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Verily our Log "gets around" and brings news found in no other journal. For instance our friend George Greeley didn't know until he read it in the Log that the St. Paul Pioneer Press had the article about him. He says "I was interviewed by a representative of the Pioneer Press about that time but never did know whether or not they used the story. I was, therefore, pleasantly surprised to get the information through Sherm Humason writing to you about it".

Then George makes a contribution himself saying "I noticed in the July issue of Fortune Magazine the enclosed advertisement which indicates that one of the members of the crew, a valued friend of mine is a member of the Industrial Commission of the City of Newark, New Jersey - Al Speak. I am enclosing it herewith and expect that many of our crew around the country would also be interested in Al's activity in promoting the Port of Newark". Congratulations, Al, on your appointment to the Industrial Commission; you should have mentioned it ere this. And thanks, George, for passing the word on to me.

Then our friend Al. Conradis at Washington applauds the mention made about his advocacy of Senator Bridges candidacy in a recent Log and says "You would be surprised at the favorable reactions I have received from mates who have seen that article". How's that for "reader-interest".

And our mate Elmer Marshrey sends an orchid by writing nice things about the Log saying "its arrival on many occasion has brought the only spark of encouragement to an otherwise tiresome and troublesome day". Marshrey goes on to say "Speaking of the prestige of the JC, I just experienced an unique example of how past affiliation pays dividends. I made a contact with a couple who were looking for a home having only recently arrived from Des Moines. In the course of the conversation I asked them if they knew Allen Whitfield and Ed. Kautzky and they immediately responded that they knew of them. When I told them that Ed succeeded me to the office of National Treasurer, the going right there and then became a lot easier and resulted in a \$12,500.00 home construction deal. Tell Ed. and Allen the drinks are on me when I see them". We'll take a bow, Elmer; thanks.

Now we want to give national publicity to Walt Moore, Jr., way up at Portland, Maine, on the occasion of the advent of Karen Ann Moore's arrival at their happy home on October 16th. To you and your good wife we send congratulations, Walt.

Lo! and behold, I had just about finished writing the paragraph above when in comes a neat little envelope and an announcement saying "Mr. and Mrs. Stevens Park Kinney announce the arrival of Barbara Louise on October 19th. 1939" - and so we give them national publicity, and send Park and his good wife our congratulations, too. You and Walt ought to exchange felicitations, Park.

Harry Burt, our passenger from Tulsa, "shipped-over" as they say in the Navy when they re-enlist. We're glad you enjoyed your cruise and and want to stay on the good ship. Harry, you know is President of the Good Humor Ice Cream Co. and ends his letters "You's in Good Humor". How's that for a neat bit of good advertising?

Our mate, Archie Baley is a rabid football fan. He left Tulsa on Friday afternoon, Oct. 6th at 5:30 P. M., drove all night to get to Omaha; next morning rode to Lincoln to meet Harry Krusz and saw Nebraska beat Minnesota; left after that game to see Tulsa beat Creighton that night, getting back to Tulsa Sunday evening, having covered a thousand miles and saw two football games during the week end. Can any of you tie that?

Arch also brings the good news that Charley Bloom, that real old-timer of Tulsa stepped into prominence again when he helped to arrange a special program for the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce in which Alumni of the University of Tulsa and of Oklahoma A & M College (where he attended) were honored, and also that another Tulsa mate - Morris Turner - presided at meetings of the Oklahoma Real Estate Association which just concluded its convention at Tulsa. Our mates surely do crash the headlines.

This crashing the headlines is true of Allen Seed, too, whose pictures appeared twice in a few days - once showing him inaugurating a series of programs being broadcast over the NBC Red network from KSTP and again showing him presenting a certificate to the best high school band in the Minneapolis Parade of the Century.

Billings McArthur had a group of the crew who attended the Board Meeting at Chicago, out to his house to show his miniature trains (he's quite famous for his miniature railway system), among whom were Garoth Brainord, Minor Hudson, Art King, Roz Rosengren, Fred Driver, Babe Brioschi, Perry Pipkin, Joe Leavitt, et. al. He got to see Beans Latimer, too, a few weeks ago when Beans attended the American Legion Convention.

Mark Matthews got to see quite a few of the crew who came to New York recently - among them being Rob Roy MacLeod, Perry Pipkin, Pete Tom Eyck, Roz Rosengren, Jack Flick and others who attended the New York State Convention; Leo Augustine our Cincinnati mate who attended the Graphic Arts Exposition, Al Boutwell our mate from Birmingham who came to attend the Alabama Football game. It must have been fine to see them all, Mark. Incidentally Mark said he was honored by a visit from a Dennis Barling, a member of the Capetown, South Africa JC who told Mark that his JC had over 100 members and has an interestingly active program for the year.

Roz Rosengren wrote, too, of how glad he was to have had a chance to talk to Herb McCulla, Allen Whitfield, Walt Holman, Phil Ebeling, and Harry Mortimer, all Past Presidents, and to chat with our mates Brioschi, Bill Corry, Jay Sullivan, Eddie Dahlin, Linus Vorpahl, Walt Finke, Fred Driver and Garoth Brainord. It's always a treat to meet the fellows of the crew and more and more are enjoying it.

It was good to learn, too, that Roz was recently elected First Vice-President of the Niagara Frontier Planning Assn., which has jurisdiction over planning and zoning in Erie and Niagara Counties, and that good old Rob Roy MacLeod was elected Secretary of the same body so that two out of the five officers in this organization are held by members of the crew. Again I say our fellows are so versatile that you'll find them in everything everywhere.

The letterheads this time are from our mate Wober H. Feuts who is a real-old-timer. When he was national Director he lived at Dallas; now he's District Manager for the Texas Power & Light Co. at Sulphur Springs, Texas. Thanks, Wober, for the letterheads and be sure to stop in and say hello to my sister and brother-in-law who live in Sulphur Springs. (Note- We didn't have enough letterheads to go around. Some of you will get this on plain paper.)

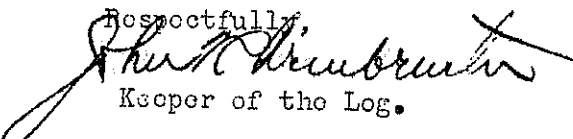
It was my great privilege to be present at the charter presentation to the Jefferson City, Mo. JC last week. In my few remarks I reminded the Jacians that the JC movement has only been able to spread in democracies - it never has been able to function in dictator countries. It is something to consider and the present leaders of the JC movement here and abroad have a tremendous responsibility to defend democratic government for if it perishes, the JC movement perishes with it. To those leaders and to all of us as old-timers, I recommend reading again and again that fine editorial which appeared in the New York Times some months ago. It said:-

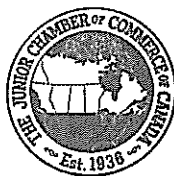
"When we defend democracy we do not defend a political system. We defend humanity....

It is the defense of humanity to which we must rally--humanity of all races, of all religions. We must defend it against the arrogance of power, whether that power resides in government or conspires against government. We must defend it in the tolerance and charity of our daily dealings with our neighbors. The first assault upon democracy in these times is the spread of irrational prejudice. It is for all of us who believe in free men and free institutions to combat such prejudice whenever and wherever it appears. We are free only as all members of our Commonwealth are free. We have equal opportunities only as all have them. There is only one possible standard in a democracy, and that is the standard of the individual's human dignity and human worth.

Our stand for the ideals of democracy in international relations will be effective only as we put our own house in order. No doubt we are prepared to offer "the last full measure of devotion" if that becomes the only choice. But it is here, not elsewhere, that we must first give proof of our high resolution "that government of the people, by the people and for the people shall not perish from the earth". If liberty survives and is perfected here, it will not die out of men's hearts anywhere."

Respectfully,


Keeper of the Log.



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November 15th, 1939.

On Armistice Day the widow of Henry Giessonbier and Henry's two children together with Andy Mungonast and I and a group of present members of the St. Louis JC gathered at the grave of Henry to pay homage to his memory - an annual custom among us here. While riding to the cemetery the thought came to me that while thousands of people from all over the world come to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, paying homage to the glory of war, only a handful of us once a year pause to visit the grave of a man who glorified peaceful pursuits of young men and glorified young men themselves by founding the JC idea that young men be given their rightful places in the affairs of the world. Henry's memory is perpetuated through the Giessonbier Memorial Awards but I hope that sometime a suitable memorial will be erected on his grave which is now marked with the simplest of markers.

Last week Howard Davidson was in town and our mate Fred Winsor who is a Director of the Advertising Club invited us to the luncheon so Andy Mungonast, Fred, Howie, and I spent an hour together and enjoyed the meeting devoted to sports and sports announcers on the local radio stations with talks by the coaches of Washington University and St. Louis University. Howie must have brought us luck because both Fred and I won attendance prizes. Thanks, Fred, for inviting us, and glad to have seen you, Howie.

Speaking of the football coaches it reminded me that our passenger Harry Burt, of Tulsa came up to see his Washington & Lee University team beat our Washington U team and while he didn't succeed so very well it did give him a chance to chat a few minutes with your humble reporter. I was glad to have had the opportunity to talk with you, Burt, and hope you kept your famous "Good Humor".

Another pleasant happening since last Log was the few moments chat with our mate John Briggs who in flying back to Dallas changed planes here at the Lambert Field and took time out to phone me. John was signally honored at the convention of Home Office Underwriters by being elected President of the organization. Congratulations, John, and glad to have heard your voice.

Ray Wilber has been honored, too, by being elected secretary of the Ice Industry group which just had its convention in Chicago. While he was in Chicago he called at the national headquarters but Tom was away so he didn't see anyone he knew but did call on Harry Mortimer who was Ray's successor as President way back years ago. Glad you two old timers got together, Ray.

Notice the letterheads this time - they're from our friends the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Canada whose national headquarters are at Montreal. Arthur Campbell, Secretary, at the suggestion of Past President Andy Wishart sent them to use as an indication of their good will to the old-timers of the USJC. Thanks, fellows.

Verne Vance just returned from his trip East and said his only regret was that there were so many things to do in the time he and June had that it was impossible to see many of the old timers with whom they would like to have renewed acquaintance. He did get to see Rob Roy MacLeod in Niagara Falls who with his usual hospitality took them on a personally conducted tour around the Falls. Verne and June had a wonderful trip through 4000 miles of the East and spoke of the beauty of the Catskills, the Blue Ridge and the Alleghany Mountains and of the day they spent at Williamsburg, Virginia which he said exceeded his fondest expectations. I'm glad, Verne, that you and June were able to get away to have this enjoyable vacation.

Our mates took their part in defeating the much publicised "Ham and Eggs" legislation that was proposed for California and Ohio and deserve a lot of credit for defeating this unwise and unsound kind of social legislation. Lee Augustine at Cincinnati sent out personal letters to voters urging them to vote "No". Incidentally he boosts Cincinnati by calling attention to the editorial in the Nov. 4th issue of Saturday Evening Post entitled "Cincinnati wins another Pennant" which mentions that the solvency of larger American cities being based upon the interest rate they pay, Cincinnati leads by having the lowest rate. It's fine to see our mates aligned on the side of good government everywhere - attributable to their JC training.

A new passenger on board is Henry Coutret whose address is Jefferson Standard Life Ins. Co. 439 Nixon Bldg. Corpus Christi, Texas. It hasn't been my pleasure as yet to meet Henry but Harry Krusz says he's a fine fellow and that's enough for me. Welcome on board, Henry.

Congratulations to our mate Vincent J. Smith on the occasion of the first anniversary of the business he and H. H. Turner, a fellow JC of Topeka organized - the Smith-Turner Oil Company of South St. Joseph, Mo. They took a whole page in the St. Joseph newspaper to tell the world. They have a thriving business and we wish them continued success.

Our mate Paul Paulsen is back to normalcy again having returned from his honeymoon and back in the practice of law. He and that other Milwaukian, Allen Meitzen whose marriage was announced in the Log of Aug. 2nd had been our most eligible bachelors until they succumbed to the wiles of Cupid.

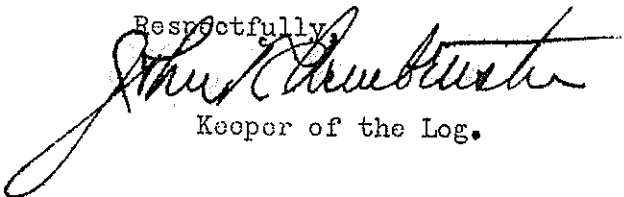
One of the finest tributes one crew member can pay to another was contained in the letter from Ernest Baetz who wrote "I'm sending you under separate cover a copy of the "Southwestern Banker" and if you turn to Page 20 you will no doubt recognize the photograph of a distinguished member of our crew. Henry Lutz has the reputation of being one of the most active and dependable bond men in this section and after you read the article I am sure that you will agree that a great deal of his success is due to his common sense and thorough knowledge of his business".

I eagerly looked through the magazine for the article "How Bond Dealers Aid Investors" - and a two page article and a picture of Henry with the editorial comment under it saying "one of the Southwest's most astute observers of economic and financial trends is Henry M. Lutz, executive Vice-President of Mahan, Dittmar, & Co.". And truly the article was well written and had woven through it the common sense which Ernest referred to. Congratulations, Henry, for the fine article and for the fine reputation you have among your fellows - what greater joy is there than to have the love and respect of your many friends.

I don't know when you fellows will have official Thanksgiving Day in your States what with the President changing things around, but whenever it is let us remember that in our gratitude for other things we should give thanks for our friends. Our mate Joni Jones of San Antonio sent me a clipping entitled "Our Backers" by Geo. Matthew Adams which I want to repeat in a subsequent Log because it carries out just that thought. All have many things for which to be thankful - perhaps more than we can express just one day of the year. As a writer says:-

"Gratitude is a grace that struggles for expression. It does not shut itself up in the heart. It does not allow itself to be merely felt. It wants to speak. It wants to say something. Abound in thanksgiving. It is a privilege. It is a duty but it is a privilege, too, for it brings abundance of blessings on our souls. Gratefully dwelling on a gift multiplies it and magnifies it. Thanksgiving enhances the joys for which we are grateful".

Respectfully,



Keeper of the Log.