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# THE FRAT



*"The Frost is on the Pumpkin  
and the Corn is in the Shock"*

OCTOBER, 1939

Thirty-Seventh Year

Number Three

## The Spotlight

By J. FREDERICK MEAGHER

**WAR!** History repeats! Last time British king planned visit to Canada was 1914—postponed when war started. This year their King and Queen beat the barrier by two months—just before our Toronto convention. "Saw enough crowns for a lifetime," says Mrs. Kemp. "Crowns were the shibboleth in decorations all over town." . . . Since then, Canada has upped the ante in all taxes—18% income tax and 20% surtax. Hope our United States keeps out of the scrap. . . . If we enter war, wonder what city becomes our "Akron." Goodyear and Firestone saw 350 deaf during war—later 750 in all; today about 150 remain. . . . Europe raising "suicide corps" of aged and infirm for sure death; good old Teddy Roosevelt himself assured me he would use us deaf as his "Battalion of Death" to hold line first time America had to retreat, if W. W. let him take over his proposed "private army recruited from exempted class." W. W. didn't. . . . Helen Keller's "Journal 1936-37" was among books banned by Berlin police, Aug. 14—no reason given. . . . Schwarzlose of Broadcaster bemoans inability of deaf to enlist; says he wants to be a Rear-Admiral—"very far in the rear, too." . . . Last war cost us million an hour. Per capita national debt rose from \$11.96 to \$240.09. Dealing the New Deal raised the ante to \$309.80.

**DO YOU KNOW** Germany—which now persecutes the Jew—grew great because of Jewish blood? Frederick the Great (no relation of mine) recognized and utilized the Jews to improve the phlegmatic, stolid, slow-moving and slow-thinking type of Teuton. Frederick insisted his army officers marry Jewish girls, from which unions came German-Jews of great brilliancy—daring and energetic. And now look at it!

**M. A. degree** given BBB ("Bonny Boy Burnes" as Marfa styles him) for three summers at U of Chicago (Harvard and Chi rate as America's hardest post-graduate courses.) Majored in education. Real triumph for deaf. . . . Daughter of deaf is that beautiful Margaret Aylward depicted on pages 34-35 of Pic for Aug. 22—doing 1½-minute "under-water dance" at Silver Springs, Fla. Real dancing under water. Margaret—now married and a mother—is the tiny "Peggy" Craig of Chicago's Silent A. C. \$25,000 clubhouse, starting 1920. Her late father, our Ernest Craig, was a prominent frater in those days. . . . Seattle's "Awl Rite" Wright, touring Cal., reports two or three Los Angeles clubs consolidated; have huge quarters, and are now jiving for their 1940 and 1943 jumpacks. . . . Wright found deafdom's greatest poet, Howard L. Terry, whittling a 2-ft. sailboat model for his grandson. Imagine a real live poet having grandchildren—wow! Seems we are all growing old. . . . Honeymoon to Hawaii for Spokane's Auxfrax Diane Ingraham and Carl Bohner of Altoona, Pa.; recall this chap had a career of some sort at one of the larger versities in Penna. . . . Closing three terms as

Wash. state president, Carl Garrison presented unique expense account: "\$0.00—nihl—nothing." . . . Two new games at Wash. state picnic—teams of two throw and catch raw eggs; married women throw rolling pin at "dummy." . . . "Does NFSD employ deaf workmen?" one writer asks. Yes; far as practical and economical. Bro. Ingval Dahl is carpenter and repairman on property our society now owns.

**KNOW** the Dahlia—a flower of some 20,000 varieties—was named after Dahl, a Swedish botanist? . . . The "von" before German names denotes a decree of military heroism? . . . The "ski," "zki" or "chi" ending Polish names denotes nobility—like our British lords and knights?

**DOOMED** to play the bullfiddle in the Heavenly Orchestra was James Martin Smith, pal of Little Rock, last summer. This "Wimpy" of my Popeye-stunt at KC wasted away from 185-lbs. down to 135. But a difficult and expensive surgical operation saved his life. Too bad. Claims he is now re-conditioned and reupholstered—running 17 miles to the gal. (Gal. of what—Old Grandad, Ky. Bourbon, or just plain petticoated "gal"?) While supposed to be dying, during Toronto, I sent a postal addressed to "Chevrolet Hiett, Ft. Worthless delegate, Royal York, Toronto, Canada," urging Hiett—winner of the Chev at our '35 convention—to send a card joshing Smitty on Fords. Two weeks later, from his hospital cot, Smitty sent me that self-same card I sent Hiett. It was stamped "Return to sender—2 cents due"; and as Smith's address was the only one on the card, he thereon got it and had to pungle up the two centimes. And was he maddddd. So mad, he decided not to die until he could "get even" with me. That penny-postal saved our NFSD from paying a life insurance policy!

**TORONTO** was greatest and best convention ever, according to Ohio's Roy Conkling. That's noble of Roy. Seems there is a sacred tradition the Big Beefs, those pesky Gland Sergeants, must display their Hitleristic complex just once at every convention—by nearly murdering some placid and peaceful Potentate of the Pen. This time it was docile "Conk" they maimed and mauled, manhandled and manslaughtered, then hauled like a criminal before our imperial emperor, Bobs. "Conk" fails to uphold the high traditions of our Pen-Pushers; he does not breathe the fire and brimstone nor call down the wrath of the Seven Gods of Greece upon those blanketty-blank sons-of-satan who polluted his pristine epidermis with profane paws. "Martyr" Marty and "Mad Mullah" Miller were the United States sarges; Canada's was deafened Howard J. Lloyd of Ontario—gassed in World War. Champion boxer of his Canadian regiment.

**\$\$\$.** Big Cities could pick up sticks from our country cousins. My old Vancouver pupil—delegate Greenwald from Portland—says most of the Pacific Coast divisions gave delegates \$100 to \$150 for expense money; he himself got \$150 and his winniewife an additional \$100 from her Auxfrax. This Greenwald, now well-fixed, has been working steadily on one job for 25 years; Toronto is the first long vacation he and his chipmunk ever enjoyed. And in class, I branded him a potential "failure" in life. Proving how little teachers know.

Hear Toronto's goating was almost up to Omaha's. Shriners used their own expensive apparatus, no two men alike. Seems our Grand smokers will hereafter borrow the intricate props of hearies—in their own lodge-rooms; cheaper—and far more entertaining!

**SPORTS.** Bro. Hope Porter is assistant manager of the Covington, Ky., team which won World's Softball title in Chicago Soldier Field stadium, Sept. 12—93 teams representing the pick of some 250,000 softball contingents. Real triumph. . . . Will Doyle Nave play quarter for S. Cal. this year—his last? He won Rose Bowl game Jan. 1st—throwing four straight successful forward passes in closing seconds against Duke. Coach Jones used the oralist very little in past two years. . . . George Crichton, Fanwood supervisor—competing in swims—was only U. S. athlete in "5th World Deaf Games" in Stockholm, end of Aug. Went at his own expense. Robey Burns called the turn one week shy, when he months ago avered "no games; war, sure!" Burns and Crichton have not yet been heard from as returning to America as this is written; the jam for return bookings was terrific when war started just then. Stockholm is 4600 miles from NYC. . . . Art Kuger finally compiled list of American deaf schoolboy track and field records. Cal. holds 5; Ill. 3; Minn., Mo., N.J. 2 each; Iowa, Md., Wash., one apiece. . . . Most original and catchy name for any atheletic club in country—deaf or hearing—was "Canvas Kissers A. C.," incorporated, at Chicago. Had yearly boxing meets with Johnnie Coulon's club (Coulon licked me in three rounds, way back when.) Yet for some mysterious reason the kids changed official title of the "Canvas Kissers" to "Chicago Ass'n of Deaf." (Ladies, and other "non-knows," when a fighter is knocked down, or knocked out, he lies on the canvas—covering of the ring-floor; hence is said to "kiss the canvas," same as dead Indians were said to "bite the dust." Now is it perfectly plain? Glad to oblige; any time you want to know, ask me, or ask "Bobkempchry;" if we don't know, at least we can pretend we do.)

## Notable Deaf Persons

By GUILBERT C. BRADDOCK  
XXXIV. Jean Ferdinand Berthier

**KINGS** have frequently shown interest in the education and the accomplishments of the deaf. There are several instances in which royalty has aided or rewarded some hearing educator of the deaf. And, in 1849, a deaf man was honored for the first time by royal favor, when the Emperor Napoleon III visited the Institution for the Deaf in Paris and conferred on Prof. Ferdinand Berthier the Cross of the Legion of Honor. It was no mere badge that the Emperor presented, for with the wearing of it went an annual pension, small but substantial, from the imperial coffers.

Berthier was at the time senior teacher in the Institution founded by the Abbe de l'Epee, and was considered the ablest deaf teacher in France; but it was his literary fame which brought notice from the Emperor. He had published in 1840 a book, "The Deaf Before and After the Abbe de

l'Epee," and another volume of "Brochures" or Essays on the subject of the deaf and the sign language, considered in relation to their education. He had also published a biography of Prof. Bebian, an early educator of the deaf. His most important work was yet to appear, as he is best known as the deaf biographer of De l'Epee and Sicard.

Jean Ferdinand Berthier was born in 1803. He became deaf in early childhood, and was a pupil of Laurent Clerc in Paris before the latter left in 1816 to accompany Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet to America. Some years later, Berthier was chosen to fill the need for another deaf instructor. (The Paris Institution usually had two deaf men on its teaching staff; after Clerc and Massieu these positions were held by Berthier and Lenoir.) From a notation in the catalogue of the Museum of the Deaf, Paris, it would appear that Berthier had learned the trade of engraving, for three of the exhibits in this line of work are credited to him. He may have worked some time as an engraver before becoming a teacher.

In 1838 he founded the first known social organization of the deaf: the "Societe Universelle des Sourds-Muets," which was reorganized in 1867 and still exists as the "Association Amicale des Sourds-Muets de la Seine"; it celebrated its one-hundredth birthday last year with some "fetes grandioses" which were attended by the deaf from all over France. Like the first society of the deaf in America, it seems to have received its initial impetus from a movement to set up a monument to the memory of the first national benefactor of the deaf. Just as the American deaf first got together in 1850 to honor Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet and to project a statue to him, so in 1838 Berthier's "Societe" was inspired by the hunt for the tomb of the Abbe de l'Epee, which had been forgotten for some decades. Berthier made several candle-light excursions into the dark vaults of the Church of Saint-Roch, where the Abbe used to hold services, and finally located his remains. The coffin was taken out of the vault and given a place of honor in a new tomb in the Chapel of St. Nicholas, in the same church. In 1840 a bust of the Abbe was mounted on this tomb. Berthier was also the leading spirit in the erection of a statue of De l'Epee at Versailles.

In 1847 Laurent Clerc returned to Paris on a visit to his old school, and wrote some time later: "The first class I visited was that of Prof. Berthier, a former pupil of mine under the Abbe Sicard. . . who has since distinguished himself so much as to be the author of a great number of pamphlets and biographies, and the writer of several addresses delivered on certain public occasions. He made me sit by him, and we had so much to speak of that we little thought of his pupils, who were sitting at their desks studying their lessons." Some further mention of Berthier is found in Clerc's address

as orator of the day at a convention of the New England deaf in 1856. As reported by the secretary, Clerc said: "He (Berthier) is of short stature and has a large head and square forehead, but is, nevertheless, endowed with prodigious intelligence. His dispositions were such, that it sufficed for him to see in order to conceive. The impulse of his soul was toward high conceptions. . . He was one of the best scholars of the Paris Institution, and mastered French, Latin and Greek."

In 1852 Berthier published his masterpiece, entitled "The Abbe de l'Epee; his Life and his Work." Earlier sketches of the great educator had been written by hearing teachers of the Institution—Morel, Bebian, and DeGerando—but Berthier had a lot more to say on the subject. He was now the Chevalier Ferdinand Berthier, by virtue of his rank in the Legion of Honor. When he issued his "Historical Summary of the Life, Labors, and Triumphs of the Abbe Sicard" in 1873, he had become in addition a Member of the Society of Men of Letters, a Member of the Historical Society, and a Vice-President of the Central Society for the Education and Aid of Deaf-Mutes in France. He was, furthermore, Honorary Dean of the Professors of the Institution. One other literary work he had published—his "Code Napoleon" (1870)—was a summary of French law for the benefit of deaf readers, the result of many years of advising the deaf in legal matters.

Berthier died in 1886, to the last a friend of his fellow-deaf, and the indispensable orator at the annual dinners of the Parisian deaf on the Abbe de l'Epee's birthdate. His last will and testament bequeathed a quantity of books and furniture to the Institution library. There is a fine bronze bust of him in the Museum, executed by one of his former pupils, the deaf artist Felix Martin.

## MEMBERSHIP QUOTAS—1939

The quota of new members asked of each Division in 1939, and the number obtained to date are given below. FILL YOUR QUOTA DURING THE YEAR.

DIVISION	1939 Quota	New Members
Chicago No. 1	45	18
Detroit	25	2
Saginaw	5	2
Louisville	10	7
Little Rock	10	4
Dayton	10	
Cincinnati	20	3
Nashville	5	3
Olathe	10	
Flint	15	
Toledo	15	
Milwaukee	20	1
Columbus	25	1
Knoxville	5	1
Cleveland	20	11
Indianapolis	25	
Brooklyn	45	4
St. Louis	30	9
New Haven	5	
Holyoke	5	1
Los Angeles	30	5
Atlanta	10	6
Philadelphia	30	2
Kansas City	15	2
Omaha	10	3
New Orleans	10	4
Kalamazoo	5	1
Boston	25	3
Pittsburgh	15	
Hartford	10	4
Memphis	5	1
Portland, Me.	5	2
Buffalo	10	5
Portland, Ore.	10	2
Newark	10	4
Providence	10	2
Seattle	10	5
Utica	10	
Washington	15	5
Baltimore	15	2
Syracuse	5	1
Cedar Rapids	5	1
Albany	5	1
Rochester	10	
San Francisco	10	2
Reading	15	4
Akron	25	3
Salt Lake City	5	2
Rockford	5	
Springfield, Ill.	5	1
Davenport	5	
Worcester	5	1
St. Paul-Minneapolis	15	
Fort Worth	15	1
Dallas	15	2
Denver	10	2
Waterbury	5	
Springfield, Mass.	5	2
Bangor	5	2
Kenosha	5	
Birmingham	5	
Sioux Falls	5	2
Wichita	5	
Spokane	5	1
Des Moines	10	
Lowell	5	
Berkeley	5	
Delavan	10	
Houston	10	4
Scranton	5	
Richmond	10	3
Johnstown	5	
Manhattan	25	4
Jacksonville	10	2
Lewiston	5	1
Peoria	5	
Jersey City	10	2
Bronx	10	
Columbia	5	
Charlotte	10	6
Durham	10	
Grand Rapids	5	
Toronto	20	
Duluth	5	
Canton	5	
Faribault	5	
South Bend	5	
Council Bluffs	5	7
Fort Wayne	5	4
Schenectady	5	
Chicago No. 106	10	1
Miami	5	1
Binghamton	5	
Wilkinsburg	5	1
San Diego	5	
Eau Claire	5	
Sulphur	5	2
Vancouver	5	12
Westchester	5	2
Queens	5	
Montreal	5	
Hollywood	5	3
Hamilton	5	
Kitchener	5	
Ottawa	5	
East Toronto	5	1

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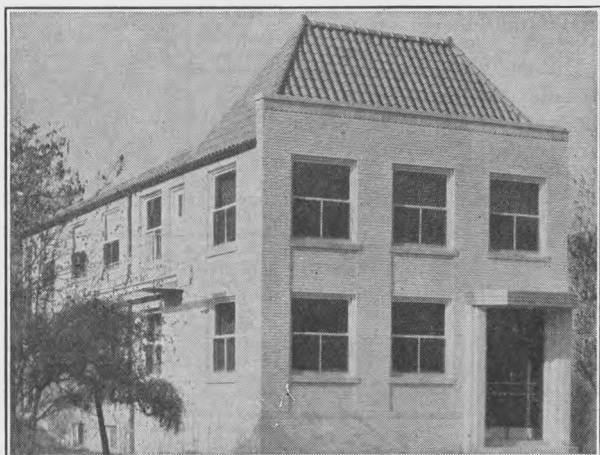
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FRANCIS P. GIBSON'S LAST MESSAGE: "CARRY ON"

OCTOBER, 1939

TO KNOW what to do is wisdom;  
To know how to do it is skill;  
To do the thing as it should be done is service.  
—Lowell.

## Get One Now

EVERY member of the society should bring in at least one new member each year. That is not asking too much, is it? If every member would do this, we could thus double our membership every year.

And all Division Quotas would be more than filled at the end of the year.

Every member who is proud of his great society should be prouder still in the knowledge that he has helped to build up the membership, that he has had a part in expanding the influence and usefulness of our order, by bringing in other members to share in its benefits.

Look around you and interest those who are eligible for membership. You will probably be surprised at the good results a little talk and persuasion will bring.

Do not overlook the delinquent members who have dropped out. Convert them into Comebacks. Most of these who are able to come back will appreciate your interest and reward your efforts by returning to the order.

GET INTO YOUR STRIDE. IF YOU HAVE NOT BROUGHT IN AT LEAST ONE CANDIDATE THIS YEAR, GO OUT AND GET ONE NOW.

## Blocks of Five

THOSE candidates for membership brought in at the October and November meetings of Divisions will be counted in the 1939 "Go-Get-'Em" Drive. Those candidates approved at the December meetings of Divisions will come in as of Jan. 1, and will be counted in the 1940 plan now under consideration.

So it behooves Divisions and members to hurry with their round-up movements, and get their candidates under the wire not later than at the November meetings.

REMEMBER, that each Division and each individual member will receive a cash prize of

**\$5.00 FOR EACH BLOCK OF FIVE.**

Get your Block of Five now. Time is short.

## Jewels and Emblems

IN ANOTHER column will be found an advertisement showing the cost of emblem jewelry for Division officers, and of the two kinds of emblems used in ritual work.

While the purchase of these is not required, and is left to the choice of each Division, it should be evident to all who attended the recent Toronto convention that the jewels and ritual emblems, both the detachable parts kind and that electrically operated, add greatly to the color and interest of rit-

ual work. The jewels may be worn at all Division business meetings and smokers, and the large emblems may also be utilized whenever a candidate is sworn in.

It cannot be denied that good ritual work in the hands of a capable degree team adds immensely to the impression it is desired to create, both on old members and on candidates. The new jewels and emblems and the new ritual that has been devised will give a colorful and impressive ceremony, valuable in the tenets it so strikingly exemplifies and in the sense of solidarity it instills.

We hope all Divisions can arrange to obtain a set of the jewels and one of the large emblems. The prices quoted are the lowest obtainable. The Home Office will gladly arrange to fill all orders without charge for the service.

## Be Leaders

THE Autumn and Winter social season among our Divisions is now starting. The coming events column is evidence of this.

It is evidence of activity in our various units and a healthy sign. We want no "dead ones." Social events focus attention on the Division giving them, create interest, strengthen the organization in general, widen its influence, make it better appreciated as a living force in the affairs of the community.

Let's have more social affairs of all kinds.

No Division can afford to overlook the great opportunity it has to make use of the two or three hours of the evening following each monthly business meeting.

Make your business meetings short and snappy. Deader than a door nail is the long drawn out business meeting lasting until midnight. It is a relic of the horse and buggy days. Eliminate it quickly if it has been afflicting your Division. No member will continue to attend meetings of this character for very long. He doesn't want to be bored to death. Laws won't make him attend.

Get your business done in short order, as consistent with good practice. Let committees do the bulk of the work, and let their reports be brief.

Then adjourn. Have a pleasant, worth while evening in company with your wives and sweethearts, friends and relatives, and above all, with a lot of prospective candidates for membership, whom you should take care to invite to such gatherings. Every member should try to interest some eligible non-member in these gatherings, bring him to them, and eventually persuade him to join.

Make your after-meeting programs interesting and entertaining. Draft your best men to arrange them. Advertise them and put them over in a BIG WAY.

MAKE YOUR DIVISION THE LEADING ORGANIZATION IN YOUR COMMUNITY, BEFITTING THE STRENGTH AND STATURE OF OUR GREAT ORDER.



## He Knows

**S**AM BAGBY, supervisor of the Division for Drivers Licenses in the State Motor Vehicle Bureau in Los Angeles, California, has this to say about deaf drivers of motor vehicles:

"The deaf are very good drivers," he said. "I have personally given the examinations to 90 per cent of all of those now holding drivers' licenses. They pass a vision test, a written examination and a driving test. They have far fewer accidents than other persons. For one thing, they are, as a rule, persons of very good character, most of them church members. And they compensate for their deafness by extraordinary caution. Of course, we require that they have two rear vision mirrors and require that they slow down at all intersections and look both ways.

"As a matter of fact, sound doesn't matter very much. It's all ventriloquial. Tests we have given prove that the vast majority of persons do not know instantly from what direction a sound is coming; that their sight soon checks up, for instance, on where fire engines are coming from, after they hear the sound."

## Insurance and War

BY FRANK L. BOWEN

**L**IFE insurance policies now in force in companies of the United States cover the hazards of war and would be binding on the companies even if this country should be drawn into the European conflict, according to L. Mortimer Buckley, C. L. U., president of the Chicago Association of Life Underwriters.

This statement, Mr. Buckley said, refers to policies owned by American civilians in European countries or traveling on the high seas, who might become victims of the war. However, if the war were brought to this country—considered an extremely remote contingency—the American companies, he explained, probably would have to limit their liability on new policies or charge an extra premium.

"If claims were to be made for Americans' death caused by war on policies in force today, they would be paid in the normal routine just as they would be paid if the deaths were due to some disease," said Mr. Buckley. "Other forms of insurance might be revised because of war risks, but life insurance has made no such revision even in the face of the present international crisis.

"It would be understandable," said Mr. Buckley, "for a property insurance company either to drop war risk insurance entirely or to raise the rates, in view of high speed bombing planes capable of destroying whole cities. But life insurance companies, profiting from their experiences in the World War, have found that it is not necessary to impose such restrictions."

Going back to the attitude of life insurance companies at the outbreak of the World War, Mr. Buckley recalled that they experimentally tried limiting the liability in various ways.

"At one time," he said, "some companies inserted a clause in their policies limiting the liability, while others provided for payment of an extra premium. Experience showed these war clauses were unnecessary, and the companies refunded such extra premiums that had been collected and policy provisions were extended so death claims were paid in full."

These expanded provisions remain in force today, and no major life insurance company has taken steps to change them, Mr. Buckley said.

LIFE insurance has done more to abolish poverty than all the dreams of financiers or the acts of constructive statesmen. During life it makes a man alive to his moral responsibilities; re-awakens in him love of home and pride of family; teaches him habits of industry and thrift; quickens in his veins the corpuscles of ambition; lifts him from drudgery and dependency to a plane whereon dwell his successful fellowmen; blesses him with self-respect and heartens him with sustaining hope.

## Go-Get-'Em Drive, 1939

Name	Division	New Members
Samuel Kline.....	Cleveland .....	11
William Hunter.....	Vancouver .....	12
Julius Dhondt, Jr.....	Chicago No. 1.....	6
Henry Burgherr.....	St. Louis.....	5
Roy Barron.....	Council Bluffs .....	5
James Turner.....	Los Angeles .....	5
Charles Knotts.....	Charlotte .....	4
Carl Garrison.....	Seattle .....	4
Louis Massinhoff.....	Chicago No. 1.....	4
Robert Wilson.....	Hartford .....	4
Russell Martina.....	Buffalo .....	4
Simon Alley.....	Washington .....	3
William Isaacks.....	Houston .....	3
William Smith.....	New Orleans .....	3
Wylie Ross.....	Cincinnati .....	3
Fred Rines.....	Ft. Wayne .....	3
Joseph Balasa.....	Louisville .....	4
Russell Schenck.....	Reading .....	3
McGregor Cameron.....	Boston .....	2
Earl Norton.....	San Francisco .....	2
Albert Krohn.....	Sioux Falls .....	2
Guy Calame.....	Sulphur .....	2
Ralph Glenn.....	Salt Lake City.....	2
Clem Dillenschneider.....	Kansas City.....	2
Joseph Bruno.....	Jersey City.....	2
Lawrence Duggan.....	Portland, Me.....	2
James Smith.....	Little Rock.....	2
Percy Ligon.....	Atlanta .....	2
Harry Friedman.....	Baltimore .....	2
William Johnson.....	Jacksonville .....	2
Ralph Green.....	Nashville .....	2
William Ferg.....	Louisville .....	2
Edgar Winecoff.....	Charlotte .....	2
Clyde McKern.....	St. Louis .....	2

## Lodge News



### October

2. Card social.....	Buffalo
4. Social.....	Chicago No. 1
7. Social.....	Rochester
7. Penny social.....	New Haven
7. 10th annual banquet.....	Salt Lake City
7. Social.....	Denver
7. Halloween party.....	Des Moines
8. Opening indoor social.....	Reading
14. Halloween frolic.....	Schenectady
14. Monetary ball.....	Springfield, Mass.
14. Annual banquet.....	Charlotte
14. Annual smoker.....	Cincinnati
14. Basket social.....	Eau Claire
14. Smoker.....	Columbus
14. Surprise social.....	Cedar Rapids
14. Halloween party.....	Rockford
14. Annual Frat banquet.....	Charlotte
21. Dance.....	Hollywood
21. Annual dance.....	Washington
21. Halloween frolic.....	Akron
21. Annual fraternal.....	Dallas
21. Social.....	Toledo
21. 30th anniversary dinner.....	Brooklyn
21. Dance—cards—show.....	Chicago No. 106
22. Halloween party.....	Spokane
28. Halloween social.....	Kitchener
28. Halloween party.....	Fort Worth
28. Halloween party.....	Davenport
28. Halloween dance.....	St. Paul—Minneapolis
28. Aux.—Frats' Halloween party.....	Portland, Ore.
28. Halloween party.....	Boston
28. Halloween social.....	Louisville

28. Halloween social.....	Baltimore
28. Annual ball.....	Hartford
28. Halloween party.....	San Francisco
28. Halloween social.....	Cincinnati
28. Halloween party.....	Atlanta
28. Halloween party.....	New Orleans
29. Bowling tournament.....	Hartford

### November

4. Annual banquet.....	Columbia
4. Party.....	Des Moines
4. Social.....	Utica
4. Halloween party.....	Buffalo
4. Whist social.....	Boston
4. Card social.....	New Haven
4. Surrealist party.....	St. Louis
4. Halloween party.....	Indianapolis
4. Social.....	Rochester
4. Mask ball and bowling.....	Detroit
4. Halloween party.....	Syracuse
11. Social.....	Worcester
11. Armistice party.....	Schenectady
11. Kids party.....	Cedar Rapids
11. Lecture.....	Chicago No. 1
11. Social.....	Toledo
11. Charity ball.....	Los Angeles
11. Movies.....	Portland, Me.
11. Armistice party.....	Rockford
11. Fall party.....	Davenport
12. Halloween social.....	Reading
18. Allied divisions ball.....	New York
18. Public smoker.....	Baltimore
25. Stag.....	St. Louis
25. Thanksgiving dance.....	New Haven

### December

2. Christmas social.....	Buffalo
10. Christmas party.....	Reading
31. Watch night.....	Buffalo
31. New Year's Eve dance.....	Baltimore

**READING (James N. Cutler)**—Reading Division is surely going places. Held meetings regularly all summer. The September meeting was a corker, as reports of active committees and new motions made for the future needed a special call for an hour earlier, and did they come? Prominent was the election of one new member,

the report of the 25th anniversary committee for the division to start a membership drive and secure 25 new members by the 25th Anniversary of the division in October, 1940, by having the division pay entry fees to the Home Office, and the endorser remitting his fee, thus 25 new members being admitted free. This passed the division unanimously, and the President thereupon appointed a membership committee of 5 to start. At the corn and doggie roast in the afternoon, seven promises actually were received by the committee, and we feel we can make it fifty. Nothing is impossible, if the earnest workers really strive to do their best.

In addition to that, the hall committee reported on its activities. They got together the members of the hall and executive committees of the division, in addition to the committee of officers and members of a former local club for the deaf. Thus 14 local division and former club members got together, viewed the proposed hall, met later, formulated an agreement and signed papers relating to formation of new hall and social rooms, to be run by the division itself, under the name of "THE FRATS" of Reading Division, No. 54. The hall and executive committees presented a series of eight new motions for the government of the new hall, and everything offered passed the division unanimously. Prominent among the motions was the appointment of a governor to run the new hall, and to be in full charge, assisted by hall committee, to have a paid steward under him, and the governor responsible to the division. Edwin C. Ritchie was appointed to the office, and the members feel that there is no man in the division better equipped for the job. Members of No. 54 will be pleased with this selection, and must remember the new meeting place of the Reading Division, No. 54, will be at No. 528½ Penn Street, Reading, Pa., fourth floor, right in the heart of the city, on the main street.

The hall will be open to all deaf on Friday nights, Saturday afternoons and nights, and Sundays all day. Meetings of the division will be held on the second Sunday of the month, starting October 8, 1939, at 10:30 A.M.

The president also appointed a new recreation committee to plan and supervise proposed sporting activities in the new hall and outside, and we feel that great things are ahead for No. 54, in fishing for young blood and bringing them into fraternal brotherhood. We appeal to all members of the division who have brothers, cousins, relatives or friends, who are able to fit our regulations—invite them to join No. 54 now—write the secretary for application blanks, as he is also the chairman of the new membership committee. Let's get together, brothers, and try

our best to increase the membership of No. 54 one hundred per cent. More later.

**CLEVELAND (By Robert Young)**—One of our most popular and widely sought bachelors, James Abbott, has at last fallen before the wiles of Deafdom's Galli Curci, formerly Miss Marjorie McClish whose singing in the sign language at the recent "All Star Variety Premiere" was one of the hits of the evening's entertainments, and which no doubt was instrumental in sweeping away the last lingering hope of keeping Bro. Abbott as a member of the famed Bachelor Brigade. The wedding ceremony, which took place on Thursday, August 31, 1939, at St. Philip's Church, was indeed beautiful to behold. Rev. Grindon, whose kind favors toward the deaf have been much in evidence, performed the marriage ceremony, ably assisted as always by the capable and ever helpful Mrs. Helen Manthey as interpreter. All in all it was a most delightful and happy occasion, and the reception that followed at the home of the bride's parents witnessed the many beautiful gifts on display. Delicious refreshments were served to climax a most happy evening. Best wishes are extended by this Division to the happy couple.

In spite of a heavy deluge, rain couldn't keep a large number of Fraters from attending our September meeting. The fact that some sort of entertainment was to be given right after adjournment of our regular meeting was the magnet in giving us a capacity house. The success of our first venture has already spurred us on to greater efforts, so don't forget to come to our October meeting and enjoy our entertainments after the meeting.

**SPRINGFIELD, Mass. (By Isadore Zisman)**—A well-attended outing was held by the division on Aug. 27. Chairman Warren Rogers did a fine job of managing the affair, which was attended by close to 100 folks. The main feature was a soft ball game between Hartford and Springfield teams which was won by the latter by a one-run margin. So successful was the event that it was decided to make it an annual affair, possibly in cooperation with nearby divisions.

After a long absence, Bro. Rezzani is again in our midst. Bro. Rezzani is a charter member, and despite the fact that he will celebrate his 80th birthday in November, he is as chipper as ever.

At our last meeting it was unanimously voted to present Thomas Sheehan (another charter member) a sweater and a cash award as a token of appreciation for his faithful service to the division. Bro. Sheehan, who is in his 78th year, is to live at the Old Home in Danvers, Mass.

Chairman Alexander Brown reports that everything is in readiness for the Monetary Ball to be held on Oct. 14 at 8:30 in the Hotel Broadway, Bridge St. and Broadway. He is being assisted in arrangements by Bros. Rogers, Gatlin, Gunther and Paterson. Be sure to come, you may win part of the \$50 that is to be given away to winners of various contests.

**LOS ANGELES (By J. A. Goldstein)**—The Hawaiian Dance of August 12 lived up to expectations financially and otherwise. Bro. Rasmussen, chairman of the committee, proved himself to be a hula dancer of no mean ability, and ran away with the honors of the impromptu floor show.

For the last several months the division has been meeting on the first Wednesday of the month instead of the first Saturday, breaking a precedent of many years' standing. But at our recent meeting it was voted to change back to the 1st Saturday again. However we shall continue to meet on the first Wednesday pending settlement of change with the officers of the L.A.C.D. In the meantime members desiring to express themselves on the matter should write or contact the secretary as early before the meeting of Oct. 4 as possible. Question before you is, do you desire to have the meetings on the 1st Saturday or the 1st Wednesday of the month?

Brother Kaiser of Berkeley Division was a welcome and interested visitor. Greetings exchanged.

**CHICAGO No. 1 (By Thos. O. Gray)**—The division is happy to announce the coming of Howard J. Lloyd of Brantford, Ontario, Can-

ada, Nov. 11, 1939. It is very fortunate that our division secured him for the Armistice Day lecture. It is a rare treat to "hear" one of our own brethren tell us in clear signs a detailed description of his experiences in the World War. Although deaf, he was successful in enlisting in the Canadian Expeditionary Forces, serving in the front line trenches for the duration of the conflict. He will tell of trench life, of flying shrapnel from bursting shells, of sniping, the roar of big guns, and hand-to-hand engagements with the enemy. Mrs. Lloyd will accompany him, and "sign-sing" some Canadian patriotic songs. No. 1 will select a local lady to "sign-sing" some of the popular patriotic songs of the U. S. A. Be sure and make arrangements to attend this event. All Angels Parish hall, Leland and N. Racine Avenues, has been engaged by the committee in charge, Bros. Miller and Maiworm, for the date. More details will appear in the November issue of THE FRAT. Tickets are 35 cents each.

The tang of fall weather has helped corral a bunch of new members. Brother Dhondt secured six from the vicinity of Waukegan, and Bros. Kouchoukos, Francini and Raciborzynski one each, for a total of nine members for the September meeting. This is a good time to beat the bushes for more. The war in Europe will create more jobs, and the opportunity for the deaf to earn more money is great at this time. We sincerely hope this opportunity will not be passed up, for No. 1 is always ready to accept deaf men of good health and character for membership in its organization. Join and receive life and disability insurance from the N. F. S. D. and feel protected. The secretary is ready at all times to hand out applications and instruct prospects in the filling out of the blanks. Write or call on him for an application, or ask a member of No. 1 for a blank.

**MANHATTAN (By Art Kruger)**—Summer is over and several of us showed up at the September meeting with oil-finish mahogany tan . . . Brother Worzel, whose name once stretched in headlines as a formidable deaf basketballer, is again in the limelight, this time as chairman of our next Ball . . . Tackled by Dan Cupid: That chunk 'o' the sun sparkling on the finger of Frances Macon was put there by our Brother Max Friedman, teacher and coach of Fanwood . . . Yes, Max is now one of us; he having been granted a transfer from the Hartford Division. Glad to have him among us and we'll see to it that he'll feel at home with us . . . Happy Birthday to the Rochester Division No. 52, which hit its 25th on September 2nd with a glamorous banquet . . . Only No. 57er attending this event was Brother Abe Miller . . . On August the 2nd Brother Edgar Bloom, Jr., exchanged "I do's" with the beautiful Martha Bauerle from the "City of Brotherly Love" . . . Reminder: Take a goat ride which



## SAIL ON!

By JOAQUIN MILLER

BEHIND him lay the gray Azores,  
Behind the gates of Hercules;  
Before him not the ghosts of shores,  
Before him only shoreless seas.  
The good mate said: "Now must  
we pray,  
For lo! the very stars are gone.  
Brave Admiral, speak; what shall  
I say?"  
"Why, say 'sail on! sail on! and  
on!'"

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will be given on October 4th immediately after the meeting . . . Recommended: Ball and Entertainment of the Allied Divisions of New York at Pythian Temple, 70th Street and Broadway, Saturday evening, November 18. Yes, we are behind it.

**BROOKLYN (Joseph L. Call)**—30th Anniversary Banquet plans are all set with Bro. Berch, chairman, announcing the Hotel Granada on Lafayette Street, Brooklyn, as the ideal location. Tickets are \$2.00, and for members in good standing the division is rebating 50c toward their tickets. So, boys, have your dues paid up to date to take advantage of same. Professional entertainment, a good dinner with a cocktail and beer, congenial friends will go a long way to make this a pleasant interlude in everyday life. The date, October 21. All welcome, bring your friends to help celebrate our 30 years of N. F. S. D. relations.

Talk has it that Bros. Amiel and Wiemuth, who went to Sweden for the Deaf Olympiad, are experiencing difficulties in returning home due to the outbreak of war in Europe. Brother Amiel, of French descent, was caught in Germany; Bro. Wiemuth, of German descent, also in Germany. Both are American citizens and we shall be waiting to hear their stories.

The fall social season gets in full swing with our "500," Bridge and Bingo session on November 11 at our meeting room in Livingston Hall on Schermerhorn and Nevins Streets. Brother Diekmann, chairman, has tentative plans to show personalities and scenes of the Toronto convention on the screen with cooperation of Bros. Hoag and Pachter.

November 18 will see the gathering of the Fraters and friends at the Ball and entertainment of the Allied Divisions of New York, at Pythian Temple, 70th Street and Broadway, with admission at \$1.00.

In the offing is the January social on the second Saturday—a winter carnival with Bro. Baker at the reins. Then comes our Grand Ball on February 10 at the Towers Hotel. Chairman Tarlen announces the revival of our old-time Costume Ball with many other attractions. More anon.

**WORCESTER (By Bart Burns)**—Our bowling tournament on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 11 will get under way at 2 o'clock. The games will be rolled at the Central Bowling Alleys, in the basement of the Plymouth Theatre, corner Main and Central Sts. Good prizes will be awarded the winners.

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**MILWAUKEE (By J. T. Moen)**—The annual picnic of the division held at Geboy's Park was well attended. A nice profit was realized, and everybody had a good time. Chairman Steinke and his committee deserve much credit for the success of the affair.

**MILWAUKEE**—Brother Hubert J. Booz, efficient treasurer of the Division, with his wife and daughter made a 2000-mile auto trip in late August and early September through Canada, where they saw the famous Dionne Quints, and returned via Niagara Falls, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, and Illinois. They saw the early Ohio home of the late President Garfield, Put-in-Bay where Perry vanquished the British, visited the DAD and Ford factory in Detroit, various friends along the route, and wound up by dropping in at the Home Office in Oak Park, where they were shown the works. Hubie says his old Dodge sedan covered more than 700 miles of Canadian roads, some of which were of gravel, and made the entire trip in great shape. Dodge ought to pay you for this advertisement, Hubie.

**DES MOINES (By Clyde Lambert)**—On Sept. 2, our division sponsored a Miscellaneous party in charge of Brother and Mrs. De Armond. After miscellaneous games had been played, buncos wound up the evening, which was enjoyed by all.

**COLUMBUS (By E. J. Kennedy)**—A carnival or ultra-social event sponsored by the division will be held at Odd Fellows' Temple, 24 West Goodale, on Dec. 9. It will be under the immediate direction of Brother Jacobson, and the fun begins at 4:00 p.m. It will be a gigantic affair, climaxed by a floor show given by a team of professionals, which will last for over an hour. The program proper will start with a dinner from 5 to 7. This will be followed by an hour of bingo, then the floor show. Dancing until 2 a.m. with a midnight lunch, winding up with the release of 500 balloons in which will be secreted a secret number. Of course there will be ice cream and candy concessions, and a cigarette girl will distribute cigarettes and chewing gum. A big time for everybody.

Our annual smoker will be held on Oct. 14 at our usual meeting place in K. of C. Hall, with Brother Fryogle in charge. As this affair gets bigger and better every year, be sure not miss it.

The lawn fete on the grounds of the Ohio Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf on Sunday, Sept. 3 under the auspices of the division, was a pronounced success. About 100 were present, many of them from out of town. Credit for an enjoyable day goes to Chairman Seidowski and his helpers.

**HARTFORD (By D. R. Cole)**—Plans for our annual ball on October 28 are about completed. As for the floor show, we are promising that it will be the best ever put on by the division. None of us have seen it, as it will be the first showing. The orchestra will speak for itself when you see it and dance to its music. The Hotel Bond needs no introduction; its ballroom is one of the best. Those attending the ball are urged to stay over for the bowling sweepstakes on the 29th.

The division's outing on July 2 was a record-breaker, with an attendance of 110. A nice profit was made, and we thank all who attended for their cooperation.

See you at Hotel Bond.

**DETROIT (By Jack Bertram)**—Detroit Division has thrown its hat into the ring for the 1947 convention. Brothers, do not kick the hat around.

President Max Crittenden and Secretary Jack Bertram have just purchased new homes. The secretary's new address is 12107 Cherrylawn, Detroit. Members please note.

The writer had the pleasure of attending a

## WAR TALK

BY HOWARD J. LLOYD

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recent meeting of Cincinnati Division. He thoroughly enjoyed his visit, and congratulates Cincinnati Division on the way in which they conduct their meetings.

Plans are going forward for a big masquerade and dance to be held on Nov. 4. The committee are also planning on holding a bowling tournament in connection, open to everybody. More details later.

**ST. PAUL-MINNEAPOLIS (By H. von Hippel)**—Our fall social affairs will soon be under way. The division will have its annual Halloween party on Oct. 28. Gene Warne will be in charge, assisted by Brothers Slechta, Fry and Olson. All are hustlers, and a good time is assured all who attend. They will need your support, so give them a hand.

John Staska and John Kessler, both of Moorhead, Minn., Ingval Dahl of Chicago and Lyle Bulmer of Eau Claire, honored us with their presence at our last meeting and were among the interesting speakers. We were pleased to have them with us. Come again.

**WASHINGTON (By J. E. Montgomery)**—Please take note that the date of our fourth annual dance is Saturday, October 21, and the place is the Morton House, near 15th St., and Rhode Island Ave., N. W. Those planning to play "500" are requested to be there before 8 o'clock, because card playing must be terminated by 8:45. The floor will then be given over to dancing. Tickets, 75c per person. Ample parking space for your car.

Division Treasurer Isaacson will resume his duties this month. He has been spending his vacation at Ocean City, Baltimore and nearby places in Maryland.

The division's July and August socials in conjunction with the D. C. Literary Society were very successful.

**PORTLAND, ME. (By E. P. Coyne)**—Plans for our affair on Nov. 11 have been completed. Our regular meeting will open at 7 and close at 8, so as to give time for a movie show at

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# Lodge News



## October

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| 1. Social                    | Denver               |
| 1. Benefit supper            | Durham               |
| 1. Smoker                    | Fort Worth           |
| 1. Social                    | New Haven            |
| 1. Halloween party           | Utica                |
| 1. Social                    | Rochester            |
| 1. Carnival nite             | Albany               |
| 1. Smoker                    | Saginaw              |
| 1. Silver anniversary social | Buffalo              |
| 1. Movies                    | Newark               |
| 8. Barn Dance                | Jersey City          |
| 8. Lunch party               | Davenport            |
| 8. Frat banquet              | Charlotte            |
| 8. Basket social             | Eau Claire           |
| 8. Halloween party           | Rockford             |
| 8. Social                    | Dayton               |
| 8. Banquet and ball          | Springfield, Mass.   |
| 8. Home fun                  | Indianapolis         |
| 8. Social                    | Louisville           |
| 8. Bazaar                    | Cedar Rapids         |
| 8. Conference dance          | Salt Lake City       |
| 8. Party                     | Council Bluffs       |
| 9. Smoker                    | Reading              |
| 15. Autumn social            | Wilkesburg           |
| 15. Homecoming dance         | Indianapolis         |
| 15. Annual dance             | Washington           |
| 15. Dance                    | Hollywood            |
| 15. Bingo and card party     | Brooklyn             |
| 15. Initiation ceremonies    | Jersey City          |
| 15. Annual dance-card party  | Chicago No. 106      |
| 22. Social                   | Scranton             |
| 22. Gridiron ball            | Hartford             |
| 22. 25th anniversary party   | Seattle              |
| 22. Halloween party          | Toronto              |
| 29. Halloween frolic         | Schenectady          |
| 29. Halloween party          | Boston               |
| 29. Halloween party          | Atlanta              |
| 29. Halloween party          | Syracuse             |
| 29. Halloween party          | Portland, Ore.       |
| 29. Halloween party          | Davenport            |
| 29. Halloween dance          | St. Paul-Minneapolis |
| 29. Halloween frolic         | Chicago No. 1        |
| 29. Halloween social         | Cincinnati           |
| 29. Halloween social         | Indianapolis         |
| 29. Halloween party          | New Orleans          |
| 29. Halloween party          | Delavan              |
| 29. Masquerade               | Akron                |
| 29. Halloween social         | Baltimore            |

## November

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|----------------------------|---------------|
| 5. 25th annual banquet     | Newark        |
| 5. Dance                   | Albany        |
| 5. Annual banquet          | Columbia      |
| 12. Show                   | Detroit       |
| 12. Masque                 | Toledo        |
| 12. Dance                  | Boston        |
| 12. Fall festival          | Davenport     |
| 12. Annual banquet         | Lowell        |
| 12. Fall carnival          | Johnstown     |
| 12. Ball and entertainment | Holyoke       |
| 12. Movies                 | Portland, Me. |
| 13. Masquerade             | Reading       |
| 19. Annual ball            | Worcester     |
| 19. Thanksgiving frolic    | Brooklyn      |
| 19. 20th annual dance      | Waterbury     |
| 19. Banquet                | Utica         |
| 19. Smoker                 | Baltimore     |
| 19. Smoker                 | Spokane       |
| 19. Banquet                | Wilkesburg    |
| 20. Barbecue               | Houston       |

## December

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|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 11. Xmas Party           | Reading            |
| 17. Pre-Christmas social | Wilkesburg         |
| 17. Christmas party      | Springfield, Mass. |
| 17. Christmas frolic     | Brooklyn           |
| 31. Ball                 | Boston             |
| 31. New Year Eve dance   | Baltimore          |
| 31. Watch night          | Albany             |
| 31. Watch night          | Wichita            |

**READING (By E. C. Ritchie)**—The corn and doggie roast at Wingenroth's drew a favorable attendance in spite of the threatening weather, and as usual was a success. Jimmy Eckert captained a team made up of Reading-

ites, which gave the All-Pennsylvania Stars captained by Danny Denlinger a tough battle for supremacy in a soft ball match. Among those coming from a distance were David Evans, Windt, McArthur, Blessing, Kuhn, Smith, Lutz and Sommer.

The next affair of Greater Reading Div. No. 54 is the Smoker scheduled for Oct. 9. From all indications the hall will be crowded due to the presence as master of ceremonies of James LeRoy Jennings, Philadelphia No. 30's manufacturer of side splitters. Also the crowd will be aided by the 30th anniversary banquet of Berks County Local Branch, P.S.A.D., the night before. Tickets, \$1.50, can be had from J. N. Cutler, 107 S. 10th St., Reading, Pa. Reservations close Oct. 6, so if you have not secured your reservation, send in your check and Brother Cutler will hold your ticket until you arrive.

At the last meeting of the division the prediction made in last May's issue of THE FRAT that if things kept humming the division would be obliged to seek better quarters and have frat rooms open every week-end became a reality. The membership voted to open rooms every Saturday and Sunday at the present location, and meantime the hall committee has been instructed to be on the lookout for better quarters. If enough players can be mustered, the division will organize a basketball team for the coming winter, and would be glad to meet frat teams on the Eastern Seaboard.

We have not forgotten our division's Silver Jubilee Year—1940. The committee will soon be selected, so that most elaborate preparations can be made, and we expect you here. Who's you? Why, of course, I mean you and "Bobs." Hear?

**WESTCHESTER (By R. W. Bowdren)**—We are now in the month of the sere and yellow leaf. Nature is preparing to descend into Winter and most of the members are pulling out and airing their red flannels. October is also a month when all members should hustle along and show they possess the right calibre to run for office two months hence.

Treasurer George Lynch would appreciate having the Relief Fund replenished—or better still, that all loans be paid before he closes books in December for the year of 1938—so strive, brothers, to bring the smile back to George's countenance.

Chairman Geel of the entertainment committee has resigned the chairmanship, claiming that he does not get the support he should get from the division members. President Bowdren has chosen a committee of five to run affairs for the rest of the season. The division intends to run a Pre-Halloween Frolic and "500" card party some time in October. Circulars will be distributed by the committee.

**CHICAGO No. 106 (By F. L. Bush)**—At the meeting on Sept. 9, dodgers advertising our coming annual card-dance were passed around. There was some scramble for them, as each dodger gives the holder a chance at the prize. This affair will be held at the Washington Boulevard Masonic Temple, 2708 West Washington Blvd., on Oct. 15. The Temple may be reached by the Lake St. elevated to California Ave., station, or by either Lake St. or Madison St. surface cars to Washtenaw Ave., or by motor coach on Washington Blvd. Excellent refreshments will be served, and fine prizes awarded the winners in the games. A grand time is assured everyone. Come on, you jitterbugs, and show your stuff on the dance floor. The card games start at 8:15 sharp. Don't be late.

The pinochle players of No. 1, having declined to join us in another tournament this fall, we will probably stage one of our own after the October meeting, under the chairmanship of Brother Kuflewski. Anyone interested is invited to compete.

After the September meeting a chess competition between the two Chicago divisions started with our Brother Rice playing against Brother Hank of No. 1. The latter won. The second match between Brother Ruskin of No. 1 and Brother Bruns of our division ended in a draw. The score now stands at 1½ points for No. 1 and ½ point for No. 106. A third match between Brother Woodworth of No. 1 and our Brother Bush was to have been started, but was postponed because of the late hour. The next matches will be held at Brother Woodworth's home on Sept. 30.

Louis Rozett was elected vice president to succeed Werner Schutz, resigned. He will serve until the end of the year.

Now don't forget Oct. 15, at Washington Blvd. Temple!

**WORCESTER (By C. A. Morrison)**—Everything is all set for our big event of the year on Nov. 19. This is our annual ball, which will be held at the Hotel Mayfair, formerly the Bay State Hotel, 283 Main St., near Exchange. There will be a 4-act floor show, ballet dancers, big apple dancers, fast buck dancer, roller skating exhibition, etc., in addition to the regular dancing. Don't miss this. It will be well worth the small admission of \$1.00. The program will start at 8 o'clock, and the floor show will go on at 10 o'clock. Come early, stay late, and enjoy a good time. Those desiring to stay over night, will find this hotel's rates very reasonable.

**WATERBURY (By Anthony Di Leo)**—The frog party held on Sept. 9 was a success, both socially and financially. Refreshments were served, and prizes awarded winners in the various contests.

Our next affair of importance will be our 20th anniversary entertainment and ball on Nov. 19. It will be held in the Hotel Elton ballroom from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. In addition to the usual dancing there will be a good floor show. A grand time for only \$1.00. Come and forget your worries, meet old friends, and make new ones. Out of town people welcome, and will find the Hotel rates very reasonable. Free parking in rear of hotel.

**CINCINNATI (By L. J. B.)**—Quite a number of pleasant outdoor events have occurred in Cincinnati this past summer, under the auspices of the division. The first was the lawn fete held at the Adult Deaf Welfare Center under the direction of Fred O'Brien, assisted by four of our social members, John Bov, Maynard Bush, William E. Hoy and Alton Odum.

The next affair was the annual outing at the zoo gardens, our old standby for this annual affair. About 250 attended, and enjoyed a fine time. LeRoy Duning headed the committee in charge, and reported an excellent profit.

John Jaworek engineered the next affair, a family picnic in Burnet Woods Park on Aug. 14. More than 200 were present, and enjoyed the day immensely. Various games were played, including a softball game.

Casper Jacobson of Columbus Division was at our September meeting, and made some very interesting remarks. We were glad to have him with us.

Local bowlers are evincing much interest in the Ohio Bowling Tournament to be held in Cincinnati next March. The division will put itself behind the committee in charge of entertaining visiting bowlers, and see to it that they all have a good time. Howard Weber, sport par excellence, is leading in the activities.

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**JERSEY CITY** (By "Unknown")—With the return of cooler weather the division is resuming its social activities. As a starter, Bro. Rienzi will stage an old-fashioned barn dance on Oct. 8. From advance information, this is going to be something to shake the rafters. Gentlemen are expected to wear overalls, and the ladies will come dressed in gingham dresses. The more bucolic, the better. There will be plenty of games such as our country cousins are supposed to delight in, and an even dozen prizes will be distributed. And look out for the village constable. He'll have you up before the "jedge" if you don't look out. An apple from the ceiling by a string may look awful tempting, but beware! There's no steam heat in a country hoosegow. If you miss this affair, you are passing up a chance to have a swell time—and all for a nominal 35c admission.

**WICHITA** (By Frank Burgess)—The division's three-day entertainment on Sept. 3, 4 and 5, was very successful, and drew a good crowd, some coming from a long distance. The picnic was especially enjoyable.

On Dec. 31 we are planning to hold a night watch party. Refreshments will be served, and prizes awarded. Come and have a lot of fun with us.

**HARTFORD** (By David Cole)—Hartford Division's annual affair this year will be the Gridiron Ball to be held at the Hotel Bond ballroom on Saturday evening, Oct. 22. W. Frank Durian is chairman in charge, assisted by Brothers Newell, Tremonte, Kosinski and Marino. In addition to the regular dance program there will be a novelty floor show, spotlight dancing, and possibly other attractions. Doors open at 8 o'clock. Admission to this grand affair will be only \$1.00, which will be the only cheap thing connected with it.

An added attraction in Hartford on that date will be a homecoming football game between teams of the Hartford school and New Jersey school, which should prove very interesting. The game will be played on the local school grounds at 2 p.m.

**BALTIMORE** (By G. M. Leitner)—Since our last letter we have had two big picnics, one at Cottage Grove on July 4, and one at Fairview Beach on Aug. 14. A number of amusing games were played, and fishing, swimming and swapping stories filled out the day. About 200 attended the picnics.

On Labor Day a picnic free to all of the deaf of Baltimore was held in Gwynn Oak. Bowling, a stage play and other amusements attracted a crowd of 200.

**PORTLAND, ME.** (By Edward Coyne)—Quite a number of members from Portland went to Brunswick to attend the convention of the Maine Mission to the Deaf on Sept. 3, 4 and 5. They reported it a social and financial success. Congratulations to the local committee.

We are pleased to announce that our division will hold its next semi-annual affair on Nov. 12. The program will include a comedy, a cartoon, and a travel or scenic picture. Laurence Duggan heads the committee in charge, and assures everyone of a good time.

**JACKSONVILLE** (By Ernest Tilton)—Our annual picnic was held on Sept. 11, and was a huge success. There were visitors from St. Louis, Springfield and Peoria Divisions, and

several from other cities. We enjoyed having them with us.

The next important event is the smoker to be held during the reunion next June. A committee has already been appointed, and has started work on plans which they hope will make it the best ever.

**TORONTO** (By F. E. Doyle)—Grand President Arthur L. Roberts had several very important matters at the Toronto Convention Committee meeting at Royal York Hotel on Sept. 9. While he attended the meeting Mrs. Roberts was well entertained in her private rooms at the same hotel by her friends including most of Toronto brothers' wives. The next day Grand President Roberts and his wife attended the Diamond Jubilee (1879-1938) of the Canadian National Exhibition with Bro. George W. Reeves, chairman of the Convention Committee and his wife. They were much interested in the features of the wonderful exhibits. They went with Grand Vice President Shilton to Ottawa, Hamilton, and Kitchener to install divisions in those cities. It is hoped that all the baby divisions will be successful, and that other divisions may be established later.

**SPRINGFIELD, Mass.** (By Isadore Zisman)—All is in readiness for Springfield's 20th anniversary ball and banquet which will be held on Saturday, Oct. 8 in Hotel Highland, Hillman St., off Main St. The affair is being held to celebrate Springfield's entry into the N. F. S. D. on Oct. 12, 1918.

John Haggerty, a charter member of the division, and a veteran when it comes to staging such affairs, is chairman of activities and will also act in the role of master of ceremonies. Need we say more to assure you of an enjoyable evening?

Chairman Haggerty who is being assisted by Alex Brown, Ernest Sargent and Raymond Rock, states that gaiety will be the rule throughout; long dreary speeches, which usually go with banquets, being nil.

The evening will start off at 7 sharp when a five-course dinner will be served by the hotel management. During the stomach filling chores, floor numbers will be presented, and after the ice cream has been melted in, the floor will be cleared for dancing to an orchestra.

In keeping with the times, the price of admission is only \$1.50. However, nothing is cheap except the price, as the hotel is well known throughout New England for its festivities. As for the floor show, Chairman Haggerty isn't saying much, but confided to yours truly that it's gonna be swell.

Although the deadline for reservations was set for Oct. 5, Chairman Haggerty wishes to say that he will be able to take care of unexpected guests who failed to make reservations.

**RICHMOND** (By Lester Wickline)—Well it's all over with now. The picnic given by Richmond Division was a record-breaking success. Bros. Dalton and Freeman, who had charge of the games, and Bros. Wickline, Rosenbloom, Armstrong, Martin and Rogers, in charge of the refreshments and soft drinks, should heartily be congratulated for the big success it had. A neat sum was realized.

Games such as softball, shoe race, necktie race, nursing bottle race, toothpick and ring race and tug-of-war were enjoyed by everybody. The softball game between Washington and Richmond was won by Washington. A beauty contest was also had, but remember that was for the ladies only. Mrs. Evelyn Dorsey of Washington took first prize.

**CHICAGO No. 1** (By Thos. O. Gray)—As stated in last month's Frat the Halloween frolic party to be given by Chi-First Social and Athletic Club Saturday evening, Oct. 29, 1938, will be held in Wellmanshill Hall. This place is located at 5 North California avenue, just off 2800 West Madison street. The West Madison streamlined cars will accommodate all going and coming from the hall. These cars run at frequent intervals, assuring members and their friends who attend this party a wide variety of merriment to suit those who cannot be present at the opening hour, 7 p.m. The admission is 35 cents per person. John A. Kelly, a hustling young member of No. 1, is chairman. He will see to it that all attending will be well taken care of. Hobgoblins, Bugaboos, Spooks, Dwarfs and eerie charged cats

will attend and frolic around in the Plutonian atmosphere, dimmed by the lighted lanterns. Costumed couples are desired, and rewards will be given to those who in the estimation of the committee have the best dress appropriate for the traditional Halloween night. Refreshments will be served, tasty drinks will be offered for sale at the bar, from the lowly pop to the exalted cocktail, and music that thrills jitterbugs will please the floor gliders. All Fraters and their friends should attend and make this entertainment the best given this year by Chi-First Social and Athletic club. This club is affiliated with Division No. 1 and is dominated by the younger members who are interested in sports.

Our annual picnic on Aug. 20 had an attendance well over the 500 mark. Visitors from Los Angeles, Wisconsin and Indiana were observed cavorting around the grounds. Bro. Kriest of Hollywood Division No. 119 was visiting in Chicago and attended the gathering. Bro. Morris of Indiana came up to attend and meet his old friends. With the exception of a vicious downpour in mid-afternoon which drove all to cover, everything went off as scheduled. Chairman Battersby desires to thank those who were of much assistance in putting over the excursion to the park. A neat profit was realized by No. 1, which will go into the general fund.

No. 1 is thankful to receive the application of the genial Charles Camm, a youngster just arrived at voting age. He will make a valuable addition to Division No. 1. Several others have applications in their pockets but are held back temporarily by circumstances beyond their control. However, we hope for the better within a few months, and see all these fellows join No. 1.

Oscar J. M. Thomas of Round Lake, Ill., a non-resident member of No. 1 has been very ill the past month, but we are glad to report he is out again. Bro. Thomas is a successful barber, owning his own shop. He deserves many more years of good health. Bro. Gordon had the misfortune to have his right foot crushed, especially the parent toe, but is around again after a couple of weeks leaning on a cane. The reports running around last month of other members being ill were exaggerated, so we most humbly apologize to Bros. Hank and Vezinsky.

**ALBANY** (By W. M. Lange, Jr.)—The Empire State Association of the Deaf had its convention in Albany, and in helping the local committee raise funds for that, our division sacrificed several socials and other gatherings. Truly, belonging to two different groups is not always so easy. Anyway, the convention was a big success, and we are happy that we had a big hand in making it such a success.

Beginning with cooler weather, Albany is planning socials again. And we are planning socials that will make up for lost time. The first, managed by Bill Lange, Jr., will be on Saturday evening, Oct. 1, at the Albany Division's hall at 734 Broadway. He says it will be carnival nite, and that it will be a real hot-diggity carnival, too. If you have ever been to a carnival, and if you like 'em, you had better come to this one.

The next, on Nov. 5, in the same hall, will be managed by Milt Harris. You know Milt is an old hand at socials, and that he knows how to swing them right. This one will have plenty of swing, too, as he says it will be a dance social. Come on, lads, and swing it!

And to end off the year right there will be Watch Night, of course. The manager this year will be Charles Morris, the same Charles Morris who has managed about five or six Watch Nights in the past. And every Watch Night our Charles has managed was better than the one before it. This one will be no exception. Come on, and make him prove it. More details later.

Our Labor Day Outing was handled by Brother Pete Corrigan, and he did NOT follow his distant relative and go the wrong way. He gave us a right smart outing, and all who went had a fine time talking and playing pinochle and other games. Our Pete goes the right way.

**MILWAUKEE** (By R. Steger)—Our annual picnic held Aug. 7 was a grand success in point of attendance, and the weatherman gave us a break for which the committee was very grateful.

## Akron Division No. 55

*Announces its Premier Event*

**MASQUERADE DE LUXE**  
Saturday Evening, Oct. 29, 1938

**W. B. A. HALL**

507 West Market Street

ADMISSION:

Adults 35c

Children 15c

**CASH COSTUME AWARDS**

Luncheon—Night of Fun—Refreshments





### Graft

Uncle John watched his nephew and some other little boys playing at soldiers attacking a fort. "Tommy," he said, "if you and your side can take that fort in half an hour I'll give you a quarter."

About two minutes later there came an eager cry: "Uncle, can I have that quarter now? We've taken the fort."

"That was very smart," said Uncle John as he handed over the coin. "How did you manage it so quickly?"

"Oh, I just offered the other side a dime to give in," answered Tommy.



### Betting

Milton Smith had drowned in the river, and a policeman was sent to his home to break the news to his wife.

"Don't scare her to death," his superior officer warned.

So the officer wended his way to the Smith home and knocked on the door. When Mrs. Smith answered the summons the visitor said:

"Is this where Widow Smith lives?"

"I am Mrs. Smith," said the lady, "but I am not a widow."

And the caller said simply: "What will you bet?"

### Agreement

A colored maid in a certain home answered the phone. "Yas'm," her mistress heard her say. "Yas'm," said the maid a second time. Then she added, "It sho' am," and hung up.

The telephone rang again, and the girl made the same replies, and then disconnected.

"What kind of a conversation was that, Lucy?" the mistress asked. "What did they want?"

"Well," said the maid, "dey asked if dis was de Jones house, an' I say yas'm, an' den dey ask if Mrs. Jones am home, an' I tol' 'em yas'm, an' den dey say, 'Long distance from Washington,' an' I say 'It sho' am.'"

### Kindness

Simpson was one of those pitty-patty people who, when they see a piece of cotton or thread on a person's clothes cannot resist the temptation to pick it off.

He was in the theatre one night and saw a piece of wool on a girl's collar. He reached out and picked it off, and kept on pulling until he found that he had a large ball of wool in his hands. Quickly he dropped it on the floor and vanished from the theatre.

The next morning the victim of Simpson's attentions said to her sister: "A funny thing happened at the theatre last night—I lost my vest!"

### Trouble

This time it was the mathematics professor. It was 2 a.m. and the professor was groaning and writhing in agony. "Dear, dear," called his faithful partner of the years, "wake up, wake up! What on earth is the matter?" He came to. A cold sweat was on his brow. "Ah! Ah!" he said, "What a horrible nightmare! I dreamed our little Tommy was a minus sign under the radical and I couldn't get him out."

### Sight-Seeing

*Speeding is not conducive to satisfactory sight-seeing in any country.*

A foreigner wanted to see some typical western mountain scenery, so he hired a car at Denver and told the chauffeur to do the best he could for him inside of two hours, which, he explained was his time-limit.

It was rather a hair-raising experience, the car careening up hill and down dale at a terrific speed. However, the man-in-a-hurry was satisfied, and congratulated the driver when paying him off.

"But, I say," he remarked, "I'm afraid we must have run over something about an hour ago. I distinctly felt a bump."

"Bump!" replied the driver. "Bump? Oh, that was the Continental Divide."



### Church Attendance

A movie actor gave the name of a clergyman as a reference in a business transaction, and the merchant called the minister and asked for particulars concerning the standing of the proposed customer.

"Indeed," said the pastor, "I can give you no guaranty; I have merely had a casual acquaintance with the man."

"That's strange," replied the merchant. "He told me that he attended your church pretty regularly."

"He does," returned the clergyman. "He always gets me to marry him."

### Perseverance

"Did you hear about Jackson?" asked Smith.

"Jackson? Jackson?" pondered Jones. "But that's the fellow who's been missing for three years."

"Yes, that's him," went on Smith. "Three years ago his wife sent him to Boston to match a sample of cloth for her. Now he has just returned and says he couldn't get it matched."

Jones laughed.

"Did his wife accept his excuse?" he asked.

"No. She said he ought not to have given up so quickly," replied Smith.

### Sensitive

The village had a new parson, who was young and learned and very enthusiastic about his sermons. The congregation had for many years been accustomed to the easy-going ways of the old vicar, who gave nice, pleasant, short sermons, and they did not welcome the long and rather-above-their-head harangues of the new vicar.

One Sunday morning the sermon was even longer than usual. The congregation was getting more and more restless. Suddenly the parson stopped.

"My friends," he said, "I don't mind your looking at your watches during my sermon to find out the time. But when you start holding them to your ear to make sure they are still going, I feel it is time I made a small protest."

## AUGUST COLLECTIONS

Grand Division	\$ 31.48
Chicago No. 1	370.97
Detroit	199.03
Saginaw	26.24
Louisville	68.58
Little Rock	88.68
Dayton	52.32
Cincinnati	167.89
Nashville	52.94
Olathe	40.32
Flint (July and Aug.)	111.76
Toledo	94.40
Milwaukee	134.73
Columbus	187.72
Knoxville	32.17
Cleveland	177.15
Indianapolis	220.10
Brooklyn	445.82
St. Louis	271.62
New Haven	67.38
Holyoke	59.99
Los Angeles	282.38
Atlanta	141.37
Philadelphia	313.12
Kansas City	124.90
Omaha	95.66
New Orleans	111.49
Kalamazoo	55.25
Boston	241.38
Pittsburgh	113.09
Hartford	63.07
Memphis	97.98
Portland, Me.	86.11
Buffalo	59.95
Portland, Ore.	112.23
Newark	99.45
Providence	100.35
Seattle	81.30
Utica	102.35
Washington	183.75
Baltimore	140.80
Syracuse	70.50
Cedar Rapids	31.89
Albany	58.08
Rochester	87.56
San Francisco	82.47
Reading	141.51
Akron	258.00
Salt Lake City	104.95
Rockford	70.19
Springfield, Ill.	60.56
Davenport	45.25
Worcester	61.71
St. Paul-Minneapolis	200.72
Fort Worth	78.43
Dallas	134.91
Denver	78.13
Waterbury	42.68
Springfield, Mass.	85.91
Bangor	64.47
Kenosha	33.44
Birmingham	55.19
Sioux Falls	24.53
Wichita	66.65
Spokane	57.93
Des Moines	52.75
Lowell	62.76
Berkeley	81.79
Delavan	118.81
Houston	68.68
Scranton	68.11
Richmond	87.34
Johnstown	83.10
Manhattan	254.81
Jacksonville	33.04
Lewiston	51.80
Peoria	52.16
Jersey City	120.81
Bronx	103.68
Columbia	69.63
Charlotte	42.45
Durham	67.48
Grand Rapids	24.13
Toronto	70.52
Duluth	34.12
Canton	40.01
Faribault	43.34
South Bend	56.89
Council Bluffs	47.35
Fort Wayne	48.79
Schenectady	57.79
Chicago No. 106	91.62
Miami	44.00
Binghamton	43.25
Wilkinsburg	65.51
San Diego	16.16
Eau Claire	87.44
Sulphur	135.62
Vancouver	23.54
Westchester	44.63
Queens	40.87
Montreal	68.25
Hollywood	43.26
Hamilton	24.54
Kitchener	30.56
Ottawa	35.59
East Toronto	35.85
Total collections	\$ 10,180.76

TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR  
AUGUST, 1939

Balance and Income	
Balance, July 31, 1939	\$ 2,261,971.71
Division collections	10,180.76
Interest, mortgage loans	971.62
Interest, bonds	1,958.22
Indemnity premiums	.93
Property insurance premiums	353.60
Refund, real estate operating exp.	70.00
Rents	5,301.32
Lodge supplies	7.40
Recording and registry fees	7.00
Advertising in The Frat	.50
Subscriptions to The Frat	1.00
Total balance and income	\$ 2,280,824.06

Disbursements	
Death benefits	\$ 3,429.00
Sick benefits	2,290.00
Accident benefits	905.00
Old-age income payments	78.48
Convention expenses	152.50
Refund of dues	6.88
Accrued interest on mortgage	170.00
Actuarial fees	150.00
Clerical services	207.90
Mortgage expenses	25.00
Office expenses	66.06
Officers' and Trustees' salaries	784.41
Official publication	231.02
Postage	19.13
Printing and stationery	54.06
Property insurance premiums	353.60
Real estate operating expenses	2,133.24
Surety bond premiums	11.24
Taxes on real estate	5,561.15
Total disbursements	\$ 16,623.67

Recapitulation	
Balance and income	\$ 2,280,824.06
Disbursements	16,623.67
Balance, Aug. 31, 1939	\$ 2,264,200.39

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

## Ledger Assets, Aug. 31, 1939

Real estate	\$ 689,690.65
First mortgage loans	667,608.60
Bonds and stocks	665,354.52
Bank deposits	215,823.25
Cash in Society's office	22,143.34
Home Office equipment	3,580.03
Total ledge assets	\$ 2,264,200.39

## Balances in Funds

Mortuary funds	\$ 2,075,078.68
Sick and accident fund	108,606.66
Accumulated interest	32,815.75
General expense fund	31,499.73
Convention fund	12,659.88
Indemnity fund	3,539.69
Total in all funds	\$ 2,264,200.39

## NOTE

By action of the Executive committee of the Grand Division Board of Directors, the October, 1939, mortuary assessments will be waived for all members in Classes C, D, E, and F who have been on the rolls one year or more on October 1, 1939. Sick and accident and expense taxes will be paid as usual in October, as these are payable twelve months in the year. Class A members will pay mortuary assessments and taxes as usual in October, as this class is not waived.

## BIRTHS

June 19—Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ellinger, Wichita, Kans., a boy.  
August 13—Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fischer, Indianapolis, Ind., a girl.  
August 17—Mr. and Mrs. Orville Dovel, Allentown, Pa., a boy.  
August 25—Mr. and Mrs. George Parmer, Columbia, Pa., a boy.  
September 3—Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Oordt, Orange City, Ia., a girl.  
Sept. 5—Mr. and Mrs. George Phillips, Berkeley, Cal., a boy.  
September 7—Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Garbett, Jr., Binghamton, N. Y., a boy.

## MARRIAGES

July 27—George Hoffman, Appleton, Wis., and Vivian Norton, Merrill, Wis.  
July 29—John Gustafson, Eau Claire, Wis., and Florence Benolkin, Minneapolis, Minn.  
August 2—Edgar Bloom, Jr., New York, N. Y., and Martha Bauerle, Philadelphia, Pa.  
August 3—Lester Legasse, Brewer, Me., and Marion Glidden, Newport, Me.  
August 10—Nathan Lahn, Council Bluffs, Ia., and Rebecca Sohmer, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.  
August 27—Chester Lachman, St. Louis, Mo., and Etta Budnitsky, Chicago, Ill.  
August 31—James Abbott and Marjorie McClish, both of Cleveland, O.

## AUGUST DISABILITY CLAIMS

R. E. St. John, Waterbury	\$ 90.00
A. L. Kelly, Chicago No. 1	10.00
Louis Cohen, Brooklyn	10.00
Harry Belsky, Brooklyn	30.00
W. R. Chauncey, Binghamton	60.00
W. G. Wingate, Toledo	50.00
L. A. Gray, Sulphur	30.00
B. F. Neatherly, Sulphur	30.00
G. A. Calame, Sulphur	30.00
B. L. Craven, Portland, Ore.	45.00
C. D. Pickett, Dallas	150.00
*A. J. Mickenham, Chicago No. 1	60.00
*H. M. Amberg, Baltimore	45.00
*Charles Ziegler, Rochester	150.00
*G. R. Lewis, Binghamton	90.00
*Bird Middaugh, Houston	30.00
C. A. Painter, Wilkinsburg	25.00
C. A. Peterson, Brooklyn	150.00
A. B. Yeager, Little Rock	15.00
E. F. Thornton, Jr., Atlanta	60.00
H. H. Young, Olathe	50.00
A. L. Mercier, Holyoke	50.00
Jack Pellis, Brooklyn	150.00
G. D. Tussing, Pittsburgh	30.00
*John Burke, Eau Claire	50.00
G. H. Hagen, Des Moines	15.00
R. W. Bunting, Grand Rapids	150.00
C. F. Cleary, Brooklyn	150.00
H. A. Archer, Akron	120.00
*J. E. Taplin, Queens	20.00
G. F. Kratzberg, Council Bluffs	100.00
G. F. Bingham, Boston	30.00
W. J. Zukowski, Jr., Boston	150.00
A. P. Fisher, Salt Lake City	50.00
*N. C. Garrison, Seattle	60.00
H. F. Ware, Atlanta	150.00
*J. A. Spurlin, Atlanta	150.00
*J. B. McMahon, Lowell	40.00
Donald Patterson, Portland, Ore.	30.00
K. R. Wendell, Chicago No. 1	50.00
T. J. Connolly, Boston	35.00
J. W. Grossman, Brooklyn	60.00
*M. C. Thompson, Little Rock	20.00
*Helsaire Chevrete, Holyoke	45.00
*Israel Solomon, Manhattan	60.00
*J. H. Carpenter, Richmond	35.00
R. F. Chestnut, Louisville	135.00
*W. J. Stanfill, Kansas City	50.00
Total for the month	\$ 3,195.00

\*Denotes accident claims.

## AUGUST DEATH CLAIMS

*William L. James, Indianapolis	\$ 357.00
William L. Behrendt, Detroit	1,000.00
*General Moreland, Knoxville	305.00
*Lewis M. Travis, Indianapolis	267.00
Benjamin F. Hidey, Indianapolis	1,000.00
Charles A. Ryan, Ottawa	500.00
Total for the month	\$ 3,429.00

\*Denotes paid-up benefits.

## NEW MEMBERS

Chicago No. 1:	Buffalo:
Floyd Baumann	Edmund Ratka
Edwin Carlson	Robert Sheak
George Carlson	Russell Sheak
Edward Tonigan	John Nash
Edwin Swanson	Clarence Noonan
Samuel Klapkowski	Albany:
Ben Estrin	Edward Schuyler
Earl Richter	Reading:
Sam Golin	Gilbert Murr
Louisville:	Akron:
Alex. Cummings	Milo Schwartz
Russell Barksdale	Denver:
Cleveland:	Glenn Poole
Vincent Rogel	Ft. Wayne:
Omaha:	Rudolph Fenker
Robert Gehm	Robert Curtin
Boston:	Vancouver:
Otis Stearns	Raymond O'Donnell
John Cairney, Jr.	Arthur Frank
Hartford:	Louis Jozefoski
Charles Reynolds	Hollywood:
Bertram Conrad	Arthur Gage

## THE GET-ONE DEGREE

Chicago No. 1—Julius Dhondt, Jr. (6), Linus Francini, Mitchell Racoborzynski, Frank Kouhoukos  
Louisville—Joseph Balasa (2)  
Cleveland—Samuel Kline  
Omaha—Charles Bilger  
Boston—McGregor Cameron (2)  
Hartford—Robert Wilson (2)  
Buffalo—Russell Martina (4), Elmer Briel, Jr.  
Albany—Edward Lydecker  
Reading—Russel Schenck  
Akron—James Hamersly  
Denver—Homer Grace  
Ft. Wayne—Fred Rines (2)  
Vancouver—William Hunter (3)  
Hollywood—Marcus Tibbetts



# National Fraternal Society of the Deaf

**GRAND DIVISION OFFICERS:** President, Arthur L. Roberts, 422 So. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.; 1st Vice Pres. Frederick J. Neesam, 130 S. Third St., Delavan, Wis.; 2nd Vice Pres., John T. Shilton, 202 Dalhousie St., Toronto, Can.; 3rd Vice Pres., Sam B. Rittenberg, 1525-36th Place, North, Birmingham, Ala.; 4th Vice Pres., Foster D. Gilbert, 3111 Ivy St., Los Angeles, Calif.; Secretary-Treasurer, Charles B. Kemp, 433 So. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.; Asst. Secretary-Treasurer, L. S. Cherry, 433 So. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.; Trustees: George F. Flick, Harrison M. Leiter, Washington Barrow, 433 So. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, Ill.

**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