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One of the joys of editing this little paper is the receipt of so many letters from the Crew which I enjoy so much. Like the letter of Dave Haxton, way off in Jakarta, Indonesia, who wrote, "I will be traveling to and from Indonesia to Brazil during the course of 1977 and would very much like to attend the next meeting of the Crew so let me know the dates". I was glad to do this and hope he'll be at Williamsburg to be with us and tell us something of his Unicef job.

Bill Suttle sent me the "Alumni Review" of the University of North Carolina with the many pictures of Billy Harrison and his wife. Billy is President-elect of the Alumni Association, and enjoying the home coming held at the University.

Bob Lindholm sent me the "Washington Star" showing the picture of Sumpter Priddy debating an issue before the Virginia Senate Committee which, incidently, he won.

Bob Cronk sent me Project Concern's annual report with it's message from Bob, who is Executive Director. Excellent report, Bob.

Walt Wiesman wrote he had the pleasure of working with Phil Van Slyck in Huntsville, who assisted in planning for the visit of Japanese Ambassador Fumihiko Togo, who will speak at the annual meeting of the Industrial Development Association there.

Bruce Palmer wrote, "While I have attempted to retire out here in California and not become involved, I found myself as Chairman of the California Citizen's Commission on Tort Reform. He is back "in harness" again with civic work and glad to see that he is. His talent should not go unused.

Don Brown has been elected Executive Vice-President of the Carlsbad, California Chamber of Commerce. His home address is 3135 Monroe Street, Carlsbad, California 92008. We wish him unbounded success in this new assignment.

Howdy Reynolds' radio and TV friends in Honolulu will celebrate his 70th birthday and 50 years in radio and TV on April 18th. It was to be a surprise but news leaked out and so I can announce it. We send congratulations to Howdy on this auspicious occasion.

The Illinois Realtors Council is having a Robert E. Cook Medical Research Fellowship Dinner March 26th to honor Bob, who is one of our Crew. The City of Hope is bestowing the "Spirit of Life" award to Bob and we congratulate him on this award.

Hal Salfen has been appointed Executive Director of Consumer Affairs of the Airline Passengers Association of Dallas and we wish him great success, too, in his new assignment.

I learned, too, that Julius Livingston has been nominated to the Oklahoma Hall of Fame and I was glad to write to the trustees of the Hall of Fame recommending Julius for this honor and hope to hear that he has been accorded that honor.

** Let's send him a B'day card*



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Vic Lennington asks us to take on board Ronald E. Gunsch, Rural Route #1, Zap, North Dakota 58580, who was North Dakota State President and National Director and is now in the North Dakota State Legislature; George Pagonis ask us to take Joe D. Miller, General Vice-President of American Medical Association, 535 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois 60610. Joe was Kentucky State President and active on the national scene during Wendell Ford's years, and Dick Kemler asks to take on Daniel A. Whelan, Attorney, 2435 Kimberly Road, Bettendorf, Iowa 52722, who was National Director 1949-50. We hope all three will be with us at the Crew Reunion.

I'm still on the speaking circuit - during the last month I spoke to the Clayton, Missouri Jaycees on their anniversary, then to the Florissant, Missouri Jaycees at the DSA banquet - and surprisingly, these young Jaycees like to hear about the pioneer days when I was a Jaycee and I like to tell them the story of my 61 years interest in Jaycee.

We've lost two of our mates. Charlie Kothe wrote me about Ed Green passing on and the wife of Henry Struby of Evansville, Indiana wrote that Henry passed on. It always grieves us to lose our mates and we extend to their families our condolences.

It always concerns us when mail is returned. I wonder if any of the mates know the new addresses of these mates whose mail is returned, "moved-left no address" - Alan Watkins (Honolulu), George Brittain (Akron, Ohio), Frank Stolfi (Waterbury, Conn.), James Kennedy (New York), Robert Fischback (Xenia, Ohio), Milton Zapata (Puerto Rico) and Claude Harrison (Deerfield, Florida).

We do have new addresses - Bob Fry, 4815 S. Sheridan Road, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74145; Alvin Burger, Westgate Bldg., 1122 Colorado, Austin, Texas 78701 and Leonard Reamer, c/o Elmer Fox Westheimer & Co., 1220 - 19th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20036.

I'm sending out this "Log" on the stationery sent to me by Walter D. Killian, who wrote, "For the past several years I have enjoyed receiving the "Log" and felt I have been taking much without contributing anything. Perhaps the letterheads will be a small contribution to you for the fantastic job that you do each month". Thanks Walt.

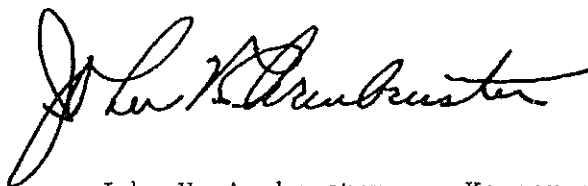
Ed Merdes is Honorary Chairman of the JCI Conference to be held at Anchorage, Alaska, April 13th-16th and from the Conference News Letter sent out by the "Old Sourdough Jaycees" it will be quite an occasion and they have invited all who can, to come. Their headquarters address is P. O. Box 4-1453, Anchorage, Alaska 99509.

As the reunion time is fast approaching I hope all of you are planning to be there and all have received Sumpter Priddy's notice that it will be on April 22-24th at Fort Magruder, Williamsburg, Virginia. Five of the Jaycee alumni have been nominated for the annual Brownfield Award and I will be waiting for the US Jaycees Committee to learn which of the nominees will receive the award this year.

I was intrigued by the article "Our Liberties" in the monthly letter of the Royal Bank of Canada. Among it's warnings it read, "The approach of dictatorship in the life of a free people has always been stealthy. Government spending seems to promise economic prosperity and the future looks bright. Under the hypnotic influence of something for nothing, masses of people lose sight of the fact that this is the process by which other free people lost their liberty. The price of liberty is not only eternal vigilance but unceasing work. The maintenance of liberty has to be fought for every day afresh lest the lazy acceptance of some particular imposition give a toe-hold to some party that will end up by imposing a general tyranny."

This from our Canadian friends reminds us of our own vigilance in the USA and we thank them for sharing their thoughts.

Cordially,



John H. Armbruster - Keeper of the Log