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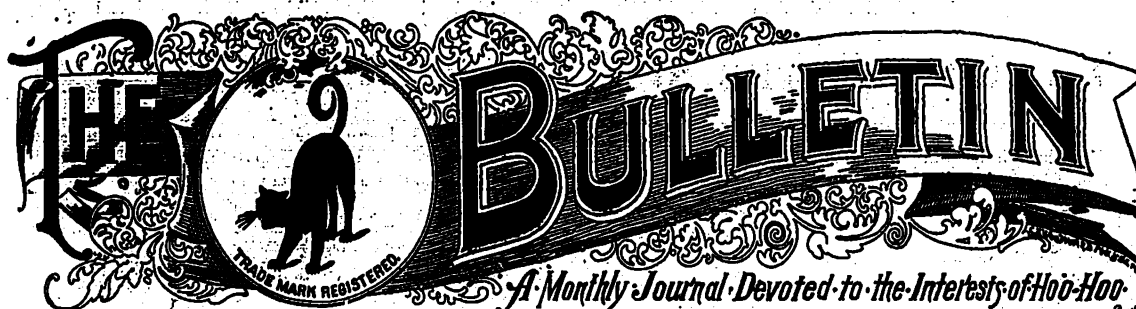
Letters from the Scrivenoter's office addressed to the following men have been returned unclaimed. Any information as to the present address of any of these men should be promptly sent to the Scrivenoter.

- 6468—W. F. Elwell, Montbourne, Wash.
6343—E. S. Stone, Silabee, Texas.
6336—E. R. Glass, Atkins, La.
4867—Alonzo Shader, St. Louis, Mo. (Removed from Springfield, Mo.)
6298—J. M. Smith, Hatfield, I. T. (Office discontinued.)
1587—Marshall J. Porter, 1744 Grand Ave., Denver, Col.
1502—C. H. Greve, Holstein, Ia.
2407—G. A. Verge, Boston, Mass. (Reported removed to Seattle, Wash.)
6483—L. S. Eaton, 213 Oak St., Evansville, Ind.
6007—R. J. Poulton, Savannah, Ga.
5212—W. B. Bynum, Riner, Ga.
7224—J. P. Hughes, Everett, Wash.
6336—T. C. McLain, Jasper, Texas.
5254—E. C. Crow, Merrill, Wis.
6692—J. J. Merrill, 740 West 46th Place, Chicago, Ill.
5885—S. S. Smith, Henderson, Ky.
5524—G. I. Parke, Augusta, Ga.
6685—J. B. Smith, Brookhaven, Miss.
7019—W. E. Metz, New Iberia, La.
7130—W. B. Rossiter, Camden, Ark.
7016—E. C. Elson, Kansas City, Mo.
6050—Ben F. Hawkins, Stamps, Ark.
6604—A. J. Lockman, Fargo, N. D.
6602—N. H. Olapp, Jr., Cloquet, Minn.
7191—P. E. Toolin, Jacksonville, Fla.
4487—B. S. Miller, Seattle, Wash.
1934—Emory White, Tacoma, Wash.
2370—G. O. Worland, Asheville, N. C.
281—Chas. D. Boyce, San Diego, Cal.
3123—J. B. Stevens, Lima, Ohio.
7400—E. H. Hammond, Thomasville, Ga. (Said to be at Bainbridge, Ga.)
6541—E. C. Smith, Atlanta, Ga.
6185—Robert Finley, Thornton, Ark.
1819—Fred Hamilton, Minneapolis, Minn.
5115—R. R. Marshall, Litcher, La. (Palmer, W. Va.)
6305—Arthur Ferguson, Pine Bluff, Ark. (Fort Smith, Ark.)
6748—J. T. Donaldson, Mena, Ark.
6780—Henry Gay, Mt. Vernon, Wash. (Sank, Wash.)
3888—E. L. Shaffer, Council Grove, Kan. (Topeka, Kas.)
5743—Z. C. Bright, Olco, Texas. (Alcatraz Island, Cal.)
3844—F. W. Simmons, Kansas City, Mo. (Hillsboro, Tex.)
4011—F. P. Southgate, Chicago, Ill.
3165—F. Trolander, Alboen, Minn.
7167—A. P. Linsley, Bayou Sara, La.
191—R. H. Kinner, Topeka, Kas. (East Pittsburg, Pa.)
7489—A. E. Chambers, Lake Charles, La.
6189—R. C. Branch, St. Louis, Mo. (Texarkana, Ark.)
6383—Win. Ross, Houston, Tex.
6045—A. T. Chenault, Houston, Tex.
906—B. F. Edwards, Chicago, Ill.
1824—George E. Powell, Three Lakes, Wis.
3878—H. E. Brommer, Kansas City, Mo. (Mena, Ark.)
6186—D. M. Wylie, Sullivan, Ill. (Mt. Vernon, Ill.)
607—H. S. Mitchell, Milwaukee, Wis. (New York, N. Y.)
1900—L. G. Mullen, New York, N. Y.
5111—J. A. Hudgens, Kentwood, La.
5427—J. H. Martin, Nevada, Mo.
6292—C. M. McDaris, Winthrop, Ark.
5768—D. J. Spaulding, Black River Falls, Wis.
6823—R. H. Hamilton, Evansville, Ind.
6429—C. Bentham, Evansville, Ind.
4608—R. D. Myers, Chicago, Ill.
3640—P. D. Bowler, Nashville, Tenn. (London, England.)
2404—F. H. Lynam, Chicago, Ill.
4834—W. S. Hawkins, Tifton, Ga.
8187—R. Wynne, Tifton, Ga.
6318—M. L. Harris, Houston, I. T. (Spiro, I. T.)
6316—W. P. Daman, Houston, I. T. (Eagleton, Ark.)
6038—F. M. Strader, Pine Bluff, Ark.
201—G. H. Leatherbe, Chicago, Ill.
403—F. W. Austin, New Orleans, La.
4627—W. Richardson, Grandin, Mo.
6879—J. E. Johnson, Memphis, Tenn.
7184—A. E. Siegner, Curtis, Neb. (Eicampo, Tex.)
6940—F. L. Berry, Houston, Tex.
6943—H. C. Burtis, Houston, Tex.

The Practical Side.

The men whose Hoo-Hoo names appear in the notices below are out of work and want employment. This is intended as a permanent department of THE BULLETIN, through which to make these facts known. It is, or should be, read by several thousand business men who employ labor in many varied forms, and it can be made of great value in giving practical application to Hoo-Hoo's central theme of helping one another. It is hoped the department will receive very careful attention each issue.

- WANTED—Position. An all around Saw and Shingle Mill man open for engagement. Fifteen years experience in North and South. Thorough office manager. Glitgedge references. Address, "Vleehoo," care J. H. Baird, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—By an experienced yellow pine lumberman, position as buyer or inspector. Good references. Address, No. 5094, care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—Position as band or circular sawyer in Louisiana, Arkansas, or some southern state preferred. Am competent. Can furnish references. Address, No. 6187, care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—Position on the road buying yellow pine for some good firm. Have been sick a long time, but am now able to work, and want a job. Am competent and can furnish references. I ask all Hoo-Hoo to assist me in securing a position. Address, No. 1970, care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—A lumber buyer wants a position on the road to buy yellow pine. Has had five years' experience, and can give good reference. Address "JOHN," care J. H. Baird, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—Position as buyer of yellow pine and hardwoods in the South. Am acquainted with manufacturers in all the Southern States, and understand the lumber business in all its branches from stump to consumer. Address, No. 116, care J. H. Baird, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—Position with lumber firm whose interests are large enough to afford chance of advancement; am 37-years of age and have had fourteen years experience in the retail lumber business in Nebraska; have been successful; habits and character considered first class; can furnish best of references, and desire to change about March 1st. Address No. 4875, care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—Position as buyer. Successful experience in buying and selling hardwood lumber; large acquaintances in South. Good references. Address, No. 2888, care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn. Nov. '99.
WANTED—Position as planing mill foreman. Willing to go anywhere. Have had thirty-five years experience. Can give first-class references. Address, No. 6290, care THE BULLETIN, Wilcox Building, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—To make contract for logging with cypress or pine mill. Am competent to handle any size contract, and have had years of experience. Address, No. 378, care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—A position as travelling salesman, general office work, or retail yard work. Have had several years experience in yellow and white pine. Can furnish references. Address, No. 5885, care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—I would like to associate myself with first-class people in the manufacture of yellow pine. Fully competent to handle any size plant. Fifteen years experience, and glit edge reference. Address, Hoo-Hoo No. 3691, care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—To correspond with wholesale dealer or manufacturer of lumber who may need a salesman. I can furnish best of references as to my abilities. Have been traveling in Pennsylvania, Ohio and New York, but not particular as to territory. Address, No. 647, care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—Position as manager of lumber yard or a series of yards. Have had experience in laying out and planning yards and sheds, and keeping stock in shape. Best of reference given. Out of position on account of yard selling out. Address, No. 5429, care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—Position as travelling salesman for mill supply house, or will take charge of foundry and machine shop. Am a practical mechanic with extensive acquaintance among saw mills in the southeast. Understand the supply business; twenty-two years' experience. Address 7759, care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter.
WANTED—Estimator capable of taking lists from plans and with some ability as a salesman required by a large Southern Planing Mill, Door, Sash and Blind Factory. Young unmarried man preferred. Address, with full particulars, "Augusta," care Hoo-Hoo BULLETIN.
WANTED—Position as band saw flier. Have experience North and South in both hard and soft wood. Can furnish good references. Address 6558, care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter.
WANTED—An experienced business man, 38 years of age, speaking Spanish, French and English, desires to represent some American firm in Cuba. Am well acquainted, having lived on the island for three years. Can furnish best of references. Address No. 4818, P. O. Box 246 Santiago de Cuba, W. I.
WANTED—Position by lumber stenographer and office man; five years experience in the wholesale yellow pine business. Would prefer south or west. Good reasons for desiring to make change. (Can furnish best of references. Address 5723, care J. H. Baird, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—Position as sawmill superintendent, assistant manager, or machinery salesman. Thoroughly competent. (Can furnish references. Address No. 7898, care J. H. Baird, Nashville, Tenn.
WANTED—One or two machine men, also a shipping clerk for planing mill. In the machine men, we need band and scrollsawyers, planer man, and molder man. Buell Planing Mill Company, Dallas, Texas.
WANTED—We want to secure the services of a lumber salesman familiar with the trade in Southwest Missouri and Southeast Kansas. Address Ferguson Lumber Company, Little Rock, Ark.



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The following are the Vicegerents of Hoo-Hoo, to whom all inquiries touching Concatenations should be addressed. These men are appointed to look after the interests of the Order in their respective territories. To this end, everything affecting the interests of the Order should be reported to them, and they should have the hearty support and co-operation of every member.

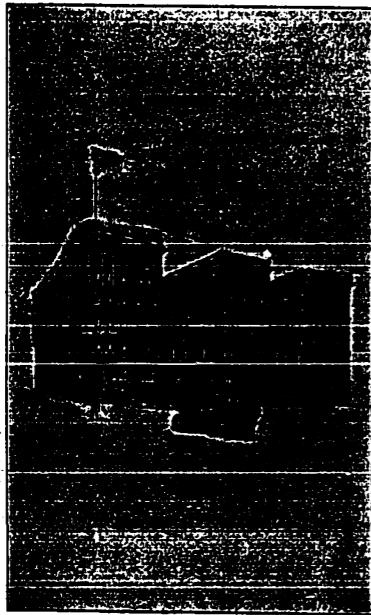
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THE CITY BY THE SEA.

We present in this issue a number of illustrations of scenes in and around Norfolk, as well as cuts of some of the prominent Hoo-Hoo of that city who are energetically perfecting arrangements for our entertainment at Hoo-Hoo's Tenth Annual Meeting. There is no doubt that this meeting is going to be a notable one, probably the most important Annual we have ever held, and the prospects are that it will be largely attended. Many questions of vital importance to the welfare of the Order will come up for discussion; and some of the brethren have suggested that whether a member is present at Norfolk or not, he nevertheless should have the right to present his views on any subject liable to come up for discussion there. There can be no question on this point, and there is no reason why every member should not feel at perfect liberty to set forth his views on any subject connected with the welfare of the Order.

The Hotels.

The two leading hotels of Norfolk are the Atlantic and the Monticello. Each of these hotels will accommodate about six hundred guests. Both are strictly up to date in every particular. The Monticello is run on both the Euro-



"THE MONTICELLO," NORFOLK, VA.
American and European plans; can pleasantly accommodate 400 guests. Sylvanus Stokes, Prop.

pean and American plan. On the former plan they will make a rate of \$1 a day each for two in a room; one in a room, \$1.50 per day. American plan, two in a room, \$2.50 each; one in a room, \$3. The Monticello is one of the newest and finest hotels in the South.

The Atlantic will make a straight \$2.50 rate, the same being their commercial rate; and \$3 for best rooms, with bath.

Personnel of the Norfolk Workers.

The members at Norfolk are thoroughly organized and are working energetically and systematically.

Brother A. H. Potter is chairman of the Entertainment Committee, and the plan of entertainment which he and his able assistants are preparing is most elaborate. Brother Potter is traveling representative of the well-known firm of E. C. Atkins & Co., and has thrown himself into the work of making the entertainment features a success, with the same degree of vigor that characterizes his business operation.

Brother W. W. Robertson is chairman of the Advertising Committee, and on him and his coadjutors devolves a most important part of the work. They will devote their energies to the task of giving as wide publicity as possible to the forthcoming Annual Meeting. They will enlist the efforts of the lumber press, and have also arranged to exploit the meeting through the columns of the daily papers. They will leave no stone unturned to render this Annual Meeting the biggest success that ever happened. Brother Robertson is connected with the Pocahontas Lumber Company, and is a devoted and loyal Hoo-Hoo.



"ATLANTIC HOTEL."

Brother J. E. Duke, of the firm of Duke & Smith, is chairman of the Executive Committee, which is most appropriate, as he is a very executive sort of man. He is Vicegerent for the State of Virginia.

Mr. J. W. Brown, Jr., is a prominent railroad man of Norfolk, who has very properly been appointed chairman of the Committee on Hotels and Transportation.

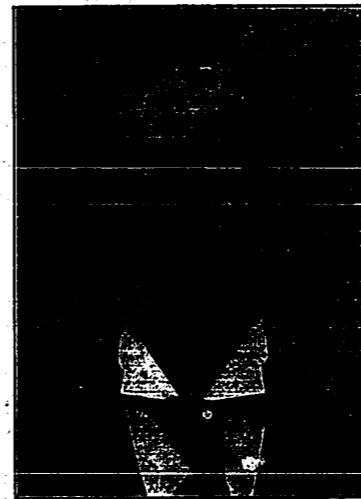
Among the members of the various committees are some of the most prominent citizens of Norfolk, who are putting forth earnest efforts to make the occasion of the Tenth Annual a memorable one.

Railroad Rates.

This most important matter is not yet settled, but we trust it will be before many days. Every effort is being made to secure a one-fare rate. The Snark and the Scrivener at this writing are in Atlantic City, where they will attend the Conference Committee of the Southeastern Passenger Association, in an effort to get the rate question settled.

To All Vicegerents.

Dear Sir and Brother: Referring to our coming Annual at Norfolk, Va., and our recent open letter to the members in this connection, published in "The Bulletin" and the lumber trade papers, we desire to invoke your earnest co-



E. E. DAWES,
Of the Norfolk Board of Trade. Member of
Entertainment Committee.

operation and assistance toward obtaining the largest and most representative attendance possible, both of members and initiates, as outlined in the letter referred to, copy inclosed herewith.

With reference to proposed initiates, both regular and

nished to each proposed initiate, regular or honorary, upon arrival in Norfolk, which will permit their attendance upon the opening exercises, and any entertainment of the 9th, preceding the concatenation of that evening, at which they will be initiated. After that they would be fully entitled to attend all meetings and all entertainments, so that the only function that would be missed by such initiates would



J. W. BROWN, JR.,
Chairman Committee on Hotels and Transportation.

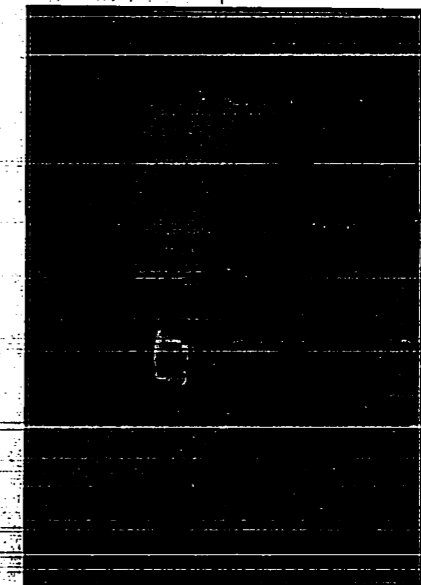
be the Executive Session on the morning of the 9th, which usually amounts to little more than organization for the work of the Annual.

This being our Tenth Annual, it is important to round up the work of the past decade, and establish a firm founda-



J. W. MCCARRICK,
Member Executive Committee.

honorary, state to them that they will be able to enjoy every benefit of the Annual, social and otherwise, when they have duly signed application and paid in their initiation fees and dues. To this end, we will arrange for badges to be fur-



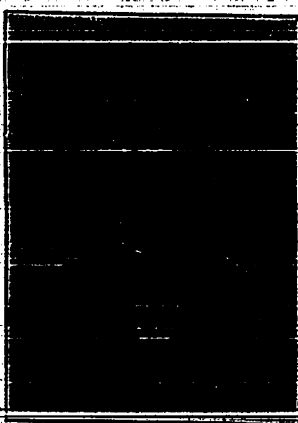
J. E. DUKE,
Vicegerent Snark for Virginia.

tion for the future work and growth of the Order. Therefore the attendance of as many representatives from each jurisdiction as possible is highly desirable, and the attendance of at least one from each jurisdiction is of the utmost importance. It is almost needless to remark that, by virtue of his office and his familiarity with the affairs throughout



A. E. POTTER,
Chairman Entertainment Committee.

the jurisdiction, this one should be the Vicegerent Snark. Each Vicegerent Snark is requested to settle this question in his own mind at once, and if circumstances preclude his attendance, see to it that a thoroughly capable man from his jurisdiction attends in his place. If no suitable person able and willing to defray his own ex-



W. T. ANDERSON,
Member Advertising Committee.

penses can be found, we suggest that the Vicegerent Snark take steps within his jurisdiction to raise enough, by voluntary subscription, to defray the actual expenses, or such part thereof as may be lacking, of such representative. While it is by no means intended that such practice shall

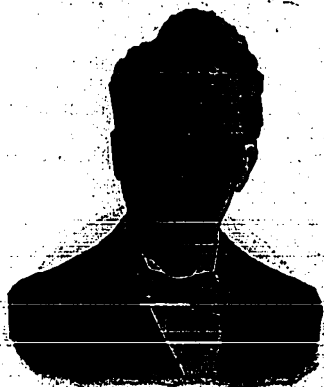
become general, or even semicommon, we can see no objection thereto at an epoch in the history of our Order when it seems so urgently necessary and eminently desirable that we have a very full and thoroughly representative attendance.

We trust you will agree with us in the above suggestions, and do all you can to forward the end sought for. We are addressing a letter similar to this, to the members of the House of Ancients, the Supreme Nine, and also to all of the Vicegerent Snarks.

With kind regards, we are, Fraternally yours,
B. T. T. O. T. G. S. B. C.,
J. H. BAIRD, WILLIAM B. STILLWELL,
Scrivenoter. Snark.

A Revival in Wisconsin.

Mr. Frank N. Snell, Vicegerent Snark for the State of Wisconsin, is the man who "made Milwaukee famous" by holding in that city, on the evening of May 22, one of the most successful concatenations that has occurred in Wisconsin for years. A brief report of this meeting has been published in "The Bulletin," but as we had only very meager data, the notice we gave did not do justice to the subject; and there has since come to our knowledge a fact which the modesty of Brother Snell prevented his divulging—that his concatenation was really a very notable event,



FRANK N. SNELL,
Vicegerent Snark for Wisconsin.

marking, as it does, a turning point in the interest in Hoo-Hoo matters in Wisconsin. Brother Snell is deeply impressed with the idea that there is a great field, not only in Milwaukee, but throughout the State of Wisconsin, for a revival of Hoo-Hoo enthusiasm. It is his desire to hold a concatenation soon in the northern part of the State. At his concatenation at Milwaukee there were present some of the oldest and most prominent members of the Order, including Mr. B. F. McMillan, of McMillan, Wis., and Mr. Eugene Shaw, of Eau Claire, members of the Supreme Nine. A very pleasing feature of Vicegerent Snell's concatenation was the large number of delinquents who paid up and reinstated themselves. Owing to an unfortunate combination of circumstances, Wisconsin has not for the past few years made as good a showing as the other States; but with the impetus given Hoo-Hoo matters through the able and energetic efforts of Vicegerent Snell, no doubt that section will come rapidly towards the front.

Opinions of Some Members.

J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.: I have before me the two last issues of "The Bulletin," and have noted with no little interest the discussion that was apparently started by that little inquiry of No. 4482, and am also surprised to note that you plead inability to answer some inquiries for information that the members most certainly should have a right to expect at the hands of the Scrivenoter. The good brother wishes to know if the Barns plan would not result in an increase of dues; if it is not a fact that as the dues now stand they are not of sufficient proportions to defray the running expenses of Hoo-Hoo; and he also asks if the Order is not largely dependent on its receipts from initiations for funds with which to defray its expenses. It certainly appears to me that you should be able to answer these inquiries from your books, and that without expressing your personal views on the subject, as naturally and very properly you do not wish to do.

Brother Barns, in his article before the last Hoo-Hoo Annual, makes a specious argument in behalf of what he seems to think will be the best plan to preserve and up-

of other Hoo-Hoo are members of an order which has no salaried officer, outside of the secretary, and where no man or set of men "give their entire time to the upbuilding of the organization. No one is expected to do this; on the contrary, each member is expected to do his little part toward carrying on the good work. The organization I have in mind depends on the sublimity of its ritual and the reputation it (the order) has with the world at large for its new material, and also to retain active interest of its initiates; and it has no roof garden, either.

That the plan Brother Barns proposes is a most dangerous one is made manifest by the electioneering methods already adopted by one whilom prominent member of the Order, in the following letter, addressed to a chosen few, whom no doubt he imagines control the destinies of Hoo-Hoo:

"Desiring to extend what I conceive to be the greatest possible service that I can render our Order, along lines discussed by Mr. W. E. Barns and others at the Annual Meeting held at Dallas, Texas, last October, and believing that the vigorous efforts of a man peculiarly situated as I am will rectify the few evils that exist in Hoo-Hoo, I an-



"PRINCESS ANNE HOTEL, VIRGINIA BEACH."

build the Order. Now no one who knows my friend Barns will undertake to question the sincerity of his expressed desire to evolve some way of meeting the issue fairly, and of upbuilding the tone of the Order, and of keeping it from falling to pieces from dry rot; but that the method proposed by him will answer the purpose is, to say the least, very doubtful; this is made quite manifest by the "nine or more questions" propounded by No. 421. It is customary, prior to presenting a new measure for the consideration of legislative bodies, to submit the proposition to those who by experience and training are deemed most competent to pass on its soundness and to say whether it will withstand the vicissitudes of time and meet the requirements of practical application. That our warm-hearted friend has not the requirements necessary to qualify him to act the part of mentor on a proposition of this character is evident by his statement, "In every order of which I have any knowledge there is an officer whose business it is to devote his entire time and energy to the upbuilding of the organization;" this in itself shows that Brother Barns has had only a very limited experience in secret order work; I have had but little, yet I am a member, and I believe hundreds

nounce myself as a candidate for the position of Supreme Scrivenoter, providing my plans please the majority of the many loyal Hoo-Hoo to whom I am addressing letters similar to this.

"My friend, J. H. Baird, who has so ably filled the Scrivenoter's chair, tells me he will not be a candidate for the position if my name is placed in nomination at Norfolk. If I am a candidate it will be upon the following platform, which originates with me:

"1. I would stipulate that the Hoo-Hoo work gradually take the place of my lecture work, and that only the few lecture contracts which may be in force at my proposed election be carried out, if they cannot be cancelled; that the position of Scrivenoter be my chief and, as swiftly as possible, my only occupation.

"2. It would be my plan to arrange matters in the various Vicegerencies so that it would be possible even during the first year for me to visit and hold concatenations in most of them.

"3. I should endeavor to raise the standard of Hoo-Hoo by raising the standard of excellence in initiatory work. I should illustrate the rise of the Order to the Novitiates and visiting Hoo-Hoo by producing my "The Story of Hoo-Hoo" before or as a part of each concatenation, and by introducing an entirely new feature which contemplates the illustration by stereopticon of the "unwritten work," and the "nine commandments" at the end of each concatenation.

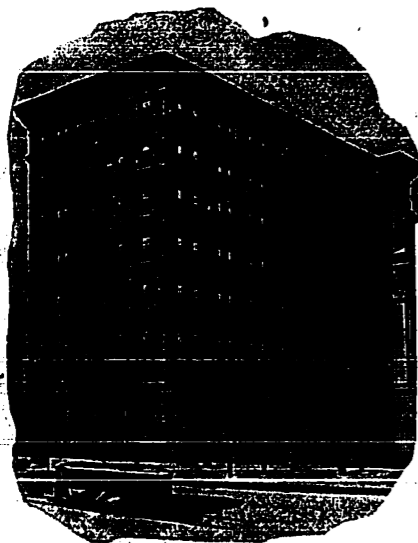
tion. I should, jointly with the Vicegerents, plan to make the concatenations which I would attend, a sort of annual carnival of Hoo-Hoo in each particular Vicegerency.

"4. I would make "The Bulletin" a vehicle for railroad advertising, to the extent of securing the transportation necessary to accomplish most of the travel.

"5. It should be my duty to the Order to work along conservative lines in the admission of members, in the expense of concatenations, and in the conduct of concatenations along lines of "good repute." It should be my duty to do aggressive work in that "fallow soil yet untrod" in our own country, and in establishing Hoo-Hoo membership in foreign countries; and especially my duty to increase the honorary list of desirable men.

"Please read this letter over carefully and then write me what your personal views are on the subject. From the aggregated opinions which I certainly hope to receive by return mail, I shall determine whether or not my ideas are the sentiment of the Order."

The modesty and self-abnegation of the author of this document are certainly most refreshing; but, sad to relate, Scrivenoter Baird say it's no such a thing; that he never said it. A few moments' calculation will speedily convince the doubting of the fallacy of this elaborate plan, as it will have the effect of depleting the treasury; and the members, or at least a very great number of them, will with-



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draw before they will consent to an increase in dues to an organization from which they secure such small returns. The writer is no Moses, and is, therefore, unable to suggest a plan by which to lead Hoo-Hoo out of the wilderness. At the same time, it is not recorded that the Past Snarks and members of the Osirian Cloister are of divine origin, and, therefore, infallible; hence it behooves those members of the Order who have its welfare at heart to consider this matter carefully and thus qualify themselves to vote intelligently when the question is put to a vote at the next Annual. If I may be permitted to do so, I would suggest that the question which confronts Hoo-Hoo is, How shall we retain our initiates? and not, How many new members can we secure?

Very truly yours,

No. 2150.

[This letter reaches us just as the paper is about to go to press. The next issue will contain a statement of expenses that will set forth the information suggested by this brother.—Editor.]

Austin, Texas, June 30.—Now that the time for the Annual is drawing near, I suppose it is in good form to discuss the suggestions made at the last Annual by Brother Barns, regarding a traveling agent who is also to act as Scrivenoter. He may say that this is not the correct construction to place upon his suggestion, but I cannot see it in any other way. I listened attentively to what he had to say when he read his paper at Dallas, and when it was published in "The Bulletin" I read it carefully. I cannot agree with him in his suggestions. I want to say, first, that I regret very much that No. 3 should want to make such radical changes, when the younger members are found almost all aligned on the other side of the question. I do not believe that the proposed change will be beneficial to Hoo-Hoo; and as one of the beginners, Brother Barns should look more carefully to the future of Hoo-Hoo.

In the first place, the persons eligible to membership in our Order are of certain lines of business and one profession. There are enough good men in the country in those lines of business and that profession anxious to unite with us, and solicitation of candidates is wholly unnecessary. To employ a traveling representative, at a large salary, to conduct concatenations and visit all parts of the country, is to my part a very foolish suggestion; I cannot look at it in any other way. If such an office were created, it would

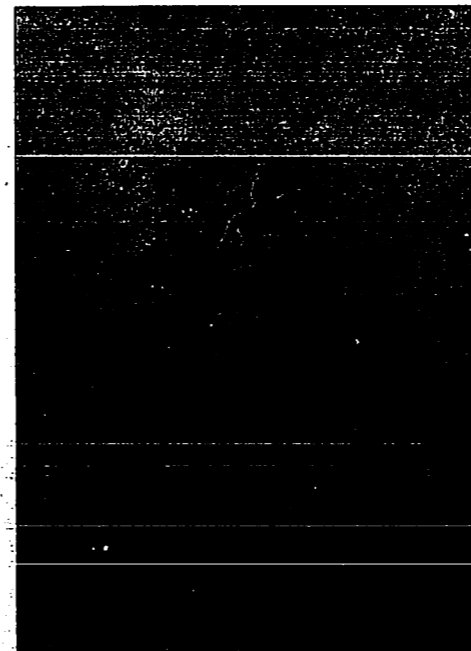


"WASHINGTON'S SLEEPING HEADQUARTERS."
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then devolve upon that officer to conduct all concatenations. Is there any one who believes that this country is small enough for any man to cover it in any line of business? What would he do with a desire for a concatenation at Camden, Ark., or Houston, Texas, and a desire at Spokane, Wash., when the dates were near together—say within a week? The limits are too far apart. It even taxes the time of the Vicegerent of Texas to cover his territory when there is material in different parts of the State. We have no lodge halls to visit, no lodges to be inspected, and no schools of instruction to be held. Our Order is different from all others—it is composed of a peculiar membership—and I hope it always will be just as different as it is to-day. I think that the suggestion of Brother Barns is altogether out of the question, and should be promptly voted down. We need no high-salaried officer to proselyte membership. We are fast nearing the four-figure limit placed upon the membership, and there will from time to time be vacancies enough caused to continue the initiatory work. Let us be careful in our acceptances of members, let us be sure of our men, and continue to work in the future as we have in the past, with an efficient Scrivenoter

to look after the "home office," and listen not to those who suggest innovations that in reality may have for their purpose only the transfer of the home office to a city farther West. Let St. Louis be content with the World's Fair soon to be held; or let her win the Scrivenoter's headquarters—a fight in the open, by putting forth a candidate for position who will show himself before the Annual prepared to win on his merits. I do not think any man can win on the demerits of the present Scrivenoter. To my mind he has done his work well. I am for him because of his efficiency, because of his attention to business, and because I do not think that it is wise for any order to change its grand secretary, except for excellent cause. It is an important office, and familiarity with membership and business, gained only by long tenure, gives such efficiency.

The suggestion that we should go to Europe to fill out our membership is the poorest argument in Brother Barns' paper. I am opposed to foreign missionary work. Why should we seek candidates in the European country? There



"MARSE ROBERT."
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is nothing in common between us, and the less attention given to this, the better it will be.

I want to see the spirit of Hoo-Hoo spread broadcast in "our land," but I do not want to see proselyting in other countries, nor do I believe in high-priced officers to keep the machine going. We do not need them.

I believe the Norfolk Annual will be a large one. I notice that you will have an excursion to Boston via the Merchants and Miners' Transportation Company's lines. I had the pleasure of a trip from Norfolk, Va., to Providence, R. I., on one of their boats a few years ago, and I never enjoyed a trip more in my life. The officers were very courteous to the large number of passengers, gave us every pleasure and attention, and excellent meals were served. The staterooms are comfortable. I believe the coast trip will be a feature which will attract many to Norfolk; and with so many of the black and gold gathered together on the ocean wave, it will be pleasant.

Some may criticize what I have said regarding Brother Barns' paper, but in Hoo-Hoo we are all of one stature; no Hoo-Hoo is greater or smaller than another, and we all have a right to speak as we think and to discuss such radical changes. Therefore, I have no apologies to offer any one.

B. T. T. O. T. G. S. B. C.,
JAMES HAYS QUARLES (No. 4928).

Newport, Ark., July 1.—Dear Brother Baird: I note with much interest the remarks of No. 421 in the May "Bulletin" anent the proposal to elect a traveling representative to take charge of all concatenations, and heartily indorse his disapproval of the plan.

Under our organization the Vicegerent is charged with, and is responsible for, the proper administration of Hoo-Hoo affairs in his territory; and I believe there are plenty of loyal Hoo-Hoo of character, judgment, and ability to properly conduct the office of Vicegerent, and who, for love of Hoo-Hoo, would gladly accept its responsibilities. If Section 3, Article III., of our Constitution, were enforced a bit more rigorously when occasion demanded, I believe there would be less complaint of our present system, and much of the cause of the desire for a traveling "conductor" would be done away with.

I also wish to commend the suggestion of the publishing in "The Bulletin" of a voting blank whenever there is a radical change proposed. This would give every member a chance to express his wish in regard to same. I know that many of our brothers believe that only those have the interest of Hoo-Hoo at heart who manifest it by attendance at Annuals; but I maintain that they are in error in this. Many of the most enthusiastic Hoo-Hoo are unfortunately unable to attend the Annuals, but they should have the right to record their opinions about momentous questions, and the same should have due consideration.

In regard to extending our Order abroad, this appears to me as a wholly unnecessary step, and one which would result in no benefit to us.

In conclusion, I wish to say again that I consider the election of a traveling representative unnecessary and unwise, and I hope it will not be done.

Fraternally, F. PRICE (No. 1008).

Business Opportunities.

White Springs, Fla.—Mr. J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.—Dear Brother Baird: We are in need of a thoroughly competent man to take charge of our planing mills at this place—one who understands planing mill machinery thoroughly. We also need a first-class lumber inspector to inspect our dressed lumber. We would be glad to consider applications of any who can furnish A1 references; we are willing to pay good salaries to the right men.

Yours very truly,
R. J. & B. F. CAMP.

Personal Mention.

Brother W. M. Stephenson (No. 2676), formerly of this city, but now of Duluth, Minn., where he holds an important position with the Wisconsin Central lines, became, on June 4, the happy father of a red-haired boy. We extend congratulations, and trust the boy will inherit "Billy's" sterling qualities of character, as well as the cheerful hue of his hair.

Brother W. G. Flournoy, of the Flour City Lumber Company, of Minneapolis, Minn., has recently accepted the office of vice president of the Mountain Lion Mining Company, a gold mining company of British Columbia, whose main offices are in Minneapolis.

A Leader and an Order,

Under this very appropriate title the "American Lumberman" of recent date published an interesting article regarding the Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo and its present supreme officer, Snark of the Universe, William B. Stillwell. The following is an extract from this able article:

"There is wisdom in the voice of those who have lived and achieved, and always some lesson to be learned from any strong life, if one look for it. The future has its mists and its mirages, but one can look back over the past with a clear vision and a true perspective, and study to some advantage the causes which have brought about desired results.

"The 'American Lumberman' has kept this in mind in the series of articles which have appeared upon this page, and upon this occasion, in connection with the gentleman whose portrait appears herewith, is led to some reflections regarding the fraternal Order with which the name has recently become prominently associated and which he firmly believes to have in it the elements of one of the greatest of known fraternal orders.

"There are others who have seen in the Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo only an opportunity for nonsense and merrymaking, and at the outset the prediction was freely made that an order having no regular lodge nights nor regular meeting place nor avowed beneficial objects could have only an ephemeral existence. Nevertheless Hoo-Hoo has gone on with an ever-increasing success; the Black Cat has a world-wide acquaintance; and the grotesqueness which the Order affects has made it famous, although it has served to obscure from many people the more serious uses and more intrinsic worth to be found in this distinctively lumbermen's fraternal organization.

"Fraternity, however, is not altogether a matter of an oath-bound ritual declaration, or of a large benevolent fund, or of social intercourse forced upon those whose business interests may be diverse, who move in different society, even if they have time at all for what Dame Fashion wants the word to mean, and who perhaps may never see each other outside of the lodge room. Hoo-Hoo was the first secret Order in the world to be confined to those who were identified in the same line of business. It did not attempt to establish artificial fraternal relations, but merely to strengthen natural ones. With the busy man of to-day the business tie is the strongest one. Here he forms his most intimate acquaintances. The man he meets in his own or a neighbor's parlor he may come to know superficially, and he is satisfied with such knowledge as comes to him casually; but the man with whom he does business, he makes it his business to know from the ground up. Hoo-Hoo takes this business acquaintance as a foundation and extends it along rational lines, among those engaged in the same line of business. It has somewhat the social benefits that belong with the lumber associations, and effectively supplements them in bringing about a oneness of feeling and a mutual acquaintance and confidence, although not itself subject to the geographical or other limitations which define the scope of membership in the various associations. The seed of fraternity, sown in such favorable soil, could not fail to grow; and it is but a repetition of the old fairy story of 'Jack and the Beanstalk.' The Jacks of the lumber trade who are disposed to do so can now climb higher and get the advantage over the giant of Selfishness, whose only eye is a capital I—poor, short-sighted ogre that he is.

"It is but natural that the hospitable Southern nature should have had a warm welcome for the principles of Hoo-Hoo, and the Order has secured a large membership in the South and Southeast. Hitherto no Annual Meeting of the Order has been held in that part of the country; but this year the people of Norfolk will have the pleasure of entertaining Hoo-Hoo in annual conclave. Ever since the Virginia coast was first settled by the cavaliers, Norfolk has been a lumber-manufacturing point, and is so still. It was not the only competitor for the honor of entertaining the Hoo-Hoo Annual, but, having secured it, will doubtless take every means to make the occasion one of much benefit to the material interests of the Order, as well as of much entertainment and pleasure to the visiting members.

"Going down the Atlantic coast from Norfolk, immediately after reaching the Georgia line one will find himself in another hothed of Hoo-Hoo, as well as in a lumber section which was so absolutely the pioneer in the manufacture of longleaf pine in a commercial way that, for years that timber was known as none other than Georgia

pine in the markets of the North; and in some cases architects who had become impressed with the merits of the Georgia production rejected with indignation the products of other Southern States offered them under the trade term of Georgia pine. Georgia still is and will be for years an important factor in the lumber production of the South, and especially so in the trade which creeps up the Atlantic coast in the small coastwise vessels, bound for Eastern points. There have been notable men in the Georgia lumber trade, and one of the more prominent of those now alive is William B. Stillwell, the present Snark of the Universe.

"However august in his official capacity, Mr. Stillwell is unofficially an alert business man whose name is pretty well known up and down the Atlantic coast from Maine to Cuba. He was born in Rome, Ga., March 11, 1851, and his name is not quite half way down the official register of family births which must have overflowed the record pages in the old family Bible, for there were sixteen children. At the close of the Civil War ten of these were still living—nine boys and one girl—four brothers older than William having seen service under the Confederate flag.

"The family, which during the war had 'refugeed' pretty much all over the State, moved back to Rome at the close of the war, and William got his first experience in sawmill operations in an upright saw water mill operated by his father, whom he assisted as yard man and general utility man. In February, 1866, he went into the employ of Millen & Wadley, at Savannah, Ga., which afterward became Millen, Wadley & Co., by the admission of D. C. Bacon as junior partner. While with this firm Mr. Stillwell served also as director of the Savannah Board of Trade for several years, and for two years as its vice president; was for several years a director in the Citizen's Bank, a member of the Cotton Exchange, and was a director in the Savannah Construction Company, which built the road from Columbia to Savannah, afterwards operated by the Florida Central & Peninsular railroad, and now a part of the Seaboard Air Line.

"In 1876 Messrs. Bacon, and Wadley formed the firm of D. C. Bacon & Co., H. P. Smart being afterward admitted to the firm. The firm formed and operated a number of other companies, including the Vale Royal Manufacturing Company, the Atlantic Lumber Company, Central Georgia Lumber Company, Screven County Lumber Company, and Amoskeag Lumber Company, Mr. Stillwell being for several years president of the last-named company, as well as an officer in all the others named.

"In 1887 the firm of D. C. Bacon & Co. was dissolved, and the firm of Stillwell, Millen & Co. was established, with headquarters at Savannah, Ga.; and L. R. Millen & Co. of New York City, consisting of W. B. Stillwell, Loring R. Miller, and L. Johnson; R. H. and W. R. Bewick being admitted several years later. The firm owned and operated the Screven County Lumber Company, Central Georgia Lumber Company, and Augusta Lumber Company; and also built and operated the Waycross Air Line railroad and the Millen & Southern railroad. In all these companies Mr. Stillwell held official positions, and was president of the Waycross Lumber Company. In 1895 the lumber business of Stillwell, Millen & Co., L. R. Millen & Co., McDonough & Co., the James K. Clarke Lumber Company, Henry P. Talmage, and C. C. Southard was consolidated into the Southern Pine Company of Georgia, and Mr. Stillwell became secretary and treasurer of the company, which position he still holds, being also director of the purchasing and shipping department."

Mr. Stillwell has made a splendid Snark, a fact which is nowhere so continuously apparent as in the Scrivenoter's office. The connection between these two offices is so close that the personality of the Snark is really a matter of great importance, and a lack of ability on his part would seriously handicap the Scrivenoter. He must needs be a man of quick intelligence, swift to catch the drift of things, and possessed of that happy combination—a firm and positive will and a degree of tact that prevents his taking a dogmatic stand on questions that must be handled delicately. It is surprising how quickly the characteristics of the Snark become apparent to the workers in the Scrivenoter's office—within a month after a new man is installed as the head of the Supreme Nine, the force in the Scrivenoter's office have arrived at a conclusion as to his chief merits and the sort of record he will make. Hoo-Hoo has been most fortunate in the selection of its Snarks, and none of them have reflected more credit on the Order than Mr. Stillwell, of Savannah.

Answers to Some Questions.

Editor "The Bulletin": At the Annual Meeting in Dallas, Texas, last October, the writer presented for the consideration of the members of the Order a plain statement of facts as they had come under his observation during the last few years, and suggested certain changes in our methods which were corrective and remedial in their nature. Nothing of a radical or revolutionary character was proposed. This paper was discussed at the Annual Meeting, and, on motion, referred to the members of the House of Ancients, with a request that this body, made up of Past Snarks, should present a report on same at the next Annual Meeting. The paper was published in "The Bulletin" for October, and republished in the April issue for 1901. During the past few months I have received from various parts of the country many communications bearing on the paper; some of approval, others asking for additional information regarding the scheme proposed. In the April issue of "The Bulletin" I notice an inquiry from 4482, and in the May number 421 asks "nine or more questions" bearing on the subject.

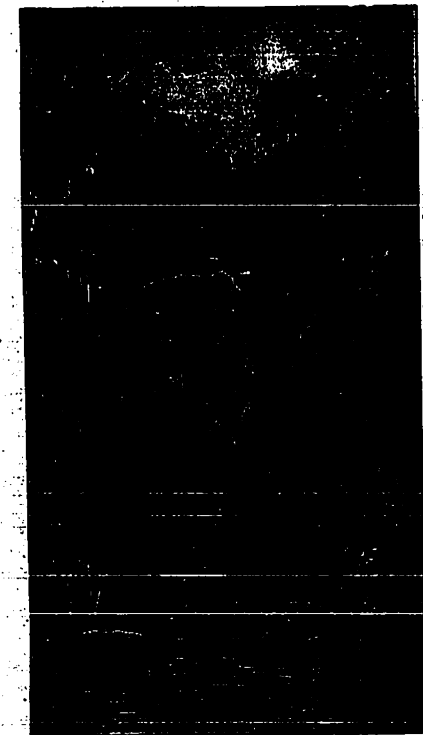
Preliminary to a more direct answer to these questions the writer would like to say a few things which are more or less of a personal nature. As Brother Rourke well knows, the writer of the paper in question and of this letter has been honored by the Order in every possible way; having been elected Junior Hoo-Hoo, Senior Hoo-Hoo, Snark of the Universe, and passed through the ordeal of embalment to the House of Ancients.

The paper presented at Dallas was absolutely impersonal. The writer did not have at the time the paper was read any candidate for the proposed office to present, and the same is true to-day. In other words, the paper was the result of a good many years' experience and observation in the work of the Order, and not for any personal or selfish end. I hope for the good of the Order that in this entire discussion the subject may be considered calmly, frankly, and separate and apart from the wishes or ambitions of any individual; the personal element should be eliminated entirely. In order that the communication may be as brief as possible, it is desirable that whatever is said here should be carefully read in connection with the paper mentioned above. It is scarcely necessary to repeat the arguments at Dallas. They should be familiar by this time to every member of the fraternity.

There appears to be an impression in some quarters that the writer advocated something, the adoption of which would work a revolution or important change in the Order itself. It has been said that the election of a Scrivenoter, to denote his entire time and talents to the work of the Order, would in some way be an exceedingly important change, and "a radical departure from previous custom, tending to change the whole complexion of the Order." Several correspondents have intimated that the Scrivenoter would in some sort of a way displace the Vicegerents. I have never at any time suggested such a thing. Nothing could be farther from the intention of the writer. On the contrary, he proposed that the Scrivenoter should aid and assist, instruct and make more effective the work of the Vicegerents in their various jurisdictions. He was not to take their place, but to supplement their labors in every possible way. His entire time and talents should be devoted to the upbuilding of the organization. In some of the Initiations he should act as Junior Hoo-Hoo, with such assistance from others as might be found desirable. Many of the complaints which have been made are in connection with the work of the Left-Hand Garden—that of the officiating Junior Hoo-Hoo, or by those who cannot be controlled by that officer. At several of the Annuals the question has been discussed, and from time to time committees have

been appointed to formulate a set ritual to be used by the Junior in initiation. The members of these committees, after the most careful study and investigation, find that a routine form for the Junior work cannot be formulated. Any one who has ever undertaken to do the work of the Junior knows that everything depends upon local conditions, personal characteristics, and immediate surroundings. The work must in the nature of the case be largely impromptu, and yet it should be done by some one who is thoroughly familiar with the latest things in initiation.

Brother Rourke, in his letter, mentions certain features in connection with a recent concatenation that were certainly objectionable from any standpoint. And, as a matter of fact, like incidents may be recalled by many other members of the Order as by no means unusual. As a rule there is absolutely nothing malicious in the work of the Left-Hand Garden, but on several occasions the danger line to



"NATURAL BRIDGE."

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life and limb has been approached very closely. In the excitement and rush of the moment, prudence, caution, common sense, and ordinary decency are sometimes forgotten. Brother Rourke wants to know if such abuses might not be prevented, "an absolute order from the powers that be, positively stating that such work should not be tolerated." Every Vicegerent receives at the beginning of his official term the most explicit instructions on this point, special letters have been sent out by Snarks, the language of the ritual is plain and unmistakable in its meaning, and yet such things do occur. If Brother Rourke turns to the Dallas paper he will find the following:

"Those familiar with the facts know that upon several occasions during the last two or three years there have been at Initiations occurrences which might have resulted in the greatest possible harm to the Order. It has been a

matter of good luck rather than anything else that has prevented the occurrence of something that would have damaged the organization irrecoverably. In too many instances the initiations have degenerated into a sort of a free-for-all riot, which was never contemplated by the ritual or by those who have the best interests of the Order at heart. It is not right or reasonable to subject the average man of business to indignities which under other circumstances he would not permit for an instant. In some localities there has been so much talk about the fun at initiations that desirable material for membership cannot be secured, simply because the gentlemen are not willing to undergo some features of the initiation that have occurred only too often."

Brother Rourke knows whether these statements are true or not.

It is conceded that under the present system many abuses have grown up in the way of admitting to membership those who are not really eligible, in subjecting candidates to indignities which are outrageous and dangerous, initiations are undignified and the objects of the Order are not conserved; if it is true that considerable sums of money are unwisely and unnecessarily expended at Sessions on the Roof; if it is true that we cannot secure the cooperation and membership of many of the leading members of the lumber trade because of these facts, then it is time for those who believe in the fundamental principles of Hoo-Hoo to seek a proper and efficient remedy.

In the April issue of "The Bulletin" there is an inquiry from 4482 as follows:

"Would not this plan increase the dues of the members? Is it not a fact that the expenses of the Order are now in excess of the receipts from dues? In other words, is not the income of the Order derived mainly from initiation fees of new members rather than from the annual dues? If this is so, and in view of the fact that the limit in numbers will soon be reached, how is it possible to pay the increased salary of an additional official without making an increase in the amount of dues?"

In the May issue of "The Bulletin," on page 5, number 421 asks "nine or more questions."

Referring to the above, I beg leave to say that I can see no reason why the plan proposed should increase the dues of the members. The Scrivenoter's report for the year ending September 9, 1900, shows: Dues received last year, \$5,153.63; net receipts from concatenations, \$6,858.67; balance on hand, September 9, 1899, \$6,347.49; balance on hand, September 9, 1900, \$6,682.07—an increase in the net balance of \$1,334.58; net increase for the year previous (September 9, 1898, to September 9, 1899), \$1,147.77. Despite the fact that at the last Annual the amount allowed the Vicegerents for expenses for Sessions on the Roof was increased from \$3.33 to \$4.99 per initiate, it is probable that the net balance for the current year will show an increase. Can either of my correspondents suggest a better way in which these funds can be expended than in the promotion of the interests for which the Order was founded? As a matter of fact, I do not believe that the payment of a reasonable salary to a man who would devote his entire time to the work of the Order would be a bad investment from a purely financial standpoint. As the matter now stands, the office of Scrivenoter is a sort of a side issue; it is not expected that he shall give more than a portion of his time to the work of the Order. Let us suppose that the Order should pay a competent man \$2,500 a year and his traveling expenses. From what source would the additional income be derived? The present salary of the Scrivenoter is \$1,333.32; his clerical help last year cost \$1,154. There would probably be little difference in the latter item under the proposed change. If the Scrivenoter was paid \$2,500 a year

and his traveling expenses were \$1,250 (his railroad fare would be nominal), the total amount to be considered would be \$3,750, or about \$2,400 more than at the present time. Let us suppose that the next Annual should cut off the item of traveling expense of the Supreme Nine in attending Annuals, which amounted last year to \$685; suppose the Hoo-Hoo Handbook be bound in plain limp paper covers instead of leather, saving on the edition at least \$500; add to this a saving of \$216.99 in expressage; traveling expense, \$85; and it is easy to account for over \$1,500 of the additional amount. The net annual increase in the balance as shown in the past would be more than sufficient to cover the increased cost and leave our present fund of \$6,682 untouched. Would not a representative of the Order, such as I have suggested, be able to secure 300 more members per year than under our present methods? If so, his work would be source of revenue to the Order. Again, my observation leads me to make the prediction that an efficient business man could save at Sessions on the Roof at least \$500 a year, now unwisely expended. So much for the purely financial side of the question.

Number 4482 makes a statement about the limit in numbers being reached soon. The Constitution provides for a membership of "9,999 living members in good standing." The increase in membership by years is approximately as follows

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The latest assigned number in the May "Bulletin" is 8332, but that does not mean that there are 8,332 Hoo-Hoo in good standing. We have lost by death over 250 of our members, and by lapse of dues, etc., about 2,700 or 2,800. In other words, I estimate that there are less than 5,500 members in good standing to-day. If the increase in membership, the death rate, and the average number of losses in membership should remain in the future about as in the last few years, it will take about eight or nine years to reach the limit of 9,999 living members in good standing.

St. Louis, Mo. W. E. BARNES.

Concatenation at Clarksburg, W. Va.

Vicegerent E. Stringer Boggess celebrated the glorious fourth by holding a concatenation at Clarksburg, which turned out to be a pleasant affair indeed. Especially was the session on the roof at the Pinnickinnick Club enjoyed by the newly-made kittens, after the strenuous life led a few hours previous. Brother Boggess advises that this will probably be his last concatenation of the year, and conveys the pleasing tidings that he intends to be present at the Norfolk Annual. We trust that all or most of the Vicegerents can make their arrangements to attend this meeting. They are a hard-working lot of men; on their efforts depends to a large extent the prosperity of the Order, and we hope that after their labors for Hoo-Hoo have ceased, they will be able to take a vacation and enjoy the pleasures of the Annual Meeting in the City by the Sea.

Obituary.

Just as we are going to press we received the following clipping from the Orange Leader, of July 5, giving an account of the death of Bro. Harry R. Field (No. 1401):

A telegram was received here this morning announcing the death at Boerne, Texas, yesterday evening at 6:30 o'clock, of Harry Field, office manager for the Litcher & Moore Lumber Company, his death being caused by tuberculosis. Mr. Field had not been in robust health for some time past, suffering considerably with throat trouble, and about the first of April he went to Houston and placed himself under the treatment of a specialist. After a short stay in that city he was advised by his physician to go to San Antonio, which he did, and from that city later went to Boerne, where he remained until overtaken by the Grim Reaper. His devoted wife was with him constantly, ministering to his every want and hoping against hope that the high, dry climate of that section would restore him to health and strength. Last Saturday he took a sudden turn for the worse and it was thought could not survive, and Mr. W. H. Stark went to his bedside, as did his two sons, who were staying with friends here during the illness of their father. He rallied from that attack, however, and improved wonderfully for a few days, but disease had fastened itself upon him and could not be shaken loose, and at 5:30 yesterday afternoon his soul took its flight for its heavenly home.

Harry Field was born in Williamsport, Pa., on the 5th day of March, 1858, and resided in that city until 1890, when he moved with his family to Texas. He was a member of the firm of Corcoran, Richards & Co., lumber manufacturers at Williamsport, Pa., and was doing a flourishing business, but the great flood that devastated Johnstown, Pa. and created such havoc in Williamsport, swept away all of his earthly possessions, leaving him to begin life's battle again. With undaunted courage he began again, in September, 1890, coming to Orange and entering the employ of the Litcher & Moore Lumber Company as bookkeeper. He soon demonstrated that he was a man of more than ordinary ability, and in 1893 he succeeded J. M. Mott as office manager of the company, and from that time until his death held that position, in which his intricate knowledge of the lumber business and his executive ability had full play, and added much to the business of that immense concern.

Mr. Field served the city as alderman from the second ward in the city council for four years, and a more faithful public servant never served the people. He devoted much time and study to the affairs of the city and was never lukewarm or negligent in the public duties that fell upon him.

The remains will be brought to Orange for interment, and the funeral will occur tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock from the Presbyterian church.

Prospective Concatenations.

Vicegerent R. W. Meriwether will hold a concatenation at Paragould, Ark., on July 23.

Vicegerent H. J. McLaurin will hold a concatenation at Columbia, S. C., on July 19.

A concatenation is being worked up at Oklahoma City, and October 9 has been set for the date.

Vicegerent Charles Wolfen advises that he will hold a meeting at Terre Haute, Ind., some time the latter part of July, but the date is not yet definitely fixed.

Concatenation Reports.

No. 784. Clarksburg, W. Va., July 4, 1901.

- Snark, E. Stringer Boggess.
- Senior Hoo-Hoo, T. A. Daise.
- Junior Hoo-Hoo, C. E. Parr.
- Bojum, F. Fowler.
- Scrivenoter, Charles T. Howard.
- Jabberwock, R. Johnson.
- Custocatian, Lee Stout.
- Arcanoper, Lee Stout.
- Gurdon, C. F. Canfield.

- 8333 Clarence Dee Howard, Cowen, W. Va.
- 8334 Xillo Yeaman McCann, Clarksburg, W. Va.
- 8335 James Jennings Mead, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Unknown.

Letters from the Scrivenoter's office addressed to the following men have been returned unclaimed. Any information as to the present address of any of these men should be promptly sent to the Scrivenoter.

- 0408—W. F. Elwell, Monthourne, Wash.
- 0343—E. S. Stone, Silabee, Texas.
- 0344—E. R. Glass, Atkins, La.
- 4807—Alonzo Shader, St. Louis, Mo. (Removed from Springfield, Mo.)
- 0298—J. M. Smith, Hatfield, J. T. (Office discontinued.)
- 1587—Marshall J. Porter, 1744 Grand Ave., Denver, Col.
- 1502—C. H. Greve, Holstein, Ia.
- 2407—G. A. Verge, Boston, Mass. (Reported removed to Seattle, Wash.)
- 0433—L. S. Eaton, 213 Oak St., Evansville, Ind.
- 0007—R. J. Poulton, Savannah, Ga.
- 5212—W. B. Bynum, Riner, Ga.
- 7224—J. P. Hughes, Everett, Wash.
- 6380—T. C. McLain, Jasper, Texas.
- 5254—E. C. Crow, Merrill, Wis.
- 0092—J. J. Merrill, 740 West 45th Place, Chicago, Ill.
- 5885—S. S. Smith, Henderson, Ky.
- 5524—G. I. Parks, Augusta, Ga.
- 0885—J. B. Smith, Brookhaven, Miss.
- 7010—W. E. Metz, New Iberia, La.
- 7139—W. B. Rossiter, Camden, Ark.
- 7016—E. U. Elson, Kansas City, Mo.
- 0050—Ben F. Hawkins, Stamps, Ark.
- 6604—A. J. Lockman, Fargo, N. D.
- 0602—N. H. Clapp, Jr., Cloquet, Minn.
- 7191—P. E. Toolin, Jacksonville, Fla.
- 4487—B. S. Miller, Seattle, Wash.
- 1984—Emory White, Tacoma, Wash.
- 2370—G. O. Worland, Asheville, N. C.
- 281—Ohas. D. Boyce, San Diego, Cal.
- 3123—J. B. Stevens, Lima, Ohio.
- 7400—E. H. Hammond, Thomasville, Ga. (Said to be at Bridge, Ga.)
- 0541—E. C. Smith, Atlanta, Ga.
- 6185—Robert Finley, Thornton, Ark.
- 1810—Fred Hamilton, Minneapolis, Minn.
- 5115—R. R. Marshall, Litcher, La. (Palmer, W. Va.)
- 6305—Arthur Ferguson, Pine Bluff, Ark. (Fort Smith, Ark.)
- 6748—J. T. Donaldson, Mena, Ark.
- 6780—Henry Gay, Mt. Vernon, Wash. (Sank, Wash.)
- 3888—E. L. Shaffar, Council Grove, Kan. (Topeka, Kas.)
- 3344—F. W. Simmons, Kansas City, Mo. (Hillsboro, Tex.)
- 4011—F. P. Southgate, Chicago, Ill.
- 3105—F. Trolander, Alboen, Minn.
- 7107—A. P. Linsley, Bayou Sara, La.
- 101—R. H. Kinnear, Topela, Kas. (East Pittsburg, Pa.)
- 7480—A. E. Chambers, Lake Charles, La.
- 6180—R. C. Brauch, St. Louis, Mo. (Texarkana, Ark.)
- 6383—Win. Ross, Houston, Tex.
- 0045—A. T. Chenault, Houston, Tex.
- 900—B. F. Edwards, Chicago, Ill.
- 1824—George E. Powell, Three Lakes, Wis.
- 3878—H. E. Brommer, Kansas City, Mo. (Mena, Ark.)
- 6156—D. M. Wylie, Sullivan, Ill. (Mt. Vernon, Ill.)
- 607—H. S. Mitchell, Milwaukee, Wis. (New York, N. Y.)
- 1990—L. G. Mullen, New York, N. Y.
- 5111—J. A. Hudgens, Kentwood, La.
- 5427—J. H. Martin, Nevada, Mo.
- 6293—O. M. McDavis, Winthrop, Ark.
- 5758—D. J. Spaulding, Black River Falls, Wis.
- 0823—R. H. Hamilton, Evansville, Ind.
- 6420—C. Bentham, Evansville, Ind.
- 4098—R. D. Myers, Chicago, Ill.
- 3640—P. D. Bowler, Nashville, Tenn. (London, England.)
- 2494—F. H. Lyman, Chicago, Ill.
- 4884—W. S. Hawkins, Tifton, Ga.
- 8187—R. Wynne, Tifton, Ga.
- 6318—M. L. Harris, Houston, I. T. (Spiro, I. T.)
- 6316—W. P. Daman, Houston, I. T. (Eggleton, Ark.)
- 6038—F. M. Strader, Pine Bluff, Ark.
- 201—G. H. Leatherbee, Chicago, Ill.
- 403—F. W. Austin, New Orleans, La.
- 4637—W. Richardson, Grandin, Mo.
- 8870—J. E. Johnson, Memphis, Tenn.
- 7184—A. E. Siegner, Curtis, Neb. (Elcampo, Tex.)
- 6940—F. L. Berry, Houston, Tex.