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THE SPOTLIGHT

By Lenny Warshawsky



Lenny

AMONG OUR SCHOOLS: The Alabama School has been in the midst of a water shortage. There hadn't been a regular rainfall since August 8! Thus the city of Talladega was forced to obtain water from a privately owned lake; last year the Illinois School was in a similar position. The pupils were forced to send home their laundry. . . . The American School for the Deaf at West Hartford, Conn. will be host to the convention of the American Instructors of the Deaf June 26-July 1. . . . The Idaho School for the deaf printers helped the state out of a "constitutional crisis." When the Secretary of State found himself very low on copies of the state constitution and when the Idaho legislature failed to pass a bill for additional money to print more, he sent an "S.O.S." to the school print shop and they did the job in six weeks!

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TWENTY-FIVE 1955 Southern Minnesota legislators and their wives visited the School for the Deaf at Faribault, Monday, December 6 to see for themselves just how a state-supported institution operates and they were very impressed! . . . The Central New York School for the Deaf at Rome is now observing supervised study from 7-8 three evenings a week and the results are very pleasing. *It seems this is the best way to show the pupils how to study and once they get onto it, they may get along by themselves.* . . . Caroline Marshall, daughter of the Alfred Marshalls of Danville, Ky. received a \$25.00 bond from the Louisville *Courier-Journal* for her paper on conservation of water, as a first prize in the Boyle district. Caroline is planning to take the Gallaudet College entrance exams this coming May. . . . On March 2, Dr. Otto L. Bettag, Illinois state welfare director, asked the state legislature for \$4,355,000 to enlarge and improve buildings at the Illinois School for the Deaf.

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THE DEMOTION of Soviet Premier, Georgi Malenkov may be due to (1) *failure to increase farm production;* (2) *failure to keep pace with the West in television. (The Soviets have only 9 television stations and only 700,000 sets!)* and (3) *that he WAS SLIGHTLY DEAF due to a typhus attack suffered while he was a student.*

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THE CINEMA: The FBI thriller, "Down Three Dark Streets," starring actor Broderick Crawford and Ruth Roman, has an opening scene at the

U.S. Department of Justice on Capitol street in Washington. Just across the street from this is the new headquarters of the District of Columbia Club of Deaf! . . . The English thriller, "Shield For Murder," with Edmond O'Brien, John Agar and Marla English, is a film that deaf people will find very interesting. A murder has been witnessed by a street musician who is deaf. Although the crook eventually kills the deaf man, he is soon caught. The deaf man has left behind a written account of the murder as he has witnessed it and the murderer is duly punished.

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THE N.A.D. has requested that the United States Post Office in Washington issue a special stamp commemorating its 75th Diamond Jubilee Anniversary. It urges all clubs for the deaf, Associations and schools to write to Postmaster General Summerfield, Washington, D.C., asking them to make this a reality. . . . President Wesley Lauritsen, of the Minnesota Association of the Deaf announces that the M.A.D. convention will be held September 2, 3 and 4 at Camp Lake Hubert, Brainerd, Minnesota. The camp is on a beautiful lake. Cost for everything which includes food, lodging, boats, canoes, swimming and banquet is only \$8.00 per day!

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PRESIDENT EISENHOWER has asked Congress to appropriate the sum of \$2,225,000 towards construction of new buildings at the world's only college for the deaf here—Gallaudet. This long-sought fund would be an addition to the \$250,000 made available for planning a classroom-gymnasium heating plant for the college. . . . MacMurray College for Women located in Jacksonville, Ill. has announced the development of two new programs of study which will aid in eliminating the severe nation-wide shortage of teachers for the deaf; it has inaugurated a course in training teachers for the deaf and to train recreation leaders for children handicapped in sight, hearing or learning ability. These programs have been developed under a \$34,000 grant from the Field Foundation in Chicago. . . . *Do you know who invented the umbrella? Jonas Hanway, English merchant of the 18th Century is frequently credited with this discovery. It has been found to be all WRONG. Umbrellas were used in Egypt over 4,000 years ago! Hanway, who is buried in Westminster Abbey, London, DID popularize the umbrella as a protection from*

old Jupiter Pluvius—Rain—at least 200 years ago!

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ITALY'S BANTAMWEIGHT boxing champion, deaf Mario D'Agata, was almost fatally wounded when he went into the laundry in Arezzo, Italy to speak with his would-be partner on the bills that were due. The partner seemed to have misunderstood Mario's gesturing and shot him twice with a bird gun; Mario's mother was also shot. D'Agata had been training to fight here in San Francisco, March 9 against Mexican Raoul Macias. At this writing he is recovering and will resume training for a future trip to the States! . . . Mario toured Australia last fall and gained an easy decision over Billy Peacock of Philadelphia in a 12-round bantamweight fight in Melbourne.

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EIGHT TEAMS will be out to snare the giant trophy that rightfully goes to the AAAD cage champion this year. The huge piece of treasure will be donated by the Los Angeles Club of the Deaf at the 11th annual AAAD basketball tournament this coming April 6-7-8-9 at the Venice High School gym. Major-domo Thomas William Elliott has promised a good time for all who attend. Says he: "We have already raised \$10,000." A host club has yet to win a meet. The Los Angeles cagers under the watchful eye of Lou Dyer, their little coach is out to do just this. Can they? . . . The Great Lakes Deaf Bowling meet will be held in Greater Detroit April 15-16-17. Host will be the Motor City Ass'n. of the Deaf.

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SPORTETTES: The election of the "Jolter"—Joe DiMaggio, former New York Yankee great, to the Hall of Fame at Cooperstown makes us recall this concerning the uncle of Ephraim Wahrhaftig, prexy of our Philadelphia Div. No. 30. A few years back Eph's uncle, a cab driver for the Yellow Cab Co. of Philly, picked up a passenger who wanted to go to Shibe Park, the home of the now-departed Athletics. Enroute, he heard people saying, "Hello, Joe," and the cabby was forced to keep waving all the way to the ball

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Whose Responsibility?

By CARL A. NUETZEL

In The Insurance Index

OUR tragic highway accident record concerns all of us, as parents, pedestrians, motorists, workers and insurance agents. No one escapes being touched or directly involved in these accidents or their painful and costly consequences. The result affects our daily lives regardless. And the toll continues to mount despite the billions of dollars and immeasurable efforts spent on highway safety, showing the ineffectiveness of these efforts and expenditures to curb or even keep pace with the ever-mounting traffic problem. A new approach is urgently needed.

The fault lies in human attitude and vagaries. But the expensive, unenforceable and demoralizing "Prohibition" fiasco proves that we cannot legislate morals or change human nature. And our present highway experience is analogous to this late, but unlamented "noble experiment." The only difference is that we indulge, or overindulge, in excess miles instead of drinks. Where people, out of curiosity or daring (both natural human attributes), then disdained the law of the land to snatch potent potions of liquid death, the motorist today sneaks those prohibited and more dangerous excessive death-laden miles of speed toward the graveyard.

Now, as then, delinquency and crime flourish because the major attention of the law is focused on the vast majority of otherwise normally law-abiding people—the motoring public. If police efforts were released from traffic regulation to the more serious crime prevention, this ugly phase of our society could be improved. But no amount of policing and punishment, however enormous and severe, can quench the thirst of the normal average driver to indulge his curiosity—to extend and explore—in what he considers innocent fields of experimentation. That has been the case ever since Adam tasted of the "forbidden fruit"; and always will be! It is human nature.

We have long realized that man's tools and implements had to be safeguarded against their inherent danger and his misuse of them because of his curiosity (which overwhelms self-control, especially when around or on moving wheels), and his physical limitations. Accordingly, long ago we established standard safety codes governing the construction and operation of his less dangerous toys: tools, immobile machines and stationary engines; and they have paid off well. But as regards the auto-MOBILE-machine, we have attempted to control it almost exclusively by restrictions on the operator, and on road construction, doing practically nothing about limiting the machine itself.

Neglect in limiting the potential

power and speed of this more widely used and little understood machine menaces every person, home and industry—in fact, the whole economy, strength and progress of our nation. The socio/economic effect of the alarming loss of vital man-hours, jobs and talent is beyond reckoning. And so it remains a projectile, often a misguided missile to plunge helter, skelter down our gory human bowling alleys of death.

Sixty miles per hour by daylight, and fifty by night—less for bus and immature drivers—have been proven as safe maximum speeds under normal conditions of traffic on the better limited-access rural and super-highways. Why then, gear the auto to go faster? Where is the safe eighty-mph or higher public road, driver or auto? An auto accident victim has but 1/7 the chance to survive a sixty mph as against a twenty mph accident. What of his chances at speeds above sixty? The fact that such contraptions as padded instrument panels, helmets, belts and other harness are considered necessary to the safety and security of auto occupants testifies to the need of safetyizing the automobile itself. "Unpopular to do that," they say. So we go on blithely wrecking, maiming and killing.

Too much to handle

Most automayhem and murder occurs in daylight, clear weather, on dry, clean, unobstructed, level straightaway roads, by well conditioned autos and sober drivers—and unintentionally. With all other traffic factors favorable, the guilt then would seem to be solely on the driver. The fact is that *the average driver is so constituted naturally—or physically and temperamentally—that he is unable to master the super power and speed of the modern automobile.* Such being the case it is necessary to limit it to his safe capacity by removing the excess power and speed. A quick, sure, inexpensive remedy, at that.

Giving a sixty mph driver a 120 mph automobile, then outlawing his use of the other sixty horses is not only dangerous and expensive, but is about as sensible as giving a venturesome hunter a loaded double-barrel shot gun, then telling him that he may fire but one barrel in any circumstances under penalty of the law. Why not confine the implement to the safe limit in the very first place and save lives, expense and comfort all around? Then, those extra horses must be fed, attended and stabled although never put to use, just is that extra barrel must be oiled and polished to preserve the gun. Over-size gas chambers and gear ratios overheated, reducing motor efficiency up to 50%.

The higher the excess power and speed potential, the greater the consumption, hence: waste of gas, oil and rubber, wear and tear generally. A seventy mph potential with a sixty mph legal top speed limit, or a 16% surplus, would give adequate speed without engine strain and wear and increase efficiency proportionately. Certainly operation and upkeep costs of the auto, if not its construction costs as well, would be materially reduced. Perhaps more people could own more automobiles, even domestic-built ones.

Limiting the top built-in speed of the auto and providing it with a lockable, tamperproof mechanism to further reduce that limit for immature and commercial (bus) drivers would not only save lives and property by reducing the number and severity of accidents, but would yield other benefits as well. Auto and driver would last longer and go farther and cost less to preserve. The same applies to facilities for its use such as tax maintained roads, equipment, courts, legislation, policing, etc. and hospitals.

How is this limitation to come about? Preferably by auto manufacturers voluntarily restricting their products, rather than continuing the present power/speed race for competitive advantage regardless of public safety and welfare. Otherwise an irate public may demand such drastic legislation as will hold the manufacturer and distributor, as well as the guilty drivers, liable for accidents and other violations of the maximum speed limit—a Food & Drug Act, no less.

What is the casualty insurance agent's part in the matter? Like it or not, the insuring public look to their agents to reduce accidents, hazards and premiums to the minimum. Recently, a parent who could not say "No" to his son because of family pressure, chided the writer for the law permitting sixteen-year-olds to drive, and then declining his insurance. What agent has not had his income curtailed and lost good will and other business of his customers because of company cancellation or declination of auto liability insurance? Failure to attempt some solution will turn the public more and more to alluring compulsory and state monopoly insurance schemes. Then, what of our business, and of private enterprise?

Accordingly, in the interest of all, it is to be hoped that we in the insurance industry will join the AAA and other interested bodies and individuals in persuading the automobile manufacturers to modify the potential power and speed of their vehicles to the safe combined average capacity of driver, road, auto and all other factors that compose the traffic problem. Certainly we can do no less than take an official stand on this vital and disturbing problem.

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

MARCH, 1955

Operation H. O.

WITH the return of good weather, construction work on our new Home Office project has been speeded up considerably.

The wide curved roof is on, affording protection to the workmen in case of rain or a return of inclement weather which may be expected at this time of year in the Great Lakes region.

The heating and air-conditioning ducts have been installed, leading from the single unit which will supply heat in winter and cool air in summer. Old Man Winter and the July sun have both been licked—we hope.

The studs partitioning off the side rooms of the building are in place and a clear perspective of the interior layout now may be obtained. We think it is good and fully adapted to our needs. The building is very compact with no wasted space.

The big vault on the first floor has been solidly constructed to resist fire. Protective additions to this vault with respect to fire were added as the building went up, on the suggestion of our fire insurance people. These additions also will make it tough for any burglar who might try to get into it.

The same safety precautions have been taken in constructing the still larger vault in the basement, which will be used for storage of permanent records.

The broad canopy across the front of the building and the smaller canopy over the rear entrance are in place. These will be studded with lights, providing ample outside illumination at night.

The plumbing is now going in. The interior walls are about ready for plastering and installation of the oak and

other trim in the big main workroom. This room is almost large enough to hold a national convention of the society.

The building is now being wired for electricity. The interior finish of the basement, the inside and outside stairways leading thereto, will be completed last, as will the floor tiling, installation of the lunch room equipment, and other odds and ends.

More later.

Buffalo

WE were able to complete our 1954 Annual Statement on time and dispatch it to various Insurance Departments during the closing days of February.

We are grateful for the splendid cooperation of our members in this busy time, for their patience and forbearance in getting attention to their needs. We expect to have the accumulations of the last two months cleaned up in March.

Due to the foregoing work, we have so far been unable to give much attention to details of our coming national convention in Buffalo. In following issues, we expect to have train schedules, fares from all Division points, a list of Buffalo hotels, aside from the headquarters Statler, and program arrangements completed.

Last Call

THE April meetings of Divisions will be the last chance for members who want their law amendments approved in meeting. This does not mean we are urging submission of amendments just for the sake of doing so. Only amendments which experience has shown are necessary should be submitted to the Grand Division Law committee.

Such law revisions cost money and time consumed in putting them through the required channels, and later in printing the revisions approved in convention. For these reasons, only necessary amendments should be presented for consideration.



Jump

If you're going to jump at conclusions, you can't always expect a happy landing.

Chattanooga

By S. B. RITTENBERG
Southern Grand Vice President

ON Sunday, Feb. 6, Chattanooga Division No. 140 came into being with 27 Charter members.

With 50 "visiting firemen" from Birmingham, Atlanta, Nashville, Knoxville, and way points in attendance, this Division got off to a grand start, financially and otherwise. The writer, who was the installing officer, can truthfully say that, judging from the quality of the Charter members, Chattanooga will be a very strong link in our organization.

Bro. Frank White had recovered from a three weeks' siege of the mumps in time to be installed as first president of the new Division. He was the main-spring in forming the Division, and here's hoping the "bumps" from here on won't be as bad as the mumps.

Other officers installed were Bros. Jack Pyree, vice president; Wayne Upchurch, Secretary; Sam McBride, treasurer; Darrell Jones, director; Thomas Keys, Sergeant-at-arms; Byron Boyd, patriarch. Trustees: Francis Boyd, Chairman; James Frazer and J. Posten.

Bro. Byron Boyd, aged 78, and a life-long resident of Chattanooga, brought cheers from the optience when he remarked that since becoming a member of the Society in 1907, he had always looked forward to the time when his home town world have a Division, and he considered this event one of the happiest moments in his life.

Short talks were made by prominent fraters and officers from other Divisions, after which the assemblage repaired to the St. George Hotel for a buffet supper in honor of the 27 Charter members.

Following the buffet supper, a good number of the fair sex were induced to listen to the writer expounding the advantages of joining up as insured members. The writer didn't know he had a way with the ladies until a good number had signed up, mostly from Knoxville and environs, and before long a Charter will be awarded Knoxville Auxiliary, thereby making Tennessee the first Southern State with five Divisions.

(P.S.—From now on the writer will have to be careful which end of a lighted cigar he puts in his mouth.)

AUXILIARY DIVISIONS

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Enthusiasm and Organization

By L. L. AXON

American National
In The Insurance Index

IMAGINE a powerful diesel locomotive, without a track on which to run, using all of its power in an effort to go forward. What a gigantic waste of energy! The terrific noise and shuddering would be awe-inspiring but progress would be impossible. However, if you were to observe this same locomotive on the track that it needs, your observation would be brief because the great power would go unwasted and the locomotive would speed to its destination.

We can compare ourselves as Life underwriters to this same diesel locomotive. By using enthusiasm as our power, and organization as the track we need, our progress is inevitable. This applies to anyone in any position with ANICO. Just as the locomotive can make no progress without both power and track, neither can we make progress without both enthusiasm and organization.

Take note of the man who seems fairly well organized with his detail work and is going through the mechanics of being a good Life underwriter, yet he makes little or no progress.

Notice the man who always seems excited and "fired up" but flounders in his approach to detail work because he does not organize correctly. He's making no progress either.

Now notice the successful Life underwriter and you find a man who has learned to combine enthusiasm and organization.

"Enthusiasm" is defined in Webster's dictionary as a display of ardent zeal and interest. A man who applies this meaning to our business is a man who displays an ardent zeal and an interest in his detail work, his policyholders, his prospects, his fellow associates, his company and its policies. Each of these is equally important and if we are enthusiastic, we will not slight any one of them.

Though most men realize that organization can be studied and developed, they do not know that enthusiasm may be acquired also. Many men are born with a greater capacity for enthusiasm than others. This does not mean that enthusiasm cannot be deliberately increased. The most famous psychologist America has produced, Professor William James, wrote: "Action seems to follow feeling, but really action and feeling go together; and by regulating the action, which is under the more direct control of the will, we can indirectly regulate the feeling, which is not."

This would certainly seem to bear out the often repeated quotation, "Act enthusiastic, and you'll be enthusiastic!"

Many men who know that they must work to keep their enthusiasm geared to a high pitch find that repeating this quotation and little poems such as this one does much to help them. It would be good to memorize this poem and say it to yourself each morning before you start the day's work. It was written by Herbert Kauffman and has a good title. . . .

VICTORY

You are the man who used to boast
That you'd achieve the uttermost, some day.
You merely wished a show, to demonstrate
How much you know
And prove the distance you can go . . .
Another year we've just passed through.
What new ideas came to you? How many
Big things did you do?
Time . . . left twelve fresh months in your care
How many of them did you share
With opportunity and dare again
Where you so often missed?
We do not find you on the list of makers good.
Explain the fact!
Ah no, 'twas not the chance you lacked,
As usual—you failed to ACT!

Our genuine enthusiasm is contagious and anyone to whom we may display it is bound to catch it and return it to us to strengthen our own supply. This principle holds true not only with our work but also in our home and social life as well.

The man who attains a large degree of success has learned to be enthusiastic. Everyone he meets feels his radiance which seems to go out to each personally. People are influenced and respond to his wishes.

Organization will provide the track—enthusiasm the power.

Get on the right track, apply full power and you will be limited only by the goals you set.

THE SPOTLIGHT

(From page 2)

park. It wasn't until they arrived that he realized his passenger was Joe Di Maggio and the people had been waving at Di Maggio, not himself—Joe Wahrhaftig! . . . Brother Robert Kannapell, of our Louisville Div. No. 4 is the newly crowned chess champion among the deaf of the United States; he scored in the finals with a 3-2 victory over teacher Emil Ladner of the California School for the Deaf at Berkeley in a national chess meet sponsored by the *Silent Worker* via the mails.

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IN THE N-E-W-S: Ashland, Calif.—A deaf-mute couple and their two children saved only the clothes on their backs when flames consumed their rented home last January. The welfare chairman of the Ashland P.T.A. appealed to the public through the town paper for aid for the deaf couple. . . . Associated Press stories: Drayton,

Michigan—Morris Strong, totally deaf since he was 12 and blind for the last 16 years, is building his own eight-room home with only his wife helping out! . . . Philadelphia—A deaf mute was robbed as he dozed on a bench of a mid-town subway station platform. The victim was awakened by two men going through his pockets; he chased the men, who jumped to the tracks and fled through the dark tunnel. Frank Molinaro, the victim scribbled on a piece of paper: "I've been robbed. Call the police," and handed it to the cashier. By the time the police arrived, the deaf fellow had written a complete detail of the robbery and a description of the thieves: these were relayed about Philadelphia and the two were soon rounded up and put in the city gaol. . . . Vienna, Austria—Communist Hungary released an American Woman's deaf-mute son, 18, from behind the iron curtain after five years. The mother, Mrs. William Brooks, of Great Neck, L.I., had been petitioning the Commies to free her Hungarian-born son, Peter Predic, since soon after she left him in Budapest in 1949.

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SPORTS: Morris Davis, of New York City has been successful in winning six trophies and two medals in five walking races within the last few months at Lake Hopatcong, N.J., Baltimore, and Long Island. He is now over 50 and still going strong. His American record for 25 miles, made in December, 1935 in three hours, 43 minutes and 34 sec. still stands!

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. . . We hear that Edward Ketchum, one of the FRAT'S ALL AMERICA footballers and basketballers while at the Arkansas School, Little Rock and one of the greatest centers seen in AAAD basketball meets at Kansas City, Kans., last spring, played semi-



professional football in the shadows of the Golden Gate bridge.



Laws

It seems incredible—35 million laws and no improvements on the Ten Commandments.

News from the



Divisions

MARCH

26. Spring Dance New Haven
 26. Party Seattle
 26. Get-Together Party Queens
 26. March Frolic Westchester
 27. Archibald Home Dinner Indianapolis

APRIL

2. Beat The Clock Boston
 2. Social Washington, D. C.
 2. Liar's Contest Akron
 2. Bingo Party Denver
 2. Social Waterbury
 2. Social Springfield, Mass.
 2. Movie Night Jersey City
 2. Penny Carnival Faribault
 3. Lecture Reading
 9. Easter Party New Haven
 9. Anniversary Party Memphis
 9. Social Rockford
 9. Social Grand Rapids
 16. Crazy Whist Newark
 16. Movie—"Symphonie Pastorale" Ogden
 16. Smoker Dallas
 23. Cherry Blossom Fete Wash., D. C. Aux.
 23. Bowling Tournament Des Moines

MAY

6. 40th Anniv. Banquet San Francisco
 7. Ideal Social New Haven
 7. Social Wash., D. C.
 7. Movies—"Strange Deception" Denver
 7. Social Springfield, Mass.
 7. Social Faribault
 14. 35th Anniversary Dinner Scranton
 21. 2nd Anniversary Social Dayton
 21. 33rd Annual Ball Jersey City
 28. Dance Springfield, Mass.
 29. Annual Picnic Springfield, Ill.

JUNE

3. Frat Nite Chicago No. 1
 4. Social Wash., D. C.
 4. Movies—"Symphonie Pastorale" Denver
 4. Social Springfield, Mass.
 5. Picnic Fort Wayne
 11. Strawberry Festival New Haven
 18. 35th Anniversary Party Spokane
 26. 47th Annual Picnic St. Louis

JULY

3. Picnic Wash., D. C.

AUGUST

6. Movies—"Grand Illusion" Denver
 7. Frat & Auxiliary Dance Spokane
 14. Picnic Milwaukee

SEPTEMBER

10. Ideal Social New Haven
 10. Social Faribault

OCTOBER

1. Social Wash., D. C.
 1. Carnival & Hot Supper Denver
 8. Autumn Social New Haven
 8. Ball & Entertainment Westchester
 15. Ball & Entertainment Hartford
 15. Smorgasbord Faribault
 15. 30th Annual Dance Chicago No. 106
 29. Halloween Party Spokane

JERSEY CITY No. 91 (Francis X. Nicholas)
 —President Oscar Norflus, our "little" cameraman, has some big surprises in store for our regular patrons and friends, and has said that he will hold a Movie Night at the J. C. Silent Club room, 180 Newark Avenue, Jersey City, on Saturday, April 2. There will be some cartoons and selected features from Europe.

Proceeds from these movies will help to swell the treasury and membership drive funds simultaneously.

Brother John Minno, our treasurer, will be the big chairman of the 33rd Annual Ball and Floor Show. He has rounded up a committee seeing to it that they make this forthcoming

ball a well-prepared one to be held at Jewish Community Center, corner of 34 Avenue and New York Avenue in Union City, N.J., on Saturday, May 21, 1955.

Please bear in mind this important date, and watch for more details pertaining to it. Thank you, every one!

BROOKLYN No. 23 (A. Hurwit)—A goodly crowd was in attendance at the February meeting—a rather spirited meeting. One of the motions debated upon and passed was to instruct our new delegate to the 17th Quadrennial Convention in Buffalo to bid for the 18th Quadrennial Convention to be held in 1959. It seems that Brooklyn Division No. 23 is awakening from its long lethargy, and at the same time it was argued that we would be killing two birds with one stone as the year 1959 is also the 50th anniversary of the founding of No. 23.

Personals: Brother Benjamin Bunis and Miss Eleanor Koopman of Roxbury, Mass. engaged Jan. 29. . . . Treasurer and Mrs. Milton Cohen on Jan. 21 added a new member to the family, a 7 lb., 10 oz. baby girl named Susan L. . . . Brother and Mrs. Daniel Fitzgerald last Dec. 24, 1954, became parents of a baby boy named Danny Jr.

CLEVELAND No. 21 (J. Knaus)—A telegram of felicitation from Grand President and Mrs. A. L. Roberts and a Special Delivery, Air Mail letter from Southern Vice President Rittenberg topped off the banquet run jointly by the Division No. 21 and Division No. 132. Our four 34th Degree members were summarily honored and presented with those diamond studded lapel pins emblematic of their standing. Mrs. Thelma Leitson, No. 132's newest member, sign-sang the Star Spangled Banner, after which the presidents of both Divisions presented their welcome addresses. After receiving their pins, each of the four addressed the gathering. Impromptu speeches were also given by several other guests including President Kelly of Canton Division No. 100 and Brother Graham Chambers who came all the way from Danville, Ill. for the occasion.

The delicious menu included a choice of sirloin of beef or fried chicken along with all the extras. The surprise of the evening was the presentation of a large cake which was decorated with the names of the four honor members and congratulations. As the cake was brought in, the lights in the hall were turned out and in the darkness the cake was suddenly lighted by sparklers.

It was indeed a pleasant occasion and one that won't be forgotten. As one of the honored guests, I take this opportunity to thank the two Divisions, the committee, and the 50-odd assembled guests for the pins and this nice show of honor, not only for myself, but the other three members as well. Thank you one and all.

KANSAS CITY No. 31 (Fred R. Murphy)—Bro. Louis Meyer completed his bowling team line-up when a son was born to them Febru-

ary 9th. Bro. and Mrs. Meyer now have five sons and we predict that in time the five Meyer boys will be burning up the alleys. Congratulations!

Bro. Paul Curtis, our only social member, who has been on the sick list for some time has now sufficiently recovered to be up and around again. We think the transfer of the Philadelphia A's to Kansas City was a good tonic for Paul who was quite a ball player in his younger days.

Bro. Frank Sanders is still on the sick list and we understand that he will soon re-enter the hospital in St. Louis for another operation which we hope will be his last.

The annual Stag party has been postponed until a date early in 1956. Inability to arrange a date and a scarcity of goat riders is the reason. Come on, boys, let's round up a nice bunch to take the goat ride next year.

We are not given to boasting but we believe Kansas City Division No. 31 is the only division owning a complete set of lodge room furnishings. The outfit, consisting of a rostrum, center altar and matching stations for the director, vice-president and patriarch, together with two fine desks for the secretary and treasurer respectively, was made and presented to the Division by Bro. Crusa M. Allmon. The division is deeply grateful to Bro. Allmon who unselfishly donated his talent as a woodworker to the comfort and convenience of the division.

Bro. George Atkinson volunteered to chairmen the division's annual February social event. This is Bro. Atkinson's first venture as a party chairman and we hope his example will spread to others who have been somewhat reluctant to chairmen division social events.

Quite a few of the members of Division 31 are entered in the annual City Bowling Tournament. We hope they are feeling "hot" when their turn comes to roll, but we have an ample supply of crying towels stacked away for them to use afterwards—they always seem to need them.

Bro. Don Johnson has "traded-in" on a new 1955 Plymouth and we hear Bro. James Curtis has done likewise. Bro. Carl Wear and family are moving into a brand new ranch-type home. Bro. and Mrs. Harold Day were the recipients of a house-warming party February 12th at which they received a nice cash gift to be used in feathering their nest.

So long—see you next month!

WATERBURY No. 65 (Mario Leonardi)—Bro. Todd who was in the hospital for 3 weeks last fall is now fit as a fiddle. While he was disabled he received sick benefit of \$100.00 and he wants to say he was happy to receive it and feels the cost of his sick and accident insurance was certainly worth it.

Some fine prizes were awarded for the best Valentines at the social chairmanned by Bro. McGuire. There was a good crowd at the Valentine's Day Social.

Bro. Marcella, chairman of our March social, promises to do his best to insure a good time for all.

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One of our government savings bonds matured recently and we received \$100.00 full value for it. We immediately purchased a new bond for \$72.00, depositing the balance of \$28.00 in the bank. We must always look towards the future.

BOSTON No. 35 (Peter Amico)—Our Annual Ball held on January 29 at the Hotel Manger drew a large crowd estimated at 460. All in attendance were quite surprised at the various gifts awarded to the winners of the waltz and personality contests.

The Division's sympathy is extended to Bro. John O'Neil on the loss of his beloved wife, Helen, who passed away on February 4 after a long illness.

Congratulations to Bro. and Mrs. Richard Mingololi on the birth of a baby boy on November 30, 1954.

On the disability list at present are Bros. Ernest Reade, Carl Twicker, and George Broder. We wish them a speedy recovery.

Our April 2nd meeting will commence at 6:30 P.M. so that we will be finished by 8:00 at which time we will begin the feature event of the social, Beat the Clock. Admission will be 75c. Bro. Horrigan will be in charge.

Keep in mind our annual outing which will be held on May 29 on the grounds of the Old Home in Danvers.

PHILADELPHIA No. 30 (Gabriel S. Gryszka)—After an overflow crowd at the January meeting there came a stunner in February. NO QUORUM! How do you explain that?

During the cold spell in Philadelphia we lost 2 of our oldest members, both having joined the Division in 1919. Bro. Nathan Lipschutz passed away on January 26 and Bro. David F. Speece passed away on January 29. Our sympathy to both their families.

Looks as though we are going to have a bumper crop in wedding ceremonies this year among the younger generation of the Frat members. Of course, I am in no position at present to tell just WHO—but this does not include me, having taken a spouse some 15 years ago who blessed me with 2 children. Go to it, youngsters, it will help keep you on the straight and narrow.

BALTIMORE No. 47 (Charles E. Knowles)—We want to remind you that Treasurer Clyde Bowen's address is 5116 Pembridge Av., Baltimore 15, Md., and Secretary Charles E. Knowles' address is 1039 Pine Heights Av., Baltimore 29, Md.

Our faithful member, Bro. William O. Ditzworth, known as "Dummy Decker" during 1908-1918 when he was a fighter, recently retired and his company gave him a very handsome watch. Congratulations from the Division.

The Federationist, A.F.L. weekly newspaper, commented: "Messrs. Clyde Graham, George H. Faupel, Jr., Leonard Brushwood and Rozelle McCall recently completed a course in Nautical Piloting as offered by Patapsco River Power Squadron at Maryland Yacht Club. Captain Joseph Slack was instructor of the group. Messrs. Graham, Brushwood, McCall are deaf mutes and these men are believed to be the first deaf mutes to complete such a course which is conducted nationwide by local power squadrons." Bros. Graham, Brushwood and McCall are members of Baltimore Division No. 47. Mr. George H. Faupel, Jr., is son of the late Bro. George Faupel.

Congratulations to Bro. Donald Ness who became a father recently. . . . Bro. Rozelle McCall went to New Orleans to see the Mardi Gras celebration.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. No. 58 (Earl Shaffer)—There is grand, good news for our Division, for Bro. Robert Belford was re-elected to the presidency. He promises to work hard in 1955. He is chairman of our Annual Picnic which will be held on May 29, 1955 at the Illinois State Fair Grounds. He is hoping to make a good profit which will help finance the delegate's trip next August to Buffalo, N.Y.

President Belford hopes to be able to increase the membership of our Division and also of the Auxilliary. Here's wishing President Belford lots of good luck and success in the coming year.

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Wednesday to Saturday

More Details in Following Issues

Don't forget that date, May 29, 1955. Come one, come all, everyone is welcome.

ALBANY No. 51 (Walter Kadel)—Our Division is proud to announce the engagements of Bro. Frank McCormick to Rosemary Weaver and Bro. Robert Neill to Nancy Thayer. They will be married sometime this summer.

Bro. Frank McCormick was in charge of the St. Valentine's Social on February 15th. The affair drew a sizeable crowd and a remarkably good time was had by everyone present. Bro. Earl Calkins was chairman of the St. Patrick's Social held on March 5.

Bro. Ben Mendel and his wife Ruth are proud to inform us that their son, Alan, a psychiatric social worker, has been appointed supervisor at the State Hospital, Toledo, Ohio. Their son, Ben, Jr., now a lieutenant (j.g.), is stationed in the Pacific.

AKRON No. 55 (F. X. Zitnik)—Our Division held a public installation of officers at our February meeting with a large crowd in attendance. The ceremonies were watched with profound interest.

As a result of the installation, we had three applications to our Auxilliary which were read at the meeting and there are good prospects that there will be many more coming in during the year.

Bro. William Weaver who suffered a broken ankle when a speeding ambulance struck his car, has discarded the crutches and is back at his job after many months of disability.

Our 6th term President Harry Dobson was confined to the City Hospital for abdominal surgery. We hope he will recover soon.

All our Brothers and Aux-Frats who read these columns are urged to attend the April 2nd meeting and bring others who don't care to peruse my scribbling, as it will be an event worth the effort. We will have the election of our delegate to the August convention in Buffalo, N.Y. Immediately after the meeting our annual Liar's Contest will be held with a score or more contestants of both sexes who will spin their incredible tales to the amusement of the laughing crowd. The contest is open to anybody with imagination and fine prizes are to be awarded for the best tales told, which will be decided by competent judges.

HOLLYWOOD No. 119 (Connie Marchione)—Bro. David Balacajer, our new Veep and entertainment chairman, will plan to make our meeting socials more interesting to the members. He is presently investigating the cost of showing old-time movies.

Some of our brothers think we meet on Fridays. No, we meet on Saturdays in the I.O.O.F. Hall. The motion to meet on Fridays failed to gather enough votes. The motion is being reconsidered. If you "stay-at-home" brothers want to meet on Fridays, come to our meeting and vote for it.

Bros. Rabb, Holmes and this writer are working to develop a local sick benefit plan

so that our brothers can collect benefits from our Division in addition to those paid by the Home Office. Come to our meetings and hear its progress.

Did you change your address or do you want to change the beneficiary of your policy? Bring your policy with you to the next meeting. In case of sickness or death, write to Secretary C. L. Marchione, 8071 Cherry-stone Av., Panorama City, Cal. Keep your dues paid up to Treasurer Theodore Chrimer, 1154 S. Marianna Av., Los Angeles 23, Cal.

SYRACUSE No. 48 (Carlton B. Strail)—The year of 1955 is reserved for the Empire State Association of the Deaf Bowling Tournament. It is known that Bro. Thomas A. Hinchey is general chairman of the local bowling tournament committee. While this affair is not wholly fraternal, a mixture of sports and brotherhood is always good for the spirit of the community. Through this column we extend a cordial invitation to our brothers, sisters, and friends to reserve April 30 and May 1, 1955. Site of the bowling tournament will be James Lanes at Eastwood Shopping Plaza near the city line on James St. For more information write to the chairman at 306 Hillview Av., Syracuse 7, N.Y.

For the information of out-of-town members who pass through Syracuse, we would like them to know that our meetings are held on the second Saturday of the month at the Labor Temple, 309 S. Franklin St., and they begin at 7:00 P.M. Visiting members are welcome to attend our meetings.

A bulletin was given by "Old Doc Stork" that he delivered a baby boy to the home of

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Bro. and Mrs. E. Berrigan on the 20th of January. This is the 3rd addition to the happiest couple in the county and he weighed 11 pounds and 12½ ounces. The Division extends its hearty congratulations.

Mrs. Claire B. Keller, wife of the late Bro. John F. Keller, passed away on January 23. Sympathy has been extended to the family. . . . A speedy recovery is wished to Bro. H. Widger who is at home recovering from illness. . . . A bitter cold wave gripped Syracuse on the weekend of February 12 but a good-sized crowd attended the Lincoln's Birthday party which was under the chairmanship of Bro. Angelo Cuppola with the assistance of his wife.

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OMAHA No. 32 (Thomas Peterson)—February 5 was a most important date for the Omaha Aux-Frats as it was the 5th Anniversary of the Auxiliary, and since they felt it was something worth celebrating, they threw a big party after the meetings of both units. They had prepared piles and piles of ham sandwiches, with all the trimmings, and almost everyone had a second helping. By the time the party was over they were all well satisfied and ready to go home. Credit for success of the party goes to Chairman Ruth Degenhardt who was assisted by Mrs. Ruth Falk, Mrs. Avadna Langr, Mrs. Charlotte Dey, and Mrs. Lucille Eggleston.

During the meeting of Division No. 32 a donation of \$5.00 in cash was presented to the Auxiliary, each dollar representing one year. It is a certainty that the Auxiliary will still be around for the 10th and 15th and 25th anniversary and the Frats had better keep that in mind and be prepared for it.

Bro. James Jelinek has been recuperating nicely from a second operation for removal of cataract from his eyes, the first of which was done last summer. He is at present up and around and working again but must wear special glasses. His many friends are most happy to see him again.

Bro. Victor Beran who also was on the sick list for over two months, is well again and was present at the February meeting which was the first one he has attended since November. We are certainly glad he will be with us again at our meetings.

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BIRMINGHAM No. 73 (E. J. Bailey)—Bro. Walter Griffin purchased a new 1955 Ford and surprised his wife and children who were spending a week with her family in Mississippi. . . . Bro. S. B. Cauthen also bought a new car, a 1955 Plymouth. . . . Bro. Rush Letson swapped his '54 model for a brand new 1955 Chevrolet.

Bro. Robert Bradford announced his marriage to Miss Eva Waldrop at Florence, Ala. on February 13. Our Division hopes they will always be happy.

The Fraternal Hall, where we have been meeting for a long time now, will be torn down on March 1. Hereafter, our monthly meetings will be held at 204 N. 22nd St., just across the street from the Fraternal Hall.

Several members of our Division motored to Chattanooga, Tenn. to see Southern Vice-President Sam Rittenberg present a Charter to the newly established Chattanooga Division No. 140. Members from Knoxville, Nashville, Memphis and Atlanta also attended the affair.

Bro. Wright Gilchrist's new home in Talladega, Ala. is nearing completion and they expect to move in about March 1.

At the February meeting Southern Vice-President Sam Rittenberg commended Bro. E. J. Bailey for getting the most new members in 1954.

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SCRANTON No. 82 (Stanley J. Shanoske)—At long last good old Division No. 82 has an announcement to make. We will be 35 years old in the Spring of 1955 and are looking forward to a fitting celebration of our anniversary. Tentative plans call for a dinner and movie at the Dietrich's, Vine St., Scranton on the evening of May 14. President V. Gentile has been chosen chairman and hopes he will make the evening one to remember. Tickets are \$2.50 and may be obtained from Bro. Michael Pilosi, 1130 Watson St., Scranton. Buy your tickets now. Reservations close May 7. Remember the date, Saturday, May 14, 1955. We will give you a grand welcome and make you happy you came.

WESTCHESTER No. 114 (S. J. Riley)—All members are requested to be present at the meeting on Friday, April 1st (and no fooling), for the election of our delegate to the convention which will be held at Buffalo on August 10-13.

President Ira Lerner is considering having our next affair in May. It will probably be a card party. Final decision will be made at the March meeting.

Bro. Lang will be on hand to welcome all the racers (hoss) at the opening of the New York track. . . . Bro. Lerner acquired a later model sedan. . . . Bro. Hand is waiting to sign up with a semi-pro baseball team. . . . After one look at Bro. Lerner's new 21" television set, Bro. Berest went out and got one too. See you April 1st.

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DETROIT No. 2 and No. 138 (E. & R. Davies)—To the King and Queen of Hearts we say may your reign be as successful as our party.

The Second Annual Valentine Dance was more wonderful than anyone expected. Everything seemed so mysterious and yet so delightful. The band played for the various skits performed by the folks present, which proved we have talent almost equal to that of hired performers. It was not found necessary to engage any professionals. All who participated merited prizes.

From 9 P.M. to 1 A.M. a variety of prizes was awarded to numerous winners for original dances and solutions to many puzzling games, among which was the old-fashioned, but ever popular, bean-jar with money interspersed with the beans.

The able chairman, Robert Davies, and his cooperative committee, knowing how hard it is to choose a King from among so many handsome men, and a Queen out of as many beauties, decided the only way to reach a decision was to let them prove themselves worthy of the title by doing the Broom Dance. The King's title for the year 1955 was awarded to none other than John H. Waters and the Queen to rule by his side, the lovely Mrs. Meyerson. The crowd of over 450 jammed the hall to capacity, renewing old friendships and making new acquaintances.

The Ladies Auxiliary and their Coffee-Sandwich Shop did a brisk business.

We wish to thank, among others, the D.A.D. and M.C.A.D. Clubs in assisting us by being represented in body, also the various couples who came from nearby cities knowing, "If it's a Frat Social, it's sure to be something," and we certainly didn't fail them. Our next something special will be the Third Annual July Picnic.

Bro. S. Levin and his Aux-wife entertained and amused us by relating their problems on moving, and topped it with their final result, happy home owners. . . . Bros. and Mesdames P. Danto, S. Levin, DeFillippo and E. Pishek, all recently become proud parents, boasted of their additions to the family circle. Bros. and Mesdames W. Murphy and I. Heymanson had their minds full of thoughts of the brand new F.H.A. mortgages. The fiancées of A. Filowat and I. Marrich proudly flaunted gleaming diamonds on their fingers, including Elsie Mosby. The D. DiFazio's made no effort to hide their shining wedding bands.

Our Get Well Wishes are extended to Mrs. V. Bourcier and Mrs. Seiss. A timely dismissal of E. Winicki from the hospital allowed her to be at the dance, braving the cold, sub-zero temperature.

Roses are red, Violets are blue, Honey is sweet, And so are all of you for coming and helping us make our red valentine heart as big and beautiful as possible. A big thank you.

KANSAS CITY AUX. No. 134 (Shirley Johnson)—Our Division will have a 2nd Anniversary Cafeteria and Bazaar with Ella Dillenschneider as chairlady. There will be an interesting program presented.

The following were elected to serve as officers in 1955: President Maldalu Day, Vice-President Edna Herrig, Secretary Shirley Johnson, Treasurer Thelma Dillenschneider, Director Ida Goldansky, Sergeant-at-Arms Beverly Kiser, and Trustees Lucille Murphy, Dorothy Jefferies and Ella Dillenschneider.

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CLEVELAND AUX. No. 132 (Sara Z. Kline)—Our Division staged a banquet at the Hickory Grill to honor four Fraters and to present them with 34th Degree pins. Cleveland Division No. 21 shared the cost of the pins with us. Mrs. Sally Hirsch was chairlady of the affair. About 60 people were present to enjoy the beautifully decorated room which looked just like a plush nightclub. Speeches occupied the greater part of the evening. All were surprised to hear of the congratulatory telegram from Grand President and Mrs. Roberts which was received and read by Auxiliary Secretary Sara Kline. Chairlady Hirsch's brother-in-law, Southern Vice-President Rittenberg also sent a congratulatory letter.

The fourth 34th Degree boys are as follows: Jerry W. Knaus, Herman Cahen, Orville Johnson, and Sam B. Kline. They are very proud of the 34th Degree pins and want to thank all the members of Division No. 21 and Division No. 132.

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TORONTO No. 98 (B. J. Eyoifson)—Something new in social entertainment was presented at our Valentine Party on the 12th of February. Judging by the comments of the "die hards" who braved zero weather to attend from as far as 35 miles or so, everyone enjoyed themselves very much. (You Westerners can stop snickering, we know of your 29 below zero weather.) Bro. Bernard Elliott is doing well in his capacity of Social Chairman, ably assisted by Bro. G. Corbett in charge of games. Refreshments were served

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A bigger crowd will be expected at our next event—The Annual FRAT Picnic. After being rained out last year, and roasted the year before by record heat, we are certain of perfect weather this year. So, let's all plan to be at Brantford's Mohawk Park for the biggest and bestest picnic outing yet. The date will be definitely set and announced in The Frat soon. Meanwhile, expect it for the 3rd week of June.

Since Bro. S. Baskerville, our brand new President, has planned a series of interesting monthly meetings, things have started popping all around. Our next meeting, and the next, and the next after that is to be on the 1st Thursday of the month, as if you didn't know! Bring a new member with you, too. Even though it's not compulsory, it's expected of you! Our quota of new members has been set at 20 this year. We have at least 7 lined up to date—encouraging enough.

As has been announced in The Frat by the Home Office in its editorial a few times, you are asked to voice your suggestions, changes, etc., in the form of an Amendment to NFSD laws. So, come on out and have your say at the meetings. Everyone has a chance to be heard. Let it be now, and no more gaffe later on!

No Free Lunch

DURING a panel discussion of free enterprise at an industrial conference, the men in the audience were asked to write out questions and comments. A young foreman wrote this statement: "There is no free lunch."

That is the best five word explanation of free enterprise I have ever heard! There is no use kidding ourselves. There are no free lunches; they have to be created. The creation of lunches requires ideas, money, work, effort. In this country a man is free to have the finest lunch he can imagine, but he has to work for it. He has to make a contribution of some kind. He

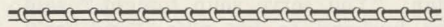
can't sit down at a fancy table in the Waldorf-Astoria and be served a free lunch!

In America we all work as a team; workers, managers, distributors, consumers. If one group demands free lunches the system will not work; not for long. Each group must carry its share of the load and thus earn its share of the reward. By working together we all eat together; we share in the abundance created by our united efforts. There is no free lunch.

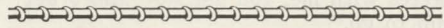
—The Friendly Adventurer.

A returned traveler describes the Eiffel Tower as sort of like the Empire State Building . . . after taxes.

—Baltimore Sun.



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HISTORY

Which would you name as history's most important living man?

- () Churchill () Nehru
() Eisenhower

No one can say with assurance which one is most important, but all are vital to our age. In every generation there are men of destiny—Washington, Napoleon, Caesar. The proper study of history is a living, vital experience that helps us understand our own period.

SCIENCE

Who is the most important living scientist?

- () Einstein () Compton
() Fermi

Would you name one of these as the greatest scientist, or would you name some other? Perhaps only through a study of science can we truly evaluate these men and appreciate their contributions to mankind. Study science, see how man has penetrated the vast unknown

LITERATURE

Who is the greatest living writer?

- () Hemingway
() Thomas Mann
() Andre Gide

Great writers make our every day experiences more meaningful. Some would pick one of these writers, some another, as the most important author of our age. Reading great books helps a person discover greatness within himself. Read great books, make great discoveries about yourself.

ART

Who is the greatest living artist?

- () Matisse () Picasso
() Benton

These are three great artists of our time, and perhaps you can name others. The study of great art, of the works of Michael Angelo, Leonardo, Rembrandt and other masters, helps us to understand the reality of ourselves, gives richer meaning to our emotions, and elaborates upon our aspirations.

In response to many requests, the American School has published a booklet of these features. Copies may be had without charge by writing Frank K. Levin, 64 East Lake St., Chicago 1, Ill.

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MEMBERSHIP QUOTAS

Division	1955 Quota	New Members
Chicago No. 1.....	50	
Detroit	30	1
Saginaw	10	
Louisville	10	1
Little Rock	10	
Dayton	10	3
Cincinnati	20	
Nashville	10	1
Olathe	10	
Flint	20	2
Toledo	20	
Milwaukee	20	
Columbus	20	
Knoxville	10	2
Cleveland	20	2
Indianapolis	20	
Brooklyn	50	1
St. Louis	30	
New Haven	10	
Holyoke	10	
Los Angeles	30	3
Philadelphia	30	
Kansas City	20	
Omaha	10	
New Orleans	10	
Boston	20	
Pittsburgh	20	
Hartford	10	
Memphis	10	
Portland, Me.	10	1
Buffalo	10	
Portland, Ore.	10	2
Newark	10	
Providence	10	
Seattle	10	
Utica	10	
Washington	20	
Baltimore	20	
Syracuse	10	
Cedar Rapids	10	
Albany	10	
Rochester	10	2
San Francisco	10	
Reading	10	
Akron	20	
Salt Lake City.....	10	
Rockford	10	
Springfield, Ill. ...	10	
Davenport	10	
Worcester	10	
St. Paul-Minneapolis	20	
Fort Worth	20	
Dallas	20	2
Denver	10	1
Waterbury	10	
Springfield, Mas. ...	10	
Bangor	10	
Birmingham	10	3
Sioux Falls	10	
Wichita	10	1
Spokane	10	
Des Moines	10	1
Lowell	10	
Berkeley-Oakland ..	10	
Delavan	10	
Houston	10	
Scranton	10	
Richmond	10	1
Johnstown	10	
Manhattan	20	1
Jacksonville	10	
Peoria	10	
Jersey City	10	
Bronx	10	
Columbia	10	
Charlotte	10	
Durham	10	
Grand Rapids	10	
Toronto	20	2
Duluth	10	
Canton	10	
Faribault	10	
Council Bluffs	10	
Fort Wayne	10	
Schenectady	10	
Chicago No. 106.....	10	
Binghamton	10	
Wilkinsburg	10	2
San Diego	10	
Vancouver	10	
Westchester	10	
Queens	10	1
Hollywood	10	
Trenton	10	
Danville	10	3
Colorado Springs ..	10	
Ogden	10	
Baton Rouge	10	
Danville Aux. No. 130	10	
Columbus Aux. No. 131	10	1
Cleveland Aux. No. 132	10	2
Portland, Ore. Aux. ...	10	
Kansas City Aux.	10	
Dayton Aux. No. 135...	10	4
Louisville Aux. No. 136	10	2
St. Paul-Minn. Aux. ...	10	
No. 137	10	
Detroit Aux. No. 138...	10	2
Birmingham Aux.	10	2

NEW MEMBERS

- Divisions**
- BROOKLYN No. 23—Milton Winkelman.
 LOS ANGELES No. 27—John W. McKenna, John E. Carlin.
 DES MOINES No. 77—Vernon D. Jones.
 RICHMOND No. 83—Leon W. Bailey, Jr.
 MANHATTAN No. 87—Richard F. Ammon.
 TORONTO No. 98—Clifford E. Baillie, Jack S. Wyllie.
 DANVILLE No. 125—Taylor Vinson, James D. Morrison.

- Auxiliaries**
- FLINT No. 15—Ruth E. Trainor.
 KNOXVILLE No. 20—Geraldine Jackson.
 AKRON No. 55—Essie M. Misner, Janes E. Shopshire.
 CLEVELAND No. 132—Thelma M. Leitson, Helen F. McClaskey.
 DAYTON No. 135—Eleanor J. Rolf, Rosa Lee Kemp, Paula A. Anders.
 BIRMINGHAM No. 139—Shirley A. Bishop, Geneva W. Stein.

- COMEBACKS**
- RICHMOND No. 83—Claude V. Allen, Jr.
 SAN DIEGO No. 110—Wayne Gough.

- GET-ONE DEGREE**
- FLINT No. 15—James Fry.
 KNOXVILLE No. 20—Lynden F. Carr.
 BROOKLYN No. 23—Meyer Rindner.
 LOS ANGELES No. 27—Allan L. Whiteside, Joseph A. Purpura.
 AKRON No. 55—George Murphy, James Shopshire.
 DES MOINES No. 77—Neil Mayberry.
 RICHMOND No. 83—Bernard L. Moore.
 MANHATTAN No. 87—Charles Joselow.
 TORONTO No. 98—Roger McAuley, G. Gray.
 DANVILLE No. 125—Joseph Balasa (2).
 CLEVELAND No. 132—Josephine Lipuma (2).
 DAYTON No. 135—Ruth Inman, Mary Shimer (2).
 BIRMINGHAM No. 139—Maggie C. Hipp, Martha J. Bailey.



On the witness stand a young lady was asked her age by the prosecutor. "I don't know," replied the young lady. The judge squinted at her and said, "Young lady, you must tell the truth." "You only want the truth, and not hearsay?" the young lady inquired. "That's right, young lady." "Well, I can't tell you my age because my mother told me the year I was born. That's hearsay, and your court doesn't accept hearsay evidence." "You're excused, young lady."

A father-in-law had come to visit for a week and had stayed for a month. The young couple, trying to decide how to get rid of him, finally hit upon a plan. "You serve soup tonight," said the husband to his wife, "and we'll start arguing. I'll claim it has too much salt, and you say it doesn't have enough. If Pa agrees with you, I'll get mad and order him out, and if he agrees with me, you get sore and order him to go."

Soup was served, and the argument ensued. At the height of the controversy, the son turned and said, "Pa, how about it; is the soup too salty or not?" The old man dipped his spoon into the soup, lifted it to his lips, tasted it carefully, reflected a moment, then replied, "Suits me."

Minister: "I felt so sorry for your wife last Sunday when she had that coughing spell. Everybody was concerned." Hubby: "Don't feel too sorry. She was wearing her new spring hat."

Propped up against a tree on the bank of a stream were two colored lads holding fishing rods. Finally one nudged his slumbering pal. "Say, Sam," he yawned, "Yo' has a fish bitin' at de end of yo' line."

The other boy opened one eye lazily. "Doggone," he sighed unhappily, "Ah knew we picked de wrong stream!"

A red-faced man was struggling to change a tire, while a woman looked on. A kind-hearted motorist drove up behind the stalled car, stopped, and said, "Pardon me, but can I be of any assistance?"

The man laid down his tire tool, and taking the new arrival by the arm, he walked him out of earshot of the woman.

"You certainly can help me, friend," the man replied thankfully. "My wife here has very decided views as to how this job should be done. If you will talk to her and divert her attention until I get this tire changed, I'll be eternally grateful to you."



Look for Sunshine

Lookin' fer the sunshine when the clouds are low, ain't such awful trouble, but some folks think it so. Sun is always shinin' tho' its face is hid; sweetest consolation just to lift the lid.

There are lots of humans who should have a heart, and be seekin' sunshine, but you can hear them start to weepin' and a pinin' "in this world o' woe," when just a ray o' sunshine would make their troubles go.

Sun is always shinin' fer you every day, if you'll only let it drive the clouds away. Quit yer sad complainin', life ain't sour and tart; someone will always help you if you will do yer part.

—O. P. Woodworth

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

Objects

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

Death, Sick and Accident Benefits

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

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

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 and examiners from other states make an examination and verify the returns made in the annual report.

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

Cost of Joining

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

How to Join

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

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

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

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

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

SICKNESS AND ACCIDENT BENEFITS AND RATES

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

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

MONTHLY NET RATES FOR DEATH BENEFITS

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

Rates per \$1000 of Death Benefit Certificate

Entry Age	CLASS G Whole Life	CLASS H 20-Pay Life	CLASS I Income at 65	CLASS J 5-Yr. Term	CLASS K 20-Yr. Endow.
18	\$1.25	\$2.09	\$1.69	\$.67	\$3.70
19	1.27	2.12	1.74	.68	3.70
20	1.30	2.15	1.79	.68	3.71
21	1.33	2.18	1.85	.69	3.71
22	1.36	2.21	1.90	.69	3.72
23	1.39	2.25	1.96	.69	3.73
24	1.42	2.29	2.03	.70	3.73
25	1.46	2.32	2.10	.71	3.74
26	1.50	2.36	2.17	.71	3.75
27	1.53	2.40	2.24	.72	3.76
28	1.57	2.44	2.33	.73	3.76
29	1.62	2.49	2.41	.73	3.77
30	1.66	2.53	2.50	.74	3.78
31	1.71	2.58	2.63	.75	3.80
32	1.76	2.63	2.74	.76	3.81
33	1.81	2.68	2.85	.77	3.82
34	1.86	2.73	2.96	.79	3.84
35	1.92	2.78	3.09	.80	3.85
36	1.98	2.84	3.22	.82	3.87
37	2.05	2.90	3.36	.83	3.89
38	2.12	2.96	3.52	.85	3.91
39	2.19	3.02	3.69	.87	3.94
40	2.26	3.09	3.87	.89	3.96
41	2.35	3.16	4.07	.92	4.00
42	2.43	3.24	4.29	.94	4.03
43	2.52	3.32	4.54	.98	4.07
44	2.62	3.40	4.80	1.01	4.11
45	2.73	3.49	5.09	1.05	4.16
46	2.84	3.58	5.42	1.10	4.21
47	2.96	3.68	5.78	1.15	4.27
48	3.08	3.79	6.19	1.22	4.33
49	3.21	3.90	6.65	1.28	4.40
50	3.36	4.02	7.17	1.36	4.48
51	3.51	4.14	7.74	1.45	4.57
52	3.67	4.28	8.43	1.54	4.67
53	3.84	4.42	9.23	1.65	4.78
54	4.03	4.57	10.18	1.77	4.90
55	4.22	4.74	11.31	1.90	5.03

Rate for age at nearest birthday to be taken.