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# THE SPOTLIGHT

By J. Frederick Meagher

THE REV. FLICK has resigned as a Grand Trustee after some 37 years. Way back in 1903 Flick was the very first Gallaudet College grad I ever met —handsome, dapper and debonair. So it is good bye and good luck, Flick, old pal. 37 years of service is a long time to last. Genial Dave Padden, father of the Gallaudent College in-structor, takes Flick's takes



Meagher

# REV. ARTHUR STEIDEMAN OF ST. LOUIS DIED FEB. 26!

The Boy Wonder of Frau Frieda's Gallaudet College class of '02, he entered Gallaudet at age 12. Dr. Gallaudet sent him home for two or three years more. Was Pastor of St. Louis deaf. Nine preachers at his funeral—one of them colored.

# GREAT TRIO SPEAKS.

Our NFSD's great First-Vice Pres. Frederick James Neesam gave an address at the Chicago Club of the Deaf March 5th. Larry Yoles of the NAD, and the NAD's versatile David Piekoff from Canada were also there. All three gave swell sign-addresses. Yolles got \$10,000 in cash and pledges since Cleveland; got \$1,000 in cash and pledges here March 5th.

# "WILD BILL" BACK.

Alaska's Bro. Jesse West, aged 81—an old Sourdough from the Klondike—came to visit the U.S. this winter and saw a horse race for the first time in his life. Will return to the vast Klondike soon. His son, "Wild Will" West, was my pupil in Wash. state back in 1911.

# NEXT CONVENTIONS!

1952 NAD Convention will be held in Austin, Texas—biggest state in the Nation, the Silent Worker rightly says. 1956 Convention in my boyhood home—Cincinnati.

# ST. LOUIS LEADS!

St. Louis leads Nation for new frat members, with 8.

# NFSD IS STRONG.

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Surprise! Just found out our NFSD is the second strongest Fraternal organization in the world! Troy Hill says so in the Kansas Star . . . Japan had one General for every 2400 men; Germany one General for every 5000 men; U.S. one General for every 6728 men . . Jackley, a hearie of S.D., was the only official rattlesnake killer in the U.S.—killed rattlers for 30 years . . Leslie G. Hinnant, a prominent deaf jeweler of Candeo, N.D.—graduate of '25 from Gallaudet College—is North Dakota's first Licensed Deaf airplane owner and pilot . . . January Annals of Deaf, founded 1847, is oldest educational journal in the U.S. Has names and addresses of all teachers of deaf, list of all deaf schools, and a long list of other interesting items, Price \$1—or \$2 per year . . . Kansas City has a Peddlers law—which makes peddling so tough, it practically puts them out of business there . . . N.D.A.D. June convention will be held at Fargo, N.D. . . . Andy Mack, the brilliant Marathon runner, and his wife Josephine (known as "Jo") have a baby bearing the unusual name of "Jomarie Agatha." Andy explains "Jo" is for his wife, "Marie" for all the famous and infamous Maries of history; and Agatha for Mrs. Agatha Hanson, first girl graduate of Gallaudet College (and Matron of Honor at Spotty's wedding.) Agatha's husband was Dr. Olof Hanson of Seattle—a great NAD president . . . "Good publicity! Everyone wants to know what Big Shots think of other Big Shots—and Big Shot doings. And hear their pet-peeves. Just human nature."

# GIBSONS ARE GONE.

A belated Memorial Service was given by the Rev. Mrs. Constance Elmes at the Chicago Home for Aged Deaf, Feb. 28, for a veteran of the first World War—Donald Gibson, a member of the Board. He died Dec. 8th. His father was the Bro. Big of Fratdom, who died in 1929. Fewer than half of the first pilgrimage to

America survived the first winter in Massachusetts. More than 100 colonists came over the first winter; fewer than 50 lived until April.

NYC's Bro. Harry Belsky's landlord refused to let him put up a radio aerial on the roof, so he installed one outside the window of his living room. A "deaf and dumb couple in the Bronx" had their aerial removed by the landlord; Judge Peter Abeles said: "Do me a personal favor and let Sam Jampol restore his aerial."

In Wisconsin a woman is not permitted to work in a rock quarry. In California a woman is forbidden to carry trays or boxes over 10 pounds up steps over 5 feet high. In Arizona women can't work as a coal breaker. In Arkansas she can't work in a mine. In Massachusetts she can't work in a mine. In Massachusetts she can't work after 10 p.m. as a waitress.

OUR March issue lists 29 divisional parties in one month. That's improvement.

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For ages Gallaudet College has been a pension-less, feeble old man! When you're thru there, you're THRU! Go crawl in a corner and die! Run your head off, and get nowhere! But the worm turns! The N.Y. Journal came out—a day after we mailed last months copy to Bobs—saying: "One item of good news is the fact the Pension Bill for Gallaudet Faculty members who are retiring has been passed; and therefore Dr. Hall, Dr. Peet and Dr. Drake will be adequately provided for."

Dr. Hall and Dr. Peet have taught in Gallaudet for over 50 years; Dr. Drake a trifle less. It took Washington ages to see the light and right a wrong—but those fortunate few are protected at last!

Gallaudet College Reunion June 14-17.

One of the Gallaudet studes has a musical name, Dwight Duck of Davis.

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Our N.D. school had a boxing tourney; 25 sluggers saw action . . . Mt. Airy adds boxing to its sports activities . . . John McFarlane was on the Alabama school's faculty for 37 years . . . W. Va. has three girls in its printing class . . . Supt. Steele of Texas hired 8 new young deaf teachers last fall . . Lutheran Friends of the Deaf buy 86 acres at Mill Neck, Long Island, for a school for the deaf—opening next Sept. . . . Last Sept. Arkansas opened its 100th year with a new primary dept.—two units to cost \$300,000 . . . "The hue and cry of our deaf schools is language and more language" . . The Southern Calif. school for deaf—now building at Riverside, Cal.—will cost almost three million . . . Alumni of Fanwood and Lexington schools (NYC's two biggest) may merge . . . Fanwood (NYC's two biggest) may merge . . . Fanwood (NYC's two biggest) may merge . . . Fanwood (NYC's two biggest) may merge . . . Fanwood (NYC's two biggest) may merge . . . Fanwood (NYC's two biggest) may merge . . . Fanwood (SYC's two biggest) may merge . . . Fanwood (SYC's two biggest) may merge . . . Fanwood (SYC's two biggest) may merge . . . Fanwood (SYC's two biggest) may merge . . . Fanwood (SYC's two biggest) may merge . . . Fanwood (SYC's two biggest) may merge . . . . . Alumni of Fanwood and Lexington schools cage tourney by licking Mt. Airy (Phila.) 57 to 48 . . . Rochester school starts new fad: "Feet Parallel When You Walk." Teaching the kids aright! Good! . . . Attorney General approves foreign students for Kendall School. Haw-haw, suppose there are so many foreign students they entirely fill the school—and thus block us real deafies out? . . Nick Braunagel has a good editorial in the N.D. Banner on "Is the sign language dying?" His N.D. has a lot of "wild life"—mostly ducks, swans, and other birds . . . A Mo. pupil broke-out with spinal meningitis—just a few hours before a big bus brought the Kansas basket-ball team for a game that night. Kansas was hurriedly packed back in its bus and shooed home. No game!

# RAILFAN CLUB BORN.

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THE FRAT ran a small notice years ago, when some Hustler asked for help. Idea grew and prospered. Don't you dare call them toy tin choo-choos. Chief is Jack Hedden, 640½ W. 35th St., Los Angeles 7, Cal. . . Ziao-Fong Hsia, a Rochester grad, slipped out of China and now lives with ex-NAD president Tom Anderson in San Francisco . . Renner of NYC says Spain's deaf Prince Don Jaime claims he is "restored to Society," and wants to become King of Spain—IF France will let him . . . Ripley says the word "run" has \$32 different meanings . . . The NAD has dug up another Big Bug—a mere kid—who is mailing out cards for NAD donations. A Hustler! Name, Yolles. Milwaukee really seems to merit headlines. His beautiful wife is a pippin, too . . . W. Marra conducts a column in the Kansas Star. He asks busy chaps to write an editorial column for him. Even California's great Dr. Stevenson fell for the bait. If Marra's column keeps up, it promises to become one of the most widely-read in Deafdom. If, If, IF, Marra can keep chronic nitwits like me out of it,

WHO is the Most Revered Deafie in America, the past 50 years?

America, the past 50 years?

Easy; that's Charles Thompson of Minneapolis and St. Paul. He had plenty of moneyand he spent it on his pals. On his death, his wife had architect Dr. Olof Hanson of Seattle design a magnificient clubhouse enscribed: "In loving memory of Charles Thompson, who found pleasure in giving pleasure to others."

Pageant for Feb. has four pages on the sign language service in St. Matthews Church, NYC.

Chas. Snyder of Lockport, NY, quits after plunking a linotype's keys for 50 years.

The U.S. will be vastly bigger if we make Alaska a state. Today Texas is far bigger than any other state. Texas has only 265,896 square miles; Alaska is nearly twice as large—586,400 square miles.

Feb. 5th is the birthday of Edward Miner Gallaudet, founder of Gallaudet College. We used to celebrate the birthdays of both E.M.G. and his father—Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet; but now, to heek with them. Why? . . The Rev. Leisman of Milwaukee, Wis., crosses Lake Michigan by plane every month—to Grand Rapids, Mich. Saves 12 hours of Train Travel thru Wis., Ill., Ind., and Mich. Cost of trip by plane almost as much as by train. The Army term "snafu" means "situation normal—all fouled up." (Read first letters of each word.) . . . The dingy old barracks in our Maryland school are historic! Built in 1777 by the British and Hessian prisoners of the Revolutionary War! In the Civil War served as a hospital for both the Blue and the Gray.

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N.Y. Journal-American dropped its men's bowling tourney because of race ban. "If ALL Americans can't play, we don't want to play, either," they said. The trouble-makers would bar such as Jim Thorpe, Joe Louis, and the Hawaiian swimmer, Duke Kahanamoku . . . 14th Annual Bowling Tournament of the Great Lakes guys on April 15-16, Syracuse. A few days before this edition comes off the press. Seems deaf don't like 70 alley tournaments; prefer 40 alleys . . The Cavalier gives each of its All-America football stars a medal, and a fine cup to the outstanding player of the basketball championship crowd . . Our "Old Champs" are fading. Chicago won the third National cage title at Detroit; ever since then Chicago has been punkkkl! NYC has been even punker. What ails the big cities? . . . Clarence Jones, a star on last year's Little Rock cage team, at Oakland's National Tourney, was killed while taking a short-cut out of Little Rock. Was ordered to halt on suspicion of being a prowler: couldn't hear—of course—so was shot to death in the dark . . . 85 deaf clubs have joined the AAAD bandwagon for 1950. Hear Chicago's Lincoln club quit the outfit. Have some goofy "white race boosters" been barring up trouble? Cut it, quick!! We would like to murder the dumb hearies who bar US: so why trample on the poor nigger who has American ambition to better himself? . . . National Deaf Cage Champions will be unveiled at Wash. D.C. this month. Past champs were Buffalo 2: L's Angeles; Chicago; Des Moines. When is Naismith of NYC going to come into its own and W-I-N'? Something hoodooes the world's largest city!

## TRUE or FALSE?

"A good woman inspires a man; a brilliant woman interests him; a beautiful woman fascinates him; the sympathetic woman gets him"... "There's nothing in this world that someone, somewhere, doesn't dislike"... "Fame is a Stotlight one minute—and a Bull's Eye the next. The people who cheer loudest when you succeed, are those who throw pop-bottles the hardest when you fail."—Mt. Airy World... "We are plagued by mysterious cure-all doctors and half-baked pedagogues who advertise their wares and prey on the isnorant among us."—School Helper... "Teaching language is the most difficult phrase of educating deaf children. Chuck away your bic words; use small ones."—Ohio Chronicle... Helen Keller says "Deafness still remains isolating—even more so than Blindness, as I know from my own experience."

# WINNERS!

Jennie Mastny has never missed a day, or been late to work, in seven years! Pretty, peppy, and a peach... The John G. Allens of Kewanee won a television set in a gravey Contest... Jim Thorpe, the old Carlisle Indian, was named the greatest athlete of the past 50 years... Brigham Young had 19 wives and 56 kids. 56 kids.

# SNAFU SNAPS.

One inch of rain, falling over one acre of land, totals 28,000 gallons of water . . . Before he invented the telephone, Alexander Graham Bell earned his living by teaching the deaf in Boston. Duane DeMars, a Minn. pupil, went hunting. The shotgun went off, making an ugly scar in his wrist,



# **Teaching the Deaf to Live Anew**

by Milton and Mildred Lehman

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At Gallaudet College, handicapped students learn to meet the world on equal terms

OUTSIDE THE CAMPUS of Gallaudet College in Washington, D. C., a streetcar grinds noisly down Florida Avenue; a policeman shrills at a jaywalker; and in a usedcar lot near-by, a salesman demonstrates the merits of an old jalopy by lustily honking its horn. To the students on the Gallaudet campus, however, the scene is like an old silent movie, alive with action but empty of sound.

For Gallaudet is the only college for the deaf in the world, its student body of 200 being chosen from thousands of young Americans who were born deaf or stricken deaf by disease. Founded 86 years ago by an Act of Congress and supported by Federal funds, Gallaudet today challenges the ancient notion that the deaf are helpless in a world of sound. "We believe," says Dr. Irving S. Fusfeld, dean of the college, "that the deaf can meet the world on equal terms."

Recently, a French educator was astounded when a student called for him at Union Station and drove him to the campus through heavy traffic. Reporting uneasily to the college president, the Frenchman observed that in France the deaf are not permitted to drive. "But the boy has no fear," he added. "It is most unusual."

"At Gallaudet," the president observed, "only fear is unusual."

Gallaudet students look like undergraduates on any campus. Before class begins, they gather in College Hall, talking casually with their hands, making dates and jokes and going over their homework in sign language. When classes are over, they turn out for college activities—sports, the school newspaper, the dramatic club. On Saturdays in season, Gallaudet's football team competes with rival colleges while the cheering section stomps its feet, making the grandstands vibrate for victory.

In the classroom, the students of Gallaudet are offered special facilities to prepare them for life in a hearing world. Bill Simpson of Seattle, who has been deaf since childhood, is an expert lip reader. He spent his freshman year at the University of Washington, but found it exhausting to lipread his history lectures because the professor kept turning his head. In sociology, the task was almost impossible, for the instructor spoke over a loud-speaker system.

"Of course it's much easier at Gallaudet," says Bill, "because the school is run for our sake. It won't be as easy in the outside world, but we'll

know how to manage."

Back in Parkersburg, West Virginia, Gail Stout played clarinet in the high-school band and sang with the glee club. He had just won a scholarship to a summer musical colony when meningitis struck.

"It was two or three weeks before I knew I was deaf," Gail remembers. "My head was full of strange noises—like the sound of waterfalls and ringing bells. I tried to sing, but couldn't."

Today, Gail, a handsome senior, plans to become an engineer when he leaves Gallaudet. "We know what it's like to be stared at when we use sign language, what pity looks like, what it is to discover you can't hear," he remarks. "But we'll make a go of it."

America's system of education for the deaf, unmatched anywhere in the world, grew out of the interest of a kindly Connecticut minister named Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet in a deaf child who had lost her hearing through an attack of spotted fever. Nowhere in this country was there any help for such victims, who were called "deaf and dumb" and considered charges of the state.

Gallaudet, deeply moved by the child's helplessness, sailed for Europe

in 1815 to study the latest methods for educating the deaf. In France he learned sign language, which was then being taught experimentally, and after months of study returned to Hartford and in 1817 opened the nation't first free school for the deaf.

Named for him, Gallaudet College was founded by his son, Edward Miner Gallaudet. The younger Gallaudet, trained by his father, launched a campaign for a Federal college for the deaf, eventually fighting the measure through Congress. On April 8, 1864, the act was signed by President Lincoln.

Today, Gallaudet's students, trained in state-supported grade and high schools for the deaf, come from every part of the country. Because the college's budget and space are limited, it accepts only 60 new students each year from the 150 who take stiff entrance examinations. More than half of those admitted are granted Congressional scholarships in full or partial payment of their tuition. Many of the students, coming from average working families, must take summer jobs to support themselves during the school year.

Except for the classes in speech and sign language, the curriculum is much like that of any small college. The emphasis is on a good liberal-arts course as education for living. But Gallaudet recognizes that deafness sometimes brings compensation in manual and visual skills. Its chemistry and physics classes are always filled, its printing shop and art classes are crowded by eager students who may become linotypers, commercial artists or laboratory workers.

Gallaudet employs sign language as well as oral speech and lip reading in the classroom, taking the position that signs for the deaf are an easy, workable means for acquiring a college education.

"Our job," says President Leonard M. Elstad, "is to get the material across to the students any way we can. Oral speech and lip reading require the highest skill, and some of our youngsters are experts. But others are not. So we must use every means at hand, whether speech, or signs, or writing on the blackboard."

The language of signs which Thomas Gallaudet brought back from France is the most international language in the world. In signs, one uses symbols rather than words for meanings, and the symbols have no national barriers.

In Dr. Powrie V. Doctor's sociology class, for instance, the students discuss democracy in the United States as compared with social systems abroad. For each country, Doctor uses the accepted international symbol. He holds his hand to his hip for Russia, symbol of the Russian dance. For Germany, he holds one spread hand over the other, hooking his thumbs—the double eagle. To say England, he shakes hands with himself—the symbol of the British Empire.

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

**APRIL**, 1950

# **GOLDEN JUBILEE PROGRAM** BOOK

S PART of the Chicago 1951 Convention, celebrating the Fiftieth Anniversary of our Order, the Home Office plans to prepare and print a Program Book of between 100 and 200 pages, containing the photographs of all our Divisions, with names of members, dates of organization, and other matter. This will be a Program Book which can be kept as a memento of our 50th Anniversary.

Each Division is asked to help us make this a memorable Program Book. It is asked to have taken within the next few months a good group photograph of all its members. When this is done, send the photograph with names of all members to the Home Office, from which a halftone cut will be made for use in the Program Book. The Home Office has all necessary data concerning each Division, from which details may be obtained to go with the Division picture.

Each Division will be given one full page in the Program Book. The Division picture will occupy about onehalf of the page. The rest of the page will contain names of members and other details concerning the Division.

As the cost of engraving and printing is very high, each Division will be asked to pay the cost of engraving its picture and printing its page. We have not yet obtained prices on printing the Program Book. When all Divisions are heard from, a "Dummy" of the proposed book will be made up and submitted to printing firms for bids. It is believed the cost of engraving and printing will not exceed \$50.00 per page, and may be less.

Please take this matter up at once

Home Office if the Division wishes to reserve one page, as above outlined. Only a little over a year remains before the convention. As the preparation and printing of the Program Book will take considerable time, action must be taken now.

The Home Office wants every Division to have its picture in the Program Book. We wish to make the best possible impression on the public at our 50th Anniversary Convention and Celebration.

## FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

SIXTEENTH QUADRENNIAL CONVENTION

NATIONAL FRATERNAL SOCIETY OF THE DEAF

CHICAGO, ILL., JULY 15-21, 1951

# Live Anew?

ORONET magazine for April has an excellent article "Teaching the Deaf entitled to Live Anew," by Milton and Mildred Lehman.

It deals with the higher education of our own group of deaf people who were born deaf or became deaf early in life through disease or accident, as distinguished from the deafened and hard-of-hearing.

We find only one fault with this excellent article.

That is the title.

From it, one might infer the deaf do not live but merely exist, before undertaking the higher learning.

A lot of our smart deaf people who have never been inside academic halls might resent the implication they are automatons, eating, working, sleeping, but never living until they come to grips with the Liberal Arts.

It reminds one of the title of Roy Octavius Cohen's colored secret society, "Sons and Daughters of I Will Arise."

But the authors of course did not mean anything of that kind. Nowadays, titles must arouse the curiosity of readers to gain attention at all.

There is too much to read on every

But read the article. You can do so with profit.

# Support H.R. 5577

TE are in receipt of the 1949 Annual Report of the Federal Security Agency, dealing with the work of the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation and giving an account of the accomplishments of the latter in its rehabilitation work.

We have also been favored with a copy of "Brass Tacks," an illustrated brochure giving pertinent facts about the economic and social aspects of the State-Federal system of Vocational Rehabilitation for Civilians.

Both of these documents should be

in Division meeting and inform the read by those interested in rehabilitation work and by those who may have only a hazy idea of the scope of this undertaking. They are revealing and show that much has been accomplished for the handicapped.

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The State-Federal program of vocational rehabilitation for civilians continued its uninterrupted progress in rehabilitating disabled men and women from idleness and dependency into useful and self-sustaining employment. The report covers the fiscal year ended June 30, 1949 (showing) the activities and accomplishments of the State-Federal program and the part played in those operations by the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation—the Federal unit which provides leadership and technical assistance, and administers Federal grants to the State-operated, nationwide system of vocational rehabilitation for civilians.

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During the early years of operations under very limiting legislation an average of 4,300 disabled men and women were rehabilitated annually under the program; from 1935 to 1943, 16,000; and from 1944 through the past year, more than 46,000. Last year the rehabilitations rose to 58,020. The opportunity to make such latterday strides—an opportunity of which the States and Federal Government have taken full advantage—came in 1943 with the enactment of amendments to the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1920. Congressional action in providing these strengthening and liberalizing amendments has been fully justified. Under them nearly one-third more rehabilitations were effected in about one-fourth the time—a clear indication of the program's potentialities under more favorable legislation.

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Impressive as were the results of the State-Federal program during the fiscal year 1949, they fall far short of the national goal established by the Federal Security Administrator in his report to the President on "The Nation's Health," namely: "To rehabilitate the 250,000 men and women who become disabled through illness or injury every year so that they can be restored to the most nearly normal life and work of which they are individually capable." The increasing number of disabled men and women rehabilitated each year since 1943 by the State-Federal program underlines the realism of the national goal. In another sense, however, the fact that the program in its peak year was hardly more than one-fifth of the way toward its goal shows that injuries and disease are disabling people more rapidly than the present program can provide rehabilitation for them.

Vocational rehabilitation is a necessarily complex program. No one agency or institution, without the assistance and cooperation of numerous public and private agencies, can provide the great diversity of service required in vocational rehabilitation. This principle is understood, but its practice requires both adequate financial support and a merging of interests and services. The several functions which must be organized under the direction of a "professional team" before complete rehabilitation can be accomplished for the disabled are guidance, physical restoration, hospitilization, maintenance, vocational diagnosis, training, and placement services.

The attainment of the national goal necessitates extending and broadening the present State-Federal program.

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There is now a bill before Congress providing for this. The bill should be supported by all who are interested in this work. The bill is H. R. 5577.

The report publishes a map showing the Regional Offices of the Federal Security Agency. The following shows their location:

I. BOSTON—Maine, Vermont, New Hamp-shire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island. II. NEW YORK CITY—New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey.

III. BALTIMORE—Maryland, West Virginia, North Carolina, Virginia, Delaware.

IV. CLEVELAND-Ohio, Kentucky, Mich-

CHICAGO-Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin, Minnesota.

VI. ATLANTA—Georgia, S. Carolina, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee. VII. KANSAS CITY—Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, S. Dakota, N. Dakota.

VIII. DALLAS—Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arkansas, Louisiana.

IX. DENVER—Colorado, Utah, Wyoming, Idaho, Montana.

X. SAN FRANCISCO—California, Arizona, Nevada, Oregon, Washington.

# Resigns



George F. Flick

THE Rev. George F. Flick has tendered his resignation as Grand Trustee of the society. The Grand Division Board of Directors has accepted the resignation with regret. The resignation became effective at the end of 1949.

Brother Flick felt it necessary to take this action on account of advancing years and the state of his wife's health and his own. He gave up with regret the position he had filled for so many years but felt he had no alternative.

Before coming to the Grand Division Board, Brother Flick had served in Chicago Division No. 1, notably as treasurer of that body.

In 1912, following the accidental death of Grand Trustee Gustavus A. Christenson, Brother Flick was appointed to the vacancy by the Board. At all succeeding conventions of the order he was re-elected to the position, and had served the society well and faithfully for the past 37 years. Few in our ranks of living members can point to that length of service in any position.

Brother Flick was graduated from the Ohio School at Columbus, and from Gallaudet College in 1903. In his youthful days, he followed the vocation of shoemaking. While at Gallaudet, he majored in chemistry, intending to follow that profession. Going west in 1903, he invaded the mining regions of Colorado with his diploma in his pocket. But at that time, chemists, metallurgists and assayers were a dime a dozen out West. The country had not yet embarked on that era of great development in all lines which was to

Prior to his going west, the Rev. Oliver J. Whildin in Baltimore had been urging Brother Flick to enter the Episcopal ministry, and he had given it earnest consideration. Returning east, he entered the Episcopal seminary at Alexandria, Virginia. On completing his course, he was appointed to the vacancy in the Episcopal Mission to the deaf at Chicago, caused by the death of the Rev. Austin Ward Mann of Cleveland.

follow soon after.

At Chicago, the Rev. Mr. Mann had

made influential contacts on his various visits to the Mission. Brother Flick took up where the Rev. Mr. Mann left off, and within a few years established All Angels Mission in a handsome edifice of its own on Indiana Avenue just below 61st Street. This was only a few blocks south of the future location of the Chicago Silent Athletic Club, which blossomed out some years later in a clubhouse of its own. Brother Flick and the late Francis P. Gibson, both living in the neighborhood, were influential in bringing the Club from its former West Madison Street location to the fine clubhouse on Indiana Avenue, just below 55th Street.

Between the years 1908 and 1930, that section of Chicago lying along 55th Street (now Garfield Boulevard) and the streets running north and south between Washington Park and State Street, from 50th Street down to 63rd Street, was known as Flickville. A great many of the deaf lived in that district. But the Tide of Color flowing south in time engulfed the location and both All Angels Mission and the Silent Athletic Club moved out, the former to the North Side, the latter to the Loop, where it was disbanded in the early thirties. All Angels Mission is now located at Wilson and Hermitage Avenues where it shares a church with a hearing congregation. It is planned to reestablish the Mission in a church of its own when a suitable location can be found.

Brother Flick is married to the former Aimee Rouse of Baltimore, who has helped him in his church work. She has had influence with the orally taught deaf and the hard-of-hearing, many of whom have become members of All Angels and participated in its activities.



# The Watcher

She always leaned to watch for us, Anxious if we were late, In winter by the window, In summer by the gate.

And though we mocked her tenderly, Who had such foolish care, The long way home would seem more safe

Because she waited there.

Her thoughts were all so full of us— She never could forget! And so I think that where she is She must be watching yet.

Waiting till we come home to her, Anxious if we are late— Watching from heaven's window, Leaning from heaven's gate. By Margaret Widdemer

# Appointed



David J. Padden

FOLLOWING the resignation of George F. Flick as Grand Trustee, the Grand Division Board of Directors, after considering many candidates, agreed unanimously on the appointment of Brother David J. Padden to the vacancy. He assumed his duties in March.

Brother Padden was born in Chicago, June 3, 1891 and is a product of the Illinois School at Jacksonville. He had been a member of Chicago Division No. 1 for 37 years, in that time having served as treasurer, vice president, president and trustee of that Division.

He was chairman of the big threeday Silver Jubilee Anniversary celebration of the society in 1926, and was alternate delegate to the Boston convention in 1931.

Brother Padden was at one time treasurer and later financial secretary of the old Chicago Silent Athletic Club in the heyday of its activities.

He has been a printer for 43 years, and for the last 31 years a valued stoneman with the Riley Printing Company in Chicago.

Brother Padden married Rosella Swee of Minnesota and one son, Donald, was born of this union, who is now connected with the Gallaudet College faculty in Washington.

Following Mrs. Padden's death after seven years of marriage, Dave married Mrs. Anna Sebek Hunter of Chicago, who has one son by her previous marriage.

He holds the Twentieth Degree in our order. He has been a hard worker for the society and his appointment to his present post is considered by all a fitting reward for his devoted service.

The explanation of triumph is all in the first syllable.

## DEAF LIVE ANEW

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For the United States, he interlocks the spread fingers of both hands, making a rail fence.

In addressing classes, the instructor uses speech and signs simultaneously. The students sit in a semicircle, watching his lips and hands. Because the students must "see" the lecture to grasp it, the concentration in the classroom is a professor's dream. Whenever attention does wander, he merely stamps his foot on the floor, vibrating the class back to attention.

THE COLLEGE SPIRIT at Gallaudet is scarcely equaled on any other campus. In sign language, the student clasps his hand over his heart, meaning "love" and raises one palm over the other, meaning "place of higher education"—or "Gallaudet."

The college days begins at 6:30 when the main light switch is turned on, arousing the students with the bright lights in each dormitory room. For fire drills, the signal is given by flickering the lights.

Before lights out, the students gather in dormitory rooms for bull sessions—talking of politics, football and love. Each dormitory room is equipped with the Gallaudet door knocker, a Rube Goldberg device. When the knocker is pulled from the outside, it releases a weight which falls on the floor inside the room. The occupant feels the vibration and opens the door.

Most students have developed this sense of vibration to a high degree. This is particularly evident at their dances. Whether the orchestra plays sweet and slow or jitterbug, the students keep perfect time, feeling the floor vibrate to trumpet, saxophone and piano.

The college, seeking a working substitute for singing, has organized a glee club which "sings" its numbers with rhythmic signs, swaying in accompaniment to the unheard music. Developing expert skills in pantomime, the students have also produced plays, ranging from the classics to modern hits.

Probably no professors anywhere are prouder of their students than the faculty of Gallaudet. Dr. Elizabeth Peet, dean of women and professor of modern languages, has been at Gallaudet for 50 years. White-haired and dynamic, she is a world authority on sign language. There has been a Peet "in the work," as she calls it, since 1822.

Last May, the Class of '49 gathered in chapel for Commencement exercises. Don Bradford of El Paso, Texas, football captain, planned to coach at the New Mexico State School for the Deaf. Blonde Elodie Berg from California had both a fiancé and a home-economics teaching post awaiting her in New Mexico. Robert Nathan was returning to Illinois to work as a chemist.

While the Commencement orators,

speaking in signs, told the perennial tale of a new graduate's hopes and dreams, many old graduates were on hand to give assurance that they were possible.

A few years ago, Cadwallader Washburn, the college's second-oldest alumnus, came back for his 58th reunion. Artist, etcher and world traveler, the tall and stately Washburn, then approaching 80, stood before the students and said with signs and spoken words: "Gallaudet will teach you many things. But above all, it will teach you that the strange world outside is really an ordinary world—and that you can live in it!"

# News from the Divisions

## APRIL

15	Surprise Social	Tolodo
	Dance	
15.	Anniversary Party	Dallas
15.	Social	Birmingham
15.	Auxiliary Anniversary	Spokane
16.	Smoker	Saginaw
22.	Smoker	St. Louis
22.	40th Anniversary	Los Angeles
22.	Social	Kansas City. Mo.
22.	Annual Party	
22.	Aux. Spring Festival	
22.	Card & Bunco Party	
29.	Smoker-Rally	
29.	Spring Social	
29.	Annual Ball	
	Smoker	
	Banquet	

# MAY

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Ð.	MoviesLos Angeles
6.	Movies New Haven
	Card PartyBaltimore
6.	SocialAlbany
6.	May Day Party Worcester
6.	SocialSpringfield, Mass.
6.	Social Springfield, Mass. Bingo and "500" Richmond
6.	Social & MoviesVancouver
12.	Smoker Chicago No. 106
13.	Penny SaleBoston
13.	SocialRockford
13.	May DayWaterbury
13.	
13.	Social Grand Rapide
13.	Homecoming Party Faribault
13.	Mother's Day ProgramSan Diego
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20.	
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20.	
20.	30th AnniversaryScranton
27.	Annual BallProvidence
27.	
27.	Movies & Social Queens
28.	OutingSyracuse
30.	Memorial Services Kansas City, Mo.
	Decoration Day PicnicWichita

# JUNE

3.	Strawberry	Festiva	1	New	Haven
3.	Movies			Los	Angeles
3.	Whist & B	uffet Su	ipper	Wo	rcester
	Social				

3.	Carnival PartyVancouver
10.	SocialBirmingham
10.	Frat-Auxiliary SocialSpokane
10.	Social
17.	Whist Social San Francisco
	30th AnniversarySpokane
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17.	PienieToronto
18.	Frat-Aux. Barbecue PicnicSan Diego
25.	Outing
	JULY
1.	ClambakeBuffalo
2.	PicnicDanville
8.	PicnicMilwaukee
8.	SocialBirmingham
9.	PicnicDuluth
16.	PicnicDetroit
16.	PienieWilkinsburg
22.	Picnic
23.	Picnic Syracuse
29.	Picnic
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	AUGUST
5.	NFSD QuizLos Angeles
5.	SmokerDelavan
6.	Frat-Auxiliary Picnic Spokane
6.	Picnic
6.	Picnic Faribault
12.	Social Birmingham
22.	Joint PicnicLos Angeles & Hollywood
20000	Monster Whist
26.	
	SEPTEMBER
2.	SmokerBirmingham
3.	Banquet Birmingham
4.	PicnicBirmingham
3.	Annual Picnic Richmond
30.	Frat-Auxiliary Barn DanceSan Francisco
	OCTOBER
7.	BingoNew Haven
7.	
	MoviesLos Angeles
7.	40th Annual BanquetPhiladelphia
7.	Game TimeRichmond
8.	Smoker (A.M.)Reading
8.	Banquet (P.M.)Reading
14.	
14.	Annual Ball & Variety Show Jersey City
21.	Vaudeville ShowToledo
28.	Halloween PartySpokane
28	Roll Brony & Westchester

# Bronx & Westchester NOVEMBER

28. Ball.....

4.	Thanksgiving Party	New Haven
4.	Smoker	Los Angeles
4.	40th Anniversary	Kansas City, Mo.
4.	Annual Ball	Hartford
4.	Box Supper	Richmond
4.	Fall Frolic	Faribault
11.	Social	Birmingham
11.	Banquet	Fort Wayne
18.	Masque Ball	Toledo
	DECEMI	BER
2.	Christmas Party	New Haven
	Smoker	
9.	Christmas Party	San Francisco

# FEBRUARY

17. 42nd Anniversary	BallBrooklyr
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LOUISVILLE (Geo. G. Kannapell)—Hark, ye brothers to the great harangues of Chairman Harry E. Coriell and his able committeemen, Brothers Richard James, Bill Travis and Walter Elkins, anent our Smoker-Rally to be held on Saturday, April 29, 1950, at 7:30 p.m. sharp, at the newly-built Louisville Press Recreation Clubhouse, 659 South Eighth Street.

About fifteen initiates are expected to be put through the mill by Goatmaster James Mac-Lynch, assisted by Brothers Travis and Jack Tyree. Other divisions near and around Louisville have been invited to send their uninitiated members to our smoker. (Attention, secretaries: Advise your members planning to attend our smoker to have their dues paid up date and show dues receipt at the door otherwise our sergeant-at-arms is too tough to argue with!)

After the closed-door initiation, expected to last an hour, the door will be opened to the non-Frats to be exhorted to join our Society by speeches, contacts, free sandwiches, drinks, smokes and movies. Tickets are being sold att \$1.50 each to' both fraters and non-fraters, alike, so grab yours now! Write Bro. Coriell, 1404 E. Oak St., New Albany, Ind.

NOTE: The "bangtails" or ponies will be running on the afternoon of Saturday, April 29, the night of our smoker, to open the spring meeting at Churchill Downs, just one week before the running of the Kentucky Derby. Come and enjoy the big day!

BROOKLYN (A. Hurwit)-Our 41st Anniversary Ball and Entertainment, which was held on Feb. 18th, did not come up to expectations. For the first time in a decade, attendance fell below the  $1,000~\mathrm{mark}$ . It is expected we shall break even on the ball, but the souvenir journal, which was well edited and comprised 44 pages, should show a good profit. The younger crowd was there in full force, but we sadly missed the old-timers. The committee, chairmanned by Brother Norman Jackson, is to be complimented for its efforts, especially the successful souvenir journal.

The 42nd Anniversary Ball and Entertainment will be held on Feb. 17, 1951, at the same ballroom, Manhattan Center. Details will be announced in due time.

The Ladies Auxiliary now has 60 members and will celebrate its First Anniversary at the May 6 meeting with appropriate ceremonies. Refreshments will be served and a full attendance is expected for this gala event

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AKRON (F. X. Zitnik)—The Grim Reaper again reached into our Division and took Bro. David C. Williams, who was stricken while David C. Williams, who was stricken while working at Goodyear and was pronounced dead in the factory hospital. Dave's passing is mourned by his wife Blanche, three brothers, our Division and legions of friends who knew him as a genial leader, 100% Frat, and a mem-ber of the original Goodyear Flying Squadron Alumni. Our Division extends its heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

At our March meeting the membership voted overwhelmingly to forsake the sumptuous meeting room at the Pythian Temple and move to the new Akron Club of the Deaf Assembly Hall at 144 E. Exchange St. Meetings will commence being held there May 6 at 7:30 P.M. The Club is centrally located and easily accessible by bus. Parking facilities are also excellent. It is expected that the largest attendance in history will be at the initial meeting since it will be in the form of a house-warming. All members—resident and non-resident—are urged to be present.

## FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

SIXTEENTH QUADRENNIAL CONVENTION, NATIONAL FRATERNAL SOCIETY OF THE DEAF, CHICAGO, ILL., JULY 15-21, 1951

(Thomas R. Peterson)-That we should never underestimate the value and power of women was demonstrated by our new Auxiliary at their first meeting in February. They immediately went into action, taking over the refreshment feature of the Division meeting and providing a daintily-arranged lunch counter. They kept things humming till well past midnight and netted a tidy profit. Yet it was for them only a starter, which augurs well for the future of the Aux-Frats and our Division. Frankly, we haven't com-pletely recovered from the shock of the ladies' initial success, but we hasten to assure you that we are mighty proud of them. We realize how powerful an Auxiliary can be, so we now gladly and unreservedly say "More power to our new Aux-Frats!"

The officers of our Aux-Frats are: Mrs. James Jelinek, president; Mrs. Charles Falk, vice-president, Mrs. Nels Nelson, secretary; Mrs. Leonard Eggleston, treasurer; Mrs. Hans Neujahr, Mrs. Dale Paden and Mrs. Nick Petersen, trustees; and Mrs. John Flood, sergeant-at-arms. All were given a rousing cheer at our February meeting.

HOLYOKE (Stan Hosta)—A sudden change in plans will have our Annual Ball on April 29,

in plans will have our Annual Ball on April 29, with Bro. Turcotte as chairman. It will be at the Town Hall, and a good crowd is expected.

May 20 will be the day of our 40th Anniversary Banquet and visitors are invited to attend. Cost is \$2.75 per plate. Tickets can be purchased from Bro. Klopfer at 41 Belvidere St., Holyoke. We promise you no disappointments at this celebration, so come and join us.

Holyoke gained the first leg on the trophy and Holyoke gained the first leg on the trophy used as a bowling award between Springfield and Holyoke. We won two games and both were decided by the scant issue of 4 and 13 pins. We hope to win another leg when next year rolls around, but we suspect Springfield is going to make things tough.

BOSTON (Louis H. Snyder)—The February 4 Whist Party held after the meeting was only fairly attended, but the winners were well rewarded for their prowess at cards. Chairman J. Sampson and his committee merit our

On May 13, a Penny Sale will be held, under the chairmanship of Bro. J. Sampson and his Social Committee. A magnificent array of prizes awaits our patrons. Brother Frats, blaze a trail to this event, and by all means bring your family and friends. Don't forget it will be held at 3 Boylston Place, Boston, and the time 7:30 p.m.

Brother Nafakian and his spouse have moved to Vineland, N.J. Good luck to you, Brother, and may you prosper in your new environment. Brother Allegaert and his family are now located in Laconia, N.H. How is the skiing and tobogganing up your way, Brother?

We were pleased to see Bro. Pavitt at our March 4 meeting, after being under a siege of illness for a couple of months.

The inclement weather we have been having

The inclement weather we have been having plays heck with your health, so a word to the wise, Brother, have you paid your dues to date? Adhere to this wisdom, that INSUR-ANCE is the best safeguard for that inevitable

HOUSTON, TEXAS (Glynn A. Whittemore)— This is the first time in quite a while for some This is the first time in quite a while for some news from the deep south to grace this page, but Houston Division, No. 81 has really been on its toes all the time and still is. With W. R. Bullock holding the reins and Early McVey being the "Veep"; Glynn Whittemore, the pen-pusher; and R. E. Lavender holding the purse strings, the whole division is striving for still higher goals. At a recent meeting, the brothers decided to do their small react in the brothers decided to do their small, part in the gigantic battle against those transient deaf peddlers by having 5,000 alphabet cards printed and distributed FREE among the

Their energy doesn't end here. They also asked President Bullock to appoint the general chairman of the annual Labor Day celebration. This celebration which will commemorate the Division's 30th year of continuous growth, will be headed by the very capable John Empwill be headed by the very capable John Empson, who has piloted most of the Division's Labor Day celebrations in recent years. Tentative plans call for a big dance with a big orchestra, floor show, smoker, and a bowling contest which will feature big cash awards. Brothers living in the area surrounding Houston are advised to make plans now to attend this gale offeir. More details in received to this gala affair. More details in next issue.

TOLEDO (Wm. C. Neal)—A jolly time was had by those who came to our Valentine Party on Feb. 18 despite the misbehavior of the weather. The program was well planned and well seasoned with laughs and good humor by the exchange of comic valentines which continued throughout the entire evening, punctuated by a couple of new and novel games which were the brainchildren of Bro. Irvin Reinbolt. Pass the mental orchids on to him. Our March meeting got off to an early start

as pre-planned, altho the prospect of enter-tainment afterwards did not draw a very aptainment afterwards did not draw a very appreciable increase in attendance. After the meeting, however, when the entertainment program got under way, the lodge room gradually became filled with latecomers and their wives. Bro. Art Allen had a couple of jumps ahead of St. Patrick and the ensuing scramble to find the shamrocks, which he had hidden in all sorts of unimaginable places, put the crowd in the right mood for a variety of games and prizes which supplemented the games and prizes which supplemented the program. The broad smiles on the faces of the happy participants in the merrymaking was all the vindication we needed to know that the after-meeting entertainment idea was being well received. The idea has one drawback, however. The fact that the Auxiliary holds its meetings a good ways from where the Division meets, with the result that the ladies have to walk quite a distance after the meetings to join us, puts a stumbling block in our plans for a repeat performance. So, Brothers of Division 16, let's put our heads together at our next meeting and maybe we can make some concessions to the ladies.

Don't forget that Bro. Blum is planning a surprise for you on April 15 at the Toledo Silent Club Hall. Bro. Samuel Henry is making preparations for our Anniversary Social sometime in June, so keep an eye on the Social

LOS ANGELES (J. A. Goldstein)—Again we wish to remind everyone of our coming Fortieth Anniversary Banquet, to be held April 22d, at the Nikabob, Ninth and Western. The affair is to be semi-formal and western. The affair is to be semi-formal and will include dancing, a four act smash floor show; think of it, fifty minutes of fun and eye appeal; all that and an excellent cuisine as well, and only \$3.50 a person. All seats will be reserved. \$3.50 a person. All seats will be reserved. The committee has done everything possible

to assure those who attend of one grand good time the whole evening thru. Send in your reservation now.

The March meeting was carried thru in double quick time, after which members and visitors were treated to some unique and laughable jokes by President L. I. Peterson. However, no new members were brought in, and that, brethren, is absolutely no joke. Get busy.

There will be movies at the close of our May meeting with Doug Fairbanks in "Robin Hood." The affair is in charge of Brother Kruger. Will you be there?

VANCOUVER (James F. McGuire)—During the past winter months, the meetings were well attended despite some of the severest cold weil attended despite some of the severest cold weather we have experienced for some time. The socials after the meetings were not big financial successes, but everyone had a good time playing cards and bingo.

There will be a combination of movies and cards on Money and the chairmagnetic of the contraction of the c

on May 6 under the chairmanship of

Bro. John Wondrack.

The officers for 1950 are: James Patterson, president; Homer Humphrey, vice president; James F. McGuire, secretary; Louis Josefoski, treasurer; Joseph Pfaff, director, Joseph Sutherland, sergeant-at-arms; and Bros. Edwin A. McNeal, Joseph Pfaff and Joe Stotts, trustees.

The addresses of secretary and treasurer are P.O. Box 587 and 2016 Homes St., Vancouver, respectively.

BATON ROUGE (Harvey Gremillion)-Our Division has grown to a total membership of 55 since it was founded 3 years ago and last year it seemed we were the only Division lacking one member to reach the quota as set by the Home Office. Practically all deaf men of Baton Rouge are members of our Division and we must go outside our city to get new members.

Our treasury is growing, too. Chairman Norbert Broussard announced that his rec-reation committee made a recent profit of \$23.80.

To those who are in arrears, please keep your dues up to date by sending money orders to treasurer Martial LaFleur, 4915 Plank Road.

ST. LOUIS (Edgar Dykes, Sr.) -Our Division was saddened by the recent death of Arthur O. Steidemann and Joseph Palecek. Both had excellent records in Division work. Our sympathies go to their families.

President Maack's long quest for a chairman for our picnic this summer was finally rewarded when Bro. Joell stepped forward and volunteered his services. Let's all get be-hind Bro. Joell and help him make the picnic

highly successful. We got word word from Kansas City Division We got word from Ransas City Division No. 31 that they plan to charter a bus and bring 20 to 30 members to our April 22 smoker. We will be glad to have them with us and will assure them a big time. Be sure

to bring dues receipt. Bro, Gastreich says 27 initiates will be riding the goat.

We are glad to welcome back Bros. Elmer Griser, Alan Bowler and Edward Dolbow to our Division as active members. Now, let's get the others, as well as new members. We got 5 new members this month and are quickly

reaching our quota.

NEW ORLEANS (F. B. Hicks)—The March meeting was an especially eventful one, made so by the presence of Grand Vice President Sam B. Rittenberg of Birmingham, Ala., who delivered an inspiring and educational speech. Bro. Newman of Chicago was also with us and told us of the preparations being made by the 1951 Convention Committee in Chicago to celebrate the Golden Jubilee Anniversary.

Our St. Patrick's Day party was a very successful one, attended by a large crowd. A handsome profit was also realized. Thanks go to the committee and to the Crescent City Club of the Deaf for letting us use its club

LOWELL (Colin McCord)-Plans for the 30th anniversary of our Division, featuring a banquet at the Rex Roof Garden, Lowell, on Saturday evening, May 20 are about completed. A floor show and dancing will follow the banquet. Committee on arrangements is com-

prised of Chairman Colin McCord, Bennett McMahon, Joseph Dubinski, Joseph Zolnerunas, Harold Daggett and Robert Zito. Tickets for the banquet are priced at \$2.50. For reservations, send money order or check to Colin C. McCord, 87 Andrews St., Lowell, Mass., before May 15. Come one, come all, and join us in the celebration.

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Secretary Bart Burns of Worcester Division No. 60 was a visitor at our March meeting. He conveyed greetings from his

DALLAS (R. J. Dalla) - The Dallas Division has not been dead en its feet by any means despite its absence from THE FRAT news columns. Nearly all of the officers were re-elected for 1950. Hereafter we meet on the first Friday of the month at 1720 S. Ervoy St., the home of the recently purchased Dallas

Silent Club.
Our 33rd Anniversary Party will be held on the 15th of April and the committee in

charge promises a big time.

Ye scribe promises a better write-up the next time "Big D" appears in the news.

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QUEENS (E. Londregan)-We are all set for our Card Party to be held Saturday evening, April 22, at the Jamaica YMCA, rooms A and B. This place is easily reached from midtown, N.Y., on the Queens 8th Ave. Subway. Get off at Parson's Boulevard, Jamaica. Handsome prizes for the winning contestants have been purchased in anticipation of a record turn-

We are also having a Literary Night and movies at the same place on Saturday evening, May 27. Guest speakers with exceptional ability in story telling will be on hand. The movie selected is of the silent variety and very entertaining.

TORONTO (Donald M. Simonds) - Commencing with April, our meetings will be held at the County Orange Hall, room 6, 55 Queen St., East. This hall is just a stone's throw from the newly established Toronto Association of the Deaf, Inc., quarters. The move to our new meeting hall was prompted by the high rental fee of the Royal York Hotel.

Bro. Jack Morrison has lined up a committee to handle the picnic at Sopec Park in Galt, June 27. Bro. Wm. Rule is in charge of transportation, so contact him at 29 Isabella St., Toronto. All indications point to a super affair, so don't miss it.

A fine gesture was shown by the members of our Division when they individually contributed a sum of money to help out in the recent tragic loss of Robert Robertson. A fire destroyed his home and took the life of his eight-year-old daughter. Besides being deaf, Robertson's vision is also greatly impaired but he managed to save his crippled wife from the fire. It is reported that he tried to carry out his daughter too, but in panic she squirmed from her father's grasp and ran back to bed where she perished. A fine gesture was shown by the members and ran back to bed where she perished.

CHICAGO DIVISION No. 106 (Harry Wm. Strom)—This month of April marks the 24th anniversary of our division chartered on April 24th, 1926, with 32 charter members. It was founded by our well-known brother, Peter Livshis, who is still active in our division af-

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fairs as well as in other deaf clubs. Brother Livshis is chairman for our 25th Silver Jubilee Banquet to be held next April, 1951. Every one will know the details as soon as they are

one will know the committee.

Our March meeting was held in our new hall on the 3rd floor of the same building, 333 W. North Ave. It is much larger and is divided into 3 rooms. A large hall for the Fraters, a smaller hall for the Auxiliary, with a kitchen and bar separating the two halls. Lighting is better and no posts are in the way. Come up and see us and enjoy our after meeting socials with the Auxiliary. Refreshmeeting socials with the Auxiliary. way. Come up and see us and enjoy meeting socials with the Auxiliary. ments and drinks are always served.

Date of our smoker is May 12th, after our regular meeting in our new meeting hall. be in charge of our Goat Herder, Fred Hinrichs and committee. Fellows can bring to meet with the their wives and girl friends to meet with the Auxiliary in their own hall, while we have the smoker, after which we can all mix for a social. Of course there'll be eats, drinks wives and girl friends and games.

We were glad to see our friend, Sam Beeker of Milwaukee No. 17 at our March 10th meeting. Thanks Sam, and come again!

CINCINNATI (Wylie Ross)-A Spring Social, sponsored by our Division is scheduled for April 29 at the Adult Deaf Welfare Center, Auburn Ave. (near Huntington Place)

Everybody welcome.

Plans are in the making for an outing in June. As yet the exact place has not been selected, but this and other information will

be revealed in due time. -

NEW HAVEN (Alfred Stevenson)-Bro. Joe Ricca's initial undertaking of a Frat affair was highly successful in the form of a St. Patrick's social held on March 4. New but odd games were played and cash awards presented to winners. Bro. Ricca was ably assisted Bros. Baran, Quinn and Stevenson. Let's l Let's have Some more entertaining evenings, Joe.

Another big July outing is being planned.

Watch for announcement.

CHICAGO No. 1 (Ben Estrin)-Our March meeting drew a good crowd despite the windy weather ushered in by March's lion. At the meeting, Grand President Roberts announced that Bro. David Padden had been appointed a Grand Trustee, succeeding Bro. Rev. George Flick whose resignation was prompted by ill health of both himself and his wife. We

wish Bro. Padden the best of luck.

We have finally landed a new member for 1950. Three or four more are expected to join

we are considering moving down to another hall on the second floor of the same building. Seems the long climb to the third floor leaves everyone pretty exhausted and is especially tough on the older members.

Pro Low Willow chairman of the 1951 Conservations of the same leaves are the long that long the long that long

Bro. Joe Miller, chairman of the 1951 Convention committee, has announced that there will be two more great affairs this year to benefit the 1951 fund. Bro. Roman Sulski will be in charge of a Bunco and Card Party to be held at the Southtown Club of the Deaf Saturday night, May 6. Then on Aug. 12, Bro. Damen will head a committee responsible for a picnic at the Grandview Gardens. Feature of the picnic will be a beauty contest. Make note of the above dates.

July 22 will be the date of our annual picnic and funfest. Chairman Reeves is planning card games in the afternoon and movies at night. Watch for more details in later issues of the

We are glad to hear that Bro. Isaac Newman is convalescing after a serious illness. He is planning a trip southwest for a much needed rest. We wish him a full recovery.

DETROIT (R. Davies)—This is my first venture in writing for the FRAT and hope to write more and better news for all those interested in the Motor City.

We are planning a big picnic come July 16. More details will be furnished in the near

Bro. C. L. Marchione was recently issued a transfer to the Hollywood Division. We have lost a good hustler and we know that he will do as much for the Hollywood Division.

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FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

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## **DIVISION NEWS**

(Continued from page 8)

SCRANTON (Stanley Shanoske)-Have you purchased your ticket for our 30th anniversary celebration? If not, better hurry and get one, celebration? If not, better hurry and get one, so you will be sure to be among our guests the evening of May 20th. Reservations close May 15, and that date isn't as far off as you think. Time has a way of creeping up on us all unawares, so better be prepared for a grand evening of entertainment among friends, old and new. Get that ticket NOW. Don't wait until the last possible minute and thereby risk disappointment. We only have a certain number of tickets and when they are all sold there will be no more. Play safe! Buy now! Be assured—all of us will give you a grand welcome and strive to make you happy! you happy!

PHILADELPHIA (Ralph Harwood)-It seems PHILADELPHIA (Ralph Harwood)—It seems that Philly is gathering steam, and you other divisions had better look out. One of the paramount aims of our new prexy is to make No. 30 outstanding in all respects and the division is in for some tall streamlining insofar as activities are concerned. Brother S. J. Stern, for example, has proposed (aided and abetted by Brother Howard Ferguson) that we consider the foundation of a Ladies Auxiliary. Several members state that the other helf consider the foundation of a Ladies Auxiliary. Several members state that the other half would be, and actually are, anxious to form same. We have little to say about Brother Stern. Nevertheless, in his own unassuming manner he is an important cog in the machinery of No. 30. Just watch his pleasant smile and greetings at each convention. On the other hand—you should see Brother Frank Wahl pulling my coat tails to remind me of his eagerness to serve on the sick committee. his eagerness to serve on the sick committee for his district. That's cooperation for you.

The Frat Frolic has come and gone and a sight for sore eyes that evening was Brother onohue helping out—taking tickets and such. The hall hasn't been treated to such a delight for months. Bro. Donohue hasn't been any too well of late, but that did not prevent him from being one of our most ardent workers. Our hats are off to Brothers Roppelt, Cockley, Warnhetting Poderns Cruzelts, Halmes Cock. Our hats are off to Brothers Roppelt, Cockley, Wahrhaftig, Rodgers, Gryszka, Holman, Cassidy, Krauss et al., assisted by Silk, M. Cohen, and Adelman, in behalf of their arrangements for a pleasant evening. Those who attended claim it was an evening well spent. Representatives from Washington, D.C., Reading, Pa., Manhattan and other divisions were present. present.

One thing more--are you an A.M. or a P.M.? No, we're not talking about ante-meridian or post-meridian. These combinations of letters can also signify the type of member you are. Can you guess what they mean? More about it, in the next issue.

WATERBURY (F. P. Keating)—In the absence of Chairman S. Minicucci, his lovely wife took over his duties at our March social and gave us an entertaining program.

Our May Day social will again have a fem-inine touch as Mrs. Minicucci, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Bolkoski and Miss Lawlor will get together to plan the event. Are we going to have a

Bro. Witkoski has recovered from an attack of pneumonia which tied him up for three

HARTFORD (W. F. Newell)—The Spring Dance scheduled for April 29 has been postponed indefinitely due to conflict with another affair being held on the same day by another organization.

Our sympathy goes to the wife and son of

our late Brother Walter C. Borrows who passed away on March 6. He was a member of our Division since 1916.

Don't forget to draw a circle around the date of Nov. 4. That's the day of our Division's Annual Ball at the Bond Hotel,

Hartford.

KANSAS CITY, MO. (Wm. H. Eades)following write-up was taken from a local paper. Bro. Rhynerson is a member of our

"Fred J. Rhynerson of the Brass Rail Tavern team of the Armour Scratch Bowling league turned in the first triplicate of the city tournament in his singles on the late squad Satur-

day night. Rhynerson, who is a 169 average bowler shot games of—you guessed it: 169-169—169 to total 307."

OLATHE DIV. 14 (E. Goldenberg)—After presumably too much obscurity, Olathe Div. 14 has decided to take off the coat of darkness to join in the circle of the so-called elites. ness to join in the circle of the so-called elites. For the knowledge of the other brothers all over, it was founded in 1907 with seven charter members, namely: Chas. L. Foosbee, G. W. Anderson, J. A. Key, Sol. H. Lantz, Chas. E. Clarke, A. J. Benoit and P. W. Haner. It has grown to 51 members, the great part of whom are away with farming. Of secondary importance, it has an annual picnic in the early part of the summer, naturally, to foster the fraternal spirit plus fun.

Plans are under way for a smoker to welcome in the initiatees after a lapse of a rather

come in the initiatees after a lapse of a rather long time. It falls on Bro. Hurd, Brother long time. It falls on Bro. Hurd, Brother Burch and Bro. Doctor to supply the "fire-works" for the poor victims.

## **NEW MEMBERS**

CHICAGO No. 1—Aaron Kesner.
BROOKLYN No. 23—Charles H. Klein.
ST. LOUIS No. 24—John J. Klock, Harry J.
Rhoads, Joseph F. Richey, Fred Shaftal, Herbert W. Trautner.
MEMPHIS No. 38—Walter S. Griffin.
PORTLAND, ORE. No. 41—Herman M.
Rrekke.

BALTIMORE No. 47—Jack G. Miller.
BALTIMORE No. 63—George J. Clevenger.
SIOUX FALLS No. 74—Norbert P. Behnke.
WILKINSBURG No. 109—Durbin W. Green,

## THE GET-ONE DEGREE

CHICAGO No. 1—Charles F. Holubik.
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ST. LOUIS No. 24—Walter H. Maack (5).
MEMPHIS No. 38—Everette Slate.
PORTLAND, ORE. No. 41—James Drake.
BALTIMORE No. 47—James H. Behrens.
DALLAS No. 63—Harvey B. Welch.
SIOUX FALLS No. 74—Virgil Rasmussen.
WILKINSBURG No. 109—James H. Michael.

# COMEBACKS

ST. LOUIS No. 24—Alan B. Bowler, Edward Dolbow, Elmer L. Griser, Sr. HOLYOKE No. 26—Joseph E. Lavigne.

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Knoxville	10	
Cleveland Indianapolis	30	1
Brooklyn	50	1
St. Louis		8
New Haven Holyoke	10	
Los Angeles	30	1
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Omaha	10	
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Providence		1
Seattle		
Washington	20	
Baltimore	20	1
SyracuseCedar Rapids		1
Albany	10	
Rochester	10	
San Francisco		
ReadingAkron	30	
Salt Lake City	10	
Rockford	10	
Springfield, Ill.	10	1
Davenport	.10	
St. Paul-Minneapolis	.20	
Fort Worth	20	2
Denver		-
Waterbury	.10	
Springfield, Mass Bangor	10	1
Birmingham	.10	
Birmingham		1
Wichita		
Des Moines	10	
Lowell	10	
Berkeley-Oakland	.10	
Delavan Houston	10	
Scranton	10	
Richmond	.10	
Johnstown	.10	1
Jacksonville		-
Peoria	.10	
Jersey City Bronx	10	
Columbia	.10	
Charlotte	10	1
DurhamGrand Rapids		1
Toronto		1
Durham	.10	
Canton	.10	
Faribault Council Bluffs		
Fort Wayne	.10	
Schenectady	.10	
Chicago No. 106 Binghamton	.10	
Binghamton Wilkinsburg San Diego	10	1
San Diego Eau Claire	.10	
Vancouver	.10	
Westchester		1
Montreal		
Hollywood	.10	
Kitchener	.10	
Danville		
Colorado Springs	.10	
Ogden		
Baton Rouge	.10	

# ANNUAL STATEMENT

For the Year Ended Dec. 31, 1949, as Made to State Insurance Departments

BALANCE from previous year......\$3,103,477.55

Mortuary assessments		92,761.49 5,523.36 416.00
Membership fees		
Sick and accident taxes		50,091.60
Convention taxes		4,167.94
General expense taxes		28,587.20
Total from members	\$	181,547.59
Payments refunded		87.89
Net from members	\$	181,459.70
Interest on mortgage loans		61,609.71
Interest on bonds		28,860.97
Dividends on stocks		14,581.67
Interest on certificate loans		532.41
Gross rents		7.275.00
Lodge supplies		445.95
Employees' social security taxes		172.45
Employees' income taxes		2,624.10
Liens and surrender charges		420.55
Subscription to THE FRAT		86.95
Advertising in The Frat		508.10
Property insurance premiums, net		75.00
Recording fees		39.00
Refund after age 70 benefit		50.00
Amortization of bonds		2.34
Amortization of bonds		2.04
Total income	\$	298,743.90
Sum of balance and income	\$3	,402,221.45

### DISBURSEMENTS

Death claims\$ Sick and accident claims	70,360.00 39,635.00
Total benefits\$	109,995.00
Cash surrender values	12,073.40
Claims on supplementary contracts	597.70
Salaries of office empleyees	7,065.79
Salaries of officers	17,308.31
Officers' expenses	287.29
Insurance Department fees	1,023.80
Social Security taxes	291.12
Home Office rent and upkeep	5,000.00
General Office expenses	611.74
Printing and stationery	911.51
Postage, telegraph, telephone	831.10
Lodge supplies	650.23
Official publication—The Frat	5,677.68
Master's deposit	500.00
Home Office equipment depreciation.	1,016.20
Real estate operating costs, etc	6,148.00
	15.00
Association dues	128.00
Surety bond premiums	
	129.45
Mortgage expenses	2,617.50
Escrow refunds, net	5,657.07
Indemnity payments	77.85
Employees' social security taxes	175.01
Employees' income taxes	2,594.00
Amortization of bonds and stocks	2,514.62
Total disbursements \$\ \BALANCE, Dec. 31, 1949 \$	183,897.37

## LEDGER ASSETS

Book value of real estate	
First mortgage loans	1,395,113.58
Book value of bonds and stocks	
Certificate loans	24,895.29
Cash in banks and office	
Home Office equipment	9,145.84
Total ledger assets	\$3,218,324.08

# NON-LEDGER ASSETS

Mortgage interest due and accrued Bond interest accured Assessments collected and due	8,668.10 6,675.51 120.21
Gross assets	,233,787.90
assets	40,263.92
Total admitted assets\$3	,193,523.98

# LIABILITIES, RESERVE AND UNASSIGNED FUNDS

Death claims not completed	3,771.00 2,625.00 1,081.50 1,666.92
Accrued payroll taxes Funds held in escrow Actuarial reserves	252.96 33,175.50 2,428,791.15
Special contingency reserve	

# 1950 Membership Campaign

Walter H. Maack ...... St. Louis...

## EXHIBIT OF CERTIFICATES

Certificates 12-31-48 9,949 Written in 1949 200 Increased	Amount \$7,119,744.00 185,250.00 24,000.00
Totals10,149 Deaths, lapses, decreases, etc. 275	\$7,328,994.00 226,498.00
Certificates         12-31-49         9,874           Deaths reported in 1949         115           Lapses         107           Surrenders         53           Decreases	\$7,102,496.00 70,257.00 81,000.00 28,348.00 46,893.00

### EXHIBIT OF DEATH CLAIMS

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Claims unpaid 12-31-48 Claims reported in 1949	12 115	\$	6,379.00 70,257.00
Totals	127 114	\$	76,636.00 70,360.00
Balance	13 1 12	\$	6,276.00 250.00 6,026.00

## EXHIBIT OF S. & A. CLAIMS

Claims reported in 1949		631	\$ 41,705.00	
Claims paid in 1949		594	39,635.00	
Clain	ns rejecte	ed in 1949	37	\$ 2,070.00

# EXHIBIT OF OLD AGE AND OTHER

Balance 12-31-48 Claims paid in 1949	8 2	\$ 1,679.20 597.70
Balance of future payments	6	\$ 1,081.50

# VALUATION REPORT

For Year Ended Dec. 31, 1949

**FUNDS** 

Death benefit funds Sick and accident funds	\$2,846,761.91 250,621.75
Total benefit funds Expense funds	
Total admitted assets	\$3,193,523.98

## LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Death benefit reserve	\$2,289,632.43
Special contingency reserve	200,000.00
Sick and accident benefit reserve	139,158.72
Death claims payable	9,797.00
Sick and accident claims payable	2,625.00
Balance supplementary contracts	. 1,081.50
Advance assessments	3,226.50
Advance S. & A. taxes	1,610,40
Surplus death benefit funds	
Surplus S. & A. benefit funds	

Total Habilities and surplus benefit	
funds\$3	,097,383.66
Net general expense fund	50,147.07
Net convention fund	9,465.89
Advance expense taxes	1,111.88
Advance convention taxes	145.10
Accrued real estate taxes	1,666.92
Advance rents	175.00
Funds held in escrow	33,175.50
Accrued payroll taxes	252.96

Total	liabilities	and	surplus	all	
fund	ls			\$3,1	93,523.98
Ratio as	sets-liabilit	ies			.117.01%
Ratio ac	tual to exp	pected	mortalit	y	. 48.65 %
Interest	rate benef	it fur	nds		. 3.45 %
Value	tion report	atto	stad by	Antroni	oc F D

Valuation report attested by Actuaries E. D. Brown, Jr., for the United States, and Maurice Wolfman for the Dominion of Canada.

WANTED: Information as to the present address of JESSE ORAN THOMAS, who joined the society April 1, 1943 but disappeared. The information is wanted by his mother.

MRS. EMMA THOMAS Route 1, Box 107 Exeter, Missouri

OBITUARY

JOHN R. FERNINGER, 62. Entry Oct. 1, 1907. Died March 1, 1950. Certificate No. 497-C. Indianapolis Div. No. 22.

ARTHUR O. STEIDEMANN, 67. Entry June 1, 1909. Died Feb. 26, 1950. Certificate No. 723-D. St. Louis Div. No. 24.

THEODORE H. BRUMBACK, 66. Entry Nov. 2, 1909. Died Feb. 27, 1950. Certificate No. 768-D. Indianapolis Div. No. 22.

HENRY W. EICKHORN, 64. Entry Sept. 1, 1911. Died March 16, 1950. Certificate No. 1200-D. Grand Rapids Div. No. 97.

JOSEPH T. PALECEK, 76. Entry April 1, 1913. Died March 6, 1950. Certificate No. 1640-C. St. Louis Div. No. 24.

NACE L. HUTCHISON, 58. Entry Oct. 1, 1914. Died Jan. 28, 1950. Certificate No. 2179-D. Memphis Div. No. 38.

WALTER C. BARROWS, 74. Entry May 1, 1916. Died March 6, 1950. Certificate No. 2628-E, Hartford Div. No. 37.

OLAF L. LARSEN, 70. Entry April 2, 1917. Died Feb. 24, 1950. Certificate No. 3137-D. Des Moines Div. No. 77.

HARRY M. DUNDAS, 65. Entry April 1, 1919. Died Feb. 26, 1950. Certificate No. 4401-D. Saginaw Div. No. 3.

CHARLES BIRCH, 65. Entry June 2, 1919. Died Feb. 2, 1950. Certificate No. 4401-D. Saginaw Div. No. 3.

CHARLES BIRCH, 65. Entry Sept. 1, 1919. Died Feb. 25, 1950. Certificate No. 4401-D. Cincinnati. Div. No. 10.

WILLIAM B. MELLIS, 57. Entry Sept. 1, 1919. Died Feb. 25, 1950. Certificate No. 4491-D. Cincinnati. Div. No. 10.

WILLIAM H. WATERBURY, 65. Entry Feb. 1, 1920. Died March 12, 1950. Certificate No. 4985-C. Newark Div. No. 42.

NICHOLAS G. DOMENICI, 54. Entry March 1, 1927. Died Feb. 27, 1950. Certificate No. 8177-D. Jersey City Div. No. 91.

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Nashville, TennOlathe, Kans	146.38
Flint, Mich	210.35
Milwaukoo Wis	220.56 280.58
Milwaukee, Wis Columbus, O Knoxville, Tenn Cleveland, O	161.47
Knoxville, Tenn	97.87 410.35
Indianapolis, Ind.	382.37
Brooklyn, N.Y.	793.38
St. Louis, Mo New Haven, Conn	271.66 91.39
Holyoke, Mass.	51.17
Los Angeles, Cal	513.33 192.29
Philadelphia, Pa Kansas City, Mo	521.12
Kansas City, Mo Omaha, Neb	156.56 178.78
New Orleans, La.	230.53
Boston, Mass	335.97 133.27
Hartford, Conn.	125.00
Hartford, Conn	218.13 136.49
Buffalo N Y	130.97
Poutland Ove	218.48
Providence, R. I.	106.68 129.86
Newark, N. J Providence, R. I. Seattle, Wash.	161.15
Utica, N. Y Washington, D. C Baltimore, Md Syracuse, N. Y Cedar Rapids, Iowa	114.53 462.05
Baltimore, Md	233.02
Syracuse, N. Y	70.01 76.88
Albany, N. Y. Rochester, N. Y.	
Rochester, N. Y	80.11 180.01
Reading, Pa.	109.52
Reading, Pa	481.21 101.22
Rockford, Ill.	136.95
Springfield, Ill.	57.51
Davenport, Iowa	39.77 99.82
St. Paul-Minneapolis, Minn	326.44
Fort Worth, Texas	156.79 245.27
Dallas, Texas.  Denver, Colo.	141.88
Waterbury, Conn. Springfield, Mass.	82.74 105.63
Bangor, Me.	60.76
Birmingham, Ala	366.33 99.81
Sioux Falls, S. D. Wichita, Kans.	223.46
Spokane, Wash	179.18 177.21
Des Moines, Iowa Lowell, Mass	87.23
Lowell, Mass Berkeley-Oakland, Cal	268.88
Delavan, Wis	178.03 348.66
Scranton, Pa.	58.04
Richmond, Va	165.53
Johnstown, Pa	69.13 457.60
Jacksonville, Ill	39.64
Peoria, Ill	62.21
Jersey City, N. J. Bronx, N. Y.	105.88 220.98
Columbia, S. C.	176.59
Charlotte, N. C	179.37 317.31
Durham, N. C	135.55
Toronto, Ont.	574.51
Duluth, Minn	57.69
Canton, O	47.63 124.91
Council Bluffs, Iowa	58.89
Fort Wayne, Ind	103.07 27.19
Chicago, Ill., No. 106	133.22
Binghamton, N.Y. Wilkinsburg, Pa.	62.67
Wilkinsburg, Pa. San Diego, Calif	98.32 45.11
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Vancouver, Wash	60.07
Westchester, N.Y.	148.93 102.95
Montreal, Que.	136.80
Hollywood, Calif	93.59
Kitchener, Ont.	
Trenton, N.J	98.63 415.69
Colorado Springs, Colo	72.99
Ogden, Utah Baton Rouge, La.	23.10 $91.37$
Total collections	18,492.11

# TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR FEBRUARY, 1950

Balance and Income	
Balance, Jan. 31, 1950	\$3,241,935.67
Division collections	
Interest and dividends	7,976.61
Exchange deposits	276.45
Escrow deposits	5,132.39
Liens and surrender charges	23.91
Property insurance premiums	
Withheld income tax	
Withheld social security tax	32.25
Lodge supplies	
Recording fees	1.50
Subscriptions to The Frat	14.00
Total balance and income	\$3 274 852 47

# Disbursements Disbursements Death benefits \$ Sick benefits \$ Accident benefits \$ Old-age income payments. Class F income payments. Cash surrender values. Refund of dues. Escrow refund Exchange checks $\begin{array}{c} 6,337.00 \\ 2,130.00 \\ 770.00 \\ 31.34 \\ 12.50 \\ 1,052.06 \\ 2.52 \\ 2,491.12 \\ 276.45 \\ 89.85 \\ 325.00 \\ 540.00 \\ 225.30 \\ 725.00 \\ 66.56 \\ 10.00 \\ 1,458.33 \\ 476.04 \end{array}$ Refund of dues. Escrow refund Eschange checks Accrued interest on bonds. Mortgage expenses Clerical services Employees' income tax. Insurance Department fees. Office expenses Officers' expenses Officers' and Trustees' salaries. Official publication Postage, telegraph, telephone. Printing and stationery. Property insurance premiums. Real estate operating expenses. Social security taxes. 90.14 197.74 669.48 226.09 64.70

Total disbursements	\$ 18,267.22
Recapitulation	
Balance and income Disbursements	\$3,274,852.47 18,267.22
Balance, Feb. 28, 1950	\$3,256,585.25

## TRUSTEE'S REPORT

## Ledger Assets, Feb. 28, 1950

Bonds and stocks	
First mortgage loans	1,359,161.13
Bank deposits	356,943.82
Real estate	
Certificate loans	
Home Office equipment	9,358.72
Cash in society's office	359.15
Total ledger assets	\$3,256,585.25

## Balances in Funds

Buildices in a unus	
Mortuary funds	\$2,864,686.93
Sick and accident funds	258,278.14
General expense fund	58,558.63
Suspense account	42,818.19
Accumulated interest	
Convention fund	10,640.21
Indemnity fund	5,299.11
Total in all funds	\$3 256 585 25

## BIRTHS

Aug. 5—Mr. and Mrs. Howard Alliman, Toledo, Ohio, a boy.
Oct. 10—Mr. and Mrs. Don Weitz, Findlay, Ohio, a boy.

Onio, a boy.

Dec. 12—Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Mayo,
Holyoke, Mass., a girl.

Jan. 5—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cicciatore,
Colorado Springs, Colo., a boy.

Jan. 18-Mr. and Mrs. Louis Morello, Brooklyn, N.Y., a girl.

Feb. 4—Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Macedo, Providence, R.I., a boy.
Feb. 10—Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Augustine, New Haven, Conn., a boy.
Feb. 13—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schwager, Toronto, Canada, a boy.
Feb. 15—Mr. and Mrs. P.

Feb. 15—Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Doucette, Holyoke, Mass., a boy.

Feb. 15—Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Tanner, Syracuse, N.Y., a girl.

Feb. 15—Mr. and Mrs. Zan Sarkisian, Providence, R.I., twins—a boy and girl.

Feb. 22-Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Trimarchi, Albany, N.Y., a girl.

Feb. 23—Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Childress, New Orleans, La., a girl.

March 2—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walnyski, Hartford, Conn., a boy.

March 8—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas G. Fishler, Colorado Springs, Colo., a boy.

March 9-Mr. and Mrs. John Prinzevalle, Rockford, Ill., a girl.

# FEBRUARY DISABILITY CLAIMS

Wm. C. Brooks, Los Angeles, Calif \$	150.00
Philip Gershuny, Montreal, Que	50.00
J. H. Beyer, Rochester, N.Y.	70.00
R. A James, Omaha, Nebr.	50.00
S. B. Alley, Washington, D.C. R. L. Levan, Binghamton, N.Y. W. F. Reinhold, Akron, O.	15.00
R. L. Levan, Binghamton, N.Y.	45.00
W. F. Reinhold, Akron, O.	45.00
Nathan Hardwick, Akron, O.	45.00
William Hunter, Akron, O	30.00
Wathan Hardwick, Akron, O. William Hunter, Akron, O.  *G. A. Sheatsley, Seattle, Wash. C. F. Taylor, San Francisco, Calif. Carl Schurman, Springfield, Ill. W. E. Fahien, St. Louis, Mo.	15.00
C. F. Taylor, San Francisco, Calif	20.00
Carl Schurman, Springfield, Ill.	10.00
W. E. Fahien, St. Louis, Mo.	50.00
J. V. Gambino, St. Louis, Mo	30.00
*Hyman Rubin, Bronx, N.Y.	60.00
*Hyman Rubin, Bronx, N.Y M. J. Viargues, San Francisco, Calif	40.00
*Frank Mio, Spokane, Wash	45.00
C E Vickers Hollywood Calif	150.00
C. R. King Danville Ky	40.00
M I Keefe Peorie III	50.00
R I. Winston St Paul Minneapolis	30.00
C. R. King, Danville, Ky	40.00
I. F. Hanson St. Paul Minneapolis	40.00
Minn.	90.00
Minn.	20.00
A. H. MacDonald, Montreal, Que	25.00
W. R. Albert, Dayton, O	20.00
Nuncio Lattanzio, Newark, N.J	15.00
N. B. Seten, Sloux Falls, S.D.	30.00
M. C. Stewart, Sioux Falls, S.D	30.00
Sidney Gross, Manhattan, N.Y	60.00
C. H. Ashe, Memphis, Tenn.	10.00
J. E. Lacour, New Orleans, La	30.00
D. J. Weems, New Orleans, La	30.00
*H. M. Tiemens, St. Paul-Minneapolis,	
Minn *Clinton Hood, Providence, R.I. L. Damilowski, New Haven, Conn. J. A. Di Leo, Waterbury, Conn.	150.00
*Clinton Hood, Providence, R.I	90.00
L. Damilowski, New Haven, Conn	75.00
J. A. Di Leo, Waterbury, Conn	30.00
C. E. Thompson, Wichita, Kans O. S. Kemper, Columbus, O	120.00
O. S. Kemper, Columbus, O.	50.00
J. J. Kociubinsky, Philadelphia, Pa	45.00
J. J. Kociubinsky, Philadelphia, Pa *Maurice Wildrick, Rockford, Ill R. F. Drake, Little Rock, Ark A. A. Fuller, Toronto, Ont	105.00
R. F. Drake, Little Rock, Ark	50.00
A. A. Fuller, Toronto, Ont.	75.00
William Abrams, Toronto, Ont	50.00
V. D. Marechal, Montreal, Que	80.00
R. J. Lloyd, Scranton, Pa.	120.00
R. M. Baxter, Utica, N.Y. J. E. Pugh, Wichita, Kans.	105.00
J. E. Pugh, Wichita, Kans	50.00
G J. Benton, Atlanta, Ga	30.00
G J. Benton, Atlanta, Ga. H. W. Wade, Columbus, O. *C. E. Orberg, Springfield, Mass. *P. A. Kerins, Trenton, N.J. *Pani, Thal Philadelphia, P.	60.00
*C. E. Orberg, Springfield, Mass	150.00
*P. A. Kerins, Trenton, N.J.	45.00
Denj. Thai, I hhadelphia, I a	50.00
E. E. Adams, Cedar Rapids, Iowa	50.00

# FEBRUARY DEATH CLAIMS

Robert M. Grubbs, Indianapolis, Ind	\$ 500.00	
David E. Thomas, Rockford, Ill	500.00	
Charles H. Ashe, Memphis, Tenn	1,000.00	
Eugene O. Meier, Westchester, N.Y	500.00	
William E. Fahien, St. Louis, Mo	1,000.00	
*Howard Hafften, St. Paul, Minn	84.00	
Warren R. Albert, Dayton, O		
*Sam A. Goodrich, Dallas, Texas	278.00	
*Nace L. Hutchison, Memphis, Tenn.	190.00	
*William R. Hutcheson, Knoxville,		
Tenn.	285.00	
John H. Reye, Cleveland, O	500.00	
John W. Barrett, Los Angeles, Calif	500.00	
Total for the month	\$6 337 00	

\*Indicates paid-up benefits.

\*Indicates accident claims.

# MARRIAGES

Feb. 11—Joseph L. Palka, East Hartford, Conn., and Albina Chilvin, Hartford, Conn.

Feb. 19—Marvin S. Weiner and Pearl Schnaebel, both of Los Angeles, Calif.

Feb. 25—Frank Richeaux and Beulah Austin, both of New Orleans, La.  $\,$ 

March 3—Royce Knapp, Northville, N.D., and Emma Lietdke, Elgin, N.D.

# **ENGAGEMENTS**

Dec. 3—Nimrod Courtney, Jr., and Isabelle Moore, both of Cleveland, Ohio.

Feb. 14—Charles B. Good, Brooklyn, N.Y., and Bernice Miller, Paterson, N.J.

Feb. 25—Milton Cohen, Brooklyn, N.Y., and Yetta Nissel, N.Y., N.Y.
March 1—Chester C. Dobson, Washington, D.C., and Bertha C. Brown, Colorado Springs, Colo.

# DEATHS

Jan. 26—Mary Connolly, wife of Thomas Connolly, Boston, Mass.