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THE SPOTLIGHT

By J. Frederick Meagher

ADMIRAL Standley, ambassador to Russia in '41-'43, when a cadet at Annapolis back in the 90's, played against our Gallaudet college football team.

FAYE, wife of our Grand Sec'y Kemp, often saw Mark Twain and Harriet Beecher Stowe (Uncle Tom's Cabin author) walk past her old Hartford school in the 80's. Mrs. Stowe was "queer" in her old age; Twain had St. Vitus dance—vigorous shake of the head. Twain once happened to meet Faye on street, courteously took the frightened child's arm in his and talked in natural signs. One of Twain's greatest books has a fake-deaf villain—very good reading.

DEAD! Mrs. Francis Perew Gibson, Oct. 25. Bedridden from a stroke for 5-yrs. 8-mo.

WIDOW of our great "Gib"—the Geo. Wash. of our NFSD. She was the best-known hearing lady at countless conventions. Pres. Gibson died just after the Wall st. stock-market crash; buried Dec. 7, 1929—the date of Cicero's assassination. Our assets were then one million; doubled by '27; now nearing three million. Our wives generally outlive us. That's why they wisely demand we keep up dues-payments—not leave them penniless when we knock on the Pearly Portals at the Last Roundup. Century ago a man usually outlived three wives—worked them to death on his farm. This is a changing world!

I, me, myself—Meagher the mite (y)—am the only lug who was ever president of the Ill. Ass'n Deaf for precisely 14½-min.

FACT! At one-day streamlined state convention here, Oct. 21, I was elected pres, 31-19. 14½-min. later, I found election was under OLD rules—not the new rules we had adopted at morning session. So I ups on me hind-hoofs and disqualified myself. Did those klucks move to suspend rules and keep me in office? In a pig's eye! Bobs the Bold ups and nominates a truly bigshot—not a loud-mouth, do-nothing, false-alarm like me. Bobs ballyhooed name of Orman—past v-p of NFSD and of NAD. So Norman Orman went in with a whoop.

Maybe I better not run for pres. at NAD convention next summer, after all.

KLEINHAUS, of Cleveland, not to be confused with Jacob Kleinhans, an early Grand President of our NFSD, left \$5000 bequest to Ohio Home for Aged Deaf. He used to donate \$100 yearly to the Home.

ILLINOIS may become first state to ever close a Home for Aged Deaf! Oct. state convention OK'd anything board of managers may decide to do. Five deaths leave only four "residents" in the Home; we pay hearing house-keeper and her hubby salary and expenses to run it. "Residents," or inmates, have legal contract with Ill. Ass'n Deaf—a corporation—to keep them for life. Because of this contract, "residents" can't get state or Federal old age pensions, or benefits, or anything. Our funds will last a few years, anyway; but high income and inheritance taxes prevent the bequests we once enjoyed. Cost of "boarding out" the four residents would be about the same as maintaining the Home. My Frau Frieda has long been pres. of board of managers of Ill. Home.

X means Xmas, for Christmas. But Why?

X is not the letter X. It is the Greek letter Chi—stands for the abbreviation of Greek word meaning Christos, or Christ. Myra (Asia Minor) is hometown of St. Nicholas. He was born there in a rocky cave. He died in 352 A. D. and is buried in Bari, Italy. "Santa Claus" is the Dutch name for St. Nicholas. First Xmas stockings in America were the wooden shoes of the Dutch in Nieuw Amsterdam (now NY City).

WHAT is the "year Zero"? (Don't bet; you'll lose.) Answer next month.

FIRST deaf teacher of deaf in America was Laurent Clerc—brought here from France by Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet to open first permanent school for deaf in U.S., 1817. Clerc later left Hartford to teach in Mt. Airy, I think. Alright; now see if you can name the **SECOND** deaf teacher of deaf. Mr. Whiton, was also first American-born deaf teacher. Entered Hartford by stagecoach at opening in '17; was pupil 8-yrs., then teacher there for 47 years. Only teacher to stick—others all quit because of small salaries.

T. H. GALLAUDET was a "failure."

FAILED in everything he tried—preacher, teacher, lawyer, doctor, etc. A "dreamer," too kind-hearted; no will-power—bum boss. But kids loved him devotedly. Managed Hartford 13 years; left it as penniless as he started. High sense of humor; the brilliant talker-type you and I love to meet; but a bum businessman. Yet today this "failure" is our idol every Dec. 10.

HOW many dead deafies were never carried to the undertakers? St. Paul's Ludvington dropped dead in the undertaking plant where he worked.

SOME enterprising deaf going into business for themselves—cobblers, etc. Chi's Lou Mas-sinkoff—Derby winner of '42—bought partnership in engraving plant where he has worked for years. Statistics show 97 out of every 100 new businesses fail. . . . Rathful Rath rites: "Hoover didn't lick Al Smith; the Ku Klux Klan done it." . . . Bro. Harvey Boyer awarded WPB's citation of merit for inventing "scribe-gauge to mark aluminum mock-ups for tail assembly" in bomb-bay assembly of Goodyear aircraft. . . . Theodore Grady, 84, died in San Francisco last summer. Grad of our Cal. school; got degree from Johns Hopkins U.; studied law and passed state bar exams. Wondered if he figured in any of the famous deaf doings of 1912-15, when Cal. was the lead-horse in deaf uplift? . . . JOD mentions "Pat Lynch's clap and cheer rhythm." In Chi it would be "slap and jeer." Bobs, Cherry and Spotty judged 4½-hr. old-time indoor trackmeet for Chi-First. Lucky we knew rules. AAU rules say winner is first man to COMPLETELY cross finish-line. So when one boy slid over line on his belly, and came to stop with legs not yet past line, he lost. Hope the howling dumkopfs who jeered us, read this.

SCHOOLS. Glenn Harris of Colo. is new Montana supt. Rob Brown replaces John Bane as Miss. supt.

MALONE school still closed—for duration. . . . Several schools delayed opening—epidemics. . . . Are Rochester and Maryland our only schools playing soccer football? . . . "Ike," Gen. Eisenhower, wrote a thank-you note to a Mt. Airy pupil, dated Sept. 26. . . . Printer grads of Mt. Airy form volunteer committee to raise \$1000 "to buy power-paper-cutter for our dear old school." . . . Judge Moylan, Baltimore—son of our late Bro. Rev. Moylan: "Every pupil is building 'ships' for his own post-war world. Units of the fleet are ScholarSHIP, FriendSHIP, Citizenship, and WorSHIP."

STUDES at Gallaudet college made election bet; losers had to push peanuts with their noses and not shave until Gallaudet's birthday (Dec. 10).

JOBS easy to get, now. But if I were a husky young buck of 175-lbs. I'd head for a life-job at South Tacoma naval base warehouse. Pays \$1 an hour; near glorious Seattle; climate AAA-plus. If interested, you might write Seattle div. sec'y. . . . Clever quip: This column made fun of mag Cavalier; pretended to think it was spoken Cava-Liar. Comes card from Cramm-atte: "Der Meager: It's pronounced CAV-A-LEER—what you do when there are ladies present." The lad's bright! . . . "Dear Pumpkin-head," postals 'rathful Rath—another loved battle-mate.

MME. Chiang Kai-Shek: "We live in the present; we dream of the future; we learn eternal truths from the past."

KY. STANDARD: "Children heard it said of little boy, 'What goes in one ear, comes out of the other.' Meaning he was heedless, or dull.

But they caught the kid to find out. They poured sand in his right ear and shook his head to make it come out of left ear. It didn't. Poured more sand in left ear; but it didn't come out of right ear. Result: the little boy's hearing was lost forever. He became stone-deaf, and was sent to our school. Good rule is: 'Never put anything in your ear smaller than your elbow.'

"DICK, aged 33, has some 80 medals—and is still running," says John Dye, ex-Marquette U athlete.

DYE and John Dick (Wis. U) competed in only National collegiate trackmeet ever having two deaf stars, few years ago; Dye won 3d in discus. Dye married and settled down; Dick is still up for grabs, girls. . . . Associated Press: "Ear-plugs of metal and hard-rubber will save tens of thousands of U.S. gunners from life-long deafness." . . . Bro. Wendell Haley starts his 5th year as cashier of First National Bank in Devils Lake, N. D. He is the Gallaudet college footballer who got part of his elbow sliced off when a Blitz-Buzz Electrical collegier player wore sharpened baseball spikes around 1915 or so. . . . Cadwallader Washburn—world's greatest dry-point etcher—now lives in Maine; has an apiary. . . . "Ringle, great Gallaudet fullback of '29 team, moved to Harvard," says Kansas Star. Any great deaf ever move to Yale? [You dope; Harvard, Neb., not Harvard U.—ED.]

OTOLOGY (branch of medicine healing the ears) convention has "definite determination to dictate what is to be done with deaf and hard-of-hearing," says Okla. Supt. Gough.

GOUGH thinks them screwy. They know little about "nerve deafness" (cause of most of us simon-pure deaf). They think all but oralism is "old foggy," or out of date. Gough admits our lord high educators of Deafdom are guilty of "wishful thinking," says we need better "public relations" (press-agents).

BEDLOE Island—where our Statue of Liberty turns her back on our own country—used to be officially named "Love island." Can any NYC div. notes writers tell why?

PRESS: "Hundreds of deaf German soldiers captured; deserted by hearing officers when going got tough." German sergeant: "Deaf sentries at night couldn't hear us officers approach—fired at us quick if we came near them. Killed 3 serg. that way; ah, I'm glad to be a prisoner—and alive." How come? Thought Hitler gave orders to "sterilize all deaf." Can sterilized, listless eunuchs make good soldiers?

FIRST "food adminster" was Joseph, in the Bible. During 7 years of plenty, he stored up grain for the coming 7 years of famine.

Hoover was Swiss; Van Buren and the two Roosevelts Dutch; all our other presidents were British. In '64, Lincoln ran as a "Union" man, not as a Rep—or so I hear. His v-p Johnson was a Dem.

GERMAN V-2 rocket-bomb flies 70 miles above earth at speed of 3500 mph. "Telephone-pole bomb" is 46-ft. long, 5-ft. wide, weighs 13½-tons—including ton of explosive in hood.

DERBY won by Cleveland's Sassy-law. Toronto had four horses in stretch-drive.

HAWKEYE: "Plentiful accident-benefit insurance for loss of arms, legs, eyes, etc.; but never a benefit for loss of ears. Hearing is left without value, together with senses of smell, taste and feeling." (Scarvie.)

"LIFE Insurance is like Love. The older you grow the more it costs."—Ex.

AKRON, Detroit, Chicago deaf clubs—each some 500 members—watching Los Angeles' \$30,000 purchase with interest. Big clubs cost heavy honey; need soft-soaper to handle ruffled patrons. My old Chicago Silent A.C. had puzzling problems before paying off last stockholder—long after '29 panic. But maybe those Western cowboys are smarter than us Eastern sissies.

Lean Years And Lush

Being an Account of the Origin and Progress of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf as Compiled from the Official Records

By OLD FRAT

PART VI

A Glance Backward

EARLIER in this narrative, we told about the events and circumstances leading up to the establishment of the old Fraternal Society of the Deaf, the forerunner of the present order.

We told how the national organization for hearing youth, known as the Coming Men of America, was founded in Oak Park in the 1890's and later expired there; how in the heyday of this organization some of the older boys in the Flint, Michigan, School for the Deaf formed a lodge of this order; how some of these boys after leaving school migrated to Chicago and there, with others, successfully agitated the formation of the old Fraternal Society of the Deaf; how it was incorporated as a not-for-profit organization by the Illinois Secretary of State in August, 1901; how its successor, the present National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, was later incorporated as a fraternal beneficiary association by the Illinois Insurance Department in December, 1907.

We also told how, on the eve of the establishment and incorporation of the old Fraternal Society of the Deaf, some former members of the Coming Men of America gathered at the Flint, Michigan, school in June, 1901, and elected the first board of officers.

To show that this gathering at Flint, during a school reunion, of former members of the Coming Men of America Lodge was a purely sentimental one, and that the actual plans for the establishment of the original Fraternal Society of the Deaf had been made elsewhere, notably in Chicago by some of these former C. M. A. members and others, as was stated at the beginning of this history, we need only look at the records on file at the Home Office, regarding the first officers elected. Without exception, all of these officers had been out of the Flint school and working at their callings from one to six years when this first election was held in June, 1901.

Peter N. Hellers, elected first president, had been out of school three years, since 1898; First Vice President John Polk six years, since 1895; Second Vice President Alexander McCuaig one year, since 1900; Corresponding Secretary Jesse Waterman at least one year, since 1900; Recording Secretary Henry D. Maher three

years, since 1898; Treasurer John Berry two years, since 1899; Sergeants Eugene McCall and Fred Wheeler both one year, since 1900.

This should dispel the impression held by some that matured plans for the old Fraternal Society of the Deaf were formed by a group of boys while still in school.

As previously related, the old FSD was incorporated on August 12, 1901. The records show that the enrollment of members began in Chicago on September 1, 1901, and the officers elected at Flint were enrolled as of that date.

From the beginning, the Home Office was in Chicago and remained so until October 1, 1936, when the society moved into its own building in Oak Park.

Tablet at Flint

In 1925, the Michigan members of the society placed on one of the school buildings at Flint a tablet commemorating the Coming Men of America Lodge there, and the later development of the idea of a fraternal society exclusively for the deaf, which, as we have shown, was brought into fulfillment in Chicago by former members of this lodge and others residing in Illinois.

All fair-minded men will admit that in the great fraternal activity prevalent in the late nineties and early part of the present century, this fraternal consciousness was sharply focused at the Flint school, as far as the deaf were concerned. The enthusiasm engendered there was later carried to Chicago, where it kindled the movement that developed into a national, and still later into a closely knit international fraternal organization of the deaf.

One who has read thus far in this account will be able to judge where the society was brought into being and built up through the years.

Michigan Old Timers

Our old time Michigan members were, and those still living are the salt of the earth, indomitable parts of a staunch bulwark against the disintegrating forces of time. They have remained faithful to our order, their tenacity of purpose has been commended on every hand. They were, and are not the kind of men to quibble over trifling questions of time and place. They were, and are far more concerned with larger questions of strength, stability, service to our members, and the mutual good will of men.

Divisions 1924-1927

In the three years following the St. Paul convention of 1924, nine new Divisions were formed:

- No. 99—Duluth, Minn., July 12, 1924.
- No. 100—Canton, Ohio, Sept. 20, 1924.
- No. 101—Faribault, Minn., Dec. 6, 1924.
- No. 102—South Bend, Ind., Apr. 18, 1925.
- No. 103—Council Bluffs, Ia., Oct. 31, 1925.
- No. 104—Fl. Wayne, Ind., Nov. 7, 1925.
- No. 105—Schenectady, N. Y., Jan. 9, 1926.
- No. 106—Chicago, Ill., Apr. 24, 1926.
- No. 107—Miami, Fla., Oct. 8, 1926.

Of these Divisions, South Bend No. 104 and Miami No. 107 both were disbanded on Jan. 1, 1940.

Membership 1924-1927

The society issued 366 membership certificates in 1925; 497 in 1926; and 343 in 1927. At the end of the latter year there was a total membership of 6,368.

Tenth Convention 1927

The society held its tenth triennial convention in Denver, Colorado, July 11 to 15, 1927. All Grand Officers were present and the following delegates represented the various Divisions (alternates' names in parenthesis):

- Chicago No. 1—E. W. Craig (C. B. Kemp).
- Detroit No. 2—J. D. Ulrich (T. J. Kenney).
- Saginaw No. 3—G. J. Janicke (Alex Gibson).
- Louisville No. 4—W. C. Fugate.
- Little Rock No. 5—P. B. Jones.
- Dayton No. 8—S. O. Miller.
- Bay City No. 9—C. F. W. Lawrence.
- Cincinnati No. 10—L. J. Bacheberle.
- Evansville No. 11—W. J. Wiggers.
- Nashville No. 12—W. B. Rosson.
- Springfield, O. No. 13—H. H. Folkemer.
- Olathe No. 14—T. C. Simpson (A. L. Kent).
- Flint No. 15—P. L. Schreiber.
- Toledo No. 16—H. G. Augustus.
- Milwaukee No. 17—Samuel Sutter (N. Pleskatebeck).
- Columbus No. 18—W. H. Zorn.
- Knoxville No. 20—A. L. Payne.
- Cleveland No. 21—R. V. Mohr.
- Indianapolis No. 22—L. M. Ralston.
- Brooklyn No. 23—J. L. Call (Ben Friedwald).
- St. Louis No. 24—W. H. Schaub (Peter Hughes).
- New Haven No. 25—Michael Lapides.
- Holyoke No. 26—F. G. Cossette.
- Los Angeles No. 27—R. P. Handley.
- Atlanta No. 28—A. P. Chambers (H. H. Williams).
- Philadelphia No. 30—J. A. Roach.
- Kansas City No. 31—L. L. Coleman.
- Omaha No. 32—T. S. Cuscaden (R. E. Dobson, E. M. Hazel).
- New Orleans No. 33—H. J. Soland.
- Kalamazoo No. 34—M. L. Francisco.
- Boston No. 35—W. H. Battersby (A. A. Sinclair).
- Pittsburgh No. 36—P. R. Graves (Geo. Cowan, S. J. Rogalsky).
- Hartford No. 37—W. G. Durian.
- Memphis No. 38—J. W. Slough.
- Portland, Me. No. 39—W. O. Kimball.
- Buffalo No. 40—James Coughlin.
- Portland, Ore. No. 41—B. L. Craven.
- Newark No. 42—F. W. Hoppaugh.
- Providence No. 43—No delegate.
- Seattle No. 44—J. M. Lowell.
- Utica No. 45—Richard McCabe (T. D. Harter).
- Washington No. 46—C. C. Quinley.
- Baltimore No. 47—W. W. Duvall.
- Syracuse No. 48—R. M. Brown (H. C. Merrill).
- Cedar Rapids No. 49—R. E. Carpenter.
- Huntington No. 50—C. D. Seaton.
- Albany No. 51—H. A. Mineker.
- Rochester No. 52—C. L. McLaughlin (C. H. Samuelson).
- San Francisco No. 53—A. W. Patterson (Isadore Selig, L. E. Conaway).
- Reading No. 54—E. C. Ritchie (F. C. Smielau).
- Akron No. 55—K. B. Ayers (T. W. Osborne).
- Salt Lake City No. 56—A. C. Keeley.
- Rockford No. 57—Austin Baird (Fred Shatwell).
- Springfield, Ill., No. 58—D. B. King (R. H. Powers, J. G. Otto, R. B. Redlich).
- Davenport No. 59—C. E. Loughran.
- Worcester No. 60—A. G. Clark.
- St. Paul-Minneapolis No. 61—J. J. McNeil (Fred Brant).
- Fort Worth No. 62—Albert Tully (J. W. Hale).

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

DECEMBER, 1944

To Our Readers

May your Christmas be reverently happy and in keeping with the solemn times in which we move. May your New Year be joyous in a just victory and a Lasting Peace.

1945 Campaign

THROUGH 1945 the membership campaign will be continued as heretofore.

The same cash prizes will be given for bringing in blocks-of-five new members.

The campaign will start with new members admitted by Divisions at the December, 1944, meetings and end with those admitted at the November, 1945, meetings.

We sincerely thank all those earnest members who worked hard in the 1944 campaign and who, all together, helped to make a splendid record.

Let's all work harder in 1945 and try to equal the glorious record of a year ago, when more than 1200 new members came into the ranks.

Membership

WHILE the year 1944 did not equal 1943 in the number of new members obtained, it still was one of the best in the history of the society.

A total of 638 new members affiliated with the society during the year and 39 inactive paid-up members returned

to active status. This was slightly less than the 700 we had predicted and which was indicated by our mid-year preliminary figures.

The society will close the year 1944 with a total of approximately 10,000 members on its rolls. We say approximately because we shall not be able to determine the exact figure until various adjustments are made between this writing and December 31. The exact figure will appear in the annual statement.

The society had, up to December 1, 1944, written insurance on the lives of nearly 15,000 deaf males; to be exact, 14,704.

Court Decision

THE decision of the United States Supreme Court some time ago that insurance is commerce has caused everybody connected with the business to sit up and take notice.

Many are worried at the supposed implications of this decision, which is a complete reversal of the tribunal's 100-year stand on the question.

Beginning in 1866 and extending down to the present time, ten separate attempts have been made by the Congress to gain Federal control over insurance. Therefore, this present movement is not original with the current administration. That the court's decision will actually result in Federal supervision of the insurance business, no one seems certain. Most of the State insurance departments themselves seem uncertain as to just where the matter stands, and are marking time until something definite is known.

As between Federal and State regulation of insurance, there seems to be some difference of opinion. One factor that seems to favor Federal supervision is the fact that in the past the divergent laws covering insurance in the various States have proven somewhat of a headache to insurance companies and societies. This drawback appears to be heading for elimination as the States gradually adopt insurance codes tending to be more and more uniform throughout the country.

Here and there a State still clings to outmoded laws and insists on all companies conforming thereto in whatever part of the country they may operate, otherwise no license will be issued in that particular State. If all States were so insistent, there would be no insurance business as we now know it, and Federal control would perhaps be a logical conclusion.

The fear of some that the "political spoils system" will afflict the insurance business once Federal regulation is instituted, if it ever is, seems unwarranted. We have never heard much, if any, criticism of Federal regulation of National banks. Federal regulation of insurance would probably be something similar to this.

The advocates of State rights seem to be in the great majority in the present controversy. Their reasons for the re-

tention of State regulation of insurance are:

1. The States are closer to the people, are better able to deal with insurance problems.

2. The insurance business does not lend itself to rigid centralized control; regulation must be geared to meet regional needs.

3. No industry could have thrived during the past 100 years as has the insurance business, nor could the public have gained as much, had the philosophy or administration of State regulation been unsound.

Proposed legislation has been submitted to Congress by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners, declaring among other things that insurance shall continue to be subject to State laws, and that it shall not come under the provisions of any anti-trust act. Whether Congress will enact this desired legislation remains to be seen. Some observers are confident that Congress will favor such legislation and thus clarify a rather muddled situation.

Minnie T. Gibson

MINNIE TAYLOR GIBSON, widow of our late Grand President Francis P. Gibson, died in Evanston, Illinois, on October 24, 1944, and was buried in the family lot in Rosehill Cemetery, Chicago, on October 26.

Mrs. Gibson had been an invalid for several years prior to her death. She leaves one son, Donald Gibson, a veteran of World War I.

From the early nineties until the late 1930's, when she became incapacitated and confined to her home in Evanston, Mrs. Gibson was a prominent figure in the social life of the deaf in Chicago, and was well known throughout the country as a result of her attendance at many of the society's national conventions in company with her husband.

A hearing woman, she was the daughter of deaf parents and had an excellent command of the sign language. She was a strikingly handsome woman, gracious in manner, and bore with her husband many of his trials and tribulations while he was a leader in the society's affairs.

The society extends its sympathy to Mr. Donald Gibson and family in their bereavement.



Speaking without thinking is shooting without aim.

Lean Years and Lush

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- Dallas No. 63—W. K. Gibson (T. E. Hill).
- Denver No. 64—G. W. Veditz (D. H. Wolpert, J. H. Tuskey, G. W. Huff).
- Waterbury No. 65—E. H. Hine.
- Springfield, Mass. No. 67—W. G. Abbott.
- Waco No. 68—J. B. Davis.
- Pittsfield No. 70—E. J. Gilmartin.
- Bangor No. 71—J. F. Flynn.
- Kenosha No. 72—Ambrose Castona.
- Birmingham No. 73—G. H. Harper.
- Sioux Falls No. 74—C. H. Loucks.
- Wichita No. 75—J. B. Kaufman (A. G. Grier).
- Spokane No. 76—J. H. O'Leary.
- Des Moines No. 77—J. F. Sullivan (T. R. Green).
- Lowell No. 78—F. D. Williams.
- Berkeley No. 79—E. E. Vinson (E. W. Brodick, J. W. Howson).
- Delavan No. 80—F. B. Pleasant (O. V. Robinson).
- Houston No. 81—R. C. Morriss (J. E. Empson).
- Scranton No. 82—C. L. Clark.
- Richmond No. 83—R. H. Baughan.
- Johnstown No. 85—Gilbert Singerman (J. E. Rosensteel).
- Manhattan No. 87—M. L. Kenner (J. N. Funk, S. Frankenheim).
- Jacksonville No. 88—S. R. Burns, (H. D. Huff).
- Lewiston No. 89—M. A. Bradbury.
- Peoria No. 90—C. J. Cunningham (A. C. Bertsch).
- Jersey City No. 91—H. W. Hester.
- Bronx No. 92—Jacob Ebin.
- Columbia No. 93—C. F. Smoak.
- Charlotte No. 94—W. E. Benfield.
- Durham No. 95—J. M. Vestal.
- Dubuque No. 96—F. H. Dohrmann.
- Grand Rapids No. 97—Loren Mars.
- Toronto No. 98—A. H. Jaffray (J. T. Shilton).
- Duluth No. 99—E. J. Isaacson (J. C. Howard).
- Canton No. 100—A. M. Price.
- Faribault No. 101—John Schwartz.
- South Bend No. 102—B. B. Berg.
- Council Bluffs No. 103—T. L. Anderson (R. H. Arch).
- Ft. Wayne No. 104—R. O. Yoder.
- Schenectady No. 105—H. A. Barnes.
- Chicago No. 106—Peter Livshis (S. Kuflewski).
- Miami No. 107—H. S. Morris.

Denver Measures

Aside from the routine amendments to laws enacted at Denver, the convention did the following things:

Changed from triennial to quadrennial conventions, for reasons of economy. With the increase in number of Divisions and delegates, the cost of conventions had grown tremendously in the past few years.

Discontinued issuing the old Whole Life Class A NFC-4% certificate which had no surrender value.

Placed Convention Local committees under direction of the Home Office, making them Grand Division committees, the members to be appointed by headquarters and be responsible thereto. It was thought greater efficiency and harmony would prevail under this arrangement.

Added a Fourth Grand Vice President. Combined the offices of Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer into one. Directed that the Grand President, Grand Secretary-Treasurer, and the three Grand Trustees should live in Chicago or its suburbs, making them resident officers.

Made sickness and accident benefits obtainable in multiples of \$5.00 weekly, according to members' choice, with corresponding increases in dues therefor, the board to decide maximum benefit.

Abolished the right of alternate delegates to take the floor and participate in convention proceedings ex-

cept when taking the place of regular delegates unable to perform their duties.

Declined to re-open the question of the admission of women to membership.

Gave the 1931 convention to Boston.

Officers 1927-1931

The Denver convention elected the following officers to serve until 1931:

- President—Francis P. Gibson of Chicago.
- First Vice President—Fred J. Neesam of Delavan, Wis.
- Second Vice President—James W. Howson of Berkeley, Cal.
- Third Vice President—John H. Mueller of Louisville, Ky.
- Fourth Vice President—John T. Shilton of Toronto, Canada.
- Secretary-Treasurer—Arthur L. Roberts of Chicago.
- Trustees—George F. Flick, H. M. Leiter, Washington Borrow, of Chicago.

On December 4, 1929, Grand President Francis P. Gibson died while in office and was succeeded by First Grand Vice President Fred J. Neesam. The other Grand Vice Presidents moved up one rank and the office of Fourth Vice President was left vacant until the following convention.

Finances 1924-1927

At the Denver convention the report of the Grand Treasurer disclosed the financial standing of the society:

Balance June 30, 1924.....	\$572,252.50
Total income	\$523,202.32
Total expenditures	189,475.77
Net gain for period.....	333,726.55

Balance June 30, 1927..... \$905,979.05

Death benefits paid during this period amounted to \$72,385.29, sickness benefits to \$24,830.00, and accident benefits to \$10,870.00, a total of \$108,085.29 in all benefits.

Divisions 1927-1931

Between the Denver and Boston conventions, five new Divisions of the society were established:

- No. 108—Binghamton N. Y., Nov. 26, 1927.
- No. 109—Wilksburg, Pa., Dec. 24, 1928.
- No. 110—San Diego, Cal., Dec. 29, 1928.
- No. 111—Eau Claire, Wis., Nov. 30, 1929.
- No. 112—Sulphur, Okla., Dec. 5, 1930.

All of these Divisions are still in the Division family.

Membership 1927-1931

The society admitted 279 new members in 1928; 454 in 1929; 438 in 1930; and 276 in 1931. At the end of 1931, it had a total membership of 7,241.

Eleventh Convention 1931

The eleventh convention of the order was held in Boston, Mass., July 20 to 25, 1931. All the Grand Officers elected at the previous convention were present, with the exception of Grand President Francis P. Gibson, deceased. The following delegates represented the various Divisions of the society:

- Chicago No. 1—Isadore Newman.
- Detroit No. 2—P. N. Hellers.
- Saginaw No. 3—Wm. Minaker.
- Louisville No. 4—Patrick Dolan.
- Little Rock No. 5—L. C. Shibley.
- Dayton No. 8—R. B. Conkling.
- Bay City No. 9—F. C. Neal.
- Cincinnati No. 10—S. J. Taylor.
- Evansville No. 11—Wm. Wiggers.
- Nashville No. 12—W. O. Burke.
- Springfield, O. No. 13—H. H. Folckemer.

- Olathe No. 14—E. S. Foltz.
- Flint No. 15—Clyde Stevens.
- Toledo No. 16—Nathan Henick.
- Milwaukee No. 17—A. G. Leisman.
- Columbus No. 18—I. J. Crossen.
- Knoxville No. 20—L. A. Palmer.
- Cleveland No. 21—Herman Kalle.
- Indianapolis No. 22—R. P. Hiatt.
- Brooklyn No. 23—H. J. Goldberg.
- St. Louis No. 24—C. W. Haig.
- New Haven No. 25—Clarence Baldwin.
- Holyoke No. 26—A. L. Klopfer.
- Los Angeles No. 27—T. E. Samuelson.
- Atlanta No. 28—W. A. Willingham.
- Philadelphia No. 30—Hugh Cusack.
- Kansas City No. 31—Norman Hunt.
- Omaha No. 32—R. E. Dobson.
- New Orleans No. 33—Gervais Gaennie.
- Kalamazoo No. 34—John Cordano.
- Boston No. 35—John O'Rourke.
- Pittsburgh No. 36—E. S. Havens.
- Hartford No. 37—W. F. Durian.
- Memphis No. 38—W. C. Correll.
- Portland, Me. No. 39—K. M. Leighton.
- Buffalo No. 40—J. J. Coughlin.
- Portland, Ore. No. 41—C. H. Linde.
- Newark No. 42—A. L. Thomas.
- Providence No. 43—A. H. Enger.
- Seattle No. 44—Oscar Sanders.
- Utica No. 45—D. A. Costello.
- Washington No. 46—H. L. Tracy.
- Baltimore No. 47—G. M. Leitner.
- Syracuse No. 48—C. M. Houze.
- Cedar Rapids No. 49—Carl Osterberg.
- Huntington No. 50—G. C. Burckham.
- Albany No. 51—Charles Morris.
- Rochester No. 52—Yates Lansing.
- San Francisco No. 53—Walter Valiant.
- Reading No. 54—E. C. Ritchie.
- Akron No. 55—B. M. Schowe.
- Salt Lake City No. 56—R. D. Glenn.
- Rockford No. 57—J. J. Boyer.
- Springfield, Ill. No. 58—J. G. Otto.
- Davenport No. 59—W. F. Schaefer.
- Worcester No. 60—G. L. Tatro.
- St. Paul-Minneapolis No. 61—G. L. Allen.
- Ft. Worth No. 62—Albert Tully.
- Dallas No. 63—T. E. Hill.
- Denver No. 64—T. Y. Northern.
- Waterbury No. 65—S. E. Minnicucci.
- Springfield, Mass. No. 67—J. E. Haggerty.
- Waco No. 68—A. M. Bowman.
- Bangor No. 71—J. R. Hale.
- Kenosha No. 72—Wm. Sayles.
- Birmingham No. 73—J. G. Chunn.
- Sioux Falls No. 74—A. J. Krohn.
- Wichita No. 75—J. B. Kaufman.
- Spokane No. 76—J. H. O'Leary.
- Des Moines No. 77—C. R. Koons.
- Lowell No. 78—C. C. McCord.
- Berkeley No. 79—M. C. Davidson.
- Delavan No. 80—O. V. Robinson.
- Houston No. 81—R. C. Morriss.
- Scranton No. 82—H. B. Young.
- Richmond No. 83—M. B. Dalton.
- Johnstown No. 85—R. M. Barker.
- Manhattan No. 87—J. N. Funk.
- Jacksonville No. 88—Ernest Tilton.
- Lewiston No. 89—P. J. Thibodeau.
- Peoria No. 90—C. J. Cunningham.
- Jersey City No. 91—John Garland.
- Bronx No. 92—J. R. Collins.
- Columbia No. 93—H. R. Glover.
- Charlotte No. 94—W. R. Hackney.
- Durham No. 95—J. M. Vestal.
- Dubuque No. 96—F. H. Dohrmann.
- Grand Rapids No. 97—W. H. Miller.
- Toronto No. 98—A. H. Jaffray.
- Duluth No. 99—C. P. Magnuson.
- Canton No. 100—Howard Durian.
- Faribault No. 101—V. R. Spence.
- South Bend No. 102—L. M. Douglas.
- Council Bluffs No. 103—J. J. Marty.
- Ft. Wayne No. 104—J. E. Pershing.
- Schenectady No. 105—Harry Barnes.
- Chicago No. 106—W. J. Hodgson.
- Miami No. 107—R. H. Rou.
- Binghamton No. 108—M. E. Hoag.
- Wilksburg No. 109—C. A. Painter.
- San Diego No. 110—C. L. Berg.
- Eau Claire No. 111—F. J. Smith.
- Sulphur No. 112—G. H. Davies.

Boston Transactions

At the Boston convention, no unusual proposals were brought up. The convention confined itself generally to amending the laws of the society which experience during the four-year interval had shown to be necessary.

It was voted to hold the 1935 convention in Kansas City, Mo.

Officers 1931-1935

The Boston convention elected the following officers to serve until 1935:

- President—Arthur L. Roberts of Chicago.
- First Vice President—Fred J. Neesam of Delavan, Wis.
- Second Vice President—John T. Shilton of Toronto, Can.

Third Vice President—John H. Mueller of Louisville.

Fourth Vice President—Wm. H. Battersby of Boston.

Secretary-Treasurer—Charles B. Kemp of Chicago.

Trustees—George F. Flick, H. M. Leiter, Washington Barrow, of Chicago.

Third Grand Vice President John H. Mueller allowed his certificate to lapse as of January 1, 1934, and his office was declared vacant. Fourth Grand Vice President Wm. H. Battersby moved up to the Third Grand Vice Presidency. The office of Fourth Grand Vice President was not filled prior to the Kansas City convention in 1935.

Finances 1927-1931

At the Boston convention, the Grand Secretary-Treasurer's report disclosed the financial transactions during the four-year interval since the Denver convention, of which the following is a summary:

Balance June 30, 1927.....	\$ 905,979.05
Total income.....	\$902,930.34
Total disbursements.....	361,150.73
Net gain.....	541,779.61

Balance June 30, 1931.....	\$1,447,758.66
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Of the expenditures given \$148,882.00 was for death benefits, \$65,735.00 for sickness benefits, and \$27,390.00 for accident benefits, a total of \$242,007.00 for all benefits during the quadrennial period.

[This is the sixth in a series of articles outlining the history of the society. The seventh installment will appear in an early issue.]

For

By GUNNAR E. RATH

(A Letter to ye Editor)

I WROTE the comment passed on to you by a mutual friend which you printed in the November issue of the FRAT under the title "Brickbats." This was the paragraph regarding "... the active deaf membership of the AFPH being greater than that of the NAD" and that "you were raving." The reference to your wearing apparel is immaterial.

Your comment on the paragraph is to what I wish to refer. You say "... foolishness of the movement fostered by those who, for their own ends, stoop to belittle the reputations of able, devoted, honorable educators of the deaf and their work..." First, all the deaf persons who are working with the AFPH are gainfully and well employed. None of them need help of the AFPH, nor do they expect reward other than personal satisfaction of having helped their group. Second, no one has besmirched the integrity of any of the educators of the deaf; what has been asked is an improvement in the standards of education of the deaf in the schools of the country as seen by experienced educators. Some schools are model institutions while others are far from any approved criteria. To prove this point one need not search too far for the answer. Ask any teacher of the deaf which schools have definite teacher-loads and which load teachers with extra work; which schools are not on the list of "approved schools" as published in the Gallaudet College catalogue; which schools, because of their low standards, hire unqualified personnel; which schools pay the best salaries and which insult the teacher on pay day; which schools are under their state's Board of Education and which are governed by charitable or exceptional institution boards. Why (here's one answer) do all teachers want to teach at the California School for the Deaf? Because this school has a favorable answer to most of the questions above. It has definite teacher-loads; it hires the best qualified personnel; it pays the best; it is under the State of California Board of Education; and as a result it has an excellent record in the accomplishments of the students it has graduated. Is it a crime or is it dastardly conduct for the deaf to want all schools up to, let's say, the California standard? The so-called leaders of the NAD have not bestirred themselves, so is it wrong for the deaf in AFPH to make a presentation?

The "framework of laws regulating free enterprise for the deaf" is exactly for what AFPH is working. Not only the framework, but the finished regulations. AFPH is also working for a Bureau of Welfare of the Physically Handicapped, with a Division for the Deaf, which corresponds to the announced resolution of the NAD for a Bureau of the Deaf. Is it wrong that AFPH should urge adoption of NAD approved legislation?

Your lawyer friend states that "... the deaf person, given an equal chance, has oftentimes not only proven his or her ability, but has far exceeded the results of a hearing person." AFPH legislation is to provide such "equal chance" by change in the Workmen's Compensation laws and other statutes that limit the hiring of deaf and other handicapped.

Persons who have not studied the purposes and aims of the AFPH have attempted to imply that AFPH seeks alms or a direct dole for the deaf from the Federal Government. There is nothing further from the truth. If that were part or all of the AFPH purpose I would not be a member.

While members of one Division of the NFSD may not be members of the AFPH it is probably because they do not know its purpose. Many members of my Division are members of AFPH and members of other Divisions far from Washington, D. C., are also members of AFPH.

I am asking you to print this in its entirety. It presents, to a degree, the opinion of the other side. I am not a charter member of the AFPH, nor am I on its National Council, nor do I idolize AFPH leaders, but I believe, after having explored its organization, that the AFPH is the only means to secure legislation to help the deaf in the post-war era.

I am signing my name to this letter because I feel that an expression of opinion on a public question should be signed.

Perhaps it is unnecessary to comment on this somewhat naive letter. However, we could easily point out that better and more permanent jobs are generally the goal of most of us and evidently this aspiration cannot be totally absent from the minds of the Washington "workers in the vineyard"; that there is such a thing as besmirching by innuendo and damning by faint praise; that while we greatly admire our good friend Dr. Elwood A. Stevenson and his California school and would not detract one whit from the commendation justly due them, there are others who can readily point out quite a number of excellent schools; that only a brash youngster would be so positive in his dictum that ALL teachers are pining for the California school; that you cannot legislate excellence into any school or teaching staff. It requires something more than that: should we say, training, teaching ability, devotion, moral fibre, and the like; that the NAD abandoned its plan to ask for legislation when it found its objectives could be attained in the present vocational and rehabilitation set-up; that only a poorly informed person would blame the Workmen's Compensation laws *per se* for discrimination against the deaf; that to the cognoscenti, the purpose of the "Washington movement" is as plain as day; that twisting the meaning of an opponent's arguments is an old trick, and the excessive use of hyperbole may drag one into buffoonery. As it is, we shall say nothing and let readers form their own conclusions.—ED.

Against

By JAMES N. ORMAN

An Address Delivered Before the October Convention of the Illinois State Association of the Deaf)

SINCE our last convention six years ago a new organization calling itself the American Federation of the Physically Handicapped has been formed with headquarters in Washington.

This organization is based on the idea that all types of the physically handicapped must unite and form a pressure group if they are to make their needs known to the public and the people who make the nation's laws.

During the past year the organization has succeeded in sponsoring a resolution in Congress directing the Labor committee to determine the number of handicapped and the adequacy of services available for them both nationally and locally.

In so far as these hearings help to promote real public enlightenment about the handicapped, this can be a good thing. It must be realized, however, that this is only a prelude to the main act, the presentation of a program sponsored by the AFPH. The thing that concerns us most, therefore, is: Just what is this program and how do they propose to make it effective? But before I proceed, a few preliminary remarks.

The first thing that strikes us about the literature issued by AFPH is the gross overstatements and understatements it contains. Much to our surprise we learn there are 23,000,000 physically handicapped and that most of these people are sunk in "human misery, privation and despair."

The real purpose of this technique is not what they want us to think it is: that it is merely an expediency for attracting attention of an indifferent or phlegmatic public to the condition of an unfortunate group. The deliberate purpose is to draw our attention away from the fact that two government agencies already exist to provide assistance for the physically handicapped. By talking about 23,000,000 handicapped they throw up a smoke-screen in which these two bureaus become hardly decipherable.

Against this background, what is their program?

First, as we have said, organize all the physically handicapped in a pressure group. Second, have the federal government establish a "Bureau for the Welfare of the Physically Handicapped."

Such a program, they tacitly suggest, will do the following things:

(1) Provide the handicapped with all they need in medical services, educational services, vocational guidance and placement—on a scale equivalent to that maintained by the Bureau of Rehabilitation and Placement for disabled veterans!

(Think of it! 23,000,000 people receiving services comparable to those we gratefully and generously give soldiers handicapped in our country's service in time of war!)

(2) Break down employee resistance to hiring the handicapped. (As if this could be done the quick way, by law!)

(3) Guarantee employment for the physically handicapped, particularly in times of depression.

(In other words, make the physically handicapped a favored group like disabled war veterans!)

Already we hear the supporters of the AFPH say: "This is a travesty on our program! We propose nothing so preposterous!"

Now if, on the other hand, the AFPH had come out with something like this: "Disabled war veterans will be adequately provided for to the best of our country's abilities by the Bureau of Rehabilitation and Placement of the Veterans Administration. The Bureau of Rehabilitation for assistance to all other handicapped on the contrary is a flop. It ought to extend its services tenfold or a hundredfold and be given greatly enlarged appropriations by Congress to this end."—then, I say, we might be able to meet on common ground.

The conclusion is inevitable. The motives of the leaders of the AFPH are not, as they want very much to have us believe, wholly altruistic. (Aside we hear them say: "Probably less than a million, or a half million, or a quarter million, handicapped people will need such services as we speak of. And certainly they won't be on a per capita scale comparable with those for disabled war veterans.")

Whereupon we remind them of the Bureau for Rehabilitation and ask why it can't be expanded if necessary.

In the silence that is our answer, the words of Lincoln come to mind:

"You can fool some of the people all of the time. You can fool all of the people some of the time. But you cannot fool all of the people all of the time."

So far as the deaf are concerned, their salvation lies in making better use of their educational opportunities; in better vocational training; and a bridging of the gap between the school and industry by specialized industrial training within industry under school or rehabilitation agencies.

I predict the next decade or two will see a greatly expanded service of the latter type.

News from the



Divisions

December	
2.	Frat party..... Des Moines
2.	Social..... Denver
2.	Giant smoker..... Los Angeles
2.	Christmas party..... New Haven
2.	Christmas party..... Buffalo
2.	Movies..... Bangor
2.	Social..... Wichita
2.	Smoker..... Richmond
4.	Christmas party..... Buffalo
9.	Gallaudet party..... Danville
9.	Social..... Grand Rapids
9.	Christmas party..... Rockford
9.	Gift exchange party..... Kitchener
9.	Social..... Portland
9.	Social..... Cedar Rapids
9.	Free refreshments..... Schenectady
10.	Social..... Reading
16.	Christmas party..... San Francisco
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16.	Christmas party..... Kalamazoo
30.	Watch party..... Fort Wayne
30.	Dance..... Dallas
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30.	Annual ball..... Boston
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30.	New Year social..... Louisville
30.	New Year party..... Seattle
30.	New Year party..... Vancouver
30.	New Year party..... Danville
30.	Watch night party..... Davenport
31.	Watch party..... Spokane
31.	New Year dance..... St. Paul-Minneapolis
31.	New Year social..... Albany
31.	New Year party..... Kansas City
31.	New Year party..... Portland, Ore.
31.	New Year party..... Utica
31.	Watch night party..... Baltimore
January	
4.	Installation night..... Toronto
6.	Party..... Delavan
6.	Movies..... Bangor
6.	Social..... Wichita
13.	Rummage sale..... Rockford
13.	1951 Movies and Dance..... Chicago No. 106
14.	Social..... Reading
20.	Social..... Pittsburgh
February	
3.	Frat frolic..... Philadelphia
3.	Dance and floor show..... Richmond
10.	Eastern Clubs Basketball Championship..... Manhattan
March	
17.	National Clubs Basketball Championship..... Mahattan

MANHATTAN (By D. A. Davidowitz)—Coach Worzel, as he is known all over the East, is a coachless coach, since all he does is coach a lintoype to say "Uncle." Anyhow, the love of sports is like a dope in his veins, so he is manhandling the two big basketball tourneys which Manhattan is going to run. The Eastern Clubs of the Deaf Basketball Championship will bring together four eastern clubs on Feb. 10 at the Central Y.M.C.A., and one, or possibly two, of the teams will get an invitation to play in the National Clubs of the Deaf, sponsored every year for five straight years. Every team in the nation is cordially invited to write the secretary as to playing.

Recently we announced that the winner of the national tourney will receive an invitation

1944 Membership Campaign

Name	Division	New Members
Abe Saslaw.....	Cleveland	28
David Berch.....	Brooklyn	25
Joseph Rosnick.....	Toronto	19
Lester Naftaly.....	Berkeley-Oakland	19
Gunnar Rath.....	Washington	16
Rodney Walker.....	Salt Lake City	15
George Leitner.....	Baltimore	13
Henry Oaks.....	Atlanta	12
Carl Spencer.....	Seattle	12
Hugh Cusack.....	Philadelphia	11
Warren Riege.....	Milwaukee	11
Joseph Balasa.....	Danville, Ky.	10
Charles White.....	Toronto	9
Russell Martina.....	Buffalo	9
James Fry.....	Flint	9
Joseph Boyan.....	Westchester	9
Lloyd Hudson.....	Portland, Ore.	8
Charles McLaughlin.....	Toronto	7
Ernest Rhodes.....	Sulphur	7
Carl Magnuson.....	Duluth	7
James Forbes.....	Pittsburgh	6
Louis Orrill.....	Dallas	6
Carey Shaw.....	Houston	6
Louis Massinhoff.....	Chicago No. 1	5
Leonard Dickerson.....	Atlanta	5
Sam Golin.....	Chicago No. 1	5
Ernest Maitre.....	Toronto	5
Peter Amico.....	Boston	5
Fred Gustafson.....	Colorado Springs	5
Lynden Carr.....	Knoxville	5
James Nine.....	Akron	5
Byron Boyd.....	Nashville	5

to play in Panama, and even our President thought we were trying to pull some one's leg. Well, the latest dope is that the team will fly to Panama, play eleven games in one month, between Colon and Panama, and all expenses paid. Our only concern now is the jobs of the players, the war effort, and the wages of the players. When those three points can be ironed out, you can bet your last war bond they are going. Anyway, that is the information on hand.

The literary program of last September surprised the membership, and Chairman Konrady was again asked to maneuver it next September. Already he has lined up his committee and several speakers, with a boat ride scheduled for Sunday, June 10th, to Bear Mountains. Old No. 87 is still perking up. Chairman Ascher of the smoker committee is pulling some of his insured hairs out planning the event for March. Hope the cigars and premiums don't catch up with him.

BROOKLYN (By Al. Fleischman)—The membership derby has come to a close and our lone-go-getter, Bro. Berch, was still going. At the November meeting five new applicants were accepted.

Coming, coming and going—thus weeks and months come and go and before long Brooklyn will again be host to over 2,000 guests at its thirty-sixth annual ball and entertainment, scheduled for February 24, 1945, at Manhattan Center's spacious ballroom in the heart of New York City—34th Street and 8th Avenue. A "MUST" attend ball, and the only and best one in the city throughout the year. We merely state so because we know how to sell our wares and give our patrons their money's worth of social life. A spacious ballroom to dance, swing and sway or to chat, chase or shake; a modern equipped bar and grill to get your fill for relief; a four-star professional show from the hot spots of Broadway; a 15-piece orchestra to fill the room with melody and jive; surprises and personal appearance of well-known persons—all for \$1.20 (tax included) a head. You can't miss this! Where else can you get such a bargain? Nowhere but in Brooklyn's February 24th Ball.

So, dear readers, circle that date red, white and blue as a must or else. Ye correspondent, the chairman of the above coming ball, wishes to call the attention of the many out of towners who will come that hotel reservations will be made for those writing in at his address: 1325 Franklin Avenue, Bronx 56, N. Y. Tickets for the ball will be mailed to those sending in \$1.20 for each—a service rendered to keep long lines short.

CINCINNATI (Ray Grayson)—Under the chairmanship of James Judge, a very successful Halloween Social was held on Saturday, October 28, at the fine new club rooms of the Greater Cincinnati Silent Club. There were 257 paid admissions, with a surprisingly large number of out-of-town visitors. However, only a few people took the trouble to appear

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masked. A nice profit was realized from the social.

We regret to report the serious illness of Sam Taylor, sole surviving charter member of No. 10, from pneumonia. Upon his recovery Bro. Sam will be chairman of a social in February, 1945, celebrating the 39th anniversary of the founding of the division.

All "after-meeting" socials of the division will be held at the club rooms of the Greater Cincinnati Silent Club hereafter, with a division of the profits being made.

Frat brothers on visits to Cincinnati are invited to drop in at the new club, which is open every evening except Monday, and something is usually scheduled for the weekends. The address is 103 W. Central Parkway, just one door from Race Street. Frat brothers will be welcomed.

DANVILLE, KY. (By Chas. A. Thomas)—Our Halloween party on October 21 went over big. Bro. Royster and his excellent committee did a swell job, and made a nice profit. Proceeds from our last few parties may enable our division to purchase a 6th War Loan Bond soon.

The next big affair, No. 125, will be on November 25 when F. C. Higgins, our live wire man, will put on his "Women-Pay-All-Party." Bro. Higgins stated that he feared the women may not be there, so he has warned the members to bring their wives or sweethearts along in order to be admitted at a reasonable door fee, and be eligible to purchase eats and participate in games at a ceiling price. If a member comes without his spouse or girl, he will have to pay a double door entry fee and pay double the ceiling price on everything at the party. A fair warning, brothers.

Our division has decided to move back to the old Spoonamore Lodge hall after the first of the year because Chairman Balasa of the tournament committee will need plenty of room to run his tournaments throughout the year after business meetings.

Chairman Balasa, who will manage the big New Year's party on Dec. 30, reports that the local American Legion Post has consented to our using the Mayfair Club, three and one-half miles out of town, for this affair. Doors open at 6 p.m. You can get your evening snack at the party. There will be plenty of everything, including a three-act comedy and floor show.

HARTFORD (E. J. Szopa)—The Annual October Dance held at the Hotel Bond Ballroom came out a bang-up success both socially and financially. About 500 people attended. The floor show was the main attraction on the program, being the hit of the night's gay time. Brother Marino, who volunteered to give his service to the committee, labored hard in prodding the Lochinvars and their damsels to the rhythmic vibrations on the spacious floor. All in all, a grand time was had by all attending this autumn celebration.

The next afternoon saw a bowling tournament, another drawing card on the week-end's schedule. The whole floor of the Morgan Bowling Alleys was overcrowded with about 200 spectators and 12 teams of duckpin enthusiasts. It resulted that the Lawrence Mass., profs grabbed the grand prize, \$100; the picked local team, the Maine, second prize, \$75; another team of Fall River, third prize \$50; and the Holyoke team, fourth prize, \$30.

SYRACUSE (By E. J. Berrigan)—Ever have "Breakfast at Sardi's?" We did, on Nov. 4, and acclaimed it as something to remember. Seventy-five braved heavy showers, which number was a rarity, since about 40 is the average at socials. People from nearby Utica and Binghamton were also present. Under the able leadership of Hilda (Woodworth) Potter, as mistress of ceremonies, and her aide, Marjorie (Ayling) Clere, hearing daughters of the above named members in parentheses, a light lunch was started and ended with the pricking of toothpicks. Then the two mesdames mingled among the crowd, asking questions and receiving answers, mixed with wisecracks, and those making repartee answers were given little gifts. The envy of the ladies was Mrs. Marie Kennedy, who was presented with a real live orchid for being the

oldest lady attending; Bro. Mayershofer of Utica was the recipient of a cigar, four or five times the usual size, and at this writing should be halfway burned; Mrs. May Lynch was given a corsage for sporting the funniest hat, titled "Victory Garden." and also Bro. Hofmann's daughter, her birthday being on that date, and others. Thanks were due the gals. If you nearby divisions plan on arranging one like this, no doubt you'll find many Syracusans among your crowd.

If you chanced to meet among your friends Bros. Berrigan, Coppola, Schmidt, Moore and Hinchey, don't forget to pinch them—and do it real hard. Y'see, they're sort of in a daze and have been for the last few weeks because of all the 60 teams in a bowling loop, their Frat team has been among the first five top teams, and at this writing is now in second. Previously, for the last two years, they have been making friends among the second division clubs, and what made them spurt this year is beyond us. Right now, they're more than determined to stay that way and fight for first place—but, anything can happen.

TORONTO (By J. F. Gotthelf)—At our November meeting we stood silent for a minute in memory of the late Brother Wesley Ellis, who passed away suddenly a few weeks before. Brother Ellis was the originator of annual Christmas cheer for needy pupils at Belleville. He collected money for a good many years from our members and sent a sizable sum to the school. When Wesley was a pupil at Belleville he was touched by the cheerlessness of penniless children at Christmastime, resolving to do something about it some day, hence the tradition of "Christmas Cheer" as an annual gift from No. 98. Last year the collection had to be suspended because the school was taken over by the government for air training school purposes, the pupils were scattered in day schools all over the province, but this fall the school was returned to the provincial department of education, and tradition is being resumed this approaching Christmas. Brother Ellis served on many committees and was a good frat worker, and he will be missed. Flowers were sent by our division for his funeral.

Our Halloween party was well attended, bringing a good profit. George Corbett, chairman, did much to make our 20th anniversary banquet a much enjoyed affair in an artistic atmosphere at Malloney's Fine Art Galleries. Excellent oil paintings in bright colors adorned the four walls of the long banquet room.

The program included Division President Morrison's address, signing of "God Save Our King" by Mrs. Morrison, and Grand Vice President Peikoff's address showing valuable advertising given the deaf by the phenomenal success of the N.F.S.D. Also three charter members, Arthur Jaffray, Fred Terrell and Harry Grooms dwelt on reminiscences of their early days when they were in unhappy throes of indecision about joining the then questionable movement—there was much criticism levelled against the growing fraternal organization of the deaf, and by the deaf, and for the deaf, but since then the brickbats have miraculously turned into bouquets. Brothers Jaffray, Terrell and Grooms mentioned George W. Reeves as the Canadian pioneer who encouraged them and others to join and stay—and now they are truly glad they did. There were eight charter members present, including

Charles Ford, Colin McLean, John Buchan, Frank Harris and Clarence Pinder. The banquet over, games were enjoyed in the cleared room.

BIRMINGHAM (By Herman Harper)—Birmingham Division added another \$100 War Bond to its steadily growing fund. The division went on record to continue buying War Bonds in future drives until V-I-C-T-O-R-Y is won.

Bro. and Mrs. Weil were happy over the arrival of their son, Capt. Melvin Weil, Jr., a B-17 pilot, after completing 33 missions. He was awarded an Air Medal and Purple Heart. At the Birmingham Social Club of the Deaf he gave an interesting talk about his experiences, including a stay in a Rumanian war prison camp. Afterwards he was presented a handsome suitcase. He is in Miami Beach, Fla., awaiting reassignment.

An excellent floor show under direction of James Stephens was staged in the hall of Birmingham Social Club of the Deaf on Armistice Day.

CHICAGO No. 1 (J. B. Davis)—Members, please note the secretary's new address—Y.M.C.A., 1725 W. Wilson ave., Room 18, Chicago, Ill.

Chairman Brogan of the Halloween Party on Oct. 28 deserves a lot of praise for originality and success of that affair. About 400 people came. New, hilarious games such as live chicken catching contest, tug of war between north and south residents of Chicago, punkin pie eating contest, square dances and prizes were given in cash for those wearing the most original costumes. Proceeds went in the 1951 convention fund from No. 1's sponsorship. Thanks, Brogan.

Now here comes the dance of the year—the 43rd annual ball—which usually attracts around 1,000 people. This affair is the life blood for the division in a financial standpoint. But this time all proceeds will go to the purchase of war bonds. No. 1 is in third place in amount of war bonds purchased. We want to make No. 1 the leader of all divisions in the country in every field, so come on, ladies and gents, buy tickets, \$1.50 from any member and see a real good \$400 vaudeville floor show. Place—4306 W. North Ave., at the Lions Hall on Feb. 3rd. Floor show will begin at 11 p.m. and end at 12:30 a.m.—a continuous 8-act show of all varieties. Al Marney's orchestra will be on hand to give good dance music. The dance will begin at 8 p.m. and end at 2 a.m. John B. Davis is chairman, with Art Shawl as assistant.

LOWELL (By C. C. McCord)—We are proud of the Lawrence members of our division. Their bowling team won the first prize, \$100.00, in the bowling tournament at Hartford on Oct. 26. The team is composed of Manager Harold Daggett, Robert Zito, Peter Gaidis, Hyman Bookspan and Joseph Zolnerunas. Again, on Nov. 4, this same team trounced our Lowell team by 103 pins. They are looking for chal-

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lenges from other division teams in New England. Arrangements for games may be made with Manager Harold Daggett, 126 Lawrence St., Lawrence, Mass.

During the fall the division has held several whist parties from which we realized a good profit, in spite of poor attendance.

SAN FRANCISCO (By F. J. Roberts)—The closing event of the year will be our annual Christmas affair. This social always draws our biggest crowd. This year President Glidden will be chairman and toastmaster, with Brothers Miller, Martucci and Majourau assisting. The usual passing of gifts will be the high lights of the evening, with a wonderful buffet (prepared by our Auxiliary) to go with it. So, brothers and sisters of the division and the Auxiliary, remember Saturday night, December 16, at S. F. C. D. Hall, 991 Mission St.

JERSEY CITY (By Louis Alfonso)—Our 22nd annual entertainment and ball on Nov. 11 was a gratifying success. William Lyons, as chairman, came through with flying colors, sharing credit with his helpers, Bros. Alfonso, Libson, Rienzo, Smolen, Turgione, Bruno, San Fillippo, Hamel and Pease. Our thanks are also due to Mrs. San Fillippo and Mrs. Zearo, from the Bronx, for their volunteered efforts in selling frankfurters, and to Mrs. James Davison, who made the beautiful red, white and blue streamers that adorned the lapels of the hall committee. It was appreciated. An excellent floor show direct from the hot spots of Manhattan enlivened the evening. A nice profit was realized.

Brother Bruno announces that the smoker and initiation under his direction will be held sometime in February. He is now scouring the countryside for the huskiest goat he can find.

BALTIMORE (By A. A. Hajna)—August Wriede is certainly a past master in the art of entertainment, for he made the "Carnival of Sports" held Oct. 28 at Redmen's Hall a tremendous success. William Dilworth assisted with the punch.

William Martini and his committee are at work on plans for our New Year's Eve Frolic to be held at the Lithuanian Hall, the same hall we have used for a number of years. Cash prizes for dancers, and refreshments, of course. Doors open at eight; close at ???.

NEWARK (By O. W. McInturff)—The card party on Oct. 21, managed by Thomas Carus and his committee, drew a fairly large crowd in spite of inclement weather. Encouraged by his success, Brother Carus is planning for another and larger party in December. Time and place will be announced at the December meeting of the division.

ST. LOUIS (By Elmer Griser)—Chairman Price of our coming Watch Nite party announces that it will be held at King-Right Hall, 5014 Enright Ave., on Saturday eve., Dec. 30, at 7:00 p.m. Admission, 80c, including tax. He promises everyone a good time, with many free novelties. Come and enjoy the evening, and at the same time help Brother

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NEW HAVEN (By Alfred Stevenson)—There was a pretty good crowd at the initiation social, including one visitor each from Hartford, Westchester and Jersey City Divisions. Nine members were introduced to the goat. Movies were shown, and coffee, cakes and sandwiches served.

Several members of the division went in a crowd to attend the dance of Washington Division on Oct. 21, and all reported an enjoyable two-days' stay.

BOSTON (By H. N. Colby)—Attendance at our last meeting was small, on account of the 75th anniversary banquet of the Horace Mann School.

Our Annual Ball will be held at the Sheraton Hotel, 91 Bay State Rd., Boston, on Dec. 30. Be sure and attend. We hope to follow this with an open house on the 31st.

UTICA (By J. A. Kofman)—A gala New Year's Eve party under the management of Trevor Hughes will be held on Dec. 31 at Hotel Hamilton, Utica. An enjoyable evening is assured both young and old.

All members will please note that beginning with the January meeting, the division will meet at its new location, Labor Temple, corner Charlotte and Devereaux Sts.

CHICAGO DIVISION No. 106 (P. J. Livshis)—The wisdom of shifting the annual cards and dance, this time the eighteenth, to the south side at the Viking South Side Temple, on October 21st, was fully justified by the attendance that was double that of last year. The increase of new and unknown faces that showed up was another pointer to the fact that they would come to see you if you are near enough to them—propinquity is the word.

The most amusing part of the night was the questions to be answered: What is beauty? What is style? The contest among girls and boys was held to find who has that intangible thing, beauty and best dress combined. The feminine winners were Mrs. Sam Sagel, on visit from Minneapolis, and Jean Thompson, a teen-ager from the Parker High, in a collegiate suit. The male winners were both students, William Roberts, Parker High, and Gilliam Edund, Jungman Vocational. Of the three judges, who were complete strangers, two were clothiers. In judging they used the elimination method, and in the case of the males, it narrowed down to four, two of them tailors by profession, Joseph Seidler, ex-Canadian and now Minneapolist, and Palimino Cologrossi, and the spectators were sure they should win, being faultlessly attired good lookers. But like doctors and cooks that cannot agree, the judges decided on the students. Paradoxically, the clothiers were not of the same mind as the tailors, but none of them ever knew it.

On November 4 Earl Nelson held a penny social in the basement of his home, and it was a most enjoyable, family-like gathering. It was not too crowded, and everybody, for that reason, had a better chance to win something. There was even a game for a prize, a coveted headgear of the latest style. The net proceeds were double the first held by the same personage some time ago, and went to the Chicago 1951 Golden Jubilee Convention Fund.

Plans are being perfected for a grand movie and dance party on January 13 for the benefit of the 1951 Fund, to be managed by Gordon M. Rice, Place, Herzl Hall, 1335 N. California Ave. Final details should be forthcoming in the following issue. Please watch for them.

War Bonds

Grand Division	\$550,000.00
Baltimore No. 47	3,750.00
Utica No. 46	3,500.00
Chicago No. 1	2,800.00
Westchester No. 114	2,500.00
Cleveland No. 21	1,900.00
St. Paul-Minneapolis No. 61	1,800.00
Brooklyn No. 23	1,525.00
Rochester No. 52	1,500.00
Houston No. 81	1,300.00
Akron No. 68	1,200.00
Philadelphia No. 80	1,200.00
Toledo No. 16	1,200.00
Cincinnati No. 10	1,100.00
Reading No. 54	1,100.00
Dayton No. 8	1,100.00
Columbus No. 18	1,100.00
Milwaukee No. 17	1,000.00
Washington No. 46	1,000.00
Syracuse No. 48	1,000.00
Los Angeles No. 27	1,000.00
Flint No. 15	825.00
Indianapolis No. 22	800.00
Schenectady No. 105	800.00
Chicago No. 106	800.00
Delavan No. 80	700.00
Kansas City No. 31	700.00
Springfield, Mass., No. 67	700.00
Wichita No. 75	625.00
Rockford No. 57	600.00
Binghamton No. 108	600.00
St. Louis No. 24	600.00
Scranton No. 82	600.00
Portland, Ore., No. 41	600.00
Hartford No. 87	500.00
Toronto No. 98	500.00
Danville No. 125	500.00
Worcester No. 60	500.00
Birmingham No. 73	500.00
Dallas No. 63	500.00
Manhattan No. 87	400.00
New Orleans No. 33	400.00
San Francisco No. 53	400.00
Seattle No. 44	400.00
Omaha No. 32	400.00
Spokane No. 76	400.00
Richmond No. 83	400.00
Albany No. 51	400.00
Providence No. 43	300.00
Holyoke No. 26	300.00
Detroit No. 2	300.00
Davenport No. 59	300.00
Johnstown No. 85	275.00
Springfield, Ill., No. 58	250.00
Duluth No. 39	250.00
Bronx No. 92	225.00
Berkeley-Oakland No. 79	225.00
Peoria No. 90	200.00
Ft. Wayne No. 104	200.00
Portland, Me., No. 39	200.00
Pittsburgh No. 86	200.00
Trenton No. 124	200.00
Buffalo No. 40	200.00
Louisville No. 4	200.00
Kansas City Auxiliary	200.00
Boston No. 35	200.00
Portland, Ore., Auxiliary	175.00
Kitchener No. 121	150.00
Hollywood No. 119	125.00
Lowell No. 78	125.00
Nashville No. 12	125.00
Jacksonville (Ill.) No. 88	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
Grand Rapids No. 97	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
New Haven No. 25	100.00
San Francisco Auxiliary	100.00
Salt Lake City No. 56	100.00
Cedar Rapids No. 49	100.00
Memphis No. 38	100.00
Knoxville No. 20	100.00
Vancouver No. 113	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
Faribault Auxiliary	50.00
Sioux Falls Auxiliary	50.00
Wilkinsburg No. 109	25.00
Canton No. 100	25.00
TOTAL	\$605,900.00

NEW MEMBERS

LOUISVILLE NO. 4—Joseph Simon.
 CINCINNATI NO. 10—Elijah Meadows, Paul Schmidt.
 NASHVILLE NO. 12—John Campbell.
 MILWAUKEE NO. 17—Russell Newman, Leo Gilpin.
 KNOXVILLE NO. 20—Wade Duncan, Harry Moore, Jr.
 INDIANAPOLIS NO. 22—James Jones.
 BROOKLYN NO. 23—Carlo Boccia, Julius Boxer, Angelo Cavaliere, Lester Cohen, Joseph De Francisco, Alexander Force, James La Sala, Abe Miller, Louis Pacifico, William Plapky, Nathan Tennenbaum.
 BOSTON NO. 35—Louis Monteiro.
 MEMPHIS NO. 38—Robert Brown, John Hooper.
 SEATTLE NO. 44—Wilson Wheeler.
 WASHINGTON NO. 46—Frank Swafford, Jr.
 BALTIMORE NO. 47—Francis Miner, John Hook, Jr.
 CEDAR RAPIDS NO. 49—Dale Van Hemert.
 ALBANY NO. 51—Henry Kolach.
 AKRON NO. 55—Wesley Casey, George Crichton, Jr., Clyde Jones, John Kastner, William Wilkins.
 SALT LAKE CITY NO. 56—Lawrence Anderson, Floyd Perkins, Paul Kulas, Jr., Arnold Moon.
 WICHITA NO. 75—Boyce Fain, William Lichtenberger, Jr.
 SPOKANE NO. 76—Floyd Tupper.
 BERKELEY-OAKLAND NO. 79—Henry Miller.
 DELAVAN NO. 80—Peter Fillus.
 HOUSTON NO. 81—Wallace Landry, Webster Wheeler.
 RICHMOND NO. 83—Arthur Allen, Walter Bush, Russell Wrenn.
 PEORIA NO. 90—Emil Mott, Clifton Rash.
 BRONX NO. 92—Matthew Biraglia.
 DULUTH NO. 99—Richard Johnson, William Manders.
 SCHENECTADY NO. 105—Roland Ross, Joseph Derrico, Philip Wait.
 SAN DIEGO NO. 110—William Lloyd.
 WESTCHESTER NO. 114—George Bedford.
 DANVILLE NO. 125—William Hunter, Estill Letcher, John Simpson.

THE GET-ONE DEGREE

LOUISVILLE NO. 4—Lawrence Walton.
 CINCINNATI NO. 10—Wylie Ross (2).
 NASHVILLE NO. 12—Byron Boyd.
 MILWAUKEE NO. 17—Nick Pleskatchek, Jr., Warren Riege.
 KNOXVILLE NO. 20—Lynden Carr (2).
 INDIANAPOLIS NO. 22—Martin Dryer.
 BROOKLYN NO. 23—David Berch (11).
 BOSTON NO. 35—Armand Remillard.
 MEMPHIS NO. 38—Leland Maxwell, James Boren.
 SEATTLE NO. 44—Carl Spencer.
 WASHINGTON NO. 46—Gunnar Rath.
 BALTIMORE NO. 47—George Leitner (2).
 CEDAR RAPIDS NO. 49—Lynn Sutcliffe.
 ALBANY NO. 51—Walter Kadel.
 AKRON NO. 55—James Nine (5).
 SALT LAKE CITY NO. 56—Rodney Walker (4).
 WICHITA NO. 75—Otis Koehn (2).
 SPOKANE NO. 76—Frank Bright.
 BERKELEY-OAKLAND NO. 79—Lester Naftaly.
 DELAVAN NO. 80—Marvin Goff.
 HOUSTON NO. 81—William Bullock, Z. X. Curry.
 RICHMOND NO. 83—Bernard Moore (2), Oscar Hart.
 PEORIA NO. 90—Vernon Woodruff, William Prettyman.
 BRONX NO. 92—Joseph Collins.
 DULUTH NO. 99—Carl Magnuson (2).
 SCHENECTADY NO. 105—Paul Sack, Ma-son Bowler, Thomas Sack.
 SAN DIEGO NO. 110—Wallace Hipp.
 WESTCHESTER NO. 114—Joseph Boyan.
 DANVILLE NO. 125—Joseph Balasa (3).

COME BACKS

ATLANTA NO. 28—George Griffith.
 WORCESTER NO. 60—Edwin Chute.

ENGAGEMENTS

Preston Love and Lucy Muszynski, both of South Bend, Ind.
 Samuel McCarthy and Marie Meyd, both of Baltimore, Md.
 Gail Cassidy, Syracuse, N. Y., and Elizabeth Mitchell, Rome, N. Y.
 Carl Pehlgrim, White Bear Lake, Minn., and Edith Robinson, Robbinsdale, Minn.
 Jasper Colianni, Minneapolis, Minn., and Elaine Halvorson, Barron, Wis.

MEMBERSHIP QUOTAS—1944

DIVISION	1944 Quota	New Members
Chicago No. 1	50	22
Detroit	30	5
Saginaw	10	
Louisville	10	13
Little Rock	10	2
Dayton	10	3
Cincinnati	20	3
Nashville	10	7
Olathe	10	1
Flint	20	11
Toledo	20	4
Milwaukee	20	13
Columbus	30	1
Knoxville	10	10
Cleveland	20	29
Indianapolis	30	11
Brooklyn	50	24
St. Louis	30	3
New Haven	10	5
Holyoke	10	2
Los Angeles	30	8
Atlanta	10	21
Philadelphia	30	14
Kansas City	20	9
Omaha	10	7
New Orleans	10	6
Kalamazoo	10	
Boston	30	7
Pittsburgh	20	6
Hartford	10	3
Memphis	10	6
Portland, Me.	10	4
Buffalo	10	9
Portland, Ore.	10	8
Newark	10	3
Providence	10	3
Seattle	10	12
Utica	10	3
Washington	20	22
Baltimore	20	13
Syracuse	10	1
Cedar Rapids	10	4
Albany	10	6
Rochester	10	2
San Francisco	10	3
Reading	20	4
Akron	30	8
Salt Lake City	10	15
Rockford	10	1
Springfield, Ill.	10	3
Davenport	10	
Worcester	10	1
St. Paul-Minneapolis	20	9
Fort Worth	20	1
Dallas	20	12
Denver	10	3
Waterbury	10	
Springfield, Mass.	10	1
Bangor	10	3
Sioux Falls	10	1
Wichita	10	5
Spokane	10	4
Des Moines	10	3
Lowell	10	3
Berkeley-Oakland	10	20
Delavan	10	3
Houston	10	17
Scranton	10	1
Richmond	10	15
Johnstown	10	1
Manhattan	30	7
Jacksonville	10	1
Peoria	10	5
Jersey City	10	6
Bronx	10	4
Columbia	10	4
Charlotte	10	2
Durham	10	4
Grand Rapids	10	
Toronto	20	46
Duluth	10	7
Canton	10	2
Faribault	10	2
Council Bluffs	10	
Fort Wayne	10	6
Schenectady	10	4
Chicago No. 106	10	5
Binghamton	10	1
Wilkinsburg	10	3
San Diego	10	7
Eau Claire	10	1
Sulphur	10	8
Vancouver	10	
Westchester	10	11
Queens	10	
Hollywood	10	2
Hamilton	10	
Kitchener	10	1
Trenton	10	
Danville	10	11
Colorado Springs	10	5

OCTOBER COLLECTIONS

Grand Division	\$ 60.36
Chicago No. 1	402.19
Detroit	350.51
Saginaw	22.55
Louisville	103.82
Little Rock	144.22
Dayton	143.94
Cincinnati	183.85
Nashville	93.22
Olathe	73.08
Flint	168.98
Toledo	129.59
Milwaukee	180.87
Columbus	138.90
Knoxville	81.63
Cleveland	369.96
Indianapolis	225.44
Brooklyn	643.96
St. Louis	254.80
New Haven	68.52
Holyoke	46.33
Los Angeles	396.40
Atlanta	281.92
Philadelphia	489.02
Kansas City	150.49
Omaha	248.56
New Orleans	163.38
Kalamazoo	34.34
Boston	315.09
Pittsburgh	110.03
Hartford	46.60
Memphis	127.96
Portland, Me.	111.58
Buffalo	89.96
Portland, Ore.	292.70
Newark	79.43
Providence	76.38
Seattle	185.87
Utica	136.70
Washington	362.60
Baltimore	159.19
Syracuse	60.65
Cedar Rapids	64.55
Albany	61.53
Rochester	172.51
San Francisco	138.56
Reading	182.34
Akron	438.53
Salt Lake City	124.19
Rockford	90.79
Springfield, Ill.	60.93
Davenport	63.57
Worcester	70.35
St. Paul-Minneapolis	259.38
Fort Worth	84.33
Dallas	190.00
Denver	79.43
Waterbury	35.40
Springfield, Mass.	66.06
Bangor	89.16
Birmingham	244.30
Sioux Falls	141.97
Wichita	117.22
Spokane	96.23
Des Moines	116.89
Lowell	60.99
Berkeley-Oakland	152.31
Delavan	161.87
Houston	229.13
Scranton	123.37
Richmond	110.14
Johnstown	70.07
Manhattan	307.33
Jacksonville	46.40
Peoria	61.69
Jersey City	134.34
Bronx	118.95
Columbia	81.63
Charlotte	184.24
Durham	52.84
Grand Rapids	10.17
Toronto	377.86
Buluth	93.88
Canton	39.24
Fairbault	164.89
Council Bluffs	42.52
Fort Wayne	71.07
Schenectady	21.96
Chicago No. 106	145.78
Binghamton	69.33
Wilkesburg	102.18
San Diego	88.94
Eau Claire	80.10
Sulphur	144.39
Vancouver	36.24
Westchester	52.16
Queens	49.15
Montreal	120.17
Hollywood	60.51
Hamilton	14.72
Kitchener	8.36
Trenton	89.36
Danville, Ky.	184.43
Colorado Springs	47.05
Total collections	\$14,703.55

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR OCTOBER, 1944

Balance and Income	
Balance, Sept. 30, 1944	\$2,714,989.92
Division collections	14,703.55
Interest	6,462.75
Rents	3,116.28
Escrow deposits	3,517.07
Mortgage fees	170.00
Property insurance premiums	490.00
Refund, real estate operating exp.	5.80
Refund, taxes on real estate	12.16
Withheld social security tax	11.64
Withheld income tax	159.40
Lodge supplies	11.25
Recording fees	46.50
Advertising in THE FRAT	12.00
Subscriptions to THE FRAT	2.10
Surety bond premiums	11.26
Total balance and income	\$2,743,721.68
Disbursements	
Death benefits	\$ 2,006.00
Sick benefits	2,425.00
Accident benefits	820.00
Old-age income payments	75.01
Class F income payments	22.50
Refund of dues	2.54
Escrow withdrawal	437.74
Clerical services	400.00
Employees' income tax	160.80
Mortgage expenses	541.00
Office expenses	52.39
Officers' and Trustees' salaries	929.16
Postage	55.48
Property insurance premiums	390.00
Real estate operating expenses	1,936.87
Refund of rent	47.00
Social security tax	117.44
Surety bond premiums	15.00
Taxes on real estate	4.05
Total disbursements	\$ 10,437.98
Recapitulation	
Balance and income	\$2,743,721.68
Disbursements	10,437.98
Balance, Oct. 31, 1944	\$2,733,283.70

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Ledger Assets, Oct. 31, 1944	
First mortgage loans	\$1,070,909.64
Bonds and stocks	874,888.24
Real estate	562,219.27
Bank deposits	218,065.13
Home Office equipment	5,027.15
Cash in society's office	2,174.27
Total ledger assets	\$2,733,283.70

Balances in Funds

Mortuary funds	\$2,422,833.80
Sick and accident funds	166,800.74
General expense fund	63,556.15
Accumulated interest	55,805.07
Convention fund	19,410.93
Indemnity fund	5,376.96
Total in all funds	\$2,733,283.70

OBITUARY

EDWARD Des ROCHEs, 77. Entry Sept. 1, 1901. Died Nov. 21, 1944. Certificate No. 10-D. Chicago Div. No. 1.

LAWRENCE L. LYNCH, Jr., 73. Entry Feb. 1, 1906. Died Sept. 30, 1944. Certificate No. 45-C. Saginaw Div. No. 3.

JOHN H. ROBERTSON, 74. Entry July 1, 1910. Died Nov. 8, 1944. Certificate No. 729-C. St. Louis Div. No. 24.

PHILIP E. REISS, 56. Entry Nov. 1, 1913. Died Oct. 18, 1944. Certificate No. 1800-D. Toledo Div. No. 16.

JOHN J. KNORR, 70. Entry May 1, 1914. Died Oct. 21, 1944. Certificate No. 2030-C. Buffalo Div. No. 40.

JOHN W. HILDEBRAND, 69. Entry May 1, 1915. Died Nov. 13, 1944. Certificate No. 2333-C. Baltimore Div. No. 47.

ABRAHAM RICHMAN, 65. Entry June 1, 1915. Died Sept. 28, 1944. Certificate No. 2357-C. Johnstown Div. No. 85.

MICHAEL J. KILEY, 71. Entry Feb. 1, 1917. Died Sept. 1, 1944. Certificate No. 3022-E. Atlanta Div. No. 28.

WILLIAM E. BROWN, 77. Entry Feb. 1, 1936. Died Oct. 2, 1944. Certificate No. 3117-C. Seattle Div. No. 44.

CHARLES J. SANFORD, 66. Entry Oct. 1, 1917. Died Nov. 8, 1944. Certificate No. 3420-C. Queens Div. No. 115.

JOHN F. WARRES, 49. Entry Nov. 1, 1917. Died Nov. 8, 1944. Certificate No. 3446-D. Milwaukee Div. No. 17.

JOSEPH W. GROSSMAN, 54. Entry Nov. 1, 1917. Died Oct. 31, 1944. Certificate No. 3487-D. Los Angeles Div. No. 27.

MARCUS KROHNGOLD, 51. Entry Jan. 2, 1918. Died Nov. 1, 1944. Certificate No. 3723-D. Akron Div. No. 55.

JOSEPH BARRY, 57. Entry Jan. 2, 1937. Died Oct. 6, 1944. Certificate No. 10682-D. Montreal Div. No. 118.

OCTOBER DISABILITY CLAIMS

D. C. Logan, Birmingham	\$ 30.00
L. B. Cartwright, San Diego	15.00
N. G. Scarvie, Council Bluffs	30.00
Arthur Borden, Portland, Me.	20.00
Michael Harrer, St. Paul	90.00
B. M. Friedenberq, Brooklyn	105.00
Philip Topfer, Queens	30.00
D. B. Pierce, Durham	35.00
I. A. Burton, Toledo	20.00
C. E. Socie, Jr., Toledo	135.00
J. W. Lattimer, Johnstown	100.00
F. A. Peccari, Jr., Philadelphia	60.00
H. R. Smoak, Columbia	10.00
J. C. Brown, Columbia	120.00
J. L. Jones, Sioux Falls	30.00
M. C. Smith, Vancouver	40.00
*F. K. Nilson, Kansas City	15.00
*G. P. Lynch, Westchester	30.00
*Henry Hecht, Brooklyn	150.00
*A. J. Hubbard, Cincinnati	30.00
*W. A. Rowe, Jr., Philadelphia	105.00
A. R. Daniel, Danville, Ky.	50.00
M. G. Robbins, Reading	10.00
R. E. Mayfield, Dallas	75.00
Chas. Howell, Spokane	25.00
*Henry Devoe, Boston	30.00
Sam Golin, Chicago No. 1	30.00
J. J. Epstein, Chicago No. 1	45.00
D. C. Williams, Akron	45.00
J. J. Miller, Cleveland	150.00
*G. P. O'Brien, Toronto	10.00
Paul Sidelle, Brooklyn	200.00
L. E. Stephens, Birmingham	45.00
G. T. Earley, Little Rock	60.00
G. G. Kannapell, Louisville	20.00
P. E. Cadwell, St. Paul	15.00
A. H. Peterson, St. Paul	30.00
E. F. Wolgamot, Brooklyn	30.00
V. E. Blend, Brooklyn	30.00
A. L. Daulton, Akron	30.00
Charles Miller, Columbus	40.00
E. E. Scott, Philadelphia	25.00
C. S. Culbertson, Houston	60.00
Richard Vigessaa, Seattle	45.00
*G. C. McCord, Lowell	105.00
*J. E. Lavigne, Holyoke	45.00
*Louis Burns, St. Paul	35.00
*F. B. Hickey, Akron	45.00
*A. W. Ohlemacher, Columbus	50.00
*Daniel Chestnut, Philadelphia	50.00
A. S. Turkin, Milwaukee	150.00
J. F. Morrison, Toronto	30.00
V. E. Johnson, Washington	70.00
O. A. Herbold, Des Moines	10.00
H. J. Kader, Detroit	35.00
H. F. Ford, Grand Rapids	20.00
E. V. Kallander, Binghamton	45.00
*Reuben Swanson, Rockford	10.00
E. W. Nies, Manhattan	30.00
*J. W. Rewolinski, Omaha	60.00
W. E. Wageman, Spokane	105.00
*G. J. Bernier, Bangor	50.00
Total for the month	\$3,245.00

*Denotes accident claims.

OCTOBER DEATH CLAIMS

John J. Miller, Cleveland	\$1,000.00
*John C. Koehn, Columbus	352.00
Axel Ljungquist, Queens	500.00
*W. E. Brown, Seattle	154.00
Total for the month	\$2,006.00

*Denotes paid-up benefits.

MARRIAGES

July 29—Romeo Dallaire and Sadie Riley, both of Ottawa, Ont.

Sept. 3—Bridges Smith, Atlanta, Ga., and Elizabeth Thompson, Buford, Ga.

Oct. 2—William Coltrane, Charleston, S. C., and Kathleen Johnson, Danville, Ky.

Oct. 14—Oscar Rehling and Hazel Lee, both of Newark, N. J.

Oct. 15—Leroy Morse and Retha Smoot, both of Houston, Tex.

Oct. 15—Saul Moss, Hartford, Conn., and Marcia Temkin, Madison, Wis.

Oct. 21—William Sendelbaugh and Marie Lata, both of Chicago, Ill.

Oct. 22—Walter Nash, Rome, N. Y., and Celia Price, Camden, N. Y.

Oct. 26—Albert Burger, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Mary Muir.

Oct. 28—Angelo Piccheo and Elenor Mikolajewski, both of Erie, Pa.

Oct. 28—Clifford Haist, Dunnville, Ont., and Gertrude Aho, Sudbury, Ont.

Oct. 28—George Cupit and Dorothy Mondock, both of Detroit, Mich.

Oct. 28—Oliver Childress, Jr., New Orleans, La., and Della Broussard, Abbeville, La.

Oct. 29—Joseph Sach and Ethel Wasserman, both of New York, N. Y.

Nov. 5—James Barber, Houston, Tex., and Martha Wilcoxson, Turkey, Tex.

Nov. 11—Donald Cox, Kitchener, Ont., and Eileen Barber, Galt, Ont.

Nov. 11—Joe Falk, Mobile, Ala., and Ethel Looney, Charleston, S. C.

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.