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And a thousand and one little attentions which go to make up an all-around service and to interpret in a practical way the principles of Christianity in action.

Those who contemplate making provision for the Institute in their wills may find convenient the following

Form of Bequest

I give and bequeath to the "SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK," a corporation incorporated under the Laws of the State of New York, the sum of _____ Dollars to be used by it for its corporate purposes.

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Cable from Our President

Immediately upon reading the SOS Special Issue of The Lookout, our President, Mr. Edmund L. Baylies, sent Dr. Mansfield the following cablegram:

CHPL 172 W BAGNOLESDELORNE 40
LCD MANSFIELD
25 SOUTH ST NY

DELIGHTED SPECIAL ISSUE LOOKOUT. EXTREMELY IMPORTANT YOU ENCLOSE IN NEXT REGULAR ISSUE LEAFLET STATEMENT OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND LIST OF MEMORIAL GIFTS. ENCLOSE THIS STATEMENT IN ALL PERSONAL APPEALS. I SUBSCRIBE TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS.

BAYLIES.

Statement by the Rev. Stanley C. Hughes, Rector of Trinity Church, Newport, R. I.

The Rector feels a debt of gratitude to the Rev. Dr. Mansfield who took the Sunday duties during May and a part of June for his wise and kindly administration. It is a pleasure to come home and find that everybody has been endeared to the person in charge during one's absence and it is no small source of satisfaction that our people have been able to see for themselves how capable a man the Episcopal Church has found for the conduct of her great mission to the sailors. As

Superintendent of the Seamen's Church Institute in New York such a man as Dr. Mansfield exercises a tremendous influence for good on a host of men never reached by the ordinary parish.

We Got the Drums

Some of you will remember the wail that went out from the Concert Department in the month of February, because a seaman who had left a set of trap drums with us came and took them away. We asked if someone would be good enough to send us the money to buy another set, and by return mail we received a check from Mr. A. L. Burns.

It has been in our mind ever since to tell you about it and that the concert department is happy again, but the news has been crowded out.

Concerning the Cross

After many conferences with experts and the Municipal Building Department we have been compelled to decide definitely, that the work of erecting the proposed illuminated cross on the roof of the Institute must be postponed until the Annex is constructed, work on which, it is hoped, will be begun not later than October next. The cost of making the necessary structural alterations to safely support a twenty foot metal cross, on account of the terrific wind pressure in this locality, is prohibitive.

**Typical Significant Major Community Services Rendered
Since the Present Institute Was Opened,
January 1st, 1914 to January 1st, 1924**

1. Number of Lodgings Furnished	2,288,614
2. Number of Pieces of Dunnage Received and Protected	467,769
3. Number of Pieces of Mail Received and Cared For	1,033,382
4. Number Furnished with Employment	49,819
5. Amount of Seamen's Wages Received for Deposit and Transmission	\$5,895,950.40
6. Total Attendance at Religious Services	156,571

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Teaching the seaman self respect and implanting in him a desire for better living by surrounding him with the cleanest and best environment.
- War Accomplishments—
 - Increasing nightly lodging capacity from 518 to 822, in order to care for War victims, hundreds of men from the Coast Guard Service and 165 British Blue Jackets nightly for two years.
 - Graduating from Navigation, Marine Engineering, Radio, Gunnery, etc., Schools, 2,200.
 - Establishment of "Missing Men" Department, locating 50% of 1,000 inquired for annually.
- The establishment of free Radio Medical Service to men at sea under all flags, which has become international, accomplished by splendid cooperation of Department of Commerce, U. S. Public Health Service and the Radio Corporation of America.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

(Continued)

- Urging and bringing about the adoption of Steamboat Inspection Service regulation, making mandatory First Aid Certificates for American licensed officers, resulting in Government First Aid lectures and examinations in ports where licenses are issued.
- Publication of 11,000 copies of advanced First Aid Text Book at the request of the Government.
- Emergency relief for the unemployed in 1921 in cooperation with the City Welfare Department, lodging, feeding and entertaining 400 nightly in the 39th Street Ferry House.
- Raising a fund of \$25,000 for and erecting the Merchant Seamen War Memorial Band Stand in Jeanette Park.
- Bringing about the abolition of Seamen's Branch of Income Tax Bureau.
- Initiating the Joint Conference of all but one Seamen's Society in the Port of New York.
- Helping to finance recreation hut and equipment, providing radio set, also bringing about the appointment of a Chaplain and becoming responsible for his salary, all in connection with U. S. Marine Hospital No. 9 for tubercular Merchant Seamen at Fort Stanton, New Mexico.
- The appointment of a Chaplain to all U. S. Marine Hospitals in the Port of New York at the Society's expense to render religious and social service to American Seamen.
- Building up such a reputation for being able to do the unexpected that Seamen in all parts of the world turn to the Institute for help.

South Shore Association Benefit

The weather man relented on June 24, and sent one perfect summer day especially for the bridge and Mah Jong benefit party planned by the Seamen's Church Institute Association of the South Shore of Long Island.

The party was held at the beautiful country home of the Director, Mrs. Francis Smyth, at Babylon, Long Island. With an eye to publicity the tables had Institute literature tacked on the corners, which the guests read while waiting to begin the games.

Naturally much of the labor in connection with this undertaking fell to the lot of the Director, in whose home it was held, but she was assisted by the officers of the society, 1st Vice-Director Mrs. H. Schuyler Cameron; Secretary, Miss Myra Carle; Treasurer, Miss Mildred Green and by Mrs. Isaac De Nyse, who was everywhere when help was needed. Mention should also be made of the splendid work done by the Publicity Chairman, Mrs. S. A. Bridgman, who managed to get notices of the event in sixteen Long Island and some New York papers. It was much regretted that the Association was deprived of the help of the 2nd Director, Mrs. George D. Sparks, who was the organizer of the Association, owing to her absence from the district.

The Benefit was successful beyond the expectations of the promoters, netting the Association \$327.50, two thirds of which is to

go to the Institute Building Fund, and one third to the account of the Association.

New Wash Rooms Open

The splendid new wash room in the basement was opened for business on May 28, and there is probably nothing finer of its kind in New York. Down the middle are double rows of basins with mirrors above them.

There are four ordinary showers and six combination rooms with showers, tubs for washing clothes, and clothes dryers, these last renting, with two sealed sterilized towels, for 25c. Think what that means to the man who has had a run of bad luck in getting employment. Being clean and well-kept has so much to do with the chance of securing work, but there is nothing more difficult for the man who is sleeping in the park.

All the showers and basins are equipped with liquid soap on tap, supplied through pipes from a central tank, and those who rent the clothes washing rooms are given in addition a cake of laundry soap.

A shower alone is fifteen cents, and a towel to wash up at the basins is five cents.

And this service is open to any seaman in the port of New York. It is not necessary that he should be a guest of the Institute.

On the opposite page we reproduce one view of this splendid new wash room which is planned to become an integral part of the building, after the **Annex** has been added.



A section of the enlarged washroom

Patterson's Sea Paintings

The Nautical Gazette for June 21, 1924 prints the following interesting appreciation of the work of C. R. Patterson, whose sea paintings were on exhibition at the Institute some time ago.

It is written by Felix Riesenber, a very good personal friend of Dr. Mansfield, and of the Institute.

"This Rough Log has set down a word or two for the artist, and again the fact should be recorded for our faithful readers that C. R. Patterson, greatest of living painters of sailing ships, has a noble canvas on exhibit at the Harlow Galleries at 712 Fifth Avenue. This is called *The Flying Cloud*, 1851-1874. It is some five by six feet and shows the famous craft, fastest of the clippers, tearing along with a free wind and stunsails set aloft. It is a beautiful thing throbbing with life, the sea painted as only a master can paint, with a playful school of dolphins, only less graceful than the ship, sporting ahead of her.

"Here again we come to the fact of finality. The great sailing ships are gone, or practically so. Men like C. R. Patterson, who are also painters, are the last who will put upon canvass those splendid things they themselves have seen. These paintings breathe an authentic reality impossible to the copyist who must draw upon the eyes of others for his treatment of a difficult subject.

Patterson's paintings are being acquired by those who have a love for the sea and the old sailing ships, but

these owners are also to be blessed with possessions of increasing value as the years go on, and of increasing historic and artistic worth. Some day the great museums will scour the world for paintings such as those of C. R. Patterson, but few will be found, and those few will be of great price.

FELIX RIESENBERG"

His Chance

A big strapping fellow in overalls came into the Social Service Office the other day, and seized the hand of the Chaplain-Who-Understands-Law. He wrung the chaplain's hand, and the tears streamed down his cheeks, but it was some time before he was able to explain the cause of his emotion.

Then he told the embarrassed chaplain that some time ago he had been in prison. His wife, from whom he had been separated, had accused him of persecuting her. When he was paroled he had come to the chaplain and asked him to get him a job, and he did.

At the time he was too much overwhelmed with shame to say anything about it, but he had felt desperate, almost as if, should we refuse to help him, he would give up the struggle to be decent. It was the turning point in his life. Our chaplain gave him his chance, and he has made good.

He wanted him to know that he had set one man's feet on the right road. He would never be able to tell him what that job had meant to him.

The Jazz Band

Beyond all shadow of a doubt it is better to be born lucky than rich. With unlimited means, which the Institute never has, a jazz band might have been hired to play for the Thursday night parties, but would any hired band play with the spirit of this band from the S. S. City of Manila which turned up one evening and offered its services, just like manna from Heaven.

Best of all, the City of Manila is due to stay in port a month. She'll be lucky if some devotee of the dance does not cripple her so that she will have to lay up here for the summer.

Every dance is encored and encored, and the willing players respond until the Amusement man gets up and orders the dancers to sit down and give the players a chance to get their breath.

At one party the women brought down special refreshments among which was a very gorgeous cake, and this was saved as a prize for the entertainers, and was presented to them amid tumultuous applause. There is not anything the regular attendants at the Apprentice Parties would not give the band, except a chance to rest. There is the feeling that a month is a brief time, and the hours are slipping by, and any minute not spent in dancing to this music is so much beauty gone by the board.

Who would be a millionaire and have such music at his command by merely signing a check? But would

he? This is not a paid band from a passenger ship, but a group of young men from a freighter, who play because they love to play, and who are playing for the Institute, not as hirelings, but as friends and guests.

The Jail's Four Hundred

We told you last month about the seaman who had been sent to jail for stabbing a man, whom he was trying to eject from the hall of one of the working men's organizations. The House Mother has taken a great interest in his case, because he has always shown an unusual fairness of mind. To keep him from becoming soured by his jail experience she has written to him quite regularly. When a longer time than usual had elapsed between letters she sent one special delivery, thereby elevating his social standing in jail. He says:

My good friend:

Your special delivery was brought up at noon. Those specials are sure going to make me prominent on this tier. Already a couple of our select have attempted to make my acquaintance. Oh, yes, we have our casts or classes in here too. We have our casts and the outcasts, or the haves and the have nots, and naturally a "special" letter is a sure boost up the social ladder. The poor outcast, he doesn't get any letter at all.

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The Rummage Sale

As a means of supplementing our income the Seaman's Church Institute Associations are going to have a Rummage Sale in November. Will you send us everything you can possibly spare, in order to make this a success. There are seven thousand of you. If every one of you would contribute something we could keep it going for a week or two.

First the Institute is asking every householder to contribute some useful article that is not actively employed in the home or that is in storage, furniture, china, bric-a-brac, brass, copper, draperies, lamps, jewelry. That will be a special department in the sale.

Next we would ask people of means to send us evening or other fancy gowns and wraps that they have discarded, which we might be able to sell to theatrical associations.

And finally we would be glad to

have any quantities of clothing, shoes, gloves, hand bags, leather bags. You will think of a dozen things we have neglected to cover in this appeal.

We know that with many of you the Seamen's Church Institute is your first and greatest love, that if you knew we needed these things you would save everything you could spare for us, so we are notifying you thus early.

You can begin sending them now.

Address them to The Seamen's Church Institute, 25 South Street.

MARK EVERY PARCEL
RUMMAGE

Difficulties of Publicity

The Institute has a very just appreciation of the value of publicity, and is sincerely grateful for the stories that appear about it from time to time in the daily press. But, like everything else, fame has its price. When our House Mother was written up in the New York World the other day she supposed that was the end of it, which only showed her ignorance of the newspaper game. The story was copied by a paper in Kansas City and another in Chicago, and she has been getting letters ever since from people in all parts of the country asking her to locate their lost relatives, who never so much as smelled the salt water, and to settle their little domestic difficulties also, while she is on the job.

PLEDGE

In consideration of the Seamen's Church Institute of New York proceeding with the work of erecting the proposed addition to its present building, to cost approximately \$1,900,000, the undersigned agrees to pay to said Corporation the sum of Dollars as stated below.

Payments to be made on

.....
Signed.....
.....
Address.....

FRANK T. WARBURTON, *Treasurer*,
25 South Street, New York City.

CONTRIBUTION

I desire to assist in the erection of the proposed addition to the present Seamen's Church Institute building, which is to cost approximately \$1,900,000, and herewith enclose my check for \$..... to be applied to the New Building Fund.

Signed.....
Address.....

FRANK T. WARBURTON, *Treasurer*,
25 South Street, New York City.

MEMORIALS

I should like to be furnished with a list of unassigned MEMORIAL GIFTS that may be made for the proposed addition to the present SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE BUILDING.

Name.....
Address.....

Building Committee
SEAMEN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK,
25 South Street, New York City.

Our Institute at Work

Report of the Flower Fund for the Month of May 1924

The month of May has been reserved in perpetuity by Mrs. J. H. Fithian and each Sunday flowers are placed on the Altar of the Chapel of Our Saviour in memory of her father, William Soulby Nurse.

On the first Sunday the Altar was beautiful with salmon colored snapdragons. The second Sunday the bouquets were of phlox which shaded from a pale pink to a deeper hue. On the third Sunday, the ever lovely pale pink carnations were used, while gorgeous rose colored tulips made very effective Altar pieces in the beautiful little Chapel on the last Sunday.

The Lunch Counter

During the month of May the Institute served 33,598 meals at the lunch counter. Some of these meals, no doubt, were something simple like a piece of pie and a glass of milk. More of them were substantial orders of roast lamb or beef stew or bacon and eggs. A reasonable price is charged for this food, because it will be remembered that this is not a charitable institution in its regular services. Many men, perfectly well able to pay their way stay here, because they want a decent place on shore to live, and they would very much resent being objects of charity.

Seamen's Funds Department

The Institute helps the seaman to take care of his money by making it

easy for him to do so, and he, being a person more than ordinarily apt to follow the line of least resistance, falls into the trap. During the month of May 463 deposits were made in the Seamen's Funds Department, the amount of deposits and transmissions was \$45,019.42, and of the latter there were 309. And that also is a great service to the seamen, to be able to send their money to their families without going out of our building. Very important for the families too.

Social Service Office Interviews

If you turn to the inside back cover of The Lookout you will find that the monthly report gives the number of interviews in the Social Service Office as 1,795. Glance down eight lines and you will find this, "Referred to outside agencies, 78." Pretty good record that, is it not? Out of 1,548 people who appealed to us in one month only 78 were passed on to other organizations, which reminds us that the head of the Social Service Department said to us one time, "Tell the readers of The Lookout that one of the things the Institute has to be proud of is that it doesn't pass the buck." Here is proof of his claim.

The Comfort Station

On July 1, 1922, Colonel George W. Burleigh, of the Board of Managers and the Superintendent of the Institute called upon the Superintendent of Public Buildings, Colonel Frank Hines and presented the need

for a Comfort Station in the locality of the Institute, for seamen, long-shoremen and truckmen.

After the usual hearings by city bodies and officials such a Comfort Station was voted for Jeanette park, in Coenties Slip. A few days ago, on June the thirtieth, to be exact, work was begun, directly at the rear of the Merchant Seamen Memorial bandstand, which was erected by the friends of the Institute, and will be presented to the city next fall.

We are indebted for this successful achievement to the Mayor, the Board of Estimate, Commissioner Joseph Johnson of the Department of Public Works and to Colonel Frank Hines.

Extension of Radio Medical Service

It is interesting how consistently Dr. Mansfield is sought for help and advice in anything which has to do with bettering the conditions for seamen. This letter is a case in point: Dear Dr. Mansfield:

There have been two instances come to my notice recently which suggest the desirability of extending our Medical service to the Great Lakes. I would, therefore, be pleased to hear from you with an expression of your views. There is a public health hospital in this city, I believe, but do not know the location of others which might be utilized. The American Costal Stations, which serve the Great Lakes shipping, are all under private control, none being operated by the Radio Corporation of America and with the

exception of a station, located at Cleveland, all are so situated that telegraph or long distance telephone calls would be involved.

The writer, as you perhaps recall was for the past three years associated with Mr. Stevens at New York and handled many of the details incidental to the putting of Medical Service in effect on the coast and I feel sure that the coastal station administrations on the Great Lakes would be glad to co-operate, although navigation is not open throughout the entire year.

In any event, I will be pleased to hear from you and see if there is anything we can do towards the extension of this humanitarian service.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) George E. Cole,
Superintendent.

A Graceful Appreciation

My dear Dr. Mansfield:

Thank you so much for letting me see the various departments of your splendid building. It was a privilege, too, to be shown around by Miss Beisser.

The Seamen's Church Institute is a world in itself, a world of cheer, hope and common sense. It is good to turn and face the sea!

Will you please thank Miss Beisser for showing us your (I don't like the word Institute well enough) "Keep," your "Stronghold," I can't really find the word to describe my impression of it. Perhaps it is above mere words. I think it is.

Sincerely yours,
Winifred Harper Bonnell.

The National Work

Death of Bishop Nichols

There was buried in San Francisco, on June 7, one of the pillars of the Seamen's Church Institute of America, the Rt. Rev. William Ford Nichols, D.D., Bishop of California.

Before the national organization came into existence the Bishop was one of those who never permitted the General Convention to forget that some body must be organized to coordinate the work of the Institutes already in existence, and to promote the establishment of new ones in ports where the need for them was great.

Bishop Nichols' sympathy with seamen goes back to about 1890, when, living in Philadelphia, he took a very lively interest in those who visited his port. When he became Bishop of California his was still a seaport state and his work for these men continued.

He was a member of the first Commission appointed by the General Convention to work out a national program. From that time, 1907, until the present organization was incorporated and appointed a National Secretary in 1920, he hammered constantly on this theme. In 1919 he was elected permanent chairman of the joint committee on seamen's work. So that the Seamen's Church Institute has a very special reason for mourning the death of this good man.

And he was indeed a good man. His sympathy for the seamen grew

out of his genuine kindness toward his fellow men.

Speaking editorially of his death the San Francisco Chronicle says:

"During the entire period during which Bishop Nichols served this community, not one unkind word has been heard from him or directed toward him. He commanded the profound respect of the entire community, and the personal affection of those under his spiritual guidance."

Grateful for Radio

Dr. Mansfield has been successful in securing a radio outfit for the patients at Fort Stanton, New Mexico, for which he received this grateful letter from Dr. Warner, the surgeon in charge.

The radio was the gift of Mrs. B. H. Buckingham and of her sister Miss Freeman.

Treasury Department

U. S. Public Health Service
Fort Stanton, New Mexico

U. S. Marine
Hospital No. 9

February 25, 1924.

Rev. A. R. Mansfield,
Seamen's Church Institute,
25 South St.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Mansfield:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your welcome letter of February 19, 1924.

It is very good news indeed to hear that you have obtained a complete

outfit for this hospital, and I am sure that it will be appreciated by the patients, as well as myself. I had been endeavoring to raise sufficient funds to purchase a radio for the infirmary, so you can imagine my pleasant surprise on receipt of your letter.

I have had your name put on the mailing list for our monthly Bulletin of Discharges.

I wish to take this occasion to express my appreciation of Chaplain Stanley. He is the right man in the right place. He is doing excellent work here and is personally popular with both patients and personnel. As you probably know, besides his duties here, he is carrying on his church work in Alamogordo, Carlsbad, Capitan and Lincoln, and in consequence is a very busy man.

Thanking you for your continued interest in Fort Stanton, and assuring you of our earnest appreciation of all that you have done for this station, I am,

Very sincerely,

(Signed) H. J. WARNER,
Surgeon in Charge.

Philadelphia Begins Work on New Building

Our Superintendent received the other day this enthusiastic letter from the Superintendent of the Philadelphia Institute.

Dear Dr. Mansfield:

I am sure that you will rejoice with us that the contract for the first Unit of our new building has been signed and the wreckers begin

work tomorrow in tearing down the old buildings on the site.

With all good wishes to you and yours,

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) Percy L. Stockman,
Superintendent and Chaplain.

The Conference at Toronto

The fourth national conference of the Social Service workers of the Protestant Episcopal church, and the first international conference of the Anglican Communion in Canada and U. S. A. was held at Havergal College, Toronto, Canada, June 21 to June 25.

The work of the Seamen's Church Institute of America was presented to this conference by the National Secretary, Rev. W. T. Weston. After describing the work covered by the Institutes in their daily service to the men, Mr. Weston spoke of some of the larger accomplishments which affected seamen in every port of the world, namely the bringing about of the enforcing of the regulation compelling all officers to have first aid certificates before applying for licenses, and the International Medical Radio Service.

These accomplishments were evidently a revelation to the conference, and a resolution was unanimously adopted endorsing the Seamen's Church Institute of America as the most unique piece of Social Service work within the church, and admitting the Seamen's Church Institute of America to a place in the conference, with a seat, and vote.

Walked from "Brokelan"

A pleasant young seaman carrying refreshments from the kitchen of the Apprentice Room to the concert hall, where a Fellowship party was in progress, passed a group of men talking together anxiously in Flemish. He caught the sentence, "But how am I going to ask them in English about changing this money?" He immediately stopped and inquired about their trouble, and they, delighted at having found an interpreter so easily, poured out the story to him. He in turn stopped the editor, who with some mugs in her hands was proceeding in the direction of the party.

"We have walk from Brokelan," the Belgian who could speak a little English explained, "two hour we walk."

Obviously, unless we could get that money changed they would have to walk back to "Brokelan," two more hour.

The Hotel Desk was tried first, but had no report on the rate of exchange of Belgian money. Then we were visited by a bright idea. The head of our Seamen's Funds Department was at the party. Surely he would know the rate of exchange. So back we went to the concert hall.

Certainly he would fix it. Meet them at the Hotel Desk in a few minutes with the necessary information, and they would get their money.

If you think that a command of language is necessary to the expression of gratitude you are mistaken.

You should have heard those gians.

The Sleuths

At eleven thirty P. M. the House Mother got a certain house Yonkers on the wire. "Bill is here," she said, "asleep in one of our dormitories."

"It will take me two hours to get in from Yonkers," came the reply. "Will your people let me go up that hour to the dormitory to see him?"

The House Mother assured the man at the end of the wire that she would, and hung up the receiver.

Accordingly, along about twelve thirty a man came hurrying to the Institute, and he and a watchman went quietly up to a certain dormitory, and turned a flashlight on the face of one of the sleepers.

"That's Bill, all right," said the impromptu sleuth, and proceeded to waken the sleeper. And never was a hunted man happier to be found. Beaming with satisfaction he got up, and dressed himself and went away with the nocturnal visitor.

For Bill was seventeen, and big for his age, and misunderstood. Since he had run away from home. Being a good sort, he had written a note to his older brother, who was also his guardian, and the note came from 25 South Street. It was obvious from the note that Bill would like to come home, but his pride and fear made him touchy about it. So the older brother, instead of writing to him had left a word at the Institute that he wanted

to be notified whenever his brother returned up.

It was the Woman-Who-Gives-Relief who really found the boy, and she was very subtle about it indeed. He came to ask for a bed for the night, which she gave him, and as usual, asked him to sign a slip. When he left the office she glanced at the name, a not very uncommon one, and suspected it of belonging to the boy who was wanted. She hurried out and called him back, on the pretext that his signature was not very legible, which was true, and drew him out a little about his home, with the result that her suspicions were confirmed.

She made a note of the dormitory and the bed to which she had sent him, and left word for the House Mother, who had the brother's telephone number, to call him up.

So Bill found himself at home again in the wee small hours of the morning without going through any struggle to decide whether he would, or could not swallow his pride.

Too Noisy at Sea

An old seaman came into the captain's office the other day and made a strange request for one of the fellows calling. He wanted us to find a job on a farm where he could be quiet. "Yes, sir, the sea's getting too noisy for me. Phonographs and radios playing jazz and fellows singing all over the place. There's no peace at sea any more."

He'll No Have An Unknown Grave in a Strange Land

They had not seen each other for twenty-three years, but the older brother, who is an engineer, had kept in touch with the younger brother, also a seaman, by letter. A few months ago the younger brother stopped writing, and the other became anxious. He wrote to his brother's company and was told that he was very ill in Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn.

As soon as possible the older brother resigned his position and sailed for America.

He arrived two days too late. His brother was dead, but not buried, so he went as chief mourner to the funeral. And he bought, as he told the House Mother, a wreath each in the names of himself and the two sisters and laid them on the grave.

And as he was going out of the office he turned and said, "He'll no have an unknown grave in a strange land. I'm going to put up a cross where he lies."

Baffled

I don't know what his age is, but he is small for it anyway. And he has bright, twinkling eyes, and a pleasant smile. He is one of life's misfits. Almost from his cradle he has ached to be a jockey. He ran away from home when he was fourteen, as he says himself, "With a shirt in his pocket," and went to the racing stables at Newmarket.

They begin by paying a jockey five pounds a year, or did when he was there, and with a suit to buy

which costs four pounds—well it can't be done. Mother was appealed to, but mother was a strict puritan and believed that Satan himself invented racing. "She was so stuck on her religion she couldn't see it at all, and she told my sisters not to send me a cent either," he told us.

Well the long and short of it is that he had to leave Newmarket and go to sea. That brought him to this country, and he had one more try at being a jockey in a rich man's stable, but something went wrong there also.

So now he is a seaman for better or worse, probably for worse, for an unsatisfied dream is rather like an ingrowing toenail. A man has no peace with it.

Parents who use the pillow of respectability to smother young dreams assume a large responsibility, but it is difficult to say what one would do in this mother's position.

Have You a Phonograph?

Perhaps some place there is a really fine phonograph whose "nose has been put out of joint" by a radio outfit. If any of you know of such an instrument, which is feeling sorry for itself because it has nothing to do these days, tell it we know of a T. B. ward where it would be greatly appreciated. In fact, we could use more than one. We happen to know of some T. B. patients too ill to go even to the recreation room of the hospital, who have nothing with which to amuse them-

selves all day long. Could any phonograph, bewailing its uselessness, ask for a finer opportunity for service than that?

Please don't forget about the phonograph.

A Premature Announcement

Generally the House Mother fairly canny about listening rumor, but when one of the seamen whom she knows quite well, told her with much circumstantial evidence of the death of one Finley, she believed him, and announced his death at the concert. Moreover she made his life the text of her talk.

After that it was disconcerting to be stopped on the way out by a seaman who began tactlessly, "How do you get that dope about Finley being dead? He ain't dead at all. Leastways he was alive in the hospital this afternoon."

The House Mother, in announcing deaths hereafter, when she has herself seen the corpse, will have to follow the example of the reporters in reporting the more recent deaths of the late Premier of Russia. You will recollect that she pretty generally adopted the practice of saying, "If Lenin is dead he is a remarkable man, but if this rumor is as groundless as its predecessor he is a menace to society."

We might add that Finley was obliging enough to die before the next concert night, so that a public retraction was unnecessary.

South Street Institute

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HOTEL DEPARTMENT

Lodgings registered	25,585	Sales at Soda Fountain.....	29,319
Mail received	13,668	Barber Customers	1,526
Baggage received	7,515	Tailor Shop Customers	262
Meals served	33,598	Laundry Customers	165

RELIGIOUS AND SOCIAL SERVICE DEPARTMENTS

Institute Services	8	Baptisms	0
Attendance	534	Social Service Office Interviews..	1,795
Communion Services	5	Relief assisted through M. M. & B.	
Attendance	43	Fund and other funds	968
Other Services—Daily Chapel		Unsecured loans returned.....	776
Service—9:00 A. M.		Knitted articles distributed.....	52
Home Hours	4	Old clothes distributed	469
Attendance	339	Treated in Institute Dispensary..	334
Seamen's Fellowship Meetings...	4	Sent to Hospital	16
Attendance	205	Visits to Hospitals	52
Hospital Services	4	Other Visits	26
Attendance	180	Referred to outside agencies....	78
Communion Services at Hospital.	1	Entertainments	5
Attendance	4	Attendance	1,856
Marriages	0	Total attendance in Apprentice	
Funerals	2	Boy's Room	980

EMPLOYMENT BUREAU AND SEAMEN'S FUNDS DEPARTMENTS

Men referred to ships	906	Number of deposits	463
Men accepting sea employment...	615	Amount of deposits and transmis-	
Number of Companies supplied..	65	sions	\$45,019.42
Men referred to land employment	188	Amount of transmissions.....	\$9,794.40
Men accepting land employment..	119	Number of transmissions.....	309
Total accepting employment.....	734	Notary signatures	79

DEPARTMENT OF MARINE AND OTHER EDUCATION AND HARBOR SERVICE

Students enrolled	10	Average attendance	25
Daily average attendance	8	Examined and passed by U. S.	
First Aid lectures	29	Local Inspectors	7

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