# LEOMINSTER CHATTER NEWS

Coming together is a beginning...Keeping together is progress...Working together is success Leominster, Mass. March 1956

#### TO Our

New Members

Winston N. Bryant lives at 18 Prescott St. Franklin R. Ericson, Jr. 20 Dartmouth St. James A. Ferguson 16 Gustavus St. Frederick W. Spring 93 Tolman Ave. The above boys attend LHS. Richard B. Eastman. Jr. 19 Cedar St: Albert B Johns 105 Hamilton St. and Paul F. Kennedy. 26 Elm St. attend M.A.G.J.H.S.

#### OUR MOTHERS' CIRCLE

Do you know all mothers automatically become members of the Mothers' Circle as soon as their son takes his second degree? In case your mother does not know this please be sure and tell her. Although an attempt is made to contact each mother before their meeting it sometimes happens one or two mothers are forgotten. Remember your mother is welcome and the present officers are anxious to meet them. They are Mrs. Clarence Booth, president; Mrs. Arlon Sangster. Secretary and Mrs. Donald Hunter, Treasurer.

#### INSTALLATION

#### MARCH 14

The officers of Wilder Lodge A.F. & A.M., sponsors of our Chapter, will again install the officers of Leominster Chapter on Wednesday night, March 14th at 8:15 peme Master Councilor Elect. Donald Booth will be installed by his Dad. The installing suite will consist of the following officers of Wilder Lodge: Wor. Master George Yule, Senior Warden James Howieson, Junior Warden Kenneth Lamb, Junior Deacon Robert Erdmann, Marshal Wor. Joseph Lake, Chaplain John Peavey and Organist Percy Dunlop. Miss Patricia Pollock of Milford, N.H. Rainbow Assembly will be guest soloist. Former Deliolays George Yule is a senior Deviolay of our Chapter: Robert Erdmann is a Past Master Councilor and Chevalier. Clarence Booth is a senior

Demolay of Fidelity Chapter Cranston, R. I. Refreshments will be served by the Mothers! Circle under the direction of Mrs. Dorothy Ricker, Chairman,

There is no verbal vitamin more potent than praise.

Men are like steel - of little use when they lose their temper.

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NIGHT TO TAKE

PLACE MARCH 21

Following the conferring of the first degree. Fitchburg and Ayer Chapters will provide an entertainment. Leominster Chapter is to provide the lunch and from what we hear it's going to be a corker. This Tri-City idea of Dad Harmon is really terrific. Lets keep it up. (How about a smoker sometime too?

#### Father & Son Banquet

March 28

Our annual banquet with our Dads as guests will take place Wednesday Eve. March 28th at 6:30 p.m. An entertainment is in the making and the dinner will be put on by the Mothers Circle. Be sure and plan to attend this - Fellas.

#### State DeMolay Ball

If you are interested in the formal State DeMolay Ball to be held Saturday, April 28th at the Sheraton Plaza in Boston, give your name to the Scribe now. If enough plan to go we will try to all go together. - F . B. Harris Tickets 3.00 per couple.

Imagination and a willingness to work will make any project successful. This issue of Chapter News is a ballon d'essai. It is written by members for the members. It is published at no cost to the Chapter. The first issue which was published in combination with last month's bulletin, was so successful and met with such spontaneous acceptance, we are doing it again but strictly as a newspaper. The Bulletin will continue as a separate issue as before. If this newspaper is to be continued, it should be voted by the Chapter. Your acceptance or rejection should not be influenced by pressure in any way or form. So it is up to you Fellas! If you want it - then organize your staff and go to it.

Our Chapter made \$46.24 in tips checking at the Masonic Ball.

Visitations were made to Wellesley, Athol and Worcester. It's great fun to visit other Chapters and see how they function. How about more of this sort of thing?

Blowing one's top serves no good purpose; one blowing sets the habit more firmly for the next blowing. Children blow their tops; it is a childish adult who finds it necessary to do so. -Dr. John Schindler

The only way to have a friend is to be one. - Emerson



Phew! Found the Editor's door open just slightly more than a crack (I'm not talking about the kinda cracks you may find in this column - "may find" I say) from that fresh red-headed Phantom. He's a traveling man you know. It seems he can recommend a new quick method for reducing - just take a certain ride in a certain car on a stormy night??? Hear tell there was a recent atom bomb test on Main St. Ayer. And a needle and thread to the guy who goes tearing on his skiis. Woops...the local snowball express just whizzed by? Understand the Casanova of Leominster Chapter is on the prowl again.

Just buzz over these tidbits until next issue, and in the meantime, don't let the Phantom cross your path.

Tri-Chapter Meeting In Ayer Dick Sobel and Don Booth directed a successful entertainment in Ayer, Jan. 27th. Don had charge of a dentist skit in which a patient was all but murdered. Dick led a barbershop quartet with John Chapman at the piano. It may not have been so good but it sure was loud.

Nice to know Phil Temple is home from the hospital after a knee operation. Hope to see you back soon, Phil. Report On Paper Drive

There's good news in the old town to-night. Those papers we have been moaning and groaning about are finally sold. We even got the taker to clean up the mess in the barn.

#### Significance Of

DeMolay Emblem Every part of the official pin has its particular significance to a member of DeMolay. Eight pearls on the crown

together with the two red rubies, honor the Founder and nine youths whose ties of friendship drew them together in the formation of the Order.

The two red rubies are in memory of Louis Lower, the first DeMolay who was brutally murdered in 1943, and Ivan M. Bently, one of the nine original DeMolays. When as comes to every man, the final summons for each one of his honored group, a red ruby takes the place of a pearl.

The helmet is emblematic of chivalry, without which there can be no fineness of character.

The crescent is a sign of secrecy and constantly reminds DeMolays of their duty never to reveal the secrets of their Order or betray the confidence of a friend.

The five armed white cross symbolizes the purity of intentions to always remember the motto of the Order "No DeMolay shall fail as a citizen, as a leader, or as a man.

The crossed swords denote justice, fortitude and mercy. They symbolize the unceasing warfare Of Deliclay against arrogance, despotism, and intolerance.



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Order of DeMolay

7 Main Street Henry

Henry W. Kennedy, Advisor

March bulletin

Wednesday, March 7, 1956

Business meeting at Masonic Hall 7:30 P.M. Balloting on petitions of Richard Roy Ambruson, Lee Water Gavin and Donald Frank Schuster.

Sunday, March 11, 1956 Rehearsal of all officers for installation with Wilder Lodge installing suite at Masonic Hall at 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 14, 1956 Installation of officers by installing suite of Wilder Lodge, A.F. & A.M., sponsors of Leominster Chapter, at 8:15 p.m.

Sunday, March 18, 1956 Observance of DeMolay Devotional Sunday at First Baptist Church at 10:45 a.m. Chapter will be opened at Masonic Hall at 9:30 a.m. Will leave from hall in a body.

Wednesday, March 21, 1956

Special meeting to confer first degree at 7:30 p.m. followed by Tri-Chapter night with Ayer and Fitchburg Chapters providing the entertainment. Leominster Chapter will provide the "eats."

Wednesday, March 28, 1956 Annual father and son banquet at Masonic Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Obligation Classes Obligation classes for all candidates will be held every Wednesday night at Masonic Hall at 7. There will be no class on March 14 because of the installation.

Official Visitation

The Northern Jurisdiction Council will make an official visitation to our Chapter Wed, April 4th, at 7:30 p.m. Dad Harry B. Tabor may accompany the suite. 17 Annual State Ball

The 17th annual Mass. State DeMolay Ball will be held at the Sheraton Plaza, Boston, Saturday, Apr. 28, 1956. Admission \$3.00 includes tax. Dancing 8 p.m. to midnight.

No Dues Cards - No Admittance

Effective immediately all members of the Chapter must have a 1956 dues card to gain admission to the Chapter Room.

Chapter Regulation Books

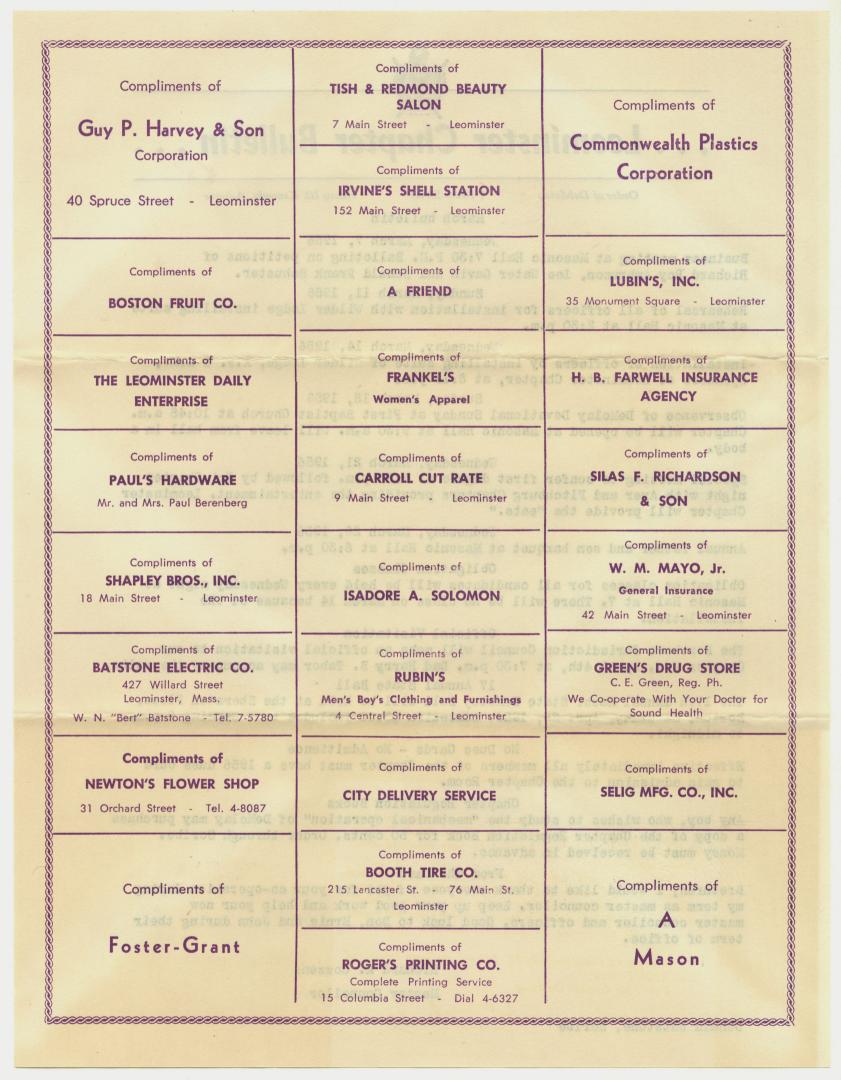
Any boy, who wishes to study the "mechanical operation" of DeMolay may purchase a copy of the Chapter Regulation Book for 50 cents. Order through Scribe. Money must be received in advance.

From The East

Brethren, I would like to thank everyone of you for your co-operation during my term as master councilor. keep up your good work and help your new master councilor and officers. Good luck to Don, Ernie and John during their term of office.

> Richard K. Cozzens Master Councilor

Donald Batstone, Scribe



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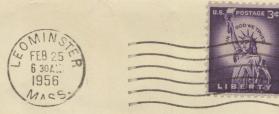
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