

# Plans Progressing Rapidly for Annual Valentine Party, Dance of February 16

Plans are progressing rapidly for the annual Valentine party and dance scheduled for Saturday evening, Feb. 16. This should be a must date for all of us.

Based on past performances as accurate criteria, this should be a superb affair. Arrangements have been made for dancing to the music of the Four Kings. As is the usual case, food in abundance and goodness will be served by Downers Grove Chapter 973, Women of the Moose, in a manner of excellence which only our Moose women can offer.

Those who have attended this party in other years should know that no effort nor expense is

spared in giving the members and the party a time that will not be forgotten, and for this reason a large turnout is expected. In view of the contemplated large attendance, therefore, admission will be restricted to members and wives or sweethearts.

Admission price will be \$1 per person. This will include food and also entitle each ticket holder to other benefits of the evening.

Our lodge hopes that all members will show their appreciation of the vast efforts put forth by the committee charged with the responsibility of this affair by keeping Feb. 16 open on their social calendars in order to attend this party.

## Special Initiation, Candidates' Party Saturday, Jan. 26

Here is the second of our Saturday night candlelight initiations and candidates' parties.

Anyone who attended the last Saturday initiation knows the fun and good time had by all. The initiation ceremony will start at 7:30 p. m. promptly. Following the initiation the candidates' party will follow. There will be dancing to a good orchestra, another one of those famous smorgasbord dinners served by the faithful Women of the Moose and maybe some sort of liquid refreshments. The candidate and his wife or sweetheart will be admitted free. All others will contribute the very nominal sum of \$1.25 for one of the best meals ever tasted. You will see the biggest assortment of delicacies you ever saw under one roof. If you start at the end of the table and put one of everything they have to offer on your plate, you won't be able to carry it. It's worth \$1.25 just to come in and look at the food display.

All brothers that have candidates signed up please make every effort to get them here for this Saturday night initiation and party. It goes without saying that you should accompany them.

Brothers who don't have candidates to bring to the initiation are cordially invited to come along and bring the wife or girl friend (not both). We can promise you one of the most enjoyable Saturday night parties you will attend this year. It is a real way to welcome our new brothers into the lodge and a good chance to meet them and their wives.

The degree staff picked to exem-

## Calendar of Coming Events

- Jan. 25 —Accordionist after bowling, Sam Lamonica.
- Jan. 26 —Dance music by Reveliers.
- Jan. 28 —Degree staff and quartet practice.
- Feb. 1 —Accordionist after bowling, Sam Lamonica.
- Feb. 2 —Dance music by Four Kings.
- Feb. 4 —Degree staff and quartet practice.
- Feb. 7 —Lodge meeting, 9 p.m.
- Feb. 8 —Accordionist, Sam Lamonica.
- Feb. 9 —Dance music by Dick Buchner.
- Feb. 10 —Moose Legion booster breakfast, 10 a.m.
- Feb. 11 —Degree staff and quartet practice.
- Feb. 14 —Roses are red, Violets are blue, I like the Moose and so should you.—Happy Valentine!
- Feb. 15 —Accordionist, Sam Lamonica.
- Feb. 16 —Valentine's party; dance music by Four Kings.
- Feb. 18 —Degree staff and quartet practice.
- Feb. 21 —Lodge meeting, 9 p.m.
- Feb. 22 —District meeting, accordionist Sam Lamonica
- Feb. 23 —Dance music by Sweet Tones.

plify the ritual on Saturday is being kept a secret for the present, mos'ly because the writer doesn't know which one it is going to be at this time. But no matter what staff we use, even our own, it will be an enjoyable evening. And, if you plan to attend the party, why not come a little early and sit in on the initiation ceremony?

Don't forget the date now—Saturday, Jan. 26, at 7:30 p. m. in our lodge hall. Let's make it the biggest and best initiation and party of the new year.

## Out-of-Town Guest

Mrs. J. J. Sturz of Stanford, Fla., attended our New Year's eve party together with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Van Dahn. The Hromadas and Laves were also included in this distinguished party.

## HOW IS IT DONE?

We don't know what he has that we other good (?) husbands may be lacking, but the Hon. A. A. (Moe) Moore received a new Chrysler for Christmas from his wife. Christened "Chris," the new automobile is a block in length, with a 180 horsepower motor that will make it go like the region to which we do not aspire after death comes.

Let us in on the secret, Moe. Just how do you go about promoting a deal like this. "Chris, the Chrysler—boy, what a Christmas present!"

## BIRTHDAYS

- Russell Bollow, Dec. 26.
- George Pelling, Dec. 26.
- Frank Brand, Dec. 27.
- Paul J. Simmons, Dec. 30.
- William Antonoff, Jan. 2.
- Anita Punzio, Jan. 5.

## New Year's Eve Party Highlight of Gay Holidays

A gay crowd of several hundred persons, still in a holiday mood, attended the New Year's party at the clubrooms on Monday evening, Dec. 31.

The merrymakers gathered early on the last night of old 1951 and amid colorful decorations and with everyone supplied with noisemakers and other favors, gaiety held sway until the wee hours.

Dancing was the main attraction with music furnished by the Reveliers, which group, as usual, gave a splendid account of itself with a wide selection of tunes and dances.

Prizes were also distributed to many.

Shortly after the arrival of the New Year, the Women of the Moose served a roast beef dinner which was enjoyed by all (with a few exceptions due to the large turnout). The ladies had their hands full dishing out the warm food, which was a welcome repast.

The committee is to be complimented on putting on such a fine affair. It is regretted that Jerry Martinek, committee chairman of the party, was unable to assist in completing the final arrangements due to sickness in his family, but other members quickly came to the rescue and congratulations should be extended to all those members who worked to give the club a real ending to a happy holiday season, and which brought together many old friends and allowed others the opportunity to make new acquaintances.

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Monday through Thursday:  
1:30 P. M. to 5:45 P. M.  
7:00 P. M. to 12:00 P. M.  
Friday:  
1:30 P. M. to 5:45 P. M.  
7:00 P. M. to 1:00 P. M.  
Saturday:  
9:30 A. M. to 6:00 P. M.  
7:00 P. M. to 2:00 A. M.  
Sunday:  
9:30 A. M. to 6:00 P. M.  
\*Holidays:  
9:30 A. M. to 6:00 P. M.  
7:00 P. M. to 12:00 P. M.

\*This applies all holidays except  
Christmas Day, when Club Room  
will be open the same as Sunday.  
Club Room will also be closed  
Christmas Eve.

**CLUB STEWARDS**  
Joe Jurewicz, Chief Steward  
Earl Antonoff  
**MAINTENANCE**  
Gene Leitham Tom Conrad

## A Lucky Brother; It's Red Borman

All eyes are casting envious  
glances at our brother, Herman  
"Red" Borman, for being so fortunate  
as to get the chance to travel  
west to California over the holi-  
days in order to see the now his-  
toric Rose Bowl football classic at  
Pasadena, and particularly to watch  
his son Herb help the Fighting  
Illini in their rout of Leland Stan-  
ford university of Palo Alto, Calif.  
Red, his wife and other members  
of his family traveled both ways  
by plane, and we wonder how Red  
took some of the bumps that are  
often experienced in passing over  
those mountains.

Knowing Red as we do, the gen-  
tleman had a jolly time on his holi-  
day vacation, and we as his Moose  
brothers are proud that his son  
played such a sterling role in the  
victory by the representative of  
our state and our Big Ten confer-  
rence. Her's hoping Red has many  
more chances to travel, but remem-  
ber, Red, to return always to good  
old lodge No. 1535.

## PACHTER-DAVIS

Ronny Pachter took unto himself  
a bride, the former Doris Davis of  
Westmont. The wedding took place  
Dec. 26. Congratulations, and many  
years of happiness!

# GOVERNOR'S COLUMN

Brothers, let us start the new  
year with proper enthusiasm tow-  
ard promoting our fraternal and  
social activities. In the last Round-  
up I requested brothers who are  
able and interested in the activities  
listed to volunteer to start on these  
committees. To date I have received  
no response. We have a Round-up  
suggestion box on the north wall  
of the club room. Please place  
your suggestions in there or else  
contact the secretary, Charles Kosar,  
or myself if you have any con-  
structive offerings to make.

How about you younger members  
seeing Taylor Brown or myself in  
reference to softball? This is the  
time to get busy and plan for future  
social and sports events.

A long range program of plan-  
ning always paves the way for suc-  
cess in any undertaking. At the  
present time we should be planning  
our annual sloop pool tournament.  
Let us get on the ball and do things  
now. Don't forget we are supposed  
to take the initiative in sports this  
year.

Many times I have listened to  
complaints about lack of interest-  
ing activities to occupy our time  
at the club. This complaint, how-  
ever, is partly everyone's fault, if  
they do not do anything about it.

There could be ten or more  
groups meeting at stated times,  
enjoying or doing the things that  
they excel or like to compete in if  
they wish; sitting back on your haunches  
and letting the other fellow start  
isn't the way to start the ball roll-  
ing.

The officers of the lodge can only  
offer you the place to meet in and  
help you or the various groups get  
started. If you only let any one of  
us know what your pleasure is re-  
garding any activities.

I understand Hank Patz was the  
last champion in cribbage. Why not  
challenge him now? Seven mem-  
bers stated on their cards that they  
were interested in cribbage. Twen-  
ty-eight members stated they like  
pinochle. How about a tourney!  
There should be an interesting  
event or two taking place here each  
night of the week. Let's get going  
now!

We have a fine degree staff,  
Round-up, editorial staff, entertain-  
ment committee, food committee,  
bowling committee and party com-  
mittee this year; let us also produce  
a quartet and sports committee too.  
We could also use a pianist at once.  
Our Legion booster club is also  
functioning with good results. See  
Frank Brand about attending our  
next Legion breakfast and sign up  
for the Legion of the Moose. A  
special games night is in the pro-  
cess of formulation for Fridays,  
after bowling, in connection with  
our Legion activities. Please be  
alert to notices of when game events  
take place.

If you haven't signed up a candi-  
date for the candidates' party get  
busy now and have one for the  
next initiation. We want to fill our  
quota and get a 1,000 members in  
our lodge. Remember this is our  
"good neighbor" campaign; get  
your neighbor signed up at once.  
There are only a few days left  
to pay in to be an annual payer.  
Try for an annual payer award.  
Competition for degree staffs of this  
district will take place Sunday af-  
ternoon, March 2, at Elgin. Please  
try to boost your degree staff and  
give them support by attending.

Fraternally,  
Fred C. Euler, Governor

# Bowling Sidelights

Final standings for the first half  
of the season in our Temple league  
show the following team results:

	W	L
Ted's Place	35	13
Bill's Gophers	31	17
Thrifty Service	26	22
Abbott Liquors	23	25
D. G. Sheet Metal	22	26
Jimmie's Grill	20	28
O. G. Pub	19	29
Phipps Mowers	16	32

**Individual Standings**

Herbold, Bill's	169-36
Kovacic, O. G. Pub	167-12
Jurewicz, Ted's	166-2
Johnson, Ted's	163-34
Kutnik, Jimmie's	163-10
Beattie, Thrifty	162-27
Irwin, Thrifty	161-5
Rosinski, Ted's	158-19
Borman, Jimmie's	158-18
Phipps, Phipp's	156-21
Erickson, Bill's	156-9
Lundberg, Sheet Metal	155-29
Brookins, Abbott's	154-33
Regan, Sheet Metal	151-24
L. Creed, O. G. Pub	150-23
Pickell, Thrifty	150-22
Lester, Sheet Metal	149-43
Swanson, Abbott's	148-2
Greene, Thrifty	147-19
Podhradsky, Phipp's	143-13
Vitek, Sheet Metal	142-20
Watts, Phipp's	142-12
Newton, Ted's	141-4
Tanner, Abbott's	140-18
Patz, Ted's	139-23
Vath, Jimmie's	137-30
Crawley, Phipp's	137-9
Downer, O. G. Pub	134-4
Bukowski, Phipp's	133-43
R. Creed, Sheet Metal	133
Vyskocil, O. G. Pub	131-20
Gullick, Thrifty	131-15
Pitzpatrick, Abbott's	131-7
Pachter, Bill's	130-24
Wierda, Bill's	129-34
Glendenning, Jimmie's	123-34
Zeiss, Bill's	123-4
Mattson, O. G. Pub	121-18
Margison, Jimmie's	112-15
Swailes, Abbott's	109-37

**High Team Series**

Ted's Place	2962
Abbott Liquors	2958
Phipps Mowers	2927

**High Team Game**

Abbott Liquors	1053
Thrifty Service	1047
Jimmie's Grill	1039

**High Individual Series**

Brookins	589
Herbold	559
Jurewicz	558

**High Individual Game**

Kutnik	232
Brookins	222
Erickson	217

Herbold to date has the highest  
individual average with 169-36 pins  
per game. High among the lower  
20 bowlers in individual standings  
is Vitek with a 142-20 average. High  
man for the top 20 for increase in  
average after nine games of bow-  
ling is Ray Swanson. High man  
for the lower 20 in the same de-  
partment is Hank Patz.

The first half is now ancient his-  
tory, brothers, so let us all go out  
and get a lot of timber in the sec-  
ond half. If there are any brothers  
that would like to be placed on  
the extra list please contact Hank  
Herbold or Joe Jurewicz. First  
name on the list will be placed on  
a team as soon as there is an open-  
ing.

**ANNIVERSARY**  
Mr. and Mrs. Ed Zelenka ob-  
served their fifth wedding anniver-  
sary Jan. 11. Congratulations, folks,  
and may you have many more hap-  
py years.

# Old Man Weather Interferes With Christmas Party

Old man weather sure interfere  
with our 1951 children's Christmas  
party. Attendance was about 10  
per cent of what it should have  
been.

I'm sure that all children atten-  
ding were well pleased with their  
stockings and gifts they received.  
Every possible effort was made to  
take care of the children not being  
able to attend.

The mail situation didn't help  
matters either; I'm still getting re-  
turn cards in the mail on Jan. 1.  
I received ten cards, six the day  
before and so on back. I hope that  
the end has arrived.

Due to the mail tieup tickets were  
mailed out only two times. I gave  
out tickets at the club on the Thurs-  
day and Friday nights prior to the  
party. All persons calling in were  
told to come right to the theater  
and they received tickets there.

It was announced in the last issue  
of the Roundup that we would try  
and deliver to sick children; we  
were unable to do this due to the  
road conditions and the great num-  
ber that were unable to attend.  
Therefore it was announced at the  
theater and to all people that called  
either myself or the club that hour  
had been set up to give out stock-  
ings and gifts to the fathers that  
came to the club. Those hours  
were on Saturday evening, Dec. 2  
from 7:30 p. m. to closing; Sunday  
morning we were there from 10:00  
a. m. until about 2:00 p. m.; Mon-  
day afternoon I took care of sev-  
eral brothers, Christmas morning  
and afternoon, the following Thurs-  
day night and also Thursday, Jan-  
uary 3, brothers were receiving gifts for  
their children. All surplus stock-  
ings were taken to Mooseheart on  
Friday, Dec. 28. I know that there  
were some children that missed out  
but every effort on my part and  
on the part of the committee was  
made to make gifts available for  
as long a period of time and as  
many times as possible.

Provisions were made for 80  
children; gross cost was \$1,081.90.  
Sales of surplus fruit and nuts plus  
toys left over that will be stored  
for future use reduced the cost to  
a net of \$871.15.

Another unfortunate thing was  
that the stockings we ordered must  
have been out of stock, and small  
ones were substituted. Apples and  
oranges didn't fit in these small  
stockings, so therefore it became  
necessary to put the fruit and the  
stockings into a paper bag.

I would like to thank all broth-  
ers that helped make the Christmas  
party what it was; many brothers  
donated time to pack stockings,  
give our stockings and gifts, usher,  
ered, etc. To all those brothers  
thanks again and to old man winter  
foe.

Thank you!  
—Frank C. Brand

**CONGRATULATIONS**  
Congratulations are in order to  
Irene, daughter of past governor  
Charles Zebraski, on her promotion  
to a secretarial position at Western  
Electric.

**SONGBIRD IN CROWD**  
It appears as though we have  
new songbird in our midst. Have  
you heard Mrs. Emil Lukes sing?  
Perhaps we can get her to sing  
again some Saturday evening.

**WOMEN OF THE MOOSE NO. 973**  
Meetings first and third Wednesdays  
of the month.

**Officers**

Molly Euler.....Senior Regent  
Viola Swalles.....Jr. Graduate Regent  
Josephine Mulac.....Junior Regent  
Mitz. Kolar.....Chaplain  
Veronica Otto.....Treasurer  
Evelyn Herbold.....Recorder  
Mabel Hanes.....Argus  
Mildred Greene.....Sentinel  
Marjorie Tanner.....Guide  
Marie Prochazka.....Ass't Guide  
Camille Plankinton.....Pianist

**Committee Chairmen**

Library.....Jo Ann La Sota  
Publicity.....Phyllis McMullan  
Hospital.....Helen Peterson  
Homemaking.....Anna Euler  
Child Care and Training.....

.....Virginia Burke  
Ritual.....Esther Phipps  
Mooseheart.....Kay Murphy  
Moosehaven.....Delores Greisser  
Mooseheart Alumni.....Dolly Pryde  
Social Service.....Kathryn Swanson  
Membership.....Elizabeth Marker  
Friendship.....Della Ziehlke  
College of Regents.....Ann Shrove

**Senior Regent's Escorts**

Dorothy Worth Marge Stefenhagen  
Jesse Watts Dolly Pryde  
Mary Brand Bessie Stefenhagen  
Shirley Wilkins Eimly Meisner  
Esther Phipps

**Women of the Moose**

By Phyllis McMullen

The Moosehaven chapter night was held on Dec. 19 with senior regent Molly Euler presiding. Delores Greisser, the Moosehaven chairman, was escorted to the senior regent's station and introduced; she then presided for her portion of the evening. Due to the very bad weather no entertainment was held. Delores thanked the chapter for all of the lovely presents they gave for the folks at Moosehaven.

Class initiation was held and Edith Seymour, sponsored by Marge Tanner; Fritz Hankel, sponsored by Evelyn Herbold, and Jennie Faber, sponsored by Kay Murphy, were welcomed into our defending circle.

It was announced that the secret pals had received permission from the chapter to penalize any co-worker who when speaking to another co-worker does not know her name. The penalty for each offense will be one penny. The proceeds from this will be turned over to the chapter. By doing this we will all make an effort to become acquainted with all of our co-workers. There has been a short period of grace allowed so that new co-workers can learn the names of others.

Regular closed meeting convened on Jan. 2 with senior regent Molly Euler presiding. Roll call of officers, escorts and committee chairmen was held. Minutes of previous meetings were read and approved. An announcement was made by our senior regent that our chapter will take an active part in the mid-winter conference which will be held at the Cicero chapter on Jan. 27, time 1:30 p. m. Admission to the conference will be a paid dues receipt and any co-worker having such may attend. All officers, escorts and committee chairmen are especially urged to attend. Formals are in order. Our own college of regents member, Camille Plankinton, has the honor to invest the stoles to the qualified members of the college of regents at this meeting. Let's make every effort to attend.

May I remind all of the co-workers that from now on post cards

announcing the chapter's meetings and activities will be sent out only once a month, so please when you receive yours take good care of it. If any questions should arise as to the date of any of our activities you may feel free to call our recorder, Evelyn Herbold, senior regent Molly Euler, or any of the committee chairmen.

We are very sorry to hear that Bess Koubec is ill in the McNeal hospital and Josephine Hoffman is confined to her home. Come on co-workers, let's send the girls some cards.

The senior regent thanked all the girls for their splendid help in serving the New Year's dinner. Yours truly says that you could not have found a better one anywhere in Chicago.

The meeting adjourned to meet again on Jan. 16 at 8:30 p. m. This was child care and training chapter night, with Virginia Burke, chairman, presiding.

After this meeting the senior regent was surprised with a hankie shower in honor of her birthday, which was Jan. 1. Happy birthday, Molly, and may the coming year be filled with joy, health and all the things you want!

**Coming Events**

Jan. 25—Ritual practice at 8:00 p. m. sharp.

Jan. 27—Mid-winter conference to be held at Cicero chapter 747. Time, 1:30 p. m. All officers, escorts and chairmen to be present. Formals, please.

Feb. 6—Closed meeting.

**District 2 Notes**

We attended the district 2 meeting at Elmhurst Lodge No. 1553, held at Villa Park on Friday, Jan. 8.

Due to the bad roads and severe weather only Elmhurst (our host lodge), Joliet and Downers Grove were present. The next district 2 meeting will be held at Joliet. Notice of the date will be sent each lodge. District degree staff business will be on the agenda for this meeting. All degree staff chairmen of our district are urged to attend.

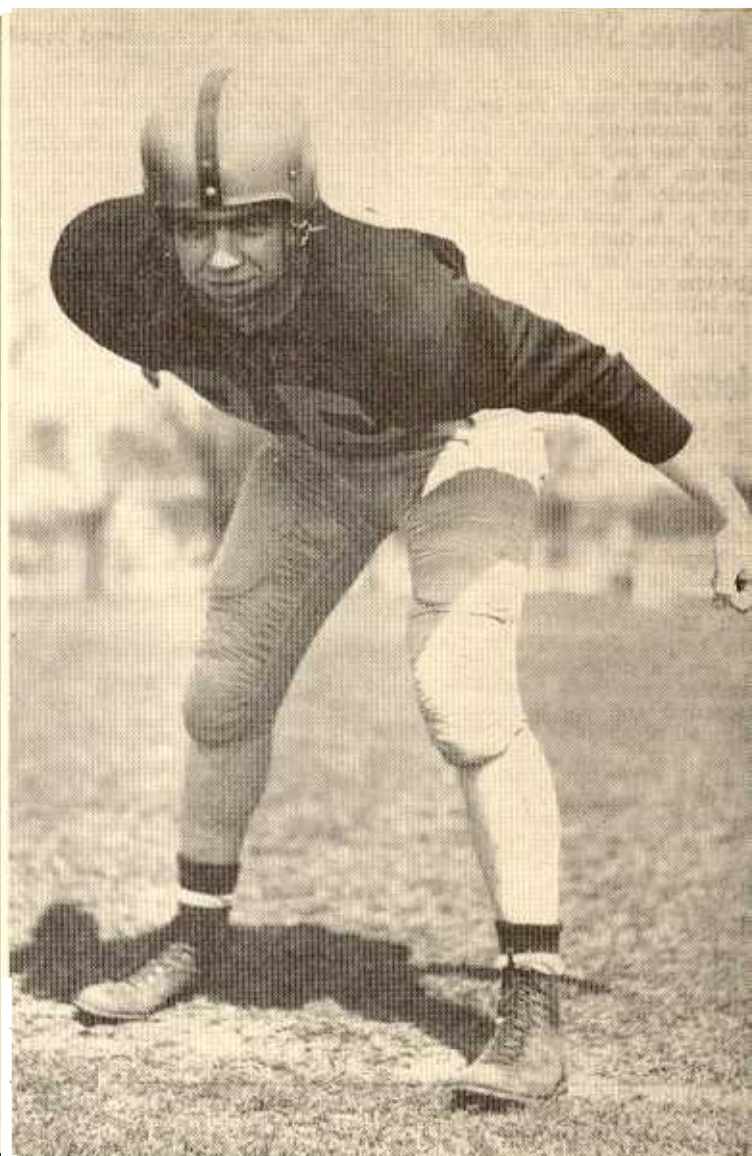
The only sports activity in action at the present time is bowling. Plans for the district 2 annual bowling event were discussed. This event will take place at Elmhurst Recreation on Saturdays and Sundays as follows: Feb. 2 and 3, 9 and 10, 16 and 17, 23 and 24. It will be for team events, singles and doubles. Notice of this is posted on our bulletin board. Entries close Jan. 21. All members are urged to come out and cheer for our lodge entries. Date is to be posted on our bulletin board.

Friday evening, Feb. 22, we will be host to district 2 on athletic and sports. A special program will be out on at this time. The district meeting will be held early and our special program will begin about 9:30 p. m., so that all the bowlers can attend. I hope we have a good attendance for this evening.

Fred C. Euler,  
Athletic Chairman District 2

**IN FLORIDA**

Among our brothers who are now vacationing in Florida are Dutch Mochel, Ray Swanson and Phil Klement. Of course Ed Volberding has been there for some time, and we understand he is enjoying improving health regularly. Rumors to the effect that he had suffered another setback are apparently without foundation. A happy vacation to all.



Herb Borman, son of our brother "Red," will be honored Saturday, Jan. 26, when the Illini club of Chicago pays tribute to the University of Illinois football squad of 1951, Big Ten champions and Rose Bowl winners. Herb played regularly at center for the Illini.

The celebration in honor of the team will take place at 1 p. m. at the Terrace Casino of the Hotel Morrison. Feature attraction will be technical movies of the Tournament of Roses parade and the Illinois Stanford football classic. Athletic Director Doug Mills and Ray E. Anderson, head football coach, will speak.

Chairman of the luncheon is Charles W. Bailey, 134 S. LaSalle Street, Chicago. Reservations may be made by writing him or phoning him at ANdover 3-1978.

**IF YOU ACT PROMPTLY**

**AND MAIL YOUR ANNUAL DUES,**

**You Will Still Be Eligible**

**for the**

**LIFE MEMBERSHIP AWARDS**

## Degree Staff Doings

The degree staff has not had much activity since the last issue of the Round-up, what with the holidays and bad weather breaking things up. We still have our regular practice nights every Monday at 8:30 p. m. and cordially invite any brothers that are interested in this work to join us.

Elsewhere is a story on our next lodge initiation—one which none of you will want to miss!

## Moose Legion Boosters

The third Legion breakfast was held Jan. 13. Attending Legionnaires included John Watts, Fred Euler, Frank Kolar, Charley Kosar, Ray Margison, Hank Herbold, Tom Conrad, Pop Jackson, Curly Widner, Kay Murphy, Snuffy Larsen, Doc Lalond, Paul Simmons, John Grimmel and Frank Brand.

Milt Morgan and Gene Leithem again helped John Grimmel cook and serve a delicious breakfast of scrambled eggs, pork patties, bread, butter and coffee. Seconds were had by all brothers so desiring. Red Borman was a guest, and from the satisfied look on his fame I'm sure he enjoyed the meal.

Doc Lalond again mentioned that he didn't have sufficient time to devote to the secretary-treasurer, post so his resignation was finally accepted. He has tried to resign several times in the past, Hank Herbold was selected to be our new secretary-treasurer. Governor Euler concurred with the appointment.

Reed Loy was missed and so were the Zeiss brothers, Bill and Russ. Reed had to work on the fire department paper drive. Too bad, as we had some new dish towels, too.

We want to thank Mrs. Charley Kosar for the embroidered towels; we surely needed them.

In order to make available as many types of entertainment as we can for our members the Moose Legion boosters will undertake a Friday night party, entertainment to be similar to the booth that is sponsored by the Women of the Moose at our yearly picnics. For the present, one Friday a month will be devoted to this party. Entertainment will commence after bowling; the time will be about 9 p. m. The first party will be on Jan. 25. Ladies are invited.

The next Legion breakfast will be on Feb. 10 at 10:00 a. m. The one for March will be March 2, same time. This one will be one week prior to the frolic at Elgin. Let's make a real Booster breakfast of it. All brothers of the Moose who have been members for at least six months and are interested in the Moose are invited to attend the breakfast, and become members of the Legion at the frolic in Elgin on March 9.

The Legion of the Moose is the second degree of our order, and all qualified brothers are invited and encouraged to join. Dues are \$5 per year and the initiation fee is \$10. All brothers that belong now and haven't paid their 1952 dues may turn them over to Charley Kosar or mail them to Art Mushler, Harder Mecca Legion No. 9, care Moose lodge, LaSalle street, Aurora, Ill., or bring them to the frolic at Elgin or the district booster meeting that will be held some time in February.

Thanks to Noble North Moose John Schwab and Herder Art Muschler for the Christmas cards; same to you fellows.

—Frank C. Brand

## Improve Our English

This month let us take up a few pairs of words, the misuse, or failure of use, results in poor English.

In this pair, "few" and "number," we hear "few" misused almost daily, generally with the word "quite."

Should we wish to convey the thought that a small number attended, we may say "a few," "just a few," "only" a "few," etc., because in this case "just" and "only" express smallness. We should not say "quite" a "few," "mighty" "few" or "very" "few," for "quite," "mighty" and "very" do not signify smallness when speaking of numbers.

When we wish to convey the thought that several attended we should say "quite" a "number," as "quite" is a sort of magnifying word. Let us never say "quite a few" when the opposite is meant. Two others that are often misused are "farther" and "further." The rule in this case is quite simple. When referring to distance we use "farther," and to anything else we employ the word "further." Such an example would be the following statement, "the subject will be discussed 'further' at the next meeting." Used in the same sentence we can say, "let's not discuss this matter any 'further' until we are 'farther' from the folks."

Here is another pair that is often misused: "smell" and "odor." The application in this case is quite simple. "Smell" is only a verb and should be used only as such. We "smell" the "odor" from the roses. The rule is proven in this sentence, "we never 'smell' a 'smell,' but can always 'smell' an 'odor.'"

In closing, let me mention one more expression using "got," which

## BABY SON

Congratulations go to Ralph and Mary Meeker, who became parents of a son, Kenneth Edward, born Jan. 9. The new arrival weighed 7 pounds, 15 ounces.

## CONVALESCING

We are glad to report that Charlie Califf and Bill Doherty are both at their homes recuperating, following extended hospitalization.

## FROM SERVICE PERSONNEL

A Christmas card was received from Sgt. James R. Norman, who is stationed at Patrick air force base at Cocoa, Fla.

A letter was received from Pvt. John E. Rohan, who is stationed at Lackland air force base at San Antonio, Tex.

## BLESSINGS

Life hasn't any laurels for cowards in disgrace.  
Life hasn't any plaudits for sluggards in the race.  
Life hasn't any riches for proud and selfish aim.  
But life has countless blessings for one who plays the game."  
—Otto Hummer

in my estimation should never be used. Let's never say he, or they, "got" that way. Let's instead follow the rule and say what we mean, such as "he became ill, or he weakened, became weaker, paled, became paler, etc."

This brings another thought. Let's use the word "ill" instead of "sick" whenever possible.

A belated happy new year to everyone.

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