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Sixty-Sixth Year

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An Ode to the Deaf . . . Educational Notes . . . News from all Over . . . 1969 A.A.A.D. Cage Results . . . and other Sports Ticker Tape

THE Foreign Desk: Manchester, England—Deaf patrons frequent the Salisbury Hotel bar. A young hearing poet, after seeing these happy ones, wrote this poem:

*The room is noisy, yet not a sound
The people talked, conversed around;
They laughed and joked, waving their hands
And looked on, and tried to understand.*

*How can they be
So full of zest and hope?
Incomprehensive, yet, I see
That they have conquered misery.*

*Eloquent gestures
Their hands fluttered and waved
Like a cornfield in the breeze,
A swaying gently, stormy sea.*

*There's hope for all,
These people proved
To penetrate their silent wall,
With faith and hope I'm moved!*

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Stockholm—When this country recently changed its driving from the left to the right side, local newspapers announced: "Special information has been devised for the deaf and blind." . . . **Digne, France**—Moved by emotion when charged with a traffic violation in a local court, deaf Jean Sebrian, born in Spain and known to be unable to talk, suddenly found himself speaking out in self defense—in Spanish! The judge promptly summoned an interpreter. M. Sebrian was acquitted. . . . **Arras, France**—At the school for the deaf there is a young refugee from Vietnam. He has painted several pictures of war scenes in his homeland, mostly from memory. These have recently been exhibited at the Congress of the National Federation in Nice. . . . **Tel Aviv, Israel**—The Institute of Technology has engaged a team of experts to devise a telephone system for the deaf. It is expected to be similar to the Morse Code.

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In the Nation: Las Vegas, Nev.—The Fabulous Flamingo, headquarters for the 29th NAD convention was hit by a fire in October (whew!). . . . **St. Louis**—The 2nd annual Telephone/Teletype Communicators banquet was held in nearby Belleville, Ill., Oct. 13 with 84 present, 12 from out-of-town. Honored was deaf physicist, Robert Haig Weitbrecht, the inventor of the Phonotype unit which makes it possible to use the teletypewriters (TTY) in conjunction with the telephone. At this time, St. Louis has 48 telephone/teletypewriter setups in operation! . . . **Wash., D.C.**—Nan Fabray, popular TV commedienne, appeared before a Selective Education

sub-committee of the House of Representatives to speak in favor of HR 17829, a bill to authorize programs for handicapped children, July 14. A full report of the proceedings can be found in the July-August, 1968 issue of the Deaf American. . . . A Grant has been awarded the N.A.D. from the Social and Rehabilitation Service of the Dept. of Health, Educ. and Welfare to plan for inclusion of all kinds of vital questions in order to obtain complete data on the nation's deaf in the next census scheduled for 1970; the last one was taken in 1930. "Census information on the deaf is urgently needed," says Mary E. Switzer, administrator in the Social & Rehab. Service. "A thorough, up-to-date census will help us plan on rehabilitative programs to reach all deaf citizens."

Zion, Ill.—The battered body of a 23-yr.-old 3d grade teacher was found in a gravel pit near a state park last Dec. It was later learned that her mother was deaf and that she (the deaf woman) had once expressed hope of becoming a teacher of the deaf. She was to have been married to her constant companion, a 6th grade instructor at another Zion school. At this time, he has been apprehended. . . . **Washington, D.C.**—Dr. John A. Gough, Chief of Media Services and Captioned Films for the Deaf retired Jan. 24 after 10 contributive years. Acting head at this time is his assistant, Gilbert Delgado, himself a former teacher of the deaf. . . . The U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development has selected the area south and east of Gallaudet College as a slum area to be revitalized into a "model city."

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Two ladies entered a darkened downtown cocktail lounge. One being hard of hearing but adept at lip reading peered around anxiously and complained: "It's so dark in here I can't hear."

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The Educational Side: California's *Teacher of the Year*, deaf Lawrence Newman of the School for the Deaf at Riverside was 5th in the balloting for *Look* magazine's 1969 National *Teacher of the Year* honors. . . . Dr. McCay Vernon, psychologist at Chicago's Michael Reese hospital and an experienced educator of the deaf, is new Editor-In-Chief of the American Annals of the Deaf, replacing Dr. Powrie Vaux

Doctor who resigned due to his health. Besides holding this distinguished position, Dr. Vernon will be affiliated with the Dept. of Special Education at Western Md. College at Westminster. . . . Seattle, St. Paul, Minn. and New Orleans (DelGado College) are the sites of three accredited Jr. colleges for the deaf with the privilege of offering degrees. A variety of occupational trades will also be offered. . . . In 1970, Cleveland's deaf children will have one of the most modern school plants for their education. The old Alexander Graham Bell school will then be replaced with a 35-classroom complex costing close to \$2.5 million. The children will be using cordless hearing aids. Teachers-in-training and parents will be able to view classes thru closed circuit TV . . . London, Ontario will be the site of the 3rd school for the deaf in the province. The recently built school at Milton has a record 520 enrolled. The older institution is at Belleville. . . . The nation's first model high school for the deaf will be constructed on the wooded north end of the Gallaudet College campus. Target date for the first class of around 50 commuting area students: December 1st.

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T-V Notes: Cathy Monroe, *Miss Massachusetts* and first runner up in the '68 Miss America pageant will be seen in a one-minute color film now released by the NAHSA (Nat'l. Assoc. of Hearing & Speech Agencies) as a public service TV spot to encourage high school and college students to enter careers in the hearing, speech and language fields. . . . John Ward, known to over 1,000,000 radio and TV fans as the "Voice of the Vols" the Univ. of Tennessee sportscaster, is the son of the late H. R. Ward, a former teacher and principal at the Tenn. School for the Deaf.

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On Communication: On Feb. 5 the Bell Telephone Co. unveiled a new model *picturephone* with service only about a year or two away. The set looks like a very small portable TV with a zoom lens device and can swivel around the room. It has four push button controls that enable the user to initiate or answer a picture or voice call; to see the picture he is sending; to prevent his picture from being transmitted, and to end the call . . . *Telephone amplifier:* a new one is now on the market. Use-

ful for the hard of hearing and for those with normal hearing in high noise areas. Small enough to carry with you in pocket or purse. Slips instantly onto any telephone earpiece. Amplifies any speaking voice up to 5 times. Has adjustable volume.

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The Movies: Ballet dancer Barbara Hancock won the rich role as Susan, the Silent in the musical, *Finian's Rainbow* as a result of her appearance on Perry Como's last Christmas TV Special. . . . Dean Stockwell portrays a Haight-Ashbury hippie and Susan Strasberg, a deaf runaway searching for her brother in the film, *Psych-Out*.

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L.A. Again National Champs! Akron, Ohio, Mar. 29—The Los Angeles Club of the Deaf led by 6-8 Leon Grant, *AAAD Athlete of the Year* with 28 pts. swept to its unprecedented 4th straight title by soundly drubbing Union League of NYC in the final game of the 25th Annual Tourney in Akron U's Memorial Hall, 93-82. This "Lew Alcindor" of the deaf sports world was named most valuable. Houston edged Oakland, Cal. 77-75 for 3rd place; Minneapolis defeated Washington, D.C. 80-75 for 5th. 1st five All-Stars: Grant & Moore, LA; O'Donnell, Oakland; Maynard, Wash.: Kaessler, UL. 2nd five: Fuechtmann & Johnson, Minneapolis; Antal, UL; Emerson, Houston & LeRoy Bookman, LA. Coach of the Meet: Lou Dyer, LA. Kaleta of Wash., Studer of Akron with these 10 stars will represent the USA at the World Games for the Deaf in Belgrade, Yugoslavia in August. Anthony Panella, former Milwaukee Club coach now residing in Penna. was named tutor of the team. AAAD Officers for '69-'70: Harry L. Baynes, Talladega, Ala., pres.; George Elliott, Garden Grove, Cal., vp (re-elected); Herb Schreiber, Inglewood, Cal., sec-treas. & Dick Caswell, Maryland, publicity director. Next Year's Tourney Site: Oakland, Calif., April 1-2-3-4.

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Schoolboy Cage Tourneys: Knoxville, Tenn., Jan. 23-25—Host Tenn. took its 5th cage title since 1961 by downing So. Carolina, 48-35. Va. whacked Fla. for 3d, 71-40 . . . Hartford, Conn., Feb. 20-22—New Jersey beat St. Mary's of Buffalo, N.Y. 81-61 for the '69 Eastern Schools bunting. Host American beat New York, 94-68 for 3d. In the Div. 11 meet, N.Y. State of Rome overwhelmed Maine, 111-63!

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Sports Ticker: Nick Etten, former first baseman for the N.Y. Yankees and an alumnus of Chicago's St. Rita high, helped to run activities at a recent benefit for the Holy Redeemer School for the Deaf. . . Tom Harney, 17-yr.-old SR. at the Iowa School has been entering horses in shows since he was 11 winning a multitude of ribbons, gold belt buckles and trophies. At this time he owns three horses of championship calibre. . . Roberto di Marchi the well-known sportsman who passed away at the age of 72 in Genoa, Italy last May, was a top professional wrestler for many years and received top billing in nearly all European countries including Britain and Russia.



FRATERS

IN THE NEWS

FOR the third straight year our Society was represented in the Illinois Fraternal Congress Bowling Tournament open only to members of Illinois fraternal organizations. In the tournament held at Holiday Bowl in Chicago last November two teams comprised of Rockford Division No. 57 members entered. They were as shown in the photos, left to right, Bros. Dick Nelson, Russell Houston, Fay Campton, Samuel Houston, Paul Hoover, Albert Hecker, Charles Musgrove, Thomas Tiesman, Ralph Rose, and Karl Niklaus. The



first five named came in eighth out of the twenty-one teams entered. Bros. Musgrove and Hecker took eighth spot in the doubles event while Bros. Niklaus and Nelson finished in a tie for twenty-sixth place. Incidentally, Niklaus who has a 147 plus average rolled a monumental 278 game in a recent tournament at Milwaukee, Wis. In the singles, Bro. Rose tied for eleventh place and Bro. Sam Houston ended up in a tie for fourteenth.

The NFSD donated a trophy to this tournament along with other fraternal organizations.



The *BIRMINGHAM NEWS* carried a fine article on Brother Nathan Nelson, a member of Birmingham Div. No. 73. He was given recognition as a valued employee of the Ryder Truck Lines for more than 30 years in spite of his double handicap. In addition to being deaf he also has only one hand, the result of an accident when he was a child. His fellow employees honored him with a party and a fine watch.

A company official related that Nathan "does everything in the billing department in the morning because he's the only one there and about the only thing he doesn't do is answer the telephone." He also added that Nathan operating a billing machine with one finger on one hand, "will cut as many or more freight bills as anybody else."

Bro. Nelson served as Division president in our Society for three terms and presently holds the 15th degree.

He and his wife, the former Maude Johnson, have two sons and a grandchild.

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Again we swell with pride as another Brother wins a coveted honor. The 1968 "Man of the Year" award went to Brother Wilson W. Sherrill, an active member of Charlotte Division No. 94. He was presented with a handsome plaque naming him the 1968 Deaf Man of the Year by the 1967 winner, Paul B. Crutchfield at a gathering last December.

Bro. Sherrill was selected for this great recognition on the basis of his unselfish and devoted work toward the cause of the deaf. An instructor in the Vocational Dept. of the North Carolina School for the Deaf, Wilson found time to work for many years as treasurer of the NCSD Alumni Fund, always careful that every cent is accounted for. He had the utmost respect and confidence of the entire student body at the school and was always regarded as a valuable member of the NCSD staff.

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

MARCH-APRIL, 1969

Another Good Year

HAVING a successful business year is becoming a habit with the NFSD, a good habit. While the financial summary to be found elsewhere in these pages will bear this out, we believe that 1968 has also been a well-balanced success when measured in terms of accomplishments other than financial. The following summary of all aspects of the Society's business will serve to show why 1968 was such a good year and why 1969 promises to be even better.

Financial

Assets of the Society increased by \$131,661.42 over 1967. When compared to liabilities, the Society has \$126.55 in assets for every \$100.00 in liabilities, a very strong safety factor.

In its investments, the Society received a 4.26% net return which is consistent with returns made by other companies.

As a result of all its operations, the Society evidenced a net gain of \$94,630.31 before dividends. Dividends distributed were \$114,786.19 and 1968 marked the third consecutive year that dividends were double the amounts originally scheduled for distribution. The Society will again double dividends for 1969.

Insurance and Membership

Insurance in force increased by \$705,258.00. This includes additional paid-up insurance of \$129,263.00 purchased with dividends. The balance of \$575,995.00 represents the amount of new insurance written and revived after deaths, lapses, and surrenders are deducted. This net increase is double

the increase of 1967. In 1967, we had an increase that doubled that of 1966. This increase is evidence of the larger amounts of insurance being taken out by our members.

In 1968, 572 new certificates were taken out totalling \$962,000.00. After deducting those no longer on the Society's rolls, we have 11,376 certificates in force. The number of members is slightly less than this as some members have two or more certificates.

The ratio of deaths to expected deaths was 38.26 which is very low. When compared to the average of well over 50% for the largest 25 insurance companies, this is an indication of good underwriting practices.

New Developments

During 1968, there were several developments which have led to an expansion of the Society's scope of operations. Perhaps the most significant was the Training Program for Agents held last August. In this workshop, over 60 members of the Society met in Chicago to learn the basics of insurance before becoming agents for the Society. The results of this workshop have been most gratifying. In the short time that the agents have been in the field, we have witnessed a doubling of new members secured. In addition, the amounts of insurance taken out by prospects through agents have been sizeable which accounts for the whopping increase in insurance in force.

In a radical departure from the past, the Home Office has set up an IBM Card Processing system which will allow it to eliminate the manual recording of its business. While still in the development stage, this system promises to be of long range merit and has already proved beneficial in the reduction of common clerical errors, thereby increasing accuracy.

The IBM system has also aided us in the handling of dividends. Paid-up additions, offered to members for the first time in 1968, are being programmed into the system and is a welcome benefit to our members.

As was proposed by our last convention, arrangements are being made by the Law Committee for the addition of a fifth Vice-President who will represent Canada.

We have received a request for a charter from resident members in Austin, Texas. When approved, Austin will be Division No. 156. While the Austin Division will soon become a reality, there is the possibility of adding one or two more Divisions in the Northeast in the near future. Plans are also in the making to explore the feasibility of organizing a Division in Montana.

The Board of Directors has seen fit to revise slightly our endorser fee schedule. As of April 1, 1969, endorsees of juveniles whose parents purchase our 20 Year Endowment Plan shall receive an endorser fee equal to that received for securing an adult in the same plan.

The Board also has gone on record to sponsor regional workshops along

the same line as the workshop for agents held last August. Details for this are in the process of being drawn up and an announcement will be made in these pages shortly.

Fraternal Activities

The Society has continued the practice of matching charitable contributions made by its Divisions. This amounts to a sizeable sum and reflects the variety of causes supported by our Divisions. In addition, goodwill gestures are made to various deaf organizations. An example of these is the contribution of traveling bags for the athletes to the World Games for the Deaf. Another fraternal activity which has brought us numerous letters of "thank you" has been our practice of awarding a \$25.00 U.S. Savings Bond to the outstanding boy or girl student in each school for the deaf. We also encourage, through attendance of our Grand Officers and Division officers, the various workshops aimed at improving the lot of the deaf population in general.

Of course, none of the above accomplishments would have been possible were it not for the fine cooperation of our members who make the Society what it is—an organization not only serving the insurance needs of the deaf and their families but applying the principles of fraternalism to all aspects of community life.

More of the Same, Please

G RACING this month's cover is a scene from "The Impossible Dream" a song rendered vocally and in the language of signs simultaneously by Miss Nanette Fabray and Johanna and Pamela Larson on a nationally televised show "What's It All About, World?" which was shown on March 20 over the American Broadcasting Company network.

Miss Fabray, who has a hearing impairment, has long advocated providing the hearing impaired with entertainment on television. She has often appeared at conventions and meetings of the deaf to advance this cause and in her frequent television appearances she has sung in the language of signs to emphasize her beliefs.

Appearing with Miss Fabray on "What's It All About, World?" were the two hearing children of Bro. Herbert Larson. Bro. Larson, a member of our Delavan Division, also helped to coach Miss Fabray for her presentation of "The Impossible Dream."

We are very appreciative of Miss Fabray's efforts on our behalf and we are sure that those of you who saw the show will agree. We are certain, too, that more of the same would be welcome. To encourage the television networks to present this type of entertainment more frequently, we urge

you to write to the American Broadcasting Company telling them of your enjoyment of Miss Fabray's presentation and your support for similar programs in the future. Address your letters to Mr. Elton Rule, President, American Broadcasting Company Television, 1330-6th Avenue, New York, New York, 10019.

Tax Ruling

FREQUENTLY we receive letters from our members asking us if the "dividends" they receive on their life insurance with us should be reported on their income tax return. Our "dividends," which are actually a "refund of premiums," are not taxable when the member is still paying premiums on his life insurance. As for paid-up certificates, the IRS manual has this to say: "Under paid-up life insurance policies, the insured may elect to receive dividends in cash . . . or to apply the dividend to purchase additional paid-up insurance. Cash dividends and dividends applied to the purchase of paid-up insurance are not required to be included on gross income UNTIL THEY EXCEED THE TOTAL PREMIUMS PAID during the life of the certificate."

A Helping Hand

SITUATED in Milton, Ontario, is a Farm-Home, a halfway house for emotionally disturbed children operated by the Ontario Mission. When the home was in dire need of a freezer, the Brothers and Sisters of Toronto Division No. 98 managed to raise the necessary money at its corn roast last summer. Over 200 attended the affair.



On the left in photo, Brother Marshall Wick, president of the Toronto Div. and chairman of the corn festival, is presenting checks totalling \$300 to Bro. Arthur Hazlitt, chairman of the Ontario Mission, while Social Member Rev. Robert Rumball, sparkplug behind the Farm-Home project, beams in the background.

This \$300 included a grant by the Society's Home Office which matches the money donated by Divisions to charitable organizations. One of the benefactors of the farm-home, a project unique in North America, has been the Lions Club of Ontario.

F. J. Neesam Passes Away

FREDERICK J. Neesam, former Grand President and Vice-President passed away on March 13 at the age of 87.

Born in Columbus, Wisconsin, Bro. Neesam became deaf at the age of eight after suffering an attack of spinal meningitis. He attended the Wisconsin School for the Deaf and graduated in 1897 at the age of 16.



In 1904, he was graduated from Gallaudet College with honors, being valedictorian of the graduating class. While at Gallaudet he organized the school's first basketball team and won letters in both basketball and football.

In 1906, Bro. Neesam returned to the Wisconsin School for the Deaf where he was to remain for the next 54 years as a teacher. During this time, he organized a complete athletic program for the school and served as Athletic Director for 41 years.

His time, however, was not limited to affairs of the school and athletics. Joining the Kenosha Division of the Society in 1919, he immediately set about organizing the Delavan Division and served as its Secretary from 1920 to 1924.

His dedication to the Society's principles and enthusiasm for fraternal work rewarded him with the post of First Vice-President at the Society's Convention in 1924. He served with distinction in this office for 28 years, during which time he was Chairman of the Law Committee. He was also Grand President for two years when his predecessor, Francis P. Gibson, passed away between conventions.

Never excitable, always pleasant and understanding, Bro. Neesam handled the difficult tasks that became his in a manner deserving of admiration. He was a man whom one would be proud to emulate.

News from the



Divisions

APRIL

- 26. Banquet Columbia
- 26. Annual Supper-Show Kansas City Aux.

MAY

- 2. Captioned Film Jersey City
- 2. 5th Anniv. Banquet Washington No. 155
- 3. Little Las Vegas Social Cleveland & Aux.
- 3. Smoker Atlanta
- 3. Whist Party Boston
- 3. Smoker Portland No. 41
- 3. Captioned Film Newark
- 3. Hot Supper Denver
- 3. Flower Social Waterbury
- 3. Spring Festival Dallas Aux.
- 6. Captioned Film Rochester
- 10. Captioned Film New Haven
- 10. Movies Johnstown
- 16. Captioned Film Jersey City
- 16. Spring Festival Westchester
- 17. 56th Anniv. Banquet Memphis No. 38
- 17. 16th Anniv. Social Dayton Aux.
- 17. 10th Anniv. Banquet Washington Aux.
- 24. 60th Anniv. Banquet New Haven

JUNE

- 5. Captioned Films Knoxville Aux.
- 6. Captioned Film Jersey City
- 7. Strawberry Festival New Haven
- 7. Annual Dance Boston
- 7. 8th Annual N. E. Deaf Bowlers' Tourney Hartford No. 37
- 7. Captioned Film Newark
- 7. Spring Frolic Rochester
- 7. Hot Supper Denver
- 7. Social Waterbury
- 8. Picnic at Whitewater Delavan
- 14. Faribault Frat Festival Faribault
- 15. Picnic at Kerns Park Milwaukee
- 20. Captioned Film Jersey City
- 22. Summer Picnic Canton
- 28. 55th Anniv. Syracuse
- 29. Picnic at Lake McBride Cedar Rapids

JULY

- 3. Captioned Film Knoxville Aux.
- 4. Picnic Washington No. 46
- 13. Picnic Denver
- 20. Annual Outing Akron No. 55
- 27. Picnic Pittsburgh

CLEVELAND No. 21 (Robert Fleck)—Bro. John Zoeller finally retired after more than fifty years of service at Addressograph-Multigraph. The company honored John with a nice gift as did the union to which he belonged. His prowess with a bat and ball was one of the reasons he was hired by the company. John played on the Industrial Team and led the way to an outstanding string of victories over their opponents.

We will stage a little "Las Vegas" social together with the Auxiliary Division May 3 at the CAD club under the direction of Bro. R. Fleck and Sis. Elizabeth Taylor. Proceeds from this affair will go to the Home for the Aged and Infirm Deaf. Come one and all for a great time.

INDIANAPOLIS No. 22 (Joseph Kindred)—Bro. Martin Dryer has the rare distinction of being the only person we know of who had the pleasure of keeping score for not one, but three bowlers who rolled 300 games! Can anyone else top this?

Bro. Lebert Jones is going mod these days. He is sporting around in a high-powered Bel-Air which he recently purchased.

Bro. Jay Stigers became a proud grandpa for the first time when his daughter gave birth to a 6 lb., 3 oz. tot, Kimberly, on Dec. 22. Congratulations.

While the rest of the nation shivered in the cold weather, the Whismans enjoyed a brief stay in sunny Florida and the Bahamas during the Xmas holidays.

Bro. David Myers, now attending the Leadership Training Program at San Fernando Valley State College, flew home to attend the burial of his only child. The tot lived a very short time after birth. We extend our sympathy to David and his wife.

We also extend our condolences to Bro. Robert Thixton and family on the passing of his wife.

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LOS ANGELES No. 27 (Ray Stallo)—Our prexy has done it again! Two new applications for membership were presented at our March meeting which makes four so far that Bro. Fromberg has obtained. If he keeps up this pace, this writer will need an assistant secretary.

Remember our "Horror Show" produced by Bro. Winicki a few years ago? Well, he found a couple of arms and legs left over from that show and now intends to put on another for us in October. It may not be the same but you can be sure it will be a smash hit.

Bro. Ross announced that our annual Joint Picnic will be held at South Gate Park again this year. Date is August 17 and if any of you plan a vacation about that time you would be wise to reconsider so as not to miss the picnic.

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BROOKLYN No. 23 (Max Cohen)—Do not miss our 60th anniversary banquet scheduled for Sat., Oct. 18, 1969 at Grand Street Boys Association, 131 W. 56th St., New York City. Cost is only \$12.00 per person. Make your reservation now by contacting Bro. Stanley Siegel, Milton Cohen, or Ralph Chaplan. It's later than you think.

Bro. Herbert Diekmann is now a resident in Pilgrim Towers, Los Angeles, Calif.

Bro. Joseph Marinello spent two weeks in Hawaii where he was reunited with his son who was on furlough from Vietnam before heading to Long Beach for a week's stay to visit a nephew.

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ATLANTA No. 28 (H. E. Hartsfield, Jr.)—The recent passing of three of our members left a huge dent in our Division. They were Bro. William Scott, a member for more than 38 years, Sis. Angeline Sturgis, outstanding Division secretary for two terms, and Bro. T. C. Freeman, who served as an able treasurer for the Division.

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Still on the sick list are Bros. John Davis and Emmett McClendon.

In recent months Bro. Hartsfield has been having his ups and downs due to an ulcer. About the time this column in being read half of his stomach may have been taken out by surgery.

New officers for 1969 are: President Joe Parker; Vice President Charles Watson; Secretary W. B. Stephenson; Treasurer Bill Brumbe-low.

The meetings are held on the first Friday of the month at the Atlanta Club of the Deaf, 243 Trinity Ave., S.W., Atlanta. Visitors are always welcome.

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PITTSBURGH No. 36 (Robert Smith)—Last January Bro. Frank Nastase, wife, Mary, and his two sisters motored to Miami, Fla. to visit a son, Louis. If plans go well they will sell their Pittsburgh home and move to Miami.

Bro. Mitchell Krainik learned the hard way that one should never attempt to light a gas tank. He recently tried it and almost lost his life. An explosion knocked him unconscious and when he came to he found that his face, arms, and hands were burned. Mitchell then painfully drove over to the hospital where he was treated. Later, the repair man from the gas company discovered a tiny gas leak and took care of the problem.

We will hold our picnic at Burke Glenn Park near Monroeville, Pa. Sunday, July 27. Swimming, miniature golfing, volleyball and other games are on the day's program. See you all there?

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HARTFORD No. 37 (Edward Szopa)—While working at a rug-making plant in Thompsonville, past prexy Henry Pierz suffered a heart attack and was rushed to the Hartford Hospital, about 25 miles away. At present, he is resting well at home and will return to work sometime in May.

Bro. Andrew Chenevert was one of the workers honored for 25 years of service with the Standard Screw Co. at a testimonial dinner at Hotel America. Being young in mind and spirit, Andy is confident that he will be working for another 25 years.

The New England Association of Deaf Bowlers tournament will be hosted by our Division at the Silver Lanes, East Hartford on June 7, 1969. In the evening, a social will be held at the Italian American Club, 464 Tolland St., East Hartford. Bro. Joseph Simons chairmans the big tournament while Sis. Lorraine Capocci will take care of the women's singles and doubles contests.

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MEMPHIS Nos. 38 and 146 (Ben Cox and Mary Lee Burks)—We will commemorate our 56th anniversary with a banquet on May 17 at Hotel Sheraton-Peabody. Guest speaker will be Northern Grand Vice-President James Jones of St. Paul, Minn. A variety show and dancing are also on the agenda, all for only \$4.75 per person. Come one, come all to Memphis on the Mississippi. For more information, write Bro. Robert Fowler, 2965 Dearing Rd., Memphis, Tenn. 38118. Our deep condolences go to the following:

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60th ANNIVERSARY BANQUET NEW HAVEN DIVISION No. 25

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Southern Grand Vice President Brooks Monaghan on the loss of his sister-in-law; Bro. Hilton Bailey, who lost his mother; Sis. Velma McDonald on the passing of her mother.

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PORTLAND No. 41 (Homer Humphrey)—Bro. Marsh Munro, a student at Gallaudet College, visited with his folks and friends here during the Christmas holidays. He is presently a member of the Washington, D.C. Division No. 155. . . . The Durwood Tatreaus became proud grandparents when their daughter gave birth to a boy in Denver, Colo. . . . The Howard Taylors spent Christmas and the New Year at the home of Sis. Taylor's twin sister at San Pablo, Calif. They enjoyed the sunshine there. . . . The Earl Moxley's son, now in Vietnam with the Marines, was awarded a sharpshooter's medal while stationed at Camp Pendleton, near San Diego. . . . Also aiding our country in Vietnam are the Harold Rifles' son, Timothy, and the Arthur Eden's boy. . . . The John Kaufmans of Eugene, Ore. announced the marriage of their son, Gordon, to Toni Hardin of Salem, Ore., Dec. 21. . . . Sis. Marie Brickley journeyed to California to visit with her mother and other members of the family. She recently suffered the loss of her brother who passed away while with the Navy in Alaska. Our condolences are extended to her. . . . The Moxleys' daughter and her three children will jet to Germany to be with her husband who is a staff instructor in the Army. . . . Bro. Ken Welch was presented with a 25-year pin by the Standard Oil Refinery Co. during a banquet in his honor.

Perry's mother also left our world last Dec. To Bros. Dunn and Perry go our condolences. . . . Treas. Samuel Parker and his wife flew to Miami, Fla. for a week's vacation. They fell in love with the town and are planning to return next year.

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PROVIDENCE No. 43 (Vera Ruckdeschel)—Our condolences are extended to Bro. Martin Greene on the loss of his mother who passed away March 16.

Bro. Kimball Nash and his wife, Sis. Catherine, have been given the responsibility of setting up and managing the C.W.A.D. to be held at Craigville, Mass., June 29 to July 4. A number of the local members will attend this gathering.

Thanks to the efforts of Bro. John Spellman, the deaf of Rhode Island are now accorded the presence of a state-paid interpreter in legal cases before the courts.

★
BALTIMORE No. 47 (Charles Knowles)—April 19 is the date of our 55th anniversary banquet at Holiday Inn, Lombard and Howard Streets, starting with a cocktail hour at 6 P.M. There will be dancing to a band, floor show, and souvenirs for all. Be sure to join us.

Bros. F. Fiedler and A. Omansky retired last Jan. We wish them happiness in their new life of leisure.

The McCalls took in Florida for their winter vacation. Although the weather there turned out to be poor for fishing they enjoyed the rest.

Bros. L. and A. Amberg, father and son, are busy preparing for the SEAAD tournament to take place here in 1971.

During Jan. the R. M. Kauffman Endowment Fund, Inc. enjoyed a fine dinner-meeting and donated \$50.00 to the Maryland School's educational fund. The NFSD Home Office matched this amount.

Bro. L. Greenberg chairmanned the recent annual card party for the Jewish Deaf Society. It was a successful affair.

Please be reminded that our big dance will be held on Sept. 20. Bro. K. Schroeder serves as chairman.

★
WORCESTER No. 60 (John Riccuiti)—Bro. David Gratt's father passed away recently. We extend our sympathy to him.

Although we have not seen Sisters R. Brennick and M. Gelina around for quite awhile we hear that Retha is married and living in Watertown, Mass. while Marcia is expecting a baby any time. We wish them both good luck.

Bro. John Philip's new Chevy caught fire recently.

The Fred Jarvise enjoyed a week's vacation in sunny Florida.

For your information, Secretary Riccuiti's address is 39 Mott St., Arlington, Mass. 02174, and Treasurer Naschke's is 24 Old Faith Rd., Shrewsbury, Mass. 01545.

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WATERBURY No. 65 (Saverio Minicucci)—Bro. Minicucci, at the close of our recent meeting, surprised Sisters M. Keating and D. Leonardi with the presentation of attractive pewter bowls engraved with their own initials as well as the Society's in appreciation for their unselfish contributions to the Division. Both thanked all and promised to carry on with No. 65.

Afterwards, a social was held under the direction of Bro. Minicucci.

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BIRMINGHAM No. 73 (Rush Letson)—Ye scribe is quite busy helping make preparations for our 50th anniversary and smoker to be held at the Tutwiler Hotel, Sat., Aug. 16. Look for full details in our ad in this issue.

Henry, Jr., son of the Morgans, became a married man last Feb. Congrats!

Bro. Freeman Davis received a diamond pin for his long service at Avondale Mills. Later, he was again surprised with a plaque from the same company for outstanding work in his department. Congrats!

We welcome new transferee Ronald J. Mears from the Gallaudet Division.

Bro. Woodrow Davis' car was stolen last March and it was only three days later before the police recovered the auto.

The Sam Rittenbergs spent almost a month visiting and fishing in Florida.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Sis. Claudia Gaines and her husband on the loss of their 9-year-old daughter, Judy, March 16.

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HOUSTON No. 81 (Allen Bubeck, Jr.)—Levie, son of the Isaacks, was awarded the Merit of Valor by the U.S. Army. As a second lieutenant in the grim Vietnam campaign, Levie was with his battalion near Dak To where all the commanding officers were killed before he took charge and fought bravely in the bloody battle. Now honorably discharged with the rank of First Lieutenant, he is matriculating at the University of Texas.

Sir Stork brought a new grandson, Scott Andrew, to the Russell Lavenders. Congrats.

Newest additions to our Division are Bro. Joe Lee Smith and Sis. Joanne Brinnistool, both of Austin, and Sis. Nadine Faucett, of Houston.

The Division is sponsoring a driver improvement program for deaf drivers, April 16-18, under the direction of the Texas Dept. of Public Safety.

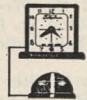
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Bros. Sipper and DeCandis will serve as co-chairmen of our 50th anniversary banquet set for May, 1970.

Our Division, strictly an all-male group for many years, now happily welcomes nine Sisters into the fold. They are Mabel Piazza, Victoria Ferrance, Audry Anderson, Barbara Sheridan, Ann Warthling, Connie Jaggers, Sandra Davis, Nancy Nemshick, and this writer.

Bro. Michael Petrilak and his wife, Gladys, vacationed in Hollywood, Fla. with their daughter and had a fine time.

The Warthlings are very proud of their newly decorated basement rumpus room complete with a bar and wall mural. They did all the work themselves!

Bro. Sydney Armfield, the Division's first treasurer in 1920, recently retired from his part-time job and is now taking it easy.

Our monthly meetings are now held in the rooms of the Scranton Ass'n of the Deaf on the first Friday of the month. Come up and see us when you can!

RICHMOND No. 83 (Lera Moore)—Our annual banquet at Sheraton Motor Inn Feb. 15 saw an attendance of about 60. The dinner was exceptionally good and so was Bro. Bernard Moore as toastmaster. Mr. Vernon L. Browning, our new rehabilitation counselor gave the main address, a most interesting and informative talk. A series of fine skits followed before the evening concluded with dancing. Credit for the successful affair goes to Bro. William Duncan and his committee.

Bro. Willie DuVall passed away Jan. 25. The ritual committee headed by Bro. Sandy Duncan delivered the graveside service. Condolences go to his wife, Annie, and other survivors.

Bro. Obie Nunn recently retired as a linotype operator with the Martinsville Bulletin. He will, however, be called whenever needed by the company. Obie presently is chairman of the Virginia

Chapter of the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, now affiliated with the national body.

Bro. Fred Yates, assistant principal of the deaf dept. at the Virginia School, attended the National Forum of the Council of Organizations Serving the Deaf at New Orleans, Feb. 20-22.

Members please note that our meetings on the first Saturday of the month will hereafter start at 7:30 P.M. instead of 6:45 P.M.

DALLAS AUX. No. 141 (Betsy Stanley)—Sisters Margelene Mikus and Anita Dalla were hospitalized last January. At the present time both are doing fine.

Our members participated in the Strawberry Festival April 4 to help raise funds for a worthy cause. Sis. Lucille Garrison took charge of the affair.

Sis. Mary Jo Mason, now residing in the state of Washington, reported the birth of a baby boy, Feb. 3. Congratulations!

JERSEY CITY No. 91 (Oscar Norflus)—Our March meeting was suddenly called off when it was learned that the Fraternal Order of Eagles Hall shut down permanently. However, effective April 4, the meetings will be held at the Weehawken Democratic Club, located on 32nd St. in Weehawken, N.J. opposite the B.P.O. Elks building, near the Lincoln Tunnel ramp.

Bro. Francis Nicholas was surprised with a 34th degree pin at our last meeting. He had not been able to attend recent meetings since he is teaching the deaf on the use of the O.T.T. in the Daily News plant.

The Walter Peases are proud grandparents of a girl born to their daughter, Jan. 13. The tot weighed in at 6 lbs., 5 oz.

The Angelo DeMiccos miss their daughter who now resides in Switzerland with her husband. We are happy to welcome new transferee George Bedford, formerly with the Manhattan Division.

We congratulate Bro. William Anderson on his recent engagement to Doris Abbott of Hewitt, N.J. The couple will wed May 25.

Treasurer Donald Von der Heyden's son recently married his college sweetheart. The pair attended Rutgers University. Congrats!

Bro. Michael Bove is very proud of his daughter, a member of the National Theatre of the Deaf. The NTD is touring the country and will soon perform in Europe.

Congrats go to Bro. Robert Norflus and his wife on their 10th wedding anniversary. The couple plan to tour Europe this summer.

Sis. Anita Suslavage recently married a hearing widower with three children. The happy family settled in Livingston, N.J. Congrats!

BRONX No. 92 (Sophie Lazar)—The March meeting was enlivened by the presence of Eastern Grand Vice President Richard Myers and Secretary Aaron Hurwit of the Brooklyn Division. Both gave great talks on behalf of the Society.

At this meeting, we marvelled at the fine

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Bro. Chester Muszynski announced that his wife will participate in the Deaf Olympics at Belgrade this August. She will compete in the swimming events and hopes to reap gold medals for our country. She intends to join the NFSD soon.

Bro. Frank Delina was selected as chairman of our next big affair with Bro. Colombo assisting. Details will be given later.

Bros. Colombo and Maggio both own toy poodles. They claim that the dogs are real performers.

Bro. Vincent Dotti plans to be married soon to a beautiful lass from Connecticut. Of course, he promises to make her a Frater.

Watch for our coming Initiation Night to be worked out jointly with several New York divisions. This affair will be for men only.

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TORONTO No. 98 (Matilda Davis)—Our 45th anniversary banquet and smoker attended by 285 persons was a great affair. Guests of honor were Grand President Frank Sullivan and Western Grand Vice President Ned Wheeler and their wives. We wish to thank all who helped us celebrate the big event and to offer praise to the committee who worked hard and long for this affair. A standing ovation is also due Bro. Alex Crowley who arranged for the best smoker in the history of our Division.

We will hold an annual picnic this August instead of the planned corn roast. Sis. Doris MacKillop, chairlady, will give further details later.

Recent hospital patients were Sisters Norah Thompson and Eva Ranger, Brothers C. McLaughlin, L. Roach, F. Breeze, J. Buchan, and F. Brown. We are glad to report that all are well and home again.

We extend our sympathy to Sis. Virginia Jan on the passing of her mother, Feb. 14. Virginia flew to LaFleche, Sask. for the funeral.

Bro. George Finney and his wife became grandparents for the first time when a girl was presented to their son and his wife by Sir Stork, Jan. 22. Congratulations.

Sis. Eva Ranger was given a surprise bridal shower March 15. The big party was carefully arranged by Sis. Annie Mandel. Eva will wed

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CHICAGO No. 106 (Irvin Friedman)—The '69 officers are: President Geraldine Nelson; Vice President Werner Schutz; Secretary Irvin Friedman; Treasurer Josephine McCarthy; Director Jack Gevirts; Trustees Allan Wilson, William

FitzGerald, and Michael Ainsley. Bro. Harry Strom was named to edit the monthly newsletter.

Bro. Louis Rozett volunteered to chairman our 43rd annual affair scheduled for Oct. 18. Bro. James Kiley will take charge of the July 6 picnic.

NEWS SHORTS: Lynn, daughter of the Jule Guthmans, and Joey, son of the I. Friedmans, both came home for the holidays from college. Joey's brother, Myron, became the second in the family to reach the semi-finals in the National Merit Contest. . . . Bro. Marvin Loeb and his wife, Diana, enjoyed a 10-day vacation in Dallas, Texas over the Christmas holidays. The happy couple became parents of their first child, a girl, on March 5. Congrats! . . . The Michael Ainsleys are the latest to own a teletypewriter. Mike's wife, Susan, also joined the Society recently. Welcome into the gold! . . . The Werner Schutzes motored to Indiana where they visited friends, including Sis. Ella Southers. . . . Newest 70-year-olders are Bros. George Pick and Charles Russy. . . . The Lowell Myers took in California to visit relatives and friends. . . . The Ruskins moved to Los Angeles and are quite happy there. . . . Mike, son of the Alan Lerners, was selected as one of the best prep football players in the Chicago area. . . . The Walter Werners flew to Trinidad for a 4-days' stay. . . . On the ailing list are L. Rozett, R. Montesano, and Christ Mezilson. . . . Bro. Carter Henningson became a grandpa for the fifth time. . . . Assistant Grand Sec.-Treas. Jerry Strom gave an informative talk on the latest developments at the Home Office at our Jan. meeting. . . . Condolences go to Sis. McCarthy on the sudden passing of her dear husband, Bro. Edward and to Bro. Rozett on the death of his brother. . . . New car owners are Bros. C. Rabelhofer, a '68 lemon-colored Pontiac, and M. Ciani, a '69 Ford.

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WESTCHESTER No. 114 (S. J. Riley)—Bros. H. and J. Guidi were among the passengers marooned in a bus during the Feb. 9 snowstorm. All were rescued and taken to a public school where they were given shelter for the night.

Bro. Louis Bayarsky took first prize in a photography contest sponsored by a hearing association. He exhibited beautiful color slides of Vermont scenery.

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We are happy to welcome new members Mark Nathanson and Alfred Hall. Mark already is proving himself to be a hustler by chairmaning our Spring festival at the Westchester Silent Club, May 16. A good time is assured for all.

Congrats go to the P. Bravins on the birth of a son, Jeffery Scott, Feb. 26, and to the Zacharewicz on becoming parents to a boy, Feb. 6.

Our sympathy is extended to Bro. Philip Nordvedt on the loss of his mother. She passed away at the age of 87 on Jan. 23.

Bro. J. Guss, Jr. passed the post office civil service exam and is now employed at the main branch in New York.

The Armstrongs are sporting a new '69 Buick. Bros. Kaessler, Koellisch, Jr., and Seisz will attend the Olympic Games at Yugoslavia this summer. Bro. Kaessler will go as a participant on the basketball team.

QUEENS No. 115 (Patrick Sheridan)—At the Feb. meeting we were honored with the appearance of Eastern Grand Vice President Richard Myers and Grand Trustee Solomon Deitch.

We are proud to announce that Bro. Sid Ander was elected to serve as fund-raising chairman for the Junior N.A.D. Camp to be held at Stroudsburg, Pa. this summer.

Our meetings are held on the first Friday of each month at the Long Island Club for the Deaf. Visitors are welcome.

DANVILLE AUX. No. 130 (Virginia Ward)—At the Jan. meeting Sis. Margaret Marshall was surprised with the 34th degree pin for her faithful service to the Society. Sis. M. Middleton, chairlady of the Degree committee, had the honor of presenting the pin as shown in the accompanying photo. Incidentally, Sis. Middleton, our go-getter, attended the agents workshop in Chicago last summer.



After the installation ceremonies, both the outgoing and the newly-elected officers were hosted with a lovely reception by Sisters Hester, Gulley, and Marshall.

On Feb. 23 Sis. Velda Taylor was honored with a surprise housewarming at her newly-purchased home.

CLEVELAND AUX. No. 132 (Cecelia George)—Sis. Donna Williams was chosen to serve as messenger for the Division by President Elizabeth Taylor.

Sis. Lillian Harrison, senior trustee, was elected to be our matriarch. She replaces Sis. Sara Kline who is in ill health.

Congrats go to Sis. Kathleen Burt on the birth of her first baby, and to Sisters Mildred Snyder and Janice Bongalis on new additions to the family.

DAYTON No. 135 (Ada Spidel)—We are so delighted spring is here again that we are moved to quote, "Welcome happy morning age to age, Earth her joy confesses, clothing her for spring."

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ST. LOUIS AUX. No. 147 (Irene Eckerich)—Sis. Harriet and Bro. Richard Koch became proud parents of a bouncing baby boy in Staunton, Va., Nov. 29. The tot's grandparents are Sis. Etta and Bro. Chester Lachman.

A fine Christmas party was staged at the Community Center for the Deaf. Santa was there to pass out toys and other goodies. We had a good laugh when Sis. Jennie Rose Blank's cute daughter tried to pull off Santa's beard.

Sis. Reba Walker's father, Henry Seibert, passed away Feb. 1. Our sympathy is extended to her.

Condolences also go to Sis. Cecelia Koebel who lost a sister.

Sis. Jackie Kemper is still hospitalized. Get well, Jackie!

Sisters Ruth Sullivan and Cathy Diekmann both received a boy from Sir Stork. Congrats!

AKRON AUX. No. 154 (Ellen Johnson)—Our '69 officers are: Minnie Hawk, president; Geneva Vakaro, vice-president; Sandra Krainess, secretary; Ruth Bradley, treasurer; Mary Ferraro, director; Joy Hykes, sgt.-at-arms; Anna Barty, third trustee.

The secretary's address is 1598 Kingsley Ave., Akron, Ohio 44313, and the treasurer's 2041 Quayle Dr., Akron, Ohio 44312.

We had a wonderful time celebrating our 7th anniversary with a banquet at Holiday Inn. Lots of favors and gifts were given away. Our thanks go to Sis. Margaret Himmel who did a swell job as chairlady.

Ye scribe wishes to thank all who cooperated in making the Nov. 9 social a huge success.

We wish the best of luck to Sis. Hykes and family on the purchase of a new home.

Sympathy is extended to Sis. Florence Akins on the passing of her husband.

Sis. Ruth Miller announced the birth of a baby boy on Dec. 29, just in time to claim an additional exemption on her 1968 income tax report. The tot weighed in at five pounds and is now getting acquainted with his sister and brother. Congrats, Ruth!

Surprise visitors at our recent meeting were Sis. Mildred Richardson, now a resident of Indianapolis, Ind.; Sis. Arlene Shults, of Columbus, Ohio, and Sisters Joyce Bradley and Millie Russo, both students at Gallaudet College.

Sis. Joanna Miller's son, Jerry, has enlisted in the Navy. He is undergoing eight weeks' boot training at Great Lakes, Ill.

Youthful looking grandmas: Sis. Betty Lankeau for the second time, in January. Sis. Joanna Miller, also for the second time, expected in March.

Sis. Rose Hayes underwent surgery recently. Other hospital patients were Sisters Dorothea Hull and Tillie Butler, both for foot surgery.

Sis. Anna Barty is riding high in her new '69 Toyota.

Sis. Mary Boyer's son, Donnie, a student at Kent University, has enlisted into the Naval Reserves. He will become a bridegroom this August, the wedding to take place in Akron Baptist Church.

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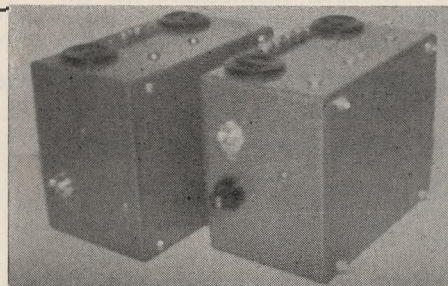
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CHICAGO No. 1 (DuWayne Dukes)—The Maiworms have gone to Florida for a month's stay. They plan to take in the towns of Bradenton and St. Petersburg. Others who also headed for that sunny state were the Hertzbergs and the Myles. New car owners are Mike Roche, a Chrysler station wagon, and Bob Fellers, a Chevy Impala.

News Shorts: The Daniel Lewises are apartment hunting. . . . Bro. Francis Huffman recovered nicely from surgery and is back on the job. . . . The Fitzpatricks celebrated their 17th wedding anniversary while the Tanzars whooped it up on their 25th, both on Feb. 16. . . . Bro. James McCloud was operated on last Feb. and is presently his old self again. . . . We welcome new members Lloyd Mulay, Howard Laskowsky, Jerry Nichols, William Langston, and William Moehle.



WASHINGTON No. 155 (Mary McCray)—The new officers are: President P. McComb; Vice-President L. Puthoff; Secretary D. Kennedy; Treasurer B. Hubbard; Trustees R. Herbold, E. Cantrell, and E. Leighton; Sgt.-at-arms J. Joiner; Director J. Shopshire.

Our 5th annual banquet will be held May 2 at Holiday Inn of America, 2700 New York Ave., N.E., Washington, D.C. All members of the Society other than Division No. 155 members can attend this buffet-style dinner at \$5.00 per person. Do come and join us.



PITTSBURGH AUX. No. 144 (Jane Mowl)—We welcome two new members into our fold, Walla Harding and Francine Hlavay.

Sis. Sparks is that proud-looking lady riding around in her new Volkswagen.

We extend our condolences to Sis. Cupp who lost her father last month.

The Stangarones motored to New York where they visited with their son.

The Bryces' son was recently married to Claire Kasko, Congrats.

MARRIAGES

Jan. 8—Arthur Dignan, Washington, D.C. and Mary Hill, Chicago, Illinois.

Jan. 11—Marlene Ann Oravec, Pittsburgh, Pa. and Millard Dean McCulley, La Jose, Pa.

Antoinette Suslavage, Bloomfield, N.J. and Richard Vicari, Livingston, N.J.

Feb. 1—Kathleen Hitch and Gerald Nelson, both of Knoxville, Tenn.

Feb. 14—William Kirk Crume, Wheaton, Md. and Louise Lepka, Washington, D.C.

Feb. 22—Suzanne Mink and Terry Newman, both of Peoria, Ill.

March 8—Dennis Keen and Ruby Slaven, both of Danville, Ky.

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Saturday, May 17, 1969

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OBITUARIES

Charles Read, 59. Entry Mar. 1, 1949. Died Aug. 13, 1968. Springfield, Ill. Div. No. 59.

Frank Adamske, 87. Entry Oct. 1, 1919. Died Oct. 16, 1968. Grand Rapids Div. No. 97.

Walter Gorman, 57. Entry Nov. 2, 1953. Died Oct. 18, 1968. Detroit Div. No. 2.

Warren Yeagan, 77. Entry Mar. 2, 1931. Died June 15, 1965. Atlanta Div. No. 28.

Albert Howard, 88. Entry May 1, 1920. Died Nov. 4, 1968. Albany Div. No. 51.

Hosea Hooper, 74. Entry June 1, 1920. Died Dec. 4, 1968. Dallas Div. No. 63.

Clyde Chambliss, 79. Entry Dec. 1, 1921. Died April 21, 1968. Little Rock Div. No. 5.

Louis Pospisil, 75. Entry Dec. 1, 1934. Died Aug. 6, 1968. Sioux Falls Div. No. 74.

J. E. Hasson, Jr., 68. Entry Nov. 1, 1921. Died Sept. 17, 1968. Johnstown Div. No. 85.

Alonzo Boswell, 93. Entry Dec. 1, 1928. Died Mar. 29, 1968. Peoria Div. No. 90.

James Harris, Jr., 35. Entry July 1, 1952. Died Nov. 22, 1968. Danville Div. No. 125.

Andrew Pangrac, 69. Entry June 1, 1932. Died Dec. 23, 1968. St. Paul-Minneapolis Div. No. 61.

William Myer, 87. Entry Jan. 2, 1923. Died Sept. 27, 1968. Manhattan Div. No. 87.

Maurice Fell, 80. Entry May 1, 1920. Died May 18, 1953. Philadelphia Div. No. 30.

Harry Long, 78. Entry Jan. 2, 1927. Died Dec. 26, 1968. Delavan Div. No. 80.

James Bata, 85. Entry Jan. 2, 1918. Died Dec. 13, 1968. Little Rock Div. No. 5.

Howard Crews, 67. Entry May 1, 1923. Died Dec. 11, 1968. Cincinnati Div. No. 10.

William Scott, 63. Entry Nov. 1, 1930. Died Dec. 30, 1968. Atlanta Div. No. 28.

Clifford Bull, Jr., 38. Entry Feb. 1, 1955. Died Dec. 18, 1968. Rochester Div. No. 52.

Francis Rocco, 62. Entry May 1, 1929. Died Dec. 23, 1968. Detroit Div. No. 2.

Peter Koit, 44. Entry June 1, 1957. Died Dec. 20, 1968. Brooklyn Div. No. 23.

Minott Rogers, 77. Entry Dec. 1, 1922. Died Jan. 8, 1969. Fort Worth Div. No. 62.

Albert Donovan, 59. Entry Jan. 2, 1929. Died Dec. 25, 1968. Rochester Div. No. 52.

Roman Berke, 78. Entry July 1, 1943. Died Nov. 20, 1968. Sioux Falls Div. No. 74.

Edward Freeman, 78. Entry Mar. 2, 1925. Died Jan. 3, 1969. Richmond Div. No. 83.

Maurice Blonsky, 59. Entry Sept. 2, 1941. Died Dec. 11, 1968. Kansas City Div. No. 31.

BIRTHS

Jan. 21—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whitworth, Md., a girl.

Jan. 28—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Borders, Columbus, Ohio, a boy.

COMEBACKS

CLEVELAND No. 21—John F. Long.

SEATTLE No. 44—Otto Lichtenberg.

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 FLINT No. 15—Lynn Boynton.
 MILWAUKEE No. 17—Mark Liberski, Helen Ragsdale.
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 HARTFORD No. 37—George Bonvouloir, John Voreck, Bernard Boucher, Lionel Boutin.
 BUFFALO No. 40—Donna Liss, George Liss.
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 DAVENPORT No. 59—Lela Schladetzky.
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 DETROIT No. 138—Mary Holbrook.
 CHATTANOOGA No. 140—Edna Upchurch, Donald Seals, Marshall Campbell.
 DALLAS No. 141—Marion Seale.
 CHICAGO No. 142—Gloria Carlburg, Linda Francini, Kathleen Henry, Annette Langston, Katherine Nichols, Ethel Stringfellow, Anna Mulay.
 PITTSBURGH No. 144—Anna Daberko, Clara Mainos.
 HARTFORD No. 149—Beatrice Desrosier, Betty Kilduff, Marcelina Padilla, Betty Bonvouloir.
 AKRON No. 154—Thelma Kolb.
 WASHINGTON No. 155—Glenda Ennis, William Ennis, Judy Gough, Constance Paine, Jeanette Wonder, Jimmie Crawford, Mary Ann Rose.

Annual Report

For the Year Ended Dec. 31, 1968, as Made to State Insurance Departments

ASSETS		
Mortgage loans on real estate		\$1,512,543.45
BONDS:		
U.S. and Canadian Governments	\$ 665,759.00	
Provinces of Canada	82,529.75	
Special revenue of government agencies	48,510.00	
Railroads	104,569.00	
Public Utilities	1,560,044.48	
Industrial and miscellaneous	922,373.87	3,383,786.10
Preferred Stocks		388,800.00
Real Estate: Home Office property	111,893.50	
Properties acquired in satisfaction of debt	24,969.86	136,863.36
Loans on certificates of members		101,942.63
CASH:		
In Society's office	643.80	
On deposit in banks	163,471.57	164,115.37
Interest and other investment income due and accrued		60,085.60
TOTAL ADMITTED ASSETS		\$5,748,136.51

NOTE: Bonds & Stocks are based on values prescribed by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners.

LIABILITIES, SPECIAL RESERVES AND UNASSIGNED FUNDS		
Reserve for certificates and contracts:		
Life	\$3,917,436.00	
Accident and health	217,191.00	\$4,134,627.00
Contract claims in course of settlement:		
Life	16,088.00	
Accident and health	3,705.00	19,793.00
Advance premiums received		18,215.74
Refunds due and unpaid		5,674.52
Provision for refunds payable in following calendar year		125,000.00
Due and accrued:		
General expenses	106.17	
Taxes, licenses and fees	6,012.45	6,118.62
Amounts retained by Society as agent		48,117.67
Mandatory Security Valuation Reserve		80,393.46
Foreign exchange rate adjustment		6,485.29
Liability for benefits for employees		97,417.12
Total liabilities and reserves		\$4,541,842.42
Unassigned funds		1,206,294.09
TOTAL		\$5,748,136.51

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS (Accrual Basis)		
Premiums and annuity considerations:		
Life	\$ 269,701.28	
Accident and health	63,643.59	333,344.87
Net investment income		236,953.73
Miscellaneous income		552.10
TOTAL		\$ 570,850.70
DEDUCT:		
Benefits:		
Death	\$ 109,446.18	
Accident and health	52,440.00	
Surrender	21,043.23	
Matured endowments	2,377.00	
On supplementary contracts	180.00	
Interest on certificate or contract funds	4,151.13	189,637.54
Increase in reserve for:		
Life certificates	158,678.00	163,549.47
Accident and health contracts	4,871.47	117,661.15
General insurance expenses		5,372.23
Taxes, licenses and fees		114,786.19
Refunds to Members (dividends)		
TOTAL		\$ 591,006.58
NET GAIN FROM OPERATIONS		\$ -20,155.88

UNASSIGNED FUNDS AND SPECIAL RESERVE ACCOUNT		
Unassigned funds December 31, previous year		\$1,226,417.80
Net gain from operations		-20,155.88
Net capital losses		-14,605.83
Net gain from non-admitted assets		1,681.41
Increase in Mandatory Securities Valuation Reserve		12,956.59
TOTAL		\$1,206,294.09
UNASSIGNED FUNDS DECEMBER 31, CURRENT YEAR		\$1,206,294.09

Valuation Report

Life certificates:	Number of Certificates	Insurance in force	Aggregate Reserve
On N.F.C. 4% basis	13	\$ 11,250.00	\$ 8,620.00
On American Experience 4% basis	4,989	3,340,008.00	2,331,360.00
On American Experience 3% basis	2,936	2,160,113.00	1,062,936.00
On C.S.O. 2 1/2% basis (1941)	1,589	1,225,970.00	310,805.00
On C.S.O. 2 1/2% basis (1958) (Male)	1,116	1,833,877.00	136,667.00
On C.S.O. 2 1/2% basis (1958) (Female)	733	798,982.00	53,878.00
Supplementary contracts with life contingencies			1,241.00
Accidental Death Benefits			2,461.00
Disability—Active Lives			101.00
Non-deduction of deferred premiums			3,101.00
For fixed dating of policies			6,266.00
TOTAL	11,376	\$9,370,200.00	\$3,917,436.00
Accident and health reserve (NFS & NFC 3% & 4%; NFS & CSO 2 1/2%)			217,191.00
TOTAL RESERVES			\$4,134,627.00

NOTE: All 4% cts. are valued on American Experience 3% basis with full premium deficiency reserves.

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