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Number Four



Compact of the Pilgrims

(Signed on board the Mayflower in Cape Cod [Provincetown] Harbor before landing.)

"In ye name of God, Amen. We whose names are underwritten, the loyall subjects of our dread soveraigne Lord, King James, by ye Grace of God, of Great Britaine, France & Ireland King, Defender of ye Faith, etc. Haveing undertaken, for ye Glorie of God, and advancemente of ye Christian Faith and Honour of our King and countrie, a Voyage to plant ye first Colonie in ye Northerne part of Virginia, doe by these presents solemnly and mutually in ye Presence of God, and of one another, Covenant & Combine ourselves together into a Civil body Politik, for our better Ordering and Preservation & Furtherance of ye ends aforesaid; and by Virtue hearof to enact, constitute, and frame such just and equall lawes, ordinances, Acts, Constitutions & Offices, from Time to Time, as shall be thought most meete & convenient for ye generall good of ye Colonie, unto which we promise all due submission and obedience.

"In witness whereof we have hereunder subscribed our Names at Cap. Codd ye 11 of November, in ye year of ye Raigne of our Soveraigne Lord King James, of England, France & Ireland ye Eighteenth, and of Scotland ye fiftie fourth Ano: Dom. 1620."

JOHN CARVER
WM. BRADFORD
EDW. WINSLOW
WM. BREWSTER
ISAAC ALLERTON
MILES STANDISH
JOHN ALDEN
SAMUEL FULLER
CHRIS'R MARTIN

WM. MULLINS
EDW. TILLEY
JOHN TILLEY
FRANCIS COOK
THOMAS ROGERS
THOMAS TINKER
JOHN RIGEDALE
EDW. FULLER
JOHN TURNER
FRANCIS EATON
JAMES CHILTON
JOHN CRACKSTONE
JOHN BILLINGTON
WM. WHITE
RICH. WARREN
JOHN HOWLAND

STEPH. HOPKINS
MOSES FLETCHER
JOHN GOODMAN
DEGORY PRIEST
THOMAS WILLIAMS
GILBERT WINSLOW
EDW. MARGESON
PETER BROWN
RICH. BRITTERIDGE
GEORGE SOULE
RICH. CLARKE
RICH. GARDNER
JOHN ALLERTON
THOMAS ENGLISH
EDW. DOTY
EDW. LEISTER



The Spotlight

By J. FREDERICK MEAGHER

THIRTY-FIFTH birthday banquet of Chi-first frats, Nov. 14, is the Last Roundup of our fearless few of fratdom's Valley Forge. Nearly half of those of the faithful five hundred attending our last banquet, ten years ago, have since given the Final Pass-word. The FIRST in anything is always hallowed with romance and adventure. Chi-first stages the first of a long line of coming "35th Anniversaries" by divisions—glorious with proud memories. When the "Spirit of 1901" parades at the Sheridan-Plaza, it probably marks our last great review. For few of those heroes will respond to roll call ten or fifteen years hence.

Out-of-towners should not come to this affair unless they have already secured tickets at \$1 from chairman Louis Massinkoff, 841 N. Sacramento, Chicago; as the capacity is limited to 250.

AKRON—Wartime capitol of Deafdom, employing 750 of us at peak, now has but 300 deaf residents—125 working for Goodyear. Good workers average \$1 per hour, average week of 36 hrs. No longer famous for semi-pro sports—football, boxing, etc.; all old warhorses are now pastured. No new blood for replacements. That splendid athletic club Goodyear gave us deaf in '19, gradually neglected and deserted; recently gladly given to the Legion. Popular pastimes now golf, croquet and horseshoes. Time changes all; of 15 Akronites invading Chi for NAD show, I could recognize but two after 17 years. But every one of the 15 recognized me: "Must be Meagher—still the same fat-headed, show-off shrimp!"

SCHOOLS—Plenty of changes. Mt. Airy, Rome, Northampton, Nebraska, Iowa, Mississippi have new supts.; Georgia will next year. . . . Frank W. Booth, retiring at Nebraska because of age, was son of deaf—dad one of Eight Greatest Fightingmen in Deafdom's history, about 75 years ago. . . . Iowa's McIntyre—leaving because he is growing deaf, imagine—succeeded by son of the Al Berg who was on first Gallaudet football team, 54 years ago—later becoming first paid coach at Purdue U. . . . Real heroine of past year was Miss Frances Hockensmith, 34 years an Oklahoma teacher, who stuck to her job up to noon of very last day of school. Then she caved-in—died four days later from brain-tumor superinduced by overwork. . . . Supt. Bjorlee, Maryland, broadcasts weekly over WFMD on "The Deaf and their status in society." . . . China has 18 schools for deaf, 735 pupils. . . . Canada has nine schools, 1,302 pupils and 208 teachers. Latest school is in Vancouver. In British Columbia (Canada)—not the older, smaller, Vancouver some 400 miles away in the Southern end of Washington state. This new school has several Eskimo kids; publishes "The Totem Pole." When I taught in Vancouver, Wash.

—quarter-century ago—my mail was forever miscarrying to the wrong Vancouver; where a deaf postal-clerk named Whitehead, would redirect it. Now with two "Vancouver schools," mail mix-up will be chronic.

FRAT Headquarters left Chicago loop for first time in history—moving to Oak Park. Last headquarters was on same floor as Belgian Consulate. Grands used to warn me, when I got pugnacious: "Pipe-down, shrimp; or I'll call in the Belgian Ambassador. Remember what happened to Germany for violating Belgian neutrality." . . . Membership Derby becoming a walkaway. Canadian cousin, "Pep" Peikoff, alone has as many scalplocks as the three Los Angeles "G"-men—Greenberg, Goldstein and Garner. . . . That son of Erin, Jim Smith, still in the race; his pals call him "Squire Hiram Sourpuss"—a name he hates. . . . Goldstein proves a good sport; pulls funny Potash & Perlmutter speil in last Div. Notes. Such innocent fun, something different, spices dry division dough entertainingly. More, please—all of you.

Those jolly young Jews
Are not taking a snooze
When it comes to sandbagging a member.
But us gabby old "Micks"
Seem like rollicking Hicks—
Faith, our record is punk this November!
Our Canadian cousin looks lean and alive—
The busiest bee in our fraternal hive!

FAME—Little Sedlow started something when he tootled his trumpet for a NAD library of books by deaf writers. Volta Bureau sends Bobs long list on file; the great Terry (strangely, better known by hearing than deaf) lists a few of his many printed volumes. Moral is: "The world forgets fast." Believe it or not, talking with a bright Gallaudet stude, recently, I was dumbfounded to find she had never heard of OUR Gib. So, if you sometimes feel I brag and blow too much of our great men and their deeds, remember it may be real news to folks less well-read than you.

THINGUMABOBS—Walter Winchell says: "There is a theater in Russia in which all the actors are deaf and dumb. Why can't it happen here?" Is that a boost for us—or a knock for the hearing? . . . How to ascertain deaf population: Chicago Edison electric records show personal data on every meter customer; 3,000 meters are recorded "deaf-mute"—as differed from hard-of-hearing. Calculate at least two deaf to every meter, and you have way over 6,000 deaf in Chicago. Maybe your home-town has similar data. . . . Mein Frau Frieda's name was drawn at neighborhood movie's \$300 bank-night; Frau asked seatmate, strange lady, if they were paging her; the ornery hearie shook her head. Friends next day advised Frieda of her luck; she saw manager—presenting proof of attendance. Manager velly sorry—such-a-too-bad—rules am rules; no can do: "You shoulda asked an usher." Who said deafness is no handicap? A \$300 handicap. . . . Willard Maxwell, inde-

pendent candidate for Governor of Illinois, has a deaf daughter. . . . Ferrell Prior, 21, from our Texas school, has made over 30 parachute jumps from an airplane—risky way to earn a living. . . . Eastern frats hold basketball tourney in spring; winner may meet best frat team in Central States if enough interest develops. For years I have prophesied just that—and already it is on the fire!

Not Unfriendly

By JOSEPHINE B. TIMBERLAKE

Superintendent Volta Bureau

THE readers of THE FRAT, I hope, will be interested in the brief article about the Volta Bureau Library appearing in the October issue. I hope that many will want to visit our library and read some of the books and pamphlets we have collected. I should particularly like to greet Mr. Howard L. Terry, who, I notice, has an article in that same number.

It was unfortunate that our librarian, in compiling the list of some of our material, failed to include anything by Mr. Terry. I find that his name appears on seven catalogue cards, as follows:

California, and other verse.
The Dream, a Drama in Two Acts.
Our Celebrities, a poem.
Sung in Silence, selected poems.
A Tale of Normandie, and other poems.
A Voice from the Silence; a Story of the Ozarks.
Waters from an Ozark Spring; a book of verse.

Mr. Terry's article indicates that he, like the vast majority of all writers, finds it difficult to get his productions published. I regret that he has come to the conclusion that the Volta Bureau has played a part in any adverse decisions in regard to his manuscripts. I have been in this office almost eighteen years, and I cannot remember that we have ever been consulted by a publisher about the manuscript of any deaf author.

A good many deaf persons seem to have the idea that the Volta Bureau is unfriendly toward the deaf. This impression is directly contrary to the truth. I hope very much that no more contributors to THE FRAT will jump to such a mistaken conclusion.



THE big man at the last
Is the man who takes
an idea and makes of it a
genuine success—the man
who brings the ship into
port.

—Elbert Hubbard.

Why Not a Travelling Library?

By PETER J. LIVSHIS

THE discussion of libraries on the deaf in past issues is revealing. It proves there are books on the deaf. But as soon as they are acquired they are put away in one lone spot, known as the Volta Bureau Library, located in Washington, D.C. They drop out of circulation and become forgotten. It must take an occasional prospector to go far for it and bring some book or article to light.

Obviously, only a small percentage would go that far, to Washington, D.C., and then to this Bureau, which can be reached more conveniently by taxi to the outskirts, as the writer had done last June in search for material for the coming N.A.D. Convention in Chicago in 1937. He had the pleasure of a long talk with Miss Josephine B. Timberlake and became somewhat familiar with its handicaps and possibilities.

If a horse cannot be taken to water, then what is wrong with the idea of bringing a pail of water to the horse? It will drink it—no doubt of that—when it is really thirsty. So, why not a traveling library? It can bring books to the deaf and hearing, who, if really interested, would look them over. Nothing is more direct and arresting.

Howard Terry, in the previous issue, declared that the Volta Bureau bought 20 copies of his book years ago. Isn't it possible that this bureau may have made practice of getting duplicates of all worth-while books? In that case, it would be most opportune to build up a traveling library of those spare copies, and send it on the road. The writer does not pretend to know library technique, but felt compelled by the intelligent discussion to point out a more direct line of approach.

It is ripe, in this connection, for all to know that the Chicago Local Committee for the Eighteenth Triennial Convention of the National Association of the Deaf in Chicago, July 26 to 31, 1937, has one of important plans under way. It is putting forth efforts to give what will be known as the Chicago Exhibit of the American Deaf. It has permission from the Hotel Sherman, its official headquarters, to install booths in the lobby so as to be open for direct inspection by the hearing public. This exhibit will demonstrate the progress of the deaf by pictures, documents and clippings, stressing the accomplishments of the deaf in various fields of endeavor. Thus, it will serve to publicize the capacities of the deaf in the industrial world.

A booth to go by the title of The Initial Traveling Library of the Deaf in this exhibit should give impetus to the interested ones to contribute to it all spare books and other pertinent matters. The Local Committee will

gladly cooperate as far as its coming local funds will permit. The Volta Bureau, Howard Terry, and others, are heartily invited to communicate with the Chicago NAD 1937 Convention Committee, 3811 W. Harrison St., Chicago, Ill., and work toward the common ideal.

Do You Know

By J. FREDERICK MEAGHER

NOV. 24 will be the 224th birthday of the Abbe De l'Epee?

It is impolite to use De l'Epee without the "Abbe"? Abbe means "Rev." in our language. Still some honored heroes are so loved, we seldom use their titles—like "Honest Abe," "Teddy," Lindbergh (Col.), and our own Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet (a Rev.).

"De l'Epee" is French for "Of the Sword." (And how he used the sword to rip open opportunities for the deaf, everywhere.)

History is haywire? Abbe De l'Epee was NOT the first to found a school for deaf? (But he founded the first FREE school in the world using the SIGN-language.) De l'Epee did NOT teach our Gallaudet? He taught Abbe Sicard, who succeeded him on his death; Sicard taught young Gallaudet; Gallaudet then returned to Hartford and established the first PERMANENT school in America. Rev. Gallaudet (there; I remembered to be polite, for once) did not found the FIRST school for us deaf in America? John Braidwood of England, and possibly others, beat him to it. But their schools fa' down and go boom!

De l'Epee invented our finger-alphabet—yet today his digit-dialing is taboo in his own school, while we Americans thrive thereon? Truth is stranger than fiction!

Know I swiped most of the above info from editor of the New Ephpheta, Jere V. Fives? But, don't tell anyone—I'm not giving credit to the Manhattan mogul, Jere V. ditto—HUH?—no; you lose your bet, as usual; that's right, for "Fives" is English for the Roman numeral "V."

Extra Life

A BETTER design for living is credited by the census bureau with adding eleven years of life for the average American man and twelve years for the woman.

Director William L. Austin estimates that at the beginning of the century the average length of life in the United States was forty-eight years for white men and fifty-one years for white women.

The latest statistics, contained in life tables for 1930, give the average for men as fifty-nine years, and women sixty-three.

How to Reach the New Home Office

THOSE desiring to visit the new Home Office building of the Society from the Loop or central business section of Chicago, may do so by:

1. Taking the Lake Street Elevated railway in the Loop to OAK PARK AVENUE Station in Oak Park. Walk South from this station three blocks to the building. Fare 10c.

2. Taking the Garfield Park Elevated railway in the Loop to OAK PARK AVENUE Station in Oak Park. Walk North three blocks to building. Fare 10c.

3. Via auto, by taking Route 20 on Washington Boulevard from the Loop to Oak Park Avenue in Oak Park, and turning South one-half block to building. Alternate routes are Madison Street or Jackson Boulevard to Oak Park Avenue in Oak Park.

The Elevated railway will get you to the building in twenty-five minutes. The time through traffic on the auto routes named will be about the same. It is a seven and one-half mile ride, which is a short distance in a metropolitan area like Chicago or New York.

Remember, our new building is located at
433 SOUTH OAK PARK AVE.,
OAK PARK, ILLINOIS.



THANKSGIVING JOYS

CARTLOADS of pumpkins, as yellow as gold,

Onions in silvery strings,
Shining red apples and clusters of grapes,
Nuts and a host of good things,—
Chickens and turkeys and fat little pigs—
These are what Thanksgiving brings.

Work is forgotten and playtime begins,
From office and schoolroom and hall,
Fathers and mothers and uncles and aunt
Nieces and nephews and all,
Speed away home, as they hear from afar
The voice of old Thanksgiving call.

Now is the time to forget all your cares,
Cast every trouble away,
Think of your blessings, remember your joys,
Don't be afraid to be gay!
None are too old, and none are too young,
To frolic on Thanksgiving Day.

—Youth's Companion.



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



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DRUDGERY is as nec-
essary to call out the
treasures of the mind as har-
rowing and planting those
of the earth.

—Margaret Fuller.

Our Opening

ON October 10, the Home Office held
open house at its new building. All
the resident Grand Officers and the
headquarters staff assisted in making
the afternoon pleasant for our mem-
bers and friends who came to inspect
our new quarters.

Some two hundred members and
friends from Chicago, its suburbs, and
nearby cities came to our house warm-
ing and were both surprised and
pleased to find that we have a building
that the society may be proud of. Re-
freshments were served to the visitors
in the large second floor front office,
these being presided over by the young
ladies of the office staff, assisted by the
wives of the Grand Officers.

A considerable number of letters and
telegrams were received from various
Divisions and individuals offering con-

gratulations, and we are still getting
letters commending the removal of the
Home Office from the grime and confu-
sion of its former mid-city location to
the new home in our own building in
much better surroundings.

The new quarters were profusely
decorated with handsome floral pieces,
sent by Divisions and well-wishers.
Among those sending flowers were Chi-
cago Division No. 1, Akron Division
No. 55, Brother Elmer D. Fogg of
Maine, Brother William Maiworm of
Chicago, Mr. Joseph S. Grant, our at-
torney, the Gutensky Construction Co.,
the National Fuel Corporation, the Gar-
field Lumber Co., the Realty Shade &
Blind Co. Prior to the opening of the
new building, congratulatory messages
were received from Philadelphia Di-
vision, Seattle Division, Spokane Di-
vision, Columbus Division, Toledo Di-
vision, Mr. Grant above mentioned, and
Jay Cooke Howard of Michigan. Since
then, we have received other congratu-
latory letters from members and
others, too numerous to mention here.
We wish to thank one and all for their
kindness and the fine send-off they gave
us.

Since the opening of the building, the
grounds have been landscaped, a new
fence constructed around the back of
the property, and the garage put in
first class condition. There are still
some minor improvements to be made
and these are being completed as fast
as possible.

The building was constructed from
plans drawn by our architect under our
direction, and we feel that we have an
admirable and serviceable building,
much better adapted to our needs, and
above all one that gives us ample space
to carry on the operations of the So-
ciety, which have grown in magnitude
during recent years, owing to the con-
siderable amount of real estate that we
must manage and conserve. The new
quarters also give us the much needed
space for storage of records. The ac-
cumulation of records over a period of
thirty-five years that have to be pre-
served was a perplexing problem which
has been satisfactorily solved by the
erection of the new building.

We hope that all our members and
friends who pass through Chicago will
not fail to visit our Home Office build-
ing and see for themselves the new
quarters we have provided for carrying
on the work of the Society. The new
building is easy to reach from the cen-
ter or main business section of Chicago.
See directions in another part of this
issue.

Toronto Change

THE Local Committee on arrange-
ments for the Toronto convention
in 1939, have been busily on the job of
accumulating a sizeable convention
fund since October, a year ago, and to
date have made excellent progress. The
plans for raising the convention fund
to ample proportions are going forward
in great shape, and conventioners who
have their eyes trained on Toronto may

rest assured that the capable Local
committee will handle the job of enter-
tainment to the King's taste.

In connection with the committee per-
sonnel, Brother William H. Hazlitt has
felt it necessary to resign his position
on the committee, in order to conserve
his health and reduce his activities to
a minimum. The resignation has been
accepted with regret by the Home Of-
fice.

In his place, we have appointed
Brother David Peikoff as a member of
the Local committee. Brother Peikoff
is, in the American language, a Go-
Getter, and we believe that the com-
mittee will find his services of value
in carrying out the many plans they
now have in hand and will later formu-
late.

Look at 'Em

WE want all our members to take a
look at the list of new members
coming in this month.

It will be an eye-opener after the
small number in previous months. Dur-
ing the so-called depression, we usually
had twelve to fifteen new entrants each
month. This year, due to improved con-
ditions, and above all to the general
waking up of the rank and file caused
mainly by our prodding and the offer-
ing of substantial rewards for getting
new members, the new entrant list has
jumped from fifteen to twenty-five,
thirty-five, forty, and now this month
to fifty-six, and would have been over
sixty had not several applications been
held over for necessary adjustments.

All this goes to show what can be
done by determined efforts to line up
the numerous eligible men all over the
country.

While we are very much pleased with
the upward swing in the number of new
entrants, we are not satisfied with only
sixty or so a month. The number
should easily be pushed up to over one
hundred a month, with a little effort on
the part of many divisions yet to be
heard from in this membership drive.
Some Divisions have not sent in a new
member for several years, and should
get busy, survey their territory, and
bring 'em in. To these Divisions, we
urge that they take a look at their
roster of members and note the lack of
new entrants, roll up their sleeves, and
show the leaders in the Derby Drive
what they can do. We have no doubt in
the world that these Divisions can equal
or even better the records so far hung
up. Let's see you do it, not next year,
but right away. There is still plenty of
time to get in the DO SOMETHING
list. DO IT.

This drive for new members will see
no let up. The Home Office intends to
keep everlastingly at it. In 1937 we
will have more plans for a bigger and
better Derby. The upward surge is now
in full swing, and we intend to keep it
shooting skyward. BOYS, ALL TO-
GETHER. DO YOUR PART.

SEPTEMBER COLLECTIONS

Grand Division	\$ 27.70
Chicago No. 1	331.81
Detroit	194.17
Saginaw	51.58
Louisville	85.89
Little Rock	113.29
Dayton	72.39
Cincinnati	199.85
Nashville	37.12
Olathe	136.25
Flint	100.55
Toledo	75.51
Milwaukee	147.56
Columbus	152.74
Knoxville	32.61
Cleveland	102.48
Indianapolis	128.96
Brooklyn	403.55
St. Louis	285.53
New Haven	25.54
Holyoke	43.95
Los Angeles	333.11
Atlanta	115.19
Philadelphia	258.01
Kansas City	73.80
Omaha	67.45
New Orleans	81.22
Kalamazoo	43.00
Boston	216.84
Pittsburgh	136.35
Hartford	64.41
Memphis	77.98
Portland, Me.	61.79
Buffalo	57.27
Portland, Ore.	120.79
Newark	107.72
Providence	80.92
Seattle	118.29
Utica	123.85
Washington	167.40
Baltimore	123.00
Syracuse	59.57
Cedar Rapids	38.59
Albany	55.45
Rochester	85.02
San Francisco	140.73
Reading	137.46
Akron	314.18
Salt Lake City	53.82
Rockford	101.93
Springfield, Ill.	38.99
Davenport	31.25
Worcester	47.35
St. Paul-Minneapolis	163.36
Fort Worth	71.69
Dallas	94.71
Denver	62.82
Waterbury	44.13
Springfield, Mass.	96.50
Waco	39.66
Bangor	59.77
Kenosha	37.22
Birmingham	61.13
Sioux Falls	49.80
Wichita	44.88
Spokane	93.19
Des Moines	45.51
Lowell	66.23
Berkeley	52.35
Delavan	89.13
Houston	77.13
Scranton	53.16
Richmond	51.36
Johnstown	54.61
Manhattan	276.13
Jacksonville	44.13
Lewiston	27.58
Peoria	44.65
Jersey City	103.63
Bronx	141.43
Columbia	76.39
Charlotte	60.57
Durham	53.24
Dubuque	15.15
Grand Rapids	21.22
Toronto	268.15
Duluth	58.62
Canton	24.84
Faribault	29.00
South Bend	53.77
Council Bluffs	75.38
Fort Wayne	33.17
Schenectady	45.34
Chicago No. 106	75.94
Miami	53.21
Binghamton	66.90
Wilkinsburg	39.33
San Diego	17.19
Eau Claire	73.63
Sulphur	31.18
Vancouver	19.20
Westchester	30.27
Queens	71.74
Montreal No. 117	17.78
Montreal No. 118	36.97
Total collections	\$9,675.83

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR
SEPTEMBER, 1936

Balance and Income	
Balance, August 31, 1936	\$1,964,585.40
Division collections	9,675.83
Interest, mortgage loans	2,788.69
Interest, bonds	1,317.50
Mortgage fees	252.50
Property insurance premiums	92.00
Refund of investment expenses	5.00
Rents	3,005.00
Lodge supplies	6.25
Exchange on checks	2.60
Recording and registry fees	10.50
Total balance and income	\$1,981,741.27
Disbursements	
Death benefits	\$ 1,383.00
Sick benefits	1,720.00
Accident benefits	655.00
Old-age income payments	77.57
Clerical services	190.00
Investment expenses	1,564.80
Legal services	125.00
Office expenses	114.67
Officers' and Trustees' salaries	787.48
Official publication	186.89
Postage	23.50
Printing and stationery	3.55
Property insurance premiums	127.40
Rents	162.50
Taxes on real estate	1,332.42
Total disbursements	\$ 8,453.78
Recapitulation	
Balance and income	\$1,981,741.27
Disbursements	8,453.78
Balance, Sept. 30, 1936	\$1,973,287.49

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Ledger Assets, Sept. 30, 1936	
Real estate	\$ 486,713.71
First mortgage loans	626,455.17
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	145,544.66
Cash in Society's office	423.64
Total ledger assets	\$1,973,287.49
Balances in Funds	
Reserve fund	\$1,701,583.39
Mortuary fund	109,204.26
Sick and accident fund	89,410.78
Accumulated interest	40,803.55
Convention fund	13,256.99
Indemnity fund	2,368.81
General expense fund	16,659.71
Total in all funds	\$1,973,287.49

SEPTEMBER DISABILITY CLAIMS

Aurele Brisebois, Montreal No. 117	\$ 90.00
Stanley Farley, Montreal No. 118	10.00
Lawrence Weinberg, Manhattan	45.00
Samuel Frankenheim, Manhattan	25.00
R. J. King, Toledo	25.00
H. D. Stottler, Akron	10.00
Fred Hampton, Portland, Ore.	10.00
W. B. Young, Philadelphia	30.00
Julius Burchardt, Houston	150.00
J. E. Empson, Houston	75.00
*F. P. Keating, Waterbury	45.00
*Abraham Grossman, Waterbury	30.00
*E. W. Johnson, Council Bluffs	60.00
*Fred C. Berger, Westchester	50.00
*Geo. H. Davies, Sulphur	30.00
*Frank Hanley, Philadelphia	10.00
W. I. Shibley, Little Rock	150.00
W. G. Durian, Hartford	20.00
A. J. Council, Washington	25.00
F. C. Smielau, Miami	50.00
G. E. Ruby, Springfield, Ill.	60.00
E. W. Heber, Jacksonville	75.00
E. E. Mather, Jacksonville	50.00
R. D. Anderson, Council Bluffs	60.00
C. E. Bowen, Baltimore	25.00
Anaclet Mercier, Holyoke	25.00
George Hagan, St. Louis	50.00
F. H. Krahling, Buffalo	30.00
W. H. Maack, St. Louis	150.00
David Retzker, Brooklyn	75.00
A. I. Whitacre, Toledo	50.00
G. A. Calame, Sulphur	150.00
W. A. Boyer, Johnstown	40.00
M. A. Anderson, Eau Claire	75.00
*A. I. Newman, Los Angeles	45.00
*J. F. Singleton, Los Angeles	105.00
*H. W. Kelly, Waterbury	60.00
*H. R. Elliott, Baltimore	90.00
*D. C. Staats, Newark	35.00
*Louis Garbowitz, Bronx	30.00
*A. H. Peterson, Dayton	45.00
*J. K. Forbes, Pittsburgh	10.00
*A. J. Malloy, Johnstown	10.00
W. T. Griffing, Sulphur	90.00
Total for the month	\$2,375.00

*Denotes accident claims.

NEW MEMBERS

Chicago No. 1—George Gordon, Luther Stephens.
Saginaw—Anthony Gorney.
Dayton—William Mallman.
Toledo—Isaac Shimp.
Columbus—Frank Boldizer, David McCollier, Ray Stallo.
Cleveland—Peter Volsanovich.
Los Angeles—Edward Gonzales, Valrie Owen.
Kern Auburn, Alfred McCarthur, Mark Hanna.
Boston—John Micalizzi.
Hartford—Frank Cando.
Providence—Joseph Montanaro.
Baltimore—Howard Amberg, John Amberg, John Geiger, Joseph Day, Fred Henklein, Herbert Hush, Jerome Kiel, Albert King, Victor Krohn, Albert Le Pore, Benjamin Myerovitz, Ernest Reeb, Otto Seby.
Syracuse—Benjamin Conner, Francis Moreth.
Akron—Harry Barty.
Davenport—Carl Bergthold.
Wichita—Darl Clark, John Tomkins.
Des Moines—Floyd Skalicky.
Richmond—Fred Norman.
Manhattan—William Booth.
Peoria—Donald Petrakis.
Toronto—Clinton Parker, Carman Quinn, Walter Moore, George Bellamy, Thomas Dand, Kurven Foster, Lewis Patterson, Vincent Cecchini, Abraham Hanna, Raymond Hunter, Herbert Schneider, Leonard Schneider, William Burlic, John Ruttle.
Duluth—Clarence Ramstorf.
Schenectady—Merton Robinson.
Vancouver—Oliver Spitznogle.

THE GET-ONE DEGREE

Chicago No. 1—Herman Baim, C. B. Kemp.
Saginaw—Stephen Brownrigg.
Dayton—Fred Freimuth.
Toledo—Andrew Lapienis.
Columbus—William Uren (2), Philip Holdren.
Cleveland—Elmer Rosenmund.
Los Angeles—Joe Greenberg (4), George Eccles.
Hartford—Ernest Smith.
Boston—Alfred Oliver.
Providence—Abraham Cohen.
Baltimore—Stanley Taranski (13).
Syracuse—Robert Conley (2).
Akron—Benjamin Schowe.
Davenport—Alfred Schultz.
Wichita—Victor Hottle (2).
Des Moines—Palmer Lee.
Richmond—Meade Dalton.
Manhattan—James McArdle.
Peoria—Harold Ford.
Toronto—David Peikoff (4).
Duluth—Clarence Sharp.
Schenectady—William Robinson.
Vancouver—William Hunter.

MEMBERSHIP DERBY

Look at this list, friends. Didn't we tell you these boys would come into the home stretch at a fast clip? Some of 'em are already "in the money," and the others will be before the end of the year. Let us hang up your name in the Derby, too. We shall be delighted to do it. Come on in, the going is good.
David Peikoff, Toronto..... 33
Joe Greenberg, Los Angeles..... 14
Stanley Taranski, Baltimore..... 13
Jacob Goldstein, Los Angeles..... 5
James Smith, Little Rock..... 5
Alfred Keeley, Salt Lake City..... 4
Julian Gardner, Los Angeles..... 4
Gus Straus, Cincinnati..... 4
Warren Holmes, Jr., Philadelphia..... 3
Gordon Allen, Houston..... 3
Francis Nicholas, Jersey City..... 3
Robert Conley, Syracuse..... 3
Victor Hottle, Wichita..... 3

SEPTEMBER DEATH CLAIMS

Paid to Katie King, Toledo, Ohio, for death benefit of Richard J. King, certificate No. 1569-D, deceased Aug. 21, 1936, \$500.
Paid to William O. Blair, Chicago, Ill., for death benefit of John W. Blair, certificate No. 564-C, deceased Aug. 12, 1936, \$383.
Paid to Bertha B. Barnes, Jackson Heights, N.Y., for death benefit of Culmer Barnes, Jr., certificate No. 1663-C, deceased Aug. 4, 1936, \$500.

MARRIAGES

August 22—Brandt Otten, Sioux Falls, S.D., and Gwendolyn Robinson, Atlanta, Ga.
August 24—William Zukowski, Jr., Cambridge, Mass., and Helen Levine, Roxbury, Mass.
September 7—Robert House, Cincinnati, O., and Lettie Byrd, Follansbee, W.Va.
September 9—Clifford Leach, Binghamton, N.Y., and Helen Larkin, Rome, N.Y.
September 19—Harvey Giles, Griffin, Ga., and Edith Berkner, Macon, Ga.
September 24—Anton Axtman, Los Angeles, Cal., and Leona McCleery, Edmonds, N.D.

DIVISION NOTES

November

- 6. Mock public installation.....Chicago No. 1
- 7. SocialScranton
- 7. StagSt. Louis
- 7. Frat family niteAlbany
- 7. SocialDayton
- 7. BeanoHartford
- 7. Card socialBuffalo
- 7. PartyDes Moines
- 7. Halloween partyDelavan
- 7. BanquetColumbus
- 8. Pot luck supperMiami
- 14. Card partyQueens
- 14. SocialSchenectady
- 14. MoviesPortland, Me.
- 14. VaudevilleDetroit
- 14. Birthday dinnerChicago No. 1
- 14. Gala danceNew Haven
- 14. Fairyland masqueradeHolyoke
- 14. SmokerCincinnati
- 14. Annual supperWashington
- 14. SmokerBaltimore
- 14. Halloween partyReading
- 14. BazaarCedar Rapids
- 14. StagPeoria
- 14. Ladies' nightToronto
- 20. Card partyHouston
- 21. Thanksgiving partyBrooklyn
- 21. Balloon danceWorcester
- 21. DanceWilkesburg
- 21. Dance socialWaterbury
- 21. Thanksgiving frolicWestchester
- 21. Aux-frats' cabaretToledo
- 21. Stag partyOmaha
- 21. Silver anniversary banquet.....Kalamazoo
- 21. Turkey WhistSan Francisco
- 28. Centennial danceDallas

December

- 5. SocialDayton
- 5. Christmas socialScranton
- 5. Gallaudet socialFaribault
- 5. Card partyQueens
- 11. Dance partyToronto
- 12. Movie socialDetroit
- 18. Christmas partyHouston
- 19. Christmas partyDayton
- 19. Christmas socialKalamazoo
- 19. Christmas partyDubuque
- 26. Christmas festivalBrooklyn
- 31. Watch party and smokerHouston
- 31. Watch partyWashington
- 31. Watch partyKansas City
- 31. New Year partySeattle
- 31. New Year partySt. Louis
- 31. Watch partySyracuse
- 31. New Year dance.....St. Paul-Minneapolis
- 31. Watch partyWichita
- 31. New Year partySpokane

January

- 2. Annual New Year ballBoston
- 2. New Year partyUtica
- 8. EntertainmentChicago No. 106
- 16. 27th anniversary banquet.....Los Angeles
- 16. SmokerWorcester

NEW HAVEN (By Philip Quinn)—On Saturday evening, November 14, the division will hold a gala dance at Grant Hall, 800 Chapel St. The committee in charge assures us that everyone will have a swell time. Both dancing and games will be indulged in. Do not miss this, or you will be sorry.

CINCINNATI (By Frank Simpson)—The removal of James Shepherd to Elmira, N.Y. forced his resignation as division treasurer. He is succeeded by Arthur Wenner, whose address is 41 W. Mitchell Ave., Cincinnati. Non-resident members please note.

Lester Harry, who visited the Toronto Division some weeks ago, is organizing a "Vacation in Toronto, 1929" club among the members and friends. The spirit of the Canadians surely must have impressed him. The division is making plans for a banquet sometime in February. Details will appear later.

WATERBURY (By F. G. Cossette)—Waterbury Division is ready for a great and gala time on Saturday, November 21, at Temple Hall, a couple of minutes' walk down the street from Hotel Elton. Abe Grossman

is chairman. He has been a member only one year, but is a live wire, and assures all of a fine time. Circulars are being sent out advertising the affair. Remember the date. Let's all go and have a good time.

Edward H. Hine, a charter member of our division, died on October 5, after a lingering illness. He was a member of fine character, and held in high esteem. He will be missed, and remembered for a long time. We extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Hine.

PORTLAND, OREGON (By C. H. Linde)—Effective December 12, 1936, we shall hereafter meet regularly on the second Saturday of each month, instead of the first Saturdays, as was the custom of long standing. Also, we move downstairs into another hall (in Redman's building) so as to reward the SFL auxiliary with better accommodations in the connecting room. The poor dear gals have been putting up with their present cramped quarters, but as in all similar cases patience ceases to be a virtue in the end.

The latest addition to the active paid-up membership here was Brother Orson Fay, who had been a livewire before Old Man Depression knocked him down the drop-out alley.

Clarence Lee has accepted the chairmanship of the entertainment committee for the current three-months period, in the spirit of cheerfulness... whereas most anyone, including ye scribe, would rather jump into the Willamette than shoulder the none-too-cheerful duties of said assignment. With the Halloween party soon to be disposed of, Lee has ahead of him a big job—that of getting plans into shape for the New Years Eve party.

ROCHESTER (By C. H. Samuelson)—The annual picnic of the Rochester Division was a big success, to the satisfaction of the committee who put in a lot of time planning it. It was held at the Maplewood Inn Grove. Around 150 deaf attended the picnic. About 50 were non-residents.

Contests were enjoyed. Last on the program was a ball game between the married and single men. After the hectic game was over, the single men acknowledged that the married men were their superiors in that sport.

Due to the foreclosure sale of the Fraternal Building, where the Rochester Division had its monthly meetings, the Division is forced to look for a hall elsewhere. The new owner has asked all of the tenants to vacate the building by Nov. 1. What is to be done to the building, I don't know.

The ways and means committee, on Monday after the meeting held Saturday, found a temporary meeting place. So the Division will hold its November meeting at the Moose Hall on East Ave., on November 14. Remember this meeting place and date.

The Division will hold a Halloween social October 31 at the Gannet House, corner Temple and Cortland Sts. Plenty of fun is in store for every one who comes to this social.

PEORIA (By C. J. Cunningham)—Peoria Division will sponsor another "Stag" on Saturday night, November 14. It will be held at Endres' Hotel on East Franklin St., just half a block from the bridge approach. The committee is planning to put it over big—even better than our last "Stag," and from what we learn from advance information, it sure is going to be a real humdinger. Admission is \$1.00, which covers everything, including entertainment, eats, and drinks. Anybody intending to come, please notify C. J. Cunningham, 1713 N. Madison Ave., Peoria, Ill., so reservations can be made.

Our annual picnic, held Sunday, Sept. 6, went over BIG—in fact it broke all records since the Division was organized. Every member was a committee of one and the way that team-work turned out, netted us a handsome profit of \$173.09—an all time record for our small Division. When the results were announced at our last meeting it spurred the members to go after it in a bigger way next fall.

Bro. Gedney is still smiling and handing out cigars—all on account of the arrival of Mary Ann Gedney on Saturday, August 29. Congratulations.

Bros. John Otto and Rudolph Redlich, of Springfield Division, accompanied by Mrs. Otto and Bro. and Mrs. Tillman come up to

help us celebrate our annual picnic. We are looking for John and Rudy on Nov. 14, and also several others in Springfield, who know our "Stags."

Peoria Division is still after new members—so far we have landed one member each month. If this continues, we expect to double our membership inside of a year.

AKRON (By F. X. Zitnik)—Harry J. Barty was admitted as a new member at our October meeting, thus marking the start of a "get one" drive of our Division. He is a product of the Western Pennsylvania and Maryland schools, and a fine specimen of manhood, and promises to become a real asset to the Division. The Division thanks Bro. Schowe for his efforts in enrolling Harry as a member.

Karl A. Campbell is another welcome addition to our ranks, via the transfer route from Columbus Division. Living in Londonville, O., he found it much more convenient to attend our meetings and socials.

Bro. Ayers being incapacitated by his injured foot, Bro. Thompson took charge of our November smoker and stag, and promises us a jolly good time of the real old-fashioned "get-together, boys" class. It would be well for all our brothers to have their dues paid, in order to be eligible to attend this event, as it's free only to active members in good standing.

Our Division congratulates the Grand Division on its new home, and hopes that the Grand Officers and clerical help are snugly established in the new quarters, and are getting the benefit of the fresher air and the quietness of the new surroundings as compared to the hustle and bustle and noise of the former downtown location.

SAN FRANCISCO (H. O. Schwarzklose)—H. Neil had the misfortune to be badly, tho' not seriously injured when a car in which he was a passenger skidded on a wet stretch of road and went over a 60-foot embankment: Car turned over twice, and the top was cut off by a tree as cleanly as if with a knife. He says he is lucky to be alive. Results: Left arm strained, gash in forehead about 4 inches long, black eye and several body contusions. He has not yet been able to return to work, but hopes to soon.

The Division extends congratulations to the Home Office on acquiring a building of their own. Several secretaries will have a hard job trying to remember the new address. Mail deliveries will be delayed. Envelopes will arrive, marked, "FORWARDED" for a few months. And then, everything will be back to normal again. (Thanks, you are a true prophet, so far, Ed.)

San Francisco Division is to hold the event of the social season on October 31. A Halloween dance, with prizes, music 'N' everything. All are welcome, and the committee, headed by Brother Hannan will see that you have a good time. Don't forget the time and place, Oct. 31 at 530 Valencia St., S.F.

Socials have been better and better attended than ever before. As a result, our local fund is starting to breathe again. In its latest fight with Old Man Depression it was hanging on the ropes, badly winded, but by now it has gained its second wind, thanks to the last few social chairman, and "it won't be long now!"

November 21 we will hold a Turkey Whist under the direction of M. Johnson at 530 Valencia Street.

Brother and Mrs. C. Le Clercq have left for New York where they expect to stay for the next few months. We wish them a good trip and a safe return home. (They were visitors at the new Headquarters on October 7, and appeared well pleased with our new home.—Ed.)

ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS (By J. J. McNeill)—Chairman Langford of the Entertainment committee announces a New Year's Eve dance on December 31. He will be assisted by two old timers, Paul Kees and Gordon Allen. He will hire a fine orchestra and make it the best dance we ever had. Out of town friends are very welcome, and don't forget the date. We will say more about it in the next issue.

A surprise party was tendered Mr. and Mrs. Gordon L. Allen at their home on their

first wedding anniversary. Bridge was the feature of the evening and a nice lunch was served. They received many presents. Here's hoping they will see their golden wedding anniversary.

The House Committee of Thompson Hall will stage a Halloween dance there on Oct. 31 and all are welcome. A good time is guaranteed.

PHILADELPHIA (H. J. Cusack)—The October meeting saw seven more novices sent blithely through their paces. Jim Jennings, degree team leader, sure make them hop, skip and jump. When it was all over the neophytes, namely, Menendez, Adelman, Wieland, Thal, Piccari, Toner and Abolofa were a much wiser bunch and we're sure they all will make good fraters. Adding these seven to the eight who were initiated last Spring, gives the Division fifteen new members. (J. A. G. take note.)

The Division will have open house following the November meeting at which talks setting forth the advantages to be gained by being a member of the Society will be given. The Membership Campaign Committee, comprising Brothers Roach, Donohue and Cusack, have distributed a four-page pamphlet explaining the workings of the Society. It looks like fifteen or twenty more members before the first of the year. (Oi, Jakie, are you still readin', yes?)

Between the sheets—Bros. Summerill and Silk are coming along nicely following their operations for appendicitis. Bro. Dooner, who was injured in an auto accident, is reported well on the road to recovery.

We read that Los Angeles' scribbler, Jake Goldstein, takes "Bobs" to task for calling him something other than Jacob A. What the heck! We knew him way back when he was Jacob R. Don'cha remember, Jake? We also note that he takes time out to call us half-baked, half-pint, etc., etc. That's nothing, Jake, we've been called better (or worse) things than that by bigger guys than you. But, you should see us when we're half-stewed.

WORCESTER (By C. A. Morrison)—During our social season meetings will start at 6:30 p.m. instead of at 7:00, so as not to cause delay in starting after-meeting socials in case it happens to be necessary to hold a long business session.

Bro. Leverett Blanchard has forsaken street cars and buses, and uses his Plymouth coupe for transportation to meetings. He and others providing our finances permit, are intending to take in the coming attractions of several divisions in this season.

Bro. Ludovic Verner of Spencer has been seriously sick since May and we sent a sum of money to his wife to be used for his benefit.

Colin McCord of Lowell Division was a visitor to our October meeting, and spoke about Lawrence Donovan, who has been confined to a hospital in Tewksbury for a long time. Bro. Donovan was formerly president of our Division, but was transferred to Lowell last year. We were glad to hear that he is getting along as well as can be expected.

During the past two months two new members, John Hencinski and Edgar Davis, were initiated into the mysteries of our order. Try and get a few more before January, 1937, when we will have a smoker.

Are you coming to our balloon dance Nov. 21st? Chairman Morrison and his aids promise a good time to everybody, young and old. New novelty dances will be introduced, and several prizes awarded to winners of contests.

The year is fast waning and the annual election of officers draws nearer, and it is for best interests of the Division that all members, resident or non-resident, should make special efforts to attend meetings.

JACKSONVILLE (By Ernest Tilton)—Jacksonville Division held its annual picnic Sept. 13 and it was a huge success. There were over 400 present, and there were many in the crowd from St. Louis, Springfield, Decatur and Quincy. A fine time was had by all. There were many different games. Division No. 88 wishes through THE FRAT to thank all who attended the picnic, especially those from out of town. We thoroughly enjoyed having them with us.

Most of our brothers were absent from the city during the summer, but are all back now. Grand Vice President Orman and Mrs. Orman treated themselves to a new V-8 Ford and spent the summer in Kansas. Bro. Fancher is also sporting a new V-8, and was on the go all summer. Lee and John Huff are also proud owners of Plymouths, and kept the roads hot all the summer. And last but not least, your humble servant, who pens these lines, is enjoying life in a Ford V-8 coupe.

F. W. Schoneman is out again after being laid up in the hospital for an operation. He has fully recovered.

Chas. Marshall has purchased a small farm north of the city, and goes back and forth in his trusty car every day to his duties in the gym at the school.

Robey Burns is busy with his football team. He was on the go all summer spending his time between Chicago, Washington and Jacksonville.

DETROIT (By A. A. Stutsman)—On Nov. 14 the Division will sponsor a big play presented by Toronto Division No. 98. The play will be a mock trial, and the cast will include ten men. The place to see the play is Washington Hall, 3rd floor, I.O.O.F. Building, 1208 Randolph St. near Monroe St. The admission price will be 35c; children under 15 years, 15c. Remember the date and bring friends with you.

The Division will also sponsor another play, this time to be given by Akron Division No. 55. The date will be either the 21st or 28th of November. Watch for the date to be decided upon later. You know the reputation of the Akron deaf players already, so plan to come and give them a rousing welcome again. You have not forgotten the "Wedding Bells in Dixie" they played last year.

The Division has already booked a movie for Dec. 12. It will be in the nature of a play in the sign language acted by Baltimore Division. It will prove a novelty to most of us. More details will be announced later.

The Division will hold its next meeting on Dec. 5 instead of 4, and at an earlier hour. The reason for this is that it will hold a sort of smoker for its members in good standing immediately following the adjournment of the meeting. Come and smoke with us. As the Division will be 35 years old next year, talk has been started for a celebration in its honor. More anon.

In the last issue \$70 was mentioned as the probable net profit from the July 25 picnic, but since then the final report showed \$97.37 as the exact sum. The Division voted the committee rousing thanks.

Robert K. Baird has come back and became the first and only "Come-back" of our Division so far this year.

At our last meeting, Bro. Greenspon made known his engagement to Miss Ruth Brock, and eventually passed around cigars. We wish you good luck, Edward.

Bro. Bankston is the latest Frat to get a new car. It is a Ford V-8.

Bro. Lobsinger has just found employment in Wyandotte, and is moving his family there to live.

Brothers, have you read the articles "Good Start" and "No Loss" in the September FRAT? Reread them and arouse yourselves for the worthy cause. Use them in your membership drive. There is another article which I consider of greater importance for the good of our Division. It is "No Quorum" in the October FRAT. Our meetings of the past year have been just above the quorum requirement, and this is not praiseworthy. We must look to ourselves and try to improve the morale of our business and social affairs. With the improvement of our faulty morale our efforts to gain new members will be more successful.

MANHATTAN (By Art Kruger)—The plan for the Eastern Cities Divisions of the N.F.S.D. basketball tournament has been called off. The writer regrets the necessity of saying through this column that the fraters of the Metropolis and its environs do not hang together; they prefer to hang separately—in another sense, clannish. They should forget this spirit of clannishness at once. They must ALL show more of their fraternal spirit NOW. It is also to be remembered that it is a great privilege to join the Society, not only for its benefits, but also for the fraternal work. The tourney would

be "a great accomplishment and a good advertisement for the N.F.S.D.," as Bro. Dramis, President of the Brooklyn Division, said in a previous issue of THE FRAT. No doubt the tourney would have succeeded, for we had been able to secure a spacious basketball court FREE. Bro. Nimmo of the Newark Division said, "Why can't we grab this chance when we have the court free?" Well, it is all over now, but it is still to be hoped that the plan will become a reality some day. Of course in this case there ought to be cooperation on a large scale. "The force of powerful union conquers all," said Homer, the Greek epic poet.

LOCAL TICKER: We lost a very fine brother in Bro. Barnes when he passed away on Aug. 4. He was one of three of our members who have departed from this world this year. . . Bro. Worzel goes to Mineola, L. I., almost every evening and he finds that dog racing is more exciting than horse racing. . . the No. 87ers seem to be convention-minded for a great many of us attended the conventions of the Empire State Association of the Deaf, Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf and New Gallaudet Assn. of the Deaf. . . Bro. Ebin is puffing out his chest an' becoming a "V" man for he was elected 1st Vice-President of the Empire State Assn., while Abe Miller, our boy made famous by the U. S. Post Office Dept., was chosen treasurer of same. . . No wonder Bro. Lowenherz was disappointed because his favorite Giants lost the World Series. He has seen almost all of the Giants' home games for many years via free passes. . . Bro. Nathan is now a papa, for his petite wife gave birth to a baby boy on Sept. 21. For cigars, consult him. . . Our Brother Ben de Castro of Panama blew into Gotham one day, and remained for six weeks. He is the only member of the N.F.S.D. in Central America, giving our division the long-distance non-resident membership record. (Not so sure about that; Chicago No. 1 has a member in Scotland.—Ed.)

LOS ANGELES (By J. A. Goldstein)—After a lingering illness of more than two months, Bro. Julius A. Bente passed away. At our recent meeting the members stood in silence for one minute as a fitting tribute to his memory. Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.

A banquet was tendered to Simon Himmelschein in honor of his 25th year as an employee of the Southern Telephone Co., by the officers and employees of the firm. He was presented with a three-star gold emblem to symbolize his length of service. 'Tis quite an event to be thus honored, Brother, and you have the congratulations of the Division.

FRAT-O-GRAPHS: Huge Monster Smoker Oct. 3, immediately after meeting. Record breaking attendance. . . 83 members. Goat ride a secret to all but officers and committee selected to conduct the ceremonies. Goats turn out en masse. . . 14 of them ready and innocent for the slaughter, one from Division No. 75. Ride short, but bitter-sweet. Smokes, eats, drinks served to all, gratis. Best time in many a moon. Bros. Turner (Chairman), Rasmussen, Pope, Krasne, E. Watt and Butterbaugh commended for their efforts.

Biggest laff o' year: West Wilson. He arrives at meeting late, and enters with hat on. Pays respects to Chair still with hat on. It is not the Sabbath, and he isn't even a yid.) Receives reprimand from Chair. . . he then doffs hat, and the boys most fell over themselves laughing. His head had been shaved, and looked just like the 8 ball. Order restored. . . Bro. Wilson excused.

O'Greenberg on the job again, and how! Two new ones last month, three this. One of 'em from Oakland, whom he hooked when at the Visalia Convention several weeks back. This all the more noteworthy in that he did it without even an application, just talked the fellow into joining and got the entry fee. He mailed the application later. Other members are getting busy, too. Bro. Moulder got two, and Bro. Eccles, one. Bro. Goldstein got two come-backs. And so it goes.

Bros. Jatta of Wichita Div. and Trapp of Berkeley Div. interested visitors. Greetings exchanged. Latter remarked that as a result of O'Greenberg's swiping the guy from Oakland, who should by rights have joined his Div., said Div. had snapped out of it and promised to get busy. We're from Missouri, show us!

WASHINGTON (By G. J. Ferguson)—Will wonders never cease? We did not think we'd live to see the day that the N.F.S.D. would own an office-building. Congratulations and more power to the Home Office staff!

Lovers of Italian spaghetti will be delighted to learn that according to Chairman D. Smoak, Bro. Cicchino has hit upon a new recipe for our annual supper on Nov. 14. Come to N. E. Masonic Temple and help yourself. Only thirty-five cents. As an added feature after the supper, there will be a bowling match between Washington and Richmond Divisions.

Bro. Hughes announced at our last meeting that the teams of Fanwood and West Virginia Schools for the Deaf will play foot ball on Kendall Green, Saturday, Nov. 7, for the benefit of the Gallaudet College Athletic Fund. It deserves our liberal support, to promote the good teamwork of all concerned.

CHICAGO No. 1 (By H. E. Keesal)—Bro. Gray, the new czar of our coming monster Mask Ball, has looked for a big hall, especially in the loop, but in vain, due to high rent. He will have to engage a hall out of the loop, but will get one having good transportation. He promises to land one before the next meeting. Tom, take your time; we can wait.

Preparatory to our Nov. 14 Banquet Roger Crocker, our super-ambitious professional photographer, took a group picture of No. 1 after its last meeting. A cut will be made from that photograph for use in the make-up of the program of the Banquet. Let's hope the picture will turn out well.

Remember Nov. 14. Mark that date in your little book, or better, mark "X" on your calendar, for the big banquet. \$1.00 is the price. The happy place is the Sheridan Plaza Hotel, located at Wilson Ave. and Sheridan Rd. Reserve your table through Bro. Massinkoff, the chief host. Only 250 plates can be provided. Get your ticket early.

After the last meeting there was a mock convention. Nearly 100 imaginary delegates were there. The Monkey Party and Stork Party had their conventions at the same time. The former was started by Keynoter Meagher, who talked like the monkeys. The Stork Party worked out business more smoothly. Bro. Padden was named the candidate for the Monkeys, and Bro. Garrett for the Storks. The planks were accepted with ridicule. Next month will witness the mock voting and election. Bro. Disz deserves credit for inventing the mock convention. Those witnessing it laughed all the evening. Thank you, and come again next month. Are you registered?

No. 1 accepted two more applications—Luther Stephens of Birmingham, Ala., endorsed by Grand Secy. Kemp, and George Gordon of Chicago 90, endorsed by Bro. Baim. Good work from both hard-working frats. Elmer Olson is busy among his non-member friends. Elmer, better hurry, or Bro. Peikoff will beat you.

Well, the Home Office walked out on our fair city by moving to Oak Park, a beautiful suburb

of Chicago. No. 1, bending its bald head, wishes the Home Office success, with the hope that the Grand Officers will work better, think better, feel better in the new atmosphere.

Whoever has moved, please give your new address to your patient secretary. Otherwise, don't howl for future replies. It is up to you to write giving just a line—new address.

COLUMBUS (By C. C. Neuner)—Our Division has resumed meeting on Saturday evenings again, since the heated term is dwindling and it is all the better for attendance. We had a fairly good attendance at our October meeting and hope the non-attendants will be regulars hereafter. The non-attendance of Bro. Neuner at late meetings was due to Mrs. Neuner's broken ankle, Aug. 21.

We are delighted to have Bro. Myles back with us again, and hope he stays this time. He was here for a while a couple of years ago, and when we wanted to lay hands on him, he was somewhere else, like McGregor's flea.

Bro. Rattan, the wrestler, was a visitor at our October meeting.

We are not asleep, as some may have thought, for we have rounded up three new members. See the new member list. Our after-meeting socials were resumed, with small crowds. Lack of announcement is to blame for it. The presence of Brothers McBlane and Myles, with the cooperation of Bro. Holdren, inspired movements to form one or two bowling teams to represent our Division, both in the city league and at the Detroit tournament this coming winter. Fruits of this plan yet to be determined. The Frat social for next month is in charge of Bro. LaFountain, who will entertain us with movies imported from Ohio. Different refreshments, as usual, will be on hand for the convenience of the crowd. Come one—come all.

The Division at its October meeting stood in silence in respect to the death of Bro. Elsey's wife. Her death was due to an auto accident last Labor Day while returning from Michigan. Sympathy from a large circle of friends and Fraters is extended to Bro. Elsey.

The Knights of Columbus Hall, where our Division regularly meets, is undergoing a great deal of stage and floor improvements. Same will be finished ere we meet in November. Now watch us strut!

BOSTON (By D. McG. Cameron)—Our annual ball will be held on Jan. 2, which is the first Saturday of the New Year 1937. Those who attended last year's affair at the Hotel Bradford need not be told to come, as they will be there, knowing they would not miss it for anything. For the information of those who did not attend last year, the ball will be held in the Crystal Ball Room of the Hotel Bradford, Tremont and Stuart Streets, in the heart of the theatre and pleasure district. That Pres. Battersby is in charge of the affair is sufficient assurance that your pleasure and entertainment will be well taken care of. As usual, in addition to the dancing, there will be professional entertainers that will be as good if not better than last year. So put aside this date, and start the New Year right by attending this ball. More particulars for New Year's Day and the Division's regular meeting, which will have to be shifted to another date, will be given in this column in the December issue of THE FRAT.

Arthur Meacham, B.Arch. (M.I.T., 1934), son of Allan B. Meacham, has accepted a position at the Fanwood School for the Deaf in New York City, where he is instructor in Mechanical Drawing and Shop Mathematics.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Cohen invaded their home and presented them with a goodly sum of money, it being the 25th anniversary of their marriage. Mrs. S. Gouner, Mrs. S. Slotnick and Miss M. Molinsky were hostesses and saw to it that the crowd was well supplied with delicacies.

William Zukowski, Jr., took time off on Aug. 24, and accompanied by Mrs. Helen Levine, youngest daughter of Mark Cohen, made a flying trip to New York where they were united in marriage. The Division extends to Bro. William and his bride its best wishes.

Harry Jarvis, Treas. of the N.E.G.A., is making a drive for new members to the Association, and makes the offer of \$1.00 for two years' membership, with free subscription to the official paper, the "Ye Crier," of which Max Cohen is the new Editor—also Vice President of the Association, not Fritz Asher, as stated in this column in the last issue. (Bro. Cohen, please

accept the writer's apology.) The Association is not an alumni society, as generally thought, but open to all classes of the Deaf. It is needless to state that all officers are Frats. We should get behind the officers. The offer is open until Dec. 15.

LOWELL (By M. S. McGeever)—Lowell division is ready for the annual banquet on Nov. 14. Everything, according to the social committee, is promised to all in the way of a good time. Those will regret it who fail to attend. Remember the place of this banquet is at Odd Fellow's Bldg., 361 Bridge St., the place of many former activities of the division.

The division lost another member by death, the second time this year, in Endor E. Estabrook. His passing was sudden, and shocked us much. We miss his humorous tales of farm life. The division extends its sympathy to his bereaved family.

Deputy McCord is considering matching his team in bowling matches against picked deaf teams in Manchester, N. H., and Lawrence, Mass., sometime this fall, that they may renew friendships, and this may result in landing new members for our division. Here is hoping, Brother McCord.

TOLEDO (By E. E. McVicker)—About 35 deaf are expecting to resume their old positions in the Overland automobile factory some time this month, because the reorganization has been settled in the federal court.

Brother Lapanis of Albany Division No. 51 was a visitor at our meeting with the application of membership of Isaac Shimp, Jr. Brother Lapanis is the first non-resident member to make the Get One degree in our division. Bro. Lapanis is attending the school of linotyping in Maumee, Ohio, 10 miles southwest of Toledo.

The Auxiliary of Toledo Division will again sponsor an outstanding affair called "Cabaret" at Kapp Hall on Summit Street on November 21, from 4:30 p.m. to 2 a.m. They will have some clever entertainments starting at 8:30 that night. You would not miss anything like this. Many deaf raved about this same kind of affair last year, so we are expecting a bigger crowd this year. Please come and have a merry time.

Remember the date—November 21.

FARIBAULT (By V. R. Spence)—Elwyn Dubey and Cecelia Plaisance Letizia were united in marriage September 5. The couple will make their home with Elwyn's mother, who lives near the city limits. Elwyn has a steady job at the school for the deaf doing painting and odd jobs. A surprise party was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Dubey at Irwin Dubey's farm near Dundas. There were about twenty guests from Faribault present. The usual games were played, and refreshments served. All reported a good time.

The lariat of ranch No. 101 was swung across the state line and lassoed B. B. Burnes securely. He was legally transferred from Sioux Falls Division No. 74 to our corral, where he may be seen the first Saturday of each month. South Dakota's loss is our gain.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Dubey are the proud parents of a girl baby born July 23. This important event escaped the FRAT news by accident. The little one has been named Helen.

Mr. and Mrs. John Klein have moved to a new location, 1104 West Second St., where they are ready to welcome their friends. John was a trouble man at the shoe factory for many years. He was not a trouble maker but a trouble chaser. Whenever a machine went wrong, it was his duty to repair it. Work recently became slack and now he is on the look out for a new job, and we wish him luck.

A girl baby was born to Mr. and Mrs. Grant Worlein October 9. The division extends congratulations.

NEWARK (By Tom J. Blake)—The night of Oct. 3 is one long to be remembered by many. Newark and Jersey City divisions held a joint initiation of new members in the hall of No. 42, in Newark. Eighteen novices were initiated into the mysteries of our order, four from Newark and the rest from Jersey City. Over one hundred members were there, and all had a real good time. Beer and sandwiches were dispensed to all without charge.

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6. Frat Outing in Baltimore, 1927.
7. Timonium Fair, 1928.
8. Fair of the Iron Horse, B & O RR, 1928.
9. Rev. O. J. Whildin's Talk on Churches for the Deaf; Penn. Ass'n of Deaf; Frat Outing Fairview Beach, 1931.
10. Reunion Md. School for Deaf, 1934; Football game Gallaudet vs. U. of Delaware, 1930.
11. NFSD Convention, Kansas City, 1935 (2 reels, \$4.00).

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There was enough beer but the sandwiches soon disappeared. Much credit should go to Chairman Frank Nimmo, of No. 42, who worked hard to make a success of the affair, which it was. The officers of both divisions took part, too, in putting the novices through the ritual, Frank Hoppaugh serving as master of ceremonies. (Fire dept. just invaded my home and ordered me out. Fire on floor above me). The committee for No. 42, was Chairman Nimmo, Blake, Rowe, Jr., Bradley, Poline and Hoppaugh. Sec. Grundy of Jersey City, who was present will no doubt write up his side.

Those present besides the members and officers of Newark and Jersey City divisions as far as we can recollect were as follows: Brother Joseph F. Pfeiler, Balto No. 47; R. G. Young and C. H. Turner, Philadelphia No. 30; K. Murphy, Akron No. 55; L. Davis, Brooklyn No. 23; and Brothers I. Bloom, J. Friedman, N. Schwartz, J. Goldstein, W. Lustgarten, and L. Hagan of Manhattan No. 87.

Ed. Bradley tore his hand while at work unloading lumber. He will be laid up for a few weeks.

Brother Balmuth, one of our remaining charter members, has gone to Pleasant Valley, N. J., by order of his doctor. Breakdown in health.

All members are requested to be present at our November meeting, first Saturday in November. New local rules will come up for passage.

Secretary-Treasurer Kemp and Assistant Secretary Cherry are putting new life in THE FRAT. Everyone hopes that they will keep it up. May yet become a second Silent Worker in some respects. Here's hoping!

PITTSBURGH (By L. Zielinski)—From now on meetings of Pittsburgh Division No. 36 will take place the first Friday of each month. The old rule of meetings on the first Saturday of the month has been suspended.

Socials have been resumed by our Division. The third Saturday in each month is reserved for these functions. Chairman Harkless reported that our last social of September 19 was a success in every way. Come and have a good time with us Saturday, November 21.

Martin Eber is back at his job of nailing boxes, having recovered from an infected thumb; Joseph Racioppi of Canonsburg broke a thumb September 5 when the door of an auto flew open and he fell to the ground. James K. Forbes, after his poison ivy experience, went back to work, landing a nice job of lawn making.

Ross J. Brown, our former treasurer for many years, after having learned to balance the finances of our Division, decided it would be an easy matter to balance a household budget. He was married to Miss Grace Reed, Friday, Aug. 21, and took his bride for a three-day honeymoon trip to the Great Lakes Exposition in Cleveland. Our best wishes for Happy Days hereafter to Mr. and Mrs. Brown.

The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, the only morning newspaper in Pittsburgh, celebrated its 150th anniversary, Saturday, September 26. On one of the pages of the Anniversary Edition we spied the smiling likeness of Elmer S. Havens, who received mention with other long-service employees. Twenty-eight years of proofreading for the Post-Gazette is the record of Brother Havens.

We extend our condolences to Mrs. A. W. Zeber, whose husband died Tuesday, September 15. Mrs. Zeber has left Pittsburgh and is, at present, living with her married daughter in Chicago.

The Secretary desires to thank the brothers of Division No. 36 and all others for their comforting expressions of sympathy when he lost his beloved mother.

BALTIMORE (By A. A. Hajna)—Onward with the Progress of the Baltimore Division! Keep on! Carry on! Boost the membership in

the Baltimore Division No. 47.

Brother Taranski is the brother the entire Fratdom will soon hear much about. He has just garnered 13 new members. Yet, he's not satisfied. He's still prospecting for more. Attention Brother Peikoff of Toronto, and those "Irish" brothers of Los Angeles: Watch your lead lest you find yourselves in the rear.

Plans for the mammoth and gala New Year's Eve Party at the Century Hall, West Baltimore near Fremont street, are nearly completed. The committee, which consists of Brothers Taranski (chairman), H. Friedman, Foxwell, Demarco, and Hajna, hopes to formulate a program ready for the next issue of THE FRAT. Two of the tentative plans all for a great floor show and diverse refreshments. Admission, 75 cents. Do not miss the opportunity of a real "Happy New Year" good time in store for you one and all.

It is with great regret that we will again lose one more member—one who has decided to "re-migrate" to the Far West, his birthplace and boyhood home. May Lady Fortune pursue our President, Brother Wallace, there. Brother Wallace has landed a very good position in Spokane, Washington, hence the migration. So here goes all the best wishes from the Baltimore Division to you, Brother Wallace, in your work in the far West! And many more of it from Ye Scribe!

Remember, November 14 is "Goat Ride Night" for the novitiate brothers. The place for the affair will be announced at the November meeting.

SYRACUSE (By H. C. Merrill)—The October meeting of the Division was better attended than the average, but some of the brethren were conspicuous by their absence. The card party, engineered by Brother Conley, was fairly well patronized, and a small profit was realized.

Francis Moreth, a Maloneite, and Benjamin Conner have applied for membership, and it is hoped their applications will be approved by the Home Office, in its new home.

There was a goodly crowd at our picnic in Elmwood Park on September 13, quite a number coming from Binghamton. The Binghamton lads repaid our hospitality by trouncing our soft-ball team. Fie on you! But just wait!

Brothers Margolis and Eaton are still in the hospital. Some days they are a little better and again they are not feeling so good. Like the rest of us, they have their ups and downs.

Teddy Hofmann, the Chairman of the Hallows' Party Committee—the party is to be the evening of the 31st—is as busy as the proverbial one-armed man with the itch, and is working with both arms to make the affair successful. Nuf sed. Come and see Teddy's particular brand of ghosts.

Mesdames Lynch and Merrill of Syracuse and Mrs. John H. Thomas, wife of Utica's president, went with Mrs. Lashbrook of Rome in her car to visit the Gallaudet Home and also to attend a lawn party at the estate of Mrs. James Roosevelt, near Hyde Park, for the benefit of the Home. Mrs. Roosevelt is a member of the Board of Lady Managers and has given such a party annually for the past several years and otherwise manifested an interest in the Home.

So the N. F. S. D. has at last achieved another of its ambitions and gotten an office building of its own in which Bruders Roberts, Kemp, Cherry, et al, can "swell around." Swell, ain't it! Hoping you are the same.

More new members? Sure! Bring 'em along!

ST. LOUIS (By C. H. Fry)—W. Bennett was in Columbus, Ohio, on business last month. He met some of his old friends in that town.

C. W. Haig's family have moved back to Alton, Ill. His son-in-law now has a better position with the U. S. Government.

Chas. H. Fry visited the former President of our division, Walter Maack, at the Koch Hospital. The latter weighs 205 lbs. He was given a 3 days' visit to his people, who live in Illinois, this month.

Be sure to attend the meeting and stag on the 7th of November, at 7:30 p.m. Those who have not paid their dues for two months cannot attend the stag, according to our division's decision.

Our deepest sympathy is expressed to David Aut in the loss of his dear Mother,

and also to the wife of Brother G. Bremer in the loss of her dear mother.

SEATTLE (By N. C. Garrison)—Brother Thoms is confined at the General Hospital with a badly infected foot, the result of stepping on a rusty nail.

The Seattle Silents Bowling Team is making an excellent record so far this season, winning 11 and losing 4 games. They are one game behind the first place team. The boys making up the team are all members of the Seattle Division.

The numerous strikes and threats of strikes is playing havoc with the plans of No. 44 to be among the Divisions bringing in five or more new members during '36.

Congratulations to our live home office organization on their success in establishing OUR OWN HOME OFFICE. The prestige of owning our own home office building should be a source of pride to all Frats, and an added incentive to work harder towards bringing all deaf men under the Frat banner.

Harry Huffman of Tacoma is the latest of our Paid-up members to resume active membership. He was at our October meeting.

BROOKLYN (By Hy Dramis)—Our September meeting was well attended. Two paid-up members came back to the fold.

We still have quite a score of members who are working under the WPA emblem. Other members report that business is picking up in their shops. The hardest hit have been the printers, as the union scales being too high here in New York, lots of large firms move away to other cities.

By the time this is printed our Hallows' Party will have been over. We feel sure that Brother Fogel will have made a success of it. Next in line comes our Thanksgiving Social on November 21. This is in charge of Brother Morrell.

This year we have a lot to thank for, seeing that recovery is already on the way back.

We ought to celebrate on a grand scale our change of luck and the coming of better times, which seems assured for 1937. So don't forget the date and don't forget that your division is having an affair and go to some other place. Patronize your division and avoid an increase in your dues.

As usual we will have our nominations in November.

Also on schedule at this meeting will be a motion to change meeting days to Fridays.

CHICAGO No. 106 (Fred W. Hinrichs)—Our Annual Dance was a success, though the attendance was only fair, and those who didn't show up at the dance surely missed the most handsome and best dressed men contest. There were seventy-two old and young lads registered for the contest. In the grand march, Mrs. Filliger, who won the queen contest at our dance last year, led the men in single file around the hall. Five hearing judges picked twenty men out of the seventy-two as the first choice. For the second choice, ten men

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were picked out. Finally the judges chose Mr. Jack Guest as the most handsome and best dressed man. Mrs. Filliger presented a beautiful silver cup to Mr. Guest. The cup was similar to the one Mrs. Filliger won last year. Let's hope that at our next dance in 1937 those two winners will give us the honor of being present as our King and Queen, and that we can have another contest for the most beautiful prince and princess.

January 8, 1937, may be a long long way off, you think so, but let me tell you that it's only two months before our New Year regular meeting, and right after the meeting we're going to have some mystery (maybe). It may make you laugh. Another thing, we also have some excitement for you, too. The only thing for you to do is to WATCH for your December issue of THE FRAT for the big announcement.

ENGAGEMENTS

Roy Bowen and Mary Parker, both of Toronto, Ont.

Peter MacDougall, Limoges, Ont., and Gladys Blair, Toronto, Ont.

Philip Mayzer and Minnie Molinsky, both of Roxbury, Mass.

Louis Dyer and Jennie McCleary, both of Los Angeles, Cal.

DEATHS

September 26—Nola Logan, wife of Cecil Logan, Boise, Idaho.

October 10—Infant daughter of Fred Duncan, Houston, Tex.

BIRTHS

July 23—Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Dubey, Anoka, Minn., a girl.

August 24—Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Gedney, Peoria, Ill., a girl.

September 5—Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Lacour, New Orleans, La., a boy.

September 8—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vaio, Stockton, Cal., a boy.

September 21—Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Nathan, New York, N.Y., a boy.

October 2—Mr. and Mrs. John Davis, Washington, D.C., a girl.

October 3—Mr. and Mrs. William Tyhurst, Los Angeles, Cal., a boy.

October 7—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rensman, Chicago, Ill., a girl.

October 9—Mr. and Mrs. Grant Worlein, Dundas, Minn., a girl.

October 10—Mr. and Mrs. Fred Duncan, Houston, Tex., a girl.

OBITUARY

ANDREW W. ZEBER, 63, of Pittsburgh Div. No. 36, died Sept. 15, 1936. He joined the Society July 1, 1916, and held certificate No. 2684-D.

AMBROSE L. BROSEUR, 43, of Bangor Div. No. 71, died Sept. 26, 1936. He joined the Society Oct. 1, 1919, and held certificate No. 4709-D.

JULIUS A. BENTE, 57, of Los Angeles Div. No. 27, died Sept. 27, 1936. He joined the Society July 1, 1916, and held certificate No. 2691-C.

EDNOR E. ESTABROOK, 76, of Lowell Div. No. 78, died Sept. 27, 1936. He joined the Society March 2, 1914, and held certificate No. 1817-C.

EDWARD H. HINE, 64, of Waterbury Div. No. 65, died Oct. 5, 1936. He joined the Society Oct. 2, 1910, and held certificate No. 755-D.



● *We put too much faith in systems, and look too little to men.*

—Disraeli.

This Great Brotherhood

By J. A. GOLDSTEIN

OF THE dead, let nothing but good be said," is an old saying. But why is it necessary to wait until one is dead?

Right now in this, our great Brotherhood there are many who have done something beyond the ordinary; something fine and good; something that is deserving of the applause, praise, and esteem of our fellowman. Are we to see only the faulty side, and knock, knock, and again knock, only to say nothing but good after one is dead and gone? Brothers, let it not be so.

Here in our own Division No. 27, we have a man, who deserves a Fraternity medal or something. He is a man of few words when it concerns himself, but through divers ways and means we have elicited the following and pass it on to you:

When a fellow-member, who has reached the almost proverbial three score, was hurt in an accident, this man we speak of went to see him almost every day, took him to the hospital in his car, attended to his every want and need, indeed a loving son couldn't have done more; when one holding a certain office was ill, he gladly took his place, and refused to accept the salary that should justly have gone to him, saying, "I don't want it, you need it more than I." Again a certain person was about to sign up two others for the N.F.S. Deaf, when the one we speak of came along. It so happened that these two had promised to sign up for him FIRST, and they insisted on doing so, but he would have none of it remarking that this other man could make better use of the fees than he, and he didn't care for the credit either. On this both men shook hands warmly.

This Brother we speak of is not rich, far from it. He is married, has a lovely wife, and two charming children, a boy and a girl. Was President of Division No. 27 for two terms, served as secretary and Patriarch, and acted as Delegate to the Kansas City Convention. Unlike other old timers, he is always in the thick o' things, taking an active part in all affairs, always ready and willing to cooperate and advise, and is at present Chairman of the 27th Anniversary Banquet Committee.

Gentlemen and Brothers, we give you Lewis I. Peterson. Does he get the gong?

There are doubtless many with similar or even greater achievements in this, our great Brotherhood. Let us hear of them. Give 'em the gong—NOW; why wait till they are dead and gone—the epitaph, "of the dead, let nothing but good be said," won't mean a thing to them then.

THANKSGIVING

The private blessings—the blessings of immunity, safeguarded liberty, and integrity—which we enjoy deserve the thanksgiving of a whole life.

—Jeremy Taylor.



ARMISTICE DAY

Armistice Day might well become a continual reminder of the necessity for building a substantial peace upon the foundation which at such supreme sacrifice was so unselfishly laid down. Future victories will then be won by wisdom and not by force of arms with its toll of flesh and blood and life; and it will be more noble to *live* than to *die* for our fellows. "Greater love hath no man." ●

—The New Age

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THE UNKNOWN SOLDIER

By WALTIE NORRIS-OWEN

BRAVE soldier boy, unknown, sleep on, sleep on
In peace. Of noise and din you knew your share
And more, in the great conflict over there;
So now, rest on, rest on—those days are gone.
No lovelier spot could shelter you; at dawn
With rising sun you are the first to wear
Her badge of gold. As twilight falls, with care
She slips it from your breast, each morn to don.

The birds sing sweetest o'er your quiet place
As with bared head and gentle tread, the wreath
Of love and honor close we lay. With face
Toward blood-bought flag we hear the taps. Beneath
Your spotless white, sleep on, our boy! We place
Through you the sword of war within its sheath.

—Washington Post.

Attaining Good Health

Our bodies are our most glorious possession. Health is our greatest asset and every influence which interferes with the attainment of superb, buoyant health should be recognized as a menace.

Intelligent Living

HUMAN life today is longer and healthier than ever before in the history of the world. Science has unraveled the mystery of one disease after another and the application of science has led to disease control until we can almost proclaim that anyone may have good health if he will follow the established rules of hygiene. As yet, of course, certain illnesses, accidents, psychological situations, and social and economic conditions are not within our control. But still, the health of most of us could be materially improved and our pleasure of living increased if we would only live a little more intelligently.

But can people be induced to be intelligent concerning health? There is abundant evidence that they will blindly follow fads which promise health of body or mind and that they will pour fortunes into the laps of unscrupulous charlatans who offer them panaceas for everything under the sun. But will they think? Have they the strength of mind to look critically at their health prejudices, hobbies, and fads? If so, they will find that living is fascinating and that the maintenance of health is much less difficult and mysterious than they have believed.

—From "Healthful Living," by Harold S. Diehl, M.D., published by Whittlesey House.

"Too Much Acid!"

A DIET rich in such foods as bread, meat, fish, eggs, cereals and certain fruits, such as plums and prunes, increase urinary acidity. The degree of acidity depends upon the diet. The body

daily gets rid of a large amount of acid through the kidneys. Other foods such as milk and most fruits and vegetables tend to render the urine neutral or alkaline.

There is a current theory that the use of too much of foods which burn to an "acid ash" such as those mentioned above have a great deal to do with the production of arteriosclerosis and Bright's disease. This theory is based upon a number of animal experiments which appear to substantiate the theory. As applied to humans, however, the theory needs much more experimental confirmation before all the valuable foods contained in the acid-ash group are to be discarded.

So persistent and zealous have become the numerous food faddists of the day that much harm is being produced by unbalanced diets. Thus, secondary anemia is prevalent due often to the elimination of protein from the dietary, from fear of high blood pressure, arteriosclerosis and nephritis. People are testing the reaction of the urine for acidity and every skin rash or body pain that occurs is due to an "acid condition." Much of this is sheer nonsense.

In diet, as in everything else, it is best to keep to the middle of the road. Fads are dangerous. A well-balanced diet with adequate protein from such sources as eggs, milk, fish, flesh, cereal and legumes is essential to a good state of health. Flesh foods are not absolutely essential if sufficient protein is obtained from other sources. Too little protein causes waste of muscle and gland tissues and weakens the body. The best health policy is to eat a well-balanced diet, drink at least two quarts of fluids daily and let the acids take care of themselves. They will.—How To Live.

Thanksgiving for Health

TO KNOW how to be genuinely thankful for health you have to lose it or to think yourself in danger of so doing. How we do try to grasp it when we see it going! What would we not give for its return when once it has gone! Any person in health who wishes to sum up the blessings for which he may give thanks should write plainly—Number one—HEALTH. Health is often thrown away in foolish indulgences. We like our food—so we eat too much. Tobacco soothes us—so we stupefy ourselves. Stimulants brace us up—so we get the habit. It is expensive to consult a doctor for every little ailment—so we try to dose ourselves. "Oh, Health! Health! The blessing of the rich! The riches of the poor! Who can buy thee at too dear a rate since there is no enjoying the world without thee?"—Illinois Arrow.

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Considerate

Sailor: "Don't bother me. I am writing to my girl."

Marine: "But why are you writing so slowly?"

Sailor: "She can't read very fast."

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That's How

"How do you account for your success as a futuristic painter?"

"I always use a model with hiccups."

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Can't Be Beat

The champion athlete in bed with a cold was told that he had a temperature.

"How high is it, Doc?" he asked.

"A hundred and one."

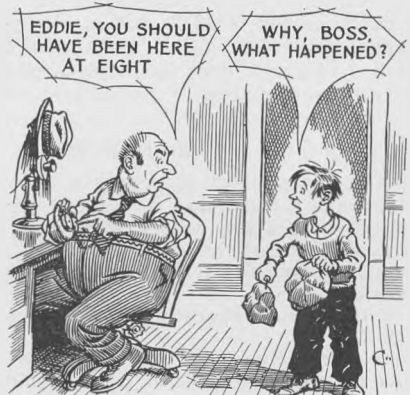
"What's the world's record?"

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Right About Face

"I have been called a turncoat," exclaimed the street-corner orator. "Years ago, I admit, I supported the other party. Then I had a reason. But now, gentlemen (here came a triumphant gesture), now, I have lost my reason."

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LET Nature teach children the lessons of good and proper living, combined with an abundance of well-balanced nourishment. These children will grow to be the best men and women. Put the best in them by contact with the best outside. They will absorb it as a plant absorbs the sunshine and the dew.

—Luther Burbank.

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