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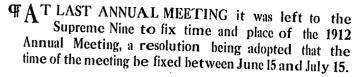
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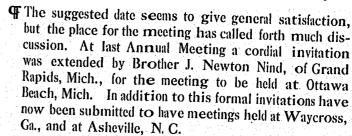


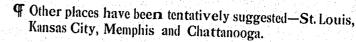
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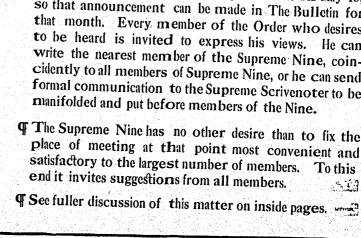




Attention is called to the fact that the matter will be decided by formal vote of the Supreme Nine on May 15, so that announcement can be made in The Bulletin for that month. Every member of the Order who desires to be heard is invited to express his views. He can write the nearest member of the Supreme Nine, coincidently to all members of Supreme Nine, or he can send formal communication to the Supreme Scrivenoter to be manifolded and put before members of the Nine.

The Supreme Nine has no other desire than to fix the place of meeting at that point most convenient and satisfactory to the largest number of members. To this





A MONTHLY JOURNAL DEVOTED TO THE INTEREST OF HOU-HOU



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WHERE DO YOU WANT IT HELD?

Members will recall the article in March Bulletin about time and place of holding our next Annual Meeting, both matters having been left to decision of the Supreme Nine. At the time March Bulletin went to press the Supreme Nine had before it no other definite proposal than that made by Brother J. Newton Nind at the last Annual Meeting, that the 1912 meeting be held at Ottawa Beach, Mich., between June 15 and July 15.

The date suggested seems to be all right, most of those who have expressed themselves preferring a date early in July. The place of meeting has evoked much correspondence, from which extended excerpts are made below. Some of the letters received have been quite critical of what the writers seemed to regard as a disposition on the part of the officers of the Order in past years to fix the place of meeting to suit their own personal or selfish convenience. It is the emphatic judgment of The Bulletin that there is absolutely no grounds for this. The Bulletin is perfectly sincere when it says it has never known a single man to advocate the fixing of place for any one of our Annual Meetings from any but an unselfish desire to have the meeting held where it would be most satisfactory to the largest number of those likely to attend.

The meetings held have been well distributed geographically, two being held on the Atlantic Coast-at Norfolk and Atlantic City; five in the region of the Great Lakes-at Buffalo, Cleveland, two at Detroit, Chicago and Milwaukee; three in the Central South-at St. Louis, Nashville and Little Rock; two in the Southwest-at Dallas and Oklahoma City; one in the Central West-at Denver; and two on the Pacific Coast-at Portland and San Francisco. None has been held in the far South, but the reason for this is that the sentiment has been general that if the meetings were to be hold September 9 the heat would be uncomfortable at any far southern point. None has been held in Canada, though the membership of the Order there is very considerable.

No man can read the above and say that any portion of the country has been unduly favored. If more meetings have been held at points on the Great Lakes than anywhere else, it has been only because the sentiment has been general that these points are more nearly central for the whole country than any other, and that weather conditions would be apt to be more favorable.

However this may be, the difference of opinion existing is fairly disclosed in the communications printed in whole or part below. It is hoped that these expressions will be carefully read by every man who feels an interest in the matter, and that when he has read them, if he

desires to be heard on the subject, that he will immediately write one or more members of the Supreme Nine. He can if he chooses write one member of the Supreme Nine, the one located nearest to him, and express his views fully; or he can write each member of the Supreme Nine; or if he desires to put before the Supreme Nine a formal communication, he can write it to the Scrivenoter and manifold copies will be made for each member of the Nine.

This is the only way the Supreme Nine knows in which to get an expression of sentiment. The matter must be decided soon to the end that the meeting may be properly advertised, and that our members may make their arrangements to attend.

Therefore, notice is hereby given to every member of the Order that the matter will be decided by formal vote of the Supreme Nine on May 15, in time to have result announced in May Bulletin. This gives practically a month in which to hear from the membership. Let every member who has anything to say be heard now.

Six places have been suggested for the meeting, as follows:

Ottawa Beach, Mich. Wayeross, Ga.

St. Louis, Mo.

Kansas City, Mo.

Asheville, N. C.

Chattanooga, Tenn.

Other places have been tentatively suggested, and it may be that still other places will be suggested. Every suggestion made will be considered by each member of the Supreme Nine in casting his vote.

Favors Asheville.

. Now, the only way we can make a success out of Hoo-Hoo is to insist that each and every member has the same privilege that all of us have, and if we are going to spot out some summer resort away up towards Canada for a meeting we are taking away from the members the privileges they are entitled to have. By this I mean that the Hoo-Hoo Annuals should be held more centrally. If we do not intend doing this then have one on the North Coast, one on the South Coast, one on the East Coast, one on the West Coast, and one in the Central part of the United States. Now that would be fair. Why should these great, big, rich fellows tell us where to have that meetings, when they have lots of money and can charter trains or steamboats, or anything they want, get up their select crowd and come to the meeting?

I do not know what action has been taken by the members of the Supreme Nine or the House of Ancients about the next Annual Meeting. I have not talked with anyone except a lot of good, straight Hos-Hoo that want to have a meeting so they can attend it, to get a little profit out of it as well as pleasure. I am satisfied that any city that is centrally located in the United States would be glad to try to do something to help entertain the Concatenated Order of Hoo-lioo, and possibly we could have a meeting in this way. . .

Couldn't we have this meeting in some of our mountains, in Tennessee or North Carolina? Asheville would be a good place. When it comes down to cool weather, it wouldn't make any difference what time of summer it was, Asheville would be cool. We could have a meeting there, see plenty of nice people, view beautiful mountain scenery, and I am satisfied that in our good Southern atmosphere some of our Northern friends would smooth down a little bit, and realize that Southern people have as much right to live in Hoo-Hoo Land as our Northern friends have to live in Hoo-Hoo Land.

This is just an expression of mine. As said beforeeach and every member has as much to do with the Order as any member of the Supreme Nine, the House of Ancients, or anyone else, and we should have our Annual Meeting where more of us could go to it, instead of sneaking off to the sea coast, or to some inland spot in the North that we could not reach. It is about time to divide this thing up-every member of Hoo-Hoo should have an opportunity to attend an Annual Meeting.

Fraternally yours,

JNO. C. RAY, Arcanoper.

Thinks Well of Ottawa Beach.

I acknowledge your letter of the 14th inst. with enclosures regarding the next Annual Meeting. I do not know anything about Ottawa Beach, but a glance at the map shows it has the advantage of being on Lake Michigan within a few hours ride by both boat and train from such centers as Chicago, Milwaukee, Grand Rapids, Detroit, etc. Unless a better place offers I believe Ottawa Beach would be a good location, providing the local arrangements are satisfactory. Being on the lake, cool weather would doubtless be assured.

I would suggest that the Annual convene on Thursday, July 4, and continue through Saturday, July 6. This would give the opportunity to a great many members in the large cities within half a day's ride to take advantage of the hollday on the 4th, and most of them could remain over during the Annual and return home on Sunday, the 7th, thus making the fullest use of both Thursday and Sunday.

I do not think we can expect much attendance from visitors to the National Republican Convention at Chicago, as suggested by the Snark. Nor do I believe local Fourth of July celebrations would keep many members at home who might otherwise be able to attend the Annual.

If Ottawa Beach is a good resort, doubtless many members would spend a week or two there, making it their usual summer vacation. Of course, we ought to secure from the hotel people a definite pledge as to rates, and the rates should be reduced for such a large crowd. All these matters of detail can doubtless be handled to good advantage by the official of the Order having charge of that district, or by the local committee which may be selected.

It might be better to have the meeting begin on Friday, July 5, and close the next day. Being some distance from a large city, there would not be so much running around for various entertainments, and the business sessions could be wound up in two days. This would give members from distant points all day Thursday, the 4th, to travel. F. W. TROWER, Junior Hoo-Hoo.

Suggests Chattanooga, I notice in the March Bulletin you say, "Where shall our next meeting be held?" That should be easily settled. It should be Chattanooga by all means. Chattanooga is the Convention City of the South. We have adequate hotel facilities, and all the scenery one could ask for. We who are here would be very glad indeed to have the next

meeting here. We think the meeting should be in the summer time, if possible, as that is the time when most people take their vacations. With best wishes, and success for the Order, I am

Fraternally yours, W. P. McBROOM. Wayeross Wants It.

I have read with interest the letter of Snark Boggess, and it would appear to me the sooner the date and place were decided on the larger the attendance would be.

I have been intending writing you for some time in regard to having the next Annual at Waycross. You know we have never had an Annual in the South since the Order has been in existence, and as almost all of the Annuals have been held so far away, but very few of our Georgia Hoo-Hoo have felt able to make the trip, and for that reason they have never attended one.

If we could have the Annual at Waycross we could and would arrange a seashore trip, either to St. Simonds, Georgia, or Atlantic Beach, Florida, which would be absolutely free, including lunch, while at the seashore. We would arrange a special train to leave Waycross early in the morning and returning at night, giving at least six hours at the coast. I have intended taking this up-with you before now, but have been so busy have not done so

On our trip at our last Annual I talked with most of the Supreme Nine and most of the ones that I talked to assured me that they would be quite willing to come to Georgia for our next Annual, and if you think there is any probability of getting them to come will write them all and see what could be done. I am quite sure that we could have a better attendance here than almost anywhere else, as the members of Georgia and Florida have not had the opportunities of attending an Annual as the members of almost all the other States.

Think the matter over and let me hear from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours fraternally, T. H. CALHOUN.

Wants It at Asheville.

Fayetteville, N. C., April 12, 1912.—I am addressing you and through you the Supreme Nine, relative to the selection of the place for holding the next Annual Convention

of the Order of Hoo-Hoo the coming summer. I understand you will shortly meet for the purpose of making the selection, and among the various invitations that will probably reach you, one will be extended by the City of Asheville, N. C., and the Hoo-Hoo of that city and this section, with the request that you give that point your very thoughtful consideration before announcing your choice.

Asheville is so widely and favorably known as both a summer and winter resort, that it is hardly necessary to attempt to further boost its general attractiveness and convenience as a convention point, and as a place for spending the summer vacation, for it is generally recognized as the most popular and most largely visited mountain resort in the Southeast, it being the Mecca of pleasure and health seekers from all over the South Atlantic, Gulf, and East Central States. In addition, the numerous and easily accessible other nearby resorts make this point an ideal one to the lice-lice or lumberman who wishes to bring his family along and spend a week or so in the most boautiful and lovable country east of the Rockies. Asheville is abundantly supplied with excellent commercial and tourist hotels, and is easily accessible from all parts of the country; and during the season very low railway rates are effective from all points at all times, and on special occasions exceptionally low 5 to 10-day limit tickets are sold from state and other reasonably nearby points. It is safe to assume that such low rates could be made effective at the time of holding our convention.

Aside from its general attractiveness and convenience as a convention point, it offers peculiar advantages as a point for a lice-lice convention, in that its geographical location makes it the most logical point at which to assemble the members of our Order living in the Atlantic, Guif, and East Central States. I do not recall that a meeting has been held in this section of the country for a long while, if ever, and it is only fair to ask that this section by favored with the 1912 Annual Convention. The more Northern and Western points will probably claim the convention for the next year or so, and the Pacific Coast should have it in 1915, and it appears therefore that this year is the most available one for holding the convention in the Southeast. From the standpoint of convenience of a majority of the Supreme Nine, and with the good of the Order at heart—a point always to be considered—no wiser selection than Asheville could be made, for it will give the members of the Order of this section of the country an opportunity to take an active part in the proceedings of the convention, and thus arouse the much needed interest and enthusiasm now somewhat lacking through this sec-

If we are favored, I feel quite sure the Vicegerents and active members of the Order throughout our section will make a special effort to have the largest attendance on record, as well as provide a large class for the Annual Concatenation.

Trusting our appeal will receive your most earnest consideration, and that we may have the opportunity of entertaining you and the Hoo-Hoo membership in our mountain metropolis, I am, Yours very truly,

C. B. RUSSELL, Vicegerent.

St. Louis Suggested.

Now, in regard to the Annual Meeting I really don't know what to say. Mr. Caruthers, at Waco, thinks by all means we should have it in St. Louis, as it would be the most centrally located place; and that most all mill men had business in St. Louis, and the same with those from the West going East-and the East going West. I am for the best of the Hoe-Hoo, and if they think that St. Louis is the place, all right.

You know we have had these meetings right in the heart of where most of our members are, and the attend. ance was the smallest. Take Hot Springs, for instance. There were few people from the State there. Then we went to the extreme East, Atlantic City; while the attendance was good, there was not a single member from the State attended.

The Oklahoma meeting, you will remember, was well attended, so I really believe if we had it anywhere centrally located, say Kansas City, St. Louis, Memphis, or Cincinnati, that we would have the largest attendance. I am anxious to hear what some of the others have to say on this subject. Yours truly,

J. F. JUDD, Senior Hoo-Hoo.

Suggests Kansas City.

Norborne, Mo., April 1, 1912.—Why not hold the next Annual at Kansas City, Mo., the most central place in the universe and the greatest city on earth. Come to Kansas J. C. LIGHT.

DEATH EMERGENCY FUND.

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Above is statement of receipts and disbursements under First, Second and Third Calls, in totals only for the first two Calls, but in detail for Third Call. In addition to the deaths shown, three other deaths have been reported under Third Call, as follows:

Marshall Chambers, No. 6412, North Yakima, Wash. Edwin Wallace Houghton, No. 2957, Chicago, Ill. Elias William Culver, No. 115, Long Beach, Cal.

For two of these, drafts have been authorized by wire, but until the drafts come in and are paid by check, the disbursements cannot be included in published statement. Payment of these three claims will reduce the balance to be brought forward from Third Call to Fourth Call to \$2,976.58. It is probable that other death claims to be paid under Third Call will accrue prior to May 1st. (end of the extension period on Third Call), the payment of which will still further reduce the balance finally to be brought forward to Fourth Call.

In the meantime responses to Fourth Call, which were sent out under date of April 1st, have so far been prompt and numerous. Up to close of business April 20, there has been received on Fourth Call \$2,805.60. This money is not included in the balance on hand as named above, but added to that balance makes the sum total now on hand to the credit of the Death Fund \$6,532.18, at close of business, April 20.

Detailed statement of receipts and disbursements under Fourth Call will begin in May Bulletin, by which time the "extension period" on Third Call (now fixed by administrative ruling at thirty days instead of fifteen days, as provided in original plan), will have elapsed, making it possible to know just how many claims accrued under Third Call, and just what balance finally remains to be brought forward to Fourth Call. By the time the May Bulletin goes to press the printing bills and other expenditures made in connection with getting out Fourth Call will also have been approved and paid, so that those expenses can be covered in detailed statement.

The Bulletin is gratified to note responses to Fourth Call from quite a sprinkling of members not responding to preceding calls. We hope this indicates that our death fund is coming to be favorably looked on by more and more of the members, and that under Fourth Call will be enrolled a greater number of participants than ever before. Certainly there is no lack of commendatory expressions coming in with the remittances to Fourth Call. There must be something like ten per cent of the subscribers who take occasion to say a little something, of which excerpts printed below are fairly typical.

Early in May, after there has been time for every man to respond to the Fourth Call without the expenditure of more postage to call his attention to the matter, responses to that Call will be carefully checked by each of the preceding Calls, and to every man who has responded to either of preceding Calls, but has not responded to the Fourth Call, a personal letter will be sent, It is recognized that with these notices sent out on a mailing machine many are inadequately addressed and go astray. If returned every effort is made to remail to proper address. In the case, however, of a considerable percentage, the address, which the machine pastes on, is pulled off entirely, making it impossible to determine for whom the communication was intended. There is no doubt also that the tendency is great to regard any communication received under printed address as a "circular" of little importance, and to throw it in the waste basket without reading. However, the mailing machine is so much cheaper than to address the notices by hand or on the typewriter, that it has not been deemed advisable to attempt the latter method.

The matter is here briefly alluded to in the hope that some who either have not received the Fourth Call or who, having received it, have not given it prompt attention, will be now apprised that the Fourth Call went out April 1st, and that the participant in the Death Fund who fails to respond to that call prior to May 1st—the end of the thirty-day "extension period"—will be "out" in case of death, even though he responded to the first three Calls. During the past six months there have been at least a dozen claims presented of men who responded to the First or Second Call, but who did not respond to Third Call. These claims have, of course, had to be declined, though in several instances the situation created has been a sore disappointment.

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COMING CONCATENATIONS.

Approaching concatenations for which definite dates have at this writing been fixed, are as below:

April 19, at Milwaukee, Wis.—Vicegerent W. R. Anderson, assisted by Vicegerent R. S. Kellogg, of Wausau, Wis.

April 26, at Staunton, Va.—Vicegerent R. Y. Johnson, assisted by Snark Boggess and Supreme Representative Stephenson.

April 26, at Vancouver, B. C., Canada—Vicegerent P. W. Fau-Vel, assisted by Brother W. C. Birdsall.

April 26, at Asheville, N. C.—Vicegerent J. M. English, assisted by Supreme Scrivenoter.

April 26, at Grand Rapids, Mich.—Vicegorent F. J. Verkerke, assisted by Vicegorent S. J. Rathbun, of Battle Crock, and ex-Supreme Senior Hoo-Hoo Jeff B. Webb, of Detroit.

May 10, at Clarksburg, W. Va.—Joint meeting by Vicegerents Geo. P. Morgan, of Parkersburg, and J. R. Davis, of Weston, assisted by Snark Boggess.

May 4, at Shreveport, La.—Vicegorent F. G. Snyder, assisted by Supreme Senior Hoo-Hoo J. F. Judd.

May 18, at Alexandria, La.—Vicegerent G. R. Gloor, assisted by Supreme Senior Hoo-Hoo J. F. Judd and Supreme Serivenoter.

May 25, at Pensacola, Fla.—Vicegerent F. Rust Smith, assisted by Brother E. L. More, of River Falls, Ala., and Supreme Serivenoter.

May 31, at Klamath Falls, Ore.—See extended notice below.

Other Meetings.

A goodly number of other meetings for which definite dates have not yet been fixed, awaiting the working out of a schedule to have the meetings come somewhat in sequence, are well under way. Most notable among these are the bly meeting at Memphis to be held in May or June by Vicegerent Geo. O. Friedel, assisted by a committee from the lumbermen's Club of Memphis; at Nashville, by Vicegerent S. C. Ewing, assisted by committee from Nashville Lumbermen's Club; at Bristol, Tenn., by Brothers Irving Whaley and H. W. Chandlee, assisted by numerous others; Portland, Ore., by Vicegereat D. U. Davis, assisted by Geo. M. Cornwall and numerous others appointed a committee at recent banquet given by Portland Hoo-Hoo to Supreme Representative Stephenson; Decatur, Ala., by Vicegerent R. W. Douglas, of Birmingham, assisted by Brothers E. W. F. Himes and James Adair; Lake Charles, La., by Brothers M. M. Wood and A. R. Mitchell, Life Member No. 32; Marlington, W. Va., by Vicegerent A. D. Williams, this meeting to occur in connection with opening of big new hotel at Marlington; Baltimore, Md., by Vicegerent S. Robb Eccles, to occur about May 15; Newport, Ark, by ex-Vicegerent V. E. Pierson, assisted by Supreme Senior Hoo-Hoo J. F. Judd; two concatenations in Georgia, one in southeastern district by Vicegerent C. C. Vaughn, and the other in southwestern district by Vicegerent W. W. Coombs, of Tifton; Columbus, O., by Vicegerent J. E. McNally, assisted by Brother Morris Hayward, to occur in the early summer in connection with the lumbermen's picnic annually given at Columbus.

Commenting upon the above, it may be said that the concatenation at Memphis is to be made a rousing affair, and will be held as soon as the lumbermen there get straightened out a bit from the serious disaster of the floods. The meeting at Nashville has been twice post-

poned on account of repeated absence from the city of the Supreme Scrivenoter. This meeting will be held some time during May, the blanks for a large class of initiates having been written up weeks ago, and everything being in readiness to have the meeting come off some Saturday night whenever most convenient.

The meeting at Portland, Ore., will be a notable affair. Vicegerent Davis is actively at work and has able assistants in the committee appointed at the Stephenson banquet. This meeting will probably occur in June during the celebrated Rose Carnival.

The meeting at Decatur, Ala., will be the result of a voluntary movement on part of two of the members there. Several new lumber operations have gone up at Decatur, resulting in accumulation of a large class of eligibles. Vicegerent Douglas, of Birmingham, will be officially in charge, and hopes to be present and participate. He is, by the way, beginning to lay plans for the third concatenation at Birmingham, two very successful meetings having been held there in October and December last, the latter by Vicegerent Douglas and the former by his predecessor, Brother H. B. Wood.

For the other of these approaching meetings, for which dates have not been fixed, it suffices to say that preliminary work is well in hand. Several of them would have been held in April except for the great number of concatenations scheduled for that month. Practically all will be held prior to June 10.

Meetings for Which Dates Have Been Fixed.

One or two of these meetings will have been held before The Bulletin can reach its readers, certainly the one at Milwaukee by Vicegerents W. R. Anderson and R. S. Kellogg. This meeting occurs in connection with the meeting of the Northern Hemlock and Hardwood Manufacturers' Association, of which Brother Kellogg is Secretary.

It will be seen that April 26 is the red letter day for April in Hoo-Hoo, four concatenations being scheduled to occur on that date. A pleasing feature of the incident will be an exchange of telegrams among the four meetings. A fifth meeting was scheduled for this date—at Clarksburg, W. Va.—being the joint meeting now announced for May 10. This meeting was postponed so that Snark Boggess can attend the Staunton, Va., meeting, and also be present at Clarksburg. Right here it may be said that Snark Boggess, in addition to his routine official duties as Snark, has proved himself a veritable Frank Trower in arranging series of concatenations.

Pressure on The Bulletin space this issue prevents as full notice of approaching meetings as would otherwise be given. Nevertheless some of these meetings call for further comment. The meeting at Staunton, Va., will be a notable affair. Vicegerent Johnson is a practical lumberman of large operations and wide acquaintance. His candidates are the leading lumbermen of his section. He has interested the very best men of his district, and every step in his arrangements has been taken with eye singled to making the meeting the most high-class affair that has occurred in Hoo-Hoo for a long time.

The next meeting in point of date that calls for special notice is that to be held at the Hotel Bentley, Alexandria, La., on May 18, by Vicegerent G. R. Gloor, connected with the Tremont Lumber Company of Winnfield, La. Vicegerent Gloor is working hard, and has called to his assistance a large number of the members throughout Louislana, who have made Hoo-Hoo what it is. There has not been much activity in his part of the state for some time,

and he has found hard work necessary to revive interest. Brother Gloor is a man of standing and influence, and he ought to have the staunch support of every member in his state. He will have an able assistant in Supreme Senior Hoo-Hoo J. F. Judd, and despite the fact that the meeting is to come at a time when the lumbermen will be exceedingly busy, the meeting will be a success.

The meeting at Pensacola, Fla., is the result of the splendid meeting held there on March 23, reported in this issue. Vicegerent Smith did exceptionally good work, and held such an enjoyable concatenation that a movement at once started to have the affair repeated. He is holding the trunk and has overything well in hand to make this second meeting an even greater success than the first.

The meeting at Klamath Falls, Ore., to be held by a delegation of San Francisco Hoo-Hoo, led by Supreme Junior Hoo-Hoo F. W. Trower and Vicegorent F. S. Palmer, was mentioned at some length in last month's Bulletin, and as it does not occur until May 31, so that The Bulletin will have another whack at it in next issue, no comment will be made here, further than to say that a wonderful interest has been worked up among the most prominent lumbermen of Southern Oregon. Brother H. D. Mortenson, president of the Pelican Bay Lumber Company, is at the head of local arrangements and is being assisted by all members within a radius of a couple of hundred miles. Mr. Mortenson has become very much interested in the outcome of this affair. He has sent The Bulletin some exceedingly attractive literature about the Klamath Falls region. The concatenation is to occur in connection with what Brother Mortenson calls a "rodeo," to be given by the Elks during the week ending Saturday, June 1. We do not know exactly what a rodeo is, but it is some sort of a horse show, or riding exhibition, or something of that nature. The windup of the "rodeo" is really to be on Sunday, June 2. The concatenation will occur on Friday night, and Brother Mortenson has suggested as a part of the program that his company will take the whole delegation of Hoo-Hoo as its guests for a trip on the upper Klamath Lake on the company's steamer "Klamath." This is a very beautiful trip, the upper portions of this lake being famous for its scenery.

Just as the press starts comes the following telegram from Brother Trower:

Klamath Committee has fixed date of concatenation evening of May 31. Next day visitors will be given 40-mile steamboat ride on Klamath Lake and banquet in evening at White Pelican Hotel. June 2, big closing events three days' Elks' Rodeo-Wild West bronche busting. Frisco crowd leaves here on special through Pullman car Thursday night, May 30. Fortunate married brothers will take wives. Several will continue outing with 60-mile automobile trip from Klamath to Wonderful Crater Lake. Others will stop at Shasta Springs on return. Railroad makes round trip special rate Frisco to Klamath, \$17.90. Everybody working for big success. Insert good notice April Bulletin.

FRANK W. TROWER, Junior Hoo-Hoo.

Hymeneal.

Brother John Dennett Guthrie, No. 14499, of Springerville, Ariz., was married on March 25 at Greer, Ariz., to Miss Susan R. Pratt-Church, daughter of Mrs. Calvin E. Pratt, of Greer. Brother Guthrie is connected with the United States Forest Service, and we believe is one of the men in charge of the National Forest in Arizona.

French brier pipes are not made from the roots of the brier, but from the root of a white heath which attains a considerable size in the south of France, where it is sedulously cultivated for pipe-making purposes. The name is derived from the French bruyere, the dialect form of which is briere, meaning heath.

OBITUARY.

William Easton Dixon (No. 10454).

After a protracted illness of several years, Brother W. E. Dixon died March 15, 1912, at Austin, Tex.

Brother Dixon was born near Marlin, Tex., August 4, 1870. For the past twenty years he lived at Houston, Tex., and was engaged as traveling salesman for the Bonner Oil Company until ill health caused him to give up active business, when he became a stockholder in that company.

Brother Dixon was a member of Holland Lodge No. 1, A. F. and A. M.; El Mina Temple, Chapter of Rose Croix, No. 3; Lodge of Perfection, Lamar Lodge No. 189, Knights of Pythias; Sons of Jove, and was initiated into Hoo-Hoo at New Iberia, Louisiana, March 21, 1903.

The funeral services were under the auspices of Holland Lodge. The interment took place at Hollywood Cemetery, Houston, Tex.

Brother Dixon had a wide circle of friends over the state of Texas. A widow survives him.

Robert Lee Riggs (No. 7021).

Brother Lee Riggs died suddenly of paralysis on March 28, 1912, at his home, New Orleans, La. He was born in the Parish of Iberia. La., October 11, 1865.

Brother Riggs was actively engaged in the lumber business at New Orleans, La., under the firm name of Riggs & Terrell Lumber Company. He was well known to the lumber trade. He joined the Order at New Iberia, La., January 20, 1900.

Marshall Chambers (No. 6412).

Brother Marshall Chambers, a participant in the Hoo-Hoo Death Emergency Fund, died at North Yakima, Wash., April 1. Brother Chambers had been ill for some weeks, having undergone a serious operation. He died in the hospital at North Yakima, aged 67 years. His illness was due to Bright's disease.

Marshall Chambers was a native of Muscatine, Iowa, and it was there that he received his first training in lumber. His father, William Chambers, was a member of the firm of Chambers Bros., who operated a mill at Iowa City. Marshall Chambers was afterwards associated with J. S. Keator Lumber Company, at Moline, Ill. Later he was with the C. H. Nelson Lumber Company, at Lakeland, Minn., and afterwards ran the mill on contract on his own account. Later he built a mill at Plummer, Wis. Several years ago he went west to become superintendent of the mill of the Page Lumber Company at Buckley, Wash. He then went to Portland, Ore., and organized the Chambers Shingle Company. Poor health compelled him to give up this business, and he sold out, and for the past several months has been asseclated with the Cascade Lumber Company of North Yakima, operating one of their retail yards.

The body of Mr. Chambers was shipped east and the funeral held at the old home at Muscatine, Saturday, April 6.

Brother Chambers is survived by two sons, Scott W. Chambers, of the Northwestern Lumber Company, of Stanley, Wis.; Roy Chambers, in the lumber business in Washington; a brother, George Chambers, Minneapolis agent for the United States Gypsum Company, and two sisters, Mrs. S. A. Shook and Mrs. J. C. Perry, both of Minneapolis.

Edwin Wallace Houghton (No. 2957)

The death of Brother E. W. Houghton, which occurred February 6, 1912, was reported recently to the Scrivenoter's office.

Brother Houghton was born at Houghton, N. Y., July 28, 1834. For many years past he made his home at Chicago, III. He was a Hoo-Hoo of long standing, joining the order at a concatenation held at New Orleans, La., March 2, 1895, and was a subscriber to the Death Emergency Fund.



He who strives desperately to be broad-minded usually ends by being funny; advanced thinkers sometimes exhibit an almost comical disregard of facts. A recent issue of the "Truth Seeker," official organ of those who have no belief except the belief that everybody else's belief is wrong, contained this withering paragraph;

We should not be too hard on the priests. A man who has to wear woman's clothes deserves pity.

Are we called upon, then, to pity the members of the Supreme Court, the Lord Mayor of London, the King of England and others whose exalted positions are symbolized by the robes of authority? From time immemorial men have worn robes when they wished to be impressive.

Skirts symbolize dignity, not submission or inferiority. Trousers are strictly utilitarian; they came into use when changed economic conditions made it necessary for men to hurry in order to keep up with the procession—when the struggle for existence impelled folks to lay aside dignity and impressiveness and to "keep on the jump." The patriarchs were robes; and perhaps even truth seekers, bereft of sense of humor as most of them seem to be, would perceive something ludicrously incongruous in the spectacle of Abraham, isaac and Jacob clad in sack suits. Who indeed can imagine the Greek philosophers in swallowtails?

Trousers do not mean an increase of dignity—they merely indicate that in order to cope with the high cost of living the average man must stay on the job. In a sense, also, trousers represent the advance of democracy. Knee breeches and silk stockings used to differentiate the aristocrat from the workingman. The garment of the present style, which renders it impossible to distinguish a silk stocking on sight, came in with the guillotine and other devices of the French Revolution which were calculated to put the poor man more nearly on a level with the rich. Far from signifying an access of honor, the "long trousers" merely concealed the quality of hoslery! But the trailing robe meant, and still means, eminence and authority.

The history of costume is in large measure the history of mankind. The changes in fashion of raiment were not always whimsical or trivial; sometimes the cause of the change took hold on the basic principles of the develop-

ment of the race. A fashion passed away because the conditions had passed that made it practicable or desirable.

Warriors of old wore armor-heavy metal coats and helmets. But when gunpowder was invented, coats of mall were no longer useful. Gunpowder was a great leveler; it put the man on foot on the same plane with the man on horseback. Hence gunpowder, as well as long trousers, represent the "advance of democracy"-gunpowder equalized the people, so to speak. Armor and the equipment of a war horse cost a lot of money. Poor folks couldn't do much fighting in those days because they could not afford the trappings and accourrements of war. The rich went forth to war, made conquests and took much loot, while the poor were oppressed and grievously taxed. The invention of gunpowder marked an epoch in the history of the world. The downtrodden peasant could and did rise and assert his rights. The man on horseback no longer dominated. The belmet and the chain armor accumulated rust—they were no longer the symbols of power.

It is interesting to note the changes in our mental attitude toward certain articles of attire. A little more than a hundred years ago a man was prosecuted for wearing a silk hat. It was a first offense—the first time that a silk hat had been worn, and the court was perplexed as to what sentence to impose. It ended by the requiring of the culprit to give a bond for future good behavior. The man's name was John Hotherington, and he was a London haherdasher. An old work on costumes has this to say of him;

The result of wearing such a startling novelty in head-gear was that a large crowd of spectators gathered round the haberdasher before he had proceeded far along the street. Hetherington was arraigned before the Lord Mayor on a charge of breach of the peace, and was required to give bonds in the sum of 500 pounds. The evidence produced went to show that Mr. Hetherington, who was well connected, appeared on the public highway wearing upon his head what he called a slik hat (which was produced), a tall structure having a shiny lustre, and calculated to frighten timed people. The officers of the crown stated that several women fainted at the unusual sight, while children screamed, dogs yelped, and a young son of Cordiwiner Thomas was thrown down by the crowd which had collected, and had his arm broken.

According to recent press dispatches, China has decided to adopt the silk hat—in fact the change from pig tail to silk hat has been made compulsory among the official classes and the members of foreign embassies. As every-body knows, there are many Chinese on our Pacific Coast. A San Francisco paper is doubtful as to how the change of headgear will be received: "If our yellow brother should be so ill-advised as to appear on the streets in a silk hat, it is to be feared that we might witness the birth of a new Oriental problem. We can stand a great deal, but not a Chinaman in a topper."

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We are always hearing and reading something about the "strenuous life" which Americans alone are supposed to lead—the English and the Scotch are commonly believed to maintain a fishlike attitude of unblinking calm. But this is all a mistake. A Glasgow newspaper, sent to The Bulletin by Bro. James Hoot Mon Lightbody, is so full of bubbling enthusiasm that to read it is quite an exciting experience. The leading feature of the paper is a write-up of the "international" football game—English players against Scotland. The result of the game was a draw; there were present 127,307 people, and the total receipts amounted to over thirty thousand dollars. And this in the face of the fact that there was in progress at the time the greatest strike the United Kingdom has ever known!

The English players (from the Scotch viewpoint at least) were a little "plthless" throughout. One of the half-backs "was not so nippy as he had been in past years"-how marry past years, one wonders? Somehow we are not accustomed to thinking of many past years in connection with football players. However, despite the lack of nip and pith, the English made some good plays; it appears that their charmpion half-back, who answers to the singular name of Wedlock, "was ubiquitous in defence," and his opportuneness saved certain goals; another player "seemed in the parlor instead of on the grass." But the people were wrought up to the highest pitch:

The great carnival undoubtedly quickened the pulse of the whole-city. The streets were feverish; the face of everything verged on the hysterical. An old woman fainted at a certier because she could not bear to see so many

It seems odd to an American that the populace should become so feverish over a football match, which we assoelate largely with college students and the "society" element. If it had been baseball now-that's different, of course. But this difference between countries is what makes any foreign newspaper so intensely interesting to anylody who likes to study human nature and who sees in the parnorama of current events the greatest game of

In a jubilant note, written on the margin of the Glasgovy paper the Hoot Mon says: "Quite a bunch was present at the same as many as the whole population of Richmonel. Va., and there than the population of Nashville by about twen'v 'b ousand."



The latest freak rule of the Simplified Spelling Board concerns the word "prove"-the new spelling is "pruny." Surely absundity can go no farther, at least not much farther, logically, according to this rule, the word "move" should be spelled "muruy," and "shoe" should be "shou,"

But it is hard to get a line on simplified spellers. In the first place, the changes they make do not simplify but merely confuse spelling; and in the second place the tendency toward simplification is one of the dangerous signs of the times. The muscles of the body grow dabby if not exercised, and the brain also loses tone and firmness if there is nothing to fling it down hard on. A daily drill in spelling is beneficial exercise for young minds. An eminent nerve specialist asserts that the present popular "absorbent method" of education leads to various forms of mental ine flictency. By the phrase "absorbent method" is meant that method of education which lets the mind followits interests and take the line of least resistance-instead of hammering hard on whatever is necessary to be learned (whether it is interesting or not) and thus acquiring the habit of voluntary concentration. Many a man with a brilliant mind has been a failure in life because of inability to focus his attention on matters which did not interest him. Anybody can concentrate on the particular subject which appeals to him most forcefully; but life is largely made up of dull, tiresome, monotonous routine, and the sort of training that makes for success is that which enables the mind to clinch down on whatever comes in the day's work. Otherwise the mental life is approximated to the conditions of dreaming. The object of education is not to show us a short cut, but to teach us how to think.



The Bullelin has been very much crowded for space lately, and on several occasions has been compelled to omit, at the last moment, matter that otherwise would have been published. This accounts for the fact that now

and then a letter appears bearing a date of several weeks back. The volume of correspondence at this office has been uncommonly large for months past-a fact which has been mentioned before in these columns. Many of the letters received have been truly inspiring in their expressions of cordial good will and in their assurances of hearty cooperation in the work for the Order's welfare.

The following communication is from a man who has been a member of Hoo-Hoo since 1897:

Middlesborough, Ky., Feb. 12, 1912. J. H. Baird, Serivenoter:

I am in recent receipt of my October Bulletin, having left Alaska just at the close of navigation last fall, and very much regret to see that there is some little, or has been some little friction among the members.

But as I gather the reason for it it is all wrong; certainly in years of constant reading of The Bulletin I have yet to notice any reference from which I could even infer that our Serivenoter had other means of livelihood than his duties as such, and as to his using his position as our officer to advance his other business, all the evidence is directly to the contrary. He has boomed the Order in his Southern Lumberman; he has never boomed either his paper or himself in The Bulletin.

And now I will say what I have often felt that I should The Bulletin is the best edited fraternal or lodge paper in the United States, and I speak from a fair acquaintance of the field. The nearest approach to it is another Bulletin -- that of Palestine Lodge, of Detroit, Michligan. I never have less than a half dozen of the leading magazines upon the reading table, and when The Bulletin comes in I devour it before taking up anything else.

By birth education, and environment I am at variance with the editor of The Bulletin, and probably not half the time would agree to the conclusions of its articles (when any opinion is expressed), but I have never seen an article in it to which I could take exception, nor one but that was so well written that it was thoroughly enjoyable, no matter how much I might disagree. Fraternally.

GEO, W. ALBRECHT, 4721.

The fourth ann val meeting of the Southern Commercial Congress convened in Nashville, April 8, for a three days' session. It was a very notable gathering, for the congress was by no means sectional in its scope. The onestion of waterways improvement, for instance, includes the whole country, especially the Mississippi Valley, and is of general interest throughout the nation; other subjects discussed were of world-wide importance.

Among the marry distinguished men who came to Nashville to attend this congress was Mr. D. C. Collier, of San Diego. California. President of the Panama-California Exposition, which will open its doors January 1, 1915; United States Chief Forester Graves; Minister Maurice Francis Egan, of Denmark: Hon. David Lubin, American delegate to the International Institute of Agriculture in Rome; Senator Hoke Smith, of Georgia; W. K. Kavanaugh, President of the Lakes-to-the-Gulf Waterway Association, and many others. Visitors who attracted much interest were a number of boys who had won prizes in their several states for the biggest crop of corn raised on a single acre.

The sessions of the congress were rapped to order each day with a gavel made from a hickory tree which grew at "The Hermitage." the historic home of Andrew Jackson, nine miles from the city. Nashville, as everybody knows, has the distinction of having been the home of two presidents of the United States-James K. Polk and Andrew Jackson. The latter is affectionately known as "Old Hickory." and is revered as the hero of the battle of New Orleans, the memory of which event is kept alive in Tennessee and among Tennesseans everywhere in the world, by the observing of "Jackson Day," the 8th of January.



Rousing Affair at Reno.

The Bulletin wishes it had room for all Brothers Trower and Stephenson write about this meeting. It is easy to see that these two men had the time of their lives and that if heretofore Reno has had few Hoo-Hoo, it has 1100-F100 of the highest type. Vicegorent Terwilliger and Brother "Billie" Virgin make a pair hard to beat even with a royal flush. Hear Brother Trower in part:

It was a great success and the E irritlates were all fine men. One of them came 250 miles from Tonopah to join; a comple came 75 miles. The arr; ingements were handled by Vicegerent Terwilliger, who is a quiet, strong, resourceful young man. He is manager of the biggest lumber concern in the State, the Verdi Larriber Co., having several branch yards. He was ably assisted by Brother W. T. Virgin. Virgin is known to everyone in Nevada as "Billie Virgiri." He is one of those oval-faced, jovial chaps, whom everybody is glad to know and who gives the lie to the expression that "nobody loves a fat main." He ordered the banquet which followed the concalenation, and it would have done credit to any city in the country. The table was beautifully decorated with flowers and ferres, from beneath which gleamed vari-colored electric lights cancased in bulbs shaped to represent various flowers.

The whole affair, including the initiation, was clean-cut and up to the highest standard. Every candidate was given a run for his money and every man present thoroughe ly enjoyed the whole affair.

Stephensoon and I stayed up until past traidinght Sunday listening to Billie Virgin telling some of his experiences in the Nevacia mining camps at doldfield and Tonopali, where he was engaged both in the mining and banking business. If the "Saturday Evening Post" could discover Billle Virgin he would prove a veritable mine of interesting

These two men, Terwilliger and Virgin, are an invincible team. Triese Nevada boys are a strong, free-hearted bunch of fellows, and they gave us visitors a sample of real western hospitality. I am sure Stephen son and I will never forget the good time we had nor the good fellows

If possible Brother Stephenson is even more glowing. After the concatenation we adjourned to Thomas Cafe, where a magnificent banquet was served, consisting of 12 courses. It was one of the finest banquets I ever attended. The table was decorated with roses, lilles of the valley and ferns, and hidden beneath the flowers were electric lights in the forms of flowers and fruits. No menta was printed, but if you put in everything that you ever heard of you will miss something we had. Short talks were made by Vicegerent Snark Terwilliger, W. T. Virgin, F. W. Trower, Jacob Sidney Simon and W. M. Stephenson. Music was furnished by a selected orchestra, and was above anything I have had the pleasure of listening to for a long time.

Vicegorent Snark Terwilliger, with the able assistance of Brother Virgin, had all arrangements made and they were perfect in every way. These Nevada mea certainly know how to do things and spare no expense in the doing.

Brother Trower went over with me from San Francisco. Brothers Terwilliger and Virgin met us at the train with an auto and did everything that two human beings could do to make our visit pleasant, and we are certainly greatly in their debt for their great kindness.

The concate nation was held promptly on time, and we were out of the hall and seated at the banquet table at 11 o'clock. I will not tell you when we left the banquet table as this would be telling tales out of school. I will say, however, that the five old members and the entire class of fifteen kittens were there at the finish.

You have got to hand it to Brothers Ter williger and

Virgin for their good work, and I believe that this concatenation will put good life and interest in the Order in the State of Nevada, and it should not take much work to work up another concatenation in the near future. The class taken in was a very high grade lot of men and men that will honor the Order in every way.

It seems that not content even with all this splendid entertainment, Brother Terwilliger took Trower and Stephenson out to see about one of the finest saw mills and woodworking plants in the West. This is what Stephenson says about that part of the entertainment.

Monday morning, March 11, Brother C. D. Terwilliger, Vicegerent Smark, met Brother Trower and myself at Reno. at 630 a. m. and took us in his auto to Verdi, 11 miles from Reno. It was a beautiful morning, and the road was fine. and we certainly enjoyed our ride along the footbills of the mountains. Arriving at Verdi we inspected the office and general store of the company, and then went through the big saw mill, the planing mill and the box factory of the company, and believe me, Jim, they certainly have some plant. They operate now 16 miles of standard railroad of their own and expect to extend it 15 miles this year.

They have no waste whatever at their mill, using up everything. They have a good market for their wood and even sell all their sawdust. The mill is run by electricity. It is a model plan in every way, and Brother Trower and I certainly enjoyed visiting the plant,

This is a great country, Jim, and wonderful men are here, and they certainly know how to do things and how

Brother Teiwilliger is a fine man and has large interests to take care of but is fully capable of doing it, and we certainly were most fortunate in getting him to accept appointment as Vicegerent Snark.

All in all this Reno meeting proved a delightful occasion, and stands out as a bright spot in that galaxy of bright spots constituted by the "California" series of concatenations, which Brother Trower and the other San Francisco boys did so much good work to "put over,"

Snark, C. D. Terwilliger; Sculor Hoo-Hoo, W. T. Virgin; Juntor Hondloo, W. M. Stephenson, Bolum, F. W. Trower, Serivenoter, F. W. Trower, Jabberwock, C. C. Bridgman; Gustecatian, W. M. Stephenson; Arcanoper, W. M. Stephenson; Guidon, F. W. Trower.

26158 Adolph Charles Bruhns, Verdl, Nev.; manager box department Verdi Lbr. Co.

26459 Charles Wiggins Bryan, Verdl, Nev.; Verdl Lbr. Co. 26460 Louis Ambrose Covell, Fallon, Nev.; local manager

Verdi lbr. Co. 26461 Monzo Frederick Dodge, Verdi, Nev.; superintendent of mill Verdi Libr. Co.

28162 Lyle Franklin Durley, Reno, Nev.; partner Durley & Herrick, Doyle, Cal.

26463 Ovid Ulysses Metcalf, Reno, Nev.; traveling freight and passenger agent Southern Pacific Co 26464 Paul Allen Quigley, Lovelock, Nev.; local manager

Verdi lbr. Co. 26165 Clarence Grant Pierson, Reno, Nev.; principal Pier-

son Mill & Lbr. Co. 26466 Charles Gundry Powning, Verdi, Nev.; salesman Verdi Lbr. Co.

26467 Paul Ferdhand Revert, Tonopah, Nev.; manager Verdi lbr. Co.

26468 Jacob Sidney Simon, San Francisco, Cal.; traveling salesman Pacific Refining & Roofing Co.

26469 Edward Allon Street, Rono, Nev.; advertising manager Reno Evening Gazette.

26470 Philip Roy Terwilliger, Verdi, Nev.; assistant sales manager Verdi Lbr. Co. 26471 Harold Edward Willis, Verdi, Nev.; assistant traffic

manager Verdl Lbr. Co. 26172 Arthur "Percy" Woodward, Portola, Cal.; superinintendent Clairville Lbr. Co.

Concatenation No. 1767, Reno, Nev., March 9, 1912.

Small Class But Good Meeting.

Vicegerent F. J. Rathbun's concatenation at Battle Creek, Mich., on March 21 is not to be judged by the number of initiates. He had a good attendance of members

of the Order and a delightful time. He had to assist him Supreme ex-Senior Hoo-Hoo Jeff B. Webb, of Detroit; ex-Spark of the Universe W. A. Hadley, of Chatham, Ont .: Vicegerent F. J. Verkerke, of Grand Rapids, and other equally good ones. Bad weather had a whole lot to do with cutting down both the size of the class and the attendance of members. Following the initiation the sessionon-the-roof was held at the Elks' Club, the use of which was donated for the occasion. Brother Webb acted as toastmaster, among others, calling on ex-Snark Hadley, Vicegorent Frank Spangler, of Toledo, Ohio, and Vicegerent Verkerke, of Grand Rapids.

Snark, S. J. Hathbun; Senior Hoo-Hoo, Carl H. Schnelder; Junior 1100-1100. Jeff B. Webb; Bojum, John Wood; Scrivenoter, F. J. Verkerke: Jabberwock, Frank Spangler; Custocatian, C. J. Ashton; Arcanoper, F. H. Emery; Gurdon. Archie Fisher.

26473 Willard Brewer, St. Joseph, Mich.; owner St. Joseph Press.

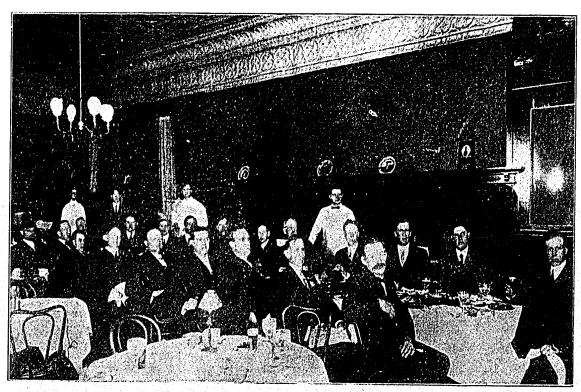
26474 Joy Chauncey Hubbard, Battle Creek, Mich.; treasurer and ma nager American Column Co.

Brother Stephenson is far from willing to let such a delightful meeting go with so short a notice. He says:

This concatenation was held in connection with the monthly meeting of the San Joaquin Valley Lumbermen's Club, and they served a lunch to all visiting Hoo-Hoo at noon at the Hotel Hughes. President Martin, of the Club, a good Hoo-Hoo, presided.

All arrangements for the concatenation were in the hands of Brother F. Dean Prescott, 17690, and they could not have been in better hands. We had twenty candidates. and every one was pleased. They had a street parade before the concatenation.

After the concatenation we had our session on the roof at the Sequola Rathskeller, and F. Dean Prescott acted as toastmaster, and the following responded: Roy Stanley. G. L. Sloan, W. K. Kendrick, W. J. Ripley, L. J. Woodson, A. J. Young, A. R. MacKinnon, H. M. Mahannah, A. J. Russell, F. S. Palmer, G. A. Cottrell, W. H. Falconbury, J. G. Ferguson, J. C. Ahrens, A. M. Loper, J. C. Ferger, and W. M. Stephenson. The session on the roof was good, and all seemed to enjoy it very much. On Tuesday Brother C. S. Pierce, 17687, took me for an auto ride, and on Wednesday Brother Prescott took me for an auto ride, so you will see that I had a fine opportunity to see all of Fresno and the



RENO HOO-HOO, THEIR GUESTS AND FRIENDS AT SESSION-ON-THE-ROOF, MARCH 9.

26475 Howard Vernon Perkins, Battle Creek, Mich.; proprictor Battle Creek Table Co. Concatenation No. 1768. Battle Creek, Mich., March 21, 1912.

Twenty at Freeno.

The concatenation at Fresno was fully up to the level of the other three meetings held in California and compares for delightfulness and success with any meeting ever held anywhere. Vicegerent F. S. Palmer modestly reports the meeting as follows:

After the concatenation, a session "on the roof" was held at the Sequola Rathskeller. There were present seventy members. Mr. F. Dean Prescott, to whom, with Brother F. F. Minard, is due the credit for making the Fresno concat a wonderful success, acted as toastmaster. Responses were made by Brothers Stephenson, Ferger. Trower and many others.

The preliminary work done by Brother Prescott and Minard and arrangements made by them looking to the success of this meeting certainly merit the thanks of all surrounding country, and, Jim, it is a great country, and I will never forget the kindness shown me by the good Hoo-Hoo of California. In writing up these concatenations in The Bulletin please make full mention of the many acts of kindness shown the "hired man." I will write you a letter for The Bulletin of my trip as soon as I get time. They have kept me on the go all the time, and I have not had time to write yet. I am full of good things to tell the Hoo-Hoo of, and I want to do it, and will just as soon as

In this concatenation The Bulletin truly wishes it had room for the unique account of this concatenation and the one at Reno which appeared in the Pioneer Western Lumberman of March 15, of which paper Brother Wallace Everett, known to many Hoo-Hoo, is editor and proprietor. Brother Everett is a literary genius and when he turns loose to tell what he saw and thinks he saw he handles the English language in a way all his own. In lieu of this we make brief excerpts from Trower's almost equally luminous comments on what must have been some doings:

At noon the San Joaquin Valley Lumbermen's Club held

their luncheon, to which all visitors were invited. About 100 men were at the table, and after the dinner President J. G. Martin called on Stephenson, who made a good talk. After luncheon the visitors were taken on a 50-mile automobile trip around the wonderfully rich and beautiful orchard and vineyard country surrounding Fresno. The a.utomobiles were furnished by Brothers Prescott, Ferger, Pierce, and Nicewonger.

A new feature for California concatenations was introduced at the Fresno meeting. The 20 candidates were properly etaoln shrdlu cmfwyp vbgkqj xzfifff ...; ? ("!!!! -).'* 123456 78905\$.. ETAOIN 7890\$.. 123456 -).'* -).'* '?? erly etaola shrdlu cmfwyp vbgkqj xzfifffli

Brother A. W. Heavenrich, of the Madera Sugar Pine Co., brought three candidates from Madera, and he, with Brothers Prescott and Minard, put over the coach and band stunt, which was a howling success. It would have stirred anyone's eithusiasm to see men like Brothers Ferger, Landram, and Ferguson tooting away to beat the band. On their return to the hall the concatenation was pulled off in fine shape. The Junior work was very well done under the direction of Stephenson. Candidate Goishall, who was born in Minneapolis, had a hard time explaining to Stephenson, of St. Paul, which of these two cities was a suburb of the other.

The banquet at the Sequola Rathskellar was very enjoyable, and the courses were interspersed with good music. Brother Prescott won his usual success as a toastmaster, and the responses were good. About half the candidates

Vicegerent Palmer conducted the initiation most excellently, and full credit for all the preliminaries for this Fresno meeting should be given to Brothers F. Dean Proscott and Frank F. Minard, of Fresno.

Reference was made in some of the banquet speeches to the securing of the 1915 Annual for San Francisco, and to the projected Hoo-Hoo headquarters at the Exposition grounds. I took occasion to give a little talk on the matter of a separate district for the San Joaquin Valley, and appointed a committee consisting of Brothers Ferger, Martin, and Prescott, to report on the advisability of the proposition, and if agreeable to recommend a vicegerent.

Altogether I am greatly pleased with the Fresno meeting, and feel sure it not only made a good impression on the members, but has stirred up renewed interest in the Order in that section of the State.

Snark, F. S. Palmer: Senior Hoo-Hoo, A. J. Russell: Junior Hoo-Hoo, W. M. Stephenson: Bojum, H. E. Verbie, Scrivenoter, C. E. Priest: Jabberwock, F. Dean Prescott; Custocatian, E. A. Carlson; Arcanoper, John P. Byrnes; Gurdon, J. R. Neylan.

26476 Joseph Clinton Aulman, Lindsay, Cal.; manager Pierco & Anderson.

26477 Ray "Raisins" Clotfelter, Visalia, Cal.; salesman W. R. Spalding Lbr. Co.

26478 George Arthur Cottrell, Fresno, Cal.; salesman Valley Lbr. Co. 16479 Karl A. Gotshall, Ripon, Cal.; manager Ripon Lbr. Co.

46480 William Kinslow Kendrick, Fowler, Cal.; yard manager Valley Lbr. Co., Fresno, Cal. 26481 John Curran Kiley, Visalia, Cal.; sales manager W.

R. Spalding Lbr. Co. 26482 William Henry Klingenberg, Madera, Cal.; estimator

Thurman Door Co. 26483 Frank Narcissus Kruske, Sanger, Cal.; traveling

salesman Hume-Bennett Lbr. Co. 26484 Harry Edson McQuown, Porterville, Cal.; manager Citrus City Lbr. Co. 26 485 Archibald Robert Mackinnon, Clovis, Cal.; secretary

Fresno Flume & Lbr. Co. Harry Melvin Mahamnah, Fresno, Cal.; salesman Valley Lbr. Co.

26 487 Claude Schuyler Ostrander, Fresno, Cal.; salesman C. S. Pierce Lbr. Co.

26488 Robert Nathaniel Peterson, Fresno, Cal.; salesman Valley Lbr. Co.

William John Ripley, Madera, Cal.; salesman Madera Sugar Pine Co.

Frank King Sayre, Sanger, Cal.; salesman Hume-Bennett Lbr. Co.

Gilbert Lary Sloan, Clovis, Cal.; superintendent Fresno Flume & Lbr. Co.

26 492 Roy "Cats" Stanley, Fresno, Cal.; manager Cal. Pine Box & Lbr. Co.

Roy Seaton Tozer, Tulare, Cal.; manager E. M. Cox Lhr. Co.

26494 Larue Jamison Woodson, Madera, Cal.; traveling salesman Thurman Door Co. 26495 Arthur Judson Young, Hanford, Cal.; manager Valley Lbr. Co.

Concatenation No. 1769, Fresno, Cal., March 19, 1912.

Smoking 'em Out at Tampa.

Saturday night, March 23, was the time selected by Vicegorent L. A. Bartholomow for his Tampa concatenation, and the selection of that day of the week was a wise one for the busy lumbermen who attended. The festivities began at 8 o'clock and lasted until nearly 4 in the morning-the gray streaks of dawn were on the horizon before the cats and kittens reached their homes.

The initiation ceremonies were held in the Elks' Hall, and be it to the credit of Vicegerent Bartholomew that no better planned concatenation has been held this Hoo-Hoo year than this one. The electrical effects in the Elks' Hall were used to admirable advantage. The Junior's work was unusually clever and those present in the hall that night will long remember the picture of the "Advancing Statue of Liberty" portrayed by one of the kittens of the evening. Eleven were initiated. The parts of the ceremony that were to be solemn were very impressive, and the hall echoed with laughter while the kittens wandered in the "Garden on the Left." Hon. D. B. McKay, Mayor of Tampa, and one of Southern Florida's most prominent Hoo-Hoo, acted as Junior.

The session-on-the-roof was held at Garcia's. Whosoever "Carried the Message to Garcia" must have told him to do more than the right thing by his guests that evening, for the spread was an unusual one. The appetizers, fixed up of noted Spanish tempters, were almost a banquet in themselves, and it was well that Garcia had provided "99 seconds to change saws" before the real spread that came afterward. The menu cards, printed in black and gold, were the fanciful imaginings of Brother Marcus E. Sperry, the Scrivenoter of the evening:

On the Roof-at-Garcia's, Tampa, Fla. March Skidoo, Nineteen Twelve,

Cocktaile

99999 per cent Creosote Celery Froom from Blue Stain

The Ham That Am Asparagus a la Spanish Green Olives Random Lengths Green Stock

Spanish Peppers A la Bart ("Hot Stuff")

Sausage in the Round

Ancho vies From the Log Pond 99 SECONDS TO CHANGE SAWS. Cream of Asparagus

Scrivenoter's Special Fritters Kittens Delight Sauterne a la Boium

Lubricating Qualities Guaranteed Fish Tuft's Tiny Tads-Select and Better.

Claret a la Gurdon Red Engine

Radishes

D-4-S

Chicken

Cat-Calls a la Catnip-Led by Senior Hoo-Hoo and Arcanoper

Cream Cheese and Figs A la Custocatian and Jabberwock Rum Omelet Tampa's Warmest Greetings Black Coffee Recommended by Ye Junior Hoo-Hoo White Creme de Menthe Pure Sap of the Virgin Pine Cigara

Tampa's Pride "It's Better to Smoke Here Than Hereafter." "The top o' the mornin'—the balance o' the night."

At the conclusion of this feast the "fireworks" began. Mayor McKay acted as toastmaster. First he had a set program which was carried out, then under the heading "General Discussion" nearly everyone around the board was made to tell a story, sing a song or show his talents In some way. Sam K. Cowan, of Nashville, the first speaker, responded to the toast "The Future of the Order." To Willis B. Powell was assigned "Tampa as a Lumber Port." Charles H. Brown responded to "The Advantages of Being a Black Cat After Dark." "Hoo-Hoo and Why" was admirably presented by F. J. O'Hara, and R. T. Muncaster told "Why a Cat Has Nine Lives." "Black Cat Specifications" was reviewed by Frank E. Waymer, and M. IE. Sperry had to explain the difference between "The Waterwagon and Catnip Tea." "Little Journeys Into Hoo-Hoo Land" were related by Geo. McKean and the wail of "Mutilated Kittens" was rendered by R. J. Ripper. Then



L. A. BARTHOLOMEW, Tampa, Fla., Vicege rent Southern District of Florida, whose successful concatena-tion of March 23rd is reported in this issue.

the bridle was taken off, Toastmaster McKay relinquishing the call for speakers to the banqueters themselves, and so nearly everyone about the table was made to appear in the spot light. It was after 3 o'clock before taps were sounded on this enjoyable occasion,

Much credit is due to Vicegerent L. A. Bartholomew and Brother Marcus E. Sperry for the way they handled the meeting. They were at work upon this several weeks before the appointed time and everything was well in readiness.

Snark, L. A. Bartholomew; Senior Hoo-Hoo, F. E. Waymer; Junier Hoo-Hoo, D. B. McKay; Bojum, F. J. O'Hara; Scriven eter, M. E. Sperry; Jabberweck, W. L. Blocks; Custocatlan, G. R. McKean; Arcanoper, H. C. Edwards; Gurdon,

- 26496 Claude Thornton Ansley, Kissimmee, Fla.; partner Ansley Lbr. & Tie Co.
- 26497 David Henry Austin, Tampa, Fla.; accountant and salesman Gillett Lbr. and Transportation Co.
- 26498 George Thomas Bailey, Jr., St. Petersburg, Fla.; secretary and treasurer St. Petersburg Novelty
- 26499 Richard Henry Eldson, Tampa, Fla.; cashler and credit man Hart Lbr. Co.
- 26500 Jacob Grant Hebble, Philadelphia, Pa.; traveling salesman H. Disston & Sons.

- 26501 Edward Frank Johnson, St. Louis, Mo.; salesman Broderick & Bascom Rope Co.
- 26502 James Borden Lynch, Wilmington, N. C.; architectural inspector and superintendent Tampa Terminals and A. C. Ry.
- 26503 Joseph Henry Morton, Tampa, Fla.; partner Morton Lbr. Co.
- 26564 Russell Hudson Omohundro, Griffin, Fla.; manager Omohundro Bros. Lbr. Co.
- 26505 Nash "Ybor" Powers, Tampa, Fla.; partner and manager Illisborough Lbr. Co.
- 26506 Royal Jacob Ritter, Plant City, Fla.; general manager E. T. Roux & Son.
- Concatenation No. 1770, Tampa, Fla., March 23, 1912.

Some Meeting at Sacramento.

Here again The Bulletin can do no better than to quote from Brother Trower's letters. He says:

At noon the Sacrarmento Valley Lumbermen's Club gave their usual luncheon, and in the evening the concatenation was held in Odd Fellows Hall. There were nearly forty members present, twenty-five of whom were visitors from San Francisco and Oakland. These included Hiscox, Hogan. Reyfuss, Olson, Hendrickson, and many of the other local men you know. We all thoroughly enjoyed the outing.

The ceremonies were conducted along just the right lines, there being plenty of clean fun, and the Junior work in charge of Stephenson was very enjoyable. Many oldtime members said it was the best meeting they had ever attended, and the work done was of the highest standard.

After the initiation we all adjourned to the Capitol Hotel, where a very fine banquet was served. I acted as toastmaster, and we had some good talks from old as well as new Hoo-Hoo. Hugh Hogan made an especially good speech about the Black Cat, and I am going to ask him to send you a copy of it. The best of good feeling prevailel, and the speeches and stories were all of the right sort. Several members told me they had not been to concatenations for some time, but that if we were going to have more meetings like that at Sacramento they wanted to be in at each one of them.

Vicegerent Palmer conducted the work in fine shape, and is certainly a fine officer,

Credit for the success of this meeting is also due to President H. S. Williams on and Secretary E. T. Robie, of the Sacramento Valley Lumbermen's Club,

I brouched the matter of a separate district for the Sucramento Valley to several of the leading members, and they all agreed it was a good idea. I expect to notify you of the selection of a Vicegerent within the next week.

Brother Stephenson backs Trower up as follows:

The concatenation was held in the Odd Fellows' Hall, a most beautiful hall, and everything moved along nicely and we were all through and out by 11 o'clock. Every officer was on to his job, and the initiation was very neatly handled and seemed to please not only the candidates but all the old members present.

All the officers did the work simply fine, Brother Mc-Donald making the best Jabberwock I ever saw.

After the concatenation we adjourned to the Capitol Hotel, where the session on the roof was held. There were present forty-nine. Frank W. Trower acted as toastmaster, and the following responded: H. S. Williamson, 24119, President Sacramento Valley Lumbermen's Club; E. T. Roble, 25478, Secretary Sacramento Valley Lumbermen's Club; F. V. Paramino, 14839; J. H. Brown, 19009; S. D. Pine, 7863; R. A. Hiscox, 14423; H. W. Hogan, 13893; W. M. Stephenson, 2676; F. S. Palmer, 17610; O. H. Miller (kitten); L. D. Me-Donald, 5200, Chief Priest of the Osirian Cloister.

This concatenation was held in connection with the monthly meeting of the Sacramento Valley Lumbermen's Club. Lunch was served by the Club to all visiting Hoo-Hoo at the Hotel Sacramento at noon, and Trower and I made short talks regarding Hoo-Hoo, Both President Williamson and Secretary Roble are good Hoo-Hoo and assisted us ably.

Snark, F. S. Palmer; Senior Hoo-Hoo, O. J. Bayfuss; Junior Hoo-Hoo, W. M. Stephenson; Bojum, Paul M. Dimmick; Scrivenoter, F. W. Burgers; Jabberwock, L. D. Mc-Donald; Custocation, C. S. Brace; Arcanoper, R. A. Hiscox; Gurdon, R. C. Parker,

26507 Ira Elmer Brink, Woodland, Cal.; manager Diamond Match Co. 26508

Samuel Cooper, Jr., San Francisco, Cal.; salesman Peninsula Lbr. Co., Portland, Ore.

William John Crandley, San Francisco, Cal.; president Crandley Rubber & Supply Co.

Robert Samuel Fuller, Lodi, Cal.; manager Fuller-Meissner Lbr. Co. 26511 Monroe Louis Hirschfeld, Gridley, Cal.; manager

Butte Co. Lbr. Yard. 26512 Harry "Teddy" Matheny, Willows, Cal.; salesman

Brown & Doane Lbr. Co. George LaFayette Melssner, Lodi, Cal.; president Valley Lbr. Co.

2614 Oscar Henry Miller, Sacramento, Cal.; assistant manager W. F. Knox.

26515 Lewis "Sawmill" Mordecal, Sacramente, Cal.: secretary and treasurer Oak Park Lbr. & MIII Co.

26516 Lloyd George Warren, Sacrain ento, Cal.; president Warren Lbr. Co.

26517 Earl McDaniel Watson, Sacramento, Cal.; assistant manager Friend & Terry Lbr. Co.

Concatenation No. 1771, Secramento, Cal., March 16, 1912.

"See Venice and Die."

Some old European traveler, probably unduly exhilarated with his entertainment there, said "See Venice and dle." Supreme Representative Stephenson has no such feeling as a result of his attendance on Vicegerent J. T. Bate's concatenation at Venice, California. He is hoping to live to see just such another meeting at Venice. Venice. by the way, is a magnificent suburban resort on the bayside near Los Angeles. They have there a wonderful pavilion and a still more wonderful thing, called the "Ship Cafe." We are mable to make out from Brother Stephenson's description whether it is a real ship that has been appropriated for cafe purposes or a building put up in the similitude of a mammoth Pacific steamer. At any rate it bears a famous name-"Cabrillo." Without stopping now to search any musty tomes we recall this man as one of the most valiant but unforturate of the famous Portuguese navigators, the man who first "put California on the map." If we mistake not, Cabrillo was first to view the beauties of Catalina Island, named that Island, and died in the harbor of Avalon-where they have those glassbottom boats, and from which port you go out with a certain tackle-rig and catch a "tuna," the Pacific congener of our gulf "tarpon," and an even more survigrous lighter of a fish-and then put on some sort of button, badge, or amulet of some sort, and go around all the balance of your life blowing about the size of that fish. Oh, we know all about it; but the only two times we ever had a chance to take a try at the tunas they absolutely declined to bite. It was ever thus, from childhood's hour. Whenever we have wanted to dance the fiddle was out of tune. But we did catch a boatload of albercores, another pretty good specimen of the mackerel family, by the way, and a whole lot of bonitos, cousin to the skipjack of the Atlantic. Yes, oh yes, we know something of that country out there, past and present, something of fish and fishing, and something of circulating around for a day or two with such men as Bate, Goodrich, Capt. Meginn, and the others who took part in this meeting-at least a plenty to make us envy this Supreme Representative of Hoo-Hoo in his visit there.

But to get back to our mutton. Stephenson serves it up like this, and we can do no better:

Vicegorent Snark Bate had arranged a dinner in my honor which was served at the Ship Cafe at 6 o'clock. Vicegerent Bate acted as toastmaster, and responses were made by J. E. Meginn, 33, and W. M. Stephenson, 2676. There were present at the dinner just fifty persons. And a more delightful dinner I never sat down to.

At 9 o'clock we adjourned to the Auditorium, where the concatenation was held. After which we wont back to the Ship Cafe where the session on the roof was held, and it was some session. Vicegerent Snark Bate again acted as toastmaster, and the following responded: C. L. Miller, 23164; Frank L. Bartells, kitten; E. A. Goodrich, 12137; J. E. Meginn, 33; W. M. Stephenson, 2676; E. F. Heldemann, 23460; and others. Stories were told and we had good music.

We are certainly in debt to Vicegerent Snark Bate for the success of this concatenation.

The San Gabriel Valley Lumbermen Dealers' Association will hold a meeting soon in Los Angeles, and Vicegerent Bate will hold a concatenation during the meeting. He will hold the Hoo-Hoo trunk there until after this, and then return same to Brother Trower, San Fracisco. If Brother Bate should fail in this he will hold a midsummer concatenation in Los Angeles.

You will note that our old friend J. E. Meginn, 33, of the City of Mexico, was present. Captain Meginn has bought him an orange plantation and winter home, and is located at Vendome Hotel, Covina, Cal. He sends his best wishes to you. He is enjoying very good health, and is going to try and attend the Annual Meeting.

Snark, W. M. Stephenson; Senior Hoo-Hoo, F. M. Saunders; Junior Hoo-Hoo, J. T. Bate; Bojum, R. A. Forsyth; Serlvenoter, H. R. Bingham; Jabberwock, E. A. Goodrich; Custocatian, E. F. Carlson; Arcanoper, E. F. Heldemann; Gurdon, R. H. Fleming.

26518 Frank L. Bartells, Los Angeles, Cal.; partner Wheatlev & Bartells

26549 Victor Joseph Bernhard, Los Angeles, Cal.; salesmun Pacific Tank & Pipe Co.

26520 Grover Cleveland Cable, Los Angeles, Cal.; salesman James Schultz. 26521 John Mallines Carpenter, Los Angeles, Cal.; president

Pacific Sash & Door Co. 26522 George A. Dexter, Long Beach, Cal.; cashler Pacific

Lbr. Co., Los Angeles, Cal. 26523 Roy Edwin Harrington, Los Angeles, Cal.; partner

Harrington & Harrington Lbr. Co. 26524 Peter William McDuff, Wilmington, Cal.; superintendent Consolidated Lumber Co., Los Angeles, Cal.

26525 fra Lonzo Ott, Wilmington, Cal.; manager retail department Consolidated Lumber Co.

Bennett Mason Scott, Long Beach, Cal.; commercial agent S. P. L. A. & S. L. R. R.

26527 Emerson Strong, Wilmington, Cal.; salesman The Pacific Lbr. Co.

26528 Edward E. Yoder, Los Angeles, Cal.; assistant manager Pacific Lbr. Co.

Concatenation No. 1772, Ventce, Cal., March 23, 1912.

Hoo-Hoo Revival at Pensacola.

On the evening of March 21, Vicegerent F. Rust Smith held the first concatenation that has taken place in the city of Pensacola in several years. It was a big success. Twelve were initiated, all of them Pensacola men-mon who meet daily in the transactions of Pensacola's big export business. Among the kittens were the Harbor Master of Pensacola and the Hoo-Hoo in that district have had the net out for him for a long time.

The initiation ceremontes were held in the ball room of the beautiful San Carlos Hotel. Gus Eltzen acted as Junior, and an unusually good one he made. The dally contact of these men at Pensacola gave Mr. Eltzen a big advantage in the handling of his class. Trick questions of inspection were put up to them. Irregularities in sales they were made to explain, and Brother Eitzen kept the hall in a roar of laughter during all of the Junior work.

The session-on-the-roof was held in the main dining room of the hotel, this having been turned over to Vicegerent Smith for this occasion. Instead of postprandial speeches a musical program was rendered by a lady orchestra, part of the program being vocal numbers. The session-on-the-roof was in reality an elaborate banquet, which Vicegerent Smith gave to Hoo-Hoo and lumbermen

So enjoyable was the occasion that when the banquet was completed Brother Smith was surrounded, congratulated and made to pledge himself to see that another concatenation was held in a short while, and already more kittens have been rounded up than were put through at the concatenation on the evening of March 21.

Snark, Sam K. Cowan; Senior Hoo-Hoo, F. Rust Smith; Junior Hoo-Hoo, Gus Eltzen; Bojum, C. M. Frank; Scrivenoter, H. Rawlins; Jabberwock, J. C. Mellor; Custocatian, G. E. Copas; Arcanoper, E. Y. Morgan; Gurdon, S. A. John-

- 26529 James Edwin Abercromble, Pensacola, Fla.; harbor master Pensacola.
- 26536 Ralph Fries Berlin, Pensacola, Fla.; partner Dunwoody & Berlin
- 26531 Alfred Duckworth Berry, Pensacola, Fla.; shipper Export Lbr. Co.
- 26532 Charles Arthur Frickhoeffer, Pensacola, Fla.; super-Intendent of construction Evans Bros. Const. Co., Birmingham, Ala.
- 26533 George Chadwick Green, Pensacola, Fla.; owner George Chadwick Green,
- John Henry Kohler, Pensacola, Fla.; manager retail yard Stearns Lbr. & Export Co.
- William Lazarus Morgan, Jr.; Pensacola, Fla.; secretary and treasurer Forbes, Quigley & Morgan. 26536 Robert S. Quina, Pensacola, Fla.; vice-president Pensacola Lir. Co.
- 26537 John Monroe Roberts, Jr., Pensacola, Fla.; assistant shipper The Keyser-Muldon Co.
- budley Rosser Saunders, Pensacola, Fla.; vicepresident Export Lhr. Co.
- 26539 Mitchell Authory Tonart, Jr., Peresacola, Fla.; shipper and lumber buyer The Keyser-Muldon Co.
- 26540 Jesse Sims Walton, Pensacola, Fla.; director Ferry Pass Inspectors and Shippers' Association.
- Concatenation No. 1773, Pensacola, Fla., March 21, 1912.

HOO-HOO ON THE WEST COAST.

Brother Frank Trower is mightily well pleased with the outcome of the series of concatenations in California and over the impetus that has been given to Hoo-Hoo genorally on the Pacific Coast. In this feeling he is heartly Joined by Supreme Jabberwock J. M. Leiter, or Portland, with whom Brother Stephenson had several conferences during his Western trip. On account of the recent death of his wife Brother Leiter has not been in position to take any active part in Hoo-Hoo matters, but he has extended a helping hand in every undertaking. He is especially interested in the big concatenation at Portland in June, which will follow as one of the results of Brother Stephenson's visit.

Summing the thing up at the close of a month of strenuous activity, Brother Trower writes:

. It has also been a very enjoyable period for me and I think Stephenson has reason to pleasantly remember his California trip. He has made friends everywhere, and leaves a good impression.

We in California have been made to feel by Stephenson's presence a closer connecting tie with the Order. General interest in the Order has been renewed, and Stephenson has met personally a very large number of our members. Within the three weeks from March 2 to 23 we have had four concatenations in California and one in Nevada as

March 2.	San Francisco	15 initiates
March 9.	Reno	15 initiates
March 16.	Sacramento	11 initiates
March 19,	Fresno	20 initiates
March 23.	Venice	11 initiates

72 initiates

Four concatenations in one state, three of them in Palmer's district, all within three weeks, is going some. In San Francisco and Los Angeles there is enough available new timber for another concatenation in the

I am especially pleased over the Reno meeting and

also that at Fresno. At most of these meetings Stephenson has conducted the Junior work, and it has been along the right lines, and is an improvement over anything we have had here in the past. He has gone in more for the play of the wits in creating fun rather than so much "rough At the same time, our meetings have been no mollycoddle affairs, but it has all been clean fun. I have heard a lot of favorable comments on Stephenson's way of conducting the Junior work, and our members will want more of that system hereafter.

I believe Stephenson will report to you that he finds the Order in good shape here. In fact, I believe it has never been in a more healthy condition. These various meetings have stirred up a lot of interest in the coming Klamath Falls concatenation, and there will be a lot of visiters in the delegation going up there.

As a result of this campaign and the special letters I got out we have brought back several delinquents and have secured a more active interest on the part of many old time members.

The addition of three new districts in California is also going to greatly benefit the Order in this State.

In conclusion I simply want to say that Stephenson's visit to the Coast, and especially to California, has been, in my opinion, a very good investment for floo-floo.

The new districts in California to which Brother Trower refers in the above are three new vicegerencies which he purposes to establish, one of which he has already established-the Sacramento Valley District, for which has been appointed Vicegerent E. T. Roble, of East Auburn, California. The other two districts will probably be called the "Humboldt District" and the "San Joaquin Valley District." The first named comprises all that region in which is centered the celebrated redwood industry. Throughout this region Hoo-Hoo already has a good membership, but on account of its remoteness from the rest of the state, so far as connection by rail is concerned, not many concatenations have been held there, most of our members having been initiated at meetings held from time to time in other parts of the state. It is a field in which Brother Trower believes several good concatenations can be held as soon as a Vicegerent to take charge has been appointed.

The proposed San Joaquin Valley District will include all that valley as far south as Bakersfield, another fruitful field in which several good concatenations can be held.

In the proposal to establish these three new vicegerencles Brother Trower has the hearty concurrence of both Vicegerent Palmer of San Francisco and Vicegerent Bate at Los Angeles, both men recognizing that the state is so large that two vicegorents cannot possibly cover it as it should be covered

Brother Trower is confident that at least one good concatenation can be held in each of the three new districts. If this is done it will give California seven concatenations for this Hoo-Hoo year, a record seldom established in any one state in any year.

In Other States.

It is not only in California that Brother Stephenson's visit to the Coast has accomplished good. His presence was much appreciated at the big concatenations at Spokane and Seattle, reported in March Bulletin, and these, as is elsewhere noted, will be followed by a big concatenation April 31, at Vancouver, B. C., and one in June at Portland. On his return trip Brother Stephenson stopped at Vancouver, where he had a conference at length with Vicegerent Fau-Vel, and that good private in the ranks of Hoo-Hoo, Brother W. C. Birdsall, of E. C. Atkins & Co. Still further along on his trip east Brother Stephenson stopped at Winnipeg, reaching home Sunday, April 7, having spent a few days more than two months on this trip.

There is no doubt but that the trip has been of great value to Hoo-Hoo, resulting in a general and widespread awakening of interest. Concatenations have been held, vicegorents have been visited and brought into closer touch with the governing body than ever before, new plans for the future have been discussed and put under way, and a goodly bunch of old members re-established on

Incidentally, Brother Stephenson has proved a good "walking delegate" for the Hoo-Hoo Death Emergency Fund, having never failed to effectively bring this to attention at every point he has visited, and each of the almost innumerable speeches he has been called upon to make, Everywhere Brother Stephenson was received with enthusiastic hospitality, and was made the recipient of many

PERSONAL MENTION.

Some time ago Brother L. R. Fifer, Vicegerent at Seattle, whose picture was published in March issue of Bulletin in connection with report of his big concatenation at Seattle, February 16, wrote in to say that he might have to resign the Vicegerency on account of removal from Seattle. The Bulletin will please all members at Seattle and its readers throughout the West generally when it announces that while Brother Flfer has made an important business change he will continue to reside at Seattle, and to be Vicegerent there. The series of business changes in which Brother Fifer is concerned, and in which is also involved two other well-known Hoo-Hoo of Scattle, is thus recounted in a recent dispatch from Seattle to the

Announcement was made last week by H. B. Waite, president of the H. B. Walte Lumber Co., of Minneapoils, Minn., who has been spending a few days at the Seattle office of the company, that E. I. Conner, manager of the Pacific Coast end of the business and his brother, J. I. C. Conner, who has been on the road for the company. will retire April 1 to engage in the wholesale lumber bustness for themselves. E. L. Conner is succeeded as managed by L. R. Fifer, who will take charge of the western ond of the H. B. Walte Lumber Co.'s affairs on April 1. Fifer has been in charge of the Long-Bell Lumber Co.'s Scattle office and its western business for the last two years and a half. His concern since the first of the year has been closing out its business in the jobbing of western lumber and with the retirement of Mr. Fifer will close its Seattle office and discontinue the handling of western lumber and shingles. Mr. Fifer is an experienced lumberman and had been with the Long-Bell Company in the East for a number of years before coming to the Coast, where he has made many friends who will be glad to learn that he is to remain in the West.

Brother Wm. S. Aumen, No. 17295, of Baltimore, Md., has severed his connection with Aumen Machinery & Supply Co., which will go out of existence on May 1, and has organized the Aumen Machinery Company, 107 E. Lombard Street, Baltimore, of which he becomes president and treasurer. The new company will manufacture wood and woodworking machinery, engines, boilers, heaters, pumps,

The Bulletin in due time received marked copy of the March 9 issue of Baltimore News, announcing the advent of spring even at that early date, and proving the announcement with the publication of excellent likenesses of Geo. E. Waters and W. D. Gill, well-known Hoo-Hoo of Baltimore. Both men are prominently connected with the Mt. Washington Club, a social organization which does

all sorts of things all during the year. It appears that the early spring stunt of the club this year was a theater party which occurred on March 11.

Brother Hugh W. Hogan, of Oakland, Cal., Supreme Bojum in 1910, has been a willing and efficient worker in putting through the series of California concatenations. He is secretary of the Hogan Lumber Company, one of the big lumber concerns of Oakland. Brother Hogan everlastingly endeared himself to a large party of those attending the San Francisco Annual Meeting by putting at their disposal literally a flock of automobiles belonging to his company, for a dash through the famous Santa Clara valley to the Mission of San Jose, a trip that concluded with an equally delightful dinner at the quaint old village of San Leandro, now one of the popular nearby resorts of San Francisco and Oakland automobilists -- and then another swift dash by moonlight back to the city. Brother Hogan, by the way, though a most capable and successful business man, is a great student. He is a talker and a writer, too. At several of the recent sessions-on-the-roof he has added notably to the pleasure of the occasion by his exceptionally graceful after-dinner speeches.

Vicegerent Joseph Cowan, of Cedar Falls, lown, has taken two of the most momentous steps of his life. On March I be went into business for himself by becoming president of the Connell-Cowan Lumber Company, of Cedar Falls. On March 17 he was married to Miss Florence Bellamy, at Perry, Iowa. If this is not going some for a young man we would like to be informed. The Bulletin hastened to extend its congratulations, and to wish Brother Cowan and his wife a life full of happiness. In his new business connection Brother Cowan is associated with John H. Robinson and Charles J. Connell, vice-president and secretarytreasurer, respectively, of the new company, which succeeds to the business of the C. W. Chapman Lumber Co.

Brother N. H. Huey, of Kansas City, Mo., has made a radical change. Heretofore he has been a yellow pine man, having represented in this territory some of the biggest manufacturers in the Southwest. He has now switched over to California white and sugar pine. Effective April the 15th he became connected with the California Sugar & White Pine Co., of SanFrancisco, at the head of which is that good Hoo-Hoo, Brother F. F. Sayre. Brother Huey will continue to make his headquarters at Kansas City, and cover Southern Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Arkansas and Eastern Colorado. This is his old stamping ground, throughout which he is widely acquainted with all the lumber dealers.

Brother J. D. Bolton, Hoo-Hoo 904, has established himself in the wholesale hardwood and pine business at Chicago, and will have offices in the People's Gas Building. Brother Bolton has long been a most successful huyer for others, and no doubt will meet with a full measure of success, now that he has gone into business on his own hook. He knows the business, and has a wide acquaintance with both the dealers and consumers.

Lucky Scots.

California fruits easily find their way into Scottish markets. Recently a consignment of plums from that state was shipped to Dumfermline, arriving in splendid condition. The lot was sold in less than a week.