Springfield, Ill.....	1,000.00
*Roman Urbanik, Rochester.....	63.00
*William H. Woodside, Boston.....	191.00
Julien Royer, Lowell.....	1,000.00
*Robert E. Shaw, Toronto.....	393.00
Ivan B. Jenkins, Sulphur.....	1,000.00
Total for the month.....	\$7,661.86

*Denotes paid-up benefits.

DEATHS

Jan. 30—Sallie, wife of Jesse Stafford, Pearisburg, Va.
Feb. 19—Alida, wife of Grant Daniels, Sioux Falls, S. D.
Mar. 12—Mazie, wife of Edward Freeman, Richmond, Va.
Apr. 4—Infant son of Alfred Spencer, Milwaukee, Wis.

National Fraternal Society of the Deaf

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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.