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## BILL W. HERE MARCH 20-21

### FOREWORD

THE SAN FRANCISCO FELLOWSHIP OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS EMBARKS THIS MONTH ON A PUBLICATION VENTURE OF WHICH THIS ISSUE IS THE FIRST OF A SERIES OF MONTHLY PERIODICALS. THIS ISSUE HAS NO TITLE, BUT IT IS EXPECTED THAT BY NEXT MONTH THE GROUPS OF THE FELLOWSHIP WILL HAVE SELECTED A NAME.

A MONTHLY PUBLICATION LONG AGO WAS PROPOSED, BUT NOTHING WAS DONE ABOUT IT. IT TOOK THE EXAMPLE OF THE GOLDEN GATE GROUP, WITH ITS PAPER, THE GOLDEN GATER, TO INSPIRE THIS MOVEMENT.

PROPOSAL FOR THE MONTHLY NEWSPAPER WAS APPROVED BY THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE IN DECEMBER, WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT IT BE A MEDIUM FOR THE DISSEMINATION ONLY OF NEWS OF THE FELLOWSHIP AND ITS AFFILIATED GROUPS, AND, FOLLOWING THE TRADITIONAL POLICY OF A. A., THAT IT BE "NOT ALLIED WITH ANY SECT, DENOMINATION, POLITICS, ORGANIZATION OR INSTITUTION; DOES NOT WISH TO ENGAGE IN ANY CONTROVERSY, NEITHER ENDORSES NOR OPPOSES ANY CAUSES."

ACTIVITIES OF THE FELLOWSHIP AS A WHOLE SHOULD PROVIDE THE BULK OF THE NEWS MATTER USED, BUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS ALSO SHOULD BE THE SOURCE OF MUCH INFORMATION OF GENERAL INTEREST. SO THAT THE INDIVIDUAL GROUPS WILL UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS THEIR PAPER, THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE DECIDED THAT THEY SHOULD SELECT THE TITLE.

JUST AS THE GRAPEVINE HAS BEEN A POTENT FORCE IN PROMOTING THE WELFARE OF OUR SOCIETY NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY, SO IS THIS PAPER DESIGNED TO CEMENT THE UNITY OF THE SAN FRANCISCO FELLOWSHIP BY BRINGING INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS INTO CLOSER RELATION WITH MEMBERS FROM OTHER NEIGHBORHOODS. AS WE KNOW OUR NEIGHBORS BETTER, THE MORE WE ARE EQUIPPED TO FOSTER THE A. A. PRINCIPLES OF BROTHERLY LOVE AND SERVICE.

BILL W., SURVIVING CO-FOUNDER OF ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, IS WILLING TO COME TO SAN FRANCISCO MARCH 20 AND 21 TO SPEAK TO "AN OPEN MASS MEETING ON THE SUBJECT OF A. A. SERVICES IN GENERAL" AND THE GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE PLAN "IN PARTICULAR."

IN A LETTER JUST RECEIVED FROM HIM BY THE SAN FRANCISCO FELLOWSHIP, HE EXPRESSES THE DESIRE TO ASSIST IN THE FORMATION OF DISTRICT ASSEMBLIES AT WHICH DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE WILL BE SELECTED. HE SUGGESTS THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK AT AN OPEN MASS MEETING AND THAT "IT MIGHT BE PREFERABLE TO HAVE IT ON A DAY PRECEDING THE ELECTION OF THE DELEGATE AT THE GROUP REPRESENTATIVES MEETING."

IN ANNOUNCING A TOUR OF THE 14 LARGE CENTERS OF THE CONTINENT, HIS LETTER SAYS:

"AT THIS MEETING APPROXIMATELY 1,000 A. A. GROUPS HAVE PLEDGED THEIR SUPPORT TO THE GENERAL SERVICE CONFERENCE PLAN. WE HAVE RECEIVED BUT ONE LETTER OF DISAGREEMENT. CONSEQUENTLY WE FEEL JUSTIFIED IN DECLARING THE PLAN OPERATIVE.

"....A PHONE INQUIRY TO FIVE OF OUR EASTERN METROPOLITAN CENTERS DISCLOSED THEM ALL FAVORABLE. HENCE IT IS A FAIR ASSUMPTION THAT ALL, OR PRACTICALLY ALL, OF OUR LARGE CENTERS WILL WISH TO COOPERATE. WANTING TO BE OF HELP ON THE SPOT IN AS MANY OF THESE CITIES AS POSSIBLE, I HAVE PREPARED A SCHEDULE OF VISITS TO A. A.'S 14 LARGEST CENTERS OF POPULATION. BECAUSE THIS SCHEDULE IS SO RIGOROUS, I CAN'T VERY WELL SHIFT THE DATES SUGGESTED."

THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE SAN FRANCISCO FELLOWSHIP MEET FRIDAY, JANUARY 12. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA NEVADA COUNCIL OF A. A. MEETS HERE SUNDAY, JANUARY 14. BOTH WILL DISCUSS PLANS FOR A GIGANTIC TURNOUT FOR BILL AND THE GENERAL CONFERENCE ASSEMBLY.

# Central Meeting Now Downtown

THE CENTRAL MEETING OF ALL GROUPS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO FELLOWSHIP, HELD EVERY WEDNESDAY NIGHT IN THE HISTORY OF THE SAN FRANCISCO FELLOWSHIP, HAS MOVED THIS MONTH TO THE MOST CENTRALLY LOCATED AUDITORIUM IT HAS YET OCCUPIED—THE BASEMENT AUDITORIUM OF THE WESTERN WOMEN'S CLUB, 111 O'FARRELL STREET.

THE HALL IS ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF O'FARRELL STREET, TWO DOORS WEST OF STOCKTON STREET. IT IS ONLY ONE BLOCK NORTH OF MARKET STREET AND LESS THAN A BLOCK EAST OF POWELL STREET. AT THE SAME TIME, THE FAMILY GROUP MOVED ITS MEETING PLACE TO THE GRAY ROOM ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF THE SAME CLUB BUILDING, WHERE IT WILL GATHER THE FIRST AND THIRD WEDNESDAY NIGHTS OF EACH MONTH.

UNDER THE NEW ARRANGEMENT THE FELLOWSHIP IS RENTING FROM THE ALANO CLUB, WHICH HAS TAKEN A THREE-YEAR LEASE ON THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE BUILDING AND THE BASEMENT. THE THIRD FLOOR, WHICH WILL BE THE NEW ALANO CLUB, IS OF COURSE LEASED ON A BASIS OF TWENTY-FOUR HOURS A DAY, WHILE THE BASEMENT IS LEASED ONLY FOR WEDNESDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHTS EACH WEEK. THE FELLOWSHIP WILL MEET IN THE AUDITORIUM ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AND THE CLUB WILL HOLD BINGO GAMES THERE ON FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHTS. THE CLUB WILL BE MOVED FROM ITS OLD QUARTERS AT 143 BUSH STREET TO ITS NEW O'FARRELL STREET HOME BEFORE MIDNIGHT JANUARY 31.

THE NEW MEETING PLACE IS MORE HOME-LIKE AND WARMER IN ATMOSPHERE THAN HALLS PREVIOUSLY RENTED FOR THE CENTRAL MEETING. IT WILL HOLD 300 PERSONS COMFORTABLY AND UPWARD OF 400 WHEN NECESSARY. APPROXIMATELY 300 A. A.'S, THEIR RELATIVES AND FRIENDS ATTENDED THE FIRST MEETING JANUARY 3. THE CHAIRMAN WAS BOB C., ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF MIDTOWN, WHO BY COINCIDENCE WAS CHAIRMAN OF THE FIRST OPEN MEETING EVER HELD BY THE SAN FRANCISCO FELLOWSHIP IN 1941, WHEN IT WAS ONLY ONE GROUP. HE NOW LIVES IN SAUSALITO. SPEAKERS WERE RITA C. OF THE ANALAN GROUP AND VAN VAN B. OF THE PACIFIC HEIGHTS GROUP.

CHAIRMAN OF THE SECOND MEETING JANUARY 10 WAS CHELLIS C. OF THE DOWNTOWN GROUP AND SPEAKERS WERE DOROTHY A. OF MIDTOWN AND BILL B. OF DOWNTOWN. OTHER MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR THE MONTH WERE: JANUARY 17—CHAIRMAN, HORACE B. OF PACIFIC HEIGHTS; SPEAKERS, AL K., OAKLAND GROUP, AND DR. CLARENCE REIDENBACH OF OAKLAND; JANUARY 24—CHAIRMAN, PAUL G., SEA CLIFF; SPEAKERS, LEAH R. OF WEST PORTAL AND BILL T., SAN FRANCISCO FELLOWSHIP; JANUARY 31—CHAIRMAN, HAROLD H., GOLDEN GATE; SPEAKERS, FRANK D., OF SOUTH OF MARKET, AND CHARLIE R., OF SUNSET.

EMERGENCY SUBSTITUTES ON THE COFFEE DETAIL DID A FINE JOB AT THE FIRST MEETING IN THE ABSENCE OF THE OLD RELIABLE WHEELHORSE, CHRIS C., WHO WAS ABSENT UNAVOIDABLY FROM THE CITY. THEY MADE THE COFFEE ON THE THIRD FLOOR AND CARRIED IT DOWNSTAIRS TO BE KEPT HOT ON ELECTRIC PLATES UNTIL SERVED. THOSE WHO TOOK PART IN MAKING THE ARRANGEMENTS AND SERVING THE COFFEE WERE: PATRICIA AND HARRY R. OF MISSION AMAZON, MYRTLE N. OF THE SUNDAY NIGHT OPEN GROUP, WALLY I. OF THE ANALAN GROUP AND AL W. OF THE PARK-PRESIDIO GROUP.

MEMBERS DRIVING TO THE MEETINGS IN THEIR CARS FOUND THE PARKING SITUATION NO WORSE THAN IT WAS AT DOVRÉ OR COMMANDERY HALL. IN FACT, SOME DRIVERS SAID THEY HAD NO DIFFICULTY IN FINDING PARKING SPACE.

SOUTH OF MARKET GROUP TO CELEBRATE  
ITS FOURTH ANNIVERSARY ON JANUARY 20

FOUR YEARS AGO LAST NEW YEAR'S DAY TWO WHIPPED, RAGGED, MIDDLE-AGED ALCOHOLICS WERE RELEASED FROM THE COUNTY JAIL AT SAN BRUNO. SHORTLY BEFORE THAT, THE A. A. FELLOWSHIP OF SAN FRANCISCO HAD STARTED HOLDING MEETINGS AT THE JAIL ON SATURDAYS. AS A RESULT, THE TWO MEN WENT AT ONCE TO 143 BUSH STREET, WHICH AT THAT TIME STILL WAS THE HOME OF THE FELLOWSHIP.

THEY SAT—ALMOST HUDDLED—TOGETHER IN A CORNER OF THE ROOM, LONESOME AND BEMILDERED. NUMEROUS A. A.'S TALKED TO THEM BUT SEEMED UNABLE TO MAKE THEM FEEL AT EASE. FINALLY ONE OF OUR GAL MEMBERS SAID:

"THESE BOYS ARE REALLY LOST HERE WITH US. THEY SHOULD HAVE A CLUB OF THEIR OWN SOUTH OF MARKET. THEN THEY'D FEEL AT HOME AND HAVE A CHANCE TO BEAT THE BOOZE RAP."

THAT REMARK SPARKED A MOVE THAT GENERATED THE PRESENT SOUTH OF MARKET GROUP OF A. A. TWENTY DAYS LATER THE FIRST MEETING OF THE GROUP WAS HELD IN THE HUNT ST. CHAPEL OF THE SALVATION ARMY. TWO MONTHS LATER, THE GROUP MOVED INTO THE PRESENT QUARTERS AT 235 MINNA STREET, DAY SHELTER FOR MEN OF THE ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY.

SINCE THAT TIME, THOUSANDS OF ALK'S HAVE BEEN PROCESSED THROUGH THAT VORTEX OF SAN FRANCISCO'S NOTORIOUS SKID ROAD. UNMILION SCORES OF THEM ARE SOBER SOMEWHERE IN THE NATION OR THE WORLD. A FEW OF THE MEN WHO ATTENDED THE FIRST OR SECOND MEETING HAVE NOT TAKEN A DRINK FROM THAT DAY AND ARE STILL ACTIVE IN THEIR HOME GROUP.

JANUARY 20, 1951, WILL BE THE FOURTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SOUTH OF MARKET GROUP, A GROUP WHICH SOME PREDICTED WOULD NEVER SURVIVE. AN APPROPRIATE ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM IS BEING ARRANGED FOR SATURDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 20. SOME OF THE EARLY FRIENDS OF THE GROUP, BOTH ALCOHOLIC AND NON ALCOHOLIC, WILL BE PRESENT FOR THE CELEBRATION.

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM BILL

CHRISTMAS

DEAR A. A.'S:

THIS IS THE FIFTEENTH CHRISTMAS FOR A. A. NEVER HAVE WE HAD SO MUCH CAUSE FOR GRATITUDE, NEVER HAS PROVIDENCE BEEN SO GENEROUS. THE GIFT OF A NEW LIFE HAS BEEN GRANTED 20,000 MORE OF US IN 1950; THE OPPORTUNITIES TO BECOME GIVERS IN TURN, AS WELL AS RECEIVERS, HAVE BEEN LIMITLESS. HAPPY NOEL, INDEED!

LOIS AND I JOIN WITH ALL WHO GATHER HERE AT THE FOUNDATION TO WISH EACH OF YOU EVERY JOY THIS PRECIOUS SEASON.

DEVOTEDLY

BILL

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S OBSERVED  
BY INDIVIDUAL GROUPS AND CLUBS HERE

IN A. A. HOMES, GROUP MEETINGS AND SOCIAL CLUBS, MEMBERS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO FELLOWSHIP HELD FITTING OBSERVANCES OF CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S EVE, 1950, AND NEW YEAR'S EVE, 1951, WITHOUT THE SEASONAL HEADACHES OF YORE.

SEVERAL SCORE MEMBERS AND FAMILIES HAD THEIR CHRISTMAS DINNER AT THE ALANO CLUB, AND 300 MORE AT THE SEVEN SEAS CLUB. BUFFET TURKEY PLATTERS WERE PROVIDED FOR A NUMBER OF HOMELESS MEN AT THE SOUTH OF MARKET CLUB.

ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL PARTIES EVER TO USHER IN A NEW YEAR AT THE ALANO CLUB WAS HELD AT THE OLD A. A. HOME AT 143 BUSH STREET—THE LAST PARTY TO BE HELD IN THAT SPOT OF A. A. MEMORIES. THE CLUB WAS BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED FOR THE SEASON, AS THOUGH IT WERE WAVING A GALLANT FAREWELL TO ITS BUDDIES OF THE LAST FIVE YEARS AND HIDING ITS NOSTALGIC HEARTACHES BEHIND ITS GAY DRESS.

MOST OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS OF THE FELLOWSHIP HELD THEIR USUAL MEETINGS DESPITE THE HOLIDAYS AND SEVERAL HELD SPECIAL JOINT MEETINGS.

## DOCTOR BOB MEMORIAL

FUNDS THAT ORDINARILY WOULD HAVE BEEN SUBSCRIBED FOR FLORAL OFFERINGS FOR DOCTOR BOB WERE COLLECTED BY SAN FRANCISCO GROUPS AND SENT TO THE ALCOHOLIC FOUNDATION WITH THE FOLLOWING LETTER:

"WHEN DOCTOR BOB SMITH PASSED AWAY, THE SAN FRANCISCO FELLOWSHIP FELT IT COULD NOT ADEQUATELY EXPRESS ITS GRATITUDE TO AND REVERENCE FOR HIM. IT FELT THAT DOCTOR BOB HIMSELF WOULD LIKE IT, IF, INSTEAD OF SENDING FLOWERS, IT WOULD TAKE THE FUNDS THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN USED FOR A FLORAL OFFERING AND SEND THEM TO YOU TO HELP THE NEW YORK OFFICE CARRY THE MESSAGE TO OTHER DRUNK ALCOHOLICS. WE ARE ENCLOSEING, THEREFORE, OUR CHECK FOR \$184.59 AS A MEMORIAL TO DOCTOR BOB TO BE USED AS A CONTRIBUTION TO THE NEW YORK OFFICE."

THE FUND WAS SUBSCRIBED BY GROUPS AS FOLLOWS:

ALAMO CLUB, \$6; BEGINNERS, \$10; DAY-TIME, \$3.15; FAMILY, \$25; FILLMORE, \$5; GOLDEN GATE, \$50; MISSION-AMAZON, \$5; MISSION DOLORES, \$5; PACIFIC HEIGHTS, \$4; PARK PRESIDENT, \$7.87; PARKSIDE, \$11; POLK GULCH \$5.55; SEA CLIFF, \$13.92; SUNDAY NIGHT OPEN \$17.10; SUNSET, \$11; WEST PORTAL, \$5.

## POLK GULCH

POLK GULCH, WHICH HAD BEEN A CLOSED GROUP SINCE ITS INCEPTION FIVE YEARS AGO THIS MONTH, HAS BECOME A FAMILY GROUP. THE NEW POLICY WILL WELCOME TO THE MEETINGS A DRUNK ALCOHOLIC RELATIVE OF A MEMBER. MEETINGS WILL NOT BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC EXCEPT ON THE FIRST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH.

RALPH AND GERTRUDE P. OF PANAMA AND BEN G. OF SPOKANE ARE NEW MEMBERS OF THE GROUP, WHICH RESUMED REGULAR MEETINGS AFTER TWO HOLIDAY MEETINGS AS THE GUEST OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP. DAVE D. OF PALO ALTO WAS THE SPEAKER. MYRL G.

## ST. FRANCIS WOMEN'S GROUP

THE FOURTH YEAR OF THE ST. FRANCIS WOMEN'S GROUP AS PART OF THE SAN FRANCISCO FELLOWSHIP STARTED THIS MONTH.

LIKE OTHER GROUPS, WE HAVE HAD OUR UPS AND DOWNS, BUT WE ARE LEARNING THROUGH TRIAL AND ERROR. WOMEN ALCOHOLICS HAVE SPECIAL PROBLEMS AND WE TRY TO GIVE THEM HELP AND ASSURANCE THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN A PURELY DISCUSSION MEETING. MANY WOMEN NOW ACTIVE IN NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS RECEIVED THEIR INTRODUCTION TO A. A. AT THE ST. FRANCIS SESSIONS.

BY KEEPING OUR DISCUSSION STRICTLY ON A. A. FUNDAMENTALS, WE HAVE PUT OUR GROUP ON A FIRM FOUNDATION, AND FEEL WE SHALL CONTINUE TO MEET SUCCESSFULLY. KAY C.

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP, MEETING IN ITS NEW HALL IN THE FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH AT FRANKLIN AND GEARY STREETS, WAS HOST TO THE POLK GULCH GROUP CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S NIGHTS.

FIFTY-TWO MEMBERS FROM TWENTY-THREE GROUPS WERE PRESENT CHRISTMAS NIGHT. THE CHAIRMAN WAS KITTY S. AND THE SPEAKER DOROTHY G. HIGHLIGHT OF THE EVENING WAS PROVIDED BY A LONESOME DRUNK WHO WANDERED IN, THINKING HE WAS AT A CHURCH PARTY. HE LEFT EXPRESSING GRATITUDE FOR WHAT HE SAID WAS AN ACT OF GOD THAT LED HIM TO AN A. A. MEETING.

AT THE NEW YEAR'S NIGHT MEETING, THE DISCUSSION OF "REWARDS OF SOBRIETY" WAS LED BY MYRL G. OF POLK GULCH. THE FORTY-FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT INCLUDED VISITORS FROM PORTLAND, ORE., VANCOUVER, WASH., AND REDWOOD CITY.

AS A RESULT OF THESE MEETINGS IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT A SHORT MEETING FOLLOWED BY A DANCE BE HELD MONTHLY. PETE S.

## TWELFTH STEP HOUSE

THE TWELFTH STEP HOUSE, AT 4293 ALAMIA STREET, IS NOW OPEN DAY AND NIGHT TO SERVE A. A.'S AND THEIR BABIES FROM EVERY SECTION OF THE CITY. ALYCE AND JOHNNY G. SPONSORED THIS AMBITIOUS PROJECT. THE BEST STATEMENT OF ITS AIMS IS GIVEN IN THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF ITS SPONSORS, WHICH READS:

"IT IS NOT A CLUB BUT A MEETING PLACE DEDICATED TO TWELFTH STEP WORK - A COMFORTABLE PLACE TO WHICH SPONSORS MAY TAKE BEGINNERS FOR A. A. TALK OVER CUPS OF COFFEE, OR TO WHICH BEGINNERS OR OLDER MEMBERS MAY GO AT ANY TIME AFTER 9 A.M."

TWO GROUPS ARE NOW HOLDING WEEKLY MEETINGS IN THE QUARTERS--THE MISSION DAY TIME GROUP, WHICH MEETS AT 4 P. M. THURSDAYS, AND THE TWELFTH STEP HOUSE GROUP, WHICH MEETS AT 8:15 P.M. SATURDAYS. THE TELEPHONE NUMBER IS VALENCIA 6-3267.

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MARITIME GROUP

QUITE A FEW MEMBERS HAVE TELEPHONED THEIR ODD-JOB NEEDS TO THE MARITIME GROUP AND HAVE HAD THEM FILLED IMMEDIATELY BY SATISFACTORY MEN. THE GROUP HAS BEEN CARING FOR A LARGE NUMBER OF NEEDY MEN AT THE SEVEN SEAS CLUB RECENTLY, BUT OWING TO THE INCREASE IN INDIGENT TRAVELERS, IT HAS HAD TO CURTAIL THIS HELP. IT ASKS OTHER GROUPS THEREFORE, TO SEND ONLY THE MOST NEEDY MEN TO THE CLUB AT 9 MISSION STREET FOR HELP.

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THE NEW HOSPITAL COMMITTEE UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF BUSH C. OF GOLDEN GATE, AND THE NEW TELE-SERVICE COMMITTEE UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THELMA, OF PACIFIC HEIGHTS ARE NOW FUNCTIONING.

THE NEXT MEETING OF SECRETARIES OF NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS WITH THE CENTRAL SECRETARY WILL BE HELD AT 8 P.M. WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14, AT THE SEVEN SEAS CLUB, 9 MISSION STREET. SEVERAL NEW GROUP SECRETARIES WILL BE READY FOR THEIR FIRST MEETING.

## S. F. FELLOWSHIP

AMONG CHRISTMAS GREETINGS RECEIVED BY THE FELLOWSHIP WAS ONE FROM DUBLIN A. A., THE COUNTRY SHOP, 23 ST. STEPHEN'S GREEN, DUBLIN, IRELAND. OTHERS WERE FROM THE HUB OF THE PLAINS GROUP, LUBBOCK, TEXAS, AND THE ALTRUM GROUP, SALT LAKE CITY.

DOUG. R. OF THE CHICAGO GROUP GRACIOUSLY SERVED AS SUBSTITUTE SPEAKER FOR BILL B. AT THE CENTRAL MEETING JANUARY 10.

MIDTOWN GROUP, WHICH HAS MET MONDAYS SINCE IT WAS ESTABLISHED AS THE SECOND OLDEST NEIGHBORHOOD GROUP IN TOWN, NOW MEETS THURSDAY NIGHTS.

JIM K. OF THE WEST PORTAL GROUP HAS BEEN ELECTED TREASURER OF THE FELLOWSHIP, TO SUCCEED LISLE MC I., WHOSE TERM EXPIRES.

THAT JOB OF CUTTING THE HEADLINE ON THE STENCIL FOR PAGE 2 CAN BE CHARGED TO THOSE CONVENIENT FRIENDS, TRIAL AND ERROR. DOESN'T THE TENTH STEP SAY SOMETHING ABOUT WHEN YOU ARE WRONG, YOU PROMPTLY ADMIT IT? ANYHOW, THE PAGE 1 HEADLINE IS BETTER. IT WAS CUT BY FRED W. OF THE SEA CLIFF GROUP.

WALLY I. OF THE ANALAN GROUP HAS VOLUNTEERED TO DEVELOP THE A. A. BLOOD BANK. THE PROJECT WAS STARTED BY JESS A. FORMERLY OF MARINA, PACIFIC HEIGHTS AND WEST PORTAL, WHO HAS MOVED TO MATOON, ILL.

THE ALBACORAN CLUB OF A. A. FISHERMEN HAS ASKED PROSPECTIVE RECRUITS TO TELEPHONE THEIR NAMES TO THE CENTRAL OFFICE. CAPT. W. REPORTS SEVERAL SUCCESSFUL TRIPS ALREADY, HAVE BEEN MADE AND MORE ARE PLANNED WHEN THE WEATHER CLEARS. JOHN MC C. HAS HUNG UP A PRIZE FOR THE LARGEST CATCH.

THE CENTRAL OFFICE, AFTER NUMEROUS MOVINGS AT THE BEHEST OF THE BUILDING MANAGEMENT, AT LAST IS SETTLED IN ROOM 204 AT 693 SUTTER STREET. TOLERANCE PAID OFF IN THIS INSTANCE--WE GOT A NEW PAINT JOB ON THE NEW ROOM WITHOUT ASKING FOR IT.