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Log of the S. S. Fellowship:-

I had to make a trip to Wichita, Kansas, last week and hence the Log didn't go out on time this time. I try to get them out regularly on the first and fifteenth but sometimes things prevent.

Just talked to Harry Krusz on the phone; he's visiting here for a day or so and is seeing those of the crew in these parts. Harry's always a welcome visitor because next to Bob Hall I suppose he sees more of this country and meets the most interesting people of any of us other fellows in the crew.

Glad to hear from Henry Lutz that Jerry Vinson dropped in to see him just as he received the last Log on Jerry's stationery. Henry says "we immediately went into a huddle as only two old JC's can when they get together. Jerry is planing to be on hand in Memphis and I also hope to have the pleasure of visiting with you all once again at that point". Gee that's double good news for with Jerry and Henry present you won't lack for a lively session.

Leroy Ober, he of Norfolk, Virginia, also says he is looking forward to meeting us all at Memphis. Roy has only been in the crew a short time but he has caught the spirit completely for he says "I can truthfully say that your comments have made the bonds of friendship evidence themselves where only ties of acquaintance existed heretofore". We'll surely be glad to see you again at Memphis and hope that nearly every one will be able to get there in person. I know those who cannot be there in person will be there in spirit.

These Texans are certainly boosting their centennial - at Wichita the Texas delegates to the Building and Loan Conference used every opening in the speeches to mention the centennial and here when I get home is Henry Lutz's letter about an idea of sending all members of the crew an invitation in the form of a letter accompanied by a complete book on Texas history, resources, and what-not, called "The Texas Almanac". I think your idea of sending one to each member of the crew is very appropos, Henry and we are glad you think of us in this connection. Have you kept your roster up to date since the one Harvey Humphrey made up? If not you had better add all the recent acquisitions as they'll not want to be overlooked. If you have kept each log, you'll find them given each time, but if you have misplaced any just let me know and I shall give you the complete list of those who came in since the roster was printed.

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The new-comer to the crew, Gene Butts of Memphis, received his first log and was so enthusiastic about it he wrote quite a letter of appreciation. He says, in part, "I could not help but feel thrilled as I read of the various activities of other members and realized that I can conscientiously say they are all my friends. I am sure the feeling I have is one akin to the winners of the Sweepstake prizes - I never felt quite so rich before". I can see, Gene, that you got the idea immediately that friendship enriches us and is to be enjoyed. Unlike other riches the more we use it the more we have.

Notice the letterheads - they are from our Canadian mate, Wally Martin, of Winnipeg. We adopted him at the Brooklyn Convention years ago and he's made a fine member of the crew ever since. He's a fellow of high repute in Winnipeg, too, being Vice-President of the Manitoba Associated Boards of Trade, a member of the Council of the Winnipeg Board of Trade, on Executive Committee of Civics Bureau, and now Chairman of the Campaign Committee of the Red Cross. Our relations with Wally are typical of the fine relationship existing between our nation and Canada. What a wonderful example to set before the rest of the world - and may the world's nations follow this example.

Elias Roos of Milwaukee who is Secy. Treas. of "Jack's Letter Service, Inc." says with the election work and regular line of work they have been extremely busy the past 5 weeks but he took time out to send me stationery for a subsequent log. He says that March was the biggest month in five years. These reports of increasing business are stimulating and seem to be the general thing nowadays. Thanks, Roos, for your kind words, too.

Our friend John J. Gillin, Jr. of Radio Sta. WOW, Omaha, says "The logs of the S. S. Fellowship are looked forward to by this young Irishman with a great deal of interest", and goes on to laud the fine record being made by Allen Whitfield in which I concur. Gillin says it is his hope that at Memphis the crew will take particular note of Allen's endeavors and achievements. I'm sure that not only the crew of old-timers but the whole convention will accord Allen the high praise he deserves for the masterful handling this year of the USJC. He is setting a pace that will make it difficult for his successors to follow, yet developing the caliber of the men around him to provide such continuous leadership.

So far I haven't formally introduced to you F. Allen Moitzen, one of the newer members of the crew. Talking about Gillin reminds me of the fact that Moitzen was born in Omaha but upon getting out of school moved to Milwaukee and has been associated with the A. Geo. Schulz Co. manufacturers of paper boxes for the past 11 years. He travels for this Company making the territory of the southern half of Wisconsin and northern half of Illinois. If you are in his district keep an eye out for him - he may drop in to see you. I hope he does this as often as possible.

"Hank" Hardy of Phoenix is one of the old timers we haven't heard much from - but he is one of the few bachelors left. He says with this being leap year, he's keeping the fact quiet but he says he is getting more and more like King Edward - he's getting eligible. The members of the crew in the West have him labelled "Globe Trotter" as he seems to do a lot of commuting especially to Los Angeles. I hope Dick, Rowland, Lay Leishman and the others will see that he gets to Memphis for the reunion. Maybe you can all hire a bus and come together.

Bill Ibberson writes from Sheffield "A very short note to let you know that I have arranged for a copy of the British Junior Chamber of Commerce publication "Quarterly" to be sent to each member of the crew from now on. I hope it will

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prove interesting, We shall be very glad here to receive any of your publications whenever issued". Well, fellows, I hope you will reciprocate and send Bill the publication of your organization. We can't create too much international good will.

Following out Bob Hall's wish that we suggest something for the crew at the reunion, I had occasion to receive a communication from an organization I belong to here that they were having "Hobby Night" and had an exhibition of the various hobbies - stamp collections, photography, match box covers, miniature furniture, firearms, arrow heads, first edition books, etc. Maybe some of you fellows are "collectors" of some sort and would want to bring your collection.

I think we ought to annually have a memorial service for those who passed on during the year and I'm going to ask Andy Mungonast to prepare to say a few words about Hy. Giessenbier; Royal Irwin to do the same about Bill Nash and Earl Monees to do the same about Harold Marks.

I also think we ought to have some sort of initiation for the retiring officers and retiring directors of the USJC who will now be eligible to (and we hope will) join the crew. I wish Allon or Sherman would invite all those present officers and directors who are not as yet in the crew to join at this occasion and let me know who we can expect for the "Class of 1936".

And of course we shall have the "old-timers" breakfast where every one can hockle, banter, kid, tell tall stories, the latest (or oldest) jokes, tell about "way back when" and "during my administration", etc. to their heart's content. I think this should be on Friday morning, June 5th, starting early and continuing on and on until they throw us out of the dining room. Not one bit of formality but genuine good fellowship shall prevail. You fellows are coming to this reunion to get away from the daily grind to revel in a couple of days of living again the "good old days" and cementing more solid the friendships established through those years.

While I'm writing this the thought came to me forcibly about the pioneer work many of the old-timers have performed in years gone by, nursing the young idea of JC principles and fellowship and who can now survey the results. It is a glorious reward for their efforts and leads me to repeat those words of Daniel Webster, who said

"If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work upon brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples, they will crumble into dust, but if we work upon mortal souls, if we imbue them with principles...and the love of fellow man, we engrave on those tablets something which will brighten all eternity."

Hail, all old timers, for your pioneering work.

Sincerely,

John W. Webster
Keeper of the Log.

P.S. Let me know if you are coming to Memphis - Hope you are -
JWA