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Current Thought

LIVE WIRES

When we read news about a lodge, we think of all the members in the branch as one directly affected. It is human nature to believe that a group of members are one hundred per cent behind the lodge activities.

Seldom does the reader stop to think that perhaps lodge number so and so, seldom would be heard from were it not for a small group of live wires providing the spark which keeps the lodge engine functioning. Sometimes a mere five members deftly engineer the publicity and planning so necessary for every branch; in other instances, it may be one or two. Still other branches may be fortunate enough to have a host of live wires.

Although the lodge officers are expected to do the heavy artillery work to keep their branch before the public eye, in many cases this phase of work is left to one or two members who show special talent. A lodge officer is expected to execute his duties to the branch in his official capacity. That is why smart lodges select or elect publicity committees, who specialize in the art of writing news.

Look over the list of contributors whose articles appear in print in the English section of Nova Doba. Not all of them are lodge officers. The lodge is fortunate indeed who has on its administrative board members who have the knack and the inclination to write about the lodge and activities of their branch.

There is Electronics, Sparks 'N' Flashes column, conducted by Stan Progar of Springdale, Pa.; Pathfinders' frequently; Joe Golicic's short but to the point articles from East Palestine, O.; Anna Prosen, a newcomer in the writers' field who assimilates facts for her "Did you know that" column; she is a member of lodge 173, Cleveland; Cardinals lodge, of Struthers, O., with Edward Glavic and Mrs. Jennie Cekulin (nee Jennie Glavic), keep readers posted of their lodge plans and activities; Struna, publicity man for the Collinwood Boosters, who digs up a lot of interesting information about Boosters of Collinwood way.

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G. W.'s Wine Festival On November 13

Cleveland, O. — Final plans have been arranged, a very good orchestra secured, a large crowd is anticipated and a good time for all is what the George Washington lodge gives you at its annual Fall Dance, which will be held at the Twilight Ballroom on Saturday evening, November 13th. The well known orchestra, none other than the Silver Mask, will entertain the crowd for the evening.

So, come early, and bring along your friends. All G. W. members are requested to be present, and the various lodges situated in the neighboring vicinity are cordially invited to attend this evening of dancing and good music.

G. W.'s Enter Cage Team

Just about this time every year the various lodge members in the SSCU begin to look forward to indoor sports, where they can spend many pleasant evenings watching match games. Basketball is one of the chief attractions during the cold wintry evenings. And if your lodge has a basketball team entered in local competition, why not attend as spectator and give the team plenty of boosting.

Here in Cleveland we have this year the International Inter-Lodge Basketball League, which officially opens on Wednesday, November 3d. The George Washington lodge, No. 180, SSCU has entered a team in the circuit this year. G. W. members should see to it that every Wednesday evening they attend the basketball games, thus giving their team moral support.

J. F. Kardell, Pres., No. 180, SSCU

BRIEFS

International Inter-Lodge League opened its current basketball season Wednesday, Nov. 3, at the St. Clair Bath House. Five nationalities are represented: Slovenes, Serbs, Croats, Lithuanians and Polish. Jugoslav fraternal having representation are: SSCU, CFU, SSPZ and SDZ. George Washington lodge, No. 180, SSCU of Cleveland will be the SSCU representation. All games will be played on Wednesday of each week.

Pathfinders lodge, No. 222, SSCU of Gowanda, N. Y. will hold their annual Fall Festival on November 13, at the local Slovene Hall.

Wine Festival is the name of the annual Fall dance to be given on November 13, in the Twilight Ballroom, 6021 St. Clair Ave., by George Washington lodge, No. 180, SSCU. Scarlet Mask orchestra will furnish the music.

Lodge 71, SSCU of Cleveland, O., will hold a dance on Saturday, November 13, in the Slovene Hall on Holmes Ave.

Mortgages accepted for insurance by the Federal Housing Administration have passed the billion dollar mark, according to announcement made by Administrator Stewart McDonald. By coincidence this figure was recorded just as the insured mortgage system was rounding out the third year of its existence. Due to much preliminary work, virtually 99 per cent of the insured mortgage business has been done since April, 1935.

Wardens Krall and Rozman of Ely, Minnesota were given special mention in The Ely Miner, local weekly, for their excellent work in rounding up a poacher who hunted and brought down a deer during the "off" season. The story in the Ely Miner also related the manner of capture, in which the guilty party loaded the butchered deer into the warden's car, mistaking it for that of his companions. A fine of \$78 was imposed by Justice W. O. Lomasney of Lake County at Section Thirty. The venison was confiscated and later sold over the counter at one of the local markets.

Edward Lamuth of Chisholm, Minn., who attends Saint Cloud Teachers' college, was general chairman of the college homecoming celebration held recently. Mr. Lamuth was president of his class last year and has been in charge of the Rangers Club at the college two years.

Stubb — This government report states that the life of a paper dollar is only seven or eight months.

Stubblefield — Well, I have never had one die on my hands.

Bjones — Henry, you're a married man. Do you believe marriage is a lottery?

Peck — No, William, marriage is not a lottery because in a lottery a man is supposed to have a chance.

Wifey — Don't you think, dear, that a man has more sense after he's married?

Hubby — Yes, but it's too late then.

Lodge No. 78

Salida, Colo. — We wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks to all members of St. Aloysius' lodge, No. 78, SSCU and to friends who extended sympathy and assistance in our time of need, when Anton Shine passed away. The deceased died after a two-day illness, pneumonia setting in. We also want to thank all those who remembered him with flowers, those who paid their last respects and those who attended the funeral rites. May the ground rest lightly on him, and may he always remain in our memories.

Survived by: Paulina Shine, wife; Anthony, son; Frances Shine, mother; Frank, Joseph and John, brothers; and Frances Britton, sister.



TIME TO BEAR DOWN

By LITTLE STAN

Ely, Minn. — Recovering from that highly imaginative adventure highlighted in last week's Nova Doba — you know the Magic Carpet and the witch? — Little Stan settles down comfortably to serious business.

Before he gets away into a carefree spirit again, Little Stan wants to have every juvenile who was a delegate to the Second Juvenile Convention in Ely last August to take special notice of a message—a message of great importance to our organization, and to you?

The radio in Little Stan's Shop is pouring forth those melodious strains of the current hit, "You Can't Stop Me From Dreaming," and it takes Little Stan back to last April when the juvenile campaign opened officially. Then, many candidates started to dream—dream of the wonderful time they would have at Ely when the big day came—and just to make certain they would make the trip, they went out and hustled. Their dads and mothers, lodge secretaries and members helped them reach their quota—and before they realized it themselves they were on their way to Ely. On fast trains, carrying them to a land in which they just knew they would have fun, excitement, and everything else that comes with a long vacation trip from home.

The delegates conducted excellent sessions in the spacious Washington auditorium. Afterwards, they enjoyed much in entertainment. The SSCU had rewarded the hard-working delegates. Many resolutions, in which delegates showed appreciation for this reward, were unanimously adopted. The convention was adjourned, a grand picnic was held next day; and the day after that many of the juveniles were on their way home—and it seemed like they were in a fairyland—like a dream, as they recounted their adventures upon their arrival home.

During the eventful juvenile convention campaign drive, many lodges paid assessments for the first three and six months for newly acquired juvenile members. This money was taken from the lodge treasury, repaid by prizes awarded by our Union for new members.

Since the campaign opened, convention held, and adjourned,

ing on contract, and receiving remuneration at the current and established local rate. It is felt that this is the most economical method of handling such matters.

"By waiting for favorable market conditions and keeping management costs as low as possible, the Administration will benefit both the borrower and the holder of the original insured mortgage."

"The individual borrower benefits from the Administration's sane management policies because any amount left over after other charges have been met must be returned to the borrower. In four of the ten cases which have been completed, with the retirement of debentures, the Administration has been able to make such a return to the borrower."

Which brings to mind a resolution adopted at the second juvenile convention by the delegates in which they pledged that upon their arrival home they would cooperate and do everything possible to hold the members they had enrolled to qualify them for the convention.

The time has arrived when these delegates should contact their lodge secretaries. They should find out just who, if any, have dropped from the lodge. They should make it a point to see these members, and their parents, and try hard to keep them in this wonderful organization.

So, in between our "dream" moments, which most naturally takes us back to convention days at Ely, let's all go out and remember the reward given us by our Union, and try hard by at least helping to repay it by doing our duty—and then when we make a creditable showing—the supreme officers will remember, and the result may be something big—all to culminate in a bigger and better SSCU—a fraternal organization far superior to that of any other!

Safeguard Borrower's Interest in Mortgage Foreclosure

Washington, D. C. — Management policies adopted by the Federal Housing Administration for properties to which the Administration has gained title following foreclosure must safeguard the stability of the Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund and the interests of the original borrower and lender, according to Stewart McDonald, Federal Housing Administrator.

A unique feature of the Insured Mortgage System, Mr. McDonald pointed out, is the fact that foreclosure of the mortgage does not necessarily terminate the interest of the borrower in the property. In some instances the Administration has been able to return a part of the investment of the original owner of the property.

Proceeds of the sale of foreclosed properties must be used, primarily, to reimburse the Administration for expenses entailed in the management and selling of properties, and to retire debentures and certificates of claim issued to lending institutions. Amounts remaining after the payment of these first claims must be returned to the original borrower.

"On October 1 the Federal Housing Administration had accepted Title to 37 properties and had issued debentures totaling \$156,869 to lending institutions in exchange for these properties," Mr. McDonald said.

"Nineteen of these properties had been sold, on that date, and debentures on 10, amounting to \$44,988 had been retired. Debentures on nine other properties, amounting to \$37,879 had been authorized for retirement. The total loss to the fund of these transactions was \$8,748."

"In the management and eventual disposal of these properties the Administration has followed constructive and well defined policies which will form the basis for all future action. In general, it can be said that these policies call for the holding of properties until market conditions are as favorable as possible. At times when, and in places where market conditions are unsettled, the Administration will hold properties, renting them or handling them in the most economical manner."

"Whether properties are to be sold or rented, they will be reconditioned and placed in the best possible condition. Local labor and local contracting firms will be employed in the reconditioning."

"The management, rental and sale of properties will be handled by local brokers, work-

Sagging Pipes, Sediment Can Slow Up Water

If your hot-water supply has slowed up, there is probably either sediment somewhere in the system or the pipe lines have sagged, due to settlement in the house or a broken support. Check the exposed piping in the cellar and see that the pipes have a slight slope from the heater up and that all metal hangers that support the pipes are in good shape.

If the piping seems to be in good order, look for sediment. The most likely places are in the boiler itself or in the bottom connection to the boiler. Every system should have a drain cock at the lowest point in the system. If the system in your house has one, open it and let the water run out until it is comparatively clear. If there is none, some connection at a low point will have to be opened. If the drainage system does not seem to bring out all the sediment, open a connection higher up in the line and attach a garden hose and flush the boiler or clogged pipe.

Before you open any connections, don't forget to turn off the main water valve and make provision for disposing of the water that will run out or you may find yourself in the midst of a small flood.

Mrs. Highbrow — I hope you liked those queer little Chinese back-scratchers I sent you from the Orient, dear.

Mrs. Chubbitt — Is that what they are? Mercy! I've been making my poor husband eat his salad with them.

TOO MUCH

Colonel Boodle had prepared an oration to be given at the commencement exercises. He took his bosom friend, Colonel Tarwater, into his confidence and said to him: "I want you to be present when I deliver this speech. You must start the laughter and applause. Every time I take a drink of water you are to applaud and every time I wipe my forehead you are to laugh."

"Better switch signals, Kunel," said his friend. "It's sure to start me off laughing if I see you up there taking a drink of water."

1st Citizen — Did you swear to your income tax papers?

2nd Citizen — I swore to them, at them, through them, in them, over them, under them, before them, behind them, about them and all around them, if that is what you mean.

CONSULTS NATIONALLY KNOWN SPECIALIST

Cornwall, Pa. — Frank Meze, secretary of lodge 159, SSCU Temple, was a patient of Dr. Temple, nationally known specialist, treated Bro. Meze for a serious injury sustained on July 7, 1936 at the Lebanon Foundry.

Dr. Temple, according to Bro. Meze, is available by appointment only as people all over the world seek his services.

Agnes Rochelle Meze, Acting Secretary

Phrenologist — From these wacky I can see that you are Crabshaw and quarrelsome.

Crabshaw — Me touchy and I'll wring your neck.

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