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THE FRAT

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Thirty-Fifth Year

Number Three

The Spotlight

BY J. FREDERICK MEAGHER

LOS ANGELES wanted the '43 frat convention, not the '40 NAD; and Perry Seely stepped off the train right into a bramble-bush when he got home," writes a favorite correspondent of my dear old Golden Gate state, of heavenly memory. He feels California lost all chance of winning the '43 joy-jam, because it plays host to our senior organization in 1940.

Precedent proves otherwise. Los Angeles made her first of many unsuccessful bids at Philly '18; losing to Atlanta for '21. Atlanta then landed the NAD for '23—two conventions in two years. Made good with a bang on both. Right now I calculate Los Angeles' chances are better than ever. The Coast has never held a NFSD jamboree; now with Canada out, appropriate propaganda in the Royal York should go over in a right royal way. (It isn't what cards you hold; it is how you play them.)

"Los Angeles leaders didn't want the 1940 NAD," writes another bosom pal. I blush with shame to admit neither did any of us wise old war-horses here want Chicago for 1937. We agreed none of us could make a success of it. Old man Spotty was the first sap offered the local chairmanship. I declined with thankful curses. So they gave it to a poor youth named Peter Livshis, haw-haw; what a fizzle the greenhorn was sure to make of it. (Or so we thought—then. History proves otherwise.)

President Kenner and his Big Brain Board will do well to heed the writing on the wall. Give it to youngsters. The kids don't know a thing can't be done—so, like Chicago, they will go right ahead and DO it!

DO YOU KNOW—Chicago, fourth largest city, is also eighth port of the world—although a thousand miles from salt-water? . . . Chicago's area covers 129,000 acres—or more than 200 square miles? . . . Seven cents gives you a 26-mile trolley-ride in a straight line, north to south, inside city limits? . . . Chicago is the vacation-land of America, having 37 miles of bathing beaches and Lake Michigan shore-line? . . . More than 700 conventions each year—few, if any, getting more newspaper display than did our NAD? . . . More than 100 Chicago buildings are over 20 stories high? . . . The "Windy City"—wind velocity averages 15 m.p.h.—has upwards of 40,000 manufacturing concerns? . . . Chicago is 19 feet above level of Lake Michigan, and 600 feet above sea level? . . . Sherman Hotel's "House on the Roof"—where our NAD "round table conference" was held—housed Calvin Coolidge and other immortals? . . . Far as I can ascertain, out of 100 outstanding deaf at the NAD convention, the only one born here in Chicago was Miss Virginia Dries of "Information" booth? "Native sons," phooey!

SHERMANITS—Samuel Frankenheim—NYC broker who collected funds for that \$10,000 statue of Abbe De l'Epee, now on grounds of Buffalo school—lost his memoranda book of business transacted during NAD; wants customers to write him in NYC. Sam proved a 100% Nadfratter; he deserves our cooperation. . . . Bet those Grands felt grand, in grand-stand seats of the Grand Ballroom of Hotel Sherman, at smoker. Custer's Last Grand. . . . Gen. Sherman (not a stockholder in the Sherman, if Miss Eleanor Sher-

man of NYC happens to ask you) said "War is Hell." Just 47 noviates will assure you War has nothing on our smokers for hellishness. "Red skins" resulted from the Redskins' expert paddling-technique on the personal undercarriage of their chassis. . . . Dumb Dora (no, not Miss Benoit; the other Dora) asks if "WAE" at smokers stands for "Watchful Aged Elders—Wriggling, Agile Eves." Non, non, mes enfant; WAE means When Adolescents Envy our Wonderful, Appreciated Esprit-de-corps."

KNOW Ben Crittenden and Domenic DiFazio worked all day in Detroit, Friday, then caught an airplane and reached Chi just in time for the Massacre? . . . The original "Ft. Dearborn Massacre" occurred 125 years ago, August 12—during the War of 1812? . . . Ft. Dearborn stood on what is now southwest corner of Michigan Blvd. and the river? . . . Our Massacre expenses were over \$100 more than receipts—as only 350 spectators paid their dollar "wampum"? (Yes; one of the very best features of the whole convention was the only one to operate at a loss. Though the Neon-emblem made fraternal history. Strange world, comrades.) "Neon is a colorless, inert gaseous element found in the atmosphere," say scientists. There was nothing "colorless" or "inert" about the Massacre, anyway.

DEATH and Disaster follow fast on heels of large conventions. Charles Larson drove in to the Ft. Dearborn Massacre Friday night, attended Saturday's picnic—his life's farewell fling; hurried happily home to Kenosha (Wis.) Sunday; punctured tire; had to hurry to work that night, so mounted a bicycle and hurried off. They then picked up his pieces all along the North Shore electric track after the flyer passed, and put them in a basket for the undertaker to assemble. . . . "Gettem" Greenberg drove back to Los Angeles with wife, daughter, and Mrs. Moses Graff of Kalamazoo; daughter ill, hospital saved her life by double-transfusion of blood—Mrs. Graff giving a quart and Bro. Goldstein a pint. . . . On honeymoon, Emil Ladner—tall Cal. teacher "goated" at smoker, cracked-up in Kansas right after NAD, while driving to Foltz's Fairyland. Car turned over thrice; Ladner's injuries minor. His beautiful young bride thrown clear, broke her pelvis, elbow and shoulder—when car rolled over on her. Shoulder serious—Cal. surgeons had to perform an "open operation" on it. The couple highly prominent in young Gallaudet circles.

KNOW this famous summer-camp of V. P. Foltz, on Ninescah River, closed suddenly soon after, when cloudburst flooded camp two feet deep? . . . Driving there in 1933, my Buick cracked up near where Ladners' did, brace of busted ribs? . . . Then, just after I left camp, typical Kansas cyclone wrecked Fairyland, followed by four-foot flood? Hardy souls, those Landonites.

DIV. NOTES say Chi-Oral-106 promises "Gettem" Greenberg a gold fratring if he establishes an oral div. in Los Angeles. As you saw at our NAD, those oral frats and us signers get along like milk and honey. . . . Scranton's Young has interesting comments on Spot's "Is Deafness a Disgrace" blurb. . . . Holyoke's bathing beaut parade graded on three factors. Our KC had five points as basis; crowd didn't know that—and accordingly gave us judges the Bronx berry. . . .

Personal nomination for most musical name of a frater: San Francisco's Crom Boam. He recently discovered body of a suicide, hanging from a tree like Absalom. . . . Syracuse's Merrill mentions "Chicago, the well-known suburb of Oak Park." Onondaga, tog on the moleskins!

LATEST in division pep-ups was sprung at Chi Sept. meetings—one authority displaying huge score-card showing "runs, hits, errors" of rivalry between Chi-First and Chi-Oral-106 for three summer-months. Tie-score; each division springing several surprising innovations during summer. Keen but friendly rivalry; augurs well for securing new members and providing attractive after-meeting socials. Strangely enough, most of the "runs" were made by "kids," not by weather-worn old war-horses. As each outstanding achievement was read, came the question: "Who was your sponsor, or endorser? Bro. —? Ah, Bro. — gets credit for recruiting exceptionally good talent." Draw your own conclusions, and start your division on a "bigger and better" campaign.

FLASH—September issue Modern Silents a beaut; has six large pix borrowed from Chicago newspapers—one from Trib and five from my Hearst sheets. So that is why I was unable to find the plates, a few days after convention??? What's the world coming to when callow cubs prove bright enough to get the jump on us old veterans? Grabbing those plates right under my nose, and lugging them clear down to the rolling Rio Grande, while I sit and twiddle my thumbs! Cripes, pard; the pep and push of those young squirts prove they will ably carry on our good work when you and I cash in our chips, and h'd'q records show our policies "paid to beneficiary." I have spoken!

COACHES—Our Missouri's new hearing mentor, Farquhar postals me, is the Burton Moore who discovered a gawky farm girl named Helen Stephens, and coached her into winning 1936 World's Olympic 100-yd. dash. . . . Only deaf coach I am positive attended coaching classes this summer is Fanwood's Rudolph Gamblin. He took Baylor U (Waco, Texas) course under Dana X. Bible. (If other deaf coaches did likewise, please advise.) . . . In past, many deaf coaches summered profitably at such courses; recall Birk of Cal. at Columbia; Hughes of Gallaudet at Ill. under Zuppke; Adams of La. at Superior under Rockne; Burns, ex of Ill., under various top-notchers. Rockne, Yost, Zuppke, Warner, Hanley, etc., always greeted Burns warmly, on sight. . . . Do you know Gus Dorais of Detroit U, elected by popular pool as head coach of All-Stars, which last month beat world pro-champs Green Bay, 6-0, was quarterback on Notre Dame 1911-'13—passing ball to end Rockne after taking it from center Glenn Smith, the deaf man who was Chi-first alternate to our Atlanta '21 convention? Rockne, Dorais and deaf Smith were classmates. . . . Our glamorous Marfa Smith writes me Gamblin has been offered place on coaching staff of Amarillo, Texas, highschool; had to decline as he is under contract to Fanwood. First deaf man thus honored by hearing in many years. Amarillo Daily News of Sept. 4, says:

"Rudolph Gamblin is a young fellow who can hearten my days like few other persons can. Rudolph is deaf and dumb. Yet his face beams and radiates enervating glows of happiness. Conversing with him—I writing on my type-writer and he scribbling on the ever-present scratch-pad—is a refreshing pastime. Somehow Rudolph's pleasant and energetic nature makes life more enjoyable to those who come in contact with it. Little devilish worries vanish under the twinkling shafts of his clear and happy eyes. . . . The brilliant amarilloan is coach of the NYC military school for deaf boys only—which has developed a place in the world with its band, which has won several trophies in direct competition with hearing boys. . . . Has enrollment of 400 boys, 100 of whom tried out for the football team last spring."

BITS—Detroit's Mrs. Ben Beaver writes me as "Flashlight"; insinuating I'm a "flash in the pan"? She wants a poem stressing reasons for joining NFSD, for her show. If any reader has such a sign-song, please ship her pronto . . . Elmer Bernsdorff—hazer de luxe at that glorious Wash. '26 smoker—is back from long cruise to South American ports. . . . Charles Gumaer finished stretch of 35 years when he quit keyboard of Seattle P-I, July 11. A high-grade typo for 56 years, he now enjoys an old age of ease on a Union Printers' pension. . . . Seattle's Frank Morrissey—old Klondike musher—died in Alaska, aged 68; on vacation trip, gift of his son. Perhaps old associations, mute memories, brought on the sudden heart-attack. We often feel that way, re-visiting lonely hotels which once throbbed with frolicking fraters and natty nadders. Many—now gone—forever.

THINGUMBOBS—5th International Congress of Deaf, Paris, France, had 800 delegates representing 32 countries; Fanwood's Supt. Skyberg and wife only U. S. reps. . . . Francis Higgins, deaf still at Rutgers U on a scholarship. . . . Kansas' new supt. is Alfred Cranwill, hearing son of late deaf baker badly injured in stove explosion there, year or two ago. Young Cranwill is a grad of Geo. Wash. U, and Gallaudet Normal; formerly taught in N.J. . . . Hearing art teacher in Minn. resigns to draw Mickey Mouse pictures for Walt Disney Studios in Cal. . . . "Jersey Booster," latest little monthly, carries Davidowitz's masthead-slogan: "Cooperation among Deaf is a political, an economic, and a social necessity." Says recent survey of N.J. found 45% of deaf idle, against 17% of hearing unemployed. Too bad those breezy little sheets never pay—but what a whacking good time editors and owners have, doing their bit to make this old world better. . . . Congressmen featured a Washington wedding of deaf, July 15. U. S. Senator Louis B. Schwellenbach served as best man when Kenneth Nelson—known as "Pop" while writing sports for Gallaudet College, three years ago—married a schoolday sweetheart. Representative Knute Hill gave the bride away. All four parties from Wash. state. Ceremony performed by our own Rev. Arthur D. Bryant—who pitched that winning Gallaudet baseball game, famous because President U. S. Grant stopped his span of horses to watch it, some 60 years ago. . . .

Minn. school claims record for most graduates elected NAD presidents—Dr. James L. Smith, the late Rev. Dr. Olof Hanson, and J. Cooke Howard. I've no love for that state, but truth compels admission its boys and girls display amazingly outstanding qualities of Courtesy, Cheerfulness and Character. . . . Gene Goss, in Broadcaster, nominates Deafdom's greatest poet—Howard L. Terry—for a degree from Gallaudet College. Terry spent a year or two there, close of last century. Lissen, this is rich: Terry recently settled in one of the 999 fly-speck "Paradises" surrounding Los Angeles, because it had a restful name, and he wanted rest. It was Reseda. Well, "Tarzan" Terry seems stuck—for they have just changed Reseda to the up-and-coming, go-getting, hellen-hallelujah name of Tarzana!

SPORTS—The annual Galveston (Texas) 30-mile swim in the Gulf of Mexico, was first postponed because of rough water—whereon LeRoy Colombo, who has saved 106 lives, swam the entire distance just to show-up the sissies. Held the following Sunday, deaf Colombo won by over 19 minutes. . . . As baseball season is closing, Deafdom's outstanding statistician comes close in his spring forecast; compare his April estimates with final returns in October. Will-lie Myles of Columbus rated them to finish as follows: National—Pitt., NY, Chi.; American—NY, Cleveland, Detroit.

EXTRA! Deaf teacher is acting-Supt. until permanent head is appointed. First time deaf thus honored in ages! Alva Long, Gallaudet '00, fills-in at North Dakota, since Burton Driggs left to head Idaho school. In Long's senior year, he took daily practice sprints with a Georgetown U youth—who always beat him by just a few inches. Only a few inches. We deaf are proud of that—for the Georgetown lad later attained deathless fame as (Arthur Duffey) the first amateur to run 100-yds. in 9%.

EXTRA! New York "Giants" pro football team has new end—the 6:3 son of Bro. Walls, ex-Treas. of Little Rock div. First son of deaf since Demaree, to join a "tops" outfit.

Notable Deaf Persons

BY GUILBERT C. BRADDOCK
X. John James Flourney

THE name of this eccentric deaf author has been recalled from half a century of oblivion by the late George W. Veditz, who mentions him incidentally in his essay appearing in the March "Annals." As so eminent a critic has seen fit to bring him back into the limelight, we will resurrect what is known of him biographically.

John James Flourney was "a semi-mute gentleman who resided on patrimonial estates near Athens, Georgia." He was a descendant of Jean Jacques Flourney, a Huguenot refugee who landed at Jamestown in 1720, leaving behind him the pedigreed Seigneury of Vassay-et-Flourney in Champagne, France. The date of our hero's birth is uncertain: the year is given by Edmund Booth as 1810, and by other authorities as 1800. He attended for a time the American School for the Deaf in Hartford. Subsequently, he became active in the establishment of the Georgia School, which was opened in 1847.

He was a facile writer, and contributed frequently to the newspapers of

Georgia. He also issued printed pamphlets on political and social questions. One of his tracts ("Go to the Bible," 1858) is mentioned in O. W. Holmes' "Professor at the Breakfast Table", in Chapter I. The nature of his subject can be gathered from Dr. Holmes' comment: "What you carry away from the Bible depends to some extent on what you carry to it. This man has gone to the Bible, and he has come back from the Bible, bringing a remedy for existing social evils, which, if it is the real specific, as it professes to be, is of great interest to humanity. . . . It is what he calls *trigamy*, or the marrying of three wives."

Most of Flourney's published work was marked by the same peculiarity of thought and unsoundness of judgment. He was best known to the deaf of past generations by an article in the American Annals in which he advocated a "deaf-mute colony" on government land, in which all the citizens would be deaf and the sign-language the official medium of business. His project included a seat in Congress for such a self-existing community, and he was willing to contemplate the possibility of being the first Congressman from Deafdom. His plan was opposed by Edmund Booth, who pointed out that a commonwealth of deaf-mutes would disappear in the second or third generation, as the children of deaf parents usually can hear.

John J. Flourney died January 18th, 1879. Otherwise than as a writer, he seems to have been held in great estimation by his contemporaries. The editor of "The Southern Watchman" called him one of the most scrupulously honest and truthful men he ever knew, and a man who disliked all kinds of deception and dishonesty. He took part in the agitation for the establishment of a national college for the deaf, along with John Carlin and Edmund Booth.



LET us learn to be content with what we have. Let us get rid of our false estimates and set up the higher ideals: a quiet home; vines of our own planting; a few books full of the inspiration of a genius; a few friends worthy of being loved, and able to love in return; a hundred innocent pleasures that bring no pain or remorse; a devotion to the right that will never swerve; a simple religion empty of all bigotry, full of trust and hope and love. And to such a philosophy the world will give up all the empty joy it has.

—Edward Rowland Sill.

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

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Voyage

THE Grand President returned from his Pacific Coast trip, covering exactly 7,059 miles by auto, on September 22, after having been on the road for thirty days, and in time to get out this issue of THE FRAT, although a little late.

As the time for going to press is limited, an account of the trip is deferred to a later issue of the paper. We are glad to say that the schedule was kept to the letter, with one exception, in that we were unable to participate in the greased pig chase at Frisco's picnic. More anon this.

Some Changes

IN THE new Fraternal Act passed by the Illinois legislature, two sections make changes necessary in the General Laws of the society.

One section in the new act specifies that each delegate to a national convention of a fraternal order shall have only one vote. Heretofore our society has allowed a delegate one vote for every seven members or major fraction of seven in his Division. This provision of the new Fraternal Act will become operative at the national convention of the society in Toronto

in 1939, and each delegate will have only one vote.

Another section in the new Act specifies that national conventions of a fraternal order may be held in any State, Province, or Territory where it has five or more lodges, or Divisions as in our case. Such conventions may not be held in such places where there are less than five lodges. In the case of this society, only seven States can qualify at this time for future conventions; namely: Illinois, Iowa, Massachusetts, Michigan, New York, Ohio, and Pennsylvania. With the choice of convention locale thus restricted to a few States among the many in which we do business, it will become a question for decision at Toronto whether future conventions of the order shall be held successively all in Chicago, or rotated among the States now qualifying with five or more Divisions, or which may later qualify by the formation of new Divisions.

Social Services

IT HAS been our contention for some time that our society should broaden out a little and increase the scope of the social services it performs for the deaf. Two opportunities in this line present themselves with considerable force at this time.

One is the auto investigation recently undertaken by the society. It is a matter that touches the lives of a good many of our members, and is a question which in its various ramifications might easily lead to serious decisions by the general public with respect to the qualifications of deaf persons in various lines of endeavor. We believe the solution of this question to the satisfaction of the deaf and the public is of the utmost importance. The cost of this investigation is negligible compared to the good it may accomplish.

Then there is the question of employment of the deaf. With the advent of the recent depression, the constant introduction of new labor-saving machinery, the change in occupations resulting therefrom, the deaf have found it increasingly difficult to make a place for themselves in the world and be self-supporting. This question is vitally important to the society. A man who cannot find remunerative employment cannot keep up his insurance in the society, cannot protect his family against sickness and death. It therefore behooves the society to take an active interest in the question of employment, both for the good of the order and of the deaf themselves. We believe now, as we have for years, that the satisfactory solution of this question lies in Labor Bureaus for the deaf in every state with a considerable deaf population. We urge every State not now having such a bureau to take steps immediately looking to the establishment of one. State Associations of the deaf should lead in this endeavor, and we urge all our various Divisions to co-operate fully with State Associations in the effort to establish such bureaus.

A Test Case

SOME of the judges of the Municipal Court in Chicago assigned to the Traffic Division have displayed considerable prejudice against deaf drivers of late years. This attitude on their part is perhaps excusable due to their ignorance concerning the fitness of deaf motorists, an attitude shared by a large part of the public equally ignorant. Not long ago, an opportunity presented itself to clear up in some degree this prejudiced attitude held by the judges.

A deaf motorist was arrested for speeding—50 miles an hour. The offender appeared in Traffic court to answer the charge. Several hearing offenders appearing at the same time on identical charges were let off by the judge with nominal fines. When the deaf man's case came up, the judge first declared the deaf were not allowed to drive cars, under the law. When this was shown to be erroneous, the judge then assessed a fine and costs, and suspended the offender from driving for six months. Prejudice against the offender on account of his deafness was manifest in this case.

The General Counsel of the Society, Mr. Joseph S. Grant, became interested in the case. He appeared before the judge and argued that the order of suspension be vacated. It was suggested that the deaf man submit to a drivers' examination at the Chicago Motor Club. This was agreed to. The report of this examination, made by Mr. G. W. Barton of the Safety & Traffic Engineering Department of the Chicago Motor Club, to the judge of the Traffic court, is given below:

In accordance with your suggestion, we have given Mr. X a rather complete test for driving ability. This test included an examination with devices which tend to disclose psychological and physiological aptitude to driving, and also a field driving test in traffic using a standardized check form.

This man's composite rating on the testing devices was "C" indicating that—considering all the factors together, he is right in the middle of a group of average drivers being neither better nor worse than average. As is frequently the case, however, there were two individual characteristics disclosed which require compensation on the part of Mr. X in any future driving. First, his ability to perceive depth or judge distance was below average, and, second, his motor reactions were below average. Neither weakness, in our opinion, existed to a dangerous degree but they do require that the subject, Mr. X, employ greater than average caution when driving and that he keep his speed of driving proportionately lower than other drivers who lack these weaknesses.

In the field driving test in traffic, Mr. X did a very creditable job with one major exception, and indicated by his frequent use of the rear view mirror and his constant watching to the sides that he has learned to compensate to an appreciable degree for the handicap of deafness. In the driving test, we found that Mr. X makes no use of hand signals or any signaling device to warn other motorists of his intentions to turn or stop. In this man's case, particularly when he cannot hear the horns, brakes or motors of other vehicles, we think that proper signaling is highly important. A second characteristic noted by our examiner existed to a very minor degree, namely the subject, Mr. X, tended to drive at a speed in traffic which made the examiner feel slightly uncomfortable. It is possible, since this factor was graded as being very minor, that the examiner's uneasiness was the result of his knowledge that the driver was deaf.

To the best of our knowledge, experimenters endeavoring to discover what characteristics made drivers accident prone have found no reliable correlation between deafness and accident experience. The Uniform Motor Vehicle Operators and Chauffeurs License as recommended by the National Conference on Street and Highway Safety as the model for all states does not provide that applicants for drivers' licenses be examined for hearing loss. In view of these two conditions and our own experience in the field, we do not have any basis for believing that hearing loss alone makes a driver accident prone.

It is our recommendation that in any future driving Mr. X take the following three actions:

A—Equip his car with extra mirrors mounted on the outside of the car on both left and right hand sides. These in combination with the standard rear view mirror, will permit him to see other traffic without the blind spots which exist when merely using one rear view mirror. These additional mirrors may be mounted on the door hinges, fenders or spare tires.

B—Mr. X should acquire the habit of signaling to other drivers without exception whenever he intends to stop, slow down, or turn. Since hand signals are difficult to use in inclement weather, it probably would be advisable for him to purchase a mechanical signaling device, many of which are now on the market and can be operated from the driver's seat.

C—In view of his physiological weaknesses as described above, Mr. X must be impressed with the fact that a very positive limitation must be placed on his speed of driving.

We are highly appreciative of your efforts to deal with this man in a manner fair to him and yet at the same time in the best interests of the safety of other motorists. We are glad for this opportunity of co-operating with you and hope that this report may prove of assistance.

On receiving this report, the judge of the Traffic court set aside his order forbidding the deaf man from driving

The Deaf Driver

ATTENTION, DEAF MOTORISTS: We are trying to solve your difficulties in getting liability insurance and to help you in other ways. It is important that all deaf drivers fill in the blank below and send it to the Home Office at once. Please do this now. This will be the last call for blanks. Mail your blank to 433 S. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.

Name..... Age.....

Address

Make of car? Used for pleasure? Business?

How long driving?..... Average yearly mileage.....

Insurance carried, if any. State kind below:

Fire, theft, etc. Name of company.....

Collision. Name of company.....

Liability. Name of company.....

Ever rejected for insurance? If so, give reason and name of company:

Ever had difficulty getting a driver's license? If so, where and why?

Accidents you have had, if any:

Serious accidents? Describe.....

Minor accidents? Describe.....

Member of any auto club? Name of club.....

his car, and discharged the case without costs or fine.

This case also brought out clearly the fact that the recent Illinois discretionary Act vesting the right in judges of Traffic courts to forbid unfit persons to operate motor vehicles, does not apply to deaf persons as a class.

Thanks are due to Attorney Grant for his handling of this case and the clearing up of a question on which there appears to have been considerable doubt in the minds of the judges and others.



FAREWELL TO SUMMER

By JANE B. WALTERS

When the nights grow cold,
And Jack Frost bold
Creeps forth at setting sun,
Leaves will turn to red and brown,
Soon they'll all come rustling down,
Falling, falling,
Summer time is done.

Friendly birds take wing
And no longer sing
On branch or tree top high;
Cold gray clouds are in the sky,
Flowers droop and slowly die
Fading, fading,
Summer time, good-bye.

Words for Sale

By PAUL REVERE WYS

SWEET are the virtues three
Of Faith, Hope, and Charity,
But actions are louder, you see;
So to do the thing fine
Is to get in the line
And boost the good NFSD.

First Boarder: "This cheese is so strong, it could walk over and say 'Hello!' to the coffee."

Second Boarder: "Yes, but the coffee is too weak to answer back."

DIVISION NOTES

October

1. LectureMilwaukee
2. PartyDes Moines
2. SocialBerkeley
2. SocialLouisville
2. Card partyBuffalo
2. Hollywood socialAlbany
2. Autumn partyUtica
2. Show and socialDetroit
2. Bingo socialHartford
2. Harvest socialRochester
2. Whist partySan Francisco
2. PlayDenver
2. PartyWichita
6. SocialBaltimore
9. "Ye Old Farmers' Ball".....Springfield, Mass.
9. Dance and card party.....Washington
9. Basket socialEau Claire
9. SocialCharlotte
9. SocialSchenectady
9. Home fundIndianapolis
9. Autumn partyDavenport
9. Halloween socialJohnstown
9. SocialCedar Rapids
16. Annual ballChicago No. 106
16. Amateur nightCleveland
16. Card partyQueens
16. SocialToledo
16. Halloween partyBrooklyn
16. Aux-frats silver tea.....Toronto
16. Pan-American danceDallas
23. BanquetBoston
23. Autumn ballHartford
23. Pumpkin danceLos Angeles
29. Halloween partyToronto
30. MasqueradeAkron
30. Halloween partyAtlanta
30. Halloween partyIndianapolis
30. Halloween frolicSchenectady
30. SmokerColumbus
30. SmokerNew Orleans
30. Halloween partyMemphis
30. Halloween partyPortland, Ore.
30. SocialProvidence
30. Halloween partySyracuse
30. Halloween danceSt. Paul-Minneapolis
30. Halloween partyFaribault
30. Frat smokerHouston

November

2. Feather party-Keno social.....Detroit
6. MasqueradeDetroit
6. Halloween and golf.....Albany
6. SmokerJohnstown
6. BanquetColumbia
12. SmokerSt. Paul-Minneapolis
12. Halloween partyReading
13. Mask ballToledo
13. SocialDayton
13. BallHolyoke
13. SmokerRockford
20. Campaign nightToronto
20. Annual ballWorcester
20. Literary social meeting.....Indianapolis
20. BingoBrooklyn
20. Thanksgiving partyAtlanta
21. Annual danceWaterbury
27. Annual supperWashington

December

4. DanceNew Haven
4. BanquetDurham
18. Christmas partyIndianapolis
18. SocialBrooklyn
31. Mid-winter festivalColumbus
31. New Year frolic.....Portland, Ore.
31. Watch partyWashington

LOS ANGELES (By J. A. Goldstein)—The 3-day Frat-Festival held on Sept. 4-5-6 was not so hot. The dance on the 4th drew the smallest crowd in division history. This may be blamed on the date, since many of the local deaf left town over the week end holiday, or perhaps on the nearby cocktail bar, which the people seemed to find more enjoyable; who can say? The bridge games drew a fair sized crowd on the 5th. Admission was gratis, and good cash prizes were awarded the winners. First and second prizes for women went to Mesdames Reynolds and Keene; 1st and 2nd for men to Bros. E. Watt and Goldstein. The Labor Day picnic at Brookside park on the 6th did not draw the attendance expected; possibly because of the dis-

tance, and again because another organization also had a picnic on the same day. Be that as it may, everyone had a swell time. Among the feature events were a baseball game between the Frats and non-frats, won by the latter, 6 to 2; and a tug of war, won by the Fraters. To list the day's program in full would take too much space, and probably see Bobs throw a fit. For full details read the Silent Broadcaster. Bros. Peterson, Chairman, Ruggero, Greenberg, Canfield and Elliott, the committee in charge, are deserving of thanks for their splendid efforts to make this festival one long to be remembered.

Preparations for the welcome of Grand President and Mrs. Roberts have been perfected, and if carried out without a hitch, are expected to make an all time record for receptions of this kind. More anon.

LOUISVILLE (By J. Wm. Ferg)—A little more crowding, pardon us. Our September meeting was another revelation in point of attendance and enthusiasm displayed. One new member was obligated. The membership committee has just sent out to approximately fifty eligible prospective members a circular letter setting forth the benefits derived from membership in the great two million dollar order of, for and by the deaf. By the October or November meeting, we expect the responses to start rolling in.

In our notes last month, we spoke of steps being taken in the near future to call a confab of the leading deaf of the State to draft a bill for presentation to the next session of the Kentucky Legislature to provide for a Labor Bureau for the deaf. While its sponsors are mostly frats, we want it understood that we frats are not selfish, but doing it for the common good of all the deaf of the State. Of course, we expect our friends to join No. 4, sooner or later.

Plans are under way locally to establish the Kentucky Society for the Advancement of the Deaf, also a Blue Grass Chapter of the N.A.D. While, no doubt, both would be worthy causes and serve laudable purposes—but, say, boys, don't you think we had better build up good old No. 4 first? Also, it would be a good thing for us if we organize the aux-frats, judging from the varied activities of the fair sex, gleaned from other Division Notes.

Sam Page Harris, a member of Cincinnati Division No. 10, but who got his start in No. 4 in the long ago, has returned to the Harris homestead farm at Eastwood, Ky., having just been discharged from a three years' confinement at a local sanatorium, very much improved in health.

Our October 2nd meeting will be called to order at 7:30 o'clock and business will be dispatched in short order, that we may all attend an informal get-together social with our friends. Don't forget to bring along one or two or three. There will be speeches, games, etc.,—of course, eats and refreshments. Upon the success of this social depends the future of all socials. Come boys, do your part!

WASHINGTON (By G. J. Ferguson)—What was the most interesting article in the September issue of THE FRAT? It was agreed among the majority of our members that it was the article on ten ways to kill a division. Fortunately there are always some good and faithful members who can be relied upon to carry on instead of being a drag to the organization. It is pardonable for us to be good of about twenty members who have very good attendance records at both meetings and socials.

Nobody ever thought of spending a vacation in the West Indies until Bros. Hughes and Bernsdorff did recently, so some of us are planning to satisfy our curiosity and thirst for more knowledge by going there sooner or later.

Bros. Isaacson, Maczowski, Schulte, and Quinley were back much refreshed at our last meeting after some months' badly needed vacations.

The Bowling League sponsored by No. 46 is all ship-shape and in readiness for another record-breaking season like that of last year. It helps the non-frats to get better acquainted with us, and maybe join the N.F.S.D. later.

Above all, don't forget our big dance and card social on Oct. 9, Saturday night. Be sure to remember that Gallaudet plays football with Bridgewater College at 2:30 p.m., Oct. 9. The larger the crowd, the merrier.

BROOKLYN (By W. A. Renner)—On Saturday, Aug. 21, the members of Brooklyn Division No. 23, joined by their many friends, wives and children, and favored by beautiful weather, held their 29th Annual Outing at Luna Park, Coney Island. That the deaf, in general, appreciated the change from old Ulmer Park to this famous play ground, was shown by the large attendance estimated at well over 1,000.

Early in the afternoon a large delegation from New Haven Division led by their President, Joseph Young, arrived. Later more from Hartford and Bridgeport joined in. Newark was well represented, as was Jersey City. As for the other nearby Divisions, they came en-masse. Of course, there were many from more distant places.

The management of the Park did their best to see that the deaf guests, who outnumbered the hearing, had the most enjoyable time possible.

There were swimming relay races in the afternoon in the large pool. Three teams of each sex, vied for speed honors. The ladies team composed of Misses Rose DeStefano, Barbara Swasky, Ethel Koplowitz and Alma Smith won first prize. The winning boys team was composed of Messrs. Davidowitz, Al Cohen, Sandy Tedesco and Mario Vittoria.

The roller skating rink was jammed with young folks so that at one time they ran out of skates. The circus performers had signs painted to explain to the deaf the various acts. The favorite amusement proved to be the "Tumbler," the writer having grieved several times in its dark passages. The show called the "Streets of Paris" was also well patronized. The cafeteria people were overworked as they never were before. All in all, it was the best outing the deaf of this metropolis have had in a long while.

Everybody around congratulated Bro. Wiemuth for a successful evening. In view of the hard work he had performed, he surely deserved it. The untiring chairman, Bro. Bellin, proved to the unbelievers that it could be done, and well done too. Congratulations!

The summer meetings of the Division have been comparatively well attended, considering vacation absences. The August session was enlivened by the presence of Grand Vice-President James Orman, who made a speech that was much appreciated. The Division is preparing for the fall festivities early, and has selected chairmen and committees for the Halloween and Thanksgiving affairs.

Ben Friedwald is spending his vacation in Illinois, having accompanied Bro. Orman in the latter's car to Jacksonville and no doubt, will not miss looking over Chicago and the Home Office before he returns.

W. A. Renner went to Miami, Fla., in August and arrived there in time for the meeting of the Miami Division, where he was an honored guest.

SAN FRANCISCO (By H. O. Schwarzlose)—Grand President Roberts' arrival was delayed until 5 p.m. Having expected him to arrive in time to referee the tug of war between the Berkeley and San Francisco division teams at the Annual Field Day and Picnic on Sept. 5, many were disappointed. Presentation of the silver cup to the winning team was made by Honorary Brother E. A. Stevenson. Later in the evening Grand President Roberts gave a speech to about 250 people at the S. F. Club. He was taken over the city on Monday and later in the afternoon crossed the new Bay Bridge to Oakland and was taken in tow by the Berkeley Division. He left for Los Angeles Tuesday, the 7th.

Earl Norton, son of E. E. Norton, San Francisco, delegate to Kansas City, has taken the oath of brotherhood and is a full fledged member of our Division. Hey, Earl, are you going to take your dad's place as delegate, and go to Toronto?

San Francisco is getting busy on those members who have had to take out paid up certificates. No doubt Pres. Roberts speech will have its effect.

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San Francisco is justly proud of the silver cup won at the S. F. Club's Annual Picnic, by a tug of war with Berkeley Division. It was the gift of C. Martucci, and will be engraved suitably.

Why aren't all those youngsters that attended the annual picnic members of Div. 53? Get busy! See your Secretary for application blanks.

Miss Delight Rice will present a beautiful photo of her late father, Charles M. Rice to the S. F. Club at the Division social on Sept. 18.

BOSTON (By D. McG. Cameron)—Hark ye! The day, October 23, 1937; the event, 25th anniversary banquet; the place, Hotel Bradford, Boston; the time, 7 p.m. sharp, standard time; the attendance, youth and beauty, greyheads, a greybeard or two, from all over New England and elsewhere. (P.S. longs, shorts, stouts, not barred); the intent, eat, drink, and be merry; the program, speech making, shows and acts by talent from New England's best professional entertainer, and dancing until 12 p.m. and a.m.; the after effects, probably a headache, a belly-ache or two, or both, but believe me, oh boy, it will be worth it. Reservations positively close Oct. 16, so paste this date in your hat, or better still, buy the ticket and its mate now, and you will not be left out in the cold.

The vacation season is practically over, at least as far as swimming and camping out is concerned. Now the days are shortening and the evenings have the chill of approaching autumn in the air, and the urge to get out in the open is not so acute. May we ask what about that prospect you promised to bring in, and neglected to do so? We were doing a brisk trade in recruiting in the winter and spring months, and we cannot see any reason why you should not take up where you left off. Now is the time to get after that prospect, when he is more amenable to reason.

HARTFORD (By E. J. Szopa)—Bang! October 23 is not far away; Boom! only three weeks left to whizz; Flash! I am giving you friendly advice; refill your empty pockets with some hard earned shekels, so you can have a real treat at the Governor's Foot Guard Hall. The Committee, Bro. Luther and his able aides, Bros. Mottram, Young, Lacroix and Marino, is launching a fine program for that particular affair, our Silver Anniversary Ball, to be one of the best ever held up to this time. Doors open at 6 p.m. Is that too early for you to get dressed up? Nevertheless, there is a reason—Come to the Foot Guard Hall and enjoy a Special Supper with your friends.

Then dancing, with a crack floor show by professionals that will, no doubt, eclipse any famous cabaret in New York City or Boston.

Many of you already know where the Hotel Bond is. This hotel can serve as a starting-off place. Therefore, read the following directions carefully: Fall in line, and march westward on

Asylum Avenue, as if you were going to School, to the first street—High Street; at the corner you see the Palmer's Drug Store, turn right and advance straight on High Street and cross another street—Church Street. You'll be awed at the sight of the magnificent Post Office building. Next to this stately house, there stands the massive Foot Guard Hall.

Another feature of the day will be a football contest between the New Jersey School for the Deaf team and our American School for the Deaf pigskin-chasers on the A.S.D. grounds, at 2:30 p.m. Come and boost for your favorite team to win. This battle promises to be a most spectacular thriller. Better get into line for Hartford, October 23.

QUEENS (By Ed. P. Bonvillain)—The division is going to have a big affair that is now being arranged for a monster card and bunco party which will be held at the Diplomat Restaurant, one of the largest restaurants in Jamaica, located at 161st Street and Jamaica Avenue, Jamaica, L.I., on Saturday evening, October 16, 1937, at 7:30 p.m. Chairman Ed. P. Bonvillain and his committee are planning a gala evening for those who attend. Free refreshments will be served. The tickets will be 50c per person, payable at the door. Don't fail to come, for you will regret it if you pass it up. Something new to you. Come one—come all. You can easily reach the Diplomat Restaurant by the 8th Ave. (Municipal) Jamaica Line Express trains to Parsons Boulevard station. About 20 minutes ride from Times Square. Walk two blocks to 161st St. By the B. M. T. trains (Jamaica Line) to 160th St. station.

The September meeting drew a small attendance owing to the meeting being held during the Labor Day holidays, and the Y.M.C.A. could not grant the division another meeting night as the bookings for rooms were all filled. Brothers, please take notice that the next October meeting will be held at the usual place.

The division has many members who are good fishermen, and they ought to organize a Fishermen's Club. Pres. Harry A. Gillen and his friends are chartering a fishing boat for blue fish. Good luck, Harry, and tell us a fish story at our next meeting.

TORONTO (By F. E. Doyle)—The members of the division will please note that beginning in October our meetings will be held on the first Thursday of each month, instead of the first Saturday as heretofore. The meeting place remains the same, the Royal York Hotel, and all resident members are earnestly urged to attend more regularly. Attendance must be larger, and more enthusiasm shown if Toronto is to retain the honor of entertaining a convention of the Grand Division. The time is getting short, and much remains to be done. All together, now!

A. L. Sedlow of New York City, a former Toronto boy, was a visitor at our September meeting. He is now a member of Manhattan Division.

Coming division events include the Aux-Frats' silver tea on Oct. 16, at 56 Wellesley St., a Halloween party on October 29 at the same place, and a campaign night on Nov. 20, at a place yet to be selected. We are hoping that all will be successful affairs.

A determined effort is to be made to establish several more divisions in Ontario. With such a large province, the one division at Toronto cannot begin to adequately cover so much territory. More are needed. Likely places mentioned are Ottawa, Hamilton and Kitchener, each located in strategic positions, and each already possessing the nucleus of a division. With the establishment of divisions in these places, recruiting should take a big step forward. By 1939 membership in Ontario should be on a par with that in states of similar size in the United States. And if we all work together, it can easily be made an accomplished fact.

ROCHESTER (By E. J. Kuder)—On Sept. 5 our annual picnic at Maplewood Inn started off with a bang, and ended with a louder bang. This is our famous annual event, and coupled with our equally famous dinners, always draws a good crowd. This year we had visitors from as far off as New York City on the east, and California on the west.

Ira Todd, one of our charter members, is still young and enthusiastic. He recently went to Chicago to attend the N.A.D. and the "Fort

Dearborn Massacre" given by the two Chicago divisions. At our last meeting he gave us an interesting account of his trip. We all envied him, and hope that we may all be able to attend the Toronto convention. (Why not? You have only to paddle across a few miles of Lake Ontario.—K.)

The division has lately been trying out several halls, with a view of finding the one most suitable to our needs. Our meeting of October 2 will be held at German-American Hall on Gregory St. Meeting at 7 o'clock, followed by a social. Here is your chance to see this hall and to decide if it suits.

AKRON (By F. X. Zitnik)—The way Bro. Osborne, chairman of our 22nd annual Halloween frolic and his corps of 20 assistants (including their wives) are preparing for that big gala event, assures us that this year's masquerade certainly will overshadow all those of the past years.

Fifteen large cash prizes for the best costumes, assures a record attendance.

Plenty of hot and cold refreshments, including the time honored cider, doughnuts and pumpkin pies will be on sale from 6:30 p.m. at moderate prices. The place of the frolic is easy to reach. Just take any route to Main St. till you reach Mill St., then turn east to High St., and there you are at the Masonic Temple.

So remember the date, October 30, 1937, and forget your personal troubles or worries and come for one grand good time that the Akron Division offers everybody on this Halloween evening.

The rubber factories in this locality are on a seasonal slump in production, necessitating reduced working hours, so many of our members are retrenching. But the slump is not going to last for long, as new models in the auto industry will be out soon, and the resultant demand for new tires will put production on a full time basis again.

Arley Kolb is one of the lucky ones that does not mind the slump. With a 40-acre farm that promises a bumper crop, he and his 2 sons have their hands full. They know how to make hay while the sun shines.

Arthur Rasmussen and family have just returned from his vacation in Iowa. They took in the reunion of the Iowa Association of the Deaf held in Des Moines, where they met many friends and schoolmates.

SEATTLE (N. C. Garrison)—Bro. Thoms is a firm believer in Friday the 13th being unlucky—the reason, while riding his bicycle to work, a city truck made a sudden turn without signalling and caused his bike to skid, throwing him in the path of the truck. His foot was badly crushed, and he will lose several weeks from work. Bro. Thoms has filed a claim with the city for the injury and loss of time.

Bro. Abrahamson was in the hospital for a couple of weeks recently with an attack of neuritis in the right shoulder.

Bro. Hudson of the Portland Division was in Seattle for Labor Day, and his engagement to Miss Anna Kingdon was announced. The young people stole a march on their friends by being quietly married two days later. They will make their home near Portland, where Bro. Hudson has steady work. Congratulations.

Grand Pres. Roberts and wife have come and gone. There is no question as to the

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Pres. and Mrs. Roberts were tendered a reception by the local deaf on their arrival, and the following day an all day sight seeing trip, with a banquet at the Elks' Club at 6:30 p.m. attended by 79 deaf. A public meeting was held after the banquet, with Pres. Roberts as the principal speaker. It is hoped that he and his charming wife will again visit us in the not distant future.

NEW HAVEN (Clarence Baldwin)—New Haven Division has for years and years held its really big annual affair in early November. This year the Division plans a dance, a real one, in a real honest-to-goodness hotel, with a real orchestra—one of the best this fair city of Elms boasts. Now, gentle readers, having read this far shows you are really interested, so we'll disclose the date, time and place. It's scheduled for Saturday evening, December 4 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., or until exhausted if you'd have it that way. The Social Committee, Moise Chagnon, chairman, assisted by Bros. Quinn and B. Sullivan, after holding a long and solemn confab finally decided on the Hotel Garde Grille as the best place for our dance this year. It is right across from the railroad station. The committee figured that with the very low rates offered by the railroad, a good many out of towners will arrive by train, and hence chose a place easily accessible. They had other exclusive places under consideration, but rejected them, as they were not convenient to the station. Believe me! this hotel is not a rat hole or second rate flophouse; it's exclusive with a capital E. You gentlemen may wear your claw hammer, soup to nuts outfit and black bow ties, you ladies may appear in the latest Paris creations, and both of you will be perfectly at ease with the other guests. The admission to this affair is a mere dollar. That's only a trifle when you stop to think the division will also provide some form of entertainment and favors. Don't forget the date—December 4, the place, Hotel Garde Grille, the time, 8 p.m. to 1 a.m., and last but not least, the necessary one dollar for admission. Remember, never before in all the years of its existence, has New Haven Division gone in for anything on such an extravagant scale. The Division is on the upgrade, let there be no mistake about that. Let's see all you knockers who thought the Division was dying come in and see for yourselves. The Division dares you to come!

Along about the middle of August there appeared in this burg a man calling himself Jeff Vice and claiming to hail from Louisville, Ky. (Louisville Div. correspondent, attention). He begged a meal and money from certain members of the Division in town, secured the name and address of a brother in Milford, and tried the same stunt with success. Claimed he wanted money for railroad fare to Louisville. Next he appeared in Bridgeport, all of this being no concern of mine until he began making the rounds of the deaf down there, and claiming I sent him. I never saw the man, do not know him, do not care to make his acquaintance and want it understood right now that this man is using my name without my permission. (Jeff Vice is not a member of this society, Ed.)

TOLEDO (S. G. Henry)—Remember Nov. 13, the date of our coming mask ball. It's going to be great. See our advertisement in this issue.

Our September meeting was postponed to the 11th, our regular date falling too close to the Labor Day holiday, when many members planned to be out of town.

Several industrial plants where many of the local deaf are employed closed down for inventory, and good advantage was taken of it by many to take vacation trips to other places. Arthur Sellers went up to northern Michigan, Milton Neff to Dayton and Cincinnati, Hubert Conner to Knoxville, Tenn., Robert and Isaac Shimp to Oklahoma, and Myron Burt through Texas and Arizona to Los Angeles, Cal. Also, the Ohio Reunion at Columbus attracted nearly 35 deaf from this place.

ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS (J. J. McNeill)—At our September meeting there was quite a number of visitors from other places. From Duluth came Brothers Sharp and Mattson, from Dayton, O., M. O. Samshal, and from Marshalltown, Iowa, William Krause. Our famous state fair opened on the same date, and drew many visitors.

Chairman Langford of the entertainment committee announces a Halloween dance for Oct. 30. He will get a first class orchestra, and a big crowd is expected. Don't forget the date.

M. O. Samshal of Dayton, O., was in this vicinity for a two weeks' vacation. He spent one week visiting his folks up north, and the rest of the time in the Twin Cities, meeting old friends. He also attended the regular meeting of the division. Other visitors here included Donald Froelich of Eagle Lake, Minn., Alfred Miller of Los Angeles, Cal., and Mrs. Thomas Elliott of the same town.

EAU CLAIRE (Ludvik Landsverk)—The division will hold a basket social on Saturday evening, October 9, at Knights of Pythias Hall, 411 1/2 S. Barstow St. Ladies are requested to bring baskets of eatables, which will be auctioned off to the highest bidder. The lady whose basket is adjudged the prettiest will win a prize of \$1.00, as will the lady whose basket brings the highest price. Another dollar will be given to the party coming the longest distance on that day, and still another to the autoist bringing the largest number of passengers in his car on that day. Other prizes will be given the winners of the various games played. A rare good time is promised to all. Ludvik Landsverk will head the committee in charge, assisted by Edward Rasmus, Lyle Bulmer and Bert Thompson.

COLUMBUS (E. J. Kennedy)—Our division meeting for this month was held a week later than usual, one of the biggest and happiest reunions of the Ohio State School for the Deaf Alumni Association was in session, and a number of our members were on the "help" end. If not, they were so busy meeting old and new friends that time simply flew, and a meeting would have been almost impossible.

The meeting was late, but when it did meet, all the regular officers were back in harness. For the summer months, Bro. Huffman has been acting-secretary, and Bro. Kurtz acting-treasurer, taking the places of Bro. Kennedy and Bro. Anderson respectively. Big smiles all around indicated that not only Bro. Kennedy and Bro. Anderson were "glad to get back," but a number of others who had been away and were feeling the same way.

Our first real piece of news is that our membership roster is growing. During the summer there have been five new members admitted—Bros. Virgil, Orval and Elden Shroyer, Lynn Miller and Ivan Slyh. We have two new prospects in sight for next month.

Ross Miller, who deserted us for a lucrative job in Sandusky last spring, surprised us with a visit at the September meeting. He drove down in a brand new 1937 Chevrolet sedan, an indication that prosperity is with him at every angle.

The after-meeting socials, which have proven so popular the last couple of years, will be started again following the October meeting. This time it will be under the chairmanship of Bro. Smethers. By the way, this reminds us that he became the proud daddy of a baby boy last month. If you didn't get your cigar, ask him for one at the October social. (I understand that he will have cigars for sale.)

Our annual Smoker is dated for October 30 and will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall. This time it will have an old timer in this kind of work at its helm, namely, Bro. Romoser. He assures us that it is to be an affair unsurpassed.

FARIBAUT (Toivo Lindholm)—At the September 11 meeting, the Division swore in two new members, Peter Anderson and William Allen. Now the Division is "priming" the goat for their initiation. As soon

as it is felt that the goat, spoiled after his long soft living, has reached the most vicious mood possible, the date will be set for their initiation. There are a few other brothers who also still await initiation.

We are glad those two new members joined up. Pete lives near Austin, his farm being about fifty miles from Faribault. He had to forego his pigs their Saturday night mud bath, to be present. Bill regretted he did not join sooner, as he lost some Frat benefit money when he fell down and injured his back, and was laid up for a few weeks. He believes nobody should delay joining up. He knows whereof he speaks.

Following the regular meeting, the entertainment committee entertained with a Frat Play Night program, which started with a laugh-provoking dialogue between V. R. Spence and Art Peterson. An attempt at imitating the great Houdini followed, Toivo Lindholm being the imitator. He managed to fool one or two people present. It took John Klein to show him up. Two dancing numbers followed, with Mrs. Art Peterson and Mrs. Toivo Lindholm dressed up as midgits. The program ended with a movie given by John Boatwright of scenes and people which he had himself taken around Faribault and the Chicago NAD convention. Of course any such evening is never complete without refreshments, and Mrs. Lauritsen took care of this in a dandy manner. We counted 40 people present, and that's not bad for Faribault in a monthly get-together.

John Schwirtz was present at the last meeting, and the Division voted him and his wife a "Bon Voyage" on their almost annual flight south with the birds.

CHICAGO, No. 106 (F. L. Bush)—What a rare occasion we are having when both presidents of Divisions Nos. 1 and 106, L. Massinkoff and F. Hinrichs respectively, are about to pass around cigars any moment. Wonder if it is a stork delivery between themselves, or what!

Bro. Rozett's mother was called into eternity recently. Our condolences to the bereaved family.

The ritual committee under chairman Libbey is preparing the final details for the October meeting. Brothers, take notice: our meetings hereafter will be held at Hotel Sherman, no longer at the old place, Hotel Atlantic. See the bulletin board in the Hotel Sherman lobby for hall number. Remember this new location, Hotel Sherman, Randolph and Clark Sts.

Those interested in chess competition see Bro. Bush as soon as possible. Most likely chess matches with Division No. 1 and other clubs will be arranged. Other sports will follow, so show them your talent and the rest will be easy. Come on, you "sleepy-eyed" brothers, help put our Division on the

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map. Another thing, over ten of our bowlers are participating in the regular competition, rolling over the Congress Recreation Center alleys, 31 E. Congress St., on Tuesdays at 8:15 p.m. Everybody is welcome. Free admission.

For the second time in succession Bro. Bush won the grand prize given by the division after socials. Last month Bro. Byron B. Burnes, of Faribault, Minn. Division, present Secy.-Treas. of the N.A.D., was the judge and Bro. Gray, secretary of Div. No. 1 and Mrs. Hodgson, wife of our brother, were his assistants.

Our 12th Annual Ball and Card Party will be given on Oct. 16, 1937. West Room, Hotel Sherman will be the scene of our big event. Admission a mere 40 cents. A big crowd is anticipated, because of its new location in the heart of the loop, as well as its convenience for all. Tell your friends about it. Bro. Rice is the chairman.

In place of "Moon on the Roof" party proposed for this month, a Christmas party will be sponsored, and Bro. Brislen, chairman, will give out more details in the coming issues, so watch for this interesting affair. Most likely it will be an annual event but this remains to be seen.

SPRINGFIELD, MASS. (W. H. Woods)—Tick tick, tick tick. Time brought us the sad message of the death of the father of our brother, Mr. John O'Connell. Again, tick tick, tick tick, Time kept on turning in its perpetual motion in bringing us another sad message, this time the death of our Brother Arthur Gunther's mother. In our sympathy with them we tenderly sent them flowers, hoping the bereaved ones will not find it too hard to bow to God's will.

Tick tick, tick tick, Time is a funny thing, bringing us sad messages, while on the other hand October 9 is just speeding along to give us a different kind of emotion, Joy. General Chairman E. A. Sargent is giving away too much of his sweat (we are afraid tick tick will bring us another sad message) in doing all he can to make our coming "Ye Olde Farmer's Ball" an unusual and successful affair, using local talent for the floor show. The writer, himself one of the silly actors, knows what the floor show will consist of, and can truthfully say every one present will find their dollar's worth of admission well worth the different kinds of entertainments. The writer has the heart to tip off readers that one of the floor shows will be about a traveling salesman calling on a farmer. The salesman finds himself too unlucky in the end. Curious to know the result of his call on the farmer? Sorry, can't say in this writing. Come and see for yourself, and be prepared to carry an extra handkerchief to wipe off your tears.

Many of us have had our vacations and are back to our old daily routine. The beaches, tennis, golfing and picnics were our chief sports during the summer. We are happy one time, the next time sad, the next time with mixed emotions, owing to tick tick, tick tick, whose methods are to bring all kinds of emotional depths. Let Time continue to tick tick away the minutes until Oct. 9 for our happy moments.

DETROIT (Asa A. Stutsman)—Bring out your calendar and draw circles around the 2nd of October and the 6th and 20th of November. Things are going to happen on these dates which you will not want to miss.

On Saturday, October 2, Detroit Division and Detroit Association of the Deaf will jointly give a double-header show in which some 20 deaf people will take part, with recitations between the acts. The first of the double-header will be a 30-minute Country School comedy which will surely bring much laughter to you all, and the other, a 3-act play entitled "Bound to Marry", a love story filled with much mirth. Dancing will follow until 1 a.m., and refreshments will be served. The place for the show—Diamond Temple, I.O.O.F., 5646 Lawton Ave., at Grand River Ave. The committee in charge are Mrs. Ben Beaver, director; Max Crittenden, Aloysius Japes, George Davies, Joseph Pastore, Harold Lundgren and John Hellers.

On November 6, the Division will hold a masquerade at Diamond Temple. Come dressed in your prettiest, the funniest or the

most novel costume, and try to win a prize. Prize or not, you will be boosting your Division, which wants your patronage and interest very much.

And on November 20, the Division will hold a Feather party at the I.O.O.F. building on Randolph Ave. at Monroe Ave., the place where the Division holds its regular business meetings. Remember that Thanksgiving Day will be just around the corner on this date, and you know it is "No Turkey, no Thanksgiving Day." Aloysius Japes will have charge of both the Nov. 6th and the 20th socials. Hang up your calendar where you won't fail to see the marked days.

The latest social event of the Division was a boat excursion to Put-In-Bay on July 11. The fact that the day threatened bad weather might have accounted for the small crowd that went on the excursion, but the sum of \$16.00 which was realized was comparatively good. The crowd did not spend the day at Put-In-Bay, but continued the trip to Cedar Point, a new, very popular lake resort near Sandusky, Ohio. Edward MacMullen was the chairman.

BINGHAMTON (James Lewis)—At the August meeting during the good of the order period, Amelio Fusco revealed himself as quite some traveler when he spoke to the members of his trip to the N.A.D. convention. His talk was interesting, particularly concerning the Fort Dearborn massacre in which he described the novices taking the oath of obligation under the able generalship of Grand President Roberts. His description of the Frat emblem in electric lights caused most of us to envy him, and wish we had been there too. By the way, Brother Fusco was the only deaf person to represent Binghamton at the N.A.D. convention. Brother Fusco again proved himself to be some traveler when he recently returned from a trip to Akron, Ohio, this time by auto, visiting friends whom he had met at the convention in Chicago.

The Division's Annual Clam Bake, under the management of Brother Leach, assisted by Brother Decker, was a financial success, compared to the flop of last year. Brother Leach profited from the experience of last year and made good this time, which shows that experience is often needed. All sorts of eats, such as clams, corn chicken, clam chowder and hot dogs, also the amber fluid, were had, and the feature of the Bake was the soft ball game between picked teams.

The Division is represented in bowling in the Fraternal league with Brother Leach as manager. The team finished fifth place, and it is hoped we will finish at the head at the close of the next season. Get together, boys, and work in harmony and cut out the bickering and fault finding. Remember each player has his own style of playing. Get together and let's go with a bang.

As this goes to press, word is received of the marriage of Brother Emil (Slim) Koliander, who is now on his honeymoon. Details in next issue.

ATLANTA (W. J. Scott)—The Division celebrated Gibson Day at the Y.M.C.A. on August 7. Percy Ligon was chairman, and he sure put it over big. Rev. Brother Smielau of Orlando, Fla., was the chief speaker, and he kept a large crowd spell-bound to the last word.

After nearly two years out of the "Get-One" column, our division recently appeared therein with one new member, Brooks Smith, and also recorded the return to the fold of Eddie Morgan. Several more prospects are on the list, and we hope to bring them in before long.

The division held an outing at Grant Park on Labor Day, with J. G. Bishop as manager of the affair. Old-fashioned games and a

long walk over the park kept most of us busy, and made it an enjoyable day.

October 31 is the date of our coming Halloween party. The chairman will be Hubert Williams, and he has plans up his sleeve that will make it the best Halloween night in division history. A record-breaking crowd is looked for.

Horace Taylor will be chairman of our Thanksgiving social. He is scouring the countryside for wild turkeys, and hopes to have enough to fill a table a mile long, and a carload to give away! A swell time is assured. Don't miss it.

Brant L. Otten of Sioux Falls was a visitor at our September meeting, and gave us an interesting account of what Frats are doing away up north. It was his first visit since the N.F.S.D. convention in 1921. He brought his Georgia Peach with him, and they are visiting her parents in this city.

The recent N.A.D. convention in Chicago drew three from Atlanta—W. A. Willingham, W. J. Scott and Mrs. J. G. Bishop. While there they took advantage of the opportunity and paid a flying visit to the Home Office, and report it is something that every member can be proud of.

We are sorry to learn that Gus Weil is soon to undergo an operation on his eyes, which have been troubling him for some time. We all hope it will be successful.

WESTCHESTER (R. W. Geel)—August 15th turned out to be a grand day and those members and friends who attended our annual picnic at Blue Mountain Park will long remember the wonderful time that was had.

The chartered bus was filled to capacity, and others drove up in their own cars. Over seventy-five attended.

The baseball game between Frats and non-Frats was one of the most exciting features of the day. The Frats won by the score of 6 to 5, but they had to go eleven innings to do it.

Swimming was enjoyed by those who were lucky to come prepared with bathing suits.

Our Annual Picnics are getting more and more popular as the years go by. Don't miss our next in 1938.

Bros. Geo. and Dan Lynch are the only division members who were able to take in the N.A.D. convention in Chicago. They report a swell time.

Bro. and Mrs. Boyan and Ray Geel (yours truly) spent enjoyable times with Bro. and Mrs. Berger at their summer bungalow on Lake Zoar, Conn. Twice we drove up for week-ends, and finally went up for a full week (including Labor Day).

Bro. and Mrs. Rawlston spent their vacation in Tennessee, their home state.

Bro. Meier, from what I've heard, has been traveling around.

CHICAGO No. 1 (By Thos. O. Gray)—President Massinkoff appointed Rogers Crocker chairman of our 36th annual Masquerade Ball. Bro. Crocker will select his own assistants. We look forward to a rousing attendance next winter, as Bro. Crocker has a strong following of younger strutters, who like to have a real good time. More will be written later on to keep members "ball conscious."

Herbert Gunner has now joined the ranks of the fully paid up, his certificate having matured Sept. 1. He will continue to be an active member, as he does not believe in relegating himself to the rocking chair brigade, believing an active life more preferable for longevity than a "loafer's paradise."

MILWAUKEE CELEBRATION

Milwaukee Division No. 17 will celebrate its 30th anniversary in appropriate style sometime in November. Details will be published in the next issue of THE FRAT. Brother A. G. Leisman is chairman, which insures an event well worth attending.

A small girl of three suddenly burst out crying at dinner.

"Why, Betty," said her mother, "what is the matter?"

"Oh," sobbed Betty, "my teeth trod on my tongue!"

**ANNUAL
MASQUERADE FROLIC
MASONIC TEMPLE
S. High and E. Mill Sts., Akron, O.
OCTOBER 30, 1937
AKRON DIVISION No. 55**

AUGUST COLLECTIONS

Grand Division	\$ 32.96
Chicago No. 1	298.98
Detroit	151.98
Saginaw	40.24
Louisville	58.41
Little Rock	90.62
Dayton	73.91
Cincinnati	215.59
Nashville	42.39
Olathe	20.91
Flint	121.90
Toledo	121.96
Milwaukee	127.71
Columbus	190.60
Knoxville	36.09
Cleveland	193.56
Indianapolis	208.19
Brooklyn	476.96
St. Louis	361.87
New Haven	72.78
Holyoke	47.61
Los Angeles	312.92
Atlanta	128.94
Philadelphia	289.84
Kansas City	95.11
Omaha	37.57
New Orleans	74.02
Kalamazoo	26.93
Boston	214.72
Pittsburgh	166.59
Hartford	76.15
Memphis	55.51
Portland, Me.	82.46
Buffalo	77.00
Portland, Ore.	99.42
Newark	112.22
Providence	49.12
Seattle	103.52
Utica	95.17
Washington	161.89
Baltimore	163.91
Syracuse	58.56
Cedar Rapids	41.76
Albany	75.23
Rochester	60.98
San Francisco	91.52
Reading	107.36
Akron	314.73
Salt Lake City	57.14
Rockford	85.68
Springfield, Ill.	61.99
Davenport	34.17
Worcester	59.06
St. Paul-Minneapolis	220.17
Fort Worth	62.61
Dallas	89.89
Denver	70.35
Waterbury	39.32
Springfield, Mass.	58.76
Waco	28.56
Bangor	74.11
Kenosha	58.25
Birmingham	89.31
Sioux Falls	32.57
Wichita	53.32
Spokane	54.16
Des Moines	40.74
Lowell	46.85
Berkeley	60.09
Delavan	91.25
Houston	87.44
Scranton	47.53
Richmond	77.50
Johnstown	91.26
Manhattan	196.64
Jacksonville	15.61
Lewiston	22.43
Peoria	37.60
Jersey City	99.73
Bronx	109.77
Columbia	67.77
Charlotte	102.25
Durham	78.01
Dubuque	12.86
Grand Rapids	26.05
Toronto	228.42
Duluth	60.73
Canton	19.63
Faribault	57.12
South Bend	52.51
Council Bluffs	71.07
Fort Wayne	40.51
Schenectady	49.76
Chicago No. 106	73.53
Miami	45.86
Binghamton	59.88
Wilkinsburg	73.86
San Diego	18.95
Eau Claire	72.43
Sulphur	54.46
Vancouver	31.43
Westchester	26.51
Queens	113.67
Montreal No. 117	17.40
Montreal No. 118	48.21
Total collections	\$9,982.97

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR
AUGUST, 1937

Balance and Income	
Balance, July 31, 1937	\$2,079,708.44
Division collections	9,982.97
Interest, mortgage loans	1,718.93
Interest, bonds	2,028.37
Indemnity fund premiums	2.33
Refund to indemnity fund	10.83
Refund real estate operating exp.	77.12
Rents	5,222.00
Lodge supplies	3.60
Exchange on checks	.40
Advertising in THE FRAT	4.50
Subscriptions to THE FRAT	1.60
Recording and registry fees	8.00
Surety bond premiums	7.50
Total balance and income	\$2,098,776.59
Disbursements	
Death benefits	\$ 4,012.00
Sick benefits	1,205.00
Accident benefits	230.00
Old-age income payments	83.87
Indemnity payment	52.39
Convention expenses	272.00
Refund of dues	1.95
Clerical services	187.50
Investment expenses	372.00
Office expenses	109.95
Officers' and Trustees' salaries	729.85
Official publication	168.63
Postage	45.25
Printing and stationery	19.00
Property insurance premiums	45.00
Real estate operating expenses	1,440.03
Surety bond premiums	11.24
Taxes on real estate	3,324.02
Total disbursements	\$ 12,309.68
Recapitulation	
Balance and income	\$2,098,776.59
Disbursements	12,309.68
Balance, Aug. 31, 1937	\$2,086,466.91

TRUSTEES' REPORT

Ledger Assets, Aug. 31, 1937

Real estate	\$ 696,747.86
First mortgage loans	493,800.20
First mortgage bonds	202,945.73
U. S. government bonds	105,565.70
State bonds	208,676.08
Municipal bonds	155,011.27
Canadian bonds	21,057.18
Bank deposits	194,636.50
Cash in Society's office	8,026.39
Total ledger assets	\$2,086,466.91
Balances in Funds	
Reserve fund	\$1,769,342.60
Mortuary fund	139,344.96
Sick and accident fund	94,926.82
Accumulated interest	31,944.88
Convention fund	16,743.79
Indemnity fund	2,739.49
General expense fund	31,424.37
Total in all funds	\$2,086,466.91

AUGUST DISABILITY CLAIMS

P. J. DiAnno, Brooklyn	\$ 90.00
A. E. Eaton, Syracuse	50.00
W. T. Griffing, Sulphur	75.00
D. Tatarinsky, Montreal No. 118	35.00
Wm. Shibley, Little Rock	150.00
H. J. Ward, Little Rock	40.00
C. F. Wolf, Chicago No. 1	50.00
C. E. Rollings, Indianapolis	50.00
M. J. Laffeur, New Orleans	30.00
Ivan Heymansson, Detroit	105.00
V. R. Spence, Faribault	40.00
W. B. Watson, Knoxville	35.00
W. O. Dowe, Milwaukee	10.00
*F. L. Tschiffely, Miami	15.00
W. J. Burke, Brooklyn	10.00
*W. J. Sering, Chicago No. 1	40.00
*J. P. Marshall, Detroit	20.00
*C. B. Terry, Brooklyn	45.00
*Louis Hagan, Brooklyn	30.00
*A. H. Peterson, Dayton	45.00
*E. J. Fink, Cleveland	10.00
*A. S. Walker, Jr., Philadelphia	25.00
F. D. Gilbert, Los Angeles	10.00
H. H. Hush, Baltimore	30.00
W. C. Case, Columbus	10.00
Hyman Lachinsky, Bronx	75.00
L. W. Ramsdell, Binghamton	25.00
Fritz Ruckdashel, Providence	25.00
G. H. Sprague, Chicago No. 106	120.00
J. C. Rains, Cedar Rapids	50.00
G. F. Tripp, Flint	40.00
H. C. Brendall, Charlotte	50.00
Total for the month	\$1,435.00

*Denotes accident claims.

AUGUST DEATH CLAIMS

Paul J. DiAnno, Brooklyn	\$ 500.00
Albert E. Eaton, Syracuse	500.00
George Braun, Brooklyn	500.00
Charles D. Lewis, Little Rock	399.00
William L. Butcher, Utica	500.00
Charles J. Larsen, Kenosha	1,000.00
William E. Buchert, Cincinnati	263.00
George F. Tripp, Flint	250.00
Total for the month	\$4,012.00

OBITUARY

THOMAS H. BROWN, 41, of Toronto Div. No. 98, died July 26, 1937. He joined the Society Aug. 1, 1928, and held certificate No. 8585-D.

ARISTA WRIGHT, 49, of Indianapolis Div. No. 22, died Aug. 3, 1937. He joined the Society March 1, 1918, and held certificate No. 3917-C.

GEORGE F. TRIPP, 63, of Flint Div. No. 15, died Aug. 5, 1937. He joined the Society Jan. 2, 1914, and held certificate No. 1858-D.

WILLIAM E. BUCHERT, 54, of Cincinnati Div. No. 10, died Aug. 7, 1937. He joined the Society Jan. 2, 1918, and held certificate No. 3686-D.

CHARLES J. LARSEN, 49, of Kenosha Div. No. 72, died Aug. 8, 1937. He joined the Society April 1, 1924, and held certificate No. 6949-C.

GILBERT H. RAGSDALE, 39, of Dallas Div. No. 63, died Aug. 10, 1937. He joined the Society Nov. 1, 1928, and held certificate No. 8651-D.

HENRY J. GORDON, 40, of Boston Div. No. 35, died Aug. 24, 1937. He joined the Society Oct. 1, 1919, and held certificate No. 4710-D.

JOHN E. WHARTON, 57, of Indianapolis Div. No. 22, died Aug. 26, 1937. He joined the Society Jan. 2, 1918, and held certificate No. 3674-D.

WILLIAM B. WATSON, 67, of Knoxville Div. No. 20, died Aug. 27, 1937. He joined the Society Aug. 1, 1909, and held certificate No. 565-C.

WILLIAM D. THEURER, 65, of St. Louis Div. No. 24, died Aug. 31, 1937. He joined the Society June 1, 1914, and held certificate No. 2063-C.

NEPHI LARSEN, 68, of Salt Lake City Div. No. 56, died Sept. 5, 1937. He joined the Society Dec. 1, 1916, and held certificate No. 2921-D.

MARRIAGES

May 15—John Young, Ste. Agathe des Monts, Que., and Doris Warren, Montreal, Que.

June 19—Harold Schrank, Portage, Wis., and Eva Herman, Freedom, Wis.

June 26—Oliver Peterson and Ethel Hinrichs, both of Chicago, Ill.

June 26—Percy Goff and Adeline Malm, both of Delavan, Wis.

June 26—Raymond Kinsella, Syracuse, N. Y., and Rose Haag, Columbus, O.

July 24—George Brislen and Lillian Miller, both of Chicago, Ill.

July 31—Frank Sholes, Jr., Providence, R. I., and Sarah Chadburn, Fall River, Mass.

August 9—Hubert Elrod and Anna Parrot, both of St. Louis, Mo.

August 28—Joseph Letkiewicz, Chicago, Ill., and Mary Pfahler, Milwaukee, Wis.

August 28—Harry Wille, Milwaukee, Wis., and Lucille Wellskopf, West Allis, Wis.

DEATHS

July 27—Beatrice Merrill Hemstreet, daughter of Rev. Herbert Merrill, Syracuse, N. Y.

August 14—May Vezinsky, wife of Anton Vezinsky, Chicago, Ill.

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Contenders in 1937 Derby

Name	Division	New Members
Elmer Rosenmund	Cleveland	33
Joe Greenberg	Los Angeles	8
Louis Massinhoff	Chicago No. 1	5
Raymond Whitlock	Wichita	5
H. von Hippel	St. Paul-Minneapolis	5
Wilbur Lattimer	Johnstown	5
Howard Kilthau	Denver	5
H. R. Glover	Columbia	4
Roy Hiatt	Indianapolis	4
August Herdtfelder	Baltimore	4
C. Den Dekker	Chicago No. 1	4
David Peikoff	Toronto	4
Homer Moulder	Los Angeles	3
Charles Spitaleri	Bronx	3
Aloysius Japes	Detroit	3
Palmino Colgrossi	Chicago No. 1	3
William Smith	New Orleans	3
Joseph Bruno	Jersey City	3
Jacob Goldstein	Los Angeles	2
Charles Russey	Chicago No. 106	2
Charles Whisman	Indianapolis	2
Peter Amico	Boston	2
William Hart	Rockford	2
John Cordano	Kalamazoo	2
George Sutherland	Toronto	2
Moses Waldman	Boston	2
Leo Trainor	Bangor	2
Wallace Williams	Delavan	2
George Laramie	Salt Lake City	2
Charles Collins	Columbus	2
Cortland Greenwald	Portland, Ore.	2
John Jawarek	Cincinnati	2
Wm. Newell, Jr.	Hartford	2
Andrew Pangrac	St. Paul-Minnesota	2

TWO MONTHS TO GO. Derby contestants, get busy. Get a block of FIVE, by all means. The prize money is waiting for you. BRING 'EM IN.

NEW MEMBERS

Chicago No. 1:	Portland, Ore.:
Elwis Benson	Thomas Ulmer
Cincinnati:	John Kaufman
Harold Brooks	Dallas:
Milwaukee:	Louis Orrill
Elvin Sveen	Denver:
Columbus:	Bernard Ranney
Orval Shroyer	Fred Gustafson
Elden Shroyer	Delavan:
Cleveland:	John Biedermann
Harold Katz	Richmond:
Anthony Venditti	Glenn Coffey
Joseph Allen	Manhattan:
New Orleans:	David Worthman
Thomas Artieta	Peoria:
Hartford:	Harold Fragel
Woodrow Schofield	Jersey City:
St. Paul-Minneapolis:	William O'Grady
Eugene Warne	

THE GET-ONE DEGREE

Cincinnati—John Jaworek.
 Milwaukee—Joseph Moen.
 Columbus—Charles Collins (2).
 Cleveland—Elmer Rosenmund (3).
 New Orleans—William Smith.
 Hartford—William Newell, Jr.
 Portland, Ore.—Cortland Greenwald (2).
 St. Paul-Minneapolis—Andrew Pangrac.
 Dallas—Clifton Talbot.
 Denver—Howard Kilthau (2).
 Delavan—Duncan Cameron.
 Richmond—Spencer Armstrong.
 Manhattan—Samuel Liebman.
 Peoria—Harold Ford.
 Jersey City—Joseph Bruno.

BIRTHS

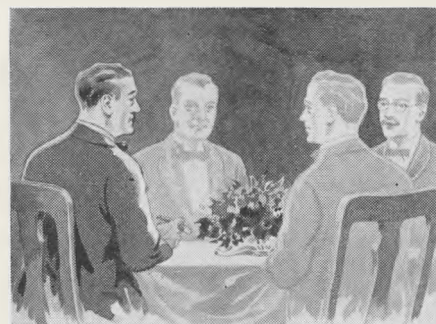
July 10—Mr. and Mrs. Chester Higby, San Gabriel, Cal., a boy.
 July 13—Mr. and Mrs. Lee Minter, Chester, Pa., a boy.
 July 13—Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis, New Orleans, La., a boy.
 July 14—Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hackbarth, Milwaukee, Wis., a girl.
 July 17—Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Tavorario, Youngstown, O., a boy.
 August 9—Mr. and Mrs. Philip Harris, Northampton, Mass., a girl.
 August 10—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barnes, Schenectady, N. Y., a boy.
 August 11—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gefsky, Youngstown, O., a girl.
 August 26—Mr. and Mrs. Otto Johnne, Colton, Wash., a girl.
 September 6—Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Moore, Staunton, Va., a boy.
 September 8—Mr. and Mrs. George Hagen, Ames, Ia., a boy.

ENGAGEMENTS

Jacob Goldstein and Mary Connolly, both of Chicago, Ill.
 Myron Lesniak, Wausau, Wis., and Theodora Letkiewicz, Milwaukee, Wis.
 James Wilkerson, Cincinnati, O., and Pauline Dozier, Danville, Ky.
 George Laramie, Salt Lake City, Utah, and Dora Benoit, Salina, Kansas.

COME BACKS

Cleveland—Estel Barry.
 Indianapolis—Samuel Ottenbacher.
 Seattle—Arthur Martin.
 Jersey City—Joseph Pingitore.



FOUR MEN AT TABLE

IT chanced upon a winter's night.
 Safe sheltered from the weather,
 The board was spread for only one,
 Yet four men dined together.
 There sat the man I meant to be
 In glory spurred and booted,
 And close beside him to the right,
 The man I am reputed.
 The man I think myself to be,
 A seat was occupying
 Hard by the man I really am,
 Who to hold his own was trying.
 And though beneath one roof we met
 None called the other brother;
 No sign of recognition passed—
 They knew not one another!

—Anon.

Pan-American Dance

Dallas Division No. 63

JEFFERSON HOTEL

Saturday Evening, October 16

Come on with us—Admission 50c per person.

MASK BALL

Toledo Division No. 16

Sokol Moravan Hall

2401 VALENTINE STREET

Saturday Evening, November 13

19th ANNUAL DANCE

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Park Place, Opposite YMCA

Admission 75 cents

HERE'S ONE FOR YOU! The "Humbug-Buster"

America's unique newspaper, will interest you.

It's a shot of gizzard soup for sick sinners. It's a monthly mustard plaster for the ills of Society, Church, and State.

We would advise you to send 10c for a sample copy to judge for yourself.

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National Fraternal Society of the Deaf

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

Objects

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

Death, Sick and Accident Benefits

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

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

Safeguards

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

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

Cost of Joining

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

How to Join

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

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

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

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

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

Certificate Classes

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

Withdrawal Equities and Income Options

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

Required Monthly Payments

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

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

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

Rate for age at nearest birthday to be taken