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Number Two

PARADE OF THE ELVES

By DON MILLS

WHILE sitting in the garden
Just imagine my surprise
When an elf slid down a moonbeam
And threw star dust in my eyes.
I blinked them rapidly, and then
I saw the strangest sight—
For here were elves a-trooping in
From fore, and left, and right.
From underneath the arbor;
From out the four-o'clocks;
They swarmed from pinks and zinnias
And the stately purple phlox.
Each flower sent its fairy,
Too, each blade of grassy green
Contributed its actor to
The gay, fantastic scene.
They paraded to the hollyhocks,
Then gaily countermarched
To the lattice in the corner
Where the rambler roses arched.
In single file they moved away
To form a magic ring
Where in tempo light and lilting
They began to softly sing.
Every flower in the garden
And the crooked apple tree
Seemed to nod its head in cadence
To the fairy symphony.
But a shadow passed above us;
Turned the moonlight into gray
And each fairy figure scurried
To his floral hideaway.
Ever since, when out a-walking,
I step lightly and look well,
For where a fairy's lurking
One can never, never tell.

The Spotlight

By J. FREDERICK MEAGHER

DO-G-DAYS drive even poets mad. (Some klucks claim poets are always mad, anyway.) Been so hot, I've taken to writing poems to Frau Frieda. Imagine any poet so heat-maddened he violates rule 1 of the Poets' Union by inditing verse to his OWN wife! Verily, truth is stranger than fiction. Here goes:

HEAVENLY HANDS AND ANGEL ARMS

Your Golden Silence softly charms—
Heavenly hands and angel arms!
Each shadow-salvo fondly floats,
Clarion-clear, in noiseless-notes—
Like gently-tossing tops of trees
Responsive to a breath of breeze.

Your fingers flutter, fast and firm—
Shape signal-sentences which squirm,
A cadenza that seems to swing
Like fluted flap of angel-wing;
Or like wild waves on sobbing seas—
Which surge in moaning melodies.

The swing and sway of silent-sign—
A muted-melody divine,
Can cause our hearts to throb and thrum—
To bounce and bob—to sob and strum!
And so I love the witching, warm
Sign-anthem of your angel arm.

KICKS—Buff and Blue sermon in nutshell: "An alumnus is a graduate who knows precisely how the football team should be run." Clever. Plagiarize that to read: "An ex-delegate is cheer-leader of the kicking-corps when Grands enforce the very laws he voted to saddle on them." Couple of examples:

Writes one of our personal pals—in thoughtless jest printed in one of the up-and-coming independent sheets: "Editorial staff of THE FRAT report they are 'slaving' for us members, eh? Methought they were getting amply paid." Hummmm. Grands don't get much more than regular scale for Union printers, here; Grands put in considerable free overtime (catch us smart Union lads doing that—are we dumb?) The force of three Grands and one steno handle about twice the business entailed 15 years ago—when there were three Grands and two or three clerks and typists, with several brudders paid for extra work on the annual reports each Yuletide. And the "mental hazzard" of holding office and protecting that two million from the sly foxes of LaSalle street, is tremendous. Nope; your old uncle Spotty wouldn't swap his soft-snap as a Union printer for a job in headquarters—not for twice what the Grands garner.

One best-loved pal of auld lang syne, in private letter, says the Grands at KC were "unfair" in spreading propaganda for Toronto to win the Frat Derby. News to me. Might be—but I couldn't see it. I was there—my pal was not. Heat-maddened memories are Toronto seemed to be given less chance to "flash the fireworks and whoop it up" than were the other cities. Thinking hard, I tingle still with recollections of the dramatic "La-Fiesta" lady and her crew of wine-Samaritans; the cavaliering Lord Baltimore and his pompous pageantry; boy, what a thrill we received.

While I can't for the life of me,

cushla, recall a single grand-stand play by our Canadian cousins—except that silent shibboleth of "Cool Toronto." That two-word war cry won the day! It would—with the thermometer registering up to 104-degrees.

I really can't see how anyone figures the Grands were "unfair." However, this is a free country—and every man has a right to howl "Lynch the Umpire." [The absurdity of that rumor that our Grands "favored" any convention city is disproved by the voting. Grands attending the Kansas City convention were pretty evenly split among the contending cities.—Ed.]

In the interest of fair-play, let me again tip-off every city planning to run for our 1943 convention: Start planning your race-high propaganda right now! For Toronto will probably junk our sacred tradition forbidding all direct propaganda at banquets, etc. Each city will likely get 15-min. to stage their own unique stunts. Los Angeles will likely have an "act" with Hollywood bathing-beauties, Indians, gold-prospectors, and cowed friars. Lord Baltimore and his Colonial Dames (borrowed from Doris Orman's Doodle Dandies) will flay some British redcoat. Chicago will show how they take frat-knockers for a "ride"—blank-cartridges around the town-pump. Other cities will pull interesting surprise-stunts. Looks like that Toronto banquet will be one of the best we ever attended, buddy.

"NAD Bulletin" (funds short, any issue may be the last) states today's big issues in Deafdom are (1) jobs, and (2) Dunn-McNary Plan. This is a bill in Congress providing deaf-mutes with a sort of combination Goodyear-Silent A. C.—in return for yielding our rights as citizens. Some whacking-good arguments for—but stronger arguments against . . . President Kenner, harassing Farley for post-office jobs for deaf: "The Rev. H. C. Merrill says the P. O. authorities will have to be educated to accept the broad-minded definition held by Canada, which—while recognizing deafness as a physical disability—treats the deaf in the same manner as war veterans who are given preference to government jobs." . . . Tom Anderson has a peachy spiel, in part:

"What if the blind are given pensions? The blind are a helpless class, and need pensions. What if the hard-of-hearing get their fingers beneath the lid of an occasional Community Chest? They are comparatively supine and soft from too much sheltering care. What if war veterans have 'got theirs' through political manipulation? Is this the signal for everyone else to raid the public treasury until it is drained? What has become of our proud boast 'The Deaf Do Not Beg'? What of the feeling of superiority we once had over the deaf of England—because they cannot hold a meeting of their own without some hearing 'patron' in the chair?"

This last sentence will tickle Robey Burns—coach of our amazing two-boy track-team in the 4th World's International Deaf Games, last year; ever since he has been stewing over the "slave-like humiliation of European deaf." If Burns is to be believed, deaf in other countries are not much

better off than Southern negroes before 1861, or Russians under the Czar.

DIV. NOTES—Who would classify fishing as a hazardous sport? Yet Lowell's Allan Mooney drowned while angling. . . . Membership Derby sees field-horses overhauling the speedy "Pat" O'Greenberg; in one month Toronto's Dave Peikoff picks-off five, and Jim Smith—the "Wimpy" of my KC Popeye stunt—hamburgers four. . . . Remember the 1930 Gibson Memorial Drive for members, when Utica's James McGovern won by a hair from Dallas' Troy Hill? McGovern died July 8; and exactly a week later poor Hill met a sadder fate—he married his third wife! Petite Geneva Florence, Gallaudet '33. What DO the femmes see in that skinny little runt, Hill?

Los Angeles still insists their Joe Greenberg is a Jew, not an Irishman. Do you know writing-authorities agree you should never call a Jew a Hebrew? They claim Jews are a race of people, Hebrew is a language. I debated that question with a bright bunch of Manhattan Jews, autoing here three years ago; Edgar Bloom, Jr., graduate of Columbia U, opined "Jew" and "Hebrew" seemed the same. Arrah; the Irish language is Gaelic, cushla—but do you call me a "Gael," or do you style me "shanty Irish," "Mick," "Turk," and other nice, loving names like that?

Here's a toast to our Brudder Joe Greenberg—
A buddy with vigor and vim;
When he goes to the mat
To enlist a new frat
'Tis no use to say "No sir" to him!
All hail to our heroes of Membership t'ffs—
The Greenbergs and Peikoffs and Keeleys and "Smiffs."

Those names—typifying our society's beautiful brotherhood-blend of all races and religions—denote a Jew, a Russian, an Irishman, and an unreformed, orthodox Chevvy-chauffeur. (Whom us disciples of the Ford chariot cordially detest.)

Co-operation—How?

By FRED R. MURPHY

EACH issue of THE FRAT finds President Roberts earnestly appealing to the membership to "bring 'em in." Column upon column reflects his earnestness and whole-hearted desire to expand the membership rolls of the organization. The idea of offering cash prizes to the members securing five or more new applications is a fine thing in itself, but in my opinion it is not enough.

What the organization needs if it really wants to increase in numbers is a closer contact between each individual division and the Home Office. It is true that each division is governed by certain set rules enacted at the quadrennial conventions, but these rules apply mostly to the status of the individual member and his relation to the Home Office through his Division.

Each division is allowed to elect its own officers at will, imposing upon them the responsibility of enforcing the organization's laws. This is all.

There is no way for the Home Office to know if the division or its officers are really living up to their obligations. [You may rest assured, Murph, that we discover their shortcomings, if any, soon enough.—Ed.]

Thus, it follows, that the Home Office exists only to handle the routine business connected with the insurance angle of the organization, and what few matters there are that the divisions, unable to cope with, have passed on to those higher up whose wisdom and authority they respect. [Freddie, you would change your opinion on this point were you here to see the thousand and one matters coming in from Divisions for solution.—Ed.]

It is undeniable that there are many, many men outside the organization who should be in. The vast majority of these non-Frats are not reached by our monthly publication. Perhaps few really read and heed the pleas for action published each month.

In view of the facts of the case I am herewith suggesting a solution.

Let each division elect its officers as usual, but such elections shall not be final until the Home Office has scrutinized the list of new officers and placed thereon its stamp of approval.

In this way the Home Office will assume a closer interest in each division, and in its membership body. The Home Office may thus aid the division in securing qualified leaders whom it can trust.

And, furthermore, let the Home Office pay salaries to the three highest officers of each division, the President, Secretary and Treasurer respectively. This need not be much, but it cannot be too small as to make it a matter of trivial interest.

One may exclaim that such a plan may mean bankruptcy—but one forgets the benefits so gained, and perhaps these will more than offset the expense connected with the operation of the plan. What is a small monthly salary—say \$5—compared to the Townsend Plan, which would make old men of us all before our time?

The idea of paying salaries is to secure more interest on the part of the officers in the organization as a whole and to gain their earnest co-operation in increasing the membership. When one realizes that he is an employee of the Home Office, drawing a monthly salary and subject to the discretion of the Home Office to replace him if he is found unsatisfactory, won't that prove an incentive to any man to go out and "bring 'em in"?

Fratogram

By L. S. CHERRY

NOW the Big Splurge is under way. Or, to be more explicit, the drive for new members is fast gaining momentum and once again prospects are being recruited in multitudes.

In July the number of new entrants was twenty-two, and in August twenty-five membership applications were ap-

proved, with four held in abeyance pending adjustments. That is not to mention the constant stream of paid-up members back to active ranks. In September—? Do not pause to count, boys. Apply full steam to your efforts and all previous scores will look like mere flurries.

Go-getters extraordinary are David Peikoff of Toronto and Joe Greenberg of Los Angeles. No obstacles will keep them in a state of impotency. And how these lads can hustle! They are setting a terrific pace at the head of the Derby competition, with Peikoff, by virtue of two tremendous spurts in as many months, at present leading his rival by a margin of two points.

If you happen to be wondering what constitutes their powerful stock in trade, you can bet your boots it is just plain common-sense argument—plus a lot of patience and energy in driving it home.

These two worthies are by no means the only ones to watch. Others, who are working equally hard to keep this recruiting business on a highly productive basis, are trailing not far behind and any of them is liable to jump among the leaders any time. As a matter of fact, what with enthusiasm spreading like wildfire and continually driving new corps of hustlers into action, the race bids fair to become a free-for-all.

You who have not yet started had better get busy right away. No member of this Society is worth his salt unless, and until, he at least makes a genuine attempt to secure new members. For possible recruits, scan the list of your friends and acquaintances—they are more readily approachable than utter strangers—and go after them at once. By inducing them to join you will be doing them a big favor, as well as yourselves and the Society. Let your motto be: If at first you don't succeed, try, try again.

Even if one new member is all you are able to get that is not to be sneezed at. Bear in mind, it is child's arithmetic to figure that if every member secured one new entrant the Society's rolls would be instantly doubled.

Get one now. Then go after some more.

Library On The Deaf

By ALTOR L. SEDLOW

IF WE delve deep enough we'll find that the cause for discrimination against the deaf is due to the fact that the hearing world knows very little about the deaf. The hard-of-hearing are well-organized and are able to propagandize the world. As a result they are held in greater respect than are the deaf.

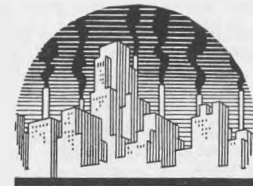
Almost without exception publications of and for the deaf contain personal items, about doings in cities and divisions. Rarely there appears an article of interest to all the deaf. For my part, I cannot get up enthusiasm reading about minor happenings in

some distant city, chronicles about people I know nothing about. I assume I'm not alone in this. Certainly, hearing people reading such accounts cannot have such very high opinion of us.

Among the deaf there are splendid writers. No need for me to name them. They can write entertainingly about the deaf world without dragging in personal items. I would suggest that the editors of all deaf publications invite them to contribute to their columns.

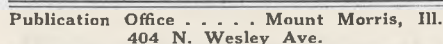
As to topics, the deaf world is full of them. We may look down on the English and regard them as our inferiors, but the fact remains they've been able to publicize themselves pretty well. A people that published such novels as "King Silence," "Silent World" and "A Silent Handicap" have nothing to be ashamed of. I do not know if any novels about America's deaf have been published. No need to write novels, tho. Have often wondered why no effort has been made to write the autobiographies of the greats in American deafdom. A pity no one has tackled the job of writing about the late F. P. Gibson and of his accomplishments. Such autobiographies, besides publicizing the deaf, should provide a source of inspiration for the younger generation, hearten them in their fight for recognition as equal with the best, provide them with a background. Many things could be written about the deaf in industry, in sport, invention, objectives of the deaf, how we live, work, get along with our kind, etc., etc.

After such articles appear in print, the N. A. D. could collect the best and print them in pamphlet form for wide distribution. Such booklets will be of invaluable aid in educating the hearing world about the deaf and will eventually put an end to silly discrimination against the deaf. Through this method we will be able to create a "deaf library." Because this plan will benefit all the deaf of America, I believe the deaf of the land will gladly contribute nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars for the purpose of printing such articles for wide distribution.



THE right use of leisure is no doubt a harder problem than the right use of our working hours. The soul is dyed the color of its leisure thoughts.

—Dean Inge.



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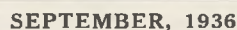
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FRANCIS P. GIBSON'S LAST MESSAGE:
"CARRY ON"



A Good Start

A GOOD MANY Division Presidents have responded to the request of the Grand President printed in these columns in the July FRAT, that they appoint Membership committees and continue an intensive drive for new members, and have reported the formation of such committees, the starting of work along the lines laid down.

This is heartening, and an indication of a revival of the Do Something spirit, which was somewhat dormant during the late economic depression. We say "late economic depression" with full confidence that the country has come out of the slough of depression and is definitely on the upgrade toward better conditions. There are many evidences of this. This society, therefore, should not be backward in taking advantage of improved conditions.

First and foremost in our present objectives is the building of the society into a larger organization in point of numbers. Taking the accepted figures as to the number of eligible deaf men in this country and Canada, the society should have at least 15,000 members. We regard that as a reasonable figure, one that should be attained within the next few years, barring untoward economic events in the near future.

Therefore, let us all unite in this objective, to enroll a membership to the 15,000 mark, or better, within the next few years. Already the drive for new members inaugurated by the Home Office at the beginning of the present year, with the offer of cash

prizes, has shown good results. A glance at the new entrant list will show that the number of new members has more than doubled of late months. This, however, is not enough. It should be trebled and quadrupled each month.

If every member will do his part, this should be easy. Hundreds of eligible men are only waiting to be urged to join.

An aggressive Membership committee in each Division will round up all the eligibles in the territory. The committee should be on the job constantly, and see that all members of the Division are helping in the drive. The Membership committee should meet at least monthly, go over the list of eligible prospects, and see that proper contacts are made with the prospects, not once but repeatedly until they join.

The Membership committee can arrange to hold monthly meetings for this purpose immediately before, during, or after the regular monthly meeting of the Division, thus saving unnecessary expense and loss of time.

Those Division Presidents who have not yet reported to the Grand President the formation of Membership committees and beginning of active membership work, should do so at once, so the Home Office may get a line on the extent of the efforts now being made to increase the membership in each Division.

Division Presidents are again reminded that theirs is not merely an honorary position wherein they preside at Division meetings. Their job is to see that the Division is kept up on its toes, alive, active, aggressive in the effort to build our society into a larger and greater organization.

ALL TOGETHER NOW, BOYS. WE HAVE MADE A GOOD START. WE ARE GAINING MOMENTUM. KEEP THE MACHINERY HUMMING FROM NOW ON. GO AFTER EVERY ELIGIBLE PROSPECT IN YOUR TERRITORY. KEEP YOUR DIVISION "MEMBERSHIP CONSCIOUS." BUILD—BUILD—BUILD.

No Loss

ONE of our young and aggressive deputy organizers writes in that some of the prospective members in his territory argue with him that should they join and later drop out through unforeseen circumstances, the money they pay in dues would be lost to them—in short, “pocketed by the Society.”

That argument is effectively disposed of by the fact that a member dropping out after three years is granted paid-up insurance, figured on the amount he has paid in, length of membership, age at joining, and class of certificate. No member who has been on the rolls three years or more can lose the money he has paid in.

A glance at the list of benefits on the lives of deceased paid-up members, which appears in THE FRAT each

month, is proof of this. In every such case, the benefit exceeds by two or three times the amount the deceased member paid in dues before dropping out. During the current year, the following benefits have been paid on the lives of deceased paid-up members:

J. M. Burmeister.....	\$ 281.00
L. M. Stockard.....	250.00
W. W. Clark.....	1,048.00
E. B. Ringnell.....	1,050.00
H. V. Clancy.....	184.00
Simon Mundheim.....	130.00
C. E. Thompson.....	80.00
W. E. Norton.....	115.00
H. R. Willets.....	230.00
T. C. Caillet.....	595.00
Paul Block.....	330.00
P. P. Polk.....	381.00
J. H. Nilson.....	348.00
G. A. Grubbs.....	103.00
J. E. Tubrick.....	425.00
M. M. Jacobs.....	323.00
F. B. Holland.....	398.00
Herman Woods.....	145.00
Robert Rison.....	124.00
A. E. Ross.....	349.00
J. T. Cull.....	552.00
Oren De Champlain.....	

Assure your prospects that they cannot lose, if they remain in the Society at least three years.

Home Office Building

ON JULY 1, the Society started work on remodeling into a modern Home Office building one of the properties it acquired through foreclosure in 1933.

The new building will be of brick and cement, two stories and basement, located on an ample lot 50 x 141 feet, in the suburb of Oak Park immediately adjoining Chicago on the West. The new building is seven and a half miles from the loop, or central business district of Chicago, easily reached by the elevated railways, street car lines, bus lines, and motor highway No. 20 running on Washington Boulevard. It is within 25 minutes of the loop by the Lake Street elevated railway.

The general contractor in charge of the work has promised completion of the building by September 10, and the Home Office expects to move into the new structure by October 1.

In the next issue of THE FRAT further details will be given concerning the new building, and announcement made as to date on which Division officials are to change address of the Home Office when mailing in matter.



BLESSED is the man who, having nothing to say, abstains from giving us wordy evidence of the fact.

—George Eliot.

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JULY COLLECTIONS

Grand Division	\$ 32.08
Chicago No. 1	310.93
Detroit	143.70
Saginaw	34.33
Louisville	52.85
Little Rock	94.52
Dayton	67.55
Cincinnati	170.08
Nashville	24.93
Olathe	78.21
Flint	98.60
Toledo	108.45
Milwaukee	139.62
Columbus	208.00
Knoxville	40.45
Cleveland	146.25
Indianapolis	239.89
Brooklyn	396.13
St. Louis	260.32
New Haven	52.26
Holyoke	31.68
Los Angeles	240.90
Atlanta	96.35
Philadelphia	340.88
Kansas City	118.20
Omaha	62.93
New Orleans	75.53
Kalamazoo	41.06
Boston	172.69
Pittsburgh	137.01
Hartford	53.39
Memphis	54.82
Portland, Me.	58.63
Buffalo	55.12
Portland, Ore.	91.14
Newark	106.82
Providence	44.04
Seattle	77.94
Utica	80.73
Washington	217.46
Baltimore	128.29
Syracuse	39.81
Cedar Rapids	66.25
Albany	46.35
Rochester	95.86
San Francisco	94.97
Reading	129.58
Akron	291.94
Salt Lake City	65.54
Rockford	37.90
Springfield, Ill.	45.82
Davenport	46.92
Worcester	61.88
St. Paul-Minneapolis	156.19
Fort Worth	77.21
Dallas	76.68
Denver	103.19
Waterbury	46.76
Springfield, Mass.	64.74
Waco	32.80
Bangor	41.66
Kenosha	26.01
Birmingham	55.84
Sioux Falls	44.62
Wichita	45.68
Spokane	57.74
Des Moines	38.98
Lowell	53.57
Berkeley	40.95
Delavan	98.96
Houston	84.08
Scranton	30.63
Richmond	53.30
Johnstown	47.83
Manhattan	228.51
Jacksonville	31.39
Lewiston	37.27
Peoria	49.32
Jersey City	78.93
Bronx	98.16
Columbia	75.84
Charlotte	90.22
Durham (June)	86.70
Durham (July)	40.65
Dubuque	15.83
Grand Rapids	19.99
Toronto	232.65
Duluth	26.06
Canton	29.40
Faribault	53.79
South Bend	83.86
Council Bluffs	74.09
Fort Wayne	38.99
Schenectady	28.75
Chicago No. 106	90.26
Miami	46.57
Binghamton	72.22
Wilkinsburg	63.70
San Diego	19.19
Eau Claire	60.72
Sulphur	45.74
Vancouver	14.42
Westchester	25.15
Queens	50.49
Montreal No. 117 (June)	28.97
Montreal No. 117 (July)	47.95
Montreal No. 118	31.09
Total collections	\$9,301.27

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR JULY, 1936

Balance and Income	
Balance, June 30, 1936	\$1,945,616.64
Division collections	9,301.27
Interest, mortgage loans	1,617.50
Interest, bonds	4,541.01
Mortgage fees	12.50
Property insurance premiums	50.04
Refund of investment expenses	10.00
Rents	3,498.53
Lodge supplies	.60
Exchange on checks	2.60
Advertising in the FRAT	5.50
Subscriptions to the FRAT	.60
Recording and registry fees	9.25
Total balance and income	\$1,964,665.94
Disbursements	
Death benefits	\$ 3,342.00
Sick benefits	1,485.00
Accident benefits	550.00
Old-age income payments	77.57
Clerical services	190.00
Investment expenses	3,197.83
Office expenses	54.68
Officers' & Trustees' salaries	787.48
Official publication	181.42
Postage	20.63
Printing and stationery	18.33
Property insurance premiums	412.92
Rents	162.50
Total disbursements	\$ 10,480.36
Recapitulation	
Balance and income	\$1,964,665.94
Disbursements	10,480.36
Balance, July 31, 1936	\$1,954,185.58

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Ledger Assets, July 31, 1936

Real estate	\$ 452,953.30
First mortgage loans	659,475.97
First mortgage bonds	222,945.73
U. S. Government bonds	105,591.43
State bonds	209,258.06
Municipal bonds	155,293.03
Canadian bonds	21,062.06
Bank deposits	126,491.88
Cash in Society's office	1,114.12
Total ledger assets	\$1,954,185.58
Balance in Funds	
Reserve fund	\$1,701,583.39
Mortuary fund	101,617.81
Sick and accident fund	89,318.20
Accumulated interest	31,767.49
Convention fund	12,630.09
Indemnity fund	2,366.50
General expense fund	14,902.10
Total in all funds	\$1,954,185.58

NOTE

By action of the Executive committee of the Grand Division Board of Directors, the October, 1936, mortuary assessments will be waived for all members in Classes C, D, E, and F who have been on the rolls one year or more on October 1, 1936. Sick and accident and expense taxes will be paid as usual in October, as these are payable twelve months in the year. Class A members will pay mortuary assessments and taxes as usual in October, as this class is not waived.

BIRTHS

December 22—Mr. and Mrs. John Staska, Moorhead, Minn., a boy.
May 15—Mr. and Mrs. Andreas Schramski, Delavan, Wis., a boy.
June 24—Mr. and Mrs. Emery Nomeland, Faribault, Minn., a boy.
July 4—Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Hirte, Menasha, Wis., a boy.
July 5—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Heritage, Davenport, Ia., a girl.
July 13—Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jess, Andover, Ia., a girl.
July 17—Mr. and Mrs. Sealy Lamm, Olathe, Kans., a boy.
July 17—Mr. and Mrs. Max Wissotzky, New York, N.Y., a girl.
July 17—Mr. and Mrs. William Grinnell, Philadelphia, Pa., a girl.
July 19—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Riecker, Beatrice, Nebr., a girl.

Deputies

ATLANTA No. 28: H. E. Morgan succeeds L. B. Dickerson.
KANSAS CITY No. 31: F. R. Murphy succeeds O. L. Sanford.
ALBANY No. 51: A. P. Lapienis succeeds W. M. Lange.
WORCESTER No. 60: C. A. Morrison succeeds D. J. Trask.

JULY DISABILITY CLAIMS

W. H. Paterson, Montreal No. 118	\$ 30.00
Daniel Wasserman, Manhattan	150.00
Nathan Herlands, Manhattan	60.00
*E. M. Curran, Bangor	30.00
*Samuel Greenberg, Manhattan	120.00
*Samuel Bentley, Akron	30.00
J. F. Baker, Toronto	35.00
Arthur Walker, Toronto	10.00
W. J. Ross, Toronto	75.00
F. I. Pollock, Miami	30.00
C. E. Rollings, Indianapolis	50.00
J. E. Houser, Indianapolis	15.00
P. E. Donahue, Boston	50.00
J. F. Bruce, Boston	50.00
S. E. Brownrigg, Saginaw	15.00
H. A. Gillen, Queens	90.00
S. J. Rogalsky, Brooklyn	150.00
W. E. Broome, Charlotte	20.00
L. A. Hess, Dayton	50.00
E. P. Herzig, Cincinnati	15.00
W. A. Wark, Columbus	50.00
Frank Hannah, Houston	135.00
*Gottlieb Bieri, Saginaw	10.00
*T. S. Cuscaden, Omaha	105.00
*R. J. Chenney, Brooklyn	90.00
*J. C. Carmack, Sulphur	45.00
Antonio Chicoine, Montreal No. 117	30.00
C. S. McCord, Birmingham	50.00
G. R. Davis, Baltimore	150.00
George Hansz, Detroit	50.00
F. G. Kreuzer, Utica	15.00
W. T. Griffing, Sulphur	60.00
W. L. Youree, Nashville	50.00
*Chas. Spitaleri, Bronx	30.00
*Walter Wagner, Cincinnati	90.00
Total for the month	\$2,035.00

*Denotes accident claims.

JULY DEATH CLAIMS

Paid to Edith P. Chandler, Knoxville, Tenn., for death benefit of John B. Chandler, certificate No. 680-D, deceased June 28, 1936, \$500.
Paid to Mamie De Champlain, Flint, Mich., for death benefit of Oren De Champlain, certificate No. 784-C, deceased June 30, 1936, \$552.
Paid to Clara A. Wark, Columbus, Ohio, for death benefit of Walter A. Wark, certificate No. 458-E, deceased June 19, 1936, \$500.
Paid to Grace E. Lord, Peoria, Ill., for death benefit of James A. Lord, certificate No. 6193-C, deceased July 5, 1936, \$500.
Paid to Mary D. Huber, Jeffersonville, Ind., for death benefit of Ernest Huber, certificate No. 489-C, deceased July 11, 1936, \$500.
Paid to Margaret M. Dingman, La Grange, Ohio, for death benefit of James Dingman, Jr., certificate No. 1882-C, deceased July 21, 1936, \$317.
Paid to Inez C. Ross, Fort Smith, Ark., for death benefit of Alfred E. Ross, certificate No. 6018-C, deceased July 15, 1936, \$124.
Paid to Mary O. Lyman, Stillwater, Minn., for death benefit of John T. Cull, certificate No. 86-C, deceased July 15, 1936, \$349.

OBITUARY

JOHN A. WELTER, 66, of Chicago Div. No. 1, died July 16, 1936. He joined the Society Feb. 1, 1909, and held certificate No. 350-C.
WILLIAM A. OWNBY, 64, of Columbia Div. No. 93, died July 19, 1936. He joined the Society Sept. 1, 1911, and held certificate No. 1198-C.
JAMES DINGMAN, Jr., 65, of Cleveland Div. No. 21, died July 21, 1936. He joined the Society Jan. 2, 1914, and held certificate No. 1882-C.
FLOYD B. BLAKE, 59, of Little Rock Div. No. 5, died July 29, 1936. He joined the Society Sept. 1, 1909, and held certificate No. 466-C.
DAVID G. CARNAHAN, 35, of Pittsburgh Div. No. 36, died Aug. 2, 1936. He joined the Society Nov. 1, 1922, and held certificate No. 6313-D.
CULMER BARNES, 61, of Manhattan Div. No. 87, died Aug. 4, 1936. He joined the Society May 1, 1913, and held certificate No. 1663-C.
JOHN T. DILKE, 62, of Berkeley Div. No. 79, died Aug. 5, 1936. He joined the Society Nov. 1, 1920, and held certificate No. 5554-E.
JOHN W. BLAIR, 80, of Chicago Div. No. 1, died Aug. 12, 1936. He joined the Society Aug. 1, 1908, and held certificate No. 564-C.
JACOB B. SHOWALTER, 75, of Columbus Div. No. 18, died July 22, 1936. He joined the Society Aug. 1, 1913, and held certificate No. 1743-C.
FRANCIS L. GAJEFSKY, 54, of Denver No. 64, died July 29, 1936. He joined the Society April 1, 1922, and held certificate No. 6121-E.

ENGAGEMENTS

William Asbridge, Dyersburg, Tenn., and Anna Bell, Henry, Tenn.

NEW MEMBERS

Chicago No. 1—Charles Mow.
 Milwaukee—Kenneth Steinke.
 Indianapolis—Richard Phillips, Jr.
 Holyoke—Wilfred Gunther.
 Los Angeles—William Alire, William Bagby,
 Richard Bagby, Ernesto Alvarez, Edgar Ander-
 son, Frank Davis, John Fail, Marcus Tibbetts.
 Hartford—Robert Newell.
 Portland, Ore.—Austin Banks.
 Syracuse—Howard Dingman.
 Worcester—John Hencinski.
 Bangor—Warren Inman, Sr.
 Houston—William Lemons, Allie Hardy.
 Manhattan—Abraham Goodstein.
 Jersey City—Frank Mazzaro.
 Toronto—Roy Bowen, Victor Egginton, Charles
 Lee, James Matthews, Albert Schwager, Alex-
 ander Glennie.

THE GET-ONE DEGREE

Chicago No. 1—Elmer Olson.
 Milwaukee—Oscar Meyer.
 Indianapolis—Charles Whisman.
 Holyoke—Arthur Enger.
 Los Angeles—Joseph Goldstein (4), Julian
 Gardner (3), Otto Becher.
 Hartford—William Newell, Jr.
 Portland, Ore.—Henry Nelson.
 Syracuse—Robert Conley.
 Worcester—Fred Jarvais.
 Bangor—Leo Trainor.
 Houston—Gordon Allen (2).
 Manhattan—Herbert Cohen.
 Jersey City—Francis Nicholas.
 Toronto—David Peikoff (5), John Shilton.

MEMBERSHIP DERBY

LOOK at 'em, folks. They're just getting
 warmed up. Home stretch is not yet in sight,
 but when it is, watch their smoke! These boys
 are bringing 'em in, no mistake:

David Peikoff, Toronto.....	10
Joe Greenberg, Los Angeles.....	8
Joseph Goldstein, Los Angeles.....	5
Alfred Keeley, Salt Lake City.....	4
James Smith, Little Rock.....	4
Gus. Straus, Cincinnati.....	3
Julian Gardner, Los Angeles.....	3
Gordon Allen, Houston.....	3

COME BACKS

Detroit—Robert Baird.
 Milwaukee—Benjamin Rosenthal.
 Indianapolis—William Albright, Gilbert Gil-
 lespie.
 Pittsburgh—David Goldberg.
 Portland, Ore.—Orson Fay.
 Richmond—Robert Longworth.
 Houston—Aquila Castro.

DIVISION NOTES

September

4. Movies.....	Chicago No. 1
5. Social	Des Moines
5. Movies	Scranton
5. Centennial dance	Dallas
5. Social	Kansas City
5-6-7. Labor day outing	Wichita
6-7. Lawn fete.....	Columbus
6. Picnic	Dubuque
6. Picnic	Delavan
6. Picnic	Peoria
6. Free picnic and outing.....	Chicago No. 1
6. Outing	St. Louis
6. Picnic	Omaha
6. Field day and outing.....	Albany
6. Annual picnic	Rochester
7. Banquet	Houston
7. Lawn fete	Columbus
7. Picnic	Cedar Rapids
7. Labor day outing.....	Atlanta
7. Field day	Philadelphia
7. Labor day picnic	Seattle
12. Bingo party	Jersey City
12. Social	Schenectady
12. Surprise party	Providence
13. Picnic	Jacksonville
13. Outing	Syracuse
13. Party	Miami
18. Frolic	Houston
19. Card party	Queens
19. Social	Holyoke
19. Whist party	San Francisco
19. Movies	Wilkinsburg
19. Bingo and frolic	Westchester
26. Social	Bronx
26. Movies	Toronto

October

2. Mock convention	Chicago No. 1
3. Card Party	Syracuse
3. Social	Scranton
3. Social	Dayton
3. Monte Carlo whist	Providence
3. "Liar's Club".....	Albany
10. Card party	Jersey City
17. Ball and card social	Washington
17. Annual dance	Chicago No. 106
24. Halloween	Brooklyn
24. Annual dance	Hartford
24. Halloween social	Cincinnati
24. Mask social	Cleveland
31. Hobo festival.....	Kansas City
31. Halloween frolic	Schenectady
31. Halloween party	Atlanta
31. Halloween party	Syracuse
31. Halloween party	San Francisco
31. Halloween party	Fort Worth
31. Halloween party	South Bend

November

7. Frat family nite	Albany
14. Gala dance	New Haven
14. Fairyland masquerade	Holyoke
14. Annual banquet	Lowell
21. Thanksgiving party	Brooklyn
21. Turkey whist	San Francisco
21. Balloon dance	Worcester
21. Dance	Wilkinsburg

AKRON (By F. X. Zitnik)—Having been
 assigned by President Pfunder to the post of
 Editor of the Division Journal, it was im-
 possible for me to send in any July FRAT
 notes, making this month's column of added
 interest.

The Canton, Akron, Cleveland combined pic-
 nic was attended by some 800 happy folks.
 I have not counted them all to make sure
 of that number, so those readers interested
 in statistics can make their own guess on the
 attendance, but if the word "crowd" could be
 used, this was the largest my optics ever
 beheld assembled in this locality.

It is said that Pittsburgh attendance at the
 picnic was 125, requiring three busses and
 many private cars for transportation. Our
 Pennsylvania frats sure are getting famous
 for going places.

The soft-ball game was won by the Cleve-
 land team, to the satisfaction of Bro. Cahen,
 who personally led the team to settle his
 grudge over losing so many games in the past.
 Bro. Dille found it difficult to captain our
 team and play first base at the same time, so
 his many errors came in handy for the Cleve-
 landers, who beat us 14-1. Space will not
 permit me to name all the winners in the
 other contests.

The day was an ideal one for the picnic,
 but rather a little chilly for the bathing
 beauties, so many stayed away from this
 contest, perhaps fearing goose pimples.

A substantial profit was realized by each
 of the divisions.

The Division sick committee is overbur-
 dened by an unusually heavy disability list
 of our members. Bros. Archer, Carver and
 Snyder had their claims for disability at our
 August meeting; Bros. Hunter and Stottler
 sent in theirs more recently, while Bro. Ayers
 is reported suffering a compound fracture of
 the leg at an accident during working hours.
 The Division should adopt the slogan, "It
 pays to have your Frat dues paid."

Our animated group of Thespians is hard
 at work rehearsing prior to the staging of the
 farce "Safety first" at the Hoted Sherman in
 Chicago, Sept. 19. The play has laughs and
 thrills galore, so success is assured right at
 the start.

Albert Lenz decided to take plenty of rest
 after the strenuous labor of making the
 combined picnic a success, so he took friend
 wife along on his vacation and spent a week
 visiting relatives and friends, and going
 places on a trip East.

Tom L. Anderson dropped in at our August
 meeting and delighted us with his short but
 interesting talk. After visiting the local
 Iowans, he and friend wife continued on the
 way west via Cleveland, stopping there to
 get an eyeful of the big Exposition.

The next event of our Division is the an-
 nual Mask Ball scheduled for Oct. 31. Bro.
 Jay Brown is in charge, and folks, how he
 can hustle. It's a 100 to 1 bet that this event
 will eclipse all the previous Halloween socials.
 Further details will be given in the October
 issue of THE FRAT.

CHICAGO No. 1 (By H. Keesal)—At the
 last meeting there was another exciting meet-
 ing like the one last month. The more mem-
 bers there are, the better and more interesting
 the meeting. So, come regularly to enjoy
 laughter or hot discussions. A new member,
 Charles Mow, was sworn in. He is happy and
 will try to pull in his close friends. Our deputy
 believes that young Frats can bring in their
 friends more easily than the older ones,
 strangers to these ducklets.

Remember the date, September 6—for the
 free picnic and outing at the Caldwell Woods,
 right east of the end of the Milwaukee Ave.
 car line. Come out and have a lot of fun.
 Chairman Ruskin is the director.

The July 18 picnic under the chairmanship
 of Bro. Greenheck is over. The weather was
 ideal. The cool-headed chairman and his
 faithful assistants were congratulated for
 their courteous service. No. 1 wants to thank
 these brothers as well as their wives, who are
 loyal backers of No. 1.

Due to the illness of his mother, Bro. Dono-
 frio had to resign with regret as the chair-
 man of the 1937 Mask Ball. Thomas Gray
 has accepted the task as czar of that monster
 Ball. Watch his smoke. He will try to break
 the crowd-attendance record of Bro. Latre-
 mouille. Tom, you can go ahead; advertise
 well, and tell the public about your job.

Bro. Meagher offered at the last meeting
 two ways to celebrate our 35th birthday on
 Nov. 7, the exact date it was organized 35
 years ago. Bro. Massinkoff was so much
 interested he took the chairmanship of a
 banquet for the purpose of honoring our old
 frats with certificate numbers under 500. You
 will be notified of more definite details through
 this paper.

A Mock Convention will be held in Oc-
 tober. Hope there will be many delegates
 (imaginary) to listen to those ridiculous
 planks or lectures. Chairman Disz will be
 in charge. It will be worth while to witness,
 as it is the main idea to explain how a regu-
 lar convention is conducted.

No. 1 will start a Bank Nite in September
 after its business meeting. It is free to all
 paying admission to any social No. 1 is to
 give. Chairman Maiworm and his chief aid,
 Joe Miller, will direct that Nite. You should
 come every month to our socials, or you will
 forever regret missing that chance.

ST. LOUIS (By C. H. Fry)—W. H. Schaub
 was in Atlantic City, New Jersey, for a week
 this month. He came home tanned.

Our division will hold its outing on the
 6th of September at Chain of Rocks, near the
 Pond, not far from the Parkview Amusement
 Co. If it rains on September 6, the outing
 will be postponed to Labor Day, Sept. 7. Take
 Broadway car going north to the end of the
 line, and take "Chain of Rocks" bus to the
 park. 25c admission will be charged. Come
 and enjoy a good time.

Brother Louis Baur went to Dallas, Texas,
 to visit the exposition last July. He enjoyed
 a fine time. Brother Lee Head of Nashville,
 Tenn., Division visited Brothers I. Marshall
 and O. White. Brothers N. Kieran and W.
 Maack are on the sick list.

CHICAGO DIVISION NO. 106 (F. W. Hin-
 richs)—Plans are under way for our Eleventh
 Annual Ball on October 17 at the West End
 Women's Club. Instead of having a chair-
 man, the Board of Directors is in charge of
 this Ball. We will be ready to announce
 plans in the next month's issue.

Our first boat excursion to St. Joe has come
 and gone, and it sure was something that
 Chairman Rensman can crow about. It drew
 in about 50 admissions, and we made a nice
 commission. You ought to have seen the
 committees smile from ear to ear on the
 trip. There was no work for them to do on
 the boat. Wise committees they were!

Attention, Brothers of the Division. Do
 you always read THE FRAT? Please try to
 read our news, as some of you overlooked the
 Secretary's new address in the issue for
 June. Please make note of these addresses:
 Secretary Hinrichs, 4347 N. Western Ave.
 Treasurer Rensman, 2152 Grace St.

BIRMINGHAM (By Bob Leonard)—Owing
 to the infantile paralysis epidemic which has
 claimed such a heavy toll in this district, the
 Annual Labor Day Picnic has been cancelled.

However, at this writing the health officials claim to have it under control.

Wright Gilchrist has returned from an extensive tour of the wild and woolly west with a stop-over at the Centennial. Local Fraters are rather apprehensive lest Bro. Gilly ride into our next meeting astride his trusty bronco with his shooting irons at the ready.

Bro. Baynes stopped over in Birmingham after attending summer school and the reunion held at Gallaudet some time back. Upon first seeing him, we called his attention to a smut of dirt that seemed to be lodged on his upper lip. Somewhat nettled, Bro. Baynes assured us it was a mustache, but despite his earnest assurances, we remain dubious.

Sam Rittenberg has been moping around town bewailing the fact that he has no vacation. Bro. Leonard, the guy who writes all this drivel, has been trying to get Bro. Sam to charter a car and drive up to Memphis, but every time I bring it up, Bro. Sam assumes one of those "I know everything" looks. Newspaper guys seem to be entirely devoid of romance in the soul.

Now that the picnic has been called off and we failed to part you from your money, hold on to your pocketbooks, brothers, as this calls for a bit of skulduggery and "us No. 73 Ways & Meaners" know our stuff.

SEATTLE (By N. C. Garrison)—The annual midway picnic of the Seattle-Portland-Vancouver Divisions at Centralia, July 25-26, was a great success, under the capable management of Bro. Lynch of the Portland Division and his able assistants. Well over 225 made the round trip of about 200 miles for the two day gathering.

Saturday afternoon was given over to sports at Borst Park, and the evening to a reception, dancing and a couple of wrestling bouts. Sunday an all day picnic and program of sports was enjoyed at Borst Park. Visitors from many states were present, but the most distant visitors were Bro. and Mrs. Ruckdeshel from Rhode Island, who were touring the Northwest in company with Miss Mary Ross of Kansas.

Several good prospects were given application blanks, and with proper "prodding" should soon be in the Frat folds.

The warm weather is playing "heck" with Frat meeting attendance. Most of the boys preferring the beaches over the week-end to the monthly meeting.

Bro. Brower is now receiving the state old age pension and as a consequence his face is all smiles again.

ATLANTA (By J. H. Taylor)—Our entertainment committee, in charge of Bros. Gholdeston and Bishop, have announced that we will have an outing at Grant Park on September 7 (Labor Day). Prizes will be awarded to winners in the field events. It is hoped that it will be a very successful affair.

Members, please take notice: There will be regular meeting at Ansley Hotel in Rooms D and E, on the first Fridays of every month.

The committee in charge of our Annual Mask Ball to be held October 31, under Bro. Hewitt Morgan's direction, announce that all preparations and details in connection with the event have been completed. A spacious hall may be obtained in order to accommodate the large crowd, if necessary. The social will be started in the afternoon and last until late at night, if you can keep awake. Plenty of things will be kept going throughout. Refreshments will be served. Let's remember that date. Watch the next issue of THE FRAT.

TOLEDO (By E. E. McVicker)—Toledo Division had a great picnic on August 2, with a good crowd, many of whom came from out of town. Among the places represented were Muncie, Ind., Lansing and Detroit, Mich., Cleveland, Akron and other Ohio towns. Far off Syracuse, N. Y. was represented by Bro.

and Mrs. Styles Woodworth, who are visiting relatives here. Brother Woodworth is secretary of Syracuse Division.

The visitor from Lansing was our own Nate Henick, taking a lay-off from his work with the Fisher Body Co. We wish he could get a job here, as he has always been an enthusiastic worker in division affairs.

OMAHA (By C. M. Bilger)—The division picnic at Dresser Park on July 26 went off with a flourish, and that in spite of the fact that the park is four and one-half miles from the nearest car line. The committee is now preparing for another, to be held on the Nebraska school ground on Labor Day.

A bunch of Omaha Frats and their wives, together with two couples from Iowa, spent a recent Sunday at Cowles' Lake. No fish were caught, but they brought back a lot of sun-burn.

WORCESTER (By C. C. Morrison)—On June 6 we had a supper before the meeting, and a social after it. The innovation proved popular, and we are considering a repetition of the idea, later.

Fred Jarvais of Webster, who recently transferred from Providence Division, showed his interest in his new division by bringing in a new member. Who will be next? Get busy, boys; don't let a newcomer shame you. We will welcome new members; but don't forget those ex-members whom it would be to our mutual advantage to list in the "Come Backs" column.

No socials were held in connection with our July and August meetings, but they were well attended. Much planning is being done for our fall and winter activities, among which will be our annual dance and a Halloween party, also for a balloon dance on Nov. 21, for which circulars will soon be out.

Because of the N.E.G.A. convention at Concord, N. H., on Sept. 5, 6 and 7, which several of our members wish to attend, our September meeting has been postponed until Sept. 12, at Knights of Honor hall.

DAVENPORT (By O. T. Osterberg)—B. G. Peschel of Clinton drove in to Davenport and picked up W. A. Nelson and O. T. Osterberg for a trip to Des Moines to attend that division's picnic on July 4. They returned the next day. Another of our members present at the picnic was Ed. Johnson, accompanied by his wife. The latter remained for a two weeks' visit with her folks.

On the same day the picnic of Springfield Division also drew some of our members. Among them were B. E. Jennisch, A. J. Vermeulen, Chas. Nickell and Ira Ricketts. The first two were accompanied by their wives.

ALBANY (By W. M. Lange)—Several of Albany's members are already making plans to attend the convention of the Empire State Association of the Deaf at Binghamton, August 21-23. From the interest thus early displayed, it seems that New York State will at last succeed in building up a really strong State Association. It is needed.

Sunday afternoon, September 6, will see most of Albany and Schenectady Deafdom at Mid-City Park, for Albany Division's big Field Day and Outing. There is plenty to attract one. There will be games for everyone from the age of six months to the age of 106. And every game will be interesting to everybody. The chairman says the prizes will be the best since before the Civil War. Also, the affair will be almost in the center of a big amusement park, right behind the best swimming pool in the area, so if you don't like games (you'll like these) you can go about and ride yourself happy, or drown yourself joyfully. But if you come you won't just be happy, you'll think you're at a circus. Better come. All the rest will be there.

Then on October 3 Andrew Lapienis will be our leader in the Liars' Club. He says we will all have a rotten time, but then he is the biggest liar of us all.

Brother Lange was an unsung hero this last week. He was the sole male in a camping party consisting of Mrs. Lyman, Mrs. Lange, Edna Fraser, Irene Dudley and Eleanor Nevins. Think of taking care of five women, fetching water, handling the gasoline stove, etc. Friday night Pres. Lyman came out, and

relieved him a little, but when he came home Sunday he had lost a full pound.

I'll try and relate the vacations of the rest of the bunch next month. Until then—

LOS ANGELES (By J. A. Goldstein)—The next meeting of the division will be held on Sept. 12, instead of the 5th; on account of the sure exodus to the C. A. D. convention at Visalia on Sept. 4-5-6-7. Members will please bear this change in mind.

There has been a let down in attendance the last two months, possibly due to midsummer lassitude, but that will be no excuse this time. As many of you know, the meetings are now short, but interesting, and very often gay. Brothers, don't miss 'em.

The following was received from Brother Bruner, a non-resident of but a month's standing, which is proof positive of the spirit and camaraderie that has been moving us all to greater things:

"Hi, Goldbrick, Wonder if you could send me 3 or 4 application blanks. 'Greenhorn' is gonna sweat, let me tell you, to keep BE-HIND me. I'm gonna run that little runt ragged and make him wish I'd never been admitted to the 'unholy' order were supporting —IF I CAN. The heck of it is, I'm under a handicap, but I'll catch him. Watch my dust, or rather my application blanks. I'm gonna spank him!"

Friend Greenberg got the surprise of his life at the last meeting, when 8 new applications were brought in: 3 by Bro. Gardner, 1 by Brother Becher, and 4 by yours truly. Was his face red? You tell us. (What dye say now, Hugh, old tomato?) This refers to the crack made by No. 30's secretary in the July FRAT.

According to Chairman Peterkins, (Bro. Peterson to you) he and his committee aren't letting any grass grow under their feet. Have just announced Jan. 16, 1937, as the date of the 27th anniversary banquet, at \$1.50 the plate. There will be some extra added features, which for the present are being kept under cover. Reservations are already rollin' in. Have you made yours?

Congratulations are in order for Chief Kemp and his second in command Brother Cherry for their "The Forgotten Woman," and "Inspiring Attendance," respectively. Both articles are mighty fine and timely.

We give in, Jimmy. "O'Greenberg" is right. He does wear a shamrock every March 17, and there's his sense of humor as well.

PHILADELPHIA (By Hugh J. Cusack)—Among those present at our August meeting were Brothers John Haggerty, of Springfield, Mass.; Michael Cohen, of Baltimore, Md.; and Bernard Teitelbaum, of Wilkensburg, Pa. All three gave a brief talk at the conclusion of the meeting.

The main topic of the members nowadays is fish, fish and then some more fish. The Division abounds with disciples of Izaak Walton. One of the most ardent fishermen is Brother James Foster. He spent a 10-day vacation fishing all along the south Jersey coast. Brothers Grinnell, King and Priest were in a party that went out for blues. Your scribe accompanied by Brothers Bob Robinson, Rowe and O'Donnell had a nice catch of croakers and weakies.

It seems that the depression has left this part of the woods—and we hope it doesn't find its way back. Various brothers are taking vacations for the first time in years; brothers in arrears are catching up; several have purchased new cars, and Brother Jim Barrett announces that he has joined that vast army of homeowners in the Quaker City. He and the missus have moved into their new home on Calvert Street in the Olney section.

So Los Angeles' scribe, Jake Goldstein, feels honored by the fact that we have at last noticed him. Fact is, Jake, we have been watching you all along and we've been wondering what has come over you. Is it California's sunny clime, or advancing years, or have you forgotten to use Herpicide so that your fiery tresses have gone? We know that to poke at Jake's pet subject is similar to stepping on his pet corn. We took a poke at "Get-em" Greenberg, Jake's pride and joy, expecting the one time stormy petrel of Philadelphia to make the welkin ring with some choice adjectives. Instead, to our great disappointment, his comeback is merely a whisper. But,

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Jakey, what about that doity dig you made about Jimmy Brady being a doity Irishman? Fie on ye, Jacob, shame on ye, Jacob, you're both sons of Erin (Aaron).

TORONTO (By C. M. McLean)—Our annual picnic was held at Peel Park, Streetsville, on August 3, and was a success in every way. Brothers McLaughlin, Buchan and McGovern were the leaders of the committee in charge, but everyone took a hand to make it a success. There were games aplenty, and it was good to see the enthusiastic manner in which the picnickers took part in them. Suitable prizes were given the winners in the various events. There were members and friends in the society present from Toronto, Hamilton, Dunnville, Kitchener, Barrie, Regina, Sask.; Iroquois Falls, and several other localities. It was a tired but happy crowd that wended its way homeward at a late hour. All were high in their praise of the way the arrangements were made for their comfort and pleasure. Special mention must be made of the loyal and fraternal manner shown by Brother Hagen in coming all the way from Kitchener, some forty miles away, on his bike, to be present at the picnic and enjoy the day with his brother frats.

Charles Dorschner of Iroquois Falls was a visitor at our meeting on August 1, as was also Peter Stewart of the staff of the Saskatoon, Sask., School for the Deaf.

Brothers Zellick Shiff of Kitchener and Walter Daniels of Toronto, new members, put in an appearance at our last meeting and took their "oath of obligation."

The next big thing on the tapis for raising money for the 1939 convention will be a movie entertainment on September 26. We are looking forward to having a large crowd. So come one and all. Your help is greatly needed, and would be appreciated.

A dance will be held in the not distant future, particulars of which will be given in due course.

David Peikoff is a go-getter of the first order, as is evidenced by the way he has gathered in new members. He is after that derby prize in real earnest. Dave fears no foe. Good luck to you, Dave. Go to it.

ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS (By J. J. McNeill)—Our annual picnic was held at Powderhorn Park and the crowd numbered about 300. A nice profit was made and everybody had a big time. Much credit goes to hard-working Chairman Langford and his able assistants, Bros. Allen and Kees.

Grand Trustee Washington Barrow and his wife came up from Chicago with Ingvall Dahl and they visited our celebrated clubhouse. At the division meeting Bro. Barrow made a good speech about getting new recruits. They left for Baker, Minn., to visit Mrs. Dahl and her sister Mrs. Otto Buttenhoff. They intended to camp on Lake Shoreham for a few days and then take an auto tour all over the northern state to Duluth. They are on a two weeks vaca-

tion. We hope the Barrows will like our lakes and pine woods and come again next year.

Samuel Roberts of Cedar Rapids Division was a visitor to our last meeting and also gave a speech. He was visiting his old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Fred O'Donnell, of Osseo. Come again, Brother!

Andy Pangrac and wife took the writer and wife up to Nevis to call on the Smiths and Bowns. Had good luck the first day and caught about 30 crappies. Next day a heavy rain came and no more fishing. Had a fine time with the bunch up there, wish we could stay there all summer. V. R. Spence and family of Fairbault were there too.

John W. Staska and wife blew in from Moorhead and attended our meeting. They announced the birth of a boy baby last Dec. 22. Congratulations.

A boy baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Emery Nomeland, of Faribault, on June 24. All are doing well. Congratulations! Don't forget the cigars, Emery.

Anton Tanzar came up from Chicago to bring back his family. He was at our meeting and brought greetings from No. 1 Come again!

FARIBAULT (By V. R. Spence)—The Aug. 9th picnic was one of the most successful and enjoyable in all respects. The day was warm but the heat was not oppressive. A gentle breeze from the lake made conditions tolerable.

There were various contests, pop drinking, sewing, guessing, banana eating, egg eating, dart throwing, and a tug of war.

The last was staged between a team of married men and a team of singles. The rope parted. After repairs and reinforcements, the battle royal was on again. Although advoirdupois and biceps seemed to predominate on the side of the married men, the wiry bachelors won. The losers, however, have an alibi. The redoubtable Sam Sagel, who was worth five men on the other end put together, broke off a heel of his shoe, therefore was unable to use one hundred per cent of his energy to pull his partners through to victory.

Refreshments were served cafeteria style with the able assistance of the aux frats. There were nearly two hundred present who had come from the four points of the compass, and every one apparently enjoyed himself in various ways.

Louis A. Roth returned just in time to pre-side at the regular Frat meeting. He had been visiting with his son Stanley in West Virginia, and took in the Gallaudet College reunion. He was especially pleased to meet Dr. Hall, who was his football team mate way back in the nineties.

Arthur Peterson, who has never missed a Frat picnic, was among those present with his family. He has had a steady job as linotype operator in Albert Lea for ten years. Recently a traveling machinist called at his shop to inspect the machine. He was surprised to find that it was in far better condition than most of the machines which he had seen. Why should he have been surprised? Are not deaf men as capable machine operators as hearing men?

John Malley is an expert tinsmith at Owatonna, and has been with the same firm for twenty years. Besides his brother Tom, he is the only deaf tinsmith in the state. He does tin work for air conditioning equipment and ventilators.

DETROIT (A. A. Stutsman)—The picnic held at Carpathia Park on July 25 was a successful event. The weather was just right and about 300 people attended. The fun started soon after noon, and 16 various sport events were pulled off in the afternoon, and the drawing of the cash prizes, in the evening. Those outside of the state who were present were Mr. L. A. Roth of Faribault, Minn., Otto Kader of Decatur, Ill., Mrs. Stumpe, nee Ada Shean, of St. Louis, Mo., and Mr. Wesley Hopper of Mississippi. There was a visitor from Columbus, Ohio, whose name escaped the writer. Bros. Fry of Flint, and Pearson from Kalamazoo were also seen on the grounds. Mr. Shroyer won \$2 for bringing the largest family to the picnic.—9. Messrs. Stemplowski and Piaske and Mrs. Ortolf had to be contented with \$1 which was divided among them for bringing the next largest families, —3. Mr. Wesley Hopper of Mississippi won

a cookie jar for coming from the farthest point to the picnic. Plenty of refreshments were on hand. It was near midnight when the crowd finally went home, tired but satisfied. About \$70 was made and turned into the division's treasury. The event was under the charge of Ralph Beaver, chairman, who was ably assisted by P. Hellers, I. Heymansson, A. Japes, J. Grow, C. Brown, Wm. Behrendt, R. Lynch, E. Zeiler, J. Walter, E. Hartley, F. Holbrook and F. Affeldt. The sport events were in charge of Ben. Beaver, chairman, A. Stutsman, and W. Whetstone.

The Division's boat excursion to Put-In-Bay, Ohio, on July 12, under the chairmanship of P. N. Hellers, was carried out successfully. \$40 was realized for the treasury.

Among the crowd from Detroit who went to Kalamazoo for the N.F.S.D. picnic on Aug. 9, were Bros. Bassett, Heymansson, Worley and Lungren. They reported that the picnic was a great success, and that they thought it was worth the time and distance they went.

John Kader had the pleasure of entertaining his brother, Otto, of Decatur, Ill., for a few days last month. Otto was having his annual vacation, and he made use of it to visit around this part of the country. He belongs to Springfield (Ill.) Division, and is a linotypist for a leading paper in Decatur.

Ivor Friday, after holding his house in Ferndale stubbornly for some time since the depression, has at last given it up with regret. He is now situated on Turner Ave., in Detroit. His brother-in-law, Thompson Darling, was also forced to vacate the house he has been occupying these years, and he and his family are at present with Ivor until Thompson finds a place for his family.

Ivan Heymansson's widowerhood ended on July 10, in Detroit when he married Miss Ethel Wall, of Leamington, Ontario. They attended the N.F.S.D. picnic at Carpathia Park on the 25th, where Ivan made use of the occasion to introduce the bride to his many friends. Congratulations and best wishes.

Aloysius Japes recently purchased a new Chevrolet, and has since been singing praises of the little car.

Odell Ballman was made happy on his birthday, July 11, by a party given in his honor at Belle Isle. Sixteen people made up the party, and they presented him with a suit of pajamas.

PITTSBURGH (By L. Zielinski)—We were pleased to note three visitors at our August meeting: Brother Klein, of Cincinnati Division No. 10 and Brothers Hazel and McElroy of our neighboring Wilkinsburg Division. Brother Klein is spending a month in our city visiting his sister; Brother Hazel had just returned from a trip through several states in search of employment.

Friday, Sept. 4, at 8:15 p.m., is the date and time of our next meeting, to be held at 835 Western Avenue, North Side. Out-of-the-city Brothers planning to come to Pittsburgh for the Labor Day week-end are invited to attend.

An infected thumb has confined Martin Eber to the West Penn Hospital.

Severe itching and swelling about the arms and face have temporarily put Brother Forbes out of work at his trade as landscape gardener. He had the ill luck to come into contact with poison ivy.

The intense, record-breaking heat wave of the early days of July claimed the wife of Brother Nichols for a victim. We are glad to report that she has recovered.

Driving to Greensburg, Sunday, Aug. 2, Brother Graves came to a stop at a crossroads to let traffic go by. A driver speeding from behind rammed into the rear of Brother Graves' auto, breaking the rear window and causing other damage. The wife of Mr. Graves was severely cut about the mouth and Mrs. Conner, who was riding with them suffered bad bruises about the face.

The father of our late non-resident Brother, Glen D. Carnahan, of Saltsburg, Pa., sent a telegram notifying us that his son had been killed Sunday, Aug. 2. Details are meager. It is rumored he was struck by a hit-and-run driver.

SCHENECTADY (Tom Sack)—Our July and August meetings have been pretty dull affairs with only a few "old faithfuls" attending, and they have to keep nudging each other to keep awake in this hot weather.

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11. NFSD Convention, Kansas City, 1935 (2 reels, \$4.00).

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We had a fair crowd at our July 4th picnic and the committee worked hard at seeing that everyone had a good time. We had plenty of fun but very little profit.

A Hallowe'en frolic will be held on October 31 in Danish Hall under the chairmanship of Billy Robinson. Billy will promise to supply a double scoop of gayety and fun for fifty cents admission. Everybody had better plan for this date and get in costume for prizes. Help Billy to swell the fund!

On account of our president's resignation from his office, Vice-President James Trainor succeeded him while Hal Bedell was elected vice-president. For a number of years Hal had been sitting in this same vice-presidential seat, and he finds it half worn-out, but still comfortable.

Peter Liskiewicz was transferred to our Division recently from Brooklyn Division, and we'll take good care of him. He really finds himself well pleased with our members. Peter and his wife are living in Amsterdam.

On Sept. 12 we will have a card party following our meeting. Leslie Ramsdell, our big hearted sergeant, will supervise this affair, and will give away good prizes. Some other games will also follow. Come and play heart, spade, diamond and club all the evening.

KANSAS CITY (By F. R. Murphy)—After a year spent in recuperating from the effects of being chairman of a N.F.S.D. convention, Bro. Sexton emerges to announce his plans for a Hobo Festival to be staged Oct. 31 at Cabin Hall, 114 W. Linwood Blvd. Although details of the event are in the early stages, advance information points to the event as outstanding in more ways than one. It will pay everyone within traveling distance to make the trip to Kansas City for the event. More details will be announced later.

Bro. Milton Johnson is back from a fishing trip to Minnesota and brought back substantial proof of his angling skill—at least we scribe certainly enjoyed the fish he gave us.

Bro. and Mrs. Murphy staged a reunion for the members of the old 1935 convention committee recently. Despite the heat everyone with the exception of Bro. Foltz was present. A buffet supper followed by cards provided a delightful evening for the guests, who left vowing to at least make it an annual affair.

Whattsamatter with the Division? No new members for several months. Why, if those boys who are continually bragging would get busy they could make Los Angeles' Greenberg and Toronto's Peikoff look like a bunch of "also rans" in this membership derby. Get busy, boys, and bring 'em in.

Bros. Sanford and Conradt have proved traitors to the depression, and both are steadily employed now. Among the brethren the outlook is promising as nearly all are back on the good old "pay roll" now.

Socials following the regular meeting are proving successful from a financial standpoint, but lack somewhat in entertainment value. There is room for improvement here.

Bro. Kratzberg of Council Bluffs was a visitor at the August meeting.

In view of "Bobs'" recent narrow escapes, a move is under way to establish a floral fund for his benefit—but every member is praying as hard as he can that the fund need not be touched for many, many years to come.

I'll be seein' ya at the Hobo Festival, Oct. 31.

ROCHESTER (By C. H. Samuelson)—The twenty-second annual picnic of the Rochester Division will be held at Maplewood Inn Grove, on East Ave., one mile from the city line Sept. 6, 1936. This is the same place at which we had our annual picnic last year. The neighbor Frats liked it very much, so we decided to have it there again.

Brother Todd is the chairman of the picnic committee. He will not reveal the plans he has made, but he says everybody will have a good time. Many prizes are to be given to winners of contests. Bro. Todd hinted about horseshoe pitching contests for the championship of Western New York state. So here is a chance for all of you who are good tossers. Neighbor Frats are welcome to take in this good time too.

The Rochester Exposition opens on Labor Day, Sept. 7. Here's a chance for you visitors to kill two birds with a stone, coming to the Frat Picnic and then the Exposition.

CINCINNATI (By Frank Simpson)—Brother H. B. Marlow and his good wife recently celebrated the 50th anniversary of their marriage at Cameron Community Center with a large crowd of friends present. A nice gift went to the faithful couple. Here is our wish for many more years to be added to their wedded bliss.

The zoo outing of July 18 was a good success, according to the gate receipts, which netted our division a nice sum. Art Wenner and his committee deserve praise from our division.

A big time Hallowe'en social will be held at a place to be announced later, on Oct. 24. Gus Straus is chairman with a bunch of hustling young helpers. H. Crews, Hilbert Duning, LeRoy Duning and Frank Simpson. Please hear this date in mind.

HARTFORD (By E. J. Szopa)—Summer is approaching its end. Many of us have been making merry at the beaches as well as at many outings in order to enjoy good times. Better hold onto your "pockets," however, for indoor activities will shortly be under way, not only here but in nearby cities.

Jot down this important date, October 24, 1936, in your little red book. Reserve it for a good time. We are going to hold a golden harvest ball at the Hotel Bond at that time. But this is not going to be the only pleasurable affair on our program. There will be a football game between the Fanwood School and the American School on the latter's grounds in the afternoon of this red letter day, the 24th. Come on and boost for your favorite school. Stir your school up to a fighting pitch to grab the bacon. Then, in the evening, enjoy yourself to soothing music on the slippery waxy floor of the Hotel Bond ballroom till long past midnight. You may think these well planned attractions will be all you'll come for. Ah! but you're wrong! There is another affair, visitors' day, to be held at the School on the next day, the 25th. You will be entertained with games, followed by a movie show from which the proceeds will go toward the Stage Curtain Fund.

Admission to the Hotel Bond ballroom will be one dollar per person. This will entitle you to the movie show at the School, too. A very good bargain! The Committee, consisting of Chairman Cole, Kosinski, Zietz, LaCroix and Szopa is endeavoring zealously to arrange a grand program to surpass any previous affair.

Bro. and Mrs. Robert T. Marsden of Little Rock, Ark., are enjoying their summer at his parents' home in Meriden. He attended two of our meetings.

MANHATTAN (By Art Kruger)—The writer regretfully informs the brethren at large of a great loss in the passing away of our Brother Max Miller on July 8. Because of his wide variety of unselfish activities in the interest of the deaf, and because of his splendid character in every sense, the local deaf will always cherish the memory of this very fine man, and this column wishes to express its deepest sympathy to his bereaved family.

Now is the time for all of you to watch for it! At the last meeting Bro. Lubin made the announcement that he and his able committee, consisting of Bros. Schwartz and H. Peters, have picked Hollywood Restaurant for our 15th Anniversary Banquet to be held sometime in January, 1937. The menu was read to the members, and Bro. Lubin said that the price will be only one dollar and fifty cents per cover. Yes, this price will also include the Restaurant's world-famous entertainment. Bro. Lubin further said that this was not the right time to present this announcement for approval, as a great number of No. 87ers were not present, owing to their "vacation fever," so he has asked the writer to request through this column that everyone be present at the September meeting to cast his "aye" or "nay." Don't forget!

Speaking of this restaurant, it is one of Broadway's best-known gay spots, where that glamorous Miss Charlotte Lamberton, a deaf dancer, is a current sensation. She is being talked about everywhere, even beyond deaf circles. It is hoped that she will be able to extend her engagement there for another year, so that the will-to-be banquet revelers will have a chance of feasting their eyes on that attractive young lady.

LOCAL TICKER: Bro. Frankenheim, who had an operation at Mt. Sinai, is now getting along nicely minus gallstones. As yet, we haven't seen any notice in the Lost and Found column... Bro. Mintz said: "The trouble with you, the deaf public, is that you have fallen pretty low when you place a '500' game above that of a Contract Bridge." That is to say, he is one of the Ely Culbertsons of our Division... Ditto Bros. Brandelstein, Lester Cohen, Funk, Schnapp, Schwartz, Sturtz, Farliser, Stein, Worzel, and the writer... Sir Stork had a date with Bro. Wissotsky and his other half on July 7th, and presented them with a 5½ lb. baby girl. Congrats, Max... Mr. Goodstein has been accepted to join with us in the mysteries of NFSDeafdom... Bro. Braddock was advised to have a surgical operation at St. Luke's as the only means of restoring his health back to normal... During their "tin-can" trip to Copake, N.Y., on Aug. 1st, to visit the Fanwood boys at Clark Camp, Bros. Lux, K. Greenberg and Joselow stopped off on the way for an hour's visit at the Harlemville Insane Asylum. They reported one amusing feature of this visit to the "bughouse." One of the inmates, in inquiring whether they were deaf and dumb, remarked that there is the New York School for the Deaf on Fort Washington Avenue. He used these very words, yes, just to give us information,—so after all, he had at least some bit of intelligence left.

SPOKANE (By C. W. Graham)—The annual picnic of the Frats was held at Hauser Lake, in Idaho, Aug. 2, and was a great success under the leadership of Chairman F. Bright with the assistance of Bros. W. Lauer and F. Vorlicky. The attendance was 125. Among the crowd, there were many from Montana, Idaho and the Coast—members and friends. The program given was very interesting—two young women sang songs; Harry Olson made a fine speech regarding the Frat organization, followed by one by J. H. O'Leary.

A quilt made by the Frat Auxiliary and given to the Frats at a previous meeting was sold to Mrs. Chas. Archer. The proceeds were turned over to our Division treasury.

A number of out of town members visited our last division meeting, J. Moore, A. O'Donnell and Carl Spencer. We were very pleased to have them.

We are sorry to hear W. A. Curl had an accident at the plant where he works, and will be unable to go back to work for some time. We hope he will soon recover.

Franklin Adams was initiated into our division. We hope we can help our division by getting more new members.

PORTLAND, OREGON (By C. H. Linde)—About 250 deaf folk of the Pacific Northwest converged on Centralia, Wash., in all directions, July 25, for a two-day "Midway" picnic. Both days were packed with something doing to keep the folk on the go right up to the Sunday twilight which warned them to start home in

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time to snatch a few hours' sleep before resuming their day-by-day grind. Saturday evening the Elks temple was the scene of a lively program featured by two wrestling bouts. The next day the sports were climaxed by a softball game between the Washington and Oregon teams. The contest see-sawed until the eighth inning, when the incorrigible Evergreens staged a seven-run rally to handcuff the Oregonians completely. Besides Chairman Charles Lynch, the committee in charge was composed of Brothers A. W. Wright, Oscar Sanders, J. O. Reichle, C. Greenwald, Miles Sanders and C. H. Linde.

Brother Gilmore of Los Angeles sat in with us at our last meeting. He said this division was the first one he ever visited. He and Mrs. Gilmore are on a motor swing that will take them through Canada and the United States to the Atlantic seaboard, south, and thence west to the homeland.

BOSTON (By D. McG. Cameron)—Vacationing is in full swing and the beaches and summer resorts are enjoying a big boom so naturally one seldom meets up with old friends in the city. For all that the July and August meetings were well attended, which may be an inkling of renewed interest in the Society and we are hoping when every one is back to normalcy, recruiting will pick up.

The July 4th picnic was enjoyed by all who took it in and was largely attended by those from the neighborhood Divisions especially Springfield, Hartford and Portland Divisions. The sports were in charge of Bro. Hill, who conducted the first horseshoe pitching championship of New England, which was won by Bro. Peterson of Springfield. This proved to be popular with every one, and Bro. Hill suggests that a championship of America contest should be conducted by Toronto Division at their coming Convention in 1939. Not satisfied with taking the honors in the horseshoe pitching, Springfield avenged the defeat Boston inflicted on it a year ago by trouncing Boston in a softball game by the score of 14 to 9, making their last ten runs in the closing inning.

Edward Smith of Lynn gave his friends a surprise on arriving home from the land of the Blue Nose with a charming bride. The young lady is none other than the attractive Miss Cora Canning of Parrasboro, Nova Scotia, who has been making periodical visits to her sister, Mrs. Taylor of Cambridge the past four or five years.

We were in error in stating that Chas. Moscorvitz is Chairman of the coming New England Gallaudet Convention in Concord, N.H. Max Cohen, who will be remembered as the Treasurer of the St. Paul Convention, is chairman. Bro. Moscorvitz has since removed to Boston, where he has secured a position.

BALTIMORE (A. A. Hajna)—Bro. Herdtfelder's sixteen cylinder brain has been functioning smoothly and steadily for the past several weeks—ideas, small and large, seem inexhaustible. At last, the affair, "Creamed Chicken Supper and Bingo," will be held on Sept. 12th at Gehb Hall, Lexington and Calhoun Streets. Time 5 to 8 p.m. Admission 35c. Proceeds will go into the Deputy Organizer's Fund for the benefit of new members. A rather large crowd is expected to be on hand so come early and take your seat before the others do. Boost the membership in the Baltimore Division! Bring in new members! Make Baltimore the best Division in Fratom! You can help by coming on Sept. 12th and leave the rest to Bro. Herdtfelder.

After-meeting socials will start on Sept. 5th and continue thereafter. Bro. Deluca has many big surprises in store for you. What they are, Ye Scribe refuses to divulge. Find out by coming to the social on Sept. 5th. All children attending schools for the deaf in Baltimore and Maryland are admitted free, the others 10c per.

Bro. Cohen and Bro. Rebal have left Baltimore for good—the former has gone to Philadelphia to work for a large reputable jewelry company, and the latter to work in a school for the deaf somewhere in the South or in the West. We will miss both very much.

Congratulations are heartily extended to the Detroit Division for becoming the first Division to rent the film "The Mad Doctor" for the coming fall preview in the Michigan metropolis. Other Divisions take notice of Bro. Kauffman's advertisements of films elsewhere in this issue or the next.

SYRACUSE (By H. C. Merrill)—Brother Woodworth and his wife have gone to visit relatives in Toledo, Ohio. This left the Division without a Secretary, so, at the August meeting, President Pabst appointed Bro. Keller as Temporary Secretary. Bro. Keller was once Secretary of the Division, and the duties of the position are not new to him.

Bro. Lee has spent all his spare time working on his camp on the Seneca River. Last year he bought some land and built a house for his boat (Yacht?); this year he has been putting up a cottage, which should be completed by the time snow flies. He and Mrs. Lee spend their weekends out there, and have been having a pleasant summer, swinging a hammer and a paint brush being a welcome change for Frank from slinging type.

The Division is to have an outing under the Chairmanship of Bro. Keller on September 13, the place to be announced later.

Our card expert, Bro. Conley, is to manage a Card Party the evening of October 3, and Bro. Hofmann, who is an adept at getting up original games, is to be chairman of our annual Halloween Social on October 31. Make your plans accordingly!

Bro. Conley recently took a vacation trip, making a swing around the circle in his new Plymouth, and visiting friends in Dolgeville, Schenectady, Albany, and other places. At the same time Mrs. Conley was visiting an uncle in Williamsport, Pa.

Bro. Batty, of Sherrill is another "comeback," having applied for Active status, and one or two others are in prospect. We also hope to have a couple of NEW members soon. This is encouraging. Hope you are the same!

WASHINGTON (By G. J. Ferguson)—Indications point to a record-breaking crowd for our first annual grand ball and "500" card social on Oct. 17, at the Admiral Club, as Chairman Davis has received assurances of a big delegation from most parts of Virginia. He further wishes to remind us of a new local rule, recently passed to the effect that every resident member should use or sell two tickets to ensure the success of that social. While the card players are to try their luck for prizes, the value of which amounts to ten dollars, the hoopers and other spectators are to be treated to our best hospitality. Above all, let Oct. 17, 1936, be a red letter day on your "must" list.

Bro. Isaacson, our treasurer, and family are motoring to Minnesota for a month's vacation with their relatives.

Bro. Edington is cutting into the New Deal by securing a new car, and, more important, a new bride, who answers to the name, Mrs. Erdie Smith, of Eau Claire, Wis.

Bro. Cicchino, having made another flying commutation to Chicago the last week of July, found it necessary upon his return home to trade his much battered machine for a new one.

Bro. Craven and family recently motored to Ft. Wayne, Ind., as guests of Bro. Holter and family for a week.

While Bro. McIlvane, our trustee for more than 15 years, spent his vacation in Pittsburgh, Pa., as usual, most of us stay-at-home-ones, can cross our hearts that Washington, D. C., has been a summer resort superior to other places, due, the weather man said, to change of sun-spots.

When it comes to accepting most thankless tasks, Bro. Beavers is one, as he kept the July and August socials out of the red in spite of the weatherman's untimely hot air.

The lamented Mr. Zioncheck, who jumped to his death in Seattle, Wash., used to room at Bro. Boswell's home during one of his terms in Congress.

SAN FRANCISCO (H. O. Schwarzlose)—L. E. Conaway has been chosen as teacher of shoe making at the Missouri School and will leave about the last of August for his new position. G. D. Coats is teacher of carpentry at the same school.

C. Vaio was a visitor in San Francisco on July 25-6. He is still living in Stockton, and there are whispers that there is soon to be an addition to the family. Good luck, folks.

Supt. T. L. Ingle was a visitor here during July. He had to attend some business here and stopped in to visit his old friends. All were delighted to see him again, and wished that he could have stayed longer.

Miss Mary Allen, Spokane, sister-in-law of Bro. Little, was married to Alfred Cola of Albany, Cal., on Saturday, July 25. The ceremony was performed by Father Rhiley at St. Ambrose's Church. Bro. Cola is an employee of the Ford Motor Company at Albany. The happy couple will reside in Berkeley.

E. E. Norton and family have returned from a two weeks' vacation at Monte Rio, on the Russian River. Ernest is as tanned as an Indian, having been living in a bathing suit all the time.

E. Lohmeyer and family have gone to Los Angeles for their vacation, and intend to return about August 2.

The September meeting has been brought forward to Tuesday, Sept. 1, on account of the Convention of the California Association of the Deaf, which will be held at Visalia, Calif., Sept. 4-7.

Division 53 has planned a series of socials for the next few months that will pay you to attend. On September 19 a whist social will be held under the direction of M. F. Johnson. Bro. Hannan will manage a Halloween social on October 31. Again, on November 21, M. F. Johnson will manage a turkey whist social. All the foregoing socials will be held at Druid's Hall, 44 Page Street.

HOLYOKE (By Arno Klopfer)—The last two outings at Camp Jahn, June 28 and July 19 were largely attended. Field and water sports and a soft ball game were features of the day.

July 19 was the Bathing Beauty Contest day. Mrs. Margaret Brown of Springfield won on beauty; Miss Eunice Domick of Hartford was second on form; and Mrs. Mary Thompson of Springfield was third on personality. Fifteen girls contested for the prizes. Another, and last, outing will come Aug. 23.

The rotary committees have selected Sept. 19 for the Bingo Game at Turn Hall. They promise to give good prizes. News about our Fairland Masquerade will be given in the October FRAT. Circulars are in the press, and will be circulated at the outing Aug. 23 and socials in Springfield and Hartford and nearby towns.

Holyoke lost two members through transfer, but gained two more lately, and expect some more later if we hustle.

Members, please take notice that our regular meeting will be Sept. 12. Because most of our members will go out of town to attend the convention of New England Gallaudet Association at Concord.



THE EDITOR'S PLEA

THE editor sat in his uneasy chair—
His thoughts ran on apace.
"How can I crowd a yard of report
Into a foot of space?"

'Tis three to one, you surely see
The thing cannot be done.
Therefore the editorial "We"
Will have to cut 'er down.

And now my dear contributors,
That nothing may go wrong,
Please send ideas one yard deep
But only one foot long.

Our Foreign Friends

By C. B. KEMP

WE CREDIT the following, with thanks, to Mr. J. Ellis, in the Deaf Quarterly News, Liverpool, England.

A deaf driver concentrates on his visual attention, develops a remarkable power of interpreting signs, and has a strong sense of his own limitations. This is the opinion of Mr. T. B. Layton, surgeon-in-charge of the Car Department of Guys Hospital. He was convinced "that the deaf driver is not a danger on the road."

The first telephone "talk" between two deaf and dumb people has taken place between Berlin and Leipzig. The point of this unspoken conversation was marriage, for the "speakers" were lovers. The girl went into a Radio-telephone booth in Berlin, turned on a switch, and saw a young man's face on a screen. It was her sweetheart in Leipzig. She saw his lips move. She smiled—then her lips moved. For three minutes the "talk" went on. Time was up, the faces faded out.—From Berlin Press.

A team of deaf boys from the Northern Counties Deaf and Dumb Institution, Newcastle, won the Lady West Memorial Shield for Physical Training, at Olympia, London. On arrival home they were given a Civic reception. A press report said the Conductor of the team, when giving instructions, "shouted" on his fingers.

At the second National Industrial Exhibition held in Brussels, a contest was arranged to determine "Belgium's Best Workman." Five thousand took part in the contest, and the winner was a deaf man named Max Siddie. In the presence of the Royal Family and sixty thousand spectators he received a gold medal.

Despite the fact that movements to establish colonies of deaf people in various parts of the world have failed to go beyond the first stage, a deaf society in Sweden have petitioned their government to construct and supervise a town, with homes and churches, schools, manufactures and trades, for their exclusive occupation and enjoyment.

The deaf and dumb bachelors of Italy are exempt from paying the Bachelor Tax. At a recent convention held in Rome, the deaf took strong objection to this concession, preferring to pay up like the hearing.

Hindus, Mohammedans, and Christian children attend the Deaf School in Ahmedabad, India.



EQUANIMITY

TRY it for a day, I beseech you, to preserve yourself in an easy and cheerful frame of mind. Be but for one day, instead of a fire-worshiper of passion, the sun-worshiper of clear self-possession, and compare the day in which you have allowed it to grow up; and you will find your heart open to every good motive, your life strengthened, and your breast armed with a panoply against every trick of fate; truly you will wonder at your own improvement.

—Richter.

Do You Know

By J. FREDERICK MEAGHER

AFTER having our headquarters in the loop (or big business district of Chicago) ever since a headquarters was started back about 1903, our NFSD is moving to the suburb of Oak Park.

Headquarters, for the past four years, has been located on "the world's noisiest corner," or "busiest railroad crossing"?

"Deaf headquarters" on the "noisiest corner" should make even Ripley grin?

An elevated train screeches around the curves of this Lake-Wells corner every 15 seconds during the morning rush hours? (Folks tell me the deafening screech of an "L" taking the corners makes a boiler-shop sound peaceful by contrast.)

Every 24-hours this corner sees 2098 trains, or some 6400 cars, whizz by?

Coupled together in one continuous string, these cars would make a train 59 miles long?

By moving to Oak Park, adjoining Chicago on the West, our society saves considerable money in rent.

Bobs, Kemp and Cherry almost do a war-dance of glee every time they save our society a nickel?

It's harder to "sell" our Grands on a good proposition—if it costs us money—than it is to make the marble lions in front of the Art Institute jump through hoops? (Ask me; I know!)

Reason for moving is the society has property (taken over on a mortgage) on which we pay taxes and upkeep anyway, whether we use it for headquarters or not?

And moving out there makes it harder for pests like me to bother busy Grands with our childish peevess?

Last time I called at headquarters, I had to warm my pants on the Mourners' Bench beside a dumb-looking yokel who needed a haircut? Found out, later, the "yokel" was one of the richest and most famous lawyers in Chicago; had just won an \$88,000 fee, and had come to pay off the mortgage on a house. If such homely klucks can become so great and famous, guess I'm not such a total washout in life—even if none of the lovely ladies think so!

MARRIAGES

April 25—Francis Nicholas, Cliffside Park, N.J., and Helen Milewski, New Britain, Conn.
June 20—Hans Neujahr and Katherine Slocum, both of Omaha, Nebr.
July 8—Henry Ross, Baltimore, Md., and Blanche Craft, Easton, Md.
July 10—Ivan Heymansson, Detroit, Mich., and Ethel Wall, Leamington, Ont., Can.
July 25—Alfred Cola, Albany, Cal., and Mary Allen, Spokane, Wash.
July 28—Wallace Williams, Delavan, Wis., and Helen Pence, Fulton, Mo.

Every day we are sowing seed and the harvest is ahead. It is not wise to be sparing of our seed if we want a good crop.

In the Spirit of Levity....



Possibly

Trainer (encouraging his man): "What you've got to do is to stick it and go for 'im, and you'll come through with flying colors."

Boxer (doubtfully): "Yes! At half-mast."

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Just Like Dad

Walter: "Gee, Pop, there's a man at the circus who jumps on a horse, slips underneath, catches hold of its tail and finishes up on the horse's neck!"

Dad: "That's easy. I did all that the first time I ever rode a horse."

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Inclusive

"I shall miss you while you are on your hunting trip, dear," said the young wife affectionately, "and I shall pray that the hunters you are going with will do the same."

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Not Even a No-Man

"A young man," said the readymade philosopher, "should learn to say 'No.'"
"Yes," replied Farmer Corntossel, "I feel that my boy Josh ought to take at least that much trouble. When I ask him to help around the place he simply gives me a haughty stare."

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National Fraternal Society of the Deaf

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

Objects

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

Death, Sick and Accident Benefits

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

To a member disabled by sickness or accident for two full weeks or longer the society will pay a benefit ranging from \$5.00 to \$15.00 per week, depending on the amount of weekly benefit chosen by the member and for which he has paid the required tax. No benefit, however, is paid for disability of less than 14 days' duration; nor can any member draw more than 10 weeks' disability benefit within any twelve consecutive months; and no member can draw sick and accident benefit for any part of the first three months after joining.

Safeguards

The society is chartered under the laws of the state of Illinois and is licensed by the insurance departments of thirty-seven other states in which it operates, and by the Dominion of Canada. An annual report of the society's business for the year and financial condition is made to all of these state insurance departments. From time to time the insurance department of the society's home state of Illinois makes an examination and verifies the returns made in the annual report.

A voucher system is in use at the home office and every expenditure must have the approval of the Grand President. The general treasurer and treasurers of all the Divisions are bonded by a surety company. The Board of Trustees makes a monthly audit of the treasurer's books and supervises all investments of the society's funds.

Cost of Joining

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

How to Join

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

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

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

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

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

Certificate Classes

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

Withdrawal Equities and Income Options

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

Required Monthly Payments

After joining, the member pays each month: (1) The mortuary assessment for entry age, class, and amount given in the table below; (2) Sick and Accident tax, ranging from 25c to 75c, according to amount of weekly benefit chosen; (3) Per capita tax of 35c for the General Expense and Convention funds; (4) A small tax for local dues, varying with the different Divisions. These payments begin on the first day of the month of certificate issue.

MONTHLY NET RATES PER \$1000
Minimum \$250; Maximum \$5000 to Age 45,
\$3000 to Age 50, \$1000 to Age 55.

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

Rate for age at nearest birthday to be taken