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Log of the S. S. Fellowship:

"Dick" West sends regards to all of you and also a copy of a recent letter he received from Bill Ibberson, of Sheffield, England. Bill says they now have 26 JCs in England as against 14 in 1930 and says the program is slow but sound and steady and that they are very much handicapped by conservative ideas in his country when it comes to starting new organizations. He says he and Kershaw and Stone frequently show their films of the Brooklyn Convention and mentions "the best is a shot of Ralph Ibenfeldt making goo-goo eyes at Herb McCulla, and another which always ^{raises} a laugh is one of Carl Junge kissing somebody's wife. Then Harry Krusz in a Sikorsky amphibian over New York is a corking shot." Bill goes on to say, referring to Harry, "Glad to hear the news about his latest son; tell him to keep on batting."

One of the crew mentioning about taking in a limited number of apprentices makes a happy suggestion. It is Lins Vorpahl speaking "it seems to me that if we take in any a t all it will be practically impossible to limit the number; once you open the gates undoubtedly every member who has heard of the good ship Fellowship will want to be a member of the crew. Instead of taking them in as members, why not establish a passenger list." I think this solves the problem in a fine manner and our first "passenger" is Arnold Exo of the Executive Dept. Household Finance Corp. of Chicago.

Arnold says he's glad to be a passenger and says, "Anything I can do at any time, as a guest, to contribute to the enjoyment of the "voyage" please let me know", and I know he means it because I met him at Columbus and found him a fine, upstanding fellow. I know you'll like him.

I was pleased when Henriette Krusz in writing to Eleanor said in a paragraph addressed to me, that she always opened Harry's mail containing the Log and read it through and through. She wanted to know if it was right to do this. Well, Henriette, it is not only right for you to read the log, but your duty to encourage all the other wives to read it too, because they will see what a fine group the crew is and will want their husbands to attend our reunions every year.

The Texas members of our crew are advertising the Texas Centennial to be held in Dallas next year. As a St. Louisan, I wish to say that our City has something to do with the history of Texas. It dates way back to the time when Moses Austin who had been a wealthy citizen of our city lost his fortune in a bank failure; casting about for a way to build up again, he turned his eyes toward the land then owned by Mexico, and his son Stephen F. Austin carried on the work started by his father, after his father's death, and the history of Texas rightly credits him with being the Father of Texas. So you see St. Louis has a sentimental interest in Texas and I have a fond affection for the Texans in the crew as well.

"Rolly" Dunn contributed these classy letterheads. He's now, as you see by the letterhead above, a member of the firm of F. M. Libby & Co. We congratulate

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You can imagine my surprise and delight when the phone rang a little while ago and who should be speaking at the other end but our old friend E. Fred Johnson, of Tulsa, enroute to New York to be married. It was fine to just hear Fred but to learn that he is to be married made it doubly so and I know we all wish Fred a long and happy married life. The Young Lady is Miss Faith Hieronymous and I understand she is a writer of note while Fred, being a banker, is a writer of notes. We shall all look forward to the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Johnson. Congratulations, Fred, and best wishes from us all.

George Olmsted noting what I said in the last log about Iowans capturing the head offices of various organizations, comes back to say "Regarding your paragraph on Iowans capturing national offices, there are two important omissions. Here in Des Moines, we also have the national head of the G.A.R. and the W.C.T.U. Well, for my part, George, there's a young Iowan I'd like to see capture the Presidency of the United States one of these days to make the record complete. You Iowans seem to be pretty good leaders.

Did you see the news that the National Headquarters of the USJC is to be permanently located here in St. Louis? It was good news to us who were here at the birth of the organization to know that it was coming back home to stay permanently. Perhaps this will mean a lot of you will route yourself through St. Louis on occasions and that I may be able to see you personally. Here's hoping.

George L. Bioler of Cincinnati furnished these letterheads for this log. He says business has been good and he's been going right after things while the going was good. George specializes in the sale of paper and woodenware and if any of you have anything to sell in that line at any time George will sell it for you.

Dave Neustadt, a newcomer to the Crow, says in his last letter "Pardon this rough and brief note. It is the result of haste brought on by a recent revamping of my affairs. Within the next 30 days, I shall have some glad tidings regarding myself for the Log." Well, Dave, we'll be looking for the good news so don't delay it.

Sherman Humason telling of his recent trip says "After leaving St. Louis, we went to Memphis where we found the boys busily engaged in making tentative plans for the convention next June and I'm sure it will be a dandy. Ed Clement, Perry Pipkin and several other JC members accompanied me to several cities in Arkansas. We were successful in obtaining one new application and expect several others." That is good, Sherm. He also says prospects for new affiliations in Oklahoma and Texas are good, having attended the Texas State Convention in Tyler and the Oklahoma State meeting at Tulsa.

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Sherman Humason writes me that the Directors of the USJC at the meeting just held decided to launch a national magazine again and I am sure that the time is now ripe for that enterprise and that the membership nationally is large enough to justify one. I shall be glad to contribute whatever in my humble way I can and am at your service Shorm.

Just returned from a trip to Edwardsville, Illinois where it was my good fortune to stop in and have a chat with our old-timer "Dick" Wood, erstwhile attorney of Omaha but now yo editor and owner of the "Madison County News" published for the edification of the county of which Edwardsville is the County Seat. He and his good wife took over this paper nearly three years ago and are building it up to be a potent factor in the community. He recalled many of the old times and wants to be remembered to "you all".

As I write the copy for this log other events transpire - for instance Harry Krusz just stopped in onroute back to Tulsa. He attended the meeting of the Directors of the USJC at Omaha and speaks very highly of the fine manner in which Allen Whitfield conducted the deliberations and of the fine work of the Board in tackling the problems before it. He feels that much constructive work was done. Congratulations to you, Allen, and your Board.

Harry says he met many of the crew in his rounds - saw Howard Davidson at Chicago and he tells me, Howard, that St. Louis is now included in your territory and that you will probably "make" St. Louis quite regularly. Maybe I'll be seeing you more then. Harry also told me, Ed Dahlin, of the pleasant visit he had with you and your good wife and the four youngsters. You have a lot to be proud of with this fine family, Ed. and no doubt you realize it, too.

From what I learn Jerry Vinson of Wichita Falls is doing very fine in his new enterprise. Harry says he had the pleasure of a visit from you, Jerry, taking you from Tulsa to Oklahoma City during your visit. Glad to know you are doing so well. Keep it up.

Apropos of my suggestion that other cities follow the example of Harvey Humphrey in having a monthly news letter to the old timers of the local JC just as our Log serves the crew, Charles Cooley here in St. Louis is going to follow Harvey's example and have a similar news-letter to the old timers of the St. Louis JC.

I soon to get the "low-down" on a lot of you fellows but when one of the crew talking about Vorpahl of our crew referred to him as "Mayor of Burbank" I was stumped; Linus just what is the significance of this honorary (?) title? Does it conjure up something of your past? Maybe the crew would be interested in knowing how the title came to be affixed.

What Company we keep - do you fellows realize that we have a grandson of one of a former President in our crew? - in the person of Wm. Henry Harrison of Indianapolis. I will give you more data on him in a subsequent log. Who knows but what some day the crew may honor one of its own men as President. Some of the crew are rather celebrated already.

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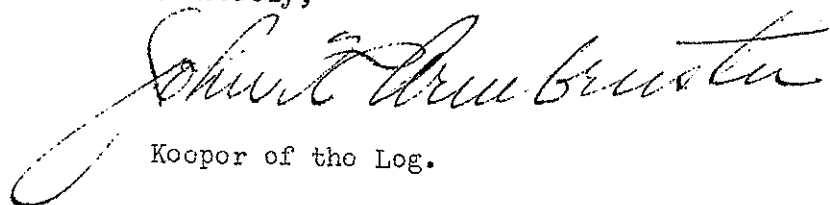
One of the newcomers I haven't formally introduced as yet is George A. Bray, of Chicago, so I'll do it now. After finishing school in 1924, George joined the forces of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company whose offices are at 212 W. Washington St., Chicago. His work involves preparation of economic and statistical surveys and acting as Division Commercial Agent, Division Sales-manager and Employee Sales Supervisor - the job of stimulating sales and keeping the public relations harmonious. George is a former President of the Chicago JAC and in the national organization served as Director and Vice-President. Besides these jobs he has been for the past four years editor and business manager of the "Young Executive" the JAC official publication. It seems enough to keep him busy and out of mischief. Glad to have you in the crew, George. We're all hoping to meet you often and know you better.

During the years I have been privileged to issue this little news sheet, many of the crew have had their ups and downs but to a man they all seem to me to be of that type that "never say die". Some have had fortune smile on them more than others but the spirit of doing is found in everyone - in fact, none could have been eligible to the crew through work in the national JC unless they were of that type, and I think a tribute to you all is found in the words of Theodore Roosevelt which are as follows:

"It is not the critic who counts, nor the man who points out how the strong man stumbles or where the door of deeds could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena; whose face is marred by the dust and sweat; who strives valiantly; who errs and may fail again and again because there is no effort without error or short coming, but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who does know the great enthusiasm, the great devotion; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who, at the best, knows in the end the triumph of high achievement and who, at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat".

Words fitly spoken methinks.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John A. Brewster". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "John A. Brewster".

Keeper of the Log.

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you, Rolly, on your new enterprise and wish you every success in your endeavor. As to the crew, Rolly is a member of our "Foreign Relations Committee" and hopes to arrange a visit to our friends across the water. He's working on an idea right now.

Beats the band the way the Iowans capture the votes of various organizations - we have our own Geo. Olmsted as head of the Young Republicans of America; our own Allen Whitfield as President of the USJC and now comes the third Iowan, Murphy, to be National Commander of the American Legion which just concluded the convention here in St. Louis (and how). These Iowans are showing the world it seems. I don't know this fellow Murphy but if he's as fine a fellow as Olmsted and Whitfield are, the American Legion can be proud to have him as their National Commander this year.

Verser Hicks who is Assistant Vice-President of the National Bank of Tulsa, one of our new members of the crew is old timer enough to recall the days of '24 and '25 in the Tulsa JC - especially the time they built and raffled a house to raise funds to entertain the national convention - recalling the time when "we were young enough that we didn't know a thing couldn't be done and just went ahead and did it." He says that's still the spirit of the JC there. They just raffled off another house that they had moved in and remodeled on a downtown location in cooperation with the Federal Housing Administration. We're glad to have you in the Crew, Verser, and hope to hear from you often.

Carl Junge just returned from Chicago and met Wm. Hy. Harrison, of Indianapolis, one of our crew, on the train from Lincoln to Chicago. After staring at each other for quite some few minutes they finally recognized each other and had a fine visit. Bill's mother lives in Omaha and gets out there occasionally. Well Bill, stop in to see some of the crew when you're going there again. Carl, by the way, is now in a different branch of the same firm - he's now working with the merchandising and advertising of the voluntary group of stores known in Nebraska as the Black-bird Stores. His job is to plan all the weekly sales events and generally keeping up the enthusiasm of the group and likes the work very well. You have our best wishes, Carl, for continued success.

Our fellow member of the crew, Bob Smith, here in St. Louis has set October 12th as the date of his wedding and yours truly has the distinct pleasure of being chosen for one of the ushers at the Church wedding. I'm looking forward to this event as one of the pleasant incidents of my life as I think the world of Helen and Bob and know they will be happily wedded.

Some of the crew, I know, keep a file of these "Logs" so they can refer to them from time to time, especially some now address or business affiliation of a member. Often one of the crew can serve you in some capacity in his town and if you keep every log and make a file of them you may find them very helpful. Whenever you go out of town, jot down addresses of any member that may be in that town; if you have some matter to be attended to, I'm sure any member would be pleased to serve you, so keep each log for just such purpose.

It wasn't my good fortune to be at the St. Paul Convention, but I understand when Brady Johnston had the floor he talked about the Florida cross-state canal which he said would be even longer than the Panama Canal and handle a much greater amount of traffic; it must have seemed quite visionary to all of you who heard it and it may have been labeled a little propaganda and boosting for which Floridians

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(like Californians) are noted. Now Brady has the proud honor to tell you that this dream is beginning to be realized and work has started with a vengeance on this gigantic project and Brady says that conditions are improving at a record rate in Florida since the announcement that work is being pushed rapidly on this canal. Well, Brady, we have to hand it to you - you made good on your promise. Let us know when the canal is done so we can have a reunion there.

Harvey Humphrey is doing a fine job in issuing a semi-monthly news letter to all past officers and directors of the Los Angeles JC and the thought struck me why not all of you men in your local JCs start a similar news letter among your local old timers. Harvey can tell you that it has been wonderfully received by all of his colleagues and this idea ought to spread to every town that has a JC old enough to have "old timers" who have dropped out of active participation through reaching the age limits. It's one way to cash in on the years spent in JC work together and to perpetuate locally the friendships just as the crew does nationally.

Another real old-timer just came in to the crew--A. L. Rauschkolb of 518 East "B" St., Belleville, Ill.--a Vice-President under the first administration of the USJC. He says "You asked a good question - how would I like to join the crew?"

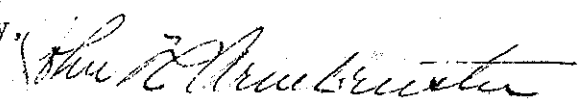
Well, sir, after reading this and starting my memory to work, what pleasant memories it does bring of a lot of names I have forgotten but suppose they will all be in the Log, for instance There's George of Dallas, Andy of St. Louis and just a host of fine fellows go flitting through my mind. There sure has been plenty of water run under the bridge since those wonderful JC days." We are surely glad to have you in the crew, Rauschkolb and will enjoy meeting you personally.

I noted in a number of letters of old timers who just came into the crew the inquiry about how Hy. Giessonbier and Andy Mungonast were and what they are doing. Well, mates, they're both fine. Henry is his old self again after the long siege of persecution and is with the Bo-Mac Transport Company here in St. Louis and lives at #4225 DeTonty St. Andy is with the Chamber of Commerce as Director of the Sales Managers Bureau and just purchased a home for his growing family (he has 5 youngsters you know) at #3940 Connecticut St. The friendship of these two men has been a beautiful one, and I wish to pay tribute to this friendship in the words of Robert E. Buffum who said:-

"To understand and to be understood; to be frank, honest, loving, and loyal, through good report and evil report; comforting when comfort is needed, rejoicing in another's success and happiness and sharing one's own success and happiness with another, with an ever-broadening love for that which is good and true--a friendship that has perceived the real individual as the reflection of God and can never lose sight of the true and real self, however much the clouds of sense may seek to darken the spiritual vision--such is my conception of an ideal friendship."

And may the S. S. Fellowship be the vehicle by which and through which many more such friendships shall be formed.

Sincerely,



Keeper of the Log.