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REPORT OF NATIONAL SECRETARY

July 10, 1918

Mr. A. P. Warrington, National President,
American Section Theosophical Society,
Krotona, Los Angeles, California.

Dear Mr. Warrington:

In spite of America's entrance into the great World War on the side of liberty, justice and democracy, and the resultant national confusion in all departments of social and economic life, conditions in the American Section of the Theosophical Society show but slight outward change as compared to the previous year.

The inflowing tide of general business in 1917-1918 has not been quite so marked as during the previous year. This is apparently due to two causes—(1) the decreasing number of National Lecturers in the field, and, (2) the directing of T. S. activities into patriotic and humanitarian channels of life.

Compared to the activities in other sections in this period of world transition, the American Section fares well, according to Mr. J. R. Aria, Recording Secretary at Adyar, who wrote under date of December 18, 1917:

We are very pleased to see your Section so very active. You stand first comparatively in every respect, and we hope other Sections will surely be stimulated to action from your reports.

The report of our Auditor, Mr. Harry J. Rose, is self-explanatory. It shows that the constructive work carried on in the American Section, since the United States entered into the war in June 1917, has continued as in the past, but at a much greater expenditure, due to the increased cost of materials and labor caused by the war. The balance indicated as gain for

the year, \$53.47, is better than might be expected, all things being considered.

During the year ending June 30th, 1918, there were 1,393 new members admitted into the Society, that being an average of 116 per month. There were reinstated into active standing 140 members from Inactive membership; and there was a net gain of 7 members by transfer to the American from other Sections. Death has taken 62 members from our ranks; while 94 have severed their connection with the Society by resignation. An unusually large number of members were placed on the Inactive List at June 30th, there being 890, almost twice the number of the previous year.

The total active membership at June 30th, 1918, was 6,835. The total number of lodges was 186; 11 new lodges having been organized during the year, and 13 dissolved.

Perhaps the most striking and effective of the year's activities is the special work of the War Secretary, Mrs. Laura S. Wood, in familiarizing our soldiers with the fundamentals of Theosophy, with the aim of instilling loyalty, courage and noble self-sacrifice for country, by giving them a reasonable understanding of the inner significance of the war.

Lodge rooms previously unused during the week have been thrown open day and night, thus affording a place where soldier and civilian meet in the bond of brotherhood and mutual helpfulness. A lodge that steps forth to engage in practical brotherhood and world service, strikes the keynote of the present age, and immediately becomes a center of light which attracts and unifies the forces of a community.

The American Section is proud of its Roll of Honor men, numbering 334 enlisted members at June 30th, 1918. Each month additional

names are reported of those who have offered their lives to help free the world of autocracy, and to obtain freedom for all peoples. During the last half of the fiscal year, there were 158 men in uniform who joined the Society as "Liberty" members.

The majority of our 186 lodge secretaries constitute a most efficient corps of helpers. This important group of lodge officers has handled the business of the Section with care and accuracy during the past year, and as a result, the work has run along smoothly and satisfactorily. Associations under these conditions are most pleasant.

The deep interest and co-operation of our Members-at-Large is a source of strength to the Society. This loyal group of 411 members with their steadfast devotion and will to serve the cause, supplies a power that enables the Society to accomplish much for humanity.

In view of the fact that 90 lodges responded to Krotona's December appeal for funds for general operating expenses, averaging \$102.12 per month, I would recommend that the 1918 convention rescind the Resolution of the 1917 convention wherein it is provided that one-fourth of the Section Dues of the members of

the American Section, and an additional \$2,000.00, be given to Krotona Institute of Theosophy.

In the face of the days of reconstruction that lie just ahead, it would appear that the American Section should make adequate preparations to bring the Ancient Wisdom to the attention of the thousands of seekers who will be awakened by the shock and horrors of the great war. Reincarnation, the key to evolution, should be made a common word throughout the land.

Regarding the future financial policy to be pursued by the American Section, especially during the fiscal year 1918-1919, I would recommend a partial retrenchment in all departments, with conservative expenditures aimed at those points that will bring largest spiritual returns for monies expended. I would also recommend that the business be so conducted that there will be an appropriate credit balance of cash on hand at the close of the fiscal year, June 30th, 1918.

Faternally yours,

CRAIG P. GARMAN
National Secretary

Los Angeles, Calif., July 6, 1918

To the Members of the American Section of the Theosophical Society:

Following instructions from your Secretary, I have made an audit of the books of your Society for the year ending June 30, 1918. I hand you and make part of this report the following Exhibits:

Exhibit No. 1—Balance Sheet, June 30, 1918.

Exhibit No. 2—Statement of Income and Expenditures, June 30, 1918.

The Disbursements are vouched for and the Receipts fully accounted for.

Your Statement of Income and Expenditures shows a gain for the year of \$53.47. This is small in comparison with the gain of the previous year (\$1541.72) and while your Fees and Dues have increased a little over \$1100.00 it must be borne in mind that the tremendous advance in the cost of all commodities during the past year has reflected heavily upon your expenditures. This is shown more particularly in the MESSENGER and Publicity Departments where the purchase of material and cost in labor must be taken into account. I would call your attention to the fact that the MESSENGER Department has exceeded the appropriations laid down for it in the resolution passed by your Trustees May 20, 1918, to the amount of \$180.04. However, after the most careful examination I cannot but think that the Expenditures are low and certainly show a careful watch upon the part of your management when consideration is given the amount of work done and the advanced costs already mentioned. An appraisal of your Inventory has shown that it was much below its actual value and we have adjusted it slightly, but have been careful to lean to the conservative side.

I wish to thank your staff for its courtesies.

Yours faithfully,
(Signed) HARRY J. ROSE

I hereby certify that I have examined the books and accounts of the American Section of the Theosophical Society and find all entries therein vouched and accounted for. The attached are true statements of the financial condition on June 30, 1918:

(Signed) HARRY J. ROSE

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of July, 1918.

EVELYN N. SPARKS

Notary Public in and for the County of Los Angeles, State of California.

EXHIBIT NO. 1
Balance Sheet, June 30, 1918

Assets

INVENTORY

Furniture and Fixtures	\$2,922.81	
Stationery and Supplies	641.16	
Library	250.00	
Lantern Slides	65.00	
Engravings	19.00	
Booklets	115.00	
Stamps	69.82	
MESSENGER, etc.	144.10	
Publicity Literature	10.00	\$4,236.89
Balance in Bank	3,251.63	
Balance Cash on Hand	65.90	
U. S. Liberty Bonds and Interest on Same.....	2,140.00	\$9,693.52

Liabilities

Investment Account		\$6,426 64
Reserve Fund:		
Fees and Dues, 1918-1919	\$3,657.24	
Less—Paper bought on account		
MESSENGER for 1918-1919	\$220.05	
Sundry Disbursements, 1918-1919	285.10	505.15
		3,152.09
Discretionary Fund	30.63	
Folsum Fund	9.69	
Special Fund for Teachers	21.00	61.32
		3,213.41
Balance at credit of Income and Expenditure Account.....		53.47
		\$9,693.52

EXHIBIT NO. 2

Statement of Income and Expenditures for Year Ending June 30, 1918

Income

Fees and Dues, 1918	\$13,873.76	
Donations Section	\$ 119.75	
Donations Publicity	1,903.99	2,023.74
MESSENGER Subscriptions		161.03
Appreciation of Furniture and Supplies.....		419.62
Sundry Interest and Exchange		162.02
		\$16,640.17

Expenditures

National President's Expenses	500.00	
Convention Expenses	272.29	
Adyar Percentage	1,078.32	
Salaries	3,449.48	
Stationery and Supplies	361.75	
Rent and Light	553.93	
Postage	610.40	
Incidentals	389.03	
Telephones and Telegrams	152.84	
Taxes	59.14	
Members' Booklets	61.50	
Wedgewood Expenses	71.21	
Irish Section Donation	476.00	8,055.89

STATISTICAL YEAR BOOK

MESSENGER

Printing	1,756.15	
Paper	951.95	
Salaries	721.92	
Postage	270.79	
Incidentals	121.73	
Rent	97.50	3,920.04

FIELD WORK—

1,169.70

PUBLICITY EXPENSES—

Salaries	1,371.25		
Literature	722.48		
Postage	355.79		
Stationery	161.07		
Advertising	610.38		
Cartage and Express	43.62		
Incidentals	176.48	3,441.07	16,586.70
<i>Balance, being gain for year</i>			53.47

\$16,640.17

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 12, 1918

To the Members of the American Section of the Theosophical Society:

The Income and Expenditure account for the Section during the fiscal year 1917-1918 (Exhibit No. 2) as rendered by the Auditor, constitutes, and is hereby made the official financial statement of the Treasurer of the American Section, T. S.

(Signed) GEORGE H. DUNBAR
National Treasurer

PUBLICITY DEPARTMENT REPORT

President of the Board of Trustees,
American Section, Theosophical Society,
Krotona, Hollywood, California.

Dear Sir:

The report of receipts and expenditures of the Publicity Department for the past year will be found in the Auditor's statement. The voluntary contributions of the membership for carrying on the national publicity work amounted to \$1531.88, compared with \$1317.16 of last year. The expenditure for literature was double that of last year, due to the fact that we put out over eight times as many leaflets as we did in any previous years. In addition to this we also put out 56,000 copies of Max Wardall's special war pamphlet, WHY WE GO OVER THE TOP. The other items are substantially the same as last year and cover such necessary items of operation as postage, stationery, etc.

THE LECTURE PLATFORM

With Mr. Irving S. Cooper and Mr. Max Wardall temporarily out of the lecture field of this Section we feel, nevertheless, that the remaining lecturers have done splendid work, both in the lodge centers and in new territory. The record lodge organization for the year was made at Ottawa, where Mr. Rogers organized a lodge of 77 members. This was largely made possible by the very thorough work of preparation done by Mrs. Lillian Davy of that city. It deserves special mention in this Annual Report because it indicates what can be done when thorough preparation is made and a solid foundation is laid for a new lodge. If all new lodges could be organized in the same way as Ottawa was we feel that the Section would become a very strong unit within the theosophical movement.

Of the \$2000 set apart for field work the sum of \$1169.75 has been expended. As in

the past, it was used only to help weak lodges, who were unable to bear the full burden of a course of lectures, and in establishing new lodges. In all, 11 new lodges were chartered this year. Full details of the work of the various lecturers will be found in the regular monthly reports which have appeared in THE MESSENGER and there is no need to repeat what has already been reported. In addition to this amount the sum of \$523.18 has been spent for special advertising. This is used in cases where some of the weaker lodges are unable to put enough money into the advertising and hall rent to make the series of lectures a guaranteed success. We have, of course, maintained the system of ready-to-deliver lectures and they have been sent regularly twice a month to an average of 55 lodges and individuals who used them for public work only. With the lectures, as heretofore, three press reports were sent and in this way the ideals of Theosophy were brought to the attention of hundreds of thousands of people throughout the nation.

CIRCULATION OF LITERATURE

We have put out 30,000 copies of the following four-page leaflets, which were arranged with the idea of covering the main teachings of Theosophy in a simple way and the purpose of which is to create an interest in Theosophy and thus foster a desire for theosophical study:

1. *Theosophy.*
2. *Theosophy—A Religious Philosophy.*
3. *Theosophy as a Science.*
4. *Reincarnation and Karma.*
5. *The Facts About Death.*
6. *Memory of Past Lives.*
7. *The Masters.*
8. *The Aura and the Soul.*
9. *Dreams of the Dead.*
10. *How to Control Destiny.*
11. *Occult Side of the Great War.*
12. *Universal Brotherhood.*

As stated before, 56,000 copies of WHY WE GO OVER THE TOP have also been published and distributed throughout the Section to all who would use them to reach the soldier with our message. Our purpose in issuing this pamphlet was to furnish the Roll-of-Honor men with suitable publicity matter for distribution among their comrades in the Army.

In connection with the mailing list of non-members which we have maintained continuously since the organization of this Department I would say that this feature of the publicity work has been carried on in the usual way, but we have not made any special efforts to get a large mailing list of interested non-members for the reason that it seemed desirable to spend more money on the series of 12 leaflets mentioned above. Last year we averaged 1200 names of non-members per month, but this year the average has been only 425.

THE WAR SECRETARY

Last February the Board of Trustees created a subdivision of the Publicity Department by appointing (on recommendation of the Advisory Board) Mrs. Laura S. Wood, of Houston, Texas, as War Secretary. While we were already doing everything possible to reach the soldiers through our members in the Army, Mrs. Wood was endeavoring to tackle this problem of special war work from another angle by working in camp cities and cantonments wherever possible. In view of Mrs. Wood's enthusiasm for work among the soldiers the Trustees decided to give her the moral support of the Section for carrying on her work and extending it to make it less of a local character and give it national importance.

We have ascertained that there is considerable difference of opinion among lodges and members throughout the Section concerning this work among the soldiers and wish to assure the membership that any methods that are found to be expensive or abortive will be promptly discontinued and other methods tried. When one is faced with special conditions a certain amount of experimentation must take place in order to find out the best methods of doing the work, but at the same time the responsible head of the Publicity Department will maintain a general supervision over this war work. By the time this report reaches the Section Mrs. Wood will have come to Krotona for a conference with the Publicity Department and with the Board of Trustees and a policy and plan of work for the coming year will have been decided after careful and thorough discussion. Until then Mrs. Wood will continue giving her attention to the Recreation Hall idea.

Statement of receipts and disbursements, War Work ending June 30, 1918:

Total receipts from Lodges and individuals	\$2529.91	
Disbursements	468.03	
Cash on hand	2063.88	\$2529.91

Sheridan Lodge, Wyoming, Liberty Bond	\$ 50.00
Houston Lodge, Houston, Liberty Bond	100.00
Chicago Brotherhood Liberty Bond	50.00
Books donated by Book Concern of Krotona and Lodge members of California	69.79
Furnishings of Houston Hall, donated	1222.75
	<hr/> \$1492.54

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. I would recommend that the name of this Department be changed to that of the NATIONAL PUBLICITY DEPARTMENT as during the past year many lodges have taken up publicity work very enthusiastically and have created publicity departments for their local work. It is desirable that each lodge should have a publicity department and in order to distinguish between local and national work I

think it would be as well to make this Department conform to the precedent already established by the creation of National Secretary and National President.

2. Each year the national publicity work should grow in proportion to the membership. At present we are seriously hampered by lack of sufficient help. Considerable work of a very inexpensive nature could be done if the Board of Trustees would set aside sufficient funds for an additional helper in this office,

and I would therefore recommend that the salary for another office worker be appropriated. The special field into which such a worker's energy would principally be turned is the great machine of national publicity, the newspapers and magazines of the country.

Respectfully submitted.

Yours faithfully,

CHARLES HAMPTON
Assistant Publicity Director

REPORTS FROM LODGES

[No reports have been received from lodges not herein represented. None of the reports appear as they were originally written. Most of them have been greatly condensed on account of space limitations.—Editor.]

ADVENT LODGE

Advent Lodge organized in January of this year, with seven members, has adopted for its slogan the words "Watch, Repose." It is the policy of the lodge to work for Theosophy as whole rather than for itself as a Theosophical lodge, and to try to prepare itself to be a worthy channel for the spreading of the truth.

Since its organization two of its members have been at the head of a Red Cross military auxiliary and incidentally through this work have introduced the subject of Theosophy into a community where it was practically unknown. Another member, a high school student, made it an object to unflinchingly choose a subject with Theosophical teaching for essays, orations and themes.

In order to refute the statement that Theosophists in Toledo will not work for anything but Theosophy one member has accepted a responsible office in the suffrage organization, hoping that by faithful and impersonal work she can help to prove the contrary.

Meetings are held regularly every Monday afternoon at 2:30. The books being read and studied are THEOSOPHY FOR BEGINNERS, AWAKEN and LETTERS FROM A LIVING DEAD MAN.

Although the library is as yet, scant, books have been loaned and many propaganda leaflets have been distributed.

At the present writing Advent Lodge is very busy raising its quota of the war fund.

Two of our members belong to the Order of the Star and since the first of January have harmoniously co-operated in the activities of this order which are held at Harmony Lodge.

(Mrs.) G. C. CURTIS,
President.

ALAMOSA LODGE

Our lodge has in the past year undergone experiences as trying as our individual lives

have known, but through all our vicissitudes we have held forth and know that our organization is sound. Though few in numbers we are strong in determination to develop and keep open the channel for the Master's forces in our community.

Visits from Mr. C. F. Herkert, of Creeds, Colo., and Mr. Herbert Watts, of Santa Rosa, Calif., have given us much inspiration and practical help.

We regret to report that we have lost seven members through non-payment of dues.

We maintain our reading room and meeting place, and Mr. Simons is undertaking to reach every man in the service from Alamosa County, with Theosophical literature.

Those of us who compose Alamosa Lodge are working in harmony and peace and are putting forth our best efforts to keep up the Theosophical work and are serving our community and our country to the utmost of our capacities in these trying times.

CHARLOTTE RUTH FISH
Secretary

BAKER LODGE

The Baker Lodge was organized May, 1917, through the efforts of Mr. W. G. Shepard of Everett, Wash. Mr. Shepard lectured for us again in October and Mr. Hanchett gave three lectures in February of this year.

A weekly closed study class, under the leadership of Mr. A. S. Williams, is held, also one open meeting a month for enquirers. During the year the members have studied MAN AND HIS BODIES, KARMA, THE SEVEN PRINCIPLES OF MAN and other Theosophical textbooks. We are fortunate in having the use of a large Theosophical library owned by Mr. Williams.

Proxies and Annual Dues were sent in

promptly and some money has been donated to the T. S. War Fund.

Lodge meetings are always opened with a few minutes' meditation to direct the students' minds to spiritual matters.

EDITH F. NICHOLS
Secretary

BERKELEY LODGE

At the beginning of the year, September 1917, the work of the Berkeley Lodge was reorganized. Four departments—Political, Educational, Social Reform and Religious—were formed with a member at the head of each department acting as Chairman and all working under a head appointed by the Bureau of Social Reconstruction. One Lodge meeting each month was given over to one of these departments.

The regular public lectures on Sunday evenings have continued during the year with fair-sized audiences, so that it has been necessary to enlarge the headquarters, and we now have two adjoining rooms which will accommodate about 150 people. Besides the two public classes for the study of Theosophy, one in the evening and one in the afternoon, conducted by Mrs. Woods and Mrs. Weirick, we have recently organized a class in Astrology. A small Lotus Circle meets on Sunday morning under the direction of Mrs. Hurd.

Mr. Baker has continued the work of the Intercollegiate Theosophical Club at the University of California, holding meetings for study and having public lectures given by divisional and local lecturers. Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Knudsen, Mr. Munson and Mr. Hanchett have visited Berkeley during the year and have given public lectures.

Many books have been added to the library, which is now open every afternoon except Sunday, and the circulation of the books has increased. The sale of books has been encouraging.

There has been a steady growth in membership, which now numbers 54.

While carrying on the regular Lodge and public work we have been trying to "do our bit" in the present world crisis. Many members are actively engaged in Red Cross work and the Lodge owns three Liberty Bonds.

FLORENCE L. HURD
Secretary

BESANT LODGE

Besant Lodge of Boston, Mass., was formed by a group of women most of whom had had no preparation for public work and felt no especial fitness for it, but who believed heartily in the power and usefulness of a center composed of persons who with harmony of feeling met together to study the teaching of Theosophy. While the lodge has kept to its original purpose, as a lodge, the members have

taken such part in the active work of the T. S., The Order of The Star in The East, The Temple of The Rosy Cross and Co-Masonry as time and opportunity made possible.

EUDORA MOREY
Secretary

BIG RAPIDS LODGE

We are not able to report activities such as belong to a lodge as an organization owing to the sort of pralaya from which we suffered during some months of the past year. Faithful individual work was done, however, in the spirit of love and loyalty to the Master's work.

The lodge has been well represented in Red Cross work and some work in propaganda has been done.

One of our able members, Mrs. C. W. Doe, has helped the cause through the "Public Pulse" in press work. The same member also gave a most excellent and pointed paper at our literary club to a large and appreciative audience.

We hope and trust that our work during the coming year will bring results worthy of this most glorious cause.

BLAVATSKY LODGE

Blavatsky Lodge reports a membership of 22. The work of the year has been entirely in propaganda and social reconstruction of various forms. The lodge has held no public meetings but has met weekly for study and meditation.

Twenty-five books were donated to the Balboa Park public library for soldiers, sailors and marines; forty books to the American Library Association at Camp Kearny and nineteen to the Mission Valley Hospital.

About 5,000 war leaflets have been distributed among soldiers and sailors. Two hundred leaflets, *Man Know Thyself*, written by Mrs. Brust to Doctors and Ministers, and 12 copies of *Spiritual Healing* and *Pineal Gland* have also been distributed.

During the Red Cross Seal campaign 10,000 tuberculosis leaflets on red blood were distributed with the following titles—*Your Duty to Yourself, Your Duty to Your Country, Your Duty to Humanity*. We also helped finance pamphlet No. 4.

FLORENCE S. GRAY,
Secretary.

BOSTON LODGE

During July and August, lodge meetings were conducted along devotional lines. The average attendance, by actual count, was 18. With the fall months the usual activities were resumed with the closed meeting on Wednesday evenings from 7:15 to 7:45, and though few have attended we hope the work has been quite successful. This meeting has been turned into a "Meeting of Welcome" with the entrance of new members into the lodge. Various members have conducted the meetings following this service, the time being devoted to reading and discussion of *THE INNER LIFE* and *THE HIDDEN SIDE*

OF THINGS. Some evenings have been given over to lectures by Miss Holbrook, Mrs. Bartlett, Mrs. Patterson and Mr. Munson. Many of the Sunday evening services have been devoted to the reading of papers by the members of the Boston Lodge, the meetings being under the auspices of the Council for Theosophic Propaganda.

Some things of universal interest have taken place during the year. In July, when Mrs. Annie Besant and others were in internment, resolutions were drawn up and adopted, stating the Theosophical views of the case, resulting in personal appeal being made to the Right Honorable David Lloyd George, Premier of the United Kingdom, as well as to President Wilson and our representative. The lodge as a unit and individual members as well sent telegrams and letters.

Following is a digest of the work of the committee for Publicity Among Soldiers which was formed early in January:

First: Collecting second-hand books, pasting leaflets and our address in non-Theosophical books and turning them over to the public library for distribution.

Second: The sending of Theosophical books and pamphlets to camps and hospitals, some going to France, one package to a saw-mill unit in Scotland and one to the 303rd Infantry at Camp Devans. One book each was also sent to the public library at Camp Devans, Fort Banks and Fort Andrews.

Third: The mailing of leaflets to individual soldiers and the relatives of deceased soldiers. Two Maine members are distributing leaflets to Maine soldiers. In Providence, R. I., we have been able, through a Huntington Lodge member, to place a "Take One" rack with 875 leaflets, in a soldiers' and sailors' club.

Just now this committee is directing its efforts toward raising the Boston Lodge quota in the \$50,000 drive as well as to the furthering of plans whereby Boston Lodge rooms may be converted into a place of recreation for the soldiers and sailors during the summer months.

One thing of great importance has been made possible this year through the co-operation of members in the various Boston lodges—the opening of the lodge rooms and the library to the public every afternoon during the season. This is most essential if we desire to give our teachings to the world.

VERCY H. HILL,
Secretary.

BOULDER LODGE

The Boulder Lodge began its work for the year 1917-18 on September 12th. Meetings were held weekly throughout the year, two only being omitted on account of inclement weather. ESOTERIC BUDDHISM furnished the textbook for study for almost the entire season, although several other books were read and discussed. Several of Mr. Leadbeater's

latest lectures were read and studied, to-wit: *The Existence of the Masters* and *The Root Races and Their Sub-races*.

On February 12, 1918, the Lodge voted to purchase two books—WAR LETTERS OF A LIVING DEAD MAN, by Elsa Barker, and A TEXTBOOK OF THEOSOPHY, by C. W. Leadbeater—to send to the war-camp libraries. We also sent two copies of the book AWAKEN to Mr. Hadley of Denver, who is Librarian for the Rocky Mountain District. The money to purchase these books was taken from the propaganda fund of the Lodge.

On May 21st a letter was read by our Secretary from the T. S. War Secretary, appealing for a subscription of \$50,000 for the purpose of establishing recreation halls near the different cantonments. Five members of Boulder Lodge pledged their quota of \$8.00 per member. To this, one pledge has been added since. At the same meeting every member present, responding to a suggestion by the Secretary, pledged his responsibility for one additional member for the ensuing year.

CORA E. BAIRD
Secretary.

BROTHERHOOD LODGE, DETROIT

Brotherhood Lodge was organized in 1916 from a study class established by Mr. Rogers. The Lodge continued to meet throughout the summer of 1917 without an official status, but after the annual meeting in August when officers were elected and a new set of by-laws adopted, we started out with renewed life. The adoption of a new system of finance resulted in the splendid Lodge and Reading Room that we now occupy in one of Detroit's leading office buildings.

Our activities have consisted mostly of classes for the study of ANCIENT WISDOM, MAN AND HIS BODIES and THE TEXT BOOK OF THEOSOPHY, and a class for devotional training. We now have 28 members, most of whom have come to us since last July.

We distribute circulars and our Activity Programs whenever possible, and each week send notices to the leading newspapers. The press work has been responsible for many new-comers to our meeting.

The fourth Sunday of every month is devoted to a meeting held under the auspices of the Order of The Star in the East.

Special efforts have been made to have the Public Library place more of our books on its shelves and our magazines in their reading rooms.

In addition to maintaining our Lodge Room by local dues, we pledged and subscribed \$27 to the fund for the establishment of a scientific laboratory at Krotona, and many members have pledged liberally in support of the T. S. War Work.

We hope before long to have members

trained to do teaching and lecturing and the material which we now have indicates that this hope will soon be realized.

H. W. PORTER
President

BROTHERHOOD LODGE, SAINT LOUIS

Our lodge has gone down alarmingly during the past year notwithstanding our extraordinary efforts. We have now engaged Mr. C. L. Watson as resident speaker and hope to be able to give a better report in 1919.

Our membership in 1917 was 63. Five new members have since been admitted. During the year 4 have sent in resignations and 4 have been dropped by Headquarters for non-remittance of dues, leaving us a total membership to date of 60. Two members are in the war and 2 have left the city leaving no addresses.

(MRS.) ENMA NIEDNER,
Cor. Secretary.

BUTTE LODGE

To a membership of 46 at the close of June, 1917, we have added 6. Two members have resigned to become members-at-large and 3 have been placed on the inactive list.

In many ways it has been a fruitful year for theosophical work in Butte. We have given public lectures every Sunday evening and marked interest has been shown. In most cases the lectures have been given by local members and this plan has brought to light valuable talent.

Two National lecturers have visited us during the year. The meetings in both instances were well attended.

A large proportion of our members have subscribed the stipulated assessment for the T. S. War Work. The Sacrifice and Service Department has held regular monthly meetings to which the public was invited.

J. W. DUNCAN
President

CHICAGO BROTHERHOOD LODGE

In May, 1917, four lodges of the Chicago Theosophical Association—the Annie Besant, Adyar, Central and Chicago lodges combined to form the Chicago Brotherhood Lodge T. S., and while our National Secretary's request is for the report from July 1st only, we take the liberty of including something of our work for the two preceding months as it was of a preliminary nature for the following year.

Mr. Max Wardall came to us at a very opportune time,—just as we were planning this organization, and we feel that his work gave an impetus to the project and also helped to take the decisive step in joining our ranks, for there were a number of applications for membership during and following his course of lectures.

At the first regular meeting of our new lodge, our president, Dr. Beckwith, appointed chairmen on about twenty committees, asking for

volunteer servers, the idea being to get as many members as possible into active service, and that members choosing to serve on the committee each felt adapted to, would make for a strong and efficient organization. At that meeting too, various study classes were proposed and discussed. These plans were formulated so that when our activities were resumed in September things might be in working order.

A Red Cross Auxiliary was formed by the lodge and Mrs. Julia A. Myers, chairman, has all through the year kept a band of earnest workers busy. For the time available a splendid showing has been made in surgical dressings, knitting and sewing.

During the summer informal meetings were held on our regular lodge nights, various current topics being taken up and theosophical application made. This was rather a departure from our regular custom and we found it worked very well as the attendance was good through the entire summer.

At our first regular meeting in September, it was decided that the first Tuesday evening of each month should be devoted to business, the other evenings to the study of our Theosophical books. The one chosen for this purpose was Mrs. Besant's ESOTERIC CHRISTIANITY. We followed the method for a time, of assigning subjects from the lesson to four or five members, they preparing short papers which were read at the next meeting. Later we tried the plan of having the president read a chapter or portion of a chapter and then having questions and a general discussion. The latter, we think, on the whole has been a little more satisfactory, though some very interesting and instructive papers were given under the former plan.

Our music committee has provided that each evening we should have appropriate music with which to open our meetings. The Propaganda Committee has done active work, especially among the soldiers and sailors, furnishing literature, securing correspondence, etc.

The Educational Committee of the Social Reconstruction Work, Miss Julia K. Sommer, chairman, has developed into a national organization—"The Educational Fraternity"—that has a steadily increasing membership.

We have found that the co-operation and unity of purpose brought about by the combining of the lodges has strengthened our Theosophical work materially and our entire year shows a steady growth.

H. PEARL MARTIN,
Rec. Secretary.

CHICAGO LODGE

After the amalgamation of the downtown lodges of the Association into one new lodge, a few members of the Chicago Lodge decided to retain the old charter—the oldest in the United States, having H. P. B.'s signature—to form a propaganda center on the north side of the city. Chicago Lodge still belongs to the Association, but meets at the home of the President. Its membership has grown from

seven to twelve and as a propaganda center has great possibilities in a city as large as Chicago. Miss Julia K. Sommer as President, and Miss Louise M. Gladden as Secretary-Treasurer for the past year, have seen the Lodge nearly double in membership, and all members feel sure that there is a work for it to do.

May the coming year bring even greater growth and opportunity.

LOUISE M. GLADDEN
Secretary-Treasurer

CLEVELAND LODGE

During the past year Cleveland Lodge has had the benefit of twenty-seven special lectures. Mr. Max Waradll helped us greatly in the week he gave us last June. At the close of his lectures he initiated a large class of new members.

An increase in membership and public interest has resulted from the splendid lectures of Mr. L. W. Rogers, Mr. E. W. Munson, Mr. Julian B. Arnold and Dr. F. F. Strong.

In the year forty-two new members have been received; there were four resignations and two deaths.

The lodge maintains the following regular activities; propaganda lectures on Sunday evenings, study classes on Monday and Friday afternoon, members meeting every Friday evening with a social once a month, and a monthly meeting of the Order of The Star in the East. Since January the Monday evening class has been working with the evolution of life and consciousness, the point of consideration being both biological and occult. The Friday afternoon class has made a study of Genesis from the viewpoint of comparative religion. In the members' meeting Mr. Leadbeater's *THE INNER LIFE* has been the basis for study and consideration.

The lodge has gladly contributed to the founding of the Krotona Scientific Laboratory and to the Theosophical War-Work propaganda, and has made a substantial investment in War Saving Stamps.

LESTER BLACK
President

COLORADO LODGE

The Colorado Lodge of Denver had a year of unusual interest and activity. The season was opened by a lecture on Co-Masonry by Miss Isabel Holbrook; in September we had the pleasure of a short visit from Miss Marie Poutz; Mr. A. P. Warrington, our National President, and Bishop Wedgewood, the latter giving a lecture on Phychism. Mrs. Mary McFarland spent the entire month of September as our guest, taking an active part in lodge work and inspiring all with her devotion, enthusiasm and loyalty.

During the spring months we have welcomed as lecturers Mrs. Ethel Patterson, Mr. Francis Hanchett, Mrs. Harriett Tuttle Bartlett, and

Mr. Herbert Watts of the Berkeley (California) Lodge. As a result of Mr. Hanchett's lectures, five new members joined the lodge.

Our rooms are open daily, afternoon and evening classes being held under capable leaders. At our public Sunday evening service we have used the Krotona lectures, compiled by the Rev. Charles Hampton, and a few original papers by some of the Lodge members.

We have an excellent lending and reference library which, through the kindness of one of the members, Mrs. Isobel Norris, has been recently augmented by 57 volumes. We are all good propagandists and considerable Theosophical literature has been distributed among the soldiers and in several cantonments. Most of our members are busily engaged in some form of war work. "Lotus Leaves," the official organ of Colorado Lodge grows more interesting with each issue.

Our growing membership demanded our removal into more commodious quarters which have been handsomely furnished, the funds for the purpose being partly realized by a bazaar, held by the ladies of the lodge. We are proud of our new lodge rooms and have dedicated them to the Masters' service, hoping that harmony and good fellowship may always prevail.

Our president, Mr. George Riblet, collected quite a sum of money in the lodge for the "Annie Besant Traveling Fund," a heart offering to our beloved leader.

The new year dawns for Colorado Lodge full of hope and promise. We are a unified band of servers and our ideal is sacrifice and service.

LOIS A. CHAPMAN,
Cor. Secretary.

COLUMBUS LODGE

Columbus Lodge, which has been in existence for four years, has perhaps made more progress in this past year than in the three previous ones. We were originally only 16 in number, but this year added 10 new members, due mostly to the efforts of Mr. Scott van Etten, who was in charge of a series of lectures. We have been greatly helped by the lecturers who have visited us at different times. Our members' meeting is held Tuesday night at 8 o'clock and the public meeting on Sunday afternoon. We feel that if our progress continues we shall need a more suitable location in the near future, where we can have a library and other conveniences.

HARRIET SCHWARTZ
Publicity Agent

COLORADO SPRINGS LODGE

Owing to existing war conditions, it was deemed necessary and advisable to hold the meetings of the Colorado Springs Lodge at the home of the President. Open meetings held each month have been well attended, and a Sunday morning class, held from October to June and dealing with the ethical side of

Theosophy, has proven of much help and interest. This class was formed for the purpose of presenting the ideals of the Ancient Wisdom in a vital and personal way that would enable the earnest seeker to reach toward the higher paths through a clearer understanding of devotion and meditation.

A large and well-selected library has netted considerable through the rental of books and from purchases from Krotona. Special efforts have been made to circulate the propaganda literature especially at such meetings as Parent-Teacher Association, College Psychology Class and French class for nurses going to war. Efforts will be made also to assist in the work of Mrs. Wood of Houston. The Lodge as a whole made a generous contribution to the Y. M. C. A. war-relief fund.

LOUISE C. ARNOLD
Secretary

CREELMAN LODGE

During the year Creelman Lodge has had 52 closed Lodge meetings, 30 class meetings and had two public lectures, given by local men from Regina. In addition to this, books and pamphlets have been put in every home in the district, and 60 soldiers have been corresponded with. Two of our members have spoken on different occasions in Regina.

While we have a number of people here who are interested, it will take a National lecturer to finish them off, an event which we are looking forward to. Three of our most active members have removed to other places, a fact which has been a heavy handicap to us.

D. McNAUGHTON
Secretary

DALLAS LODGE

During the past fiscal year we have added 17 new members, which number, deducting 1 resigned and 4 inactive, gives us a total membership of 49.

During the past year we have had two lecturers, Mr. Rogers in January and Mr. Munson in June.

We have increased our Library materially. We have continued the Sunday afternoon public lecture throughout the year. The public study class on Thursday evenings has added several members to our Lodge.

The Lodge rooms are kept open on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 12 to 4 and 7 to 9 p. m.

ILA FAIN,
Secretary.

DAYTON LODGE

Our lodge has held regular meetings throughout the year. As it seemed that only one evening a week could be given to Theosophical meetings we decided to give alternate Thursday nights for the public. In this public class we took up for study MAN AND HIS BODIES. Attendance

has been small but fairly regular. During a part of the year public lectures were read on the second Thursday of each month.

We have distributed *Over the Top* and other Theosophical literature. Quite a number of Theosophical books have been sold to interested people outside the lodge. Our publicity agent has succeeded in having published some good Theosophical articles in our local papers.

As we have a very small lodge only a little Red Cross work has been done. Two of our members have each adopted a God-son to correspond with.

Our president is teaching a class of girls in a Unitarian Sunday School and is also president of a mothers' club. These offer opportunities for valuable T. S. work.

Mrs. Bartlett gave her series of talks for our lodge but because of bad weather these were poorly attended. Mr. Knudsen's visit was enjoyed and appreciated by our members. Dr. and Mrs. Strong were with us in March and we succeeded in getting one of his lectures before the Dayton Teachers' Association. His other lectures were given in our hall and were well attended and very interesting. Mr. Munson's lectures were also fairly well attended and very helpful.

Two members of Detroit Lodge have located here and have united with us and three other names have been added to our roll.

Altogether we think something has been done by our lodge for Dayton. We have preserved harmony and a good spirit of brotherhood prevails.

SARAH R. STEENROD,
President.

DES MOINES LODGE

During the past year the Des Moines Lodge has been quite alive and growing. Fifteen members have been added and we are expecting more before we close for the summer.

During the year we have had with us Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Ellison, Mr. Knudsen, and Dr. Mitchell will be with us the last of this month for a series of lectures. We have received a vast amount of good from these intellectual and spiritual treats, and expect to receive much benefit from the Mitchell lectures. We shall have him at Camp Dodge for work with the soldiers while he is here.

We are planning better things for the coming year and fully expect to be able to do a greater work both in the city and in the camp. Our interest and enthusiasm are thoroughly alive. We are working for 100 per cent efficiency in lodge interest and activity.

A. C. BAILEY
Cor. Secretary.

DULUTH LODGE

Duluth Lodge has made a gain of 10 members during the past year, making a total of 60 on the membership roll.

We enlarged our lodge room in the fall of

1918 and before we were settled we were honored by a visit from Mrs. Ethel Patterson, who gave an interesting talk to members and one public lecture. The same week Mr. Knudsen was with us for a members' meeting. Mr. Munson visited us later in the year, giving one members' talk and three public lectures.

The principal activities of the lodge are: A meeting for members only on Thursday evening, a Sunday morning study class, Sunday evening lectures and in the summer months a class on Monday evenings.

Our publicity committee has mailed out a large number of the pamphlet *To Those Who Mourn*. We have knitted one hundred and thirty-eight pairs of socks and five sweaters for the Red Cross, and while the boys were here awaiting orders to move we made cakes for them.

We feel that we are closing one of the most successful years in the history of the lodge and are looking forward to the coming year with our hearts and minds filled with renewed vigor and zeal to do our best in the work for the Society and the Masters.

RUTH M. SHEPHERD
Secretary

EVERETT LODGE

The Everett Lodge has maintained a weekly members' meeting and a library open to the public daily from 8 a. m. to 10 p. m., to which has been added \$20.00 in new books. Four members have been added to the Lodge. The Lodge has donated \$25.00 to Esoteric Christianity. Everett Lodge has also furnished 78 lectures to lodges at Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, Baker, Spokane, Leavenworth and other places. Members are actively engaged in all war work.

ELIZABETH W. SHEPARD,
Secretary.

FARGO LODGE

Fargo Lodge since our last report has doubled its membership—having now 16 members and is two years old. We meet each Sunday forenoon and have open-to-the-public meetings on the second Sunday of each month. On these occasions one of our members may give explanatory readings from our text book or give one of the lectures sent by the National Publicity Department. At our regular meetings we are studying *A TEXT BOOK OF THEOSOPHY* by C. W. Leadbeater. We rambled a great deal in our readings the first year but are now going about our studies in a more purposeful way, and are gaining thereby.

The visit of Mr. Rogers last fall with his series of lectures was a fruitful source of interest and inspiration to us and our friends as well as the public. These lectures gave the public a fuller and freer sense of what Theosophy means and gained for us some good new members. Later Mr. Munson came and his illustrated lectures were educative in no small degree.

The average membership attendance at our meetings is very good and prospects for new members encouragingly bright.

WILLIAM YOUNG.

FRESNO LODGE ACTIVITIES

The Fresno Lodge T. S. is now closing another year of activities for the Master. Despite the fact that fully one-third of the 70 members mentioned in our last report have left Fresno, we still have 69 in good standing. I know of none who have left the Society.

Only two lecturers have visited us this year, Mr. L. W. Rogers and Mrs. Ethel Patterson. Eleven new members were added as a direct result of these lectures.

One marked feature of the work of this lodge is its library activity. Our Public Library now has on its shelves more than 175 books. It has been necessary to duplicate many of these, so great has been the demand for certain books. The lodge also maintains a large loaning library in connection with its reading room, which is liberally patronized by members and friends. Not a few new members have been added through the Reading Room and Library Department, and many who have not joined us have heard the good tidings which Theosophy brings to the world.

The Sacrifice and Service League is becoming a fixed and important factor in our lodge work. About an average of \$35.00 is added to our treasury each month, through this department. While the amount is quite insignificant, the very fact that it is all sacrifice and service money, that the members do something which hurts a little, this and this alone makes the act a mighty and ever increasing force in the world. Let all who doubt, try it out.

The activities of this Lodge are as follows: Closed Lodge meeting, Tuesday evenings, 8 o'clock; class for beginners, Wednesdays, 3 p. m.; Inquirers' class, Friday evenings, 8 o'clock; Devotional meeting, Sundays, 11 a. m.; lecture, Sunday evenings, 8 o'clock; Order of the Star of the East, meeting, second Friday, 8 p. m., monthly; Sacrifice and Service League, meeting, last Friday, 8 p. m., monthly. All meetings open to public except Tuesday evening. All above meetings held at Hall of Theosophy, 15 Republican Bldg., Fresno, Calif.

MRS. A. G. FRISBIE,
Secretary.

FORT WORTH LODGE

The Fort Worth Lodge holds its meetings every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock at the Woman's Cafeteria, 606 Houston street.

The class meets at the same place and time every Thursday evening.

We have 28 members, several of whom were added as a result of Mr. Rogers' course of lectures here last winter.

In addition to the above activities we are distributing our literature among the soldiers and others as best we can.

Twice our place of meeting has been destroyed by fire within the six months past, but we saved most of our books and literature.

All conditions considered, our meetings are well attended and good work is being done.

S. J. B

GOLDEN GATE LODGE

Golden Gate Lodge is pleased to report that through the past year its usual activities have continued in an uninterrupted way. Dr. J. H. M. LeApsley gave a very interesting course of lectures on the MULTIPLE PERSONALITY and other subjects at the residence of our president, and also several classes and public lectures at headquarters. Since February first Mr. Sukeman Chatteyi, a very distinguished young Hindu gentleman, has been giving public lectures every Sunday evening at our headquarters, and other classes throughout the week.

The past year has been of much interest to Golden Gate Lodge and we look forward with hope and good cheer to the coming one.

ELIZABETH JANET EASTON,
Secretary.

GENESEE LODGE

The Genesee Lodge now numbers 61 active members, of which eight have come in during the year. Its major activities consist of an open Lodge meeting every Tuesday night, a Beginners' Class every Wednesday night and a closed Lodge meeting every Thursday night. Public Sunday evening lectures were given during the months of November, December and January. The Lodge has been practically active in Red Cross and War Relief work and has made a special effort to place theosophical literature in the hands of the soldiers in the camps. Mr. Bragdon's books have been placed in every camp library, and copies sent to every Theosophist soldier as well as many others, known to Lodge members. The local distribution of books, tracts and pamphlets has been kept up.

The following visiting lecturers have appeared during the year, under the auspices of the Lodge: Mr. Rogers, Mr. Mukerji, Mrs. Broenniman, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Munson, Dr. Strong and Dr. Shastri.

The Lodge is united, harmonious, growing and looks forward to a year of augmented usefulness in the service of the Masters.

CLAUDE BRAGDON
President

HARMONY LODGE

The work accomplished with young people through the Ethical classes has been gratifying beyond expectations. Those attending this class have ranged in age from five to twenty-two years.

One meeting per month on Sunday evening has been held, but with the exception of the months of December and February the attendance has been small. Classes in *Parlia-*

mentary Law have had excellent results and a class in *Science of Parenthood and Child Life* has proved to be a valuable propaganda agent. The class in *The Schools of Tomorrow* was a fruitful reconstructive activity stimulating much educational thought and discussion. The closed meetings of the lodge every Thursday evening added much strength to the lodge and to the public class which followed. The Friday afternoon class in *THE ANCIENT WISDOM*, followed by a social half hour, has been well attended.

Harmony Lodge has a Theosophical Red Cross Unit which meets at the Red Cross Headquarters. We united in the Red Cross parade of 10,000 women, under our own banner, and the slogan of *Brotherhood* and carried the flags of the Allied Nations symbolizing a Brotherhood of Nations.

Our circulating Library, which contains nearly five hundred books, has been open to the public every afternoon from 2 to 4. Correspondence with persons who desired to study Theosophy by that method has enabled us to sow considerable theosophical thought in a quiet way and to form the neuclei of new centers.

The Lodge opened its year's work with a series of lectures by Mr. L. W. Rogers.

ANNA P. BIRD
President

HARTFORD LODGE

Hartford Lodge has just closed its fourth year of work. Each year it has tried to show some new step in advance. This year it adopted the hotel method of advertising, viz., Theosophical letter-heads and envelopes which the members can buy for use, thus constantly keeping our society before the public. Heretofore we have relied on voluntary subscriptions for the running expenses but this year it was voted to tax each member fifty cents a month for ten months, this amount to be placed in envelopes bearing the name, amount and date. Where this plan was faithfully adhered to, it greatly helped the treasurer in her work.

Perhaps our greatest progress was shown in the fact that we were able to have Mr. L. W. Rogers for a series of four lectures. It seemed a great undertaking for a band of eight or ten people. Four of the ladies conducted a rummage sale, which not only netted a neat sum toward the lectures but brought material aid to poor families on the east-side. The rest of the money was raised by subscriptions from the members and money collected at the lectures. We were proud of the fact that when the lectures were over our bills were all paid.

A surprising amount of interest was aroused for such a conservative city as Hartford and the lectures were well attended inspite of the fact that there were several special attractions in the city at the time. Miss Holbrook and Mr. Knudsen also each gave us a series of lectures.

A class of 26 was formed which met for six

weeks and studied as a text book *MAN AND HIS BODIES*.

Two of our boys have been called to the colors.

Three delegates attended the convention held in New York last October.

CHRISTINE F. GLEN,
Secretary.

HELENA LODGE

On August 30, 1917, Helena Lodge took up the work after its vacation, with a special meeting held in its new quarters—8 Kohrs Block. This meeting had been called for the purpose of arranging the details of Mrs. Patterson's visit to us, but, as she had arrived sooner than we had anticipated, and was herself present at the meeting, we put aside the matter of her coming and enjoyed an evening with her.

The fact that we now have a real home, a center which we can fill with strong and true vibrations, means much to us, and it is often used by members as a resting place where they can go for a few minutes and listen to the Voice of the Silence.

The library occupies a conspicuous corner. It was the gift of Mrs. Dolly Dean Burgess and she has contributed splendidly to its shelves.

Mrs. Patterson talked to us on "Mysticism" and gave five public talks; two at the Unitarian, two at the Episcopal and one at the Congregational Church. She was well received and her talks were most interesting and to the point.

We have a total of 21 members. Of this number, one, Mr. Marion Crumb, is "Somewhere in France," and a service flag with one star hangs in our window.

Beginning in October, 1917, we began a series of five public meetings, holding one on the last Sunday evening of each month.

Briefly summing up the work of the year to date—we have our new quarters, all our own, and the rent is subscribed up to December 1, 1918; we have made a start at public meetings, and some of our members are doing splendid work as home-talent lecturers; we have a small but steadily growing library; one of our members is out fighting for "world-peace"; one is leading a study class in Glendive; we have undertaken to raise our quota of the war fund, and last, but not least, we are hoping that one of our oldest members, Mr. Eldell, will be able to attend the convention at Krotona.

This Lodge will take its regular summer vacation during July and August, and we hope to resume the work in September with a broader vision, a deeper zeal, and with more oneness of purpose.

MRS. VORA BLANCHE DELANO
Secretary

HOUSTON LODGE

The regular activities of Houston Lodge for the past year have consisted of public lectures, closed meetings for members, non-members classes, two meetings weekly especially adapted for soldiers, frequent social entertainments, and free instruction in French to large classes twice each week.

Public lectures by the president, with musical program were given every Sunday in a popular theater on Main Street. The increased attendance has convinced us that it is poor policy to invite the public to a lecture in a small room. It is too intimate and crowded for them to feel at home. Soldiers especially feel more at ease in a large hall. Since opening the Recreation Hall for soldiers, the public lectures and all theosophical activities are held there.

In the Bible Class a parallel study was made of the Revised Version, the Catholic Bible, the Farrar Fenton translation, the International Sunday School lessons and Esoteric Christianity. The correlation of these sources has proved new and instructive.

Houston Lodge has now enrolled 325 members, over 200 of whom have joined during the year. We feel especially favored in the patriotic personnel of our membership, having 176 in active service. Many soldiers from Camp Logan, who have joined the Society are now in France carrying Theosophy with them. Other soldiers have been transferred to various camps in the United States where they are promulgating Theosophy.

Our big opportunity for this year and for years to come is the War Work. The location of the War Work Headquarters at Houston has greatly stimulated the growth of Houston Lodge. Hundreds of letters have had to be written and sent over the entire Section. Over 110,000 leaflets have been distributed this year. Many valuable volumes have been donated to the Recreation Hall, among which were a new set of Encyclopedia Britannica, Century Dictionary and hundreds of volumes of fiction, biology, travel, and Theosophical books. Over \$50 worth of Theosophical books have arrived from Krotona, donated for the War Work. The lodge library consists of over 500 volumes with a monthly circulation of 150.

A Theosophical Red Cross Auxiliary was organized in the fall. Funds amounting to \$138.75 have been collected and many knitted articles made for Social Service.

A Theosophical Booth, decorated with Lotus blossoms, was maintained at the Woman's Fair and attracted the attention of many people. Thousands of leaflets were distributed and many pamphlets and books sold.

Mr. A. P. Warrington, our National President, favored us with a visit this fall, furnishing new inspiration to the lodge. Mr. L. W. Rogers gave a series of seven lectures during the mid-winter with a remarkable attendance

for the severe weather, and nine new members were added to the Society.

The Budget System used in Houston Lodge has resulted in the greatest financial success we have ever had. The treasurer's report showed over \$1900 received during the year. In addition to this \$880 has been subscribed to the War Fund and donations and loans to the amount of \$1200 were made for equipping the new hall, making the entire budget for the year over \$3000.

BETTY ROBERTSON

HUNTINGTON LODGE

The meetings of Huntington Lodge have been held at the Theosophical Headquarters in Boston. The regular meetings, which are in the nature of a class for study of theosophical subjects, and which are open to all who wish to attend, are the principal work of the Lodge, although we have a library and our books are in circulation.

A Massachusetts branch of the American League for the Prevention of Legalized Crime was organized last October by members of the Huntington and Boston Lodges. Considerable work has been accomplished to further the abolition of capital punishment in our state. The League work began, and will continue, under the able direction of Mr. M. H. Becktenwalt of Buffalo, N. Y.

Individually the members of Huntington Lodge have aided Miss Collins in her work of sending T. S. literature to the soldiers in the camps.

Our membership is scattered in the summer, owing to the fact that many live at a considerable distance from the city, therefore it is sometimes expedient to make our season a short one; but we feel that our association together during these few months has meant much to us spiritually, and we hope that the Masters will see fit to use our Lodge as a channel for good during the coming year.

FLORENCE B. ROSS
Secretary.

INDIANAPOLIS LOTUS LODGE

The activities of this lodge the past year have been such as to carry the message of Theosophy to the public with regularity and persistence.

In the past eleven months we have given eleven public lectures, holding most of them in the auditorium of the public library and reaching good audiences. The following were among our speakers: Dr. W. E. Barnum, Manila, Ind.; Hari Chand, of India; George E. Mills, Dr. J. C. Mitchell, A. F. Knudsen, Dr. K. D. Shastri and Madame Charlotte Davenport. Arrangements are being made for a return engagement of Dr. Shastri for a series of three or more lectures and also a lecture by Prof. Hyslop this summer.

Our regular meetings are as follows: Every Friday evening an open meeting for reading and discussion, using some lecture by Mrs.

Besant or Mr. Leadbeater or one of the prepared lectures sent out by the Publicity Department; later in the evening a Lodge session at which the LIGHT ON THE PATH is studied; and a Wednesday evening class for non-members. The Wednesday evening class has used MAN AND HIS BODIES as a textbook during the winter, and later, for devotional study, THE LIGHT OF ASIA and the BHAGAVAD GITA. The work on Wednesday evening is divided, part of the time being devoted to the intellectual and part to the devotional. Eight teachers from the city schools have enrolled in this class, which shows that we are making gains toward having our young people approached from the Theosophical standpoint.

One of our members volunteered for service on the entry of our country into the war.

This much has been done "in His name; and realizing the truth of the Master's words, "When you pour out your strength to help there must be a result whether you can see it or not," we have been concerned in laying an enduring foundation upon which Theosophy will be firmly built into the lives of many here, and its principles be applied by many teachers in our public schools.

BELLE JACOBS
President

KANSAS CITY LODGE

At the annual meeting in 1917 our lodge voted to expand and take in the entire floor on the south side of our present quarters. This work was carried on during the summer months by both professional and volunteer help. The floor space of 40x100 was divided into seven rooms,—an office, reading room, library, class room, shrine room, rest room, printing room and an auditorium with a seating capacity of 300. A new lighting system was installed. Furniture for the reading room and an additional ceiling fan were donated by members. The cost of this work was over \$700.00 which, with an increase of \$30.00 a month in rent has been met by our loyal members.

While carrying a load like this a lodge naturally becomes self-centered, but this is true when sacrifices have to be made to accomplish a desired end. Now that this end has been accomplished we are naturally grateful for such quarters in which to carry on the work of the Masters, and are so equipped that we can turn our full force to that end.

We have missed our national lecturers this year. With the exception of Mr. Rogers, Mrs. Bartlett, and Dr. Shastri, we have had to worry along with local talent. For special work there were Bishop Wedgewood and Mrs. Hotchner, whose flying visits left pleasant memories and lofty ideals.

Our class work has been earnestly and persistently carried on without the returns the efforts should justify. This is ever so. Perhaps some lodges could exchange ideas that would be more productive of converts. We would like to hear from them.

One of the recent features of our work has

been a social evening once a month, being much on the order of a fair or festival, with entertainment and refreshments and a charge for same. So far this innovation has been successful in both the raising of funds and in bringing our members closer together.

Through the loyalty and patriotism of our members we have procured a large American flag and a service flag containing 20 stars for the members and their immediate family who are in the service.

Our public lectures have been well attended and are notable for the new faces appearing regularly. The year has brought about many changes in membership. Old and loyal friends have departed, some for the "Great Beyond" and others for new fields of service.

Our activities will be closed for the months of July and August, opening the 1918-19 season September 1 with a new program suited to the newer conditions of an unfolding era,—an era that calls for sacrifice and co-operation for the good of all in the Master's great work. May each and everyone of us do our part as He would have us do it.

JAMES H. SWAIN,
President.

LEAVENWORTH LODGE

Our Lodge was not fully organized until February of this year. We have done nothing in the nature of public work except to hold open reading classes every Tuesday evening, inviting anyone interested to meet with us. Through this medium several friends have been favorably inclined toward the teachings of Theosophy and some expect to unite with the Lodge soon.

We hope to enlarge our center at an early date.

Besides the open meeting we hold our regular lodge meeting every Friday evening.

We observed the rally day for War Work on May 26th, several papers were prepared by members and addressed to an audience of visitors and members.

INEZ WILLIAMS
President

LINDEN LODGE

The last year has been a pleasant and profitable one for the Linden Lodge. Besides a study class on Tuesday of each week, which has proved a great pleasure to those who could attend, meetings have been held regularly on the first Sunday in each month with the exception of two or three times during the severe whether of the winter, when it was impossible to heat the place of meeting. Mr. Hudson and Mr. Shibley of Washington Lodge addressed the Lodge and three of our own members, Miss Gray, Dr. Wright and Miss Kershaw, have given papers. We have also had the pleasure of a visit from Mrs. Shutts, who spoke on India; Mr. Knudsen, who conducted a question meeting, and Miss Holbrook, who spoke on Education. One meeting was

given over to reports of the Convention by three members who attended and this was most helpful for those who could not attend.

We have added two members to our roll—one a new member, the other demitted.

The Lodge maintains a small library which is free and we are happy to say, used. Some of the books have been loaned by individual members and some have been purchased by the Lodge. We have subscribed for the THEOSOPHIST and the HERALD OF THE STAR, which are in the library and can be used by all the members. We have also subscribed one dollar a month to the Krotona Maintenance Fund and have sent three dollars to buy theosophical books for the library of the Kelly Field Aviation Camp. All of the members have subscribed to the War Library Fund of the Library Association and are members of the Red Cross.

As a lodge we have done little propaganda work, but the individual members are doing such work at the Walter Reed Hospital.

CAROLINE W. CHANDLER
President

LINCOLN LODGE

As Lincoln Lodge made no report in the 1917 Directory of its activities of the previous year, it is proper to state here that in the spring of 1917 Mr. Max Wardall lectured for us and accomplished excellent results. Mrs. Harriet Tuttle followed Mr. Wardall, giving lectures and class talks for nearly two months.

During the summer we doubled the capacity of our lodge room, carrying out the original scheme of decoration, but adding a number of improvements. We are now able to seat seventy-five people comfortably. In the winter of 1916-1917 we installed an Edison Diamond-disc phonograph, the large laboratory model, which with a choice selection of records, we regard as the most valuable addition to our equipment.

In December our present lecture season was opened by Dr. K. D. Shastri, who gave two public lectures and did very valuable class work. The month of May brought us a rare treat in the course of five lectures by Dr. Frederick Finch Strong. In spite of counter attractions of unusual number, impending examinations in the University and severely threatening storms, we several times had audiences of over two hundred and fifty people.

For nearly four years, without a break in continuity, we have presented the various phases of our teachings in articles of a thousand words, on the Church page of the Sunday issue of the Lincoln Daily Star under the permanent double column heading *Theosophical Thoughts*. The articles are culled by our secretary from the lectures and books of all our leaders. This department reaches a large reading public and is probably the most effective propaganda accomplished here.

J. E. FERRIS

LONDON, ONTARIO, LODGE

Previous to the formation of a Theosophical society in London, Ontario, a small study class existed, comprising among its members one Theosophical member at large. Becoming enthusiastic with the study and realizing the need of a society that the public would be at liberty to attend it was thought advisable to organize a lodge of the T. S. At this time the Toronto lodge, sensing intuitively our needs, sent to London a very able speaker. In December Mr. Munson arrived and organized a society of some forty enthusiastic members.

During the brief life of our lodge, in addition to our regular speakers we have had two lectures, one by Mr. David King of Detroit and one by Mr. George Harter of Toledo. Several of the best speakers our city affords, have lectured on interesting subjects, being in sympathy with the movement, though not members.

With regard to our finances, it might be interesting to know that the envelope system, used so successfully in so many churches, has been adopted by us and is working splendidly, meeting all of our present needs and storing a little for the extension work.

We have a completely furnished hall, used exclusively by the society. We have endeavored to get in touch with the men in khaki, placing literature when possible in the different camps and soldiers' clubs.

While we have not a large library, the books we possess, many of them donated by Mrs. Duff, are in constant circulation and much in demand.

MARIE WESTLAND,
Rec. Secretary.

LONG BEACH LODGE

Long Beach Theosophical Society has thirty members. At our closed meetings on Tuesday nights at 7:30 we have used as our textbook Mrs. Besant's *THEOSOPHY* and *AWAKEN* and *AT THE FEET OF THE MASTER*, for devotion and meditation. The public lectures and classes on Friday nights have been so well attended that we were obliged to enlarge our rooms and seating capacity to accommodate the public.

Since January 1st we have been privileged to have with us Mrs. Young, Mr. Will Levington Comfort, Mr. Henry Orme, Miss Nora Jackson and Mrs. Helen M. Stark, who gave us a series of six lectures during January and February; Mrs. Ethel Patterson, who gave us a series of ten lectures and ten afternoon classes, adding to our Lodge membership several new members from her study class. During May we were greatly honored to have with us our National President, Mr. A. P. Warrington, at the Municipal Auditorium, under the auspices of "The Liberal Thinkers' Congress," and also Mrs. Emily Shutts, in an instructive address on "The Culture Classes in India," at our headquarters.

Our reading-rooms and free lending library, of over 100 books, are well patronized and are open to the public every Monday, Wednesday

and Friday afternoons. Numerous theosophical publications are always on our tables.

MRS. LIDA E. WEST
Secretary

LOS ANGELES LODGE

Los Angeles Lodge has had a year of strenuous activity. From the opening of the fall season there has been the regular Sunday evening public lecture, which will probably be continued through the summer. Lodge meetings unfailingly every Wednesday evening at eight. The Tuesday evening study class which is open to the public has been running two years without intermission and will continue through the summer—thanks to our California climate. The Thursday evening class, which was organized by Mr. Rogers, has netted the Society some members as well as spreading Theosophy into wider fields. Afternoon classes were held regularly through the season upon Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and were closed only for the summer vacation. A Monday afternoon devotional class has just been organized to study *AT THE FEET OF THE MASTER* and is well attended.

Work Among Outside Lodges

Members of the Lodge have given much needed and effective assistance to the young lodges within the environs of Los Angeles who look to the older lodge for help and encouragement. Teachers have gone regularly to hold classes and more than fifty public lectures have been given.

Library

The Library has been open daily (except Sundays and holidays) from twelve to four and a monthly average of 210 books have been loaned. This is a slight increase over last year, despite the intense activity of the people in war work and the fact that the Public Library has a splendid assortment of Theosophical literature which is in constant circulation.

Red Cross Activities

Feeling that the Lodge as an organized body should do something definite to help win the war, the Los Angeles Lodge Auxiliary of the Red Cross was organized January 14th. The lessee of the building gave a room rent free just across the hall from the lodge rooms, which the members have kept open every afternoon save Saturday, and up to June 1st there have been turned over to the Red Cross 12,791 dressings of various kinds. Some members have given two and three afternoons each week, some have given one afternoon, and some have given an hour and never returned. Many knitted garments have been turned in through the auxiliary. Excellent propaganda has been done in this way and the T. S. put before the public in a prominent, practical and favorable way.

Red Cross Salvage Station

Permission was received to open a Salvage Station and practically everything was secured without cost through the genius of one of the members: building, sign, tables, gas, etc. The

firemen next door were especially generous with their hands, helping in every way. Starting with almost nothing in the way of salvage, the first month (February) netted \$77.30, March \$166.66, and so on, showing a grand total of \$729.96 to June 1st, all of which has been turned over to the Salvage Department of the Red Cross. Practically everything is done by women, each one has a regular day. The store is open all day, and in this way many are doing their bit to win the war.

French Orphan

The Lodge adopted a French Orphan last fall toward whose support the members are always glad to subscribe. Interesting correspondence has passed between the mother of the child and the mother-lodge.

J. HENRY ORME,
President.

LA. FEDERATION OF T. S. LODGES

The work of the New Orleans and Truth-seekers' Lodges has gone on uninterrupted in spite of the outside war activities of many of our prominent members, some of whom are at the head of other important organizations, one being the chairman of the Finance Committee of the La. Council of National Defense. Another is the president of the La. League for Women's Suffrage and two others hold important positions in the Red Cross. Many are doing splendid and indefatigable work for the Canteen Service, the Liberty Loan, Child Welfare, the Training Camp activities and the Prisoners' League, etc.

We have had visits from the national lecturers which were greatly enjoyed. Our several weekly meetings and classes have been well attended and our membership increased about 20. We feel, however, that our year's service is rather to be measured by spread of influence than by increase in numbers.

The lodges have taken up the idea of recreation rooms for soldiers and sailors with enthusiasm. We intend to subscribe our full allotment and are about to move into larger headquarters at once, where, in spite of the great heat of the summer months, we will have an evening entertainment each week for our boys stationed here.

Several of our members work regularly in the folding departments of the Red Cross and put one of the little war pamphlets in the pocket of each pair of pajamas, together with a thought form of sympathy and blessing to the wearer.

ISABEL H. A. DEVEREUX,
*President Truthseekers' Lodge and
La. Fed. of T. S. Lodges.*

LOUISVILLE LODGE

The past year has been a very successful one but we are building greater hopes for the coming year.

On New Years and Thanksgiving evenings a social and dance was given to the soldiers at Camp Taylor, the attendance being about 40. A great deal of propaganda literature was distributed.

During the month of December Dr. Shastri gave us one lecture. Mr. Knudsen came later and gave two public lectures and two private talks. All these were very instructive as well as entertaining.

In January Mrs. Bartlett gave us a week of lectures. On Sunday night she spoke at the Watterson Hotel, drawing a very good audience. She also spoke before the Parent-Teachers Association.

April first we moved into a large room in the Masonic building and were fortunate in having Mr. Munson to give the opening lectures, which drew good audiences. His wonderful viewpoint on the war was instructive and much appreciated. While here he gave four public lectures and one private talk to members.

Our public meetings are held Wednesday night, members meeting Friday night. Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the Order of the Star in the East holds its public meeting.

We are hoping that each member will respond and help to make the coming year one of service for humanity.

G. DEFEW,
Secretary.

MARYLAND LODGE

Maryland Lodge had 6 out of its membership of 19 at the Theosophical convention in New York last October. They found there a quickening spirit which helped them to face the winter's work "fearlessly and unflinchingly."

The Lodge opened its year with a series of lectures—four in number—by Augustus Knudsen, Dean of Krotana Institute. Following Mr. Knudsen's visit the regular meetings were begun. These consisted of a closed lodge meeting every Thursday afternoon, THE ANCIENT WISDOM being used as the subject for study, and an open meeting every Monday evening at which Leadbeater's OUTLINE OF THEOSOPHY was the study subject.

For the second time in the history of the Maryland Lodge, L. W. Rogers gave a course of lectures. These were given from December 2nd to 6th inclusive. Following the final lecture of the series a closed meeting for instruction was held by Mr. Rogers at which time 10 new members were enrolled. Three more members joined the Lodge in January.

A series of five lectures was given by Harriett Tuttle Bartlett in Beethoven Hall, December 16th to 20th inclusive. At this time one new member was admitted. Lecturers from the Washington Federation of Lodges took charge of the Monday evening public lectures from Christmas to the end of the season, thus filling the breach through a long, difficult winter.

Miss Isobel Holbrook, in spite of ill health, spent a week with us in February, delivering a series of lectures remarkable for their originality and power.

The season of public meetings closed Sunday, May 26th, with the rally for the benefit of the soldiers' fund, at which time Dr. W. W. Baker delivered the address. Three soldiers were present in the audience and all gave their names for further instruction. Thus Maryland

Lodge has kept her link with the several movements unbroken and contributed good-will with the expectation that her financial quota will be subscribed.

In response to the appeal to take Theosophy to the soldiers, about one hundred leaflets were sent on board a battleship and there has been other individual distribution of pamphlets. A few books have been given through a special fund sent by Mr. Rogers and accepted by a service club in Baltimore. Since the many attempts made to secure the use of the halls of existing organizations in the army camps have been unsuccessful by Theosophists, it is with great satisfaction that the Maryland Lodge learns that a movement is on foot to start independent Theosophical reading rooms.

Our Lodge meetings will end with the annual meeting June 6th.

KATHERINE LURMAN,
Corresponding Secretary.

MEMPHIS LODGE

Of the 22 names on the roll of the Memphis Lodge, 5 have left the city, 4 never attended a meeting the past year, 4 are lukewarm, leaving only 9 active members, and still the word "discouragement" has not found its way into our vocabulary.

Handicapped in numbers and a winter that broke all records in years for its severity, 49 class meetings were held with an average attendance of ten. The attendance of members averaged 7 for both the class and closed meetings.

Approximately 600 pieces of literature were distributed and book sales amounted to \$197.29 for the past 11 months. Seven new members were admitted and 4 of them are active.

When the weather was in competition with the north pole, Mr. Rogers came and only had audiences averaging about 40 at five night and one afternoon lectures. However 20 persons gave in their names and addresses as interested in the formation of a study class. For 3 months afterward we had bad weather on our meeting nights with the result that none of them responded to our call to attend.

With the exception of monthly social meetings to be held at the homes of the various members, class and closed work was discontinued for the summer. Class will probably meet every Friday at 8:30 p. m., beginning September in the rooms of the Business and Professional Woman's clubs in the Loews Lyceum building, Second and Jefferson Avenue. Closed activity will precede the class beginning at 7:30 p. m.

Memphis Lodge is looking forward to a very successful fall and winter activity, and to use the vernacular, "just watch our smoke."

G. J. BRAUN,
Secretary.

MILWAUKEE LODGE

Milwaukee Lodge can safely say that it has experienced a successful and interesting year's

work. The Program Committee has been "right on the job" all the time and some unusual treats have been furnished to the public. One program of Philosophy, Music and Song was very unique. Carrie Jacobs Bond's series of Half Minute Songs was rendered and after each song one of the members elaborated on the bit of everyday philosophy contained therein. Other appropriate music was also furnished.

Chicago Lodge has been generous as usual in sending us some of their fine lecturers. Mr. Greenleaf, Miss Sommer and Mrs. Hopkins have been with us, much to our delight. Another interesting feature of the Sunday program has been the symposiums, consisting of two or more speakers upon a given subject.

Last January Mrs. Ethel Patterson came to us and delivered a series of lectures, and in April Dr. Frederick Finch Strong gave his most interesting series of lectures, illustrated with elaborate electrical apparatus, after which nine applicants were received into the lodge.

Two movie benefits were given and we find this one of the easiest ways of replenishing the treasury.

Last November the lodge had a birthday celebration and we had a cake with seven candles. One of the members presented us with a very fine picture of our beloved Mr. Max Wardall.

Another encouraging feature has been the co-operation of the Public Library with us in the purchase of a lengthy list of books for its shelves, as suggested by our lodge.

Sixteen new members have been received during the year and we feel that we have gained strength in other ways as well. Recently one of our dependables, Mr. Wm. Goodman, volunteered with the Canadian army and is now on his way to France.

MONTREAL LODGE

On our books we have enrolled 50 members, but some have gone overseas, others have moved out of the city and one member has passed over. We have a meeting or class almost every night during the week. Sunday is our open lecture night; Monday evenings we have an open forum at which various subjects are brought forward after the current events of the day have been read; Tuesday is our Lodge night for members only; Thursday evenings we have a beginners' class. During the past year we have interested ourselves very much in the education of children and have had two meetings each week, for the mothers on Friday afternoon, and one evening for teachers and others interested, at which Mrs. Stoner has given talks.

Lotus evening was spent very pleasantly in a social way. First H. P. B.'s favorite hymn was sung by all the members present and then there were several short readings, music and speeches, and finally refreshments. This is the second time the members have been the guests of the President and Mrs. McLean.

ALICE B. SMITH
Secretary

NORFOLK LODGE

We feel that Norfolk Lodge has closed another successful year. While its activities have not been numerous, they have been harmonious and carried on continuously throughout the year, except for a vacation during the month of August.

We have twenty members, two in the army and two in the navy. Four of our members are non-resident.

We have had a fairly good attendance of both members and visitors.

Our books are in constant circulation and we have added a few new ones.

We have been holding our meetings on Sunday afternoons—a lecture one Sunday and a study class the next. Recently we have been meeting on Thursday evenings and the attendance has been better.

In December we had Mrs. Bartlett with us for a series of lectures.

On Wednesday evening the members meet in the lodge room to meditate and to discuss selections from *AT THE FEET OF THE MASTER*.

NEW ROCHELLE LODGE

New Rochelle Lodge is fully awake to its glorious privilege of being alive at this momentous epoch of the world's history; much do we owe to our founder, Mrs. Grace Shaw Duff, who is in truth the soul of the lodge, and although so far away from her in the flesh we feel it is her gentle spirit of sacrifice that is ever urging us on to greater achievement.

From the lecture field we have had Mrs. Ethel Patterson and Mrs. Harriett Tuttle Bartlett. Mrs. Lambert Taylor has been both lecturer and teacher for the past year.

We have been active along propaganda lines, holding weekly meetings.

In Red Cross work we have engaged in the making of garments and surgical dressings, canteen and motor service.

We have contributed over a hundred volumes of good reading matter and a sprinkling of Theosophical books to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Library.

We have assisted with Belgian Relief and have contributed to the Krotona fund and to the Bureau of Social Reconstruction.

We look to our great leaders Mrs. Annie Besant and Mr. Leadbeater for further inspiration. May the Great Ones bless their efforts.

ANNIE M. JOSLYN,
President.

NEW YORK LODGE

The beginning of our official year was marked by the coming of the Convention, which brought to us the opportunity of meeting old friends and new, and also of hearing some exceptionally fine lectures. After the Convention, Miss Holbrook remained with the New York Lodge, giving us a series of instructive and inspiring lectures, the course lasting several weeks. The well-filled Lodge-room and the attentive audiences gave proof of the great interest in these lectures. This was true of all the lecturers who visited us

this year. On each occasion the hall was filled and throughout the entire year this interest has been sustained, so that our classes have been unusually large. The Sunday evening public lectures have been of exceptional character, the audiences filling the room to its utmost capacity and often overflowing into the hall. Heretofore we have held but one closed meeting a month, but this year a new arrangement was made in having all the Tuesday evening Lodge meetings closed. The result has been almost startling in the new interest that has been given to these meetings. The attendance has been more than doubled—tripled or quadrupled would be more correct. The papers have been given by members of the Lodge, some of the members evincing much originality of thought.

Mrs. Welton has had, as usual, a class in advanced Theosophy, to which has been added a class in the Secret Doctrine, which met before the general class convened. These classes have been large and enthusiastic. Mrs. Isabel Scott and Mrs. Uila Bradway have had classes of fine membership in Elementary Theosophy and Miss Elsa Brunotte's work in her class for children is of great promise.

The growth of the Lodge is most gratifying. Since the first of last June over forty members have been added to our roll, making in all a membership of 125.

The Red Cross Branch, which meets Friday afternoon, has done splendid work. It is supported by contributions and has been enabled to add a good output to the general Red Cross work.

The library has had its usual big share in the work of the Lodge, its circulation, as in former years, has been very large. The library is open Sunday and Tuesday evenings and every afternoon except Thursday. In short every department of the Lodge indicates a growing interest in Theosophy.

LENELLE EGGLESTON
Secretary

NEWARK LODGE

The following is a report of what our small Lodge, through the activities of half a dozen members, has accomplished since last fall:

Rent paid up to date.

Notices announcing Sunday lectures in local newspapers paid for each week.

One dollar per month sent to National Headquarters for Krotona special operating fund, beginning with December.

Two dollars sent to India for Mrs. Besant fund.

Five dollars donated to the Red Cross.

Two dollars and fifty-six cents spent for books for our library.

We gave an entertainment in December that resulted in a sale of \$18.00 worth of tickets. During the same month we paid \$3.50 for rental of Recital Hall, and rented same hall at \$2.50 for Mr. Rogers' lecture.

Recently every active member (we have

seven now) agreed to give \$8.00 for the establishment and maintenance of a Soldiers' Recreation Hall at Hoboken.

B. K. STEIB
Secretary

OAKLAND LODGE

Sunday, 7:45 p. m.—Public Lectures.

Monday, 7:45 p. m.—Selected subject on elementary Theosophy and questions answered by the President. This meeting has a larger attendance than our lectures Sunday evening, showing the desire of the public to really understand Theosophy. We attribute our growth largely to this meeting and consider it one of the important factors in getting the attention of the public to Theosophical truths.

Tuesday, 10 a. m.—Class in Thought Power. Tuesday, 2 to 3 p. m.—Question meeting. Tuesday, 3 p. m.—Members' meeting.

Lotus Circles. Sunday, 10:45 a. m.

Library. Open every day from 10 to 4 p. m. 500 volumes. Minimum addition—one book a month. Average of 25 books loaned a week.

Propaganda. The latest Theosophical magazines kept on the table of the Defenders' Club. Magazines and books contributed to the public libraries. Literature sent to the ministers at stated intervals. Our president gives 15-minute talks to the New Thought Center. Oakland Lodge is an organization member of the Oakland Welfare League represented at its meetings by an appointed member.

Several of our members have lately joined the Anti-Vivisection Society of Oakland.

Oakland Theosophical Book Concern. Books and Pamphlets sold October 1, 1917-June 15, 1918, 407, \$135.33; books and pamphlets purchased October 1, 1917-June 15, 1918, 280, \$85.44; books and pamphlets presented to T. S. Library during this time, 25, \$13.24.

Sacrifice and Service League. The League is paying our lecturers' traveling expenses to Folsom Prison, has purchased some propaganda literature, helped to swell the Christmas fund for the children and remitted \$10.00 to Mrs. Slavens Wood for war pamphlets to be sent to the soldiers, remitted \$5.00 to Mrs. Tuttle for the distribution of Mrs. Besant's address, sends \$1.00 every month to the Bureau of Social Reconstruction.

War Work. Red Cross Center Thursday afternoon, No. 3510 Telegraph Avenue and 1536 Market Street.

Notice has been given to the Defenders Club and signs erected that our rooms are open to sailors and soldiers for recreation and reading.

Oakland Lodge members contributed \$20.00 for an American flag for the hall, \$25.00 for the Belgian Relief, \$25.00 for the Armenians, \$25.00 for the Red Cross Drive, and \$25.00 for the French Section.

Co-Masonic Lodge. Meets every second and fourth Friday, Maple Hall, 14th and Webster Streets.

OKLAHOMA LODGE

Our work this year has scarcely been spectacular, but we are conscious of continuous

growth in every direction. We admitted 11 new members, two by demit from other lodges. We have lost one member by death, one by resignation, one by demit to become a member-at-large, and have placed several on the inactive list. Our Service Flag bears three stars.

For our finances this year we used a budget system for all work other than regular expenses. This plan more than doubled our income and gave us sufficient funds to carry out several valuable enterprises. We have sent books to three training camps, to the Carnegie Library here, and to the library of the State University at Norman, where they seemed to be especially appreciated. We are supporting a French war orphan, have contributed to Mrs. Besant's special fund, and have sent a small amount to the T. S. War Secretary. At home also, our members have been active in Red Cross and other war work, and recently the lodge as an experiment, began holding open house Sunday afternoons for the benefit of visiting soldiers.

Our circulating library has been more in use than ever before. Our Book Department has received \$11.88 from books sold and still has a good stock on hand.

We have had visits from two lecturers, Mr. L. W. Rogers and Mrs. Harriett Tuttle Bartlett.

We have given two public lectures each month throughout the year and have held a public study class every Tuesday evening, using *THE RIDDLE OF LIFE* as textbook. Regular lodge meetings are held every Thursday evening.

Heretofore we have suspended all activities during the summer, but this year we will hold at least one meeting a week. In this way we can keep more closely in touch with one another and provide a continuous channel for the Master's use.

VERA A. WAGNALL
Secretary

OTTAWA LODGE

Ottawa Lodge of 70 charter members, was the outcome of a series of lectures delivered by Mr. Rogers and was formally organized by him on October 21, 1917. In the beginning our president kindly allowed us the use of her home for our meetings, but after a few weeks we were established in a well-furnished and comfortable room, owing to the generosity of the members who donated furnishings and books. Several lecturers visited us and were accorded splendid audiences. Our Lodge meetings at which we have been studying Mr. Leadbeater's *INNER LIFE*, averaged 40 members. Although we have lost nine of our charter members, we have added thirteen new ones, making the membership number seventy-four.

Committees have been formed to look after the Publicity and Advertising work, soldiers and sick or absent members and each of these departments is alive and active.

The season may be considered a highly successful one in every way with a record mem-

bership, enthusiastic and active members, sufficient money to meet expenses, and a staff of officers, each one of whom might be called a "live wire."

VIVIAN ETHYL GRAFTON
Secretary

OMAHA LODGE

Omaha Lodge reports a membership of 16.

Report of the year 1918: Number of members admitted 4, resigned 3, removed from membership list as disturbing factors and for non-payment of dues 3, dropped from rolls for non-payment of dues 5, inactive 5, number of members who have paid Sectional dues to date 16.

MRS. K. P. ECKLAND,
Secretary.

PASADENA LODGE

Pasadena Lodge is alive in spite of the loss of several of its active members during the past year. We have been able to keep our lecture program well filled owing to our proximity to Krotona and the Los Angeles Lodge.

Mr. Rogers gave a course of lectures in the Pasadena Board of Trade rooms in March, which were well attended in spite of bad weather. No new members were taken in at this time but a study class was formed conducted by Mrs. Charles Hampton which was fairly well attended.

A Red Cross auxiliary has been organized in connection with the lodge. Here the meetings are well attended and good work is being done. Theosophical subjects are always discussed and so while the hands are busy sewing for the boys at the front Theosophical truths are being spread.

Three new members were taken to the lodge in May and we have two stars on our service flag.

MATTIE BRESLER,
Secretary.

PACIFIC GROVE LODGE

In spite of a membership of nineteen, this lodge has little activity to report in the matter of lectures, for during the past year we have had only two lectures by Mr. Munson and one by Mrs. Evans. These lectures were given last September during which month three new members joined our ranks.

Our members are sadly scattered, twelve having left this neighborhood. Out of the seven remaining, four only are available for active service. We have passed a harmonious year and useful and busy, having done our bit in outside organizations and war work; sending propaganda to soldiers and sailors and some of the members working with the League for the Prevention of Legalized Crime. Our lodge rooms have been loaned several times to the Belgian Relief Society and have twice been used as a haven in cases of sickness as well as a social center for the members.

Attendance of members has been regular at lodge meetings, which are held Thursday evenings at 7:30 p. m. At 3 o'clock on Thursday afternoon an open meeting is held. Tuesday

evenings are reserved for enquirers. Every alternate Tuesday REINCARNATION AND KARMA are the topics. As "Star" members we never forget our privilege of meeting the first Saturday afternoon each month. With a few exceptions there are few outside of T. S. members who attend our meetings, but we note with gratitude the growing feeling of tolerance toward our lodge which will be of great help to us in future work.

BLANCHE T. P. DENMAN,
President.

PORTLAND LODGE

In reviewing the past year's work of the Portland Lodge, we find much for which to be thankful. The faithfulness and devotion of the members has steadily increased and the growing spirit of harmonious cooperation promises much for the future.

We have a membership of 105, 90 of which are in good standing, 4 of the remaining 15 are inactive, but we expect the 11 to return to the fold.

A Publicity Committee has been in charge of all advertising, distribution of free literature, management of public lectures and placing of theosophical books in the public library. A persistent policy of newspaper advertising resulted in greatly increased attendance at our Sunday evening lectures.

Our Enquirers' class on Thursday nights has been well attended and has added much to the growth of the lodge, while the Sunday evening lectures have made a deep impression on the public.

Our library has passed a successful year. We have 485 books and the room is open to the public every afternoon except Sunday, as a reading room and lending library.

The Order of The Star in the East has held meetings regularly on Monday evenings. The attendance is gradually increasing and a truly harmonious spirit of love and devotion is felt.

We have a flourishing Sacrifice and Service League which meets once a month.

Splendid work is being done by the Red Cross Circle, which devotes Tuesday of each week to its activities.

Besides these lodge activities, our members individually are doing in a whole-hearted way work for the Belgian Relief, Destitute Armenians, Red Cross Prison Correspondence, correspondence with soldiers, Anti-Vivisection and Juvenile Court work.

PAULETTE M. BUNN
Secretary

PACIFIC LODGE

Since its formation in September, Pacific Lodge has held a weekly meeting for members only on Wednesday evenings. These meetings were held at the homes of two of the members until the end of December.

On January first the Lodge rented headquarters in the Pacific Building and the furniture was made by one of the members. In fact everything in the lodgeroom bears the stamp

of loving service, either of work or of money, given to further the work of the Masters.

The first public lecture to be given under the auspices of the Lodge was held on Friday evening, January 18th, when Mr. Francis G. Hanchett spoke on the subject *The Habit of Happiness* to an audience of about seventy-five.

Since February a public lecture has been held every Sunday evening at 8 o'clock in the headquarters or in the Assembly Hall opposite. Mr. Augustus Knudsen gave two public lectures which were well attended. Mr. Knudsen gave also a very interesting series of lectures to members.

An important step was taken in April when the Lodge was incorporated under the laws of the State of California. Another important step was taken when the Lodge formed an auxiliary to the Red Cross Chapter under the name of the Pacific Theosophical Auxiliary. The members are making hospital garments and knitting.

During the last few months six members have been admitted to the Lodge, making a total of twenty-four members in all.

M. MIKLAU
Secretary

REGINA LODGE

In furnishing our annual report we realize how difficult it is to enter details because our membership is less than two dozen and it seems to have been our lot to have a good deal of coming and going. Our officers have had to be changed frequently even during the short year and consequently the work and the responsibility connected with the Lodge activities have been taken by a very few.

We began the year in our present meeting place, which is fairly well furnished and whose atmosphere is healthy, with a spirit of harmony among officers and members, so that our public gatherings were benefited. Our Sunday night meetings are like a forum led by our own members. A class for beginners, inaugurated by Mrs. Forler, was well attended and full of enthusiasm. One good feature connected with it was the monthly social meeting at which there was not only friendly intercourse and music, but also short essays written and read by the members, which dealt with some part of the lesson and in this way the month's lesson was thoroughly reviewed.

We have the beginning of a theosophical library and a good stock of up-to-date literature on sale. At present we aim to take an active part in the work of Social Reconstruction.

It is characteristic of Regina Lodge that many come and stay with us long enough to get a start in Theosophy and leave us, perhaps to leaven some other district, so that we may be more useful than we are aware.

T. T. WALLACE
President Pro tem.

READING LODGE

Reading Lodge began its activities the past year with an enrollment of 27 members. During the year four have resigned and fourteen new names have been added.

A closed lodge meeting is held every Wednesday evening. This meeting is opened with the "Theosophical Bond of Union," followed by a reading from some devotional book, and music, a period of meditation on the Masters of the Wisdom, and an hour's study of Mrs. Besant's *Ancient Wisdom*, complete the program.

A weekly study class under a competent teacher is maintained, to which all interested in the study of Theosophy are invited. Several musicals and vegetarian banquets have been given by this class, thereby promoting a spirit of friendliness and good will and securing new members for the class. To this activity we attribute the gain of fourteen new lodge members.

Of special interest are the letters received from our member, Mr. Francis V. Boertz, who is serving in one of the military hospitals in France. He writes of many incidents that corroborate the statements made in theosophical books as to the healing work done from the inner planes.

This has caused us to feel the great need of giving the theosophical teaching to "Our Boys in the Service," by subscribing to the War Work Fund of the T. S. at this time.

HOWARD C. PIERCE
Secretary

RIVERSIDE LODGE

Our lodge activities for the last year seem hardly worth reporting. Our resident members are few in number and none are in a position to take advantage of the opportunities that we all realize are ours, now that the new Government Aviation Cantonment is located so near Riverside. We hope to be able to do some work along that line, but as yet have arrived nowhere.

Our meetings are held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pownall, who also act as librarians. We have added three new members to our lodge during the year.

HARRIETT M. HAZLETT
President

ST. PAUL LODGE

With a total membership of 118 at the beginning of the year we added 10 members and dropped 14. Of these 85 are active.

The regular schedule of our meetings for the year was a Beginners class every Monday evening with an average attendance of twenty. This was conducted by Mrs. Helen Fuller and was closed to members. A meeting for members has been held on Thursday evenings with an average attendance of 22. Miss Katherine Farrington also conducted two mid-week classes for beginners at her home, having an average attendance of 15 at one and 10 at the other.

We were favored with two National Lecturers' courses—Mr. L. W. Rogers, September 12th to 15th, and Mrs. Ethel Patterson, September 17th to 18th.

On December 8th we conducted the first of what we hope to be annual sales and vegetarian luncheons, which we considered quite a success for a first attempt. We realized a profit of about thirty dollars on our sale and twenty-one dollars on our luncheon.

The Red Cross work that was begun among the members last May was continued through December when the ladies were forced to discontinue as a separate unit due to the lack of sufficient heat in the building for comfort. Good work was accomplished while our unit continued.

One of the most potent forces for good in our lodge this season has been the library which has developed considerably under the able supervision of Mrs. Lina Marie Hamm. Books to the amount of \$116.85 were sold and we have on hand a stock valued at \$48.15. The circulating end of the library has been very well patronized.

We have been able to donate \$40.00 to the fund for Mrs. Besant and about \$3.00 a month to the Krotona Fund. The members individually have also pledged \$1.00 a month to the work of the Bureau of Social Reconstruction and have contributed to the Theosophical War Work program.

C. F. FOLCK,
Secretary.

SAN ANTONIO LODGE

This lodge has had a very active year and has received visits from Miss Poutz and Mr. Rogers. The average attendance at Mr. Rogers' lectures was about 180 and resulted in the forming of a class with an average attendance of 14. A class was held all through the summer with an average attendance of 12 and another, held every week from October to May, included about 12 students. A class for the esoteric study of the Bible is held after the regular Sunday evening meeting.

During the year 2 old members have rejoined and 14 new names have been added.

The Library and Book Concern have been well worked up; 30 books have been added to the Library, 300 have been sold during the year and 80 are still on hand for sale. The Library has been kept open daily and the books have been in constant circulation.

Since the beginning of the war activities the lodge rooms have been thrown open to the soldiers and their friends every Saturday afternoon. Lodge has its service flag with five stars. Two members have kept open house once a week for the entertainment of the soldiers, and thousands of leaflets have been taken to the different camps and distributed among the men. Mr. Secondin Massara has been particularly helpful in this work.

A stock of propaganda literature is always on hand in the rooms for free distribution. One hundred copies of *To Those Who Mourn* have been mailed out.

One member has been instrumental in collecting nearly 700 books (135 of them Theosophical) for the soldiers' library at Kelly Field.

Most of our members are Red Cross workers and give at least two mornings a week to the making of surgical dressings besides knitting at home and in the lodge rooms.

MRS. L. G. WEATHERHEAD,
Secretary.

SANTA BARBARA LODGE

During the past year most of the members of the Santa Barbara Lodge have been unable to attend two meetings a week and as we were determined to have two meetings a week while the need of Theosophical teaching is so great, we decided to give up closed meetings except when some lecturer came with a special message for lodge members.

Our meetings are usually begun with a devotional reading followed by a study period. *MAN AND HIS BODIES* has been the text book this year. A lecture is usually given by the leader after the study period, that the casual visitor may not go away without some definite message or truth.

During the year we have had lectures by Mr. Knudsen and several other Krotona lecturers as well as several visits from Mrs. Robert Walton to whom Santa Barbara Lodge owes a special debt of love and gratitude.

While our average attendance has not been large, a good many strangers have been in during the year, many of whom have used our library.

Three times during the year death has visited us and twice it was our secretary who was taken. Our great loss seems in some way a strong bond of union.

We have had to give up our cozy lodge room but are comfortably settled in another and ready to start the year with renewed courage and confidence that we shall be able to serve more as the months go by.

LORAIN LAWTON,
Secretary.

SANTA ROSA LODGE

Santa Rosa Lodge has 16 resident and 9 out-of-town members, including 8 new members. We use the ready-to-deliver lectures when we have no outside help. We have had Mrs. Patterson for one lecture; Mrs. Cutler of Oakland for two lectures; Dr. Plum of Oakland for one lecture; Mr. Hanchett for four lectures and Mrs. Bartlett will be here in the last week of June.

Our president has given ten out of town lectures. The ten working members are quite faithful in attendance at the Wednesday evening closed meeting, which is an advanced study class where we gather around a long table containing three contribution receptacles, one each for the "Order of the Star of the East," the "Annie Besant Fund," and "Belgian Relief." In addition we contribute monthly from the lodge treasury, increased by individual donations, to the "Bureau of Social Reconstruction," the "Krotona Fund," and several members send

monthly aid to the "League for the Prevention of Legalized Crime," and to the "Krotona Publicity Department."

We have a representative at the Community War Council of Defense and every member responded to their call in April for Armenian relief. We also met our assessment for local expenses. Nearly all members hold Liberty Bonds and give all possible aid to the Red Cross.

We have called ourselves a poor lodge and thought our pocket books about drained when the War Secretary sent in her assessment plea for soldiers' recreation halls. With a preliminary gasp we went to it and are already so near the top that everything indicates that we will go over creditably.

One of our number is the first woman ever to have been elected in Santa Rosa on the School Board. Two of our men and one woman are members of the Chamber of Commerce.

We are growing visibly, although the start has been slow in coming. We are now beautifully established in two large rooms on the main business street of the town where the library and the reading room is open every afternoon, our previous quarters in a private home of a member having been lost to us when she moved away the first of April. The increased rent for our rooms is met by sub-letting to the Universal Truth Center, the president of the Center being a member of the T. S.

Pictures, furniture, rugs, vases and curtains to furnish with, appeared as though by magic, and though coming from many sources, they harmonize in color and design as if selected by one artist. We love to think there was a Guiding Hand in it all. Lieutenant Max Wardall came from Camp Fremont and consecrated the rooms and at the same time initiated two new members. We pray the Master may bless our new home established in His name and prosper His work therein.

(Mrs.) A. M. Cox,
President.

SALT LAKE CITY LODGE

Mr. Rogers' recent visit, during which he gave five lectures, proved a great stimulus to Salt Lake Lodge. Already a spirit of harmony and co-operation was pervading our small group as never before, so that in this opportune time much was accomplished by so able a teacher. We added seven new members and formed a study class of thirty (very promising material) for Monday evenings. A few of our ablest members have been visiting the Utah State Prison and found some excellent work being done there, of which I hope to report more fully later.

We are more than encouraged with our present outlook, after years of uphill work, and wish to be recognized by other units in this glorious cause.

SEATTLE LODGE

Seattle Lodge now has a membership of 225.

Members' Meetings. Meetings are held regularly every Friday evening at 8:00 o'clock. Attendance varies from 18 to 90, average 41.

The members' meeting is a combination of intellectual and devotional activity. It is opened by music, meditation and devotional activity and closed with music and meditation.

One, and one only, business meeting is held each month. The regular meetings of the month are divided as to them among the educational and religious, and social and political groups of the Social Reconstruction work. One of Mrs. Besant's lectures usually forms a basis for the discussion.

Public Meetings. Public meetings are held each Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. These are free public lectures. On Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock there is a public Enquirers' class, conducted in the nature of an open forum. All these meetings have been successful, showing an average attendance of 50.

Study Classes. Study classes are held as follows: Tuesday at 3 p. m., General Theosophy; 7 p. m., Elementary Theosophy; Thursday at 8 p. m., Beginners; Friday at 3 p. m., French, and at 7 p. m., New Members; Saturday at 1:30 p. m., Children's Class, and 2:30 p. m. Dancing.

Library. This is in charge of Miss Jeanette Burgett, assisted by Miss L. E. Holt, and has shown a marked increase in both the loaning and book sales departments during the year. The Library has been kept open each afternoon except Sunday. There are now nearly 1000 books on the loan shelves, of which 200 approximately are in constant circulation. In the sales department the stock amounts to about \$300.00. Over \$600.00 worth of books were sold during the year.

Finances. The Lodge is in a healthy financial condition. During the year it has subscribed an additional \$200.00 for Liberty Bonds, making a total subscription of \$550.00 for this fund. The Red Cross Auxiliary collected \$260.00 during the year. As a result of Mr. Rogers' series of lectures he was given a check for \$200.00, which constituted a record performance for Seattle.

The \$50,000.00 Drive has been taken up and Mr. George Frazer is in charge of the work of raising Seattle's total. We expect to come through with our share of the fund.

The Treasurer's report indicates that our Lodge transactions amount to \$200.00 per month. Of this amount practically \$100.00 is spent for rent, light, heat and minor maintenance. The remainder has gone toward war work and theosophical propaganda.

Social Reconstruction. This work is in charge of the Local Director, Mr. Ray Wardall, who has four chairmen of committees assigned to the several departments—Educational, Social Reform, Political and Religious. Progress has been made in each department but much more is expected for the coming year. The Educational Department has formed a chapter of the Theosophical Educational Fraternity.

General. The Star in the East is continuing

its good work and furnishes a nucleus for the thoughts that grow out of the Coming.

The Sacrifice and Service League continues to do its part and reports a successful effort. The funds at present are being diverted into Liberty Bonds.

The Co-Masonic Lodge reports a successful year. It is steadily growing in numbers and enthusiasm.

The Old Catholic Church is firmly established in the hearts of a very sincere group and Mr. Ray Wardall looks forward to a year of unusual growth and service in this branch.

The Prison Work has continued under the direction of Mrs. Elizabeth Nowell and a lecturer has been sent once a month to the Federal Prison.

The Children's Class is now on a firm basis and has passed safely through the preliminary enthusiasm and reached the realm of consistent growth.

The high standard of art and beauty in the lodgerooms and in the decorations has been maintained again this year by the unceasing efforts of the Decoration Committee.

Theosophical Book Shelves have been maintained in two of the local book stores and through them we have sold about 75 books.

The monthly letter of the President has met with a satisfactory reception. It furnishes a means of bringing Lodge matters before those who are unable to regularly attend the meetings.

Effort has been made by the visiting committee to keep in touch with all members who were sick and unable to reach the meetings.

A Syllabus of regular activities is printed every three months for the mailing list. This includes all activities except special lectures, such as those given by Messrs. Rogers, Hanchett and Mrs. Bartlett. A special series of lectures was given in the Lodgerooms by Swami Paramananda which attracted large audiences.

Effort was made to open the lodgerooms to soldiers and sailors for use for writing and reading on Saturdays, but this did not meet with a very large measure of success. However some lessons have been learned and as soon as the proper support can be aroused for this kind of work it will be taken up with more chance of success. The principal difficulty is in making the necessary modifications in the Lodge Deva. We expect to recreate the Deva of the Lodge during the next twelve months and fill him with renewed energy and life.

WILLIAM E. DUCKERING
Secretary

SPOKANE LODGE

At the present time we have enrolled on the books of Spokane Lodge 63 members. Two members are in service at the front. Twelve new members have been admitted during the year and one demitted to another lodge. One has passed from this life.

We have our regular Friday evening members' meeting. A beginners' class has been held throughout the year on Wednesday evenings, one Saturday afternoon for more advanced students and a public lecture every Sunday evening until the end of June. The public lectures have been given by members of the lodge.

We have a well equipped lending library and also a sales library.

BERTHA PRESTON LOBEING.

SPRINGFIELD LODGE

The work of Springfield Lodge has been steadily going forward during the past year. The purpose of its activities is ever to give strong support to the Theosophical society in order to better serve the Guardians of the race. The constant aspiration of Springfield Lodge is to be a radiating center of light and life, through which beneficent force from the Masters may flow to supply the needs of humanity.

During the year new members have been received and 3 dropped, the present membership being 71. 18 of these live out of town.

The presence in the east at convention time, of many prominent members of the section, made it possible for the lodge to have public speakers at many of the regular Sunday evening meetings. In this way lectures were given by the Rev. F. A. Powell, Miss Poutz, Mr. Shutts, Mrs. Broenniman, Mrs. Bartlett, Dr. Strong, Mr. Knudsen, Mrs. Patterson and Miss Holbrook. Later in the year, Mr. Munson and Dr. Carey of Los Angeles gave courses of lectures, and one talk was given by Mr. Mather P. Avery, former president of Holyoke Lodge.

Recently the lodge moved into attractive new quarters—a hall seating about one hundred—consecrated to work, study and meditation. The average attendance at the closed meetings of the lodge, held weekly, has been 24. ANCIENT WISDOM has been the study.

The Library and Book Concern is under the able management of Mrs. Lida Hart. During the year 433 books have been bought from the Book Concern at headquarters, 264 of these being sold. Twenty-five books have been added to the Lodge library. By permission from the War Department, the Lodge is putting these books into every military camp, 36 camps being thus supplied with POPULAR LECTURES by Annie Besant, ELEMENTARY THEOSOPHY by Rogers, and THE LIGHT OF ASIA. A larger supply of pamphlets than usual has been kept on hand to serve as propaganda. One thousand copies of Lieutenant Wardall's *Why We Go Over the Top* are being distributed to the soldiers. The Lodge responded to the call for books for Camp Devens by sending over 200 books of a general character.

A Red Cross auxiliary held weekly meetings at the lodge rooms until the request came to merge our activities with those of the County chapter at the local headquarters.

Springfield Lodge by its whole-hearted support of the ideals of brotherhood and service would strengthen the influence of the T. S. in America.

SUPERIOR LODGE

The resident active members of Superior Lodge are now few and therefore Lodge activities *per se* are relatively small, the weekly study class being the only meeting regularly held. This class meets every Thursday afternoon from 3 to 5 o'clock, under the leadership of the President and at her home. The books *AT THE FEET OF THE MASTER*, *THE DOCTRINE OF THE HEART*, *THE ANCIENT WISDOM* and *THE INNER LIFE* have been studied. Outside reading is also done and questions brought in to the class for solution.

Several new books have been added to the Lodge library, theosophical leaflets sent to camps and cantonments, and the Braille edition of *AN OUTLINE OF THEOSOPHY* has been placed in the Public Library with the hope that it will prove the nucleus of a sizeable collection of Braille theosophical literature. But perhaps best of all, the members feel that they are making great personal progress in the work through contacting other minds of similar ideas in the visible and invisible worlds even though the public effects are mostly occult in nature.

JULIA LINDSAY
Secretary

SYRACUSE LODGE

Throughout the past year Syracuse Lodge has held a public lecture each Monday evening. Our summer meetings were better attended than those held during the winter. A member's class for the study of *ESOTERIC CHRISTIANITY* meets each Friday evening. It has been well attended and much interest has been manifested.

We have 24 members on our roll, 10 of whom are non-resident. Our only member of military age, Lieutenant Frank Williams, is now in the Service.

The Lodge has a good lending library which is in constant use. We have very recently organized a branch of the Book Concern through which a number of books have already been sold.

We have enjoyed interesting and very instructive lectures by the following: Mrs. Harriet Tuttle Bartlett, Dr. Mitchell, Mrs. Ethel E. Patterson, Dr. Simons of Albany, and Miss Annie Peake of Krotona.

L. ALICE TAYLOR
Acting Secretary

TACOMA LODGE

The work of Tacoma Lodge for the past year has been fair. The Lodge has gained eleven new members but in the last six months, six of our active members have left the city.

Our activities are as follows: A public lecture every Sunday evening except during the months of July and August, a closed meeting

for members every Thursday evening at 7:15 and a study class at 8 o'clock the same evening, a class in *MAN—HOW, WHENCE AND WHITHER* on Saturday evenings and a beginners' class on Wednesday afternoon. Our lending library is open every evening from 8 to 9 o'clock.

The Lodge has given five dances in the last six months, for the soldiers at Camp Lewis. About 150 soldiers have attended each of these affairs. Miss Lucy Crockett is chairman of the entertainment committee and our success in this work is due to her capable management.

One of our members, with a committee of clubwomen, visited the city and county jails and through their efforts some needed reforms have been brought about in both institutions.

Our library, under the efficient management of Miss Katherine LeFlore, has acquired a large number of new books, including eleven bound volumes of *THE THEOSOPHICAL REVIEW*. Many books have also been added to stock of books on sale.

In the matter of advertising, we have notices of all activities in three of the daily papers on Saturday and in the Sunday Church Notices. For lectures by visiting lecturers, we have special notices and reports of lectures.

We have not been able to do any propaganda work at Camp Lewis, but have given current magazines, in each of which we put a theosophical leaflet.

G. A. WEBER
Secretary

TOLEDO LODGE

Toledo Lodge has conducted a regular weekly study class, the topics being furnished by standard books and current events. An open forum following the classes has led to much individual expression of opinion and given many opportunities for the application of Theosophical truths. It has been one of the aims of the lodge to have each member search for a reasonable basis of opinion before accepting any positive statement.

A. W. STUART,
Secretary.

WASHINGTON LODGE

Washington Lodge reports a prosperous year. One of the outstanding features was the number of visiting lecturers who favored us. These were, in order of time, Mr. Knudsen, Bishop Wedgwood, Dr. Mitchell, Dr. Barnard, Mr. Rogers, Mrs. Bartlett, Miss Holbrooke and Mr. Munson. Miss Holbrook was with us almost the entire month of January and notwithstanding severe cold weather the interest was great.

Regular Sunday evening lectures were given throughout the year, besides several lodge lec-

tures. A weekly lodge meeting was maintained the greater part of the year.

The net gain in membership was 30.

We are fortunate in having a few competent, experienced and devoted teachers and are finding new talent for that work. Aid was extended to the Maryland Lodge at Baltimore on several occasions by sending a lecturer, and a class was conducted there by one of our members.

Five members are now in the regular military service, and one is an army nurse.

The American Association's appeal for books met with a generous response and a quantity of Theosophical books were purchased with a fund raised for that purpose, and distributed through that organization. Several Saturday evening receptions were given at the lodge room for the soldiers and sailors, at which there were music, dancing, refreshments, etc., and leaflets were distributed. Individual members did excellent work by inviting soldiers to their homes and giving them home comforts and society. A committee was appointed and a rally held in interest of the T. S. fund for war work. The subscriptions thus far are satisfactory and the committee is still at work. Our members are participating in every branch of war work. No appeal has failed to bring a response.

A matter of considerable interest is the organization, this spring, of a Co-Masonic Lodge.

Owing to the fact that a good many of our members are in Government employ and that the war has added much to their burdens, as well as in view of the clear need for the better organization of the work of the lodge for the coming year, it was voted to employ a regular leader and lecturer to give all his time to the work of the lodge. A fund was pledged for that purpose. Negotiations are in progress for the carrying out of this plan.

MILLARD F. HUDSON
President

WOODLAWN LODGE

Woodlawn Lodge is now meeting at a studio in the Artists' Colony near Jackson Park and the future looks very promising for the special work we are trying to do.

Our Lodge was organized in 1916 with the idea of having quite informal meetings where problems could be discussed and theories analyzed.

The past winter we have been reading THE LIVES OF ALCYONE as a basis for the study of Karma, and many interesting points were brought out. We are now taking up the study of Meditation so that the members will have a better understanding of the technique of making the group an effective channel for spiritual energy.

Meetings are held every Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

EDITH ARMOUR
President

VICTORIA LODGE

Victoria Lodge has been, and still is, of small number but new life is stirring within it—it is beginning to grow. Its membership has gradually risen since last November, from 32 to 41; 11 new members having joined and two resigned. But of more importance than numbers is the spirit of harmony and the earnest desire to serve mankind that animates its meetings and directs its activities.

Perhaps the most important event of the past year for this Lodge was the arrival early in January of Mr. Charles Lazenby. Between that date and the beginning of May he has given over 40 public lectures besides numerous talks at members' meetings.

In February we had the pleasure of a visit from Mr. Francis G. Hanchett, whose cheery optimism prevented any feeling of depression that might have arisen from the fact that his audiences were disappointingly small. At the beginning of May, Mr. L. W. Rogers gave us two lectures and crowded audiences proved the interest his coming had evoked.

There have been changes in our activities. We now have a Secret Doctrine class under Mr. J. D. Leechman, on Sunday mornings; on Sunday evenings Mr. Pease holds a class for beginners in the study of Bhagavad Gita; on Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Berryman has an Enquirers' class; and the Lodge holds its regular weekly meetings on Wednesday evenings.

We have lately had a telephone installed in the Lodgeroom which we find acts as an advertisement through the phone directory, and is a help to visitors wishing to find us.

W. B. PEASE
Secretary

YGGDRASIL LODGE

Minneapolis is a center for the Skandinavian population of 150,000. The work of the lodge is therefore very much needed and of great importance.

We have added 18 new members to our list this year, making a total of 63 members. We have had 35 public meetings and 35 closed meetings for members and a study class for the public at large.

Besides our regular study subjects we have had a series of lectures about Theosophy and Christianity. Our propaganda committee has been making an effort to interest the ministers of our city in Theosophy, so they had 2,000 copies of Annie Besant's pamphlet *Reincarnation* printed in Norwegian and sent one to each Skandinavian minister. We hope some good results will follow this work. Two ministers have given us lectures in our Theosophical hall.

The lodge has given a patriotic concert for the benefit of the Red Cross, the proceeds netting \$100.00. The ladies of the lodge are doing Red Cross work one day a week. A committee for correspondence with sailors and soldiers has been busy sending out literature and pamphlets.

IRENE ERTENSEN,
Secretary

REPORTS FROM BUREAUS

THE BUREAU OF SOCIAL RECONSTRUCTION

This Bureau has, for the past year, been working along several different lines. Its efforts can be summarized as follows:

1. Cooperation with various organizations working for human betterment along the four lines of politics, social reform, education and religion.

2. Collecting and filing information concerning social conditions.

3. Assisting workers, both Theosophists and Non-Theosophists, by furnishing material for lectures.

4. Giving stereopticon and other lectures in various cities within reach of Krotona.

5. Commencing a definite campaign to amend the Food and Fuel Act so that food price regulation will not terminate at the close of the war. Since the Bureau initiated this campaign the idea has been endorsed by other organizations and editorially advocated by leading national publications.

6. Awakening interest in the subject of Social Reconstruction and pointing out the need for work along these lines as urged by Mrs. Besant.

7. Uniting into an organization for service those who have responded to the call for workers.

8. Holding out at all times the idea of Human Brotherhood as a goal of social evolution.

W. SCOTT LEWIS
Secretary

ROBERT WALTON
Director

Address Krotona, Hollywood, Los Angeles, Calif.

BRAILLE BUREAU

The Braille Bureau has continued the circulation of books to about 30 correspondents, of which three have joined the T. S. since July 1, 1917.

THE ANCIENT WISDOM, THOUGHT POWER, ITS CONTROL AND CULTURE, and AT THE FEET OF THE MASTER, are the books most in demand.

A new edition of AN OUTLINE OF THEOSOPHY was issued, and 28 copies have been placed up to date, mostly in libraries.

Owing to the change in system, about the middle of the year, from American Braille to an international system, and the fact that the Government discourages the continued production of books in the old system, the work of the Bureau has been somewhat retarded; but an edition of AT THE FEET OF THE MASTER in the official system is well under way and will in due time be placed for sale.

OLE V. DAHL

STUDY AND QUESTION BUREAU

The work of the Correspondence Study and Question Bureau has been the past year, answering questions of those who are trying to organize lodge centers or study classes that will evolve into lodges. This work is being done in several states. Many have studied with a view to becoming useful in the work.

B. S. HILLYER.

MUSIC BUREAU

There are 150 names on the list of the Music Bureau; not all of these are members, however, as they do not contribute to its financial support, but all are intensely interested in the occult side of music. Through this interest they come in contact with Theosophy. About one-third are non-theosophists; some have never heard of it before and ask what one must do to become a Theosophist. Numerous letters are received from those interested and all have been answered personally and copies of the MUSIC LETTER sent.

The subjects considered include *The Limitations of Modern Music*, *Occult Healing by Means of Music*, *Music in Prisons*, *Music a Universal Language*, *The Beautiful Necessity*, *The Rhythm of Indian Songs*, *Music and its Relation to The Sciences and The Song of Life*.

The work of placing music and books on music within reach of our soldiers in camps and hospitals has been advocated and assisted. The fact has been emphasized that our boys want and need the best in music as in spiritual teaching—no camouflage will suffice. Musicians all over the country are giving of their best to our boys and theosophists can do no less.

Among those who have contributed articles are Claude Bragdon, Frank L. Reed, Edgar DeForest, Nellie E. Young, K. S. Henderson, Frances Densmore, Edith C. Gray and many correspondents from whose letters excerpts have been made.

The MUSIC LETTER is published quarterly now instead of monthly as formerly. This is owing to war conditions and it is hoped may be only temporary.

JESSIE WAITE WRIGHT.

CORRESPONDENCE BUREAU FOR NEW MEMBERS

Last year ending June 1918, the Correspondence Bureau for new members, who are too far from any lodges to attend the meetings, numbered more than 91. This bureau has been helping its new members in their study of Theosophy and answering all their questions about ways and means of co-operating with other fellow-members in movements which mean Service to others. They were helped to realize that their isolation would not prevent them from doing Theosophical War Work or joining the League to abolish death

penalty and vivisection. Some are taking a deep interest in our Theosophical Fraternity in Education, while others are giving wide publicity to Mrs. Besant's address to the Indian National Congress, because this plea for India's freedom, if granted, would help the Allies in their fight for Justice to all.

It is good to see the hearty response of these new members, and to know that by seizing these opportunities, they are putting into practice the teachings which Theosophy is giving them.

E. HONOLD

LECTURE BUREAU

The American Section of the Theosophical Society's annual report for the fiscal year, July 1, 1917 to July 1, 1918:

Total number of lectures circulated last year, 1917	46
Total number of lectures circulated this year, 1918	18
Decrease of lectures during the year.....	28

Cash on hand July 1, 1917.....	\$4.25
Total collection from loan at 10c each....	1.80

Total receipts	\$6.05
Costs of mailing (average 8c)	\$1.44

Balance on hand	\$4.61
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MRS. JULIA A. MYERS
Head of Bureau

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STEREOPTICON BUREAU

June 18, 1917, to June 30, 1918, slides with lectures used 11 times.

Cash on hand	\$63.08
Money due Bureau for sale of slides and slides loaned	\$13.00

J. C. MEYERS
Head of Bureau

MYSTIC DRAMA LEAGUE

We have presented no plays this year, the members having decided to devote themselves to the work of the drama building department, which has been somewhat neglected. I am very happy to be able to report that the work accomplished in this important branch of the League was exceptionally fine, those who participated being full of enthusiasm and content with nothing less than their best. It is not an easy matter to write a composite play, owing to the conflicting opinions that must be discussed and harmonized at every point as the work progresses, but the interest created in the evolution of characters is the more intense. Our initial effort of the year resulted in a play entitled *THE EGOTIST*, the first and third acts taking place in America and the second in France. It is a war play and in the crises that arise in the lives of the characters, we have tried to present the Theosophical viewpoint in a practical aspect as well as a natural and convincing manner. One of the members suggested that we entitle the play *WHAT THE WAR DID TO THE EGOTIST*, and I quote it because it is as excellent a description of the play as could be made. We then turned our attention to comedy and wrote *THE COOK'S DILEMMA*—a sketch dealing with the problems that confront the cook in the effort to conform to the food regulations. The final work of the year was upon a play as yet incomplete, entitled "*THE UNSEEMED GARMENT*". It is arranged in episodes and deals with the evolution of the soul through seven incarnations. The principle of Karma is a strong factor, and we have been very bold and included unseen helpers among the characters. It will require concentrated attention to complete this play to our satisfaction, but we feel it will be well worth the effort, and the best work we have accomplished in the strenuous art of drama-building.

VIOLA MARSHALL WATSON,
Director.

INDEPENDENT COLLATERAL ORGANIZATIONS

THE SERVANTS OF THE STAR

The Servants of the Star is a junior branch of the Order of the Star in the East. The head is Mr. Nityananda, brother of Mr. Krishnamurti, who is the leader of the Order of the Star in the East. The object is to help to prepare the way for a Great Teacher, when He shall come, and the watchword is "Service." Older persons act as advisors to the children, and they try to suggest such methods as shall keep the young members pure in thought, clean in emotion and active in helpful deeds. There

are over two hundred members at the present time, divided into groups, which hold meetings in different cities. During the past year the work has been devoted mostly to war needs, as there seems to be no work more valuable at the present time than to assist the Red Cross in its work for suffering humanity. Several groups have arranged programs, charging a slight admission fee and donating the proceeds to the Red Cross, and the Krotana Group gave a little play which was successful and raised a little money for the French orphans. In addition to active service, the members of the

Servants of the Star are trained in other lines of work with the object in view to develop the young mind and body in the right direction. The methods vary somewhat in the different cities and are planned to suit the needs of the personnel of the respective groups.

MRS. ADDIE TUTTLE.

THE ORIENTAL ESOTERIC LIBRARY

The Oriental Esoteric Library has been loaning Theosophical and other occult books by mail since 1907. For several years the policy was pursued of lending a limited number of books to inquirers, postpaid and without charge. It transpired, however, that even an interest in occultism was not a guarantee of conscientiousness in the matter of returning borrowed property and after a loss of several thousand dollars the attempt to lend books without a moderate deposit was abandoned. It is hoped that the borrowers are still reading them or have passed them on. The diversion of interests to matters pertaining to the war has reduced the circulation during the past year, but it is encouraging to note that the demand for theosophical books is steadily increasing as compared with those of other schools or branches of occultism. In 1915 a correspondence bureau for prisoners was established in conjunction with the library, which has grown to large proportions. While this is not limited to theosophists, it affords an excellent opportunity for introducing the study of Theosophy into prisons, and the co-operation of Theosophists is especially solicited. The fundamentals of Theosophy, if not too technically presented, or in the spirit of the preacher rather than of the brother, are often eagerly grasped by prisoners, and each such man is likely to become a center of theosophical influence in his institution. It is a branch work to which Theosophists in general pay far too little attention.

H. N. STOKES,
Librarian.

AMERICAN LEAGUE FOR THE PREVENTION OF LEGALIZED CRIME

When the first number of HIGHER HUMANITY was issued last November with only four pages, the State Organization list showed just fifteen state officers and executives who were then working the best they could among the people

of their own states. HIGHER HUMANITY was put into circulation as a house journal to keep the state officers and workers informed each month as to the League's activities and to help circularize, and work up interest, in the different states in co-operation with the state executives.

We have organized a National Press Department to put our subject before the people of the United States through the American Press.

All state officers report working with interest toward the repeal of the death penalty. Lecturers write of their good work from different parts of the country, and we have an ever increasing demand for literature and information of all descriptions which is promptly furnished.

In February we opened an Intelligence Department to furnish statistics on Capital Punishment, Lynchings, Congressional Legislation and Prison and Prison Publication information.

During March and April the work progressed rapidly. War conditions made it necessary for us to work strictly with civic law and to direct our efforts from the Legislature to the building up of strong state leagues and in interesting a strong following. A Capital Punishment seal was worked out and will be found attached to letters, packages and envelopes sent from the homes and offices of our workers.

During the year we organized 17 states which brought our list up to 33.

HIGHER HUMANITY has reached its 9th issue and is growing stronger and traveling farther each month. Approximately 20,000 copies have been printed and close to 100,000 pieces of printed matter on the League and its work have been mailed.

National Headquarters at 466 Connecticut St., Buffalo, N. Y., and the publication have been maintained by voluntary contributions from the field. Close to \$1,000.00 has been donated and spent in connection with the work in the past six months.

We are co-operating with a number of Anti-Capital Punishment Leagues, Prison Reform associations and other movements such as The Humanitarian Cult of New York, The Bureau of Social Reconstruction of California, The Bureau of Social Service of New York, The Canadian Prisoners Reform Association and other organizations who are working for higher humanity. We have not space to describe the special campaigns that have saved lives.

Canadian files have been opened recently and we soon hope to report progress under the Canadian League for The Prevention of Legalized Crime.

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ALABAMA

*ANNISTON. Alvin Lebrun Nourse, Gen. Del.

BIRMINGHAM

Birmingham, 1914. Public meetings at Room 5, Cable Bldg., Tues & Thurs. at 8. Library open Tues., Thurs. & Sat., 2 to 4. Sec'y, D. H. Bailey, 712 Jefferson Co. Bank Bldg.; phone Main 2809.

FAIRHOPE

Fairhope, 1918. Sec'y, Mrs. Elva D. Troyer, Route 1.

MONTGOMERY

Montgomery, 1916. Public meetings not held. Library open every day until 5:30 at 8½ S. Perry St. Sec'y, Mrs. Eliza A. Lyon, 203 Church St.

ARIZONA

*BISBEE. John G. Pritchard, Box 998.

PHOENIX

Phoenix, 1916. Sec'y, H. M. Davenport, 1301 W. Taylor St.

*TUCSON. Andrew J. Bell, R. F. D. No. 2.

CALIFORNIA

BAKERSFIELD

Bakersfield, 1917. Public meetings at Room 405, Brower Bldg., Tues eve. Library not open. Sec'y, Harriot F. Griswold, 1660 K St.

BERKELEY

Berkeley, 1908. Public meetings at Wright Bldg., Shattuck & Center, Sun. at 8. Library open 2 to 4, daily except Sun. Sec'y, Mrs. Fannie L. Greaves, 1620 Milvia St.

*BIGPINE. Mrs. Jeannette M. Eugley.

*FILLMORE. Mrs. Elizabeth E. Rivard.

FRESNO

Fresno, 1914. Public meetings at "Hall of Theosophy," Republican Bldg., Sun. a. m. and eve. Library open week days, 2 to 4. Sec'y, Mrs. Vera Frisbie, 1225 Poplar Ave.; phone 4150-J.

*LA JOLLA. Mrs. C. E. Martinez, Box 542.

LONG BEACH

Long Beach, 1913. Public meetings at Room 9, City Nat'l Bank, Fri. at 7:30. Library open Mon., Wed. & Fri., 2 to 4. Sec'y, Mrs. Lida E. West, 427 Ohio Ave.

LOS ANGELES

Hollywood, 1912. Public meetings at 6412 Hollywood Blvd., Sun. eve. Library open Tues., Fri. & Sat., 2 to 5. Sec'y, Mrs. Emmy H. Forssell, 1012 Seward St.

Krotona, 1913. Public meetings at "The Temple," Sun. at 3. Library open all the time. Sec'y, Everett E. Craig, Krotona; phone 57134.

Los Angeles, 1894. Public meetings at Room 406, 233 S. Broadway, Sun. at 8. Library open week days, 12 to 4; phone 10082. Sec'y, Arthur G. Cohn, 635 W. Fourth; phone A-3354.

OAKLAND

Oakland, 1898. Public meetings at Maple Hall, 14th & Webster, Sun. at 7:45 & Mon. at 7:45. Library open every day, 10 to 4. Sec'y, Mrs. E. F. Shortledge, 1284 Ashmount Ave.; phone Oakland 8120.

***OCEANSIDE.** Mrs. Fannie F. Young.

OCEAN PARK

Crescent Bay, 1916. Public meetings at Masonic Temple, Sun. at 8. Library open week days all day at 2931 Ocean Front. Sec'y, Miss A. C. Justice, 1347 Ocean Ave., Santa Monica.

PACIFIC GROVE

Pacific Grove, 1915. Public meetings at 156 Eighth St., Thurs. at 8. Library open Mon. & Fri., 2:30 to 5. Sec'y, Mrs. Minnie Denman, 156 Eighth.

PASADENA

Pasadena, 1896. Public meetings at Kinney-Kendall Bldg., Thurs. at 8. Library open Mon., Wed. & Sat. 2 to 5. Sec'y, Mrs. Agnes L. Middleton, 2951 Highland Ave., Altadena.

POMONA

Pomona, 1916. Public meetings at Public Library, Wed. at 7. Library open 9 to 9 except Sun. Sec'y, Blanche Tilton, 631 E. Pasadena St.

RIVERSIDE

Riverside, 1914. Public meetings at 566 Sixth St., Sun. eve. Library open all the time. Sec'y, Mrs. Bertie E. Pownall, 566 Sixth St.

SACRAMENTO

Sacramento, 1910. Public meetings at Room 26, I. O. O. F. Bldg., Wed. & Sun. at 8:15. Library not open. Sec'y, O. A. Kraft, Room 26, I. O. O. F. Bldg.; phone Main 2766-Y.

SAN BERNARDINO

San Bernardino, 1917. Public meetings at 270 Fifth St., Thurs. Library same. Sec'y, P. R. Bellman, 270 Fifth St.

SAN DIEGO

Annie Besant, 1897. Public meetings at Besant Hall, Seventh & Broadway, Sun. at 8, Tues. at 8, & Sat. at 2. Library open week days 2 to 4. Sec'y, Miss Laura Athey, 847 Eleventh. **Blavatsky, 1916.** Public meetings not held. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Florence S. Gray, 231 W. Spruce St.; phone Hillcrest 1121.

SAN FRANCISCO

Golden Gate, 1895. Public meetings at 988 Hayes St., Wed. at 8, and Fri. at 3. Library open Wed. 8 p. m. to 10, and Fri. 3 to 5. Sec'y, Mrs. Elizabeth J. Eaton, 988 Hayes St.; phone Market 7452.

Pacific, 1917. Public meetings at 232 Pacific Bldg., Market at Fourth, Sun. at 8. Library open daily 1:30 to 4. Sec'y, Miss M. Miklau, 160 Clifford Terrace; phone Market 6688.

San Francisco, 1901. Public meetings at 414 Mason St., Tues. eve. Library open week days 1:30 to 4. Sec'y, J. E. Allison, 2423 Buchanan St.

SAN JOSE

San Jose, 1911. Public meetings at Room 38, Porter Bldg., Tues. at 8. Library open Wed. & Sat., 2 to 4. Sec'y, Mrs. Ollie I. Davis, 350 N. Ninth St.; phone 5099-R.

***SAN PEDRO.** Mrs. Lillie E. Martin, 462 10th St.

SANTA ANA

Santa Ana, 1917. Sec'y, A. E. Henning, 618 W. Fourth.

SANTA BARBARA

Santa Barbara, 1916. Public meetings at Room 16, Eddy Bldg., second Wed. of month at 8, and every Tues. at 8. Library open Wed. 2 to 5. Sec'y, Miss Loraine Lawton, 327 W. Sola St.

SANTA CRUZ

Santa Cruz, 1907. Public meetings at 87 Garfield St. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Nellie H. Uhden, 145 Third St.; phone 877-J.

SANTA ROSA

Santa Rosa, 1900. Public meetings at 433 Humboldt St., Sun. at 8. Library always open. Sec'y, Mrs. Evaline A. Stevens, 429 Eighth.

SOUTH PASADENA

South Pasadena, 1913. Public meetings at 1116 Mission St., Tues. eve., Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Cora C. Sheffield, 1019 Montrose; phone 4565 Colorado.

STOCKTON

Stockton, 1917. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Sec'y, R. H. Conklin, 1269 N. Pilgrim; phone 2405-J.

TRACY

Brotherhood, 1918. Public meetings Sec'y, Frank W. Bartlett, Box 602.

Tracy, 1917. Pres., M. A. Buck, Box 477.

CANADA

***BRANTFORD.** Misses Anna B. and Jean K. Harold, 84 Brant Ave.

CALGARY, ALBERTA

Calgary, 1914. Public meetings at Rm. 12, Mackie Bldg., Sun. at 11. Library open same. Sec'y, E. H. Lloyd Knechtel, 510 Rosedale Crescent.

CREELMAN, SASKATCHEWAN

Creelman, 1917. Public meetings at residence of S. M. Stone, Tues. Library not open. Sec'y, David H. McNaughton. Rural del.; phone 3R3.

EDMONTON, ALBERTA

Edmonton, 1911. Public meetings at Room 6, 10157-100a St., Mondays. Library open Fri. 7 to 9. Sec'y, Miss Annie H. Turner, 9841-110 St.

HAMILTON, ONTARIO

Hamilton, 1916. Public meetings at Royal Templars Hall, Sun. at 11. Library open Sun. 11 to 1:30. Sec'y, Nellie Gates, 329 King St. E.; phone 8577.

***KELOWNA.** Mrs. Phyllis H. M. Gore, Box 382.

LONDON, ONTARIO

London, 1918. Sec'y, Mrs. Helen M. Shaw, 287 King St.

MONTREAL, QUEBEC

Montreal, 1905. Public meetings at 12 Tooke Bldg., Sun. eve. Library open Tues., Thurs. & Sun. eve. Sec'y, Mrs. Alice B. Smith, Box 351, Station B.

NANAIMO, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Nanaimo, 1918. Public meetings at the home of Mrs. Emma Macham, Mon. eve. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Nora J. Reynolds. Box 449.

OTTAWA, ONTARIO

Ottawa, 1917. Public meetings at 314 Lisgar St., Sun. & Fri. eve. Library open week days 3 to 6. Sec'y, Mrs. D. H. Chambers, 522 McLeod St.; phone Carling 3720.

***QUEBEC, P. Q.** Arthur C. Fellows, 277 Grande Allee.

REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN

Regina, 1911. Public meetings at 209 Darke Bldg., 11 Ave., Tues. & Sun. Library open Wed. 3 to 5. Sec'y, Mrs. Clara Forlier, 1329 Retallack; phone 3753.

***ST. THOMAS, ONTARIO.** Benj. T. Garside, 62 Hincks St.

TORONTO, ONTARIO

Toronto, 1891. Public meetings at 22 College St., Foresters Hall, daily except Sat. Library open daily 3 to 5. Sec'y, Harry R. Tallman, 62 St. Anns Road; phone Parkdale 4213.

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Orpheus, 1912. Public meetings at 6, Court House Bldg., 812 Robson St., Mon. 8:15. Library open Mon. & Fri., 8 p. m. Sec'y, A. L. Crampton Chalk, 1831 Pendrell St.; phone 7986-R.

Vancouver, 1898. Public meetings at 24, 553 Granville St., Tues. & Sun. Library open 2 to 5 except Sun. Sec'y, Miss C. M. Menzies, 553 Granville St., Room 24.

VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Victoria, 1901. Public meetings at 212 Belmont Bldg., Sun. a. m. and p. m. and Wed. at 2:30. Library open daily 3 to 5. Sec'y, W. B. Pease, 212 Belmont Bldg.

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA

Winnipeg, 1911. Public meetings at 104 Cadomin Bldg., 282 Main St., Sun. at 3, Thurs. at 8 and 9. Library open Wed. 3 to 6. Sec'y, Laurance A. D. Roberts, 152 Bannerman Ave.

ALAMOSA, COLORADO

Alamosa, 1916. Public meetings at Gibson Bldg., Sun. Library open Mon., Wed., Fri., 3 to 5. Sec'y, Mrs. Charlotte R. Fish.

BOULDER

Boulder, 1917. Public meetings at 750 Spruce St., Tues. Library always open at residence of Sec'y, Mrs. Cora E. Bair, 802 Spruce St.; phone Boulder 1380.

COLORADO SPRINGS

Colorado Springs, 1914. Public meetings at 116 East Dale, at 8 on first Wed. of month. Library open same. Sec'y, Mrs. Mary S. Hawkins, 1306 Wood Ave.; Phone Main 223.

DENVER

Colorado, 1906. Public meetings at Woman's Club Bldg., daily except Thurs. Library open same. Sec'y, Mrs. Lois A. Chapman, 3861 Raleigh St.; phone Gallup 855.

CONNECTICUT

*ANSONIA. Dr. Galusha H. Wilbur, Opera House Bldg., Tel. 885.

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HARTFORD

Hartford, 1914. Public meetings at Room 62, 17 Haynes St., Thurs. and third Sun. in month. Library open Thurs. 8 to 10. Sec'y, Miss Bertha F. Bial, Room 118, 17 Haynes St.

*NEW BRITAIN. H. P. Losely, Box 545.

NEW HAVEN

New Haven, 1913. Public meetings at 241 Orange St., Sun. eve. Library open Mon. and Thurs. 1 to 4. Sec'y, Melville S. Wadham, 152 Brewery St.; phone Center 418.

*TORRINGTON. Miss Louise Eitel, 56 Taylor St.

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*WEST HARTFORD. Mrs. Louise L. Blackmore, 49 South Quaker Lane.

DELAWARE

*MILFORD. Mrs. Elinor B. Rosa.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

WASHINGTON

Washington, 1897. Public meetings at 1216 H St. N. W., on Sun. eve. Library open daily except Sat. & Sun., 3 to 5; on Sun. 7:30 to 9:30. Sec'y, Mrs. Helen L. Lindenberg, 1302 N St. N. W.; phone Franklin 290.

FLORIDA

TAMPA

Tampa, 1909. Public meetings at 410½ Franklin St., first, third & fifth Wed. Library open same. Sec'y, Rev. Arthur D. Anderson, 5 West 101 St., New York, N. Y.

GEORGIA

ATLANTA

Atlanta, 1916. Public meetings at 80½ Atlanta Trust Bldg., 140 Peachtree St., Thurs. at 8. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Maud N. Couch, Box 1218.

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

HONOLULU

Honolulu, 1902. Public meetings at 721 Quarry St., Fri. eve. Library open during meetings. Sec'y, Mrs. Harriet L. Green, Box 493.

IDAHO

BOISE

Boise, 1917. Public meetings at G. A. R. Hall, Sun. Library open same. Sec'y, Mrs. Madge S. Larsen, Box 822.

*LEWISTON. Mrs. Lillie G. Kester, Hotel Idaho.

*PARMA. Mr. and Mrs. Gottfried Lohrli, Route 3.

*POCATELLO. William E. Smith, 629 N. Garfield.

WALLACE

Wallace, 1915. Public meetings at 320 High Bank St., and Judge's Chambers, Court House, Tues. & Sat. Library open Sat. eve. Sec'y, Miss Musa K. Howes, 606 Bank St.

ILLINOIS

CHICAGO

Akbar, 1912. Public meetings at Room 706, Fine Arts Bldg., Sat. 3:30. Library open daily, 1 to 5. Sec'y, Mrs. Clara J. Kochersperger, 7212 Coles Ave.; phone S. Chicago 5609.

Chicago North Shore, 1911. Public meetings not held. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Ferne M. Robinson, Hollywood, Ill.

Herakles, 1914. Public meetings at 1124 E. 44th St. Library same. Sec'y, Miss Lillian Vent, 1122 E. 44.

Pioneer, 1917. Sec'y, Henry W. Hammond, 3366 Calumet Ave.

Sampo, 1910. Meets at homes of members. Library same. Sec'y, Gust. Jacobson, 3519 Claremont Ave., McKinley Park Sta.

Woodlawn, 1916. Public meetings at 6104 Dorchester Ave., Fri. 8:15. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Ellen R. Dickey, 3254 Flournoy St.; phone 2954 Van Buren.

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Chicago, 1885. Public meetings at 3911 Rokeby St., Wed. eve. Library same. Sec'y, Miss Mina H. Ropp, 3911 Rokeby St.

Chicago Annie Besant, 1909. Public meetings at 1723 N. Richmond St., Tues. at 8. Library same. Sec'y, Clarence L. Gowell, 1723 N. Richmond.

Chicago Brotherhood, 1917. Public meetings at 1623 Kimball Bldg., daily. Library open 11 to 6. Sec'y, Katherine Seidell, 3317 Wilson Ave.; phone Irving 6847.

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Leadbeater, 1911. Public meetings at Room 1508, 116 S. Mich. Ave., Sun. Library open 5 to 8. Sec'y, Carl H. Rahn, 2250 Clybourn Ave.

EVANSTON

Evanston, 1912. Public meetings at 1723 Central St., Wed. eve. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Edith B. Allen, 1723 Central St.; phone 2272.

FREEPORT

Freeport, 1898. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Clara K. Jungkuz, 129 Carroll St.; phone Blue 1012.

HARVEY

Harvey, 1917. Sec'y, Edgar S. Mills, 15705 Tur-lington Ave.

LA GRANGE

La Grange, 1911. Public meetings at 18 N. Fifth Ave., Fri. at 3:30. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Sarah A. Fogg, 18 North Fifth; phone 247.

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OAK PARK

Oak Park, 1914. Public meetings at 135 N. Harvey Ave. Library not open. Sec'y, Harry B. Davis, 218 Pleasant St.

PEORIA

Peoria, 1915. Public meetings at 418 S. Adams St., Thurs. eve. Library not open. Sec'y, Miss Minnie Clark, 514 Western Ave.; Bell-phone 2609, 2 rings.

INDIANA**FORT WAYNE**

Fort Wayne, 1915. Public meetings at homes of members. Library open same. Sec'y, Mrs. Cora A. D. Mahurin, 2902 Fairfield Ave.

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Indianapolis Lotus, 1916. Public meetings at Chamber of Commerce Bldg., Wed. & Fri. eve. Sec'y, Mrs. C. D. Murray, 1421 Prospect St.

*MUNCIE. Mrs. Isabella M. Klein, 614 N. Mulberry St., Tel. 3058.

IOWA**DES MOINES**

Des Moines, 1914. Public meetings at 304 Shopp's Bldg., Wed. eve. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Flora H. Welch, 927 Clinton Ave.

SILOUX CITY

Sioux City, 1916. Public meetings at 206 American Block, first and third Sundays. Library open 4 to 5. Sec'y, Chas. L. Lockie, 2746 Virginia St.; phone 5017.

KANSAS**TOPEKA**

Topeka, 1897. Public meetings at 1629 Western Ave., first three Fri. evenings of month. Sec'y, Miss Kate A. Ellinger, 426 Harrison St.

*WICHITA. Miss Sybilla S. Muntz, 217 Sulu Ave.

KENTUCKY**LOUISVILLE**

Louisville, 1908. Public meetings at Starks Bldg., Sun. & Tues. at 8; Fri. at 3. Library not open. Sec'y, Geo. J. Depner, 4206 South Parkway; phone Parkway 42-J.

*PADUCAH. William G. McFadden. 605 Broadway.

LOUISIANA**NEW ORLEANS**

Louisiana Federation Theosophical Lodges. New Orleans and Truthseekers' Lodges. Pres., Mrs. Isabel H. S. Devereux, 2504 Esplanade Ave.; Sec'y, Miss Leslie Leigh du Cross, 525 Audubon Bldg.

New Orleans, 1898. Public meetings at 525 Audubon Bldg., Sun. at 8. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Gertrude Mitchell, 4822 Chestnut St.

Truthseekers, 1912. Public meetings at Rm. 202, 317 Carondelet, Wed. at 8. Library open daily, 3 to 5:30. Sec'y, Mrs. C. M. Moise, 727 Dublin.

MAINE

*ORONO. Mrs. Molly Morgan Woods.

PORTLAND

Portland, 1909. Sec'y, Mrs. M. B. Berryman, 250 Deering Ave.

MARYLAND**BALTIMORE**

Maryland, 1916. Public meetings at Beethoven Hall, 521 N. Howard St., Mon. at 8. Library not open. Sec'y, Miss Katherine Lurman, Cecil Apts., 1111 Eutaw St.; phone 3150-f.

LINDEN

Linden, 1917. Public meetings at private homes. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Gertrude M. Hodgson, Route 2, Silver Springs, Md.; phone Kensington 71-f-4.

BOSTON MASSACHUSETTS

Alpha, 1897. Public meetings at 295 Huntington Ave., Thurs. at 8. Library open same. Sec'y, Miss Marguerite Boice, Room 216, 687 Boylston St.; phone Back Bay 2921-W.

Besant, 1908. Public meetings at 121 St. Stephen St., Wed. Library not open. Sec'y, Miss Eudora Morey, 121 St. Stephen St.

Boston, 1904. Public meetings at Room 212, 295 Huntington Ave., Wed. at 8. Library open Thurs. 2 to 4:30; other days 2 to 5. Sec'y, Miss Vercy H. Hill, 384 Washington St., Brookline, Mass.; phone 6756-M Brookline.

Huntington, 1904. Public meetings at 295 Huntington Ave. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. I. M. Donaldson, 325 Washington St.

*FRAMINGHAM. Wm. L. Young, 12 Freeman St.

HOLYOKE

Holyoke, 1899. Public meetings at Phoenix Bldg., Sun. at 7; Tues. at 7:30. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Jennie N. Ferris, 1236 Dwight St.; phone 166-W.

MELROSE HIGHLANDS

Melrose Highlands, 1905. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Jessie A. Jones, Spring St.

SPRINGFIELD

Springfield, 1907. Public meetings at Rm. 218, 168 Bridge, Sun. at 5. Library open daily from 2 to 5. Sec'y, Miss Ruth M. French, 32 Myrtle St.; phone River 7764-J.

MICHIGAN

*ALBION. Mrs. Clara Osborne, 416 East Erie St.

*BATTLE CREEK. Mr. and Mrs. E. Norman Pearson, 159 Kalamazoo St.; Citizens phone 1097.

BIG RAPIDS

Big Rapids, 1914. Public meetings at 52 Nisbett Bldg., first Wed. of month. Library open every Wed. eve. Sec'y, Mrs. Jennie L. Doe, 417 Maple.

DETROIT

Brotherhood, 1916. Public meetings at Room 610, Empire Bldg., Wash. Blvd. & Clifford St., Tues. at 7:30. Library open Tues. & Fri. 7 to 9. Sec'y, Miss Helen L. Erickson, 312 Columbus Ave.

Detroit, 1897. Public meetings not held. Library open every day at residence of Sec'y, Mrs. Alice E. Meddaugh, 357 Warren Ave. W.; phone Grand 2362.

Unity, 1905. Public meetings at 83, 213 Woodward Ave. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Lillie F. Dick, 248 Belvidere Ave.; phone Hickory 2234-M.

GRAND RAPIDS

Grand Rapids, 1903. Public meetings at 312 Ashton Bldg. Library same. Sec'y, Miss Edna E. Scheuffer, 7 Straight Ave. S. W.

*Hart. Miss Gertrude Reading.

JACKSON

Jackson, 1897. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Garnet B. Thatcher, 414 Webb St.

MUSKEGON

Unity, 1910. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Acting Sec'y, J. B. Benson, 17 E. Irwin St.

PORT HURON

Port Huron, 1910. Public meetings at Public Library, Tues. Library open daily except Sun., 9 to 9. Sec'y, Mrs. Sophina A. Peck, 1507 Military St.; phone 1916.

SAGINAW

Saginaw, 1898. Public meetings at 217 Merrill Bldg., Court & Michigan, W. S., Fri. 7-30. Library same. Sec'y, K. R. Lindfors, 205 Schirmer Bldg., Res. 612 Hoyt St.; phone 2308-J.

CROOKSTON MINNESOTA

Crookston, 1910. Public meetings at homes of members. Library open at 397 Houston Ave. Sec'y, Mrs. Jessie S. Gerrish, 301 S. Bdwy.; phone 727.

DULUTH

Duluth, 1906. Public meetings at 203 Temple Bldg., Sun. at 11 and Mon. at 3. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Ruth M. Shepherd, 112 Manhattan Bldg.; phone Melrose 4869.

MINNEAPOLIS

Minneapolis, 1897. Public meetings at 917 Marquette Ave., Sun. at 8. Library open daily except Sun., 2 to 5. Sec'y, Miss Suzanne Kranz, 2215, 29 Ave. North; phone Hyland 6027.

St. Anthony, 1906. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Thomas G. Lee, 509 River Road, S. E.

Yggdrasil, 1897. Public meetings at 3108 Columbus Ave. South, Sun. afternoons. Library open 2 to 5, daily except Sun. Sec'y, Miss Irene Estensen, 3108 Columbus Ave.; phone South 1457.

*RED WING. Mrs. David R. Jones, 824 Third St. Study Class, Mon. evenings.

ST. PAUL

St. Paul, 1891. Public meetings at 71 West Fourth St., Mon. eve. Library open week days, 2 to 4. Sec'y, Charles Weschcke, Studio Bldg.

MISSOURI

KANSAS CITY

Kansas City, 1897. Public meetings at 920 Grand Ave., Sun. at 8. Library open daily, 10 to 5, and 7 to 9. Sec'y, Mrs. Jennie Griffin, 920 Grand.

*ST. JOSEPH. Mrs. Emma F. Riggs, 502 Corby-Forsee Bldg.

ST. LOUIS

Brotherhood, 1911. Public meetings at Nicholas Bldg., Grand & Park Aves., Sun., Wed., Fri., 8:15 p. m. (Sunday-School 9:30 a. m.) Library open during each meeting. Sec'y, Miss Elizabeth Rowan, 1515 Lafayette Ave.; phones, Bell, Sidney 4320 and Kinlock, Central 7364.

MONTANA

*ACTION. Miss Kirstine Hansen.

ANACONDA

Anaconda, 1902. Public meetings at Theosophic Hall, Standard Bldg., Sun. eve. and Fri. eve. Library same. Sec'y, Duncan M. Munro, 317 N. Commercial.

BUTTE

Butte, 1896. Public meetings at 102 Lewisohn Bldg., Sun. at 8:15. Library open Mon., Wed., Fri., 2 to 5. Sec'y, Miss Laura R. Way, 1432 Sampson St.

*CORVALLIS. Mrs. M. Belle Kempter, Box 214.

*DILLON. Mrs. Nellie McFadden; Mrs. Belle Curtis.

GREAT FALLS

Great Falls, 1902. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. H. S. Benson, 520 First Ave.

*GREY CLIFF. Mrs. Mary E. Martin.

HELENA

Helena, 1908. Public meetings at Room 1, Pittsburg Block. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Vera B. Delano, 424 Broadway.

FREMONT NEBRASKA

Fremont, 1906. Public meetings at Public Library Auditorium, 2d & 4th Sun. Library not open. Sec'y, Miss Emma Feichtinger, 1407 East Military Ave.; phone Black 785.

LINCOLN

Delta, 1917. Public meetings at 1339 O St., Room 11, Sun. at 8. Library open 4 to 6, Sat. Sec'y, Fred B. Humphrey, 642 S. 17; phone B-2881.

Lincoln, 1899. Public meetings at 28 Burlington Bldg., 13 & O Sts., Sun. at 8. Library same. Sec'y, Miss Loraine Follett, Box 537.

OMAHA

Omaha, 1910. Public meetings at 701 Bee Bldg., 17th & Farnum, Sat. and Sun. eve., and Wed. afternoon. Library open same, 2 to 5. Sec'y, Mrs. K. P. Eklund, 4319 Parker St.; phone Walnut 1771.

*SCOTTSBLUFF. Dr. Andrew Crawford.

*SYRACUSE. L. Geddis, D. C.

NEVADA

RENO

Reno, 1909. Public meetings at T. E. Kepner's, Oddfellows Bldg., Sun. at 8. Library same. Sec'y, John H. Wigg, Box 156.

*TONOPAH. Mrs. Katherine Smith, Box 853.

NEW JERSEY

*MANASQUAN. Mrs. Matilda S. Rounds.

NEWARK

H. P. B., 1916. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Lucette H. Colvin, 235 Sixth Ave.

Newark, 1908. Public meetings at 211, Arcade Bldg. Library same. Sec'y, Miss Bertha K. Streib, Budd Lake, N. J.

PATERSON

Paterson, 1910. Public meetings at Elbow Bldg., Fri. eve. Library same. Sec'y, Miss Edith Orr, 375 Crosby Ave.

*PRINCETON. Dr. H. Bruce Wallace, 26 Prospect Ave.

RED BANK

Red Bank, 1916. Public meetings at 15 Rector Place, Mon. and Thurs. Library always open. Sec'y, Mrs. Lucy B. Coleman, 15 Rector Place; phone 9-J.

NEW YORK

ALBANY

Harmony, 1913. Public meetings at Room 4, 91 N. Pearl St. Library same. Sec'y, Arthur V. Dube.

BROOKLYN

Brooklyn, 1904. Public meetings at The Theosophical House, 95 Lafayette Ave., Sun., Wed. & Thurs. eve. Library open same. Sec'y, Miss J. Van Nostrand, 95 Lafayette Ave.; phone Prospect 4476.

Origen, 1916. Sec'y, Irving E. Chase, 405 Sackett St.

BUFFALO

Buffalo, 1897. Public meetings at 1377 Main St., Sun. at 3:30. Library open 3 to 5, Sun. Sec'y, James E. Taylor, 422 Beard Ave.; phone Cres. 336-M.

West Side Buffalo, 1915. Public meetings at 3 And. Block, near Elmwood Ave., East Utica, Wed. at 8. Library open during meetings. Sec'y, Mrs. Alice Leland, 113 Bird Ave.; phone 3821-W.

*CORTLAND. Dr. and Mrs. Asa G. Henry, 25 Oswego St.

MOUNT VERNON

Mt. Vernon, 1913. Public meetings at 210, 22 St. Library open Tues. & Fri. 1 to 4, also Thurs. 8 to 9:30. Sec'y, Miss Margaret Gould, 138 Summit Ave.; phone 1757 Mt. Vernon.

NEW ROCHELLE

New Rochelle, 1913. Public meetings at Mrs. Joslyn's, Argyle Ave., Highland Park, Tues. at 3. Library always open. Sec'y, Nettie R. Berry, 359 Huguenot; phone 1351 W. New Rochelle.

NEW YORK

Central, 1908. Public meetings at Marie Antoinette Hotel, Broadway at 67 St., Thurs. at 8:15. Library open daily except Sun., 3 to 6, and Tues., Wed. & Thurs. eve. Sec'y, Mrs. Eva E. Hoyt, 1068 Woodycrest Ave.; phone 9533 Melrose.

New York, 1896. Public meetings at 2228 Broadway, Tues. & Sun. Library open 2 to 5 daily, and Sun. & Tues. eve. Sec'y, Mrs. Lenelle Eggleston, 500 W. 114 St.

Vipunen, 1916. Sec'y, Miss Lyyli Laitinen, 716 43 St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

*NORTHPORT, LONG ISLAND. Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Shumaker, Box 227.

*OGDENSBURG. Harry Pollack, 300 Ford St.

*PELHAM. Mrs. Florence M. Burnett, 246 Loring Ave., Tel. 2122.

RICHFIELD SPRINGS

Richfield Springs, 1914. Public meetings at the address of Herman H. Baker, Mon. at 3:30. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Annette F. Bloomfield; phone 193-J.

ROCHESTER

Genesee, 1909. Public meetings at 101 Cornwall Bldg., Tues. & Wed. Library open daily except Sun., 2 to 5. Sec'y, Miss Eunice Strickland, 20 Hubbell Park; phone Stone 3064-R.

Rochester, 1907. Public meetings at 60 East Ave., Sun. at 4:15. Library open during meetings. Sec'y, Geo. V. Gerling, 133 Saxton St.

White Lotus, 1913. Sec'y, Mrs. Emerette S. Gilman, 740 Dewey Ave.

SCHENECTADY

Schenectady, 1917. Public meetings at 534 Crisler Ave., Mon. eve. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Harriet E. Gould, Vley Road, Scotia.

SYRACUSE

Syracuse, 1897. Public meetings at 1436 E. Genesee St., Mon. eve. Library same. Sec'y, Miss Fannie C. Spalding, 3414 Midland Ave.; Onondaga Val. Sta.; phone Warren 3527-J.

*WATKINS. Mrs. Mary R. Mead.

NORTH DAKOTA

FARGO

Fargo, 1916. Public meetings at Civic Center, Sun. at 3. Library open Sun. afternoon. Sec'y, Florence M. Chase, 340 Ninth Ave. S.; phone 3351-J.

OHIO

AKRON

Akron, 1908. Public meetings at Walsh Block, Fri. eve. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. A. Ross Read, 786 Chalker St.

CINCINNATI

Cincinnati, 1915. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Stella C. Hughes, 2005 Dana Ave., Evanston, Cincinnati.

CLEVELAND

Cleveland, 1897. Public meetings at 237 Vickers Bldg., Euclid Ave., Mon., Thurs. & Fri. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Clare L. Pomeroy, 1973 E. 81 St.

COLUMBUS

Columbus, 1914. Public meetings at 12 South Third St., Sun. p. m. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Effie Seippel, 18 & Cleveland Ave., (Route 7); phone Citiz. 9527.

DAYTON

Dayton, 1915. Public meetings at Young Women's League, 24 Fourth St. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Laura Holloway, 11 N. Perry St.; phone Main 866.

LIMA

Lima, 1898. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Sec'y, Rozella Lauferty, "The Kensington"; phone Main 1684.

TOLEDO

Advent, 1918. Public meetings at 2268 Hollywood Ave., Mon. afternoon. Library not open. Sec'y, Miss Adrienne C. Curtis, 2268 Hollywood Ave.; phone Park 1930-W.

Harmony, 1910. Public meetings at 219 Michigan St., daily except Wed. & Sat. Library open weekdays, 2 to 4. Sec'y, Mrs. Rhue Clapp, Maple Apts., Huron & Chestnut.

Toledo, 1892. Public meetings at 210 Colton Bldg., Wed. & Fri. Library same. Sec'y, A. W. Stuart, 1909 Jefferson Ave.

WARREN

Warren, 1918. Public meetings at Library Bldg., Thur. at 8. Library open same. Sec'y, Mrs. Louisa W. Davies, 58 S. Linden.

*YOUNGSTOWN. Mrs. Maysie Burch, 620 Dickson St.

OKLAHOMA

ENID

Enid, 1917. Sec'y, Dr. Gertrude Harwood, Field Bldg.

OKLAHOMA CITY

Oklahoma City, 1914. Public lectures at Terminal Arcade, 1st Sun. and 2nd Tues. of month. Public study class every Tues. eve. Library open Tues. & Thurs., 7 to 9:30. Sec'y, Miss Vera A. Wignall, 431 E. Ninth St.; phone Walnut 6655.

OREGON

BAKER

Baker, 1917. Public meetings at 1519 Third St., Thurs. at 8. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Edith Nichols, 2648 Main St.; phone 809.

*OREGON CITY. Mrs. Paulette M. Bunn, 607 Center St.

PORTLAND

Portland, 1911. Public meetings at 301 Central Bldg., Tenth & Alder Sts., Mon. & Thurs. Library open weekdays 2 to 4. Sec'y, Mrs. Paullette M. Bunn, 607 Center St., Oregon City, Ore.; phone 4-1.

PENNSYLVANIA

*CARNEGIE. P. N. Biornen, 708 Charles St.

*CORRY. Mrs. Helen S. Johnson, Route 5.

*HARRISBURG. Charles A. Seifert, 1814 Zarker St.

PHILADELPHIA

Hermes, 1915. Public meetings at 411 Fuller Bldg., 10 South 18 St. Sun. eve. except July & August. Library same. Sec'y, Miss Caryl Annear, 3342 Lancaster Ave.

Osiris, 1917. Sec'y, Rufus H. Quinn, 7118 Grays Ave.

Philadelphia, 1897. Public meetings at 1617 N. Broad St., Wed. at 8. Library open Mon., Wed., Fri. & Sat., 2:30 to 5, also Wed. eve. Sec'y, Mr. Jesse G. Wiley, 2509 S. 20th St.

PITTSBURGH

Iron City, 1909. Sec'y, Mrs. Carrie L. Cadwalader, 1036 Stanford Road, Thornburg, Pittsburgh, Pa.; phone 508 Crafton.

Pittsburgh, 1907. Public meetings at 6200 Penn Ave., E. E., Tues. & Sun. eve. Library open Tues., Thurs., & Sun., 7 to 9:30. Sec'y, Mrs. Estelle Z. Huselton, 22 W. Stockton Ave.; phone 968 Cedar.

READING

Reading, 1910. Public meetings at 728 North Second St., Sun. at 7:45. Library open 7 a. m. to 9 p. m. Sec'y, Howard C. Peirce, 639 Weiser St.; phone Con. 1332-B.

*SCRANTON. George Inglis, 2005 Sanderson Ave.

*SHARON. Mrs. Zina K. Fletcher, 16 Euclid Ave.

*YORK. George Kindig, 338 W. Philadelphia St.

RHODE ISLAND

*PROVIDENCE. Mrs. Myra C. Storer, 14 George St.

SOUTH DAKOTA

*ABERDEEN. Spencer W. Narregang, 410 Eighth Ave., S. E.

TENNESSEE

MEMPHIS

Memphis, 1916. Public meetings at Business & Professional Woman's Club Rooms, Lyceum Theater Bldg., Fri. at 8:15. Library same. Sec'y, G. J. Braun, 897 New York St.

Pythagoras, 1917. Sec'y, Dr. Manuel S. Simon, 507 Exchange Bldg.

NASHVILLE

Nashville, 1915. Public meetings at 215½ Sixth Ave. North, Wed. at 8. Library open every afternoon. Sec'y, Mrs. Marie Glenn Estill, 916 Montrose Ave.; phone Hemlock 204.

TEXAS

AUSTIN

Austin, 1908. Public meetings at 704 Littlefield Bldg., Sun. at 3, and Thurs. at 8. Library not open. Sec'y, R. G. Tyler, 125 East 30 St., University Sta.

Dharma, 1912. Public meetings at 704 Littlefield Bldg., Sun. 10 a. m. Library open Tues. & Fri., 3:30 to 5. Sec'y, Mrs. Ellen A. Graves, 1411 West Fifth St.; phone 561.

DALLAS

Dallas, 1914. Public meetings at 706 S. W. Life Bldg., Sun. afternoon & Thurs. eve. Library open Mon., Wed. & Fri., 12 to 4 & 7 to 9. Sec'y, Miss Ila Fain, 406 West Ninth St.; phone S. W. Cliff 1136.

EL PASO

J. C. Chatterji, 1916. Public meetings at 809 Fifth St., Sun. at 4. Library same. Sec'y, Eugenio Rodríguez, 1109 S. El Paso St.; phone 5007.

FORT WORTH

Fort Worth, 1913. Sec'y, Mrs. J. S. Guertler, 1012 Hemphill St.

HOUSTON

Houston, 1912. Public meetings at 211 Woolworth Bldg., Sun. at 8:15 & Tues. 3:30. Special for soldiers, Wed. & Sat. 8 to 11 p. m. Library open daily. Sec'y, Mrs. Mary R. Voiers, 1805 San Jacinto St.

*ROCKPORT. Mrs. Gertrude B. Grewe, Box 76.

*SAN ANGELO. Robert G. Sprague, 439 W. 2nd St.

SAN ANTONIO

San Antonio, 1910. Public meetings at 502 Swearengen-McCraw Bldg., Sun. at 3 & Wed. at 8:15. Library open weekdays 2 to 4. Sec'y, A. J. Pruessner, 112½ W. Commerce St.; phone Crockett 7047.

UTAH

SALT LAKE CITY

Salt Lake City, 1909. Sec'y, Frank B. Terriberry, 3 East Gregson Ave., Calder's Station; phone Hyland 1543-W.

VERMONT

*DERBY LINE. Mrs. Sarah K. Lang.

*POULTNEY. Mrs. Luella M. Helme.

RUTLAND

Rutland, 1917. Public meetings at members' homes, Tues. 3 to 5. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Marion A. Gibson, 10 Nichols St.; phone 511-W.

VIRGINIA

NORFOLK

Norfolk, 1904. Public meetings at 302 Law Bldg., Sun. at 4. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Lellie Edwards, 407 Chestnut St.

WASHINGTON

EVERETT

Everett, 1913. Public meetings not held. Library open at Quaker Drug Store. Sec'y, Mrs. Elizabeth W. Shepard, 2715 Grand Ave.

LEAVENWORTH

Leavenworth, 1917. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. Elizabeth E. Andrews.

*MONROE. Edward W. Cox and Leelia M. Cox.

*PUYALLOP. Mrs. Ethel A. Godat, 401 7th St., SE.

SEATTLE

Seattle, 1896. Public meetings at 5000 Arcade Bldg., Sun. at 11 a. m. & 8:15 p. m., also Tues. at 3 & 8. Library open weekdays 1:30 to 4:30. Sec'y, Miss Contentment Stockdale, Apt. 32, 115 18 Ave.; phone 7607.

SPOKANE

Spokane, 1903. Public meetings at 421 Hutton Bldg., Wed. eve. Library same. Sec'y, Mrs. Irene S. Durham, Apt. C, The Garry.

TACOMA

Tacoma, 1899. Public meetings at 719 S. Fawcett Ave., Sun. & Thurs. Library open Wed. 2:30 to 3:30 and Sat. 8 to 9. Sec'y, G. A. Weber, 1529 Fawcett Ave.; phone 3061.

Unity, 1914. Public meetings at 417 Providence Bldg., Mon. & Thurs. Library open Mon. 7:30 to 9 and Thurs. 2 to 4:30. Sec'y, Mrs. Katherine Lockwood, 510 North M St.

WEST VIRGINIA

WHEELING

Wheeling, 1914. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Sec'y, Mrs. M. Seybold, 1104 Main St.; phone 317-J (Bell).

WISCONSIN

*AMHERST. Mrs. Annie C. Fleming.

MADISON

Madison, 1916. Public meetings at 154 W. Gorham, Sun. 3:30. Library same. Sec'y, Miss Catherine V. Welsh, 109 W. Wilson St.; phone 1757.

MILWAUKEE

Milwaukee, 1910. Public meetings at 203 Reporters Bldg., 144 Oneida St., Sun. eve. Library open Wed. p. m. Sec'y, Mrs. Isabel H. Nuzum, 694 Maryland Ave.; phone Lakeside 1697.

SUPERIOR

Superior, 1900. Public meetings not held. Library not open. Pres., Mrs. Alice L. Booth, 2202 Ogden.

Superior North Star, 1911. Sec'y, Mrs. Mary F. Somerville, 1910 Hughitt Ave.

SHERIDAN

WYOMING

Sheridan, 1896. Sec'y, Perry Hulse, Box 453.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE FOR PREVENTION OF LEGALIZED CRIME (Dealing with civic law only).—National Headquarters, 466 Connecticut St., Buffalo, N. Y., and also address of Higher Humanity (price in advance: 25c per year). National Departments—Press: 141 Knapp St., Grand Rapids, Mich; Intelligence: 1113 Cypress St., Port Huron Mich; Anti-Vivisection and related matters: 7918 Susquehanna St., Pittsburg, Penn. Head office specializes on Anti-Capital Punishment and Prison Reform, aided by State representatives of the League. Anti-Liquor Manufacture, Anti-Cigarette, Anti-Stock Yard, and other Departments to follow. Public conscience and self-respect can be aroused into activity; let's dignify our Country by the abolition of legalized frightfulness. Co-operation from all Cults, Organizations and Leagues, regardless of caste, creed, or color, invited.

KARMA AND REINCARNATION LEGION.—An international organization. Object: To popularize the knowledge of Karma and Reincarnation. Official Organ: Reincarnation, a bi-monthly magazine; subscription 50 cents. Chief Officer, Dr. Weller Van Hook; Secretary, Dr. C. Shuddemagen. Headquarters. 7243 Coles Ave., Chicago, Ill.

ORDER OF THE ROUND TABLE.—This is a young people's organization of the T. S. Order of Service. The purpose of the Order is to imbue its young members with the ideals of chivalry, as explained and illuminated by theosophical teachings. The discipline of the Knights of the Round Table is applied to the members, looking forward to the time when that discipline will be of real value in their inner lives. Its Protector is Mrs. Annie Besant.

ORDER OF THE STAR IN THE EAST.—This is organized to prepare the world for the coming of a World-Teacher. Official Organ: The Herald of the Star. National Representative: Miss Marjorie Tuttle, Krotana, Hollywood, California. Traveling Organizing Secretary: Irving S. Cooper, 69 Hunter St., Sydney, N. S. W., Australia. Organizing Secretaries: Fritz Kunz, Adyar, Madras, India; Dr. B. W. Lindbergh, 327 Shukert Building, Kansas City, Missouri; Organizing Secretary for Canada: Miss Catherine M. Menzies, Room 24, 553 Granville St., Vancouver, B. C.

SACRIFICE AND SERVICE LEAGUE.—Purpose: To introduce practical methods for the development of the spirit of sacrifice and service in the daily life of the American people. Head: A. G. Frisbie, 207 Rowell Building, Fresno, California.

SERVANTS OF THE STAR.—Junior branch of the Order of the Star in the East, to train children to serve the World-Teacher. National Representative, office vacant. Organizing Secretary: Mrs. Addie M. Tuttle, Krotana, Hollywood, Los Angeles, Calif.