

South Bend, Ind., Lodge Initiates Its Largest Class in Years

South Bend, Ind., Lodge, No. 235, held a special meeting several weeks ago for the initiation of its largest class in 15 years. Fifty-four were initiated and 27 reinstated. This was accomplished through the efforts of E.R. Paul V. Gouker with the combined and enthusiastic cooperation of officers and members.

In a recent successful membership campaign, the lodge employed an original method. In the contest between two teams, the results were measured in points, \$5.00 being a point. Credit for points was made only when cash accompanied the signed application—not on the prospect of getting it. As the time for initiation drew near, no uncertainty existed as to the actual number of names to be added to the membership roll. The teams used the same plan in securing the reinstatements of former members and collections of delinquent dues.

An old-time Elk spirit has been revived in the lodge. Plans are being carried out to make use of all the facilities of the home for various types of activities of interest to members of all ages, and to their families.

Official Visit of D.D. W. S. McAtee to El Reno, Okla., Lodge

D.D. W. S. McAtee of Oklahoma City was greeted by one of the largest turnouts of the lodge year when he made his official visit recently to El Reno, Okla., Lodge, No. 743. Dinner was served to about 350 members and their ladies, after which the ladies were entertained at bridge while the members listened to an inspiring talk by the District Deputy. An address on Patriotism was delivered by National Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Scott Squires, a member of El Reno Lodge.

Below: Elks of Union, N. J., Lodge who gathered to pay honor at a dinner to State Vice-Pres. John J. Albiez at his home-coming visit. Left: Some of the 350 persons who packed the Huron, S. D., Lodge Home on the occasion of the Fortieth Anniversary banquet of Huron Lodge.

Frostburg, Md., Lodge Celebrates Its 39th Anniversary

Frostburg, Md., Lodge, No. 470, celebrated its 39th Anniversary recently at the Gunter Hotel. P.E.R. A. Charles Stewart, former Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, was Toastmaster, and Exalted Ruler Samuel T. Walker presided. The speakers were Duncan E. Shaffer, the lodge's first Exalted Ruler, W. Earl Coby and Noel S. Cook.

Frostburg Lodge is in a flourishing condition. An interesting feature of its meetings is the fact that there are always a few charter members present every Tuesday night when lodge convenes.

Bloomsburg, Pa., Lodge Honors State Pres. Shoemaker, P.E.R.

P.E.R. Grover C. Shoemaker, Pres. of the Penna. State Elks Assn., was honored recently by his home lodge, Bloomsburg No. 436, at a "Night" which turned out to be one of the most delightful in the lodge's history. The affair opened with a turkey dinner held in the Bloomsburg State Teachers College dining hall, followed by entertainment at the home of the lodge.

Past State Pres. Howard R. Davis, of Williamsport, a member of the Grand Lodge State Associations Committee, headed the long list of speakers. E.R. Robert C. Baker, who presided, made the presentation to Mr. Shoemaker of a handsome traveling bag, a gift from his lodge.



Above: A large class of enlisted Navy men who were initiated into Bremerton, Wash., Lodge recently at All Navy Night. Behind them are the lodge officers who inducted them into the Order.