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To The
**NATIONAL FRATERNAL SOCIETY
OF THE DEAF**

Office of Mayor
Kansas City, Missouri
November 28, 1934

AS MAYOR of Kansas City, it is a pleasure to extend the city's invitation to your organization and express the hope that your meeting here will be most enjoyable. I wish to assure you that the city officials will do everything possible to make your visit here pleasant.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Bryce B. Smith'.

Mayor of Kansas City, Mo.

1935-Kansas City-1935

By FRED R. MURPHY

Publicity Director, Local Committee on Arrangements

ATENTION, bowlers! Here's what you have been waiting for for a long time—a national tournament for deaf bowlers.

In order to settle the long disputed claims to the national bowling championship among deaf bowlers, and at the same time to aid a worthy cause, the Kansas City Convention Fund, the idea of staging a bowling tournament has been evolved. And, herewith, the Kansas City Local committee on Arrangements announces the first tournament of its kind—the National Bowling Tournament for the Deaf.

In order to make it possible for a group or an individual to enter, the following classes have been designated:

- 5-man team, men or women.
- Doubles, men or women.
- Individual.
- Mixed doubles.

Following are the rules adopted for the tournament:

1. The entry fee for each 5-man team shall be \$2.50, for the doubles events \$1, and for the individual 50 cents.
2. All scores shall be made from scratch; that is, no handicaps will be made.
3. All games are to be bowled on a recognized bowling alley and all scores shall be certified by the owner of the alley. Official score sheets will be furnished on receipt of entry fee.
4. All expenses connected with bowling shall be paid by the contestants.
5. Entry lists shall close at midnight, March 1, 1935, and no entry will be accepted that is postmarked later than this date.
6. The deadline for the return of scores shall be midnight, April 1, 1935. Scores postmarked later than this date will not be accepted and the entry fee shall be forfeited.
7. All disputes arising shall be referred to a committee appointed from the Local Convention committee and their decisions shall be final.
8. Address all entries and inquiries for information to Fred R. Murphy, 4242 Olive St., Kansas City, Mo.

Team trophies will be awarded the winning 5-man and woman teams. The presentation will be made at the convention banquet next summer to a representative designated by the winning team. Cash prizes, computed on the amount taken in through entry fees, will be mailed the winners immediately after all scores are received and winners determined.

Come on boys and girls—enter the great National Bowling Tournament for the deaf. Organize a team in your Division, club, school, or church. Get in the game for a great cause. Give the 1935 Convention Fund a much needed boost.

All set, let's go! Aim for Louie!

The Spotlight

Manipulated by

J. FREDERICK MEAGHER

HEEDING the clarion call for election of GOOD delegates, Chi-first frats are first to depart from moth-eaten traditions and declare a New Deal. "The delegate is our 'hired-man'; we have the right to investigate before we hire, and rate his past performance like we rate a horse before we bet." Accordingly Chi-first will have old man Spotlight's committee report on any selling-plater entering the derby against true stake-horses. Further, each candidate will make a 5-minute stump-speech before election—speaking in turn by lot. Could anything be fairer?

National deaf title changes hands! For the second time in his 19 years of football coaching, "Fatty" Foltz of the gleeful grin lost to a deaf squad. Coach Burns' Illinois "junior college team" — over-age pupils — trounced Kansas 31-0. That's no discredit, for led by Chudzikiewicz—world's Polish Olympic javelin champ—those Jacksonville goliaths have been licking, in practice, one of the strongest smaller colleges in all Illinois. If Gallaudet could get five or six of those Illini, she could buck Yale.

Second annual international frat Division bowling championship tournament is set for Buffalo, soon. Syracuse Division won title last year . . . THE FRAT defines an egoist as "a man who sounds his horn when his car nears a railroad crossing." Strikes me a bigger egoist is a guy who, for three and a half years, does nothing for his Division except criticize and belittle—then suddenly poses as a "pal of the peepul," when delegate-time arrives.

First prize at Akron's masquerade went to a Big Bad Wolf. . . Atlanta and San Francisco masques won by brudders togged out as robots. Next we know, someone will win by masking as a Roberts. For didn't a Roberts and his board chase away from headquarters' door the big bad wolf of depression—while some hearing societies were being gobbled up? . . . The \$500 death benefit of Old Timer Pat Dolan went to the Kentucky Home for Aged Deaf. Faith, and that bhoid bhoys was a man after mine own heart, cushla!

It's the bee's knees. Chicago's Epstein, in hospital, was fed only through his knees. Must be the knee plus ultra. . . Montreal's Joe Fea has left to reside on Canada's Pacific Coast—where he will try to organize a Division. Slowly, surely, our great work spreads apace. . . Dramatic troupes of Detroit and Akron Divisions "exchange shows," each bringing its annual best-bet to the other city. . . Any chance KC may need small picked troupes from Detroit, Akron, Chicago, N.Y., etc., to fill out an evening of all-deaf dramatics? Never been done before. There must be a first-time for everything. Might prove a huge hit.

THE FRANCIS PEREW GIBSON MEMORIAL PRIZE FUND

The undersigned, members of the Francis P. Gibson Memorial Committee, National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, duly appointed by Grand President A. L. Roberts in accordance with provision made at the 1931 convention in Boston, hereby submit for the consideration of the delegates at the 1935 Kansas City convention the following memorial plan:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

From the beginning the Francis P. Gibson memorial committee has been possessed of one unswerving purpose: to formulate a memorial plan of the character which would in truth be a living memorial and at the same time would not require too large an expenditure of money. The different propositions submitted by the Society members from time to time have come under our scrutinizing eye; no stone has been left unturned to carefully weigh the merits and advantages of each plan.

We believe the Memorial Prize Fund to be the best memorial plan that can be created, all things considered. Careful thinking will convince anyone that under this plan the memory of Gibson is fittingly perpetuated and at the same time the N.F.S.D. gains immeasurable prestige and publicity. Broadly speaking, the memorial honors Francis Perew Gibson and in the same breath "carries on" the purposeful objects and principles of the finer intents of the organization which was to Gibson the heart and soul of his earthly tasks.

The world outside our own sphere of silence has its Nobel and Pulitzer prize awards. The Gibson Memorial Prize Fund offers the deaf an opportunity to earn deserved honors, recognizes and brings to the fore otherwise unsung and unheard of deeds and accomplishments, and serves as an inspiration to initiative and service above self.

In order to permit each Society Division to share equally in this perpetual memorial fund, a special assessment is asked to give the fund itself an excellent start. Considering the far-reaching influence which may be expected of this memorial, the sum asked is very small—25 cents from each member. Divisions will, of course, have the choice of appropriating their share from their individual treasuries or assessing their members 25 cents each, or earning the money in some other way. Of course any member or Division voluntarily-donating \$1 or more above the required assessment levy will be entitled to a place on the Honor Roll. With voluntary donations expected in addition to the special assessment, it is hoped the income will be sufficient to warrant the first prize award in a year or two.

The committee is mindful of the fact that the selection of each year's prize winner may excite envy and cause disagreement in some quarters. However, discords of this nature can be discounted as unworthy of attention for the very reason that he who plays with matches is likely to get burned himself.

In conclusion, the committee begs to lay stress on the fact that the regulations of this memorial plan are subject to amendments at any convention of the Society. Therefore, it is not too much to ask that the plan be accepted virtually as it now stands and let time and experience reveal whatever needs improving, which can be done at subsequent conventions.

ARTICLE I—NAME AND PURPOSE

Sec. 1. The name of this memorial shall be the Francis Perew Gibson Memorial Prize Fund.

Sec. 2. The purpose of this memorial is—
To perpetuate the memory of a leading pioneer and former Grand President of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, Francis Perew Gibson, and by such token

To foster increased interest in the Society and forever uphold its principles and worthiness in the eyes of posterity and through the annual awards hereinafter provided for

To encourage unselfish service and devotion to the cause of the deaf people as a whole to the end that the zealous, resourceful labors of Francis Perew Gibson shall be "carried on."

ARTICLE II—THE MEMORIAL FUND

Sec. 1. There is hereby created, as the permanent nucleus of this memorial, a fund of not less than \$2,000, the money to accrue from voluntary donations and a special assessment on each Division of the National Fraternal Society

of the Deaf, the amount of said assessment to be at the rate of 25 cents per member on the active roll as of Sept. 1, 1935. This assessment shall become due and payable to the Home Office at any time after that date but not later than the 20th day of December, 1935.

Sec. 2. Any individual or organization may donate from time to time any sum of money to the fund, but not exceeding \$50 from any one source, in order to make the fund more truly and uniformly representative of the deaf as a whole.

Sec. 3. Any person or organization voluntarily contributing \$1.00 or more to the fund shall be enrolled on the Honor Roll of the Memorial, which shall be preserved as a part and parcel of the Memorial. The names of the Honor Roll contributors shall be published in THE FRAT.

Sec. 4. The interest money annually accruing from this fund shall be used as follows: \$50.00 to be set aside as the annual Gibson Memorial Prize Award, as provided for in Article III; to meet the expenses incident to the administration of the Memorial Prize Fund; the balance, if any remains, to revert to the fund itself and become a part thereof. When and if the fund grows to proportions allowing an increase in the Prize Award, such increase shall be authorized only at any convention of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf.

ARTICLE III—ANNUAL AWARD

Sec. 1. On or about the 1st day of February in the year when the income warrants it, and every year thereafter, there shall be awarded in cash a \$50.00 Gibson Memorial Prize to the partially or totally deaf individual, whether a member of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf or not, who in the majority opinion of the judges, hereinafter designated, has during the preceding calendar year contributed the most noteworthy and outstanding work in the interests or in behalf of the deaf as a whole by virtue of some meritorious deed or deeds, unusual achievement, sacrificial of time and effort on the altar of service to the deaf, or who in some way stood out foremost in the educational, industrial, fraternal or spiritual field of the deaf world.

Sec. 2. Complete evidence of the work, deeds or achievement of a deaf person competing for the Gibson Memorial Prize Award shall be sent by interested parties or Society Division or any other recognized organization, to the chairman of the board of judges at any time during the year for which an award is to be made, but not later than Jan. 5 of the following year. Where in the opinion of the judges the material submitted for consideration is insufficient proof of merit, sworn affidavits or other substantial evidence shall be demanded and must be forwarded to the chairman.

Sec. 3. No Gibson Memorial Prize shall be awarded any person not a bona fide resident of one of the countries wherein the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf does business.

Sec. 4. In the event of the death of the recipient of a Gibson Memorial Prize Award at the time of award, the prize money shall go to the estate of deceased.

Sec. 5. No person shall be awarded more than one Gibson Memorial Prize during his lifetime.

ARTICLE IV—JUDGES

Sec. 1. The awarding of the annual Gibson Memorial Prize shall be done by a board of three judges, one of whom shall be the First Grand Vice President of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, who shall be the chairman, and the other two to be nominated and voted on at each convention of the Society, the judges to continue in office until their successors are elected and installed.

Sec. 2. Vacancies in the board of judges shall be filled by the Grand Division Board of Directors.

Sec. 3. The judges shall serve without pay, but their necessary and incidental expenses in connection with their work as judges shall be paid for out of the expendable portion of the fund, and only after full approval by the Executive Committee of the Grand Division Board of Directors.

Sec. 4. The duty of the judges shall be to examine and verify entries received for consideration in the selection of the annual Gibson Memorial Prize winner, and to weigh and compare the merits in each case, the winning entry to be determined by the highest total number of points in the judges' individual tabulations,

the points in favor of each entry to be based on the following:

(a) Achieving honorable rank in service to mankind (25 points).

(b) Shouldering great responsibilities capably (25 points).

(c) Modesty, tactfulness, and discretion (20 points).

(d) Unusual initiative and creativeness (15 points).

(e) Solving problems having beneficial effect on welfare of the deaf (15 points).

Sec. 5. The method of judging shall be as follows: Upon receipt of an entry the chairman of the board of judges shall examine the entry, make a careful record of the points of merit which in his opinion are present in the entry, and pass the entry on to the next judge, who shall scrutinize it in like manner and send it to the third judge, who shall give it similar consideration and then return the entry to the chairman. The judges shall communicate with each other from time to time, compare notes, and arrive at a decision as soon as practicable after Jan. 5 but not later than the last day of that month.

Sec. 6. When a decision has been arrived at, the judges shall prepare a formal announcement of the award, explaining in brief the reasons for their selection of the prize winner, and this announcement shall be published in the issue of THE FRAT next ensuing. Upon receipt of the judges' announcement, the Home Office shall immediately notify the winner, sending him the prize money in the same mail.

Sec. 7. Entry material submitted shall become the property of the judges until their decision has been reached, when it may be destroyed or held for future reference; provided, however, that any material which in the opinion of the judges is worthy of preservation shall be so preserved in the library of the Home Office and become the property of the Society. All such preserved material shall be open to public inspection at all times.

Sec. 8. The decision of the judges in all matters above referred to shall be final and irrevocable.

ARTICLE V—ADMINISTRATION OF FUND

Sec. 1. The administration of the Francis Perew Gibson Memorial Prize Fund shall be in the hands of the Home Office of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, and it shall be the duty of this office to invest the moneys accruing to this fund in sound, first-class interest-bearing securities.

Sec. 2. The Grand Secretary-Treasurer is hereby required to keep a complete and permanent record of all moneys received, invested, and expended, and such other data as may be necessary, including the list of Honor Roll contributors. At each convention of the Society he shall render a financial statement covering the period subsequent to the last convention.

Sec. 3. The Grand Board of Trustees shall verify the records of the Grand Secretary-Treasurer in connection with this fund and in other ways give the Memorial Prize Fund the same scrutiny as is accorded other Society funds.

ARTICLE VI—AMENDMENTS

Sec. 1. These regulations may be amended only at conventions of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, and then by a majority vote, a quorum voting; provided, however, that the name and purpose of this memorial as embodied in Article I shall be held permanently inviolate and subject to no amendment whatsoever.

Edwin C. Ritchie, Chairman,
T. Y. Northern,
Arthur G. Leisman,
Committee.

Los Angeles

By ANDY MACK

LOS ANGELES has tossed its hat into the ring for the 1939 N.F.S.D. convention. Galvanized into action due to reports that several other cities are after the 1939 convention, Los Angeles, the greatest convention city on the Pacific Coast, has sprung into activity. Frequent reports that Baltimore has the inside track has spurred Angelenos, members of Division No. 27, into concentrated action. Having never had a convention of the kind like that of the N.F.S.D.,

Los Angeles, with a population of over two million, of which between 1500 to 2000 are deaf citizens, wants to have its chance to show what it can do. You other FRATERS who have heard the splendors of this land of orange groves and oil wells, not to add the pretty Hollywood girls of the movies and the wonderful climate, can hardly find a better place for your 1939 convention.

It is useless to attempt to portray what is to be found in this locality. Too many Iowans have given up their farms and a lot of Missourians have first come here to see for themselves and later gone back to the old homestead posthaste to sell out and return to remain permanently here, for us to waste words in useless explanation. If you wish to be convinced, then you must come and see for yourselves. Mere words and long wind have not half the power to charm you easterners and middlewesterners that swelter in the summertime and get all dirty heaving coal and ashes out of the cellar in the winter. So come and see for yourselves in 1939.

Why?

By ALTOR L. SEDLOW

WILL readers enlighten me as to why officers of our Divisions and chairmen of Division socials insist that printing and music furnished for their affairs must perforce be of the union variety? This has been puzzling me for quite a while. I may be dense; certainly, freely confess, can't understand the logic of such reasoning—why the deaf should give hearing people preference above their own brethren.

Might say that I'm not a "scab" or anti-unionist. In fact, I've been a union printer for the past 17 years and still retain my card, though I now own my business.

Would suggest that at the Kansas City convention someone present offer an amendment to our laws, stating in no uncertain terms that the deaf, whether they be brethren or not, be given preference in all matters they can handle satisfactorily.

Here in New York, with its seven Divisions in the Metropolitan area, there are plenty of our brethren owning their own printing businesses, and yet I notice a foolishly consistent trend towards insisting that all printing bear the union label. Inasmuch as our brethren own very small shops and cannot employ the required minimum of two employes in order to get a label, this trend bars them from bidding. I might say here that I've never solicited deaf business so it isn't a case of the shoe pinching. Also happen to know that our brethren can do the work *much below* union rates, without detracting from craftsmanship. Wherefore it's obvious that Divisions which insist on union label are not only taking business from their class but also paying more for it. In short, it smacks strongly of spite work.

Here in New York City there is a deaf band of musicians, headed by Brother Koblenz of Brooklyn Division No. 23. Yet I'm told that even his own Division refuses to employ him, then why should the others. Possibly the theory can be advanced that his band isn't so polished. But I may point out that the deaf have no ears for music. They dance to rhythm; and any band can produce rhythm. Indeed, I've noticed Brother Koblenz's gang is doing a pretty good job of it, but they lack the polish and showmanship of hearing bands. The point is: they can give entire satisfaction (no one I've talked with disputes this). The ONLY thing against them is that they are not union musicians. Understand it costs our Divisions almost twice as much for the union variety of music.

To sum up: We deaf live in a world of our own; our fraternity is something we all feel proud of. It's a deaf organization, manned by the deaf. It stands to reason, therefore, that we should give the deaf preference.

DEATHS

November 18—Catherine Krahling, wife of Frank Krahling, Buffalo, N.Y.

November 23—Son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Smolk, Cleveland, Ohio.



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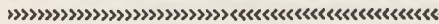
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To get the most from the new year, give it your best.



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Many are called, few are chosen.

A very old saying, proven by long experience.

In February, there will be numerous candidates for delegate to the Kansas City convention.

There is considerable apathy on the part of members to accept Division office or other assignment, requiring much hard work, drawing frequent criticism, earning scant thanks. Every member worth his salt should be glad to serve his Division and help along the common welfare.

There is no such apathy when it comes to electing convention delegates. It requires no urging for many to get into the race. Success means a free trip to the convention, what the candidate unused to conventions fondly imagines means a good time. Disillusionment comes when convention sessions open. There is plenty of hard work, a good part of which is sitting on

hard benches all day, sometimes far into the night, "listening" to oratory and debate.

A member unwilling to serve his Division in hard and comparatively obscure positions is not prepared for or deserving of the position of convention delegate. The men who have given their time and services to the upbuilding of their Divisions are qualified by experience and deserving of all honors within the power of their Divisions to bestow.

We have no doubt the various Divisions will elect good delegates, qualified by experience in Division affairs to meet the larger requirements in a national convention.

Men of good judgment and practical experience are desired in every field of endeavor. This holds true in a national convention of our order.

Delegate Elections

EACH Division, at its February meeting, is required by law to elect one delegate to represent it at the quadrennial national convention which meets in Kansas City next July.

Each Division may, if it desires, elect one alternate delegate. But this is not required by law. It is left to the discretion of the various Divisions.

Sections 35 to 40 inclusive of the Society's laws cover the election, etc., of delegates. These sections should be read carefully by all members prior to the February meetings.

Especial attention is called to Section 40, requiring Divisions to determine in advance of the election the allowance to be made the delegate.

Active paid-up members are eligible to run for delegate, provided they have been actively connected with their Divisions one full year prior to the election in February.

We trust that the delegate elections will be carried through in full compliance with the laws, that the Home Office will not be compelled to settle disputes and misunderstandings afterwards, as has too often been the case in the past. Study the laws mentioned above, see if they are observed, and that the proper methods of voting are followed.

Delegate election blanks are now being sent all Division secretaries. Note carefully the rules mentioned at the bottom of these blanks. They should be filled out and returned to the Home Office immediately following the election in February.

Law Changes

ATTENTION is hereby called to Section 118 of the Society's laws, prescribing the procedure whereby amendments to the constitution and laws may be submitted.

Amendments offered prior to the convention are to be submitted to the

Grand Division Law committee, but such amendments must first have been approved by the Divisions to which members submitting them belong.

The Grand Division Law committee is composed of Vice Presidents Neesam, Shilton, and President Roberts. Members desiring to submit amendments, which have first been approved by their Divisions, should send same to the Law committee named. This committee will then prepare a brief of all amendments approved by it, and containing recommendations thereon. This brief will be published 30 days before the assembling of the Kansas City convention.

Gibson Memorial Plan

WE are printing in this issue the plan drawn up by the Francis P. Gibson Memorial committee, which, in accordance with the action taken by the Boston convention in 1931, will be submitted to the Kansas City convention which meets next July.

The members of the Memorial committee, Brothers Ritchie of Reading, Northern of Denver, Leisman of Milwaukee, have spent a great deal of time on this work during the past 3 years, have considered many suggestions, carried on a heavy correspondence, in the effort to arrive at some suitable conclusion regarding a fitting memorial to our late Grand President Gibson.

The plan they are submitting in this issue will warrant careful reading and consideration by every member of our Order. It should be taken up in Division meetings and discussed between now and the convention, so that the various delegates will be well posted on the views and desires of their respective Divisions.

We thank the members of the committee for their painstaking labors and for the complete and detailed plan they have submitted.

New Officers

OUR Divisions have elected new officers to administer their affairs during the present year. We welcome these new administrations, and hope that they will be able to carry their Divisions forward in the Grand March of Progress which we confidently expect in this year of Nineteen Hundred Thirty-five.

ALL TOGETHER. LET'S GO FORWARD. MAKE THIS A BANNER YEAR.



Emerson said: "Write it in your heart that every day is the best day in the year."



DIVISION NOTES

January

1. Monte Carlo whist.....Boston
1. Open house.....Indianapolis
3. Installation and social.....Toronto
4. Card party.....Philadelphia
4. Installation of officers.....Chicago No. 1
5. New Year party.....Rochester
5. Monte Carlo whist.....Providence
5. "500" party.....Dayton
5. Social.....Denver
5. Party.....Des Moines
5. Installation of officers.....New Haven
5. Installation of officers.....Berkeley
6. Social.....Miami
12. Silver anniversary.....Los Angeles
12. Installation supper.....Schenectady
12. New Year party.....Sioux Falls
12. Smoker.....Detroit
12. Candy sale.....Cedar Rapids
18. Movies.....Springfield, Ill.
19. Midwinter social.....Columbus
19. Vaudeville and dance.....Jersey City
19. Aux-frats entree.....Toledo
19. Whist party.....Holyoke
19. Movie social.....Peoria
26. Anniversary banquet.....Fort Wayne
26. Social.....Scranton
26. Social and whist party.....Lowell
26. Smoker.....Hartford
27. Movies.....Springfield, Mass.

February

2. Olympic games.....Rochester
2. St. Valentine social.....Dayton
2. Annual masqua ball.....Chicago No. 1
2. Frat frolic.....Philadelphia
6. Basketball game.....Philadelphia
9. Mask ball.....St. Louis
9. Masquerade party.....Cedar Rapids
16. St. Valentine party.....Sioux Falls
16. Masquerade ball.....Utica
16. Social.....San Francisco
23. Washington's birthday mask.....Syracuse
23. Masquerade ball.....Flint
23. Tacky party.....Atlanta
23. Banquet.....Pittsburgh
23. Social and whist party.....Lowell

March

2. Social.....Rochester
9. Basketball games.....Philadelphia
9. Fraternal.....Fort Worth
9. Card party.....Jersey City
16. St. Patrick party.....Dubuque
16. St. Patrick party.....Sioux Falls
16. Annual ball-entertainment.....Newark

BUFFALO (By A. E. Ode)—The Buffalo Deaf Club bowl under the name of "Chicago Lunch" in the Main-Utica League every week and they are improving every time. The International Bowling Association will have a tournament in April, 1935. Any deaf team in surrounding towns is invited to participate. For information write to Thomas Hinchey, of 133 Warner Street, Syracuse, N.Y.

The No. 40 New Year's Eve party is now fully planned, and a good time is assured to all. Bridge, pedro, hearts, various games, and several concessions will be played. Prizes will be given. Plenty of balloons, confetti, and serpentine will be presented to each guest to have fun with. There will be plenty of what is expected at a New Year's Watch Party. Play, eat, drink, and be merry. So come one, and all.

SYRACUSE (By T. A. Hinchey)—With the election a thing of the past and most of the members in good standing, we are facing the new year with a new degree of enthusiasm and harmony, and with the Franklin Manufacturing concern, which had been stagnant for 3 years, scheduled to turn its wheels again, a number of our brethren are likely to be hired. All in all, things look better. It is well for us to start the year right by attending the installation of our officers Jan. 12. Brother Pabst is in charge of this solemn and colorful ritual. No admission.

Our next event on the social calendar is the annual Washington's Birthday Mask Social. Yes, a red-letter event as usual. Bob Conley, who prefers to rest on his wrestling laurels, is keeping the details to himself, but of late he has been in training by taking afternoon naps so as to be in shape for the arduous duties which will accompany his chairmanship.

Brother Ed Munger in his 32 years' connection with a Cazenovia printshop, suffered his

first casualty with an amputated forefinger as a result of being caught between the jaws of a feeding press. Moral! Another example of his faithful obligations to our Order and his subsequent reward.

BALTIMORE (By A. P. Herdtfelder)—Installation ceremonies follow our regular January meeting which starts at 7:30. Those who did not see us induct men into office last year will find the ceremony interesting. Everyone is welcome.

Upon entering the new year we may be pardoned for saying the passing year was one of splendid accomplishments. Much good accrued to the Division in the way of greater attendance, loyal cooperation, interesting socials, and excellent publicity. The new year offers the same opportunity for progress. The advances thus far made should be kept up, and may 1935 bring to us our cherished desire, i.e., the Convention City for 1939!

Brother Abe Stein, a pleasant humorous chap and a jester par excellence, left our midst for the automobile city, Detroit, early in December. We will remember Abe for his jokes and stories and hope he will be with us again soon.

A most coveted honor was conferred on our Brother August A. Wriede when he was appointed the Maryland representative on the National Advisory Board of the National Association of the Deaf. Brother Wriede is a man who gets things done so the Association can rest assured he will work his head off for it. Congratulations and good luck to you, brother.

PHILADELPHIA (By James F. Brady)—The Division's basketball team, under the management of Brother William Walker, has announced the following schedule: February 16—with the Womelsdorf team; Mar. 9—with the H.A.D. from New York. Other games will be arranged.

There will be a card party at All Souls' on Jan. 4, under the auspices of the Social Committee headed by Brother Stern. Tickets 35c.

If nonresidents have any interesting news concerning themselves, they should forward them to the Secretary to be printed in this magazine. It has been a long while since they have been mentioned, but it is not the fault of the Division reporter.

Brother Silnutzer is one of the very few non-professional workers who receives a weekly pay check that is awfully big these days. He is a designer of women's coats and cloaks—a rare occupation among the deaf—and he has never taken a course in designing!

Another good trade not taken up by the deaf—as mentioned by Brother Roberts in his Philadelphia talk—is plumbing. For one thing the schools for the deaf do not give the training, and perhaps hearing is a necessary requirement to pass the strict examination for a license.

May 1935 be a better and happier year for us all!

CHICAGO No. 1 (By H. E. Keesal)—The December meeting was the most exciting one of this year, especially about electing the new officers. Brother Joe Miller, the veteran committeeman on big socials, is honored by being our new "boss" for 1935 and will be gladly aided by vigorous Vice President Massinkoff, a former Gallaudet athlete, who being popular among the young non-frats, promises to grab these duck-lets for No. 1. Fine, Louis, we will help you, so where are they? Another young officer is Brother Herman Baim, who is our new director. No. 1 aims to encourage young frats with offices, as many of us, old and worn out, will be forced to retire from strenuous activities in due time.

Number 1 will have installation of officers at Capitol Building on the seventeenth floor, Friday, Jan. 4, at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome, so come and shake hands, wishing new officers good luck. Following this, the regular business meeting will proceed as usual.

Brother Vaughan is on the sick list, with neuralgia. Brother Shawl met with a bad accident Nov. 24, his face being badly cut. A drunkard's car hit him.

Portland Division No. 39 is surely a fast worker, so far ahead of Santa Claus for sending us a Christmas card. Anyhow, many thanks and more to you.

Death took two of our oldest members—Brothers Dornbush and Bierlein, the latter an old-time frat, very prominent in his activities in No. 1 for many years, till about 15 years ago when he was forced to retire due to out-of-town

residence. Their relatives have our sincere sympathy.

February 2 is very near now; it is time for you to prepare your favorite make-up to win a big cash prize at our annual Masque Ball at Viking Hall, 3257 Sheffield Avenue. Chairman Latremouille can't wait till the day comes, for his plans are well laid. Out-of-town visitors are especially welcome. Members of No. 106 are our heaviest patrons.

NEW HAVEN (By Clarence Baldwin)—New Haven Division No. 25 held its annual election on Saturday evening, Dec. 8. The same officers of 1934 were reelected for 1935. The Secretary hopes this means the rank and file of the members chose to express their appreciation of the past year's labors of their officers in this way, rather than an expression of lack of interest in holding office on their part. The officers will be installed with due ceremony on Saturday evening, Jan. 5. A social and cards are to follow this public installation.

The Secretary wishes to take this means of notifying all New Haven Division members, as well as others, that we have decided to change our meeting date to the first Saturday of each month starting with the month of January, and continuing till further notice. We usually meet at 7 o'clock so as to be able to adjourn by 8:30 to devote the rest of the evening to cards or movies.

New Haven Division expressed its deep sympathy in the form of one minute's silent prayer over Brother Stephen Syrotiak's loss. On Nov. 18 his father was struck and almost instantly killed by a speeding motorcyclist. The man himself was injured and as soon as he recovers sufficiently to leave the hospital, he will be arrested.

Brother Frank Galluzzo is at present in a Bridgeport hospital recovering from an operation on his shoulder.

The year 1934 is about to pass out. In spite of the New Deal, and the rest of the baloney handed out from Washington, local business conditions have not shown any real upward trend. In fact we were only able to secure one new member all through the year. We look forward to better times in 1935 and hope to get more members.

SEATTLE (By N. C. Garrison)—The news of Grand Secretary Kemp's serious illness was received with deep concern by all members, but the later news of his speedy recovery was the cause of much rejoicing by the brothers who admire his work in the Home Office.

The first year of the National Recovery Administration is over, so are the frat December elections—now let's all work together and try and recover some of the old FRAT SPIRIT.

The many friends of brother Paul Hoelscher are rejoicing over his recovery after being struck by an auto in November. At first it was feared he had serious internal injuries besides the badly shattered bone in his left leg, but fortunately the fears were groundless.

TORONTO (By A. H. Jaffray)—At last! At the December meeting, Toronto Division No. 98 decided after long consideration to throw its hat into the ring and bid for the 1939 N.F.S.D. convention.

Toronto would be very glad to welcome delegates and other visitors here in 1939. We hope the delegates will give our representative a hearing at the Kansas City convention.

FARIBAUT (By Wesley Lauritsen)—The tenth anniversary banquet of Faribault Division No. 101 was held in the cozy banquet hall of the Maison Ritz on Saturday evening, Dec. 8, all of our resident members and their wives attending. Superintendent and Mrs. Leonard M. Elstad and Mr. L. C. Tuck, oldest living graduate of Gallaudet College, were special guests of the Division. Brother Herman Von Hippel, President of the St. Paul-Minneapolis Division, brought greetings as did Brother Grant Worlien of Providence Division.

After full justice had been done to the inner man, the Division's President, Toivo Lindholm, took the floor as toastmaster. Brother J. J. Doheny, one of our charter members, told of how he became affiliated with the N.F.S.D. about 15 years ago. Brother Wesley Lauritsen, the President-elect, was called on and proposed a toast to "Our Wives." He related a humorous story about an absent-minded Canadian farmer who left his wife in town after doing his weekend shopping, pointing out that the members

of the N.F.S.D. presented a strong contrast to this man. Our organization is mainly for the protection of our wives in case of untimely death of the member.

In behalf of the Aux-Frats, Mrs. Lucille Lindholm congratulated the Division on its tenth anniversary, and stated that the members of her group were always glad to help the frats with the eats and in other ways.

Brother V. R. Spence, Division Organizer, was next called upon. He told of how we deaf in the past were not good enough for the big insurance companies, but now that we have shown that we are good risks through the splendid showing of the N.F.S.D. in the insurance field, the agents are not only willing but anxious to get us into their folds. He pointed out that there is still discrimination against us when it comes to automobile insurance and suggested that the N.F.S.D. might some day enter this field.

Brother Herman Von Hippel brought greetings and congratulations from the St. Paul-Minneapolis Division from which our Division is an offspring. He congratulated the Division on its fine growth and said that the members of his Division were interested in ours and would have turned out in large numbers had it not been for the important meeting at the Charles Thompson Hall that evening.

The final toast was proposed by Superintendent Elstad, who paid high tribute to Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet whose anniversary the deaf of America celebrate on Dec. 10. He stated that if it had not been for Dr. Gallaudet, the education of the deaf in America might not have commenced until many, many years later, and without education, the deaf would never have been able to organize and build up the N.S.F.D. into the strong, nation-wide organization that it is today. Mr. Elstad brought out that he personally felt grateful to Dr. Gallaudet, for had it not been for him, Mr. Elstad would not be in his present position, nor would he have his present wife, for he met her at Gallaudet College where he took the normal course. Mr. Elstad's entire talk breathed a spirit of genuine friendship toward the deaf and he made it clear that he and Mrs. Elstad were always happy to be with the deaf at their parties, picnics, and other gatherings.

After leaving the festive board the happy crowd assembled at a hall where a party was held in honor of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet. Brother L. A. Roth, Chairman of our entertainment committee, acted as master of ceremonies. Brother John Schwirtz gave an interesting talk in which he dramatized the life of our Friend, Teacher, and Benefactor. He put special stress on the unselfish service rendered by this great man whose name adorns the walls in the Library of Congress. After the talk the members amused themselves at various games until refreshments of ice cream and cookies were served. All of the local deaf, sixty, were present. Snow-blocked roads prevented many from attending. The entertainment committee composed of Brothers Roth, Klein, Johnson, and Rodman deserve high praise for the fine way in which the program was carried out.

MILWAUKEE (By Samuel Sutter)—On Nov. 27, Mark Bishop, considered the tallest frat in our Society, returned to his home in Fort Dodge, Iowa after trying to land a steady job in the Seaman Auto Body Company, which is reported to start again after New Year's Day. Conrad Stromberg is again the tallest frat in our division; he is 6 feet, 3½ inches tall, while Mark is 6 feet, 4 inches tall.

Harris Boryscka, a paid-up member, met with a serious accident, having been thrown to the pavement by a hurrying fire department squad car and is laid up in a hospital with a fractured collarbone and bruised left side.

The bazaar and card party, for the fund of the coming convention of the Wisconsin Association of the Deaf on Dec. 8, was a real success, due to the efforts of Chairman Leisman and his committee, Joseph M. Angove, L. Kolman, H. J. Booz, Oscar S. Meyer, M. Drews and their wives at the meeting hall of Milwaukee Division.

Ralph Javore wants it known that he has changed his name from Javorski to Javore, and also all his relatives have done the same.

Come to the Spider Party at 755 N. Plankinton avenue on Jan. 19. The small admission charge will not bother you. This Spider Party will be under the auspices of the Wisconsin Association of the Deaf.

WESTCHESTER (By S. J. Riley)—Brother McGinnis gave a Monte Carlo whist party at his old Greenwich home Dec. 1, which netted a handsome profit for our treasury.

On Nov. 11, Brother and Mrs. Rawlston were tendered a surprise shower party in honor of their fifteenth wedding anniversary. They received many handsome and useful gifts. Their apartment was crowded with thirty-five guests, who enjoyed a card game after which a repast was served.

Our handsome Vice President, Dick Bowdren, was rendered hors de combat for about 3 weeks by septic sore throat, which was followed by the removal of his tonsils. At this writing he is up and about, trying to recoup the 17 pounds he lost.

Brother Geel heard our cry and is now back in our fold, safe and sound.

SALT LAKE CITY (By E. R. Thurston)—The banquet held on the 1st of December turned out to be a success in every way, despite the fact that the admission price was higher than the last charge per plate.

Brother Dobson acted as toastmaster on this occasion and proved capable in this respect. Some unique features were introduced by the speakers as well as the toastmaster. By all reports, everyone seemed to have been well satisfied as to the outcome of this annual affair.

In place of our annual "stag" after election night, the Division inaugurated, temporarily at least, an unusual get-together, bringing our wives and sweethearts, as well as some invited guests. "Eats" brought in by each member were enjoyed by all; said "eats" being previously prepared by the girls while the election was going on.

SCRANTON (By H. B. Young)—Up to a week or so before the date set for our movie social in November, it seemed as if a jinx had settled on all plans. In the first place we lost our hall, a hearing organization offering a rental which we could not possibly equal. In the second place, the movies we ordered did not come up to expectation; so all in all there was a good deal of hustle and bustle on the part of the committee. However, in spite of all obstacles, the event went over the top in a big way and a neat sum realized as clear profit.

The loss of our hall, which came as a big blow at first really has turned out to be a blessing in disguise for we have obtained a much better one and at a lower rental. While it is not centrally located, it is ideal for our purposes. It is Washington Hall in Hyde Park on North Main avenue near the corner of Lackawanna avenue, the main artery to the Central City, and can be reached by all car lines to Hyde Park. So everybody please remember where to go for all future socials. We don't know what is planned for Jan. 26, something different we guess. Watch for announcements which will be mailed around the middle of January and plan to be there. The event will be the start of our 1935 activities.

Still another special and important reason for attendance at the January meeting is that the Trustees' report of Division affairs for 1934 will be up on the bulletin board. You better believe us when we say it is a report the Division can well be proud of. The Treasurer's final report for the year showing only one member out of thirty actually in arrears more than 2 months, which is one swell record, brothers!

Here's hoping 1935 will be the biggest and best year ever for No. 82.

SAN FRANCISCO (By H. O. Schwarzlose)—Our December meeting and election of officers for ensuing year, was a "full house". For the first time in a long period every resident member, and some nonresident members, were present. Balloting for office was quite spirited which shows a keener enthusiasm than heretofore.

Through some oversight on the part of the printer, (we correspondents are never to blame!) the entrance into the world of Miss Barbara Elaine Beers was unheralded. She was born to Brother and Mrs. C. V. Beers Aug. 24. Brother Beers' chest measurement has increased 4 or 6 inches. We congratulate the happy couple.

Brother E. Lohmeyer has taken his annual 4 weeks' vacation (with pay) but stayed in the city so as to be able to vote at the December meeting. He is leaving for an extended auto trip and will visit Fresno, Bakersfield, Los

Angeles, and other points of interest and return to his employment on January 2.

We were shocked to learn of the illness of our Grand Secretary-Treasurer, Brother C. B. Kemp, and this Division extends sympathy and hopes he will soon be entirely recovered.

The Aux-Frats made such a fine record at their first attempt at the Nov. 17 Social, that the Division takes this means to thank them all for their splendid work. To show our confidence in their ability they are to handle the Feb. 16, social without interference.

UTICA (By R. J. Siver)—The annual masquerade ball of Uica Division is being put into fine shape for Feb. 16. It will be held at the Eagle Club on Devereux Street, Utica. Chairman Davis says he will try and make this one of the best masquerade balls ever held by Utica Division.

The Eagle Club hall will be the future home of No. 45 starting May 1. Our lease at the Maccabee Temple will expire on April 30. It has been our home for over 10 years.

That is why we are holding the ball there to give you all a chance to see what kind of a place we will have and we hope you will have a good time. Everybody is welcome.

ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS (By J. J. McNeill)—Our old and reliable bachelor, Charley Winters, was at last harpooned by Cupid and he announced his engagement to Miss Lillian Progrebe, of Minneapolis. The wedding will take place in the spring. Charley and his sisters used to run restaurants in different parts of St. Paul. Now the sisters are dead and Charley has retired. He was educated with our Grand Secretary Kemp in the Rochester school.

Sears, Roebuck & Co. held a baby contest recently at its big store and the baby daughter of our new Vice President and Mrs. Elmer Fiedler carried away one of the prizes. It was a silver loving cup.

Brother Matt Mies made a trip to Chicago to see the last days of the World's Fair and also attended the meeting of Chicago Division No. 1. He brought home glad greetings from our President Roberts.

Mrs. Sarah Tanzar, of Chicago, spent Thanksgiving week with her folks in Minneapolis and showed up at our clubhouse and was glad to meet many of her old friends.

Chairman Pangrac and his committee want everybody to know that our New Year's dance will be the best of all. He has hired a fine orchestra. The hall will be profusely decorated and floor well waxed. What else do you want? Lunch will be served during the intermission and also beer. Be sure to come and celebrate the coming of our new and more prosperous year or you will always be sorry.

We are shocked to hear about the sudden sickness of our Grand Secretary Kemp and also of his wife, who met with an accident. We all wish them both a speedy recovery.

COLUMBUS (By C. C. Neuner)—Once again we are penning a line or two about our Division's doings and then we relinquish our duties as a reporter after so many years to our successor, Happy Andy Anderson, and wish the membership to cooperate with him in every way possible.

Most of our officers were reelected and also by acclamation. They must be a likely bunch hence their reelection.

We had a pleasant visitor at our December meeting in the person of Elmer McVicker of

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Toledo, formerly a Columbus boy and a champion diver. We were all glad to have him with us again, even for only an evening.

We also admitted a new member in the person of Billy Uren, an employe at the Ohio School for the Deaf. He takes the position formerly held by Jacob Showalter, who has a leave of absence for a year on account of his health. However, reports reach us that his health is much improved down in Alabama with his son and family. He is able to work in the garden and is getting his former bay window back. We wish him well.

LOUISVILLE (By J. W. Ferg)—Good old No. 4 was honored with a visit from Grand President Arthur L. Roberts on the final lap of a swing over the eastern and southern Division sectors, in the middle of October. The "little big man" of the one and only organization of, for, and by the deaf, with assets of more than one and three-quarters million dollars, was greeted by a capacity crowd at the Y.M.C.A. His address, in clear and forceful cosmopolitan signs, touched upon the N.F.S.D. in general, the two Divisions recently installed in Quebec, Labor Bureaus, Field Agents, etc. He also spoke of industrial and economic conditions and employers' prejudices against deaf workmen every where which he noted on his trip. Here and there, he threw in a little joke or two, that brought smiles from the audience. "Bobs," all of them were new to us. We regret his time was limited and that he could not stay very long. We Louis-VILLIANS enjoyed his visit and hope he stays longer next time.

Good old No. 4 has "come back" strong in the social line. Our bunco, "500," and Turkey Disposal Social on Saturday night, Nov. 17, went over the top with a bang—all previous attendance records were shattered. By actual count, there were 120 present. We were unable to take care of the big crowd, running out of cards and dice early. Everyone was happy and had a good time. We had advertised it for weeks in advance and a big crowd of frats and their wives connected with the State School for the Deaf came down to attend. Of course a neat sum was realized. This was but a forerunner of our increasing social activities.

Fellow frats, behold our new Prexy, Brother Robert H. Kannappell. Boys, get behind him and give him a good shove in the right direction. He promises not only a business administration, but more socials and good-fellowship get-togethers and an extensive membership drive—we need them badly—we old-timers cannot go on forever.

Nonresident members of No. 4 will please take notice that the offices of Secretary and Treasurer have been consolidated—and we are the "fall guy." Our address is 2638 Portland Avenue. Effective with Dec. 20, we will be on the new job. Nonresident members are assured of prompt service if they always enclose postage for the prompt forwarding of receipts, and when writing for blanks, information, etc. Thanks.

ROCHESTER (By Y. Lansing)—We have had a most successful year, both financially and greater in attendance at our past socials. Much credit goes to Prexy Klock's untiring efforts and magnetic appeal. We are looking for an even better year ahead of us under the house of Samuel-Son.

Since the Federal Home Loan Act was passed and the government took over the Twentieth Ward Loan Association as its Rochester agency, our fund in this association has been greatly strengthened. In order to conform with President Roosevelt's appeal to the nation to set a standard rate of interest on all the loans, we have reduced our rates to 5 percent per annum, beginning Jan. 1.

Our abandonment of carrying death and sick benefits last March has proven a necessity for equal treatment to those who are able to keep up with their dues and the unfortunates. A complete abrogation of the rule is due next March. A substitution to use the relief fund to good advantage is being studied by the committee and its report is scheduled to be presented at the March meeting.

We will give a real good time for your money's worth on Jan. 5. On account of the installation, the social will start at 8:15 o'clock.

On Feb. 2 we will entertain our friends

with Olympic games. Something of a novelty, yet amusing. Shot-put, hurdle, javelin throw, etc., will be employed—How? You've got to come and find out.

Prexy Klock and the writer had the pleasant company of Darwin Culver, R.S.D. '34, Cornell University '38, on the Thanksgiving holiday. Darwin is majoring in advanced chemistry. We look for a brilliant career for that ambitious boy.

WASHINGTON (By H. L. Tracy)—Gallaudet College had its first home-coming football game on Nov. 24 and not a few frats from abroad came to cheer Brother Hughes and his gridiron warriors on to a hard won victory over Shenandoah, their old rivals. All at the same time renewed acquaintance with their Alma Mater and also lent encouragement to the student body. Among the frats from abroad who happened to be on Kendall Green that day the following were noted: Brothers Robinson and Osborne of Ohio, Santin of New York, Wallace, McCall, Rehal, L. Downes, Benson and Altizer of Maryland, Sanders, Kaercher and Young of Pennsylvania, Wurdemann and Cosgrove of Virginia, and Underhill of North Carolina. Others may have been present but escaped the eye of the writer. Most all the above named and many non-frats attended the Kappa Gamma Fraternity conclave that day.

Frats of No. 46 were prominent participants on the program of the National Literary Society on the night of Nov. 21. A dramatic reading of Shakespeare's last historical tragedy, Richard III, was the headliner. Aux-Frat Isaacson gave an entertaining talk on "Did You Know That - - -" Bro. Pucci regaled all with an entrancing story, entitled "Mince Pie." Bro. Henriksen will have charge of the December program on the 19th.

Members of Richmond Division No. 83 had their "harvest social" on the night of Nov. 17 and nearly a score of Washingtonians were present.

Brother and Aux-Frat Robert P. Smoak feel a day older now that their daughter, Rebecca, was recently married to a rising young businessman. It is understood the charming bride will continue her connection with one of Washington's leading banks.

The local members of the Virginia Alumni Association were given great encouragement when they held their rally on the evening of December 8, for no less than 200 persons were on hand to enjoy an evening full of fun and profit, representatives coming from Richmond, Staunton, Baltimore, Frederick, Easton, and other localities. In fact, for a local event, all records for attendance were broken, thanks to the advertising and boosting ingenuity of Brother Quinley and his associates on the committee on arrangements. The meeting place, large though it be, was almost overcrowded. The only thing missing was the absence of our friends at the Staunton school who could have gotten a clear conception of the consensus of opinion among former scholars.

FORT WAYNE (By J. J. Smead)—We regret to announce the failure of our frat banquet to go over as scheduled for November 17, due to the insufficient sale of tickets and the lack of interest shown in our affair by non-residents, hence the postponement to January 26, 1935. But it did not by any means cancel its program, but decided to forge ahead and prepare a new and better program than the first. We hope that responses from neighboring Divisions will pour in for reservations well in advance of the date and it is our desire that all who plan to attend this bigger and greater banquet send in their reservations not later than January 20 as this will enable the committee to know in advance how many plates to reserve. Notable speakers are being booked and it is planned to put on several attractions in addition to the speakers' list. In conclusion there will be some rapid-fire tap dancing, a costumed pie-eating dance, uniformed sailor act and dance and a wayfarers' banquet recitation. These will all be acted by young lady experts. Space here will not permit all that the program calls for. The entertainment and speeches will open at 8:00 p.m. with a splendid menu and will continue throughout the whole evening and well into the late morning hours, so you are really getting five dollars worth of entertainment, fun and laughter for the

cheap price of one dollar. Come let's all go, support, and boost. Send your dollar to John J. Smead, 1122 Cass Street, or to Ernest Thomas, 1023 Pemberton Drive, Fort Wayne, Ind. Remember the date January 26, 1935.

PITTSBURGH (By E. A. Ludovico)—Extra! At last the place and date for our banquet has been announced. It will be at the Roosevelt Hotel on Feb. 23. The charge will be \$1.50 per plate. The committee is preparing the best program that we have ever had. The Roosevelt Hotel is in a good location and you can find it easily. Watch for more details in the next issue.

Brother Samuel Rogalsky of Brooklyn was in Pittsburgh for the day on Dec. 2, visiting his mother and sisters. Four of us were with him for a while at his mother's home. He looked well and prosperous.

BROOKLYN (By Joseph L. Call)—The pre-depression days were back again on the evening of the Allied Frat Ball at the K. of C. Hotel. Without any definite facts to hand as yet, the attendance was well over the thousand mark and the committee was forced to turn back the late arrivals. The hotel ballroom with the lounge and tap room were the scene of pleasure unconfined, with the meeting of old friends and the making of new acquaintances. The equal split of the proceeds among the seven metropolitan Divisions may yield \$50.00 towards the long-depleted treasuries, and assist in paying the expenses of their respective delegates to the Kansas City convention next July.

December meeting was productive of new blood in the administrative branch with that old-timer, Hy Dramis, taking up the presidential reins. And also steps forward Brother Seymour Gross to take a bow in his initial office as the new treasurer. Nonresident and absent members are requested to note down his address, 3842 Neptune Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y., and forward their 1935 dues to him.

Also of interest to the members is the doubling of their local dues to 12 cents and they are to add the increase to their future remittances.

AKRON (By J. O. Hamersly)—The stag party held at the Veteran's Hall the night of November 30 was immensely enjoyed by the 100 real fraters who attended. There was plenty of food, drinks and pretty dancing girls. The affair was held especially to commemorate the memory of our late President Gibson. Talks on various phases of Brother Gibson's life were given by Brothers Dann, Ware, Zitnik, Myers, Pfunder, Laingor, Hower, Ayers and Roller.

Brother Homrighausen has purchased a nice home at 2001 Goodyear Boulevard, in a section of Akron where the majority of Akron deaf domesticate.

A new auto fever epidemic has broken out badly among the Akronites as recent purchases indicate. Schowe has a new Studebaker, Doolan a Dodge, H. H. Wilson a Ford V8, George Murphy a Dodge, and Rassmussen replacing his old faltering Buick with a younger Buick.

The play by the frat players of Detroit Division, in "The House of Wu," at Goodyear Heights Presbyterian Church on December 8, was surprisingly good, holding the crowd of 250 spellbound for nearly two solid hours. The Detroiters left their automobile city in the wee hours, arrived in the Rubber City at 8 a.m., and after breakfast at an Akron brother's house were escorted out for a visit to one of the rubber factories. They then rolled up their sleeves to fix up the stage during a good part of the day, like real Michigan beavers, without a wink of sleep. Detroit Division has our thanks for sending such a bunch and it is hoped our Akron players appearing in a return engagement in Detroit December 15 will be as successful and that the Divisions can make an annual or bi-annual exchange of playing talent.

SCHENECTADY (T. P. Sack)—An installation supper will be held on January 12 at Danish Hall, 989 Albany Street, under the supervision of Thomas Sack. James Trainor will act as toastmaster and will introduce a number of visiting officers and the new officers of No. 105 will speak. Let's make it a

big celebration. A hot supper will be served at 35 cents per person.

A. Burdette Smith is convalescing now at Ellis Hospital from a form of blood poisoning which made necessary the amputation of his right leg above the knee. We all wish him a speedy recovery.

DETROIT (A. A. Stutsman)—The election meeting of the Division passed without any battle smoke to speak of. It adopted a new rule whereby the President at the beginning of his term elects the entertainment committees for the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th quarters of the year and the 1st quarter of the following year. This is an improvement on the old rule of the President's electing the committee for the 1st quarter of his year which allows the committee very little time to plan for socials.

The Division has lost two members. John Moore died Dec. 9 after a long illness. Stanley Shanoske transferred his membership to Scranton Division No. 82.

The Division played "The House of Wu," a Chinese play, in Akron on Dec. 8 under the auspices of Akron Division. Upwards of 300 deaf people attended, and from appearances, they seemed to enjoy the play. The players stayed there over night and returned home the next day, tired but gratified with the royal treatment accorded them by the Akron deaf.

The Entertainment Committee pulled off another Variety social on Nov. 17, and it was just a repetition of that of Oct. 20—successful socially and financially. From these two socials, the treasury was enriched by \$85.

The Smoker Committee captained by Ivan Heymanson is preparing for a grand time for those who come to the Smoker on January 12, at Gerow's Hall, 333 W. Grand River Ave. Not only active members but also inactive paid-up frats are invited. The first aim of this smoker is to entice those paid-up boys back into active membership.

CHICAGO No. 106 (By F. W. Hinrichs)—Our boys finally grabbed a free gym at the Lake Shore Playground on Chicago Avenue and Lake Shore Drive for their basketball practice. The time is 9 to 10 p.m. on every Tuesday. Brothers Rensman and Weber are some hustlers. They brought in many older members that hadn't been in a gym for a number of years. Don't forget, you're welcome. Bring your gym shoes along.

Our officers elected for 1935, are all new and we hope they will solve some problems to lead us through to prosperity, and what we need—**MORE NEW MEMBERS.**

Listen, you members of No. 106, there will be a nomination and election for delegate in January and February, for the convention at Kansas City. **BE SURE** to attend our meetings and vote for the best candidate. Pay your dues and debts in full in order to vote. This is very important.

MONTREAL DIVISION No. 117 (By A. Chicoine)—The writer was in "Lil Old New York" attending the Allied Frat Ball. He had a swell time, and brought home some good pointers for our future activities. He had a day to give to the East Side, West Side, and all around the town, the once over, and was sure sorry he could not stay longer.

The election of officers was by acclamation, for another term. May they do bigger and better things in 1935.

Our Oyster Party was a grand success. Everyone was in a jovial mood. Then Mrs. M. Warnier introduced her "Frat Yell" and with happy hearts we joined her to the tune of:

"North and South and East and West,
The National Fraternal Society of the Deaf
Will surely help you in distress,
North and South and East and West."

We are bubbling over with excitement awaiting the grand New Year's Eve opening of the Montreal Silent Athletic Club in which we will hold over first Watch Night Party. Frats and non-frats are welcome and we are told anyone can join the M.S.A.C. Our new club is now well established, having a library, two billiard tables, refreshments, etc.

American visitors are always welcome. The address of our club is 4140 St. Denis.

Many thanks are due for the hard work of Brothers Chicoine, Warnier, Gervais and Bertrand.

MONTREAL No. 118 (By J. D. Grimes)—A bingo party under the chairmanship of Brother Jack Herman was held at Mount Royal Hotel, attracting a crowd estimated at 300, among which were nine frats from Division No. 117. A couple of frats from across the border attended as our guests; namely, Brother Roy Newton and Brother James Stirling. A substantial number of the guests were brought by Brother John Barry, which did much to help make the event a success.

A birthday party in honor of his daughter was arranged by Brother Alex Goldstein at his home, most of the frats and aux-frats being invited to participate. His daughter was the recipient of congratulations as well as wonderful gifts.

It is expected that a banquet will be held in honor of our new officers following the installation early in January, at Mount Royal Hotel. We hope that it will be a magnet to draw out-of-town frats as our guests.

RICHMOND (By L. R. Wickline)—The October Halloween Social given by Richmond Division No. 83, with Brother Wyatt Martin as chairman, was one of the largest gatherings in a long time. Prizes awarded those for the most original costume event, first to Brother Wallace Edington of Washington Division, as a pirate; and second to Brother Henry Keene of Los Angeles Division as a tramp. Brother Martin and his committee kept all enjoying themselves until a late hour.

The Harvest Social, with Brother Spencer Armstrong as chairman, was one of the best socials in a long time. Three plays given by several of the young ladies of Richmond and several of our brother frats helped to make it a big success. The "Merchant of Venice" was given by Brothers Armstrong, Dalton, Rosenbloom, Wickline, and Mrs. Gladys Dalton. A big crowd of frats from Washington, with their wives, was on hand to help enjoy the evening. Refreshments were also served.

Miss Susie Investor of Atlanta, Ga., became the bride of James D. Davie, of Richmond, at St. Andrew's Church, Nov. 14; Brother M. B. Dalton interpreting for the couple. Although Mr. Davie is not yet a frat, we are looking forward to having him in our Division in a short time.

Richmond Division No. 83 celebrated its fourteenth anniversary with a smoker at the Y.M.C.A. Saturday, Dec. 1. Election of officers took place at the same time.

NEWARK (By Bernard L. Doyle)—We held both the nomination and election of officers at the December meeting, instead of the nomination at the November meeting, followed by the election at the December meeting.

Dana M. Libby, a mechanical draftsman, has been admitted, by unanimous vote, to our

Division. He takes keen interest in our activities.

Newark Division was well represented at the Allied Frat Ball and entertainment in New York City. The hall was overcrowded and it looked more like a reunion than a ball. Although final reports are not forthcoming, the affair was a howling success. Each of the seven Divisions, large and small, participating in the affair will receive a nice sum from the net profits.

ST. LOUIS (By Ralph M. Hutchings)—Brother Ansel Williams died from heart disease after a long illness of over a year at his home in Fulton, Missouri, on November 9. Brother Williams was supervisor of boys and instructor in carpentry at the school for the Deaf for over 40 years.

The Mask Ball under the leadership of Brother Edward Caferio and his assistants, Brothers Burgher, Fry and Maack will be staged at Jeffla Hall, Saturday evening, February 9, at 8 p.m. All those who have costumes will have a chance to win prizes. The Hall can accommodate a large crowd. There will be a good orchestra. Don't forget the old beer and delicious refreshments. Tickets at door 50c, from members 40c. Bring your friends one and all. Meet many old friends once more.

A smoker will be staged at Jeffla Hall sometime in February or later, managed by Brother Sylvester Koebel and his assistants, Brothers Hemminghaus, Hawkins, Genenous and Olliges. Several of our members have not been initiated during the last three years on account of the depression. A gala time with thrilling features is expected. Boys, watch for announcements.

MANHATTAN (By Louis Goldwasser)—The Allied Frat Ball was a huge success in every sense. The next time these Divisions give another affair, they will hire Madison Square Garden. The entertainment was by professional actors and actresses and the funniest part was when one Hawaiian dancer made goo-goo eyes at one of the most distinguished brothers in our Division. He still retains the art of blushing beautifully.

Brother Barnes and wife are now situated in the wilderness of Long Island. She wrote me recently that he is sick in a hospital now and would like to see his friends. Any of you who want to visit him, communicate with me.

Brother Grossinger, our hotel business man, came to town last week sporting a ritzy 1935 model Buick. Guess I will go into the hotel business soon.

Rumors flew thick and fast that one of the most eligible bachelors in our Division bought a big rock from a diamond firm. Accept our heartiest congrats.

WATERBURY (By S. E. Minicucci)—We have elected a fine set of officers. Let us grow, if cooperation and harmony can keep things moving.

Our Sixteenth Annual Dance on Nov. 17 went over big, and swelled our treasury. Chairman Wenslowes and his assistants, Brothers Backus, Kelly, and Di Ambrosi had worried themselves almost bald over the affair. But they need not have worried, as everything went off fine and they are to be congratulated.

Handsome gifts were awarded to Miss Mary Sullivan of Waterbury and Mr. Cairans of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., who were judged as the best dancers out of twelve contestants. The pinochle and whist games were jammed by half of the crowd. Brother Jarvis, of Hartford, won at whist and Brother Di Georo of Meriden won at pinochle and were pleased with their useful gifts.

Vice President McGuire led in the activities of Waterbury Division and won the annual award for being the most valuable member in 1934. He was presented with a framed certificate.

BINGHAMTON (By George Lewis)—Our Seventh Annual Banquet was held at the Hotel Bennett, Nov. 24, and proved very successful; a crowd of seventy-five attended. The principal speakers were Rev. Warren Maltz, of Lebanon, Pa. and Rev. Herbert Merrill, of Syracuse, N.Y. Others who spoke were Brother and Mrs. John Thomas, of Utica,

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N.Y., and Mrs. John Nitto. Mrs. Lashbrook gave a song in sign language. Brother James Lewis was the toastmaster.

Brother Richard Levan was the chairman and the committee members were Brothers James Lewis, Hoag, and the writer.

We have entered the Fraternal Bowling League. We bowl every Tuesday night and our team is in fourth place in the League standing.

We will be in great shape for the coming tournament which will be held in Buffalo this spring. How about such cities as Cleveland, Akron, and Columbus? They are not very far from Buffalo. Come on, boys, and be sports.

CLEVELAND (By Robert Young, Jr.)—Our December meeting being election night, had President Cahen on his toes till the last. The most widely discussed event that brought plenty of arguments from nearly everyone was the matter of choosing delegates for the coming convention in July at Kansas City. A postponement was necessary after 3 hours had elapsed to make way for the election of officers. The election itself proved to be one of the speediest we've had in a long time.

Do not forget Feb. 16. If you do, you'll very much regret it; if you don't you can thank your lucky stars that your memory didn't desert you. On that date a Frat Social will be held at Harmonie Hall, 2515 Franklin Boulevard, to be known as "Novelty Night." Brother Elmer Rosenmund will be in charge and what he has in store for us you can bet your bottom dollar it will be something worth coming miles to see. Don't disappoint yourself and miss something never before attempted. Everything will start humming at 8 p.m., so let's go.

This being my second year corresponding for this Division, I would appreciate a little more cooperation in the matter of news from some of you brothers, as I've noticed a slight tendency toward forgetfulness, or is it a "can't be bothered" attitude. By the way, the news box that was installed for the collection of Frat news has had nothing in it for a long time except for a periodical accumulation of dust.



If you have ships upon the seas,
 May every friendly wave and breeze
 Return full-freighted argosies.
 If you have caravans afar,
 May they, beneath a lucky star,
 Bring back their wealth to where you
 are.

Or if the treasure that you hold
 Is not of frankincense and gold,
 But all your stores of precious things
 Are cherished dreams of visionings,
 Hopes long deferred and kept apart,
 Dear inner secrets of the heart,
 Then may the future bring to you,
 Like homing ships across the blue,
 Each wish fulfilled, each dream come
 true.

Author Unknown.

Health—and Vigorous Activity

Walk a mile in the open air twice a day. It will add ten years to your life; if you don't believe it, try it and see. Keep the windows of your bedroom wide open, day and night, even in winter. You can't overdose yourself with fresh air, and disease germs can't endure it.

A Plain Question

ARE you giving yourself the benefit of health education? Are you giving your family the benefit of learning how to live intelligently?

Do you read or let your family read even one publication that deals on the most important subject in life—health?

Are you 100 percent in physical development? Are your children going to be 100 percent?

Are you interested in the health of other children, of the community, the state, the country—in short, are you a real citizen of the greatest country?

If you are, you must have an interest in those who will conduct it in the years to come.

Keeping Slim in Winter

MOST people exercise more in summer than in winter. Most people eat more heavy food in winter than in summer. The sum of these two is the fatness that creeps upon us during cold weather.

We need more heavy food in winter in order to keep the body fires going, but we do not need as much as most of us procure. Although few give such a thing a thought, it is very probable that the ice in the refrigerator, or the lack of it, has considerable to do with our avoirdupois when warm weather comes.

During hot weather we see to it that the ice-box is well-filled with ice. During winter we may get a trifle lax, assuring ourselves that it is "cold enough anyway." But lettuce in a cold pantry or in an otherwise empty refrigerator will never appeal like a head of lettuce that has been wrapped in a wet cloth and placed upon a large cake of ice to chill. When we allow our supply of ice to get low we unthinkingly rob many of our most valuable balancing foods of much of their lure. Fruit should be cool. Greens when eaten raw should be cold—and in many cases even brought to the table in dishes of crushed ice. The man or woman who would not taste a radish in a dry radish dish, will often eat several if they may be plucked from a mass of crushed ice—and this applies to many other foods that we need in winter even more than in summer.

Keep up your supply of fresh fruits and green vegetables during the cold weather—and you will find that a well-filled ice-box will help wonderfully.



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

The Amount of Food

THE amount of food required varies greatly with conditions. In civilized communities, where cooking is a fine art, the number, the variety of food preparations are so great that the appetite is often stimulated beyond the requirements of the system, and consequently more food is eaten than is necessary or desirable to maintain the best bodily health and vigor. Gluttony results in overdevelopment and overwork of the digestive apparatus; the stomach and bowels become enlarged; the liver is engorged, and a predisposition is established to degenerative changes, fatty heart, etc. The quantity of food required to maintain the body in vigor varies with the climate and season, clothing, occupation, work and exercise, the state of individual health, age, sex and body weight.

Both overeating and overdrinking may be temporary or chronic. When chronic it may lead to such diseases as obesity, gout, lithemia, oxaluria, or the formation of kidney, bladder, or gall stones. It is very certain to cause congestion of the liver and the condition known as biliousness, in which the stomach and intestines are engorged, constipation results, the tongue is heavily coated, the bodily secretions are altered in composition, the urine especially becomes overloaded with salts, and the liver becomes congested, and finally the nervous and muscular systems are affected, which result in headache and feelings of fatigue, lassitude, drowsiness, and mental stupor.

Life Insurance—Best Protection . .

Life insurance is not only a protection, but an investment. The first essential of a good investment is safety. No better protection than life insurance has ever been discovered. No better protection exists today.

—Harper's Monthly.

"I Have Increased My Insurance"

I HAVE increased my insurance— Because I have lost heavily on other investments I had made to secure my old age and the future of my children.

Because men as good as I, or better, have seen their own business collapse. Mine may follow theirs, despite all I can do, and if it does I want to save some assets for my wife, to whom my policies are made payable.

Because I do not know whether my health will stand the strain of these harrowing times. Deaths among men of my age are increasing ominously. I can name a dozen of my intimates whose business losses and worries have provoked maladies that were fatal to them. I owe it to my family to make the best effort I can to keep myself physically fit. But I also owe it to them to give them, as far as I can, an income that will compensate for my salary in case I drop from heart disease, which is increasing at a rate that will soon make it responsible for one death in five among middle-aged men.

Because I know my children are going to have a tougher time than I had in making a living. I was born and grew up to manhood in an age of large opportunity. Promotion came steadily to me because in America of that day there was a scarcity of skilled men. It is not going to be so for my children. Standards are higher. The pace in the race for the prizes is much faster. I cannot guarantee my children's success, but my sacrificing a little to increase my insurance, I have made it as certain as anything can be that they will get an adequate education and thereby a better start in life.

Because I must sleep at night and I do not want my dreams to be haunted by the fact that those I love will be added to the unhappy and hungry thousands that walk the streets.—Richmond, (Virginia) News Leader.

False Economy

THE last and poorest place to economize is on your life insurance. Life insurance is not a luxury—it is a necessity. There is no substitute for it. You need it more when times are hard than when times are easy.

Today many a man who values his life insurance only for its protection has awakened to the fact that it is actually the best investment in his strong box.

Never has the value of life insurance been so evident as today, when invest-

ment standards are changing and uncertainty exists in all lines of endeavor.

Lastly, consider the important matter of rates. If you allow your insurance to lapse now, you can never again obtain your present favorable rate (assuming, of course, that you can pass a new physical examination).

In fairness to yourself and those dependent on you, keep your life insurance in force!—Ralph H. Rice.



Like a Lighthouse

LIFE is a voyage, just as unstable as the sea, treacherous as the rapids, uncertain as the forest trail. On the journey men must keep their course if they would avoid disaster. And so, men of understanding look to the constant guiding light of life insurance, from which they take their bearings, steer their course and safely reach the haven of old age, in comfort and with competency.—The Forester.

Life of a Dollar

ONE dollar spent for lunch lasts five hours. One dollar spent for a collar lasts three weeks. One dollar spent for a hat lasts six months. One dollar spent for a suit lasts one year. One dollar spent for an automobile lasts five years. One dollar spent for life insurance lasts two generations.

Systematic Saving

PEOPLE are becoming educated more each year on the subject of life insurance, for after all it is a systematic manner of saving. It is perhaps one of the few businesses whereby, when the general conditions of things are good, a man will buy, and when business is on the down grade he will buy to protect that which he has already created in the form of an estate. It is a field of opportunity where the true valuation of its service is brought home to you when you settle claims, and during a business slump when you know, perhaps, it will never make you rich, it will always be worth 100 cents on the dollar.—Fidelity News.



Correct

"What is a budget?"
"Well, it is a method of worrying before you spend instead of afterward."

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Study Your Anatomy

Patient: "What part of the body is the fray?"

Doctor: "What are you talking about?"

Patient: "Well the book says that my son was injured in the fray."

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Explained

Prospective tenant: "Does the water always come through the roof like that?"

Landlord: "No, sir, only when it rains."

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Pome

Girls who like the feel of mink
Leave the dishes in the sink.

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Maybe He Rides Them!

Teacher: "Are there any more questions you would like to ask about whales?"

Small Girl: "Teacher, what has the prince got to do with them?"

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NOVEMBER COLLECTIONS

Grand Division	\$ 55.32
Chicago No. 1	345.88
Detroit	164.74
Saginaw	24.15
Louisville	48.56
Little Rock	85.79
Dayton	83.35
Bay City	24.71
Cincinnati	214.01
Evansville	19.99
Nashville	44.62
Olathe	163.90
Flint	116.17
Toledo	252.80
Milwaukee	124.41
Columbus	153.67
Knoxville	45.05
Cleveland	106.56
Indianapolis	265.74
Brooklyn	481.08
St. Louis	231.22
New Haven	46.44
Holyoke	52.84
Los Angeles	277.89
Atlanta	141.95
Philadelphia	245.23
Kansas City	100.00
Omaha	64.37
New Orleans	108.18
Kalamazoo	31.06
Boston	185.43
Pittsburgh	116.25
Hartford	62.23
Memphis	92.51
Portland, Me.	92.02
Buffalo	53.02
Portland, Ore.	101.01
Newark	105.22
Providence	55.51
Seattle	116.01
Utica	107.65
Washington	141.50
Baltimore	146.27
Syracuse	53.56
Cedar Rapids	49.97
Huntington	95.62
Albany	56.86
Rochester	79.69
San Francisco	167.51
Reading	118.58
Akron	282.61
Salt Lake City	35.98
Rockford	69.83
Springfield, Ill.	41.82
Davenport	24.25
Worcester	
St. Paul-Minneapolis	172.66
Fort Worth	60.30
Dallas	114.93
Denver	116.41
Waterbury	63.46
Springfield, Mass.	82.01
Waco	83.25
Bangor	29.97
Kenosha	26.48
Birmingham	33.38
Sioux Falls	62.06
Wichita	42.06
Spokane	64.39
Des Moines	18.76
Lowell	51.66
Berkeley	42.88
Delavan	104.13
Houston	120.35
Scranton	63.73
Richmond	45.46
Johnstown	22.06
Manhattan	292.32
Jacksonville	79.61
Lewiston	37.80
Peoria	36.36
Jersey City	100.86
Bronx	93.50
Columbia	63.07
Charlotte	66.94
Durham	67.88
Dubuque	19.70
Grand Rapids	32.41
Toronto	260.31
Duluth	33.18
Canton	30.30
Faribault	28.25
South Bend	55.84
Council Bluffs	52.48
Fort Wayne	36.42
Schenectady	52.32
Chicago	73.63
Miami	42.42
Binghamton	82.85
Wilkesburg	74.52
San Diego	39.60
Eau Claire	59.73
Sulphur	75.09
Vancouver	24.35
Westchester	30.21
Queens	63.35
St. Augustine	10.59
Montreal No. 117	69.05
Montreal No. 118	52.99
Total collections	\$10,140.91

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR NOVEMBER, 1934

Balance and Income

Balance, Oct. 31, 1934	\$1,801,216.97
Division collections	10,140.91
Interest, mortgage loans	4,281.34
Interest, bonds	1,377.87
Indemnity fund premiums	5.31
Refund of accident benefit	160.00
Mortgage renewal fee	7.50
Property insurance premiums	67.80
Deposits for taxes	221.93
Rents	1,817.61
Lodge supplies	3.30
Exchange on checks	2.70
Advertising in THE FRAT	5.50
Refund of officers' expenses	75.64
Recording and registry fees	6.50
Sundry supplies	1.25
Total balance and income	\$1,819,392.13

Disbursements

Death benefits	\$ 2,824.00
Sick benefits	1,350.00
Accident benefits	555.00
Old age income payments	86.65
Clerical services	315.00
Furniture and equipment	25.00
Investment expenses	696.90
Legal services	300.00
Office expenses	76.69
Officers' and Trustees' salaries	579.15
Official publication	194.88
Postage	20.50
Printing and stationery	51.10
Property insurance premiums	145.80
Rents	160.00
Taxes	144.93
Total disbursements	\$ 7,525.60

Recapitulation

Balance and income	\$1,819,392.13
Disbursements	7,525.60
Balance, Nov. 30, 1934	\$1,811,866.53

TRUSTEE'S REPORT

Ledger Assets, Nov. 30, 1934

Real estate	\$ 126,967.51
First mortgage loans	1,064,181.80
First mortgage bonds	222,932.38
U.S. Government bonds	45,750.00
State bonds	175,171.30
Municipal bonds	62,385.06
Canadian bonds	21,071.22
Cash in banks:	
City National Bank & Trust Co.	21,920.13
Continental Illinois National Bank & Trust Co.	61,952.69
Bank of Montreal	8,183.15
Cash in Society's office	1,401.29
Total ledger assets	\$1,811,866.53

Balances in Funds

Reserve fund	\$1,593,474.28
Mortuary fund	51,516.04
Sick and accident fund	88,652.27
Accumulated interest	49,273.01
Convention fund	15,060.72
Indemnity fund	826.37
General expense fund	13,063.84
Total in all funds	\$1,811,866.53

NOVEMBER DISABILITY CLAIMS

W. I. Shibley, Little Rock	\$ 250.00
*G. T. Eccles, Los Angeles	120.00
Fred Buehler, Jr., San Francisco	50.00
J. F. Singleton, Los Angeles	50.00
T. V. Ercoliani, Waterbury	75.00
G. J. Benton, Atlanta	75.00
J. W. Brochu, Bangor	10.00
Bernard Olliges, St. Louis	40.00
Walter Hemminghaus, St. Louis	25.00
Albert Wokal, Brooklyn	75.00
Charles Spitaleri, Bronx	75.00
E. J. Du Gan, Philadelphia	15.00
O. A. Darby, Columbia	20.00
C. J. Hertell, Salt Lake City	20.00
*A. M. Rasnick, Little Rock	20.00
*W. M. Lester, Berkeley	20.00
*W. O. Dilworth, Baltimore	15.00
*Louis Wilhelm, Detroit	20.00
*Morris Seltzer, St. Louis	75.00
*Reuben Lieber, Manhattan	175.00
*Nathan Stein, Buffalo	30.00
*Samuel I. Bashien, Brooklyn	50.00
L. F. Lefebvre, Montreal No. 117	250.00
*H. C. Dunham, Louisville	50.00
R. J. Stillman, Los Angeles	25.00
Wm. Lustgarten, Manhattan	75.00
Wm. W. Suttka, Dallas	125.00
James Epstein, Chicago No. 1	75.00
Total for the month	\$1,905.00

*Denotes accident claims.

NOVEMBER DEATH CLAIMS

Paid to Elma West, Evansville, Ind., for death benefit of Henry M. West, certificate No. 690-C, deceased Oct. 23, 1934, \$263.
 Paid to James I. Wilson, Versailles, Ind., for death benefit of Robert F. Wilson, certificate No. 7360-C, deceased June 3, 1934, \$49.
 Paid to Mrs. A. M. E. Friday, Ferndale, Mich., for death benefit of Frank I. Friday, certificate No. 71-C, deceased Oct. 26, 1934, \$574.
 Paid to Patrick E. Fitzsimmons, Portland, Me., for death benefit of Peter Fitzsimmons, certificate No. 3224-C, deceased Oct. 11, 1934, \$1,000.
 Paid to Richard McCabe, Utica, N.Y., for death benefit of Thomas P. McCabe, certificate No. 4760-C, deceased Oct. 27, 1934, \$438.
 Paid to Ethel M. Austin, Johnson City, N.Y., for death benefit of William S. S. Austin, certificate No. 1662-D, deceased July 28, 1934, \$500.

OBITUARY

DENNIS A. HANLEY, 63, of Brooklyn Division No. 23, died Dec. 8, 1934. He joined the Society Jan. 3, 1916, and held certificate No. 2476-C.
 JOHN MOORE, 74, of Detroit Division No. 2, died Dec. 9, 1934. He joined the Society Nov. 1, 1906, and held certificate No. 331-C.
 WALTER H. SEARS, 61, of Schenectady Division No. 105, died Dec. 9, 1934. He joined the Society Oct. 1, 1917, and held certificate No. 3438-E.
 ERNEST R. CORONA, 30, of Flint Division No. 15, died Dec. 10, 1934. He joined the Society Oct. 1, 1926, and held certificate No. 7965-D.
 GUY G. MONTGOMERY, 61, of Pittsburgh Division No. 36, died Dec. 15, 1934. He joined the Society Aug. 1, 1913, and held certificate No. 1734-C.

NEW MEMBERS

Brooklyn—Albert R. Capocci.
 St. Louis—Frank E. Meyer.
 Atlanta—Robert B. Giles, William C. Morris.
 Philadelphia—John J. Caplis.
 Akron—Albert A. Slusser.
 Scranton—Charles J. Ziobro.
 Richmond—James D. Davie.
 Bronx—George Zadra.
 Columbia—Curtis P. Smoak.
 Montreal (117)—Raoul Pellerin, Victor D. Marechal.

THE GET-ONE DEGREE

Brooklyn—Daniel Lynch.
 St. Louis—Wm. G. Lambur.
 Atlanta—Clarence A. Dickson (2).
 Philadelphia—Frank H. Mescol.
 Akron—M. Baliff.
 Scranton—Stanley Shanoske.
 Richmond—S. C. Armstrong.
 Bronx—Louis C. Saracino.
 Columbia—Chas. H. Smoak.
 Montreal (117)—M. A. Warnier (2).

ENGAGEMENTS

November 29—Abraham Cohen and Frieda Granoff, both of Brooklyn, N.Y.
 Harry Kelly, Waterbury, Conn., and Rose Marino, New Haven, Conn.

MARRIAGES

August 25—Benjamin Greenbeck and Frances Lighthenhome, both of Chicago, Ill.
 October 3—Alfred K. Penprase and Miss E. Carter, both of Guelph, Canada.
 November 14—James D. David, Richmond, Va., and Susie Ivestor, Atlanta, Ga.
 November 24—E. Gedney, Peoria, Ill., and Elizabeth King, Springfield, Ill.
 November 27—B. H. Harrell, Cleveland, Tex., and Hattie Temple, Bay City, Tex.
 November 29—Carey C. Shaw and Mrs. Nellie Lay Jackson, both of Houston, Tex.
 L. Todd, Litchfield, Conn., and Mildred Hargraves, Thompsonville, Conn.

BIRTHS

July 11—Mr. and Mrs. B. Wright, Blanchard, Wash., a boy.
 August 30—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parker, New York, N.Y., a boy.
 October 22—Mr. and Mrs. I. Klang, Odessa, Calif., a girl.
 November 3—Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Keathley, Akron, Ohio, a boy.
 November 6—Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Booth, St. Paul, Minn., a boy.
 November 17—Mr. and Mrs. Kirk L. Carter, Altavista, Va., a boy.
 November 21—Mr. and Mrs. Norman G. Scarvie, Council Bluffs, Iowa, a boy.
 November 28—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nastase, Johnstown, Pa., a boy.
 December 8—Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Smith, Houston, Tex., a girl.

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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 general treasurer and treasurers of all the Divisions are bonded by a surety company. The Board of Trustees makes a monthly audit of the treasurer's books and supervises all investments of the society's funds.

Cost of Joining

The entrance fee is \$5.00 and is always to be paid with the application. In case of rejection the \$5.00 will be refunded. The applicant has also to pay the doctor's fee for the required medical examination—usually \$2.00.

How to Join

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

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

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

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

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

Certificate Classes

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

Withdrawal Equities and Income Options

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

Required Monthly Payments

After joining, the member pays each month: (1) The mortuary assessment for entry age, class, and amount given in the table below; (2) Sick and Accident tax, ranging from 25c to \$1.50, according to amount of weekly benefit chosen; (3) Per capita tax of 36c for the General Expense and Convention funds; (4) A small tax for local dues, varying with the different Divisions. These payments begin on the first day of the month of certificate issue.

MONTHLY NET RATES PER \$1000				
Minimum \$250; Maximum \$5000 to Age 45, \$3000 to Age 50, \$1000 to Age 55.				
Entry Age	CLASSES			
	C	D	E	F
18	\$1.11	\$1.58	\$1.13	\$1.20
19	1.11	1.60	1.16	1.20
20	1.11	1.63	1.19	1.20
21	1.13	1.66	1.22	1.23
22	1.16	1.69	1.25	1.27
23	1.18	1.72	1.29	1.30
24	1.21	1.75	1.32	1.33
25	1.24	1.78	1.36	1.37
26	1.27	1.81	1.41	1.41
27	1.31	1.85	1.45	1.46
28	1.34	1.89	1.50	1.50
29	1.38	1.93	1.55	1.55
30	1.42	1.97	1.61	1.60
31	1.46	2.01	1.67	1.66
32	1.50	2.05	1.73	1.72
33	1.55	2.10	1.80	1.78
34	1.60	2.15	1.88	1.85
35	1.65	2.20	1.96	1.92
36	1.70	2.25	2.05	2.00
37	1.76	2.31	2.15	2.08
38	1.82	2.37	2.25	2.17
39	1.89	2.43	2.37	2.26
40	1.96	2.50	2.50	2.36
41	2.03	2.57	2.64	2.47
42	2.11	2.64	2.80	2.59
43	2.20	2.72	2.98	2.71
44	2.29	2.80	3.18	2.85
45	2.38	2.89	3.40	3.00
46	2.49	2.98	3.65	3.16
47	2.60	3.08	3.95	3.34
48	2.71	3.18	4.29	3.54
49	2.84	3.29	4.69	3.75
50	2.97	3.41	5.18	3.99
51	3.11	3.54	5.76	4.25
52	3.27	3.67	6.49	4.53
53	3.43	3.82	7.41	4.85
54	3.60	3.97	8.64	5.21
55	3.79	4.14	10.35	5.62

Rate for age at nearest birthday to be taken