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**OFFICIAL AHEPA "EASTER IN HELLAS" EXCURSION**

**SAILING APRIL 10, 1959**



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## Special Message:

# THE AHEPA SCHOOL AT ST. BASIL'S

### To the entire Ahepa Family, Greetings:

The Ahepa Hall for Boys is completed! St. Basil's Academy now has proper housing for both boys and girls. But, St. Basil's must have proper educational facilities for the boys and girls, and that is why the Order of Ahepa is raising funds for the new Ahepa School. Upon completion of the Ahepa School, we will have finished our project at St. Basil's Academy and thus will have redeemed our 1953 pledge to our Church.

### Our Goal Is \$140,000

We now have \$135,000 on hand, net, after having fully paid for the completed Ahepa Hall for Boys. We need an additional \$10,000 and this amount *must* be raised before June 30, 1959, to complete the new Ahepa School.

The site for this building was selected on December 6, 1958, by His Eminence, the Patriarchal Vicar Bishop Germanos of Nyssa and the Board of Trustees of St. Basil's Academy. They were accompanied to St. Basil's by our Supreme Lodge (Verinis, Loucas, Doukas, Vrotsos, Plumides and Pappademas), Grand President Mickles, past Supreme President Booras, past Supreme Treasurer Sekles and many other Ahepans who sojourned there for the specific purpose of inspecting the completed Ahepa Hall for Boys and deciding on the best grounds where to build the Ahepa School.

Plans and specifications are now being prepared and will soon be sent out for contract bids. We plan to start actual construction on the Ahepa School sometime during this coming March. Our ultimate goal is completion of the school in time for actual use by the students for the scholastic year 1959-1960. We are being given every co-operation by Paul Prodromidis (of Long Island Chapter, No. 86), Chairman of the Board of Trustees and his fine colleagues on the Board.

### Joint Participation — Individual Participation

The campaign for the Ahepa School is a joint effort by both the Ahepa and Daughters of Penelope chapters. The annual Christmas Seal drive was jointly sponsored by both organizations.

We are now asking all our Ahepa Chapters and all Daughters Chapters to join forces in sponsoring a social function for the Ahepa School or appointing a fund-raising committee, as suggested hereinbelow in Plans A and B. If direct solicitation is preferable to sponsoring a

social function, by all means Chapters are urged to appoint such a committee immediately. In either case, the action taken by last year's administration must be pursued vigorously by the current administration to a happy and successful conclusion.

The following two plans are presented, leaving it to the discretion and good judgment of each Chapter as to the most feasible means of fund-raising.

### PLAN A

If this plan is adopted, an Ahepa School Fund *Committee* consisting of all Past President and other leaders of the Chapter must be designated as soon as possible.

This *Committee* shall personally call on each and every member, after the membership list of the chapter has been equally divided amongst them. Suggested period for solicitation should be over a two week period for smaller cities and one month period for larger cities, where distances are a factor.

The months of January, February or March are recommended for this plan. An average of five dollars per member is considered sufficient to meet the quota allocated to each chapter. A receipt should be given to each and every donor.

### PLAN B

If this plan is adopted, likewise a proper *committee* should be appointed *immediately* to make plans and carry out this project.

The affair or event should be held as close to March 25, 1959, as possible. This could be an inspirational period to celebrate an historic occasion and simultaneously raise funds.

Elaborate and costly affairs should be avoided as emphasis should be placed on raising the greatest net amount possible. The average quota to each chapter should be based on its membership, anticipating an average contribution of five dollars per member.

### The Net Result

Our Ahepa Hall for Boys is designed to accommodate 100 boys. This is a remarkable and laudable accomplishment. *This is completed.* We are now going ahead with the Ahepa School. Without the school for the children to attend, the dormitory (Ahepa Hall) is actually of limited value — one compliments the

other and both are indispensable and vitally necessary.

The entire Ahepa Family must bring this phase number two to a successful completion. This can and must be done this year.

The net results must be mailed in to Supreme Headquarters immediately after the event or affair, or after the solicitations are completed, as the funds will be needed to pay for construction as it advances. Proper credit will be given in these columns.

No words of encouragement or inspiration should be necessary from Supreme Headquarters. We have embarked on a holy and sacred mission for our own orphan youth — there is only one result we can achieve — success.

Every District, District Lodge Officer, Chapter, Chapter Officer and every member of the Ahepa is enrolled in this noble cause. It is up to all of us to see this through and thus conclude Ahepa's greatest achievement.

Send us news of your Ahepa School plans and activities for publication in THE AHEPAN. Use every publicity medium, press, radio, circular, to publicize this campaign and generate interest among your members and your friends. Every dollar counts. The great campaign is on. Let us all join in one tremendous effort to build the school, which will be a monument to Ahepa's generosity for generations to come.

C. P. VERINIS,

Supreme President.

GEORGE E. LOUCAS,

Supreme Vice-President and  
Chairman, School Drive Fund.

### Ahepa Dormitory at St. Basil's

Last May, 1958, plans and specifications were sent to the following contractors who were invited to bid for the Ahepa Hall for Boys at St. Basil's Academy: Orlando Ness of Mt. Vernon, Eugene Ossin of Highlands, Harry Opperman of Mahopac, James J. Jenkins of New Rochelle and Orestes Dallas of Astoria. Only three bids were returned by Opperman \$125,000; Jenkins \$115,000 and Dallas \$96,000. The bids were opened by the late Archbishop Michael June 1, 1958, in the presence of Supreme President Verinis, Supreme Secretary Doukas and Architect Diamond.

The contract was finally awarded to Orestes Dallas at a reduced cost of \$82,400. The architect's fee was met by the Archdiocese.

It is proposed that the same procedure be followed when the plans for the Ahepa School are ready by the architect.



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## Editor's Corner . . .

WITH THIS ISSUE we are inaugurating the "Boston Experiment." Henceforth we shall have a monthly magazine. It will be put in the mails on the fifteenth day of each month. We are reverting to the original issue of many, many years ago. We are soliciting your co-operation.

ANOTHER INNOVATION is the new setup in our Editorial Board. From nominations made by our District Governors, we have appointed five Associate Editors representing the five zones into which the Boston Magazine Committee divided the entire Ahepa Domain. Report to them your activities promptly, sending your material to the Headquarters.

A NEW FEATURE is our "Ahepa's Forum." While we cannot waste precious space on letters of praise and self-glorification, we are eager to receive your recommendations, suggestions and, of course, constructive criticism. We hope to be able to present a representative public opinion on all matters vitally concerning our Fraternity.

WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND to your attention the article on St. Basil's Academy by our public spirited Paul Prodromidis. It gives a general but inside story of this educational institution, with which we Ahepans are so much concerned. The possibilities are tremendous — provided we plan carefully and follow through.

THE AHEPA SCHOOL Drive follows on the heels of the Christmas Seal Drive just concluded. The results will be announced in the next issue. Meantime, please make arrangements to carry out the mandate of the Boston Convention as detailed in the appeal by your Supreme Lodge, District Lodge and Chapter officers are urged to take immediate action.

AHEPANS AND DAUGHTERS have joined hands and efforts in both our current drives — Ahepa School and Membership. This is how it should be! Duplication of action means waste of time, unnecessary irritation and oftener than not escape from responsibility. Let us all get behind these drives and show the world what we can do in unity and co-operation.

AHEPANS AND SONS have likewise initiated a new spirit of fraternalism and co-operation. Supreme President Verinis and Supreme President Millas have resolved to blaze a new trail of activity and mutual support. An Ahepan and Son dinner should be arranged by every chapter throughout the Ahepa Domain. And other joint activities should follow.

OUR PUBLIC PRESS now and then entertains critical expressions against Ahepa written by columnists of ill manners and distorted imagination. We have been assured by the Editors of our Daily Press that such publicity was given unwittingly and in error. In any event, we particularly call the attention of every member of the Ahepa Family to Article XXVIA, reprinted elsewhere. Freedom of press does not mean defamation of character or assassination of reputation.

THE PARLIAMENTARIAN SPEAKS is a new column by past Supreme President Demeter on parliamentary law and procedure. It should be followed closely. It can be quoted as authority. Because George Demeter speaks with authority!

THE FEBRUARY ISSUE will have the complete story of our people in public life . . . the newly organized Gateway Chapter, No. 395, in St. Louis . . . the recently dedicated Ahepa Home in Marysville, California . . . New York's Christmas Party for orphan children . . . testimonials, chapter elections and other Ahepa Family activities.

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## FROM OUR SUPREME PRESIDENT:

### The True Pilot

The true pilot must pay attention to the year and seasons and sky and stars and winds, if he intends to be really qualified for the command of a ship. — and he must and will be the steerer.

These are the wise words set down by Socrates in "The Republic." They give counsel to him who would captain the Ship of State. This counsel must be the star to guide all new officers of our chapters during the year 1959.

Particularly, I wish to call the attention of our newly-elected Chapter Presidents to this advice.

A chapter president must constantly bear in mind that he "must and will be the steerer." As the captain of his particular ship (the Ahepa Chapter), he will be responsible for the growth, expansion, efficient functioning and general welfare of his chapter. To achieve what is expected of him, the president must be in constant command of his chapter activities, and cognizant of its problems, actually foreseeing and anticipating many of those problems. He must plan ahead, and forestall all possible dangers that may possibly arise.

The chapter president "must pay attention to the year and seasons and sky and stars and winds" — any and all current conditions within the chapter relating to the members themselves, to the chapter program, the payment of dues, attendance at meetings, conduct of the meetings, reinstatement of inactive members, and initiation of new members. He must create the necessary interest and desire within every member to help him captain his ship to a safe destination.

The chapter president is the pilot of his particular Ahepa ship, and his responsibilities are enormous. The proper functioning of his chapter is dependent on his good judgment, proper calculations, good stewardship and awareness.

He must command, but also lead. He must require the full co-operation of his fellow officers, completely and faithfully.

The office of Chapter President is an enviable honor, but it is also a grave responsibility.

May you all discharge your duties and obligations with dedicated zeal and determined leadership, thus ensuring success and real achievement during your tenure in 1959.

C. P. VERINIS, *Supreme President*

### Our Chapter In Athens

The 1958 Supreme Convention in Boston assembled, passed appropriate legislation, extending Ahepa's jurisdiction to include Greece. The exact provisions, as adopted, read as follows:

#### ARTICLE IV.

"**JURISDICTION:** The jurisdiction of the Order of Ahepa extends over the States, Districts, Territories and Possessions of the United States of America, and over the Dominion of Canada, the Bahamas, the Commonwealth of Australia and Greece."

#### ARTICLE VIII.

"Section 10. The Supreme Lodge is hereby granted authority to establish a chapter or chapters in Greece. Only members of the Order residing in Greece, or former members residing in Greece who have been reinstated by their former chapter, may apply for transfer to such chapter or chapters in Greece, provided they comply with all the transfer requirements set forth in this Constitution."

In accordance with this legislation, the Athens Chapter or any other Chapter in Greece will be composed only of members who now live in Greece but maintain membership in a home chapter in the United States or Canada. These Ahepans must still retain their membership in, and pay dues to, a duly organized and active Ahepa Chapter. No new members can be initiated, nor inactive or delinquent members transferred to a Chapter in Greece until all transfer requirements have been fulfilled.

### The Family Protective Fund

Our highly controversial Family Protective Fund was officially terminated, and dissolved as of December 31, 1958. The 1958 Boston Supreme Convention took this action after an exhaustive review and investigation of the Fund, which has been a serious drain on the fraternity's finances.

The Family Protective Fund was set up in late 1956 on a \$20 annual payment for \$1,000 coverage in its first year, with an agreement between Certificate Holder and the Fund, that this could be changed at any time. Many understanding members condemned the Fund as being a foolish project, which, if continued, would eventually bankrupt the Order. Apparently, few heeded the warning at that time.

In view of the fact that no one was prevented from enrolling due to age limitation or health, the result was that practically ALL of the Fund members were brothers in the age brackets of 65, 70, and 80 years old. The death claims far outstripped the receipts, and beginning the year 1958, the premium was raised to a \$50 annual payment, and the benefit reduced to \$200 if death occurred in the first year of membership, and \$500 if death occurred in the second year.

Realizing that the Fund was a disastrous step, that would eventually bring the Order to a financial ruin, the Boston Convention unanimously dissolved the Fund as of Dec. 31, 1958.

Now, the question is raised by a few Certificate Holders, "How much do I get back from the Fund?"

The Family Protective Fund was strictly a year to year Term type of benefit. It has no more cash value after the end of the year of protection than does a similar type of Term Insurance sold by insurance companies, which, however, would charge much more in annual premiums, besides requiring a physical examination and setting up age limitations. Surely, no one can expect insurance at the age of 80, or 70, or even 60, at a premium of \$20 or even \$50 annually, for a death benefit such as was offered by this Fund.

Certificate Holders received much more than adequate coverage during the life of their policies and the beneficiaries of those who died under this coverage have been paid. The fraternity has been ensnared in numerous instances of claims of bad faith, and now some want a refund of their annual payment.

We may ask in a sincere, forthright and honest manner, to reflect fully and thoroughly: Does anyone honestly think that any refund is due a policy holder?

Under the conditions of the Certificate, no refund is due to any member. The Boston Convention took a decisive action.

This has been a sad experience for our Fraternity. Let's close this phase of our activities and mark it up to experience, and use *better* judgment in the future.

C. P. VERINIS, *Supreme President*

### St. Basil's Academy Thanks

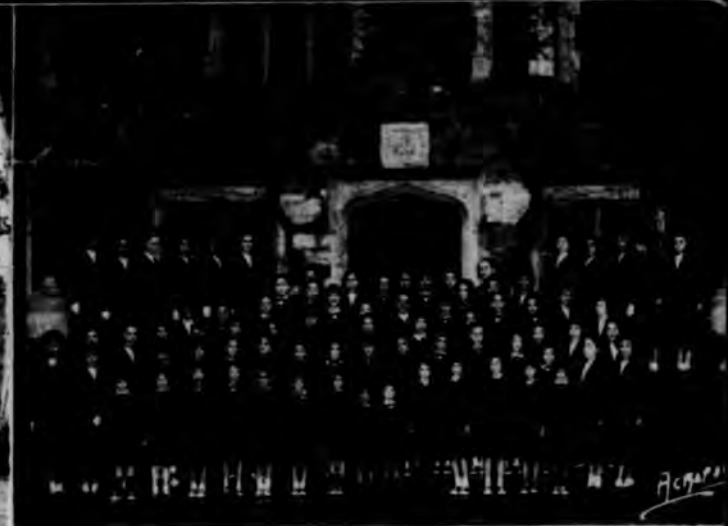
The following telegram was received from the Dean of St. Basil's Academy, expressing thanks and appreciation for our efforts in behalf of the orphan boys and girls:

"BOARD OF TRUSTEES, PERSONNEL AND STUDENTS OF ST. BASIL'S ACADEMY DEEPLY GRATEFUL FOR THE INTEREST SHOWN BY OUR GREAT ORGANIZATION AHEPA TOWARDS THE EXPANSION OF ST. BASIL'S ACADEMY MISSION, EXTEND BEST AND HEARTFELT WISHES FOR A COMPLETE SUCCESS OF THE AHEPA PROGRAM. THE AHEPA HALL FOR BOYS BEING COMPLETED IS AN HISTORIC EVENT FOR WHICH OMOGENIA WILL BE GRATEFUL TO YOU FOREVER. THE NEW SCHOOL BUILDING WHICH WILL FOLLOW WILL ENABLE ST. BASIL'S ACADEMY TO COMPLETE ITS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM AND STRENGTHEN ITS POSITION AS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT STRONGHOLDS FOR THE PRESERVATION OF OUR ETHNIC-RELIGIOUS IDEALS WHICH AHEPA SO VIGOROUSLY AND SUCCESSFULLY SERVES."

XENOPHON DIAMOND, *Dean*  
St. Basil's Academy, Garrison, N.Y.



Administration Building, with classrooms, dormitory, library, restaurant.



The little girls of Grammar School and the young ladies of Junior High.

## An Acropolis on the Hudson: St. Basil's Academy

By PAUL PRODROMIDIS, Chairman, Executive Board



On the picturesque Hudson River, on a sloped 300 acre woodland, stands one of America's expanding institutions of learning — St. Basil's Academy. Just 50 miles north of New York City and right across from the U. S. West Point Academy, this vast educational center serves a multiple need of our American Greek people.

More than 28 buildings — of which the Administration and College Building, and the new Ahepa Boys' Dormitory are the most outstanding, it is the human element and dedication to service that gives this sanctified land its real value. The present 105 girls and young ladies studying at the Academy are part of a recent tradition that has already graduated more than one hundred teachers and sent them out as prodromes to the many Greek communities to serve as teachers and social leaders.

### Ahepa's Historical Mission

It is on this Acropolis of Faith and Education that AHEPA has found a focal point of its historical mission as a "Progressive Educational Association." The Ahepa Family can be proud that the structure bearing the name "AHEPA BOYS' DORMITORY" is now a reality and shortly some 100 boys will be living and studying at the Academy. The plans for the new AHEPA SCHOOL BUILDING are being prepared and 1959 should see the completion of the much needed edifice with classrooms, a gymnasium and a cafeteria. This noble undertaking of our Order will more than double the capacity of the Academy, since it will release for dormitory use the several buildings now occupied for classes.

The AHEPA Boys' Dormitory is a structure of beauty and symmetry. It is shaped like a Greek "H" facing a quadrangle with a pictorial well in the center. The two-floor structure has a foundation of concrete with thick walls of fieldstone and brick, and a roof of blue-green slate. Spring will find the area a landscaped paradise.

This substantial edifice is now a completely modern dormitory with facilities for 102 beds; moreover there is an indoor play room, first-aid office, supervisor's quarters and visitors' lobby. The completed structure is now valued at \$190,000.

A future essay could outline in detail the final plans for the proposed AHEPA School Building. The Boys' Dormitory is being furnished now, and should be ready for occupancy by February, with the first pupils to be selected by AHEPANS.

A word of gratitude goes to the Daughters of Penelope and those who have helped in completing the \$20,000 water system, all in the name of sweet philanthropy. When honorific plaques are placed on the various AHEPA buildings at the Academy, deserving recognition will be bestowed to all who have contributed to their achievement.

### From Orphanage to Teachers' College

St. Basil's Academy is a young institution. Established in 1944 as an orphanage by the now Patriarch Athenagoras I, the Academy added immediately an elementary school and a junior high, and soon after, a three-year teachers' college. Since 1949 our late Archbishop Michael had worked with great zeal to expand the facilities of the Academy. To date, 113 young women of Greek origin have graduated as teachers for Hellenic communities throughout the United States.

This institution of learning, like the Theological Seminary outside of Boston, is supported by the *Decadollariou* of the Archdiocese. It has the continued devotion of the *Philoptobos* societies which have originally sponsored the Academy; and there is constant help from various organizations and private donations. The budget for 1958 was \$122,000 for which our Archdiocese contributed \$72,000; the Ladies' *Philoptobos* from *Vasilopites* and other collections, \$40,000; and from individual donors and other generous groups, \$22,000 more. The Ahepa and Daughters' holiday seals have always a warm response. A new source of income is now provided through the "Friends of the Academy" which is helped by many PTAs in our 300 and more communities. The "Archbishop Michael's Fund" honors the work of our spiritual leader whose mortal remains are enshrined on Academy grounds.

The advance program of the Academy and its great potential in strengthening our Greek culture in America is being recognized by many of our organizations and ethnic leaders — among them the GOYA, GAPA, the Pan-Arcadian and other federations, who are preparing some tangible participation in the building program of the Academy.

### From Alphabet to Aristotle

How does St. Basil's Academy serve our people? Through its various departments and schools. The kindergarten and *paideia stegi* offer a home-like atmosphere to orphans and other needy children from broken and unfortunate homes. In the elementary and junior high schools the girls now (and soon the boys) receive sound instruction based on principles of American education, the teachings of our Orthodox Church and our Greek language and culture. The Teachers' College Department offers advanced guidance for future instructors; these ladies are prepared to teach Greek, organize religious education, direct church choirs and serve as secretaries in their communities. Another service our Academy offers is the Summer Seminar for Sunday School Teachers; more than 270 "Katihitries" have attended these sessions in the past five years, and returned to their tasks with renewed enthusiasm for creative work in their local congregations.



Academy's little Chapel where both students and faculty attend services.

We have a little Chapel at the Academy. It is a popular place especially on Sundays; even some marriages have been performed there. The priest teaches Religion and Ecclesiastical History during the school week. In the College Department there is instruction in Education, its history and techniques, also in Psychology, Philosophy and Social Science. English language and literature and American letters are taught, along with Greek drama and classic authors from Homer and Hesiod to Xenophon, Plato and Aristotle. Modern authors are systematically read, as are the most complete library of books on Neo-Greek literature.

Devotion to the classic civilization of our forefathers is demonstrated by the annual presentation of some Greek drama. Among those plays presented in the open-air theatre are: *Antigone*, *Electra* of Sophocles, *Iphigenia in Tauris*, *Phoenicians*, and *Iphigenia in Aulis*. *Alceste* is now being prepared for June, 1959. Some three to four thousand visitors come each summer to Garrison, N. Y. to witness these inspiring presentations.

### Recreation and Social Growth

Life in the Academy is like that of a little community: when the day's tasks are over, when studies and home-work books are laid aside, students gather round the piano to sing songs of Greece; play the latest Greek recordings, while groups form to dance a *syrtis* or *tsamiko*. Recent comers from Greece exchange stories and tell of life and teaching in Athens or their own city or town. Greek is spoken almost always, sprinkled with unavoidable English expressions. The girls do sewing or fancy embroidery; they play ping-pong and even softball and other outdoor sports. Occasional visits to New York by bus

bring them to shows and theatres. The students help in caring for their rooms and co-operate in every way with the Dean and his teaching staff.

### New Vistas For Our Youth

The needs of a growing Academy are greater now; but help is greater, too. A magnificent wave of generosity and willingness to cope with the needs of our American-Greek institutions, makes all of us partake of a common ideal! The privilege to serve asserts its power, and many persons from all parts of the U.S.A. act together for a single cause. Thus it is, that our Academy of St. Basil has become both a hearth of charity and a beacon of hope. It is a challenge as much to our hearts as to our minds! With its growth and expansion, we have the promise of new vistas for Education of our Youth, and greater glory for our Orthodox Church in America.

### AHEPA HALL FOR BOYS

Contributions - July 26, 1958 to September 30, 1958

#### Church Collections

St. John's Greek Orthodox Church .....	\$ 38.00
Charleston, W. Va.	
St. George Hellenic Community .....	84.75
Highland Park, N. J.	
Sts. Constantine & Helen Greek Ortho- dox Church, Washington, D.C. ....	47.00
St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church ...	42.00
Hammond, Ind.	
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Arthur Door .....	5.00
John Margounis .....	5.00
Basil Vassilyadis .....	5.00
Total .....	80.00
Greek Orthodox Community of San Fernando Valley, Granada Hills, Cal. ....	50.00
St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church .....	75.00
San Antonio, Texas	
Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Community Sioux City, Iowa	69.00
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St. George Greek Orthodox Church .....	120.00
New Britain, Conn.	
St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church ...	77.45
Perth Amboy, N. J.	
United Greek Orthodox Community of San Francisco, Calif. ....	82.00
Evangelismos & St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Community, Philadelphia ...	99.50
St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church .....	119.00
St. Louis, Mo.	
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Anonymous .....	5.00
	<b>\$ 80.00</b>

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**Total Chapter Contributions .....** \$ 216.12

### Daughters of Penelope

Daughters of Penelope Chapter, No. 161 Little Rock, Ark. ....	7.75
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**Total Contributions .....** \$4,915.66  
**Previous Total .....** 174,464.47

**Grand Total of Contributions .....** \$179,380.13

## CONTRIBUTE TO OUR CURRENT DRIVE FOR AHEPA'S SCHOOL AT ST. BASIL'S

### District Governors' Reports

According to our Constitution, "It shall be the duty of each District Governor to report the condition of his District to the Supreme Lodge at least once in three months." The necessary forms for this purpose have recently been mailed to all District Governors by our Headquarters. They have been requested to list their inactive chapters and to detail efforts being made towards their re-activation.

Concerning active chapters, the Governors have been asked to name those chapters which need a stronger program or whose activity is neglected. They should report their efforts towards improving chapter morale and boosting Ahepa's current projects. They should specify chapters visited and comment on the condition of their records, conduct of meetings, attendance, mentioning particular chapter complaints or recommendations.

The Governors are finally expected to suggest additional and required from the Supreme Lodge to help their chapters and their district in growth and progress. Their personal fraternal viewpoint on outstanding work by individual Ahepans will be appreciated.

The Supreme Lodge intends to keep in close touch with the rank and file throughout the Ahepa Domain. Our District Governors and their colleagues on the District Lodge can render a real service to Ahepa by reporting regularly on the status of their districts.

### For the Good of the Order

The 1958 Boston Convention passed certain amendments to our Constitution. They were reprinted in their entirety in our last issue and no doubt our members have taken good notice thereof.

We are now reprinting hereinbelow a recommendation, which became Article XXVIII of the Constitution. Unanimously adopted, it was proposed by the Good of the Order Committee, headed by James G. Felos of Queensboro Chapter, Astoria, N. Y. The attention of all our members is invited thereto in the hope and the expectation that "trial of Ahepa and Ahepans through diatribes in the press" will somewhat abate if not entirely disappear.

The article reads as follows:

**"Section 1 — Complaint** — *On the written complaint of any member that derogatory material affecting the character, reputation and/or integrity of any member of the Ahepa family has been or caused to be printed, published or otherwise distributed, the Supreme Lodge shall call to trial at its next meeting by written notice by registered mail of not less than twenty days to such offending member.*

**"Section 2 — Trial** — *The Supreme Lodge shall present through the Supreme Councillor the charges against such offending member who shall thereupon be given the opportunity to defend himself thereon.*

**"Section 3 — Sentence** — *The Supreme Lodge shall have the power to suspend or expel the offending member upon a vote of not less than two-thirds of those of its members who are present thereat.*

**"Section 4 — Appeal** — *Such offending member who has been suspended or expelled by the Supreme Lodge shall have the right to appeal such sentence against him at the next Supreme Convention, providing, however, that written notice to that effect has been served upon the Supreme Secretary by registered mail within thirty days after receipt of notice of such suspension or expulsion."*

### Ambassador Liatis Welcomed Back



As already announced in our previous issue, the new Ambassador of Greece, Honorable Alexis S. Liatis, was welcomed officially by Ahepa last October in Washington. During their stated deliberations, the Supreme Lodge entertained the Ambassador with Mrs. Liatis and Miss Liatis at a small informal dinner at which old friendships were renewed and new pledges of co-operation between the official Greece and Ahepa were made to the everlasting credit of all. (From left) Supreme Lodge: Treasurer Vratsos, Vice-President Loucas, Governors Pappademas and Kouchalakis, Athletic Director Mandros, Vice-President in Canada Ghikadis, Secretary Doukas and Counsellor Plumides. (In front) Ambassador Liatis, Daughters Grand President Mickles and Supreme President Verinis.



Supreme President Verinis congratulates his colleague with Toastmaster Collatos looking on.

### They Honored the Supreme Treasurer

Supreme Treasurer Michael Vrotsos was honored at a testimonial dinner given by his friends and colleagues in Boston November 1st. Supreme President Verinis was the main speaker. Supreme Secretary Doukas and Supreme Governor Pappademas expressed the good wishes and felicitations of their colleagues on the Supreme Lodge and District Governor Lagadinis spoke on behalf of the Bay State District. Chapter President Hasiotis thanked Mike Vrotsos for his untiring efforts in behalf of Boston Ahepans and Commissioner of Veterans' Services of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, acted as toastmaster — and let it be said, efficiently and charmingly.

Among the guests there were three past Supreme Presidents, Harris Bootas and George Demeter of Boston and Peter Bell of Worcester; past Supreme Vice-President Charles Kotsilibas; District Governors Zannetos and Sukalas of Districts Nos. 7 and 9, respectively; Ambassador Tom Pappas and Judge John Pappas; Reverend Zannetos of the Boston Cathedral, and a score of Ahepans and Daughters.

The dinner was followed by a dance and everybody seemed to enjoy himself in an atmosphere of fraternal and convivial bliss. As Supreme President Verinis said, "It was a get-together of friends to honor a tireless worker in behalf of Ahepa, whose services of many years endeared him to all who came to know him."

Mrs. Clara Vrotsos and their two sons with their families shared the honors of the evening. As Mike explained, the devotion of his wife and the faith of his friends, among whom he singled out Harris Bootas, were responsible for his advancement in Ahepa.

### Supreme Vice-President Ghikadis Visits

Supreme Vice-President in Canada Ed Ghikadis has been on the move. He has

## The Supreme Lodge in Action

attended the annual banquet of the Wm. McKinley Chapter of Buffalo last November, along with Supreme Vice-President George Loucas, who was the main speaker of the evening. Brother Ghikadis availed himself of the opportunity to thank the members of our Buffalo chapter and particularly past Supreme President George Phillies for their foresight and initiative in introducing Ahepa in Canada. The banquet was quite successful. Of the 250 guests attending, there were 12 members from nearby Toronto. Brother Ghikadis also attended a public relations meeting of the Ottawa Chapter as the main speaker. The meeting was designed to explain Ahepa's program and aims. A number of those attending were new arrivals in Canada.

### Supreme Lodge Assignments

In order to effect a closer contact between Chapter, District, and the Supreme Lodge, the following assignments of responsibility have been made by Supreme President Verinis for the members of the Supreme Lodge:

Supreme Vice-President Loucas: Districts 11, 12 and 15

Supreme Vice-Pres. (Canada) Ghikadis: Districts 22, 23 and 24

Supreme Secretary Doukas: Districts 5, 6 and 21

Supreme Treasurer Vrotsos: Districts 7 and 8

Supreme Counsellor Plumides: Districts 1, 3, 4 and 18

Supreme Governor Pappademas: Districts 9, 13 and 19

Supreme Governor Kouchalagos: Districts 2, 16 and 20

Supreme Governor Koken: Districts 10, 14 and 17

Hereafter, each Supreme Lodge officer is directed and empowered to keep in close contact with the District Governors of his districts, as well as the chapters. The purpose of this division of responsibility is to effect a closer contact between the Supreme Lodge, the Districts, and the Chapters.

### Plumides In Norfolk

Supreme Counsellor John G. Plumides visited Robert E. Lee Chapter, No. 122, in Norfolk, Virginia, last November 5, 1958, and was the principal speaker at their 52nd Anniversary Banquet which was sponsored and conducted jointly by Ahepans and Daughters. Over 150 members of the Ahepa family attended. President George Palmo presided; he was assisted by Mrs. Peter Galanides, President of the Daughters of Penelope of

Norfolk. Brother Plumides was accompanied by District Governor of Capital District No. 3, John D. Pappas of Washington, D.C.

The dinner-meeting was highlighted by the presence of Father Bises, the Priest of the community and a brother Ahepan, who spoke about Ahepa and the church. The Supreme Counsellor dealt at length on Ahepa's role in the community in which we live and urged better attendance, more activity and a larger membership.

### San Francisco Greet Supreme Lodge Officers

Last September, Supreme Secretary Kimon A. Doukas visited with Ahepans and Daughters of the San Francisco area on the occasion of representing his company at the launching of a tanker by the Bethlehem yard. Past Supreme Treasurer Stephen Berdalis, in his current capacity as President of Pacific Chapter, No. 235, in conjunction with past Supreme Treasurer George Bezatis, District Governor Tom Barbis and President Sam Pappademas of Golden Gate Chapter, No. 150, had arranged an informal dinner at which the Supreme Secretary spoke briefly on current projects, particularly our membership drive and the fund campaign for our Ahepa School at St. Basil's Academy.

There followed a lively discussion among those present who included: the entire District Lodge of District No. 21, Secretary Givers (formerly of New York), Treasurer Assimos, Marshal Vrotsos, Advisor Letrich (past District Governor), Nick Dallas, Editor of New California; past District Governors Cardasmenos and Tentis; President Kopolos of Oakland Chapter, past Presidents Nick Barbis, John Kaplanis, James Philips, Dan Sallis, Mike Maratsos and Jim Maniatis; Salvador Stella, Dr. Panos Caldis and others.

The Daughters were represented by Grand Vice-President Emily Tamaras, District Governor Julia Paterson, District Secretary Anna Psaltis.

A few days later, Brother Doukas was joined by Supreme Vice-President Loukas, National Trustee Chris Athas and past Supreme Vice-President George Johnson, who were his guests at the launching of the Tanker SISTER KATINGO, owned by Nautilus Petroleum Carriers Corp. of which he is the executive vice-president. They attended a banquet at Mark Hopkins Hotel and had an opportunity to discuss matters pertaining to our Order.

## From Governor of New York to Premier of Greece: OXI!



(Left) Supreme Secretary Doukas thanks the Governor in the presence of Bishop Germanos, past District Governor Saytanides, C. Braun and J. K. Zolotas. (Right) Premier Constantine Karamanlis of Greece accepts the proclamation flown in from New York City by Olympic Airways and presented by its President, Professor Garofalides. Every year the New York Governor proclaims an OXI day.

The 18th Anniversary of October 28th was fittingly celebrated in New York by a proclamation designating October 28, 1958 as Greek Resistance Day. The proclamation was signed by Honorable Averill Harriman as Governor of the State of New York in the presence of representatives of our people and immediately rushed to Athens by plane to Prime Minister Karamanlis of Greece. "Since the dawn of history," read the proclamation, "the people of Greece have contributed vitally to the heritage and the building of Western civilization; to freedom, independence and the higher values of life. It is fitting, therefore, that we pay tribute to the always valorous people of Greece and their descendants."

### Supreme Vice-President Visits Florida and Kansas

Supreme Vice-President George E. Loucas of Weirton, W. Va., was the official representative of the Supreme Lodge at the annual District Governor's Conference held in Wichita, Kansas, on October 25 and 26. Air Capital Chapter, No. 158, was the host chapter at this successful affair, held at the Broadview Hotel. Paul Kastle of Kansas City, Mo., is Governor of the 15th District.

The Supreme Vice-President attended meetings of the following chapters in Florida: Miami on October 8th; West Palm Beach on October 9th; and Fort Lauderdale on October 16th. He also attended the anniversary banquet of the Buffalo, N. Y., chapter on November 1st.

Brother Loucas is national chairman of the Fund Raising Campaign for the Ahepa Hall for Boys, and gave his reports on the campaign, as well as a report on the drive now in progress, to

The Proclamation was signed in the presence of Patriarchal Vicar Bishop Germanos, Supreme Secretary Doukas, past Supreme President Judge Scopas, past Supreme Counsellor Dukas, past Presidents Stuart T. Zolotas and J. Karabatos, of Hermes, Brooklyn, and Hermes, respectively, James Zolotas in charge of arrangements, past Supreme Vice-President Kourides, past District Governor Saytanides, J. Vlasto of the Atlantis, C. Braun representing the Olympic Airways that flew the proclamation to Athens and others. The Philhellene Governor is a member of Upper Manhattan Chapter, No. 41, having been initiated some years back thanks to the efforts of the then Supreme President Scopas.

raise \$140,000 for completion of the project.

### Marysville, Calif. Completes New Ahepa Home

Marysville, Calif. — The Ahepa chapter in this city recently completed its new Ahepa building. Present plans include the completion of landscaping, which is going on at present, reports Brother Peter Cobles.

The building has been a tremendous asset to the Ahepa family in Marysville, with a succession of affairs and parties for members and their families. The regular chapter meetings are held in the building, and outside lodges have rented the building for their own use.

The Ahepa chapter sponsors Greek Orthodox Church services once a month, since Marysville does not have its own Church building, and Sunday School classes are held weekly.

*Editor's Note: A full story in dedication will follow.*

## The Brotherhood of Man

By NICK KARALIKAS,

Past President, Brooklyn Chapter, No. 41

The spirit of fraternity has been an insistent movement in mankind since the earliest tribal gatherings. It is one of the most powerful forces that man struggles with. Aristotle phrased the thought in an interesting fashion when he said "Man is by nature a social animal. Any one who either cannot lead a common life or is so self-sufficient he does not need to, and therefore does not partake of society, is either a beast or a god."

The ceaseless effort to prove the brotherhood of man has played its part in all human progress. Deep in the heart of every man, beneath the discord and jealousy which are all too common in the world today, lies the hope that someday we shall reach that which is best for mankind in some sort of mystic, fraternal bond that will make all men brothers.

### Ahepa Has Purpose

AHEPA is a part of this movement. It has shown a definite trend towards permanence, stability, and growth in its goals, dreams and accomplishments.

It started almost as a defense mechanism against intolerance and ignorance which existed perhaps only because there was a lack of communication. These trials and tribulations of the Order melted once the language barrier was overcome and its philanthropic and fraternal aspects were recognized. Presidents and Congressmen, as well as Americans of Greek descent, are due-paying members of AHEPA and enjoy the prestige and benefits of the Association. Every brother who accepts the title of "Archon Polites" owes a debt to the organization. This debt cannot be explained adequately in words. It includes all the training, polishing and developing of the individual which participation in a fraternal organization engenders and develops. It also includes the fruits of friendship and brotherhood which accrue through the passing years.

### Expand Through New Members

The most satisfying way to repay this obligation is to bring into the group a new man. If you do not have the opportunity to bring in a new member then certainly, as a minimum contribution, every man should work for his chapter within his own capabilities.

Charles Maurras, in telling of how the ancient Athenian buildings were erected, wrote, "only noble hands, the aristocratic hands of free men, were employed in this place. It was the will of Pericles that the toil of the slave should be banished from all public enterprise. The best of men left the best that was in them."

This is as it should be! No more could be asked of you than your best.

## Our Membership Drive: MAKE TIME IN '59

Our current membership drive, heeding the call of Supreme President Verinis to "Make Time in '59," is gaining into full swing.

Many beautiful prizes are in store for the winners. They range from individual member awards, to chapter awards, and finally District awards, all of which are listed below.

### For the Chapters and Districts:

a. 3 trophies to the three chapters that secure the largest increases, **proportionately**, in new and reinstated members.

b. 3 trophies to the three chapters that secure **numerically** the greatest number of new and reinstated members.

c. 3 trophies to the three Districts showing the largest increases, **proportionately**, in new and reinstated members.

d. 3 trophies to the three Districts showing the largest increases **numerically**, in new and reinstated members.

e. 24 properly engraved plaques — one to each chapter in each District that has the greatest increase, **proportionately**, in new and reinstated members.

### For the Individual Member:

a. To each chapter president (the 1959 President) that increases his chapter's membership by 10 Per Cent a President's Gavel Tie Clasp (gold) with the Ahepa emblem.

b. To each individual member that brings in **five** new or reinstated members a Cigarette Lighter with the Ahepa emblem.

c. To each individual member that brings in **ten** new or reinstated members a properly engraved plaque.

d. To each individual member that brings in **fifteen** or more new or reinstated members a Cigarette Lighter with the Ahepa emblem plus an engraved Plaque.

e. To the member who brings in the **most** new or reinstated members of all who compete in the Drive, a \$100 Gold Wrist Watch, Plaque, and a Cigarette Lighter with the Ahepa emblem.

We have two separate competitions within the overall Membership Drive. One is the "Battle of the Giants" between Districts 6 and 15; our two fraternal giants, District Governors Cherevas and Miller of Districts 6 and 15, respectively, have already swung their battalions into line, and the result appears to be a mighty barrage of petitions and reinstatements filling the Ahepa skies. All our Chapters in these two districts have the blessings of the Supreme Lodge in their battle. May the best District emerge the winner!

The other group within the Drive concerns the Supreme President's Membership Committee of 100. These 100 Ahepans were chosen by Supreme President Verinis on the basis of their outstanding co-operative spirit in all Ahepa matters, and their exceptional eagerness to work for Ahepa's progress. Each member of the Committee has been given a goal of 10 new or reinstated members. If successful, as expected, he will be eligible, as will any good standing member of the Order, for the many individual prizes being offered in the Drive.

The one Ahepa who brings in the **MOST** new or reinstated members, throughout the Ahepa domain, will receive a Grand Prize of a \$100 Gold Wrist Watch, a Cigarette Lighter with the Ahepa emblem, and a beautiful Plaque.

An integral part of the current Drive is the task of reinstating the many inactive members who for one reason or another have ceased paying dues and attending meetings. Therein lies a fertile field for work. We suggest that we all explore its possibilities in our own chapter. A reinstated member counts just as much as a newly initiated member. Besides, he should be much easier to contact and re-enroll.

A good beginning paves a successful conclusion. Don't wait — Let's Make Time in '59!

## The Parliamentarian Speaks

[EDITOR'S NOTE: With this issue we are inaugurating as part of the educational program of our Order a very valuable Question-and-Answer page on parliamentary law and procedure, so vital to all of us in an enlightened democracy as ours. This useful feature will be contributed and edited by Past Supreme President George Demeter of Boston — lawyer, nationally recognized parliamentary authority and author of "DEMETER'S MANUAL OF PARLIAMENTARY LAW AND PROCEDURE." Copies of Demeter's Manual are available at our Supreme Headquarters.]



Q - Can tellers vote in Chapter elections?

A - Yes. They can also vote in **any** election.

Q - An unseconded main motion was eventually put to vote and it was adopted by a vote of 23 to 19, and the president declared the motion "passed." Then a member raised a "point of order" that the motion had not been seconded. The president ruled that the point of order was "not well taken" and refused to ask for a second and to put the motion again to vote. Was the president right?

A - The president was right. The rule: When an unseconded motion is eventually put to vote and it is adopted, its adoption **implies** a second and the vote is valid, and final. But if the point of order had been raised **while** the unseconded motion was **still** before the body the president would at once ask: "Is there a second to this motion?" If not **then** seconded, the president would say: "There being no second, the motion cannot be entertained further and it is therefore not before the body," and he would proceed to next business.

Q - At a Sons' meeting recently, a member who had been given the floor to speak on a motion turned his back to the president and spoke face to face to the members. Wasn't this unparliamentary and undignified?

A - No. You do not have to face the chairman when discussing a motion. There are more votes away from the chairman. Address the Chair simply to get recognition to speak; thereafter you can turn, face the members (where the votes are) and talk to them directly, but impersonally. This is a common and effective practice in all legislative bodies in the world.

Q - The president ruled that an appeal from his decision has to have a two-thirds vote before it can be reversed. I remember from your Manual that appeals can be reversed by a mere majority vote. Who is right?

A - You are, naturally. Unless the laws of an organization specify to the contrary appeals from the decision of the Chair can be reversed by a mere majority vote. (Demeter's Manual, p. 120, fifth line.)

Q - At the recent Ahepa Convention in Boston, an appeal was taken by a delegate from Supreme President Verinis (presiding at the time). Verinis talked back and forth with the members on the appeal and also continued to preside during all this appeal-discussion, instead of surrendering the gavel to Supreme Vice-President Loucas to preside. Now, wasn't Bro. Verinis out of order?

A - Brother Verinis was not out of order. Apparently he knew his law and his parliamentary rights as a presiding officer. The rule: (Demeter's Manual, p. 121, top three lines) "The Chair is entitled as a matter of right to discuss an appeal;" (and) "is not required to **leave** the chair to discuss it . . ." In other words, presiding officers are **not** disqualified from presiding when appeals are taken from their decisions; to hold otherwise would prevent them from virtually ever presiding by taking repeated appeals. Accordingly, the appeal is the only motion the Chair **can** discuss without having to leave the chair to do so (the sole exception to the rule).

Q - Do all main motions need a majority vote for adoption, and resolutions a two-thirds vote?

A - Both main motions and resolutions require a mere majority vote, never two-thirds vote unless the laws of the organization otherwise prescribe. (Demeter's Manual, p. 24, middle of page.) The rules that apply to main motions also apply to resolutions.

(To be continued in next issue)

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January 10, 1959

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE AHEPA FAMILY:

RE: 1959 Ahepa Easter Excursion

As previously announced the OLYMPIA, flagship of the Greek Line, has been selected as the official carrier of the 1959 Ahepa Easter Excursion to Greece. This decision was based on the fact that the OLYMPIA is the newest, largest and fastest ship between the United States and Greece offering superior accommodations, excellent cuisine, recreational facilities and courteous service by experienced personnel.

A few days ago I had the pleasure of visiting on board the OLYMPIA again with Past Supreme Treasurer, Socrates V. Sekles, who will lead the 1959 Excursion sailing on April 10th.

It was indeed a real privilege to visit with Captain Sigalas and to note the excellent and spotless manner in which this beautiful and modern floating palace is maintained. Our previous comments concerning the quality and appointments of the OLYMPIA were reconfirmed. The Ahepa excursionists will be thrilled with the Greek atmosphere, the "kefi", the delicious Greek-American dishes, the comfortable accommodations and the 22 spacious public rooms. We are certain that they will whole-heartedly approve the selection of the OLYMPIA by the Supreme Lodge.

Indications are that the 1959 Excursion promises to be the greatest in Ahepa's history. You are urged to make early reservations to secure accommodations of your choice.

Sincerely and fraternally,

C. P. VERINIS  
Supreme President

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Grand Governor Kappakas

## Maids of Athens 1958-1959 Grand Lodge

### JOAN POMPOS Grand President

Miss Joan Pompos of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was elected Grand President of the Maids of Athens by the Boston Supreme Convention. A member of Phi Sigma Tau Chapter, No. 56, she served as chapter treasurer, and president for two terms. She was first elevated to the office of the Grand Secretary by the 1956 New York Convention, and the following year in St. Louis was promoted as Grand Vice-President.

Miss Pompos graduated from South Hills High School and also attended the University of Pittsburgh. She is now attending the American Institute of Banking, and is employed by Commonwealth Trust Company. Besides her active schedule in behalf of the Maids, the new Grand President also teaches Sunday School at St. Nicholas Cathedral.

### DENISE TOMARAS Grand Vice-President

Miss Denise Tomaras of Miami, Florida, was elected Grand Vice-President after having served our Junior Order as Grand Secretary during the preceding year. A member of Hurricane Chapter, No. 100, she served her chapter as secretary, vice-president, and president. She was chosen Queen of the Sons of Pericles-Maids of Athens Ball in Miami.

When attending Miami Senior High School, Miss Tomaras was elected member of the National Honor Society. She is now employed at the U. S. Fidelity and Guaranty Company as Executive Secretary to the Superintendent of Claims, and supervises all female claims personnel. She is a member of the St. Sophia Church Choir and also acts as a Sunday School teacher.

### BECKY ANGELOS Grand Secretary

Miss Becky Angelos of Houston, Texas, the Grand Secretary of the Maids of Athens, has served her Order in a variety of offices since she joined the Maids in 1952. She has been chapter secretary and president, and for two terms in 1954 and 1955 served as Grand President. In 1956 and 1957, she was elected Grand Governor, and last year was elected Grand Secretary at the Boston Convention.

Miss Angelos finished San Jacinto High School, graduating with honors. She also attended the University of Houston where she majored in Marketing. She is now a statistician for the City of Houston in the Secretary's office. She was featured by the Houston Press recently in its "Career Girl" series. Miss Angelos comes from a family of true Ahepans. Her father is a member of the Houston Chapter, while her mother is now serving her third term as a member of the National Advisory Board of the Maids of Athens.

### Maids National Advisor

Again this year, Sister Adelaide Nicholas of Brooklyn, N. Y., was reappointed National Advisor to the Maids of Athens.

The wife of National Trustee and well-known Ahepa leader, Gus Nicholas, Sister Adelaide has rendered invaluable services to our active Ahepa family, and particularly to our Senior Ladies' Auxiliary, the Daughters of Penelope.

Both the Nicholases are eager to help every Ahepa cause and will drop everything in order to attend an Ahepa function, whether near or far.

We congratulate our Maids for having the counsel and the assistance of a gracious lady in their forward march.

### DESPINA BILIDES Grand Treasurer

Miss Despina Bilides of New Haven, Connecticut, now the Grand Treasurer of the Maids of Athens, is a junior at New Haven State Teachers College. A member of our Junior Order since 1955, she served during the convention in Boston last August as Convention Secretary.

Miss Bilides was treasurer of her high school graduating class. She is working now with the Southern New England Telephone Company, thus financing her college education.

### JOAN KAPPAKAS Grand Governor

Miss Joan Kappakas of Brooklyn, New York, was elected Grand Governor of the Maids of Athens, after having served her chapter as treasurer and her district as Lieutenant-Governor and Governor. She has already served on the Grand Lodge as Treasurer.

Miss Kappakas is attending Eastern School in New York City, majoring in Medical Technology.

### Helen Karagianis Award

Girls of Greek descent, related to an Ahepan or a Daughter, may apply for the Helen Karagianis Memorial Scholarship 1959 Award. In 1958, this valuable prize of \$500 was awarded to Miss Evalea Glanges of Dallas, Texas.

At the Boston Convention it was decided to create two additional awards: a second prize of \$150, and a third prize of \$100 to be given to the three top qualifying girls who desire to further their education either on the college or the graduate level.

All applications for these awards must be filed with the Daughters Headquarters in Washington by February 1, 1959.



Supreme President Millas



Supreme Vice-Pres. Manta



Supreme Sec.-Treas. Cholakis



Supreme Govr. Constantine



Supreme Govr. Yakumithis

## Sons' 1958-59 Supreme Lodge

### LEE J. MILLAS

#### Supreme President

Trenton, N. J. — Lee J. Millas, newly-elected Supreme President of the Sons of Pericles, has been a member of the Junior Order for the past nine years. He has served in all chapter offices, and has served his District as Governor for 5 years.

Supreme President Millas is a newly-initiated member of the Ahepa, Trenton Chapter, No. 72. He is employed by the Royal-Globe Insurance Company as a claims representative. The new Supreme President is the son of Ahepan James Millas, past Supreme Governor of the Order of Ahepa. He attended Trenton High School, Trenton Junior College and Rider College, where he majored in Business Administration. He is 23 years of age.

### FRANK MANTA

#### Supreme Vice-President

Chicago, Ill. — Frank Manta, son of Ahepa Past Supreme President John L. Manta, of this city, is the re-elected Supreme Vice-President of the Sons of Pericles. He is a senior at Northwestern University, majoring in Political Science and Industrial Management.

Brother Manta became Supreme Governor of the Sons in 1955 at the San Francisco Convention, and the following year was elevated to Supreme Secretary-Treasurer. He was elected Supreme Vice-President in 1957 at the St. Louis Convention, and re-elected this year at the Boston Convention.

In 1956 Supreme Vice-President Manta was appointed to the Senate Subcommittee on Juvenile Delinquency by U. S. Senator Estes Kefauver.

### JOHN M. CHOLAKIS

#### Supreme Secretary-Treasurer

Brother Cholakis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Cholakis of Albany, N. Y. Born and raised in Albany where he attended the public school system until his junior year when he transferred to a prep school, the Albany Academy for Boys, from which he graduated. Brother Cholakis is now attending Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Washington, D.C. where he is majoring in International Affairs. After graduation he intends to attend law school.

A member of the Phocian Chapter, No. 44, of Albany since 1952, he has served his chapter as Inner Guard, Secretary, Vice-President and President. In 1957 he was elected Lt. Governor of Empire State District No. 6 at the Syracuse Convention. At the National Convention in St. Louis last year he served as Vice-Chairman and this year he was Convention Chairman of the National Convention in Boston. It was at this convention that Brother Cholakis was elevated to the post of Supreme Secretary-Treasurer.

### JOHN CONSTANTINE

#### Supreme Governor

Savannah, Ga. — John Constantine, Supreme Governor of the Sons, from this city, has previously served his District Lodge as Marshal and Lieut. Governor. He has served his chapter of the Sons as Treasurer and Vice-President.

Supreme Governor Constantine was graduated from Southern Institute of Electronics with a degree as an Electronic Technician. In high school he was a member of the football team, the Student Council, and served on the school newspaper as Sports Editor. He is 20 years of age.

### MICHAEL E. YAKUMITHIS

#### Supreme Governor

Toledo, Ohio — Michael E. Yakumithis, Supreme Governor of the Sons of Pericles, was Vice-Chairman of the Boston National Convention. He has served his Chapter as President.

Supreme Governor Yakumithis is enrolled in the University of Toledo in the College of Business Administration. He is a graduate of Woodward High School where he was an active participant in school activities. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel K. Yakumithis.

### Sons Advisory Board

Supreme President Verinis appointed the following to comprise the National Advisory Board of the Sons of Pericles:

Paul Yphantos of Brighton, Mass.  
Peter Giovas of Akron, Ohio  
Jack Zarcadoolas of New York, N. Y.  
James Petheriotes of Houston, Texas  
Evans Chriss of Baltimore, Maryland

In accordance with the Constitution, Supreme Vice-President George E. Louca will act as the Chairman of the Board.

### The Sons At Boston

Meetings were held throughout the tenure of the Ahepa convention, and the following business and legislative acts were passed by the convention:

The Sons \$250 Scholarship Award will be continued, and this year's award was given to Socrates Triantafilou of Trojan Chapter, No. 197, Troy, N. Y.

Delian League Chapter, No. 18, of Akron, Ohio, was selected as outstanding chapter of the year. The Delian League Chapter also led all chapters in active membership.

THE AHEPAN

Winners in the year's national Membership Drive were announced as: First — Demosthenes Chapter, No. 28, of Cleveland, Ohio; Second — Olympic Chapter, No. CJI, Montreal, Canada; Third — Altis Chapter, No. 90, Jamaica, L. I., N. Y.

The Sons National Basketball Tournament will be held March, 1959, at Toledo, Ohio. The team Olympiad championship was won by Pythagoras Chapter, No. 9, of Washington, D.C., with a total of 37 points.

All chapter Elections were to be held in September.

The Chapters in Canada are to be given recognition in the Constitution.

The active support of all Ahepa chapters is needed if the Sons are to maintain an active growth and progress.

Supreme President Tom Cholakis was commended for his outstanding work during the past year.

Officers of the Convention were: John M. Cholakis, Chairman; Mike Yakumithis, Vice-Chairman; and Steve Manta, Secretary.

### Father and Son Dinner

As a permanent part of our chapter program activities, the Supreme Lodge has inaugurated an event to be held annually and to be known either as AHEPA and SONS DINNER — or — FATHER and SON DINNER.

If there is an active Sons of Pericles chapter in your city, you will hold an AHEPA and SONS DINNER. If you have no active Sons of Pericles chapter, then you will hold a FATHER and SON DINNER.

This event will be held annually on or about February 3rd. (Date of institution of the Sons of Pericles was February 3, 1926.) Who will participate? All good standing members of the Ahepa and their sons who are 10 years of age or older; all good standing members of the Sons of Pericles; other good standing members of the Ahepa who are interested in attending and prospective members of the Sons of Pericles.

The program should include an informal dinner with an appropriate speaker on a suitable topic dealing with Religion, Sports, Fraternalism, Education, or other topic. Movies can be shown. The Sons of Pericles members could be guests of the Ahepans. The program should be suitable for the young boys who will be present, and deal primarily with fostering a FATHER and SON, or an AHEPAN and SON relationship and understanding.

We recommend the use of your community building for this dinner. Let the affair have a high entertainment value,

as well as an educational level so that all will enjoy the evening. Plan various stunts and participation events for all present. This can be one of your most attractive events of the year.

Plan your dinner NOW for February 3rd, 1959, or during that week. A few chapters now hold Father and Son dinners at varying times during the year. However, please have these re-scheduled so that all chapters will celebrate the day during the same week of the year.

Make this dinner a permanent activity of your chapter and proceed with your plans immediately for a relaxing and enjoyable affair next February 3rd.

*"We will never bring disgrace to this, our city, by any act of dishonesty or cowardice, nor ever desert our suffering comrades in the ranks. We will fight for the ideals and sacred things of the City, both alone and with many; we will revere and obey the City's laws and do our best to invite a like respect and reverence in those above us who are prone to abuse or to set them at naught; we will strive unceasingly to quicken the public's sense of civic duty. Thus in all these ways we will transmit this City not only not less, but greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."*

Oath of the Athenian Youth

### Local Sons Reactivated

The members of Harrisburg Chapter, No. 64, feel proud and pleased. Last November they were able — and it took very little effort — to reactivate their local Chapter of the Sons of Pericles. On the occasion, they invited Sons Supreme President Millas to be their principal guest. He said: "The Harrisburg Chapter should be followed as a true example of what can be done if the individual members are really interested in the future of their chapter. The foundation has begun and it is now up to you to guide the Sons in the right path. Please accept my simple thanks and God bless all of you."

Our Junior Order of the Sons of Pericles needs and deserves all our help if they are ever to reach their proper strength. Other Ahepa Chapters should follow our example. — N. NOTARYS, Secretary.

### Can Foreign Students Work Part-time?

The following question was recently asked of the Common Council for American Unity of New York:

"I came to the United States on a student visa. My uncle, who is an American citizen, agreed to pay my tuition and living expenses while here, and I so in-

formed the Immigration Service. I have been here one year and expect to remain two more years to receive my degree. I find that life in college requires more than the bare necessities furnished me by my uncle, but I do not like to ask him for more money. Is there some way in which I can earn an additional income?"

The answer was as follows: "Whether you can do so depends on the individual circumstances of your case. Generally speaking, the regulations of the Immigration and Naturalization Service permit students to take on part-time work to supplement their income, if this is necessary. But if prior to entry a student has received certain assurances which in the opinion of the Service are adequate for his maintenance, and there is no change in the situation afterwards, the Immigration Service, should he apply for permission to work, will hesitate to permit part-time employment since this might interfere with his studies. A different situation prevails during summer vacations, when foreign students may accept employment with the permission of the foreign student advisors."

### Immigration Act Amended in 1958

**Question:** A friend of mine came to the United States in the early 1930's as a seaman. He has remained here ever since. He is quite unhappy because he has never been able to become a citizen. Since he comes from a country with an over-subscribed quota, he has been unable to leave the United States, obtain a visa and immigrate properly. Is there any way short of a private bill in which he can achieve permanent residence?

**Answer:** Yes. By an amendment to the Immigration and Nationality Act which became law on August 8, 1958, the privilege of obtaining a record of lawful admission for permanent residence was extended to aliens who entered the United States prior to June 28, 1940. Previously they must have entered before July 1, 1924. Under the amended statute, persons who entered before June 28, 1940 may create a record of lawful admission if they are not excludable as criminals, procurers, subversives, violators of the narcotics laws, smugglers of aliens, or on similar grounds. If your seaman does not fall within any of the enumerated categories, he should apply on Form N-105, at the nearest Immigration and Naturalization Service office. He will, however, have to prove that he has been within the United States without interruption from the date of his first entry. It may be well if he consults a social agency or an attorney before taking any steps.



# 1958-1959 DISTRICT GOVERNORS

## Daughters of Penelope

### Governor Helen Sakiotis Citrus District No. 2

Miss Helen Sakiotis was elected to this office last June at the District Convention held in West Palm Beach, Florida. She served as Vice-President and President for two years in her Peribolia Chapter No. 62, prior to serving on the District Lodge for three years as Treasurer and Lt. Governor.



Helen is the daughter of Mrs. Sylvia Sakiotis and the late Nick Sakiotis, and a native of Tarpon Springs, Florida, having attended Public Schools in that city. She is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, having served as Worthy Matron for two years; a member of the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral Choir, and is presently employed at the First National Bank in Tarpon Springs as bookkeeper.

Helen knows first hand the problems of her District, comprising nine chapters with about 300 active members. She intends to inaugurate an active membership drive and organize additional chapters.

### Governor Ann Gallan Empire State District No. 6

Miss Ann Gallan (Galanopoulos) was born and raised in New York City. A graduate of Queens College, she has attended Fordham Law School for two years. She is the founder and organizer of the AΓM sorority of Queens College.



Ann is a member of the Greek Church of Corona, having graduated from its Greek School. The Secretary of the Hellenic Republican Association of Queens County for the past five years, she is also a member of the Flushing Republican Club. She is now employed by the State of New York Workmen's Compensation Board.

Miss Gallan originally joined Rhene Chapter and then transferred to Niobe Chapter of Jamaica. After serving her Chapter as Secretary for two years, she was elected Licut. Governor and last year Governor. In addition, she has served as Convention Secretary at two District Conventions, and Chairman of the Credentials Committee of the 1956 New York Convention. Last year at Boston she acted as Chairman of the Resolutions Committee and Presiding Officer at the Installation of the new Grand Lodge.

### Governor Christ Kolins Hoosier District No. 12

Mrs. Christ Kolins was born in Detroit, Michigan, but spent her childhood in Anderson, Indiana, where she now lives. She has served as president of her Chapter, Nausica, No. 7, for three years, and has held various other offices. She has been on the District Lodge for five years prior to her unanimous election to District Governor.



She owns and operates Christy's Drive-In Restaurant, in Pendleton, Indiana. She is very active on the Scholarship Committee of her District and enjoys working on that project because she believes in education and grants to help those who wish to pursue higher studies.

She is the mother of a fourteen year old son, Andy.

### Governor Sophie Cappucci Yankee District No. 7

They say life begins at forty. Mrs. Sophie Cappucci went back to complete her formal education with the result of being written up in her local newspapers as the youngest grandmother (at 39) to graduate from the University of Bridgeport. She then launched on a teaching career and continued to do graduate work at the University of Bridgeport, Danbury and New Haven Teachers' College.



Traveling is a weakness to Sophie. She has toured the Atlantic Coast from Canada to the West Indies, the Pacific Coast from Canada to Mexico, to Europe,

and for good measure took a trip around the world by plane in 1957.

During her spare time, Sophie does volunteer driving for the American Red Cross. In addition she shares and enjoys family experiences with her husband, her two married daughters, six grandchildren, her teenage son and two sons-in-law. She also holds membership in the N.E.A., Connecticut Teachers' Association, Bridgeport Teachers' Association and Professional Women's Association, Eastern Star, and the Philoptochos Society. She rounds up her day's work by teaching Sunday School and serving on the Building Fund Committee of the Greek Church of Bridgeport. A remarkable woman and a precious Daughter.

### Governor Bessie George Grainfield District No. 14

Miss Bessie George was born in Columbus, Ohio, but moved as a youngster with her parents to Cedar Falls and thence to Waterloo, both of Iowa. She has served Marathon Chapter as President for two terms after having filled every other office of her chapter.



Bessie was elected District Marshal and then Lt. Governor for two terms prior to her unanimous election as Governor last June.

Bessie has always been an active Daughter, besides being a staunch supporter of every community and Church project in her city. Under her expert guidance the Daughters of District No. 14 are expected to increase their membership and promote every national project, particularly our current Drive for the Ahepa School at St. Basil's Academy.

### Governor Roberta Karnaze Oil Center District No. 15

Mrs. Roberta Karnaze was born in Fort Madison, Iowa, but was raised in Kansas City, Kansas, where she finished high school and junior college. She has served as chapter president and secretary, and was instrumental in instituting a chapter of the Daughters in Kansas



City, Kansas. She is Charter member of Cilla Chapter, No. 257. She served two terms as Lt. Governor.

Although not of Hellenic origin, she is active in the affairs of her community, and is a member of St. Dionysios Greek Church. Her activities embrace: Phi Tau Omega Sorority, Kansas City Council of Clubs, Ladies' Bar Auxiliary, Opti-Mrs. P.T.A., Boy Scout Mothers' Club and United Funds Campaign.

Roberta has missed few chapter meetings and has attended the Minneapolis, Washington, Houston and St. Louis National Conventions. Her pride and joy is her family consisting of one daughter, now member of the Maids, five sons, two of whom are active in Scout Work, and her husband Bill, a past Supreme Governor of the Order of Ahepa. Roberta belongs to a truly Ahepa family.

#### **Governor Sofia Frangos Silver District No. 17**

Mrs. Sofia Frangos, from Cheyenne, Wyoming, is the District Governor of Silver District No. 17, which includes Wyoming, Colorado and New Mexico. She had previously served as District Secretary.



Sofia has been very active in Olympus Chapter, No. 6, since becoming a member in 1955. While devoting much of her time to Chapter affairs, she finds time to be a housewife for her husband and their two year old son, Dino, and also hold a secretarial position in The Frontier Refining Company in Cheyenne.

Brother Nick Frangos, a well known leader of Cowboy Chapter, No. 211, holds at present the position of President. In due course, young Dino will join the Sons to complete a fine Ahepa family.

#### **Governor Carrie Postolos Delta District No. 16**

Mrs. Carrie Postolos was elected Governor in Galveston, Texas. She was a member of Thetis Chapter of Fort Worth, Texas until her recent marriage to Luke Postolos, when she transferred to Hebe Chapter of San Antonio, Texas.



Carrie has served in various offices and committees. She has been on District

Lodge for five years as Lt. Governor, Secretary and Marshal. She has graduated from Texas Women's University (B.S.) and Texas Christian University (M.Ed.).

She has taught for seven years, including two years in Special Education in the field of mentally retarded. This year she is teaching in the Sunday School of St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church.

Carrie is also a member of the Texas Women's University Alumni, American Association of University Women, Delta Kappa Gamma, and St. Sophia P.T.A. She brings to her present office experience and a desire to help her people.

#### **Governor Ann Rhodes El Camino Real District No. 20**

Mrs. Ann Rhodes, Governor of El Camino Real District No. 20, hails from Hollywood's Melita Chapter, scene of the forthcoming 1959 Supreme Convention. Born in Chicago, she attended Budlong Public School, Mt. St. Clare Academy in Clinton, Iowa, and Josephinum High School in Chicago.



Ann first joined the Daughters of Penelope in Dayton, by becoming member of Polydema Chapter in 1947. When her family moved to California, she transferred to Melita Chapter, which she served in various capacities until elected President, the same year that her husband became President of our Hollywood Chapter.

In successive years she became District Treasurer, Lt. Governor, and now Governor. The mother of a boy and a girl, both married, Ann has two grandchildren. Her parents were the late John Maripulos and the now invalid Amelia Maripulos.

#### **Governor Margaret Bell Firwood District No. 22**

Mrs. Margaret Bell of Aberdeen, Washington, is the daughter of Mrs. Frances Kotros and the late Andrew Kotros. She was elevated to this office after having served as District Secretary and Lt. Governor. She has been very active in Grays Harbor Tritogenia Chapter since its establishment in 1955.



Margaret was Chapter President for two years, and Daughters Chairman of

Aberdeen District Convention in 1953. Born in Centralia, Washington, she attended Hoquiam High School and Grays Harbor Junior College. She worked as assistant chemist at Rayonier Laboratories in Hoquiam, Washington.

Mrs. Bell is married to Robert B. Bell, son of an Aberdeen pioneer family. She has a son, Robert, Jr., 11, and a daughter, Kathryn, 7. Very active in social and civic affairs, she is Society editor of Grays Harbor Post, South Beach area, and is a member of Twin Harbors' Art League, P.T.A., Seattle Orthopedic, and VFW Auxiliary. Her hobbies are oil painting, artcrafts and ceramics.

#### **Our Penelope of the Year**

The "Penelope of the Year" award was presented in Boston last August to past Grand President Adeline Geokaris Lambros on the basis of what she has done for her church, in civic affairs, and also toward improving the standards and status of women.



Adeline has served our Order as Grand Secretary, and for two terms as Grand President. She has helped her church as choir director of the Waukegan Greek Orthodox Church and also as its legal advisor. She has served her community as Assistant State Attorney of Lake County, Illinois, and her country as Lt. Commander in the Waves. She is at present an active member of the American Legion.

Always a friend to a sister in need, Mrs. Lambros exemplified this characteristic by fostering the Penelopian Shelter Home in Athens for guidance to the teen-agers of Greece. For chapters in need of guidance, she donated the cost of publication of pamphlets on Chapter Program Guidance.

#### **Buffalo Daughters Active**

Last October, the Daughters of Pallas Athena Chapter, No. 50, held a testimonial dinner honoring past District Governor Poppy Dellas and Lt. Governor Kathleen Cretokos of Empire District No. 6.

In November, they sponsored "Holiday Temptations," a fashion show and card party. Co-chairmen were Mrs. Chris Tsihalis and Mrs. George B. Basil. Commentator was Miss Helen Lazarou. Mesdames Emmanuel Truman, Spero Liaros, George Leodakis and Spero Paravalos assisted as committee members.



## Your Supreme Lodge Headquarters Reports

By GEORGE J. LEBER, Executive Secretary

### Ahepa's Study

At the suggestion of the United States Information Agency, we have undertaken the publication of a study dealing with the general subject of *The Contributions of Ancient Greece and of Greek-Americans to the Development of the United States*.

With the goal of further cementing international amity between the peoples of Greece and America, it is proposed that the study be first published in English and later on be translated into Greek for distribution abroad.

Arrangements are now being made with publishers and writers, and final plans for the format and publication of the book will be made shortly. The overall project will take approximately a year to complete. Photos and drawings will be extensively used to make an appealing and instructive volume.

Our main problem at present is the compilation of all material dealing with the history of the Greek-American in the United States, from the earliest date to modern times.

The Committee asks that all members forward any material they may have in their possession on the history of the Greek-American, no matter how insignificant or unimportant. Any leads that our members may be able to give us relative to securing this information will be appreciated.

Our book, which will be a proud addition to anyone's library, will be a permanent reminder to all of the accomplishments of the Order of Ahepa and of the Greek-American.

The Editorial Board in charge of this project consists of Supreme President Verinis acting as Chairman, Supreme Secretary Doukas, Past Supreme Presidents Vournas and Catsonis, Past Supreme Secretary Maniatis and Executive Secretary Leber.

Kindly address further inquiries and whatever material you may have to the Supreme Lodge Headquarters.

### Membership Drive

In connection with our current Membership Drive — if you are to receive credit for a new member or Reinstated member, that application or reinstatement form MUST have your name on it. On Applications for Membership, we can

credit ONLY the FIRST NAME listed as the sponsor. There is no blank for a sponsor on the Reinstatement form, THEREFORE, you MUST sign your name and state "Sponsor" on the top or bottom blank space of the form.

### Executive Secretary

Your new Executive Secretary is Brother George J. Leber, member of the Wichita, Kansas chapter. He took office on September 22, succeeding Brother William Revis of Washington, D.C., who had consented to serve for one year in 1957-1958. Brother Leber was Executive Secretary of the Sons of Pericles at the Headquarters from 1937 to 1942, and also served as Editor of The Ahepan during a portion of that period. He served in the U.S. Navy as a commissioned officer from 1942 to 1946. He is a graduate of the University of Wichita, Wichita, Kansas, where he was managing editor and editor-in-chief of the university newspaper. Brother Leber has served as District Governor of the Sons of Pericles, and as president of the Wichita Ahepa chapter, as well as secretary and president of the Holy Trinity Orthodox Church. He is married to the former Mary Ann Pappas of Washington, D.C., and they have one son, John, 15 years old.

### Ahepa Funeral Ceremony

Our present Ritual states that an Ahepa Funeral Ceremony is to be held sometime before the church rites are to be administered to a deceased brother Ahepan. The matter was thoroughly discussed by our Supreme Lodge at its meeting in Washington on October 17, 1958, and the unanimous decision was reached that such a ceremony must be held preferably at the Funeral Home on the evening prior to the burial.

The Greek Orthodox Archdiocese in New York officially urged this procedure in an effort to avoid any conflict with Greek Orthodox regulations pertaining to ceremonies held within the Church proper. It was after complete consideration of the matter that the Supreme Lodge reached their decision.

All chapter and district officers are hereby requested to take note and schedule all future Ahepa Funeral Ceremonies only at Funeral Homes on the evening prior to burial. The Funeral Home presents no conflict with Church rules. Besides, it gives a chapter the opportunity to have most of its members present, thus assuring a more formal and impressive ceremony.

### An Announcement

Our delegates to the 1958 Supreme Convention in Boston will recall that Oakland Chapter's delegate and candidate for the office of the Supreme President, Frank Tripp, had instituted an action in the Boston courts to nullify the election of Supreme President Verinis.

Last November arguments by both sides were presented to the court and the action was dismissed on the merits. Past Supreme President Harris Booras represented the Order. Congratulations.

### An Informed Membership

Mount Royal Chapter, No. 7, of Montreal, Quebec, Canada, issues a Regular Communication to its membership which we heartily applaud. It is a mimeographed sheet with a printed standing list of the chapter officers, various committees, and past presidents. An excellent means of keeping the membership informed and in close touch with activities. Many chapters do it.

### Change of Address

If you have changed your address or for any reason your address is incorrect, please complete and mail the following form:

The Ahepan, 1422 K St., N.W.  
Washington 5, D.C.

Please correct my address to:

Name: .....

Street Address: .....

City, State: .....

Member of Chapter No. ....

at .....

Enclose your old address, if possible.

### Membership Mailing List

Your Headquarters has nearly completed an overhaul of the membership mailing list. When completed, the list will offer us an active list of members, as well as a separate inactive list. We shall mail an active list of each chapter to the chapter secretary requesting that he check it for errors in names and addresses, and also for good standing, and return it to us, corrected. This will be done twice a year. We hope to satisfy those many members who have not been receiving the magazine, as well as delete from the list many members who are not in good standing.

This list has been a sore spot for years past among our members. We expect to give you as nearly perfect a system as is humanly possible.

### Fund Abolished

The Family Protective Fund was terminated December 31, 1958. This costly plan was finally abolished by the 1958 Boston Convention. At the time of its inception, some ill-advised individuals called it a "great victory" for the Ahepa.

Our only comment on this is to quote the story of Pyrrhus:

Pyrrhus, King of Epirus, after defeating the Romans twice with the loss of many of his friends and generals, exclaimed, "If we gain one more such victory over the Romans, we are lost!"

### Preserve Chapter Records

A GOOD friend inquired of Socrates, as to whether or not he should marry, and Socrates replied, "Whichever you do, you will regret it!"

Your staff at the Headquarters often-times feel that whatever we do, "we'll regret it!"

Of late, we have received many requests from chapters that claim to have lost their membership records, and will

we please send them a complete standing of their entire list, from the date of inception of the chapter to the present. This requires a detailed report on each and every member, his standing, date of initiation, reinstatement, and on down the line. Let me assure you, this is a job! When we prepare those lists (we haven't turned anyone down yet) our other regular work falls behind, and we catch it from other chapters for not answering their regular correspondence.

Put a lock and key on those chapter records. Guard them with your life, if need be. If you don't already have our recommended bookkeeping system (loose-leaf ledger with a printed page for every member), PLEASE contact us at once, and install this system.

### 25 Year Pins

It has come to our attention that at least one chapter has ordered 25 Year Pins directly from a jewelry supply house. This is a violation of Ahepa procedure. Only your Supreme Lodge Headquarters can issue 25 year pins to the chapters. No chapter is authorized to purchase these pins from any other source except from Headquarters. This procedure is necessary so that ONLY members qualified, and in agreement with Supreme Lodge Headquarters records, can be recipients of, and authorized to wear, the pin.

We will be only too happy to furnish you with a list of your members qualified to wear the pin. And ONLY Headquarters has the authority to issue the pins.

### Emergency Fund Benefits

Any legal insurance company will refuse to pay off on a policy that has lapsed, even if there is a question of one day in the payment of the premium.

Yet, we constantly receive requests to pay Emergency Fund Benefits to the beneficiaries of deceased members, in cases where the member had not paid his

chapter dues, and the chapter had not remitted Per Capita Tax.

Every member is given a grace period of SIX MONTHS to pay his chapter dues, not one month, as in the case of regular insurance. Your mailing card is our assurance that you have paid your dues; without that card we have no means of knowing if the dues are paid.

In one instance a member died on July 6th. The chapter requested payment of the benefit. The member had not paid his dues for the first half of that year, and so we informed that chapter. Immediately, we received a mailing card for that member, dated by the post office, July 15th, and stating that the member paid his dues. We compared the signature with previous mailing cards, but was not the same. It is evident that the chapter, or the family of the deceased, acting in an altruistic manner, had filled out the card after the death of the member. They pleaded with us as "brothers" to allow the claim.

If we now allow this claim, which we have no authority to do, we actually become despoilers of Ahepa's funds. If we do not allow it, we can imagine the rest.

Whichever way our decision falls, we'll regret it.

### The Giants Battle

Governor Gus Cherevas, of Empire District No. 6, has initiated an intensive Reinstatement Drive among the delinquent members of his District. The Empire District is "shooting the works" this year to gain top honors in the BATTLE OF THE GIANTS competition between Districts 6 and 13, as well as to gain other prizes offered in the Supreme Lodge Membership Drive. On the other hand, Governor Miller, of the 13th District, has brought his army into a strong counter-attack. The results should be interesting.

## BULLETIN BOARD

**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE** — Mail all Membership Applications and Reinstatements, with required fees, to Headquarters as soon as they have been processed by your chapter. Do not hold them back.

**AHEPA SCHOOL AT ST. BASIL'S** — Give us your chapter's report on your planned program for the School Fund Drive. Send in all funds immediately after the close of your campaign. We must have an up-to-date report so as to correlate our efforts with yours.

**PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE PROGRAM** — Our book project on Greece and Greek-Americans is progressing smoothly, but we need more research material. If any such material on the early history of the Greek-American is available to you, please forward it to Headquarters. Your state historical societies may have such source material on our people.

**ARLINGTON CEMETERY** — Are there any deceased Greek-Americans from your community interred in Arlington National Cemetery? We need your help. If you have a name or names about which you are uncertain, we can easily check with the Cemetery. Write to us.

**AHEPAN and SONS, or FATHER and SON DINNERS** — We ask all chapters to schedule either a FATHER and SON DINNER or AHEPAN and SONS DINNER during the week of February 5, 1959. Make plans now. Let us celebrate the anniversary throughout the Ahepa Domain.

**PER CAPITA TAX** — Your chapter's Per Capita Tax for 1959, at \$6.50 per member is now due. However, many chapters have not yet remitted their 1958 Tax. Keep your Tax payments up-to-date. Don't jeopardize your members' Emergency Fund benefits.

# AHEPA IN SPORTS

By JOHN MANDROS, National Athletic Director

PETE AMERICUS, the Easton High School star, was selected unanimously Pennsylvania All-State fullback. He has had over 20 scholarship offers and rumors are flying in the Lehigh Valley that "Gust Zarnas — 1937 All-American" from Ohio State University, has been plugging for his alma mater. I am predicting that Pete will be an All-American, barring injury. - - Big JIM KRITIS of Allentown, Pa., stellar tackle for the Moravian College, has made Honorable Mention on the All Pennsylvania State team and has one more year to go. - - HOMER CHAPTER, No. 65, has organized a sanctioned A.B.C. bowling league with 24 members participating once a week. - - PETER RANDALL of New York has accepted to help with the athletic program; he has been appointed the Eastern Zone Athletic Director.

MAJOR JASON ZERGANOS, noted international swimmer, attempted to swim around Manhattan Island, but the waters were too rough and choppy and was forced to stop against his will. Tremendous publicity results were made by the Order of Ahepa, having sponsored the event. - - GUS TRIANDOS, touring with other big league baseball players, gave instructions to youngsters in neighboring countries. - - Baltimore Orioles refused a reported \$250,000 for MILT PAPPAS; the sensational rookie pitcher must play an important part in the club's plans.

JOHN PATROULIS, the 5-10, 195 pound right guard, from the University of To-

ledo, has bolstered the Rockets' strong forward wall. John was All-City fullback and line backer for Macomber High School for 2 straight years. His coaches are expecting a great deal from him next season. - - Another first string right guard is JOHN ROUSSOS, who plays on the Idaho University eleven. - - BILL KALIDEN, All-Pennsylvania State Honorable Mention quarterback, from the University of Pittsburgh, ended his career with a scintillating end run with 11 seconds to go, by scoring the winning touchdown against Notre Dame.

Another Pittsburgh boy is JIM ZANOS, end, who was Kaliden's favorite pass target, quite a combination. - - GEORGE ANDROS, junior medical honor student at the University of Chicago, is an outstanding gymnast and track star. George ranks among the top men in the nation.

In the Far West, PETER D. CLENTZOS, past National Athletic Director, has forwarded names of athletes who are competing in sunny California. GUS GIANOULIS, calling signals for the University of California and MISKAS playing tackle on the U.C.L.A. eleven. Former U.S.C. football star, NICK PAPPAS, is now the Alumni Field Secretary and his assistant is SAM TSAGALAKOS, who was a great specialist in kicking at U.S.C.

At the University of Maryland, there are two young men who are competing in sports. PETE BOINIS plays left guard for the University eleven and SPIRO LEWNEIS is a freshman wrestler. - - I

was sorry to hear about NICK DEMOS, who had to give up football this year due to a chronic ankle injury. Nick lettered at tackle last year for the University of Colorado.

Indiana U. is boasting about a blocking back by the name of GEORGE KLUTINORY from Butler, Pa. He is expected to play a major role in his senior year. George also made the Dean's list as a pre-medical student and was a three-letter man at basketball in High School. - - JOHN BATSACKES, former All-State Ann Arbor High School halfback and a tailback for the University of Michigan, has played his last game.

Warren, Ohio, has two members of the Sons of Pericles who are making a name for themselves. JOHN THEOHARIS, former Warren G. Harding High School quarterback, is now calling signals for Kent State University, while TOM H. RAPHIS, who attended the same High School and played end, is rated as one of the best baseball pitchers at Youngstown U.

Although an all-around athlete in High School, amassing tremendous records: high scorer in his senior year, catching 8 passes in one game, high scorer for 2 years at basketball and a great track sprinter, NICK ARFARAS, who received 8 letters in High School, now limits his talent to just playing end for the University of Florida. His coaches have him slated for full time duty as a pass receiver and defensive end.



Harold Drivas of Lowell, Mass. played for the University of Connecticut. As quarterback, he led his Alma Mater to a 7-3 record, and the Yankee Conference Championship. He completed 47 passes for a total 602 yards, contributing to eight touchdowns. He was given Honorable Mention by all New England Coaches. More expected of him in his senior year. Best wishes.



From Ahepa's National Bowling Tournament Banquet at Aberdeen, Md. (left): President of Worthington Chapter Kampas, Oriole Catcher Gus Triandos, Tournament Chairman Andriotis, Colt Quarterback John Unidos, President of Lord Baltimore Chapter Kajanghi, Oriole Pitcher Milt Pappas and Reverends Gallos and Stavakis of Annunciation and St. Nicholas in Baltimore, Md.



John Deligeorges of Niantic, Connecticut, played three years for Amherst College. According to his Coach, John McLaughry, "He is conscientious and works hard. A good runner and an excellent outside linebacker." John averaged 5 yards a try — quite high for a fullback. He rates as one of the best fullbacks in the history of his college. Congratulations and best wishes.



# ABEPA'S FORUM

## A Plea For Cyprus

Sir:

I have recently visited Greece and travelled a great deal. I went to Old Phaleron and the British War Cemetery, where several hundred soldiers from the entire Commonwealth are buried, including a great number of Cypriots. To my surprise, I could not locate even a single grave of a Turkish Cypriot.

Where were the Turks of Cyprus, whom Great Britain nowadays loves so much and is afraid to displease?

The people of Cyprus have earned their freedom and independence, to say the least, by the sacrifices they made fighting for the interests of Britain, which now cannot suppress the liberty of a people of Hellenic origin from the times of Homer. What an injustice Britain commits by sending her soldiers to die fighting against freedom loving people.

FRANK KARTERIS  
President, Athens Chapter

## Fraternal Fellowship

Sir:

One of the most pleasant benefits derived from membership in an organization such as the Daughters of Penelope is the acquiring of so many wonderful friendships. No matter where one may travel among our Hellenic element, she has just to mention the Daughters, and a new world of friends is opened. — ANGELA NIKITAS, District Governor of Daughters District No. 8.

## Sons Is Our Hope

Sir:

There is only one source on which we can depend to give us our future leaders — that is the Sons of Pericles. We must devote our energies to re-activating our Sons' chapters — we must guide their actions and counsel them in their activities — we must support their projects and encourage them to assume responsibility — yes, we the Abepans must be their advisors and father-confessors.

Let us all unite in our undertaking to organize our youth and channel their thinking towards Abepa. Let us all become Sons conscious and the future will be in good hands. Have confidence in our youth and they will not fail us. — V. A. V. "Yankee District News"

## America's Promise

-- to every man the right to live, to work, to be himself, and to become whatever his manhood and his vision can combine to make him. — THOMAS WOLFE

## For a Worthy Cause

Supreme President Verinis:

I am pleased to enclose a check for \$3,000.00 as a contribution to Saint Basil's Academy — Abepa Hall for Boys, from the Estate of James Proestikes, your late uncle, of which I am co-executor with his nephew Constantine Peter Proestikes. This is, of course, in addition to the \$1,000.00 previously contributed to St. Basil's Academy.

We would like to have one of the recreation rooms or the lounge to indicate with a bronze plaque that it was dedicated in memory of James Proestikes of St. Peter, Kynourias, Greece and New Haven, Connecticut.

STANLEY MOSKOS

**Editor's Note:** The late Bro. James Proestikes was a charter member of the New Haven Chapter, No. 98, and was very active during his 30 odd years as member of Abepa. Bro. Moskoi is also a member of the New Haven Chapter and actively participates in its program.

## Large Initiation

Sir:

Our Chicago Chapter, No. 46, one of the oldest units in our Domain, did it again. Last November, they inducted into the Abepa ranks 28 new members. The ceremony was held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Sherman Hotel.

Attending the momentous occasion were many dignitaries and old timers, including the entire staff of the 15th District headed by Governor George Miller. Past President Taxis Christopoulos was in charge of the Ritual Team and past President D. Perry was the principal speaker.

In the current Battle of Giants between District 6 of New York and ours, we mean to increase our chapter membership by no less than 35 per cent come next June, 1959. And we are sure of our goal. — N. J. LAMPERIS, Secretary.

## Initiated One Only

Sir:

Highlighting our October meeting was a very impressive Initiatory Degree headed by Brother Agnew and assisted by Brothers Raptis, Chriss, Rangos, Schaderessi and Kampos. The sole candidate was Peter Panopoulos, who is still "looking for the guy who hit me." Congratulations, Brothers, for a job well done. Also a hearty welcome to our new Brother, Pete Panopoulos.

Our Annual Banquet was held December 7, 1958. It featured Nick Gonnaris and Gus Valli. Over 250 attended.

Before closing let us THINK. Have we done our part in promoting the ideals of Abepa in our Chapters? If not, it is not too late to begin. Attend meetings and participate in all Abepa activities.

ANESTES KAMPOS, President  
WILLIAM M. KOUTRELAKOS, Sec'y  
Worthington Chapter,  
Baltimore, Md.

## Ahepans and Sons Unite

Sir:

It is with deep regret that I am forced to state that the majority of the Abepa Chapters do not have an active Sons of Pericles chapter. WHY? Brother Abepan, that is a question for you to answer. A Sons of Pericles chapter must be started by you and the members of your chapter. The future of the Junior Order depends on you!

I would like to explain how you can start a chapter and will furnish you all information and paraphernalia necessary. I also promise you that either myself or another Supreme Lodge Officer will be present, in your city, to help you form a Sons chapter.

I hope that I have convinced you that we are sincere in our dreams of initiating a Sons of Pericles chapter in your city. Please help us continue our plans for a stronger Sons throughout the country. Write me for any information or any questions that you might have. I am anxiously awaiting your reply.

LEE J. MILLAS  
Supreme President  
Order of Sons of Pericles

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## Special Message:

# AHEPA'S PROJECTS AT ST. BASIL'S

By EVELYN J. MICKLES  
Grand President, Daughters of Penelope

On a brisk wintry morning recently a group consisting of members of our AHEPA family, invited guests and His Grace, Bishop Germanos leading the way, motored to St. Basil's Academy.

As we approached the campus situated way up the picturesque Hudson across the river from West Point, we were filled with speculation and curiosity. The reports on the Academy and the Ahepa Dormitory had been conflicting — and contradictory.

Our particular "Guide" that drove us up was Mr. A. Miller, of New York City, of the Board of Trustees. He informed us that the Academy consists of 360 acres of land along the beautiful Hudson — with landscaped wooded areas and foliage. On the property itself there are approximately 28 buildings of various sizes.

As we drove through the winding road leading to the Administration Building, our first sight was this imposing structure, overlooking the river gorge hundreds of feet below. About 50 feet away from the main entrance of the Gothic structure, in a setting of pines, Christmas holly and ivy, is the grave of the late Archbishop Michael.

### The Boys' Dormitory

We then left the Administration Building and Girls' Dormitories and walked for approximately ten minutes, until we reached the Ahepa Hall for Boys. There before us stood this magnificent new structure built of cobble stone and stucco. Our entry into the first room was breathtaking. There was almost an audible gasp from all of us. This was "the stables" — this was the "barn" — this was the "shack" that Ahepa decided to renovate!

What we actually saw was a large, airy, well lighted room, in a modernized well built structure. And as we left one room and entered the next, we were more and more impressed — impressed with the fine construction and enthusiastic with the spacious well-planned rooms. Good planning and foresight was evident everywhere! Every possible space of the converted stable had been utilized!

Following the tour we returned to the main building for lunch that was served to us by young girls enrolled for Teachers courses.

These young Greek-American girls come from all over the United States and Canada. Many of them are from Greece. Neatly dressed in their navy

suits, they shyly served us and then sang a very lovely Greek folk song for us.

After the luncheon, Bishop Germanos held a meeting with members of the Supreme Lodge, St. Basil's Board of Trustees, the Philoptochos Board, and myself, representing the Daughters of Penelope.

### The Ahepa School

With the one building about to be occupied, we are ready in the early spring to begin construction of the new building to be known as the Ahepa School. It will consist of ten classrooms and administrative offices.

The present rooms in use by the girls at the school are already crowded. Very shortly, when the boys begin to arrive, they will need classrooms and other facilities besides the living quarters that Ahepa has provided. Supreme President Verinis stated that Ahepa is ready to begin construction. The Daughters of Penelope are ready. How can you help? By contributing to the Ahepa-Daughters of Penelope Joint Drive — now! If you could visit the Academy as I did, you would give instantly and from your heart. Ahepa had a dream! Part of it has become a reality! The Hall is completed

let us finish the much needed school this spring!

The Ahepa Hall was once a stable, but today it is one of the most beautiful buildings at St. Basil's Academy, ready to be filled with the laughter of little boys that need a haven.

Throughout the coming year, let us keep the Christmas spirit in our hearts by giving generously to complete our gift to the Academy, our everlasting memorial, the Ahepa School.



Make Their Dream Come True

## My First Visit At St. Basil's

By JOHN G. PLUMIDES,  
Supreme Counsellor

Last December, six members of the Supreme Lodge, including this writer, visited at St. Basil's Academy. This being my first visit to a place I had read and heard so much about, I immediately upon my arrival there embarked on a guided tour around the grounds with Supreme Secretary Doukas as my companion.

After touring the grounds and observing the many impressive sights, the Supreme Secretary directed our path of travel to the recently completed Ahepa Hall or Dormitory for Boys on the Academy grounds. The location of this building in your writer's humble opinion is ideal in relation to both the landscape and the other buildings on the campus.

I was very much impressed with the outward appearance of the building on our approach since I previously had heard

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many remarks about the dastardly appearance of this proposed edifice that was to be remodeled and converted into a boys' dormitory.

Upon entering the converted structure, I was literally amazed. The interior was exquisite. The work that had been done on this so-called "old stable" was beyond description. The latest in architectural achievement had been impressed on this structure. The work done by the contractor and his many assistants should be complimented.

As a member of this fraternity who worked and assisted in raising funds as many of you have, I can honestly say we have gotten more than our money's worth in this structure. You must see it to appreciate the lasting glory we have achieved as Ahepans. The rooms throughout the building are impressive.

I can readily state that I don't think I have ever seen a college dormitory any more magnificent than the structure we Ahepans have built for the male orphans of the Greek Orthodox Faith. It is a fine dormitory we can all point to with pride and say "Ahepans have built this."

Our last function on that day was to select the site upon which Ahepa's second gift to the Academy will be placed, the Ahepa School. There were several sites under consideration and your writer was impressed with all of them. I am sure when this building is also completed, the entire fraternity will be justly proud. Both teachers and students at the Academy are real admirers of our great fraternity for what we are doing as is most of the omogenia.



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## Editor's Corner . . .

WE WOULD LIKE TO DEDICATE this issue to the Father of our Country, GEORGE WASHINGTON, and to the Great Emancipator, ABRAHAM LINCOLN, the first and the 16th Presidents of these United States of America. There will be festivities this month and celebrations in their honor throughout our great land. We join with all our hearts and count our blessings in their revered names!

WE PARTICULARLY CALL the attention of the entire Ahepa Family to the reports of Grand President Mickles and Supreme Counsellor Plumides on St. Basil's Academy, and the statistics presented by Mr. Diamantopoulos, the Dean of the Academy. Ahepa has given a pledge to build a DORMITORY for boys and a SCHOOL for both boys and girls. The dormitory is ready. Let us all join the drive for the needed funds to complete the school.

THERE WILL BE ONLY 25 boys admitted this year, until the school is built, when existing facilities will take care of 100 orphan boys. Ahepans and Daughters are invited to make their NOMINATIONS to our Archdiocese. They will be given preference.

WE ARE HAPPY to present in this issue Congressman Brademas, Representative Christie and a number of other Ahepans who were singularly honored by having been elected to PUBLIC OFFICE. May they discharge their duties to the credit of their noble heritage and to the pleasure of themselves and their many friends. The eyes of Hellenism are upon them and their worthy deeds.

SUPREME PRESIDENT VERINIS is now a COMMANDER OF THE ROYAL ORDER OF PHOENIX. This is an honor well deserved. The entire Ahepa family shares in this memorable event, and wishes him well.

THE 1959 AHEPA EXCURSION to Greece will be led by two past Supreme Treasurers, Socrates Sekles as Commander and Aristides Georgiades as Vice-Commander. Two Americans of Hellenic origin, SOCRATES and ARISTIDES, return to Mother Hellas, leading our pilgrims to the shores whence they came. Bon Voyage!

OUR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE is not doing very well, though gaining momentum particularly among the competing Districts, 6th and 13th. We must do better in the days to come. Along with NEW members, we must REINSTATE as many inactive Ahepans and Daughters as possible. Let us all get behind the holy crusade.

WITH THIS ISSUE we inaugurate the new system of ASSOCIATE EDITORS representing the five zones into which the Boston Convention divided the entire Ahepaland. It is an experiment to watch, along with the decision to publish our magazine on a monthly basis.

THE SUCCESS OF BOTH EFFORTS, however, depends on the co-operation of every member of the Ahepa family. We need ADS to supplement our limited resources. Please solicit such ads from your friends and business associates. Write our Headquarters for particulars.

THE MARCH ISSUE will be dedicated to FREEDOM everywhere. It will have details of Ahepa's activities in behalf of our Cypriot people . . . the story of CARE . . . testimonials for deserving Ahepans . . . the status of our two drives for membership, the Ahepa School, and other activities.

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**GEORGE WASHINGTON:  
Father of his Country**

It was two centuries ago, in July, 1775, when George Washington took command of the newly formed Continental Army that his rise to enduring fame really began. Though an international figure following the part he had played in the French and Indian Wars, it was the quarter of a century that loomed ahead

of that July day which placed him high in the ranks of the world's immortals.

The problems confronting the new commander and his country were colossal. Thirteen small colonies, with yet undeveloped resources, had embarked on armed conflict against the richest and most powerful empire in the world — an empire proudly boasting to rule the seas with an abundance in the weapons of war.

As commander of the small army seeking to win national independence, Washington was an inspiring leader. He showed a remarkable ability for best results with scanty resources and an untrained force at his command. He sought and obtained reinforcements and supplies from reluctant governors, which enabled him to feed and clothe his cold and hungry troops. He was uncanny in winning support from capable men in both military and civil life.

**A War Hero**

He made of this Continental Army an easily maneuverable force which survived the worst blows of its foe and even won significant victories in the first three years of the war. He thus assured the all-important alliance with France which was to guarantee the achievement of American independence.

By the close of the Revolution Washington was pre-eminently established in the minds of the American people. More than any other American, he symbolized the Revolution and its triumphant conclusion. He had been its military leader for more than eight years. At times, it was by his strength of character as much as by his military ability that he had prevented the collapse of this unequal struggle. He displayed outstanding qualities of leadership.

**The Foremost American**

It is not strange then that George Washington has come to be regarded as the father of this country; the foremost figure in American history. For the years that followed the Revolution further added to his fame, they constituted a most critical period in the life of the young Republic. Its very existence was endangered by the weak central government established under the Articles of Confederation. The public debt remained unpaid; the public credit declined. The states levied their own customs duties and fought among themselves over the regulation of interstate commerce and other vital matters.

In this national crisis, Washington was again summoned to serve his country. He presided over the Convention of 1787 that drew up our present Constitution. And within two years he was unanimously elected as the first President of the United States.

**An Able Administrator**

In this new office, Washington showed the same qualities which distinguished him as Commander-in-Chief of the Continental Army. He selected men of high competence and placed them in positions where their ability could be used to the best advantage.

During his administration, public credit was restored; irritating disputes among States over interstate commerce disappeared; other measures which successfully launched the new gov-



**ABRAHAM LINCOLN:  
The Great Emancipator**

*Executive Mansion  
Washington, Nov 21, 1864  
to Mrs Bishop, Boston, Mass.  
Dear Madam.*

*I have been shown in the files of the War Department a statement of the Assistant General of Massachusetts that you are the mother of five sons who have died gloriously on the field of battle. I feel how weak and fruitless must be any word of mine which should attempt to lighten you from the grief of a loss so overwhelming. But I cannot refrain from tendering you the consolation that may be found in the thanks of the Republic they died to save. I pray that our Heavenly Father may assuage the anguish of your bereavement, and leave you only the cherished memory of the loved and lost, and the solemn pride that must be yours to have lived so lustily a sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.*

*Yours very sincerely and respectfully  
Abraham Lincoln*

Abraham Lincoln was the 16th President of the United States, born in a log cabin in Kentucky, February 12, 1809. Unlike the patrician Washington, his early life was one of poverty and struggle on the frontier of the two young states of Kentucky and Illinois. Prior to his election in 1847 to the House of Representatives, he had worked as a Mississippi River raftsmen, a storekeeper, a mill manager, a postmaster and deputy surveyor, and finally a lawyer.

Admitted to the bar in Springfield, Illinois, in 1837, Lincoln followed the circuit, building a practice and coming to know his people. In 1847 he was elected to the House of Representatives, and without equivocation showed his attitude towards slavery by sponsoring legislation for the gradual abolition of slavery in the District of Columbia. Lincoln showed great concern for democratic liberalism, going as far as to approve wom-

ernment on its course, won the general approval of the people.

And when finally in March, 1797, Washington retired from public life, content to pass the remaining years of his life at Mount Vernon, he had left behind him a job well done. As the people had looked to him for leadership in war, so they looked to him for leadership in peace. He did not disappoint them.

The Washington Monument, whose construction lasted from 1848 to 1885 and the funds were contributed from public subscriptions and by Federal appropriations, has memorialized Washington's achievements and unselfish devotion to principle and to country. This monument to his memory in the nation's Capital, was completed in 1884 and dedicated in 1885. Its interior walls include stones brought from all over the world and particularly from the Parthenon, as a small expression of gratitude and friendship by the proud people of Greece.

## THE PARLIAMENTARIAN SPEAKS

[EDITOR'S NOTE: We are continuing with the fine column on parliamentary law and procedure, prepared and edited by past Supreme President Demeter, author of his own Manual, adopted as authority by our Order. He writes that the Section on Reconsideration that follows "is the most fascinating proceeding in parliamentary procedure, is little understood and less appropriately applied than any other proceeding in motion."] ]



Q - Our Chapter recently passed a strong resolution condemning the action of a local Hotel for willfully refusing, without any cause whatever, to serve the Chapter's members and guests who had come to its testimonial banquet in honor of a brother Ahepan who had been elected to high office in the Order. Next day the Chapter president mailed the censuring resolution to the Hotel in question. Two or three days after that, Brother John "A", who was absent at the meeting which passed the resolution, wrote a letter to the president saying he was giving notice that he "would move **Reconsideration** of the resolution at the next meeting." Is such a motion in order?

A - No, Reconsideration can be proposed only by one who **actually** voted with the majority, or prevailing side, on a question. Since in this case Brother John "A" was not present and did not vote, he was not eligible to move Reconsideration. Hence the notice he gave was not legally or parliamentarily binding. (Demeter's Manual, p. 138; Robert, p. 156; U.S. House of Representatives, Rule xviii.)

er's suffrage at a time when women were still regarded not of age before the law.

The Compromise of 1850, the Kansas-Nebraska Bill of 1854, and the Dred Scott Decision of the Supreme Court, were all vital units of the overall slavery issue which had the attention of the entire country. Lincoln stood in the midst of the controversy with a moderate view. In 1860 he was chosen by the Republicans to lead the party and was elected President.

### He Fought Against Slavery

Lincoln's inaugural address was an appeal for solving the slavery problem within the confines of the Constitution. He was convinced that the Union was older than the states; that no state could lawfully secede. But he also recognized the fact that under the Constitution slavery was legal in the states where it was established, and so assured the South. However, in July, 1861, following the attacks against Fort Sumter, President Lincoln called upon Congress to act upon the issue of war with the South, having delayed as long as he could before taking this final step.

Lincoln's problems during his administration were many and difficult: keeping the border states within the Union; preventing recognition of the Confederacy or foreign intervention in its behalf; maintaining Northern morale at a level which would permit effective suppression of secession; raising troops; appeasing Congress, which oftentimes seemed hostile; selecting the proper Commanders for the Union armies.

By 1864 the Union had won the war. The North was consumed by weariness; everyone wanted peace. Lincoln ran for a second term, was re-elected, and made final plans to bring the war to a successful conclusion.

While preparing for a peace of reconciliation with the South, on April 15, 1865, Lincoln died at the hands of an assassin, a martyr to the cause he had served so singleheartedly.

Although the general idea for a Memorial to Lincoln was adopted only two years following his death, it was not until 1922 that the Lincoln Memorial was finally dedicated in the nation's capital. This Memorial honors the virtues of tolerance, honesty, and constancy in the human spirit. The great Emancipator had propagated these virtues in the practice of statecraft, for the everlasting benefit of his nation, and as an enduring inspiration to his countrymen. This is a true memorial in the hearts of people.

Q - On a zero-cold night, 11 members out of a total of 200 attended a regular meeting. It was a "rigged" meeting, for 8 of the 11 were either relatives or in-laws of our newly elected Chapter treasurer. Under New Business, his uncle moved "to give our esteemed treasurer a \$200 tape recorder as a gift." The vote was 8 for, and 2 against (I was one of the 2). The treasurer did not vote "out of a sense of delicacy," as he cleverly put it. In the morning the treasurer cashed the Chapter check and bought the tape recorder for \$199.50. In my estimation the rigged-up meeting raided the Chapter treasury and robbed it of \$200. Could parliamentary law help prevent the taking of the \$200 from our treasury?

A - Yes, it could; and very simply, too. Here is the rule of law: A member has the right to vote intentionally with the other side (the temporary, or the rigged-up, unscrupulous side) when the vote is taken on an obnoxious, objectionable or detrimental motion, and thus qualify or be eligible to move Reconsideration of the question for the next meeting, and such step would automatically — and legally — hold up the action previously taken. (Demeter's Manual, pp. 142-3; Robert, pp. 165-6; U.S. House of Representatives, Rule xviii, sec. 816, which stresses very strongly that a question "... is not considered passed ... if a motion to reconsider is pending" upon it, "... the effect of the motion (to reconsider) being to suspend the original proposition ...") In other words, all you needed to do at that meeting was to vote deliberately with the other side (when you sensed it was a "rigged-up" majority), and then say to the president, "Mr. President, I hereby give notice (or I hereby move) to have this question reconsidered, and the reconsideration to take place at the next meeting" (or words of like effect), and your friend could then just merely second it, and this step by the **two** of you alone would automatically prevent taking the \$200 legally from the treasury before the next meeting. Therefore, if you are alert and are willing to apply your parliamentary law, you can give notice at the present meeting to reconsider at the next meeting **any** objectionable or injurious question passed by a malicious, capricious or rebel and unscrupulous (temporary) majority, and you thus outwit it.

Q - How many times can the same question be moved for reconsideration?

A - Legally, only once. That is, the same question cannot be reconsidered a second time. (Demeter's Manual, p. 139; Robert, p. 158; 7 N. J. Law 101; Also 133 N. Y. 187, aff: 31 N. E. 334.)

Q - Is the motion to reconsider debatable? Can members discuss it one way or the other?

A - Yes; to reconsider is debatable when the motion it seeks to have reconsidered is debatable. For instance, since every main motion and every resolution is debatable, reconsideration of them is also debatable. (Demeter's Manual, p. 140; Robert, p. 157.)

Q - Early in the meeting one night, it was voted to donate \$100 for a certain cause. The president and treasurer immediately signed the check to give it to a lady who had come to ask for the donation. A past president immediately got up and shouted, "You can't hand that check over yet, because the motion to donate this money is subject to reconsideration up until the meeting adjourns and, therefore, the check must remain the property of the Chapter until after adjournment." This past president is a power of great influence in the Chapter and so the check wasn't handed over, and the lady waited outside for another hour and a half for the meeting to adjourn. As it was, no reconsideration was proposed, and she finally got the check. Was the past president right and, if so, is there any way the will or the action of the body can be carried out without having to wait until the meeting ends for it to be carried out?

A - The past president was absolutely right. It is unsafe to carry out a main motion before the meeting ends because the motion can be reconsidered at any time during the meeting and the vote reversed. (Demeter's Manual, p. 140; Robert, p. 156; U.S. House of Representatives, Rule xviii, sec. 812.) In order to make a decision (motion or resolution) of the body executable at **once** (immediately, without having to wait until the meeting ends), one of the members of the adopting majority can intentionally move reconsideration at that moment and then the **majority** deliberately defeat reconsideration, and the result is: Since **no** question can be reconsidered a **second** time, no further reconsideration is legally in order, and the majority decision is now instantly executable and can, therefore, be carried out at once. (Demeter's Manual, p. 143)

(To be continued in next issue)



United States Congressman John Brademas

### John Brademas Tops the List

JOHN BRADEMÁS, member of South Bend Chapter, No. 100, was elected last November a member of the House of Representatives from the Third Indiana District. He is the first American born of Hellenic descent and the first Ahepan to enter the Halls of Congress; he is the second American of Hellenic birth to be so honored.

A span of 68 years has passed since Lucas Miltiades Miller was elected Representative of Wisconsin back in 1891. Born in Lavada, Greece in 1824, he lost both parents in the Greek War of Independence. He was brought to this country by Colonel Jonathan P. Miller, who had volunteered in the Greek Army. Raised and educated by his foster father in Vermont, young Miltiades was admitted to the bar and later moved to Oshkosh, Wisconsin Territory, which he served from 1891 to 1895. He followed in other public offices and finally was appointed a colonel by the Governor.

But today young Brother John became our first and only member in the House



John surrounded by his family (from left) D. James, Stephen J., John, Mrs. Stephen J. and Thomas Brademas. Fine American Hellenes.

## AMERICAN HELLENES IN PUBLIC LIFE

### TO AHEPAN JOHN BRADEMÁS

My colleagues on the Supreme Lodge join with me in extending to you, as a fellow Ahepan, our warmest congratulations on your election to the United States Congress, and our sincere best wishes for your continued success.

C. P. VERINIS  
Supreme President

of Representatives. After losing his previous bids in 1954 and 1956, he won an overwhelming victory last November, having had the active support of Governor Adlai Stevenson, whom he served as executive assistant, and the personal friendship of Senators Paul Douglas of Illinois, Hubert Humphrey of Minnesota and Frank Church of Idaho. Paul M. Butler, a former national chairman of the Democratic Party, is also a good friend and supporter of John.

### TO MY FELLOW-AHEPANS!

I am honored to have this opportunity to send my warm fraternal greetings to all members of the Ahepa family and to express my deep gratitude to the many Brother Ahepans throughout the United States and Canada who have encouraged and supported me in my campaign for Congress.

The first civic loyalty of all Ahepans is to the United States of America. But you will understand my conviction that my Hellenic origin imposes on me a particular responsibility to do a good job in Congress. I am a Democrat, yet I know that my good Republican friend, Mayor George Christopher of San Francisco, also believes that an American of Greek ancestry must so conduct himself in public office as to reflect credit upon his fellow Americans who share that same heritage.

I pledge to you, my Brother Ahepans, the best that is in me in the faithful service of our country.

JOHN BRADEMÁS  
Member of Congress

### Enviably Record Already

One of the youngest members of Congress — he is only 31 years old — Congressman Brademas has an enviable record in education and public service: a Rhodes scholar at Oxford, where he graduated with the degree of Doctor of Philosophy; a Phi Beta Kappa from Harvard, where he received an A.B.; a veteran of the Navy; legislative assistant to Senator McNamara of Michigan and administrative assistant to Congressman Ashley of Ohio, professor of Political Science at Notre Dame. A record worthy of the man!

John has been active in his chapter, has served on Ahepa's Committee on Immigration and Naturalization and was alternate delegate to the 1958 Boston Convention. His father, Stephen, also a

### Tom Christie Wins Again

Honorable TOM N. CHRISTIE of Minneapolis was re-elected member of the House of Representatives of the State of Minnesota for the sixth consecutive term. Originally elected back in 1946 as a Liberal Democrat, he is now affiliated with the so-called Independent Conservatives, though Minnesota is the only state in the Union where the members of the legislature are elected without any party designation. He has been active in politics for many years and twice was delegate-at-large to the Democratic National Convention.



Ever since he joined Ahepa in 1925, Tom has been active in all levels of activity — chapter, district and national. He is a charter member of Demosthenes Chapter, No. 66, which he has served in every capacity and as its president for three terms. He was Lieutenant Governor and District Governor of District No. 14; District Convention Chairman for three times and Vice-Chairman of the St. Louis Supreme Convention in 1957.

Tom Christie is proud of two bills he has helped pass, one, amending the immigration laws whereby Greek orphans could be adopted by American citizens, and the other, recognizing the Eastern Orthodox faith as a major faith in Minnesota.

member of South Bend Chapter, was born in Kalamata; his mother has taught in Indiana for over 30 years; his brother Thomas is in the Planning Department of the City of South Bend and his other brother, D. James, is superintendent of recreation for Rockford, Illinois, and a former Fulbright teacher in Athens.

The entire Ahepa family was electrified by the good news of John's election. He is one of us. We feel proud of him and wish him success in the noble art of serving our nation and the world.

### He Won His Fourth Term

GUST GRENIAS of Decatur, Illinois, won his fourth term on the Macon County Court by a 2 to 1 vote over his opponent. He ran on the Republican ticket. He has been under consideration for a federal courtship, which will be the first such honor to be conferred on a Hellene. He represented the Order in the now famous case of the Minutes of St. Louis against a very difficult and uncompromising stenographer.



### His Honor, Geo. M. Paradise

Past District Governor of District 14, George M. Paradise, was recently elected District Judge of the 4th Judicial District of Iowa. He had been serving as Municipal Judge in Sioux City since 1941.

Born in Crete, the good judge and brother came to Sioux City when only 12 years of age. First working as a shoeshine boy, he brought over his parents and quickly thereafter scaled the scholastic ladder, ultimately graduating from the Law School of the University of Minnesota. He began practice in Sioux City, and grew to be a prominent member of Ahepa, and very active in civic affairs.

Judge Paradise served his adopted country well. During World War I he went overseas and after his return gave time and effort in behalf of the American Legion, which he served as State Commander.

We salute a devoted Hellene, a dedicated Ahepan and a prominent civic leader.

### From Police Chief to Sheriff

LOUIS P. MOUNTANGOS, serving as Chief of Police of Sasolito, California, was elected Sheriff of Marine County on the Democratic ticket. He knows his police work and speaks softly while carrying a big stick or a six-shooter.

### A Hellene by His Name Alone

JOHN ANTROUTSOPOULOS of Canton, Ohio, was elected to the State Assembly and made a name for himself long before he entered the hall to take the oath. Brother John, we salute you!

### Elected at Seattle, Wash.

EVANS D. MANOLIDES was re-elected for a second term as Justice of the Peace.

JOHN A. PAPAJANI was elected representative in the Washington State Legislature. He previously had served as chairman of the 44th precinct. A good mixer and a football hero of the University of Washington and St. Mary's, John is a former member of the Sons of Pericles and a past president of the Seattle Ahepa Chapter.

Another member of our Seattle Chapter is SCOTT WALLACE, who was elected County Commissioner. Scott is married to the former Mary Loutsis.

### He Goes to Utah Senate

ERNEST (ANASTASIOS) G. MANTES of Toole, Utah, was elected by a substantial majority to the State Senate of Utah at first try. With business connections in Toole and other cities of the Mormon State, he is a past Supreme President of the Pan-Arcadian Federation and well-liked by his fellow-Americans.

### Chicagoans Do It Again

JAMES A. GEROULIS has been serving as Judge of Municipal Court since 1954. A veteran of World War II, the good judge has been a pillar of civic duty and a paragon of civic activity in the windy city of Chicago. Two years ago, at the request of the then Supreme President Manta, Judge Geroulis conducted an intensive drive in behalf of our Ahepa Hall for Boys and collected upwards of \$4,000 from among his friends and colleagues.

JAMES K. CHELOS, a colleague of Judge Geroulis, was re-elected to the Municipal Court bench for another six-year term. Judge Chelos is another ardent Hellene and public spirited Ahepan, giving freely of his time for his community and his nation.

JAMES P. LOUKAS won handsomely in his second bid to the State Assembly of Illinois from the 13th District of Chicago.

To the three Jameses we offer warm congratulations and best wishes for a long and successful public service.

### Mr. District Attorney in Ely, Nev.

ANDREW D. DEMETRAS, a practicing attorney in Ely, Nevada, and a veteran of World War II, was elected District Attorney by a tremendous popularity. He is the first American born Hellene to be elected to high office in Nevada, after having held for two terms the chairmanship of the White Pine County Democratic Committee. His parents hail from Tripolis, Arcadia. His father is a prominent businessman and civic leader; his mother has been a public school teacher for many years.

### State Leaders Honor Thevos

More than 600 friends and admirers last December paid tribute to Prosecutor John G. Thevos of Passaic County, N. J., a past Supreme President of our Order. State and county officials praised him as "a man who can think with his head yet never forgets his heart, a humanitarian who mixes justice with compassion."

State Senator Anthony J. Grossi and Associate Editor of the Paterson Evening News Abe J. Greene were the principal speakers. Attorney General David D. Furman and United States Senator Harrison P. Williams, scheduled to speak, could not attend. Former State Attorney General Grover C. Richman, under whom John had served, proved a very witty and pleasant toastmaster.

It was pointed out that John Thevos served as Supreme President of our Order and sat next to former President Harry Truman, at a dinner honoring him. He was described as a "dedicated type of man who is sincere, humane and understanding."

Concluding this beautiful affair, Thevos wored the practice of placing a man

on trial and convicting him before he is indicted. "We will defend him," he declared, "if we are convinced in our hearts that that person is innocent."

We rejoice at such expressions of honor and respect toward one of us, who has served the fraternity so long and so well. We add our congratulations to Prosecutor Thevos and wish him greater opportunities to serve our people.

### Thirty Years of Service

The members of Kalamazoo Chapter, of Kalamazoo, Michigan, celebrated their 30th anniversary at a banquet held in the Church Hall, following their mid-year conference participated in by both Ahepans and Daughters of Michigan and Northern Ohio. They pledged greater activities in civic affairs, membership and philanthropic endeavors, for which they were warmly commended by Supreme Governor Paul Koken and District Governors Thomas Heos and Alice Renjias.

Past District Governor John Dukas was introduced as toastmaster by President Gust Dussias, one of 11 living charter members out of 35. The other charter members were: Supreme Governor Koken, who joined while attending Kalamazoo College, C. Demos, P. Skoubes, G. Missias, S. Clonos, G. Magas, M. Lambros, S. Missias, J. Armenis and T. Parker. George Scott and Gus Skartsaris were co-chairmen.

### Twenty-five Years of Service

Last November, the Daughters of Andromache Chapter, No. 14, gave a banquet at the Community Hall of Benton Harbor, Michigan, to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Fruit Belt Chapter, No. 292, whose president is that outstanding Ahepan Tom State.

Lt. Governor Anne Hulce of District No. 10 presented a traveling trophy to Mrs. Charles Andrews, president of Andromache, for the best ritualistic work during 1958.

Supreme Governor Paul Koken, along with Mrs. Koken, Supreme Governor of the Daughters, were presented to the select gathering and spoke on the occasion. There were also in attendance: past Supreme President and Mrs. Lamberson, past Supreme Treasurer Steve Andreadis and Mrs. Andreadis, President of the Kalamazoo Chapter Gust Dussias and Mrs. Dussias; District Marshal Gust Metes and Mrs. Metes; Professor of Western College Louis Govatos and other Ahepa dignitaries.

The Fruit Belt Chapter will be the host to the District Convention to be held next June in the sister-city of St. Joseph.



From the King of the Hellenes to the Chief of the Ahepa Family. We congratulate our Prexy.

### Supreme President Honored

Supreme President CONSTANTINE P. VERINIS was recently decorated by His Majesty King Paul of the Hellenes. He was presented with the insignia and diploma of the *Cross of Commander of the Royal Order of Phoenix*.

This decoration was conferred upon our beloved Supreme President in recognition of his many years of service under the banner of Ahepa and the major role he has played in recent years in promoting a better understanding and a strong feeling of co-operation between the people of Hellas and our fellow-Americans.

The ceremonies were held at the Greek Embassy in Washington, January 8th, by His Excellency Ambassador Alexis S. Liatis, in the presence of members of our Order. Chairman of the Board of Trustees Demetris, Executive Secretary Lefer, Administrative Assistant Manatis, Governor Pappas of District No. 5, Lt. Governor Bokales and the Presidents of our Washington Chapters, James Cokas and William Holmes.

The entire Ahepa family salutes the new Commander of the Royal Order of the Phoenix and wishes him the best in life.

### Supreme Governor Koken Reports

As my first official duty I visited Ypsilanti Chapter, No. 118, of Toledo, Ohio, and participated in their 32nd anniversary last October. A dinner dance affair, it was attended by over 500 members, including the District Lodge officers and a large number of Ahepans from all parts of Michigan and Ohio.

Tom Fisher was awarded a certificate as the "Ahepan of the Year" - a well deserved honor.

Last November, I attended the Fruit-Belt Chapter of Benton Harbor banquet on their 29th Anniversary. This was a wonderful party, well attended. Tom State and Steve Rummel deserve a lot of credit for a fine job.

I also attended the District Conference of District No. 10, held at Kalamazoo. A banquet held after the conference cele-

## The Supreme Lodge in Action

brated the 30th anniversary of the Chapter.

Next I attended the Saginaw Chapter banquet, celebrating their 29th Anniversary. Tom Kanonas, Sr. was the chairman and Lt. Governor Tom Kanonas, Jr. was the toastmaster. Congratulations to both father and son for their fine work. District Governor Tom Hoos and past Supreme Treasurer Socrates Sekles with his charming wife were also present.

May I mention the fact that my wife, Lucille Koken, Grand Governor of Zone 2, accompanied me and had an inspiring message for the Daughters.

I also attended the Ann Arbor Chapter, No. 195, and Daughters Cnossus Chapter, No. 174, joint meeting in the Church Hall, where a movie filmed by the University of Michigan to depict the life of the Greek National Poet Solomos was shown. The cast included Brothers John Kokales and Stanley Carras, and Sister Esther Kentes. Also shown were colored slides of the Boston Convention taken by Thomas Kentes.

This was followed by the annual Christmas Party of Cnossus Chapter held at the home of Mrs. Theodora Farres, president of the chapter. Gifts were exchanged and games were played.

The 1959 Chapter officers are (a) for the Daughters: Theodora Farres, President; Mary Malacos, Vice-President; Matina Coxoves, Secretary and Koula Bekiakes, Treasurer; (b) for Ahepa: Harry Letsis, President; James Bartz, Vice-President; Tom Kentes, Secretary and Nicholas Banos, Treasurer.

### Excursion Commander Sekles and His Staff

We have already announced that past Supreme Treasurer SOCRATES V. SEKLES of Pontiac, Michigan, has been chosen to lead our 1959 Excursionists to Greece. They will leave on the SS OLYMPIA from New York, Friday, April 10th.

For Vice-Commander, the Supreme Lodge has appointed another past Supreme Treasurer, ARISTIDES

GEORGIADIS of New York, who has served the fraternity long and faithfully ever since he joined *Delphi* Chapter, No. 25, back in 1924. He has been in the forefront of every community affair and drive in New York City for almost 30 years. A trustee of the Hellenic Cathedral, former Director of the Greek War Relief and the Hel-



lenic-American Chamber of Commerce. He will be of great assistance to Commander Sekles and the excursionists especially since he is connected with the National Bank of Greece through the Atlantic Bank of New York, of which he is the Vice-President. Socrates and Aristides will assuredly make a fine team.

The Daughters of Penelope will be led by Grand President EVELYN J. MICKLES of Rochester, New York; the Sons of Pericles by Supreme President LEE MILLAS of Trenton, New Jersey, and the Maids of Athens by Grand President JOAN POMPAS of Pittsburgh, Penna.

### Sacramento Annual Dance

The outstanding highlight of the Sacramento Greek Community social season was once again the annual Christmas Dance, sponsored jointly by Ahepans and Daughters. It was held December 20, at the Hellenic Center. The hall was colorfully decorated to the theme of "Christmas Fantasy." The evening's entertainment commenced with a get-acquainted and renewal of old acquaintances, enhanced by old country songs and Christmas carols, and with friends exchanging holiday greetings. Dancing followed at 9:30 p.m. until 1:00 a.m.

The decorations were centered on a ten-foot tree in silver and red with a multicolored trim for the ceiling. The tables were decorated with aluminum Christmas trees trimmed with ornaments, around which pine cones, holly and glitter were in abundance.

As expected, this popular dance drew over 400 holiday celebrants from Sacramento and vicinity. There were in attendance Grand Vice-President of the Daughters, Miss Emily Tamaras, and the respective District Lodge Governors, Tom Barbis and Julia Petterson, and other members of the District Lodge, as well as many presidents of chapters comprising the Golden Gate District No. 21.

It so happened that our Supreme Secretary Kimon Doukas had come to San Francisco on business for his shipping company and while visiting with past Supreme Treasurer George Bezaitis and District Governor Tom Barbis heard of this affair. Our most distinguished Ahepan and former New Yorker, past Supreme Vice-President George Johnson, prevailed upon him to pay us a visit. He drove over with Governor Barbis and returned with Grand Vice-President Tamaras and Governor Petterson. He was the guest of honor at a private dinner by George Johnson at his famous Del Pardo Restaurant.

George Manus and Celia Andrews



Attending Conference at Wichita (from left): District Governor Paul Kasile, Daughters Grand Secretary Evelyn Semas, Daughters District Governor Roberta Karnaze, Supreme Vice-President George E. Loucas, and Daughters Grand Governor Myrtle Phillips. Good work accomplished.

### Wichita Conference

The Hotel Broadview in Wichita, Kansas, was the scene of the annual 15th District Governors' Conference on October 25 and 26. The two-day conference was attended by several hundred Ahepans, Daughters and their families. The Order was represented by Supreme Vice-President George E. Loucas.

The program of the conference included a banquet, grand ball, and business meetings of Ahepans and Daughters present. The chairman of the conference was Dr. C. E. Boutros; Bruce E. Colver is president of the host Air Capital Chapter, No. 187.

### Theodore Roosevelt Honored

Last December, Supreme President Verinis, accompanied by Supreme Secretary Doukas, paid an official call on Theodore Roosevelt Chapter, No. 170, of Freeport, N. Y. He was able to greet members of the entire Ahepa family, as all four Orders were duly represented.

A group of high ranking visitors graced the meeting. The Daughters of Penelope were represented by Governor Ann Gallan, Advisor Mary Selavos and President Mary Bookas. The Sons of Pericles were represented by President Nick Cassis and Vice-President Vanech. The Order of Ahepa was represented by District Advisor Nick Cuyulis and District Secretary George Poulos. Past District Governor George Kastrinos, past Supreme Treasurer Georgiades and past Supreme Counsellor Louis Dukas were also present. Large delegations from Long Island Chapter, Delphi Chapter and other Chapters made their appearances. In addition to the above galaxy

were the chairmen, C. A. Alliapoulos and Perso Grivas, the co-chairmen. At the chapter elections, Cosmas Alliapoulos was elected president, succeeding Leo Psihopedas.

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of Ahepa stars, we had as visitor past Supreme President Judge Stephen S. Scopas.

Never before has Theodore Roosevelt Chapter been so honored by such a distinguished group of Ahepa dignitaries. Never before has the star of the Theodore Roosevelt Chapter shone so brightly in the Ahepa horizon.

Our Supreme President especially came to announce the Supreme Lodge award to Theodore Roosevelt Chapter for being the most active Chapter in the Empire State District as far as increase in membership. Also the announcement of a Supreme Lodge Award to our own Bro. George Chipouras for bringing in the most applications for reinstatement and new membership.

Those who came were very impressed by the program that was presented and I, as president, was very happy to have been instrumental in having all these dignitaries honor our Theodore Roosevelt Chapter. But, I also felt very humble and embarrassed at the lack of attendance by our own Brothers. For those who were present, we are grateful, particularly to past presidents Boulukos, Stratigos, Andromedas and Skelos.

It was nice seeing Brother Homer Piakis at our meeting. Our thanks to the Brothers who worked hard at providing the refreshments. All the Brothers pitched in and made the work easier. Also thanks to the Daughters of Penelope for being such fine hostesses. Sorry to hear that Bro. Peter Marcel was in an auto accident in Florida. — A. KOUTROS

### An Epic in Miniature

The Minoan, by D. Michalaros, Athene Editions, 5633 N. Talman Avenue, Chicago 45, Ill. 155 pages — \$3

There is a uniqueness in feeling that we experience when we read something which takes us back to the days of ancient Crete. It is a journey so unique and real that we cannot deny Mr. Michalaros' ability to use our language with definitive grace.

The book contains a mental picture-painting of this ancient world. The author is a poet of action, and there is a constant communication of motion and realism from author to reader.

The book begins with these lines:

"As the morning dew descends  
To freshen the ripening cornfield,  
Or lazily the breeze fills the glen  
To lull a midday world into dreams."

From these lines one might perceive a sensation similar to one that could be had from reading certain lines from a poem as old as Gray's "Elegy".



### Initiation at Queensboro

Last June there was a mass initiation of 15 new Ahepans by the Queensboro Chapter of Astoria, New York. The initiation was conducted by Supreme Secretary Doukas, Lt. Governor Cherevas and officers of the Chapter. (From left): Past President George Rodis, Ralph DeMarco, newly initiated, Supreme Secretary Doukas, Magistrate James LoPiccolo, newly initiated, and President Katopis.

#### Please Take Note!

**Chapters Must Remit Promptly:** The remittances provided for in this Article are due and payable to the Supreme Lodge immediately after the candidate is initiated or the member pays his dues, and in no instance shall a Chapter delay the payment thereof for more than thirty days. The President, Secretary and Treasurer of each Chapter are specifically charged with the duty of complying strictly and faithfully with the requirements of this Article.

—Article XXVIII, Section 1, e.

The book ends with "ancient America". Here we see that Michalaros is alluding to a symbol that is neither abstruse nor profound. It is a symbol stating simply that perhaps Greece in its prime was nothing but an ancient America.

The "Minoan" is a book not of modern poetry but of readily accessible value and meaning.

ARTHUR FLETCHER  
The University of Chicago

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## HOW ST. BASIL'S ACADEMY WORKS

Ever since Houston in 1953, when New York Delegate and past Supreme Treasurer John Kiamos proposed and the Convention unanimously authorized the drive for funds to build a boys' dormitory at St. Basil's Academy in Garrison, New York, the Ahepa family have entered into a sacred partnership with our Church in the operation of a most significant Greek Orthodox project in this country.

We have undertaken the responsibility of assisting materially and otherwise the Archdiocese in caring for orphan children of Greek Orthodox parentage by giving them shelter and an education to enable them ultimately to become worthy members of our communities.

Last year we helped to renovate an existing building on the grounds of the Academy into a dormitory for about 100 boys. Elsewhere we reprint further details and comments on this completed project. We are now engaged into the final phase of our six-year old drive for funds to help build classroom facilities for both boys and girls. Such facilities are badly needed at Garrison, and it is hoped that the drive will be successful and the project will be completed this year.

From time to time we have had inquiries as to the overall administration of this Academy and many of our members may be wondering about its operation. We have already presented a detailed report by Paul Prodromidis, in his capacity as chairman of the Board of Trustees, which is the supervisory and executive committee of the Academy. We are now reporting the principal points made in a report by Mr. X. Diamantopoulos, Dean of the Academy, and circulated last December to all our communities and Philoptochos Societies.

The Academy comprises a Grammar School, a Junior High School and a College. During the current academic year 1958-1959, the status of their student bodies is as follows:

- 2 have lost both their parents
- 13 have no mother
- 15 have no father
- 31 come from broken homes, and
- 8 come from parents suffering from chronic or mental illnesses
- 69 Of this total:
  - 4 are in kindergarten
  - 37 in Grammar School and
  - 38 in Junior High School
- 69 In addition, there are
- 37 students attending college preparatory to community service, or
- 106 in all.

For the operations of these three schools during 1957-1958 the following sums were expended totalling as of August 31, 1958:

- \$ 57,532.65 for salaries and office expenses
- 55,880.34 for board, books, medical, etc.
- 14,417.15 for building maintenance
- 14,815.20 for transportation, grounds, etc., or
- \$122,645.34 total, against which the following sums were collected:
  - \$ 3,212.76 from parents and guardians
  - 21,754.11 from donations
  - 39,446.35 from Philoptochos Vasilopeta
  - 1,592.41 from Chapel collections
  - 7,799.58 from Sunday school fees (Academy Day)
  - 1,390.00 in memory of Late Archbishop Michael
  - 1,720.00 from interest U. S. Bonds
  - 72,000.00 from Archdiocese Dekadollarion or

\$148,895.01 total, leaving a commendable surplus for the year in the sum of \$26,249.67.

At present, the High School comprises only 7th, 8th and 9th grades. However, as soon as the Ahepa School is completed the Administration will add grades 10th, 11th and 12th, thus offering a complete High School education to our orphans at St. Basil's before releasing them to the world on their own. In addition, there will be an increase of 20 per cent in girls when the space now being used for classrooms is released for girls' dormitory.

## AHEPA PROJECTS AT ST. BASIL'S

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Total Contributions .....	\$ 1,613.66
Previous Total .....	179,380.13

Grand Total of Contributions	
January 1, 1959 .....	\$180,993.79



## ΑΙΕΝ ΑΡΙΣΤΕΥΕΙΝ

Τό ναυτικό δαιμόνιον τών Ἑλλήνων εἶναι ἐκδηλοῦν ἀπό τοὺς ἀρχαιοτάτους χρόνους. Διαπλέουν τὰς θαλάσσας κομίζοντες τὸν ἀρχαῖο μας πολιτισμὸ καὶ μετὰ τὴν ἀξία των ἀναδεικνύονται.

Μετὰ τὴν πάροδο τοῦ χρόνου, θρόλοι καὶ ἐπιτεύγματα πλάθουν τὴν ναυτικὴ συνείδησι καὶ δημιουργοῦν τὴν παράδοσι. Ἡ ἐξέλιξις εἶναι συνεχῆ καὶ συστηματικὴ μετὰ ἀποτέλεσμα τὴν ἀλματώδη πρόοδο τῆς Ἑλληνικῆς ναυτιλίας.

Αἰὲν Ἀριστεύειν — Πάντα πρὸς τὸ Καλύτερον — εἶναι τὸ ἔμβλημα τῆς ΓΚΡΗΚ ΛΑΪΝ, ἡ ὁποία εἶναι ὑπερήφανος διότι διὰ τῆς ναυπηγήσεως τοῦ ΟΛΥΜΠΙΑ συνεισέφερε εἰς τὴν πρόοδο τῆς Ἑλληνικῆς ναυτιλίας.

Τὸ ΟΛΥΜΠΙΑ εἶναι τὸ πρῶτον ὑπερωκεάνειον πλοῦ ἐναυπηγήθη ἀπὸ Ἑλλήνων διὰ τοὺς Ἑλληνας καὶ διὰ τὴν γίνῃ ἡ ΧΡΥΣΗ ΓΕΦΥΡΑ πού ἐνώνει τὴν Ἀμερικὴν μετὰ τὴν Ἑλλάδα. Εἶναι τὸ καύχημα τῆς Ἑλληνικῆς ἐπιβατικῆς ναυτιλίας καὶ ἀριστος ἐκπρόσωπος τῆς Ἑλλάδος εἰς τὸ ἐξωτερικόν, συνετέλεσε δὲ εἰς τὸ νὰ ἀυξηθῇ σημαντικῶς ἡ πρὸς τὴν Ἑλλάδα τουριστικὴ κίνησις.

Εἰς τὸ ΟΛΥΜΠΙΑ, πού εἶναι πλωτὸ κομμάτι τῆς Ἑλληνικῆς γῆς, πάλλει Ἑλληνικὴ ψυχὴ. Ἀμυγῆς Ἑλληνικὸν πλήρωμα, διακοσμήσεις σὲ Ἑλληνικὰ μοτίβα, ἀτμόσφαιρα γεμάτη κέφι καὶ θερμὴ φιλοξενία, δημιουργοῦν ἕνα γνήσιον Ἑλληνικὸν περιβάλλον. Δι' αὐτὸ καὶ δικαίως οἱ ὁμογενεῖς τῆς Ἀμερικῆς καὶ Καναδά προτιμοῦν τὸ ΟΛΥΜΠΙΑ διὰ τὰ ταξίδια των εἰς τὴν προσφιλεῖ γενέτειρα καὶ τὸ ὀνόμασαν τὸ ὑπερωκεάνειον τῆς ΥΠΕΡΟΧΗΣ.

Τὸ ΟΛΥΜΠΙΑ εἶναι ἐφωδιασμένον μετὰ τὰς πλεονεκτήματα σύγχρονες ναυτικῆς ἐφευρέσεις καὶ τελειοποιήσεις πού ἐξασφαλίζουν εἰς τὸν κολοσσὸν αὐτὸν τῶν 23.000 τόννων ΑΠΟΛΥΤΗ ΕΥΣΤΑΘΕΙΑ.

Τὸ ΟΛΥΜΠΙΑ κατέχει τὸ ρεκόρ ταχύτητος ὅτι τὸ 1955, κατὰ τὸ παρθενικὸν τοῦ ταξίδι ἀπὸ τὴν Νέα Ὑόρκη εἰς Πειραιᾶ, διήνυσε τὴν ἀπόστασιν εἰς 8 ἡμέρας, 23 ὥρας καὶ 32 λεπτά. Ἔχει ταχύτητα 21 κόμβων.

Ἡ ΓΚΡΗΚ ΛΑΪΝ κατὰ τὴν ναυπήγησιν τοῦ ΟΛΥΜΠΙΑ ἔδωσε ἰδιαιτέραν προσοχὴν καὶ ἐμφασίν εἰς τὰς ἀνάσεις τῆς τουριστικῆς θέσεως πού κατέχει τὸν μεγαλύτερον χώρον τοῦ σκάφους καὶ πού παρέχει ὅλας τὰς σύγχρονους εὐκολίας δι' ἀναψυχὴν καὶ πολιτισμένην διαβίωσιν. Μετὰ αὐτὴν τὴν καινοτομίαν ὄχι μόνον οἱ ἐπιβάται πού ταξιδεύουν εἰς τὴν πολυτελεῖ πρώτην θέσιν, ἀλλὰ καὶ ὅλοι ἀνεξαιρέτως ἀπολαμβάνουν ἕνα ἀπὸ πάσης ἀπόψεως ἀνεπὶ θαλάσσια ταξίδι.

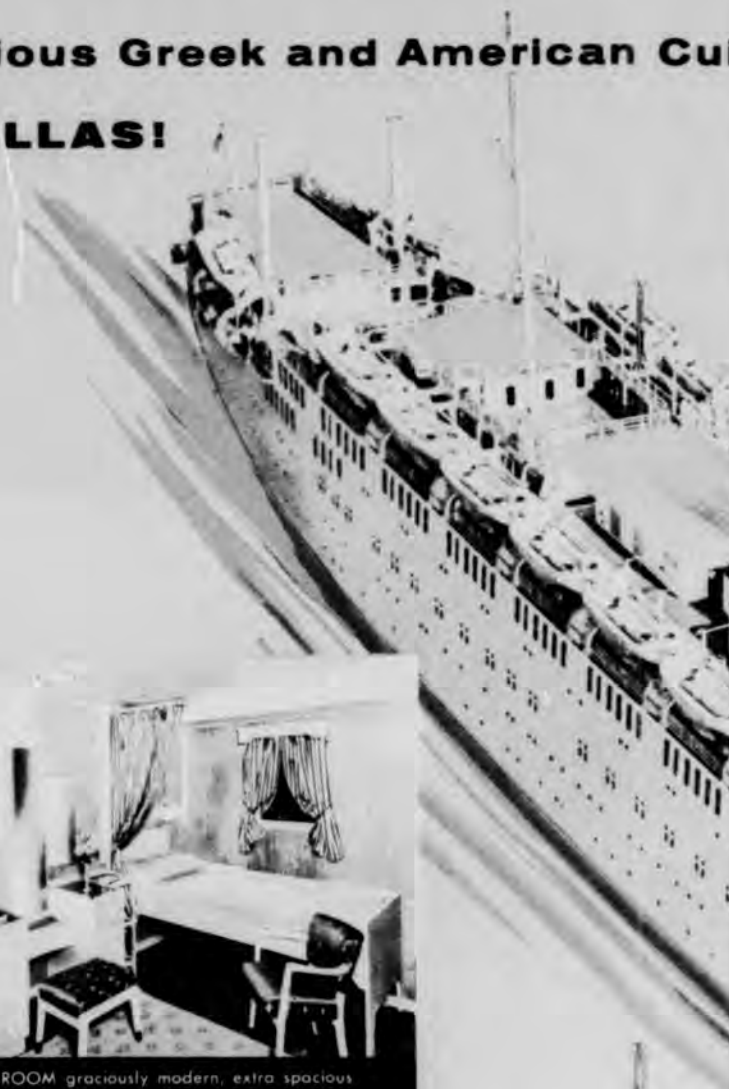
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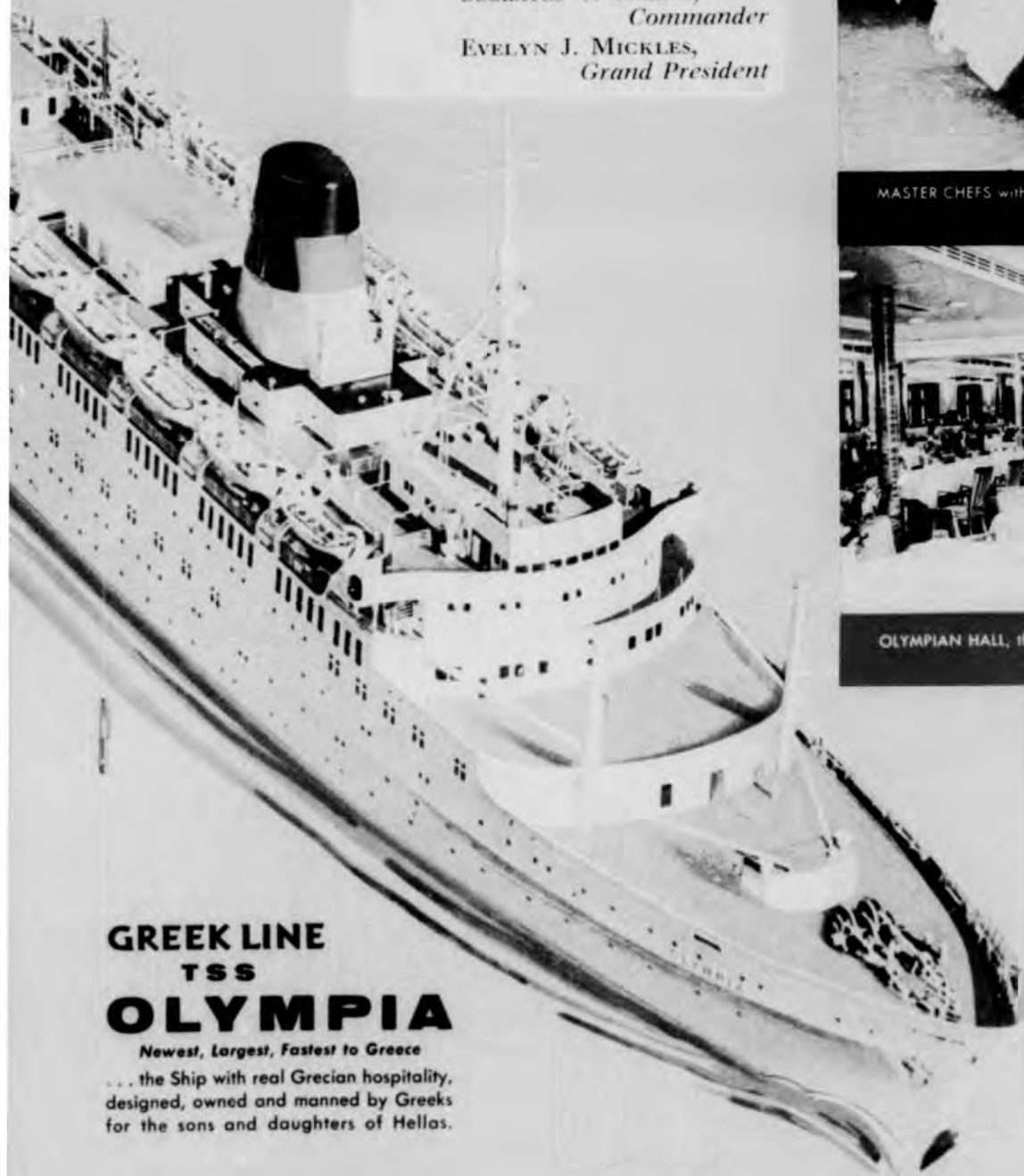
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# THE PENELOPIAN



## Katherine Konst Editor, The Penelopian

Miss Katherine Konst was born in Depew, New York. A graduate of the University of Buffalo, she was awarded the General Electric Fellowship in Mathematics at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in 1957, and the Shell Merit Fellowship in Mathematics at Cornell University in 1958. In 1952, she toured Europe with the University of Switzerland Travel Group.



Katherine was initiated into Pallas Athena Chapter, No. 30, in 1950, and has since served as Secretary and Vice-President. She is a member of the New York State Mathematics Teachers and a number of other Professional Associations. She has also served as District Secretary for G.O.Y.A., Diocese I.

At present she is a mathematics teacher at Depew High School, and editor of the "Orthodox Herald," a publication of the Hellenic Eastern Orthodox Church, of Buffalo, New York, in addition to her duties as editor of the news and activities of the Daughters.

### Membership Award

Last October, the Daughters of Evryklea Chapter were presented the Membership Plaque by District Governor Ann Gallan. The plaque was presented to this chapter at the District Convention in Watertown and was awarded for having the highest percentage of new members for the year.

### Flash From Montreal

Consistent with the policy of the District Lodge of Beaver District No. 25, C.J., to increase the membership and augment the number of Chapters in the District, it has been announced with great pleasure and gratification that through the efforts of the District Lodge and the kind and wholehearted support of the Sir Edward Codrington Chapter, C.J. 5, in Ottawa, Ont., a new Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope was formed in Ottawa and is now duly in operation.

The preliminary work also is about to be completed for the formation of a second Chapter in Montreal, P.Q. — B. Bisukos, District Secretary.

## They Held a Fashion Show

One of the latest of fashion trends shown at the 8th annual style show and card party given by the Daughters of Mentor Chapter, No. 81, Gary, Indiana, was the boldness of pattern in checks and tweeds characterized in many coats and daytime frocks. In fact, even cashmere coats now are being shown in gold plaids.

President Mrs. George Estakis, who welcomed the guests, announced that all proceeds would go to local charities as well as to scholarship fund. Aid also will be given the St. Basil's Academy and Orphanage and the Penelopian Shelter Home for Girls in Athens, Greece. Proceeds from a special project conducted in conjunction with the show will be used for the chapter's special project, the Duneland School for Retarded Children.

Mrs. James Kontos and Mrs. Christ were co-chairmen. Committee members were Mrs. Skaltsas, Mrs. Nick Adams, Mrs. James Tachteris, Mrs. Salaris, Mrs. Gravas, Mrs. George Peterson, Mrs. Allivato, and Mrs. George Megremis.

## Penelopian Shelter Home

As in the past, our sisters from across the seas are offering lovely prizes to the Chapter contributing most to their worthy cause of completing the Penelopian Shelter Home for Teenage girls of Athens, Greece.

Since we in this country are blessed with the opportunity to provide amply for ourselves, it would seem worthy and gracious to help our poor unfortunate sisters across the way, who lack this opportunity because of the status of womanhood. Let us remember that the future is very uncertain. Those we aid in distress may one day have the scales turned, and the future of our own might benefit.

Please send your contributions to our Daughters Headquarters in Washington.

## Grecian Festival

Last September, the Daughters of Achaia Chapter, No. 54, Houston, Texas, sponsored a "Grecian Festival," held in the Auditorium of the church. The hall was decorated in the ancient Grecian theme, using white columns draped with foliage. Magnolia leaves sprayed with gold were placed in clusters on each table forming a centerpiece against white cloth.

Upon entering our ancient "Temple," the men were crowned with a wreath made of olive leaves, and the ladies were pinned with the olive leaves sprayed in gold.

Co-chairmen were Mrs. David Lowrey and Miss Katherine Economou. Decorations were handled by Mesdames C. N. DeClariss, Charles Pantaze and Steve Johnson. The food was handled by Mrs. Peter Poulos, and Albino Torres' orchestra played for dancing.

## An Educational Film

The Daughters of Nausicaa Chapter, No. 7, Anderson, Indiana, proudly presented last November an educational evening for their community as part of the chapter's program planning, headed by President Theodora Mangas. They showed the film "The Orthodox Road," which incorporated with Hollywood actors and actresses the story of marriage in St. Sophia's Cathedral in Los Angeles, California. If other chapters are interested, this film can be obtained from Mottas Films, 15th St. N. E., Canton, Ohio.

The evening was opened with an introduction by Miss Mary Prokas. After the showing, Miss Prokas invited those present to comment and make inquiries on the Greek Orthodox Faith. Comments were directed to Rt. Rev. Kallistos Samaras of Indianapolis.

## For the Building Fund



President Elias Kolofotas of the Holy Trinity Church of Lowell, Mass., acknowledges with gratitude a contribution from President Mrs. Nicholas Cantakos of the local Daughters Galatea Chapter. One thousand dollars was cleared from a play followed by coffee hour at the State Teachers' College Little Theatre. Over 600 attended. Congratulations all around, but particularly to our wonderful Daughters in Lowell.

Daughters of Penelope! Join Ahepa's Drive for a School at St. Basil's Academy.  
Send in your contributions to our Headquarters - - NOW!

## GATEWAY TO THE WEST: Chapter No. 395

It is not often that a new chapter is organized with such pomp and circumstance like the one our good brothers of Greater St. Louis have put on display recently. The newest link in the mighty chain of the Order of Ahepa was founded on November 9, 1958: *The Gateway to the West* Chapter No. 395, of Greater St. Louis, Missouri; Charter Members 70, including Mayor Raymond R. Tucker; State Representative Francis M. O'Brien; Magistrate Judge Thomas Gabbert; U. S. Representative Thomas B. Curtis; Democratic National Committeeman Mark Halloran and Colonel August A. Busch, Jr.

The Hotel Sheraton-Jefferson, the scene of our 1957 Supreme Convention, witnessed such an activity for the occasion as if another convention was taking place. The initiation ceremonies were followed by the installation of the newly elected officers, and this was climaxed by the Inaugural Banquet which more than 400 guests attended to pay tribute to this great organization of ours.

Both initiation and installation ceremonies were conducted under the direction of Supreme President Verinis, assisted by Supreme Vice-President Loucas, Supreme Counsellor Plumides, Supreme Governor Pappademas and past Supreme Treasurer Socrates Sekles of Pontiac, who travelled from far and wide to attend this beautiful event. District Governor Paul Kastle of No. 15 came from Kansas City and District Governor George P. Miller of No. 13 motored from Chicago, bringing along past Supreme Secretary Nicholas Giovan and past Supreme Counsellor William Belroy, who also acted as toastmaster at the banquet and was pronounced most enjoyable. The two governors conducted the installation of the Chapter officers: Nicholas A. Pappas, president; James Lappas, vice-president; John H. Kumpis, secretary and Charles Bouras, treasurer.

"This new chapter," declared Supreme



Supreme President Verinis surrounded by Colonel Busch, Jr., Vice-President Lappas, President Pappas and U. S. Representative O'Brien.

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District Governor Lashie of District No. 15 addressing the Ahepa family with Past Supreme Counsellor Belroy, and newly initiated State Representative O'Brien, St. Louis Mayor Tucker and Col. August Busch, Jr. attending.



Also in attendance: Supr. President Verinis, Supr. Vice-President Loucas, Supr. Counsellor Plumides, and Supr. Governor Pappademas.

President Verinis at the banquet, "has already assumed a place of leadership and is destined to set a pattern for all of us to benefit from and share in. Ahepa will be the richer for having accepted within its mighty fold a chapter composed of such outstanding members — leaders in the professions, in political life, in the business world. This new chapter in the heart of our beloved America can become a guiding light for the rest of us to follow, for you have the talent, the ability, the incentive and the interest for a better and fuller life. "By the same token," continued the Supreme President, "ours is an organization that proposes a brotherhood of ideas, based on preserving our way of life, fully determined to combat any influence that may endanger our form of government. It places its value on fellowship, co-operation and brotherhood."

"The Ahepa salutes," concluded Brother Verinis, "and welcomes you wholeheartedly within our fold — united, together traversing life's pathway, hand in hand, there can be no limit to the good we can do and the benefits we can achieve."

Mayor O'Brien, Judge Gabbert and Colonel Busch, President of Anheuser-Busch, also spoke, expressing their delight at having joined such a fine society of men and women dedicated to the public good and community service.

This was a day of activities the participants will long and pleasantly remember. Of them we wish to mention Theodore J. Bouras, the chairman of the banquet and the man who organized the entire event. Our congratulations to him and our best wishes to all who organized the Chapter and will direct its affairs successfully in the many days to come.

## Our Membership Drive As At January 1, 1959

As promised, we are listing those chapters in our Ahepa Domain which have actively joined our current membership drive and have initiated new members into our ranks as well as have reinstated inactive members back into the fold. We are listing them by districts. In a later issue we shall mention the top performers among our members who have taken the initiative and are really working for the Good of the Order, instead of only talking about it.

The results so far are not spectacular, 138 new members and 38 reinstated, but the plans are laid for a grand finale. What we wish to point out at this time is the comparative strength of the two

*New Reinstated*

### District No. 6:

Yonkers, N. Y. $\approx$ 51	3		
Rochester, N. Y. $\approx$ 67		2	
Jamaica, N. Y. $\approx$ 86		5	
Newburgh, N. Y.			
$\approx$ 115	3		
Troy, N. Y. $\approx$ 306	3		
New York, N. Y.			
$\approx$ 354	1		
St. James, N. Y.			
$\approx$ 386	1	13	3

giant Districts, No. 6 of New York and No. 13 of Chicago. The Middle-Westerners of Blue Ribbon have quite an edge over their counterparts of Empire State: 48 new members against 15, and 11 reinstated members against 5. The troops of General Cherevas better meet the frontal attack of General Miller soon, before they are left far behind.

### District No. 13:

Chicago, Ill. $\approx$ 46	28	5	
St. Louis, Mo. $\approx$ 53		1	
Chicago, Ill. $\approx$ 94	8	2	
Oak Park, Ill. $\approx$ 104	11	1	
Chicago, Ill. $\approx$ 580	1	48	11

### District No. 2:

Miami, Fla. $\approx$ 14		1	
Tarpon Springs, Fla.			
$\approx$ 16	1	1	
Orlando, Fla.	2	3	2

### District No. 3:

Charlotte, N. C. $\approx$ 2	1		
Baltimore, Md. $\approx$ 30	1		
Lynchburg, Va. $\approx$ 134	1		
Hopewell, Va. $\approx$ 155	1		
Annapolis, Md. $\approx$ 386		1	
Alexandria, Va.			
$\approx$ 370	2	6	1

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"Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Psalms 133:1. These were the opening remarks of Supreme President Verinis in dedicating the fine edifice in Marysville.



Attending the ceremonies (from left): President Bill Efstratis of Ahepa, President Katherine Efstratis of Daughters, Grand Treasurer Manos, Grand Vice-President Tamaras and Supreme President Verinis.

## A DREAM COMES TRUE: MARYSVILLE'S AHEPA HOME

After years of dreaming and hoping and making plans, the Ahepa family of Marysville, California, finally translated their dreams into reality. The Ahepans of Peach Bowl Chapter, No. 228, together with their Daughters, dedicated their own Ahepa Home last October in the presence of high dignitaries, headed by Supreme President Verinis and including Grand Vice-President Tamaras, Grand Treasurer Manos, and District Governors Tom Barbis and Julia Peterson of Golden Gate District No. 21.

"Everyone worked hard for this goal," wrote Chapter Secretary Peter Cohiles, "and everyone is part of it. Our Chapter has set the pace for other chapters in our domain to follow. It is a splendid challenge for them to go ahead with their dream of having their own home. The grand opening was a great success."

President Bill Efstratis opened the festivities by welcoming everybody and then turned over the job to Master of Ceremonies Ted Efstratis. The ceremonies were followed by a dinner dance. Next

day a mid-year conference was held by both Ahepans and Daughters. "As our ancestors," declared District Governor Barbis, "had a common place, called 'Agora,' to assemble and try to solve their social and civic problems, so have the Ahepans and Daughters of Marysville with hard work and great devotion to the principles of our Order built this center; we came tonight to dedicate and will return to it tomorrow to confer."

Supreme President Verinis warmly congratulated the entire Ahepa family for this great event. "This is your citadel," he stated, "your place of assembly. It is the realization and expression of your sacrifice and toils. It is the rallying point for the further preaching of true brotherhood."

"Words are but a means of expression," the Supreme President continued. "Here, however, your structure more eloquently expresses itself than any vocal utterance of what can be, and is accomplished where the will, the interest and the determination are present."

"The entire fraternity salutes and commends you," he concluded, "for your great achievement. You have performed a duty and a real service. Our wishes are boundless for your continued success and progress."

The Home is managed by a joint Board of Directors, comprising Bill Efstratis, John Gust, John Karnegas, Harry Karnegas, Peter Cohiles, James Kotsias, Georgia Ladas, Katherine Efstratis, Fotula Malas and Hazel Nicholau. Elections are held every year for one-third of the Board. The building is 50' x 65' and cost with the lot about \$24,000, of which only \$4,000 was borrowed. A monument to brotherhood and service, it should serve to inspire other chapters to acquire their own home for greater achievements and greater service.

<b>District No. 4:</b>				
Clarksburg, W. Va.				
#96			1	
York, Pa. #322	2	2		1
<b>District No. 5:</b>				
New Brunswick, N. J.				
#75	2		1	
Jersey City, N. J.				
#108	3		2	
Dover, N. J. #300	5	10	1	4
<b>District No. 8:</b>				
Marlboro, Mass.				
#105	2	2		
<b>District No. 9:</b>				
Biddeford Saco, Maine				
#252	1	1	1	1
<b>District No. 10:</b>				
Detroit, Mich. #40	3			
Lansing, Mich. #142	1			
Detroit, Mich. #371	9			
Dearborn, Mich.				
#374	2	15		
<b>District No. 11:</b>				
Akron, Ohio #63	3		2	
Weirton, W. Va.				
#103	3			
Middletown, Ohio				
#209	2	8		2
<b>District No. 12:</b>				
Anderson, Ind. #198	4	4		
<b>District No. 14:</b>				
Mason City, Iowa				
#207	1	1		

<b>District No. 15:</b>				
Oklahoma City, Okla.				
#240			1	
St. Joseph, Mo. #378			1	2
<b>District No. 17:</b>				
Denver, Colo. #145	1			
Albuquerque, N. M.				
#174	4		5	
<b>District No. 20:</b>				
Los Angeles, Calif.				
#152			1	
San Diego, Calif.				
#223			1	
Hollywood, Calif.				
#318	4	5	1	5
<b>District No. 21:</b>				
Vallejo, Calif. #217	1			
Marysville, Calif.				
#228			1	
Modesto, Calif. #246	1			
San Jose, Calif.				
#251		2	1	3
<b>District No. 22:</b>				
Portland, Ore. #154			1	
Victoria, B. C.				
CJ 16		1	1	1
<b>District No. 23:</b>				
Toronto, Ont. #CJ 16				
Montreal, Que.				
CJ "	4	10		
<b>Grand Totals</b>			138	38



## CHAPTER NEWS



### Our Editorial Board

The 1958 Boston Convention mandated that the Ahepa Domain be divided into five zones and each zone be headed by an Associate Editor, whose function would be to feed news and stories to the Editor. In our last issue we announced the appointment of these five Associate Editors selected from nominations made by our District Governors. Their background and experience qualifies them fully for the job. Specifically:

**Mike Christopher**, a past president of Magnolia Chapter, No. 344, and past district governor of Mother Lodge District No. 1, is the founder in 1931 and editor of *The Restaurant Review* of Jackson, Miss. — the first Hellenic food publication in America. The best "mess sergeant" in the first World War, he has served as Colonel on the staffs of several Governors of his State of Mississippi. He enjoys a wide acquaintance all the way from Cape Hatteras to Los Alamos.

**Nick Levendis**, a past and present president of Long Island Chapter, No. 86, is the originator and active practitioner of "Operation Fraternalism," the official slogan of the Boyadzi Party, having reinstated last year no less than 31 inactive members of his chapter. In college he majored in advertising and publicity; while in the Army, in public relations, and since his release, in office management and public relations. He served for two terms as editor of the *New York Messenger*.

**Stratis Doukas**, a past president of Longfellow Chapter, No. 82, and past district governor of Northern New England District No. 9, has had wide experience in publicity in behalf of his chapter, his district, his community and his state in all media, including Radio and TV. A former Son, he was elevated to the presidency of his chapter at the tender age of 23 and is now serving as trustee of his church. He contributed a monthly column to the local *Goyan Observer*.

**Michael Zouakis**, a past president of Gary, Indiana, Chapter, is currently serving as district governor of Hoosier District No. 12. Formerly the city editor of the *Gary Post-Tribune*, he is now the public relations representative for the United States Steel Corporation and very active in publicity work. He has made this field his oyster and naturally is very much interested in both district and national Ahepa publications.

**Angelo Mountanos**, currently the new president of Golden Gate Chapter,

No. 150, and the editor of the *Ahepa Traveler*, graduated from Stanford University in Journalism. After having for a while worked in advertising with the *Palo Alto Times*, he is now directing the Greek-American Radio Hour of San Francisco and managing the Falcon Advertising Agency. He headed the public relations department of the 1955 Supreme Convention of San Francisco.

These are the editors who will be handling the local news for our chapters and districts now that our magazine has become a monthly issue. Please send to them whatever you consider interesting and worthy to reach the Ahepa public through these columns. Address them in care of our Headquarters at Washington, which will be serving as our clearing center in this respect.

The Editorial Board also includes three assistant editors: Kay Konst for the Daughters; Ted Malgarinos for the Sons and Denise Tomaras for the Maids. You will be hearing from them from time to time. Nicholas Zannetos, the current district governor of Yankee District No. 7, is helping us as Art Editor.

Everyone, including the editor, is serving as one-dollar-a-year member of The Ahepan. Please co-operate with them and they may even save the dollar!

### News From Zone One

After a recent and stimulating visit to the Monroe, Shreveport, Texarkana, Hot Springs, Little Rock and Dallas chapters, Governor Ted Kapsos of District No. 16, reports, "Our District Sixteen is doing very well . . . my primary interest is in keeping the younger members interested and active as the older members tire and slow down."

The Milner Chevrolet Company, said to be the largest Chevrolet Agency in the world, recently named Tony Katsaboulos of Jackson, Mississippi, as Office Manager. He is an active member of Magnolia Chapter, No. 344.

A recent issue of "Institutions Magazine" recently featured articles by Brothers Pappas of St. Peter and Tarpon Springs, Florida.

The Atlanta Chapter, No. 1, recently named the following new officers: Jim Matrangos, president; John Campbell, vice-president; Frank Zervakos, treasurer, and Chris Poulos, secretary.

On September 12, 1958, the First and, as yet, the only Hellenic Orthodox Church in the State of Mississippi, was dedicated in appropriate ceremonies led by the Rev. Basil Kleouthis. Equipped

with organ and air-conditioning, the handsome Greek renaissance structure, located in Jackson, is a credit to some 100 Hellenic families of the Magnolia State.

M. CHRISTOPHER,  
Associate Editor.

### News From Zone 3

The first report from Zone 3 is being assembled in a hasty manner due to business reasons, committee work and the holidays. We offer this apologetically with the promise that future reports will be better.

*District No. 9* Governor Allen Sukales is covering a lot of territory and reports his district in good shape. Visitations to all chapters and installation of officers began in earnest in January. A recent Scholarship dance held in Manchester, N. H. was a success. He also announced the appointment to the District Scholarship Committee of Attorney George Brickates, Saco, Maine; Attorney John Papajohn, Nashua, N. H.; Professor Nicholas Colovos, Dover, N. H. Colovos and Brickates are past district governors; Papajohn, a state representative of New Hampshire.

*Districts Nos. 7 and 8* — Governors Nicholas Zannetos and Arthur Lagadinos are conducting the duties of their office in a manner that sets a splendid example and a fast pace.

*Nashua, N. H.* — January 18, 1959 was a very special day for a very special young man. Ahepans honored dynamic Supreme Governor George Pappademas with a testimonial dinner. George certainly deserved the honor. His rise in Ahepa ranks, in a few years, has been meteoric. George is affectionately known as Mr. Credentials to delegates attending our Supreme Conventions.

*Portland Chapter, No. 82* — Louis K. Constantine was recently decorated by the King of Greece with the Royal Medal of Merit for his services in the interest of education and religion. Louis has been active in Ahepa, Church, blind and youth activities.

*Lawrence, Mass.* — Attorney George W. Arranides was recently named an Assistant Attorney General by Attorney General Edward J. McCormack. A past governor of District No. 8, George has been active in Ahepa, Church and community affairs.

*Clinton Chapter, No. 362* — The president and chairman of the 9th Anniversary banquet, Dr. Nick Despotopoulos and charming wife Helen, hosted a cock-

tail party in their home last November, prior to the banquet. Prominent Ahepans and public officials were present and the list of names would make a glittering Ahepa's Who's Who! The banquet was highly successful.

**Portland Chapter, No. 82** — It climaxed the year's end with two affairs. A Christmas Festival Dance given on December 26, and Gala New Year's Eve Party, December 31, were well attended and most everybody tired but happy. Outgoing President Albert Rallis directed both affairs and ended his administration in a blaze of glory.

Recently **Hermes Chapter** of New York called attention to the youth of its new slate of officers, average age being 34. **Longfellow Chapter** of Portland boasts a slate of 31 year average. Can anyone top this?

Among the many at **St. Andrew's House**, Lowell, Mass., November 30, for the feast services, were Supreme President Constantine P. Verinis and Mayor George Christopher.

Noted with sadness the passing of prominent Ahepans — **Dr. Theodore Szamos**, Lowell, and **John E. King**, Athens Chapter, Boston. Men like these are hard to replace.

STRATIS DOUKAS,

Associate Editor

### Our Fifth District

**CAMDEN** — Held a successful New Year party at the Community Center. John and Pauline Zavakos, Diana Vlahakis, recent visitors to Greece. Lt. George Tsantes, U.S.N., working on missiles program. **Hudson** — Interesting recent lectures by members. Dr. Samuel Critides, Neurosurgeon, and Dr. Gabriel G. Gregoriades were most interesting to a large audience. Brother Dr. James A. Tsigounis recently appointed on the staff of Seton Hall College of Dentistry. **TRENTON** — Proud sponsors of a bowling team in the Piersonville League, whose members are: Lee Millas, Joseph Allen, Bud Chrambanis, Herbie Allen, John Jeremias, Toffee Allen, Art Panella, George Meloins and Frank Gramas.

Rev. George Stevenson, former member of the **Thermopylae Sons Chapter**, recently ordained into priesthood. **Cleo Chapter** of the Daughters of Penelope announced the graduation from Drexel Institute of Technology of Sister Stella Savaris and Mrs. Sylvia Prodromos was moving to another city. **Bergen Knights Chapter** member John N. Mandis recently sworn in to practice before the New Jersey and Federal bars. Daughters past District Secretary, Miss Sophie Palaynes, engaged to Athan P. Anest. Miss Palaynes is from Asbury Park; Mr. Anest, a resident of Newark.

N. P. LEVENDIS,

Associate Editor.

### New York Orphans Feted

As is the custom of Metropolitan Ahepans, children from the New York area were feted at a Christmas party given last December in the great hall of the Hellenic Cathedral of the Holy Trinity. About 200 underprivileged and orphan children, carefully selected by

#### Orphan Boys May Apply

The new Ahepa Hall at St. Basil's Academy is about to open its hospitable doors to our orphan boys, age 6, 7 or 8. Until the Ahepa School is built, only about 25 boys will be accepted. Preference will be given to boys related to members of our Ahepa family.

Interested guardians should apply to our Archdiocese, 10 East 79th Street, New York 21. They must give full details about their boy and explain why he should be admitted. But remember, only boys age 6, 7 or 8 are eligible, provided they have lost one or both parents.

### News From Zone 5

At elections for 1959 held by Golden Gate Chapter, No. 150, of San Francisco, the following officers were elected; President, A. T. Mountanos; Vice-President, N. A. Loumos; Secretary, S. N. Stella; Treasurer, J. C. Vlahos; Board of Governors: S. Pappageorge, Chairman; C. Thanos, G. Zakos, F. Francis and N. Kontis.

The Golden Gate and Pacific Chapters of San Francisco, jointly honored those of their members who completed 25 years of service at a dinner party and awarded them 25-year pins. The presentation was made by Chris Katon to the following members of Golden Gate: George Casten, George Christ, Spiros Calofonos, Christ L. Christopolos, James S. Karavas, Peter Lourentzos, Michael C. Lekas, Arthur Manos, Joseph L. Morris, William Paulson, Vassilios Perris, Nicholas G. Spatharas, Gus Peter Calcalas, John Calofonos, Sophocles Danos, Steve Demakas, George Canas, James G. Goupois, Paul K. Koulos, Louis Kericos Loutas, Themis Lekas, Louis G. Molakides, Chris Pappas, Nick Skotidas, Frank P. Syrakos, Chris N. Topolos, James Topolos and George K. Tzivias.

President Stephen Berdalis of Pacific Chapter made the presentations for his chapter to: Costas A. Vellis, Dr. C. A. Abramopoulos, Nick Doukas, Alex A. Stavrou, Gus Stavrou, Spiros (Lee) Vavouris.

Chairman of the joint affair was Louis Paponis of Golden Gate. It was a job well done.

ANGELO T. MOUNTANOS,

Associate Editor.



Welfare Fund Chairman George Antonopoulos and Co-chairman for Daughters Mrs. Ann Koutros entertain children Bill Mariotis and Pauline Czajkowski, both age 3, at the New York Christmas Party, held at the Hellenic Cathedral.

the various communities, were fed, clothed and entertained by the Welfare Committee, headed this year by District Secretary George Antonopoulos and co-chaired for the Daughters by Mrs. Ann Koutros.

The children ranged from one year to 14 years of age. They and their guardians were given a catered turkey dinner with all the trimmings, gladly contributed by the Antonopoulos family, Michael, George and Gus. The children were presented with clothing, candy and toys, and were entertained with the antics of a clown, provided by the Peter Kara Orchestra, and a balloon man, brought by Chairman Antonopoulos and Master of Ceremonies Peter Randall. Gus Trefon of Estia Chapter took the part of Santa Claus.

This annual Christmas party is one of the functions of the New York Welfare Fund, which was initiated 10 years ago by the then District Governor George Kastros and has since undertaken worthwhile projects in charity and fraternalism. It conducts a fund raising campaign just before Christmas and from the proceeds covers the Christmas party, sends children to summer camp and in other ways helps the orphans and the underprivileged. District Governors Gus Cherevas and Miss Ann Gallan for Ahepans and Daughters, respectively, appointed the members of the committee and supervise its functions.

The Fund is a very successful project of our Ahepa family and the 1958 party was the best ever held. It was attended by His Grace Bishop Germanos of Constantias, Supreme Secretary Doukas, National Trustee Nicholas, District Governors Cherevas and Gallan, National Advisor to the Maids Mrs. Nicholas and many other members of Ahepa from New York.

ATTEND YOUR CHAPTER MEETINGS REGULARLY

### Operation Fraternalism

The Long Island Chapter 86 (Jamaica, N.Y.), known as the "Operation Fraternalism Chapter," inducted nine candidates as the "Delphi Class" on Nov. 21st, in honor of Delphi Chapter 25 (N.Y.) and Supreme Secretary Kimon A. Doukas, who is a member of Delphi.

This is the first time in AHEPA history when one chapter has honored a sister-chapter by naming its inductee class thus. The Masonic Temple of Jamaica was filled to capacity with officers and delegates from most of the chapters in the New York City area.

Delphi Chapter's large delegation which participated in the impressive Initiation Rites, was led by their President John P. Kronos and included nine of their past presidents, past Deputy Supreme Governor John Dounoucos and past Supreme Treasurer Aristides Georgiades.

Supreme Secretary Kimon A. Doukas was the main speaker and his remarks, well taken by the large audience, referred to the advantages of a larger AHEPA membership, our current national projects and the suggestion that AHEPA become closer associated with everyday community needs, drives and projects, rather than confine its scope only to Hellenic philanthropic needs.

Nicholas P. Leventis, Chapter President, indicated that his Chapter's "Operation Fraternalism" policy is aiding the return to the basic AHEPA precepts and his chapter's membership rise in 11 months, from 90 to 163, could also be attributed to this policy.

Officers and dignitaries, including National Trustee Nicholas and District Secretary Antonopoulos, were in formal evening dress for this event, many wearing fezzes, an indication that better, formal ritualistic work meets with our membership's approval.

Refreshments were served at the close by Niobe Chapter, No. 134, of the Daughters of Penelope, with Sons of Pericles of Altis, No. 90, also attending.

### Ahepans Help Church

A contribution of \$1000 was recently made to the Building Fund of their Church by the members of Flower City Chapter of Rochester, N.Y. The new Church of the Annunciation was opened for services several weeks ago though not quite complete yet.

Almost all of the members of the church trustees are members of our Rochester Chapter, whose president is the tireless Ahepan Nicholas T. Vlahos. This Chapter is one of our most active units in upstate New York District No. 6. It has given us three District Governors: Sam Peters, Spiro Livadas and Dennis Livadas, and countless district lodge officers and energetic chapter officers.

### Pay As You Bid!

No more off-the-cuff bids for a Supreme Convention. The 1958 Boston Convention decided that any city bidding for the honor and pleasure to have the Supreme Convention must deposit first a certified check in the sum of \$2,500 to the Order of Ahepa. The successful bidder's money will go to the National Scholarship Fund; all other deposits will be refunded.

### C. Mamatseos Departs For Greece to Dedicate Hospital



Brother Constantine Mamatseos of Bristol, Conn., accompanied by his wife, left for Kozani, Greece, to attend the dedication ceremonies of the newly built hospital there that is named after him as the principal donor.

He is a member of the Elpis Chapter, No. 117, of Ahepa, in New Britain, Conn., and has served on the District Lodge of Yankee District No. 7. Brother Mamatseos has been a substantial contributor to all philanthropic causes in Kozani as well as in his present community of Bristol. That community recently completed a fine community hall.

### Church Drive in Hartford

Ahepans in Hartford, Conn. are in the forefront again. They have launched a fund campaign to raise \$120,000 for a new and larger church. They already have on hand \$100,000. The entire unit will eventually cost \$750,000 and will include a community hall, an administrative building and school classrooms.

At a recent dinner a number of large pledges was received by the committee, whose chairman is John Poulos. Past District Governor Nichols acted as toastmaster. District Governor Zannetos is the executive secretary and art director. Rev. Nicholas Terzakis is the pastor.

The vocation of every man and woman is to serve other people. — Count Tolstoy

### Letters From America

Last year Americans sent over 300 million letters to friends and relatives abroad. These personal messages are a tremendous force for peace and better world understanding in spreading the truth about America and our way of life. Each of us can take part in this mighty effort, which is in line with President Eisenhower's blossoming People-to-People program. We should particularly encourage our children to correspond with youngsters in Greece.

Practically every member of the Ahepa family has young nephews or nieces, and cousins in Greece. Let us ask our children to begin corresponding with them, in an exchange of ideas and fostering of friendship. This is also an excellent opportunity for our boys and girls to improve their Greek language, in an interesting and enjoyable manner.

Leo Disher, Director of the Office of Private Co-operation of the U.S. Information Agency, brought this happy thought to our attention, in connection with the "Pen-Pal" project, which is part of the People-to-People program.

This furtherance of international goodwill between the young people of America and Greece can bring both nations to an even greater understanding and friendship in the future.

Sit down with your youngsters or your grandchildren tonight. Help them get started in their "Pen-Pal" project. You and they will be pleased to hear from the children of Greece — the hope for a better tomorrow.

### Long Service Honored

The Ahepa family of Kansas City, Missouri, honored Chapter Treasurer Gus Lagas, who has served his *Heart of America* Chapter, No. 73, for over 20 years, at a banquet held October 12, 1958 at their Community Hall.

Over 200 members of Ahepans and Daughters with their families attended.

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## Your Supreme Lodge Headquarters Reports

By GEORGE J. LEBER, Executive Secretary

### To Our 1959 Chapter Officers

Congratulations on your election to office. May your tenure of office be successful, and self-satisfying.

A clear-cut Chapter Program for 1959 should now be planned. It should strive for community goodwill, and for membership satisfaction, bearing in mind the Objects and Ideals of our Order. Membership satisfaction is reflected in, and measured by, the percentage of members participating in every chapter program.

A successful chapter must have confident and courageous officers, willing to work, but also able to delegate authority and responsibility without friction.

Your Headquarters staff is always ready to be of service in your chapter program. Please mail us your listing of 1959 Chapter Officers. Our work is entirely dependent on your co-operation.

### Inactive Chapters

All members of the Supreme Lodge, in close working arrangements with our District Lodges, are concentrating on the reactivation of all inactive chapters, as well as the rejuvenation of some whose degree of activity is below par. The latter are the slowly-expiring chapters. Each member of the Supreme Lodge has specific districts under his supervision, and personal official visits to these chapters by Supreme Lodge members and District Governors are creating a re-awakening of interest and activity. Our hopes are high for some solid results this year.

### Membership Mailing List

All chapter secretaries will shortly receive a strip roll list of the chapter membership, as reflected in our mailing list. They are expected to check this list against their own records, making any corrections, additions or deletions, *directly on this list*, and returning the corrected list to Headquarters.

This new system has been devised to clear away any delinquent names and to secure the latest, up-to-date mailing addresses of our members. In other words, we are concerned with the following: (a) crossing out delinquent members from our mailing lists; (b) correcting the addresses of the entire membership; (c) making certain that all in good standing members are on our lists.

Your co-operation is earnestly solicited.

### Officers' Handbook

The first draft of our Officers' Handbook has been completed. Possibly by the time you read this, copies of the Handbook may be in the hands of your chapter officers.

A fraternal Handbook, like any published work, is only as useful as its final application is made in fraternal life.

This is the first time such a Handbook is issued by the Ahepa. It will be constantly revised and broadened in scope to meet the changing demands of the fraternity.

"Read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest" is our admonition and earnest recommendation.

### Headquarters Accounting

Our new accounting machine was installed early in January, and the task of change-over from handwritten bookkeeping records to machine records is in full swing. Headquarters head-bookkeeper, N. Marie Jones (who has been with us for the last 30 years), at first faced the job with some hesitation and trepidation, but the benefits of the new, modern system are already well in evidence.

Maintaining records of over 400 chapters, with the attendant fund accounts, has always been a monumental task. Our new accounting machine is a big step forward. There are many other progressive steps the Ahepa must consider in the future towards a modernization of our Supreme Headquarters. We hope we are on the right track.

### Our Membership Certificates

It has been our practice in the past to mail our new members' certificates to the chapter secretaries, and have them give these personally to the recipients. This was found to be unsatisfactory because many secretaries neglected to turn them over to the new members. We have this year inaugurated a new system whereby each member receives his certificate in a mailing tube, individually. As of last October, there was a backlog of over 1300 certificates that had not been mailed out. These have been mailed individually to all new members.

Under our present system, the member receives his certificate of membership within a short time following the receipt of the Application at Headquarters. This may entail a small added cost for mail-

ing; however, it also assures the member that we have not forgotten him, and gives him a Certificate that is received in good condition, and not dog-eared and crumpled, as was the case when the secretaries were entrusted with this duty.

### Visitors At Headquarters

The following members were recent visitors at Supreme Lodge Headquarters in Washington:

Bill Peterson, Grand Island, Nebr.; Peter J. Mandanis, Gastonia, N. C.; Nick Poulos, New York; C. D. Tsangadas, Detroit; George Demeter, Boston; Dr. Chris G. Scordas, Roanoke, Va.; Rev. E. Spyropoulos, Annapolis; Mike Barbis, Oakland, Calif.; Anthony Janis, Melbourne, Australia; Charles G. Tsatsos, Hammond, Ind.; Louis K. Tsaros, East Chicago, Ind.; Peter K. Constandy, Bridgeport, Conn.; Theodore J. Caparell, New Rochelle, N. Y.; C. G. Economou, Youngstown, Ohio; Socrates V. Sekles, Pontiac, Mich.; George J. Kondelis, Dilworth, Minn.

Supreme Lodge Headquarters now occupies the fifth floor of the Ahepa Building, at 1422 K Street, N. W. Any member of the Ahepa family visiting the nation's capital, is always welcome to visit our national offices.

### The Record of Our People

Ahepa's projected book on contributions by Greek-Americans to the development and progress of the United States is still in the research stage. The Editorial Board of Supreme President Verinis, Supreme Secretary Doukas, past Supreme Presidents Vournas and Catsonis, past Supreme Secretary Maniatis and Executive Secretary Leber, has issued a request to all members to forward to the Headquarters any material in the form of books or articles which deal with the early arrival of Greeks to this country. This material can deal with any phase of Greek-American life; it will be returned to the contributor in due course.

Ahepa chapters are also requested to contact their local Historical Societies for all such material, and write to the Board as to any possible leads for securing this information.

We propose to edit a correct and complete history of our people in this country. The co-operation and assistance of every Ahepa is urgently requested.

# AHEPA IN SPORTS

By JOHN MANDROS, National Athletic Director

NICK PANNES, 20 year old junior quarterback from Lynn, Mass., was the understudy of one of Brown University's all time greats. He will undoubtedly be the No. 1 heir apparent quarterback next fall upon graduation of Frank Finney. Nick connected on 12 of 24 passes for 159 yards and 2 touchdowns, one being the winning touchdown against Yale University with 2 minutes to go. Pannes is a strong running threat and highly regarded defensively.

Congratulations to DR. MONTHI KOPOS, Marlboro, Mass., who was elected president of the Nicholas Grani-



**Peter Americus**

Pete Americus was born in Sparta, October 23, 1939, and has been in this country only 8 years. He has played varsity fullback for 4 years and was captain in his junior and senior year. Although he missed two games because of early season injuries, he paced his Easton High School team to a perfect 1958 season. He averaged 12.1 yards and scored 11 touchdowns for 68 points. His 4 year total was 257 carries, 2296 yards for an 8.1 average, scored 215 points and has the distinction of never having been thrown for a loss. Americus was unanimously selected on the United Press and Associated Press Pennsylvania All-State 1st team fullback. He has been selected to the Pennsylvania Big 35 Squad in 1957 and 1958 and will play against the "High School—All American" selections in August, 1959 at Hershey, Penna.

Pete is entering Blair Academy next fall and then will select from one of the many Universities who seek him. He has had over 26 scholarship offers.

tas Chapter, No. 105. The "Doc" is also the Northeastern Zone Athletic Director who has been instrumental in setting up one of the finest District Athletic Programs in the Ahepa Domain. - - The 7th Annual National Sons of Pericles Basketball Tournament will be held in Toledo, Ohio and will be sponsored by the Toledo Sons Chapter. Any Sons interested in the event should contact Supreme Governor MICHAEL YAKUMITHIS, 1025 Baker St., Toledo, Ohio, who is also the Tournament Chairman.

#### To All Athletic Directors

Please report all your Chapter and District athletic events and other activities to our National Director, JOHN MANDROS, 2 East 4th Street, Bethlehem, Penna. He will publicize them here.

Power District No. 4 Athletic Program for 1958-59 follows:

1. Intra Chapter Bowling League
2. 3rd Annual District Bowling Tournament
3. Intra Chapter Golf Matches
4. 3rd Annual District Golf Tournament
5. 3rd Annual District Convention, East vs. West, Softball

ROBERT J. MOSHOS, District 13 Athletic Director, advised that on January 10 and 11, 1959, the District 13 Bowling Tournament was held. Host for the two-day event was Northshore Chapter, No. 94. A well attended dance on Saturday, the 10th, contributed to the activities.

ANTHONY CONSTANTINE, tackle for the University of Connecticut, saw limited duty due to an early season injury.

- - BOB ANASTAS, quarterback, from the American International College, was selected to the first team of the All New England selections of coaches. - - The United States Air Force Academy, who had an undefeated season, praise fullback GALLOS for his tremendous effort.

Has off to: NICK KANGAS, Yale University halfback; CHARLIE THEOKAS, University of Massachusetts center; JOHN MORDAS, Delaware University tackle; CHRIS TSOKOS and GEORGE SMYRNIOS, Rhode Island University guard and halfback, respectively.

The listing of names below are from in and around the New England area, where they take their football very serious: GEORGE AGGANIS, ERNIE VENETSENAKAS, C. MANTSOURANI, PETE STANZILIS, ELIADES, JOHN KOLIAS, VICTOR ELIOS, JOHN TAMIS, TONY MAVRAKOS, DENNIS KORUMPAS, SPILOTIS, KOSTAS,

SOLOMINIDES, MARGARITAS, HASSAFES, KATSIREBAS, BASBANES, ANDRICOPOULOS, ERNEST ZISSIS, BLEKITIS, and VOSOTAS.

Former Harvard football star, NICK RODIS, is the freshman coach of the three major sports at Connecticut University — football, basketball and baseball. While playing for Harvard, he was selected to play on the North team in 1944 and 1948. In the spring of 1955, upon invitation of the State Department, he went to Greece to lecture on basketball. Nick is married and has two sons.



**Emil G. Matsos**

"Arch" Matsos is American born: Detroit, 1935. He is a 190 pound lineman on the Michigan State squad. He was hampered throughout the 1958 season by a reoccurring knee injury. An outstanding guard for the Spartans, "Arch" injured his knee a year ago last spring and was sidelined for the entire 1957 season. He is a hustling performer and sure tackler who lettered both in 1955 and 1956. Last year, "Arch" was shifted to the center position and seemed to make the adjustment until the injury jinx caused him to miss considerable action.

Now 23, Matsos attended Redford High School and was an All-City and All-State selection as a prep gridder. He expects to graduate in '59 in Social Science. He will try his hand at professional football with Baltimore. The Colts made him their sixteenth draft choice last year when his original class graduated. He appeared in the Copper Bowl in Phoenix, Arizona, last December.





### Our Church Approves

Sir:

We were greatly interested to learn that the Order of Ahepa has undertaken to prepare and publish a book on "The Contributions of Greece and of Greek-Americans to the Development and Progress of the United States." This is indeed a project of the greatest importance, and we want to assure you that the Greek Archdiocese will co-operate in every way possible.

BISHOP GERMANOS

### Religion in Ahepa

Sir:

Ahepa needs a new religion. This is not an invention of our own, but simply a conclusion based on discussions with Ahepans and non-Ahepans representing various walks of life.

We still think the St. Basil project could be used as the nucleus of a new fundamental policy making the Ahepa an instrument of the religion of the mind just as the Church is the religion of the soul.

In other words, we mean the proposal of John Manta for what he calls a cultural foundation. Despite his own inability to work out his ideas in a concrete plan, he came closest to giving the Fraternity the new religion it so badly needs. One consolation is that he succeeded in adding it as a principle to the Ahepa Constitution.

We don't pretend to be speaking ex cathedra, but in our humble opinion we believe that Supreme President Verinis could take the initiative in calling a strictly non-partisan conference to determine how could the cultural foundation idea be worked out into a simple plan of action. If he succeeds in doing this he will go down in the history of Ahepa as a great president.

Chebiter, the greatest of them all, told the Ahepa as the religion of Americanism to the Hellenes. Who will be the president to tell Ahepa as the religion of Hellenism to the Americans? Perhaps Verinis. Anyway, this could be the answer to our question and perhaps the most important challenge in the career of Ahepa.

JAMES KARABAYOS  
Past President  
Hermes Chapter, New York

### Speak Evil of No One

Do not persist, then, to retain at heart one sole idea, that the thing is right which your mouth utters, and nought else beside.

—SOPHOCLES' ANTIGONE



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AUSTRALIA

Sir:

I thank you for your letter of the 18th Nov. 1958, and also for the parcel of material duly received. I am very glad to hear that Bro. A. Janis called at the Headquarters and that he visited several Ahepa Chapters while in the States. I believe that personal contact between us would be beneficial to both of us, particularly to us in Australia, who are still in the formative stage.

Our National Convention, which took place in Brisbane, last September, thought fit to elect me Supreme President for the year 1958-1959. It is a great honour while it means numerous duties and a fair amount of responsibility. I hope and trust that with God's guidance I will be able to carry out my duties for the good of the Order.

I read "The Ahepa" you were kind enough to post me with real interest and I asked our Editor to keep posting copies of ours to your Headquarters.

Kindly convey my fraternal greetings to Bro. Verinis, the Supreme President in the U.S.A., and to all Ahepans under your jurisdiction, and, as it is New Year's eve, I wish most heartily to you a HAPPY NEW YEAR 1959.

BASIL LOGUS  
Supreme President

### Plaudits to Leber

Sir:

It was certainly kind of our Executive Secretary Leber to take time out of his busy schedule to see me during my recent visit to Headquarters.

His comparison of the antiquated system once used at our national office against the new system we are putting into effect was quite enlightening.

My personal evaluation of our Headquarters' endeavors — consolidating into

specific sections and categories, such as delinquent members and active members in our Kar-dex filing system; installing National Cash Register tabulating machines instead of writing the figures into ledgers; and the new method of recording the address of each member so that the information is always up-to-date — is that this modern system will make the task of communicating between Headquarters, chapters, and members' junction in a more effective and expeditious manner. Brother Leber is to be commended for the many improvements he has initiated since assuming the office of Executive Secretary.

THEODORE J. CAPARELLI  
Treasurer, Hermes Chapter, No. 186

### Let's Finish the Job

Sir:

The greatest, most-needed and most constructive project undertaken by the Ahepa since the War has been the Ahepa School and Dormitory for boys. It was first proposed by John Kiamos and adopted by the Houston Convention in 1953. It has become the pet project and has received most of its support and sustenance from the Daughters of Penelope.

This project concerns the Orphaned and Poor and Destitute Greek children. The reason for its universal appeal is, therefore, obvious.

There have been many trials and tribulations connected with this project. We have had fake ground-breaking ceremonies. We have had spurious cornerstone layings. We have had grandiose plans drawn with no intention to carry them out, but with one eye cocked to political advancement and gain and the other in order to receive public plaudits and acclaim hardly deserved. We have had our usual disagreements.

Yet the project has gone forward. A good beginning has been made. Some dormitories are now ready. Converted stables or not they are reasonably satisfactory and much better than words, words, words.

We need to finish the job now. This coming year of 1959, who will get the credit?

This writer doesn't give a hoot who will get the credit. I believe that 99% of our people feel the same way. All they are interested in is to have the job done, finished.

PETER L. BELL  
Past Supreme President

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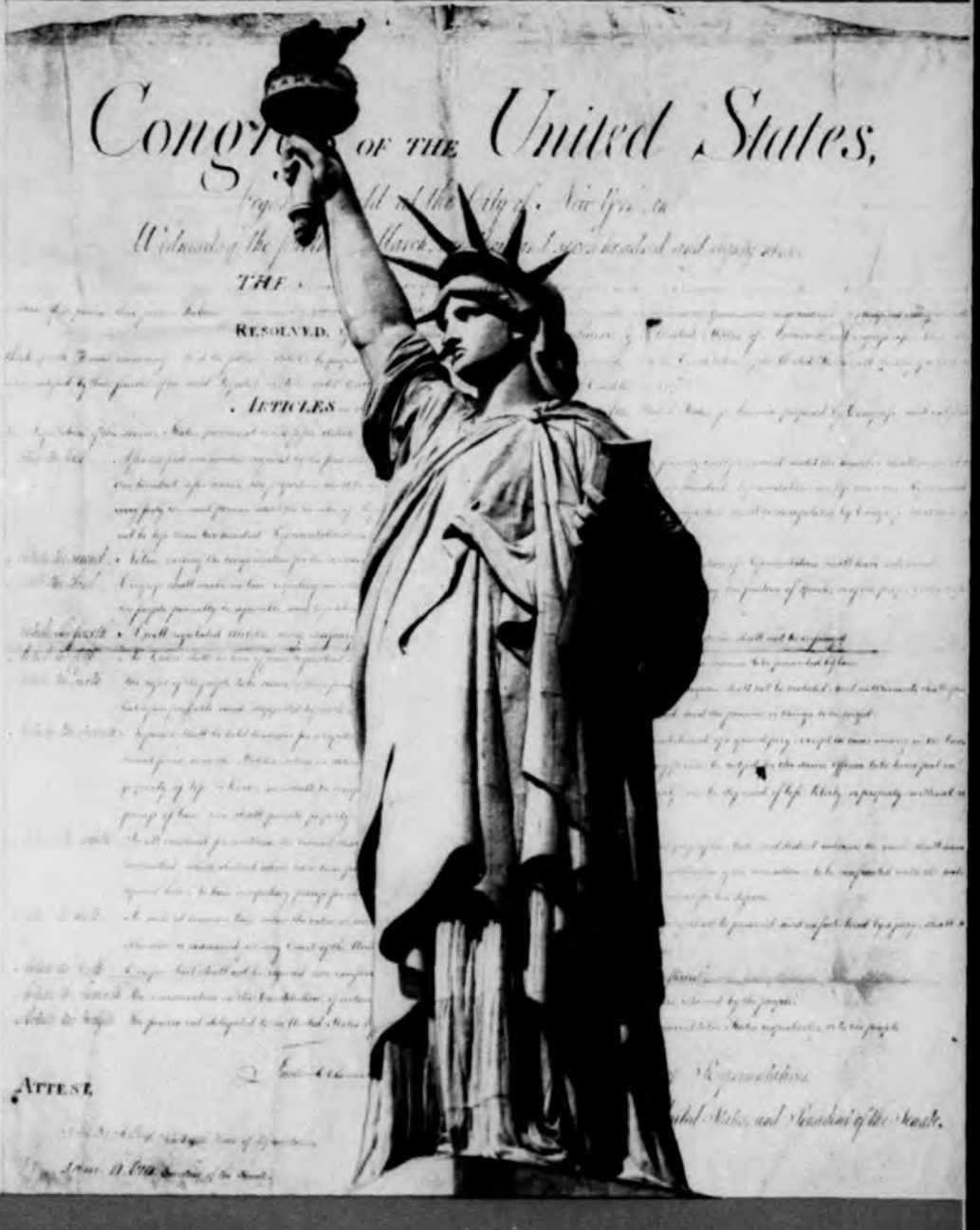
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## Editor's Corner . . .

THIS ISSUE IS DEDICATED to "Freedom for All — Everywhere." It is fitting for us Americans of Hellenic origin to pledge our treasure and our life to the principles and ideals for which our forefathers fought in 1776 and 1821. We publicly express our thanks to past Supreme President George Vournas, who conceived the idea and pressed its presentation in spite of crowded space and limited time.

AT LAST CYPRUS INDEPENDENCE is won — at considerable blood and tears and in a compromise by force of circumstances. The next item on the Agenda is "Freedom for Northern Epirus."

OUR DRIVE FOR FUNDS to complete the School for Boys and Girls at St. Basil's Academy in Garrison, New York, is gathering momentum. Chapters throughout the Ahepa Domain are planning their campaigns to fill their quota. Please remit to Headquarters all collections so far.

DEMETER'S MANUAL WAS ADOPTED as the official parliamentary law of the New Jersey General Assembly. No wonder our members are delighted to have past Supreme President Demeter edit a special column on questions of Parliamentary law and procedure.

LAST MONTH'S INSTALLATIONS have kept Supreme and District Lodge officers quite busy sojourning from city to city to perform this meaningful ceremony. It is the "commencement" of our official family. May they transmit their chapters greater, better and more beautiful than they received them.

OUR EASTER EXCURSION to Greece officially weighs anchor on the TSS OLYMPIA April 10th from New York. The Greek Line is rolling the red carpet for our pilgrims' happiness and pleasure. There is still time for reservations.

OUR CURRENT MEMBERSHIP Drive has about three months to go. It will officially end June 30th. Do not hold back applications and reinstatements. Send them in to Headquarters with your remittances. We particularly call on District Governors Cherevas and Miller of Districts 6 and 13, respectively, to roll up their sleeves and go to work.

WE APPEAL TO OUR MEMBERS to contact their friends and obtain national ads for our magazine. TWA and Henry Hudson Hotel have joined our advertisers. This is a golden opportunity for national concerns to advertise their products among 10,000 families — the largest circulation of any publication edited by our people.

THE APRIL ISSUE will have complete plans of the Ahepa School at St. Basil's Academy . . . activities of Ahepans, Daughters, Sons and Maids . . . testimonials to distinguished members of our Ahepa family . . . progress reports on membership and the Ahepa School, and other interesting features.

**FLASH**

We were shocked to hear that past Supreme President Dean Allange met with a serious traffic accident. Though out of danger, his recovery will be slow and long. We pray for his return to good health.

# FREEDOM FOR ALL -- EVERYWHERE

## An Introduction

"Equal and Exact Justice to All Men." Thus spoke Thomas Jefferson more than 150 years ago and re-echoed the eternal truth of the centuries. Thus it was in times of old when Plato taught the young to observe the rule of law and the New Messiah preached respect for human decency. And those who followed nourished the Tree of Freedom in blood and toil and hard work. And thus it has been and will always be.

When the fathers of this great society assembled on July 26, 1922, and organized the Order of Ahepa, they, too, stood for law and order and above all for equal and exact justice to All Men everywhere. And for 37 eventful years, those who joined with them and those who followed in their footsteps, have adhered to the admonition and have given their best to preserve and nourish the great eternal truth.

We, both as Americans and Ahepans, are happy and proud of the part we have played in freedom's corner. And we hope and pray that not only the voice of Ahepa, but the much stronger and universal Voice of

## FREEDOM — Its Birth and Growth

"The God who gave us life, gave us liberty at the same time." THOMAS JEFFERSON.

Liberty or Freedom cast its first strong beacon of light upon the earth from Ancient Hellas. It all began in Athens. SOLON'S reforms inaugurated the world's first demonstration of Freedom and Democracy. He was the first great advocate and father of Freedom.

SOLON abolished all debts and mortgages which had enslaved the people, and prohibited the mortgaging of persons, a common practice then. He gave free scope to the individuality of citizens, and lightened the excessive penalties of the law of the land. The *Ephetai* were admitted to the Assembly, and a Supreme Court was instituted to receive appeals from the lower courts.

He rejuvenated the *Ekklesia*, and all citizens were invited to join in his deliberations. The "lowest" class of citizens were made eligible to selection by lot to the *Helona*, the 6,000 jurors that formed the various courts.

SOLON'S Laws remade all Athenian life.

The principles of Democracy and Freedom were stated for the world to reflect upon by PERICLES who followed Solon, in his famous Funeral Oration delivered in 451 B.C.

"Because in the administration it hath respect not to the few but to the multitude, our form of government is called a DEMOCRACY. Wherein there is not only an equality amongst all men in point of law for their private controversies, but in election to public offices we consider neither status nor rank, but each man is preferred according to his virtue or to the esteem in which he is held for some special excellence: nor is any one put back even through poverty, because of the obscurity of his person, so long as he can do good service to the commonwealth."

America will always be raised in favor of freedom and against tyranny at all times. For as our Ahepa Constitution states, "Tyranny, wherever it may exercise its hateful power, is a menace to the life, property, prosperity, honor and integrity of every nation."

And to paraphrase the oath of the Athenian youth of old: "May it ever be our lot to never bring disgrace to this, our nation, by any act of dishonesty or cowardice, nor ever desert our suffering comrades in the ranks, but fight for the ideals and the sacred things of this nation, both alone and with many others, and revere and obey this nation's laws, strive unceasingly to arouse the public's sense of civic duty and transmit this nation greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."

We have dedicated this issue to Freedom as our forefathers had known it both in 1776 and 1821. And on this the 138th Anniversary for an Independent Hellas we Americans of Hellenic birth and origin pledge ourselves to "equal and exact justice to all men."

CONSTANTINE P. VERINIS

Supreme President, Order of Ahepa

## The Magna Carta

The Democracy of Athens, while varying in scope and program from our ideals of today, remained the only example of Freedom for more than 10 centuries until the granting of the Magna Carta at Runnymede in 1215 A.D.

Two thousand English barons, refusing to fight on foreign soil and demanding an end to illegal levies, forced King John to grant the Great Charter.

Trial by jury developed from Clause 39, which reads:

"No freeman shall be taken or imprisoned, or disseised, or outlawed, or banished, or in any way destroyed, nor will we go upon him, nor send upon him, except by the legal judgment of his peers or by the law of the land."

Four hundred year later, Edward Coke and the Puritans demanded protection for the common people under these rights of freemen.

## The Declaration of Independence

And thus the course of history continued until 1776 when RICHARD HENRY LEE of Virginia introduced in the Continental Congress at Philadelphia a resolution declaring that:

"These United Colonies are and of right ought to be free and independent states; that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the said Great Britain is, and ought to be, totally dissolved."

THOMAS JEFFERSON was assigned the task of drafting the Declaration of Independence, which was adopted July 4, 1776. On July 9 it was read by order of General



The Magna Carta

George Washington to the troops assembled on the Common in New York City. The original engrossed Declaration is preserved in the National Archives Building in Washington.

The Declaration opens with the famous stanza:

*"When, in the Course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bonds which have connected them with another, and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.*

*"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed."*

The Declaration then recounts the charges of the Colonies against the British Crown, and closes with the following apostrophe:

*"We, therefore, the Representatives of the United States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the World for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States . . . and for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor."*

### The Bill of Rights

The Bill of Rights was submitted to the States by the First Congress, which met in the City of New York on September 25, 1789. It was ratified by the several States and was put in force on December 15, 1791.

The Bill of Rights consists of ten articles, which proclaim for all people freedom of religion, freedom of speech, freedom of press and freedom of assembly and re-establish safeguards against any arbitrary exercise of power by the government without the consent of the governed. And this is the rule of law.

### The Fall of Constantinople

And this brings us to the Greek War of Independence, the beginning of the national existence of all people now living in the land of Hellas or claiming their origin therefrom. Though pinpointed in the year of our Lord 1821, the events preceding it and the story following it bear heavily and intimately in the lives and thoughts of all our people in Greece and everywhere.

On May 29, 1453, a heavy curtain of darkness fell upon Greek civilization. Constantinople, the capital of a Roman Empire turned-Greek subsequent to the 5th Century A.D., fell, after a long siege, to the Turks. The long night under the conqueror continued for almost four hundred years.

Despite all efforts on the part of the Turk to extinguish every light of Greek culture, enough sparks remained to feed

the fires of many an uprising, up to the successful revolution which broke out in 1821. The fires of Hellenism received considerable aid from abroad, where tens of thousands of the Greek intelligentsia of the Empire fled after the fall of the City. There is historical basis to include even America's discoverer, Christopher Columbus, among the expatriates. The courts of France and the palaces of the rulers of Genoa, Venice and other principalities of Western Europe received their quota of Greek refugees, who, for a long time afterward, labored to drive the infidel back into Asia.

There were many who contributed to keep the spark alive from abroad — those Greek patriots in *diaspora*. The best known was ADAMANTIOS KORAES, the philosopher, the language student and the pedagogue, who lived in Paris at the turn of the 18th century. There he met our own THOMAS JEFFERSON and sought his advice and counsel as to the form of government that should be established in a liberated Greece.

### March 25, 1821

The last and successful revolution was touched off at Patras on March 25, 1821, by the Archbishop of Old Patras, Germanos. An assault and capture of the city under Zaimis, Lontos, and others quickly followed, and as if by magic, the revolutionary fires spread — over all *Moraea* and as far north as the Danube River. And so the world came to know the heroic deeds of Corinth, Monchivasia, Argos, Tripolis, Valtetsi and Missolonghi, where LORD BYRON joined the brave fighters.

The revolutionary epoch produced ANDROUTSOS, YPSILANTI, COLOCOTRONIS, PAPAELIAS, CANARIS, MARCOS BOZZARIS, ("whom no

one equalled in gallantry"), KARAISSAKIS, and many, many others.

The heroism of the Greeks, which was countered by indiscriminate massacres and unbelievable outrages, aroused civilized people everywhere. Voices of men of good will, of civilized men, arose in denunciation of the vandalism of the Turks and in support of *Freedom for Greece*. Societies were formed to aid the Greeks in Switzerland, France, Germany and the United States — and even the Government of Imperial England was forced by public opinion to take cognizance of the fight of the Greeks. LORD BYRON gave both life and treasure to the Cause. He died at Missolonghi, during its siege.

DANIEL WEBSTER, EDWARD EVERETT, President JAMES MONROE, President JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, and HENRY CLAY took their stand with Greece and for *Freedom*. Many others responded, and as a result, the cry "Save Greece!" reverberated throughout America.

### The First Greek War Relief

Committees to raise funds for the oppressed Greek people were organized in Boston, New York, Philadelphia and other cities. This, the first Greek War Relief, saw its counterpart during the disaster of World War II.

The undergraduate students at Yale University collected \$500. The Theological School at Andover College in Massa-



The Declaration of Independence

chusetts, Columbia University in New York City, and other college groups and young people's organizations throughout the East raised funds. Two churches in Boston donated \$300 each.

On January 8, 1824, a Relief for Greece Ball was held in New York City at \$5.00 per ticket, with over 2,000 persons in attendance. By the end of April, 1824, New York City Philhellenes sent more than \$32,000 to Greece.

### Greek Orphans

The first program pertaining to orphans, which also saw its counterpart in the years following World War II, was instituted in those years. Influential families adopted young Greek orphans left homeless by the wholesale butchery of the Turks. Eleven year old ANASTASIOS KARAVELLAS and fifteen year old FOTIOS KARAVASILIS reached Salem, Mass., from Chios in 1825. Four more orphans arrived here, also from Chios, in 1824, to be followed by many others. Col. JONATHAN P. MILLER of Vermont adopted a young Greek orphan, who later became U. S. Representative from Wisconsin, Col. MILTIADES MILLER.

The cause of Freedom opened America's heart to the people of Greece in 1821 as it did one hundred years later — in 1942!

### The Voice of America



President James Monroe

The Government of the United States, the young nation on this side of the Atlantic that had just thrown off despotism and the yoke of tyranny, took official notice of the unequal struggle going on in the ancient land of Hellas.

President JAMES MONROE sent December 5, 1822, a strong Message to Congress, pleading the cause of Greece and urging her ultimate independence. "The mention of Greece," he declared, "fills the mind with the most exalted sentiments, and arouses in our bosoms the best feelings of which our nature is susceptible. That such a

country should have been overwhelmed, and so long hidden as it were, from the world, under a gloomy despotism, has been a cause of unceasing and deep regret to generous minds for ages past. A strong hope is entertained that these people will recover their independence, and resume their equal station among the nations of the earth."

President MONROE followed it up with another Message sent to Congress December 2, 1823 and declaring that "There is good cause to believe Greece will become an independent nation. That she may obtain that rank is the object of our most ardent wishes."



President John Quincy Adams

His successor, President JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, sent a most sympathetic and ardently hopeful Message to Congress on December 4, 1827 and poignantly referred to the Hellenic blood being so profusely spilled for the Tree of Freedom and Independence. "The sympathies," he wrote, "which the people and Government of the United States have so warmly indulged with the cause of Greece have been acknowledged by their government in a letter of thanks, which I have received from their illustrious President, a translation of which is now communicated to

Congress. We hope that they will obtain relief from the most unequal of conflicts which they have so long and so gallantly sustained; that they will enjoy the blessings of self-government, which by their sufferings in the cause of liberty they have richly earned, and that their independence will be secured by those liberal institutions of which their country furnished the earliest examples in the history of mankind, and which have consecrated to immortal remembrance the very soil for which they are now again profusely pouring forth their blood."

### The Philhellenes

The official voice of America, however strong and sympathetic to the cause of Greece, could not have stirred in the hearts and minds of the Americans such an enthusiasm for the struggling nation were it not for the long and persistent stream of actual fighters who joined battle and even gave their lives that Greece be free. We cannot but briefly name a few of them.

DR. SAMUEL GRIDLEY HOWE was born in Boston in 1801. He went to Greece shortly after graduating from Brown University, to take part in the Revolution. He served as doctor, organized a medical service, founded hospitals and formed ambulance corps. Later, he was made Surgeon-General of the Greek Navy. His testament included the following inspiring message: "Greece is my idol, and the sufferings and privations I have endured in her cause have rendered her fate and her future to be more interesting. There is a spark left of the spirit of Ancient Greece which four hundred years of slavery have not been able to blot out."

Colonel JONATHAN P. MILLER of Vermont offered great services to the Greeks. He was present through much of the siege of Missolonghi. Speaking of him, Dr. HOWE says in a letter to his father, dated March, 1825: "He is as brave a man as ever stepped foot in Greece; has the most sterling integrity, and an entire devotion to the cause of liberty. You would laugh to see him; he has his head shaved, has on the Greek floccata, and petticoat trousers, and with his pistols and dagger stuck in his belt, and his musket on his shoulder, cuts a most curious figure. He serves as a captain, and if his life is spared, he will be of the greatest use to the cause."

GEORGE JARVIS, an American, spent over three years in Greece, and was present in many engagements. He became a "complete Greek" in dress, manners and language. He was made a Lieutenant-General of the Greek forces. He devoted a great deal of his time towards distribution of the food sent from America for the relief of starving Greek people during the Revolution.

### The Voice of Congress

We must close this personal reference to the Philhellenes of the 1820s, by quoting only a small part of the stentorian voice of two brilliant orators of the day, both members of the House of Representatives, DANIEL WEBSTER from Massachusetts and HENRY CLAY from Kentucky.



Daniel Webster

Congressman Webster urged "that provision be made by law for defraying the expense incident to the appointment of an agent or commissioner to Greece, whenever the President shall deem it expedient to make such an appointment." In an impassioned speech,

he asked that the government consider the plight of the Greeks in revolution against their Turkish masters and officially support their cause, even if only in spirit.



The same year 1824, HENRY CLAY castigated his fellow-Americans for their indifference and apathy to the holy struggle for independence going on in far off Greece and pointedly asked: "Are we so humbled, so low, so despicable that we dare not express our sympathy for suffering Greece, less per- adventure, we might offend some one or more of their imperial and royal majesties? Are we so low that we may not express our horror, articulate our detestation, of the most brutal and atrocious war that ever stained earth, or shocked high Heaven, with the ferocious deeds of a brutal soldiery set on by the clergy and followers of a fanatical and mimical religion, and rioting in excesses of blood and butchery, at the mere details of which the breast sickens?"

### The Poet Soldier



Lord Byron

No narrative of the Greek War of Independence is complete without a reference, however brief and fleeting, to the noble heart of a great son of England, LORD BYRON. On December 24, 1823, on the eve of the birth of Christ, BYRON arrived in Missolonghi, where he was warmly welcomed by the Hellenes. He entered immediately into the spirit and fervor of the Revolution and shared equally the flame of revolt with the Patriots.

He delighted in wearing the "Foustanella" and with his own private funds, he fully-furnished and armed 500 Souliotes soldiers, and gave greatly of his wealth to Hellas' cause. Illness struck him on April 8, 1824, he died at 37 years of age, with these words on his lips: "Greece, I gave you everything that any one man can give. I gave you my wealth — and my every hour — my health, and now — my very life. My sacrifice is for your salvation, alone."

Monuments to his memory now stand in Missolonghi, and also in Athens. His memory will never die in the history of Greece.

### Sons Memorial to Philhellenes

We Ahepans have not forgotten the sacrifices of these Philhellenes to the cause of Greece. And the SONS OF PERICLES Memorial at Missolonghi stands for ever reminding the Greeks themselves and the passersby of the eternal gratitude of the Greek people to these American Philhellenes. A ten-foot high monument was dedicated and unveiled in the Garden of Heroes at Missolonghi on June 25, 1939, in the presence of representatives



To the American Philhellenes

of the American and Greek Governments. It was endorsed by a Joint Congressional Resolution under the sponsorship of Senator SHERMAN MINTON of Indiana and U.S. Representative EMMET O'NEAL of Kentucky, which simply urged that "the President be authorized and requested on behalf of the Order of Sons of Pericles, the Junior Order of Ahepa, a national fraternity of youthful Americans of Hellenic descent, to provide through the American Minister to Greece for the presentation to the people of Greece of the monument recently erected in the Garden of Heroes at Missolonghi, Greece, the shrine of Greek Independence, as a tribute to and in commemoration of those patriotic Americans who, aided by the moral and material support and assistance of the entire American people, gave their services, their fortunes and their lives to the cause of Greek Independence in the Greek Revolutionary War of 1821."

Congressman O'NEAL pleaded for the adoption of this Resolution by stating that "the Sons of Pericles Memorial reflects, in its entirety, the beliefs and the principles of the members of that Order, an organization founded in America, the adopted country of their parents. It is fitting, also, that the Order of the Sons of Pericles present to the people of Greece, from the citizens of the United States, this memorial in memory of American Philhellenes, for it is a tribute from the citizens of one nation, America, founded by men who struggled for the right of self-determination, religious freedom, and political representation; given by an organization, the Sons of Pericles, which has developed its program and growth of those principles; to a nation, Greece, whose history has been a continual struggle for those self-same principles and ideals."

"The Memorial has been erected as a friendly gesture of international amity and good will, in order to effect a closer understanding between the two nations, the United States of America and Greece, and in the fervent hope of retaining and furthering those bonds of friendship now existent between the peoples of these Nations."

Secretary of State CORDWELL HULL, in his report to Congress, enthusiastically endorsed the idea by stating that "The Department of State is in sympathy with the purposes of the Resolution."

### The Ypsilanti Monument

In further recognition of the valiant struggles of our forefathers for Independence and Freedom, we Ahepans took official notice that the City of Ypsilanti in Michigan was named after General ALEXANDER YPSILANTI, one of the great heroes of the War of 1821. And the Order of Ahepa in 1930, acting in behalf and in the name of the people of Greece, erected a monument to General YPSILANTI in the City of Ypsilanti.

### The United Nations Charter

The struggle for Freedom is a never ending operation. It saw birth in times unmemorial and will continue as long as there burns in the hearts of men the love for human decency and human justice. It is the sole purpose of the UNITED NATIONS, whose charter seeks:

1. To maintain international peace and security in conformity with the principles of justice and international law;
2. To develop friendly relations among nations based on respect for the principle of equal rights and self-determination of peoples;
3. To achieve international co-operation in solving international problems of an economic, social, cultural or humanitarian character and in promoting and encouraging respect for

human rights and for the fundamental freedoms for all without distinction as to race, sex, language or religion; and

4. To be a center for harmonizing the actions of nations.

### The Cause of Cyprus

In the attainment of these common ends, the ORDER OF AHEPA has espoused the plea for Freedom by the long suffering people of Cyprus and lent its strong voice in a campaign waged the last four years solely for the enlightenment of our fellow citizens in this great country of ours and of all freedom-loving people everywhere. The following Memorandum to the Department of State is our last official act in behalf of the Cypriot Patriots:

#### Re:

Conference of Ahepa Committee with the Hon. Christian A. Herter, Under Secretary of State.

#### Time:

Friday, January 9, 1959 — 2:30 P.M.

#### Subject:

Cyprus

#### Committee:

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#### Authority:

Authority for the Ahepa to concern itself with the issue of Cyprus is found in Article II, Paragraph E of the Constitution of the Order of Ahepa:

"E — To arouse mankind to the realization that tyranny, wherever it may exercise its baneful power, is a menace to the life, property, prosperity, honor and integrity of every nation; and that the preservation of our liberties can be assured, only as this country becomes the Champion of Liberty and the Defender and Protector of all oppressed and downtrodden peoples."

#### A. Cyprus

There is no dispute over the facts pertaining to the Island of Cyprus. It is conceded even by Great Britain, the Colonial power, that the Island population is more than 80% Greek in sentiment, speech, religion and race (actually 81½% Greek; 17½% Turkish; and 1½% all others), and that the overwhelming will of the people of Cyprus is for self-determination. Great Britain always conceded that Greece was an interested party regarding Cyprus (i.e., offer of the Island to Greece in exchange for military support during World War I, declarations of British authorities during World War II that Cypriots fighting under the British flag were helping their own mother country (Greece) as well). The introduction of the counterfeit Turkish minority question constitutes an afterthought of the British colonial office in its ill-concealed aim of prolonging British occupation of the Island.

It is a well-settled principle of international law that the maximum rights that a minority group may claim are *equal protection of the law and non-discrimination*. Any effort to

go beyond this principle constitutes *denial* of the democratic ideal.

The people of Cyprus — Greeks, Turks and other minorities — always lived in peace. Division and discord, the double-edged sword of the occupying power, is bound to disappear as soon as British occupation ends.

*Partition* is not a solution — in Cyprus. In fact, it is manifestly inappropriate there because in no city, town or small village are the Turks in the majority.

#### B. Experimentation in Partition

If the world must experiment with partition as a possible solution affecting mixed populations, Constantinople appears to be the ideal city.

The facts about the city of Constantinople are too well known to require repetition — its history, Greek cultural tradition and substantial Greek minority. In addition, since the city lies astride two continents, were a partition to be effected into European and Asiatic sides — the European side to be placed under the Greek community and the Asiatic to remain under the Turkish sovereignty — greater freedom of navigation in the Straits and general promotion of international co-operation might result.

#### C. Freedom and Self-Determination For All Promotes American Unity

The Order of Ahepa feels that American championship of the cause of self-determination for the people and Island of Cyprus promotes both the cause of peace and the long-range Western interest. To insure that any agreement between London and Athens regarding Cyprus — with or without participation of the Turkish government — will be truly responsive to the aspirations of the Cypriots, it must be submitted to a referendum of the people. Neither Government — British or Greek — has a right to *dictate* to the people of Cyprus. Any dictation on the part of either Government — British or Greek — would negate the inherent right of the people of Cyprus for self-determination.

We may be pardoned if we stress the view that national interest demands that U.S. policy should always champion not only self-determination, but also freedom of speech, religion and assembly, universal suffrage, and respect of minority rights everywhere. No aid, either diplomatic, military or economic, should be extended to any nation — on either side of the Curtain — that denies to its citizens those fundamental rights. The free world cannot remain strong by being for freedom in Hungary but taking an opposite stand in Cyprus, Ankara, Athens or elsewhere. It is our conviction that our own well-being and security are best served by remaining true to American tradition as the Champion of the cause of freedom — anytime, anywhere.

Respectfully submitted,

FOR THE COMMITTEE

C. P. VERINIS,

Supreme President

January 9, 1959

#### As An Epilogue

Supreme President VERINIS in his introduction alluded to our Constitution, which abhors Tyranny, and made the solemn pledge in behalf of all of us to work and fight for "equal and exact justice to all men. By these deeds thou shalt be judged." The record is clear and unequivocal. May the Good Lord give us strength and courage for the days to come.

## AHEPA PROJECTS AT ST. BASIL'S

### Special Message:

To the entire Ahepa Family, Greetings:

Much has been written on the Ahepa School project at St. Basil's but the results thus far of funds collected are not very encouraging.

Our Supreme Convention at Boston last year voted a fund raising campaign to yield \$140,000. An outline of ways and means for chapters to raise funds was printed in our January issue. Circulars have been sent out to each chapter. Personal appeals have also been made by all District Governors to their respective chapters. The Daughters have also been circularized.

It remains, then, for all chapter officers to take up the appeal and conduct an intensive drive by their respective chapters in order that we fulfill this Ahepa responsibility.

We speak of our Hellenic Culture — our Language — our Religion as being unique and a proud heritage. The only way we can discharge this claim is to build schools so that we may continue to teach our young. Building the School at St. Basil's is a MUST. It is the second phase of Ahepa's gift to our Church. We have committed ourselves — we must finish it.

Ground breaking for the construction of the school will take place sometime next month. We will continue to build. We will continue the Drive for funds. Each chapter is called upon to do its part. Each Ahepan is called upon to give generously for this most worthy cause. We cannot and must not fail. Each president is called upon to muster his chapter's members into action to complete the School at St. Basil's. I urge all my brothers to take immediate action.

GEORGE E. LOUCAS,

Supreme Vice-President and  
Chairman, School Drive Fund.

### Additional Contributions

#### Church Collections:

St. Nicholas, Bethlehem, Penna. .... \$ 110.64

#### Chapter Contributions:

Missoula, Montana, No. 239 ..... 50.00

#### Daughters of Penelope:

Gary, Ind., No. 81 ..... \$ 35.00  
Stockton, Calif., No. 18 ..... 33.50  
Biddeford, Me., No. 205 ..... 25.00  
Phoenix, Ariz., No. 150 ..... 13.60  
Santa Barbara, Calif.,  
No. 103 ..... 6.70 (13.80)

#### Personal Contributions:

S. S. Nakos, Birmingham, Ala. .... \$1,000.00  
N. D. Mousmoules, Astoria, N. Y. .... 25.00  
G. G. Andrews, Tulsa, Okla. .... 10.00  
A. G. Rellos, Los Angeles, Calif. .... 3.00 (1,040.00)

#### New York Special Performance (Balance at Drive, May 1958)

..... 130.65

Total Contributions ..... \$ 1,445.09  
Previous Total ..... 180,993.79

#### Grand Total of Contributions

February 1, 1959 ..... \$182,438.88

### Joint Ahepa-Daughters Xmas Seal Drive

Contributions received so far ..... \$14,180.15  
Interest ..... 652 \$14,186.67  
Less cost of printing and mailing ..... 2,149.62  
Net Balance ..... \$12,037.05

SEND YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE AHEPA SCHOOL

MARCH, 1959

## THE PARLIAMENTARIAN SPEAKS

*[EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the third installment on parliamentary law and procedure, prepared and edited by past Supreme President George Demeter of Boston, author of his own Manual, adopted not recently by the New Jersey General Assembly as its official parliamentary law. A former member of the Massachusetts Legislature, Demeter was invited to address the New Jersey Assembly — a record and prestigious honor. Congratulations to our distinguished member and editor.]*



Q - We were to elect 3 delegates, out of 5 that had been nominated. One ballot had voted for the first four names, instead of voting for only 3. The president ruled that the ballot was not to be counted at all because it had voted for more than 3. Was he right?

A - Yes. No more than the number supposed to be elected should be voted for. In this case, 4 were voted as delegates when only 3 were to be elected. As it was thus impossible to determine which one of the four to eliminate so as to leave exactly three, the rule in such case is that the ballot in question should be thrown out and not counted for any of the 4 voted for.

Q - At the opening day of the Boston Supreme Convention, some delegates asked for you to help rule on a very controversial question before the convention as the author of Ahepa's parliamentary authority, "Demeter's Manual." Brothers Chebithes and Bell said in substance that as you had not been designated "the official convention parliamentarian" by chairman Eliades (which he had a right to do, if he wanted to) you had no right to be called on to help rule on the question, Chebithes in particular saying "I don't care if Bro. Demeter is the author of Demeter's Manual; the book is there; you have his book; read it; he does not have to be called on to decide every question before us; the book speaks for itself." Now, wasn't all this by Bro. Chebithes uncalled for?

A - No. Brothers Chebithes and Bell were both right. Authors of books, parliamentary or otherwise, cannot be called to attest what the book says in each case. As Bro. Chebithes aptly put it: "The book speaks for itself; read it, and you have the answer."

Q - Running for delegate last year I couldn't get anyone to nominate me or to second my nomination. I then stood up and nominated myself, but no one seconded it. A point of order was raised that my nomination of myself was illegal. The Chair ruled seriously that nominating myself was perfectly in order and that it did not have to be seconded. The members roared with laughter. I lost. What I want to know is, was the president kidding me at the time?

A - Your president was not kidding. He knew his parliamentary law. The rule (Demeter's Manual, p. 236, par. 4) "Nominations need no second (persons are not proceedings). A member can nominate himself to office."

Q - Can a resolution which is carried be reconsidered, and if so when, and what vote is necessary?

A - All main motions and all resolutions can be reconsidered, whether carried or not carried. (Demeter's Manual, p. 138) Reconsideration of a motion always requires a majority vote, never two-thirds unless the laws of the organization prescribe otherwise.

Q - When a special meeting is held, are the Minutes of the previous regular meeting read at this special meeting?

A - No. But the Minutes of the special meeting are read at the regular meeting.

Q - Our president keeps talking on all motions. Has he that right and still hold the chair as presiding officer?

A - No. Outside of an appeal, the president cannot discuss any other pending motion whatsoever if anyone objects, and he cannot properly preside on any motion which he either proposed or seconded. (Demeter's Manual, p. 257, par. 7) But if no one objects to the Chair's discussing motions (by telling him so in open meeting), the Chair may debate like any other member, since the members permit him to do so. A knowledgeable chairman stops his discussion at once, or yields the gavel so as to continue, if any one objects. In a parliamentary sense, the presiding officer is like an umpire in a ball game, and an umpire cannot also be one of the players on a ball team (Demeter's Manual, p. 43 middle of top paragraph).

(To be continued in next issue)

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# THE PENELOPIAN



## Governor Angela Nikitas Bay State District No. 8

MISS ANGELA NIKITAS, born and raised in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, is a loyal Hellene and a dedicated Daughter. After serving her Aethra Chapter as secretary and president for two terms each, she was elevated to the District Lodge as Marshal, Lt. Governor for two years and now Governor. She has also acted as chairman and vice-chairman at three district conventions.



In addition, Angela is active in the affairs of the Holy Trinity Church, has taught Sunday School and is a member of the *Elpis* Society and the Holy Trinity P.T.A. To round up her activities, she writes a weekly column, *The Penelopioian Spotlight*, for the Sunday News of Boston, publicizing Ahepa activities in her district and other social news.

Her late father Michael was an Ahepan for many years.

## Galveston Daughters Active

A combined Daughters and Ahepans Christmas party was held at the Galveston Community Center last December and from the proceeds a Christmas donation was sent to the "Penelopioian Shelter Home" in Athens.

Other projects co-sponsored in Galveston were a Christmas party for the children of the community, preceded by the annual Harvest Dance held last November. *Acolus* Chapter No. 116, participated this year in co-operation with the American Legion at public Memorial Day services, and also donated Greek pastries to the local Y.W.C.A. World Fellowship Dinner.

Mrs. Mary Waterman is the 1959 Chapter president and Mrs. Alpha Couvaras, the secretary.

## Peabody Maids Active

At a recent meeting held by the Peabody-Salem, Mass., Maids of Athens initiation ceremonies were conducted for the following new Maids: Gail Arvanites, Ethel Kurlis, Ruth Vouinessa and Eva Tsoukalas. New advisors have also been named by the local Daughters: Evangelina Argeros, Anna Vontzalides and Sophie Anasoulis. A very successful clothes drive has been ended and all the packages are on their way to the mother country to aid the blind children.

## Constance Verinis

Supreme President and Sue Verinis welcomed at the New York International Airport the new addition to their family: Constance, age 5. She was adopted from the Patras Orphanage and arrived here by Swissair February 5th.

Constance will make a fine playmate for her brother Peter, now age 11, who was also adopted and brought over from Greece about 5 years ago.

All members of the Ahepa family join in wishing the little girl every happiness in the world.

## They Stage a Dinner-Dance

The Daughters of Persephone Chapter of Oklahoma City held their annual Greek Night Dinner and Dance last November at the St. George Greek Orthodox Church Hall. A Greek comedy, "The Death of a Mother-in-Law," was presented under the direction of Mrs. Georgia Apostol, with members of the cast: George Giannopoulos, Mary Apostol, Theodore Aras, Taki Pappas and Michael Pagonis.

The committee in charge was: Mesdames Michael Pagonis, George Colliopoulos, Luke Fikaris, John Dantes, Nick Chiconas, Tony LaReese, James Krueger, George Phillips and Gus J. Karey, who is the president of the chapter.

## Does Bride Share?

*Question:* I came to the United States on a student visa to study medicine, from a country with an oversubscribed quota. Subsequently, a first preference petition in my behalf was approved and this, thanks to Congressional action on August 21, 1958, made me eligible to a non-quota visa. I have since adjusted my status, but now want to get married to a girl of my own nationality, who is also studying in the United States. Will she benefit from my adjustment of status?

*Answer:* Unfortunately no. The interpretation given to the act, which gave you nonquota status, requires that the marriage of the alien must have taken place prior to July 1, 1958, to benefit his wife. The wives of persons married before that date would also be entitled to nonquota status, whereas a later marriage will merely confer a third preference status on the bride. If the third preference of your nationality is oversubscribed, you may have to resort to private legislation in order to adjust your wife's status.

*Business is never so healthy as when like a chicken it must do a certain amount of scratching for what it gets. — Henry Ford*

## Husband and Wife Installed



District Governor Sophie Capucci with President Alexander Demessianos and wife, Marshal Bilidos (center) and Governor Zannetos (right).

It was the first time in the 30-year history of Ahepa's Maud Howe Elliott Chapter and Daughters Ares Chapter that a joint installation of husband and wife as presidents of their respective chapters took place in Newport, R. I. The ceremonies held in the Hellenic Hall were conducted by District Governors Nicholas Zannetos for the Ahepans and Mary Capucci for the Daughters, with the members of the District Lodges also attending.

A second team was also installed: Vios J. Lewis as secretary and his wife as governor. Also, Nestor Garabedian was master of ceremonies, while his wife was installed as vice-president. This is how it should be in our Ahepa family — husbands and wives serving together. And now that the local Sons Chapter has been reactivated and a Maids Chapter is in the making, Newport can boast of a fully organized Ahepa family. Congratulations.

## DAUGHTERS AND MAIDS! JOIN DRIVE FOR THE AHEPA SCHOOL

## Reno Excursion

Once again the Golden Gate District No. 21 Ahepans and Daughters paid their annual visit to their sister Chapter of Reno, Nevada, No. 281, to renew old friendships, break bread together and have some fun of their own.

These visitations by neighboring chapters show that Reno is part of the district, bound together by race, kin and fraternal ties for all time to come.

Nicholas J. Givers, formerly of Hermes Chapter of New York, and now of San Francisco, was the excursion commander. He is currently serving as District Secretary of District No. 21. The excursion took place the February 7th weekend and was a great success.

## JOIN HANDS WITH THE SONS

TO ALL CHAPTERS OF THE  
ORDER OF AHEPA:

Brother LEE J. MILLAS, Supreme President of the Sons of Pericles, and his colleagues, are doing a fine job in instituting new chapters and reactivating inactive chapters in the ranks of our Junior Order.

Despite their fine efforts, the Sons need additional help.

Accordingly, I am urging all chapter Presidents of our Order to call upon their Chapter's Sons Advisors to form appropriate committees to help in this movement of the Sons.

Help institute a Sons of Pericles chapter in your city, or if there is an inactive chapter already in existence, put forth every effort to reactivate that chapter. Progress and real activity among the Sons means future active Ahepans.

Let's help the Sons now, so they may become valuable assets to the Ahepa in the near future. They need your goodwill and help, NOW.

For further information, contact the Sons Executive Secretary at the Supreme Lodge Headquarters.

GEORGE E. LOUCAS  
Supreme Vice-President  
National Advisor to the Sons

## Our Supreme Counsellor Reports

This is a brief resumé of my travels through the Ahepa domain during the last four weeks.

January 24: I attended the annual dance of the Miami chapter and visited with Supreme Governor Peter Kouchalakos. The affair was very successful, held at the Deauville Hotel with over 500 people present. The chapter played an excellent host.

January 25: I visited the Savannah Solon Chapter, No. 5, and spoke at a banquet in honor of the newly elected officers, headed by John Demosthenes. I had the privilege of seeing past District Governor George Pahnó who presided. There were over 200 people in attendance.

January 30 and February 1: I attended the conference of Capital District No. 3 held at Alexandria, Virginia and participated in all meetings and social affairs of the conference. Supreme President Verinis was also present. District Governor John T. Pappas presided at all meetings which were well attended.

February 8: I went to Atlanta, Georgia and spoke at a banquet following the installation of the newly elected officers of Mother Lodge Chapter, No. 1. Of course I attended both Washington and Boston meetings of the Supreme Lodge.

JOHN G. PLUMIDES,  
Supreme Counsellor.

## MY REPORT TO THE SONS

By LEE J. MILLAS,

Supreme President, Sons of Pericles

I would like to remind all Chapter officers and particularly our Secretaries that the per capita tax for 1959 is now due. Please remit to Headquarters immediately.

Again this year, as in the past, a National Membership Drive is being conducted. This year's membership drive will beat all. Many wonderful prizes have been planned and here is a chance for all chapters to compete against each other. Each chapter will receive a list of the number of members (active) for the year 1958. The Membership Drive will include any member over and above last year's membership. Please look for prospective new members now. You will really be surprised at the prizes we are giving.

The National Basketball Tournament will be held in Toledo, Ohio. You have received one circular on this and more information will follow. Just get your ball team in shape and be ready.

This year, the Ahepa Bowling Tournament is allowing any Sons of Pericles team, in good standing, to enter. The tournament will be held on May 14th and 15th in Trenton, N. J. Entry blanks will be sent to each chapter to enter either singles and doubles or team event or both.

I would like to announce the reactivation of the Sons of Pericles in Schenectady, New York. Welcome back, Schenectady. More new chapters are on the way!

Well, Brothers, we have something to work on. Let's show the Ahepa how active we are, and *don't forget your per capita tax is due now.*

## The Age Limit for Sons

According to information compiled by Sons Executive Secretary George Cokinos, the current membership of the Sons of Pericles (as at December 31, 1958) is broken down as follows:

Up to age 15, 90 members; age 16 to 21 inclusive, 615; ages 22 and 25, 76; ages 24, 25 and 26, 26, and unknown, 17. Total membership: 824.

On the basis of these data, one must conclude that the bulk of Sons are between 16 and 21 years of age. However, those above 25 and up to 26 years of age certainly belong in the Ahepa, in accordance with the Sons Constitution. What makes matters worse is the fact that some of them may maintain dual membership, which contravenes the very spirit of Ahepa.

## TSS OLYMPIA Sails on Mediterranean Greek Islands and Black Sea Cruise

On January 17, 1959, the gleaming white hull of the Greek Line's flagship, the TSS OLYMPIA, set forth on her third major cruise to the Mediterranean. This year's sailing would comprise the entire Mediterranean including Africa, the Near East and Europe and the Riviera. In addition the Greek Islands were included, as well as three ports in the Black Sea at the Russian ports of Sochi, Yalta and Odessa.

Proclaimed as the most successfully booked of all major cruises this year, all Greeks and Greek-Americans can take pride in the accomplishment of the Greek Line in this highly competitive field for the American tourist trade. The outstanding reports of the service, food and other facilities found on last year's cruise, as well as on the special pilgrimage of Cardinal Spellman with 600 passengers, assured the acceptance and popularity of this year's venture.

One of the real high-lights of the cruise was the three day visit in Greece when 450 prominent American tourists had the opportunity to visit the glorious and hallowed ground of our forefathers. Special receptions and sightseeing were arranged so that the passengers could better appreciate the ancient wonders. Advance reports indicate their great joy and enthusiasm for these wonders and at the warmth and friendliness of the people of Greece.

We are now approaching another opportunity for such great excitement in the coming Ahepa Easter Excursion on the TSS OLYMPIA sailing April 10th. Not only are special arrangements planned by your committee during the stay in Greece, but also en route on board ship with Captain Demetrios Sigalas. This will be the most memorable of all Ahepa Excursions; and the finest of service, personal attention, delicious Greek-American meals and "kefi" have been promised by the Greek Line and the staff of the TSS OLYMPIA.

## Letters From America

Letters written by Americans to their friends and relatives overseas go a long way in cementing the bonds of international friendship. They let those abroad know something about America — how we live, what our aspirations are, and the goals we hope to achieve in winning friends for the United States. Through these letters every American has the opportunity to become an ambassador of good will.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO JOIN THE AHEPA EXCURSION ON THE  
SS OLYMPIA SAILING FROM NEW YORK APRIL 10th. CELEBRATE  
EASTER IN GREECE.



## CHAPTER NEWS



### Senator Church Initiated



Senator Church (extreme right) congratulated by (l. to r.) Bokides, Morris, Luis, Contos, Speropoulos and Dagres.

Last December, United States Senator Frank Church of Idaho was initiated into Boise Chapter, No. 254, in a colorful ceremony conducted by District Governor Frank Dagres of District No. 19. Along with the Senator were initiated John Tompaty of Boise and George Skouras and Angelos Retsinas of Weiser, Idaho.

Assisting Governor Dagres were his colleagues on the District Lodge: Secretary Gus Contos of Pocatello, Treasurer George Speropoulos of Weiser, Athletic Director Ted Bokides, also of Weiser, and Advisor James Luis of Boise. Also Nick Dagres, George Sakelaris and Steve Cooper.

Chapter President George Morris welcomed the new members and past President George Cordes spoke on the fundamental principles of our Order.

Following the initiation, a banquet was held and members of the Daughters of Penelope and of the Community of Boise attended. Honored guests were Mrs. Frank Church and U. S. District Judge and Mrs. Chase Clark.

The Senator thanked his fellow Ahepans and spoke on "My Greek Friends."

FRANK J. DAGRES

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN AHEPA'S EXCURSION TO GREECE ON THE TSS OLYMPIA SAILING FROM NEW YORK APRIL 10th. MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS WITHOUT ANY FURTHER DELAY. CONTACT YOUR TRAVEL AGENT OR WRITE GREEK LINE.**

### Buffalo Annual Banquet

Last November Supreme Vice-President George E. Loucas was the guest speaker at the 31st Annual Banquet and Ball of Wm. McKinley Chapter 91 of Buffalo, N. Y. He was presented with a key to the city by Mayor Frank A. Sedita. Other honored guests were: Supreme Vice-President in Canada Edward Ghikades, Daughters Grand President Eveyln J. Mickles, Lt. Governor John Panos, past Supreme President George E. Phillis and Past Supreme Treasurer and 1959 Excursion Commander Socrates V. Sekles.

The Supreme Vice-President was given a \$250.00 check for the AHEPA SCHOOL at St. Basil's Academy. Also, 40 chapter members were awarded pins for their 25 years of service. President James L. Pierakos served as chairman and toastmaster of this wonderful affair.

### A Grand Old Man Dies

We have recently lost one of our most colorful and happy personalities in the sudden passing last January of Charles C. Stathacos of Buffalo, N. Y. He had served as president of Wm. McKinley Chapter, No. 91, and was the first district governor when the Empire State District No. 6 was created.

The happy face of Charlie was known in almost every national and district convention ever held. He is survived by his wife, Antoma, his son, Dean, a past President of Wm. McKinley and three grandchildren.

### Our Youngest Contributor

We warmly congratulate and thank the youngest contributor to the Ahepa School at St. Basil's—Theodore Salis, age 12, and a adopted son of Anthony Salis of Delphi Chapter, No. 25, of New York.

Ted was adopted and brought to this country in 1955. He is now at the head of his class in Junior High. Since coming here he has been preparing for the time when he will join the Sons and ultimately follow in the footsteps of his father, who joined back in 1939. He contributed \$10 toward the Ahepa School at St. Basil's Academy. And more is coming, he assured us.

**CONTRIBUTE TO AHEPA'S DRIVE FOR A SCHOOL AT ST. BASIL'S.**



### Went to Greece to Lecture

CONSTANTINE HOUPIS, currently serving as Lieutenant Governor of Buckeye District No. 11 and popular member of Dayton Chapter, No. 113, returned last December from Greece where he went last fall to lecture in the field of automatic controls at the Metso-vion Polytechnic University of Greece. Sent by the United States government to present a series of lectures, "Dino", as he is affectionately called by his many friends, is an Associate Professor of Electrical engineering at the USAF Institute of Technology in Dayton. He was the first visiting lecturer sent abroad by the Institute.



"Dino" is looking forward to the publication shortly of his study on "Theory of Feedback Control Systems," which he co-authored with Professor John J. D'zso, also of the Institute. It will be a McGraw Hill edition. He graduated from the University of Illinois and has been at the Institute for six years.

A very loyal and hardworking Ahepan, "Dino" Houps deserves congratulations from all of us for his services to both Greece and this country.

—TED BOEDOURIS

### A Promising Young Ahepan

GEORGE KALOYANNIDES joined Ahepa three years ago while studying at the University of North Carolina, from which he received an A.B. in political science. A member of Sir Walter Chapter, No. 10, of Raleigh, George is also active on the local Church choir and the Goya, in which he is now serving as president.



Following graduation, George attended the Metropolitan Life Insurance Training School in Atlanta, passed the State insurance examination and became a licensed underwriter.

His father Thales joined Ahepa in the early thirties and served his chapter in many capacities. Father and Son are now spearheading the membership drive and the Ahepa School fund campaign.

—SPIRO G. ALEXIOU

## SAID IN PICTURES



A "Snowflake Dance" was given jointly by Ahepans and Daughters of Hammond, Ind., last November. It was a great success. The committee (from left) seated: Mesdames M. Kambis, Th. Coulis, G. Tsouchlos; rear: Philip Netos, Dr. James Korellis, George Karras and Mrs. N. Paraventes. These joint events by Blue Ribbon Chapter, No. 23 and Daughters Pleiades Chapter, No. 50 have proven most enjoyable. Please note.



Our ebullient "Soc" Zolotas, past District Governor and presently Republican State Committeeman of Vermont, receiving at the airport our very peripatetic Vice-President Richard Nixon. "Don't you worry," said he, and all was well.



Paul Nikakis (left), charter member of Air Capital Chapter, Wichita, Kansas, receives Certificate of Merit for 30 years active membership (missed only 5 meetings) from President Colver.

## Hidden Talent

All of us and many more of our fellow-Americans know Dean Alfange. A past Supreme President and a member of the New York Bar, he has proven to be an excellent Ahepan, a loyal and generous American of Hellenic origin and a distinguished scholar and gentleman.

However, very few people know of Dean's hidden talent for music and art. Last year, for instance, Dean conducted the Cavaleria Rusticana at the City Center, while Pietro Mazzatelli, a professional conductor of the Civic Opera of Chicago, conducted the Palliazi from the same podium. About 2,000 attended the performance and applauded Conductor Alfange, who performed the score quite efficiently and to his credit. Belated congratulations!

The proceeds of this benefit performance went to the Settlement House, organized in 1928 originally as Harlem House, to combat delinquency in the toughest section of New York City. This House was founded by former Mayor LaGuardia and Vito Marcantonio. Dean has been a trustee since 1948 with Mayor Wagner and Edward Corsi, former Industrial Commissioner for New York.

## One of Our Scholars

We present Charalambos Sacoyannis from Skoulikadou, Island of Zakyntios, and now a grade I student at the American Farm School in Salonica. He expressed his thanks and appreciation for our scholarship of \$500 through President Craig R. Smith, who has written to us on December 8 as follows:

"In behalf of Charalambos Sacoyannis, the trustees and myself, please accept our sincerest thanks for your gracious action taken at the Supreme Convention in Boston on August 23rd.

"This action, which approved a scholarship of \$500 for The American Farm School, has made it possible for Charalambos to complete one year of the four-year course at our School. Thus you have helped him to become one more of the hundreds of students who have acquired agricultural and technical training at the Farm School since its founding in 1904. Our graduates have contributed much to the improvement of the living standards of Greece, a nation whose toughness, bravery, independence and pride have earned the admiration and respect of the western world.

"To these thanks, I should like to add

a few words of welcome to the ever-increasing number of generous and thoughtful friends whose support has made possible our program of helping people to help themselves.

This scholarship was granted by the Boston Convention and will help the boy to complete his studies and return to his family comprising his father and mother, two sisters and a brother.

## Independence For Cyprus

The Greeks, in revolt against the colonial status of one of the cradles of civilization, precipitated the issue by a demand for "enosis" or union between Cyprus and Greece. They have now dropped this demand. In a resolution before the Assembly they call for an independent Cyprus. This independence would be internationally guaranteed against any "political, territorial or any other claims by any other country," including Greece. Their resolution also provides for international guarantees for the Turkish minority and the retention by Britain of her military bases.

The Turks, with a substantial strategic interest in an island only forty miles from their coast, reject independence; they also reject as intolerable the very idea of placing any Turks under Greek rule, and therefore demand partition of the island between Turkey and Greece.

The British, who originally aggravated the conflict by a "no, no, never" stand, now offer to share the rule of the island in "partnership" with Greece and Turkey to develop self-government on the basis of two separate Greek and Turkish communities, leaving a final solution to a time when it can be agreed upon.

Among all these propositions, the idea of an ultimately independent Cyprus appears to us to be the most promising, while the Turkish proposal of partition seems unrealistic and impractical. It remains for the Greeks, however, to spell out the conditions for Cyprus' independence — to reassure the Turks that independence is not merely a subterfuge for "enosis," and the British that their bases will really be forever secure. — *The New York Times*

This was an editorial written last January. It offered at best a solution to the Cyprus question, disavowing the desired "enosis" but also excluding the Turkish demand for partition.

The union of the people of Cyprus with their motherland Greece would have been the only "equal and exact justice to all men," as we relate elsewhere.

The three governments of Great Britain, Greece and Turkey have now agreed to give independence to the island and the Cypriot representatives by force of circumstances consented to co-operate.

## News From Zone 1



District Governor Caravasios installs President Kouremetis, while (left) Vice-President Kindinis and Secretary Mouhourtis look on approvingly.

In a colorful ceremony, the newly elected officers of George Washington Chapter, No. 16, in Tarpon Springs, Florida, were installed by District Governor George Caravasios of District No. 2. They are headed by Manuel Kouremetis, who immediately organized his team for the annual Epiphany Day celebration, details of which will follow in a subsequent issue.

Tarpon Springs was the home of world-famous artist George Inness. It is a thriving Hellenic community with a fabulous Greek Orthodox Church.

ANTHONY PROESTOS

### Palm Beach Installs

We recently held a joint installation of the newly elected officers of Palm Beach Chapter, No. 18 and Daughters Leda Chapter, No. 59, headed by John Microtusios, re-elected, and Mary Ann Zapetos, respectively. The ceremonies held in our own Ahepa Hall in West Palm Beach, Florida, were conducted by District Governor George Caravasios, assisted by Lt. Governor Anthony Papa-georgiou and District Secretary Arthur Kouchalakos. The Daughters were installed by Annette Samaras.

E. N. KARATINOS

### News From Zone 2

The 1959 officers of Long Island 86 were installed last January at the Masonic Temple, Jamaica, N. Y. They are headed by Nicholas P. Levendis, now serving his third term. The local chapters of Daughters and Maids also installed their officers. The District Lodges acted as installing officers and past Supreme Councillor Louis J. Dukas was the speaker at this public function which was packed to capacity.

The Long Island Chapter won the District Governor's Trophy for their 1958 membership increase while Gust G. Orphanides and Jerry Constantine were awarded Supreme Lodge Certificates of Merit for outstanding services rendered.

### Wilkes-Barre Installs

The new officers of Black Diamond Chapter 55 were recently installed in the

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Hellenic Church Hall of Wilkes-Barre, Pa. They are headed by Nicholas J. Pyros.

District Governor Steve Dejos conducted the installation ceremony, assisted by past District Governors William Zacharellis and William Seras. He spoke about AHEPAS charitable work in the United States and of District No. 4's fund-raising campaign for scholarships awarded on a competitive basis to students of Hellenic origin within the District.

Past District Treasurer Peter Karambelas, whose son Clayton was installed as vice-president, commended Thomas Toleos for the progress achieved by the Chapter during his presidency. Also on the speaking program were past Supreme Governor James Veras, George Carros, Jerry Chapin and William Zacharellis. The meeting was followed by a buffet supper to the enjoyment of all present.

### Operation Fraternalism

Long Island Chapter 86 launched a successful 1958 administration with a simple, yet obvious campaign, "Operation Fraternalism." The "boyadzides," as the Jamaicans are affectionately known, began a door-to-door campaign with all chapters in the down-state District 6 area preaching fraternalism and the abstention from fraternal politics.

As a result, more chapters are picking up this theme for 1959 and the Jamaicans point with pride to their own membership and attendance increase, and the upswing of visitations. It is possible that the return to the basic founding principles of AHEPA may well benefit the entire fraternity.

N. P. LEVENDIS,  
Associate Editor.

### News From Zone 3

Once again we race against deadlines. As usual, space and time prevent me from giving out with literary gems. As the old philosopher said, "The art is long and the time is short." We will spare you our philosophic dissertations and proceed with the matters at hand.

District No. 7 — Norwich Chapter, No. 110, Conn. was saddened recently by the passing of one of its oldest members — Apostle (Paul) N. Alexander who died last December. A World War I veteran, he was wounded twice and left for dead on the battlefield. He was awarded the Croix de Guerre by Gen. Gerull, one-arm French war hero, and the Purple Heart with cluster and palms. And so ended a saga of an immigrant boy who came to these shores, fought for his country, became successful in business, brought up a family and now lies in rest in a hero's grave. It can only happen in America!

District No. 9 — Alexander Economis, the efficient secretary of Saco-

## Their Majesties in Salonica



His Majesty King Paul of the Hellenes, accompanied by Queen Frederica, sojourned to Salonica where they visited the Greek Line Exhibit at the Fair. They were impressed by the artistic presentation of the far-flung operations of this great national enterprise and congratulated the management for its many contributions to the progress of Greece.

Biddeford Chapter, vacated his happy status as a bachelor and embarked on a happier status by wedding Miss Maria Daoutakos.

Nashua Chapter, No. 25, has been selected as the site for combined Districts 8 and 9 conference on May 18.

At the December meeting of the Maine Restaurant Association three prominent Ahepans were elected as vice-presidents: John Pappas of Portland, George Petrikas of Waterville and Paul Zoidis of Bangor.

E. I. Kanteres of Manchester Chapter was elected Vice-President of Queen City Board of Realtors and Multiple Listing Service.

Manchester Men's Fellowship of St. George Church honored Portsmouth Mayor Andrew Jarvis, past Supreme Treasurer. He was presented with the key to the city by Mayor J. T. Benoit.

Biddeford-Saco Chapter held an installation last February, with Peter Celos presiding. Likewise, Portland's Longfellow Chapter initiated a class of candidates. Its past president, Chas. Pappas, celebrated his birthday with a succulent buffet of bear, racoon and venison. A noted hunter, Charlie has served two chapters in one district as president, Lewiston and Portland.

Past District Governor Soc. Zolotas of Empire District No. 6 has served Vermont in many capacities including President, and is an important factor in keep-

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## Hellas Chapter Installs



Scholarship Chairman Bicoles, outgoing President Curtis, new President Tsapparas and Supreme Governor Pappademas participated in the ceremonies attended by Ahepans-Daughters.

With all pomp and circumstance, the members of Hellas Chapter, No. 102, of Lowell, Mass. and their friends participated in colorful ceremonies marking the beginning of another year. They installed their new officers headed by Charles P. Tsapparas who succeeded James T. Curtis, District Governor Lagadinos, Lieutenant Kotis and Secretary Georgeson conducted the installation.

Supreme Governor George Pappademas, the ever popular lad from Nashua, N. H., was the guest speaker, emphasizing the current twin drives of our fraternity, namely, membership and Ahepa School at St. Basil's. "We must renew our faith in Ahepa," concluded George, by bringing in new members and reinstating those who have strayed from the fold. And we must redeem our pledge to our Faith by collecting the necessary funds to build appropriate school facilities at St. Basil's Academy."

ing his Chapter active. Empire District's loss, our gain!

Busy District 9 Ahepans — Supreme Governor George Pappademas who is here, there and everywhere. District Governor Allen Sukalas and his lodge, who are covering a lot of ground attending meetings, initiations, installations, seminars. Allen also found time to attend the inaugural ball of Governor Clinton Clauson of Maine.

District No. 8 — Paul Ybantes of Boston was recently made an "Anagnostis" of our Church by Bishop Athenagoras.

Past Supreme President Harris Booras leads the International Music Festival to be held in Boston in early spring. Sponsors are the American Foundation for Greece and the International Committee of the Massachusetts Federation of Music Clubs.

Our District Convention will be held in Webster, June 19-21. Co-Chairmen are Peter G. Leasca and Vasil V. Condos.

Clinton Chapter, No. 362, is active in assisting our people to obtain their citi-

zenship papers. Steven C. Christy, Area Adult Educational Advisor, is instructor of a class of nine. Co-chairmen of the committee are Dan J. Paul and N. H. Lambros. Plans are being made for a banquet for new citizens. Other chapters, take note.

Samuel Gridley Howe Chapter of Cambridge sponsored a glendi for the benefit of St. Basil's Ahepa School at the Cambridge Community Auditorium.

Athletic Directors Dr. M. Kofos and Chas. Charles announced that the New England Open Golf Tournament will be held August 9 at the Wachusett Country Club in Worcester. It will follow the District Tournament to be held June 14.

Our Athens Chapter of Boston boasts of new crop of presidents: John E. Powers, State Senator; George Mirageas, Cathedral and Harry Gazulis, Messinian Society.

Lowell Chapter President A. C. Antonopoulos gave a recent talk for the establishment of a nuclear education and research center at Lowell Tech.

The members of our Worcester Chapter last month honored one of them, District Governor Arthur Lagadinos, at a testimonial dinner — a roast-prime-rib-of-beef affair a-la Charles Kotsilibas. It was a fitting tribute to a tireless worker.

STRATIS DOUKAS,  
Associate Editor.

## The Ahepa School Drive



Little girls play at St. Basil's Academy.

The president of Heart of America Chapter, No. 75, of Kansas City, Mo., reports encouraging results in their solicitation drive for funds for the Ahepa School at St. Basil's. Ten team captains, under President C. G. Garrison and District Governor Paul Kastle have been hard at work since December.

They are also working on plans for a local Emergency Fund that will offer the families of deceased members a \$100 benefit. Chapter dues are to be increased sufficiently to set up a reserve from which the local Fund will operate, if adopted.

## Master Mariner Will Guide Ahepa 1959 Excursion



When the Greek Line flagship, OLYMPIA, leaves New York on April 10, carrying members of the Ahepa Excursion, she will be commanded by a master mariner with a nautical background spanning more than half a century — Captain Demetrios Sigalas.

Captain Sigalas, himself a member of Ahepa and an honorary member of the Daughters of Penelope, has a close association with the society. He was an officer of the S.S. BYRON, when she carried members of Ahepa on the first excursion of the society aboard a Greek Line vessel.

Captain Sigalas was born 64 years ago on the Greek island of Andros, where 90 per cent of the 15,000 inhabitants make their living from the sea. He commenced his career at 13, sailing as an apprentice aboard freight and passenger vessels.

In 1912 he began the first of many "hitches" with the Greek Navy, taking part in the Greco-Turkish and Greco-Bulgarian Wars and afterward remaining in the reserve. Captain Sigalas returned to civilian passenger shipping in 1916, joining the Greek Line as a navigation officer in ships sailing between New York and Greece.

The next year found him back in the Navy, but in 1918 he was once more with the Greek Line as a staff captain. Another war with Turkey in 1920 added to his naval service, then he returned to the Greek Line and the transatlantic steamer, BYRON.

Captain Sigalas obtained his master's license in 1924 and commanded a wide variety of vessels in subsequent years. He rejoined the Navy in 1939 and after World War II was appointed master of the Greek Line's CANBERRA, and later the COLUMBIA. He assumed command of the OLYMPIA in 1955 and was her skipper on last year's Mediterranean Cruise.

## OUR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: As at February 1, 1959

We have made some progress in our membership drive during the month of January, but not quite what we expected. As at January 1, 1959, the figures stood at 138 new members and 38 reinstated. At the end of February, we had initiated 301 new members and had reinstated 66 in all. In other words, during February we initiated 138 new members, of which the new Chapters of Lincolnwood, Hibbing and St. Louis brought in 28, 20 and 71 members, respectively. We reinstated 28.

On the other hand, District No. 13 is still leading with 76 new members and 14 reinstated against 18 and 11, respectively, for District No. 6. The Blue Ribbon of Chicago and surrounding area is far ahead of New York, and unless the Easterners can hustle a little, the Middle-Westerners will be far in front with both hands on the valuable trophy.

The figures for February which follow should be added to the tabulation as presented in our last issue:

District No. 6:	New	Reinstated	Total	Total
New York, N. Y.				
#42	5	4		
Rochester #67	0	1		
Elmira #111	5	5	1	6
District No. 13:				
Chicago #95	2	1		
Chicago #94	1	1		
Beloit, Wis. #164	1	0		
Chicago #203	1	0		
Evanston #204	2	0		
Waukegan #218	1	0		
Alton #304	2	0		
Chicago #323	0	1		
Glenview #388	1	0		
Lincolnwood #396	17	28	0	5
District No. 1:				
Birmingham, Ala. #3	1	1	0	0
District No. 2:				
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. #394	3	1	0	0
District No. 3:				
Lynchburg, Va. #134	1	1	0	0
District No. 5:				
Newark, N. J. #52	0	2		
Atlantic City, N. J. #169	1	0		
Hackensack, N. J. #285	10	1		
Dover, N. J. #300	0	11	2	5
District No. 7:				
Springfield, Mass. #85	0	0	1	1
District No. 8:				
Worcester, Mass. #80	1	0		
New Bedford, Mass. #101	2	0		
Woburn, Mass. #126	2	5	0	0



May the best man — with the mostest — win!

District No. 10:				
Muskegon, Mich. #215	0	2		
Battle Creek, Mich. #214	0	1		
Benton Harbor, Mich. #292	7	7	0	5
District No. 12:				
Hammond, Ind. #123	2	2	0	0
District No. 14:				
Sioux City, Iowa #191	0	1		
Duluth, Minn. #267	0	1		
St. Paul, Minn. #270	4	0		
Hibbing, Minn. #397	16	20	0	2
District No. 15:				
Kansas City, Mo. #73	1	1		
Oklahoma City, Okla. #240	2	0		
St. Louis, Mo. #395	68	71	0	1
District No. 16:				
Hot Springs, Ark. #338	0	0	1	1
District No. 17:				
Santa Fe, N. M. #264	2	2	1	1
District No. 19:				
Boise, Idaho #254	4	4	0	0
District No. 20:				
Phoenix, Ariz. #219	0	2		
San Diego, Calif. #223	1	1	1	5
District No. 21:				
San Francisco, Calif. #150	3	2	0	0
District No. 22:				
Portland, Ore. #154	0	1		
Anchorage, Alaska #379	2	2	0	1
District No. 23:				
Hamilton, Ont. C.I.S.	0	0	1	1
Grand Totals	103	28		

## Only Three Months to Go!

Herein we are printing the results of our Membership Drive as at February 1, 1959. We are sure that our chapters have initiated and reinstated a much larger number than the figures shown. We hope both applications and reinstatements are on the way.

However, we wish to remind all that the drive ends June 30th. Who is going to win the \$100 wrist watch? It will go to the brother who brings in the largest number of both new and reinstated members. Then how many chapters will give their presidents an Ahepa Gavel Tie Pin for having increased their membership by 10 per cent? And who will win a cigarette lighter, or a plaque or any of the many other prizes?

We invite every member to do his utmost and compete in this grand Membership Drive, not only for the glory and advancement of his chapter, his district and the entire fraternity, but also for his own individual satisfaction. We particularly urge the members of the two giant districts, the Blue Ribbon 13 and the Empire 6, to redouble their efforts and end up as winners on June 30th.

But please mail all applications and reinstatements to our Headquarters without any delay.

## Reactivated Chapters

If a chapter through its officers or members succeeds in bringing back to life an inactive chapter, that chapter is certainly entitled to appropriate credit in the current drive. And if it happens to be a joint venture with another chapter or the District Lodge, a proportionate share of the credit will be given to all.

No matter how you slice it, it always comes up right — for those who wish to take an active part in our membership drive.

## Birth Certificate and Change of Name

**Question:** When I was naturalized I Americanized my name. My children, born before my naturalization, have birth certificates showing my old name. I wonder whether such birth certificates can be corrected to show my new name?

**Answer:** Yes, such amendments can be made. Since birth certificates are issued by local authorities, the regulations in each state will differ. To find out the procedure, a letter should be addressed to the office which has the birth records of your children, with the request that an amendment be permitted. After appropriate forms have been furnished by the office, your certificate of naturalization may serve as proof of your change of name.

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## Your Supreme Lodge Headquarters Reports

By GEORGE J. LEBER, Executive Secretary

### Our New Constitution

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A limited number of additional copies are available, and may be purchased through the chapters. The cost is three (3) copies for One Dollar (\$1.00). Please order from your chapter secretary.

### Reinstatements and Transfers

The reinstatement and transfer of members is a constant and perplexing problem to the majority of our chapters. Follow these rules and save time and effort:

#### Reinstatements

1. They must be approved by the chapter, and the form properly certified to Headquarters.

2. To be reinstated an inactive member must pay the current dues, plus \$2.00 for each of his delinquent years (but not more than 5) and a \$1.00 Reinstatement Fee.

3. After voting on the application, the chapter must forward the reinstatement application to Headquarters, with the following fees:

a. Per Capita Tax for the year in which the member is reinstated.

b. \$2.00 for each of the member's delinquent years (but not more than 5). Thus, for a member inactive since 1951 and reinstated in January, 1959, the chapter must remit \$6.50 for Per Capita Tax, plus \$10.00 for his delinquent years, or a total of \$16.50. The chapter retains the \$1.00 reinstatement fee.

#### Emergency Benefits

Emergency Fund benefits are normally \$200 for members in good standing. If delinquent and reinstated at age 40 or over, but under 50 years of age, their benefits are reduced to \$150; if reinstated at 50 but under 60 years of age, they are reduced to \$100; members reinstated at 60 years of age or over lose all participation in the Emergency Fund, and their beneficiaries are entitled to nothing.

A delinquent member may retain his full original benefit in the Fund by paying all back dues in full, plus his cur-

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rent dues, and his chapter remits the entire Per Capita Tax for all the years he was delinquent.

#### Transfers

1. No member can be transferred unless he is in good standing with his chapter of last record, and his dues are paid up at Headquarters.

2. Delinquent members wishing to transfer must first pay all back obligations to their chapter of last record. That chapter must remit all moneys due Headquarters in Per Capita Tax before the member can be transferred.

3. Such delinquent members must go through the process of Reinstatement (described above) with their chapter of last record, before they are transferred.

4. If there is any question as to the standing of a member, chapters are urged not to submit the Reinstatement or Transfer Applications until they have first written our Headquarters for information.

#### Membership Drive

Every Membership Application or Reinstatement Application must contain thereon a first endorser to enable the Headquarters to give proper credit to the member securing the application. Applications must be accompanied by proper fees, as otherwise they will not be recorded, but returned to the chapter. We now have on hand about 50 Reinstatements, received since September 1st, for whom we have no First Endorser. This means that no member will receive credit during our current drive.

### In Memory

JAMES M. GARMATIS, Fort Worth, No. 19, Fort Worth, Texas, July 6, 1958.  
STELIOS S. MONOGIUDIS, Worthington, No. 30, Baltimore, Md. July 5, 1958.  
JOHN KARALIS, Aristides, No. 50, Lynn, Mass. May 5, 1958.  
MIKE SOUSARES, Canton, No. 59, Canton, Ohio June 7, 1958.  
JAMES PAVLOS, Bridgeport, No. 62, Bridgeport, Conn. June 15, 1958.  
JOHN MANGARITIS, Bridgeport, No. 67, Bridgeport, Conn. March 3, 1958.

FOTIOS G. TASI ADAMS, Demosthenes, No. 66, Minneapolis, Minn. July 27, 1958.  
PETER G. ASPROS, Gary, No. 78, Gary, Ind. July 2, 1958.  
ANTHONY M. LOGAN, Gary, No. 78, Gary, Ind. July 23, 1958.  
GEORGE J. KOLETTIS, Gary, No. 78, Gary, Ind. August 27, 1958.  
LOUIS CARVELAS, Lincoln, No. 89, Youngstown, Ohio, August 11, 1958.  
THEODORE CHACONAS, Queensboro, No. 97, Astoria, N. Y. December 23, 1957.  
CHRIS CONSTANT, Stamford, No. 99, Stamford, Conn. November 14, 1957.  
JAMES C. POLEDOR, South Bend, No. 100, South Bend, Ind. June 30, 1958.  
GEORGE S. FAUTAS, Elpis, No. 117, New Britain, Conn. February 25, 1958.  
JOHN PANAGOPOULOS, Hammond, No. 123, Hammond, Ind. May 31, 1958.  
JAMES CHATAS, Flint, No. 141, Flint, Mich. August 2, 1958.  
GEORGE KIRIAKOPOULOS, Wolverine, No. 142, Lansing, Mich. July 8, 1958.  
JAMES ARNIOTES, Lorraine-Elyria (Ohio), No. 144, April 9, 1958.  
EMANUEL ZOUREDES, Denver, No. 145, Denver, Colo. June 8, 1958.  
THEODORE MASTORIS, Beehive, No. 146, Salt Lake City, Utah. August 2, 1958.  
BASIL S. FATOUROS, Omaha, No. 147, Omaha, Neb. May 9, 1958.  
NICK C. PETROW, Omaha, No. 147, Omaha, Neb. April 20, 1958.  
A. T. PICCOULAS, Natoparia, No. 152, Los Angeles, Calif. August 7, 1958.  
MEGAKLIS KAMBOURIS, Bronx, No. 175, Bronx, N. Y. May 14, 1958.



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By JOHN MANDROS, National Athletic Director

We present herewith our National Athletic Program for the year 1959:

1. 7th National Sons of Pericles Basketball Tournament
2. 16th National Ahepa Basketball Tournament
3. 5th National Ahepa Bowling Tournament
4. 8th National Ahepa Golf Tournament
5. 15th National Ahepa OLYMPIAD

The National Athletic Department welcomes Sports news on chapter and District levels, along with news on athletes of Hellenic descent. We are interested in their performances and results. We ask that each Athletic Officer take the time to write-up such performances, and send them in.

## Let's Orbit in 1959

The stages for a successful launching have been set in place by the various Tournament chairmen and their committees. Our chapters must support the sponsoring cities to help insure the proper firing of each stage. Only by participation can we accomplish this mission, and "go into orbit." Our destination — The Ahepa Supreme Convention at Hollywood, Calif.

## STAGE I. THE 7TH NATIONAL SONS OF PERICLES BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

*Sponsor:* Toledo Chapter, No. 116, Sons of Pericles, Toledo, Ohio

*Chairman:* Michael Yakumithis, 1025 Baker St., Toledo, Ohio

*Dates:* March 6-8, 1959 (A report will follow in a forthcoming issue.)

## STAGE II. THE 16TH NATIONAL AHEPA BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

*Sponsor:* Henry and Edsel Ford Chapter, No. 374, Dearborn, Mich.

*Chairmen:* P. Pavoris and S. Nicholas.

*Entries:* Mail to: Peter Pavoris, 20463 Marx St., Detroit 3, Mich.

*Dates:* March 27, 28 and 29, 1959

*Details:* Tournament is well-planned and co-ordinated. Headquarters and Housing at Pick-Fort Shelby Hotel, Detroit, Mich., and games will be held at Dearborn. Entry Fee is \$50.00 per team (which will consist of 10 players and one coach), except for teams traveling over 1,000 miles. Free housing for teams travelling over 50 miles AAU rules in effect. Queen Coronation Ball Saturday evening.

## STAGE III. THE 5TH NATIONAL AHEPA BOWLING TOURNAMENT

*Sponsor:* Ahepa Chapter, No. 72, Trenton, N. J.

*Chairman:* Xenophon Microutsicos, 134 Division St., Trenton, N. J.

*Dates:* May 9 and 10, 1959

*Details:* To be held at the finest alleys in the state: AMF automatic pin spotters; Air-conditioned; Bar; huge dance floor; Top bands; TV and Radio recording stars. Gala Saturday night party for bowlers and friends.

## STAGE IV. THE 15TH NATIONAL AHEPA OLYMPIAD

*Sponsor:* Convention City Chapter, Hollywood, Calif.

*Chairman:* Peter D. Clentzos, 275 Wallis St., Pasadena 5, Calif.

*Dates:* During Supreme Convention, August 16-22, 1959.

*Details:* Regular Track and Field events, trophies for first 3 winners of each event — one class only. Open to all athletes of Hellenic descent. AAU rules. Chairman Clentzos hopes to line up outstanding American track and field stars for special exhibitions during Olympiad. More details later.

## IN ORBIT! THE 8TH NATIONAL AHEPA GOLF TOURNAMENT

*Sponsor:* Convention City Chapter,

*Chairman:* Peter D. Clentzos, 275 Wallis St., Pasadena 5, Calif.

*Dates:* During Supreme Convention, August 16-22, 1959.



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### Our Associate Editors

Sir:

As co-chairman of the Magazine Committee at the 1958 Boston Convention, I commend the Administration for following the mandate of publishing 10 issues instead of the customary four per year.

Our magazine should be of the highest caliber — news, pictures, etc. — because not only does it go into the homes of our brethren, but because also it is read by Senators, Congressmen, Governors and other public officials in the United States and Canada.

This is our show piece. It must be the best we can procure and put on display to further the ideals of the Greek-Americans, the Ahepans and their official family in general.

Remember that the post of Associate Editor is just as important if not more important, than that of the Editor-in-Chief. An Associate Editor, as mandated by the Boston Convention, must gather news from every chapter in the Districts he was appointed to cover.

To make his job a little easier, I would suggest a mimeographed news sheet be printed and mailed to every chapter secretary. After each meeting or function, the secretary should summarize the highlights and send the sheet along to the Associate Editor, who in turn will prepare the finished product and submit it to the Editor for publication.

This way, each and every chapter will be represented, and the magazine will truly become a publication for the Ahepans, Daughters, Sons and Maids.

Again I want to congratulate you on the make-up and general appearance of the magazine. We will be watching for future issues.

GEORGE DOURIS, Secretary  
Hermes, 186, New York

### For the Ahepa Hall

Sir:

I am pleased to advise that Dr. Harry N. Petrakos of Chicago has contributed for the Ahepa Hall for Boys \$2,000 in memory of his beloved son, Nicholas, age 6, passed away last September.

Also, the Society of Arabovites "Karyai" of Gastonia, N. C., remitted \$100 for the same Ahepa Hall for Boys.

(MRS.) DESPINA VRAHOPOULOU,  
Executive Secretary  
Philoptobox Society, Inc.

### The Eternal Question

If we could first know where we are, and whither we are tending, we could better judge what to do, and how to do it.

—LINCOLN

### Dedication to Public Service

Sir:

Those of us whose origins are in Greece should appreciate more than most the importance of public service in a democracy. From the remarkable city-state of Fifth Century Athens to the great republic of Twentieth Century America there stretches the long thread of the democratic ideal, the ideal that free men should freely shape their own destinies.

Our troubled world — a world of hope and fear — needs leadership of vigor and vision if the democratic ideal is to endure and freedom is to flourish.

Whether we like it or not, much of this leadership is political in kind. We need men talented and skilled in the art of politics and statecraft. Surely Americans whose origins are in the land of Plato and Aristotle, Pericles and Solon, Demosthenes and Socrates, should feel a special calling to the service of the common good, to active participation in political life.

I suggest then that one of the tasks to which the Order of Ahepa might well give itself in the years ahead is the encouragement of its young members to dedicate themselves to public service.

To this end the Order of Ahepa should give particular emphasis to the importance of higher education. Our world has become so complex and the problems facing our government so increasingly difficult that, if we are to control events and not be controlled by them, we must have men and women of trained minds as well as dedicated spirits.

The Order of Ahepa then can seek to encourage young Americans of Hellenic background to educate themselves for political leadership. The future of free civilization may well depend on the quality of such leadership our nation develops.

The thread that binds the cradle of democracy, Greece, to its greatest home, the United States of America, should not be broken.

JOHN BRADEMAs  
Member of Congress

### We Must Build the School

Sir:

It was a real pleasure for me to accompany our Supreme Lodge to St. Basil's Academy. I was deeply impressed with the entire project, for it is an accomplishment which the Fraternity should feel very proud of.

The new classroom building must be now pushed with vigor and determination so that it may be fully completed before the next Convention.

HARRIS J. BOORAS  
Past Supreme President

### More Work and Less Talk

Sir:

During March we observe throughout the United States the Greek War of Independence Anniversary. It is well to recall the heroic struggles of our forefathers. However, past history should not be the main theme. Let us bring up to date our current and future objectives as a nationalities group in this country. And let us give thought to how Greece can face her problems of today and tomorrow.

Ahepa has been in the forefront in all these endeavors. Yet it is appalling to think that major population areas of our people are completely ignored and little effort is being made to make them Ahepa conscious. Chapter leaders are at fault and particularly various professional men whose aspirations are confined only to being speakers and toastmasters.

Our Order has done and will continue to do the utmost for our people, provided we buckle down to hard work, efficiently and continuously.

NICHOLAS P. LEVENDIS  
Associate Editor

### Ahepans Live Long

Sir:

Our Chapter was founded back in 1927. For the last 32 years we have had 20 presidents. They are still with us. I have been the Chaplain for the last 20 years.

Anyone who is not yet a member should hurry and join Ahepa if he wants to live long and happy. He should work hard and become the president of his chapter. No greater glory and pleasure can come to any man.

STEVE ABARIOTIS  
Omaha Chapter, No. 147

Forward, as the occasion offers. Never look around to see whether any shall note it.

—Marcus Aurelius

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APRIL, 1959

# AHEPAN





## Your Supreme Lodge Headquarters Reports

By GEORGE J. LIEBER, *Executive Secretary*

### Magazine Mailing List

We have mailed a membership strip list to every chapter throughout our Ahepa Domain.

We have asked our chapter secretaries to correct this list, make all necessary corrections and additions, and return the list to Headquarters.

This tremendous task extends to over 400 chapters. The changes will not be reflected in our overall mailing list picture until several weeks have elapsed.

Provided the secretaries are diligent and return these lists corrected promptly, we may hope to complete the job by the end of this fiscal year, June, 1959. From then on, maintaining an up-to-date list will be routine.

### Constitutions, 1959 Edition

Headquarters has a limited supply of the 1959 Edition for distribution to the chapters. One copy was mailed to every chapter secretary last January. Additional copies may be purchased in units of three for \$1.00. The new printing also includes the 1959 Canadian Constitution.

### Membership Drive

Our current Membership Drive is now within 2½ months of its final date, June 30th. Your chapter still has time for a final burst of energy to round up those new members and reinstated members.

Just one caution — all Applications and Reinstatements must contain a *sponsor's* name, if credit is to be given. On Membership Applications we always take into account *only* the name of the First Endorser. If you still use the old Reinstatement Applications, please write in the name of the *sponsor* across the top or bottom of the form, if that sponsor is to receive credit.

And another word of caution — All Applications, new members and reinstated, must be completely filled-in, and *certified* by the chapter as to either date of Initiation or date of reinstatement, and must be accompanied by the proper fees. *Do not* send us any applications without the proper fees — these will not be accepted for credit.

### Ahepa's Study

Ahepa's projected book on contributions of Greek-Americans to the growth and development of America, will also contain a section dealing with the impact of our Hellenic Heritage on the progress of America.

We are still greatly in need of addi-

tional research material, particularly for the section which will deal with the history of the Greek-American.

All contributions or leads from our members will be greatly appreciated. Direct your correspondence to the Supreme Lodge Headquarters.

### District Conventions

A circular has been mailed to all chapters, detailing the procedure of electing delegates to District Conventions. They must be elected at a regular chapter meeting during the months of April, May and June.

### Supreme Conventions

The Boston Supreme Convention decreed the following changes in regulations governing our Supreme Conventions:

1. The Reporting Form of chapter delegates must be sent to Headquarters by Registered Mail, Return Receipt Requested, immediately following the elections, but not later than **July 15, 1959, Postmark.**

2. In determining Chapter Voting Strength, the actual count of members in good standing (Per Capita Tax paid for the First Half of 1959) is used as a basis. Their Per Capita Tax remittances must be Postmarked not later than **July 1, 1959.**

3. Delegates must register with the Convention's Credentials Committee not later than **6:00 o'clock on Wednesday** evening of Convention week.

All Chapter presidents and secretaries please take note!

### Officers' Handbook

Three copies of our new Officers' Handbook have been distributed to each chapter. This first edition was prepared at the Supreme Lodge Headquarters in a limited quantity. We still have sufficient copies on hand to supply each chapter with two additional booklets for \$1.00. First come, first served.

### Greek-Americans In Arlington Cemetery

This is our last request for the names of any Greek-American veterans interred in Arlington National Cemetery. The Supreme Lodge, in conjunction with our Washington chapters, intends to decorate these Greek-American graves on Memorial Day.

If any member knows of Greek-American Veterans buried in Arlington Cem-

tery, we shall appreciate the information. We have no other means of obtaining these data except through your kind co-operation. Please drop us a line now.

### The Late Peter G. Sikokis

A devoted husband and father, a devout member of the Greek Orthodox faith, and one of the founders of the Greek Orthodox Churches of Evangelismos and St. Demetrios in Chicago.

Successful businessman, civic leader, pioneer, and an outstanding moral influence for good to the entire Hellenic communities in Chicago.

A sincere, conscientious and active Ahepan, who served on the Supreme Lodge as Supreme Governor 1928-29 and 1932-33, and as Supreme Vice-President 1929-1930. He was one of the dedicated, forceful and responsible leaders of Ahepa during its formative years, and served loyally and unselfishly.

Died in Chicago, Sunday, March 1, 1959. Funeral services were held at St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, Wednesday, March 4.

### An Active Ahepan Gone

Last January our Hellenic Community of Richmond, Va. was saddened by the loss of one of its most promising sons, John L. Junes, who suddenly passed away at the age of only 37 years. A past president of our Richmond Chapter, No. 83, John was an active member of our community by serving as director of the Church Board and on the Building Fund Committee.

Those of us who knew him and loved him will never forget his many virtues and his eagerness to assist in every communal problem and to serve our Order.

—GEORGE SUBLEY

### Visitors At Headquarters

The following members were recent visitors at Supreme Lodge Headquarters in Washington:

Chris K. Gober, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Demessianos, Newport; Nicholas Pappas, Winston-Salem; Louis G. Manesiotes, Pittsburgh; Speros J. Zepatos, Memphis; John M. Manos, Cleveland; Judge Stephen S. Scapas, New York; John P. Angelson, Norfolk; Sam Nakis, St. Louis; Peter Katsirubas, Haverhill; I. A. Lougaris, Reno; Michael Loris, New York; Mr. and Mrs. John G. Pappas, Minneapolis; Major C. D. Chapralis, Chicago; William P. Tsafaras, Lowell.





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## Editor's Corner . . .

WE WELCOME ARCHBISHOP IAKOVOS back to our hospitable shores. We wish His Eminence good health and every success in all his undertakings. He will find the entire Ahepa family by his side. *Os Ei Parestitute, Despota!*

WE PARTICULARLY CALL the attention of our new Spiritual Leader to our two projects at St. Basil's — the Boys' Dormitory, which is now in operation, and the Elementary School, ground of which will soon be broken on the Academy campus. We solicit his support.

OUR EASTER DRIVE will reach every member of our Order. A special Medallion, specially blessed by His Holiness Patriarch Athenagoras, will be mailed throughout the Ahepa Domain. We earnestly hope that the response with contributions will be adequate. Blessed be he who giveth in the name of the Lord.

OUR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE is gathering momentum. The figures this month stood at 395 new members and 97 reinstated members. But they don't tell the efforts being exerted by every member and every Chapter. Watch for the next issue.

ASSOCIATE EDITOR LEVENDIS returns to the basic problem of our very existence. No membership drive can succeed if chapter leaders are simply "getting by." They must give their members the leadership they deserve through true fraternalism and progressive management.

AHEPANS AND DAUGHTERS in Hollywood, under the able and inspired leadership of General Chairmen Andrew Angelson and Margaret Dauterman, are busily engaged in concluding plans and arrangements for the grandest Supreme Convention. They promise to dazzle the world!

HONORS AND TESTIMONIALS continue to occupy the minds and hearts of our people. Mayor Jarvis of Portsmouth, N. H. was decorated by King Paul, while Grand President Mickles, Grand Governor Phillips, Supreme Governor Pappademas, District Governor Miller of the 13th District and many others were honored by their colleagues and fellowmen. *Sic Gloria.*

THE AHEPA EXCURSION will be reaching beautiful Hellas by the time this issue is posted to our members. The climax of our preparations was reached in the morning of April 10th, when Commander Sekles and his staff boarded the OLYMPIA in New York. May their sojourn be brief and happy and their return full of memories.

WE THANK OUR MAIDS for reporting to us their news and activities. We especially congratulate their Editor, Denise Tomaras, who has been most active in gathering and editing the reports of her local correspondents. We expect more to come.

AS FOR THE SONS we regret we cannot say anything except to remind their Editor, Ted Melgarinos, that he has not even bothered to reply to our repeated requests. It is strange that some people find time to send in reams of news to local papers but to their own publication — not a word!

AN UP-TO-DATE CONSTITUTION has been printed and is now available at the Supreme Lodge Headquarters at a nominal charge. We particularly urge our Chapter and District officers to avail themselves of the opportunity to know "the law" by getting a copy.

THREE NEW CHAPTERS had been organized by last month and more are in the making. One in Greater St. Louis, the other in Lincolnwood, Illinois and the third in Hibbing, Minnesota. We salute the three new links in our long chain of brotherhood.

THE MAY ISSUE will have a complete coverage of the 1959 Ahepa Excursion to Greece . . . details of the enthronement of His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos . . . up-to-date reports on the Membership Drive and the Ahepa School campaign . . . District and Chapter activities and other Ahepa family news.

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## ARCHBISHOP IAKOVOS

Former Metropolitan Iakovos of Melita (Malta) was elevated as the new Archbishop of the Greek Orthodox Church of North and South America. He was elected February 14, 1959 by the Holy Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Istanbul and was enthroned with the traditional pomp and circumstance of the Greek ritual at the Hellenic Cathedral Holy Trinity of New York upon his arrival from the Holy See March 31, 1959. An Enthronement Banquet followed at the Waldorf the same evening, attended by high dignitaries of both Church and State.

### TO HIS EMINENCE ARCHBISHOP IAKOVOS

In behalf of my colleagues on the Supreme Lodge and all officers and members of the Ahepa Family, I respectfully submit to Your Eminence our warmest congratulations upon Your elevation and our heartfelt wishes for Your continued success and happiness for the good of Greek Orthodoxy everywhere.

C. P. VERINIS  
Supreme President

Our new Archbishop was born Demetrios A. Coucouzis in 1911 on the Turkish Island of Imbros. He graduated with high honors from the Theological School of Halki in Istanbul in 1934, and was ordained a Deacon in 1939. In that year he came to the United States and served as Archdeacon of the Archdiocese and as Professor of the Archdiocesan Theological School, then located in Pomfret, Conn.

He was ordained a Priest in Boston on June 14, 1940, and served in that capacity in Hartford, Conn., 1940-1941. He was a Preacher at the Holy Trinity Cathedral in New York from 1941-1942, and later in 1942 served for a brief period in St. Louis, Mo.

In 1942, he was appointed Dean of the Cathedral of the Annunciation in Boston and served until 1954. For a brief period, prior to his election as Bishop, he served as Director of the Holy Cross Orthodox Theological School in Brookline, Massachusetts.

On December 17, 1954, he was elected Bishop of Melita and was assigned to the Archdiocese of Central and Western Europe. In March, 1955, he was appointed Permanent representative of the Ecumenical Patriarchate at the World Council of Churches headquarters in Geneva. In April, 1956, he was elected a Metropolitan.

While in Boston, Archbishop Iakovos studied at the Harvard Divinity School and earned the degree of Master of Sacred Theology (S.T.M.). As the Representative of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in the World Council of Churches, he travelled extensively throughout the world and attended many ecclesiastical meetings and councils. During this time, he also visited the United States on several occasions and delivered lectures at Harvard, Boston University, other institutions and at several religious conferences. He is the author of many religious books and pamphlets.

Archbishop Iakovos is an American citizen, the first to be elected to head the Greek Orthodox Church of North and South America. He has close ties with Protestant and Episcopal groups in the United States, especially within the World Council of Churches and the National Council of Churches.

We Ahepans are particularly pleased and happy with the elevation of His Eminence as the spiritual head of over two million Greek Orthodox Christians in the new world. He has lived amongst us, having joined our Boston Chapter during his Deanship of the Boston Cathedral, knows our problems, shares our aspirations and understands our problems and difficulties. One may dare say that for the first time in the last 37 years,

## COMBINED EASTER DRIVE - AHEPA SCHOOL

To All Members of the Ahepa Family:

*"And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity."—ST. PAUL*

We are mailing to each one of you a medal-



lion of St. Basil, the holy patron of our Academy at Garrison, N. Y. The original has been blessed at the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople by His Holiness Athenagoras I. We are also enclosing His Holiness' personal appeal for support of this worthy and important project.

This medallion is for your own personal use. It is presented to you in the hope that it may bring you personal happiness and safekeeping during this Easter season and all your life.

As you already know, it is our fervent hope to begin actual groundbreaking and construction on the AHEPA SCHOOL AT ST. BASIL'S this month or as soon as weather permits.

The Order of Ahepa has conducted various drives over the past five years to raise funds for our combined projects at St. Basil's Academy, the AHEPA HALL FOR BOYS and the AHEPA SCHOOL. We have already completed the dormitory for the orphan boys. Your gracious aid and your generous contribution at this time will certainly enable us to complete the school jointly undertaken by the Ahepa and Daughters, in time to open in the fall of this year.

Please mail your contribution — whatever you can spare, but be generous — and safekeep the medallion of St. Basil for your own use as a memento of your benevolence and understanding towards this great cause. If you wish additional medallions, kindly let us know and we shall be happy to comply.

To all officers and members of the Ahepa family — A Happy Easter!

EVELYN J. MICKLES

Grand President

Daughter of Penelope

GEORGE E. LOUCAS,

Supreme Vice-President

Chairman, School Drive

C. P. VERINIS,

Supreme President

Order of Ahepa

the Order of Ahepa has found a truly spiritual leader in the holy person of Archbishop Iakovos.

We pledge the co-operation and assistance of the entire membership of the Ahepa family. We wish him well. *Polla Ti Eti Sou Despota, Iakove!*



Architect's sketch of the Ahepa School at St. Basil's Academy facing west and overlooking West Point on the Hudson.

## Our Ahepa School at St. Basil's

Following repeated consultations and conferences between the Board of Trustees of St. Basil's Academy, the Dean of the Academy, X. Diamantopoulos, and the Archdiocese consultant architect, G. A. Diamond, under the expert direction of P. Prodromidis, Chairman of the Executive Committee and the paternal guidance of His Grace Bishop Germanos, acting as Patriarchal Vicar, the tentative plans for the Ahepa School have finally been approved. As soon as specifications have been prepared, bids will be solicited from interested contractors and ground will be broken for the completion of Ahepa's pledge to our Church. We are happy to set forth architect's details for the contemplated school at Garrison, New York:

### Location

The building has been located southeast of the Administration Building, perpendicular to the main entrance road to the Academy. It will be the first building to be seen as one enters the grounds. It is parallel to a walk which leads to the Boys' Dormitory in the front of the new building, and there is also another walk at the back of the building, which is about 500 to 600 feet from the Boys' Dormitory.

The building is located at a mid-point equidistant between the Girls' Dormitory and the Boys' Dormitory. It is also accessible to the Main Building.

The main elevation (front of the building) will be facing west (overlooking West Point and the Hudson River.)

The site is sloping. It has room for future additional facilities.

### Details of the School

The building when completed will include:

(a) An elementary school (kindergarten to ninth grade) to be built according to all standards required by the State Department of Education;

(b) Style of architecture to match style used in existing building. Pitched roof, with the following exterior materials: stone, brick, wood and aluminum windows.

(c) Building to be one-story and a portion to be two-story and basement. Length of building 275'-0", width 45'-0".

The basement will consist of a boiler, a storage and a future multi-purpose room.

The first floor will consist of one kindergarten with own toilet, and a health suite; six classrooms (first to sixth grades) and toilets; one library and an administration office.

The second floor will include three classrooms (7th, 8th, 9th grades) and toilets.

### Construction Details

The size of the school's rooms will be as follows: Classrooms 24' x 34' or 816 square feet; kindergarten 28' x 34' or 952 square feet; capacity of each classroom — maximum 35 pupils; total area of the building, including basement, 19,000 square feet.

The interior materials are to be: (a) classrooms and corridors: floors — wood or asphalt tile; walls — plaster; ceilings — acoustical tile; windows — projected aluminum; (b) toilets ceramic tile floors and wainscot.

The mechanical details of the building will be: Heating — hot water with oil as fuel; plumbing — copper tubing; sanitation — septic tank and leeching field.

The electrical details will be: Classroom lighting — fluorescent, and the rest according to State Standards.

### AHEPA PROJECTS AT ST. BASIL'S Additional Contributions

#### Chapter Contributions:

Flint, Mich., No. 141 .....	\$100.00	
Toledo, Ohio, No. 118 .....	100.00	
Ann Arbor, Mich., No. 195 .....	200.00	
Newport, R. I., No. 245 .....	50.00	
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Uniontown, Penna., No. 116 .....	106.00	
Ely, Nevada, No. 188 .....	30.00	
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Marysville, Calif., No. 147 .....	10.00	
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Royal Baking Company, Miami, Fla. ....	25.00	
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Michael Colias, Waco, Texas .....	50.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hollis, Bradenton, Fla. ....	30.00	300.00

Total Contributions .....	\$ 1,591.38
Previous Total .....	182,458.88

Grand Total of Contributions March 1, 1959 .....	\$184,030.26
Plus Christmas Seal Drive .....	12,037.05

<b>Grand Total</b> .....	<b>\$196,067.31</b>
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## AMBASSADORS OF GOODWILL

By FRANCES G. KNIGHT

Director, Passport Office, Department of State

Every weekday for the past six months Uncle Sam has conferred the rank of ambassador on nearly 5,000 American citizens. An unofficial rank, to be sure, but just as diplomatic, just as important and just as responsible as the duty and dignity entrusted to the members of our official Diplomatic Corps.

This unofficial rank was bestowed with the passport issued to each of those nearly 5,000 individuals. Each of them received a letter from the President naming them, in effect, ambassadors of good will, "people to people" representatives, from our country to the citizens of other free nations.

How important this stewardship is and how effective an instrument of international good neighborliness and understanding it can be is quickly realized from the figures on the increasing numbers of average Americans touring abroad.

In the first quarter of 1958 passport applications received were 20.1 percent over the same period in 1957. We had expected to process 4,000 passports a day during the peak period. But we found we were approaching 5,000 a day — at least 100,000 during the month of April alone.

An analysis of passports issued so far in 1958 indicates a significant trend — more travel abroad by youth and by those above middle age. In the first quarter of this year applications from persons under 20 years of age increased by 54.8 percent above the same three months in 1957. Also in this period applicants between the ages of 60 and 76 years increased by 16.2 percent.

### Young People on the Go

To us this indicates that more and more young persons are traveling before they complete their education — travel has practically become part of their curriculum. I believe the development and excellence of travel-study plans at foreign schools is partly responsible for this trend.

In the 60-plus category, it seems to mean that more persons are planning trips after retirement and more of them are finding such travel within their means. This type of travel is apt to be spread through the entire year, tending to equalize the travel market among the seasons.

Right now the Passport Office has its sights set for 1960 when, if the present trend continues, we will be called upon to issue more than 800,000 passports. To handle this volume we need more automation and decentralization. We are already training personnel in passport agencies in Boston, New York, Chicago, New Orleans, San Francisco, and Los Angeles and the agencies are being equipped to process and issue a higher percentage of passports in the field.

Already, by eliminating red tape and duplication of effort, we have increased individual work productivity. Since 1955 worker productivity has increased from 1350 passports to more than 1800 per employee. This will be further increased by application of a recent revision in the witness requirement.

### Passport Procedure Simplified

Formerly, an applicant for a passport had to produce an identifying witness who had known him for at least two years and who was willing to state, under oath, that the applicant was the person he represented himself to be. Under the revision a passport applicant may establish his identity to the satisfaction of the passport agent or the Clerk of Court by producing items of identification, such as a United States passport, naturalization certificate, driver's license, Government identification card or pass, business or industrial identification card or pass. Any of



these documents are acceptable if they bear the signature and the photograph or a physical description of the applicant.

Of course, if the applicant is unable to establish his identity through these means or to the satisfaction of the agent, a witness will still be required. But if this procedure is successfully applied to only 50 percent of the applications we expect to receive, close to 250,000 persons will be relieved from milling around passport agencies and the offices of the Clerks of Court.

The Passport Office is continuing its search for additional ways to simplify and change its procedures. We want flexibility; we cannot allow our service to lag behind the times. Looking into the future we are resolved to keep pace not only with the increased volume of travel but with the new travel speeds of tomorrow's jet age.

## THE NEW SOCIAL SECURITY LAW

By HARRY PAPPS, B.A., A.I.B.

Past President, Delphi Chapter, No. 25

During 1958 our Congress made important changes in the Social Security law that undoubtedly will affect you and your family. It not only increased the social security tax, but also the amount of pay that is taxed (the tax base). It increased this tax by  $\frac{1}{4}$  of 1% (a total of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ %) and the tax base from \$4,200 to \$4,800. This tax increase became effective Jan. 1, 1959.

This extra tax made it possible to collect substantially higher social security benefits. And if one is totally disabled, at least 50 years old, not only he, but also his dependents, will start collecting social security benefits. Payments may be eventually as large as \$254 a month.

Q. What is taxed?

A. "Wages," which include in general all pay: salary, bonuses, commissions, and overtime. Board and lodgings are also included except as to domestic servants and farm hands, and tips.

Q. What is the tax rate and base?

A. The rate remains at 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ % for both employers and employees through 1958. It goes up to 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ % in 1959 and to 3% during 1960-1962. The tax base remained at \$4,200 through 1958 and goes to \$4,800 in 1959 and future years.

Q. Who can get benefits?

A. In general, a retired person 65 or over. However, a woman worker may retire at 62 and take reduced benefits of 80% of what she would get if she waited until 65.

Q. Suppose one is disabled and unable to work but not yet 65?

A. He can start collecting social security benefits when 50 years old.

Q. How much would disability payments be?

A. They are figured the same as though one had reached retirement age and are based on average monthly earnings.

Q. Would the wife and children also get benefits while one is disabled?

A. Yes, the new 1958 Law made this possible. If they met the age and other requirements, they would get the same benefit as though they had reached 65.

Q. What is the amount of benefit?

A. In most cases the worker's monthly benefit depends on his average monthly wage.

Q. What does the law do for a veteran?

A. It gives him a wage credit of \$160 a month for military service since 1940 and through December, 1956.

Q. Must one retire completely to get benefits?

A. No, it is all a matter of how much one earns and the number of months he works. One can earn as much as \$1,200 a year without loss of any Social Security benefits. For each \$80 (or fraction of \$80) of earnings over \$1,200 he and his family will ordinarily lose a month's benefit. Once he reaches the age of 72 there is no limit to the amount he can earn and get full benefits.

## THE PARLIAMENTARIAN SPEAKS

[EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the fourth installment on parliamentary law and procedure, prepared and edited by past Supreme President George Demeter of Boston, author of his own Manual. All questions and answers have been written together with the officers and members of our chapters, always in mind as to what they were most interested to know in carrying on their work. The response of our readers has been most complimentary to our distinguished author.]



Q. - At a recent meeting of our Chapter it was voted by a small quorum to take the vote on an important motion **by mail**. Is this type of voting by mail legal, with legally binding effect?

A. - No, unless the by-laws authorize taking a vote by mail. If not so authorized, the vote is not legally binding. To resort to vote-taking by mail when not authorized in your by-laws would rapidly eliminate holding of meetings and eventually eradicate the organization.

Q. - Can the president vote on motions before the Chapter, or only when it is a tie vote?

A. - The president can vote on any and every motion that members can vote on. (Demeter's Manual, page 43, middle of page.) He may, however, and usually does refrain from voting when his vote will not change, or affect, the result. Thus, if the vote is 32 in favor and 7 opposed, his voting on either side cannot alter the result; the motion is still carried. But if the vote were, say, 19 in favor (on hand vote, or rising vote) and 19 against, since a motion requires a majority vote to be adopted, the Chair can vote with the affirmative and thus change a "lost" motion (a tie vote is a losing vote on ordinary motions) into a "passed" or adopted motion.

Q. - I know the motion to "lay on the table" (or "to table") needs a two-thirds vote. What vote does "to take from the table" require?

A. - Both motions, "to table" and "to take from the table," require a mere majority vote, never two-thirds.

Q. - The same 2 or 3 members monopolize all Chapter discussions. They speak 4, 5 and 6 times each. Then the Chair says: "There's been enough discussion; now we'll vote." Can you help us?

A. - Yes. The rule is: "No one may speak more than TWO times on the same question the same day." So, next time just say: "Mr. President, I object to a member speaking more than TWICE on this question." (No second is needed, and it is not put to vote.) The Chair must then say: "There being objection, the member cannot be recognized to speak further on this same question." (Demeter's, p. 21; Robert's, p. 39.)

Q. - An amendment to a main motion is duly made and seconded. The President always asks the maker of the main motion: "Do you accept the amendment?" and when he says No, the President says "the amendment is out of order." Is the President right?

A. - No. The Chair must not ask any maker of a motion if he accepts an amendment to it. An amendment has superior rank. Therefore, amendments do not have to have anyone's consent to be proposed. (Demeter's, p. 64.)

Q. - Please answer the following: (a) Can the Vice-President start the meeting if the President is late? (b) When arriving late does he take the chair at once?

A. - (a) After waiting 10 minutes from scheduled time, the Vice-President may legally open the meeting and transact business. (b) A late arriving President waits until the then pending question is disposed of, then he automatically takes the chair and announces "the next business in order." (Court decisions.)

Q. - What rules govern motions to table?

A. - To table (correctly "To lay on the Table") needs a second and a majority vote; it is undebatable, unamendable and un-reconsiderable. (Note: For fuller rules on motions to table read Demeter's, pp. 94-97; Robert's, p. 104.)

Q. - A motion was voted **tabled**, but members kept on discussing it just the same. Was this correct?

A. - No. The moment a question is voted tabled all further discussion and or amendments automatically and instantly must cease.

Q. - How is the motion to **table** put to vote correctly?

A. - **Chair**: "It is moved and seconded to **Table** the question. As the motion to Table is neither debatable nor amendable, the Chair will put it to vote. Those in favor of tabling it, will say Aye (pronounce I); those opposed, will say No. The ayes have it and the question is tabled." [Or, "the noes have it and the question is **not** tabled. Is there further discussion on the question before us?"]

Q. - When a question is voted **tabled**, is that question considered "killed" or "dead"?

A. - No. A **tabled** question remains **alive** for the instant (present) meeting and the very **next** meeting, in the **Chapters**. At **conventions**, a tabled question remains alive during the entire convention session. Therefore, so long as it **remains** alive it can be moved to be "**Taken** from the Table," for further action on it.

Q. - Early at a meeting it was voted to table a motion "to donate \$500 to the **Patriarcheion**." More members came in later on, and the original maker of the motion again offered the same motion. The President declared it out of order, saying the "proper motion to use was to move to **Take** it from the Table." Was this correct?

A. - Yes. So long as a tabled question remains alive, that question can be considered further only if it is first voted to "**Take** it from the Table," (majority vote needed; anyone can propose it).

Q. - What are the fundamental or governing rules for discussing motions?

A. - (**Please note specially**): There are just 4 rules. (1) Every member is entitled to speak at least **once** on a debatable motion (unless by a two-thirds vote it is voted to **stop** further discussion). (2) A member may also speak a **second** time if any who have not yet spoken do not actually rise to claim the floor to speak. (3) No one may speak **more** than twice on any question if any member just simply rises and says "I object to any one speaking more than **two** times on the same question the same **day**." And (4) Ten minutes is the time limit for each one to speak. (Demeter's p. 21.)

Q. - Recently a member shouted "I call for the question!" The President at once said "the question has been called, so no more discussion," and when I got up to speak on it he said "sit down, you're out of order!" Was he right? What could I do?

A. - No. He was both **parliamentarily** and **legally** wrong. Discussion can not be deemed closed unless a motion is made, seconded and passed by a two-thirds vote to stop further discussion. You could just simply say: "Mr. President, a point of order!" And then add: "I wish to (respectfully) inform the Chair that before discussion can be considered legally closed a motion to that effect must be duly made, seconded and carried by a two-thirds vote, and since this has not been done in this case the President is misconducting the meeting and misapplying the rule." (Demeter's, p. 91.)

Q. - A motion was voted **postponed** to the next meeting. (a) Members kept on discussing it; was this right? (b) Under what order of business is a postponed motion taken up? (c) Whose duty is it to bring it up?

A. - (a) The moment a question is **voted** postponed, all further discussion and or amendments on it automatically cease instantly. (b) A question postponed to next meeting is considered under "Unfinished Business." (c) It is the duty of the Secretary to bring it up the moment the Chair says "Next, Unfinished Business."

Q. - Is it easy or convenient in any way to learn quickly the rules about main motions and resolutions, since we use them all the time?

A. - Yes. There are only six easy rules to know: 1. Main motions and or Resolutions need a **Second**; 2. they are **Debatable**; 3. they are **Amendable**; 4. they require a **Majority** vote; 5. they can be **Reconsidered**; and 6. only one **Main** motion or Resolution can be considered at a time. In other words, remember the symbols (**the first letters, S, D, A, M, and R**), above: S for **secondable**, D for **debatable**, A for **amendable**, M for **majority** vote; and R for **reconsiderable**. (Demeter's, p. 25.)

Q. - A member at a subsequent meeting got up and said: "There was no quorum at our previous meeting," claiming as a result that all its business was, therefore, illegal. Is that so?

A. - No. A claim, or point that there was no quorum at a previous meeting cannot be raised at a subsequent meeting. (Demeter's, p. 135.)

(To be continued in next issue)

## OUR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE As At March 1, 1959

Our Membership Drive during the month of February has been quite slow. It seems that our chapter officers were busy being installed and getting everything ready for the big "push." Otherwise, we cannot explain the meager results in applications and reinstatements.

As of March 1, 1959, we initiated 395 new members and reinstated 97 old timers in all. Considering that the figures as of February 1st stood at 301 and 66, respectively, it appears that during February we initiated only 95 new members and reinstated 31 members.

What must be sad news for our New York friends, the Blue Ribbon District No. 13 is still leading with a total of 81 new members and 15 reinstated, against 18 and 12, respectively, for Empire District No. 6. Indeed, Chicago brought in during February 5 new members and one reinstatement as against New York's one reinstatement only! No new members!

The figures that follow give a complete picture of how we stand throughout the entire Ahepa Domain:

District No. 6:	New	Reinstated	Total	Total
New York, N. Y.				
#42	3	4		
Yonkers, N. Y. #51	3	0		
Rochester, N. Y.				
#67	0	4		
Jamaica, N. Y. #86	0	3		
Elmira, N. Y. #111	0	1		
Newburgh, N. Y.				
#115	5	0		
Troy, N. Y. #306	5	0		
New York, N. Y.				
#354	1	0		
St. James, N. Y. #386	1	18	0	12
<b>District No. 13:</b>				
Chicago, Ill. #46	28	5		
St. Louis, Mo. #53	0	1		
Chicago, Ill. #95	2	1		
Chicago, Ill. #94	12	5		
Oak Park, Ill. #104	12	1		
Beloit, Wisc. #164	1	0		
Chicago, Ill. #203	1	0		
Chicago, Ill. #204	5	0		
Chicago, Ill. #205	0	1		
Waukegan, Ill. #218	1	0		
Peoria, Ill. #234	1	0		
Alton, Ill. #304	2	0		
Chicago, Ill. #523	0	1		
Chicago, Ill. #580	1	2		
Glenview, Ill. #388	1	0		
New Chapter —				
District Credit	16	81	0	15
<b>District No. 1:</b>				
Atlanta, Ga. #1	0	3		
Birmingham, Ala. #3	1	0		
Savannah, Ga. #5	0	1	2	5
<b>District No. 2:</b>				
Miami, Fla. #14	0	1		



Our membership trophies: 1st, 2nd and 3rd. They will be properly inscribed with the names of the winners and awarded at special meetings.



Similar plaques will be awarded to the winners of our membership drive in the name of districts and chapters with the largest returns.

Tarpon Springs, Fla.				
#16	1	1		
Orlando, Fla. #161	2	0		
Clearwater, Fla. #356	2	0		
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.				
#394	3	8	0	2
<b>District No. 3:</b>				
Charlotte, N. C. #3	1	0		
Baltimore, Md. #30	1	0		
Winston-Salem, N. C.				
#32	2	2		
Lynchburg, Va. #134	2	0		
Hopewell, Va. #155	1	0		
Annapolis, Md. #286	0	1		
Fredericksburg, Va.				
#290	2	0		
Alexandria, Va. #370	8	17	1	4
<b>District No. 4:</b>				
Philadelphia, Pa. #26	1	0		
Harrisburg, Pa. #64	3	1		
Chester, Pa. #79	1	0		
Clarksburg, W. Va.				
#96	0	1		
York, Pa. #322	4	9	0	2
<b>District No. 5:</b>				
Newark, N. J. #52	0	2		
Camden, N. J. #69	1	0		
New Brunswick, N. J.				
#75	2	1		

Jersey City, N. J.				
#108	3	2		
Atlantic City, N. J.				
#169	1	0		
Hackensack, N. J.				
#285	10	1		
Dover, N. J. #300	5	22	3	9
<b>District No. 7:</b>				
Springfield, Mass.				
#85	0	0	1	1
<b>District No. 8:</b>				
Lynn, Mass. #50	0	2		
Brockton, Mass. #57	0	2		
Worcester, Mass.				
#80	1	1		
New Bedford, Mass.				
#101	2	0		
Marlboro, Mass. #105	2	0		
Clinton, Mass. #362	0	1		
Webster, Mass. #376	2	7	0	6
<b>District No. 9:</b>				
Biddeford, Me. #252	2	2	2	2
<b>District No. 10:</b>				
Detroit, Mich. #40	3	0		
Toledo, Ohio #118	1	0		
Lansing, Mich. #142	1	0		
Muskegon, Mich.				
#213	0	2		
Battle Creek, Mich.				
#214	0	1		
Benton Harbor, Mich.				
#292	7	0		
Detroit, Mich. #371	9	0		
Dearborn, Mich.				
#374	2	23	0	3
<b>District No. 11:</b>				
Akron, Ohio #65	3	2		
Warren, Ohio #88	7	1		
Steubenville, Ohio				
#92	7	4		
Weirton, W. Va.				
#103	6	1		
Dayton, Ohio #113	6	0		
Middletown, Ohio				
#209	3	32	0	8
<b>District No. 12:</b>				
Hammond, Ind. #123	2	0		
Anderson, Ind. #198	4	6	2	2
<b>District No. 14:</b>				
Minneapolis, Minn.				
#64	3	1		
Sioux City, Ia. #191	0	1		
Mason City, Ia. #207	1	0		
Duluth, Minn. #267	0	1		
St. Paul, Minn. #270	4	0		
New Chapter —				
District Credit	16	24	0	3
<b>District No. 15:</b>				
Kansas City, Mo.				
#73	1	1		
Oklahoma City, Okla.				
#240	2	1		
St. Joseph, Mo. #378	1	1		
New Chapter —				
District Credit	68	72	0	3
<b>District No. 16:</b>				
Hot Springs, Ark.				
#338	0	0	1	1



Let us make time in '59

<b>District No. 17:</b>			
Denver, Colo. #145	1	0	
Albuquerque, N. Mex. #174	4	0	
Santa Fe, N. Mex. #264	2	7	1 1
<b>District No. 19:</b>			
Boise, Idaho #254	4	4	0 0
<b>District No. 20:</b>			
Los Angeles, Cal. #152	0	1	
Phoenix, Ariz. #219	4	5	
San Diego, Cal. #223	2	1	
San Bernardino, Cal. #302	2	0	
Hollywood, Cal. #318	4	4	
Long Beach, Cal. #342	7	19	0 9
<b>District No. 21:</b>			
San Francisco, Cal. #150	2	0	
Vallejo, Cal. #217	1	0	
Marysville, Cal. #228	0	1	
Modesto, Cal. #246	1	1	
San Jose, Cal. #251	0	1	
San Mateo, Cal. #392	2	6	0 3
<b>District No. 22:</b>			
Seattle, Wash. #177	0	1	
Portland, Ore. #154	0	2	
Victoria, B.C., C.J-16	1	0	
Anchorage, Alaska #379	3	3	0 3
<b>District No. 23:</b>			
Toronto, Ont., C.J-1	20	2	
Hamilton, Ont., C.J-3	4	1	
Montreal, Que. C.J-7	4	0	
Kingston, Ont. C.J-19	6	34	0 3
Grand Totals	395	97	

How does your chapter stand in this tabulation?

These results reflect all the applications which we have actually received at Headquarters. Some of our chapters have a disturbing habit of holding back mem-

bership applications until the very last minute. Please send in all new applications and reinstatements, plus the required fees, as soon as possible.

Many of the reinstatements sent in do not have a sponsor's name listed thereon. Unless we have this information, we cannot give credit to proper members.

The Membership Drive closes June 30, 1959 — we shall not accept for credit any new applications or reinstatements that are postmarked later than the above date.

Your chapter has sufficient time left for one big "push" for new and reinstated members. Let's get going!

### Are Membership Drives a Solution?

Most organizations whose numerical strength enables them to accomplish their programs and objectives, must constantly replenish their ranks and also stop to analyze their weaknesses and faults. This is progress. However, placing emphasis on membership drives alone does not bring the desired solution. Why not stop and ask what happened to almost 75% of members initiated into AHEPA since 1922? Possibly only 10% have passed away, what caused the remaining 65% to drop out?

Regardless of how poor or outstanding our national and district administrations may be, the problem always comes down to progressive, effective, capable chapter management! We have seen chapters barely "getting by," which, because of populations growth and potential should be the biggest in the country. On the other hand, chapters located in poor population areas are setting "the world on fire," expanding, progressing.

The responsibility rests primarily on chapter leaders who must train new, young, capable future administrators, whose objective should be "management." It is too much for us to hope that mature, responsible members can long remain active in a chapter bereft of top management and "sales promotion" abilities, filled with bickering, politics and personalities! Chapters should first look to themselves for the solution of membership weaknesses and not try to pin the solution only to national level.

N. P. LEVENDIS,  
Associate Editor.

### What Has Ahepa For Me?

A question that always seems to come up when the activities of the AHEPA are discussed is "What does the Order do for its members?" The answer, of course, is as varied as the number of members. I can only tell you the things I see in my brothers.

This includes: the glistening pride in a well-delivered speech; the quick laughs after a hearty joke; the quiet determina-



Supreme President Verinis presents Christ Stassis, President of San Diego Chapter, with a 25 year pin in recognition of his long and faithful service in behalf of the Order of Ahepa.

tion in a well-made point; the solemn meditation at a brother's passing; the cheerful chatter at a social gathering; the knowing noddings in a smoke-filled caucus; and the solid satisfaction in having life-long friends.

This is but a part of what we can find if we look at our AHEPA associations. But it seems that these moments may be as easily overlooked as the many things we do not take the time to see in our everyday life around us. These include: the sparkling rainbow in a soap bubble; the red oak doors on the local church; the stretching commotion of early morning traffic; and the restless quiet of urgent paperwork.

Sometimes the things we cherish most appear to be mere trivialities but they are our own and, in a very real sense, reflect wealth and our life's completeness. Summed up and understood, they give meaning and substance to the AHEPA injunction to "always practice brotherly love." — NICK KARALIKAS

### Hellenic Gems

THE ANCIENT Greek world was made up of a large number of little city states, which preserved their local independence. The independent spirit of the Greek people had a good effect, on the one hand, because it tended to foster free institutions and local self-government; on the other hand it retarded the permanent union of Greece.

THE PANHELLENIC GAMES. Chief among the Panhellenic Games were the Olympic Games held every four years in Olympia (near modern Pyrgos). The physical contests consisted in running, jumping, discus-throwing, javelin-casting, wrestling, boxing and sometimes in chariot racing. The competition was restricted to Greeks. The reward of victory was a wreath of olive leaves. The games also furnished a field for intellectual culture. Here poets recited their verses, painters displayed their pictures, and men of science explained their discoveries.



# THE PENELOPIAN



(From left): Elaine Pinkham, Nellie Koutsou-nikos, Mrs. William Kourakos, the Grand President, Roula Petropoulos, Mrs. Paul Patsalis, Helen Tsiales, Mrs. Ernest Pavlos. At the table: District Governor Georgia Tseckoures is pouring.

## Grand President Honored

The Daughters of Meander Chapter of Portland, Maine, had the pleasant opportunity of honoring their Grand President Evelyn Mickles at a tea, following a winter conference on problems affecting their Order. At the same time, all past district governors of District No. 9 were presented by District Governor Georgia Tseckoures who acted as the hostess in their behalf.

## Notice to Daughters

All members of the Daughters of Penelope who wish to subscribe to THE AHEPAN, may do so by remitting \$1.00 to Supreme Lodge Headquarters, 1422 K Street N. W., Washington, D.C.

## Gary Daughters' Style Show

The Annual Style Show by the Daughters of Penelope of Gary, Indiana, again proved a singular success. President Mrs. George Esfakis welcomed the guests who had filled the ballroom and mezzanine of the hotel to the standing room only capacity, and advised that all net proceeds were to be distributed among various local charities as well as to the District and National Scholarship Funds. Aid will also be given to St. Basil's Academy in Garrison, New York, and to the Penelopian Shelter for Girls in Athens, Greece, both sponsored by the Order.

A special project held in conjunction with the show netted sufficient funds to help the Chapter's "pet project," the Duncland School for Retarded Children.

Mrs. James Kontos and Mrs. Christ acted as co-chairmen of the Annual Style Show and the Card Party.



(From left) Seated: Past Grand President Zotaley, the Grand Governor, District Governor George; Standing: District Treasurer Mercury, District Secretary Bavis, Chapter President Mavrelis and District Advisor Mantis for the Maids.

## Grand Governor Phillips Feted

The social event of the season in Minneapolis was held last fall when the Daughters of Antigone Chapter, No. 35, elegantly attired and full of anticipation, gathered at a luncheon to honor their beloved Grand Governor of Zone No. 3 Myrtle Phillips. Under the personal direction of that mistress of poise and experience past Grand President Tula Zotaley, the event reached heights of true inspiration and sincere fellowship.

With the arrival of guests from St. Paul, Duluth, Waterloo and Mason City, the luncheon soon took the aspects of a miniature convention with echoes of warm greetings and other sisterly talk.

Toastmistress Zotaley contributed to the success of the event by executing the entire program with efficiency and decorum. Soloist Toni Bannis sang a special song of tribute to the honored guest. Chapter President Georgia Mavrelis presented her with an orchid corsage and a sterling silver serving fork. District Governor Bessie George contributed a beautiful silver bowl in behalf of the district.

Finally Tula Zotaley detailed the fine record of service of the honored guest and presented her with an "Aftabah" from India, as her own personal gift. This silver decanter is filled with rose water and traditionally the mother of the bride anoints her the night before the wedding, blessing her with good health and happiness.

The climax of this momentous occasion was reached when Grand Governor Phillips was introduced to the select audience. She thanked profoundly all her guests and acknowledged their gifts with humility, making a public pledge to redouble her efforts in the service of the Daughters of Penelope.

## Governor Julia Petterson Golden Gate District No. 21

Mrs. Julia Petterson has been an active member of Eos Chapter, No. 1 since 1934. By 1950 she was elevated to the presidency of her chapter and the same year served as general chairman of the San Francisco District Convention.



In 1953 she was elected district treasurer and in 1955 again served as general chairman of the Daughters of Penelope Supreme Convention in San Francisco. Julia has co-chaired the Daughters of Penelope National Scholarship Committee both in 1955 and 1956. In 1957 she was elected district secretary and the following year was elevated to her present office.

Sister Petterson is a native daughter of San Francisco, and has been for many years a public school teacher. She is a member of Mu chapter of A.D.K., which is a national honorary teachers' organization.

**Daughters of Penelope!  
Join Ahepa's Drive to Build a School  
at St. Basil's Academy — NOW!**

## Daughters Installations

**BUFFALO, N. Y.** — Katherine Cretekos, Lieutenant Governor of Empire State District No. 6, installed the newly elected officers of Pallas Athena Chapter, headed by President Katherine Konst, Editor of the Penelopian.

**NEW YORK** — Evryklea Chapter's officer, headed by President Alice Jasen, re-elected, were installed at a public installation by District Governor Ann Gallan.

**DALLAS** — Newly elected officers of the Terpsichore Chapter, No. 105, are headed by President Ola Brockles.

**ST. PETERSBURG** — Newly elected officers of the Aeneas Chapter, No. 210, are headed by President Sylvia Kapous.

**TRENTON, N. J.** — The newly elected officers of Altes Chapter were impressively installed by District Governor Helen Gianakopoulos and her entire District Lodge at a public ceremony. The officers are headed by President Cynthia Prassas. Past Grand Secretary Lillian Manetas, a dedicated Daughter, spoke on "Enthusiasm" and pleaded for an enthusiastic and active membership.





**AHEPANS AND DAUGHTERS** directing our 37th Supreme Convention at Hollywood (Front row): George Shanis, secretary; George Nachicas, treasurer; Andrew C. Angelson, general chairman; Amelia Kappas, secretary; Margaret Dauterman, general chairman; Anthony Aroney, Leon Argyros, Victor Adams, advisory board. (Second row): Nick Coulas, secretary; Stella Wells, co-chairman; Frances Speros, treasurer; Ella Syambolis, president, Adrasteia Chapter; Marion Shanis, chairman Fashion Show; Pantale Xanthos, president, Rose Bowl Chapter; George Courlas, president, Hollywood Chapter, treasurer. (Third row): Paris Tropides, chairman Greek Night; George Bratsis, co-chairman; Viola Charles, secretary; Michael Thames, president, Hesperia Chapter; Kay Bratsis, advisory board; Louis Tripodes, co-chairman; Olympia Thames, president, Alkan-dre Chapter, co-chairman; George Mavridakis, treasurer. We salute and congratulate General Chairmen Angelson and Dauterman and colleagues.

## GREETINGS FROM YOUR 1959 HOST CITY

Hollywood, the "cinema capital" of the world, together with Los Angeles, the "City of Angels," and Pasadena, the "City of Roses and Flowers," all are preparing a royal welcome for you. Particularly Hollywood is an ideal place to visit and offers a variety of interesting places to see.

The members of our Ahepa family in Hollywood, California, comprising all four Orders — Ahepans, Daughters, Sons and Maids — are working feverishly to present for our pleasure and enjoyment the most fabulous convention ever held in the annals of Ahepa.

To begin with Hollywood had hoped and planned for years for a Supreme Convention, so the success of this 37th annual session is a must with them. Add to this the fact that there is the full co-operation of *Hesperia Chapter*, with a record of many years of Ahepa leadership, and *Rose Bowl*, as energetic a younger chapter as you will find, and you have a committee membership literally living and breathing the 1959 Convention plans.

This 37th Supreme Convention of the Order of Ahepa will take place during the week of August 16 to 22, 1959. As Headquarters and center of activities we will use the fabulous Ambassador Hotel, which boasts every facility to please the most demanding taste.

### The Land of Make-Believe

Hollywood — the magic word enveloping that land of make-believe which has become a part of our daily living — so, of course, plans are made for sightseeing tours to the Homes of the Stars and a visit to a studio, plus a trip to the now famous Disneyland (special Ahepa Day there), making the fantasy and beauty of the Hollywood world appear before your eyes.

We all want every day of vacation time to count. Where else can this come true except in the southland where each summer day is one of favorable weather conditions and a week's holiday means seven delightful days. Great stretches of beaches are only minutes away so you can swim in the blue Pacific and acquire a California suntan, or picnic beneath the palms.

Church services will be held at the St. Sophia Cathedral of Los Angeles. A Minstrel Show by the Daughters and a Get-

Acquainted Party will welcome both delegates and visitors. Selection of the Ahepa Queen and her Court, a Grecian Soiree, a Spanish Fiesta, the Grand Ball and the Banquet, the Queen's Ball and the Youth Ball are among the highlights of the week.

The complete convention program will appear in a forthcoming issue of *THE AHEPAN* and each of you will be having mail from Hollywood with the exact dates of the three Grand Balls (Ahepa's, Daughters' and the Junior Orders') the Banquet (all at the Ambassador Hotel), the Greek Night (at the mammoth Shriners' Convention Hall), the golf tournament, the Olympiad and Daughters' Luncheon-Fashion Show at the Coconut Grove.

### A Family Convention

At this time, however, we want to stress the fact that this is one convention for the entire family. Yes, this is the ideal vacation-land but in addition Hollywood realizes that for years we have talked of keeping our youth interested in our activities. Our recent supreme conventions have held events for the "younger generation," so we have plans for the youth for each and every day plus the fact that there is one entire committee for child care so bring the babies, the children and the 'teen agers, for this is a convention for the FAMILY and your friends.

Andrew C. Angelson and Margaret Dauterman, the General Chairmen for Ahepans and Daughters, respectively, are heading a very able committee hard at work to present a convention worthy of the reputation in hospitality and perfection long enjoyed by our brothers and sisters of the West. Beautiful and colorful Southern California is getting ready to greet and entertain us. Make your plans accordingly.

Convention headquarters will be at the Ambassador (air-conditioned throughout), one of the world's most modern hotels. Nearby are many other facilities holding reservations for you but we urge you to write in early so the housing committee can make the selection of your choice. The address of the Convention Executive Offices: 2432 South Figueroa St., Los Angeles 7, Calif. Let us hear from you.

MYRA C. TELLEGEN, *Publicity Chairman*.



## CHAPTER NEWS



Governor Miller (third from left) congratulated by Supreme President Verinis and Toastmaster Lamberson, with four Mayors looking on: Harvey's Turngren, So. Holland's Van Der Giessen, Dolton's F. Kasten and Kankakee's Ed. Madven.

### District Governor Miller Honored

Following his elevation to the office of District Governor of Blue Ribbon District No. 13, George B. Miller, a successful businessman of Harvey, Illinois, was feted last fall at a sumptuous banquet attended by Ahepa dignitaries and friends from far and wide. The testimonial took place at the Harvey Moose Lodge, arranged by his brother Gust, Governor of the Lodge.

Supreme President Verinis sojourned to Harvey to congratulate the popular leader of the largest and most active district in the Ahepa Domain. It includes the States of Illinois, Wisconsin and part of Missouri. Other notables lauded the feted Governor for having contributed to the welfare and progress of his district, after having served his Chapter, Chicago Heights, of which he and his father are charter members. His wife, Lu, also active in the affairs of the Daughters, was present to share the honors.

In addition to the four mayors shown in the picture, there came to offer congratulations: Gary Mayor Chachakis; Judges Roszkowski of Gary and Kane of Harvey; Police Chief Romer; Tribune Editor Kerr, Superintendent of Schools Kingsland and Kichs; Community Presidents Falaris and Helopoulos; Reverend Fathers Selinos and Rexinos and, of course, Ahepa notables: past Supreme Secretary Giovan, past Supreme Counselors Ritsos, Pantelis and Belroy, past District Governors Anton, Tsoumas, Karakostas and Costulas.

There were also in attendance the entire 13th District Lodge: Lt. Governor Kangles, Deputy Governors Samios and Montzoures, Secretary Castones, Treasurer Curtis, Marshal Tomaras, Athletics Director Moshos, and Chapter Presidents

Fraggos, Collias, Berris, Stavrakas and Kineris.

The Daughters were represented by past Grand President Poppy Mitchell, Governor Victoria Katsis, Lt. Governor Pekras and many others.

It was an Ahepa affair with political overtones, considering the large number of city and state officials who came to express their best wishes to the head of Ahepa's largest district and a progressive and active fellow-citizen.

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### Our Supreme Vice-President Reports

I just got back from District No. 16 tour on which I visited and spoke at Houston, Dallas, San Antonio, New Orleans and Charlotte, North Carolina, with stop-overs in Waco and Austin, and the 19th day of February, I had the pleasure of initiating Price Daniels, Governor of the State of Texas, into the mysteries of the Order of Ahepa. There were six chapters represented numbering 20 members. The Governor was very complimentary of Ahepa's success and prestige.

The general impression of all was that the visit was invigorating and response to the membership drive was very certain. It goes without saying that every turn that I made, I appealed for funds for the Ahepa School. Collections were taken up and will soon be mailed to Headquarters. Enclosed herewith find four checks, receipts for which will be sent to those who mailed them.

I have been on the road constantly since the second week in January with visitations at Pittsburgh, Canton and Flint, Michigan. I am scheduled for March and will write to you as visitations are made. The encouraging trend that I notice in all my visitations is that in 90% of the chapters, young men are leading them. This is a healthy sign regardless of what others may say.

GEORGE E. LOUCAS,  
*Supreme Vice-President*



Mayor Jarvis being presented the Gold Cross by Ambassador Liatis in the presence of Senator Bridges (left), Representative Merrow (center) and Senator Cotton. Best wishes, Mayor!

### Mayor Jarvis Decorated

Mayor Andrew Jarvis of Portsmouth, New Hampshire, was recently honored by King Paul of the Hellenes for his long and faithful contribution to close friendship existing between the United States and the Greek Governments. At a solemn ceremony held at the Greek Embassy in Washington, Ambassador Alexis S. Liatis presented the Mayor with the Gold Cross of the Royal Order of the Phoenix in behalf of his King.

In addition to the Embassy staff, the ceremony was witnessed by Senators S. Styles Bridges and Norris Cotton and Congressman Chester E. Merrow; Mrs. Jarvis; their daughters Catherine and Mrs. Adams with Mr. James Adams; Chester Wiggan and Edmund King, assistants to the Senators.

In making the presentation, Ambassador Liatis alluded to their long friendship since the time he was serving as Greek Consul in Boston and congratulated the good Mayor for his contributions, "which had been far and beyond the usual call of your Greek ancestry. It is for me," concluded the Ambassador, "a privilege and a pleasure to hand you the Insignia of that Decoration and the Diploma going with it."

Obviously moved by this singular honor, Mayor Jarvis readily responded that "this award has come to me as a great surprise and I only hope I am worthy of the privilege."

Andrew Jarvis' record as a member of our Order has been long and distinguished. A charter member of Samuel Gridley Howe Chapter, No. 38, of Boston, he joined back in 1923 or one year

after the Order was founded in Atlanta. At the Supreme Convention held in Boston in 1931 he was elected Supreme Treasurer and re-elected the following year in San Francisco. He joined the first Excursion to Greece, which, at his insistence, was carried on the Greek Flag SS BYRON of the Greek Line. In spite of objections from his Supreme Lodge, he withdrew \$26,000 from the Madison Trust Company of New York just one month before that bank went into receivership and thus safeguarded hard earned funds of the fraternity.

Mayor Jarvis' activities are replete with public service for community and nation. He is a distinguished member of the Portsmouth Hellenic community and does credit to all of us who claim Greece as our ancestral home and heritage. We salute the new Commander of the Royal Order of the Phoenix and wish him many more years of happiness and service.

### Long Island's Popular Lundy

James A. Lundy, since 1953, distinguished member of Long Island Chapter, No. 86, is now serving as chairman of New York's State Public Service Commission, appointed by Governor Rockefeller.



The new chairman has been in the thick of politics, on the Republican side, for a decade. Yet he has not an enemy in the world. And the record would seem to attest to the esteem in which he is held.

Queens Borough President for 3 years, he was defeated for re-election in 1957. Last fall, standing for State Controller, he failed of election but immediately was offered his new job as the most qualified to keep the consumers happy and the utilities satisfied. During World War II James Lundy served as head of the Office of Price Administration in Queens. He believes in hard work, has a talent for organization and excels in sales approach.

### Deep South on the March

SPIROS J. ZEPATOS, now observing his 40th anniversary as owner and operator of *The Arcade Restaurant* in downtown Memphis, Tenn., was recently elected to a second term as president of the Tennessee Restaurant Association. He has been outstanding for his interest and activity in community, church and AHEPAN affairs for almost half a century.

Southern Hellenic Youth are entering the learned professions. JOHN JOHANNIDES of Fayetteville, N. C., has just

completed his course at the Law School of the University of Virginia. DEMETRIOS PREKAZES, affianced to Miss Caliope Dorizas of Jackson, Miss., is completing his internship as surgeon at the Vicksburg Hospital. WILLIAM GREGORY PAPPAS, son of Gregory Pappas of Eufala, Ala., has entered upon the practice of medicine at Selma, after having rendered outstanding service as Captain in the Air Force Medical Corps. ANTHONY PAPPAS, son of John Pappas of Jackson, is studying electronics and nuclear physics at Georgia Tech, where he is making an outstanding record in that field.

N. CHRISTOPHER,  
*Associate Editor.*

### JOIN OUR CURRENT DRIVE

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Help your Chapters with new blood  
Help yourselves with prizes



### News From Zone 3

District No. 8 — Samuel Gridley Howe Chapter, Cambridge, held Smoker-Glendi for Benefit St. Basil's Academy.

Clinton Chapter held 10th Annual Glendi at Town Hall.

Acropolis Chapter, Haverhill, held an open house anniversary dance.

The District Bowling Season opened in Peabody-Danvers with 30 Ahepans representing 5 chapters taking part. Art Hatgis, Peabody, won first prize; Chris Lekas, Worcester, won second prize and Chas. Frangos, Peabody, third prize.

District Governor Arthur Lagadinos was honored with a testimonial last February in Worcester. Arthur has devoted many years to Ahepa. A past Supreme President of the Sons, he was honored by the attendance of Supreme President Verinis, past Supreme President Thevos, Supreme Treasurer Vrotsos and Congressman Donahue.

Lowell past president Arthur C. Antonopoulos was named "Outstanding Young Man of 1958" by the Greater Lowell Chamber of Commerce and was honored at an awards banquet.

Also, Lowell's Soter G. Zaharoolis was reappointed to State Industrial Accident Board by Governor Furcolo. Present at

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

November 22, 1958

### ARMED FORCES DAY, 1958

Over the past decade, Armed Forces Day, the third Saturday of May, has become an important date in the calendar of the Nation. In the annual observance of this day, it is a privilege to join my fellow citizens together with the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, their reserve components and auxiliaries.

Assisted by national, State and local civil authorities and organizations, every effort will be made to increase public understanding of the role of our Armed Forces as a defensive shield serving in partnership with friends around the world. Toward this end, I know that the members of the Armed Forces will discharge their responsibilities with pride and purposefulness.

Armed Forces Day 1958 provides an opportunity for our people to demonstrate their belief in the constructive "Power for Peace" -- to which the Armed Forces of the United States are totally committed.

*Dwight D. Eisenhower*

the ceremony was Wm. Tsaffaras, State Department of Commerce Research Director.

Haverhill Acropolis Chapter presented the annual "Man of the Year Award" to Wm. Lucas, president of the Community for outstanding services.

Joint installation of officers of Ahepa Family of Greater Boston was held last February, at the Ahepa Home, in the presence of Supreme President Verinis, Supreme Treasurer Vrotsos, Supreme Governor Pappademas, Grand President Evelyn J. Mickels, District Governor Lagadinos and Marshal Yphantis.

Arthur C. Hasiotis was installed as president of Athens Chapter, No. 24. Christopher J. Christopher as president of Samuel Gridley Howe Chapter, No. 37.

Lowell's Annual Winter Dance was held last February 20th at Dracut, Mass. District Convention of Ahepa and Auxiliaries will be held June 19 to 21 with Webster Chapter, No. 376, as host.

Brockton-Byron Chapter, No. 37, installed its officers headed by Napoleon J. Fields as President.

More than 700 people attended the Lawrence Ahepa Annual Dance last February. Chairman Milton Felides and his committee did an outstanding job and their efforts were crowned with success.

District Governor Lagadinos, Lt. Governor Georgeson, Marshal Kottis and Peter Halekas installed the Fall River and New Bedford officers at Dartmouth, headed by Wm. Felides and Anthony Kavelakas. More than 125 attended and the speaker stressed the Lagadinos scholarship aid and the Ahepa School at Garrison, N. Y.

District No. 9 — The Nashua Ahepa

ans and Daughters feted their past presidents last March at the Ahepa Club.

Nashua President Tim Pananos announced that plans are near completion for the combined Districts 8 and 9 conference to be held May 17 in Nashua. Supreme Vice-President George Loucas will be the main speaker.

Attorney Ted Barris of Portland (Longfellow Chapter President) was recently commended by Municipal Court Judge Wernick for assisting in prosecuting cases for the county. The county court is overloaded and understaffed. Though there is no financial remuneration for this assistance, Barris is always happy to render service to his community. Many times in the past he has served as chairman of various community drives.

Based on my personal experience as chapter and district officer, I find that we lose too many new members.

#### Our People in the News

Attorney Nicholas C. Contakos was named to a \$4,404.00 per year post on the Lowell, Mass. election committee.

Lou Tsiropoulos, Boston Celtics star, left this month for his trip to Europe under the auspices of the State Department.

Boston born John E. Rexine, instructor in the Classical Languages at Colgate University, was awarded a Danforth Teacher Study Grant for 1959-60. One of 75 selected from nationwide competition, he will do graduate work at Harvard.

Thomas A. Pappas, well known Boston financier and industrialist, has been elected a member of the Board of Directors of Twentieth Century Fox Film Corp., it was announced by Spyros Skouras, President.

Gus Triandos, Baltimore baseball star catcher, was honored by members of St. George Greek Orthodox Memorial Church of Springfield. Michael Pagos was master of ceremonies.

Nicholas G. Cockinos, West Peabody, was honored by the General Agents and Life Managers Association of Boston as "Man of the Year" for outstanding performance in the service of life insurance during 1958.

John Eliades, Ayer, Mass., owner of Top Hill Farm, was among three Bay State Farmers selected to represent the state in the New England Green Pastures in Winter contest.

Costa Asimacos, West Medford, Mass., has been chosen to help set up a typical American Supermarket as a United States exhibit in a Barcelona, Spain, Trade Fair this summer. He will set up the meat operation. Asimacos is associated with the First National Stores as district superintendent.

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New Hampshire State Representative Peter S. Karagianis was host to Harold E. Stassen following a Great Decisions dinner in Laconia recently.

Nick Peckos, popular Bostonian, is president of the newly formed Narragansett Sales Northern, Inc., beer distributors. Nick has considerable experience in this field and we all wish him the success he deserves.

STRATIS DOUKAS,  
Associate Editor

### The Maids Report

Miami, Florida — Hurricanes Chapter, No. 100, have put out a 1959 calendar as a money-making project. All girls appearing on the calendar must be elected by the chapter, after having been sponsored by a business association for \$25.00.

The calendars sell for \$1.00 each. Chapters or persons wishing to purchase a calendar may mail a remittance to 100 S.W. 26th Road, Miami.

The Hurricanes also gave their annual membership tea Sunday, March 1, and invited 18 new prospective members to join our Order.

#### Maids-Sons Activities

Camden, New Jersey — Demetra Chapter, No. 35, organized a spring dance, to be joined by both Maids and Sons, a weekly Saturday night bingo game at the American Hellenic Orthodox Center and hayrides. Both Maids and Sons are competing to see who will have the largest membership by June. Come on, Sons of Camden, the Maids have already initiated three new members.

#### Maids Help District

New Brunswick, New Jersey — Iphigenia Chapter, No. 35, has just concluded a bake sale. Because it was such a success, the Maids are having another one in May and will send the proceeds to their District Treasury. They also had their Valentine Dance last February. Other activities include bowling to polish up for the coming bowling tournament at the District Convention in Atlantic City next June.

#### Awards to Maids Excelling

Past Grand President Adeline J. Lambros has made available incentive awards first, second and third — to be awarded for various outstanding achievements as outlined in Grand President Joan Pompos' bulletin of last January. Many thanks to a most gracious lady.

#### Maids Plan Visits

District No. 6 is planning a bus ride to West Point in May and a good time is expected by all. Various chapters in this district are also planning a visit in June to St. Basil's Academy to see the Ahepa Hall for Boys.

DENISE TOMARAS,  
Assistant Editor, Maids



(From left) District Treasurer and Mrs. Asimos, Governor Tom Barbis, Mayor and Mrs. Christopher, and Mrs. Barbis were among the many dignitaries attending Spiron Tentis officiated.

### News From Zone 5

SAN FRANCISCO — Golden Gate Chapter, No. 150, held its first formal Grand Ball in many years last January, at the plush and sophisticated Village in San Francisco. It was indeed the high spot in the winter social season of the entire Bay Area, and proved to be very successful. The entire Village was decorated with the Ahepa theme, and the committee made excellent preparations. It was something new and proved to be an affair that will be given again next year. It was preceded by many private cocktail parties given by members throughout the Bay Area.

Committee chairman for the Grand Ball was Spiron Tentis, vice-chairman, George Ladas; members: Nick Verreos, George Hontalas, District Treasurer Andrew Asimos, John C. Vlahos, Peter Roosakos, James Roukes, Gus Gianikas, Nick Koutis, Peter Kireopoulos, Steve Themis, Nick Loumos and Angelo Mountanos.

PITTSBURG, CALIF. — The Contra Costa Chapter, No. 259, at a recent election elected new officers for 1959. They are headed by President Stephen Letrich, who is a past District Governor.

MARYSVILLE, CALIF. — Installation ceremonies were conducted by Marysville Chapter, No. 228, last January at the new Ahepa Center. District Governor Tom Barbis with his District Lodge installed the newly elected officers headed by President Nica Malas. Refreshments were served afterwards.

At the time the new Center was dedicated District Governor Barbis alluded to the ancient common place AGORA, where the Greeks assembled to discuss and solve their civic problems. "Here," he said, "our Marysville brothers, dedicated to the ideals of our Order, have built a center as a symbol to education, progress and charity."

VALLEJO, CALIF. — Solano Chapter, No. 217, had elections recently, and the new officers elected are headed by President Mike Ioakimides. This chapter has been revitalized in the last few years, and is now one of the most up and coming chapters in District No. 21.

ANGELO MOUTANOS,  
Associate Editor

THE AHEPAN

# GEORGE PAPPADEMOS: The Most Happy Fella!



Honored guest surrounded by his colleagues on the Supreme Lodge: (from left) Canada's Vice-President Ghikadis, Toastmaster Sardonis, Secretary Doukas, Governor Pappademas, President Verinis, Counsellor Plumides, Treasurer Vrotsos, Chairman Chouramanis and President Boyatsis.



Honored guest surrounded by friends: (from left) Chapter President Boyatsis, Chairman Chouramanis, Mayor Jarvis, Governor Pappademas, past Supreme President Demeter, Supreme President Verinis, past Supreme President Booras, past Supreme Counsellor Eliades, President-elect Panonas.

Last January all Ahepa roads led to Nashua, New Hampshire. For the local Ahepa family was giving a testimonial to one of its favorite sons, George J. Pappademas, past chapter and district officer and now serving as Supreme Governor. Organized by the local chapter of Nashua, under the direction of Lt. Governor Angelo Chouramanis and his worthy co-chairman Edith Makris, and toastmastered by past District Governor James Sardonis, who mixed expediency with wit and tact, this glittering gathering proved one of the most enjoyable events of this current season.

Colleagues, fellow Ahepans and friends came from near and afar to do honor and pay their respects to a most happy fella, who has been serving our fraternity with zeal and enthusiasm and is always at the beck and call of local and national officers whenever there is a job to be done.

As Supreme President Verinis, the principal speaker, said: "George has been an outstanding leader in this great North-

ern New England District No. 9. His industry, interest and devotion to the aims and purposes of our organization, could lead only in one direction — upwards. His colleagues are happy to welcome him on the Supreme Lodge and are honored by his elevation."

The Supreme President was preceded by many other speakers who praised the character and integrity, the hard work and the accomplishments in behalf of Ahepa of George Pappademas and pointed to the honored guest as a dedicated Ahepan servant. Mayors Andrew Jarvis of Portsmouth and Mario Vagge of Nashua spoke of their long association with George; past Supreme Presidents Harris Booras and George Demeter praised his devotion to Ahepa ideals; his colleagues, Canadian Vice-President Ed Ghikadis, Secretary Kimon Doukas, Treasurer Michael Vrotsos and Counsellor John Plumides congratulated him and wished him greater success and progress. Excursion Commander Socrates Sekles alluded to the many services rendered by George at recent Supreme Conventions.

Then local leaders proceeded to shower George with gifts as an expression of their affection for him: a briefcase from District No. 9 by Governor Sukalas; a Hi-Fi set from his chapter by President Boyatsis; an engraved plaque from the committee by Lt. Governor Chouramanis; a personal gift from the Daughters by co-chairman Edith Makris; and a copy of his Manual by past Supreme President Demeter. With the exception of Supreme Vice-President Loucas and Grand President of the Daughters Mickles, who were unable to join the festivities, there were in attendance: past Supreme Counsellors George Eliades of Lowell, Louis Dukas of New York and William Bellroy of Chicago; past District Governor of District No. 6 and now of Burlington Soc Zolotas; past Grand Governor

Elaine Pinkham of Manchester; past District Governors George Papadopoulos and John Dimtsios, both of Nashua, George Brickbates of Saco, Chris Costarakis of Dover, Stratis Doukas of Portland and many other present and past officers of Ahepa.

Supreme Governor Pappademas accepted all these tributes with humility and expressed his gratitude to his wife, his mother and all his friends for helping him to achieve this distinction. It may not be known widely, but George has been operating since 1947 an establishment of cleaners servicing six routes on the usual credit terms. In 1953 he switched to cash-and-carry and, of course, to prosperity and has been the most happy cleaner ever since. He was featured in the October issue of the American Drycleaner, a national monthly with over 55,000 circulation.

Peter Agris, the public relations director of the Boston Convention and vice-president of Boston Chapter, and John Makris covered this delightful testimonial for Boston's Hellenic Chronicle.



Captain Demetrios Sigalas, ever the good host and the genial Master of his good ship, welcomes on board Bishop Photios of Cyprus, who travelled to this country on the TSS OLYMPIA.



Supreme President Verinis with Metropolitan Ezekiel of Australia and Greek Line representative in Chicago Lakis Vassiliadis bidding Bon Voyage to a Goya Pilgrimage on TSS OLYMPIA.

## Australian Visits U. S.

We recently had a visit from Brother Anthony Janis, a governor of *Athenian* Chapter, No. 1, of Melbourne, Australia. He has been touring the United States for the past five months, and has participated in many Chapter functions and initiations.

"The purpose of my visit to Supreme Lodge Headquarters," declared Brother Janis, "is to bring you the personal regards and good wishes of Supreme President Basil Logus in Australasia, as well as fraternal greetings from all Australian Ahepans."

Brother Janis, a 7 stice of the Peace in Melbourne since 1950, informed us that there are approximately 800 Ahepans in Australia; the Supreme Lodge Headquarters is in Melbourne. There are over 70,000 Greek-Australians in the Commonwealth, of whom 20,000 live in Victoria.

The Ahepans and the community in Melbourne own jointly the "Delphic" building, where they hold their meetings and maintain offices. Last year's national convention was held in Sydney. Supreme President Basil Logus can be contacted at 62 Swanston Street, Melbourne, Va., Australia.

## The Order of Ahepa In Australia

For the information and interest of members of the Ahepa who in their business and travels will visit Australia, following is some information concerning Australian Ahepa activities.

The Supreme Lodge of Australasia is composed of the three Grand Lodges of Queensland, Victoria, and N.S.W. The address of the Supreme Lodge of Australasia is 62 Swanston Street, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.

There are at present 16 chapters of the Ahepa and Daughters of Penelope under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Lodge of Australasia. Brother Basil Logus, the Supreme President, has written to the Supreme Lodge as follows:

"More than once we have discussed at our National Conventions the desirability of visiting you, but each time we came to the conclusion that financial reasons precluded this for the time being. This country (Australia) of late has become of interest to American tourists. Several ships brought tourists recently from the States. May we hope that at some not far day we may be privileged to see a number of Ahepans coming our way?"

Let us always think of the Ahepa Family as a living chain of love, joy and hope that we all may live just as we should in peace and happy Brotherhood. — SKEPSOU, District #16.

## We Proudly Present

We are happy to present to our Ahepa family the newly added links to the long Ahepa chain: GATEWAY TO THE WEST Chapter, No. 395, of Greater St. Louis, Mo.; LINCOLNWOOD Chapter, No. 396, of Lincolnwood, Ill. and HIBBING Chapter, No. 397, of Hibbing, Minn.

Welcome to our family, dear Brothers, and may the Good Lord give you strength and wisdom while serving your fellowmen.

## Have You a Story to Tell?

The following letter was addressed to the members of our Portland Chapter by its very able secretary George S. Poulos. This letter tried to meet a problem common to all our Chapters throughout the Ahepa Domain. We are reprinting it so that those of our readers who for one reason or another do not attend their meetings will make an attempt to drop in once in awhile and see how the other half is faring.

*"The exact date was July 26, 1922. Eight men got together in a little schoolhouse down in Atlanta, Georgia and decided they had a story of their own to tell. Having come to the United States from Greece some years previously and after having become naturalized citizens, they wanted all people living here to meet and become acquainted with the immigrant Greek, his native born children, and get to understand each other better.*

*"It required an organization to put over this message and to bring about this social relationship which thus far had been completely lacking. They formed themselves into a fraternal group, elected their officers, incorporated under the laws of Georgia and chose the name of American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association or 'Ahepa'.*

*"Ahepa, the word which has become synonymous with brotherhood, best explains the reason for the existence of our great fraternity. The main idea was one of education in brotherhood, leading to the ultimate goal of progress in our mutual endeavors. We had to educate the people with whom we were living so that they could accept us in good faith. We were here to stay, to live and work with them for a better life in this country.*

*"The response of our people and their efforts were so great that Ahepa now holds an enviable position among all great organizations and enjoys respect and acclaim from several governments.*

*"Lately, however, the membership has been fit to sit back and rest on its laurels. This, of course, can lead to stagnation*

## Miss Greece In Long Beach



Miss Callimopoulou with (from left) President Peter Magaloulis, District Governor Nick Barbutis, District Secretary Gus Sellas, Lt. Governor Frank S. Rhodes and District Advisor Nick Litras.

Miss Marily Callimopoulou, the Miss Greece of 1958, was the guest of our Long Beach, California Chapter, No. 342, during her stay there while participating in the *Miss Universe* contest.

The Long Beach Chapter always plays host annually to the Miss Greece entry. It builds and decorates the float in which Miss Greece rides during the inaugural day parade for the contest. Chapter President Peter Magaloulis was in charge of arrangements for the float this year.

During her stay, Miss Callimopoulou was the guest of the chapter at luncheon and other activities held with a Greek atmosphere. She was also the recipient of many gifts presented to her by the chapter and other Greek-Americans of the community. — G. A. MALLIARAS

*and then the same battles will have to be fought over again and the work of 37 years will have been to no avail.*

*"Are you one of these brothers who is content to rest on his laurels? Have all the reasons that inspired you to join this fraternity gone into thin air?"*

*"Do you not miss the old times and the fun that we enjoyed at our unforgettable affairs. (Can you forget the tears that we shed when we attended a brother's funeral?)"*

*"Your unexplainable absence from our meetings has us puzzled as we miss you. Have we offended you? If so, allow us the opportunity to make amends. It may be that pressing business or family commitments, or difficulties of another nature have kept you from taking an active part in our chapter's work. Won't you please try to work it out so that you can attend our next meeting? Your chapter misses you and needs you.—GEORGE S. POULOS*

We have yet to see a more succinct and meaningful statement on the duties of an Ahepan, both as to membership and attendance. Warmest congratulations to Brother Poulos.

## On Board the SS OLYMPIA



Renowned playwright Tennessee Williams and Oscar recipient Katina Paxinou as guests of John L. Goulandris in the ever popular Taverna.

### They Gave a Party

The hospitable members of the Upper Manhattan Chapter of New York, under the presidency of Connie Orfanos and the chairmanship of P.P. Arthur Voyer, held a party in honor of Commander Sekles, Vice-Commander Georgiades, Grand President Mickles, and other Excursionists on the eve of their departure for Greece. Full details in the next issue.

### Grand Governor Kampos Dined

The Daughters of Alcmene Chapter, No. 27, of Baltimore, Maryland, held recently a testimonial dinner in honor of their Grand Governor of Zone I, Ruth Kampos. The dinner was well attended by many Daughters and Ahepa notables: Adeline Nicholas, National Advisor to the Maids of Athens; Claire Cuyulis, President of Helice Chapter of Brooklyn; Nicholas Cuyulis, District Advisor of Empire District No. 6.

Mrs. Ruth Kampos is serving in the office of Grand Governor for a second term, having been re-elected at the Boston Supreme Convention.

### They Have Adopted An Orphan

Our Benefit Party for our adopted orphan was both a social and financial success and we have paid the Foster Parents' Plan for our orphan's support for the next year and a half.

Greece has so many orphans in need of help that we feel it should be the goal of every chapter of the Daughters of Penelope to adopt an orphan through the Foster Parents' Plan and thus do their little bit towards making the world a better place to live in.

Thetis Chapter, No. 245, of New York has had an adopted orphan for the past seven years and we have to continue this worthy cause for a good many years to come. The committee responsible for the success of our Benefit Party, under our able President Elizabeth Kolybaris comprised Dena Zessi, Elizabeth Kolybaris and Paula Vasilopoulos co-chairmen, and Anne Quintano, Mary Ginnis, Bertha Karter, Evangeline Cof-

## Bon Voyage!



Supreme Governor Pappademas (right) wishing Bon Voyage to Commander Sokrates Sekles of the 1959 Ahepa Family Excursion to Greece

### Second Excursion to Greece



Commander Manz, Captain Sigalas and V. P. Vasiliadis conferred on board their good ship

Following this month's Ahepa Excursion to Greece, the SS OLYMPIA of the Greek Line will carry a second Excursion on her departure from New York May 6th. It was recently announced by the Federation of Micrasiatic and Thracian Societies of United States and Canada that its past Supreme Vice-President Paul A. Manz will be the commander to lead his brothers and their families to an Easter Pilgrimage to Greece.

Paul Manz, a member of our Alpha Chapter, No. 40, of Detroit, has long been active in fraternal and civic affairs both locally and nationally and is well suited for the job. Owner and operator of a printing concern, he served with credit in the counter-intelligence corps of the United States Army during the war and subsequently held a number of important government missions.

Those Ahepans who were unable to depart on our April 10th Excursion may now join the Micrasiatic and Thracian Pilgrimage and thus partake of all social functions offered by the government and the local authorities.

Please contact Paul Manz at 506 Monroe Avenue, Detroit, or write to the Greek Line or its local agents. There is still time for reservations.

finas, Persy Coronis, Mary Andrews and Ourania Venetis, members.

PAULA VASILOPOULOS

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 30, 1959

Dear Mr. Verinis:

It was good to learn of the plans for the 1959 Ahepa Excursion to Greece. This is a fine example of the work your organization is doing in strengthening the historic bonds which unite the citizens of our country and Greece.

To those who are taking part in this Excursion, I send a hearty "bon voyage" and best wishes for a pleasant and meaningful visit. I know that each one of them will be an effective ambassador in carrying to the Greek people the good will and friendship of us all.

Sincerely,

Mr. C. P. Verinis  
Supreme President  
Order of Ahepa

## Our Late Archbishop on the SS OLYMPIA



The late Archbishop Michael of North and South America was a great connoisseur of Byzantine Holy Icons and Byzantine Art. He was among the first to visit the Byzantine Art Exhibit of rare Icons in the Olympian Art Gallery on board the palatial liner OLYMPIA two years ago. He viewed with great interest the exhibits and expressed his congratulations to the artists and the New York Manager of Greek Line Ami Vasiliades, standing behind him.

### A Record Excursion

According to preliminary figures given out by the Greek Line, this year's Ahepa Excursion to Greece established a record in attendance — over 1000 reservations.

The Greek Government is preparing a most enthusiastic reception and a large number of activities are awaiting our pilgrims to Hellas. See our next issue for a complete coverage.

# AHEPA IN SPORTS

By JOHN MANDROS, National Athletic Director

Two grid standouts, CHARLES MARGARITAS, Junior Quarterback, and NICK HASSAPES, Senior End, paced their Marlboro High School to the 2nd consecutive state championship in a row. The school boasts of a 24 game winning streak, longest in the state and the lads played an important part in this season's victories. - ALEX KARRAS, 1957 All-American from Gary, Indiana, played tackle for the Detroit Lions, while his brother, TED, who is an Indiana U. grad,



**Lou Tsioropoulos**

An All-American basketballer from Lynn, Mass., Lou is the only native New Englander and the only Greek-American in the National Basketball Association. His remarkable ability to play either offense or defense has made him a tremendous asset to the Boston Celtics. The past two seasons, his was the unhappy task of usually guarding the scoring star of the opponents and playing the boards, but he still sports a remarkable total of 14.7 points per game.

While attending Kentucky University, Lou was on the championship team of 1953-54 which turned in a 25-0 seasonal record. Not always limiting his athletic ability to one sport, he was selected to the All-America High School Team as a hard running halfback.

Lou has had many rewarding experiences in his career, but there are two that he will always cherish. At the Boston Supreme Convention last year, he was unanimously selected as the "outstanding Greek-American athlete of the year." Tsioropoulos was also designated as one of the Americans going abroad to the Near East, as a good will ambassador for the United States.

played guard with the Pittsburgh Steelers this past season after a brief Army sojourn. They followed in the footsteps of their older brother, LOU KARRAS, a graduate of Purdue U., who played his pro ball with the Washington Redskins back in 1951. - GEORGE KAFTAN, former Holy Cross University basketball sharpshooter and a member of the pro New York Knickerbockers, is now a dentist. - JOHN MELLEKAS of Newport, R. I., and a grad of the Arizona U. eleven, has returned to the professional Chicago Bears after a stint in the Army.

Post season football games provided us with several grid gladiators of Hellenic descent: EMIL KARRAS, tackle from Dayton University, played with the eastern squad at San Francisco, Calif. in the Shrine Bowl and with the north team at Mobile, Alabama in the Senior Bowl classic. He was the second draft choice of the Washington Redskins. - DEAN DANIGELIS, halfback from Muskegon Heights, Mich., and CHOLAKIS



**Dennis Margaritis carrying the ball.**

Dennis Margaritis is a former president of Altis Chapter, No. 90, Sons of Pericles, of Jamaica, N. Y. During 1958 he was selected as the all-city back of all New York City High Schools for the period 1957-1958. Now a student at Wagner College, he played on the freshman team.

Dennis starred on the Stuyvesant High School team for three years, was also active in baseball and was highly regarded as a student. He comes from a very active Ahepa family. His father, Daniel J., was this year elected Vice President of the "Operation Fraternalism" Chapter, No. 86, of Jamaica, N. Y., and has been scoutmaster for 6 years at the St. Demetrios Church. His mother, Marina, is an officer of Niobe Chapter, No. 140, of the Daughters. Congratulations all around.

lineman from New York, were members of the Syracuse grid team, which played in the Orange Bowl, while on the opposing team, BILL LEVONITIS, quarterback, was a member of the Oklahoma U. squad.

In the far west, GUS GIANULIAS, quarterback from Sacramento, Calif., was a member of the California Univ. squad which played in the Rose Bowl. This brings down the curtain of the 1958-59 football season.



**Steve Galios**

Fans across the nation are still talking about the amazing rise to fame of the 1958 Air Force Academy football team. One of the big reasons for the Falcons' surprising climb to football fame was the play of Steve Galios, bruising 195-pound fullback from Napa, Calif. The driving force in the Academy backfield, Steve led all ball carriers with 527 yards in 116 carries and scored 8 touchdowns.

Galios' performance on the gridiron is even more spectacular since he did not even start the first five games of the season. During the 1958 spring practice, Head Coach Ben Martin was quick to spot Steve's potential as a fullback, and wasted no time in making the change.

The hard running Galios opened the season against Detroit as a fullback. In mid-season he was promoted to the starting eleven, a slot he held for the remainder of the campaign. His running ability was summed up by Martin when he said, "You never see Steve on his back. He always gets that extra yard with his power." He was voted the "Most Valuable Back" and was presented a wrist watch by the Air Force Times. He is graduating this June.





### Our Mailing List

Sir:

Now that our members for the first time in years have a monthly magazine, they are aroused to the fact that they aren't getting their copies. In times past, when each issue came out three or four times a year at the most, they didn't know it would arrive and didn't care.

We now have over 27,000 plates, including over 300 deceased members and about 3,000 delinquent members. It is the responsibility of one man at our Headquarters to keep the list up-to-date. If not satisfied, we must either take on additional help, which we cannot afford, or train a new personnel, which will take time.

We have been mailing "strip lists" to our chapters. These lists must be checked, corrected and mailed back as soon as possible. Besides, Reinstatement, Transfers and Membership Applications must be filed with the Headquarters without delay. They must be accompanied by the proper fees.

I appeal to all Chapter Secretaries to get on the ball and straighten out their records — if they wish their membership to be happy and well informed — and for their own peace of mind!

GEORGE J. LEBER,

Executive Secretary.

### Handbook Praised

Sir:

We were tremendously impressed by the Officers' Handbook just received. Congratulations for a job well done. It fills a need for the guidance of Chapter officers upon their election each year.

PETER T. KOURIDES,

Past Supreme Vice-President.

WILLIAM A. VASILIOU,

Past Supreme Governor.

PETER T. CONOM

Secretary, Seattle, No. 177.

P. G. KATAVOLOS,

Secretary, Cleveland, No. 36.

### They Add Their Mite!

Sir:

It gives me double pleasure to enclose our check for \$300 as Bronx Chapter's partial payment on its obligation to Ahepa's School at St. Basil's. Adhering to your request for a contribution of at least \$5 per member, we will forward the remainder at the very first opportunity.

NICHOLAS ANAGNOSTAKOS,

Secretary, Bronx, No. 175.

If you don't know where you are going, any road will take you there. — GREEK PROVERB

### Re: Hellenic University

Sir:

I first joined Ahepa as a Son of Pericles in Lancaster when only 14 years old. After I graduated in Ahepa, I went to Greece on our first excursion in 1938. I have been teaching history for a number of years and naturally was interested in the plan submitted to our Boston Convention for an Hellenic University.

I am not in favor of such an institution. It is unnecessary. Its financial resources would be inadequate. I realize the prestige value for our people. However, Greek chauvinism should not be reason enough for a university, particularly when some of our other foundations and institutions barely exist.

Financial problems beset most colleges and universities today. Just as serious would be the setting up and development and accreditation of our university. I would rather have the financial contributions of American Hellenes go to our Theological Seminary, whose need is so great and whose function should be excellent in every respect.

LEON J. AGOURIDES,

Rider College, Trenton, N. J.

### Hollywood Streamlined

Sir:

This year Hollywood hosts the Ahepa's of the domain in the Thirty-seventh Annual Supreme Convention. It will be the prime concern of Hollywood to present a social program of which the El Camino Real District #20 will be forever proud, a schedule of events so lavish as to be worthy of the Cinema Capital of the World, but it is the duty of the incumbent Supreme Lodge to see that neither the glitter of Hollywood, nor the exuberance of the participants in any way obscure the basic reason for the Convention: to cope with the current problems, and legislate efficiently for the good of the Order; the Convention Program is their baby!

FRANK S. RHODES

Editor, El Camino Real

To make sure you receive your magazine regularly, please mail your correct address to Headquarters, 1422 K Street N.W., Washington 5, D.C.

### We Lack Program

Sir:

Based on my experience as chapter and district officer, I find that we lose too many new members because we offer no orientation or constructive program to interest newcomers.

After we initiate candidates, we fail to impress them as well as future prospects sufficiently to keep them interested and active. We lack direction and purpose. We have no continuity in office or policy.

Politics plays a part in that and apathy plays a greater part. Are we then conducting our fraternal affairs as we would conduct our business? The sooner we learn from past experience the sooner we will rise from obscurity and mediocrity and thus carry out the goals and the ideals of our glorious heritage.

STRATIS DOUKAS,

Associate Editor.

### New York for Headquarters

Sir:

Many suggestions can be made to help further the Good of our great Empire District No. 6, which is close to my heart. On the top of our program is the building of an Ahepa Home in New York City.

A very good suggestion was made by many of our members that New York City should be considered by the Supreme Lodge for its National Headquarters and in this way we of New York can have an Ahepa Home and the Order nationally will be served much better from this cosmopolitan city.

This project should be given serious thought by our Ahepa leadership for the growth and expansion of our organization and its members.

GUS CHERINAS

District Governor No. 6

### Maids to the Rescue

Sir:

When I was elected Grand Vice-President of the Maids of Athens, I was also appointed Assistant Editor but received no material from any of the Maids' Chapters nationwide. It became very disappointing. Therefore, I issued a bulletin to all Maids' Chapters, requesting them to submit news of their activities.

I now can fulfill my duties and you will be hearing from me regularly.

DENISE TOMARAS,

Assistant Editor.

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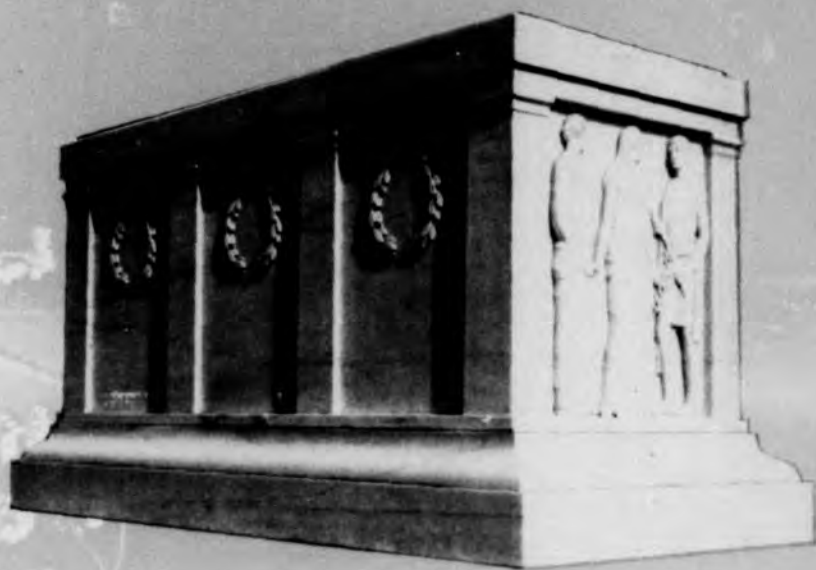


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*"May their courage inspire the living,  
and their sacrifices not be in vain."*

# PROGRESS REPORT

By C. P. VERINIS, Supreme President

We have prepared for information and guidance, a very brief report on some of our activities and progress made thus far this year.

**Executive Secretary** — Following the Boston Convention, the Supreme Lodge secured the able services of George J. Leber, of Wichita, Kansas, as Executive Secretary. He had previously served the Headquarters as Executive Secretary of the Sons of Pericles and Associate Editor of THE AHEPAN.

**Public Relations** — We have been constantly forwarding material to our District publications and to the public press, covering all national activities of the Fraternity.

**Cyprus Question** — We are proud of Ahepa's contribution towards the final achievement of freedom for Cyprus.

**Headquarters Efficiency** — We purchased a bookkeeping and accounting machine, which has speeded up crediting receipts from the Chapters and has eliminated hand operations in use since the founding of the Fraternity. This \$8,000 investment is self-liquidating since we were able to reduce our payroll sufficient to offset this added cost.

**Kardex System** — Another cumbersome and painstaking project, undertaken by Headquarters, is the bringing up to date of our Kardex System. We found some 40 chapters whose records had not been included therein and making space for them. This required going through every record of the entire membership, eliminating records no longer needed. The work has been in process since last Fall; it is expected to be completed within the next few months, giving us an active file of our members.

**Correspondence** — We are pleased to state that all letters and inquiries are handled efficiently and promptly with replies in most cases within a day or so.

**Magazine** — Since January, THE AHEPAN is being published on a regular monthly schedule, with Supreme Secretary Kimon A. Doukas acting as Editor. These monthly issues have served well towards bringing a closer relationship between our members, their Chapters, the Districts and your Supreme Lodge. The magazine mailing list is being brought up to date after several months of work in checking every individual record. A copy of our records has been sent to



each Chapter secretary for his checking and return for final correction.

**Christmas Seal Drive** — This annual drive, heretofore conducted by the Daughters of Penelope alone, was this year held jointly. The net proceeds were \$12,000.00.

**People-to-People Program** — In cooperation with the U.S. Information Office and the President's "People-to-People" Program, the AHEPA is preparing a history of contributions made to the progress of our country by Americans of Greek origin.

**Excursion to Greece** — Once more we conducted a successful Easter Pilgrimage to Greece. Details will be reported in the next issue of the magazine and in the report to the Hollywood Convention.

**St. Basil Medallion Drive** — For the first time an Easter drive was inaugurated to raise funds to build an Ahepa School at St. Basil's Academy. A medallion blessed by His Holiness, Patriarch Athenagoras I, Phanar, Turkey, has been mailed to the entire Ahepa family. It is hoped that the result will prove this to be a worthwhile means of fund raising. Those who may not have sent in their contribution yet are urged to do so.

**Revision of Ritual** — A committee has been appointed to study and recommend changes to our Ritual. Such changes will be submitted to the Hollywood Convention for action.

**Achievement Awards** — A committee has been set up to establish rules for awarding citations and plaques to outstanding and worthy recipients, such as Americans of Greek origin, newspapermen and publicists and honor graduates of Greek-American parochial, afternoon or Sunday Schools in the United States and Canada.

**Memorial Day Services** — We plan to lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery May 30, after which a brief ceremony will be held. Graves of Greek-Americans at the cemetery will be decorated, honoring the memory of their services to our country.

**Membership Drive** — Last year's drive was very successful, but present indications are that we will surpass that record this year. The campaign is being pursued through more personal awards, the Supreme President's Honor Membership Committee and the Battle of the Giants. We shall have the final results and present the awards at Hollywood.

**Constitution** — A new Constitution, including the Boston Amendments, was recently distributed. This is the first

complete constitution available in six years and provisions have been made for an annual revision at a very nominal cost.

**Officers' Handbook** — We have prepared and distributed for the first time a guide book for the use of Chapter Officers. We would appreciate comments and suggestions so that the next edition may be improved on.

**25 Year Pins** — A new pin for distribution to our 25 year members is now being manufactured, to replace the one now in use. A beautiful work of art in gold, red and blue, it will be shown for the first time at the District Conventions and will be available thereafter at a nominal price *through our Headquarters only*. Our Mother Lodge members will be the first to receive these pins.

**Ahepa Hall for Boys** — We are pleased to announce that the completed dormitory for orphan boys is now being furnished and formal dedication will take place at 1:30 P.M., June 14, 1959.

**Ahepa School** — Likewise groundbreaking ceremonies, signaling the commencement of Ahepa's greatest undertaking in this country, will be held the same day immediately after the dedication of the Ahepa Hall. Archbishop Iakovos and your Supreme President will officiate on this history making occasion.

**Sons of Pericles** — Our Junior Order has enjoyed its largest growth in many years and the report to the Hollywood Convention will show in detail the great progress made.

**Convention Minutes** — Just as there was no delay in the reporting of the Boston Convention, it is our intention to improve wherever possible the summary minutes and to make the verbatim minutes available even sooner.

**Emergency Fund** — During the current fiscal year there have been 290 death claims filed thus far, all of which have been processed and paid, amounting to more than \$50,000. There are only a few cases pending because the records are incomplete. As soon as all documents are filed at Headquarters, they, too, will be processed and paid.

**New Charters** — The present supply of charter forms has been exhausted. Consequently, a new, slightly smaller and more attractive charter has been designed. It will shortly be made available for distribution to new chapters and for replacement of mislaid, lost or mutilated charters.

Through the above brief summary we have tried to pinpoint some of our main activities thus far this year. We trust the report meets with your approval. We shall present the complete record to the Hollywood Convention, as is the custom of our Fraternity.



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## Editor's Corner . . .

"May it ever be our lot to never bring disgrace to this, our nation, by any act of dishonesty or cowardice, nor ever desert our suffering comrades in the ranks, but fight for the ideals and the sacred things of this nation, both alone and with many others, and revere and obey this nation's laws, strive unceasingly to arouse the public's sense of civic duty and transmit this nation greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."

LET THESE IMMORTAL WORDS ring true in our hearts and our minds. Let them be our guide for the present and the many days to come. We must hold by our ideals and refuse evil compromises. The future will ever shine bright for our entire Ahepa family and the communities we serve.

WE PARTICULARLY THANK the Editors and Publishers of our Press throughout the nation for their attitude in the current crisis. Instead of letting panic and hysteria overcome common sense and good judgment, they have singled out Ahepa as a hallmark of service and a bulwark of things to come. No single individual can affect or steer her course — not for long.

SUPREME PRESIDENT VERINIS reports briefly on some of our activities and progress attained so far. This summary should be read at the next meeting of every chapter. It will serve to remind us of the immensity of our activities carried on throughout the Ahepa Domain by the rank and file without monetary gain or even immediate reward.

OUR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE is coming to a close by the end of June. Chapter officers are especially urged to mail to our Headquarters the applications and the fees on hand as fast as possible — but before June 30th.

THE AHEPA DORMITORY at St. Basil's will be dedicated and immediately thereafter the ground breaking ceremony for the Ahepa School will follow Sunday, June 14. His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos and Supreme President Verinis urge all those who can to sojourn to St. Basil's Academy, Garrison, New York, and witness the epoch-making event. June 14th will write a new golden page in the Book of Ahepa.

OUR AHEPA EXCURSION to Greece under Commander Sekles and his able colleagues has been a great success. Glowing reports have been reaching us from Athens. We have once more demonstrated our respect and affection for our precious heritage; our loyalty and belongingness to our great land of America.

A SECOND AHEPA EXCURSION to Greece and Cyprus will sail Friday, July 24, from New York. Supreme President Verinis will lead the pilgrims to old Hellas and to the beautiful and famous island of Cyprus. From the new world to the cradle of democracy, greetings!

OUR 37th SUPREME CONVENTION will meet at Hollywood, the City of the Stars, from August 16th to August 23rd. Make plans to come and enjoy Greek hospitality, see the wonders of nature and attend the many activities our Brothers and Sisters are scheduling for our comfort and pleasure.

SONS EDITOR MELGARINOS has mailed us a report on Sons Activities. It will appear in the next issue. It is gratifying, yet so disturbing, that recently contributions have been coming in faster than space allows for them. Everybody seems to be interested in our monthly magazine now. It augurs well for the future.

OUR NEXT ISSUE will be bi-monthly. It will cover both June and July, in accordance with the Boston Mandate. Above all, we shall be able to give full coverage to membership, to the Ahepa projects at St. Basil's and to our District Conventions, most of which take place in June. And we promise to make every effort to include all material mailed to us from the beginning of the year, which for lack of space still remains in galley form.



ΑΡΧΕΛΟΓΙΑ

TO THE PIOUS FAITHFUL OF NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICA

*Give Be Unto You and Peace!*

This year both you and we celebrate the Resurrection with especial joy and exaltation. You have among you your new Archbishop, our venerable and dearly beloved Brother IAKOVOS. You have received him as a messenger of God and as an eminent representative of the Patriarchal See, a herald of its pronouncements. As our delegate in the United States, and to the Republics of the Western Hemisphere, he serves to bring closer together our country and the people of those nations. He also represents us among the churches with which we are in cordial contact.

We appreciate the gracious participation of all who attended the reception and enthronement of His Eminence. We acknowledge with happiness the expressions of confidence and devotion to the Ecumenical Patriarchate conveyed by the Auxiliary Bishops, the clergy and all the laity and have shared in your joy at the election and arrival of your Archbishop.

Beloved children, continue to walk in the light of the Resurrection and with reverence and wisdom and pride preserve the gifts that you now have: The New Testament; the language of your forefathers which is the language of the Gospel; the ritual retained as part of the tradition of our Orthodox faith which in its entirety is the strength needed for life; our religious, educational and welfare institutions; your allegiance to your country in the family of nations that collectively comprise the vast continents of the Americas.

Let us all now rejoice in the Lord as we celebrate this great feast and greet each other with the salutation "Christ is Risen." Let no one be deprived of the happiness that fills our hearts. Let us all share in works of Christian virtue and charity so that all people everywhere, participating in the fellowship fostered by love, may experience with equal fervor the divine blessedness of the Resurrection. Hope and salvation fill the world, for Christ has truly risen.

Ἐπισημὸν ἀναγγελλόμενον ἡμῶν ἐν εὐφροσύνῃ καὶ ἡδονῇ καὶ  
τῆ κοίτης ἐπὶ τῆς ἀποδείξεως τῆς ἡμετέρας

ἡμετέρας τῆς 1959.

*Handwritten signature and date.*

### Greek Orthodox Easter

The Eastern and Western Easters usually fall on different dates, although every few years they coincide, but not in a fixed pattern. This coincidence next occurs in 1960 when both Easters will be celebrated on April 17.

Differences concerning the date of Easter arose between the East and the West as early as the second century. The date of the Eastern Easter was finally fixed by the Council of Nicaea in 325 A.D. which decreed that thereafter Easter should be celebrated on the Sunday immediately following the first full moon occurring after the vernal equinox, but always after the Hebrew Passover, in order that consistency with the biblical sequence of events might be maintained, by which Christ was resurrected after the Hebrew Pasch.

The Greek Archdiocese, with 1,150,000 members and 575 communities in the United States, is the largest of the Orthodox Churches in America. It is under the jurisdiction of the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Istanbul, whose present Patriarch Athenagoras I was Archbishop in America from 1931 to 1949.

**CHAPTER VOTING STRENGTH AT HOLLYWOOD CONVENTION** — is based on the Per Capita Tax paid for the First Half of 1959. **DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MOMENT TO REMIT THIS TAX.** In event of an error on your part, your chapter may not receive full credit. **REMIT** all Tax payments immediately upon collection of chapter dues.

But above all, make plans to attend the grandest Supreme Convention in the annals of Ahepa — the 37th — in Hollywood, August 16th to 22nd, either as delegates or visitors. You will be most welcome!

### THE MEDALLION DRIVE

As of May 1st, 3082 contributions for a total of \$7,797.25 were received at Supreme Lodge Headquarters in response to our recent appeal for funds to complete the construction of the Ahepa School at St. Basil's Academy and thus redeem — finally — our pledge of 1935 to our Church.



Every member of the Ahepa family — Ahepans, Daughters, Sons and Maids — every one who has received a medallion blessed by His Holiness Patriarch Athenagoras — should respond generously to this final appeal. Do it now. The breaking ground ceremony will take place June 14th.



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## WE WELCOME HIS EMINENCE ARCHBISHOP IAKOVOS

Primate of the Greek Orthodox Church

And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men. — ST. PAUL.

April 1, 1959, will remain indelible in the minds and hearts of our people in this country — indeed, throughout North and South America. For it was on that day that His Eminence, Archbishop Iakovos, Primate of the Greek Orthodox Church, was enthroned with all the splendor of our Byzantine rites, underlined and overtone by the sincere love, the boundless hope and the everlasting loyalty of millions of Greek Orthodox communicants who in person or in spirit paid the traditional fealty to their new spiritual leader.

It was on that day of April 1st when Archbishop Iakovos ascended the revered and exalted Throne of his Archbishopry in the ancient Cathedral of the Holy Trinity in the City of New York in the presence of his Auxiliary Bishops and his Clergy, the officers and members of the many communities throughout the land and the "blessed Christians of His Archdiocese."

Standing beneath the historic dome of the Cathedral, he humbly offered glory, praise, honor, thanksgiving and adoration to our merciful and everlasting Triune God, Who in His infinite goodness looked down upon him with tolerance and called him through the Holy Synod of our Ecumenical See to succeed great and worthy prelates who had served the Archdiocese before him. And he humbly and in the presence of his flock, "bore witness to the fact that as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be forever, Christ the King shall reign from this Throne."

It was a great spectacle and those who were present shall bear witness to the last days of their lives, when they repeated with him the Ancient Logos:

"Let us now stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the Gospel, and in nothing terrified by our adversaries; having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind, doing nothing through strife or vainglory, but in lowliness of mind let each of us look not on his own things but on whatsoever things are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, of good report; wherever there be any virtue and wherever there be any praise." (Phil. 1:27, 2:2, 4:8)

### Followed by a Banquet

The enthronement at the Cathedral was followed in the evening by the Enthronement Banquet at The Waldorf Astoria, where communicants from near and afar came to pay their respects and to declare their affection to His Eminence, Arch-

bishop Iakovos. An overflowing attendance filled the public halls and corridors of this renowned hostelry and impassionate speeches by leaders of government, of the Church and of social agencies and national societies resounded in confirmation, in praise and in affection.

"The presence here tonight," declared Attorney General of the United States, Honorable William P. Rogers, representing the President, "of so many prominent leaders of different faiths and different backgrounds is itself a most impressive demonstration of the deep respect that is felt for Archbishop Iakovos and for the Church which has given him such awesome new responsibilities — in leadership and spiritual guidance of more than seven million people in North and South America . . ."

"For the Greek Orthodox Church," he continued, "is recognized today as one of the major faiths in our country. It is an old and venerable church. Dating from the very birth of Christianity, it has survived, with its tradition and sacredness intact, through twenty centuries of every trial and tribulation known to man."

And Attorney General Rogers concluded: "Archbishop Iakovos brings to his new assignment a keen insight and understanding, not only of moral and religious concepts, but of law and justice. And this is of vital importance, for there is no greater force working for peace than the yearning of people everywhere for freedom, justice and religious tolerance."

### A Procession of Clergy

The ceremony at the Cathedral began with a procession of 250 persons escorting the Archbishop from Second Avenue and Seventy-fourth Street into the church, half a block east. In the formation were about twenty-five Bishops, in black robes and veiled hats, not only of the Greek church but also of the Syrian, Armenian, Russian, Carpatho-Russian, Serbian, Albanian, Bulgarian and Rumanian Orthodox Churches and the Coptic Church. American Protestant churchmen marched with them.

Archbishop Iakovos wore a purple cape, gold stole and black kallimaffi, or veiled hat. He carried a golden staff carved with a pair of serpents, representing evil, surmounted by the Cross of Christ.

At the Banquet, among the many speakers, including the Ambassador of Greece, Honorable Alex Liatis; Spyros P. Skouras, who acted as toastmaster; Peter Kourides, who spoke in behalf of the Cathedral; Thomas Pappas of Boston; Bishop Getmanos, the Patriarchal Vicar until the election of the new Archbishop, and many others, there was one speaker who eloquently praised the humility and the wisdom of our Primate and brought tears to the eyes of many of his hearers. Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill, President of the World Council of Churches, warmly welcomed



Above: Athens Chapter Pres. F. Karteris eulogizing Archbishop Iakovos at a reception-tea, given in his honor.

Left: Speaker, U. S. Attorney General William P. Rogers.

Right: Scenes from the Parade, the Daughters marching up, and Supreme President Verinis with Ambassador Liatis and New York Mayor Wagner taking the salute.

his colleague to the Primacy of the Greek Orthodox Church and congratulated his communicants for their good fortune to have such a kind, generous, wise and understanding spiritual leader.

Our people flocked to New York from all parts of the country to participate in this historic occasion. They came from California and Chicago and points south. But primarily, they came from New England, where Archbishop Iakovos spent his younger years as priest of parishes and then as Dean of the Boston Cathedral and the Theological Seminary.

#### The Ahepa Banquet

Two days later, Archbishop Iakovos was the special guest of the New York Ahepans at their 138th Anniversary Greek Independence Banquet given again at The Waldorf-Astoria under the auspices of the Empire State District No. 6. District Governor Gus Cherevas acted as toastmaster and National Trustee Gus Nicholas served as chairman of the committee on arrangements.

His Eminence spoke with feeling about the great issues dividing the people of the world and condemned the atheistic tendencies of the communist states whose leaders have imprisoned the minds and poisoned the hearts of the people. He urged his fellow Ahepans — he made it a point to remind his audience that he was a member in good standing of the Boston Chapter — to worship God in simplicity and humbleness and help their fellowmen "with the love that is kind, that envieth not, seeketh not its own, thinketh no evil but rejoiceth in the truth."

Representative Francis E. Dorn spoke most eloquently about the teachings of history, which had a beginning in the wise men of Athens, and alluded to the great heritage of old Hellas, of which we are the proud descendants. He congratulated his fellowmen of Hellenic antecedents and assured His Eminence that he would be ready to help in his heavy responsibilities in every way he could.

#### The Heroic Outlook of the Greeks

Grand President Evelyn J. Mickles praised the "Greek Heroic Outlook," which has permeated the hearts of Greeks for centuries, even before Christ, and has enabled them to survive and to succeed. And she concluded, "it is this Heroic Outlook that we the Daughters of Penelope dedicate ourselves to, and wholeheartedly wish to maintain."

Finally, Supreme President Verinis expressed his pleasure at being present in New York "where so many of us and practically all of our fathers first set foot on this great land of freedom not too long ago, here . . . in the shadow of the United Nations standing as a great beacon light of freedom for all the world to see."

The Supreme President traced in bold lines the evolution of Hellas and of the Greek people throughout the centuries and praised the courage and the sacrifices of the heroes of 1821 who

chose freedom and death rather than slavery and life and finally made us free. He concluded: "Ahepa has used and shall continue to use its great resources — directing all its efforts in what America stands for: Equal and Exact justice to all men — and shall always stand for freedom and what it represents in all its categories."

Two weeks later, Archbishop Iakovos blessed the Parade that flowed through the great avenues of New York in commemoration of the Greek War of Independence and standing in front of his Cathedral accepted the salute of the descendants of Souli and Messolongi, of Patras and Sparta and Athens and all the other renowned places, hallowed by the blood and sacrifices of the people of Greece of 1821 and 1897 and 1940.

#### A New Spiritual Leader

Archbishop Athenagoras pacified the warring elements of the late twenties and thirties and established a foundation for the new Church in this new world. Archbishop Michael consolidated the gains and expanded the influence of the Church. Archbishop Iakovos will establish the primacy of the Orthodoxy among all equals of Christ's religion on earth. He will give leadership and spiritual guidance and will chart wider horizons for all Christians. His coming amongst us has opened a new era of Light and Faith and Hope. He deserves and we must pledge to him our loyalty and our affection, our faith and our support. Orthodoxy is the happy amalgam of Christian dogmas and ethics, on one hand, and Hellenic culture and traditions, on the other. Our new Archbishop is at the helm. *Grigorete!*

#### Feted in Athens

The Ahepans of Athens Chapter and the Daughters of Karyatides Chapter availed themselves of the opportunity when Archbishop Iakovos came to Athens on the way to New York to tender in his honor a dignified and affectionate reception attended by members and their families. The event took place at the Petit Palais Hotel, a most fashionable hostelry in the capital of Greece.

Speaking in behalf of Ahepans and Daughters of Penelope residing in Athens, Chapter President Frank Karteris expressed the warm congratulations upon the elevation to the Primacy of the Greek Orthodox Church of such a distinguished and learned clergyman and wished His Eminence, Archbishop Iakovos a most successful "poimantorian" in his new See.

The new chapter was formed last year in Athens following the mandate of the Boston Supreme Convention which extended Ahepa's jurisdiction to Greece, thus completing a full cycle of our brotherhood. Elections were held November 15, 1958, resulting in the election of Frank Karteris as president and his colleagues to hold office for a year in accordance with our Constitution. Elias Kontanis is the Secretary. They meet in the finely appointed rooms of the Greek-American Cultural Institution, Panepistimion 57, Athens.





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The swimming pool — free to the delegates and their families.

### AN OPEN INVITATION

TO THE ENTIRE AHEPA FAMILY —  
*Ahepans, Daughters, Sons, Maids,  
Fraternal Greetings and Felicitations!*

**Come to Hollywood. Visit with us August 16th to August 23rd. Linger a little longer and enjoy everything — the Convention, the parties, the social affairs, your friends and brothers.**

**We open with prayers to God for his mighty blessings. We hold a reception. We celebrate with a Greek Glendi. We have the Grand Balls and the Grand Banquet and the Farewell parties.**

**Our Honorary Chairman, Pete Pitchess, the Sheriff of Los Angeles County; His Honor the Mayor, Norris Poulson; our own Spyros Skouras; the Right Reverend Bishop Demetrios of Olympou; the President of Trustees of St. Sophia Cathedral Spiros Ponty — they are all working with your fellow Ahepans and sister Daughters to make this 37th Supreme Convention the grandest and most enjoyable in the annals of Ahepdom.**

**Come and visit with us. Make your reservations. The fabulous Ambassador Hotel is our Headquarters. Write to us at: 2432 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles 7.**

**Until August 16th, God Bless You and Yours.**

**Faithfully and fraternally,**

MARGARET DAUTERMAN  
*General Chairman*

ANDREW C. ANGELSON  
*General Chairman*

The famous Coconut Grove — where the Queen will be selected.



## Our 37th Hollywood Convention

Our Hollywood 37th Supreme Convention Committee has selected PETER J. PITCHESS, Sheriff of Los Angeles County, as honorary chairman. A brother Ahepan, he has been a member of Hollywood chapter for several years.

As under-sheriff in the extensive California county, he won great respect in the various communities for his work for and with the youth centers. When Sheriff Biscailuz reached the age of retirement and a general election was held, Peter won with an even more overwhelming vote than anticipated. He has since received continued acclaim for his supervision of the department and his great interest in all civic activities. We salute Peter J. Pitchess as an admirable citizen, a worthy official, an outstanding brother Ahepan and the 1959 Supreme Convention honorary chairman.

### The Ambassador Hotel

Some of you have made inquiries regarding the Ambassador, Ahepa and Daughters convention headquarters. A word regarding this modern and beautiful hotel is appropriate at this time. Situated on magnificent Wilshire Boulevard, the Ambassador is conveniently located for access to all areas and the several freeways.

The hotel and bungalows are surrounded by spacious lawns and terraces so there is a feeling of privacy yet public transportation is continually available and extensive parking areas are provided for car owners. Within the main building, there are modern shops, bank facilities, restaurants, etc.

The several ballrooms and assembly rooms will make it possible to have all business and social activities at the convention headquarters.

Other hotel and motel reservations have been made in the immediate vicinity and the housing committee believes that all of you will have the accommodations you desire. Locations and rates will be mailed to you in the very near future.

### Our Sub-committees

The welcoming committee, headed by our two district governors, NICK BARBOUTIS and ANN RHODES, will have representatives meeting all trains and planes August 15, 16 and 17, so that you will be with friends from the moment of your arrival in the southland.

Hollywood's special events chairman, NICHOLAS COULAS, has continuous activities arranged for visitors and the Ahepa Day at Disneyland promises to be a never forgotten highlight of the week. Express busses are scheduled from the Ambassador and guides will be provided at Disneyland so that the entire family may have just one thought — a grand time!

All convention meetings and all social events will be held under one roof — in the famous Ambassador Hotel — except the Grecian Soiree (Greek Night to you) which will be held at the Shrine Exposition Hall — the largest and most commodious hall in the city. You will meet under ideal conditions — in comfort and relaxation at all times.

### A Queen Will Be Selected

One of the special features — the most exciting and outstanding event of our Convention — will be the selection of a Queen and Her Court — a Beauty Contest — Hollywood style — open to all girls of Hellenic descent, single within the age bracket of 17 to 25, sponsored by an Ahepa Chapter, Daughters of Penelope Chapter, or by an individual Ahepa or Daughter of Penelope.

Five Judges — representatives of the Movie Industry and the official family of our city — will select the Queen and Her Court (two Princesses) at a Reception and Cocktail Party arranged for this event in the famous Coconut Grove of the Ambassador Hotel on Monday afternoon, August 17, 1959. The Queen will be crowned at the Grand Ball on Wednesday evening, August 19, 1959. (Continued on next page)

## MEMBERSHIP DRIVE ENDS JUNE 30th

All entries for our current membership drive must be forwarded to our Headquarters not later than June 30, 1959. Entries postmarked later than midnight, June 30, will not be given credit for the Drive.

All entries must be complete, accompanied by both fees and applications for proper credit.

There is little over a month left before the close of the Drive, sufficient time for a last final "push" on the part of everybody. All prizes will be awarded at the Hollywood Supreme Convention in August.

The battle between our two "Giants" — Districts Six and Thirteen — has evened up somewhat with scores of 88 and 103, respectively.

District No. 6	New	Reinstated	Total
New York, N. Y. #25	0	2	2
New York, N. Y. #42	3	4	7
Yonkers, N. Y. #51	3	0	3
Rochester, N. Y. #67	2	4	6
Jamaica, N. Y. #86	0	3	3
Elmira, N. Y. #111	0	1	1
Newburgh, N. Y. #115	5	0	5
Poughkeepsie, N. Y. #158	3	1	4
Bronx, N. Y. #175	0	2	2
Troy, N. Y. #306	5	1	6
New York, N. Y. #354	1	0	1
St. James, N. Y. #386	1	2	3
New York, N. Y. No. 186	45	0	45

TOTAL 88

A few Districts have poor representation so far. However, this may be due to the fact that so many chapters hold back their Membership and Reinstatement Applications until the last minute. Please send in all fees and Applications as soon as possible. This will enable our Headquarters to announce the results that much sooner, as well as insure presentation of the many prizes at the Hollywood Convention.

The results as tabulated below are based on fees and Applications received in Washington by April 10th.

### District No. 13

Chicago, Ill. #46	28	5	33
St. Louis, Mo. #53	0	1	1
Chicago, Ill. #93	3	2	5
Chicago, Ill. #94	12	4	16
Oak Park, Ill. #104	12	1	13
Beloit, Wisc. #164	1	0	1
Chicago, Ill. #203	1	0	1
Evanston, Ill. #204	3	0	3
Chicago, Ill. #205	0	1	1
Waukegan, Ill. #218	1	0	1
Peoria, Ill. #234	1	0	1
Alton, Ill. #304	2	0	2
Chicago, Ill. #323	1	2	3
Argo, Ill. #337	2	0	2
Chicago, Ill. #380	1	2	3
Glenview, Ill. #388	1	0	1
New Chapter organized #396	16	0	16

TOTAL 103



Avalon Bay, Santa Catalina Island.



The Famous Ambassador Hotel

Our Supreme Convention Headquarters



Disneyland's windjammer "Columbia"

Many prizes will be awarded to the winner. The best of all, the lucky winner will receive in all probability a screen test — and who knows? This is the opportunity of a life time. Of course, the Queen and Her Court will participate in all functions and activities of the 37th Supreme Convention. Our lucky young ladies will be royally feted and entertained. Please pass the word around because we want as many young ladies as possible to vie for the glorious Queen's Crown.

At this time we want to express our sincere appreciation for the co-operation of our own 20th District. Our 15 chapters are showing great interest in the convention plans and the El Camino Real Editor, FRANK RHODES, is giving us an entire six page issue — yes, we will mail you a copy.

### Come to Hollywood

Remember, a royal welcome is awaiting you. Make plans now to come! It makes good sense to take the one vacation

that combines a Convention where history is in the making and the greatest variety of things to see and do.

Hollywood has so much to offer the convention visitor that we know you will want to linger on even after the week of August 16. We shall be more than happy if we can assist you and your family with any plans for this wonderful holiday. Los Angeles and Pasadena chapters are working so closely with Hollywood to make this one of the finest Supreme Conventions that we hope you will be with us to enjoy the event. Do let our co-chairmen, ANDREW C. ANGELSON and MARGARET DAUTERMAN hear that you and all your family will be here. The address of the executive offices is 2432 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles 7, California.

MYRA TELLEGEN,

Associate Press Chairman.

<b>District No. 1</b>			
Atlanta, Ga. #1	0	5	5
Birmingham, Ala. #3	1	0	1
Savannah, Ga. #5	0	2	2
Memphis, Tenn. #7	6	0	6
Jackson, Miss. #344	1	0	1

**TOTAL** 15

<b>District No. 2</b>			
Miami, Fla. #14	0	1	1
Tarpon Springs, Fla. #16	1	1	2
Orlando, Fla. #161	2	0	2
Clearwater, Fla. #356	2	0	2
Fort Lauderdale, Fla. #394	3	0	3

**TOTAL** 10

<b>District No. 3</b>			
Charlotte, N. C. #2	1	0	1
Baltimore, Md. #30	1	0	1
Winston-Salem, N. C. #32	2	2	4
Wilmington, Del. #95	1	0	1
Lynchburg, Va. #134	2	0	2
Hopewell, Va. #155	1	0	1
Annapolis, Md. #286	0	1	1
Fredericksburg, Va. #290	2	0	2
Alexandria, Va. #370	8	1	9

**TOTAL** 22

<b>District No. 4</b>			
Philadelphia, Penna. #26	1	0	1
Wilkes-Barre, Pa. #55	0	1	1
Harrisburg, Pa. #64	3	2	5
Chester, Pa. #79	1	0	1
Clarksburg, W. Va. #96	0	1	1
York, Pa. #322	4	0	4

**TOTAL** 16

<b>District No. 5</b>			
Newark, N. J. #52	0	2	2
Camden, N. J. #69	1	0	1
New Brunswick, N. J. #75	2	1	3
Jersey City, N. J. #108	3	2	5
Atlantic City, N. J. #169	1	0	1
Hackensack, N. J. #285	10	1	11
Dover, N. J. #300	5	3	8

**TOTAL** 31

<b>District No. 7</b>			
Springfield, Mass. #85	0	1	1
Pittsfield, Mass. #112	1	1	2

**TOTAL** 3

<b>District No. 8</b>			
Haverhill, Mass. #39	0	1	1
Lynn, Mass. #50	0	2	2
Brockton, Mass. #57	7	12	19
Worcester, Mass. #80	1	1	2
New Bedford, Mass. #101	2	0	2
Marlboro, Mass. #105	2	0	2
Peabody-Salem, Mass. #119	3	0	3
Clinton, Mass. #362	0	1	1
Webster, Mass. #376	2	0	2

**TOTAL** 34

<b>District No. 9</b>			
Biddeford, Maine #252	2	2	4

**TOTAL** 4



**Hurry, Hurry, Hurry!**  
**The Drive Ends June 30th.**  
**Send in Applications and fees.**

<b>District No. 10</b>			
Detroit, Mich. #40	3	3	6
Toledo, Ohio #118	1	0	1
Pontiac, Mich. #135	3	4	7
Lansing, Mich. #142	1	0	1
Muskegon, Mich. #213	0	2	2
Battle Creek, Mich. #214	1	1	2
Benton Harbor, Mich. #292	7	0	7
Detroit, Mich. #371	0	0	0
Dearborn, Mich. #374	2	0	2

**TOTAL** 37

<b>District No. 11</b>			
Akron, Ohio #63	3	2	5
Warren, Ohio #88	7	1	8
Steubenville, Ohio #92	7	4	11
Weirton, W. Va. #103	4	1	5
Dayton, Ohio #113	6	0	6
Louisville, Ky. #129	1	1	2
Middletown, Ohio #209	3	0	3

**TOTAL** 42

<b>District No. 12</b>			
Hammond, Ind. #123	2	0	2
Anderson, Ind. #198	1	2	3
Indianapolis, Ind. #232	0	1	1

**TOTAL** 6

<b>District No. 14</b>			
Minneapolis, Minn. #66	2	0	2
Sioux City, Ia. #191	0	1	1
Mason City, Ia. #207	1	0	1
Duluth, Minn. #267	0	1	1
St. Paul, Minn. #270	1	0	1
New Chapter (District Credit)	16	0	16

**TOTAL** 23

<b>District No. 15</b>			
Kansas City, Mo. #73	1	1	2
Wichita, Kansas #187	0	0	0
Oklahoma City, Okla. #240	2	1	3
St. Joseph, Mo. #378	1	1	2
New Chapter (District Credit)	68	0	68

**TOTAL** 78

<b>District No. 16</b>				
Hot Springs, Ark. #338	0	1	1	
				<b>TOTAL</b>
				1
<b>District No. 17</b>				
Denver, Colo. #145	1	0	1	
Casper, Wyo. #159	5	0	5	
Albuquerque, N. Mex. #174	4	0	4	
Santa Fe, N. Mex. #264	4	1	5	
				<b>TOTAL</b>
				15
<b>District No. 19</b>				
Boise, Idaho #254	4	0	4	
				<b>TOTAL</b>
				4
<b>District No. 20</b>				
Los Angeles, Calif. #152	0	1	1	
Phoenix, Ariz. #219	5	3	8	
San Diego, Calif. #223	2	4	6	
San Bernardino, Cal. #302	2	0	2	
Hollywood, Calif. #318	8	4	12	
Long Beach, Calif. #342	11	3	14	
Pasadena, Calif. #373	2	0	2	
				<b>TOTAL</b>
				45
<b>District No. 21</b>				
San Francisco, Calif. #190	2	0	2	
Fresno, Calif. #151	10	2	12	
Vallejo, Calif. #217	1	0	1	
Marysville, Calif. #228	0	1	1	
San Francisco, Calif. #235	0	1	1	
Modesto, Calif. #246	1	1	2	
San Jose, Calif. #251	0	3	3	
Eureka, Calif. #269	2	1	3	
San Mateo, Calif. #392	2	0	2	
				<b>TOTAL</b>
				27
<b>District No. 22</b>				
Portland, Ore. #154	0	2	2	
Seattle, Wash. #177	0	1	1	
Anchorage, Ala. #379	2	0	2	
Victoria, B. C. CJ-16	1	0	1	
				<b>TOTAL</b>
				6
<b>District No. 23</b>				
Toronto, Ont., CJ-1	23	6	29	
Hamilton, Ont., CJ-3	4	4	8	
Ottawa, Ont., CJ-5	2	1	3	
Montreal, Que., CJ-7	4	0	4	
Kingston, Ont., CJ-19	6	0	6	
				<b>TOTAL</b>
				50
<b>District No. 24</b>				
Regina, Sask., CJ-13	2	0	2	
				<b>TOTAL</b>
				2
<b>Grand Total of New and Reinstated Members as of April 10, 1959</b>				<b>667</b>

**AHEPA SCHOOL AT ST. BASIL'S** — Every chapter has been requested to hold its own fund-raising Drive for the AHEPA SCHOOL. We request complete co-operation in this important project, which must be finished this year. Send your chapter's contributions to the Supreme Lodge Headquarters as soon as possible.

A Medallion of St. Basil, the original of which was blessed by His Holiness Athenagoras I at the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Constantinople, has been mailed to every Ahepan and to every Daughter, with a request for a contribution to the Ahepa School. Urge your members to send their donations in as soon as possible if they have not already done so. The **AHEPA HALL FOR BOYS** is now complete — Let's finish the AHEPA SCHOOL this year.

## AHEPA HOSPITALS IN GREECE

In my capacity as permanent chairman of the Ahepa hospitals program in Greece, I have made a tour of inspection and with pride and satisfaction have found them overflowing and fully-dedicated to the health and comfort of the Hellenic people.

No greater contribution could have been made to Greece than these temples of philanthropy; for the sufferings of millions of people, in the cities and provinces, have been alleviated during the last 10 years of their operation and will continue thus daily for many generations to come.

The sum of five million dollars that we raised and spent for these institutions is very insignificant when compared to the greatness and nobility of this philanthropy. The healing of the sick is but one factor. The teaching of hygiene and preventive measures to the peasantry, through the media of the Health Centers and the mobile units in the provinces, is the most significant of all the services.

### Location of Hospitals

The central structure of the Evangelismos Hospital of Athens, the largest and oldest of Greece, is the Ahepa Pavilion, consisting of 580 rooms and wards. Its out-patient department administers to hundreds of poor people daily.

Here we shall now place additional plaques to honor the hundreds of benevolent donors who generously contributed thousands of dollars for the cause.

Another more up-to-date and completely equipped institution is the Ahepa hospital in Salonika. Its facilities, operating rooms, amphitheatre for medical instruction, laboratories and the training of nurses and doctors, are equal to the best found in America.

Then, there are the Ahepa Health Centers in the provinces, which are really small type hospitals equipped for every type of service. They are located in Chrysoupolis, Kalavryta, Meligala, Ierapetra (Crete), Thebes, Farsala and Filiatra.

### Visit Greece

The many excursions we have inaugurated bring annual wealth into Greece running into millions. The hospitals, agricultural schools, memorials, earthquake reconstruction and hundreds of benevolent contributions will really present a picture of an unending noble service to both Greece and America.

We are the greatest public relations agency between these two countries and we have here a tremendous reservoir of prestige, praise and grateful appreciation from their Majesties down to the humblest citizens.

The archaeological and historic treasures and landmarks of Greece are limitless and far superior in grandeur to those of the entire world. Every nook and corner of the Mother of Democracy and the arts is filled with history and archaeology. Those who thirst for life, spirit and rejuvenation can find it only in this land of the sages, heroes and demi-gods.

HARRIS J. BOORAS, Past Supreme President

### Follow the Leader

National Trustee Sam S. Nakos, of Birmingham, Alabama, has just contributed the sum of \$1,000 toward our project, the Ahepa School at St. Basil's. This is not the first time Sam has helped generously our Ahepa projects. We bet it will not be the last.

Sam has served our Order long and faithfully. He is currently acting as vice-chairman of our National Board of Trustees. May his latest generous deed find an echo in the noble and compassionate hearts of all of us. The orphaned children at St. Basil's will be the sole beneficiaries. And we will be the richer for the experience.

I expect to pass through life but once. If, therefore, there be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow-being, let me do it now and not defer or neglect it as I shall not pass this way again. — William Penn



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Vice-Comm. Georgiades, Daughters Comm. Evelyn Mickles and Commander S. Sekles.



The entire Excursion staff, headed by Commander Sekles, and many well wishers, headed by Supr. President Verinis.



Five Commanders: Maids' Pompos, Ahepans' Sekles, Olympia's Sigalos, Daughters' Mickles and Order's Verinis.

## Our 1959 Excursion To Greece

In the morning of April 10th a very large contingent of Ahepans, Daughters, Sons and Maids, with their families sailed from New York on the palatial Greek Line flagship OLYMPIA, commanded by that veteran mariner, Captain Dimitrios Sigalos.

Long before that day, caravans of excursionists with their families poured into New York from every part of the country and from Canada. They came a few days ahead of time to see the sights of our New York metropolis, visit with relatives and friends and also participate in the Bon Voyage party, organized for their pleasure and in their honor on the eve of the ship's sailing.

As in past years, the officers and members of Upper Manhattan Chapter No. 12, headed by President Constantine Orphanos and Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements Arthur Voyer, organized a Bon Voyage party in the spacious rooms of St. Moritz Hotel. All proceeds went to the Ahepa School at St. Basil's, as their contribution in this great campaign.

Quite a crowd turned out for the occasion and the program consisted of selections of songs and piano recitals, interspersed with short speeches by the commandery of the excursion and high officials of the Ahepa, headed by Supreme President Verinis.

Preceding the Bon Voyage party, Supreme President Verinis and Excursion Commander Sekles gave a small cocktail party at the Henry Hudson Hotel for the staff of the Commander, their immediate families and the members of the press. In addition to Supreme Secretary Kinson Doukas and National Trustee Gus Nicholas, who are New Yorkers, there came to bid the excursionists Bon Voyage George E. Loukas, Supreme Vice-President from Weirton, W. Va. and Michael Vrotsos, Supreme Treasurer from Boston.

Grand President Evelyn Mickles of the Daughters was accompanied by past Grand President Adeline Geo-Karis

Lambros, Supreme President Lee Millas of the Sons and Grand President Joan Pompos of the Maids were unattended. However, they were promised all the protection and care by the wives of Commander Socrates Sekles, Vice-Commander Aristides Georgiades, Secretary John Angelson, Treasurer Spyros Zepatos and special administrative assistant George Rodis. In addition, Captain Sigalos agreed to take under his wings all unattended young Sons and Maids and see to it that they enjoyed the trip thoroughly.

To be sure, according to advance information reaching this office, the weather

prevailing during most of the trip was very rough and naturally the social events scheduled on board were restricted considerably. Once, however, the excursionists like other pilgrims reached the hospitable shores of Mother Hellas all was forgotten and the whirl of receptions and other social events made every member of the Ahepa family who had joined the excursion quite dizzy. Even veterans of previous excursions were overwhelmed by the warmth and the fine hospitality shown by everybody from Government officials down to the plain citizens of Greece.

We expect to have full particulars of the receptions and social affairs given in honor of our excursionists in our next issue. We particularly expect to hear from Commander Sekles and his Co-Commander for the Daughters Evelyn Mickles, Banquet Chairman Spyros Zepatos, Excursion to Constantinople Chairman Aristides Georgiades and Charity Drive Chairman Mike Schooles.

### Ahepa Ritual Committee

Supreme President Verinis appointed the following to serve on a Ritual Committee: Peter C. Charubas, J. William Holmes, John T. Pappas, John A. Vlachos, Peter D. Chipouras, James G. Cokas, Ernest E. Demetaris, Dr. Harry S. Sembekos, John J. Charubas, Louis P. Mamiaris and George J. Leber.

An organization meeting was held last month in Washington, concurrently with the Spring meeting of the Supreme Lodge.

The purpose of this committee is to bring about a revision and improvement of the Ahepa Ritual. A comprehensive report will be submitted to the Hollywood Supreme Convention for appropriate legislation.

**PER CAPITA TAX** — Our fiscal year ends June 30, 1959. All remittances postmarked no later than July 1, 1959, will be entered in this fiscal period. The Per Capita Tax for 1959 is \$6.50 per year, per member. Tax for the First Half of 1959 is now due. Send in your payments now — make certain that all past due Per Capita Tax is also paid before June 30th.

### Memorial Day Services

**On Saturday, May 30, 1959, the Memorial Services Committee, as created by the Boston Supreme Convention, will pay honor and tribute to all Greek-Americans who are buried in Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C.**

**Arlington is the officiate cemetery, created by Act of Congress, to receive the remains of our national heroes and of those who served in the Armed Forces of our country.**

**The Supreme President will be present and participate in a brief memorial service and then assist the Committee members in placing wreaths and floral offerings at the gravesites.**

**All chapter officers are again requested to inquire of their members, and of the local community and secure the names and dates of burial of those Greek-American veterans who are interred in Arlington Cemetery. Please forward these names to the Headquarters, so that appropriate recognition may be given on May 30th.**



Architect's sketch of the Ahepa School at St. Basil's Academy facing west and overlooking West Point on the Hudson.

## Our Ahepa School at St. Basil's

We can now proudly announce the completion of the 100-bed dormitory for orphan boys. But the package deal we have offered to give as a gift to our Orthodox Church included a new school to replace the much outdated present school on the grounds at St. Basil's. It is to be used for both orphan boys and girls.

The cost of the school alone will be \$275,000.00, of which we have already collected about \$175,000.00. We are to break ground for the modern school on June 14th, at which time we shall also dedicate the dormitory.

This is the first time Ahepa has pledged to give an outright gift to benefit not the members of the organization, but the unfortunate children, either orphans or victims of broken homes. The completion of this project will add greatly to the prestige of the Ahepa and establish without any doubt our willingness to help our church.

The completion of this project is only the beginning of what we Ahepans can do in the future to build schools and other institutions that will benefit the Hellenic family at large.

The project is philanthropic and donations toward it are

tax deductible. There is a religious aspect in this undertaking because every time we help unfortunates we benefit morally. Let us not let down these orphans who should have equal schooling opportunities.

Please give what you can — but give now, generously. And God bless you.

GEORGE E. LOUCAS,  
*Supreme Vice-President.*

### Personal Contributions

Kimon A. Doukas, New York	150.00	
Tom D. Anthony, San Antonio	50.00	
James A. Panagos, Atlanta	25.00	
Crawford's Sea Grill, Inc., Seattle	10.00	
John Mercury, Minneapolis	25.00	
Michael L. Schooles, Burgettstown, Pa.	100.00	
Tom Heos, Flint, Mich.	100.00	
George Prahales Panos, Montreal	25.00	
Thomas N. Christie, Minneapolis	25.00	
A. G. Bellas, Wellsburg, W. Va.	25.00	
P. C. Crown, San Antonio	25.00	
Gus G. Andrews, Tulsa	25.00	
Gregory Pelay, Canton	25.00	
Theo Costas, Hattiesburg, Miss.	25.00	
Harry Demos, Charleston, S. C.	10.00	
La. Lousiane of San Antonio, Inc.	30.00	
George Pappademas, Nashua	75.00	
Mike and Jennie August, Rock Springs, Wyo.	5.00	1,055.00

### Long Island Chapter, No. 86:

Saul Grover Wlodaver	10.00	
Peter Couloufacos	25.00	
Peter J. Riordan	20.00	
Nicholas P. Levendis	5.00	
H. A. James	20.00	
Michael A. Fiermont	25.00	
John H. Starcke	10.00	
Joseph Ades	50.00	
R. J. Gurney	100.00	
Fried Foundation, Inc.	100.00	
Rex Levy Co.	5.00	
Thomas J. Cannon	15.00	
James E. Frechill	20.00	
Jacob Burns, Burns Foundation	25.00	
B. F. Haas	25.00	

### Additional Contributions

As at April 15, 1959

#### Chapter Contributions:

Meriden, Conn., No. 126	\$ 100.00	
Vancouver, B.C., CJ-6	50.00	
Yakima, Wash., No. 299	50.00	
Elizabeth, N. J., No. 280	100.00	
Bronx, N. Y., No. 175	500.00	
Fort Dodge, Iowa, No. 208	100.00	
Galveston, Texas, No. 276	100.00	
San Jose, Calif., No. 251	10.00	
Flint, Mich., No. 141	152.00	
Memphis, Tenn., No. 7	100.00	
Pocatello, Idaho, No. 238	100.00	
Atlanta, Ga., No. 1	50.00	
Chicago, Ill., No. 334	20.00	
Amarillo, Texas, No. 365	15.00	
Jamaica, N. Y., No. 86	28.00	
Manchester, N. H., No. 44	100.00	
West Palm Beach, Fla., No. 18	246.86	
Brooklyn, N. Y., No. 41	100.00	
Grand Rapids, Mich., No. 196	250.00	
Pontiac, Mich., No. 135	1,000.00	
Rock Springs, Wyo., No. 181	25.00	\$2,996.86

#### Daughters of Penelope:

Tarpon Springs, Fla., No. 62	10.00	
Sheridan, Wyo., No. 95	5.00	
Duluth, Minn., No. 72	35.00	
Manchester, No. H., No. 51	25.00	75.00

### Ahepagon

**To Chapter Presidents and Secretaries:  
Subject: Ahepa School at St. Basil's**

Supreme Lodge urgently requests your Chapter's up-to-date report on local drive to raise funds for the Ahepa School at St. Basil's.

Ahepa School ground site has been selected. Plans, specifications and drawings are in process of completion.

Our contingent plans are pointed towards actual start of construction in June.

Send immediately the present standing of your Chapter's drive - - - progress to date and full plans.

If your drive has been completed, please forward your contribution to Headquarters as soon as possible.

Listing of all contributions from the chapters and individuals is being published in "The Ahepan" - - - make sure your chapter is included.

Vitally urgent that we hear from you immediately.

GEORGE E. LOUCAS  
Supreme Vice-President  
Chairman, National Committee

C. P. VERINIS,  
Supreme President



A large contribution of \$1000 for the Ahepa School presented in behalf of Pontiac Chapter by past Supreme Treasurer Sekles (third from left) to Supreme Vice-President Loucas, Supreme President Verinis and Supreme Secretary Doukas. It tops the Chapter contributions — so far!

W. J. Bergman, Lily		
Tulip Cup Corp	100.00	
Samuel Justin Jackman	25.00	
M. Hausman and Sons Co.	100.00	680.00

#### Atlanta Chapter, No. 1:

John K. Campbell	20.00	
Steve E. Alexander	10.00	
Andrew Algiers	5.00	
Tony Alexander	5.00	
Victor Brown	5.00	
Anthony Demos	5.00	
Victor Economou	5.00	
James S. Matrangos	5.00	
Pete Shinos	5.00	
John Demos	5.00	
Chris H. Poole	5.00	
Theo Angeletos	2.00	
Michael Algiers	2.00	
Spiros Contos	2.00	
George Costopoulos	2.00	
Jason N. Janoulis	2.00	
James N. Janoulis	2.00	
Pete Mendis	2.00	
Tony G. Pappas	2.00	
Victor Petroulas	2.00	
Harold V. Priles	2.00	
George Chanos	2.00	
Joe Stanos	2.00	
Sam Theodosian	2.00	
George Zakas	2.00	
Louis Carlos	1.00	
Nick Flesser	1.00	
Nick Karvelas	1.00	
Nick G. Moore	1.00	
Mike Morarakis	1.00	
John Stavropoulos	1.00	105.00

#### Brooklyn Chapter, No. 43:

James Vamvakas	20.00
George Zissimos	5.00
Gus Nicholas	10.00
William Caris	5.00
George Lagoumis	10.00
Demetrios Vlogianitis	5.00
Basil Capetanakis	5.00
Michael Loris	10.00
Peter Alexandrakos	5.00
Gus Ross	5.00

Peter Vassilis	20.00	
George Lazarides	5.00	
Gust Coffinas	5.00	
Nicholas Coffinas	5.00	
Peter Georges	5.00	
Guss Pappas	5.00	
George Misthos	5.00	
John Litras	5.00	
James Rigakos	10.00	145.00

#### Doubery Chapter, No. 90:

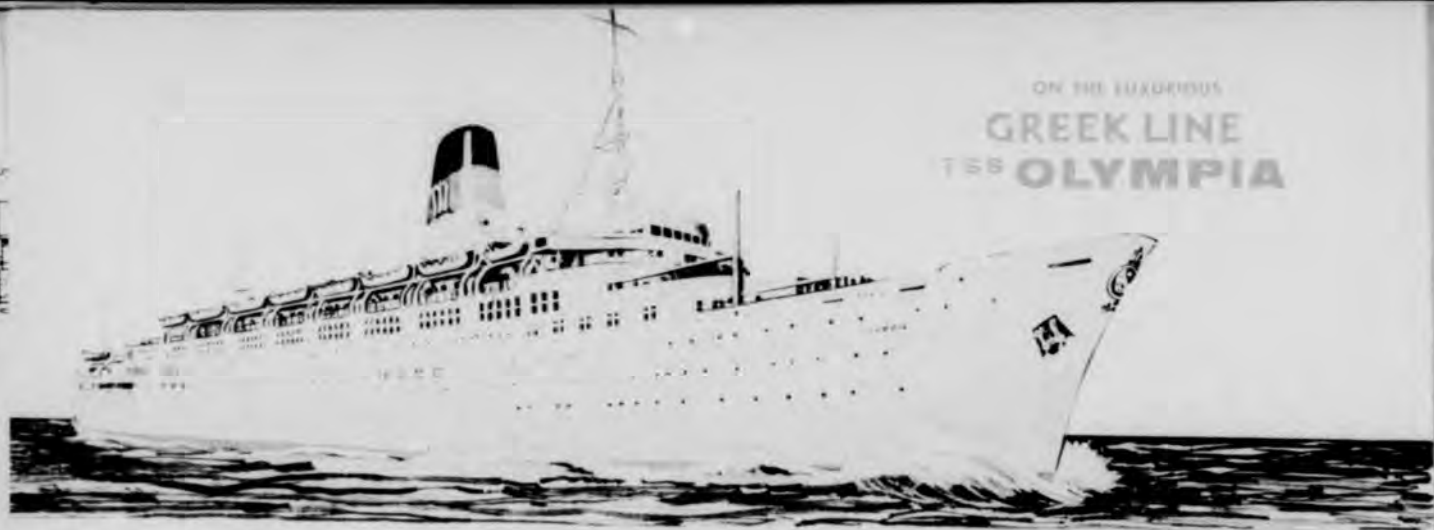
George N. Hondron	5.00	
Nicholas Hatzopoulos	5.00	
Lazaros Economou	5.00	
Menelaos Hatzopoulos	5.00	
Paul Kallas	5.00	
James Kakadelis	5.00	
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James Kane	5.00	
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Nelos Panasis	5.00	
Michael Kalogeropoulos	5.00	
Elias Mantzouranis	5.00	
Nelson Panasis	5.00	
James Brampos	5.00	
James Siatras	5.00	
Charles Panasis	5.00	
Zotos Brothers	10.00	
Panaoytis Gabriel	5.00	
George P. Nicholas	5.00	
George K. Kefalas	5.00	
George Papazoglou	5.00	108.00

Total Contributions	\$ 5,164.86
Previous Total	184,030.26

Grand Total of Contributions	
April 15, 1959	\$189,195.12
Plus Christmas Seal Drive	12,037.05
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$201,232.17</b>

**HOLLYWOOD CONVENTION DELEGATES** — Election of Chapter Delegates will be held during the months of April, May or June. Headquarters will furnish official Reporting Forms to all chapters, and these Official Forms must be mailed to Headquarters by Registered Mail, Return Receipt Requested, bearing a postmark NOT LATER than July 15, 1959. Headquarters will not accept any forms bearing a later postmark. ALSO — notify your Chapter Delegates and Alternates that Delegates must be registered at the Supreme Convention no later than 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, of the week of the convention.

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**SUPREME PRESIDENT TO LEAD AHEPANS'**  
**2nd "OLYMPIA" EXCURSION JULY 24, 1959**

The Second 1959 Ahepa Excursion to Greece and Cyprus will sail July 24th from New York on the Greek Line famous OLYMPIA for Piraeus and Cyprus. Supreme President C. P. Verinis will lead the Excursion as its Commander.

Because of the enthusiastic response to the first excursion on the OLYMPIA on April 10th, it was decided to schedule this second trip, this time to include Cyprus. The Flagship of the Greek Line had a capacity list of excursionists for the first sailing. It is expected that the second sailing will be similarly booked.

Ahepa has always maintained a firm stand in favor of the Cypriot cause. For the first time an opportunity is afforded for Ahepans to visit this beautiful island soon to attain its full independence. The OLYMPIA will again visit Cyprus on her scheduled sailing of August 25th from New York.

As with the April trip, the July excursion will be an Ahepa sponsored people-to-people gesture of amity and goodwill between citizens of the United States and the

people of Greece. After arrival at Piraeus and transfer to Athens, excursion members will attend dinners and receptions with friends and officials of the Greek and American governments.

Following an active program of social activities, they will visit communities throughout Greece and its islands, taking gifts to relatives and friends in the roles of ambassadors of good will. Visits also are scheduled to be made by excursion leaders to various projects built in Greece by Ahepa during the last thirty years, including schools, hospitals, convalescent homes and medical clinics.

Both the July and August sailings will be made via Boston. They include calls at Lisbon, Naples, Messina, en route to Piraeus and at Haifa, following the call at Cyprus. On these crossings of the spacious and luxurious OLYMPIA, excursionists will enjoy the last word in Greek hospitality and partake in gay social activities — real KEFI — with superb cuisine expertly prepared by highly skilled Greek chefs following the finest Greek-American and continental traditions.



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## CHAPTER NEWS



### A Meeting of the Minds

I believe Ahepa has, long before an enactment of a Hellenic Culture program, lived Hellenic Culture, has given of herself to Hellenic Institutions and Thought. Ahepa has been and will be synonymous with Hellenic Family and Community. I say that without hesitation because I do not know of any Ahepa Chapter treasury that has not been donated to the needs of our church in the community where chapters function.

I have travelled the country over 24 times in the Ahepa service, in the service of my Hellenic people, in small, medium or metropolitan areas, and at no time or place has Ahepa leadership or membership refused to turn over, to a point of depletion, all of its treasury. If this service of Ahepa through donations to local community needs is not practicing Hellenic Culture, I do not know what else can be done.

I believe that helping to build Orthodox Churches (and many have been built since the end of War II), building schools for the mother tongue, building Hellenic Centers for Hellenic environment is practicing, teaching Hellenic Culture. Keeping alive the heritage in these institutions, donating a Dormitory and School to our Archdiocese, in addition to all other financial help given in each locality by Ahepa membership, speaks very eloquently of sponsoring Hellenic Culture.

Living, breathing, making history as a group, embracing Democratic Institutions and a Democratic philosophy of government is Hellenic Culture beyond any doubt.

Ahepa has been responsible to a great extent in keeping alive an Hellenic environment through our District and National Conventions. If Ahepa has done nothing else but has kept alive this Hellenic atmosphere, this is justification for Ahepa to grow.

All that remains is a liaison agency between our church and community and our Ahepa. There must be a meeting of minds for mutual benefit. There must be a co-ordinated program of co-operation of fund raising projects to avoid overlapping and conflicts.

There must be held a meeting of the heads of the leading organizations — religious, social and civic — under the sponsorship of Ahepa and our church so that the future fate of the American Hellene may be discussed.

I believe ultimately that Ahepa in greater numbers, and our communities supplied with churches, (parochial) schools and Hellenic Centers will serve Hellenism befitting its prestige in Our America.

Now is the time — to have a meeting of the minds.

GEORGE E. LOUCAS,  
*Supreme Vice-President.*

### News From Zone 1

The Alexander the Great Chapter, No. 29, of Houston, Texas, recently held its Annual Ball in the handsome Crystal Ballroom of Houston's Rice Hotel. Veterans with over 25 years of service to the Order and Founding Fathers with over 35 years, were accorded public recognition for their long and faithful services to the Order. Present for the occasion were: District Governor Theodore Kapsos of New Iberia, Louisiana and Mrs. Evelyn Semos of Dallas, Grand Secretary of the Daughters. According to a report from District Secretary Nick G. Peet of Houston, the occasion is said to have been one of the most auspicious held in this area since the Houston Supreme Convention of 1953.

### Visits Mississippi

Interrupting a cross country air tour to drop in on the Magnolia Chapter Ahepans, Grand Secretary Evelyn Semos became one of the first National officers in recent years to come down and walk on Mississippi soil.

Greeted at the local Airport by a welcoming committee, Evelyn was driven to the new home of Mr. and Mrs. James Cajoleas where a coffee talk was attended by the Rev. and Mrs. Basil Kleouthis of the Hellenic Orthodox Church of the city; Chapter President John Stavropoulos, Mrs. Stavropoulos and their daughter, Mrs. James Angelo; President of the Hellenic community of Mississippi Gus Vallas and Mrs. Vallas and daughter; and Mrs. John Dorizas and daughter Calliope.

After conversations relating to the progress of the Daughters of Penelope and the Order of Ahepa, the group was entertained at a delightful dinner at Paul's Restaurant with Paul Apostle and Ioho Stavropoulos serving as hosts. Mrs. Semos passed the night at the King Edward Hotel and after seeing the sights of Jackson, with which she was very much impressed, she left by air for Charleston, S. C.

### Attends Wedding

Colonel Mike Christopher, past District Governor of the Mother Lodge District No. 1, butted in on a beautiful wedding banquet at the Florida State Fair Auditorium in Tallahassee recently when Miss Chrissoula Patronis of that city was married to Mr. George Stephens of Fairfield, Alabama. The wedding itself was held in the Episcopal church of Tallahassee with the Rev. John G. Berris of Jacksonville reading the ceremony. Both events were attended by high State and Ahepa officials too numerous to mention.

### A Pioneer Passes On

The Dean of the Hellenic Community in Mississippi, Manuel Mitchell, recently passed away at his home in Starkville, at the age of 100. Mr. Mitchell, who spent most of his life in Starkville, was a pioneer restaurant operator and active in the Order of Ahepa. May the Good Lord rest his soul in peace.

MIKE CHRISTOPHER,  
*Associate Editor.*

### Peter Bell Honored

Past Supreme President Peter Bell of Worcester, Massachusetts, was recently honored by his fellowmen for character and achievement. He was elected a Director of the Commerce Bank and Trust Company of Worcester.

Though he may have been repaid for consistent and perhaps large deposits, we venture to say that he was singled out as an honest and upright citizen of his community who has rendered public service and believes in helping his fellowmen. Our belated congratulations to the bank and our best wishes to Peter.

### News from Zone 2

Following memorial services held last March for deceased members of Long Island Chapter, No. 86, in St. Demetrios Church, Jamaica, N. Y., a \$500.00 check was given to the new building fund by the chapter.

The Daughters of Niobe Chapter, No. 134, also participated. Their 1958 president, Mrs. Sasi Baker, was instrumental in raising part of the contribution, acknowledged Nicholas P. Levendis, Chapter President. He also stated that Ahepa School Chairman Peter Couloufacos has collected over \$653 for the current drive.

### District 6 Headlines

HERMES — George Douris, Chairman of successful dance of his community, St. Demetrios, Astoria, N. Y.; gave testi-

monial dinner to their likeable 1958 president, Peter Chingos; initiated 50 new members in one night (1). **BAY RIDGE** — Held their "terrific annual show-dance, "HAM & GAMS"; President Dr. Wm. K. Baris launched his 4-series lectures, "Education of an Ahepan"; Carl Cleanthes elected chairman of the 1959 Combined Ball. **UPPER MANHATTAN** — George Mirros, P.P., organized bowling league for Ahepans; Ted Slavos, P.P., busy visiting all chapters to encourage District Membership Drive.

**BRONX** — Held successful social for the benefit of their community church. **DELPHI** — Nicholas Tsoucalas resigned as Assistant U. S. Attorney and opened his own law offices. **BROOKLYN** — National Trustee Gus Nicholas served as Chairman of the April 3rd Independence Day Dinner-Dance at the Waldorf-Astoria. **PINDUS** — Dist. Gov. Gus Cherevas proclaimed Sunday, May 17, **AHEPA MEMORIAL DAY** for all chapters of the District; Dist. Educational Committee chairman Charles Alikes planning further lectures similar to effective one by Rev. C. Kazanas of Hellenic Cathedral. **LONG ISLAND**, No. 86, the "OPERATION FRATERNALISM" Chapter (affectionately known as the "Boyd-zides") held impressive Initiations of their "HERMES CLASS" to honor New York Chapter of that name. Past Supreme Counsellor Gregory G. Lagakos of Philadelphia, Pa. the main speaker. Tom Phuros' famous Perriwinkle Clam Bar, Hollis, N. Y., gave 50% of one day's proceeds to his church, St. Demetrios of Jamaica, N. Y. Chapter to be cited with plaque by the Supreme Lodge for their extraordinary efforts in the 1958 membership drive.

**TROY** — President Nicholas Cherevas and Convention Chairman Tom Cholakis making final plans for the June 26-29 District Convention. **WASHINGTON HEIGHTS** — Testimonial dinner to their 1958 President Nicholas J. Pappas; Don Avlon, P.P., busy with the Past Presidents' Club he is forming. **ESTIA** — President Sam Rangos booming his chapter's slogan, "Progress Through Brotherhood."

Yes! March was a busy AHEPA month in this area!

#### Combined Initiation Held

Syracuse Chapter, No. 37, held Initiations for 15 new members last month. Dist. Governor Gus Cherevas officiated, assisted by Slavos, Fourtounis, Vlassis, and Spinos.

Utica Chapter also participated and inducted three of their own in this mass Initiation. Chapter President Leon Marketos officiated.

Syracuse Secretary Lemonides indicated that the chapter was making an all-out

effort to reinstate all delinquent members. "Our chapter is approaching a new high in attendance and membership. It is because we are beginning to realize the atmosphere of belonging and companionship in AHEPA. The Order has attained national prominence and Syracuse is no small part of the picture." President Spinos also served 25 years ago.

#### Honored at Waldorf-Astoria

The Brand Names Foundation, Inc. recently advised that JAMES P. PASTRAS, President of the Ridgewood Wine & Liquor Co., Ridgewood, N. J., had won the nation's coveted retail award for 1958, "Brand Name Retailer-of-the-Year" for liquor stores in the country. He received the award at a dinner honoring the nation's leading merchants in the Grand Ballroom of Waldorf-Astoria last April. This award was based on advertising and promotion campaigns, education of personnel and customers about featured manufacturers' advertised brands.

The award states, "Retailers who win the award are tops in distributing brands of the industries they serve." The competition included liquor industry retailers in the 49 states, District of Columbia, Hawaii and Canada.

James Pastras was initiated in March, 1929 and was duly honored for his 25 years service. A member of the Alexander Hamilton Chapter, No. 54, Paterson, N. J., he served as Vice-President and President.

#### From District No. 5

Past Grand Secretary Lillian Manetas recently addressed the Daughters Altos Chapter. Costas Theodoris' many friends gave him a banquet before his departure for Crece.

Gus Vetsas and Peter G. Alexis of Hudson were recently awarded Supreme Lodge plaques by past District Governor Peter Caravoulas for their services in the last membership drive. Eureka Chapter's first president, Peter N. Kitsos, was the first Ahepan Initiated in the District back in 1924.

Xenophon K. Microusticos reported that since 1950 the District awarded \$7500 in scholarships, leaving a fund balance of over \$11,000!

Bergen Knights Chapter Initiated 10 new members and advocates wearing of fezzes. Peter K. Krant authored "My Dream for an AHEPA of Tomorrow." Peter Tetradis bowled a perfect 300 score, winning a \$1000 bond, a diamond ring and a wrist watch. Paul Dimitriadis also bowled a perfect 300 score and may win \$4500.

NICHOLAS P. LEVENDIS,  
Associate Editor

#### CONTRIBUTE TO THE AHEPA SCHOOL

#### Crowned a Queen

MISS DILO WOONAS, a prominent member of the Mason City, Iowa, Daughters of Penelope, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Woonas, charter members of our Ahepan and Daughters chapters, respectively, was recently crowned Queen of the Annual Mid-Year Conference of the Greek Orthodox Youth of America of Iowa, Minnesota, South Dakota, North Dakota and Nebraska.



Dilo has been a member of the Youth for six years, having served as its secretary and treasurer; she is also a member of the Church Choir in Mason City.

#### News From Zone 3

DISTRICT NO. 7 — Bridgeport, Conn. Ahepans, led by Lt. Governor Geo. Mehos, held the District Governor's Ball March 21 at the Wagon Wheels.

District Governor and our Art Editor, Nick Zannetos, was promoted to Production and Traffic Manager of Charles Palm Advertising and Marketing Agency of Bloomfield, Conn. He joined the company in 1951 as assistant Art Director.

President Alexander Demessianos acted as master of ceremonies and V. J. Lewis as program chairman in the reactivation of Apollo Chapter of the Sons in Newport. This is the fifth unit in the Yankee District to be reactivated this year.

DISTRICT NO. 8 — Lowell Ahepans and Sons sport night was very successful. Many sports personalities were present. Chairman for affair was John Theokas.

Lawrence's St. Constantine and St. Helen Church kick off dinner for Building Fund Drive was held March 22 with past Supreme President Peter Bell acting as toastmaster. Busy Milton Felides was a key member of the committee.

Clinton Ahepans held 10th annual glendi marking Greek Independence Day April 4. Proceeds went to Scholarship Fund. Co-chairmen were Dr. Nicholas Despotopoulos and Frank J. Kronopoulos; Daniel J. Paul was secretary.

Putnam & Thurston's, a landmark in Worcester, celebrated its 100th anniversary. Owners Charles (past Supreme Vice-President) and John Kotsilimbas Davis were on hand to greet their many wellwishers.

Lowell Hellas Chapter held annual banquet March 29 commemorating the 138th Anniversary of the Independence of Greece and the 33rd Anniversary of the Chapter. Guest speakers were the nationally known news commentator and analyst, Cedric Foster, and Prof. Con-

stantine Bonis of Athens University. Co-chairmen of committee were Chas. Itron and Dr. Geo. Gianis.

Senator John E. Powers of Boston was honored at a testimonial dinner March 25, held at Ahepa Home. The committee was headed by President Arthur Hasiotes, who also acted as toastmaster. Guest speakers were Bishop Athenagoras, Rev. John Zanetos, Powers and Hasiotes.

Atty. Chas. Bucuvalas was awarded the Gold Cross of the Royal Order of Phoenix.

Lowell Ahepan Vessarios G. Chigas is executive vice-president of Microwave Associates which has grown from 60 employees in 1951 to 360 in 1958 and a \$5 million operation. Vice-president in charge of sales is Geo. Kariotis.

Another outstanding Lowell Ahepan is Arthur C. Antonopoulos, youngest president ever of the local Chamber of Commerce. He is general manager of Highland Cleaners and Dyers, Inc., established by his father, Chas. J. His able assistants are his brothers: John, who manages the Andover plant; Alex, who is district manager, and Socrates, main plant manager.

Samuel Gridley Howe Chapter recently held a Smoker with main speakers past Supreme President Peter Bell, Dist. Gov. Arthur Lagadinos and Alex Varkas. They gave the men of greater Boston a better understanding of Ahepa. The chapter is bidding for the 1960 District Convention and plans to build an Ahepa Home.

Webster-Southbridge Ahepans announced that District 8 Convention will be at Lutherwood Camp, Thompson, Conn., June 19, 20 and 21. Co-chairmen are Peter G. Leasca and Vasil V. Condos for Ahepa and Mrs. Georgette Nicholas and Mrs. Carolyn Pappas for the Daughters.

Some interesting facts about Webster. Because of location it includes members from Connecticut. It is only 8 miles from Pomfret, "Birthplace of Greek Orthodox Seminary in America. Many of today's high ranking church officials served in that area. In 1952, the chapter won a \$300.00 Savings Bond in a membership drive by increasing their members by 140%. A New England Olympiad, Track and Field events with New England Colleges taking part, was held May 11, 1952. The 1948 Olympic torch was used for official opening of the event.

It was brought by relay teams over 60 miles of highway and this was broadcast over WBZ-TV by Hartford's James Starr and Peter Leasca of Webster.

DISTRICT NO. 9 — Mayor Andrew Jarvis of Portsmouth was a guest speaker at a recent meeting of Fitchburg-Leominster Shriners' Club.

Among officers of the American Hel-

lenic Council of New Hampshire who witnessed the signature of the proclamation of Greek Independence Day by Governor Wesley Powell in Concord were Past District Governors Wm. Genimatas, Portsmouth; Prof. Nicholas Colovas, Durham and John Dimsios of Nashua.

Ahepans present at signing of a joint proclamation by Saco Mayor Peter Garland and Biddeford Mayor Clement H. Deschambault were Past District Governors Nicholas Scontras, Atty. George Brickates and Governor Allen Sukalas.

Albert Rallis, past president of Portland Longfellow Ahepa, was given a surprise dinner in his honor March 28. He served as Chapter president for 5 terms and Community president 2 terms and in many other capacities. Main speaker was Dist. Gov. Allen Sukalas; toastmaster was this writer. Also present was past Dist. Gov. Atty. Geo. Brickates, Biddeford, Maine City official. President Barris made the presentation of gifts.

An award of merit from the Biddeford-Saco Ahepa was made to Alexander J. Cutrules, author of "Invictus," a history of Alexander the Great. Presenting the award for Ahepa was Dist. Gov. Allen Sukalas. Cutrules was also presented a trophy from Maine by State Rep. J. G. Plante, in conjunction with the showing of the picture Alexander the Great in the Mutual Theater of Saco, owned by George and Richard Brickates.

Biddeford-Saco Ahepa now lays claim to being one of the best chapters in the district. Only three or four years ago it almost reached the point of non-existence. Something drastic had to be done. There was some property that could be purchased for a Home. A few Ahepans had courage and vision to buy it for Ahepa on their personal notes. Since then membership has increased. Interest is now at a high level. The Home also serves as a community center currently housing the Saco Greek School, at no expense to the community. When some adjacent property became available, the Chapter, not too long ago down but not out, purchased it. Of the men behind these activities are: Geo. Brickates, Allen Sukalas, Peter Celos, Dennis Vanites, Peter Victor, Sophie Victor, Nick Scontras, P. Throumoulos, O. Ekonomos — the hard core of Ahepans. This started as merely a news item but in rereading one can see a saga taking place. One that can be repeated in many places. Ahepa horizons are unlimited.

Another good example is the Nashua Ahepans. They have the best Ahepa Home in District No. 9.

Reports from Dover's P.D.G. Chris Costarakis and Dist. Marshal Ted Caras, secretary and chairman of the coming District 9 Convention at the Farragut

House, Rye, N. H., indicate that the boys are hard at work to make certain that the convention will be successful. This is a joint project of Portsmouth and Dover Chapters. Heading the Portsmouth group is Wm. Genimatas. The Convention will be held June 12, 13 and 14.

STRATIS DOUKAS,  
Associate Editor.

## Outstanding Civic Leader

JOHN G. PAPPAS of Demosthenes Chapter, No. 66, of Minneapolis, Minn., was last March awarded the National Citizenship Award of the National Association of Food Chains at an honors banquet held at the Mayflower Hotel, Washington. Significantly, Justice Tom Clark presented his award.



Only nine such Citizenship Awards are given annually by the Association to its members. There were 17,000 entries. Brother Pappas received his award for his civic and community activities in his home city of Columbia Heights, Minn.

He has been a member of Ahepa since 1928, and is currently serving his chapter on the Board of Governors. He is a past president of the Chamber of Commerce; a charter member of the Lions Club and past chairman of many local drives, including the Community Chest and Cerebral Palsy drives. He is active in Civil Defense work, as well as local church activities.

Born in Greece, John came to this country in 1913. He and his wife sailed this month to the old country for a two-month visit. Mrs. Pappas attended the awards banquet in Washington last month with her husband and met with him many Senators, Congressmen and other government officials.

Our sincerest congratulations to John Pappas for his unflinching dedication to public service — a true Ahepan!

## Medallion Drive for Ahepa School

All members of the Ahepa and of the Daughters have received the St. Basil medallion, the original of which was blessed at the Ecumenical Patriarchate in Constantinople by His Holiness Athenagoras I.

Please mail in your contribution at once, if you have not already done so. The fraternity *must* complete this project this year, and with your individual donation, we can achieve final accomplishment of both the *Ahepa Hall for Boys* and the *Ahepa School at St. Basil's*.

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A Galaxy of Officialdom (seated from left): Presidents Orfanos of Upper Manhattan and Levendis of Long Island; National Trustee Nicholas; Host President Demopoulos; Supreme President Verinis; Supreme Secretary Doukas; Supreme Counsellor Plumides; Supreme Vice-President Loucas; past Supreme Treasurer Georgiades; Hermes past President Chingos. (Standing): Eastern Area Deputy Athletics Director Randall; neophyte Manno; Presidents Karathanasis of Pindus, Georges of Brooklyn, Rangos of Estia and Manos of Bronx; Supreme Governor Pappademas; District Governor Cherevas; Judge Vallone; past Supreme Counsellor Dukas; past Supreme Vice-President Kourides; past District Governor Dimas; Bay Ridge President Baris; neophyte D. Manno and Hermes Treasurer Caparell. In the experience of many old-timers no other initiation in New York had drawn such an attendance.

## HERMES LEADS THE NATION -- The Class of 44!

The spectacle was unprecedented. It was never seen before in modern times. The candidates competed in numbers alone with the full attendance of Ahepans. It was said it could not be done! It was done with superlatives — the evening of March 16th at the Fraternal Clubhouse by that mercurial Chapter of Hermes, No. 186, of New York presided over by the well-known dynamo Tom Demopoulos and boasting the only eight-term Supreme President, V. L. Chebithis.

There were 44 candidates who became true Ahepans and are on the way to becoming tried members of our great fraternity. Chapter President Demopoulos presided; past District Governor Kuches was the herald who brought in the officialdom that came to witness the event from all over the country, with past presidents Chingos, Karabatos, Chaoush, Mousmoules, Theologou, Paulson, Andreades and Gary assisting; Secretary Douris was the spark that set New York Ahepadom on fire — he personally had sponsored 25, or more than half of the class; and the ceremony was performed most efficiently by District Governor Cherevas assisted by District Secretary Antonopoulos, past District Governor Kuches and Upper Manhattan Vice-President Travers.

There were five Supreme Lodge officers headed by Supreme President Verinis; a score of past Supreme Lodge and District Lodge officers; delegations from all Metropolitan New York Chapters, the largest coming from Long Island under President Levendis and the most colorful with their fezzes breezing in from Bronx under their President Manos. It was a most wonderful initiation ceremony. As President Demopoulos put it: "We arranged this mass initiation, first, to afford an opportunity to all Metropolitan Ahepans to get together with their officers; second, to demonstrate to these men from

the outer world the great organization Ahepa is, and third, to prove what is most evident, that it is within our power to make Ahepa greater and stronger."

In a stirring address to the neophytes, Supreme Vice-President Loucas alluded to the antecedents of Ahepa and lauded the hard work of the founders and those who followed immediately in their footsteps; he pointed up the great heritage we received in their hands and our responsibility in carrying on the work of the Order, and as national chairman of the St. Basil's campaign he urged his fellow-Ahepans to get behind their officers and make a final effort to assemble the funds for the erection of the Ahepa School — to complement the Ahepa Dormitory, the two fine buildings to remain forever in the many years to come a true and noble monument of Ahepa's generosity in behalf of our orphan children throughout this great land.

He was followed by Supreme President Verinis who unfolded a brief progress report of the fraternity during the current year and asked everyone present to become an apostle and a supporter of Ahepa's ideals and projects in a determined effort to expand our Hellenic heri-



Instructing the new class in the ritual.

tage, the Hellenic Culture throughout this land.

Tasty refreshments followed, kindly donated by the newly initiated Manno Brothers.

It was said it could not be done! Hermes, one of the greatest chapters in Ahepadom has done it — in one gigantic effort. The field is now open to those who have ambition to be the first among their equals in Ahepa.

### Membership Drive

Entries for the Membership Drive must be sent to us *postmarked not later* than June 30, 1959. Any entries received with a later date, will *not* be given credit in the membership drive.

All entries, to receive proper credit, must be accompanied by properly filled-in Membership Applications or Reinstatement Applications, and *all fees* must be received, in accordance with the above time limit. Any Membership or Reinstatement Applications received without proper Fees, will *not* receive credit in the drive. Similarly, Fees received without Applications will *not* be credited in the Drive.

**DON'T DELAY** — time is running out! The prizes will go to the **WORKERS**, and they include a \$100 Wrist Watch, beautiful plaques, cigarette lighters, tie-clasps, trophies. Prizes will be awarded at the 1959 Hollywood Supreme Convention.

### Where to Stay in New York City

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## News From Zone 4

INDIANAPOLIS — One of the largest membership groups in recent years attended the January meeting of James Whitcomb Riley Chapter. They passed a motion to donate \$2,500 toward the construction of a new Greek Orthodox Church in Indianapolis. They also pledged sizeable amounts over a period of three years.

At the same meeting the new officers of the chapter were installed by District Governor Zonakis. They are headed by President Constantine N. Poulimas. A music instructor in the Indianapolis schools, he succeeded Emmanuel Zaphiriou, a past district governor.

GARY, IND. — Several members of Gary Chapter, No. 78, have recently distinguished themselves in various fields, and thus brought added honor to their chapter.

GEORGE CHACHARIS, a long time member, was elected Mayor. Indiana's Governor, HAROLD W. HANDLEY, was initiated into membership several years before elected to his present office. Captain GEORGE DEMETROULIS heads the Gary police detectives, and as such is the number two man on the police force.

JOHN KAPPOS and SPERO SKALTSAS, both old-timers, were recently appointed county deputy prosecutors. HARRY PSIMOS was appointed an assistant city attorney.

TOM DEMENEGAS, a charter member, is president of the County Liquor Examining Board. LODIS STATHAKIS is a battalion fire chief.

The Gary chapter is also well represented in the field of sports with three All-American football players on its roster. The three famous KARRAS brothers.

ALEX, University of Iowa and Detroit Lions; LOU, Purdue and Washington Redskins, and TED, Indiana University and Chicago Bears.

Three members of our District Lodge had from Gary: MICHAEL S. ZONAKIS, District Governor; CHRIS TRAKAS, Treasurer, and JOHN TRAKAS, Athletic Director.

The Gary chapter has even able representatives in Hollywood and on Broadway. TONY and NICK FRANKL have made several appearances on Broadway and in TV shows; they are now under contract in the movie colony in Hollywood.

HERE AND THERE — A husband and wife team head the Ahepa and Daughters Chapters in Indianapolis: CONSTANTINE POULIMAS is president of James Whitcomb Riley Chapter and ANN leads the Daughters. WILLIAM GIANOPOULOS, president of East Chicago Chapter, has been the official statistician of the Washington of East Chicago High School

basketball team, the state's top team most of this season. NICK PARAVANTIS, chaplain of the Hammond Chapter, has started a morning Greek Hour on Radio Station WJOB in Hammond.

MICHAEL S. ZONAKIS,  
Associate Editor.

## A President Par Excellence

JOHN M. MANOS twice served as vice-chairman of a Supreme Convention, at San Francisco in 1955 and at Boston in 1958. He also acted as toastmaster of the 1958 Banquet in Washington. He is now serving as President of his



Chapter, Cleveland, No. 36, besides being a trustee of the Eastern Orthodox Welfare Council, a member of the Cleveland Regional Board of Review for Workmen's Compensation, a lecturer on law at Case Institute of Technology, executive secretary of the Republican Voluntary Organization, a practicing attorney and not the least the father of four very active youngsters.

What will interest those of our readers now serving as presidents of their chapters, John has made some startling innovations in the conduct of chapter meetings: he starts on time and dispatches the business promptly for all to have a social or get home early. He has also inaugurated a monthly luncheon with a good speaker on an interesting current topic.

## Middletown in the Forefront

According to information received from District Governor George T. Poolitsan, three term governor of District No. 11, the Ahepans of Middletown-Hamilton Chapter, No. 209, have greatly assisted the Greek Orthodox Church of Sts. Constantine and Helen of Middletown, Ohio, by contributing over \$5,000 to the building fund, besides other individual donations.

In one donation of over \$1500, both Ahepans and Daughters joined hands back in 1947 to help their local church. And ever since most of their proceeds from their famous May Festival go to the Building Fund of the church.

In a circular sent out immediately after chapter elections within his Buckeye District, Governor Poolitsan urged the officers and members to do their utmost and help in our current drives, one for the Ahepa School at St. Basil's and the other for new members and reinstatements.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE — The current Membership Drive ends on June 30, 1959, and ALL entries for the Drive must be mailed to Headquarters POSTMARKED NOT LATER than June 30, 1959. Entries received with a late Postmark will not receive Drive credit.



Supreme Secretary Doukas installs Estia President Rangos in the presence of Supreme President Verinis. Then the Auxiliaries followed.

## Estia President Installed

In a colorful ceremony held in the new Church of Corona, New York, the officers of four Ahepa family chapters — Ahepans, Daughters, Sons and Maids — were installed last January. They were headed by Sam Rangos, the new president of Estia Chapter, No. 326, whose motto, "Progress through Brotherhood," rivals "Operation Fraternalism" by President Nick Levendis of Long Island.

An overflowing attendance by members of the four Orders and their families witnessed the ceremony, with many officers and members coming from the neighboring chapters. Jack Zarcadoolas, an eight-term past president of the Chapter, was the chairman of the committee on arrangements. Supreme Secretary Kimon Doukas was the installing officer, and Supreme President Gus Verinis, the main speaker.

The four district lodges of Empire State District No. 6 were headed by District Governors Gus Cherevas for the Ahepans, Ann Gallan for the Daughters, Bill Kalaboke for the Sons and Sec. Tr. Chris Stavrides for the Maids. They participated in the ceremonies and publicly congratulated the new officers. The famous troubadour, Nick Gounaris, an esteemed member of Estia, was unable to join in the *glendi* that followed due to a previous engagement.

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## Your Supreme Lodge Headquarters Reports

By GEORGE J. LEBER, Executive Secretary

### Per Capita Tax

The closing date for the bookkeeping records of the Supreme Lodge Headquarters for our current fiscal year is June 30, 1959. However, by mandate of the Boston Convention, any payments of Per Capita Tax, or other remittances, if postmarked no later than July 1st, 1959, will be included in the present fiscal year.

**Chapter Secretaries and Presidents:** Please pay particular attention to the above, since the July 1, 1959 date (Postmark), will also determine your chapter's voting strength at the Hollywood Supreme Convention in August, 1959. The total number of members for whom Per Capita Tax has been paid for the First Half of 1959 for each chapter, will be the figure used for determination of each chapter's voting strength.

We also call attention to the fact that we are currently holding in abeyance many remittances received during the past few months. These are being held back because of discrepancies which must be corrected on the part of the chapter secretaries. We have received a few complaints for this attitude, but the following explanation will clarify our position.

### Common Mistakes in Remittances to Headquarters

1. **Skipping payment of Per Capita Tax for prior years.** For instance, secretaries will remit Per Capita Tax for the year 1959 for a certain member, and skip the year 1958, or even 1957 and 1958. When this occurs, we apply the money sent for 1959 back to the prior year owing (1957) for that member, and notify the chapter that it still owes us for 1958 and 1959 (or whatever years are in question).

2. **Remitting Tax for members for whom we have no record.** You will be surprised how often this occurs. Chapters have a knack of forgetting to send us Membership Applications and Fees for new members. Consequently, chapters often carry members on their records, for whom we have no record. Any mislaid Membership Applications in your chapter?

3. **Sending insufficient funds to cover the remittance.** Oftentimes, a secretary adds his figures improperly, or writes that he will send us the balance later, or mails in Membership Applications without remitting the Initiation Fees. This is all a waste of valuable time, to

### Elections of National Delegates

1. Elections may now be held in April, May or June.

2. They must be reported to Headquarters by certified or registered mail, postmarked not later than July 15th.

3. Delegates must register with Credentials Committee by six o'clock Wednesday evening of convention week.

4. Each Chapter's voting strength is determined by total number of members in good standing whose per capita tax for the first half of 1959 is postmarked not later than July 1, 1959.

say the least, because nothing can be done with the entire remittance until the balance of the moneys due are received. Please double-check your figures.

4. **Using improper name.** A great number of our members have changed the spelling of their names over the years. Consequently, when a chapter uses a new or different name on a remittance blank, for which we have no record, Headquarters has no way of determining which member is being referred to, and must write back for additional information. Indicate any change of name, or spelling, for these members.

### Strip Lists

We have mailed membership strip lists to all Chapter secretaries. Please return these lists, corrected and revised, as soon as possible. Only less than one-half of our Chapter secretaries have responded to date. Have you? Please hurry in your corrected list.

### District Conventions

The season for District Conventions is almost here, and we offer just a word of advice on an important subject.

The subject is: *Ahepa Clinic*. Not a medical clinic, but a *fraternal clinic*.

Specified times are set aside for business meetings in every District Convention, but how much actual time is set aside for schooling and education of delegates and officers on "AHEPA"?

Fifteen-minute seminars and clinics on such subjects as: "Problems of the Chapter Secretary"; "Preparing a Chapter Program"; "Ahepa's Role in Civic Life"; "How to Maintain Proper Chapter Records." And many, many more similar subjects are of the greatest importance to every chapter and officer.

Does your District offer such a schooling to its officers or delegates? Or do you waste your entire convention time in working out political deals?

May we suggest a one-hour period at every District Convention this year, during which all delegates and visiting members alike, are to be gathered together for a discussion of the new Officers Handbook. Appoint a moderator or director to lead the seminar, and devote a bit of time to the proper use of education in your meetings.

All major organizations assign most of their district and national meetings to such seminars, for an exchange of ideas profitable to all in attendance. Ahepa could well gain by following the example of other national groups.

### National Delegates

Elections of chapter delegates to the Hollywood Supreme Convention are to be held during the months of April, May, or June.

Names of all Chapter Delegates and Alternates must be reported to the Supreme Lodge Headquarters on the Official Reporting Form supplied by the Headquarters.

Such Forms must be mailed to Supreme Lodge Headquarters immediately following election of chapter delegates, and not later than July 15, 1959 postmark.

Reporting Forms received with a post mark later than July 15, 1959, will not be accepted.

Kindly remember that date — July 15, 1959, postmark. If your chapter expects recognition at the Hollywood Convention, follow the requirement of sending in your Reporting Forms as stated above: *Postmarked no later than July 15, 1959.*

### Registration of Delegates

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m., of convention week, is the final registration deadline for delegates to the Hollywood convention. Registrations will not be accepted after that hour, and delegates will not be seated or recognized if they fail to register before this deadline.

All of the above regulations are Constitutional provisions and must be strictly adhered to, in all respects.

### St. Basil's Medallion

Dear Brothers and Sisters — Keep up the good work, you are doing fine! — J. A.



## A New Chapter Organized

We welcome a new chapter of the Daughters of Penelope, Cyrene, No. 295, organized in Wichita, Kansas, last February by District Governor Roberta Karnaze, Grand Governor Myrtle Phillips, past Grand Governor Georgia Apostol and past District Governor Lucille La Reese.

At a solemn initiation, attended also by Ahepans, among who was past Supreme Governor William C. Karnaze, 17 applicants were accepted into our Senior Auxiliary Order. The initiation rites were followed by election of officers headed by Mrs. Christine Lewis.

The ceremonies were concluded with a joint installation, with past Supreme Governor Karnaze officiating for the Ahepans and District Governor Karnaze and Grand Governor Phillips for the Daughters. Past Grand Governor Apostol acted as Marshal.

With a second initiation of four more members and three transferees, the Chapter now boasts a membership of 24 — and is only three months old.

We rejoice at our new link in the long chain of the Ahepa family and thank our brother Ahepans for their wonderful co-operation and support.

KAY KONST,  
Assistant Editor.

## Honored by V.F.W.

Over 200 friends of Bessye Evergates gathered at the Clinton Post, No. 525, VFW, in Clinton, Mass., to honor her at testimonial banquet as District President for her efforts in behalf of the VFW programs. Judge Morris N. Gould served as toastmaster. Joseph A. Secra, State Department Commander, and Mrs. Elizabeth Cefelo, Department President, were the principal speakers.

Honored guests were: Selectman Joseph M. Duffy, Worcester County Council Commander and President; District Commander Joseph Grimley and Mrs. Grimley; Clinton Commander and President and Mrs. James J. Evergates. Others were: Nicholas H. Lambros, president of St. Nicholas Church; Misses Christine Lambros and Georgia Genos, Lt. Governor and District Marshal of Bay State District No. 8, Miss Kathleen Paul, president of Phala Chapter, No. 191, and Daniel Paul, secretary of Clinton Chapter.

Mrs. Evergates is a past District Governor of Bay State District No. 8 and is now serving as an advisor on the National Board of the Maids.

## A FINE LADY TOASTED: Grand President Mickles

Last March the Daughters of Penelope toasted their Grand President Evelyn J. Mickles in the beautiful city of Rochester, New York. Coming from near and afar, they tendered her a testimonial dinner at which her colleagues on both Grand and Supreme Lodges paid her the finest tributes for her service to community, for her sterling character and for her many years of dedicated work in behalf of the Daughters and the entire Ahepa family.

A charter member of Odysseus Chapter, No. 44, having joined back in 1940, Evelyn served her chapter in many capacities and finally as its president. She went on to serve as Lieutenant and District Governor, as Grand Treasurer and Grand Secretary, and finally was elevated at Boston to the highest office within the reach of her sisters. And just as she served well in her previous offices, she has been tackling her present responsibility with zeal and enthusiasm, ever ready to participate in any activity that will bring credit and results in behalf of her people.

Besides her Ahepa record, Evelyn has joined in many other activities and performed just as well: member of the Board of Trustees of her church; member of Goya, a Sunday school teacher; participant in the church choir and many other local activities.

"We are proud to have Evelyn as part of this administration," declared Supreme President Verinis, the main speaker of the evening. "As head of our wonderful Daughters, she has given us every assistance possible in the many activities of our fraternity but primarily in our current drive in behalf of the Ahepa School at St. Basil's Academy. Thus we have been able to accomplish a great deal with so little, building character and integrity within our ranks and channeling our limited leadership into proper use and service."

## An Inspiration to Young People

Evelyn was particularly praised by Supreme Vice-President Loucas for her enthusiasm and inspiration, which have been a hallmark of her work and a constant reminder to young people that service to community is our obligation to our fathers and grandfathers who have done



Evelyn with her colleagues G. Loucas (left) and C. P. Verinis; (standing), Lucille Koken, Emily Tamaras, P. Koken, Evelyn Semos and Ruth Kampos. Hers has been a long service, so much in our behalf under so many difficulties in the pioneer days.

Past Grand President Adeline Geokaris Lambros paid lavish and sincere tribute to the many accomplishments of the honored guest who was visibly moved by such wonderful expressions of affection and esteem toward her. "I shall continue to do the best in me," Evelyn responded with humility, "so that our worthy project will soon be completed. And I consider these tributes to me to merely reflect our faith in our people and our boundless hope for a brighter future through co-operation and unity."

Councilman Frank Horton presented Evelyn with the key to the city, while Grand Vice-President Tamaras, District Governor Ann Gallan and Odysseus President Janette Nickson made other personal presentations befitting the occasion. Eitsa Petsos and Mary Thomas acted as co-chairmen on arrangements and Nick Nickson was the efficient toastmaster that kept things moving. Congressman Jessica C. Weiss, Reverend Fathers Peter Remoundos of Rochester and John Pallas of Buffalo, Grand Secretary Evelyn Semos, Grand Governors Ruth Kampos and Lucille Koken, Supreme Governor Paul Koken and Flower City Chapter President Nicholas Vlahos also attended. In particular, Evelyn's parents and her brother were very happy and expressed their appreciation to the many friends and colleagues of hers for their fine words of praise.

## St. Basil's Medallion

To whom it may concern — we can't afford too much but we do wish this helps and we thank you very much for the medallion. We wish you best of luck in your Easter Drive. — Anon.

# AHEPA IN SPORTS

By JOHN MANDROS, National Athletic Director

Big Ten Hoopster: Senior and captain of the (1958-59) Northwestern University basketball team is NICK MANTIS of East Chicago, Ind. - MIKE LEASKOU, 6'3", 200 lb. junior from San Francisco, Calif., is counted upon to play an important role in the Southern California basketball team this year. - A sound investment: TONY PSALTIS, Captain of the 1956 Southern California basketball team, who was awarded the Sam Barry Most-Valuable Player Award, is now applying his talent for his Alma Mater as assistant varsity basketball coach.

A recent arrival in the United States is THEOFANIS ANTONAKAKIS, 25 year old athlete from Piraeus, Greece. While serving in the office of General Potamianos, King Paul's personal aide and Commandant of the Royal Hellenic Air Force, he competed in inter-service swimming meets, winning a trophy and the national championship in the 100 meter crawl. After his discharge, he broke a 20 year old record, becoming Greece's new record holder at 1:16 for the 100 meter crawl. THEOFANIS is a resident of Dayton, Ohio and is about to join Dayton Chapter, No. 113.

JAMES NICHOLAS LERAS was a member of the 1955, 1956 and 1957 Indoor and Outdoor Atlantic Coast Conference Championship Track Teams, University of Maryland. His best performance in the shot-put was 48' 8 3/4" and 140' 6" in the discus. His collegiate eligibility is now up but he is still serving his alma mater as assistant hard track coach in charge of weight events.

NICHOLAS J. KOVALAKIDES, a sophomore, is on the University of Maryland track team. In his freshman year, indoor, he shot put 46' 10", outdoor, shot put 48', discus 128' 5", javelin 210' 5 1/2" (breaking a 21 year old University javelin record. NICK was one of the seven boys who made the trip to Greece with PETER CLINTZS. He placed 1st in a meet with Greece and 3rd place with the National Team of Czechoslovakia. While attending Princeton High School, he was the New Jersey Inter-Scholastic javelin champion for 3 years.

Montana State University boasts about JOHN DATSOPOULOS and FRANK DAMASKOS and are expecting a great deal from these boys this coming year. - Another under star is GEORGE DEMETRIOS KARCAZES from the University of Chicago, who has been an outstanding member of the track team for the past three years. A product of the University of Chicago High School, GEORGE has developed into a top flight quarter miler

## Good Sport, Good Son

DANNY GHIKADIS is the son of our Supreme Vice-President in Canada, EDWARD GHIKADIS. In the last few years he has built an enviable record in sports and is still going strong.

DANNY played football during all his High School years with the North Toronto Collegiate Institute. In 1957-8, his final year, he captained the team, reaching the semi-finals. Very active in Gymnastics and Hockey, he won second prize in Gymnastics in the Toronto Intercollegiate competition. Last fall, a freshman at the University of Toronto, he played on the football team with distinction. And he still has three years to go. The best of luck to you, DANNY.



and ran a 49.0 in the Central A.A.U. Outdoor Championship Meet last spring. Competing in his final varsity season during the current year, he has also started at the 880 and one mile relay teams.

Big GUS TRIANDOS, hard hitting catcher of the Baltimore Orioles, was honored as "Greek Athlete of the Year" by the members of the St. George Greek Orthodox Memorial Church of Springfield, Mass.

## District 8 Bowling

On February 15th at the Sunnyside Alleys in Peabody-Danvers, 30 Ahepan bowlers took to the lanes. It was the start of a series of tournaments which will take place in District No. 8, represented by Worcester, Peabody, Salem, Marlboro, Webster and Clinton.

A five string total was bowled and ART HATGIS of Peabody won first prize with a 524 total; 2nd prize went to CHRIS LEKAS of Worcester with a 517, while third prize went to CHARLIE FRANGOS of Peabody with a 513 score.

The high single string was posted by RAY WOODCOCK of Webster with 122, while JOHN LASKARIS of Peabody and ZISSIS GALANIS of Marlboro tied for second with 118.

This meet was followed on March 8th when a group of 27 bowlers took part in the second of a group of scheduled bowling tournaments in Clinton, Mass. in a five string total. Six chapters were represented.

Starting off with 101, and 89, TOM ZEKOS of Worcester finished last with strings of 113, 122, 116 for a total of 341 and first prize. ANDY LAMBROS

from Clinton took second prize with 531, while third place went to ANDY SPANOS of Marlboro with 529.

High single went to JOHN RUCHO of Worcester with a 125, while 2nd place went to GUS MANTHA of Marlboro with 124, and third to ART PAPPAS of Clinton with 121.

Marlboro showed its strength with 4 of 5 men going over 500, while Worcester had 3 out of 5 breaking the 300 mark which makes them quite a threat for the District No. 8, Championship along with Marlboro, which took place April 5th in Worcester, Mass.

The New England Candlepin Tourney was held April 26th in Framingham, Mass., with Marlboro Chapter acting as hosts. The results will be announced in our next issue. In charge of the Tourney were Dr. Monthe Koros and Charles Chanis, District No. 8 Athletic Directors. About 20 teams competed in this always popular annual classic.

## Bakersfield Triumphs Again

Outdistancing their nearest rivals by almost 200 pins the Bakersfield team rolled to a second win in as many conference tourneys. GEORGE MARANTOS was "hot" as he rolled up a three-game total of 568 to take individual high scoring honors.

He snares the limelight, however, with GUS DIAMOND of Phoenix who rolled the high single game score of 226, while filling in as a fifth with Rose Bowl's Team.

Phoenix sent a team for the first time and the boys justified their chapter's hopes by coming in second, thus taking home two trophies: high single game and second place. With Bakersfield taking first place, and high three-game score, this didn't get the Metropolitan Los Angeles Teams (Rose Bowl, Hollywood and Hesperia) anything but third, fourth and fifth place, respectively.

Special mention should be made of ALEX CARLAS, who had never had a bowling ball in his hand before the conference and National Trustee ANTHONY ARONEY, whose high office didn't keep him from bowling with the boys.

Trophies were awarded as follows: High Chapter Score (3 games): Bakersfield, No. 224. Second Prize: Phoenix, No. 219. High Single Game: GUS DIAMOND, Phoenix, No. 219. High Score (3 games): GEORGE MARANTOS, Bakersfield, No. 224.

## St. Basil's Medallion

"The Ahepa School at St. Basil's is an extremely worthwhile project. I hope that more people will rally around this vital effort." - N. L. Z., Washington.

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### Education of an Ahepan

Sir:  
*Bay Ridge Chapter, No. 319, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has arranged a Lecture series on "The Education of An Ahepan."*

*This comprehensive study of the Order was conceived in the hope that by focusing attention on our noble heritage and those dreams that still await realization, the energies of serious-minded Ahepans will be directed, more fully, not only to the continued improvement of the Order, but, to insure the proper representation of the Hellenic Community in our American way of life.*

*The first session was presented May 6th. Some of the material of the Series we hope will find its way into our magazine.*

WILLIAM K. BARIS,  
 Lecture Series Co-ordinator.

### For Intellectual Food

Sir:  
*We need to be better Ahepans and your issue will bring it about. The mentality of the general Ahepa membership has been misunderstood in the past.*

*Don't be afraid to be a little more intellectual, Mr. Editor. Give us intellectual stimulation. Not the usual sugar coated writeups of the mutual admiration club and news about social events of the so-called big shots and vlabodimarchi.*

ANGELOS G. CHAOUSS,  
 Editor, N. Y. Ahepa Messenger.

### Interested In Our Order

Sir:  
*An associate of mine here at Pershing High School, Detroit, where I teach debate, showed me your magazine, February issue.*

*I was so pleased after reading it that I should like to have a copy of my own. Also as an American professional woman of Hellenic ancestry, I'm interested in your organization.*

(MISS) A. L. GEORGES

### Demeter Congratulated

Sir:  
*"The Parliamentarian Speaks" is the finest addition to our magazine in many a year. I hope the column remains a part of the publication irrespective of change of editor in the future.*

FRANK S. RHODES,  
 Editor, El Camino Real

And now abideth faith, hope,  
 charity, these three; but the  
 greatest of these is charity.

—ST. PAUL

### A Proclamation

Sir:  
*I commend to you the Proclamation issued March 20th by Queens Borough President JOHN T. CLANCY on the 138th Anniversary of the Greek War of Independence and particularly the paragraph reading: "Greece is the birthplace of the basic values and principles that have uplifted mankind and have opened the way toward the creation of what we cherish today as the Western Culture and . . . has given us citizens worthy of the country of their origin and of their adopted country."*

NICK D. MOUSMOULES,  
 Past President, Hermes 186

### For a District Counsellor

Sir:  
*At the coming District and Supreme Conventions, our delegates should give serious consideration to passing appropriate legislation, so as to create in each district the additional office of "District Counsellor," similar to that of the Supreme Counsellor, except on a district level.*

*The creation of this office will serve a two-fold purpose, (a) it will increase the offices to which members may aspire in the district; and (b) it will lessen or avoid acrimonious feelings that sometimes exist between members because of a diversity of interpretation of district convention mandates, resolutions, etc.*

*Appropriate safeguards with right of appeal may be enacted so as to assure all a fair and unbiased interpretation and opinion by the "District Counsellor."*

THEODORE ALEXANDER BARDY,  
 Past President, Queensboro 97.

### Zone One

Sir:  
*If the folks would supply me with the news, I would be glad to pass it on to you. I am trying to do the best I can under the circumstances. (Write me at Box 2484, Jackson, Miss.)*

*I wish I could find a prescription for activating the inactive chapters of this entire region.*

COLONEL MIKE CHRISTOPHER,  
 Associate Editor.

### In Full Agreement

Sir:  
*I have reference to the Entronement Banquet in honor of our new Archbishop Iakovos and those planned by other cities as well as in anticipation of the announced visit of his Holiness Patriarch Athenagoras.*

*I do not believe a Patriarch or an Archbishop should be put in the same category as politicians, fraternal organizations, officers, brawny athletes, movie celebrities or captains of commerce and industry. We like to think that Patriarchs and Archbishops are not of such common clay and should stand on a higher separate and distinct pedestal.*

*All such receptions and affairs should be at the Churches — free and open; free to the rich and the poor, open to the old and the young; open to the humble and unfortunate as well as to the high and mighty; free on a first come first served basis and not on an engraved invitation basis.*

*This is a question of values, of taste, of propriety and finally of exemplification of the things we stand for, believe in, and desire to impart to those who are entrusted to one's spiritual guidance and advice.*

PETER L. BELL,  
 Past Supreme President.

### We Stand Corrected

Sir:  
*I am in receipt of the March issue, and although its general appearance is in good order, I noticed that the 10th District has been neglected by your Associate Editor. This perhaps is due to the lack of information by the District Lodge and the Presidents of the Chapters in our District.*

*However, the purpose of this letter is to call your attention to certain errors and more particularly to page 7 under the heading "The Ypsilanti Monument."*

*The true story is that the City of Ypsilanti was named in honor of Demetrius Ypsilanti and not of General Alexander Ypsilanti; that the cost of the statue was paid from contributions of members of the Ahepa and was donated to the City and unveiled in the month of August, 1928, during the Sixth National Convention held in Detroit.*

GEORGE D. RAPHEU,  
 Past President,  
 Alpha Chapter, No. 40.

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# Our Ahepa Family In The News

## A Fine Ahepan in the Navy

Ensign MICHAEL B. ANDREAS was last April commissioned at the Newport Naval Training Center and then shipped to the Navy Nuclear Weapon Center in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to serve his hitch in the Navy.

After finishing Meriden High School, young Mike went to the General Motors Institute of Flint, Michigan,

from which he graduated with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering.

Michael comes from a real Ahepa family. To begin with, he is a member of Archimedes Chapter, in Meriden, Connecticut. His father, Bill Andreas (who, incidentally, is printing this magazine), is a charter member, and past president of the Chapter, and has also served as District Governor of his Yankee District. His mother is a charter member of the Daughters' Priam Chapter. His brother George has served as president of his chapter and as past District Secretary of Yankee District, and his sister Nina, now Mrs. George Anastasion, is a past president of the Daughters' Chapters in both Meriden and New Haven.

We wish young Mike an honorable service in the Navy and higher honors in Ahepa when back in civilian life.

## Named to Civil Rights

When JORDAN A. SPAMATI opened the Fivoli Beauty Shop in Newark, N. J., some 14 years ago,

he became the first Greek hairdresser in New Jersey. Today he achieved another "first" when East Orange Mayor James W. Kelly, Jr., named him to the Civil Rights Commission in this city of 80,000.

A past president of Eagle Rock chapter, Jordan is currently serving as president of the American Hellenic Democratic Clubs of the Oranges. A personal delegate to district and national conventions; he also served as national convention chairman of the Pan-Rhodian Societies of the U.S. This dedicated Ahepan has the added distinction of serving six years as president of the Suburban Hairdressers Association of New Jersey.

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## A Scientist Helps Orphans



Dr. Samaras discusses his book with Gen. Wray.

Our Dayton Chapter, No. 113, enjoys the great distinction of having among its members a scientist of great achievements, both in his field and in humanitarian work; Dr. Demetrios Samaras. Born in Smyrna, he attended a number of European Universities—Athens, London and Berlin, before coming to this country. As early as 1931, he became interested in jet propulsion, and after serving during the war in the RCAF, he was invited by the British Government to organize the Allied Jet Propulsion team and investigate the first V-2 rocket captured in 1944.

He came over in 1948 to organize the propulsion branch of the Office of Air Research and immediately plunged into intensive study of satellites and rockets, authoring in the process more than 100 scientific papers and three books. In 1952 he was elected to full professorship at Ohio State University, besides being associated with the Air Research and Development Command as chief of the Energy Release Group of the Aeronautics Research Laboratory in Dayton, Ohio.

He is the author of the "Nuclear Propulsion and Engineering," which is the first of its kind in the world. It represents 20,000 man hours of research. It was sponsored by the Greek Atomic Energy Commission and published by the Technical Chamber of Greece. The Commission considered it as their first contribution to International Atomic Science.

What is most significant, the author donated all proceeds to a special fund which supports Greek war orphans (1940-1949) in their studies of the most Greek of all sciences—Atomic Energy. The price of the book for scientists is \$13.50 and for libraries \$18.00, and copies can be obtained from the Technical Chamber, 4 Kolokotroni Street, Athens.

"If Ahepa stands for Education," writes Dr. Samaras, "and public education these days gets the headlines, considerable publicity can be had for our local chapters and, of course, for Ahepa, if chapters donated copies of the book to Universities and Libraries. Besides, they will be helping materially the education of war orphans in atomic energy, the science of today and of tomorrow."

Here is an Ahepan who has combined his special skill and talent to help unfortunate orphans in developing into respected citizens not only of Greece but also of the world. Our best wishes accompany Dr. Samaras in his endeavors.

## A Tireless Worker

CARRY KYREACOS is a member of the Daughters of Penelope Aleides Chapter, No. 160, of Seattle, Washington.

She has been in the forefront of every philanthropic and charitable drive in the city for many years. Her energy and enthusiasm for the cause have caused many youngsters to blush for their inactivity.

She has just concluded her services as co-chairman of the Easter Seal Campaign. It was a huge success.

We commend Carry to the members of our Ahepa family and trust that many will follow in her footsteps. We need badly tireless and dedicated workers like her in the service of our communities.

## A Hard Worker Retires

STEVE SATRAZEMIS is a charter member of Duluth Chapter, No. 267, in Duluth, Minnesota.

Ever since he and his buddies organized their progressive Chapter, he has been a loyal member and an active Ahepan. No job was too little for him. He participated in every drive, local and national.

For 49 years Steve has been in the restaurant business. He has estimated he has poured over 48 millions of cups of coffee for his faithful customers since 1910, when he reached these hospitable shores. "I know of friends," he declared, "who have been drinking my coffee from the very first day I opened the store. He will miss them now that he has decided to retire. Well done, Steve."

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## Editor's Corner . . .

"May it ever be our lot to never bring disgrace to this, our nation, by any act of dishonesty or cowardice, nor ever desert our suffering comrades in the ranks, but fight for the ideals and the sacred things of this nation, both alone and with many others, and revere and obey this nation's laws, strive unceasingly to arouse the public's sense of civic duty and transmit this nation greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."

WITH THIS BI-MONTHLY ISSUE we complete the first half of 1959. There will be a similar bi-monthly issue for August-September, to be followed thereafter by three more monthly issues to the end of the year. We have adhered closely to the Boston Convention mandate.

THIS ISSUE ROUNDS UP the services of your present editor. He will be ready to turn over to his successor upon the termination of the Hollywood Convention the pleasant though exacting task of guiding the fortunes of our national magazine.

AT THIS TIME we consider it a pleasure to thank our Associate Editors and our Assistant Editors for their unflinching devotion to duty and their fine support and co-operation. Whatever success we have achieved, we share it with them; whatever failings or failures have been noted are to be attributed to this editor, who throughout retained complete control and direction of the entire publication.

IT IS OUR PLEASURE also to acknowledge a debt of gratitude to Supreme President Verinis and our Colleagues on the Supreme Lodge. They gave us wholehearted encouragement in our endeavors and proffered assistance and aid whenever we called on them for counsel and advice.

WE ALSO THANK the Editors and Publicists of our daily and weekly press. They showed understanding for our problems and consideration in our difficulties. Their comments and editorials were most heartening. We particularly thank Boston's Hellenic Chronicle for ever "lending" us gratis their prize pictures.

OUR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE ended June 30th with commendable results. Our Headquarters are now tabulating the "scores." They will be announced, and the victors will get their trophies, in Hollywood.

OUR HOLLYWOOD CONVENTION Brothers and Sisters are making the most wonderful plans for our enjoyment and pleasure. What they ask of all of us is very simple — that we attend with all our families the greatest gathering of our mighty AHEPA! No one can afford to miss the many activities and functions scheduled for August 16 to 22, 1959 in Hollywood, California.

SPORTS AND DISTRICT ACTIVITIES are reported in this issue in an extended form. Also, our 1959 Excursion to Greece; the Arlington and St. Basil's Ceremonies; Sons and Maids gatherings and many other events detailing Ahepa's every day life. However, a great deal of copy was left out of this issue. It simply proves the interest of our members in a monthly publication.

THE NEXT ISSUE is expected to circulate around the middle of September. It will have the complete story of the Hollywood Convention, for those who will not be able to be with us. Our parting wish. Have a pleasant summer and make plans for the fall in behalf of this great fraternity of ours, the ORDER OF AHEPA. Speak evil of no one. And God bless you all!

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# We Applaud Their Endeavors

## Mayor Appoints Verinis

Last April, Mayor Richard C. Lee of New Haven, Conn., appointed Supreme President Verinis to be a member of the New Haven Parking Authority. The appointment extends to September 15, 1965.

In announcing the appointment, Mayor Lee stated that our Supreme President combines the businessman's practical and common sense thinking with a deep understanding and sincere interest in the problems of the common people. "He has demonstrated these fine qualities," the Mayor continued, "in the successful operation of his business firm and in his untiring efforts for the welfare of his fellow citizens, and in behalf of Americans of Hellenic origin."

Our belated congratulations and best wishes to our Chief of State.



## Dr. Cambadhis — A Dedicated Man

Despite the complexities of life, with international and domestic tensions in our midst, this is still a beautiful world to live in, thanks to the many kind souls that have dedicated themselves to its service and betterment.

From the Master of Nazareth to Dr. Schweitzer and Michael Anagnos and now Dr. Alexander P. Cambadhis, humanity has been blessed with many personalities that have left their indelible mark in the history of philanthropic endeavor. Our gratitude is extended to these men who have inspired the founding of organizations and institutions that are concerned with making this world a better place in which to live.

Most of us probably know of the worthy and illustrious Michael Anagnos, who served as Director of the Perkins Institute for the Blind in Watertown, Massachusetts, and under whose direction "Perkins" became the leading school of its kind in America.

### Dedicated His Life to the Blind

Again, today, we have Dr. Alexander P. Cambadhis, who has dedicated his life to help the blind and is happy in his efforts to bring light where there is darkness and joy where there is despair. He seeks neither the limelight, publicity nor praise for his work. He is that kind of a man!

His deep love for humanity has impelled him to forego the emoluments, comforts and luxuries of a medical career in order to serve that lot of his fellow men in Greece who have been deprived of their eyesight. Although advanced in years, he possesses a vigorous and youthful mind that constantly generates new ideas for helping these unfortunates in Greece. His profound zeal and devotion in helping these handicapped inspire him to carry on his work tirelessly.

He abandoned his successful medical practice to join the Greek Army and served with distinction in the Balkan Wars of 1911-1912.

Soon after he came to America and established himself in Manchester, N. H., he became an active factor in promoting the social and political well-being of the Greek-American community. He established a successful medical practice and was considered an outstanding diagnostician by his colleagues in the medical profession.

He is a scholar of philosophy and literature and speaks French with the same facility as Greek and English.

He was the founder of the American Hellenic Society in Manchester, N. H., in 1917, that organized family groups to entertain and inspire the Greek-American boys at Camp Devens.

### He Founded the Sons of Pericles

He is the founder of the Sons of Pericles, now the Junior Order of Ahepa. This work with the Greek-American youths entitles him to everlasting honor and gratitude.

He is the founder of the American Hellenic Protective Association of Manchester, N. H. — a mutual insurance and health plan.

He is the founder and moving factor of the American Friends of the Blind of Greece, Inc., whose headquarters are in Manchester, N. H. This organization has established a school for the rehabilitation of the blind in Greece. Before this school was established, Dr. Cambadhis brought several blind young

### MY CREED

To live as gently as I can,  
to be no matter where a man;  
To take what comes of good or ill,  
and cling to faith and honor still.  
To do my best and let that stand  
a record of my brain and hand,  
And then should failure come to me,  
still work and hope for victory.

C. P. VERINIS, Supreme President

## "Mr. Brademas Goes to Washington"



A sound-on-film documentary depicting the first weeks in the life of a newly elected Congressman and featuring Brother JOHN BRADEMAS, Indiana's Third District Representative, has been released for showing in many parts of the nation.

More than 500 copies of the 16mm film, entitled "Mr. Brademas Goes to Washington" and produced by Screen News Digest, have been sent to schools throughout the country as part of an educational film program arranged by local sponsors.

It shows the newly elected Congressman conducting a thank-you tour of the four counties he represents in Congress, preparing to depart for Washington, and then beginning his complex duties as a member of the House of Representatives.

Appearing with Brademas in the film are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Brademas; former President Harry Truman, who gives Brademas a few words of advice; and House Doorkeeper William "Fishbat" Miller, who takes the new Congressman on an informative tour of the Capitol.

The film also shows Brademas and other members of Congress being given the oath of office as Congressmen by House Speaker Sam Rayburn, then later shows Brademas listening as President Eisenhower delivers his State of the Union address to a Joint Session of Congress.

Copies of this film may be obtained on loan and without charge by writing to Congressman John Brademas, 1529 House Office Building, Washington 25.

## THE PARLIAMENTARIAN SPEAKS

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This is the fifth installment on parliamentary law and procedure, prepared and edited by past Supreme President George Demeter of Boston, author of his own Manual. All questions and answers that follow were assembled by him with the officers and members of our chapters always in mind as to what they were most interested to know in carrying on their work. The response of our readers has been most complimentary to our distinguished author.



**Q.** - What motions can properly or parliamentarily interrupt a member while speaking?

**A.** - Only four: (1) A proper point of order; (2) A point of no quorum; (3) A proper question of privilege; (4) A call for the orders of the day. (Demeter's, p. 226.)

**Q.** - Can a member be interrupted while speaking so the Chair can answer questions asked?

**A.** - No. The moment a question is asked, the Chair's duty is to turn at once to the speaker and ask: "Do you yield the floor for a question?" It is then up to the speaker to allow interrupting questions or not, for the floor cannot be taken away without his consent. (Demeter's, p. 119.) Just simply say: "I do not yield the floor for any questions now."

**Q.** - We had nominations for president. Brothers A and B were nominated. The Brother who nominated "B" then launched a bitter, personal attack on candidate "A" purposely to belittle and humble him so his own candidate might win. Was this proper? (P.S.—Brother "A" won.)

**A.** - Personalities, attacks and pseudo-charges are improper and unparliamentary. They "excite personal feeling and resentment among the members" and are not allowed. Those who nominate should stick to just praising the capabilities and extolling the talent and skill of their candidate and let the others alone. (Demeter's, p. 182.)

**Q.** - It was a stormy, wintry night. Only 4 members showed up. We had no quorum. But the President opened the meeting just the same and had the Minutes read and "approved as read." A recently admitted young lawyer who had joined from the Sons of Pericles says that "the Minutes could not have been legally approved at that quorumless meeting and they should be re-read

men and women from Greece and had them educated in our American schools for the blind so that these young men and women would comprise part of the faculty of this new school. This is another indication of his methodical and scientific mind that does things the positive way. The results of this school have been so successful that it has received the plaudits of all responsible authority in Greece, including those of Queen Fredricka and the late Archbishop Michael.

### Cited for His Services

Dr. Cambadhis was last April awarded the Ben Thompson Citation by the University of New Hampshire in Durham. This honor was bestowed upon him at a special convocation and in the presence of a distinguished gathering of educators, statesmen, and civic leaders including Henry Cabot Lodge, U. S. Ambassador to the United Nations; Paul Henrie Spaak, Secretary of North Atlantic Treaty Organization; and Governor Wesley Powell. This citation reads — "In recognition of a life and career marked by exceptional meritorious services noted for his various humanitarian projects."

*Lives of great men all remind us  
We can make our lives sublime,  
And departing, leave behind us  
Footprints on the sands of Time."*

We, his friends and fellow Americans of Greek origin salute and congratulate Dr. Cambadhis and extend our sincere appreciations for being indirectly the beneficiaries of the honor that was bestowed upon him.

A. D. VARKAS, Past Supreme Governor.

and re-approved at a quorumful meeting before they could constitute the Chapter's official record of Minutes." Is this clever kid lawyer right?

**A.** - He is absolutely right. The law is on his side. Do as he says. (Demeter's, p. 134.)

**Q.** - Our President one night suddenly adjourned the meeting deliberately because the Chapter members voted against a "pet" motion of his "to give \$350 to his home town church in Greece to help his nephew priest there." Then our Vice-President immediately took the floor and shouted: "This adjournment is illegal; let's continue the meeting and I'll preside." He did so and much further business was transacted. Was this business legal and parliamentary?

**A.** - Yes. The rule is: "The Chair cannot arbitrarily or willfully adjourn a meeting, except in case of fire or riot, etc. If he does, the Vice-President may preside and the sitting is a legal one." (Demeter's, p. 111.)

**Q.** - Can a point of order interrupt a member while speaking?

**A.** - Yes. But the point of order has to be a proper one, showing that something illegal is taking place before the meeting. If, instead of disclosing this, a point of order is used intentionally to take the floor away from a speaker by trickery, then the point of order is improper and the Chair returns the floor at once to the original speaker. (Demeter's, p. 116.)

**Q.** - Some members always complain and grumble because the Chairman puts a motion to vote when he asks for discussion and nobody gets up to discuss it. Is the Chairman wrong?

**A.** - The Chair is right. The rule is: "Members who wish to discuss or amend a motion must ask for the floor promptly after the Chair states it; if they do not, they must not complain if the Chair puts it to vote; there is nothing else he can do when they delay." (Demeter's, p. 24.)

**Q.** - Just what is "prevailing side"?

**A.** - Prevailing side is the winning side — the side which wins when a motion is put to vote. Thus, if the vote is 15 for and 6 against, the "15" side (which is the affirmative) is the prevailing, or winning side. If the vote is 12 for and 23 against, the negative side is the prevailing side. Hence, the prevailing side can be either the affirmative or negative, as shown. (For tie-votes, or two-thirds votes, etc., see Demeter's, p. 24.)

**Q.** - Are sticker label candidates legal in Ahepa elections, as when too late to include or print a candidate's name on the ballot?

**A.** - Ahepa's laws do not prohibit it. Hence "sticker" or "paster" candidacies are legal. (See "Sticker Label Candidacies," Demeter's, p. 219.)

**Q.** - Our delegates were instructed to vote for "Z" as district treasurer. Brother "Z" died the day before the convention and it was too late to get new instructions from a Chapter meeting. So, at the convention each delegate voted as he pleased on the district treasurership with three candidates for it. Should they all have voted for the same one?

**A.** - Not necessarily. The rule is: "Instructed delegates are honor-bound to obey instructions; but when instructions are impossible of obedience, . . . by act of God, the delegates are free to vote as they wish." (Demeter's, p. 238 (25).)

**Q.** - Because our Chapter meetings had no quorum to do business the last three meetings it was decided to "have four past district governors and a past supreme president issue the call for the next meeting," so as to attract more members this time. The meeting took place and 42 members attended, and much business was done. It is now claimed that "all the business transacted that night was illegal, and hence null and void." Is this claim correct?

**A.** - Yes. The call for the meeting was unconstitutional; hence illegal, because only the Chapter's own officers have authority to call meetings, and this meeting was not legally called by the proper officers.

**Q.** - Can Chapter officers discuss motions and vote just like the other members or not?

**A.** - All Chapter officers can debate motions, vote and participate in all proceedings that members can, except when any one of them is actually in the chair as presiding officer. (Demeter's, p. 190 (42).)

(To be continued in next issue)

## HEADLINES FROM HOLLYWOOD

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE AHEPA FAMILY —  
FRATERNAL GREETINGS AND SALUTATIONS.



Sheriff Peter J. Pitchess  
Honorary Chairman

**First** — remember that hosts and hostesses will be at International Airport and Union Station August 15-17, inclusive. Your welcome starts from the moment of your arrival in the City of Angels and the Center of Art!

**Second** — here is a phone number if necessary for your office or home to call you, *Dunkirk* 1-2191. The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. is setting up a special telephone service booth for the week. This courtesy will mean much to delegates and visitors.

Now, for the latest convention news and some highlights of our Convention:

**Sunday:** at a combined meeting of the three hostessing chapters, Melita of Hollywood was selected to perform the impressive Daughters of Penelope "initiation ceremony." It is scheduled right after the official opening.

Tom Palis and his orchestra will provide music for the "Get Acquainted Party" from 9 until the early hours next morning.

**Monday:** Reservations show keen interest in the Convention "Queen Contest". This will be a real challenge to the professional judges at the party in the Coconut Grove.

For the "Grecian Soiree," Tom Palis announces that his 12 piece orchestra will feature Helen Baropoulos, singer; Alexis Kehayas, bazooka; Andreas Chianis, clarinet; Tom Cappas, kanum; Steve Stamatias, guitar; and Gust Aspietes, drums. What more can you ask?

**Tuesday:** The Daughters are having a "Delegates' Breakfast" — send your reservations to Ann Bogard.

The "Ahepa Day at Disneyland" will feature three new major attractions: Matterhorn mountain with bobsled runs; 8 submarines for an Undersea Voyage; and the Disneyland Monorail system, first of its kind in the United States.

**Wednesday:** The "Pageantry of Elegance" in the Coconut Grove will have a showing of the gowns of James Galanos, recognized as one of the most outstanding couturiers of our day.

Please note that the "Banquet" date has been changed to Wednesday. His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos will be our honored guest. Ambassador Alexis Liatis (who will be spending the entire convention week with us) will speak. Peter J. Pitchess, Sheriff of Los Angeles County and our honorary convention chairman, will be the toastmaster. Heading the entertainment program will be none other than Danny Thomas, the famous and popular star of TV, stage and movie.

**Thursday:** The "Olympiad" will be held at the University of Southern California, so our entries will compete on the field of famed USC.

The "Ahepa Grand Ball" and "Queen's Coronation" will have three orchestras.



Conferring with Sheriff Pitchess (l. to r.): Louis Tripodes, Anthony Aroney, George Shonis, General Chairman Angelson and Victor Adams.

**Friday:** Manny Harmon's orchestra has been engaged for the "Daughters of Penelope Ball," which will pay tribute to our newly crowned beauty and be named the Queen's Ball.

**Saturday:** John Santulis' orchestra will highlight the "Youth Ball" and we must add that Johnny has found time between current engagements to work on the Youth committee for the entire week's events. Bill Angelo and Santulis with Daughters' chairman, Mrs. Dem. Sourapas, have made plans for the teenagers for each day of the convention week.

**Sunday:** The "Post-Convention Tour" will be to Hawaii. Albertsen Tours and Pan-American have arranged for the Sunday Flight. We salute our 50th state!

### For Both Delegates and Visitors

The following additional information will be of interest to vacationing families:

The outing on *Tuesday* to Disneyland is on the regular program for visitors. That day has been designated as "Ahepa Day at Disneyland." Busses will leave the Ambassador Hotel at regular intervals on Tuesday morning for a rapid trip to this "Magic Kingdom" which so wonderfully combines fantasy and history, adventure and learning.

Children, of course, will thrill to this wonderland but actually it may surprise you to know that adults continue to outnumber children more than three to one. Nick Coulas, special events chairman, already is receiving reservations at the Ambassador Hotel's Ahepa Convention Headquarters. Special coupon books will be available at the hotel.

For those arriving on *Saturday*, August 15, a visit to the Greek Theatre or to the Hollywood Bowl, home of "Symphonies Under the Stars," is recommended. The Bowl program for that evening will be Meredith Willson "Music Man" Night. An all around family treat.

Speaking of the Bowl — some young people probably will go there on *Friday* the 21st, when the program will feature Nat King Cole.

The Greek Theatre in Griffith Park is famed architecturally and you will be interested to learn that the entertainment scheduled there for mid-August will be none other than Jack Benny and his Variety Revue and Concert.

Another major attraction of southern California is Marineland — a truly 3-ring sea circus: the Seal Arena; the Whale Stadium (you probably have seen news reels showing amazing stunts there) and the biggest Fishbowl on earth, containing 5,000 underwater creatures in a 540,000 gallon tank.

The U. S. Destroyers, which are being transferred to the Greek Navy, are in the harbor where officers and men are training to take over command.



**A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO ALL!**

Throughout the year we attend local meetings, we participate in chapter and district activities, we share in every day Ahepa life. It is only once a year when we visit with Brothers and Sisters from the other parts of the Ahepa Domain.

A Supreme Convention has become the meeting place and the melting pot of the entire Ahepadom. Here we meet one another, we hear firsthand of our progress, we plan for years to come. We also play and enjoy a full week's carefully planned functions. We urge everyone to take his family and come to Hollywood Playland, where our 37th Supreme Convention will take place August 16th to 22nd, 1959.

A. C. ANGELSON    M. DAUTERMAN    C. P. VERINIS  
*General Co-Chairmen*                      *Supreme President*



Grecian Soiree Committee. Paris Tripodes, chairman. See you Monday.

TV studio tickets will be available for all. City tours are scheduled and other events too numerous to mention. No wonder so many people are planning to stay on after the convention week in order to see all the vacation spots.

Sunday, August 23, certainly will not be get-away day, for on that afternoon the Sheriff's Annual Rodeo will be held at the Coliseum. This is of particular interest to our people, for the Sheriff of Los Angeles County is PETER J. PITCHESS, a member of Hollywood Chapter, and honorary convention chairman and toastmaster at the banquet. One thousand western horsemen will be in the Grand Entry Parade and then will follow all forms of rodeo competition, bronc riding on through steer wrestling and Brahma bull riding. Reservations for this mammoth show should be made as soon as you arrive.

The Post-Convention Tour for 1959 is to Hawaii. Albertson Tours and Pan-American have arranged for a flight leaving

Sunday. Many already have made advance reservations, but for last minute planners there will be a representative at the Ambassador Hotel. When you are in California you actually are well on your way to this exotic land which has become our 50th state.

For further information, reservations or any assistance you may wish, please write Ahepa Supreme Convention Headquarters, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles. Convention co-chairmen, Andrew Angelson and Margaret Dauterman, and the chapters of Hollywood, Los Angeles and Pasadena look forward to welcoming you to southern California and know that you will have a wonderful conclave and a most enjoyable holiday.

MYRA TELLEGEN,  
*Associate Press Chairman.*



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# Convention Program

## SUNDAY, August 16

- 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM *Registration. Lobby. Ambassador Hotel.*  
 10:00 AM *Church Services at Saint Sophia Cathedral. His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos officiating.*  
 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM *Luncheon. Reception honoring Supreme Lodge and Grand Lodge Officers.*  
 4:00 PM *Official Opening. Open to Public. Embassy Room.*  
 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM *Initiation. Daughters of Penelope. Lido Room.*  
 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM *Minstrel Show by Daughters of Penelope.*  
 9:00 PM to 1:00 AM *Get Acquainted Party (Welcome Party) for the Ahpa Family and Visitors. Embassy Room.*

## MONDAY, AUGUST 17

- 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM *Registration. Lobby. Ambassador Hotel.*  
 10:00 AM *Official Opening of Business Sessions.*  
 Order of Ahpa — Sunset Room  
 Daughters of Penelope — Boulevard Room  
 Sons of Pericles — Lido  
 Maids of Athens — Frenchette  
 5:00 PM to 5:30 PM *Cocktail Party — Selection of the Queen and Her Court. Coconut Grove.*  
 6:30 PM to 2:00 AM *Grecian Soiree (Greek Night). Shrine's Exposition Hall.*

## TUESDAY, August 18

- 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM *Registration — Lobby.*  
 11:00 AM *Visit to the famous Disneyland.*  
 12:00 Noon *District Governor's Luncheon. Rose Room.*  
 2:00 PM *Olympiad U.S.C. — Los Angeles*  
 8:00 PM to Midnight *Spanish Fiesta. Sun Club and Pool.*

## WEDNESDAY, August 19

- 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM *Registration. All day business sessions.*  
 Note: Registration of Ahpa Delegates closes at 6 PM.  
 12:00 Noon *Daughters of Penelope — Luncheon and Fashion Show, at the Famous Coconut Grove.*  
 7:00 PM *Ahpa Banquet — Embassy Room.*

## THURSDAY, August 20

- 8:00 AM *Golf Tournament. Brookside Park.*  
 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM *Registration. Daughters of Penelope and Visitors only. All Day Business Sessions.*  
 Time to be announced *Tour of the Studios — 20th Century-Fox. Sightseeing trip to the homes of movie stars and studios.*  
 8:30 PM to 1:00 AM *Ahpa Grand Ball — Crowning of the Queen and Her Court. (a) Embassy Ball Room — featuring: Russ Morgan's Orchestra. (b) Sunset Ball Room — featuring: Our outstanding Greek Orchestra. (c) Boulevard Room — featuring: Latin music.*

## FRIDAY, AUGUST 21

- 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM *Registration. Daughters of Penelope and Visitors only. All Day Business Sessions.*  
 8:30 PM to 1:30 AM *Queen's Ball, Daughters of Penelope. Embassy Room.*  
 Afternoon *Sightseeing: Pacific Ocean Park, Griffith Observatory, etc.*

## SATURDAY, August 22

- ALL DAY: *Final Business Sessions*  
 Elections of Supreme and Grand Lodge Officers.  
 8:30 PM to 1:00 AM *Yacht Ball (Sons of Pericles, Maids of Athens).  
 Farewell Dance. Embassy Room.*

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Archbishop Iakovos dedicating Boys' Dormitory in the name of Ahepa with Supreme President Verinis breaking ground for the Ahepa School

## AHEPA'S PROJECTS AT ST. BASIL'S A REALITY

It was a beautiful, sunny day — Sunday, June 14, 1959. From early morning until mid-afternoon all roads from New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts and as far as Chicago, were leading to the grounds of St. Basil's Academy in Garrison, New York. Caravans of parents, friends and people keenly interested in our institutions, maintained and directed by the Archdiocese, were coming to St. Basil's, to see, to visit around and to witness the many ceremonies scheduled for the day.

Archbishop Iakovos commenced the day with services in the Academy Chapel, attended by the school personnel, the children and the Ahepans and Daughters who came early for the day.

After a brief service at the grave of our late Archbishop Michael, the first ceremony held dedicated the Ahepa Hall for Boys for about 100 orphans, who will start coming in the fall.

Archbishop Iakovos was assisted by his deacon and four priests. It was a most impressive service for the first monument of Ahepa's generosity and public spirit in this country. Our Archbishop briefly related the story of Ahepa's efforts in this direction and praised the leaders who conducted the drive from 1955 to this day.

### Breaking Ground for the School

It was in Houston that John Kiamos spearheaded the project. Following that convention, all national administrations headed by Supreme Presidents Lamberson, Scopas, Manta and Verinis have made the Academy their project number one and worked hard toward raising the necessary funds to complete the buildings.

Following the dedication ceremony, the entire assembly, now being augmented by new arrivals, proceeded east to the Administration building where ground breaking ceremonies were conducted for the Ahepa School which will rise majestically this year to train both orphan boys and orphan girls in a true effort to give them protection, a Christian education and the means to face the world in their mature years.

It was a very moving moment when the Archbishop and his clergymen chanted "Bless the generous hearts and the noble minds" and anointed the ground. A perfect setting for a country school, it had a most auspicious beginning.

With two silver trowels, specially ordered by Supreme President Verinis, he and Archbishop Iakovos broke symbolically the ground where the edifice will rise shortly. They were followed by Supreme Secretary Doukas, President of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees Paul Prodromidis, past Supreme Treasurers Kiamos, Sekles and Georgiades, past Supreme Vice-President Kourides, past Supreme Counsellor Dukas, the architect of the Archdiocese George Diamond, Paul Demos of Chicago, Sons National Advisor Zarcadoolas, past President of Hermes Vlavianos and many others.

Immediately thereafter, the official family was invited by Archbishop Iakovos to a brief luncheon in the Academy Cafeteria and then the commencement exercises got under way under the direction of Dean Diamantopoulos of the Academy.

Supreme President Verinis, Supreme Secretary Doukas and 1959 Excursion Commander Sekles motored to Atlantic City to attend the District No. 5 banquet, at which the Supreme President was the main speaker.

## ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS, as of June 10, 1959

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William Psaros	5.00
Christopoulos	5.00
Steve Nicolaides	5.00
Johnny Mirras	5.00
William Christakis	5.00
William Petropoulos	5.00
A. Nutrolis	5.00
K. Nartoryo	5.00
Louis Manousos	5.00
Miss Angela Krooskos	1.00
Alex Rigopoulos	5.00
Charles Thio	5.00
Mrs. C. Stassis	5.00
Spiros Smerlas	5.00
Dinner Net Proceeds	305.52

\$ 801.52

**Ahepa San Francisco Chapters, No. 150 and 235 and Daughters Chapter No. 1:**

"Golden Gate" Chapter, No. 150	\$ 54.00
Anthony Panos	2.00
Phillip Deligiannis	2.00
A. Savva	2.00
"Pacific" Chapter, No. 235	
Steve Argyres	2.00
Stephen Berdalis	2.00
Chris Desalernios	2.00
William Korinthias	2.00
John Kosturos	2.00
George Lagros	2.00
Mike Maratsos	2.00
James Maniates	2.00
Effie Argyres	10.00
Emily Christie	20.00
Julia Petterson	14.00
Athene Plastras	20.00
Enily Tamaras	6.00
John P. George	4.00
Anacron Garoufalis	4.00
Eleanor Katsanos	4.00
Maria D. Lazaridis	4.00
Salvator N. Stella	2.00
Anne Psaltis	2.00
Mary Saffias and T. Lagiss	4.00
Getasimos Vrionis	4.00
Mrs. Mike Maratsos	2.00
Dr. August Antipa	4.00
Peter Roosakos	2.00
Spiro Tentes	2.00
Ted Mentis	2.00
Basil Plastras	2.00
Miss Sandra Sarros	2.00
Mrs. John Kaplans	2.00
Mrs. Eugenia Lagios	2.00
Katherine Metropoulos	2.00
Angelo T. Mountanos	4.00
Mr. and Mrs. G. Antipa	4.00
Mrs. John Kosturos	2.00
Peter Marcos	2.50
Milton Kaffen	2.00
Spiro Lantzounis	2.00
A. Pederson	2.00
Arthur Andreas	2.00
From Games	100.40

\$ 316.70



by a family picnic, to which the entire community was invited.

The Daughters co-operated with the Brother Ahepans in sponsoring the dance, "A Spring Night in Athens," held for the benefit of St. Basil's Academy. It was followed by the annual spring dance in May in the lovely Camellia Room of the Hotel El Dorado. As always, this was one of the social highlights of the Sacramento community.

The Daughters are eagerly making plans for their annual Greek Cooking Demonstration which takes place at the California State Fair in September.

Cleo Cotsobanis, who sailed on the Ahepa Excursion to Greece, was guest of honor at a tea given in the home of President Marie Loris. A lovely set of luggage was presented to her.

Past President Manthea Marmas was honored at a luncheon at Johnson's Del Prado. Many Sisters and friends attended this lovely affair.

#### District Officers Visit

Last April, Butte Chapter, No. 206, had the pleasure of a visit by three Officers of District No. 18: District Governor Angelo Bourlakis, Lieutenant Governor Harold Allen and Secretary-Treasurer Gust P. Carkulis.

The meeting was highlighted by the District Governor's appeal for funds for St. Basil's Academy via the Easter Donation route.

The meeting of the three officers is the first of more to follow in various cities of our very spread-out district, and make appeals for Better Ahepanism and More Co-operation in Future Ahepan Endeavors. The meeting was attended by a large number of Ahepans who were thrilled by the heart-warming speeches of our district officers.

#### Hosts District Convention

The Tucson Chapter hosted the District Convention of El Camino Real District No. 20, June 25th through the 28th. Convention headquarters were at the El Conquistador Hotel, with the social events being held at the Hellenic Community Center.

Convention chairman was George K. Diamos, past District Governor. He has served the chapter for the last 28 years. The convention committees planned many interesting and diversified activities for the visitors and delegates.

The Arizona Chapter, No. 275, has also been very active in heeding the request for raising funds for St. Basil's Academy. The list of contributors is inserted elsewhere.

#### Nicola Moscona in San Francisco

Nicola Moscona, leading basso of the Metropolitan Opera of New York City for the past 20 years, gave a very success-

ful concert in San Francisco at the Curran Theater last April. On that occasion, the members of Golden Gate Chapter, No. 150, gave a dinner in his honor at the El Portal Cafe, attended by many Bay Area Ahepans.

ANGELO MOUNTANOS,  
Associate Editor.

#### General Rocos Honored



(From left): Chapter Secretary Dr. G. Karelas, President N. Karambinis, General Rocos, Ch. Clonis, L. Bliziotis, T. Stergianoopoulos, Chairman.

The officers and members of Chapter No. 381 were recently hosts to General Constantinos Rocos of the Greek Army Medical Corps, at a banquet held in Gainesville, Florida.

Many members of the faculty and the student body of the University of Florida attended the affair. General Rocos is attached to the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and is touring the world. He delivered several lectures on the campus of the University during his stay.

The banquet Committee comprised Takis Stergianoopoulos, chairman, Leon Bliziotis, secretary and Charles Clonis.

#### New Books

UNCHAINED DESIRE, 1959, by Margaret Demetre. To be published by Comet Press Books of New York.

*Unchained Desire* is a spirited, dramatic novel which explores contemporary problems: miscegenation, strained marital relations, corrupt small-town politics and the general breakdown of morals and mores in a southern community.

*Unchained Desire* teems with sharply individualistic characters, such as Victoria; the two-timing, lascivious Sheila McElvis; the philandering Raymond Vaughn, Larry Stevens.

In her fast-moving, entertaining book, Margaret Demetre has faithfully transcribed a certain segment of contemporary American life. Packed with action and brimming sequences, *Unchained Desire* catches the stresses beneath the sultry surface of a modern southern community.

The author, Mrs. Demetre, is married to Steve C. Demetre of Houston. They met while he was in service and she was working as a secretary at the Orlando Air Base. This is her first novel.

#### Dedicated to Public Service



Demetra and Gregory Trompas of San Diego.

With pride we present brother Gregory and sister Demetra Trompas. A charter member, past President of San Diego Chapter, No. 223, and past Lt. Governor of District No. 80, Gregory has been a true and tried Ahepan since 1929 — for 30 years!

He has given scholarships to needy students and substantial donations to his community, which he served as president. He was an active member of, and contributor to, the Greek War Relief and has donated sums to the tune of over \$50,000 to his native Naoussa. A year ago the St. Gregory Chapel, of Vermont marble and Grecian architecture, erected at his own expense in Greenwood Memorial Park, San Diego, was dedicated as a community project by Bishop Demetrios.

It is men and women like Gregory and Demetra Trompas, devoted to public service, who enhance the roster of Ahepa and make us all proud for having them. May they continue in the best of health and happiness.

#### Letters from America Week

May 17th through May 23rd had been set aside as *Letters from America Week*. President Eisenhower had said, "Letters from America Week reminds us of one type of contribution to good international relations that the individual citizen can make repeatedly throughout the year. Everyone who writes to a friend or relative abroad can help to strengthen bonds of international understanding and unity. If many people do so, they can do much to establish in the world a new basis for hope and confidence."

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## The Supreme Lodge in Action

Last November a new link was added to the long chain of Ahepa: *The Gateway to the West* Chapter, No. 395, of Greater St. Louis, Missouri, of District No. 15. We are pleased to present some of the participants in the initiation ceremony, the installation of the new officers and the Inaugural Banquet:

Left to right (front row): Vice-President James Lappas, Banquet Chairman Ted Bouras, past District Governor Ted Costa, charter member Colonel August A. Busch, charter member Mayor Raymond Tucker of St. Louis, Supreme President Verinis, charter member State Representative Francis M. O'Brien, 13th District Governor George Miller, Supreme Vice-

## Gateway to the West: Chapter No. 395



President Loucas; (back row): Treasurer Charles Bouras, Supreme Counsellor Plumides, charter member Congressman Thomas Curtis, President Nick Pappas,

Supreme Governor Pappademas, Supreme Lodge Headquarters Auditor Charles A. Williams and charter member Judge Thomas Gabbert.

### 1959 DISTRICT CONVENTIONS

District	City	Banquet Date	Supreme Lodge Representatives
1	Atlanta, Ga.	June 7	JOHN G. PLUMIDES, Supreme Counsellor PETER KOUCHALAKOS, Supreme Governor
2	Pensacola, Fla.	June 27	C. P. VERINIS, Supreme President PETER KOUCHALAKOS, Supreme Governor
5	Washington, D.C.	June 29	C. P. VERINIS, Supreme President JOHN G. PLUMIDES, Supreme Counsellor
4	New Castle, Pa.	June 22	GEORGE E. LOUCAS, Supreme Vice-Pres. KIMON DOUKAS, Supreme Secretary
5	Atlantic City, N. J.	June 14	C. P. VERINIS, Supreme President KIMON A. DOUKAS, Supreme Secretary
6	Troy, N. Y.	June 28	KIMON A. DOUKAS, Supreme Secretary
7	Pittsfield, Mass.	June 7	C. P. VERINIS, Supreme President
8	Webster, Mass.	June 21	MICHAEL J. VROTSOS, Supreme Treasurer C. P. VERINIS, Supreme President
9	Rye Beach, N. H.	June 14	MICHAEL J. VROTSOS, Supreme Treasurer JOHN G. PLUMIDES, Supreme Counsellor
10	Benton Harbor, Mich.	June 28	JOHN G. PLUMIDES, Supreme Counsellor PAUL KOKEN, Supreme Governor
11	Steubenville, Ohio	June 14	GEORGE E. LOUCAS, Supreme Vice-Pres. PAUL KOKEN, Supreme Governor
12	Ft. Wayne, Ind.	June 28	C. P. VERINIS, Supreme President
13	Peoria, Ill.	July 19	C. P. VERINIS, Supreme President PAUL KOKEN, Supreme Governor
14	St. Paul, Minn.	June 21	GEORGE E. LOUCAS, Supreme Vice-Pres.
15	Tulsa, Okla.	June 22	WILLIAM D. BELROY, Past, Sup. Comm.
16	San Antonio, Texas	June 28	PETER KOUCHALAKOS, Supr. Governor GEORGE J. PAPPADEMAS, Supr. Governor
17	No Report of Convention Schedule		
18	Butte, Mont.	June 8	EDW. GHIKADIS, Supr. Vice-Pres., Canada
19	Salt Lake City, Utah	June 13	GEORGE E. LOUCAS, Supreme Vice-Pres.
20	Tucson, Arizona	June 26	GEORGE J. PAPPADEMAS, Supr. Governor
21	Stockton, Calif.	June 26	GEORGE E. LOUCAS, Supreme Vice-Pres.
22	Bellingham, Wash.	June 27	GEORGE E. LOUCAS, Supreme Vice-Pres.
23	Toronto, Ontario, Canada	May 15	EDW. GHIKADIS, Supr. Vice-Pres., Canada JOHN G. PLUMIDES, Supreme Counsellor
24	Edmonton, Alta., Canada	June 9	EDW. GHIKADIS, Supr. Vice-Pres., Canada

### District Convention Circuit

By JOHN G. PLUMIDES,  
Supreme Counsellor

With the beginning of the District Convention season, I have to this date attended three conventions and my schedule calls for two more before the Supreme Convention in Hollywood.

The first convention I attended was held in Toronto, Canada, May 15th, 16th and 17th, at the Royal York Hotel. The Toronto Chapter sponsored the convention of Beaver District No. 23. The convention was well covered, and the banquet was exceptionally well attended. Several members of Parliament, members of the Canadian Immigration Authority, Supreme Vice-President in Canada Ed Ghikadis and Supreme Governor Paul Koken were also present. Your Supreme Counsellor was the main speaker and spoke on the role of Ahepa in Canada.

The second convention I attended was held at Atlanta, sponsored by Mother Lodge Chapter, No. 1. This Mother Lodge District No. 1 convention was held at the Hotel Briarcliff. Delegates of all active chapters of the district were present. Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Sam Nakos of Birmingham, also participated. Your Supreme Counsellor spoke at the banquet and also addressed a joint meeting of the Daughters of Penelope and the Ahepans. The newly elected District Governor of District No. 1 is Chris J. Paris of Memphis. The other members of his District Lodge are Lt. Governor Angelo Anestopoulo of Charleston, Secretary Theodore Lempestis of Birmingham, Treasurer Charles Alexander of Atlanta, and Marshal Attorney George Panho of Savannah.

The third convention I attended was the convention of Northern New England District No. 9, held at Rye Beach, New Hampshire, under the sponsorship

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of Dover and Portsmouth, New Hampshire, Ahepa and Daughters Chapters. The convention was held at Farrget Inn. I participated in the business session and was readily available for questions from the floor that any delegate desired to ask.



**N. H. Governor Powell, Toastmaster Chris Costarakis and Supreme Counsellor J. Plumides.** I also spoke at the banquet. Governor Powell of New Hampshire attended the banquet along with Mayor Andrew Jarvis, past Supreme Treasurer, and many other notables. The newly elected District Governor of District No. 9 is Angelo Chouramanis of Nashua, New Hampshire. Other members of the District Lodge elected were Lt. Governor William Karakas, Portland; Secretary George Papagianis, and Treasurer Ted Carras of Dover, New Hampshire.

My final two visitations will be the convention of District No. 5, my own district, to be held at Washington, D.C., June 27th, 28th and 30th, and the convention banquet of District No. 10, to be held at Benton Harbor, Michigan, on June 28, 1959, at which I will be the principal speaker representing the Supreme Lodge.

### Texas Governor Joins

Governor Price Daniel of the great State of Texas, joined our ranks as a dues paying member. He was initiated by San Antonio Chapter, No. 311, with members of six neighboring chapters participating in the ceremony.

Supreme Vice-President Loucas, while touring Texas Chapters, presided at the initiation. He was given a large Texas hat with the compliments of the Governor. George intends to sport it in Hollywood.

Assisting the Supreme Vice-President were: past Supreme Governor Colias, Lt. Governor George Finches, District Secretary George Callas, Marshal Tom Peters and President Daniel Nichols.

### District Scholarships

The annual \$150 district scholarship of District No. 9 was this year awarded to Georgia Sardonis of Nashua, New Hampshire. She is the daughter of past District Governor and Mrs. James L. Sardonis.

President Peter Bruskas of Chapter No. 174 of Albuquerque, New Mexico, announced the winners of a new scholarship established to encourage the study

of philosophy among local university students. They are David Burke and Walter Pickette. The scholarship award amounting to \$125 will be held jointly by these two students.

### An Ahepa Scholarship

Every year the Order of Ahepa gives to the Dean of the Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Theological School in Brookline, Massachusetts, a check for \$500 which is awarded to a graduating student who in the opinion of his professors has written a most outstanding essay on an assigned topic.



**Vrotsos handing check to Archbishop Iakovos**

Supreme Treasurer Michael Vrotsos presented the Ahepa Scholarship check to Archbishop Iakovos during commencement exercises.

### Celebrated Anniversary

The members of Plato Chapter, No. 4, of Charleston, S. C., last March celebrated their 56th Anniversary with dinner and dance with over 100 members and their families present. Charter members were awarded their 25 year pins. Supreme Counsellor Plumides was the principal speaker and gave a most inspiring talk. He congratulated the Chapter for having contributed over \$2,500 toward the Ahepa projects at St. Basil's Academy. Lieutenant Governor Angelo Anastopoulos acted as toastmaster and presented the chapter officers headed by President Nick Tsiropoulos.

### Beaver District Convenes

Beaver District, No. 23, was the first district to start the ball of conventions rolling. Delegates from Montreal, Ottawa, London, Toronto and Hamilton Chapters convened in Toronto last May and held a round of business meetings and social events that pleased everybody who attended.

District Governor Kerhoulas was succeeded by C. Alexiades and the following were elected his colleagues: N. Skodras, Lt. Governor, C. Kokinos, Secretary, G. Aas, Treasurer and B. Kehayas, Marshal.



**Beaver District Lodge No. 23**

We present the members of Beaver District Lodge No. 23 (from left): Secretary B. Bisbikos, Lt. Governor Skodras, Governor Alexiades, Treasurer Savidakis and Advisor Pantelides.

The Grand Banquet was attended by over 400 persons, including Supreme Vice-President in Canada Ghikadis, Su-



**District Governor Alexiades (left), his predecessor Kerhoulas and Supreme Governor Koken.**

preme Counsellor Plumides, who was the main speaker, Supreme Governor Koken, Grand Governor Lucille Koken, the Mayor of Toronto and many members of the Canadian Parliament, with a delegation from Buffalo, headed by Lt. Governor John Panos of Empire Dist. No. 6.

### Waterloo's Conference

Approximately 100 persons attended the spring Pre-Convention Conference of District No. 14 at the St. Demetrios Church in Waterloo last April. It brought members from Iowa, Minnesota, North and South Dakota. Principal speaker at the noon banquet was Supreme Counsellor Plumides. There were in attendance: District Governor Pappas and his District Lodge for the Ahepas, and District Governor Bessie George with her colleagues for the Daughters. Grand Governor Myrtle Phillips also attended and spoke at the combined meeting. James Zarifis and Mrs. Helen Char-doulas, Presidents of Waterloo Ahepa and Daughters Chapters, welcomed the guests and visitors.

One of the highlights of the program was District Treasurer James Kostadelos presentation of a beautiful luggage to





Supreme, District and Chapter Conference.

Perry Myrsiades, senior student at West Waterloo High School, in recognition of his achieving the highest athletic award available from the West Waterloo High School — *The Clyde Arto Award*. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elias G. Myrsiades, very active members of the Order.

We are pleased to present the officials of the Conference (from left) first row: Lt. Governor Scarmon, District Governor George, Grand Governor Myrtle Phillips, District Treasurer Mercury, President Chardoulas of Marathon Chapter, No. 91, of the Daughters. Second row: District Advisor Chardoulas, District Governor Pappas, Chapter President Zarfis, Supreme Counsellor Plumides, Lt. Governor Lambros and District Treasurer Kostadelos.

#### Grainfield District No. 14

The members of the District Lodge of Grainfield District No. 14, of Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, and South Dakota, during a recent meeting in behalf of Ahepa, took time out to pose for a pic-



Grainfield District Lodge No. 14

ture and, of course, immortality (clockwise): District Advisor Tony Chardoulas, Waterloo, Iowa; District Marshal Peter G. Andrews, Duluth; Lt. Governor John W. Lambros, St. Paul; District Governor George D. Pappas, Sioux City, Iowa; District Treasurer James Kostadelos, Waterloo, and District Secretary John W. Toscas, Duluth.

#### A Costume Ball Was!

The Sir Edward Codrington Chapter in Ottawa, and the newly organized Daughters of Penelope, gave their annual masquerade ball last February. Over 300 persons attended. The Daughters were led by their energetic President, Mrs. C. Alexiade, and the entire Executive Com-



Ottawa Mayor Nelms surrounded (clockwise) by Lois Korbikas, Eff Malamakis, T. Petropoulos and Ar. Alexiade. Their masquerade was a hit.

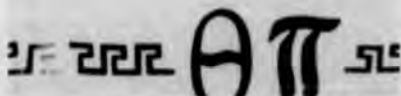
mittee helped to make this affair one to be long remembered for the City of Ottawa.

Among its distinguished guests were: Mayor and Mrs. George Nelms, Mr. George McIlraith, MP for Ottawa West, Mr. J. Papaioanou, new Charge d'Affairs of the Royal Greek Embassy and many others. Prizes were given to the best costumed couple, and the Glendi went on until the early hours of the morning.

Co-chairmen of the evening were Gus Pezoulas and Christos Ladas. The success of the dance was due to the co-operation that exists between the Ahepas and the Daughters of Penelope.

#### For Their Church Fund

The beautiful table decorations, symbolically done in Penelope's colors of blue and white, were a much-praised highlight of the recent evening tea sponsored by newly elected officers of the Cleveland Daughters of Penelope, Letkothea Chapter, No. 63. Over \$125.00 was raised at this affair for the benefit of the Sts. Constantine and Helen Building Fund treasury.



We Salute the Cleveland Daughters

From left to right: Ann Klonaris, retiring past President; Amelia Banias, District Marshal, and Toula Dallas, President.



Mrs. Lagadinos, the honored guest, the Supreme President and Daughters Governor Nikitas.

#### Lagadinos Testimonial

A very well-deserved recognition was bestowed recently upon Arthur Lagadinos, District Governor of District No. 8. It was in the form of a Testimonial Banquet in Worcester, Mass., attended by approximately 175 persons. Honoring his many years of service, first in the Sons of Pericles, whom he served as Supreme President, then in his own chapter, which he served in several offices, and now as District Governor, Arthur was presented a beautifully engraved wristwatch by Banquet Co-chairman Nick Drapos.

Among those present were Supreme President Verinis, the main speaker of the evening, Supreme Treasurer Vrotsos, past Supreme President Bell, District Governor of the Daughters, Miss Angela Nickitas, past Supreme Vice-President Davis, past Supreme Governor Despotopoulos, past District Governor Panagopoulos and a host of District and Chapter officials with every chapter in the district represented.

After the banquet, the very proud Mrs. Bessie Lagadinos entertained her son's guests at home.

#### From Kingston, Ontario



The officers of Limestone Chapter of Kingston, Ontario, headed by President Chris Zakos (middle, seated). This year they initiated six new members and have ten more prospects for fall.

#### Ahepa Excursion to Cyprus

A Special Ahepa Excursion to Greece and Cyprus is sailing from New York, July 24th, and Boston, July 25th, on the Greek Line Flagship OLYMPIA. Special receptions and festivities are being planned for the excursionists. Past Supreme Counsellor George C. Eliades of Lowell, Mass., was designated the Commander. We wish them Bon Voyage.



Welcomed by Mayor Katsodas . . . Their Majesties, King Paul and Queen Frederika . . . United States Ambassador Riddleberger.

## Our 1959 Excursion To Greece

By JOHN P. ANGELSON, Secretary, Excursion Committee

The beautiful ship OLYMPIA set sail from New York Friday, April 10, 1959. The day was wet and dreary. Yet, the many Excursionists were happy as within 11 days they would land in Mother Hellas. The rough weather continued across the Atlantic until we reached Lisbon, Portugal, April 16th, where we spent two pleasant hours touring this beautiful city.

The following day we entered the blue Mediterranean. Soon the seas calmed, the sun came out and so did many of the Excursionists from their cabins.

Sunday, April 19, we entered Naples, Italy, and here again tours of Naples and Pompeii were arranged to the delight of all. We were greeted by Mr. Pyrlas, on behalf of the Greek Government and E. Kontanis for the Athens Committee. They informed us of the many receptions awaiting us in Athens. Telegrams from Premier Karamanlis and other government officials were received, welcoming us to Mother Hellas.

Two initiations, one by the Ahepa and the other by the Daughters of Penelope, were held aboard ship, with the Daughters initiating 16 new members.

Monday, April 20, a grand Ahepa Night was held in the biggest ballroom of the OLYMPIA, with an overflowing crowd in attendance. Excitement and merriment was everywhere. Captain



At Upper Manhattan's Bon Voyage Party.

Sigalas invited everybody to a sumptuous buffet following the Ahepa glendi. Few slept as we were due off Greece.

### Welcomed by a Squadron of Jets

At 7 A.M. Tuesday, a Squadron of Jets from the Royal Hellenic Air Force flew over us and escorted us into Piraeus. At 8 A.M. a group of officials boarded the OLYMPIA from a Pilot Boat to extend a most cordial *Kalos Orisate* to all. At 9 A.M., with the Band playing and the Jets screeching overhead, we docked and for the next several hours we were getting cleared through customs, greeting relatives and getting settled in our hotels in Athens, of which the Grand Bretagne was designated as Headquarters.

Wednesday afternoon, April 22, a press conference was held. The Commander and his committee received many members of the Greek Press in an informal interview and the principal projects of the Ahepa were explained to them. They raised the question of a possible Supreme Convention in Athens in 1961 and Commander Sekles explained the manner in which the cities are awarded the Ahepa Conventions.

### Premier Karamanlis Attended

In the evening a gala reception was given by his Excellency the Undersecretary of the Ministry to the Prime Minister's Office, Mr. Triantaphyllakos, at the King George Hotel. It was packed with

many Excursionists and officials of the Greek Government. Soon the room buzzed with excitement when Prime Minister Karamanlis himself entered to greet the Excursionists and chat with many of them.

Thursday, April 15, the Ahepa contingent was treated to a one day excursion to beautiful Cape Sounion and a visit to the Temple of Poseidon. In the afternoon, at the very elaborate Astir Beach Restaurant over 200 Excursionists with many government officials attending, were the guests of the Bank of Greece, the National Bank and the Commercial Bank of Greece at a very excellent luncheon. They were entertained by employees of the banks, dressed in native costume, dancing the many varied dances of Greece, as well as songs and music by the local orchestra of the Club.

In the evening, the Excursionists were the guests of the Mayor of Athens at City Hall where the official welcome of the City was given and light refreshments served. The Athens Band provided the entertainment.

### The Banquet Was a Success

Friday, April 24, a ritual meeting of the Daughters of Penelope of the local Chapter was held, while the Ahepa Excursionists were preparing for the evening banquet, which was held at the Grand Bretagne, with over 300 guests

At the City Hall Reception.



With Prime Minister Karamanlis.





At the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier . . . After attending a Te Deum at the Cathedral . . . At the Philhellenes Monument.

attending. It proved to be a gala affair indeed. The banquet hall was decorated with flowers, the Ahepa Emblem and the word OXI was spelled out as the centerpiece at the head table. With Aristides Georgiades and John Angelson acting as co-toastmasters, the Excursionists were warmly greeted by His Excellency Mr. Kannelopoulos, Vice-Premier of Greece, and His Excellency James W. Riddleberger, our own Ambassador to Greece. Socrates V. Sekles and Evelyn Mickles responded for the Ahepa, thanking the people of Athens for their warm reception and extending the greetings and good wishes of all the Ahepa Chapters in the U.S.A. and Canada. This wonderful banquet was the highlight of the entire Excursion as it started at 9:30 P.M. and finished at midnight. The evening was well enjoyed by all.

#### Their Majesties Received Us

Saturday, April 25, the Excursionists were the guests of the Royal National Institute of Greece at their school in the suburbs of Athens. A light luncheon was served.

Following this event, the Excursion Committee paid a formal call to the King and Queen at Tatoi, the summer palace of the royal family. Here the Committee was warmly received by their Majesties and mutual greetings were exchanged. A check for \$1,000 was presented to the Queen for her charity fund, and she warmly thanked the Committee. The friendly and unassuming appearance of the King and Queen very much impressed everybody.

In the evening the Excursionists were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nikitas

Supreme President Verinis sees them off.



## GREETINGS TO ALL AHEPANS From the GREEK LINE and the T.S.S. OLYMPIA Newest, Fastest and Largest

Capt. D. Sigalas and the crew of the OLYMPIA, who had the pleasure of meeting so many of this year's excursionists, extend their sincere wishes for a successful convention.

A special welcome awaits all AHEPANS on board the Flagship of the GREEK LINE on all sailings to glorious Greece. The warmest hospitality, the finest cuisine, and real Greek atmosphere always prevail.

Diplarakos-Dipson, Co-Chairmen of the Athens Committee at a reception, with many government officials present.

Sunday, April 26, a *Te Deum* was sung at the Cathedral, following which the Excursionists marched to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. When the change of the guard was completed, the Commander placed a wreath at the tomb. Then everyone marched to the monument of the American Philhellenes where Lee Millas, Supreme President of the Sons, and Joan Pompos, Grand President of the Maids, placed a wreath.

These three events were followed by a reception given by the Greek-American Cultural Institute when again greetings were exchanged and a light luncheon was served.

Monday evening, April 27, a reception was held at the new Athenae Palace Hotel by the Greek National Tourist Organization. There the Greek-American was warmly toasted and applauded for his many contributions to Mother Hellas over the years.

Without exaggeration the 1959 Excursion was the best ever held. All who took part will ever remember the pleasant times had by guests and hosts alike.

#### The Commander and His Staff

The Executive Committee of the Excursion, under Past Supreme Treasurer Socrates V. Sekles, Commander, comprised the following members. Past Supreme Treasurer Aristides Georgiades, Vice-Commander; past District Governor John Angelson, Secretary; past Supreme Governor Spiros Zepatos, Treasurer. For the Daughters of Penelope: Grand President Evelyn Mickles, Commander; past Grand President Adeline Geo-Karis Lambros, Vice-Commander; past District Governor Stella Sarris, Treasurer. For the Sons: Supreme Governor Lee J. Millas and for the Maids: Grand President Joan Pompos. Also, George Anton, George Rodis and George Sarafian, Advisors.

There were the following subcommittees:

(a) *Banquet*: Spiros Zepatos, Chairman; Sarkis Sarafian, Co-Chairman, and Lee Millas, Secretary.

(b) *Charities*: Mike Schooles, Chairman; Stella Sarris and Gus Sarris, Co-Chairmen, and Kay Tolakis, Secretary.

(c) *Excursion to Constantinople and Cyprus*: Aristides Georgiades, Chairman; Nick Jameson, Vice-Chairman and Peter Paul, Secretary.

(d) *Initiation*: Adeline Geo-Karis Lambros, Chairman; Georgia Sekles, Co-Chairman.

(e) *Penelopian Shelter Home*: Adeline Geo-Karis Lambros, Chairman; Nick Sunponis, Co-Chairman.

Welcomes them back on good ship OLYMPIA.





# THE PENELOPIAN



## Greek Schools on Parade

A medal for scholastic excellence to Elaine Parkos and certificates of merit to Zoe and Helen Garabedian, Helene Lewis and Gregory Alexander were awarded at commencement exercises of the St. Spyridon School in Newport, R.I. In the picture, Elaine is presented the pin by Alexander Demessianos, president of Maud Howe Elliot Chapter. Rev. Constantine Theodore is behind Gregory Alexander and Zoe Garabedian; Helen Garabedian is second from right and Helene Lewis.

## Grand President Installs

The Daughters of Adraste Chapter, No. 52, of Miami, started the year with the installation of their officers conducted by Grand President Evelyn Mickels. It was a combined affair with the Maids of Athens. Supreme Governor Peter Kouchoulakos and Maids Grand Vice-President Denise Tomaras participated in the ceremony. District Governor Stella Carris of the Daughters assisted in the installation.

Last February the Daughters held a "Pay Your Dues Champagne Party" at the home of their President, Molly Felafus, with the other officers acting as hostesses. About 40 members attended and paid their dues, including several reinstatements.

A few days later the Adraste Daughters invited the Narcissus Daughters of Fort Lauderdale for a combined initiation ceremony of their new members. District Governor Stella Carris assisted in the rites.

## St. Basil's Medallion

"Received my medallion and am sending a small contribution towards this great cause. Wish I could possibly do more. Would you be so kind as to send me another medallion for another party in my family?" — Mrs. P. D., Savannah, Ga.

## Works in District 1

Sir:

*I will be prepared in Hollywood to submit to the Supreme Lodge a report of my entire tour of District No. 1 since March 1st.*

*I also intend to prepare an article, particularly with the institution of the first Daughters of Penelope Chapter in Mississippi, the only state without a Daughters chapter.*

*There are four chapters in the process of re-activation and God willing we should complete this shortly. The Ahepans have played a very important part in this work throughout the district and would like to give them their credit due.*

MRS. EVELYN SEMOS,  
Grand Secretary.



Grand Secretary Evelyn Semos signs the register of the convention in the presence of Mary Campbell, President of Menelaos Chapter; Vivian Henson, publicity chairman and James Matrango, President of Atlanta Chapter, No. 1, our Mother Chapter. Wonderful workers for Ahepa.

## A Fine Installation

A combined installation of officers for Ahepans, Daughters of Penelope and Maids of Athens took place last January at the AHEPA Home, Canton, Ohio. They were honored with the visitation of Supreme Vice-President George Loucas and Miss Ellen Lagos, District Governor of the Daughters, who shared in the ceremonies.

Mrs. Peter Vaselew was installed as President of the Daughters Chapter; George Tremoulis, President of Ahepa, and Miss Barbara Ergazos, President of the Maids.

The Daughters presented to the Ahepans a check of \$600.00 towards the local Ahepa fund. Past Supreme Secretary Peter Kourmoules presided; refreshments were served.

Last March the Daughters held a special meeting to honor the District Lodge Officers in their annual visitation. Then President Vaselew presented Mrs. Louis Hontas with the past-president's pin.



## A Combined Installation

Last April, the Ahepans of Dover, New Hampshire, Chapter, No. 248, and the Daughters of Penelope arranged a combined installation of their officers, at the Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation. After the ceremony refreshments were offered to everybody.

Seated in the picture (from left) are: Corresponding Secretary Betty Blougouras, President Bessie Raizes, District Governor Georgia Tsekaris; Vice-President Ora Mitchell, Secretary Virginia Vartos and Treasurer Dinah Marouthis. Standing: Secretary Chris Costarakis, President Ted Caras, District Advisor John Halias, Supreme Governor George Pappademas, District Treasurer Bill Kourakos, District Governor Allen Sukalas, Vice-President George Diamond, Lt. Governor Angelo Chouramanis and Treasurer A. Costarakis.

## Costarakis' 50th Anniversary

We make special mention of Athan Costarakis, currently serving as Chapter Treasurer, after a lifetime of service to Ahepa and his community. He joined the Ahepa 35 years ago and was one of the organizers of the Dover community back in 1908. In fact his marriage to the former Catherine Karabelas the following year was quite an event. It took place in Somersworth and Father D. Spyropoulos officiated.

"Tom" Costarakis has given much to Ahepa: his wife has been a charter member of the Alkestis Chapter of the Daughters; his son Chris is currently serving as Chapter Secretary. Pauline, a daughter, now married to Peter Tsiales of Springfield, has served the Daughters well; Dorothy, another daughter, is married to George Galanes of Cincinnati.

"Tom" and Catherine have just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with over 300 guests participating and Father Arthur Athans holding a short ceremony. We add our congratulations and wish them all well.



## CHAPTER NEWS



### Father Kazanas Joins New York Delphi



Father Constantine Kazanas with President Levendis of Long Island, District Governor Cherevas, Supreme President Verinis, Supreme Secretary Doukas and President Poll of Delphi. The reproduction on the right appeared in the monthly HELLENIC WORLD of Boston, July, 1941

In a most impressive ceremony, Father Constantine Kazanas, Dean of the Holy Trinity Cathedral of New York, joined Ahepa last April. Heading the Long Island Chapter Class of 10 new members, Father Kazanas became a member of Delphi Chapter, No. 25, whose roster includes 14 of the 21 Trustees of the Cathedral. Three of these trustees are officers of Delphi: George Stavrides, Vice-President; Menelaus Triantafillou, Secretary and Aristides Georgiades, Treasurer, and one, Kimon A. Doukas, is Supreme Secretary. Father Kazanas followed in the footsteps of one of his predecessors, the late Father Methodios Kourkoulis, who had joined Delphi shortly after it was founded in 1925.

The class of the new Ahepans was named in honor of Long Island Chapter, No. 86, whose President and Associate Editor Nicholas P. Levendis has been for over a year hammering his *Operation Fraternalism* with its main goal toward cementing closer fraternal ties between the Ahepans and the other members of the auxiliaries of Metropolitan New York Chapters. Last November, President Levendis and his colleagues initiated a class of candidates as the Delphi Chapter Class in honor of Delphi. They have fully merited the distinction of being the Operation Fraternalism Chapter, not only in the Empire District No. 6, but also throughout the Ahepa Domain.

Supreme President Verinis was the honored guest and speaker. Supreme Secretary Doukas presided over the ceremony, District Governor Cherevas administered the oath and President James Poll was in charge of the arrangements.

Besides Father Kazanas, the class included: C. Cufianos, C. Christofis, A

### GREEK BOY WINS SCHOLARSHIP

By Jerry Mitsopoulos

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The second annual college scholarship of the New York Hellenic Cathedral was awarded to 17-year-old Constantine Kazanas. This scholarship is given annually to the boy who has served the Church most and has an excellent record in American and Greek schools.

Constantine has been in rapid advance classes in public school and is now in Townsend Harris High School. He has served in the church altar since 1937 and was president of the Cathedral's Greek school General Organization. He was vice-president and president of the Cathedral Olympians, as well as participating in many church activities.

Tottas, A. Stefanis, G. Pappas, C. Catakosinos, J. Tsimis, N. Papadopoulos and D. Papaioannou. Delegations from neighboring chapters attended, making this ceremony most dignified and enjoyable. Refreshments were served.

### Long Island Praised

Supreme Lodge Certificates of Merit for outstanding and extraordinary chapter services were awarded to the following members of Long Island Chapter, No. 86: GUS STOUMPAS, past Treasurer; JERRY CONSTANTINE, GEORGE LOIZIDIS, past Presidents JOHN KRATUNIS, NICHOLAS SCALTSAS, MICHAEL GEORGIADIS and THEODORE VARLAS.

Also, a Supreme Lodge plaque for re-instating 31 members was sent to President Nicholas P. Levendis, who is also christened Arch-Boydjhis.

### Where to Stay in New York City

Waiting for a ship, or spending a holiday in New York City, The Henry Hudson Hotel will be most convenient. 1200 rooms with bath, radio, TV and air-conditioning available. Swimming pool, solarium • walk to Times Square, Radio City, Coliseum. Call Mr. George J. Caparell (Caparelliotis).

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### They Stand For Progress



We present the proud and progressive officers of the First American Chapter, No. 174, of Albuquerque, New Mexico (from left), Vice-President Nick Katsuleas, Secretary Pete Gootos, President Peter Bruskas and Treasurer Bill Kirikos.

President Bruskas displays with apparent pleasure and satisfaction the Citation of Merit awarded to him by the Supreme Lodge for his meritorious work in increasing by 30 per cent the membership of his chapter last year. Congratulations, Peter, and may your colleagues find a good example in you!

### Final Call

This is the final call for chapter reports of Delegates and Alternates to the Hollywood Supreme Convention. July 15, 1959, is the deadline date — Reporting Forms must be mailed by this date — any forms received with a later Postmark than July 15, 1959, will not be acceptable for representation at the convention.

Our fiscal year ended on June 30th, and only remittances that were Post-marked July 1, 1959, or EARLIER were credited for this fiscal year, or for Chapter Representation Strength at the Hollywood convention. Any later receipts will be credited to the following fiscal year of 1959-60.

The Supreme Lodge Membership Drive also ended on June 30th. Tabulations are now being made, and the results will be announced at the Hollywood Supreme Convention. Prize awards will also be made at Hollywood to the winning members, chapters, and districts. At this writing, we haven't the slightest idea as to who the winners may be, for entries keep coming in, and will be coming into Headquarters right up to the deadline of June 30th.

CONTRIBUTE TO THE AHEPA SCHOOL

## National Awards Committee



Editor Tierney, Captain Sigalas and Supreme President Verinis on board the SS OLYMPIA.

Last April Supreme President Verinis formed a National Ahepa Awards Committee for the purpose of making the following awards:

- a. To an outstanding American who has done the most for our people;
- b. To outstanding people in the profession, politics, the theatre and the sports;
- c. To outstanding boys and girls graduating from our schools, in co-operation with the church and the communities.

The last part proved most successful. Every Greek School obtained medals for the highest in their graduating classes. These medals were distributed by our Headquarters on proper application by local chapters.

The Committee comprises George Douris of New York Hermes, No. 186, as chairman, and the following as members: Anthony Don Bullion of Bridgeport, No. 62; John Manos of Cleveland, No. 36; Nicholas Chronis of Brookline, No. 38; Louis Dukas of Bronx, No. 175; Anthony Koutros of Jamaica, No. 170; Louis Maniatis and George Leber of Washington. They met with the Supreme Lodge during its Spring annual meeting and established rules and working procedure.

As the most outstanding American who has done most for our people, the Committee selected Paul A. Tierney, a veteran newspaperman and editor of Long Island, New York, *Star-Journal*. Others cited were: Louis Seltzer of the *Cleveland Press*; Steve Rogers of the *Syracuse Herald*; W. D. Maxwell of the *Chicago Tribune*; E. J. Searzel of the *Associated Press* and F. H. Bartholomew of the *United Press-International*.

Mr. Tierney, accompanied by Mrs. Tierney, departed on the OLYMPIA last May for Greece where they met the

King, the Prime Minister, other high government officials and, of course, a score of people in all walks of life. They were the guests of the Greek Line and of Ahepa. He sent back reams of news and comments, which were widely circularized not only in his own papers but also throughout the country.

The awards to those of our own people, outstanding in the professions and other media, will be made at the Hollywood Convention.

## A Day of Events

Last February our Chapter, Dayton, No. 113, was chosen the site of the Annual Ahepa-Daughters Day for Buckeye District No. 113. This year we decided to hold a District Governors' Ball, honoring all past and present District Governors.

We started with services at our beautiful Annunciation Church, directed by our Worthy Rev. Philemon Payiatis. Immediately thereafter we adjourned to the Biltmore Hotel for luncheon, where our honored guest was Supreme Secretary Kimon A. Doukas, who specially came from New York to be with us and represent the Supreme Lodge. He spoke fittingly on the fine co-operation between Ahepa and Church and urged Ahepans and Daughters to remain ever true to our oath for the advancement of Hellenism in America and the propagation of our faith.

The luncheon was followed by an initiation ceremony of six new members, conducted by District Governor Poolitsan who was assisted by Lt. Governor Dino Houpis, District Marshal Ted Leakas, Presidents John Houvouras of Dayton and Andy Skalkos of Middletown-Hamilton, Secretaries Wm. Wolfe and George Kavouras of the two chapters, respectively, and, of course, our administrative secretary Ted Boudouris, who has been of immense help to all of us in Dayton. The Supreme Secretary addressed the neophytes and explained to them the meaning of the basic principles of our constitution, particularly after the trial following the initiation.

In connection with our current membership drive, it may not be amiss to mention that Charles H. Michaels is one of our staunchest Ahepans. He brought in five new members in 1958 and has repeated the performance this year. He certainly should qualify for one of the individual prizes in the drive.

This combined Ahepans and Daughters Day was concluded with a ball at which we honored our past district governors now headed by that venerable Governor George Poolitsan, who has distinguished himself in all levels of endeavor on behalf of Ahepa.

JOHN HOUVOURAS, *President*.

## Homer's Schaffer Class



Mayor Schaffer (3rd left) with his Homerites.

Last April, Homer Chapter, No. 65, of Bethlehem, Pa., initiated 15 new members as the "Mayor Earl Schaffer Class." In addition to the Mayor, the class included Joseph Mangan and Anthony Sacarakis, both City Councilmen; Assistant Chief of Police Melvin Packard; Sam Christine, Manager of Bethlehem Steel Employment and Training Service Program; George Spanos, Steve Geannouris, Nick Zanakos, Gust Zarnas, Lambros Zoumas, Nick Stathis, Charles Lisgaris, Stamatis Hahalis, John Pruso and Nick Kapsalis.

The initiation ceremony was conducted by past District Governor William Zacharellis of Scranton, assisted by George Carnos, Warden; John Kalfas, Chaplain, Chapter President; John N. Galitis, Vice-President; Peter Hombis, Captain of the Guard; John Moralis, Secretary and Nicholas Psathas, Sentinel.

Honored guests were John Mandros, National Director of Athletics; Steve J. Depos, District Governor and John Kalfas, District Marshal.

After the initiation, President Galitis addressed the group and welcomed the honored guests; District Governor Depos spoke on the "Objectives of Ahepa" and National Director John Mandros expounded the quality of members Ahepa seeks. A social hour followed.

Arrangements for this successful program were made by Michael Loupos, Dennis Pappas, John Moralis, Peter Hombis, Michael Vasiliades and John Mandros.



HELLENIC CULTURE, Greek art, architecture, sculpture, religion, history, poetry and philosophy soon established a distinctive Hellenic culture different from that of any other ancient people. Under a superior ingenuity and skill the Greeks developed a higher intellectual life and a finer aesthetic taste than had hitherto existed among the peoples of the Orient.

## This Is Montreal: The 1960 Convention City



We present the officers of Mount Royal Chapter, No. CJ-7, of Montreal: Front row (from left): Captain of the Guard Stavrides, Treasurer Pitsiladis, Secretary Kiritis, President Adamakos, Vice-President Lagios, Sentinel Ioannou and Warden Lagopoulos.

Second row: Athletic Director Malinos, Governors Foundas, Prahales Panos, chairman, Dragonas, and Spiropoulos;

### Ahepa's Book Project

Wherever and whenever discussion arises on Ahepa's projected book on the History of the Greek-American, comments and suggestions are completely favorable and enthusiastic.

Many interested individuals have already forwarded books and articles for our research files.

It is not surprising to note the genuine interest that these individuals have shown in our project, for the subject of the book strikes a responsive chord of interest and pride in every American of Greek descent.

However, there is still a wealth of material which must be secured before any actual writing is attempted. We again ask our readers to forward any such material which may be in the form of books, manuscripts, notes, photographs. These contributions will be returned, if requested. Direct your correspondence to the Supreme Lodge Headquarters, Ahepa Building, 1422 K Street, N. W., Washington 5, D.C.

### Registration of Delegates

The deadline for the registration of delegates to the Hollywood Convention is 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 19. Any later arrivals will not be recognized for participation in the convention proceedings.

CONSTANTINE HATZICONSTANTINOU, 143 West 44th Street, New York 36, N. Y. News and Commercial Photography.

Sentinel Liontos.

The picture was taken during a Christmas Party for the Greek children of Montreal, followed by the installation ceremony.

This chapter will be hosting our 1960 Supreme Convention, for the first time to be held in Canada. G. Prahales Panos is the General Chairman of the Convention City Committee.

### The Ahepa Medal for Scholastic Excellence

Your Supreme Lodge has initiated the awarding of the Ahepa Medal for Scholastic Excellence, as another new project of this fiscal year. The Ahepa Medal is awarded by the local Ahepa chapter to the outstanding graduate of each local Greek School. The response from our chapters has been very good, although we did not reach 100% participation, this first year.

This Scholastic Medal is an annual award, and all chapters will be circularized in ample time for the presentation of the 1960 award in their locality.

Selection of the outstanding student of each Greek school graduating class was made by local Greek school authorities, and the medals were presented at the graduation ceremonies in June mostly by Ahepans and Daughters.

### Naturalization of Spouse

QUESTION: I was admitted as an immigrant two years ago. Last year I married an American citizen. What is the earliest I can apply for naturalization?

ANSWER: The husband or wife of an American citizen may be naturalized after three years residence, provided he or she has been married and living with the citizen spouse for at least three years, has been admitted for permanent residence and has been physically present in the United States for at least half of the three years. Since you have been married only one year, you will be eligible to apply for citizenship two years from now.

## A Greek Deputy Honored



Greek Deputy Pappargopoulos flanked by Ahepans Boussiotis and Poulos, two old friends.

Nicholas Boussiotis and Chris Poulos of Middletown, veteran Ahepans of Meriden, Connecticut, Chapter, Yankee District No. 7, were recently honored with the visit of a Deputy from Greece, Mr. Basil Pappargopoulos. They gave him a testimonial attended by over 150 friends, relatives, and Ahepans from South Carolina, Michigan, New Jersey, New York and Connecticut. Invited dignitaries were the Mayor of Middletown and several state senators and representatives of the State of Connecticut.

Mr. Pappargopoulos had high praise for his boyhood friends, Brothers Boussiotis and Poulos. He mentioned how they are always willing and ready to contribute to various charitable causes for Greece. He enjoyed his stay in this country by visiting large cities and poultry and dairy farms throughout the country. He found our people very friendly and charitable. He said it was his hope to visit this country again for a longer stay in order to get to know the people better.

Mr. Pappargopoulos was sent here on an official visit by the Greek Government. His visit of three months took him to Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, North and South Carolina and Canada.

### He Believes in Education

John D. Damis, a Portland, Oregon, attorney and past president of Mt. Hood Chapter, No. 154, believes deeply in education. All his four children followed his example.

Thus, young Jim graduated from Harvard and is now attending New York Columbia Law School. He is an outstanding student and athlete. Irene graduated from Mills College, Oakland, and is now doing graduate work for teaching. Virginia attends Radcliffe College, the girls college at Harvard. She is now visiting Greece as part of the Experiment in International Living. And finally, John Junior is at Harvard with a national scholarship.

Congratulations and best wishes to all.



(From left): Lee's parents, Lee, the Supreme President, the Mayor and Chairman Microutsicos.

## SONS SUPREME PRESIDENT MILLAS FETED

Ahepa's Trenton (New Jersey) Chapter, No. 72, and Sons Perdicaris Chapter, No. 167, combined their talents and their efforts to tender a most successful testimonial to their favorite son and leader Lee J. Millas, Supreme President of the Sons of Pericles. The happy event took place last March in the beautifully decorated Hellenic Community Center of Trenton, in the presence of Ahepa family dignitaries and civic leaders, who knew their honored guest personally and came to pay him honor for all his efforts in behalf of our young people.

In extending the city's official greetings, Mayor Connolly paid due recognition to the fact that our people are law abiding, hard working and honest and keep out of police blotters and public welfare rolls. Past Supreme President Peter Bell, a long time friend of the Millas family, took the occasion to point to our long history of many centuries and urged the guests to feel proud of our heritage and never take a step backwards.

District Governor Harry Karris conveyed the greetings of the district and Presidents Livanis of Trenton Chapter and Angeloudakis of Perdicaris Chapter presented the honored guest with handsome gifts from his colleagues and friends.

### Praised For His Faith and Hope

Supreme President C. P. Verinis, the main speaker, took his text from St. Paul: "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen," and commended Lee Millas for his faith in "helping to keep our youth off the unwanted and disturbing records of youthful delinquency," and for his industry, high purpose and humility in tackling his difficult job. "The Sons," declared Verinis, himself a past Supreme President of the Sons, "are building for the future, which is assured them, because we are fortunate in having leaders to guide them, as devoted and interested as the young gentleman of the evening."

Our Supreme President stated that the

Junior Order of the Sons was established in 1926 in Manchester, N. H. and officially adopted at the Miami Convention in 1927. It has since initiated a total of 15,351, though today has only 866 members in 45 active chapters. "As you see," he concluded, "there is ample room for improvements, this is a large undertaking, and to succeed we must have others to continue in the honorable and noble path Lee has so wisely chosen."

X. K. Microutsicos served as the general chairman on arrangements and past District Governor Sidney Skokos acted as toastmaster — and both did a wonderful job and are to be congratulated. A cocktail hour preceding the banquet was served by beautiful Maids of Athens: Helen Clarites, Tina Zagoreos, Helen Apostolou, Kathy Gasparis and Vicky Skopelitis, who acted as hostesses.

### THE PERICLEAN

The main purpose of our PERICLEAN is to establish closer fraternal relations between chapters through communications. Only two chapters so far have communicated with me.

I am addressing an appeal to all Chapter, District Lodge and Supreme Lodge officers to write to me on any activity concerning our Sons. Write to me direct at 5644 Netherland Ave., Riverdale, N. Y. Thanks.

TED MELGARINOS,

*Assistant Editor, The Sons.*

### Sons Chapter Reactivated

It was pleasing news to learn that the George A. Dilboy Chapter of Cambridge-Boston Sons was recently reactivated by Samuel Gridley Howe Chapter of Cambridge, Mass., after a lapse of about 10 years. Chapter President Christopher, Secretary Piantes and Sons National Advisor Paul Yphantis, the first president of the Sons back in 1928, were responsible for the reactivation.

Steve Kapsalis is heading a fine group of youngsters, including four sons of the Piantes family and two of the Yphantis family. John Morakis, past president Aristides Lydotes are the Ahepa advisors of the reactivated chapter.

### New York Co-operation

The willingness of the District Lodges of Ahepans and Daughters to help and guide the Sons and Maids of our District No. 6, has been in evidence all year.

At Christmastime, the Ahepa held a large social for the Sons and Maids of New York City. Each member brought as admission a grab bag gift. We all had a most enjoyable time.

During installation week, the junior auxiliaries were asked to preside over the pledging of officers in New York City. The Sons and Maids were installed alongside their senior orders.

Last March, a meeting was held with the Ahepa District Lodge at the home of District Advisor Nick Cuyulis. We discussed plans of a large, formal mass initiation to be held on June 5th. Watch for details.

With these co-operative efforts, both Senior and Junior Orders are experiencing mutual benefits. We are working together, as a unified family. Such a policy, if utilized more actively in all districts, would prove to be most rewarding to the entire Ahepa family.

### Tri-District Conference

Districts No. 5, No. 6, and No. 7 are made up of three neighboring states: New Jersey, New York, and Connecticut, respectively. It was felt that the Sons of these districts should be brought together in order to weld relations. February 20, after the District No. 6 basketball tournament ball, this meeting became a reality. District No. 5 was represented by Acting District Governor Andy Aros; District No. 6 by Bill Kalaboke, Nick Perdaris, and Ted Malgarinos, and District No. 7 by Harry Pappas.

We agreed that the best method of bringing our people together was by holding a tri-district dance at the end of May. New York City was picked as the most central location.

Should this function prove successful, as expected, the members of these three districts will continue to combine activities, and thus establish the fraternalism for which the Order was created.

### Milonas Scholarship

Supreme President Lee Millas has distributed applications for the *Stergios B. Milona Scholarship Award*, instituted to commemorate the late supreme governor who died in a car accident enroute from an initiation ceremony.

The award of \$250.00 is granted to a deserving Son. It is unfortunate that in past years very few applications have been filed by aspirants. Applications may be obtained from your chapter president, or from Supreme Lodge Headquarters. It is hoped that the response to this award will be greater than it has been in the past.

### Membership Drive

In order to increase the incentive to recruit new members, the Supreme Lodge has instituted a national membership drive, with more than \$500 worth of prizes for the winning chapters. The first prize is a ticket to the National Convention in Hollywood for the delegate of the first place chapter. Many other valuable prizes are to be awarded. So let's start recruiting new members! Time is of the essence.

With small effort we can double our membership before we reach Hollywood and thus earn one of the prizes.



### Autumn Leaves Ball

The Altis Chapter of Jamaica, N. Y., held their Autumn Leaves Ball last October, in conjunction with the Maids. The affair was a huge success due to the fruitful efforts of president Nick Karras, and the members of both chapters.

In attendance were Supreme President Millas, along with Bill Kalaboke and Harry Pappas, District Governors of the Empire State and Yankee Districts, respectively.

### Tri-City Dance

Under the leadership of District No. 6 Lieutenant Governor Nick Perdaris, the first annual Tri-City dance was held. The newly reactivated Schenectady chapter, and the Albany and Troy chapters were the three chapters responsible for this previously untried venture held in Albany last January.

### Houston Lives It Up

The brothers of Sam Houston Chapter, No. 89, in Texas, are continually maintaining their chapter's reputation as one of the most active in the Ahepa Domain. Here are a few excerpts from Brother Artie Tripolis' report:

"After the return of delegates from Boston, the members attended a champagne party at the home of Brother Jim Papadakis. In October the Sons and Maids had a Halloween masquerade party. In November, they had a progressive dinner, in which different courses were served at different members' homes.

"The Houstonites attended the Ahepa mid-winter conference at New Orleans, November 29-31. They also held a banquet December 28."

With all this activity, one can see how the Houston Sons have earned their reputation. It would be most beneficial to the entire Order if all chapters were equally active.

### Maids of Athens in Action

NEW ORLEANS, LA. — Last February, the members of Evangeline Chapter, No. 10, of the Maids of Athens, colorfully dressed in Greek costumes, danced for the Convention of the American Federation of Women's Clubs who this year have chosen to send their CARE packages to Greece. They sang several folk songs to the delight of the audience.

The most recent project was a banner of blue and gold felt for the chapter which will be used at meetings, socials, and other functions. Silhouetted in gold on a blue field are the shield, the Greek letters P. A., and the goddess head of the emblem of the Maids of Athens. It is edged with gold fringe and hangs from a gold cord.

This chapter is also ordering beautiful icons, hammered in silver and in carved wooden frames, from Greece for the

church. Our sincerest congratulations to New Orleans for the interest shown to our church.

BOSTON, MASS. — Against a colorful and gala background, the International Institute of Boston held its 22nd Annual Ball at the Statler-Hilton Hotel. Adding to the festivities were the many beautiful ethnic costumes worn by the guests. An "Around the World Buffet" offered delicacies from many countries, including a Greek Table featured by the Cathedral Philoptochos.



(Front, left to right) B. Sophios, M. Booras; (back) N. Booras, Mrs. L. Sophios, Ch. Vasil.

Four members of the Maids of Athens Chapter No. 65 of Boston, in their colorful Evzonette costumes, assisted throughout the evening. They aided in the presentation of the 24 consuls and their wives, helped in the formation of the Grand March and presented corsages to the wives of the consuls.

They were President Barbara Sophios, Vice-President Maria Booras, Treasurer Charlotte Vasil and Sentinel Niki Booras. Mrs. Leonidas Sophios, Advisor to the Maids, served as co-chairman of the ball. Our congratulations for a job well done.

AKRON, OHIO — Activities in this Maids chapter include athletic tournament, combined basketball games with the Akron Sons of Pericles, combined meetings with the Ahepa Family.

Last April, all members of this chapter received communion together and a progressive dinner was given for the new Maids coming into the chapter. Congratulations to Maid Carol Rice, chosen queen of the Akron Sons Valentine Dance.

ALBANY, NEW YORK — Last January, a dance was sponsored by the Maids of Athens and Sons of Pericles Chapters

of the Tri-City Area, Albany, Schenectady and Troy. All chapters worked together and as a result the dance was a complete success.

This was the first project carried out successfully on a Tri-City area basis by any branch of the Ahepa organization. The Maids and Sons are thus accredited with establishing a new precedent. Our congratulations to Brother Nicholas Perdaris, who was chairman of this affair.

DENISE TOMARAS,

*Assistant Editor, The Maids.*

### News from Binghamton

The Daughters of Athens Chapter, No. 39, Binghamton, N. Y., have undertaken to make Altar Boy robes for their Holy Trinity Church.

A Bon Voyage party for past District Governor, Mrs. Gus Sarris, who will tour Europe and Greece, was given by Athens Chapter.

Urania Courlas was honored at a Past Presidents' Dinner. She was re-elected by her Chapter. Her two brothers, George and Angelo Courlas, are President and Secretary, respectively, of Hollywood, California Chapter, the host to our 37th Supreme Convention in August.

### 20th Anniversary Celebrated

Last December, the Daughters of Krete Chapter, No. 75, of Great Falls, Montana, celebrated their 20th anniversary with a party at the Greek Orthodox Church Community Hall. Guests were entertained by Christmas Carols, sung by a quartet of girls from the local Church Choir. Guest speaker was B. G. Poulos, a charter member.

The theme of decoration was in the lodge colors of lavender and white, which was also carried out in a huge basket of flowers donated by Chapter No. 229, Order of Ahepa.

Refreshments were served, and the evening was spent in traditional Greek Folk dancing.

### Officers' Handbook

We appreciate the many comments on the first Ahepa Officers' Handbook, which was recently mailed to all chapters. Future editions will contain improvements and revisions. However, this first edition will prove valuable to those officers who take the time to study its contents.

### 1959 Per Capita Tax

We again remind our chapter secretaries that the 1959 Per Capita Tax is \$6.50 per member, as mandated by the Boston Convention.

Incidentally, a few chapters have not completely remitted their 1958 Tax as yet. Send your remittances in at once.

## In Memory of Those Who Served

CHARLES DANEOPILOS, Woburn, No. 176, Woburn, Mass. April 23, 1958.  
 MIKE VALOS, Juan De Fuca, No. 177, Seattle, Wash. July 9, 1958.  
 EPSTATHIOS THEODOROPULOS, Olympic, No. 178, Tacoma, Wash. May 11, 1958.  
 PETE MANOS, Mt. Olympus, No. 180, Spokane, Wash. August 11, 1958.  
 NICK BOURES, Mt. Olympus, No. 180, Spokane, Wash. August 16, 1958.  
 DEMETRIOS CAFCALIS, Hermes, No. 186, New York, N. Y. July 22, 1958.  
 CHRIST KOLINS, Anderson, No. 198, Anderson, Ind. July 20, 1958.  
 PETER POULLOS, Evanston, No. 204, Evanston, Ill. May 24, 1958.  
 ANGELOS KOYONIS, Evanston, No. 204, Evanston, Ill. June 12, 1958.  
 WILLIAM D. WILLIAMS, Saginaw, No. 216, Saginaw, Mich. July 22, 1958.  
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 NICK MIKAS, Lord Byron, No. CJ-1, Toronto, Canada. November 17, 1957.

## We Honored Greek-Americans At Arlington



"We honor thee, and for ever recall your good deed in the service of your country."

There were 47 graves of known Greek-American veterans buried in Arlington National Cemetery which were decorated on last Memorial Day, May 30th, with appropriate wreaths by the Ahepa National Memorial Services Committee, headed by Supreme President Verinis.

Following the decoration of the graves, at 3:05 p.m., the Supreme President presented in behalf of the Supreme Lodge, a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. This official ceremony was conducted with the Tomb honor guard, and with members of the Ahepa committee in attendance.

The Supreme President also presented special wreaths at the graves of George Dilboj, Congressional Medal of Honor soldier of World War I, and John Peurtoy, former ambassador to Greece. The

latter presentation was made at the request of Ahepa Chapter, No. 13, of Tulsa, Okla.

Members of the Ahepa Memorial Services Committee who participated in the Memorial Day Ceremonies were: William Holmes and James Cokas, co-chairmen; Ernest E. Dematatis, John J. Charuhas, Peter Charuhas, John T. Pappas, Louis Chypouras, George Papuchis, George J. Leber, Louis P. Maniatis, George Arberakis, Peter Gregory, Milton Sarris.

This observance and decoration of Greek-American graves at Arlington Cemetery will be an annual project. The Committee requests that names of other Greek-American veterans be forwarded to the Ahepa Headquarters, so that their graves may be decorated in the 1960 ceremony.

## They Lost Their Son

Second Lieutenant CHRIST J. POULOS, was last year killed in an aircraft accident 20 miles north-east of Vance Air Force Base in Oklahoma. He was the beloved son of Brother and Mrs. John Poulos of Grand Island, Nebraska.



A graduate of West Point, Christ was just completing his flight training in the United States Air Force.

His leadership qualities were evident from his High School days. He served as President of the Student Council and received the Lions Club medal for leadership. He graduated with honors in 1953, and was immediately appointed to the Academy. He passed away when only 22 years old — at the threshold of a splendid career.

Our sincerest condolences to the bereaved parents, Brother John and Mrs. Poulos.

## Tom Christie No More

Past District Governor of District No. 14 is no more with us. He passed away after a short illness. Last year he was re-elected State Representative of Minnesota for the sixth consecutive term on a Liberal Democratic ticket, after having served as delegate at large to the Democratic National Convention.

Tom had served Ahepa long and well. A charter member of Minneapolis Demosthenes Chapter, No. 66, he was active in all levels — chapter, district and national. He was vice-chairman of the St. Louis Supreme Convention in 1957. He is survived by his wife, a daughter and three brothers. May the Good Lord rest his soul in peace.

GREECE FIGHTS FOR HER VERY EXISTENCE. Greece's new and finer civilization and superior colonization which began to spread to Asia Minor, Thrace, southern Italy and Sicily aroused the envy and incurred the hatred of Persia who by now (about 492 B.C.) had absorbed all the empires of the east. Mighty Persia was determined to destroy Greece. The Greek people were now called upon to defend their very existence — their cities, their colonies, their commerce, their free democratic institutions and their new culture. This great crisis was to be a bitter struggle between the East, represented by Persia, and the West, represented by Greece.

ATTEND OUR 37th SUPREME CONVENTION IN HOLLYWOOD, AUGUST 16 - 22, 1959.

# AHEPA IN SPORTS

By JOHN MANDROS, National Athletic Director

## Ahepa's Sports Royalty

Ahepa's royalty reigned over the 16th National Basketball Tournament: "Queen



Queen Hilda (left) Princesses Sophie and Irene.

Hilda" — the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andreas Panagetopoulos of Detroit, a freshman in Wayne State University School of Education; "Princess Sophie" of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Opple of Ann Arbor, a physical education major at Michigan University; "Princess Irene" of Mr. and Mrs. Nick T. Nicholas of Dearborn, an insurance secretary.

## The Sons' Tournament

Chicago Ypsilanti reigns again as national champion. They annexed the title of the 7th Annual Sons of Peticles National Basketball Tournament held in Toledo, last March, by defeating last year's champion of Warren, Ohio, by 77 to 64.

There was fine shooting and ball handling by both squads. Three of Ypsilanti's players hit in the double figure. Paul Stavrakos scored 18 points while the deadly brother combination of Bill and Tom Kapsalis netted 16 apiece. High scoring honors, however, went to Warren's big gun, Lou Tsipis, who amassed 30 points.

Ypsilanti advanced to the finals by trimming Lowell, Massachusetts, 86-44, while Warren turned back New York City, 61-50. The final third and fourth place team titles went to Lowell and New York City, respectively.

Of the 16 teams scheduled to participate, only 12 made it, as a result of bad weather. They were: Chicago Spartans, Chicago Ypsilanti, Saginaw, Detroit, and

Dearborn, Michigan; Toledo, Cleveland, and Warren, Ohio; Lowell, Mass.; New York City; Baltimore, and Washington.

Named to the Tournament All-Star team were: Lou Tsipis and Jim Boyazis, Warren; Paul Stavrakos and Tom Kapsalis, Ypsilanti; and George Kokines, New York City. Second team Honorable Mention were: Tony Arvanitis, Toledo; Chris Bekas, Spartans; Tony Raptis, Warren; John Cannis, Detroit, and Bill Kapsalis, Ypsilanti.



The many trophies that went to the victors.

Paul Stavrakos of Ypsilanti was voted the Most Valuable Player and Detroit was awarded the Sportsmanship Trophy Award. The awards were presented by Tournament Queen, Miss Frances Patroulis, crowned at the Coronation Ball, assisted by tournament manager, John Diamantakos, who was given a special plaque for his services by the Toledo Chapter. The tournament chairman, Supreme Governor of the Sons Michael Yakumithis, is to be commended for the fine tournament held.

## Ahepa's 16th Basketball Tournament

Last March, Dearborn's Henry and Edsel Ford Chapter, No. 374, hosted the 16th Annual Ahepa National Basketball Tournament. It was played in the spacious Fordson High School gymnasium and attracted 13 teams. More than 1,200 fans witnessed the slate of 17 games, according to Tournament Co-Chairmen Peter Pavonis and Spyro T. Nicholas. Remarkable shooting, fine ball handling and sportsmanship highlighted the entire play.

Detroit Omega Chapter, with former University of Michigan star George Lee, swept undefeated through four games to capture the 1959 crown, by defeating Ypsilanti in the finals by the score of 77-59. Flint, Michigan, and Evergreen Park, Illinois, were the 3rd and 4th place winners, respectively, and Detroit Alpha were the Consolation victors.

Named to the All-Tournament team were the following 10 players: Lou Tsipis, Akron; Tom Yeotis and Carl



President Peter Palmer, "referee," Councilmen Broomhall and Guy, School Principal Catherman and Chamber of Commerce Manager Chapman.

Angelo, Flint; Casimir Zalewski, Omega; John Pann, Evergreen Park; George Fettes, Ypsilanti; John Gouchis, Chapter No. 46; John Cannis, Detroit Alpha; Nick Mantis, Aurora; and Gary Morrison, Battle Creek.

Team trophies presented included the Best Sportsmanship cup to Buffalo, N. Y.; the Best Dressed Team award to Oak Park; and a trophy to the Team Traveling the Farthest to Aurora.

Following the tournament, Omega found a discrepancy in their line-up and graciously forfeited the championship to Ypsilanti, leaving the second place vacant. It was a big disappointment to them, for it was the first title they have won since the inception of the tournament; they extended regrets to the city and the chairmen for having caused the only flaw in the well planned and very successful tournament.

Dearborn Mayor Orville L. Hubbard proclaimed the week of March 23-29 as "National Ahepa Basketball Week in Dearborn," and a sign above the city hall entrance saluted the Ahepa Cagers. Both of Dearborn's newspapers, the Detroit dailies and several radio and T.V. sportscasters reported the results of the games.

Supreme President Verinis and Athletic Director Mandros traveled to Dearborn to witness the tournament. The Supreme President crowned "Miss Ahepa Basketball of 1959" at the Tournament Coronation Ball, attended by more than

100 Ahepans and their friends. Crowned as Tournament Queen was Hilda Panagiotopoulos, 18, with her ladies-in-waiting Tina Opple, 20, and Shirley Nicholas, 19.

After Sunday church services at Sts. Constantine and Helen Church, the Queen's party was feted by the Ford Motor Company at a luncheon at the Dearborn Inn.

### SPORTS BRIEFS

VANGELIS DEPASTAS, Greek national champion in five events and holder of nearly a dozen Hellenic track marks, is now at Stanford University on a two year scholarship studying aircraft engineering. PAYTON JORDAN, one of the American coaches during the U.S. track team tour of Europe, was quick to notice Vangelis' ability. During a conversation between the two, Jordan advised Depastas that he could win the 800 meter event. His confidence bolstered by this praise, Depastas stepped onto the track and won the race over U.S. ace Tom Courtmet of Fordham. His five Greek records include the 800 meter, his specialty; 600 meters, 1000 meters, 1500 meters and the 2000 meters. The Hellenes are hailing this lend-lease champion as the best bet to bring Greece a long cherished Olympic victory next year in Rome. - - The annual Ahepa 15th District golf tournament was held this year on May 24th, at the Mount Prospect Country Club, Mount Prospect, Illinois, was announced by Bob Moshos, District Athletic Director. - - The LANCASTER RED ROSE CHAPTER again proved their mastery by winning the Annual District No. 4 Intra-Chapter Bowling League with Bethlehem Homer Chapter, No. 65, the runner-up. High Team Triple honors went to the Bethlehem lads with a total of 2533; High Team Single went to Lancaster, who rolled a 914 series. High Individual Single and Triple honors went to ARTHUR MOSHOS of Lancaster with a 223 and 580, respectively. Next year's schedule will consist of eight cities on a home and home basis. - - SAM BOULMETIS, high flying Greek jockey, has won two \$100,000 races in two successive weeks with the same steed. The races were the Gulfstream Handicap and the Campbell Memorial at Bowie. - - The TOLOS Brothers, CHRIS and JOHN, won the Aussie tag team bout against the Masked Marvel and Boris K. Fabian, highly touted tag team. This victory places them as one of the top attractions in tag team wrestling. - - HOMER CHAPTER, No. 65, Bethlehem, Pa., have just finished their 2nd annual A.B.C. Bowling League schedule which consisted of 24 chapter members. The team names in the league were as follows: Athenians, Spartans, Macedonians and Arcadians. Results of the final

league standings were: Athenians, 1958-59 League Champions, which consisted of the following members: Mike Moralis, Capt., John Moralis, Tom Gatanis, Louis Divras and Bill Haros, James Dartouzis was awarded two trophies for having won the High Individual Triple and Single games. Louis Divras was awarded the Most Improved Bowler of the Year award (A.B.C. Belt Buckle) during the bowling banquet which was held last April 17th. Next year the league will consist of six 5-man teams.

- - JOHN PAPPAS, athletic director of the Black Diamond Chapter, No. 55, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., reports that a chapter bowling team has been organized. Tom Koumoundouras, Andy Economopoulos, George Alexiou, Stanley Salavantis, Eric Sfarnas and John Pappas comprise the team. The chapter has gone all out and furnished the team with bowling shirts, a wonderful gesture on their part. - -

GUST TRIANDOS is off to a flying start and at present is leading all catchers in homers and is top man in the R.B.I. column with 20 in the American League.

- - ALEX GRAMMAS, Cardinal short stop, has poled his first homer in four years, since 1955. - - MILT PAPPAS, sensational 19 year old pitcher for the Baltimore Orioles, has a 2-0 record and should improve over his last year's record of 10-10. - - BILLY LOES, controversial Oriole pitcher, put the stopper to the champion New York Yankees for an early 1-0 record. Quite a feat for one who is supposed to have a sore arm. - - MILT BAXES and LOU SKIZAS were sent back to the minors for more seasoning, we are all rooting for your return to the big leagues. - - ANGELO "Junior" DAGRES of Newburyport, has been optioned to Vancouver of the Pacific Coast League by the Baltimore Orioles. - - JOE BAXES, 30 year old third baseman for the Los Angeles Dodgers, is making an all-out effort to stay in the majors. - -

keep up the good work, we are rooting for you. - - ALEX PERINIS, who has competed in many Ahepa Basketball Tournaments, is now in a Columbus Jets (AAA) uniform as a pitcher.

### Ahepa's 5th Bowling Tournament

The Ahepa National Handicap Bowling Tournament was held in Trenton, N. J. with Trenton Chapter, No. 72, acting as hosts. It was represented mostly by eastern teams; Wheeling, W. Va. was the only team who travelled from the western part of the country. The setting took place at the fabulous White Horse Bowling Academy, which features 60 fully automatic lanes and provides the finest entertainment in their exclusive cocktail and dining room.



Team Captains Mandros and Microutsicos.

The beautiful Hellenic Center was the setting for the Saturday night social program with music by George Angeloudakis and his foursome. Church services were held Sunday morning at the St. George Greek Orthodox Church. As a whole, the bowlers enjoyed themselves with the fine arrangements in keeping with the brotherly love and sincere fraternal spirit with which our great Order was organized.



1959 Bowling Champions, Paterson, N. J.

Congratulations to the 1959 National Bowling champions of Paterson, N. J.; to G. Tavlores, Wheeling, W. Va., who won the singles with 674; to George and Peter Katramados, Newark, N. J., who annexed the doubles with 1216; to L. Malandrakis, Wheeling, W. Va., who captured the all events scratch with 1673; and to J. Allen, Trenton, N. J., who won the three game high scratch with 648.

Also, many thanks to those who assisted in the tournament and assured its success: Xenophon Microutsicos, Joseph S. Allen, Alex Stillano, Herbert Allen, Thomas Avgerakis, Toffee Allen, Spiros P. Livanis and Frank D. Gramas.

### KRIKOS (The Link)

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# AHEPA'S



# FORUM

## We Must Espouse Schools

Sir:

Recently *The New York Times* carried the story of a testimonial dinner in honor of retiring Israeli Ambassador Abba Eban. The Hebrew language and the Jewish cultural traditions overshadowed the proceedings. Mr. Eban stressed the duty of American citizens of Jewish faith to perpetuate both not only as a means of enriching the "tapestry" of American cultural endeavor but also as a medium of promoting relations with the people of Israel.

Whereas, a few of us are ridiculously sensitive when confronted with cultural activities lest we incur the displeasure of somebody on the moronic assumption that our loyalty to America may be clouded, the Jewish leaders demand recognition of this function as duty to their own race as well as to America itself.

There are others amongst us who feel that learning Greek retards a child's progress, yet they hasten to send their children to ballet dancing, piano lessons and what have you when public school classes are over.

The Order of Ahepa must espouse the cause of Greek-American schools as its main purpose in a long-range policy. Factionalism is a poor substitute for constructive effort. We must cut down politics and focus our attention to these things which have meaning and purpose. We have power. Let us use it properly and not waste it on pettiness, superficialities and activities of ephemeral value.

JAMES KARABATOS,

Past President, Hermes, No. 180,  
New York City

## An Appreciation

Sir:

If ever one is given the privilege of looking back upon this earth, then may my husband and our father have done this the day of his funeral so as to be reassured that the principles he worked and stood for in the Order of Ahepa had not gone in vain.

"Thank You" are but two futile words which cannot adequately convey our deepest appreciation to Mr. Maniatis and the Supreme Lodge for the tribute you paid him.

MRS. PETER G. SIKOKIS,

NICOLETTA, GEORGE and CHARLES,  
Chicago

JUNE-JULY, 1959

Blessed Be He Who Cometh  
in the Name of the Lord!

## CARE Kits to Greece

Sir:

We have now final confirmation of the proposed Ahepa-CARE Program from our Mission Chief in Greece. Mindful of the fact that members of your organization are making trips to Greece, I feel you want to take action now in order to ensure that Ahepans will have the opportunity of distributing these proposed units of CARE kits at the time of their visit.

Our Mission Chief in Greece has had further discussions with the Greek Ministry of Agriculture who had revised the original unit slightly so that the one listed below has now been approved for the Rural Youth Clubs in Greece. It will include:

1 Sewing machine .....	\$ 75.00
1 Woodworker's kit .....	20.00
1 Mason's kit .....	20.00
1 Recreational kit .....	25.00
2 Needle Trade kits .....	12.00

Total .....

\$152.00  
Our Mission Chief has also furnished us with a list of over 250 villages having Rural Youth Clubs who would benefit from this program.

The original unit which contained agricultural hand tools and a plow, has been altered as it is felt that there are sufficient agricultural hand tools and plows available at present. Nothing else in the original plan has been changed.

Distribution of the kits would commence as soon as they are available in Greece as the need is immediate. Mr. Robert Lindner, our Mission Chief there, reports that during his further discussions with the Ministry of Agriculture, he sensed a great deal of enthusiasm.

JOHN J. LEONARD,

CARE National Field Operations.

## Greetings From Greece

Sir:

I wish to let you know that I am receiving our magazine O.K. and thank you a million. I am a dues paying member of Santa Barbara, California, Chapter, No. 243. Right now I am enjoying *Mintilogli, Patras*.

ALEX RUMPAS

## Has a Brother at Arlington

Sir:

My brother, Lieutenant Angelo Triandafilou, USAF, is interred at Arlington National Cemetery. He was the only one from our community and Chapter.

LOUIS TRIANDAFILOU,

President, Chapter No. 75,  
New Brunswick, N. J.

## Has Two Sons Buried

Sir:

I am very grateful to the Supreme Lodge for their interest in honoring those of our people buried in the Arlington National Cemetery. My son, Lieutenant John C. Vulgaropoulos, USAF, is interred there.

I hate also another son buried in the Honolulu National Cemetery. Perhaps our boys interred there will similarly be honored some day.

MRS. CHARLES VULGARPOPOULOS

## A Fine Gesture

Sir:

It was a fine gesture for the Order of Ahepa to decorate the graves of our veterans now buried at Arlington.

Lieutenant George T. English fell in the service of our country and his remains were taken to Arlington.

TIMOTHY ROSS,

Secretary, Olympia Chapter, No. 121,  
Pacuckett, R. I.

## For a Better Vote Division

Sir:

I had the pleasure of representing my Chapter at the Boston Supreme Convention. I was disturbed by the loose system of taking a vote particularly on important decisions. Most motions were decided on show of hands or by voice vote, without any serious differentiation between full and half votes. Besides, a large number of visitors walking in and standing close to the voting delegates, I am sure, affected the results.

We must preserve the democratic system governing our Conventions. We must find a way of registering truly the correct number of votes "for" and "against" each motion. We must either enforce the system of different color cards for full and half votes or introduce another more definite and correct way of counting votes.

JOHN HOUNOURAS,

President, Dayton Chapter, No. 113

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**GEORGE E. LOUCAS**  
*Supreme President, Order of Ahepa*

# Our Ahepa Family In The News

## Counsel For Cuba



C. N. Kangles conferring with Dr. Fidel Castro

LEONARD G. GOVERNOR of the 13th District and prominent Chicago attorney, **CONSTANTINE N. KANGLES** was recently honored by the Cuban Government. He was appointed as its legal counsel in the United States. An active supporter of the "26th of July Movement" and its head, Dr. Fidel Castro, Constantine is internationally known for his firm stand against Latin-American dictators and for his leadership in the Justice For Cyprus movement.

Besides practicing law, C. N. Kangles also holds the judicial position of Master of Chancery of the Superior Court of Cook County. This appointment was announced in our previous issue of February-April, 1958. He is an active Hellene, a loyal citizen and a dedicated Ahepan.

## Editor of the Hellenic Chronicle

**ERNEST A. VILLAS** of Minneapolis, Minn. was recently appointed Editor of *The Hellenic Chronicle*, popular weekly newspaper for Greek Orthodox Christians in America, published in Boston.

One of the leading laymen in our Church, Villas was a founder and the first national chairman of the Greek Orthodox Youth of America. He is currently serving as Archbishop's representative to the National Council of Churches.

Formerly editor of a Greek Orthodox newspaper in Minneapolis and for three years producer-director of the NBC radio-television program, "The Hornel Caravan," Ernest Villas is a graduate of Columbia University and the University of Minnesota, where he later taught. He is heading the national G.O.Y.A. Chapel



Drive for the erection of a Byzantine-style chapel at the Holy Cross Theological Seminary in Brookline, near the site of the proposed \$5 million Hellenic University. He is a member of our Minneapolis Chapter.

## Honored by King Paul

**SAM KONIGRES** of Walsenburg, Colorado, Chapter, No. 175, now living in Los Angeles, recently received a medal together with scroll from King Paul of the Hellenes in recognition of his gift of a water system to the village of Kastri, Avardia, Greece.

When in 1955 Sam visited his native village, he was shocked to see women still carrying water from a nearby river for home use. Revolting against this primitive way of life, he was prompted to provide the necessary funds for installing a modern water system.

The medal from the King was presented to Brother Konigres by the Greek Consul-General of San Francisco with Bishop Demetrios officiating, during the Easter week last April.

## Balikes Appointed Judge

**THOMAS N. BALIKES** was last July appointed Metropolitan Judge in and for Dade County, Florida. This includes Miami, Miami Beach, Coral Gables, Hialeah and all other cities in Dade County. He was selected from a field of 37 candidates, several of whom were city judges, ex-mayors, ex-state and assistant state-attorneys, and others.

Born in 1926, in Atlanta, Georgia, Thomas came to Florida in 1935, graduated from Miami Senior High School, attended the University of Florida, and received his LL.B. from the University of Miami Law School in 1950. While at Miami he was Captain of the track team. He still holds the Ahepa javelin record of 205' made in 1949 Olympiad at Miami.

During World War II he served in the European theatre of operations as a combat bombardier, and was discharged as First Lieutenant. During the Korean conflict he served as a Staff Judge Advocate in the Air Force and was discharged



as Captain. He is now holding the rank of Major in the Air Force Reserve.

In 1955 he served as an Assistant State Attorney in and for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit for the State of Florida, assigned to the preparation and trial of capital offenses.

Besides serving for two terms as President of Miami Chapter, No. 14, Tom Balikes is Vice-President of the Community for Dade County since 1957, and member of the Board of Trustees of the St. Sophia Church.

His appointment was a real honor to all Hellenes south of the border. Big things are expected of him in the very near future.

## Most Valuable Athlete

West Waterloo High lettermen chose co-captain of their football squad to receive the Clyde Artus most valuable athlete award this year.

The 21st athlete to wear this designation at West High was **PERRY MYRSIADES**. In November he will be competing in wrestling and track.

Perry's name will go on a plaque at West High School dedicated to the memory of the late Clyde Artus, a Waterloo "Courier" sportswriter who died in 1950.

Myrsiades, 18, 5' 8" and 160 pounds, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elias Myrsiades of Waterloo, Iowa, both energetic and stalwart members of Ahepa and Daughters. He lettered twice in football as a blocking back and linebacker and is seeking his third wrestling letter. He is a weight man on the track squad, but has not lettered. He is the regular 150 pounder on the mat squad.

Myrsiades lists Iowa State Teachers College as his probable collegiate destination. He has ambition to become a coach. He is a member of the West Student Senate and, of course, the Varsity Club Letterman's Group.

Would You Like a Passport of Welcome?

to a local group consisting of the Ahepa Family? — the local Ahepa, Daughters of Penelope, Maids of Athens and Sons of Pericles? Bound together in bonds of fraternal love and concord in over 800 chapters of the Ahepa Family scattered throughout the length and breadth of the United States and Canada?

If so, bring in a new member!







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## Editor's Corner . . .

"May it ever be our lot never to bring disgrace to this, our beloved Order of Ahepa, by any act of dishonesty or cowardice; nor ever violate the letter or spirit of the trust our comrades have reposed in us; but fight for the ideas and ideals and the sacred things this, our Order, has sanctioned since founded in Atlanta, Georgia, the 26th day of July, 1922; revere and obey our nation's laws; strive unceasingly to arouse the public's sense of civic duty, and transmit our Order and our Nation greater, better and more beautiful than transmitted to us."

OUR 37th SUPREME CONVENTION held in Hollywood is now part of the record of this Order. The delegates assembled therein passed on the acts and doings of our last Supreme Lodge, legislated for the coming year, elected a new Supreme Lodge, played a little, and then returned to their homes. The entire membership is grateful to them for a job well done!

THIS BI-MONTHLY ISSUE was put together immediately upon the return of the Editor from Hollywood. It reports on the Convention and some of the outstanding pieces of legislation passed by the Convention. It is being rushed to our members to supplement the reports of the delegates when our Chapters convene again following the summer recess.

WE PARTICULARLY RECOMMEND the study of our Progress Record for 1958-1959 attained under the inspired leadership of past Supreme President Verinis. The Special Message by our new Supreme President Loucas and his colleagues makes it abundantly clear that this record will be continued, if not surpassed.

TWO MAIN PROJECTS will occupy our immediate attention and action in the days to come. One is "Membership." We must expand our ranks. The other is the "Ahepa School." We must complete this project this year.

OUR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE has already commenced. In some respects it will continue our previous practices of awards and honors. It will also inaugurate additional recognition to those of our faithful workers who always strive for new members and reinstatements.

OUR AHEPA SCHOOL campaign for funds to discharge finally our pledge to our Church will be intensified so as to supply all the funds needed for the construction of this fine edifice at St. Basil's Academy in Garrison, New York.

THE HELLENIC UNIVERSITY campaign will commence immediately following the completion of the school. This is another fine project voted in Hollywood in behalf of our Hellenism in America.

OUR EDITORIAL STAFF remains the same as last year's, with a few changes. We invite all our associate and assistant editors to proceed with the gathering of the news pertaining to chapter activities, have all items reduced to proper form and then forward the final product to the editor direct.

OUR OCTOBER ISSUE will have the biographies of all supreme officers of the entire Ahepa family; the constitutional amendments passed in Hollywood; details of the membership and the Ahepa school drives; continuation of the series on parliamentary procedure; a page on sports and, of course, chapter and district activities.

## SPECIAL MESSAGE

TO THE ENTIRE AHEPA FAMILY  
GREETINGS!

In their wisdom and their forebearance, the delegates to the 37th Supreme Convention assembled in Hollywood, California, on August 22, 1959, saw fit to elevate us to your Supreme Lodge for the forthcoming year 1959-1960 and to entrust in our hands the leadership of what is good and worthy of our Hellenic character and heritage.

We accept your trust and confidence in all humility and hasten to assure every member of this great family of Ahepa that we shall do our utmost to prove true to our oath and serve you well to the best of our knowledge and ability.

As soon as we obtain the Minutes of the Convention, we shall put the machinery of the Order in action to carry out the mandates and decisions of your delegates to the full in both letter and spirit. For yours is the right to command and ours the privilege to serve.

In the meantime, we ask you to remain steadfast and true to the great principles and projects as enunciated by the conventions of the past and assist and aid in the success of our MEMBERSHIP DRIVE — the lifeblood of our organization; the AHEPA SCHOOL AT ST. BASIL'S — a standing pledge to our Church since the 1953 Houston Convention; our newly established HELLENIC UNIVERSITY — a project unanimously endorsed by the Hollywood Convention, and every other project and plan which will soon be brought to your attention by special circulars from Headquarters.

In the last 37 years since Ahepa was founded, we have established an enviable record. It is a record of service to our community and to our nation, of compassion and aid to Mother Hellas, of accomplishments and tributes in every walk of life. We must continue in this quest of fraternal march forward. But more than anything else, we must enlist the co-operation and active participation of our fellow-Americans of Hellenic origin. We must expand our ranks, we must increase our strength, we must invite others to follow in our footsteps.

In this great crusade, we, your supreme officers, enlist your co-operation and your assistance. Every member of this Ahepa family counts, just as every small link of a great chain counts. Join with a great heart and a generous spirit. There is nothing we cannot accomplish if we remain united and strong. The future is ours if all of us, from the Supreme President to the last sentinel, co-operate and actively participate in the task ahead.

May the Good Lord bless you all and keep you well.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

GEORGE E. LOUCAS, *Supreme President*  
KIMON A. DOUKAS, *Supreme Vice-President*  
EDWARD GHUKADIS, *Supreme Vice-President in Canada*  
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JOHN W. MERCURY, *Supreme Governor*  
WILLIAM P. TSAFFARAS, *Supreme Governor*

## OUR PROGRESS RECORD: 1958-1959

Here are 55 points of progress by your Ahepa family in the year 1958-1959. Read and be proud!

1. AHEPA HALL FOR BOYS at St. Basil's Academy — Completed at a cost of \$82,400. The dormitory was dedicated and turned over to the Archdiocese June 14, 1959. It will accommodate upwards of 100 boys.
2. AHEPA SCHOOL AT ST. BASIL'S — Ground-breaking ceremonies also held June 14th. Actual construction expected to be well underway soon. The full cost to Ahepa will not exceed \$225,000.
3. AHEPA PREVENTORION Volos, Greece — Dedicated by Excursion Commander Sokrates V. Skiles. Project started in 1955 by past Supreme Vice-President George E. Johnson with funds solicited for aid to Volos earthquake sufferers. Ahepa contributed \$18,500.
4. AHEPA HOSPITALS IN GREECE — Completed placing plaques with the names of donors to the Ahepa Hospitals campaign of 1945-47. Names of over 1600 donors placed on permanent record by past Supreme President Harris J. Booras, permanent chairman of the Hospitals Committee.

## GEORGE E. LOUCAS Supreme President

GEORGE E. LOUCAS, the barrister from Wearton, West Virginia, was elevated to the sublime office of Supreme President by the delegates to the 37th Supreme Convention of the Order of Ahepa in Hollywood, California.

After a long and uninterrupted service of 32 years, George finally achieved the dream of his Ahepa life by becoming the 17th Chief of State of this great fraternity. And well he might, considering the years of service he has given to Ahepa and everything that it stands for.

George was initiated back in 1927 by our Morgantown, West Virginia, chapter and served in all chapter offices, including the presidency. When he moved up into the District Lodge of the Eleventh District, he chalked up an enviable record of leadership and Ahepa service. For he served for three terms as its District Governor, doubling the membership and instituting three new chapters.

Our Supreme President was first elevated to the Supreme Lodge in 1938 and has served as Supreme Governor, Supreme Counsellor and Supreme Vice-President, gathering experience and helping initiate many projects on a national scale. He has been a familiar figure at Supreme Conventions since 1934, with the exception of two conclaves when he was in the Armed Forces of the United States during World War II.

GEORGE LOUCAS has served his community as president, and the Greek War Relief as chairman of the local Board. In addition, he is a member of the Moose, the Elks and the Eagles and has led both drives of Cancer and Red Cross. He is also a past president of the Hancock County Bar Association. In 1939 he was elected to the House of Delegates of West Virginia, and a few years ago he waged a campaign for the office of the District Attorney of his county.

A forceful speaker, an experienced parliamentarian, a dedicated Ahepan with more than ample courage for his convictions, Supreme President Loucas is destined to leave his mark on this Order by establishing a record of accomplishments, a record of service. He has visited every district convention and has travelled to every Ahepa center both in the United States and Canada. His will be a familiar figure at every Ahepa gathering — small or large. He is assured of full co-operation by the entire Ahepa family.

Hail to the Chief: GEORGE E. LOUCAS!



5. JUSTICE FOR CYPRUS — A reality this year with the acceptance of an honorable settlement. Ahepa's major role admitted by all. An Ahepa Pilgrimage departed from New York on the TSS OLYMPIA of the Greek Line July 24th for Cyprus and Greece, with past Supreme Counsellor George C. Elades as Commander.
6. INITIATIONS AND REINSTATEMENTS — We initiated and reinstated a total of 1,993 members this year, as against a total of 1,645 for the past year, an increase of 348.
7. MEMBERSHIP — Our membership in good standing on June 30, 1959 stood at 24,060, an increase of 1,769 over last year's figure of 22,291.
8. TOTAL RECEIPTS — Reached \$163,528.25 against last year's \$159,092.50, an increase of \$4,435.75.
9. GENERAL FUND INCOME — A new high of \$78,265.30 against last year's income of \$77,926.30.
10. BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS — By the Boston Supreme Convention amounted to \$77,569.35. Only \$69,213.96 was expended or \$8,355.39 less than authorized. Deducting payments made for an accounting machine totalling \$2,690.21.

- still leaves us a healthy surplus of more than \$6,500.00.
11. **AHEPA SCHOOL DRIVE** — Net income this year from our various campaigns was \$46,136.92 (exclusive of earned interest) as against \$59,463.84 last year, or an increase of \$6,673.08.
  12. **YEARBOOK AND DELEGATES DIRECTORY** — Cost us \$4,027.13 last year (\$1,107.27 less than the previous year's high of \$5,134.40). This year reduced to a maximum of \$3,500.00.
  13. **THE AHEPAN** — Published on a monthly basis, with 7 issues mailed during this past year at a total cost of \$20,894.39 as against \$21,917.39 last year for 4 larger issues.
  14. **HEADQUARTERS EFFICIENCY** — Increased with the purchase of a bookkeeping and accounting machine.
  15. **KARDEX FILE SYSTEM** — Revised and brought up to date, eliminating the need of purchasing additional cabinets at a saving of \$4,500.00.
  16. **MAGAZINE MAILING LIST** — A new system of filing and checking members' plates put into effect. Strip lists mailed to all chapters for checking. Our records are now practically 100% correct.
  17. **CHARTERS** — New Charters designed with a revised text.
  18. **CONSTITUTIONS** — For both U.S. and Canada, the first revised edition in five years.
  19. **25-YEAR PIN** — A new pin designed for our 25-year members.
  20. **CHAPTER OFFICERS' HANDBOOK** — Prepared at Supreme Lodge Headquarters and distributed to the Chapters free of cost.
  21. **DISTRICT LODGE MANUAL** — A preparatory manual issued to new District Lodge officers.
  22. **AHEPA BROCHURE** — Material for a brochure on Ahepa ready for final printing, pending allocation of funds. It will explain to members and prospective members the purposes and benefits of Ahepa membership.
  23. **RITUAL** — A working committee has undertaken the revision of our Ritual.
  24. **PUBLIC RELATIONS** — An Office of Public Relations was instituted at Headquarters, and releases sent to public press and Ahepa District Publications.
  25. **CORRESPONDENCE** — With Headquarters promptly answered. All remittances through July 1 were acknowledged in spite of heavy June receipts.
  26. **PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE PROGRAM** — Have sponsored a book on the history of the Greek-American in the United States at request of the U.S. Information Agency.
  27. **EXCURSION** — Ahepa's Annual Easter Excursion to Greece was another success, promoting good will between the peoples of the United States and Greece.
  28. **MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES** — Wreaths placed in Arlington National Cemetery at the graves of Greek-American veterans interred there.
  29. **MEDALS FOR SCHOLASTIC EXCELLENCE** — A striking bronze Ahepa Medal made available to all chapters for presentation to outstanding graduates of local Greek Schools.
  30. **ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS** — The Ahepa Awards Committee made three national awards, two of which were presented at the Convention.
  31. **SCHOLARSHIP LOAN FUND** — This year it has assisted 16 worthy students with loans — more than the entire loan total of prior two years.
  32. **AHEPA BUILDING** — Our Supreme Headquarters Building in Washington, D.C. is now fully rented, self-supporting, at the same time making available sufficient office space for Ahepa and all its Auxiliaries.
  33. **ALBUQUERQUE PROPERTY** — A 55-year lease pending. It will net the fraternity a minimum of \$24,000.00 annually net.

## CONSTANTINE P. VERINIS

In Hollywood, on August 22, 1959, Gus Verinis was given the highest reward within the gift of his fellow-Ahepans — he became a past Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa, which he has served long and well.



A man seldom given to dramatics, a hard worker, a fine administrator, a wonderful friend, a considerate opponent — these are some of the attributes which come to mind when one thinks of Gus.

He showed an impeccable character, carried out his official pursuits with honesty and integrity and in every way was a credit to Ahepa that made him and honored him in so many ways from the time he joined the Sons — 32 years ago, and since he was raised to the Supreme Lodge — 10 years ago.

There have been great Ahepans in the past. This singular tribute detracts nothing from their lustre and fame. There will be others in the years to come who may surpass the Verinis record. No one can foresee the future. However, his colleagues of his two terms as Supreme President will never forget their chief who guided wisely the ship of state and blazoned new horizons of service to community and nation. They shared the glory that was mainly his. They wish to repay him back in some measure by rendering this final tribute that comes from their hearts.

The past Supreme Lodge officers of 1957-1958 and 1958-1959 wish Constantine P. Verinis every happiness in the world and solicit his continued services in behalf of our beloved fraternity.



## What America Means To Me

America is not just rich in material things, an industrial giant, a mighty military power. America is the country schoolhouse, the village church, the town meeting, the humble farmhouse, the rhythmic poetry of peaceful countryside.

America is the mirth and laughter of its children, the charity, the generosity, the compassion of its people. America is the triumph of merit and diligence over family and caste. America is the FREEDOM of choice which God intended all men to have — the right to do, to speak, to worship, to dissent, to dream, to build, to fail and to succeed.

America is the marriage of liberty with authority, of individual freedom with social organizations. America is the best discovery yet of a full and honorable way of life.

We are rich in all the things that decent people yearn for. It is our task to live up to these values and to make them known to every nation, friend or foe. For on us has fallen the challenge to lead the free. And the truth about ourselves is more powerful than any man-made missile.

DEAN ALFANGE,  
Past Supreme President.



## Thirty-Seventh Supreme Convention Order of Ahepa

HOLLYWOOD, AUGUST 16 - 22, 1959

By KIMON A. DOUKAS,  
*Supreme Vice-President*

"Welcome to the House of the Lord, my dear children of Ahepa," intoned His Grace, BISHOP DEMETRIOS, at the Sunday services at St. Sophia Cathedral, which marked the commencement of our 37th Supreme Convention in Hollywood. "And may your faith in Jesus Christ, our Lord, guide you and protect you in your deliberations for the good of our people and the welfare of all nations everywhere," sermonized the Very Reverend LEONIDAS C. CONTOS, Dean of the Cathedral.

Thus began the annual pageantry of Ahepa, known as the Supreme Convention, to which delegates from our 400 chapters in the United States and Canada, their families and friends come each year to deliberate a little, play a little and return to their homes happy in the thought and in the experience that they made one more friendship, cemented one more brotherhood and completed one more service to their community and to their nation.

### "White Father V. I."

It is the marches and the retreats, the victories and the disappointments enjoyed and endured by the men who lead and follow this great Order which constitutes the most thrilling experience of Hellenism in America," once wrote the venerable and much discussed many time Supreme President V. I. CHEBITHES. In the approaching twilight of his life, he must find a special thrill when attending one more convention and mingling again with people of his race, who at one time or another differed violently with him or loved him dearly for whatever services he rendered to the cause of Ahepa or failed to do for partisan reasons.

V. I. was particularly mellow this time. Gone was the fire of enmity or the depth of his opposition. He argued with conviction and knowledge and his allusions

### Special Message of the President

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

It is a pleasure to send greetings to those attending the thirty-seventh Supreme Convention of the Order of Ahepa.

The members of Ahepa are ever-mindful of the rich heritage shared by the United States and Greece. As they seek to strengthen the bonds which unite our two countries, and as they advance the principles of Democracy which we together hold in high regard, they add much to the life of the free world.

I am delighted to send best wishes for the success of your convention.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

to the constitution or to mandates of previous conventions were based on fact and reason. But the "White Father" seldom carried through for argument's sake or pressed further only to satisfy his party's point of view. Even when he elected to present the case against past Supreme President Lamberson and was met head-on with the defense by that dynamic debater from the Windy City, WILLIAM BELROY, it was noticeable that V. I. curbed his tongue and showed concern for the judgment of time and, of course, the respect of his people.

One could likewise speak with deference and affection for his two principal lieutenants, past Supreme Presidents JOHN THEVOS and PETER BELL, who followed closely all activities but seldom showed extreme partisanship or unreasonable opposition to the clear majority of

the Administration forces. Peter Bell, in particular, made light of his overwhelming defeat, which he called "terrible shel-lacking," in his quest for the chairmanship of the Convention.

### The Booras Banner

And while speaking of past supreme presidents, we may refer briefly to HARRIS J. BOORAS, who again gave evidence of his own brand of leadership and showed once more that he is held in affection by many old timers who worked with him, fought with him and earned victories for the good of the Order. In spite of rumors and manifestoes, Harris could not fail but rise to statesmanship and practice the fine art of compromise, of give and take, of praise and criticism, which are the hallmarks of statesmanship and experience.

### Mother Lodge

In addition to these four leaders, the Convention was graced with the presence of three of our Founding Fathers, the Mother Lodge members NICHOLAS CHOTAS, JAMES CAMPBELL and SPIROS STAMOS. It must be said without equivocation that they acted properly, spoke wisely and demeaned themselves to the credit of the fraternity and to the pleasure of themselves. They were always intent on following the convention proceedings with great attention, missing nothing and approving the measures and decisions which were the result of good judgment and would benefit the fraternity.

We should be grateful to all these men who gave a whole lifetime in the service of the Order and, of course, in the service of our people. Considerate, courteous, dedicated to the Cause of Ahepa. We will never fail with men of this calibre at our side!

## Sunday, August 16

But let us begin with a brief description of the events that stood out during this week of the 37th Supreme Convention to refresh the memories of those who attended and to give a bird's eye view to those who for one reason or another were unable to share with us the privilege of fraternalism and the joy of camaraderie, which make up Ahepa.

Following the services at the Cathedral, the national officers of the Ahepa family, headed by Supreme President Verinis, were taken to Perino's Restaurant for



**HIS HONOR:** Mayor Poulson (center) extends hearty official welcome to Convention Committee.

lunch by the Convention Committee led by General Chairman ANDREW ANGELSON and MARGARET DAUTERMAN. It was an informal get-together at which old friendships were revived and outlines of strategy for the coming events were discussed. This was followed by the official opening of the convention at the Ambassador.

From preparations and plans made, it was quite evident that the publicity of the convention was in good and capable hands. PETER LATAS, an old hand at public relations, was in charge. He had taken over from MYRA TELLEGEN, who attended to all pre-convention media and had kept us fully posted on everything that was going to take place in Hollywood. And at this time, we must thank both Myra and Pete for their fine cooperation in supplying us with all the details which are now being unfolded for the benefit of our readers.

### A Minstrel Show

The day ended with a Minstrel Show, for which the participants had worked hard for our benefit and our pleasure. Though not so fully attended, it showed that like other people we have in our midst a good deal of amateur talent just waiting to be tapped. And instead of following the trite clichés of holding a ball "to the delightful tunes of such and such orchestra," our Chapters could very well present amateur shows which will delight our members and their families and also bring the very much needed funds for our local operations. We may



**WELCOMED:** Miss Mickles and Verinis by General Co-chairmen Angelson and Dauterman.

## Special Message of the Governor STATE OF CALIFORNIA SACRAMENTO

This great fraternal organization is a perpetual reminder of the debt which all of us owe to the Greek people. From antiquity to present times, the Greek people have maintained a cultural legacy and, in an area of the world surrounded almost entirely by Communist nations, they stand as a bulwark of freedom.

Your organization, founded in 1922, as a social group to furnish assistance to Greek emigrants to foreign countries, has since grown in stature to where today it is recognized as the voice of the Greek people within our Nation.

Socrates and Pericles, both very distinguished citizens of Ancient Greece, exemplify the thinking which I feel prevails among you. Socrates denied that he was a citizen of Athens or of Greece alone. Pericles said that a man who takes no part in public business may be called by some a quiet man, but by Athenians and Greeks he was regarded as useless.

Your mere presence in the Order of AHEPA makes you citizens of the world and surely not useless, because your contributions to our cultural and economic well being are manifest and praiseworthy.

EDMUND G. BROWN.

only refer to the annual shows prepared and given by certain chapters in the Ahepa domain to prove the point.

It is time that we stop the boring speeches and the stereotyped celebrations and give something different to our rank and file that pay the bill but never get even thanks for their contribution. Leaders of Ahepa and Daughters Chapters, please note (and write us, if you wish!).

### Monday, August 17

This is traditionally the day of reckoning for the opposing forces. It is the

initial skirmish, the tightening of lines, the choosing of sides and, of course, the proof of the pudding! The successful candidate for chairman proves the strength of his supporters and puts everybody on notice — the victorious delegation to stay on their toes, the losing opposition to garner forces and reverse the trend and naturally the ultimate result.

Supreme President Verinis called the first business session to order at 11:20 A.M., appointed marshals and tellers and announced the convention strength to be 336½ votes, according to Chairman C. Gatsos of the Credentials Committee. (For comparison purposes, the initial strength of the Boston Convention was 424½ votes.)

Upon completion of the voting, the results were announced to be as follows:

- For Chairman: JOHN MANOS 199; Peter Bell 127½.
- For Vice-Chairman: LEO YPSILANTI 203½; D. I. Georgoulis 121½.
- For Secretary: NICK LASKARIS 204½; Gus Sellas 119.

The candidates of the Verinis-Loucas forces defeated decisively the Stalwarts. The results were so overwhelming that it was mentioned facetiously that the Stalwarts better go home and rebuild their fences! Of course, everyone took the elections in his stride and with the installation of the convention officers, the machinery was set to work to legislate for the coming year.

### The Greek Glendi

The Greek Glendi, alias Grecian



**ON YOUR MARKS:** Young Mike Thoms holding lights a torch, with Evzone George Kordaris, Maids Susan Ludwick and Leonore Argyros and PNAD Mandros and Glentzos open festivities.

Soiree, alias Greek Night, was held at the huge Shriners Exposition Hall. The food and beer were served by courteous waitresses and the entertainment headed by our imitable Eva Styl was to everyone's liking. With the exception of lack of accommodations at the Ambassador Hotel and the high prices charged for every little service therein, the delegates felt happy and looked forward to the



THE QUEEN: Miss Dandos, with General Chairman Angelson, Miss Greece-Zoe Kouroukly . . . and Danny Thomas with Princesses Tripodes and Aroney.

unfolding week with anticipation and much pleasure. They were not disappointed, with the exception already mentioned.

### Tuesday, August 18

This again was the day when committees were appointed and work began in earnest by everyone concerned for the serious business of the convention. And while this was going on, District Governors were called upon from time to time to report on their respective districts and acquaint the whole domain as to their particular problems or their specific projects and activities. This year, in order to save time, the members of the Supreme Lodge were enjoined from reading their reports or giving summaries thereof. The entire time usually consumed for the purpose was turned over to Supreme President Verinis, who, it was admitted by all, rendered a masterful report on the status and the activities of the Fraternity. It covered 46 pages in the Year Book. It presented in detail the activities of the Supreme Lodge, actions taken and recommendations made and concluded with the meaningful words of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

*"No endeavor is in vain,  
Its reward is in the doing."*

And well he might say so. For he had travelled 62,274 miles and had been away from home 155 days or the equivalent of almost one-half year. What a service, what a dedicated man!

### The Spanish Fiesta

The day was a busy one for all — delegates and visitors. There was a visit to the famous *Disneyland*, a District Governors' Luncheon and the traditional *Olympiad*, about which a special report follows.

These events were capped in the evening by the *Spanish Fiesta*, a California specialty, held on the sun deck around the Olympic size hotel pool, with tables set in gaily colored surroundings. Leo Carillo and his famous Palomino pony "Diablo" were the trademark of this festive event, with the Nicaraguans supplying the mood music in the inimitable style and beat of the Latins. There were

### The Miss Ahepa Queen

Twenty lovely girls of Hellenic bearing and American birth competed for the coveted title of Miss Ahepa Queen. Fifteen of them came from various parts of the great State of California; two from Arizona, and one each from Colorado, Florida and Ontario, Canada.

After a spirited and well played competition, the judges selected Miss KATHERINE DANDOS of Northridge, California, to reign over the events of the convention and until her successor is selected at the Montreal Convention next year. In the absence of the Boston Queen, Miss Barbara Mandis, who was unable to come to Hollywood, Katherine was crowned by Miss Greece, Miss ZOE KOUROUKLY who had participated in the Miss Universe Pageant and remained for the convention.

In addition to the Queen, the judges selected her two princesses, Miss VIRGINIA TRIPODES of South Pasadena and Miss TASHA ARONEY of Los Angeles, the charming daughter of past Trustee Anthony Aroney.

The selections were made Monday at the famous Coconut Grove, while the coronation took place at the Ahepa Grand Ball on Thursday, with the Daughters of Penelope paying a special court to Miss Ahepa at their Queen's Ball Friday. She was particularly in evidence having a most delightful time with her attendants at the Youth Farewell Ball of Saturday, especially held for the Sons and the Maids and the younger set (while their elders were counting the ballots for Supreme Lodge officers).

gay caballeros and señoritas in colorful costumes and mantillas administering the Spanish food to the delegates and visitors. They for once in their lives joined the Latins and had a whale of a time!

### Wednesday, August 19

With the exception of certain committee reports rendered to the convention, this day was marked important in the calendar of the delegates because of the Banquet that was given in the evening with great success. It was attended

by over 1500 guests with the additional information that late reservations had to be cancelled for lack of space.

Banquet chairman John Dakis and his co-chairman Kay Brotsis turned over the proceedings to the Committee Honorary Chairman, Sheriff PETER J. PITCHES of the County of Los Angeles, who set himself the task of dispatching the speaking agenda of the banquet with every possible accommodation. However, as is usually the case, there were too many speakers, there were too many introductions, there were too many events and as a result the hour was quite late before the roaster pronounced "Good Night, Friends!"

In the introductions alone, we counted eight Supreme Lodge officers, one National Athletic Director, four Trustees, eight Grand Lodge officers, two Sons and Maids Supreme Presidents, three Mother Lodge members, four past Supreme Presidents, three past Grand Presidents and two convention chairmen, four local officers and four committee officers, Deputy Attorney General R. Rogan, Community President P. Basil Lambros, and a few other individuals excelling in rank but too modest to speak!

Supervisors Board President FRANK BONELLI presented his Board's Scroll to Ahepa; His Grace BISHOP DEMETRIOS urged the delegates to legislate on education and kindergartens; the Very Reverend DEAN CONTOS spoke on "the gradual softening of American character as the issue of overriding importance in our time;" Greek Ambassador ALEXIS LIATIS brought the greetings of His Hellenic Majesty's Government and praised our Order for all the aid and assistance given to Greece; and Supreme President VERINIS made the official presentation of the Awards to Mayor GEORGE CHRISTOPHER of San Francisco and to nuclear scientist NICHOLAS C. CHRISTIFILOS of the Lawrence Radiation Laboratory in Berkeley, California.

### Wonderful Entertainment

At this time, the well known actor of radio and television and great philanthropist DANNY THOMAS took over. He



AT THE BANQUET: Verinis, Rev. Contos, Deputy Attorney General Bagan, Board of Supervisors President Bonelli, Mrs. Brotsis, Danny Thomas.

kept us amused and delighted, gave us joy and food for thought and in many ways pointed up the seriousness of Ahepa's mission in educational and philanthropic activities. He concluded by asking every guest to strike a match in the darkened banquet hall and see for himself what unity and singleness of purpose can accomplish in this rather difficult and complicated world.

DANNY THOMAS proved to be a great entertainer but withal a wonderful guy with as big a heart and as intelligent a mind as could be found anywhere today. There was additional entertainment but the lateness of the hour forced its cancellation.

#### Hail to the Chief

Both Supreme President Verinis and Grand President Mickles gave their so-called swan speeches and thanked their colleagues as well as the rank and file for all the honors bestowed on them, but primarily for the opportunity to serve their fellowmen.

Evelyn pleaded for a "positive program" for the acceleration of our educational and philanthropic works and urged unity and "aggressive brotherly spirit with intelligent planning." She concluded with the meaningful words that "it is not what fate has in store for us that matters, but what we do with it when it comes, for both the choice and the destiny are ours."

Supreme President VERINIS reviewed Ahepa's Golden Opportunity to learn from the West about progress, industry, determination and accomplishment and pointed out that "Ahepa has done well during the past 37 years — for it, too, had a pioneering purpose and spirit — so reminiscent of the early West, when it entered the fraternal field." He further argued that ours is primarily a "service" organization, dedicated to serving ourselves and the country in which we live. He alluded to our ancestry — "a country that has from the very outset established the pattern and form of government that has been espoused and followed by the Western Nations so successfully." He concluded with Ahepa's pledge of service:

"The Ahepa being steeped in the love

of freedom, of democracy, of fairness and of brotherhood, shall remain true to the principles upon which it was founded and shall continue being a force in the perpetuation and preservation of these ideals.

"We will remain ever alert to any danger and shall use all means at our disposal for combating any encroachments, while urging continuation of scientific research for peaceful means.



CITED: Board of Supervisors President Bonelli showing the County Citation of our Order, with P.S.P. Verinis and Sheriff Pitchess looking on.

"Our sights for the future of our way of life, for our country, our organization and for our members are trained high for we do not intend to lose sight of the imperishable principles handed down to us through the centuries, if we are guided by prudence and good judgment."

At noon the Daughters of Penelope held their customary luncheon and fashion show at the famous Coconut Grove and were much pleased with the new styles and the latest fashions.

#### Thursday, August 20

This was a day primarily of committee reports and much activity on the floor of the convention, though the Golf Tournament was taking place and tours of the studios were being organized for visitors.

The Convention City Committee reported and two cities were nominated, one, Miami Beach, Florida, and two, Dallas, Texas. The choice was placed on the ballot and Miami Beach won handily: 204½ to 136. So it's Miami Beach in 1961, following Montreal of

1960. As mandated by the Boston Convention, a check of \$2,500 was duly presented to the National Scholarship Fund—no more begging for an accounting after the convention is over and the bride has been spirited away!

The Magazine Committee reported and endorsed the entire current program without any amendment or qualification. In the experience of veteran delegates and past editors of the magazine, this was the first time that all was well with the policies and activities of the magazine and the convention decided unanimously to let well enough alone. It was of particular interest and pleasure to the editor and his editorial staff.

The Ritual and Excursion Committees also reported and their recommendations passed and referred to the Supreme Lodge for action.

It was announced that the strength of the convention now stood at 356½ votes. The registration of delegates had closed at 6:00 P.M. Wednesday, in accordance with the constitutional amendment adopted at Boston.

#### Friday, August 21

Again the entire day was given to Committee reports and debate on the floor of the convention on resolutions, recommendations and constitutional amendments.

The Budget Committee reported an estimated income of \$80,250 and estimated expenses totaling \$74,695.

The Projects Committee recommended that the Ahepa School be limited to a kindergarten and six grades instead of nine grades at the total cost to us of \$225,000 instead of \$275,000, as originally planned. The recommendation was passed unanimously and the matter referred to the Supreme Lodge for further action.

#### Saturday, August 22

This final day was spent on further committee reports, nominations and elections of Supreme Lodge officers, the National Athletic Director, one trustee and the referendum for convention city in 1961. The most important committee reports will be given as soon as we have on hand the Minutes of the Convention, in all probability in the following issue

of October. However, two matters may be discussed here briefly before going into the elections.

The question of past Supreme President Lamberson was debated fully and the final motion passed was to the effect that he be summoned within 30 days from the termination of the convention before a panel of 7, consisting of 4 designated by V. I. Chebithes and 3 designated by William Belroy, to show cause why he should not be expelled for contempt of the Convention mandate for not appearing before the Douris committee with his records as last chairman of the disbanded Refugee Committee.

V. I. Chebithes appointed John Laskaris of Massachusetts, Mike Costas of Florida, Gus Cherevas of New York and P. Karavoulas of New Jersey. William Belroy appointed Leo Ypsilanti of New York, Theodore Bouras of St. Louis and Nick Giovan of Chicago. They were supposed to take action as soon as the Minutes are on hand and the instructions of the convention are clearly defined to them to the end that Leo Lamberson may have his day in court before he is expelled, if that will be the majority opinion of the panel.

#### Hellenic University

Another matter seriously put forth by Judge John Pappas, past Supreme President Booras and others, concerned the current appeal for funds (a) to enhance existing facilities at the Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Theological School in Brookline, Mass., (b) and to aid in the eventual establishment of a Hellenic University in America. The final action taken by the convention must be considered a personal victory of John Pappas. He eloquently and passionately pleaded his case both in small circles of leaders and right on the floor of the convention. He was ably assisted by Harris Booras who is an old hand in appeals and projects aiming at cementing Greek-American relations and expanding Hellenism in America. Both Supreme President Loucas and past Supreme President Verinis were in favor of the plan.

It will be recalled that John had spoken last year on the same subject before the Boston Convention, which approved the plan on principle but took the matter of the pledge under advisement. This time John came as a delegate of his Boston Chapter and had the privilege of addressing both committee and convention meetings in behalf of the plan—and he did it with enthusiasm, with conviction and with the declared sympathy of all delegates. And not only he won his point, but also made a host of friends.

As chairman of the Fund Raising Committee, John Pappas built his entire appeal on the very significant motto for us

## CITATIONS For Scientific Achievement and Public Service

AHEPA EVER COGNIZANT THAT MERIT AND ABILITY SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED AND REWARDED, HAS HONORED TWO OUTSTANDING LEADERS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE FIELDS.

OUR AWARDS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED AND THE SUPREME LODGE FULLY CONCURRING WITH THEIR UNANIMOUS ACTION, OFFICIALLY APPROVED THE TWO NAMED RECIPIENTS, ONE FOR "SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENT" AND THE OTHER FOR "PUBLIC SERVICE."

BOTH HAVE MADE TREMENDOUS STRIDES AND BOTH HAVE ESTABLISHED THEIR RIGHT TO LEADERSHIP. WE ARE PROUD OF THE PROGRESS AND FEEL THAT THEY SHALL IMMENSELY ADD TO THEIR STATURE AS TIME PASSES.

TO NICK C. CHRISTOFILOS, A RECOGNIZED AUTHORITY AND LEADER IN THE FIELD OF ELECTRONICS, THE AHEPA PRESENTS THE AWARD FOR "SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENT" AND TO THE HANDSOME AND DYNAMIC MAYOR OF SAN FRANCISCO, GEORGE CHRISTOPHER, IS PRESENTED THE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING "PUBLIC SERVICE."

DR. CHRISTOFILOS! IN YOUR CHOSEN FIELD YOU HAVE DISPLAYED THE CREATIVE IMAGINATION AND RESOURCEFULNESS OF A SCIENTIST BENT ON HUMANITARIANISM.

IN OUR NUCLEAR AND ATOMIC AGE YOU CAN POINT THE WAY FOR BENEFICIAL USES OF NATURE — BY DIRECTING YOUR EFFORTS TOWARDS PEACEFUL UTILIZATION OF THESE GREAT POWERS.

WE ARE FORTUNATE THAT THIS GREAT COUNTRY OF OURS IS DEVELOPING ALL POTENTIALITIES ONLY TOWARDS PEACEFUL PURPOSES AND FOR THE BENEFIT OF MANKIND.

AHEPA IS PROUD OF YOUR GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS AND YOUR VAST CONTRIBUTIONS IN THIS DIRECTION AND PRESENTS YOU WITH THIS AWARD FOR "SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENT."

MR. MAYOR! YOU HAVE SHOWN BY YOUR OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND ACCOMPLISH-

Americans of Hellenic origin: "Our Endowment is Culture." He argued that it is time that we defend this endowment through an institution of ours of higher learning. The nucleus of such a university will be the Holy Cross School. He concluded by referring to Ahepa's role in education and its laudable and generous activities at St. Basil's Academy. "It is not only proper but natural that we should make our first major appeal to the Grand Order of Ahepa."

#### Resolution re:

#### The Hellenic University of America

Whereas, the Board of Trustees of the Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Theological School of the United States, located in Brookline, Massachusetts, voted unanimously to establish a non-sectarian educational institution to be known as the Hellenic University of America, with the present theological seminary as a nucleus for its development and ultimate completion; and

Whereas, an educational and charitable corporation has been organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, known as "THE FRIENDS OF



HONORED: Mayor Christopher, Verinis, nuclear scientist Christofilos and Sheriff Pitchess.

MENT IN THE CIVIC AND POLITICAL FIELD, THAT THE EXPRESSION "THE LAND OF OPPORTUNITY" IS A VIBRANT REALITY.

HERE IS DEMOCRACY IN ACTION — THE GREATEST AND MOST MILITANT WEAPON AGAINST ANY ENCRoACHMENT OF INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS, THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING YOUR CITY AND YOUR NATION.

AN IMMIGRANT ARRIVING TO THE SHORES OF THIS COUNTRY, YOU WERE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACCOMPLISH AND TO SERVE.

THROUGH YOUR INDUSTRY, PATIENCE, ABILITY AND GREAT TALENTS YOU HAVE SUCCEEDED IN ESTABLISHING YOUR UNDOUBTED RIGHT TO SERVE THIS GREAT LAND THAT HAS ADOPTED YOU. THIS IS DEMOCRACY IN ACTION.

AHEPA, PROUD OF YOUR GREAT STRIDES IN BOTH THE CIVIC AND POLITICAL FIELDS — FULLY AWARE OF YOUR GREAT POTENTIALITIES IN SERVING YOUR COUNTRY IN GREATER MEASURE — PRESENTS YOU WITH THE AWARD OF OUTSTANDING AND UNUSUAL "PUBLIC SERVICE."

THE PROPOSED HELLENIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA"; and

Whereas, a fund raising campaign for \$5,000,000.00 under the national Co-Chairmanship of His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos and our own Spyros Skouras, is officially proclaimed and inaugurated on the occasion of the 37th Supreme Convention of the Order of Ahepa; and

Whereas, like every other good thing for the Hellenes of America and the world, had received its first endorsement and spirited beginning by the Order of Ahepa;

Now, Therefore, Be It Hereby Resolved, That the Order of Ahepa hereby endorses the fund raising campaign and makes a pledge of a contribution to this noble cause of the sum of \$250,000.00, to be paid by an annual assessment of \$2.00 per member of the Order of Ahepa for a period of Five years by amending the Constitution as follows:

Article XXIX be, and is hereby, amended by adding under Section 1 a new paragraph to be known as b. 1, such new paragraph to read as follows:

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"b. 1. Beginning with January 1, 1960, and only for 5 years thereafter, in addition to the requirements provided under Section 1. b. of Article XXIX, every chapter shall remit to the Supreme Lodge Headquarters a sum of \$2.00 for each member, to be ear-marked and deposited in a special account of the Supreme Lodge and paid annually to 'THE FRIENDS OF THE PROPOSED HELLENIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA,' in accordance with the fraternity's pledge of \$250,000.00; that said additional \$2 per member shall be appropriated by each chapter either from the payment of annual dues or from any other fund that each chapter may decide to create for this pledge."

Ahepa's pledge of \$250,000 in five years and Daughters' pledge of \$50,000 in ten years are the largest initial contributions toward this project and the opening of the campaign for funds of \$5,000,000. As soon as the Convention Minutes are received detailed instructions will go out to the Chapters for their further guidance and action.

#### Athens Convention

There was considerable feeling for a projected supreme convention in Athens and strong voices were raised in favor, both in committee and on the convention floor. However, lack of serious proposals emanating from Athens prevented the delegates from even arguing the point as against the contending cities of Miami Beach and Dallas for 1961.

It was finally agreed on a motion unanimously passed that a committee of five members be appointed by the Supreme Lodge to study the matter from all angles and submit a full report to the Montreal Supreme Convention next year for appropriate action.

#### Elections

This brings us to the final elections for Supreme Lodge officers, the results of which announced around eleven o'clock Saturday night surprised most delegates with the exception of the small group of leaders who kept close count of their friends and knew well in advance how the wind blew. The trio of Chebithes-Thevos-Bell for the Stalwarts, the Mantzoros forces for the Independents and the Verinis-Sekles-Manesiotis general staff for the administration group had done their job. It was now up to the delegates, the sovereign power, to express their opinion freely, make their selection secretly and embrace their eventual winners with all their affection and confidence as the new Supreme Lodge for the coming year 1959-1960 in the name of Ahepa and for the glory of Hellenism in this great country of ours!

As freely predicted by all sides, the George E. Loucas ticket was overwhelmingly endorsed, in spite of the fact that



Boston's contingent led by past Supreme President Booras and past Supreme Treasurer Vrot sos.

a new Independent Party placed in the field a limited ticket for the offices of Supreme Vice-President, Counsellor, one Governor and a Trustee. They failed to make any inroads on the administration candidates who were elected with considerable majorities as the figures show:

1. Supreme President: GEORGE E. LOUCAS 218; George J. Margoles 114 1/4  
2. Supreme Vice-President: KIMON A. DOUKAS 199; George N. George 96 1/2; Sam Nakis 42.

3. Supreme Secretary: JOHN G. PLEUMIDES 222; Nick Chircos 112.

4. Supreme Treasurer: Dr. NICHOLAS S. NICHOLAS 209; Dr. Nick Despotopoulos 124.

5. Supreme Counsellor: NICHOLAS A. LOUMOS 199 1/2; Nicholas Coffinas 107; George Brickates 28 1/2.

6. Three Supreme Governors: WILLIAM P. TSAFFARAS 207 1/2; WILLIAM G. NICAS 203; JOHN MERCURY 180 1/2; William Economides 107; Nicholas Koumiotis 104; Mike Kostis 94 1/2; George N. Blandos 44.

7. Trustee to 1964: GEORGE J. PAPADEMAS 184 1/2; Anthony Aroney 118 1/2; James Kostopoulos 28.

8. Athletic Director: NICK LASKARIS 213 1/2; Nicholas Barboutis 113 1/2.

Supreme Vice-President in Canada EDW. GHKADIS was reelected unanimously, as neither the Stalwarts nor the Independents put forth a candidate of their own.

The announcement of the final results was made before a very large attendance of the delegates and their friends by Chairman John Manos, who immediately proceeded to swear in the new Supreme Lodge, and presented Supreme President Loucas for a few words. He accepted in his behalf and in behalf of his colleagues the trust and thanked everybody for his efforts for a better and bigger

Ahepa. He also thanked his good friends Socrates Sekles and Louis Manesiotis, who directed the campaign in behalf of the administration group, and invited everybody to the Victory party that lasted until the very early hours of Sunday.

Chairman John Manos, after introducing past Supreme Presidents Verinis and Booras for brief comments, adjourned the convention *in die* at exactly midnight. And thus ended another milestone in the affairs and activities of this great and beloved Order of Ahepa.

#### Attends GOYA Conference

Supreme President Loucas availed himself of the opportunity to appear before the GOYA Conference on his way home from the Hollywood Convention. The Goyans were holding their Eighth Conclave at Grand Rapids, Michigan, under National Chairman Andrew Kopan. Our Supreme President received a thundering standing ovation.

Visibly moved by such an enthusiastic reception, Supreme President Loucas spoke about the "togetherness" of the Hellenes for the common advancement of all. "Our youth are heirs to the richest inheritance of any people in America. We must continue to promote our togetherness in a handclasp of brotherhood."

He expressed pride in the manner in which the young people are so ably carrying on those traditions "established at great sacrifice by their parents. My greatest concern lies in the fact that the combined total membership of Ahepa and GOYA represents such a small percentage of the entire Hellenic population in America. The complete cooperation of all Hellenic organizations, both national and local, is necessary to provide for the great future which awaits our people in America."

The Supreme President had given expression before leaving Hollywood to his fond hope that the 1,200,000 American Hellenes in the United States would unite under the banner of Ahepa and accept our Order as their spokesman on legislation, immigration and other policy setting matters.

Supreme President Loucas was following in the footsteps of his predecessor, C. P. Verinis, who had flown to San Francisco following his elevation at St. Louis in 1957.

## A Chairman Par Excellence

JOHN M. MANOS was elected by a huge majority and served as chairman of our 37th Supreme Convention in Hollywood. He had the experience to serve well, for he was the vice-chairman of two previous conventions, one in San Francisco in 1955 and the other in Boston last year. Besides, he is the president of his chapter, a trustee of his church, a member of the Workmen's Compensation Board, a lecturer on law and, of course, a lawyer, and the father of four active and inquisitive youngsters.



It was to be expected that he would be a good chairman — learned in parliamentary procedure, experienced in dealing with points of information and points of privilege, patient yet fair with repetitious questions and dilatory amendments, expeditious of the time of the convention yet painstaking enough to satisfy every whim and every query and, all in all, an officer of the convention ready to serve but able to lead so as to encompass both social events and agenda items within the shorts pace of five days, including elections.

This and everything else John Manos did to the absolute satisfaction of every delegate to this convention. "He was very good and very fair!" He was a chairman par excellence, seeking little glory but ever striving in behalf of the majority and for the good of the Order. When he adjourned the convention and departed for Cleveland, he carried with him the thanks and gratitude of all delegates for a job well done.

It is people like John Manos who make Ahepa great and forward looking. Our heartfelt congratulations!

## Convention Committees

The working committees of the Convention appointed by Chairman Manos were as follows:

### 1. Legislative Committee

William Belfus, Chairman, Judge John C. Pappas,

Vice-Chairman and Chris Tralias, Secretary, Nick Colias, D. Georgoulakas, D. Livadas, Wm. Tsafaras, Peter Stamos, Theodore A. Bardi, A. Mountanos, A. Falouts, Angelo Demos, Evans Kolias, Steve Betzides, J. DeMoss, N. Loumas, Fotis Koutlas.

### 2. Budget Committee

C. G. Paris, Chairman, Spero Tentis, Vice-Chairman and Thomas Fisher, Secretary, A. Bouzou, C. C. Stassis, P. Stamos, Gus Stassis, C. Xindaris, N. Rillakis, Tom Kounnos, Sr., John Goncis, Koutopoulos, G. Beskas.

### 3. Resolutions Committee

S. Jinnakopoulos, Chairman, William Karmelios, Vice-Chairman and Gus Souris, Secretary, Mike Zonakis, A. Petropoulos, George Tremoules, Chas. J. Drewes, Theo. Theodoropoulos, George Gulinis, George Bokotes, Nick Angelos, P. Michaels, Peter Kallas.

### 4. National Projects — St. Basil's Projects

Zach Ritsos, Chairman, Charles Prokates, Vice-Chairman and John Meroury, Secretary, Mike Costas, James Frangos, Peter Papajohn, Peter T. Kallas, Nick Pappas, John Maniotis, Louis Frangos, Alex Rizopoulos, Milton Feldas, Geo. J. Triphon, James Markos, Stathis.

### 5. Insurance Committee

George Maynias, Chairman, Arthur Kouchalakas, Vice-Chairman and George Chipouras, Secretary, John Hallas, S. Jinnakopoulos, James Peleakis, Michael Manesiota, P. Demogianis, Michael Koutai, C. G. Paris, A. J. Alessandri, Chas. Kirdaris, Tom Sideris, Nick Ilatras.

### 6. Grievance Committee

John T. Pappas, Chairman, Sam Karakostas, Vice-Chairman and Chris Vetsyantis, Secretary, Nicholas Tsoumalas, G. Gatsos, Louis George, G. Parks, I. Frangos, John Galsos, P. Papajohn, S. Vlahos, Angelo Chouramantis, William Nicos, George Rodis, X. Cardinemos.

### 7. Officers' Reports Committee

Peter Vasil, Chairman, Gus Rakus, Vice-Chairman and Tom Kounnos, Jr., Secretary, Andrew Bougas, Michael Colias, Matthew Milonas, Peter Catavolos, S. Berdalis, Geo. Besalitis.

### 8. Convention City Committee

Andy Panos, Chairman, Angelo Petromelis, Vice-Chairman and Paul Koutstas, Secretary, G. Karaidos, A. Kotsouras, H. Skiras, Const. Boumos, D. Karalis, Tom Jussis, N. Podaras, Angelo Anastopoulos, E. Stevens, Andrew Assimas, Alex Vitans, Nick Crown, T. Kapsoulis, A. Broekjes, James Panousis, G. Carlis.

### 9. Excursion Committee

John Panos, Chairman, C. N. Zanetos, Vice-Chairman and Jerry A. Costacos, Secretary, Tom Bussos, P. Christ, Alex Sardonis, Wm. Tsafaras, N. Beskas, Ted Bouras, J. Mouzakiotis, Pyris Gulinis.

### 10. Ritual Committee

Peter Kourmoulis, Chairman, Anthony Lingos, Vice-Chairman and Ted Kapos, Secretary, N. Caltralis, Rev. Eleftherios, Ted Manotas, Paul Costulas.

### 11. Auxiliaries Committee

John Lambros, Chairman, Eli Livieratos, Vice-Chairman and Gus Gouty, Secretary, S. Sekles, Jerry Konidakis, S. Demirfidis, John Johnson, Steve Angyros, Wm. Rouppas, A. Politis, Pete Crist.

### 12. Canadian Affairs Committee

Peter Katsonas, Chairman, Nick Kogos, Vice-Chairman and Ted Manotas, Secretary, Chris Tralias, William Manos, Milton Feldas, Angelo Pavlatos, Anthony Lingos, James Arsons.

### 13. Magazine Committee

Gregory Lagakos, Chairman, James Petheriotos, Vice-Chairman and Michael Plumides, Secretary, George Douris, P. Mantzanos, A. Koutros, N. George, A. Mountanos, Nick Dallas, M. Zonakis.

### 14. Education and Scholarship Committee

Nick Loumos, Chairman, Deno Houpas, Vice-Chairman and James Cecolis, Secretary, Charles Jurek, Steve Giumerti, William Abskandis.

### 15. Athletic Committee

Peter Baltsakes, Chairman, Peter Palmis, Vice-Chairman and Gus Gankas, Secretary, C. Boulas, A. Pavlatos, Peter Gienstos, C. Economos, James Angelos, L. Milonas, J. Panagos, Geo. Pefes, C. Loumos, A. Pasteris, C. Photakos.

### Piggy Banks for Scholarship

El Camino Real District Governor Frank Rhodes presented to the delegates a unique plan devised to establish a permanent scholarship fund for the benefit of Ahepa's youth. The plan consists in placing piggy banks in the hands of the

District's 1,750 members with a request to save a penny a day. In a year's time, he said, the plan brings approximately \$6,300 in the district's scholarship fund. The plan is operating now.

El Camino Real District comprises the areas of Southern California, Southern Nevada, Arizona and Albuquerque, New Mexico.

## Know Your Ahepa— And Be proud to Belong!

The Order of Ahepa has raised over three million dollars in the last 35 years for worthy projects — local, state, national and international. Some of these projects, which Ahepa has sponsored, aided and carried out, are:

*Relief of the Florida and Mississippi hurricane and flood victims* . . . *Corinth earthquake relief* . . . *War orphans of Hellas* . . . *Relief of earthquake victims in Dodecanese and Corinth* . . . *The Hellenic Museum* . . . *The Fatherless Children of the refugees through Near East Relief* . . . *Scholarships to worthy students* . . . *Other educational purposes*  
*Aid to Greek Schools in America*  
*Holy Cross Institute at Pomfret (Theological Seminary)* . . . *Orthodox Churches in America* . . . *Welfare aid of needy members and non-members and their families.*

*Also, civic and patriotic institutions, including Red Cross, YMCA, Salvation Army, hospitals, Boy Scouts, Heart, Cancer, March of Dimes, etc.* . . . *Patriotic memorials of American and Hellenic born heroes (including F. D. Roosevelt Memorial at Hyde Park; George Dillboy Monument at Somerville, Mass.; Statue of Gen. Demetrios Ypsilanti at Ypsilanti, Mich.)*

*Also, relief in Turkey (earthquake victims) (1939-1940)* . . . *Patriarchate of Jerusalem (Old City — Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan)* . . . *Ecuadorian Relief* . . . *Kansas City Flood Relief* . . . *Life Membership in Greek War Relief Association* . . . *Visitations of patients to Mayo Clinic, and other hospitals* . . . *Death benefits for members* . . . *Hospital buildings in Greece, Health Centers, and Health equipment* . . . *Justice for Greece*  
*Justice for Cyprus.*

*Also, Ahepa National Sanatorium, Albuquerque, N. M.* . . . *St. Basil Academy* . . . *Ionian Islands Earthquake Relief* . . . *War Service Units* . . . *Blood Bank* . . . *War Bust of Franklin Delano Roosevelt* . . . *Harry S. Truman Library* . . . *Theology Relief Drive* . . . *Volos Lighthouse Relief* . . . *Northeast Flood Relief* . . . *Florida Retirement Home* . . . *National Home in Washington* . . . *Ahepa School and Home for Boys* . . . *Local Ahepa Homes.*

And we have only begun. The future is ours!



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Trainees at King's Foundation Training School, near Patras, examining their woodworking kits.



Opening a CARE agricultural hand tools kit just received by family of three generations.



The John Sofranis family with a steel plow contributed by German Chancellor Adenauer.

## "CARE" IN GREECE

By RICHARD W. REUTER, Executive Director

Six years ago, CARE held an international conference in Greece. It was there that CARE officials from New York and around the world laid the groundwork of the CARE self-help Program. Not much later, CARE made its first delivery of Self-Help equipment. The event took place in Greece in the form of a plow for a small farmer.

We, therefore, find it particularly fitting now to welcome the Order of AHEPA in this program as a means of delivering more aid of a lasting nature to the people of Greece.

Together with the rest of the American people, and indeed the people of the world, we are linked to Greece as beneficiaries of its great legacy in democracy, science and the arts. In our own time, the Greeks have won enduring respect and admiration for their tireless struggle, against almost overwhelming odds, to restore their nation after the physical and economic devastations of war.

It is a matter of pride that our own Government was among the first to give life-saving aid to Greece. But to my mind a significant companion chapter in the history of Greece the last dozen years will tell how great numbers of private, individual Americans chose to express their personal support of the Greek cause by launching a stream of CARE packages that still goes on.

### A Matter of Life and Death

Since 1946, when CARE aid began in Greece with the food packages that for many meant the difference between life and death, Americans have called upon our service to deliver in that country 700,000 packages of all kinds. In money, the total value of these materials is \$10,000,000. What it has meant in encouragement of a brave people, in international goodwill, in the building of new strength is, of course, incalculable.

To this day, food remains the main requirement for many needy Greek families. The standard CARE \$10 food package is still the best means available to any American to send personal aid to relatives and friends in Greece.

Because of the widespread need, CARE also has included Greece for the past six years in its annual Food Crusade. Under this year's program, 150,000 special packages will be distributed by CARE to as many needy families in all parts of the country. Each of these packages contains 2 1/2 pounds of milk powder, cheese and flour, enough to help feed a family of four for a month.

An additional 19 million pounds of these foods from our national farm abundance are reaching the Greek people through the CARE "partnership program." Under the program, the Greek Government assumes the cost of actual distribution to hospitals, welfare centers, vocational training schools and similar institutions throughout Greece.

### Self-Help Program Preferred

But food, however much needed, brings only temporary

relief. The CARE Self-Help program, on the other hand, aims at putting into the hands of the people the tools with which they can raise their own food, or by plying their chosen trades, contribute to the economic reconstruction of their country.

The CARE plow, which is now standard Self-Help equipment from India to Mexico, from Israel to Korea, was first designed to aid farmers in the northern provinces of Greece to bring their burned and devastated acres under cultivation again. The CARE plow, agricultural implements and other tools still aid refugees and returnees from Iron Curtain countries in building new lives for themselves and their families.

CARE Self-Help equipment of all kinds is continuing to play an important part in the reconstruction and economic development of Greece. In orphanages, schools and vocational training institutions, including those maintained by the National Foundation, CARE tools are aiding in the training of young farmers and craftsmen, such as masons, carpenters, plumbers, electricians, metal workers, tailors and shoemakers. With CARE sewing machines, knitting machines, hand-loom, needle workers' kits, girls and young women are learning skills and crafts which enable them not only to support themselves, but also to supplement the family income and become better homemakers. More than 150 boys' and girls' schools have received aid.

### Farm Implements For the Villages

In rural areas, CARE supports the Ministry of Agriculture in spreading the knowledge of better cultivation methods by supplying CARE plows and farm implement kits. With CARE preserving jars, girls and young women are learning under the ministry program how to preserve vegetables, fruits and other foods against the lean winter months. More than 8,000 Greek families are now enjoying better food and better living conditions because of CARE's introduction of the heretofore unknown American art of canning.

The deep impact the CARE Self-Help program has made was fully illustrated last summer, when a prominent member of AHEPA, by his personal contribution of \$1,500, made it possible to equip the entire graduating class of the Boys' Vocational School at Pygros Vassilissis, near Athens, with CARE tool kits. The gift included 64 kits for masons, woodworkers and electricians and 20 agricultural handtool kits.

King Paul of Greece himself recently stated that "the village remains the economic backbone of Greece." Much remains to be done to raise living standards throughout the predominantly agrarian country. Yet through support of the CARE Self-Help program by AHEPA and the Greek-American community generally, the Greek people are given the encouragement to go on with the task, by individual or joint effort. They need the tools to help themselves. And if America gives them these Self-Help tools, the bonds of friendship and understanding will grow even stronger between the two nations.



Scores of bronze plaques honoring the donors who contributed during the Hospital's Drive in 1946.

## AHEPA HOSPITALS DONORS HONORED

By HARRIS J. BOORAS, Past Supreme President

By mandate of the Supreme Convention and with full authority from the Supreme Lodge, I recently went to Greece in order to visit the hospitals that we had built there and inspect their operations and services. I went in my capacity as the permanent chairman of the Ahepa Hospitals in Greece.

The primary purpose of my visitation was to honor properly the benevolent donors who contributed hundreds of thousands of dollars during our Hospitals Drive back in the year 1946. The commitment that we had made to the donors has now been met in the best manner possible.

In addition to names that had been placed in the available rooms and beds of the Ahepa Hospital at Evangelismos,

Chairman Booras pointing to the bronze plaque of donor with Hospital Prexy Andreadis.



bronze plaques with the names of the donors and their respective cities have now been erected at this magnificent hospital in Athens and can be proudly seen by all the visitors who go there. The following dedication best explains what was accomplished:

### Ahepa Dedicatory

*"The Order of Ahepa established the Ahepa Pavilion of the Evangelismos Hospital, the Ahepa General Hospital in Salonica, and seven Ahepa Health Centers at Chrysiopolis, Kalavryta, Meligbala, Ierapetra, Thebes, Farsala and Viliatra, at a cost of more than five million dollars.*

*"In the raising of funds for their erection, the Ahepa promised that the name of each donor of \$1,000.00 or more would be placed on one of the hospital rooms. A similar commitment was made to those who donated \$200.00 up to \$1,000.00, that a bed shall bear their name.*

*"A number of names have already been placed, but it was found impossible to recognize similarly all the other donors because of lack of sufficient rooms and beds. In order to meet its commitment in the best manner possible, Ahepa respectfully dedicates these plaques in honor of the benevolent contributors.*

*"The names listed as having donated \$1,000.00 or more are of those responsible for the establishment of wards and rooms in the various hospitals. Those listed as having contributed \$200.00 up to \$1,000.00 made possible the procurement of the equipment, furnishings and beds.*

*"The names are set out under the cities where the donations were given during the Ahepa Hospitals Drive. The Fraternity thus expresses its grateful tribute to*

*the thousands of men and women who made possible these noble philanthropic institutions.*

### Ahepa Hospital Evangelismos in Athens

This magnificent Ahepa Hospital is the central structure of the entire Evangelismos institution in the capital of Greece and is considered the best in the entire Mediterranean area. The Hospital caters to 1200 bed patients and attends to hundreds of sick people daily in the outpatient department. Its cost is over \$2,000,000.00.

### Ahepa General Hospital in Salonica

This up-to-date and completely equipped general hospital caters largely to Northern Greece, and particularly the

Rear view of Ahepa Hospital Evangelismos considered the best in all Mediterranean area.



Province of Macedonia. It also operates in conjunction with the Medical School of the University of Salonica, for the training of doctors and nurses. This great institution, with its laboratories, amphitheatre and classrooms for medical instruction, has cost over \$1,600,000.00.

#### Ahepa Health Centers

Seven of these small hospitals have been strategically placed in the rural sectors where in the past hospital and medical facilities were very much wanting. They are located in the following cities and towns: Chrysoupolis, Kalavryta, Melighala, Ierapetra, Thebes, Farsala and Filiatra. Their cost is \$1,400,000.00.

The Centers provide the same equipment and the same type of services that would be found in any modern American hospital. Each Center includes gynecological, medical, surgical, phoracic, obstetrical, and children's clinics. They also have a complete dental clinic; modern operating room; X-ray and dark room equipment, pathological laboratory, pharmacy, and their own heat, power and water plants. All of the Centers have large central halls used for lectures and community events. They include shower rooms which have proved of great value both in eliminating the prevalent scabies and skin diseases and in teaching hygiene to the school children. The Centers provide headquarters for the Sanitation Officer and offer visiting nurse service to patients who are unable to come to them.

One of the most significant functions of these Health Centers is their mobile medical units, which with doctors and specially trained nurses visit the farthestmost towns and hamlets, administering to sick people in their very own humble dwellings. Through these means the Centers reach and help Greece's noble peasantry, which is the backbone of the entire nation. Also of significance is the constant visitation to these towns by competent nurses who help infants and expectant mothers, and who generally teach hygiene to the townsfolk. Indeed it is impossible to over-emphasize the importance of this type of service.

#### Unending Philanthropy

The brilliant story of our Fraternity's five million dollar charity for heroic Greece is thus concluded. However, this conclusion forms but a beginning because, for many years to come, these hospitals will proudly continue to administer to the health of millions. From the records that we examined, these hospitals, within the last ten years of their operation, have already served and alleviated the suffering of over six million people! Therein lies the greatness and nobility of this unending philanthropy.

Ahepa can be justly proud of this, its greatest and noblest of all accomplishments to date.

## They Crowned Their Queen



Mary Ann Leontsinis, Queen of Love and Beauty.

Last May, the St. Louis Chapter, No. 53, held its annual brilliant May Festival in the Gold Room of the Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel. More than 1,000 people attended this dazzling event which has become a tradition. State and City dignitaries joined the St. Louis Ahepa family to honor the new Ahepa Queen of *Love and Beauty*, who was crowned in a glittering ceremony.

Miss Mary Ann Leontsinis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Leontsinis, was the recipient of this coveted honor for 1959 and will reign until her successor is chosen next May. An outstanding high school senior, she received the Curators' Award from the University of Missouri. Now a sophomore at Washington University, she is majoring in Sociology, preparatory to entering the field of Social Work. She is president of the Eastern Orthodox Fellowship at the University.

Miss Leontsinis is very active in community affairs; a charter member of Junior Goya, which she served as secretary and vice-president; a charter member of the Maids of Athens and their convention chairman during our Supreme Convention in St. Louis in 1957; a teacher in the Sunday School of St. Nicholas Church. For her academic achievements and for her many extra-curricular activities, she has also been honored with Ahepa's Scholastic Award, the 1959 "St. Louis Chapter, No. 53, Dr. C. B. Johannides Memorial Scholarship."

Following the coronation, the Queen and her court and guests were entertained with vocal selections by Mrs. Antoinette Carmunita Petric. The Queen's breakfast was then served in the Ivory Room of the hotel and dancing continued until 4 A.M.

## We Honor Scholarship and Service

Her Majesty's Maids of Honor were the Misses Janie Kaffenakis, Georgia Lampros, Helena Magafas and Helen Mirras. They were escorted into the ballroom by Andrew Cassimatis, Gregory Zouglas, Konstantine Partakas and Konstantine Papadimitriou. The Queen was escorted into the Gold Room by past president Emmanuel Cassimatis. After the coronation, she led the grand march escorted by St. Louis Chapter President George V. Kollias. The master of ceremonies was past president Michael Hodges. The Queen was presented with a Key to the City of St. Louis by Sam Nakis on behalf of A. J. Cervantes, member of the St. Louis Board of Aldermen.

The 1959 May Festival Committee was headed by George V. Kollias, General Chairman; Sam Nakis, General Vice-Chairman; Gus Coukoulis, Secretary; and Elias Panages, Treasurer.

During the festivities, the 1959 C. B. Johannides Memorial Scholarship was awarded to Miss Fay Lampros, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lampros. A native of Olympia, Greece, she came to the United States in 1947. She attends Fontbonne College in the pre-medical field.

Our St. Louis Chapter, No. 53, is proud of the tradition it has established 30 years ago. By means of this festival, young women of Hellenic descent who have distinguished themselves in scholastic achievements and in service to their community are honored each year. Thus the ideals of education and progress, on which Ahepa is founded, are continually recognized and exemplified.

## They Give to Scholarship Fund

The most wonderful news to come out of the recent District No. 8 Convention was the progress of the District Scholarship Fund which has nearly reached its \$10,000 goal.

Among large contributors to the fund this year are Angelus Cotsidas of Table Talk Pie Co. with a yearly scholarship of \$200 and Michael Vrotsos of Apollo Cake and last year's Supreme Treasurer with a yearly scholarship of \$150.

These annual scholarships to be given in the names of Cotsidas and Vrotsos to outstanding students will augment Ahepa's existing grants and will strengthen the Ahepa Scholarship Program which has been developing for a number of years in our District.

The generosity of Cotsidas and Vrotsos is to be commended. They are not only an example of our brand of Massachusetts Ahepanism, but are well-known for their interest in our church and our communities as well.

# OUR 1958-59 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE - HONORS AND PRIZES

First Prizes Go to Chicago, No. 46 and Troy, No. 306 — The Battle of Giants Won by Empire District No. 6

Final tallies of the 1958-59 Supreme Lodge Membership Drive have declared Chapter No. 46 of Chicago, Ill., winner of First Place in the "numerical" competition, and Chapter No. 306 of Troy, N. Y., winner of likewise First Place in the "proportionate" competition among all chapters of the fraternity.

District No. 23 and District No. 6 were awarded First Places among the Districts in proportional and numerical competition, respectively. The Toronto, Ont., Chapter, No. CJ-1, which was the 1957-58 champion, took Third Place prizes in both numerical and proportional competition this year, with an increase of 60 members. The Chicago Chapter, No. 46, initiated and reinstated at total of 69 members during the drive to take top honors in numerical competition, while Hermes Chapter, No. 186, of New York came in second with 65 members.

## Ronis Individual Winner

JOHN M. RONIS, member of Brockton, Mass., Chapter, No. 57, took top honors in the individual competition with 52 members, while past National Athletic Director John Mandros of Bethlehem, Penna., Chapter, No. 65, came in close second with 47 members. Both members were awarded gold watches, suitably inscribed, as well as a plaque and an Ahepa cigarette lighter each.



THEODORE J. BOURAS of St. Louis Chapter, No. 395, was given an honorable mention and awarded a gold watch for his special work in organizing this wonderful chapter.

Complete results of the Membership Drive were printed in our 1959 Yearbook, and prizes were awarded at the Hollywood Supreme Convention to representatives of the chapters and districts. Winners of cigarette lighters and Ahepa tie clasps have received their prizes in the mail during the month of September.

## Final results of the Membership Drive in all categories:

### Proportional Increase Nationally Among Chapters (Trophies)

FIRST: No. 306, Troy, N. Y. — 75%  
SECOND: No. 65, Bethlehem, Penna. — 71.2%  
THIRD: No. CJ-1, Toronto, Ont., Can. — 59.4%  
(Trophies will be awarded these chapters)

### Numerical Chapter Winners, Nationally (Trophies)

FIRST: No. 46, Chicago, Ill. — 69 members  
SECOND: No. 186, "Hermes," New York, N. Y. — 65 members  
THIRD: CJ-1, Toronto, Ont., Canada — 60 members

### Districts with the Highest Proportional Increase (Trophies)

FIRST: District 23 — 49.3% increase  
SECOND: District 15 — 26.1% increase  
THIRD: District 1 — 12.3% increase

### Districts With Highest Numerical Increase (Trophies)

FIRST: District 6  
SECOND: District 11  
THIRD: District 23

### Battle of the Giants (Trophy)

The winner of the "BATTLE OF THE GIANTS" is Empire State District No. 6 with a total of 317 new and reinstated members. District No. 13 had 239 new and reinstated members.

### Chapters That Were First in Their District in Proportional Increase (Plaques)

- District 1 — No. 3, Birmingham, Ala.
- 2 — No. 256, Clearwater, Fla.
- 3 — No. 399, Fredericksburg, Va.
- 4 — No. 65, Bethlehem, Penna.
- 5 — No. 285, Hackensack, N. J.
- 6 — No. 306, Troy, N. Y.
- 7 — No. 48, Waterbury, Conn.
- 8 — No. 27, Brockton, Mass.
- 9 — No. 252, Biddeford-Saco, Maine
- 10 — No. 371, "Omegan," Detroit, Mich.
- 11 — No. 92, Steubenville, Ohio
- 12 — No. 198, Anderson, Ind.
- 13 — No. 46, Chicago, Ill.
- 14 — No. 279, St. Paul, Minn.
- 15 — No. 372, Kansas City, Kansas
- 16 — No. 211, San Antonio, Texas
- 17 — No. 264, Santa Fe, N. M.
- 18 — No. 289, Missoula, Mont.
- 19 — No. 146, Salt Lake City, Utah
- 20 — No. 342, Long Beach, Calif.
- 21 — No. 151, Fresno, Calif.
- 22 — No. 373, Anchorage, Alaska
- 23 — No. CJ-1, Toronto, Ont., Canada
- 24 — No. CJ-11, Calgary, Alta., Canada

### Individual Awards Winners

FIRST: John M. Ronis (52 members)  
Brockton, Mass.  
SECOND: John Mandros (47 members)  
Bethlehem, Penna.  
Each received a Gold Watch, a Plaque and a Cigarette Lighter.

### Members With 15 or More (Plaques and Lighters)

Tom Demopoulos, No. 186, New York, N. Y.  
George Douris, No. 186, New York, N. Y.  
Jack Zavradosas, No. 326, New York, N. Y.  
A. Steve Hetschko, No. 396, Lincolnwood, Ill.  
Anthony Koklanakis, No. 46, Chicago, Ill.  
John W. Tosens, No. 267, Duluth, Minn.  
Theodore J. Bouras, No. 395, St. Louis, Mo.  
Yvel G. Mahetas, CJ-1, Toronto, Ont., Canada  
Paul Bisbidas, CJ-7, Montreal, Quebec  
Nick Seodras, CJ-7, Montreal, Quebec

### Members With At Least Ten But Less Than Fifteen (Plaques)

Spencer Macroulis, No. 87, New Castle, Penna.  
Charles Dekhs, No. 287, Hackensack, N. J.  
Nicholas D. Spinos, No. 37, Syracuse, N. Y.  
Arthur C. Hasiotis, No. 74, Boston, Mass.  
John C. Castanos, No. 396, Lincolnwood, Ill.  
Harry Stathis, No. 58, St. Louis, Mo.  
J. N. Collins, No. 194, Chicago, Ill.  
George Bouskas, No. 73, Kansas City, Mo.  
William C. Karmatz, No. 372, Kansas City, Kansas  
Gus C. Scifinos, No. 146, Salt Lake City, Utah  
L. C. Stassis, No. 225, San Diego, Calif.  
Harry C. Boudalis, No. 342, Long Beach, Calif.

### Members With 5 or More But Less Than Ten (Lighters)

U. H. Poole, No. 1, Atlanta, Ga.  
Sam S. Nelson, No. 3, Birmingham, Ala.  
Chris Mitchell, No. 3, Birmingham, Ala.  
George G. Pappas, No. 3, Birmingham, Ala.  
Nick Limbarakis, No. 7, Memphis, Tenn.  
Spencer J. Zepatos, No. 7, Memphis, Tenn.  
S. J. Alexander, No. 11, Miami, Fla.  
James H. Colvax, No. 236, Washington, D.C.  
Alexander A. Asylon, No. 34, Pittsburgh, Penna.  
Mike Pelekanos, No. 69, Allentown, Penna.  
Louis E. Daniels, No. 61, Reading, Penna.  
Spinos P. Litwack, No. 72, Trenton, N. J.  
Peter G. Alexis, No. 108, Jersey City, N. J.  
Scott Mings, No. 285, Hackensack, N. J.  
John Mporokakis, No. 309, Dover, N. J.  
Menelaus Triandafyllou, No. 25, New York, N. Y.  
Konon A. Doukas, No. 25, New York, N. Y.  
Peter J. Georgios, No. 41, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Nicholas T. Vlahos, No. 67, Rochester, N. Y.  
Theodore Skindas, No. 77, Binghamton, N. Y.  
Orestes Dallas, No. 97, Astoria, L. I., N. Y.  
Nicholas Pappas, No. 32, Winston-Salem, N. C.  
T. A. Barfy, No. 97, Astoria, L. I.  
Diamond Vassolas, No. 97, Astoria, L. I.  
George A. Koulos, No. 115, Newburgh, N. Y.  
George E. Mayakis, No. 149, Albany, N. Y.  
Peter Handal, No. 186, New York, N. Y.  
George Germanakos, No. 186, New York, N. Y.  
Gus Kyriostas, No. 186, New York, N. Y.  
Peter G. Chingos, No. 186, New York, N. Y.  
Thomas G. Cholakis, No. 306, Troy, N. Y.  
Nick Cherevas, No. 396, Troy, N. Y.  
Angelo Seno, No. 85, Springfield, Mass.  
John Maniatis, No. 112, Pittsfield, Mass.  
Peter Kandianis, No. 268, Fitchburg, Mass.  
Alexander Economos, No. 252, Biddeford-Saco, Me.  
John Papademos, No. 118, Toledo, Ohio  
George S. Kouropas, No. 92, Steubenville, Ohio  
Soerates V. Schlos, No. 135, Pontiac, Mich.  
James Palmer, No. 371, Detroit, Mich.  
Peter G. Catavolos, No. 38, Cleveland, Ohio  
Louis G. Kekaris, No. 163, Weirton, W. Va.  
Charles M. Michaels, No. 113, Dayton, Ohio  
George Mamos, No. 209, Middletown, Ohio  
Takis Christopoulos, No. 46, Chicago, Ill.  
Basil Elias, No. 46, Chicago, Ill.  
Peter Frank, No. 49, Fond du Lac, Wisc.  
Nick J. Catranis, No. 94, Chicago, Ill.  
Nicholas Rokas, No. 94, Chicago, Ill.  
Louis P. Monizues, No. 329, Chicago, Ill.  
Gus G. Gatsos, No. 145, Denver, Colo.  
Mike Bouris, No. 159, Casper, Wyo.  
Peter Bruskas, No. 174, Albuquerque, N. M.  
Peter J. Gatos, No. 174, Albuquerque, N. M.  
P. C. Dakis, No. 284, Santa Fe, N. M.  
Theodore Theodoropoulos, No. 219, Phoenix, Ariz.  
Nick Koumliotis, No. 318, Hollywood, Calif.  
George P. Anton, No. 151, Fresno, Calif.  
Chris Rokkas, No. 151, Fresno, Calif.  
Costas Cokkinis, CJ-1, Toronto, Ont.  
George Protopappas, CJ-1, Hamilton, Ont.  
George Adamakis, CJ-7, Montreal, Quebec  
Angelo Pappas, Co. 281, Reno, Nevada

The following chapter Presidents received an Ahepa tie clasp for increasing their chapter's membership by at least 10% with the addition of new and reinstated members during the drive:

- 1 — Atlanta, Ga., James S. Matrango
- 2 — Birmingham, Ala., Chris Mitchell
- 7 — Memphis, Tenn., George Patris
- 336 — Clearwater, Fla., E. G. Tragos
- 32 — Winston-Salem, N. C., John M. Judd
- 280 — Fredericksburg, Va., William Patras
- 264 — Baltimore, Md., Peter J. Moralis
- 370 — Alexandria, Va., Daniel F. O'Flaherty
- 60 — Allentown, Pa., Emmanuel Pelekanos
- 61 — Reading, Pa., Louis E. Daniels
- 65 — Bethlehem, Pa., John N. Gullitt
- 76 — Williamsport, Pa., Nick Georges
- 79 — Chester, Pa., John Beldeas
- 87 — New Castle, Pa., Gregory Christos
- 323 — York, Pa., Spens Cudis
- 73 — New Brunswick, N. J., Louis Triandafyllou
- 162 — Vineland, N. J., Pete Moninidis
- 283 — Hackensack, N. J., Charles Dekhs
- 309 — Dover, N. J., Nick Pittas
- 37 — Syracuse, N. Y., Nicholas Spinos
- 41 — Brooklyn, N. Y., Peter Georges
- 62 — Rochester, N. Y., Nicholas T. Vlahos
- 77 — Binghamton, N. Y., Theodore Skindas
- 80 — Jamaica, N. Y., Nicholas P. Levontis
- 91 — Buffalo, N. Y., Paul Condrill
- 177 — Cincinnati, Ohio, Anthony Gaspas
- 146 — Albany, N. Y., George E. Mayakis
- 243 — Utica, Leon Markatos
- 128 — Poughkeepsie, N. Y., George D. Voulgouris
- 173 — Zeans, N. Y., Jerry Mamos
- 186 — New York City, Thomas Demopoulos
- 198 — Troy, N. Y., Nick Cherevas
- 256 — Corona, L. I., N. Y., Sam Hauge
- 186 — St. James, L. I., N. Y., John Stratakis
- 48 — Waterbury, Conn., Nicholas Vovis
- 112 — Pittsfield, Mass., John Maniatis
- 73 — Brookline, Mass., Chris J. Christopher
- 57 — Brockton, Mass., Napoleon J. Fields
- 103 — New Bedford, Mass., Anthony K. Karlekas
- 419 — Peabody, Mass., Thomas Karafides
- 246 — Fitchburg, Mass., Peter W. Kandianis
- 376 — Webster, Mass., Hercules J. Pappas
- 252 — Biddeford, Maine, Peter Gatos
- 470 — Pontiac, Mich., William P. Gregory
- 292 — Benton Harbor, Mich., Thomas State
- 371 — Detroit, Mich., James Palmer
- 88 — Warren, Ohio, Christ Zervas
- 92 — Steubenville, Ohio, W. C. Lakkis
- 113 — Dayton, Ohio, John Hourvouris
- 209 — Middletown, Ohio, Andrew G. Skaflos
- 198 — Anderson, Ind., Peter E. Pakes
- 16 — Chicago, Ill., Theodore N. Vondraek 80
- 43 — Fond Du Lac, Wisc., Nick Janis
- 43 — St. Louis, Mo., George Kollias
- 104 — Oak Park, Ill., Aristotle N. Collins

# CHAPTER NEWS

## Our Associate Editors

We are pleased to announce that the Supreme Lodge, at its August meeting following the convention, decided unanimously to reappoint our five associate editors who performed so creditably since the first of the year. They will continue to cover their zones as listed in the masthead on page 3.

Chapter correspondents and members wishing to contribute news of general interest are urged to address their own particular editor either through our Supreme Headquarters or direct as follows:

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The Supreme Lodge also requested Supreme Vice-President KIMON A. DOUKAS to continue as editor, following the unanimous endorsement of the convention.

Our magazine is completing its 35th year of continuous service to our fraternity. It can truly become a national organ of prestige and wealth if we all try to help by soliciting national ads from producers and distributors of national products such as automobiles, aircraft, liquor and beverages, restaurant and store equipment, etc. Our rates are very reasonable. For rate cards please address our Headquarters.

300	Chicago, Ill., Sam Karakostas
304	Alton, Ill., Steven Finakoplos
322	Chicago, Ill., George Kapimialis
337	Argo, Ill., James Bullis
350	Chicago, Ill., Alexander Sotiros
350	Evergreen Park, Ill., D. John Maniatis
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342	Long Beach, Calif., J. B. Faris
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184	Ogden, Utah, George Mahlis
254	Boise, Idaho, John Kasas
174	Albuquerque, N. M., Pete Brimbas
219	Phoenix, Ariz., Ted Theodoropoulos
151	Fresno, Calif., George P. Anton
351	San Jose, Calif., Thomas Bassis
269	Eureka, Calif., John Johnson
281	Reno, Nev., Thomas Hays
327	San Mateo, Calif., James P. Sepsis
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CJ-2	London, Ont., Can., George Kethonias
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CJ-4	Ottawa, Ont., Can., Gus Pessulos
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CJ-11	Calgary, Alta., Can., George Petropoulos

## Outstanding Ahepan of 1958



Congressman Brademas and P. S. P. Verinis.

U. S. Representative John Brademas of Indiana was named the "Outstanding Ahepan of 1958" at the District No. 5 Convention Banquet held last June, at Washington's Statler-Hilton Hotel. Past Supreme President Verinis presented him with a plaque symbolic of this singular recognition.

Congressman Brademas is a member of our South Bend, Ind., Chapter. He is one of the youngest members of Congress. A Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University in England, and a Phi Beta Kappa at Harvard University, he ran in the elections of 1954 and 1956, losing by narrow margins, and won handily in last year's elections.

Speakers at the banquet included Congressman Brademas; Ambassador Alexis Liatis; Archbishop Athenagoras of London, England; District Governors John T. Pappas of Washington and Mary Plumides of Charlotte, N. C. The main speaker was past Supreme President C. P. Verinis. John C. Charuhas served as toastmaster and Peter Stathes was chairman of the convention committee.

The convention attracted thousands of delegates and visitors from chapters in the area which includes Virginia, Maryland, North Carolina, Delaware and the District of Columbia.

## News from Zone 1

### West Palm Beach Commemorates

The 138th Anniversary of Greek Independence was fittingly observed last March in the Ahepa Hall of West Palm Beach, Florida, in an elaborate program of songs and recitations, patriotic orations and buffet dinner.

This outstanding event was sponsored jointly by the West Palm Beach Chapter, No. 118, with the co-operation and assistance of the Lyda Chapter of the Daugh-

ters of Penelope, the Philopthohos Society of St. Catherine Church and the American Hellenic Society. All proceeds went to the Ahepa School soon to be built at St. Basil's Academy, Garrison, New York.

In charge of the Committee on Arrangements was John C. Microoutsicos, also serving as toastmaster. Included in the program were pupils of the Greek School. They sang patriotic songs and recitals under the direction of Rev. Stephen J. Anthony of St. Catherine and teacher of the School.

Children participating in the exercises were: Dorothy Papageorgiou, Georgia Dean Drosakis, James Anthony, Stavroula Anthony, Sophia Papageorge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christ Papageorge of Chicago and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Papageorgiou, Gregory Panos and E. Bouchlas.

Speakers of the evening were: Tom Mamotis, secretary of St. Catherine Church; Charles Kerice, past District Governor of Citrus No. 2; and Peter Diamond, who eloquently extolled the greatness of the Hellenes throughout the ages and the deeds of the immortal heroes of the struggle of the war of 1821.

Special guests were: Mayor Horace Miller and Commissioner L. W. Kalloway of West Palm Beach and Governor-elect and Mrs. Moon of the Florida Civilian International organization.

A large delegation of Ahepans and Daughters came from Fort Lauderdale, headed by Chapter President Duke Jordan.

### Mother Lodge District One

The 50th Annual District Convention of Mother Lodge District Number One was held in Atlanta with an attractive program, excellent attendance and superb results.

New officers elected were: District Governor Chris J. Paris, Memphis, Tenn.; Lieutenant Governor Angelo A. Anastopoulos, Charleston, S. C.; District Marshal George N. P. Pahnou, Savannah, Ga.; and District Athletic Director Frank P. Zervakos, Atlanta, Ga.

Plans were laid for the inauguration of a District News Bulletin in the near future.

### They Moved to Miami

The secretary of Magnolia Chapter, No. 344, of Mississippi, John Pappas and his family have recently moved to Miami where they will make their home.

MIKE CHRISTOPHER,  
Associate Editor.

### Gentlemen of the Press

The following distinguished writers and journalists attended our Hollywood Convention, some of them also serving as delegates, and covered this national conclave for their papers: James Vlamos, staff feature writer of the "National Herald"; George Douris, "Long Island Star" and member and columnist for the "National Herald"; Panos Kolybaris, of the "Atlantis"; Nick S. Dallas, president and manager of the "New California," San Francisco; Peter Mantzoros, editor and publisher of the Chicago "Pynx" and Antonios C. Koçlanakis, journalist from Greece and now of Chicago.

To these fine gentlemen of the press, tireless workers in behalf of the Order, we express publicly our appreciation and sincere thanks for their co-operation and assistance.

### For Their Community



(From left): President Anderson, Governors Chris and Pillas and Rev. Gallos pledge support.

The officers and members of our *Worthington* Chapter, No. 30, of Baltimore, Maryland, have heartily endorsed their community plan to build a new social and educational center as part of their Greek Orthodox Church "Evangelismos."

They have donated the rather large sum of \$15,000 and under the leadership of their president, Nicholas J. Anderson, they are exerting all their efforts for additional donations from business people and other societies.

Evan A. Chris is vice-president of the Church Building Fund Drive and Jack Pillas is the president of the community. Both are members of the chapter's Board of Governors. Father George Gallos, another Ahepan, is the pastor of the church. Our heartfelt congratulations.

### Are You Going Our Way?

Is a brighter, — greater, — and fuller life? To the building of Ahepa homes in every community which shall house our auxiliaries and our youth? Do you approve of the humanitarian, charitable, patriotic and fraternal projects and programs of the Ahepa?

If so, join in the crusade for new members!

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### Worth Supporting

The Penelopian Shelter Home for Teenage Girls is the project of the Karyatides Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope in Athens, Greece.

The idea originated in our overseas chapter because these sisters saw the need for such a home for the many young girls who came to Athens from the suburbs and villages seeking employment, instruction or schooling. So many of these young girls have no relatives or friends in the big city to turn to when their funds are low and rather than return home without achieving their goal, they stay on hoping to find an odd job or go into domestic employment. Consequently, these young people become the easy prey of unscrupulous persons.

The Daughters of Penelope in Athens decided to start a drive for a home where young girls could find shelter and learn a trade or complete their education. For their room and board they would co-operate and help to maintain the function of the home. Many thousands of dollars have already been raised for this most worthy project but many more are needed to complete the building. Last year, Queen Frederica officially broke ground for the erection of the building and work has been progressing rapidly for its completion.

For the past two years, the Daughters of Penelope have undertaken the Penelopian Shelter Home as their overseas project. They need our help and we have the means and facilities to support them.

HARRIET ANEST

### Jackson 96 Picnic

The annual picnic of the Stonewall Jackson Chapter, No. 96, of Clarksburg, W. Va., was recently held at the spacious grounds of the home of Brother and Mrs. James Stevens, situated at the Country Club Addition.

Greek food and delicacies were served under tall shady trees, with dancing following the meal. Later in the evening, there was a fireworks display, much to the delight of the children.

### Where to Stay in New York City

Waiting for a ship, or spending a holiday in New York City, The Henry Hudson Hotel will be most convenient. 1200 rooms with bath, radio, TV and air-conditioning available. Swimming pool, solarium • walk to Times Square, Radio City, Coliseum. Call Mr. George J. Caparell (Kapareliotis).

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Officers and members headed by Daniel Lambros (third from left) with their Membership award. They are proud being in the forefront.

### Missoula Activities

Last March the members of Missoula (Montana) Chapter, No. 239, and Daughters Melanitho Chapter, No. 92, held a joint installation of their newly elected officers at the Community Hall. The Ahepans were installed by past District Governor Peter Lambros; they are headed by President Daniel Lambros. The Daughters were installed by District Governor Demetra Lambros; they are headed by President Mildred Pappas.

Missoula Ahepans and Daughters boast of having three District Lodge officers in their midst: Governor Angelo Bourlakis, Governor Demetra Lambros and Marshal Georgia George.

The installation ceremonies included the awarding of 25 year pins to 25 members of the chapter, and also the presentation of an Award Plaque by the Supreme Lodge for having initiated the largest number of members in 1957-58.

A few weeks later the chapter celebrated the anniversary of the Greek War of Independence with a banquet, followed by a dance. Sam Poulos was the chairman of the Committee on Arrangements, Chapter President Daniel Lambros was the toastmaster and Anthony Chigaris the speaker. — PETE POULOS

### Magazine Material

In submitting material for THE AHEPAN, we urge that you typewrite all material and double-space the lines. This procedure will save your editors a great deal of time and effort. Please do not forward wedding or bridal photos, since we cannot use them in our limited space.

### Want to Perpetuate Hellenic Culture?

by promoting throughout the world and especially in the United States of America, a better and more comprehensive understanding of the Hellenic peoples and nation, and by reviving, cultivating, enriching, and marshalling into active service for humanity the noblest attributes and ideals of Hellenic Culture?

If so, be an active, a militant Ahepan!

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# AHEPA'S FORUM



## The Palamas Year

Sir:

Kostas Palamas, probably the greatest of modern Greek poets, was born 100 years ago. The year 1959 has been appropriately proclaimed "Palamas Year" in Greece. And a committee headed by the Archbishop of Athens and Greek Premier Karamanlis is seeking to promote cultural events all over the world in honor of the poet.

We here in America are faced with the fact that the poetry of Palamas is not well known due to the fact that few of his books have been translated into English.

"Athens" Magazine is now working on an all Palamas edition. It will contain many of his masterpieces translated into English. In fact, it will give a complete picture of the life and writings of this great man, including a critical survey of his poetry and prose.

We ask that Ahepans sponsor this edition by subscribing at \$1.50 per copy and urging their chapters to send copies as gifts to their local libraries and Universities.

D. MICHALAROS,  
Editor, "Athens."

5655 N. Talman Ave.  
Chicago 45, Illinois

## The World Is Our Oyster

Sir:

I firmly believe that our Ahepa family should strive to convey to all that our concern is the world and our efforts should ever be toward doing good for those of our world in need of our help. We should seek a mutual understanding of one another.

Only by practicing the ideals for which our Order was established we may enjoy growth and progress.

(Mrs.) ELAINE POULOS,  
District Governor No. 15

## A Plea for the Fez

Sir:

Don't you agree that our chapter meetings and visitations could be more impressive if we all wore fezzes?

Let's be proud of our Chapters and show off our "OPERATION FRATERNALISM" spirit, dressed in fezzes, at the lodge, when making visitations, for important ceremonies!

Yours for a better AHEPA,  
NICHOLAS P. LEVENDES,  
President, Long Island  
Chapter, No. 86.

Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger. —EPHESIANS 4:26.

## Education of An Ahepan

Sir:

Pursuant to an invitation by President William K. Bari of Bay Ridge Chapter, No. 319, of Brooklyn, N. Y., acting as Lectare Series Co-Ordinator, I delivered last May a short talk titled "The Evolution of Ahepa's Purpose and Objectives Through the Years," ever since it was founded in 1925.

I am enclosing a copy of my remarks and trust the entire text may be included in our issue of our magazine, in order that the material contained therein may be permanently salvaged for the fraternity for future use and reference. To summarize, I have attempted to take a hurried and cursory trip through the 37 years of Ahepa's existence so as to demonstrate the changing cycles in the evolution of our fraternity's purposes and objectives, which were as follows:

—The first period lasted seven years and should be known as the 100 per cent America era;

—The second epoch began in 1929 and lasted for 11 years. It might be referred to as the hybrid hybridized Greek-American cycle when it became quite fashionable to proudly extol our racial background and heritage.

—The third era started on October 28, 1940, when Mussolini attacked Greece and had a 14 year duration. This period might be properly described as the 100 per cent Greek cycle, for all Ahepa's objectives were subordinated during this long interval to the relief and rehabilitation of the Motherland.

—The last and fourth phase began in 1954 and still is in full force and effect. It might be termed the attempted salvaging of the Ahepa era by better servicing its membership and overhauling its age-worn administrative machinery.

In making my presentation it was my sole objective that my remarks and conclusions become the basis of a long-sought reappraisal of the ultimate objectives to which we must dedicate the Ahepa in the days and the years to come.

PETER T. KOURIDES,  
Past Supreme Vice-President

## Educators Unite!

Sir:

I was very much impressed by the initiative of past Supreme Governor P. Lambros, who tendered a luncheon in honor of all delegates to the 37th Supreme Convention in Hollywood who happened to be members of their respective bars at home. I understand that there were about 40 lawyer-delegates, among whom were: Supreme President Loucas, past Supreme Presidents Chobithes, Boonzi, Tbevis, Bell, Trustees Vice-Chairman Demetriou, Supreme Secretary Plumides, Convention Chairman Manios, Convention Vice-Chairman Ypsilanti, and many other dignitaries of our Order.

I have spoken to Supreme Vice-President Doukas, who happens to be a former professor of law, and suggested that at our next convention in Montreal we assemble all educators and try to evolve an overall educational program for the further consideration and approval of our delegates.

We have so much talent in our ranks. We must avail ourselves of all the experience and initiative we can find in our delegates.

C. H. HOUPIS,  
District Governor No. 31

1867 Northdale Road  
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## Lest We Forget

Sir:

The following paragraph from an article by D. G. Michalopoulos, 1935 Convention Album Chairman, appears to me to be still of value today:

"Ahepa will really be worthy of its name, will acquire real prestige and will command respect; will be of inestimable value not only to its constituents and to the element from which they come, but also to this our adopted country and to our race at large, if it were to concentrate its every effort for and upon education, even at the sacrifice of some and if necessary of all these quite imposing and elaborate affairs at National as well as District conventions."

Our good brother was right then as he is right today.

THOMAS JAMES

St. Louis

Straight is the line of duty. Curved is the line of beauty. Follow the straight, and you shall see the curved line ever follow thee.  
—William McCull

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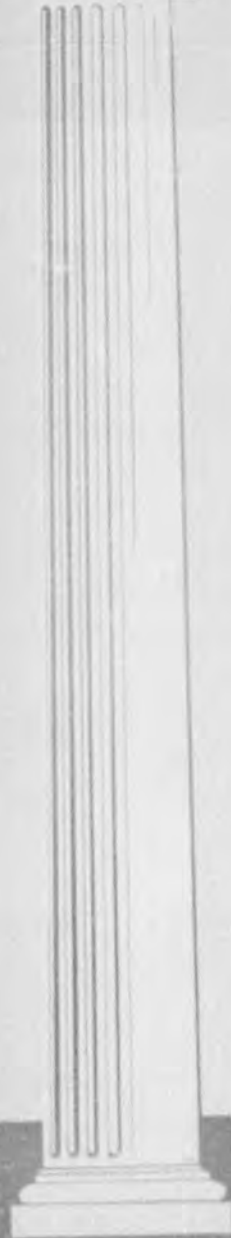


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# Our Ahepa Family In The News

## Ahepa Excursion to Cyprus



**ON DEPARTURE:** Captain Sigolas and Commander Eliades surrounded by excursionists.

As announced, an Ahepa Excursion to Cyprus, the first in the series we hope, left New York and Boston last July on the Greek Line Flagship OLYMPIA. Originally, it was planned that the then Supreme President Verinis would lead the excursionists. However, pressure of business in Washington and the crowded calendar of the current district conventions compelled him to designate a successor in the person of past Supreme Counsellor George Eliades, former Mayor of Lowell, Mass. and the Boston Convention chairman.



**ON ARRIVAL:** Archbishop Makarios extends a hearty welcome in behalf of heroic Cypriots.

Commander Eliades boarded the ship in Boston and led a very happy and joyous group of excursionists, first to Cyprus and then to Greece. Special festivities and receptions in their honor and for their pleasure were organized at both places. Particularly at Cyprus, upon arrival of the excursionists, His Eminence Archbishop Makarios came on board to extend the official welcome of his people to the Ahepans and their families from our shores.

Commander Eliades and his committee were so pleased with the excursion that they have recommended that another one be organized at first opportunity to bring

to Cyprus our greetings and to cement our relations with the freedom loving people of this beautiful island.

## Our Penelope of the Year

JOANNA TSAPRALIS was chosen the "Penelope of the Year" at our last convention in Hollywood by the Daughters of Penelope. This singular honor was first bestowed upon past Grand President Adelina Geokaris Lambros.

JOANNA lives with her husband Jack and her two children in Tacoma, Washington. She is a sixth grade teacher and often acts as head teacher whenever the principal is away. One of the originators of the Outdoor Program, she was recently selected as the "Woman of Achievement" by the Five-Milton-Edgewood Business and Professional Women's Club.

JOANNA is a charter member of the Tacoma Chapter, has served as chapter and district officer and finally as Grand Governor of Zone 4. She was very active in having the State of Washington recognize the Greek Orthodox Church as the fourth major religion.

## Appointed Commission Counsel

JAMES P. FUSCAS was recently appointed Counsel to the New York State Athletic Commission by Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller. He was sworn in by Gen. Melvin Krulwich, chairman of the commission.

Born and educated in New York City, JAMES FUSCAS is a member of the Bar and for five years served as Chief Counsel of the State Department of Labor under Governor Dewey. He directed the legislative program of the Department and edited the Labor Law Department Publication of the State of New York. He also served as assistant attorney in the Public Welfare Department and assistant corporation counsel in the Law Department of the City of New York. Just before his latest appointment, he was the Research Counsel of Senate Majority Leader Walter Mahoney, having also served as such on the staff of the late Assembly Speaker Oswald Heck.



JAMES is a member of Delphi Chapter of New York, a trustee of St. Basil's Academy and trustee and treasurer of Bard College, of which he is a distinguished alumnus. A son of immigrants hailing from Galaxcidion, Greece, he has played a leading role in the community affairs of New York, always ready to serve his people like a good Hellenic and a good Ahepan.

## She Appears on the NBC



Dr. Symeonides carries on Sister Kenny's work.

A distinguished member of our Order, DR. ZINA SYMEONIDES, was a recent honor guest on the NBC program in Los Angeles, "It Could Be You." Dr. Symeonides, a member of Melita Chapter of Hollywood Daughters, has gained wide recognition for her work with polio patients. She was trained by Sister Elizabeth Kenny and during the years before the Salk vaccine she headed the physiotherapy staff at the Sister Kenny Hospital in El Monte, California.

Since the closing of this hospital she has been giving tirelessly of her time to the Dr. Risser Outpatient Clinic in Altadena (treatment of all muscular afflicted children). A number of the doctor's patients who have been restored to active lives through the skill and patience of our Sister, quietly arranged her appearance on the network program as a surprise and tribute to the woman who has given so many years to helping others "walk again."

In addition to the tribute paid to Dr. SYMEONIDES there was a practical side, including a new car and a completely equipped kitchen.



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## Editor's Corner . . .

IN THIS ISSUE we have continued reporting on the Hollywood Convention. You will find all amendments and resolutions passed last August. They are reprinted verbatim for the guidance and compliance of all.

WE PARTICULARLY CALL your attention to the resolutions, by which the Supreme Convention has legislated a line of policy and a course of action for the current year 1959-1960. Hollywood was not all play and no work!

OUR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE is on. "Let us honor our Founding Fathers" by bringing one additional Hellene into the Ahepa fold. If every other member brings a new member and every other member reinstates an old member, we shall easily double our rolls.

MEMBERSHIP MEANS POWER. It is the lifeblood of every organization. And power means progress — forward, intelligent, consistent. Happily, we can be the beneficiaries of a vast, unending, crystal-clear stream comprising the entire Hellenism of America — a whole million of them. We have so far only tapped the surface.

WITH HEAVY HEART we announce the passing away of BARBA STAMOS. He was to be honored by a district membership award in his name. It now behooves us all to intensify our efforts and make this particular award an outstanding milestone in the current membership.

THE CHRISTMAS SEAL DRIVE is under way and will cover the entire Ahepa Domain within the next month. This year, as was the case last year, the entire proceeds will go toward the Ahepa School project. Please give generously, but give in any way agreeable to each member of the Ahepa family.

THE AHEPA SCHOOL drive is also getting under way with the target of completion set for early spring next. You will find the details of the campaign presented by Supreme President Loucas and National Chairman Zolotas. When in full swing, it will reach down to the entire rank and file through the usual lines of command and communication of our Order. Let no one say he was not approached.

IN THIS ISSUE we present the members of the Supreme Lodge, Order of Ahepa, and of the Grand Lodge, Daughters of Penelope. We were deeply impressed by the aggregate number of years of service rendered in behalf of these two organizations. The present Supreme Lodge of Ahepa boasts the impressive total of 236 years, distributed among nine persons, or an average of 26 years each. What a record!

SUPREME PRESIDENT LOUCAS in his inspiring message calls upon each one of us to practice "fraternalism," which results in "togetherness," which in turn brings about "co-operation." This is a wonderful equation of logic and attitude. It should be made the line of thought and action by all members of the Ahepa family.

WE AGAIN URGE our Associate and Assistant Editors to proceed with the gathering of Ahepa news and Ahepa activities and let us have their contributions for publication. Last issue, as well as this issue contains very little material from this source. We particularly request the Auxiliaries editors to cover the manifold activities of their respective orders regularly and promptly.

OUR NOVEMBER ISSUE will present the leaders of our two Junior Auxiliaries, the Sons and the Maids; a full report on the Sports at Hollywood and the current picture; a brief resumé of the October meeting of our Supreme Lodge and its national committees, and, we hope, representative coverage of our chapter and district activities.

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## Supreme President Loucas in Action

Immediately following the Hollywood Convention, Supreme President Loucas flew to New York City to confer with Supreme Vice-President Doukas and together make plans for the coming months of Ahepa activities.

The Supreme President considered it his pleasure and duty to call on our two daily papers and express the thanks and gratitude of the Ahepa family for the interest shown in our doings and the publicity given in all our endeavors.

In company with James Zolotas, the 1959 National Chairman of the Ahepa School Drive, Supreme President Loucas and Supreme Vice-President Doukas called on Bobby Marketos, the publisher of the National Herald, and newly appointed member of the Athens Convention Committee. The Supreme President gave a brief resume of his plans and enlisted the co-operation and assistance of this good paper to our cause. James Karabatos, the editor of the English section, was also in attendance. Both Marketos and Karabatos are members of Hermes Chapter.

Following that visit, Supreme President Loucas and his two companions went to Atlantis and conferred with its publisher, Solon Vlasto, who showed great interest in the mandates and decisions of the Hollywood Convention and promised to continue his policy of reporting objectively and fully the activities of Ahepa everywhere.

### Greek Papers Must Survive

It is to be noted that both Marketos and Vlasto alluded to the fact that their two papers can only survive if our people show continuous interest and support and assist in the solution of their problems if it is our wish to have Greek language papers published in this country. They were quite frank in acknowledging the contributions of Ahepa in behalf of Hellenism in America and undertook to give special emphasis to projects and plans inaugurated by our Ahepa family. They applauded our efforts toward assisting our Church in caring for orphans at St. Basil's Academy in Garrison, N. Y.

National Chairman James Zolotas of Delphi developed his plans for the final phase of our campaign for the remaining funds to complete the construction of the Ahepa School at St. Basil's. He was quite emphatic that the campaign should end by next spring and all the funds needed be collected by that time to discharge finally this obligation to our Church undertaken at the Houston Convention in 1955.

The day of activity for our Supreme President was capped by an informal din-

ner tendered him by his many friends in New York City, at which time many delegates to the Hollywood Convention related their impressions as to legislation passed and other mandates sanctioned by that convention.

Supreme President Loucas attended the following day the Pan-Chian Convention (meeting this year in New York and then departed for Washington to confer with Executive Secretary Leber at the Headquarters and other Ahepans in the nation's capital.

### National Committees

Supreme President Loucas has appointed the following national committees to deliberate on pending matters affecting the entire Order and report to the Supreme Lodge and to our next Supreme Convention in Montreal:

#### Athens Convention Committee

SOKRATES V. SKLES of Pontiac, Mich., chairman; C. P. VERINIS of New Haven, Conn.; JOHN M. MANOS of Bay Village, Ohio; BOBBY MARKETOS of New York; PETER L. BELL of Worcester, Mass.; JOHN L. MANTA of Chicago; PETER T. KOURIDES of New York; GEORGE CARROS of Scranton, Penn.; DEMETRIOS DRITSAS of New York.

This committee will make appropriate recommendations as to the feasibility of a future Ahepa Convention in Athens.

#### Insurance Committee

GEORGE MAYAKIS of Albany, N. Y., chairman; ARTHUR KOUCHALAKOS of West Palm Beach, vice-chairman; GEORGE CHIPOURAS of Freeport, N. Y., secretary; JOHN HALIAS of Rutland, Vt.; S. JIANAKOPOULOS of Alton, Ill.; JAMES PEDAKIS of Pensacola, Fla.; MICHAEL G. MANESIOTIS of Pittsburgh; P. DEMOGENES of Lowell; MICHAEL KANTO of Phoenix, Ariz.; C. G. PARIS of Baltimore; A. J. ALEXANDER of Miami; CHARLES XINDARIS of Peabody, Mass.; TOM SIDERIS of Tacoma, Wash.; NICK LITRAS of San Bernardino, Calif.

This Committee will discuss and report on the matter of the Ahepa Emergency Fund and the related problems of the various insurance programs proposed by the American Investment Life Insurance of Nashville, Tenn.

#### Federal Legislation Committee

GEORGE C. VOURNAS of Washington, Chairman; LEO E. YPSILANTI of Bronx, N. Y., vice-chairman; VICTOR SEMOS of Dallas, Treasurer; CHRIS E. ATHAS of Salt Lake City, Utah; JOSEPH S. BAMBACUS of Richmond, Va.; GEORGE N. BLANOS of Atlanta, Ga.; MIKE CHRISTOPHER of Jackson, Miss.; GEORGE T. DOURIS of Flushing, N. Y.; GEORGE F. JOHNSON of Sacramento, Calif.; J. A. LOUGARIS of Reno, Nevada; ZANNIS MARMARINOS of New

York; GEORGE E. PHILLIPS of Buffalo, N. Y.; JOHN G. PLUMIDES of Charlotte, N. C.; SPEROS J. ZEPATOS of Memphis, Tenn.

This committee functioned during last year and was reappointed to continue the work stated to be:

"To follow Federal Legislation, particularly on Immigration, Naturalization, and Nationality laws in general; to appear before Congressional Committees and advocate remedial legislation for a more just and equitable quota for Greece and a liberalized Refugee and Orphan legislation; to advocate legislation amending the U. S. Internal Revenue Laws to bring within the family exemption rule aged parents and brothers and sisters living abroad and receiving financial assistance for their support and maintenance from U. S. citizens.

#### National Awards Committee

GEORGE T. DOURIS, of Flushing, N. Y., chairman; ANTHONY DONBULLION of Bridgeport, Conn., vice-chairman; LOUIS J. DUKAS of Bronx, N. Y.; ANTHONY KOURTOS of Holliswood, N. Y.; NICHOLAS G. CHRONIS of Brookline, Mass.; JOHN M. MANOS of Bay Village, Ohio; LOUIS P. MANIATIS of Washington; GEORGE J. LEBER of Washington; GEORGE PAKIS of Hot Springs, Ark.; LOUIS PREONAS of Dayton, Ohio; A. PAPPAGEORGIOU of West Palm Beach, Fla.; C. P. PAPPAS of New Haven, Conn.; JAMES PETHEROTES of Houston, Texas; GUST P. RAKUS of Seattle, Wash.; WILLIAM C. KARNAZE of Kansas City, Kansas; XEN. KARDIASMENOS of Oakland, Calif.

This committee was authorized to consider and recommend nominees for the various Ahepa Awards. The final decision for these awards will rest with the Supreme Lodge.

#### Montreal Convention Committee

JOHN PANOS of Buffalo, N. Y., chairman; PETER H. CARDIGES of Pittsburgh; MICHAEL J. VROTSOS of Boston; GUS G. GATSOS of Cleveland; SAM NAKIS of St. Louis; KIMON A. DOUKAS of New York; GUS NICHOLAS of Brooklyn, N. Y.

This committee was mandated by the Hollywood Convention. It was empowered to take all required methods and means to insure a completely successful convention in 1960. It was particularly warned to guard against any recurrence of the problems that arose during the Hollywood Convention, in reference to housing of delegates, problems of availability of restaurants during late hours and the general entertainment during convention week.

Our Montreal Chapter CJ-7 will be our host. It has appointed an efficient committee headed by two dedicated Ahepans, Peter Cossonas and George Prahales-Panos.



## Our Ahepa School at St. Basil's First Needs Come First!

TO THE ENTIRE AHEPA FAMILY, GREETINGS!

Ahepa inaugurates its drive for \$50,000 to complete the St. Basil's AHEPA SCHOOL.

Our goal must be attained through a concentrated drive before the Ahepa excursion departs for Greece. This can only be accomplished by teamwork and co-operation up and down the line.

**The plan is this:** Eight Zone Committees will be formed, each under the Chairmanship of a Supreme Lodge officer. These Committees will guide and supervise the drive. The Zone Committees will include the resident officers of the Order of Ahepa, the Sons of Pericles, the Daughters of Penelope and the Maids of Athens, as well as the clergy and leading citizens who reside in the respective Zones.

Each Zone Chairman will appoint as many District Committees as there are Districts in his Zone. The District Governors shall head the District Committees and it shall be their task to organize the drive in the Chapters which are located in their respective Districts. Officers of the Sons of Pericles, Daughters of Penelope and Maids of Athens and the clergy should also be represented on each District Committee.

Each Chapter shall be assigned a quota by the District Committee, depending on its numerical strength and the relative size of the community in which it is located and each Chapter shall be autonomous as to the manner in which its quota is to be raised.

### A Grass Roots Effort

The National Committee wants this to be a grass roots effort, and, therefore, does not propose to dictate any fixed method of solicitation. Each chapter shall decide for and by itself whether to raise its quota by outright grant, by direct appeal to its members and the community in which it is located, or by one or more social functions. It is recommended, however, that each Chapter solicit the co-operation of the local Greek Orthodox Church or churches, as well as the local Hellenic societies and other civic groups.

The local Chapters of the Sons of Pericles, Daughters of Penelope and Maids of Athens may plan and organize their own fund-raising activities but only after consultation, and in co-operation, with the local Ahepa Chapter which shall bear

the primary responsibility for all fund-raising activities in its territory.

The Zone and District Committees shall provide the guidance and the impetus, but the success and the drive *must*, in the last analysis, depend upon the zeal and energy of the individual Chapters.

We, therefore, appeal to each Chapter President to take prompt action as soon as word is received from the District Committee so that the drive may be completed before the Ahepa excursion departs for Greece. The Zone and District appeals will be made at the same time throughout the Ahepa domain.

### Headquarters Will Co-ordinate

The National Committee will work in close collaboration with Executive Secretary Leber, who shall serve as National Co-ordinator of the drive. All funds collected should be earmarked "St. Basil's Ahepa School" and should be sent direct to our Supreme Headquarters in Washington, who shall promptly acknowledge receipt thereof. All inquiries and requests should also be addressed to Supreme Headquarters.

All contributors should be advised by the Zone and District Committees as well as by the local Chapters, that contributions to this fund are "tax deductible."

This is not an ordinary drive for funds. Our objective is to render a service to the Hellenic community and, at the same time, to give substance and meaning to Ahepa's educational program. We cannot think in terms of colleges and universities unless we first provide the material for them. We cannot preserve our heritage and our faith unless we prepare men to serve it.

The Ahepa, ever conscious of her role in American affairs, must do its share to build up the youth of America. Our country's security, and indeed the security of human freedom, depends in the long run on the physical, educational and religious training of her children. For this reason we cannot, we must not, fail in this task. We plead for your wholehearted co-operation.

GEORGE E. LOUCAS,  
*Supreme President*

JAMES K. ZOLOTAS,  
*National Chairman*

### Ahepa Projects at St. Basil's Additional Contributions

As of September 9, 1959

#### Chapter Contributions:

Portland, Maine, No. 82	\$ 100.00
San Antonio, Texas, No. 311	100.00
East Chicago, Ind., No. 157	200.00
Detroit, Mich., No. 373	175.00
San Bernardino, Calif., No. 302	44.00
Endicott, N. Y., No. 298	80.00
Bridgeport, Conn., No. 62	141.75
Roanoke, Va., No. 157	50.00
Monroeville, Pa., No. 347	50.00
Philadelphia, Penna., No. 26	500.00

Fort Worth, Texas, No. 19	50.00
Brooklyn, N. Y., No. 419	00.00
Des Moines, Iowa, No. 182	100.00
Winton, W. Va., No. 101	100.00
Reno, Nevada, No. 284	75.00
Lexington, Ky., No. 256	
Daughters of Penelope, No. 100	
and Greek Community	113.00
Sioux City, Iowa, No. 191	100.00
Clinton, Mass., No. 362	118.50
Oakland, Calif., No. 171	50.00
Saginaw, Mich., No. 210	150.00
	\$2,430.25

Long Island Chapter No. 86:	
Samuel Holland	\$ 20.00

John S. Limakis	10.00
Harry Jolin	25.00
Vassilios Foundoukis	10.00
Nicholas Scalbias	25.00
James Plevraris	5.00
John Stagos	35.00
Thomas Constantas	10.00
George J. Varlas	5.00
	\$125.00

Wilkes-Barre Chapter No. 55: \$455.00

Carlus Touris	
George Carelas	
Kazambelas	
Thomas Tolos	

Gus Panagakos	
William Andrew	
Andrew Lakis	
Peter Papadopoulos Family	
John Alexiou Family	
Nicholas Pyros	
John Voros	
Samuel Stathiakis	
Peter Perdikiis, Sr.	
Andrew Economopoulos	
Peter Politis	
John Pappas	
Droussiots Brothers	
Tom Koumoundoureas	
Nicholas Soudas	
Constantine Soudas	
Harry Soudas	
Michael Soudas	
George Perdikiis	
Chris Calimeris	
Stanley Salavantis	
Constantinos Tsemplis	
William Setas	
William Agrahtotis	
Constantine Meligonis	
Peter Rigas	
Elias Kastrantes	
Peter Pappas	
<b>Kansas City, Kansas, Chapter No. 372:</b>	
Sunflower Chapter, No. 372	\$ 22.65
George Giannotis	10.00
Wm. C. Karnaze	10.00
Gust Aristotle	5.00
George Gakis	5.00
Tom Kehagas	5.00
Louis Palaskas	5.00
James Pepergiat	5.00
Pete Salidas	5.00
Leo Scope	5.00
James Xenos	5.00
Paul Antos	3.00
George Karnaze	3.00
Alex Christ	2.00
George Davis	2.00
Rev. Fred G. Lotion	2.00
Tom Fresco	2.00
Michael Jewley	2.00
James Litsis	2.00
Steve Litsis	2.00
Chris N. Vedris	2.00
Gus Xenos	2.00
Nicholas Xenos	2.00
Anonymous donors (9)	8.50
	\$117.15
<b>Denver, Colo., Chapter No. 145:</b>	
W. Angelos	\$ 5.00
P. Armitas	2.00
G. Athens	2.00
G. Baimes	5.00
G. Ballas	5.00
J. Bezolos	3.00
G. Bozantakis	2.00
G. Callas	2.00
G. Christathis	2.00
J. Collins	2.00
N. Collins	2.00
P. Collins	3.00
S. Cordas	2.00
T. Dames	3.00
J. Dardanos	2.00
T. Demos	2.00
D. Diamond	2.00
S. Drakos	2.00
W. Dumas	10.00
X. Ellis	5.00
G. Frankas	5.00
A. Gates	5.00
F. Gatsos	2.00
Geo. Gatsos	4.00
P. Gatsos	5.00
G. Geomopoulos	2.00
M. Goularis	4.00
G. Kanelis	2.00
I. Karabinis	2.00

J. Karavanos	2.00
J. Katsaros	5.00
N. Katsoulas	5.00
G. Kollas	2.00
I. Kostikas	5.00
P. Kosturas	2.00
G. Kutulas	4.00
P. Lares	5.00
A. Manos	2.00
P. Maragos	2.00
L. Mifonakes	2.00
N. Nichodelis	5.00
N. Nicholson	10.00
G. Panagopoulos	2.00
J. Pappalakes	5.00
C. Pappas	2.00
J. M. Pappas	1.00
G. Parker	5.00
J. Petros	2.00
J. Pogias	2.00
P. Pollas	2.00
C. Polites	10.00
M. Poulos	2.00
G. Rappis	5.00
M. Rooney	2.00
S. Sclavenites	10.00
A. Sherlock	2.00
A. Spenos	2.00
G. P. Stacinos	2.00
G. Tacinos	2.00
T. Tamareis	5.00
P. Theodoratos	2.00
J. Theodore	5.00
J. Goularis	2.00
G. Frangos	2.00
J. Gatsos	2.00
G. Francis	2.00
P. Frangos	5.00
H. Louis	5.00
Gus Gatsos	10.00
G. Gourkulis	2.00
T. Koutulas	1.00
P. Katerinis	5.00
T. Morris	5.00
S. Speropoulos	5.00
S. Kanos	2.00
	\$272.00
<b>Lansing, Mich., Chapter No. 142:</b>	
Wolverine Chapter, No. 142	\$100.00
Stephen C. Andritadis	10.00
Peter J. Theodorou	10.00
Louis Roins	10.00
Peter Adams	5.00
	\$135.00
<b>New Haven, Conn., Chapter No. 98:</b>	
Theodore G. Astaire	\$ 25.00
<b>Staten Island, N. Y., Chapter No. 349:</b>	
Chapter Contribution	\$ 50.00
Manuel E. Diamonte	5.00
	\$ 55.00
<b>Williamsport, Pa., Chapter No. 76:</b>	
Rainbow Chapter, No. 76	\$100.00
Nick Georges	10.00
Harry E. Georges	5.00
Harry Varias	5.00
Demosthenes Varias	5.00
John J. Hiras, Jr.	5.00
Peter Tsakanikas	5.00
Speros Marmos	5.00
George Ioannides	5.00
Nicholas Sarantos	5.00
Anthony Manakos	5.00
	\$155.00
<b>Bethlehem, Penna., Chapter No. 65:</b>	
Nicholas Fortosis	\$ 10.00
Theodore Liadis	5.00
John Mandros	10.00
D. Theodoridis & Sons	50.00
G. C. Zarnas & Co.	25.00
	\$100.00

<b>Daughters of Penelope:</b>	
Baltimore, Md., No. 27	\$ 25.00
Lancaster, Pa., No. 196	10.00
Salt Lake City, Utah, No. 79	155.00
Philadelphia, Pa., No. 129	90.00
San Bernardino, Calif., No. 151	25.00
Hollywood, Calif., No. 119	25.00
Dallas, Texas, No. 105	30.00
Miami, Fla., No. 52	25.00
Reno, Nevada, No. 89	20.00
Lowell, Mass., No. 117	300.00
Omaha, Nebr., No. 225	25.00
	\$708.00
<b>Intermountain District No. 19</b>	
Convention	\$ 60.00
<b>Oil Center District No. 15</b>	65.00
<b>Golden Gate District No. 21</b>	
Convention	115.00
	\$240.00
<b>Waterloo, Iowa, Ahepa Chapter No. 222 and Daughters of Penelope Chapter No. 91:</b>	
Anthony Chardoulis	\$ 5.00
Stelios Myrasiades	20.00
Mike E. George	20.00
Kopie G. George	5.00
James Xydios	5.00
James Kostadelos	5.00
Paul H. Lamb	5.00
Alexander Bostinelos	5.00
William Coutakis	5.00
Nick Liapakis	5.00
Elias Myrasiades	5.00
Rev. George Wm. Aresniou	5.00
William Argyros	5.00
Tom Gianoulis	5.00
Peter J. Zarihs	5.00
George Travlos	5.00
James Gades	5.00
Michael N. Prevas	5.00
Andrew Gonzouas	5.00
Peter M. Kontos	5.00
Mrs. Helen Paras	5.00
Miss Bessie George	5.00
Mrs. Anna Jetheris	5.00
Andrew Psaros	5.00
St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church	25.00
<b>Waterloo Ahepa Chapter, No. 222</b>	11.50
<b>Waterloo Daughters Chapter, No. 91</b>	11.50
John Coutakis	5.00
Evangelina Falaris	5.00
Peter Canakis	5.00
George Pappas	5.00
Dennis Stamas	5.00
James P. Zarihs	5.00
George Messeris	5.00
George P. Garteios	5.00
Miss Maria Katoglou	5.00
Mike Havouzas	5.00
John Bostinelos	5.00
Sam Parasky	5.00
William Argyros	5.00
Mrs. Thespina Nicholas	5.00
John Myrasiades	2.00
Gus Atreios	5.00
Louie Petros	5.00
Spyros Daskalos	5.00
Cary Stamas	5.00
Ray Paras	5.00
Louie Pappas	5.00
	\$500.00
<b>Brooklyn, N. Y., Chapter No. 41:</b>	
Andrew Tsanas	\$ 5.00
Peter Vlogianitis	5.00
Spyros Vlitas	5.00
Peter Litas	10.00
Pantelis Patrimos	10.00
	\$35.00



## Special Message: Our Christmas Seal Drive

TO ALL MEMBERS OF OUR AHEPA FAMILY, GREETING:!

We are certain that the members of the Ahepa Family are proud indeed of the endeavors and accomplishments of our fraternity since its inception in 1922. During these 37 years Ahepa has built many permanent monuments of philanthropy, charity and education.

During the past two years we have combined our efforts in the raising of funds for the completion of our Ahepa Projects at St. Basil's Academy, Garrison, N. Y.

On June 14 last, at formal and impressive ceremonies attended by Archbishop Iakovos and past Supreme President C. P. Verinis, ground was broken for the AHEPA SCHOOL at St. Basil's. At the same time, the AHEPA HALL FOR BOYS was formally presented to the Archdiocese, and it is now ready for occupancy.

For those few members of the fraternity who have raised doubts about the importance of this gift, the AHEPA HALL FOR BOYS, we would suggest a visit, personally, to St. Basil's Academy for their own reassurance as to the degree of accomplishment Ahepa has attained in the completion of this dormitory. We know that such a visit to the AHEPA HALL FOR BOYS will make every Ahepan proud of his membership, and well-satisfied for his part contributions to the project.

In November, all members of the Ahepa Family will receive their 1959 St. Basil's Christmas Seals. All contributions for this Seal Drive will go towards the completion of our present drive for the AHEPA SCHOOL for boys and girls at St. Basil's.

This School, when completed, will be another monument to Ahepa's belief in the cause of equal education for all children, and in this instance, for the orphans housed at St. Basil's Academy.

The AHEPA SCHOOL can be completed by the end of this fiscal year if every member of the Ahepa Family makes good use of the Seals, and contributes whatever he or she is financially able to give at this crucial moment.

Ground has been broken for the AHEPA SCHOOL, and construction will soon begin. The fraternity's task is to raise the sum of \$50,000 before the close of our fiscal year. This sum will enable us to complete our \$225,000 project.

The Christmas Seals will be in your hands within the next two or three weeks. In the name of Christian generosity, please send in your contribution just as soon as the Seals are received.

We ask your early and favorable response towards the completion of this all-important project — THE AHEPA SCHOOL AT ST. BASIL'S.

Faithfully and fraternally,

SPIROS A. VERSIS,  
*Ahepa Chairman.*

KATEY P. MACRIGIANNI,  
*Daughters' Chairman.*

WILLIAM HOLMES,  
*Ahepa Vice-Chairman.*

MARY PETERS,  
*Daughters' Vice-Chairman.*

### Personal Contributions:

Nicholas P. Giattelis, New Haven, Conn.	\$ 30.00
Angelis Karaiocos, San Francisco, Calif.	7.00
John H. Vassos, Chicago, Ill.	10.00
Miss Olga Gardianos, Kew Gardens, N. Y. (In memory of Peter Gardianos)	50.00
Thomas Pappaspiros, Salem, Ohio.	25.00
Charles N. Diamond, Detroit, Mich.	10.00
George E. Loucas, Weirton, W. Va.	318.76
George E. Johnson, Sacramento, Calif.	100.00

Nick Demeris, Houston, Texas	10.00
Thomas Pappas, Lowell, Mass.	10.00

Total Contributions	\$ 5,652.16
Previous Contributions	190,969.14
Grand Total Contributions, September 9, 1959	\$202,621.30
Plus 1958 Seal Drive	12,037.05
Plus 1959 Easter Medallion Drive	6,236.32

**Grand Total ..... \$220,894.58**

## THE PARLIAMENTARIAN SPEAKS

*[EDITOR'S NOTE: We continue with the sixth installment on parliamentary law and procedure, prepared and edited by our past Supreme President George Demeter of Boston, author of his own Manual. All questions and answers that follow were assembled by him with the officers and members of our chapters always in mind as to what they were most interested to know in carrying on their work. The response of our readers has been most complimentary to our distinguished author. Again our congratulations.]*



**Q.**—We have a fine Chapter and quite a few fine young members. They sometimes try to speak, but some older and more experienced member always seems to take the floor just ahead of them. Any suggestions?

**A.**—Yes. It is the duty of the Chair "to encourage and assign the floor to new or timid members," and thus stimulate greater participation for the younger, shy members. (Demeter, p. 191 (21).)

**Q.**—At a heated and controversial meeting, one member called another a liar, and other unprintable epithets. The secretary entered all this in the Minutes. A month or two later the secretary happened to show the Minutes to a non-member. Should the secretary have shown this to non-members?

**A.**—No. The duty of the secretary (Demeter's Manual, p. 53) is to record what is done, not what is said. He should enter only such entries as pertain to the business of the Chapter. In a New York case (252 NYS 70; 141 Misc. 7) in a suit for slander the secretary was termed subject to discipline for entering in the Minutes matters not pertinent to business and for exhibiting the Minutes to an outsider. (Secretaries are advised to read p. 53, Demeter's Manual, on this vital question.)

**Q.**—We have a member who constantly knocks the organization, its officers and all it stands for. What can we do about it? Ignore him?

**A.**—Defamation of the organization, its officers or members is good grounds for suspension or expulsion, and such suspension or expulsion is legal and valid, ruled the court in 75 NYS 44; 192 NW 358 — also for charges against the organization in any public manner before exhausting the means and remedies of redress within the organization.

**Q.**—Sometimes a motion to adjourn is made before completing the entire usual order of business; and the President always says: "You are out of order and so is your motion." Is he right?

**A.**—No. The rule is: "Once legally convened, the body can legally adjourn anytime whatsoever, even before the reading of the Minutes." (U. S. House of Representatives, Rule I; Demeter, p. 109 (Note), but not before attending to the usual opening formalities such as prayer, pass-word, hymn, or other customary opening ceremony. In other words, after having attended to the usual opening formalities the motion to adjourn is always in order, and it has to be put to vote when proposed. If it is not desired to adjourn whenever it is proposed, just vote the motion down. (Note: The needs for adjourning — when the majority wills it — are far greater than for completing a schedule of business. Adjournment is a "protective," highly privileged motion since it enables members to quit early, when desired, and thus make it possible for them to protect their health, safety or well-being — such as from escaping gas fumes, hurricanes, floods, influenza epidemics, war scare, rocket-missiles, or just simply because the majority feels too tired to stay in session, etc.) (Continued on Page 11)

### Our New Manuals

Two new Ahepa chapter officer Manuals were published this week by the Supreme Lodge Headquarters, the "Ahepa Chapter Program Guide" and "A Plan for Increasing Membership."

The Chapter Program Guide contains information and procedures for planning and completing local fraternal activities by the various Ahepa chapters. It complements the Ahepa Officers' Handbook, which was published last January.



Supreme Vice-President Doukas

**KIMON A. DOUKAS**  
Supreme Vice-President

He joined our ranks back in 1927. Initiated by venerable Delphi Chapter, No. 25, of New York City, while still in school, he served in many subordinate positions before he assumed its presidency for two terms. He also acted as chairman of the board and editor of *The Ahepa Messenger*, chairman of the Combined Ball and editor of its journal, chairman of the district scholarship committee and actively participated in other metropolitan activities.

He served as Lieutenant Governor and District Governor of Empire State District No. 6, successfully organized two banquets in commemoration of the Greek Independence Anniversary, and was the general co-chairman of the 1956 New York Convention City Committee. Before that, he had served as editor and associate editor of this magazine for many terms, beginning with 1944 when he was called to Washington by the then Supreme President Vournas to reorganize it as resident editor.

He was elevated to the office of Supreme Secretary at St. Louis in 1957, re-elected in Boston in 1958 and elevated to his present position in Hollywood. In addition, he continues as editor of our magazine and finds time to serve as trustee of the New York Cathedral, as member of the Cathedral Day School Board and as trustee of the executive committee of the St. Basil's Academy.

He graduated from New York University Law School and was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Public Law and Government by Columbia University. He taught law and economics in New York and Indiana and served both War and State Departments during World War II. After his release from service, he became a shipping executive in a number of shipping companies engaged in domestic and international trade.



Supreme Secretary Plumides

**JOHN G. PLUMIDES**  
Supreme Secretary

He first joined the Sons of Pericles and served them in all capacities, including that of District Governor of District No. 3, graduating into the Ahepa in 1950. He repeated the performance by serving his Marathon Chapter, No. 2, as secretary and then going on to serve as Lieutenant Governor and District Governor.

After attending many supreme conventions and distinguishing himself by serving on the Insurance and Legislative Committees, he was elected Supreme Counsellor at Boston in 1958 and was elevated to his present office in Hollywood last August.

He was born and reared in Charlotte, North Carolina, a truly southern gentleman. A graduate of the University of North Carolina with the degrees of AB and LL.B., he is a member of the North Carolina and American Bar Associations, and practices general law with his brother Michael, another staunch Ahepan.

Indeed, he is a member of our Order by family tradition and personal conviction. His father, George, is a charter member of Marathon Chapter; his mother is a Daughter of Penelope; his sister Mary is the District Governor for a second term; and his brother Michael, vice-president of his chapter, holds the fort while he travels on Ahepa business.

He finds time to be a member of his church board, of his Chamber of Commerce and of the Elks. He also served in the armed forces for two years.

**DR. N. S. NICHOLAS**  
Supreme Treasurer

He, too, joined the Sons of Pericles through the Lyrurgus Chapter, No. 56, of Brockton, Mass., where he was born. He was initiated into the Lord Byron



Supreme Treasurer Nicholas



Supreme Counsellor Loumos

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Chapter, No. 57, and shortly thereafter went into the Naval Medical Corps. Upon his release, he transferred to Philadelphia's Hercules Chapter, No. 26, which he served in many capacities, including that of President. He was elevated to District Treasurer, Lieutenant Governor and finally District Governor of Power District No. 4.

A very active and gregarious Ahepan, he served on many convention committees, giving freely of his time and of his experience in the service of Ahepa. He was elevated to his present office by the Hollywood Convention and immediately set for himself a very busy schedule, including the ex-officio office of treasurer in the Supreme Board of Trustees.

In the Medical Corps he served as post-operating orthopedic and neuro-surgical rehabilitation specialist, entering upon the general practice of medicine in suburban Philadelphia following his release. He also served as team physician of Villanova University. He attended Missouri and Tufts Universities.

He found time to serve his community as president of his church board and also as president of the Federation of Greek-American Societies in Philadelphia. He is a past president of the Lions Club, treasurer of the building fund committee for the new \$10 million Philadelphia Suburban Hospital, a member of the Delaware County Police Board and a past member of the Upper Darby School Board. He has three sons.

**NICHOLAS A. LOUMOS**  
Supreme Counsellor

Originally of Lowell, Mass., where he was born and educated, he was initiated into the Athens Chapter, No. 24, which he served as president for two terms. In 1925, he was elected Supreme Governor, and the following year elevated to the



Supreme Vice-President Ghikadis



Supreme Governor Mercury



Supreme Governor Nicas



Supreme Governor Tsaffaras

## Supreme Lodge

office of Supreme Vice-President, where he served for two terms. In 1943, he moved to San Francisco, which he now calls his home.

He was graduated from Northeastern University and practiced law in Massachusetts, before moving to California. In 1926 he was appointed Public Administrator of Middlesex County and served for five years. In 1940 he was appointed a member of the State Board of Appeals of Motor Vehicles and Insurance. He is now Commissioner of Public Welfare of San Francisco, chairman of the Overseas Relief Committee of the Council of Churches of Northern California, and vice-president of the United Nationalities of San Francisco.

He was responsible for organizing many Ahepa chapters in New England, and since moving to California, has been a most active member of Golden Gate Chapter. He served as Lieutenant Governor and District Governor of District No. 21 as well as Editor of the Ahepa Traveler.

He comes from an old pioneer family of Lowell and Boston and is now upholding the high traditions of the West, the third member of our Ahepa family from the San Francisco-Oakland area to hold a supreme lodge office in recent years.

### EDWARD GHIKADIS Supreme Vice-President in Canada

Hailing from Asia Minor, he came to Canada in 1925 and is a charter member of Lord Byron Chapter, CJI, which he both helped to organize in 1928 and served in many capacities. He also served his district as Lieutenant Governor.

The Boston Supreme Convention of 1958 elevated him to his present office, to which he was returned for a second term at Hollywood. In addition, he acted as president of his church board for two

terms and is currently a member of the building fund, with plans for a new magnificent church to serve the growing community of Toronto.

He is operating a linen supply service and has many diversified interests in real estate in and about Toronto. He also finds time to engage in many civic activities, being a loyal Canadian and a dedicated Hellene. He has two sons and a daughter.

### JOHN W. MERCURY Supreme Governor

He was born and reared in Minneapolis, Minnesota, which he still calls his home and pride. A successful businessman, he joined Ahepa 25 years ago as member of Demosthenes Chapter, No. 66, which he served in many capacities. He was elevated to the district lodge where he served as treasurer, lieutenant governor and district governor. In addition he served for two terms on the board of trustees of his community and finds time to attend meetings of the Masons, having advanced to 32nd degree and being member of the local Temple and local Patrol.

After attending a great number of district and supreme conventions, he was elevated to his present office at Hollywood as a reward of his many years of faithful and fruitful service in behalf of the Order. His wife is currently serving as district governor of the Daughters of Grainfield District No. 14. They have one son.

### WILLIAM G. NICAS Supreme Governor

After leaving Argos, Greece, he came to Omaha, Nebraska in 1914 and has lived and prospered there ever since. He served his local chapter in many capacities and as president for two terms. He

also served as Lieutenant Governor and District Governor of his district, finally acclaimed as an outstanding member of his chapter.

Besides attending district and supreme conventions, he has found time to serve his community and also direct the Greek War Relief and the Red Cross Drive. He is a past president of the Omaha Restaurant Association for two years and a board member for eight years. He has three children and six grandchildren.

### WILLIAM P. TSAFFARAS Supreme Governor

He was born and still lives in the City of Lowell, Massachusetts, where he first joined the Sons of Pericles and then graduated into the Order through Hellas Chapter, No. 102. He served both Sons and Ahepa chapters in various capacities and as president for three terms. He also served as District Marshal, Lieutenant Governor and District Governor.

For the past four years he has been chairman of the Building Committee, supervising the operations of a beautiful Ahepa Home, which was dedicated in 1947. He is active in the membership of his chapter, the third largest in the Ahepa domain.

He graduated from Northeastern University and Boston College Law School and is now practicing before the courts of Massachusetts. He participated in the European Theatre of Operations and during the "Battle of the Bulge" became a prisoner of war in Germany. He has been serving his community as secretary for the last 12 years and is a member of the school board, which he helped in many ways to complete a modern school building second to none.

He is now Director of the Research Division within the Massachusetts Department of Commerce, having served the State since 1952. He has one daughter.

# LET US HONOR OUR MOTHER LODGE

## Founding Fathers Membership Drive

SEPTEMBER 1, 1959 - MARCH 31, 1960

This year's National Membership Drive is being conducted in honor of our Mother Lodge, the Founding Fathers of the Ahepa, to whom the fraternity owes its existence, and from whom the Ahepa has grown into a truly international organization.

This year's drive is retroactive to September 1st, and will close on March 31, 1960. All new and reinstated members secured within this seven-month period will be accredited for the drive. However, all required applications and fees must be received at Headquarters Postmarked no later than March 31, 1960, for proper credit.

All chapters of the Ahepa will be divided into three categories, based upon their local city's population of Greek descent, both native and foreign-born. U.S. Census figures will be used for these population figures. Categories are as follows:

Chapter Classification	Population of Greek Descent	Points for each New or Reinstated Member
Class A	3,000 and over	10 Points
Class B	1,000 to 3,000	15 Points
Class C	Up to 1,000	20 Points

The winners will be determined by the total number of points amassed in the Membership Drive. The following awards will be made:

### Individual Member Awards:

Honoring NICHOLAS D. CHOTAS, MLM

- First Place: \$100 gold watch, and handsome plaque.
  - Second Place: Plaque, 10K gold Ahepa lapel pin and Ahepa Fez.
  - Third Place: Plaque, Ahepa Fez.
- To all Ahepans who bring in 10 or more new or reinstated members, a handsome plaque will be awarded.

### Chapter Awards:

Honoring JAMES CAMPBELL, MLM

To the Three chapters placing First, Second, and Third among all Ahepa chapters, handsome plaques will be awarded.

### District Awards:

Honoring S. J. STAMIS, MLM\*

Plaques will be awarded to the District placing First, Second and Third among all Districts.

### Special Competition Between Specified Districts:

Following last year's competition between Districts 6 and 13, the Supreme Lodge was requested to continue the *Battle of the Giants* during the 1959-60 Membership Drive, which we have done. We have also added two other sets of Districts for this year's battle, as follows:

*"Battle of the Giants"* — between Districts Six and Thirteen — the award will be a plaque to the winner, honoring GEORGE A. POLOS, MLM.

*Battle of New England* — between Districts Seven and Eight — the award will be a plaque to the winner, honoring HARRY ANGELOPOULOS, MLM.

*Battle of the Golden West* — between Far West Districts Twenty and Twenty-one — the award will be a plaque to the winner, honoring JOHN ANGELOPOULOS, MLM.

\* Since passed away. We revere his memory.

### Our Six Generals

This year's drive for new and reinstated members is based on each chapter's local population figures of Greek origin, as taken from official U.S. Census records. Full details of the drive have been mailed to all our chapters.

The respective "Generals" of the three special "battles" which will be going on between the districts are the following District Governors: JOHN PANOS of District 6 and PETER G. BATSAKIS of District 13 for the "Battle of the Giants"; GEORGI MEHIOS of District 7 and GEORGE N. KOTIS of District 8 for the "Battle of New England"; FRANK S. RHODES of District 20 and ELI LIVIERATO of District 21 for the "Battle of the Golden West."

These fine soldiers of Ahepa are now forming their commands, deploying their forces and making ready to carry out their battle campaigns to a successful conclusion. May the best man — and District — sweep the field with a resounding victory!

Each chapter secretary is requested to report to his District Governor at the end of each month as to the progress of his chapter's drive. In turn, each District Governor will report to the Supreme Lodge officer having jurisdiction over his area.

### Supreme Lodge Zones

For the guidance of everyone concerned, we list herein below the following areas or "jurisdictions" assigned to each member of the Supreme Lodge:

Supreme Vice-President Kimon A. Doukas: Districts 5 and 6, who will be acting as National Chairman;

Supreme Vice-President in Canada Edward Ghikadis: 23 and 24;

Supreme Secretary John G. Plumides: 1, 2, and 3;

Supreme Treasurer Dr. N. S. Nicholas: 4, 10 and 11;

Supreme Counsellor Nicholas A. Loumos: 19, 20, 21 and 22;

Supreme Governor John W. Mercury: 12, 13, 14 and 18;

Supreme Governor William G. Nicas: 15, 16 and 17;

Supreme Governor William P. Tsaffaras: 7, 8 and 9.

Every Supreme Lodge officer will take an active part in the district and chapter activities within his area or zone. He will be contacting every district governor and every chapter president, offering his services and the prestige of his office in carrying out the mandates of the convention and the directives of the Supreme Lodge in a manner that will bring added progress to our Order and great pleasure to each one of us.

On the other hand, District and Chapter officers are urged to communicate with their respective Supreme Lodge officer for any matter that needs his immediate attention to the end that the entire Order will move together forward for the greatest happiness and progress to the greatest number of all of us.

All chapters are urged to forward immediately all required fees and Applications just as soon as possible following the initiations, or certification of reinstatements. Many new applications and reinstatements were sent in late during last year's drive, for which credit could not be given.

Write to Headquarters as soon as possible for additional Membership and Reinstatement Applications, which will be forwarded at once.

Remember that only those new or reinstated applications that were certified between September 1, 1959, and the end of the Drive, March 31, 1960, will be credited.

## New Constitutional Amendments Resolutions Passed at Hollywood

The Hollywood Supreme Convention passed the following amendments to our Constitution:

### Credentials Committee

"The Supreme President shall appoint a Committee consisting of nine persons, six of whom shall be selected by the Supreme President, and three by the candidate for Supreme President at the last preceding Supreme Convention who received the second highest number of votes." (Change to Article XXII, Section 7, of the Constitution.)

### Non-payment of Dues

"Any member who has been suspended solely for non-payment of chapter dues, and who has moved from the city where his chapter is located, may apply for reinstatement and transfer to the chapter in the city where he now resides. Such member can be reinstated by paying existing fees to the chapter to which he desires to transfer, plus the required reinstatement fees. The transfer and reinstatement of such members shall be permitted solely between the chapter whose transfer fees are required, and Headquarters; the Executive Secretary must, however, notify the original chapter of the purpose and reason for such member's suspension. In the event that no response is received from said chapter following request and notification within thirty days, the Supreme Headquarters must complete and effect such reinstatement and transfer." (Added to Article XVII, Section 1, of the Constitution, to be known as Section 1b.)

### Chapter Representation

"Every chapter of this Order that has fifteen (15) or more members in good standing, and has paid all its obligations to the Supreme Lodge NOT LATER THAN JULY 1, POST-MARK, shall be entitled to full representation at the Supreme Convention, provided, however, that such a chapter shall have been organized and qualified to receive its Charter for at least three months before the Supreme Convention is convened." (Change to Section 9, Article XXII, of the Constitution.)

### The Supreme Board of Trustees

"Wherever it is necessary, where the title and mention is made of the Board of Trustees, they henceforth shall be known and entitled as 'The Supreme Board of Trustees of the Order of Abepa.'"

### Revised Constitution

"The Supreme Lodge shall distribute to all delegates at each Supreme Convention a complete, revised copy of the Constitution." (The last two changes substituted the two paragraphs of Section 9, Article XXVI, of the Constitution.)

### Mother Lodge

"Mother Lodge members shall have a vote at the District Conventions of their respective districts." (To be added to Article XXX, Section 1, paragraph 3a, of the Constitution.)

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Q - How does a president re-open a meeting after a 15 minute recess?

A - CHAIR: "The meeting will (please) come to order; just before we voted to recess we had before us the motion 'to donate \$500 to our Patriarcheion'; the motion is automatically before you for any further discussion," — and it is then handled in the usual manner. (If no business was pending at recess time, then the Chair just announces the next business in order (Demeter's, p. 108.)

Q - Is a proper question or privilege always in order?

A - Always, — except when the privileged motion to adjourn or to recess are pending (these motions supersede it, or outrank it). (Demeter's, p. 101; Robert's, p. 66.)

(To be continued in next issue)

The following resolutions were passed unanimously by the 1959 Supreme Convention in Hollywood:

1. "That the delegates to this Convention hereby renew our Oath of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States while we at the same time express our aversion to the purposes of International Communism and to organizations whose purposes are foreign to those of America's."

2. "That this Convention urges all Abepans to read again and conform to the Constitution of the Order of Abepa, with special attention to the Preamble, Article II (Objects) and Section 13, Article XVIII (Penalty for circularizing members without authority)."

3. "That the Order of Abepa, sitting in Supreme Convention unanimously endorses the efforts of the Hellenic people of Epirus in their effort to become free and have the right of self-determination."

4. "That wherever practicable, Abepa encourage the use of the words 'Hellenic' and 'Hellenic' instead of the word 'Greek.'"

5. "That the Supreme Lodge encourage all Abepans to visit other chapters than their own in order to promote greater fraternalism and mutual understanding."

6. "That all Abepans be urged to co-operate fully with their local Blood Banks."

7. "That the Archbishop be requested to have all priests fully advise their parishioners of the modernization of the facilities at the Abepa Hall for Boys and that all Chapter Presidents be instructed to do the same in their communities."

8. "That the Supreme President appoint a Committee to study the YMCA program in Greece to ascertain in what ways Abepa might contribute or participate."

9. "That the Supreme Secretary notify the Order of the FRED A. KYROS DAY to be held on the date arranged by District No. 8, which will be making all arrangements for a public ceremony including the presence of Abepa dignitaries."

10. "That a marker of recognition be designed to be placed on graves of deceased members of the Abepa, the markers to be made available for purchase by the Chapters and a record to be sent to the Supreme Secretary."

11. "That the Supreme Lodge make it mandatory that each Chapter President appoint a Publicity Director."

12. "That the Supreme President obtain an understanding with the Greek Orthodox Church in the use of the Abepa Memorial Service combined with Church Funeral Services."

13. "That this Convention go on record as commending the City of Los Angeles on their hospitality and making our stay here a memorable one."

14. "That all Abepans be encouraged to obtain a fez, if they don't own one, and to wear it on all Abepa occasions, the Supreme Lodge members setting the example."

15. "That Supreme President C. P. Verinis and the entire Supreme Lodge be commended for a fine job done in the past year."

16. "Effective at the 1960 Convention, cities which are bidding for the Supreme Convention must present at the time of placing their bid, a certificate from their local governments to the effect that voting machines, capable of tabulating full and half votes, and non-partisan operators, will be available to the Convention for the purpose of tabulating votes throughout the Convention."

17. "Effective at the 1960 Convention, a Standing Committee For the Good of the Order be established, consisting exclusively of the District Governors in attendance at the Convention."

18. "That the Ahepa Scholarship Loan Fund be henceforth known as the 'Student Loan and Scholarship Fund.'"

19. "That each chapter of the Ahepa purchase a copy of Dr. Demitrios Samaras' book entitled: 'Nuclear Propulsion and Engineering' and that such books be donated to the local libraries; further, that the proceeds from said sales go into a special Scholarship Fund for Greek War Orphans."

20. "That the Board of Trustees find ways and means to drive home to the rank and file of our Ahepa family, as well as to non-Ahepas, the need for support of this worthy program of scholarships."

21. "That the Order of Ahepa hold a Supreme Convention in Greece within the near future; and that the Supreme Lodge appoint a five-man committee to study the feasibility, and all necessary details affecting protocol between the two nations, as well as custom and travel accommodations; such committee to render a complete report to the 38th Supreme Convention in Montreal in August, 1960."

22. "That the Los Angeles press, which would include all of the newspapers of Los Angeles, be thanked for the wonderful publicity that the Order of Ahepa received during the Convention."

### Ahepa School at St. Basil's

"That plans for the Ahepa School at St. Basil's be revised so that a building be constructed to include only six grades and a kindergarten and that the cost not to exceed \$225,000."

### The Auxiliaries

1. "That the Nativ Seal Drive mailing list be confined to Ahepas and Daughters of Penelope only, and that the Seals be mailed not later than November 1st."

2. "That the Supreme President and Grand President visit District No. 1, since the visitations were not made this past year."

3. "That the office of Chairman of the National Advisory Board of the Sons of Pericles be separated from any Ahepa Supreme Lodge office."

4. "That if an expenditure is refused the signature of the local Ahepa chapter or local Advisory Board, the Sons of Pericles chapter may appeal this decision to the Supreme Lodge of the Sons of Pericles."

5. "That at the first meeting of the new Supreme Lodge a winner for the Ahepa Essay Contest be chosen and the original designated prizes be awarded."

### Our Ritual

"The Convention commended the progress already made by the Ritual Committee appointed by the Supreme President in April, 1959, for the purpose of revising our present Ritual. A revised Opening of the Chapter Meeting — Oath and Obligation — and Funeral Ceremony, were accepted. The permanent Ritual Committee was instructed also to complete its work on the Secret Initiatory Degree and have the new degree or degrees ready for presentation at the Montreal Supreme Convention in 1960."

### Our Magazine

1. "That the Order of Ahepa, as publisher of The Ahepan, again commit itself to the publication of the issues of The Ahepan during the coming year 1959-60 as follows: January, February, March, April, May, June-July, August-September, October, November and December."

2. "That The Ahepan be distributed as heretofore on the same specific date each month, be it the 1st or the 15th of the month."

3. "That these ten issues shall not exceed an average 24-page publication including the cover."

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4. "That the members do whatever they can within their power to attract ads for the magazine."

### Insurance

"That hospitalization insurance be established for the employees of Supreme Lodge Headquarters."

"That the Supreme Board of Trustees establish a Retirement Fund for the employees of the Headquarters."

"That the proposal of the American Investment Life Insurance Company relative to the Ahepa Emergency Fund be referred to the Supreme Lodge for its consideration, for further action by the Supreme Lodge either by chapter referendum, or for presentation at the Montreal Supreme Convention."

### Our Excursions to Greece

1. "Where feasible, a member of the Canadian jurisdiction should be appointed as Vice Chairman. The purpose would be to encourage a greater participation by our Canadian brothers in the annual excursions to Greece."

2. "That the Excursion to the Patriarchate, following the official receptions in Greece, be given greater emphasis in the



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promotional release coincidental with the regular excursion in the belief that this would encourage additional excursionists to take part in this annual event. This year, the Ahepa endorsed a second Excursion to Cyprus. In this manner, the Ahepa expressed warm feelings for the people of this recently liberated Island, and in a tangible manner has encouraged tourism to its shores. This trip was made without any financial obligations to the Order, and was not a source of remuneration."

5. "That charity fund drives aboard the excursion ship be discontinued. That funds for various charities be derived from the following sources: (a) Advertising receipts; (b) Voluntary contributions from excursion officers and Ahepa friends, and (c) Proceeds from banquets or receptions."

4. "That banquets in Greece held by the excursion committee be discontinued and in their stead receptions be held."

3. "That the Supreme Lodge grant sole seafaring rights to one or more shipping companies, but to reserve the privilege of supplementing the excursion with airline excursionists coincidental with the regular sailing; the airlines to schedule their arrival with the ship."

6. "That the shipping company or companies be directed to supervise removal of baggage from the ship and to sort and distribute said baggage alphabetically on the docks. This will save valuable time for the excursionists in clearing customs at the port of entry."

7. "That the commander of the 1960 excursion be appointed by the Supreme Lodge not later than the first official Supreme Lodge meeting following the Supreme Convention, for the purpose of affording ample time to him to facilitate the co-ordination of air and water transportation."

## Ahepa's Athletic Department

The Hollywood Convention legislated for our Department of Athletics as follows:

1. "Sons of Pericles must be members in good standing with Supreme Lodge Headquarters, and must produce cards showing their good standing, before they are permitted to participate in National Sons Basketball Tournaments. Their age limit must not exceed 21 years, except for those holding office, and then only until the expiration date of their office."

2. "For eligibility in any athletic tournaments, Ahepa members, or any member of the Ahepa Family, must be in good standing with Supreme Lodge headquarters at least three months prior to tournament date, and must produce current dues card at the site of the Tournament."

"Any athlete who has participated as a professional, or who is declared a professional by the AAI officials, is ineligible to compete except if he has been reinstated as an amateur by the AAI."

"All sons in the Ahepa roster will close two weeks prior to the tournament date, and no additional players will be permitted after such closing date. All chapters who intend to participate in the tournament must submit a maximum roster to the Supreme Lodge Headquarters one month prior to the date of tournament or eligibility may be determined."

"All new members of the Ahepa family must be received three months prior to tournament date in order to be eligible to compete."

3. "Transfer of rights. A player must play for his own chapter team. (a) 1. a player may join another team in his immediate District providing his chapter has no team entered. (a) 2. a player may join a team in another district providing there is no team entered from his chapter or district."

4. "Failure to comply with the rules and regulations set by the National Athletic Department is subject to disqualification."

## SPECIAL MESSAGE

By GEORGE E. LOUCAS,

Supreme President.

To My Fellow Ahepans, Greetings!

At the Hollywood Supreme Convention, your delegates honored me with the highest coveted office the fraternity has at its command. Grave responsibilities go hand in hand with such high honor. In greeting you, I accept these responsibilities, being mindful that they can only be carried out with the complete co-operation of all officers and members.

CO-OPERATION is the key word to the solution of our problems. As I review the fraternity affairs of recent years, it is apparent that the challenge to serve the fraternity is a grave responsibility to all Ahepans. Your chapter members must join hands with their officers in completing the various program activities that will be channelled to the chapters from our Headquarters. This program will include guides and manuals to which some study will be required, and adherence to fraternal regulations will be stressed.

I have always advocated the great potential in our fraternity, and if we practice fraternalism, the result will be "togetherness," which will bring co-operation. Each one of us on the Supreme Lodge has pledged constant attention to district and chapter activities, and we hereby request to be apprised of all your program activities so that we may lend whatever support is necessary for the successful conclusion of all Ahepa projects.

No one man, no one group, can successfully lead the fraternity unless all the members join hands in a supporting role. I ask for an understanding of the problems of the fraternity, and humbly pray that each and every one of us will lend his efforts for the betterment of the Ahepa.

We have mailed to your Chapter Officers a copy of the 1959 Yearbook, a copy of the 1959 Supreme Convention Summary Minutes, and listings of the Supreme Lodge and District Governors. The Summary Minutes and Yearbook contents are to be made known to your members, and the listings are for your chapter file for reference when needed.

We have also mailed you a Chapter Program Guide. In this manual we stress the importance of good Public Relations. We also outline your chapter's yearly program. On a national level during these past few years we have, as an organization, received the support of all of the Hellenic press, and they deserve our thanks and appreciation. I sincerely hope that your chapter will actively establish and expand your own good Public Relations within your own community and area.

5. "Final roster of eligibility of players in the national basketball tournaments is not to exceed the number of ten."

6. "The Committee recommends that the Athletic Department continue sponsoring the National Golf Tournament, the National Olympic, the National Bowling Tournament, and encourage District Basketball and Bowling tournaments, and various chapter athletic events."

"That Gus Triantaf of the Baltimore Orioles be named the outstanding American Hellenic Athlete of the Year, and be the recipient of the Harry Aggeoni trophy plaque."

It is urged that all Athletic Directors study carefully the above resolutions of the Hollywood Convention and govern themselves accordingly. Irregularities and complaints of past years will thus be eliminated.

# Daughters of Penelope



**Emily Tamaras**  
Grand President

**EMILY TAMARAS, Grand President.** A native of San Francisco, and a member of Mother Lodge Eos Chapter, No. 1, she was unanimously elected Grand President at the Hollywood Convention. Her mother is a charter member of Urania Chapter of San Mateo, and her late father was a charter member of Golden Gate Chapter of San Francisco. She has two brothers: Peter, who is a past District Governor of the Golden Gate District and now a member of the Board of Appeals of the City and County of San Francisco; and Nick, both members of Pacific Chapter of San Francisco.

An active member since her initiation in 1939, she has held various chapter offices, including that of President; and has held every district lodge office in Golden Gate District No. 21. She has also served as Convention Secretary, Vice-Chairman, Chairman and Parliamentarian. She has been instrumental in organizing many chapters of the Daughters and the Maids in her respective district. She has served as Chairman on Projects, Finance and Emblem Committees, having redesigned the pins of the Daughters and the Maids of Athens. At the Boston Convention in 1958, she inaugurated the first phase of the School of Instructions special "skull sessions" as instructor in "Initiations and Intallations."

In San Francisco in 1955 she was elevated to the office of Grand Treasurer, and held the office of Grand Vice-President for two consecutive years, 1957 and 1958.

During her school years, she was active in athletics and has served as President of the California Scholarship Federation; she graduated from the California Secretarial School. She is employed by the American Trust Company, and has served as Director of the American Trust Club for two consecutive years and also as Treasurer. Prior to her present position, she was an Office Manager of the Mercantile Acceptance Corporation.

## **EVERLYN SEMOS, Grand Vice-President.**

A native of Passaic, New Jersey, she was unanimously elected Grand Vice-President at the Hollywood Convention.

A resident of Dallas, Texas for the last 23 years, she has been active in the civic and social life of this fast growing Texas city. She is a charter member of Terpsichore Chapter, No. 105, instituted in 1942, which she has served in many ways and currently as Publicity Chairman, a post she has held for the past five years. She is also Advisor to the local Maids of Athens.

In 1935 in San Francisco, she was elected Grand Governor of Zone No. 3 and was unanimously re-elected the following year in New York City. She has attended every Convention since 1951 and has served on many important committees. She was elected Grand Secretary at St. Louis and re-elected in Boston for a second term.

Very active in organizational work during her four years on the Grand Lodge, she was instrumental last year in re-activating Mother Lodge District No. 1. She is a member of St. Barbara Ladies



**Evelyn Semos**  
Grand Vice-President



**Frances Manos**  
Grand Secretary



**Ruth Campos**  
Grand Treasurer

## **Our Challenge This Year**

TO ALL OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF  
THE DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE

My Colleagues and I take this opportunity to extend to all of you our heartfelt greetings and best wishes for a successful year 1959-1960.

We trust that you will co-operate with us and give us your support for the success of our program, which includes:

(a) The Christmas Seal Drive, all proceeds of which will go to the Ahepa School at St. Basil's Academy;

(b) The current campaign to raise \$50,000, which is all that is needed to complete the construction of the school building;

(c) The current membership campaign to which every one of us must give her utmost support and energy;

(d) The various projects we have undertaken here and abroad.

This is a challenge we must meet to the best of our knowledge and ability. It will be met with new programs, new ambitions and new and diversified services. We solicit your co-operation.

Looking forward to meeting you personally, I remain,

Faithfully in THETA PI,

EMILY TAMARAS,

Grand President.

Society and of the Dallas Civic Opera Guild. She has one son.

She is associated with Neiman Marcus, holding a Junior Executive position of Manager of the Toy Shop at the Preston Center Store.

## **FRANCES MANOS, Grand Secretary.**

A native Californian, she is a member of the Tiresias Chapter, No. 142 of San Diego, and has served El Camino Real District No. 20 as District Secretary for two years and District Governor for one year before elevated to the Grand Lodge as Governor of Zone 4 in New York in 1956. She held this office for two years.

In Boston, she was advanced to the office of Grand Treasurer, and this year, in Hollywood, she was unanimously elected Grand Secretary.

She has attended many Conventions and served on the Budget and Finance Committee five times. She has also served as chairman of the Legislative and Resolutions Committees.

She is an accountant, employed by one of San Diego's largest automotive firms as Office and Credit Manager. She is also a member of the San Diego Wholesale Credit Women's Group, which is affiliated with the National Credit Men's Association of America.



# 1959-1960 Grand Lodge

Her husband, George, is an active and loyal Ahepan and has served the 20th District as Secretary and Lt. Governor.

**RUTH CAMPOS, Grand Treasurer.** A native of Baltimore, Maryland, she has been a member of Alcmena Chapter, No. 27, since 1945. She has served on the Board of Governors, as advisor to the Maids of Athens and in numerous other offices, including Marshal, Treasurer, Vice-President and President. In the Third District, she has served as Marshal and Treasurer, and District Governor for two years.

At the St. Louis Convention, she was unanimously elected Grand Governor of Zone No. 1 and re-elected in Boston for a second term.

Her extensive travels and last year's record commended her to the Hollywood delegates who elected her Grand Treasurer by an overwhelming majority.

She is also active in community work, and is currently serving as second vice-president of the First District of our Church. Her husband, Anestes, is past president of Worthington Chapter, No. 30. They have one son.

**BESSYE EVERGATES, Grand Governor Zone 1.** A native of Clinton, Massachusetts, and a member of the Phi Chapter, No. 191, she was unanimously elected in Los Angeles to her present office. She has served her chapter and also her District as Governor for two years, and District Advisor to the Maids for four years. At the New York Convention she served as Secretary and in St. Louis and Boston as Convention Credentials Chairman.

Very active in community affairs, she represents for the past eight years the Daughters of Penelope on the Community Chest Board and the National Rheumatism and Arthritis Foundation Program. She is a past President of the Philoptothos, Treasurer of the St. Nicholas PTA, past District President of the VFW Auxiliary and is now serving as Banner Bearer in the Department of Massachusetts.

A graduate of Becker's Business College, she is a secretary and also attends classes during the summer months at the University of Connecticut and Massachusetts Institute of Technology on Labor Law.

Her husband is an active Ahepan, has two daughters: Sandra, a student nurse at Worcester Memorial Hospital, a member of the Clinton Chapter of the Daughters, and this year the recipient of the Stergius B. Milonis Scholarship of District No. 8; Donna, a Maid of the Lord Byron Chapter in Worcester. She has also a son.

**LUCILLE KOKEN, Grand Governor Zone 2.** A charter member of Cnossus Chapter, No. 174, Ann Arbor, Michigan, she served as its first President in 1947, also in various other offices. She has served as District Governor of the 10th District for two years, and has attended all District Conventions and many of the Supreme Conventions.

Active in Masonic circles for the past 10 years, she is a past Worthy High Priestess of the Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem. She is currently serving as District Deputy of the 10th District, and Associate Matron in the Order of Eastern Star. She has also served as County Officer.

She is a member of the Federation of Women's Clubs of Ann Arbor, serving now on the Board in the Department of Adult Education, and in the Washtenaw County Bar Auxiliary. She has participated in many Community Fund Drives.

Her husband, Paul, is a past Supreme Governor.

**LUCILLE LA REESE, Grand Governor Zone 3.** A charter member of her chapter, Persephone, currently celebrating its 25th anniversary, she is one of three surviving charter members. She has served in every office in her chapter, and also as District Governor for two terms, helping to reactivate a chapter that had been inactive for several years.

She acted as Chairman of the National Program Committee, did research and compiled the "Selective Chapter Program" for the Daughters of Penelope. Last year she served as Membership Chairman. She has done Philanthropic and Civic work in her city for years, acting as President of Sorosis Club, one of Oklahoma City's oldest and largest culture clubs, past president of her church group of women, past vice-president of the Oklahoma City Garden Council, and working on the council for six years; she worked with Mental Health groups and the United Fund Drive. She is now employed with the Oklahoma City Library in Adult Education, principally as Co-ordinator for the Great Books program.

Her husband has been chapter President several times; her two sons, Jack and Bill, are both college-graduates and members of the Ahepa. She has one granddaughter.

**MARGARET DAUTERMAN, Grand Governor Zone 4.** A native of Oglesby, Illinois, she graduated from Brown's Business College and the Marinello School of Cosmetology of St. Louis. She married the late Johnny Cardos and moved to California.

After eight years of operating her own Beauty Shop, she went into the Restaurant and Cocktail Bar business. She retired in 1954.

She joined the Daughters of Penelope in 1944, as Charter member of Melita Chapter and has held all Chapter offices — three years on the District Lodge, including District Governor. She has attended 15 District Conventions and 10 Supreme Conventions. She is a board member of Community Relations Council; member of Variety Boys' Club, chairman of many community charity campaigns, and a member of Dr. Risser's Orthopaedic Research.

Her present husband, Frank, is an Ahepan; they have a son, a daughter and four grandchildren.

She was re-elected to her present office, after having served very creditably as general co-chairman of the 1959 Hollywood City Convention Committee.



**Bessye Evergates**  
Grand Governor #1



**Lucille Koken**  
Grand Governor #2



**Lucille LaReese**  
Grand Governor #3



**Margaret Dauterman**  
Grand Governor #4

## SPECIAL MESSAGE

by FRANK MANTA,

*Supreme President, Sons of Pericles.*

TO ALL CHAPTER, DISTRICT AND SUPREME  
LODGE OFFICERS OF THE ORDER OF AHEPA

DEAR SENIOR BROTHERS:

Over 750,000 Greeks in the United States know of the Sons of Pericles, yet we always have a membership problem.

There are many reasons why this problem exists. With some of the explanations, the Sons of Pericles Lodge is familiar. However, we would like to hear directly from the Ahepa chapters on this problem in the hope that some remedy or solution can be found. And so, in the near future, your chapter will receive a questionnaire on how your chapter feels about the Sons of Pericles to determine the Ahepa point of view on our problems. An unbiased, sincere, speedy reply will be appreciated.

Brothers, we thank each and every one of you for your kind support in the way of finances and advice over the past

years. Now, we ask for a little more; we ask for a little bit of yourselves. That is, we ask that you attend the Sons of Pericles meetings in your local chapters and we ask that you encourage your members to take a greater interest in our activities.

How about taking the boys to an athletic event or show? I know they will get a kick out of it almost as much as you will. Look around, there must be a football game, boxing or wrestling match which I know many of you will enjoy. Why not take the Sons along and make an Ahepa family night of it. Let the Communities know we are alive.

More activities should be planned to include the Sons, culminating with the *Ahepans and Sons Dinner* held during the week of February 3rd. This is an annual affair and should be included in your chapter's program for the year. Many Ahepa chapters include this in their program and we hope more will undertake to make this an annual function.

Thanks for your time, Brothers. I hope I have struck home some place.

## Supreme Convention Order of Sons of Pericles

By LEE J. MILLAS,

*Past Supreme President*

The 9th Post War Supreme Convention of the Order of Sons of Pericles was called to order by Supreme President Lee Millas August 17, 1959, at the Ambassador Hotel in Hollywood, California. Twenty-seven Delegates representing twenty-one chapters were present, along with many other members present.

After the convention was officially opened, the first order of business was the election of convention officers. Jim Pappadakas of Houston, Texas was unanimously elected Chairman. Steve Manta of Chicago was elected Vice-Chairman and Charles Manousos of Lowell, Convention Secretary. Basil Hangermanole of Washington was appointed Parliamentarian.

After a short recess to allow the newly elected officers to organize the agenda for the convention and also to give an opportunity to all Sons present to get acquainted with one another, the meeting was called to order and the various committees were appointed. Throughout the entire week, each delegate had his job to do as chairman or member of a committee and also attend all official meetings of the convention.

On Tuesday afternoon, the meetings were adjourned in order that the Delegates could partake in the Olympiad held at the University of Southern California Field. Quite a few of the Sons came back with Trophies.

### A Mass Initiation

On Wednesday evening, there was a mass initiation of the new members of the reactivated Pasadena, California, Chapter, No. 234. The meetings continued all week with the exception of



Convention Chairman Pappadakas (right) presenting \$100 bond to Charles Manousos of Lowell, winner of Sons membership drive. Let us now join our current membership drive.

an adjournment on Thursday at which time the Sons, together with the Maids of Athens, spent the day touring the famous Disneyland.

It was announced at the final meeting on Friday, that the winner of the STERGIOS B. MILONAS SCHOLARSHIP FUND AWARD was Brother Stanley Christodoulos of Meriden, Conn. He is continuing his studies at the New Haven State Teachers College.

The outstanding chapter award this year went to the Elpis Chapter, No. 107, New Britain, Conn. Although this is one of the smallest chapters in the country, as far as membership is concerned, their achievements during the past year make them an outstanding chapter.

The election of our National Officers was also held on Friday morning. After serving as Supreme Vice-President for the past two years, FRANK MANTA of Chi-

cago, Ill. was unanimously elected to the highest office of Supreme President. JOHN CHOLAKIS of Albany, N. Y. was elevated to the office of Supreme Vice-President. JAMES PAPPADAKAS of Houston, Texas was elected Supreme Secretary-Treasurer. The new Supreme Governors are PETE ZIGRAS of New York City and NELL BLANDS of New Haven, Conn. After the elections, the newly elected Supreme Lodge gave short speeches of their future plans for the Sons.

However, all was not business as the many Delegates, both Maids and Sons, enjoyed themselves at all the Dances every evening, especially at the Sons and Maids Dance on Saturday evening.

It was a wonderful feeling meeting old friends and Sons that we hadn't seen since the last convention of Boston. So we will all be looking forward to seeing everyone again at Montreal in 1960.

# The Letter "E" in Ahepa Use

A great deal has been heard about the letter "E" in Ahepa and every speaker has voiced his concern about the role we have played in education. We are an educational fraternity, yet we have done, seemingly, very little in assisting our youngsters toward getting higher education when they lack the means to do it.

The following commentaries and reports have been assembled to give some idea of the problem and what we have done so far toward its solution. While the national effort looms rather large, it is believed that the local program, particularly district-wise, has been larger and more praiseworthy.

## AHEPA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

By LOUIS P. MANIATIS,  
*Past Supreme Secretary.*

Shortly after the founding of the Ahepa, one of the most important and perplexing problems to confront the infant organization, was our "youth" and what we could do to help them in their education.

It was then, and it is even at the present time, a very serious undertaking, and considerable time, thought and preparation have gone into the matter.

At the Detroit Convention, August, 1928, properly known as the Sixth Annual Convention, we adopted the Ahepa Scholarship Fund of \$100,000.00. This Fund was to be operated by Trustees, and the Chairman was to be the Supreme Treasurer of the Order. It was to be operated strictly on a loan basis.

The reasons then advanced for making the scholarship a loan rather than an outright grant were twofold: (a) A loan of principal would make it possible to help more students, because it would enable the awarding of such aid to additional students, through repayment of the original loan, and (b) It is more conducive to character building of the student as it placed upon him an obligation to make good in his chosen career.

### Requirements for a Loan

Under the terms of the Fund, a student was obliged to sign a note payable to the Fund in whatever amount he received, to mature in two or three years after termination of his studies. The note was to draw interest only from the date of graduation from college or school. It had to be endorsed by two responsible persons.

The system then adopted was in accordance with methods used by noted colleges and universities, and considered more effective than the method of outright grants.

From that date on, we have successively sponsored a Scholarship Loan Fund in one form or another, and although several scholarships were awarded as outright grants under exceptional circumstances by various Supreme Conventions, the basic plan of loaning a student a scholarship, to complete his studies, has consistently prevailed and is in effect at the present time.

### Educational - Welfare

In January, 1945, there was established a \$250,000.00 Ahepa Educational and Welfare Fund, the purpose of which was:

- (a) To conduct scientific studies on all problems facing the Greek nation, during and after the Second World War, for information and guidance of our government and the American public.
- (b) To grant Scholarships and Fellowships to worthy students of both sexes, and
- (c) To assist orphans and extreme cases of distress.

This was set up and some contributions made toward it and then it was incorporated into Ahepa's program to establish and build needed hospitals in Greece.

Over the years, the original purpose of making Scholarship Loans still was carried out and thus far, to date, approximately 302 students have received loans to assist them in, or to complete their scholastic studies, in the total amount of \$59,275.00.

This is a distinguished and impressive record of achievement by this dynamic organization.

### Daughters' True Scholarship

The Daughters of Penelope have also established a Scholarship Fund of their own and make annual awards, under the following rules:

(a) A \$500 payment is made to any University or School selected by the recipient. Any young lady immediately related to a member of the Ahepa Family, in good standing, is eligible.

(b) Application must be on recommendation of the principal of the high school from which the student is graduating, and all applicants must be in the upper 10% of their High School graduating class.

(c) Special emphasis is placed on character, intelligence, capacity in a chosen field as reflected in school work, breadth of interest as reflected in extra-curricular activities, evidence in leadership and financial need.

(d) Scholarships are awarded on the basis of competitive examinations, with a fee of \$7.00 to be paid by each applicant for the conduct of the test.

Thus far the Daughters have awarded 8 first awards and 13 renewals to worthy students, in the total amount of \$6,600.00.

Many of our Districts conduct Scholarship Funds and make awards of their own, either as outright grants or loans, as the particular District decides. This is in addition to the awards made by Supreme Lodge Headquarters.

Ahepa can proudly state that it has been responsible over the years for many of our present day business and professional men, achieving success in their chosen fields of endeavor, and has served our people constructively. It is an indelible mark of achievement and of responsible service.

That we shall continue in this important direction there can be no doubt, for we fully realize that in this positive manner we can assure our youth of today their positive place in the business and professional world of tomorrow. Only thus can Ahepa continue to serve the interest of its members and their families.

### SCHOLARSHIP LOANS AND AWARDS

By ERNEST E. DEMATATIS,  
*Vice-Chairman, Board of Trustees.*

Since the inception of our new Scholarship program in 1955, we have made great progress as evidenced by the following figures:

	No. of Awards and Loans	Amount
1955-56	4	\$ 800.00
1956-57	6	2,400.00
1957-58	10	3,600.00
1958-59	18	8,450.00

The Scholarship Fund now derives its income through the following: 15% from each member's Per Capita Tax, 20% of the net profit of the Supreme Convention; and interest on Scholarship Funds now on deposit in building and loan associations, which should be about \$900 this coming year. Beginning with this year, the city selected as convention city for 1961 will be

## In Memory of Those Who Served

### **SPIROS J. STAMOS** **Mother Lodge Member**

SPIROS J. STAMOS, Mother Lodge Member of the Order of Ahepa, died October 1, 1959, in Sutter Hospital, Sacramento, Calif., after a brief illness. Known throughout the Ahepa domain as "BARBA" STAMOS, he was one of the eight Mother Lodge members of the fraternity, who instituted the Order of Ahepa on July 26, 1922, in Atlanta, Ga.

The entire Ahepa Family will mourn the passing of this beloved brother and friend," said GEORGE E. LOUCAS, Supreme President, "for 'BARBA' STAMOS was one of that small group

required to pay \$2500 for this privilege, and the money will go into the Scholarship Fund. The Hollywood and Montreal conventions will pay the usual 20% of their net profits. As the matter now stands, we can count on about \$7,000.00 being available for scholarship use for the coming year.

Although the Scholarship activity has not been publicized in any respect in the Ahepan Magazine, we have on hand sufficient applications for scholarship loans and awards to use up the \$7,000 available for 1959-1960. We anticipate a large number of new applications and must view with great concern the disappointment which these applicants will suffer. Fifty per cent of \$9,500 or even \$24,000, will be a small gesture on our part in fulfilling our obligations to ambitious youngsters.

#### **AHEPA SCHOLARSHIPS**

By PETER L. BELL,  
*Past Supreme President.*

The Ahepa, nationally, has been giving outright scholarships and scholarship loans for many years — the first ones were given even before the writer became an Ahepan 25 years ago. We are referring to the National Ahepa. The amounts expended for this purpose run into the scores of thousands.

There are twenty-four Ahepa Districts. Many of these Districts maintain their own Scholarship Funds. Although we know that the amounts given to students from the Districts run into the tens of thousands, we really have no way of checking.

Take my own, the Eighth District. Charles Georgeson, the present District Secretary, went back into the dusty records in 1951 and found that this District alone has given out \$4950.00 since 1951.

#### **What Has Ahepa Done?**

Scholarship aid is only one phase of Ahepa's manifold activities for the benefit of our people both here and in Greece. This is a partial answer to those who sit by the wayside and ask the Ahepans, "What worthwhile things have you done anyway?"

The answer is that whether much or little, big or small, it is more than Ahepa's critics have ever done or ever will do.

It is easy to sit comfortably by the wayside and criticize. It takes more character, higher morality and a better sense of values, however, to join those who are trying to better the lot of our people.

So come on in. Don't be just a critic. Don't be an empty windbag. If you've got worthwhile thoughts and constructive ideas so much the better. The Ahepa can use you. The Ahepa has room for people who have the will, the desire and the ability to serve the cause of their fellowmen.

of eight men who conceived the idea and brought to reality the Order of Ahepa. Mother Lodge Member SPIROS J. STAMOS devoted many of the early years of his life crusading throughout this land in the interests and development of the Ahepa. He accomplished his task, and has earned the perpetual gratitude of his fellow brothers. All members of the Ahepa Family will sorely miss his presence and guidance in the life and activity of the Ahepa.

#### **A Pioneer Dies**

SPIROS STAMOS died at a ripe age but by no means a comfortable one. He died a poor man as he always had been. He left behind him a legacy which more than made up what he lacked in material gains.

A poor immigrant and a restaurant worker, he was among the very few who caught the idea of a national organization for the Hellenes of America. He worked for it with the zeal of a missionary in the initial stages and kept it up to the very end.

"BARBA" STAMOS was a simple Greek immigrant to be sure, but in his own way he made a contribution to his people that has outlived him and will outlive him for as long as there is an Ahepa.

Many others made it. They even live in small palaces and are enjoying every comfort that wealth can give them. But when the history of our people is written "BARBA" STAMOS' name will come on top while that of many others will gradually disappear. That is the reward for those who dedicate their talents in the service of their fellowmen.

### **SOTERIOS NICHOLSON**

**Past Supreme Counsellor**

SOTERIOS NICHOLSON, past Supreme Counsellor of the Order of Ahepa, died September 27, 1959, of a cerebral hemorrhage at Maryland University Hospital, Baltimore. He had served as Supreme Counsellor in 1951-52.

He came to the United States in 1903 at the age of 19 from Greece, and obtained his law degree from George Washington University, Washington, D.C., in 1911. During the early days of World War I, he was legal counsel to the Greek Embassy in Washington, D.C. He continued throughout his career to advise the Embassy on legal matters in an unofficial capacity. He served in the U. S. Army from 1917 to 1919, attaining the rank of Captain.

He was initiated into the Order of Ahepa in 1927 by Washington Chapter No. 51, which he served in many capacities well and faithfully.

SOTERIOS NICHOLSON received three decorations from the Greek Government for his services in Greek-American affairs. He is survived by his wife, Dr. Dora Papara-Nicholson, and three sisters, in whom we extend sincere condolences.

#### **To All Members of the Ahepa Family —**

This is a special call for ads. Please solicit advertising for your magazine. The Supreme Lodge is doing its utmost to edit and publish a fine monthly magazine. Do your part now. Solicit at least one ad. We pay commissions. Ask for rates. Write to our Headquarters.



## Pleds for Unity

Sir:

*In looking ahead, we must think about developing a more efficient and stronger organization to more effectively carry out our aims and purposes. Much has been gained in the past; much that is basic has been done. But the future lies ahead; we have many problems yet to solve. Only through working together in unity, harmony and with a true spirit of fraternalism, will we be able to march ahead to progress and prosperity.*

*AHEPA is the only noteworthy achievement of the Greek people in America, besides our religious institutions. It has cost millions of dollars since its formation. However, its accomplishments as a public relations medium cannot be measured in cash. AHEPA, under the protective wings of the American Eagle shown in our emblem, is here to stay and will live for ever.*

NICHOLAS D. SPINOS,

President, Syracuse Chapter, No. 37.

## United for a Purpose!

Sir:

*I feel that our efforts as an organization should inspire and cultivate the objects and ideals set forth in our Constitution. We should maintain the interest of our present members and capture the interest of future members by establishing a goal with purpose.*

*There should be a reason for our functioning as an organization. We should pull together and work as a whole. And we should minimize our differences which divide us so much of the time.*

(MRS.) ELIZABETH TAMARESSIS,  
District Governor No. 17.

Denver, Colorado

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**For what shall it profit a man,  
if he shall gain the whole world  
and lose his own soul.**

—ST. SOPHIA CATHEDRAL,  
IN LOS ANGELES.

## Mayor Christopher Thanks

Sir:

*I was highly honored to be the recipient of the Public Service Award, which was presented to me at the Ahepa Banquet in Los Angeles.*

*I deeply appreciate the recommendation of the Awards Committee and thank you for your efforts in my behalf.*

GEORGE CHRISTOPHER.

Mayor.

## Christofilos Thanks

Sir:

*I would like to express again my gratitude to the entire Order of Ahepa for the special Science Achievement Award presented to me in Hollywood. The award is an honor which I will always cherish.*

*It was a pleasure meeting so many outstanding representatives of the national Greek-American community at the Convention Banquet. I will be looking forward to seeing you again.*

NICHOLAS CHRISTOFILOS,

Lawrence Radiation Laboratory,  
University of California.

## She Is Grateful

Sir:

*I am a College student at St. Basil's. I am very sorry for writing to you so late. We left the Academy June 16th. I am now working in an office in Jersey City.*

*I would like to thank you so much for everything you have done for the progress of the Academy. This year, I was honored with the AHEPA award, because I came first in my class. From the bottom of my heart, I personally would like to thank you very much.*

*I always hear of the great things that you are achieving and I hope that in the future all of you will continue to struggle in order to survive everything Greek that is ideal.*

*I am truly looking forward to seeing you some day at the Academy. I pray that you will always be guided along the correct paths in whatever God thinks best.*

ZOE C. POULOS.

## The Supreme Ingredient

Sir:

*What should we look for in a candidate for high office of such an organization as the Ahepa—the backbone of Greek-American life?*

*Long ago a poet wrote on what constitutes a man of goodwill. He entitled his piece "The Character of A Happy Warrior." Character is exactly what we are looking for.*

*What is character? It is the happy blending of mind, heart, and soul into a sound and workable whole. A man with character has the ability to promise what he must and do what he promises. His principles are part and marrow of his being, and he will not compromise them with expedient concessions or empty promises.*

*A man with character does not bow with the wind, nor does he emerge as a different man after his election. On the contrary, he emerges as a man who grows with challenges and who meets every problem with renewed dedication and strength. He will not falter or yield against his better judgment.*

*Let us not be stampeded by the names, reputations, and promises of our candidates. Let's study carefully, each man for himself, what is beneath the surface. Let us elect men with character to our high offices—for only thus will we assure the future of Ahepa and its services to Greece, our Greek-American communities, and to our America as a whole.*

JOHN DAKOS.

The Chicago Greek Press.

## We Shored in the Fight

Sir:

*As the American Cancer Society's 1959 Crusade draws to a close, may I extend to you our sincere appreciation for your valued help.*

*The endorsement of our program and the encouragement we received from you did much toward creating public awareness of our program needs. Many of your members individually or in groups gave active volunteer assistance to many of our local Units.*

*We are going forward more vigorously than ever in our fight against cancer on all fronts. We welcome your continued support.*

WALTER J. KOHLER

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Let us express anew our gratitude for America's fruitful fields, for our national strength and vigor, and for all our singular deliverances and blessings.

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**Abraham Lincoln**

# Our Ahepa Family In The News

## Dedicated to Service

CHRISTOPHER E. ATHAS of Salt Lake City is once more in the news. He served as chairman of the Pharmacy Division in the University of Utah Medical Center Fund, which will raise a total of four million dollars to complete a new Medical center in Salt Lake City. Of that fund his division raised \$150,000.



A graduate of Illinois College of Pharmacy, "CHRIS," as he is affectionately known in and out of Ahepa, began his career in pharmacy more than 40 years ago. He is now the owner of two pharmacies and the Brigham Street Medical Center.

He joined Beehive Chapter, No. 146, in 1928 and has since served in all three levels of Ahepa administration: Officer and President of his chapter, District Governor and Supreme Governor. At the 1953 Houston Convention, he was elected member of the newly established Board of Trustees and served as its chairman for five years; he was re-elected in Boston in 1958. He has been attending district and supreme conventions every year and is a familiar figure in the inner circles of these conclaves, administering both as pharmacist and counsellor to all who come to him with their particular problems.

An officer and finally president of the Utah Pharmaceutical Association, he is a member of the Salt Lake City Chamber of Commerce, the Kiwanis Club, the International Foreign Relations Club, and a sponsor of the Utah Symphony Orchestra.

## Commissioner Kiscaras

THEODORE C. KISCARAS arrived from the "old country" with \$15 and not a word of English in his vocabulary — the familiar beginning of a successful immigrant. Yet, he graduated from New York University Law School in 1929, teamed with former Deputy Attorney General Somerville of New Jersey in law partnership, joined the Special Reserve Coast Guard and finally in 1945 was



appointed Commissioner for the United States District Court of New Jersey.

His Honor organized in 1931 the Hackensack Chapter, served as secretary and president for three terms, became District Secretary and edited the district publication, "Ahepa Voice," for three years. During the war, he directed the Greek War Relief in his area. He also served as trustee of the Greek Orthodox Church of Passaic and holds membership in the Elks, the Lions and the Masons.

We salute an honorable member of the bar, an ardent Hellene and a public spirited citizen of this great country of ours!

## King Paul Honors Lagakos

Past Supreme Counsellor GREGORY G. LAGAKOS was recently awarded the Gold Cross of the Royal Order of King George I by His Majesty King Paul of the Hellenes. New York Greek Consul John Colicopoulos went specially to Philadelphia to confer the award. The ceremony was held in the City Reception Room graciously given by Mayor Dilworth of Philadelphia. Said he: "The recipient is one of our most distinguished citizens and his Decoration does great honor to the City itself."



Among those present were Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar, Walter Alessandroni, the presidents of the Greek-American Societies of Philadelphia, Mrs. Lagakos, of course, and many members of the local Chapter, Hercules-Spartan, No. 26.

## Deputy Marshal Dragones

JERRY D. DRAGONES holds the record of the only native of Greece who rounded out almost a quarter century of service in federal government as Deputy United States Marshal in the Southern District of Florida.

A native of the Island of Patmos, he came to Mobile, Alabama, in 1912, attended school and then joined the government until recently when he retired. As a field deputy, he went into every state of the Union, transporting prisoners or helping



as interpreter in court actions involving Greek nationals.

He joined Socrates Chapter, No. 6, in 1926 and served in many capacities, finally elevated to District Governor in 1934 — the year he was appointed Marshal. He has been a familiar figure at supreme conventions and has served as member of the Justice for Greece Committee. He is now Deputy District Governor of Citrus District No. 2, overseeing the Jacksonville area. He also assisted his local church as secretary and president.

It is people like JERRY who render service and honor to old Hellas and young America! His parting words to Judge Simpson were typical of the man: "I feel a deep sense of obligation and appreciation to the government and the people of the United States." Well done!

## "Retailer-of-the-Year"



Accepts award from Chairman O'Neil and Miss Iles, a "Conover Girl." Congratulations.

JAMES PASTRAS, owner of the Ridgewood, New Jersey, Wine and Liquor Company, has won the coveted "Retailer-of-the-Year" Bronze Plaque, top award in the annual competition sponsored by the Name Brands Foundation.

The Ridgewood Store received the honor in the Alcoholic Beverages category for "Outstanding presentation of manufacturers' brands to the public during 1958." Finalists were selected from thousands of entrants in 26 retail categories from 49 States, The District of Columbia, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and Canada.

The award was made at the Brand Names Week Banquet held at the Waldorf-Astoria last April.

JAMES PASTRAS is a member of the Alexander Hamilton Chapter, No. 54, of Paterson, N. J. Initiated March 26, 1929, he served as its president in 1941. He is also a Trustee of the St. Athanasios Greek Orthodox Church.

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BRING IN A NEW MEMBER.**

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## Editor's Corner . . .

WE OFFER THANKS to the Good Lord for all our blessings. This month, Americans everywhere are celebrating the passing of another year and in the words of Lincoln, express their gratitude "for all their singular deliverances and blessings." It is good to be an American!

OUR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE is on. Ahepans throughout the entire Ahepa Domain are bending their efforts toward signing up new members — toward reinstating inactive members. Certain districts are bound to excel in the famous "Battles of the Giants." We are waiting for results.

THE AHEPA SCHOOL campaign is likewise gaining momentum. The Christmas Seal Drive will be followed by individual Chapter and District campaigns to collect the balance of \$50,000 needed to complete the construction of the school building at St. Basil's and thus finally discharge our pledge of 1953 to our Holy Church.

THE 1960 BANQUET will be held in Washington March 21, at the world famous Statler Hotel. It is not too early to send in your reservations, particularly for Senators, Representatives and other public officials who will be the guests of the Ahepa family. Please act promptly.

THE 1960 EXCURSION to Greece is finally set for March 22, the day following the banquet, on the palatial Greek Flag ocean liner "Queen Frederica." The excursion will be led by our Supreme President George E. Loucas. Reservations should be made either directly with the Home Lines, Inc. or through local agents.

THE LOUCAS TESTIMONIAL at Weirton, West Virginia, proved once more that Hellenes and their friends know how to express their thanks and appreciation in a manner and form befitting a hard-working Servant of Ahepa. Supreme President Loucas was convinced that good deeds receive their ultimate rewards. Full details will be presented in the December issue.

AHEPA IS PASSING finally into the hands of our second and third generations. The members of the Sons' Supreme Lodge, of the Maids' and Daughters' Grand Lodges and 20 Ahepa District Governors, out of 24, are all native born — Americans of Hellenic origin! The second phase of our Order has commenced.

IN AHEPA'S FORUM you will find a reprint of an article by the Editor of the "El Camino Real" publication of District No. 20. He makes the false and unjust point that the members of your Supreme Lodge are wasting your Order's funds and have become "international playboys." We do not know what non-existent funds we are wasting, but we wish to assure our brother from Los Angeles that we are far from even trying to be "playboys." Besides, it is bad taste to hurl such epithets against one's superior officers from the columns of an Ahepa publication, to say the least.

AUXILIARIES NEWS EDITORS are again invited to let us have regularly the activities of their respective Orders. The entire Ahepa family is interested in hearing about the news and doings of our three mighty auxiliaries.

OUR DECEMBER ISSUE will present the District Governors of the Daughters of Penelope, a full report on Ahepa sports, the progress of our drives for new members and for the Ahepa School, and complete coverage of our Chapter activities throughout our Domain.

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# WE DO HONOR TO OUR MOTHER LODGE

## Founding Fathers Membership Drive

TO ALL AHEPANS EVERYWHERE,  
Greetings!

Our National Membership Drive for 1959-60 is on. It commenced on September 1, last. It will end on March 31, next year. It is proclaimed in honor of our Founding Fathers, the Mother Lodge of this Mighty Order of Ahepa.

All new applications and reinstated members within that period of seven months will count toward the final awards and prizes that will be distributed to the winners — the lucky ones, the diligent ones, the sincere and earnest workers who wish to see this Order expand and grow in every city and village of the entire Ahepa Domain.

We again restate the three categories into which all Ahepa Chapters have been divided:

1. *Class A* Chapters of 3,000 Greek descent population and over will receive 10 points for each new member or each reinstated member;

2. *Class B* Chapters of from 1,000 to 3,000 will receive 15 points;

3. *Class C* Chapters of up to 1,000 will receive 20 points.

Ahepans of large cities like New York, Chicago, San Francisco, Boston and other centers of concentration of our people will receive the minimum number of points for each member they bring in. They have so many more opportunities of meeting prospective members than Ahepans in small cities and villages where the supply is almost exhausted that it is only fair for the latter to receive a larger recognition in points.

### Many Prizes Await the Winners

On the basis of this point system, which is a most equitable distribution of honors, the following awards will be made after the termination of our drive:

#### Individual Member Awards:

We shall honor Mother Lodge Member NICHOLAS D. CHOYAS by awarding contestants with the three highest scores first, second and third prizes, plus a plaque for all those who bring in 10 or more new or reinstated members.

#### Chapter Awards:

We shall honor Mother Lodge Member JAMES CAMPBELL by awarding plaques to the three Chapters with the highest scores.

#### District Awards:

We shall honor the late Mother Lodge Member SPURCE J. STAMOS by awarding plaques to the three districts with the highest scores.

As you see, by bringing in the largest number of new and reinstated members, one will have the rare opportunity of getting, first, a wonderful individual prize: a gold watch, a gold lapel pin and an Ahepa fez, or an Ahepa fez; second, placing his own chapter among the first three winners, and third, placing his own district among the first three winners.

### The Battle of the Districts

This year we again repeat the *Battle of the Giants* between Districts 6 (Empire State) and 15 (Blue Ribbon). The winner will honor our Mother Lodge member GEORGE A. POLOS. A second district competition is the *Battle of New England* between Districts 7 (Yankee), 8 (Bay State) and 9 (Northern New England). The winner will honor Mother Lodge Member HARRY ANGELOPOULOS. The third district competition is the *Battle of the Golden West* (between Districts 20 (El Camino Real) and 21 (Golden Gate). The winner will honor Mother Lodge Member JOHN ANGELOPOULOS.

This is a unique and appropriate way of expressing our thanks and gratitude to the Founding Fathers by enlisting *you* of our people in the great experiment they started 57 years ago. It will be a matter of personal satisfaction for each one of us to participate actively in this great battle of honor and prestige.

We particularly appeal to the "Generals" who will be conducting these battles to deploy their forces and carry their campaigns to a most successful conclusion. They are:

1. For the *Battle of the Giant*: District Governors John Panos of No. 6 and Peter G. Betsakis of No. 15;

2. For the *Battle of New England*: District Governors George Mehos of No. 7, George N. Kotis of No. 8 and Angelo Chouramanis of No. 9;

3. For the *Battle of the Golden West*: District Governors Frank S. Rhodes of No. 20 and Eli Livierato of No. 21.

### Regular Reports

After all plans have been made and the returns begin to come in, there must be some order in reporting from the lower echelons to the top of the line command.

Thus, each Chapter Secretary must report to his District Governor as to the progress of his Chapter's drive, listing the names of the new members initiated and the names of the old members reinstated. Each District Governor must report to his Supreme Lodge officer who is supervising directly these activities of his own zone.

For the guidance of all concerned, we list herein below the areas assigned to each member of our Supreme Lodge, with the sole exception of the Supreme President, who will be acting as the Commander-in-Chief:

Districts 5 and 6 are assigned to Supreme Vice-President KIRTON A. DOUKAS, who is also the National Membership Drive Chairman;

Districts 23 and 24 are assigned to Supreme Vice-President in Canada EDWARD GHIKADIS;

Districts 1, 2 and 3 are assigned to Supreme Secretary JOHN G. PLUMIDES;

Districts 4, 10 and 11 to Supreme Treasurer DR. N. S. NICHOLAS;

Districts 19, 20, 21 and 22 to Supreme Counsellor NICHOLAS A. LOUNOS;

Districts 12, 13, 14 and 18 to Supreme Governor JOHN W. MERCURY;

Districts 15, 16 and 17 to Supreme Governor WILLIAM G. NICOL;

Districts 7, 8 and 9 to Supreme Governor WILLIAM P. TSIFARAS.

### Do Not Hold Up Applications

Chapter and District Lodge officers are urged to mail to our Supreme Lodge Headquarters in Washington new applications and reinstatements as soon as the procedure has been completed.

For new members, they must collect the fees, hold initiations and immediately thereafter mail everything to Washington. For reinstated members, they must have the reinstatements approved at a regular meeting of their chapters and then forward them to Washington.

Our Headquarters upon receipt of the Chapter communications will enter names and addresses of both new and reinstated members in the records, award appropriate points to the endorsers, their chapters and their districts and thus complete the whole cycle of this competition.

## President Proclaims Thanksgiving November 26

The time of harvest turns our thoughts once again to our national festival of Thanksgiving, and the bounties of nature remind us again of our dependence upon the generous hand of Providence.

In this sesquicentennial year of Abraham Lincoln's birth, it is fitting and proper that we should use his words contained in the historic proclamation of 1863, establishing this annual observance, to express anew our gratitude for America's "fruitful fields," for our national "strength and vigor," and for all our "singular deliverances and blessings."

The present year has been one of progress and heightened promise for the way of life to which we, the people, and the Government of the United States of America, are dedicated. We rejoice in the productivity of farm and factory, but even more so in the prospect of improvement of relations among men and among nations. We earnestly hope that forbearance, understanding, and conciliation will hold increasing sway among us and among all peoples everywhere.

In the enjoyment of our good life, let us not forget the birthright by which we reap the fruits of life and labor in this fair land. Let us stand fast by the principles of our republic enunciated in word and deed by the statesmen, teachers, and prophets to whom we owe our beginnings. Let us be thankful that we have been spared the consequences of human frailty and error in our exercise of power and freedom. As a token of our gratitude for God's gracious gift of abundance, let us share generously with those less fortunate than we at home and abroad. Let us at this season of thanksgiving perform deeds of thanksgiving; and throughout the year, let us fulfill those obligations of citizenship and humanity which spring from grateful hearts.

Now, therefore, I, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, President of the United States of America, in consonance with the joint resolution of the Congress approved December 26, 1941, designating the fourth Thursday of November in each year as Thanksgiving Day, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 26, 1959, as a day of national thanksgiving. On that day let us gather in sanctuaries dedicated to worship and in homes devoted to family sharing and community service, to express our gratitude for the inestimable blessings of God; and let us earnestly pray that He continue to guide and sustain us in the great unfinished task of achieving peace among men and nations.

It is, therefore, indispensable for all contestants to see to it that initiations are held regularly and all applications accompanied by the necessary fees are transmitted without delay to our Headquarters in order to receive the proper accreditation in points for the final tally.

Please remember that the competition will end on March 31, 1960. We have only four months left to reach the top. Work fast. Get your candidates. And write to Headquarters for any additional details or application forms. Good luck to all!

KIMON A. DOUKAS,  
Supreme Vice-President,  
National Membership Chairman.

GEORGE E. LOUCAS,  
Supreme President

### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO — NOVEMBER, 1934

ACHILLES CATSONIS elected Supreme President by the Columbus, Ohio, 11th National Convention . . . C. G. LYONNETZU, Editor of The Abepe magazine . . . The Daughters of Penelope and the Maids of Athens join with the Abepe and the Sons, and form the Abepe Family . . . Chapter No. 20 in the Abepe domain is organized at Dover, N. J. . . HARRIS J. BOORAS published his book on the Greek War of Independence . . . Greek Minister to the United States, CHARALAMBOS SIMOPOULOS, leaves his Washington post to return to Athens with the rank of Ambassador . . . Abepe contributes \$1000 to the St. Stephanos American Hellenic Institute of Winston-Salem, N. C. . . The fraternity presents gift awards to Greek-American graduates of both West Point and Annapolis.

NOVEMBER, 1959



Grand President Tamaras gives Maids' contribution of \$520 to Seal Drive Chairmen Versis and Macrioglanni. Looking on: Manto, Tamaras.

## GIVE TO THE SEAL DRIVE

It was with great pride and joy, reflecting the efforts and accomplishments of all of us, when our Supreme Lodge announced last May that the Christmas Seal Drive had produced wonderful results — the 100-bed dormitory for orphan boys, which was completed and turned over to the Archdiocese for operation.

We are now engaged in another project of major importance, the building of a modern school that will provide an adequate educational program for our orphaned children and will bear fruit for the future generations of Greek Orthodox people.

The Educational Building we seek will give an uplift to our whole program of services to the community, and will add greatly to the prestige of our Order. It will also be especially meaningful to the unfortunate children, either orphans or victims of broken homes.

Your contribution to our Christmas Seal Drive is an advance payment on the future Orthodox Christian security of many boys and girls, who in the years to come, will be helped by the increased effectiveness of our program.

Let us put our hearts and souls behind this Drive.

Let us build ourselves into this splendid project.

Let us all give what we can — BUT PLEASE GIVE NOW!

SPIROS A. VERSES,  
Abepe Chairman.

KATEY P. MACRIOGLANNI,  
Daughters' Chairman.

WILLIAM HOLMES,  
Abepe Vice-Chairman.

MARY PETERS,  
Daughters' Vice-Chairman.

### TEN YEARS AGO — NOVEMBER, 1949

Abepe held its National Convention in Miami . . . Senator CLAUDE PEPPER of Florida was the Convention Banquet main speaker . . . Past Board of Trustees member ANTONIOV ARONOV visits the Abepe in Australia . . . Abepe contributes to relief of Ecuadorian Earthquake victims . . . GEORGE E. GEROUJIS appointed Chairman of National Scholarship Fund . . . JOHN G. TRIVOS was elected Supreme President at Miami Convention . . . Supreme Lodge starts membership drive for 5,000 new members . . . District No. 15 adopts district scholarship plan . . . MRS. PETER S. KARAGIANNIS elected Grand President of Daughters of Penelope . . . ARTHUR LAGARDEIS elected Supreme President of the Sons of Pericles . . . The 8th National Banquet was scheduled for March 7, 1950 . . . Savings Bonds Awards by the U. S. Treasury Department made to the Abepe and Daughters of Penelope for their part in the U. S. Savings Bonds program . . . Constitutional amendment referendum offered to chapters, changing chapter elections from December to September.

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# Maid of Athens 1959-1960 Grand Lodge



Grand President Tomaras



Grand Vice-Pres. Bilides



Grand Secretary Morakis



Grand Treasurer Davis

## DENISE TOMARAS Grand President

A native of Miami, Florida, she has served our Junior Order as Grand Secretary and Grand Vice-President before being unanimously elevated to her present high office by her colleagues attending the Hollywood Convention. After joining Hurricane Chapter, No. 100, she ably discharged the arduous duties of secretary, vice-president and president and was chosen Queen of the Sons and Maids Ball in Miami.

While in High School, she was inducted into the National Honor Society. She is employed by the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company as executive secretary to the Superintendent of Claims. A member of her Church Choir, she is also serving as Sunday School teacher. She is a member of GOYA.

"You will be hearing from us periodically, as we plan to really show the Maids off this year," she declared to our Supreme Lodge.

## DESPINA BILIDES Grand Vice-President

A native of New Haven, Connecticut, she served both Boston and Hollywood Conventions as secretary. She was elevated to her present office at Hollywood, after having served as Grand Treasurer for one term. She joined Urania Chapter, No. 117, when it was reactivated in 1955.

In addition, she is now acting as Editor of the Maids News. Chapter officers are requested to contact her for all their activities. Her address is: 358 Orchard Street, New Haven, Connecticut.

She is completing this year her studies at Southern Connecticut State College, where she is majoring in Early Childhood. She is a toll operator for the Southern New England Telephone Company. She is also active in her local church and teaches Sunday School.

"We hope to submit Maids news regularly so that our Order will receive some recognition in each issue of the magazine this year," she has written us.

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## KATHY MORAKIS Grand Secretary

A native of Malden, Massachusetts, she joined the Maids in 1955 and has since served her chapter as secretary and her district No. 8 as Lt. Governor and Governor. She was elevated to the Grand Lodge at Hollywood.

She is a graduate of Lasell Junior College and is presently working as Medical Secretary. She serves her local church as organist and is also a member of the Rainbow Girls.

"We shall work hard for the expansion of our Junior Order," she stated.

## HARRIET KOTSILIBAS DAVIS Grand Treasurer

A native of Worcester, Massachusetts, she has lived in the Ahepa family all her life: Her father, Charles, has served as high as Supreme Vice-President of the Order of Ahepa; her mother is a lifelong Daughter, and her two brothers, James and Spero, have long joined the Ahepa.

She was initiated into the Maids at the 1956 Supreme Convention in New York and has served Lord Byron Chapter, No. 70, as president since its reactivation. Elected chairman of the Hollywood Convention, she was elevated to her office unanimously.

She is active in civic and community projects in Worcester, while attending college, majoring in English. "Ahepa is a wonderful organization," she says.

## JOAN POMPOS\* Grand Governor

A native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, she joined Sigma Tau Chapter, No. 56, and served as treasurer and president, before her election to the office of Grand Secretary in New York in 1956. She was elevated to Grand Vice-President in St. Louis and to Grand President in Boston. She accepted to remain on the Grand Lodge as Governor.

\*Omitted to mail her picture.

After High School, she attended the University of Pittsburgh and the American Institute of Banking. She is employed by the Commonwealth Trust Company. She also teaches Sunday School at the St. Nicholas Cathedral of Pittsburgh.

"I shall do all I can to help the Maids progress," she concluded on accepting the draft as Grand Governor.

## ANN GALLAN Maids National Advisor

A native of New York City, she first joined the Daughters of Penelope Rhene Chapter and then transferred to Niobe Chapter of Jamaica.

After serving her chapter as secretary for two terms, she was elected Lt. Governor and Governor of Empire State District No. 6. She acted as Credentials Committee Chairman in New York and Resolutions Committee Chairman in Boston, showing understanding of the problems of the Daughters of Penelope and skill in parliamentary procedure. Her father, James, is an active member of the famous Long Island Chapter, No. 86.

A graduate of the Greek School of Corona and of Queens College, she attended Fordham Law School for two years before she was appointed to the New York Workmen's Compensation Board as secretary.

She brings to her new job considerable experience in dealing with young people and a real affection for our Junior Order of the Maids of Athens. She will continue the good work of her predecessor, Adelaide Nicholas of Brooklyn, New York, who served in this capacity for two terms.

**MAIDS! Join in our Christmas Seal Drive. Send in your contributions for the Ahepa School. NOW!**

THE AHEPAN



Supreme President Manta



Supreme Vice-Pres. Cholakis



Supr. Sec.-Treas. Papadakis



Supreme Governor Blanos



Supreme Governor Zegras

## Sons' 1959-60 Supreme Lodge

### FRANK MANTA Supreme President

Hailing from Chicago, he has been on the Supreme Lodge since 1955, when he was elected Supreme Governor, after having held office on the chapter and district levels. He has served as Supreme Secretary-Treasurer for one term and Supreme Vice-President for two terms before his elevation to the highest office within the power of our Junior Auxiliary.

He attended St. John's Military Academy and Northwestern University, from which he graduated with a Bachelor's degree, having majored in political science and industrial management. He is the son of past Supreme President Manta.

"Our main concern this year will be the reactivation of Sons Chapters and a considerable increase in our membership," he declared to our Supreme Lodge.

### JOHN M. CHOLAKIS Supreme Vice-President

Hailing from Albany, New York, he was first elected to the office of Secretary-Treasurer in Boston, followed by his elevation to the present office in Hollywood. He served his chapter, Phocion, No. 44, as secretary, vice-president and president; his district No. 6 as Lt. Governor and the St. Louis and Boston Conventions as vice-chairman and chairman, respectively.

He is now attending Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Washington and is a member of two fraternities, Delta Phi Epsilon and Alpha Phi Omega, also serving as Secretary-Treasurer of the Student Council at Georgetown.

"I hope to contribute to the progress of our Sons before I join the Foreign Service and perhaps go abroad," he said.

### JAMES PAPADAKIS Supreme Secretary-Treasurer

Hailing from Houston, Texas, he was

elected to the Supreme Lodge for the first time in Hollywood. He joined the Junior Order in 1953 and has since served his chapter in many capacities and his district No. 16 for two years.

After graduating from High School, he enrolled in the Southern Methodist University in Dallas, where he is a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He has also served as Altar Boy and in the choir of his local church.

"I shall try to justify the faith my fellow-delegates showed in me," he stated after his election.

### NEIL BLANOS Supreme Governor

Though born in Passaic, New Jersey, he has made New Haven, and then Hamden, Connecticut, his home since 1948. He joined the Sons in 1954 when Elm City Chapter was reactivated and served as secretary, treasurer and president. He went on to the District Lodge, serving as Secretary-Treasurer and Governor. Hollywood elevated him to his present office.

After High School, he entered Southern Connecticut State College, from which he will be graduating next June. He is majoring in science in the Junior High School Program. He has attended Sunday School, has served as Altar Boy and in the Scouts and has participated in many church functions.

"I wish to round up my education by serving in the Sons Supreme Lodge, before I am eligible to join the Ahepa," is his program.

### PETER JOHN ZEGRAS Supreme Governor

Hailing from New York City, he has been active in Sons activities ever since he joined in 1956, when he was also elected president of Renaissance Chapter, No. 5, and helped to increase its membership from 9 to 36 within the short period of six months. The following

year he succeeded to the vacancy in the office of District Secretary-Treasurer and in June of that year he was elevated to District Governor. When he retired in 1958, his Empire District No. 6 was the largest in the Order with 11 active chapters and a total membership of 240. He was elected to his present office by proxy.

After High School, he enrolled in the City College of New York, at the same time being employed by a large New York Advertising Agency. He also completed a six month tour of duty in the Army.

"It is indeed a great honor for me to serve on the Sons Supreme Lodge," he has stated.

### GEORGE COKINOS Executive Secretary

Our Junior Order of the Sons of Pericles is being served for many years now by a dedicated Ahepa, GEORGE COKINOS. He is their Executive Secretary with headquarters at the Ahepa Building, 1422 K Street, N.W., Washington. He is familiar with their procedures and their problems and helps the incoming administration over the initial hurdles of getting acquainted with their jobs and then carry on with the mandates of their conventions.

### LEE J. MILLAS Periclean Editor

After having served the Order faithfully and ably on the Supreme Lodge and finally as its Supreme President, LEE has accepted the appointment of serving as assistant editor of our magazine in the capacity of editing the news pertaining to the Sons.

He is more than sufficiently aware of the task ahead and should be assisted by all in his present job. Please mail him direct news of your activities, which should be publicized in our monthly magazine. His address: 20 Delaware-view Avenue, Trenton 8, New Jersey.

## Give For Ahepa School

TO THE SUPREME LODGE, AND  
THE 24 DISTRICT LODGES:

The enclosed record of the 1958-59 Fund Drive for the Ahepa School at St. Basil's lists the chapters that responded during last year's campaign.

Only 109 chapters responded!

It is imperative that you contact those chapters that *have not responded*, urging them to co-operate in this all-important campaign in behalf of the Ahepa School.

Your urgent attention to this matter is requested.

JAMES ZOLOTAS, GEORGE E. LOUCAS,  
Nat. Chairman, Supreme President.



An hour of play at St. Basil's Academy.

### Chapter Contributions 1958-59

<b>District No. 1</b>	
Atlanta, Ga., #1	\$ 155.00
Birmingham, Ala., #1	1,000.00
Memphis, Tenn., #7	100.00
<b>District No. 2</b>	
Tampa, Fla., #12	50.00
St. Petersburg, Fla., #15	25.00
W. Palm Beach, Fla., #18	246.86
<b>District No. 3</b>	
Charlotte, N. C., #2	95.00
Bluefield, W. Va., #132	25.00
Lynchburg, Va., #134	75.00
Roanoke, Va., #137	50.00
Annapolis, Md., #286	25.00
<b>District No. 4</b>	
Philadelphia, Pa., #26	300.00
Wilkes-Barre, Pa., #55	155.00
Easton, Pa., #56	100.00
Bethlehem, Pa., #65	100.00
Williamsport, Pa., #76	155.00
Uniontown, Pa., #116	106.00
<b>District No. 5</b>	
Vineland, N. J., #162	150.00
Elizabeth, N. J., #280	100.00
<b>District No. 6</b>	
Binghamton, N. Y., #77	331.00
Brooklyn, N. Y., #41	310.00
Buffalo, N. Y., #91	250.00
Endicott, N. Y., #298	80.00
Jamaica, N. Y., #86	1,000.00
Bronx, N. Y., #175	300.00
Brooklyn, N. Y., #419	10.00
Elmira, N. Y., #111	85.77
Staten Island, N. Y., #349	55.00
<b>District No. 7</b>	
Bridgeport, Conn., #62	131.75
New Haven, Conn., #98	25.00
Danbury, Conn., #90	108.00
Meriden, Conn., #126	121.00
Newport, R. I., #245	50.00
<b>District No. 8</b>	
Clinton, Mass., #362	118.50
Haverhill, Mass., #59	60.00

<b>District No. 9</b>	
Portland, Me., #82	100.00
Manchester, N. H., #44	100.00
<b>District No. 10</b>	
Ann Arbor, Mich., #195	200.00
Flint, Mich., #141	252.00
Lansing, Mich., #142	135.00
Muskegon, Mich., #215	240.02
Pontiac, Mich., #155	1,000.00
Detroit, Mich., #371	175.00
Grand Rapids, Mich., #196	250.00
Toledo, Ohio, #118	100.00
Saginaw, Mich., #216	150.00
<b>District No. 11</b>	
Lexington, Ky., #258	114.00
Clarksburg, W. Va., #96	127.00
Weirton, W. Va., #103	300.00
Zanesville, Ohio, #305	40.00
Huntington, W. Va., #507	100.00
<b>District No. 12</b>	
Anderson, Ind., #198	150.37
Ft. Wayne, Ind., #81	25.00
East Chicago, Ind., #157	200.00
<b>District No. 13</b>	
Chicago, Ill., #334	20.00
Oak Park, Ill., #104	50.00
<b>District No. 14</b>	
Des Moines, Iowa, #192	300.00
Mason City, Iowa, #207	100.00
Waterloo, Iowa, #222	300.00
Sioux Falls, S. D., #190	60.62
Ft. Dodge, Iowa, #208	100.00
Sioux City, Iowa, #191	100.00
Aberdeen, S. D., #249	80.00
<b>District No. 15</b>	
Kansas City, Kansas, #372	197.15
Lincoln, Nebr., #166	105.00
Omaha, Nebr., #147	50.00
Kansas City, Mo., #73	455.00
Oklahoma City, Okla., #240	92.15
<b>District No. 16</b>	
Monroe, La., #347	36.00
New Orleans, La., #153	136.12
Galveston, Texas, #276	15.00
San Antonio, Texas, #511	100.00
Amarillo, Texas, #365	15.00
Ft. Worth, Texas, #19	50.00
Houston, Texas, #29	50.45
Waco, Texas, #328	50.00
<b>District No. 17</b>	
Denver, Colo., #145	272.00
Cheyenne, Wyo., #211	50.00
Rock Springs, Wyo., #181	25.00
Casper, Wyo., #159	210.00
Green River, Wyo., #182	60.38
<b>District No. 18</b>	
Great Falls, Mont., #229	100.00
Missoula, Mont., #259	50.00
<b>District No. 19</b>	
Boise, Idaho, #254	50.00
Ely, Nev., #188	50.00
Salt Lake City, #146	55.00
Pocatello, Idaho, #238	100.00
Price, Utah, #185	50.00
District 19 Convention	240.00
<b>District No. 20</b>	
San Diego, Calif., #223	801.52
Tucson, Ariz., #275	141.00
Phoenix, Ariz., #219	262.00
<b>District No. 21</b>	
Eureka, Calif., #269	50.00
Marysville, Calif., #228	20.00
Sacramento, Calif., #153	300.00
San Francisco, Calif., #150	516.70
Roseville, Calif., #231	25.00
Reno, Nev., #281	20.00
Oakland, Calif., #171	50.00
Salinas, Calif., #253	10.19
San Jose, Calif., #251	10.00
Stockton, Calif., #212	33.50
<b>District No. 22</b>	
Vancouver, B. C., C.J-6	50.00
Spokane, Wash., #180	75.00
Everett, Wash., #256	50.00
Yakima, Wash., #299	50.00

<b>District No. 23</b>	
Ottawa, Ont., C.J-5	100.00
Toronto, Ont., C.J-1	127.00
<b>District No. 24</b>	
Edmonton, Alta., C.J-10	95.00

The above listing does not include Personal Donations forwarded separately. Also, in many instances the Daughters of Penelope chapters worked together with the Ahepa chapters in raising contributions for the Ahepa School.

## Our 14th National Banquet

At its October meeting, the Supreme Lodge of the Order of Ahepa set the date and place of our 14th Ahepa Biennial Banquet, given in honor of the Congress of the United States, for Monday, March 21, 1960, at the Hotel Statler-Hilton, Washington, D.C.

All Chapters of the fraternity are requested to send their reservations to the Supreme Lodge Headquarters as soon as possible, indicating thereon their first, second and third choices from among the United States Congress, as their Honor Guests.

Reservations for the Biennial Banquet are \$30.00 per couple, and the official invitations will be extended by the Supreme Lodge, as well as by each chapter. The reservations will be made giving preference to the first notifications received, and for this reason your Supreme Lodge must have three choices from each chapter.

Official announcement of the speakers for the banquet will be made at a later date.

### Every Chapter Must Participate

Our first concern is that every chapter participate by sending us their proper remittance and reservation forms, which have been mailed to all chapters.

All members of the Ahepa family are cordially invited to attend this banquet which promises to be the finest in years. Members of the Ahepa attending the banquet (provided that early reservations are sent to Headquarters) will be seated together with their U. S. Senators and Representatives, insofar as is possible.

Ahepa's National Biennial Banquet is without doubt one of the finest social affairs in the Nation's Capital. It brings together every two years the Members of the United States Congress and the officers and members of the Order of Ahepa.

### Chapter Presidents Please Note

We urgently request all Chapter Presidents to take immediate action in the selection of their Honor Guests, and to so inform the Headquarters. Please remittance for these reservations at the same time to the Headquarters, at the rate of \$30.00 per couple.

## CHAPTER NEWS

### News from Zone Two

#### St. Andrew's School

St. Andrew's School of Greek-American Culture in Beechhurst, N. Y., announced the formation of a special fund-raising committee for its \$20,000 "Operation New Wing" drive to add an auditorium, gymnasium and cafeteria to the existing educational structure.

Members of AHEPA who have been invited to participate in key positions of the drive, are: Philip J. Kanas, Chairman; Thomas Phuros, Vice-Chairman (both of Long Island Chapter, No. 86) and Frank Mantzaris, Legal Counsel (Washington Heights Chapter, No. 367).

St. Andrew's is a private school in Queens County, with a full curriculum in English and Greek. It has been successfully operating for over 10 years.

#### From Elmira, N. Y.

Past District Governor and Mrs. George Miller recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary. The Millers are well-known in this area. They have always been devoted supporters of every civic and AHEPA activity. As District Governor of Empire State District No. 6, George has made a host of friends in district and national circles.

Constantine A. Periales, son of a proud AHEPA family, recently graduated from our Holy Cross Theological School. The entire membership of the Elmira Chapter felt pride at this scholastic accomplishment.

#### From Astoria, N. Y.

Vice-President Chris G. Rodis of Queensboro Chapter, No. 97, completed last June his law studies and immediately prepared for his admission to the Bar of New York. A former Son and active in Ahepa circles, Chris is the son of George Rodis and brother-in-law of James Felos, both past presidents of Queensboro. He has been associated in the Real Estate business of his father.

### Is the Local Level Important?

Next month, chapters throughout our Ahepa domain will elect their 1960 officers. Careful thought should be given as to their qualifications. The success or failure of the entire AHEPA program probably rests on these "grass roots" spokesmen.

It has been mentioned in the past that an emanates from the "mountain

top," our Supreme Lodge, who in turn set in motion the mandates of our Supreme Conventions. However, the call will go unheeded, the program will collapse in a particular area, if chapter leaders do not possess the imagination, interest, ability or know-how.

For this reason, it is important that chapters everywhere prepare and groom future leaders and elect during this December men who will be able spokesmen for AHEPA in their community. The election of a chapter's president should especially boil down to a contest as to who is the most able. The drafting of unwilling men for the chapter's highest office invariably leads to poor administration.

And if chapters eventually resort to drafting someone instead of selecting from a sizeable group of available candidates, such action would only indicate that proper care was not given to the projection of qualified men.

### K. Stoumpas Class



President Levendis presenting award to honored guest Stoumpas with District Governor Panos looking on. A most impressive ceremony.

In a maximum effort that brought a capacity house recently to Jamaica, N. Y., to witness the first appearance of District Governor John Panos of Buffalo, N. Y., at the Long Island Chapter, No. 86, induction of their "Kostas Stoumpas Class" in honor of that veteran member, AHEPA officially began the fall-winter season in this area. In addition to delegations with their presidents from numerous chapters of the city, Panos was escorted by Lt. Gov. Cuyulis of Bay Ridge, Dist. Sec. Vlassis of Syracuse and Dist. Treas. Linakis of Jamaica.

The man in whose honor all this was arranged, Kostas Stoumpas, was awarded the Jamaicans' "Late C. G. Katis Trophy for Distinguished Service." The selection of Stoumpas for such honors on that jam-packed evening, actually served as a tribute to the many, many members who

have quietly served without thought of honor and recognition, year after year, from the day of AHEPA's inception.

Stoumpas, as so many others like him in so many lodges, served because he loves the Order; he gave of his heart, enthusiasm, finances and labors because he wished to help, with no motives for self-glorification and advancement.

Honors to this lovable man were in fact a recognition of this quiet, devoted segment in all chapters who are the backbone of AHEPA! A warm salute to Stoumpas and to all other Ahepans like him.

Also awarded that night were the following: "L. I. 86 MEDAL OF MERIT" to James Plevritis (donated by Dem. P. Galanopoulos); "L. I. 86 BROTHERHOOD MEDAL" to Charles J. Drewes (donated by Gust G. Orphanides); "L. I. 86 ACHIEVEMENT MEDAL" to Peter Couloufacos (donated by Michael Georgiades "In memory of Kyriakos Anastasiou"); "L. I. 86 SERVICE MEDALS" to Michael Georgiades and Nicholas Scaltsas (both donated anonymously, the former in memory of Demetrios Scaltsas, the latter in memory of Peter Levendis).

### Public Servants of 86

We recently took a sample poll of chapters and came up with this interesting news. Long Island, No. 86, at Jamaica, N. Y., known as the "OPERATION FRATERNALISM" Chapter, has the following civic leaders who are active members:

JAMES E. MARANGOS — civil engineer, M.I.T. graduate, employed by the City of New York for 34 years in responsible engineering capacities. During the past 12 years, he has been in charge of the multi-million dollar highway design program of the office of the Borough President of Queens. He is alleged to be one of the city's foremost experts on highway and bridge design. He is a charter member of the Boston Chapter.

JAMES A. LUNDY — former Borough President of Queens 1952/1958, he is now in New York State Governor Rockefeller's cabinet, serving as Chairman of the State Public Service Commission. He is very popular with Ahepans and the Hellenic-American group of New York State.

THOMAS J. MACKELL — New York State Senator who worked his way up from the police force. Classified as a

capable, effective attorney, he has made an outstanding reputation for himself in New York affairs. He is very active in AHEPA, taking time out to visit the AHEPA BLOOD BANK to donate. He was a recent nominee for the Democratic party nomination to run for Queens Borough President and was defeated by a small margin.

**JAMES A. ROE** — a civic and political tower of strength in Queens County, he has been active in AHEPA for many years. He is always in front for every worthy activity of AHEPA and our people. In political activities, he has earned the reputation of "master strategist."

**N. P. LEVENDIS,**  
*Associate Editor.*

### **Carnival King Gone**

**JAMES E. STRATES**, 65, carnival king and Ahepa's "ambassador" in the Empire State District No. 6, died suddenly last October. Services were held in the Greek Orthodox Churches at Raleigh, N. C. and Endicott, N. Y., following impressive tributes accorded the famous showman.

"**JIMMIE**," as he was affectionately known, came to America in 1909 as a youthful immigrant from Sparta. He skyrocketed to success as he built a small truck carnival into a 50-car railroad show that was one of the biggest in the country. It annually played the outstanding State Fairs of the Eastern seaboard. And where he went his friends were many.

A member of our Elmira Chapter, No. 111, since 1926, he served as president in 1934, and was instrumental in establishing the Ahepa Home in Elmira in 1950. He was prominent in the Ahepa in Binghamton and Endicott, and participated in the 25-year banquet of Leonidas Chapter, No. 77, last September, attended by Supreme Vice-President Kimon A. Doukas, District Governor John Panos and others, including James A. Veras as toastmaster.

Officers of the Elmira, Endicott and Binghamton Chapters conducted the Ahepa ritual at Endicott.

—**GEORGE BACALLES**

### **News from Zone Three**

#### **Conference at Newport, R. I.**

District No. 7 delegates from three Southern New England States met recently at the Hellenic Hall of Newport, R. I. President Alexander Demesianos of the host chapter welcomed them.

Waterbury Ahepans received a membership plaque. Past Supreme President Verinis reported on the Hellenic University. Harry M. Rozes of Newport was presented a past president's pin. Constantine Chagares, New Haven Athletic

Director, gave a report. C. P. Pappas, New Haven News Editor, announced that Anthony Don Bullion was named business manager and Nicholas Giatrelis, circulation manager.

Sons of Pericles Jeffrey Louis and Peter Sakelakos of New Britain, Conn., were sworn in as District Governor and Secretary-Treasurer, respectively. George Yatrousis, Norwich, reported on the Sons' basketball tourney next year in New Haven.

Daughters District Governor Mrs. Sophie Capucci of Bridgeport, reported on St. Basil's Seal Drive. Buffet supper was served by the Daughters with Mrs. Mary Champion in charge.

### **The Kyros Square**

The Cambridge Greek Community recently dedicated a square in outdoor ceremonies for one of its past presidents, Fred A. Kyros. Present were church, Ahepa and civic dignitaries. Speeches were made by Bishop Athenagoras, Supreme Governor William Tsaffaras and others. Kyros, a past Bay State District Governor, died last January. He was characterized as a zealous worker for Greek American causes. Chris Christopher, president of Samuel Gridley Howe Chapter, was master of ceremonies at the dedication. Members from 17 chapters in the district attended. A district meeting followed with District Governor George Kotis and his officers in charge.

### **Scholarship Ball**

Chairman Charles M. Georgeson reported on the District No. 8 Scholarship Ball held at Marlboro Country Club. Bay State District annually makes three awards with two additional awards this year due to generosity of Angelo Cotsidas and Michael Vrotsos. Scholarship committee members are C. F. Bicoulis of Fitchburg; P. H. Despotopoulos of Clinton; George Granitsas of Marlboro; P. J. Haste of New Bedford; John T. Laskaris of Peabody; Basil Milonas of Whitman and Thos. Pureka of Lynn.

### **Initiated Five**

The degree team of S. G. Howe Chapter, No. 38, initiated 5 candidates into Athens Chapter, No. 24, last month. It was Athens Chapter's 725th regular meeting; A. Hasiotes presided, Chris Christopher headed the Howe group. New members are: Peter Coulouris, Charles J. Doulos, A. F. Kalfopoulos, A. S. Kitsos and Peter N. Otis.

### **Day School Dedicated**

Our Lowell Greek Community recently dedicated its new Day School building. Supreme Governor Wm. Tsaffaras was general chairman. Many dignitaries were present, including Archbishop Iakovos. Elias Kolofolias received the Gold Cross

of the Order of Phoenix from Aristides Pilavachis, Greek Embassy official.

### **Ahepa Homes**

Marlboro Ahepa has leased a building for its new home. A former fire house building, it will be remodeled with offices and social rooms on the first floor and a meeting hall on the second floor. Marlboro Ahepans also held a successful summer outing and have already started planning for the District Convention to be held in Marlboro — next June.

On the other hand, our Ahepa family of Peabody sponsored an Ahepa Building Fund Ball last month at the Hotel Rockmore, Marblehead. Chairman of the dance was Jas. Velonis and co-chair-ladies Anne Vontzalides and Sophie Anasoulis.

### **Golf Tournament**

Bay State District No. 8 two-ball golf tournament was held last month at Sandy Burr Country Club, Wayland, Mass.

Ted Vratos of Peabody won the New England Ahepa golf title in a tourney held last September at the Haverhill Country Club. This was the 16th annual tourney. Ted's 77 was tops with G. Govotas of Woburn with an 84 and John Laskaris third with an 87. Low net went to Spike Karavedas of Peabody, who is District No. 8 champ, with 72. Class B honors went to John Bornos of Woburn. Class C was won by K. Trompalos of Marlboro. In charge was New England Zone Director Dr. Monthe Kofos, assisted by Charles Chanis. District Governor Kotis presented the prize at the luncheon following the tourney.

### **Honors Won**

Stand-out football player on the Harvard College team is Peter Eliades, son of former Mayor and past Supreme Counsellor George Eliades of Lowell.

Arthur C. Hasiotes, Athens chapter president, was awarded a district membership medal for the first half of current year.

Paul Yphantis was winner of a Chevrolet at Boston Cathedral outing last summer. Everyone was glad for Paul, as he works very hard for Ahepa, church and whatever good cause there is.

Athens Chapter member Charles Costello was a candidate in the primary for Boston City Councillor. Although defeated, only very few votes separated him from victory.

### **November Events**

Our Nashua Ahepans and Daughters sponsored a Fall Frolics Dance at Nicholas Hall.

Biddeford-Saco Ahepans and Daughters held their Annual Dance at K. Hall.



Portland Ahepans held a Halloween Gala at the Greek Community Center. Cosumes, refreshments and a buffet were highlights of the gay evening. Chris Makrides was chairman with Evan Vamvakias and Chris Dadiotes assisting.

Attorney George S. Pappagianis of Nashua was a candidate for office of alderman-at-large in the city election. He is currently serving his third term as State representative and District No. 9 Secretary of Ahepa. He is active in church and civic circles.

Mayor Andrew and Mrs. Jarvis of Portsmouth made the Sunday Herald Pictorial Review in a spread on Portsmouth.

#### District Governor Visits

Longfellow Chapter, No. 82, was paid a surprise visit at their October 23rd meeting by District Governor Angelo Chouramancos, Secretary George Pappagianis and Advisor Peter Celos. Vice-President Chris Makrides was presiding. The District Governor spoke on the highlights and accomplishments of our last Convention and listed district activities that would include seminars, initiations and installations. He announced that the Scholarship Committee composed of George Pappagianis, Nashua; Prof. Nicholas Colotos of the University of New Hampshire and Theodore Barris of Portland, Maine, held their first meeting in Portsmouth, N. H. the previous week.

STRATIS DOUKAS,  
*Associate Editor.*

#### News from Zone Five Mayor Christopher

One of our most renowned members, GEORGE CHRISTOPHER, was re-elected for a second term as Mayor of San Francisco. The vote was overwhelming. He is now completing a most successful and progressive term of four years as the chief executive of a large and growing metropolis.

His Honor was the recipient of the 1959 Ahepa Public Service Award, presented to him by the then Supreme President Verinis in behalf of the Order of Ahepa. The occasion was the Grand Banquet held during the 37th Supreme Convention in Hollywood.

The entire Ahepa family salutes MAYOR CHRISTOPHER and wishes him success and happiness in his undertaking.

#### Annual Eureka Excursion

Due to long distances between chapters in the Far West, District 21 holds an annual excursion to its Eureka Chapter, located far and away in the State of California.

This year it was a huge success, under the leadership of Caravan Commander Lt. Governor Andrew Asimos, assisted

by his co-commanders, Marshal Alex Sardounis and James Phillips.

Upon the arrival of the caravan on Saturday, October 3, Chapter Secretary Jerry Colivas and his charming wife hosted the visitors at a cocktail party in their home. This was followed by a banquet held at the Eureka Inn, with John Johnson, Chapter President, acting as toastmaster. There were three speakers: Supreme Counsellor Nicholas A. Loumos, District Governor Eli Liverato and Lt. Governor Andrew Asimos.

On Sunday morning the group had a Get-together Breakfast at the Eureka Inn, before leaving for their respective homes.

#### Battle of the Golden West

District Governor Eli Liverato of District 21, having received the mandate of the Supreme Lodge, is beginning to gear the whole district into a hard hitting membership drive, in order to win the "Battle of the Golden West" against District 20.

The District Officers have been traveling from chapter to chapter, helping to set-up the drive, and very shortly we should be able to see the results on the horizon.

Golden Gate Chapter of San Francisco and Oakland Chapter in conjunction with the membership drive, are planning in their membership drive to reactivate the Sons of Pericles Chapters in this area. The same procedure for obtaining membership as outlined by the Supreme Lodge in its manual are being used by the committees appointed.

ANGELO MOUNTANOS,  
*Associate Editor.*

#### Annual Fund Raiser

Professional basketball, with the St. Louis Hawks opposing the Detroit Pistons at St. Louis Kiel Auditorium, was the annual fund raiser for the Kiwanis Downtown Club in St. Louis. CHARLES WILLIAMS was chairman of the Kiwanis Basketball Nite Campaign. About 5,000 Kiwanians, their families and friends attended the professional basketball game.

It was quite an evening for basketball enthusiasts and the drive raised another \$5,000 toward payment of the Camp Wyman Swimming Pool. —KIWANIS WEEKLY.

#### North Shore Bowling

The North Shore Chapter, No. 94, Bowling League opened its 14th season of intra-chapter competition last September at the newly-built Waveland Bowl. The league will comprise eight 5-man teams. It has bowled without interruption since 1945. It is the oldest among our chapters.

North Shore was instrumental in creating the 13th District Bowling Tourna-

ment in 1946. Teams representing chapters from Illinois, Wisconsin and Missouri have been competing annually for coveted awards and prizes. North Shore has been victorious 5 times; finished second 5 times, and third 4 times.

Officers for the 1959-1960 season are: Nick Lianos, President; George Atsaves, Vice-President; Nick Rekas, secretary, and Gust Snoply, Treasurer.

—NICK REKAS

#### Gus Triandos Honored



President Anderson presents plaque to Triandos.

A very successful testimonial banquet was given last June by the officers and members of Baltimore's Worthington Chapter, No. 30 — one of the most energetic links in the Ahepa chain. They honored Gus Triandos, the all-star catcher of the Orioles. The entire Greek community of Baltimore participated, with State and City officials attending as guests.

In addition, two other well-known players participated: Bill Loes and Milton Pappas, both of the Baltimore Orioles.

Chapter President Nicholas Anderson presented Gus Triandos the 1959 Sports Award Plaque in behalf of the Supreme Lodge.

#### Going Forward

The Warren, Ohio, Sons of Pericles Chapter, No. 39, has embarked upon another season of activity. The first meeting was held in September to elect new officers: Clem Costas, president; Louis Jarvis, vice-president; William Kiriazis, secretary and James Raptis, treasurer.

The Sons have a full program planned, with ping pong and volley ball tournaments scheduled; also, car washes, bake sales and dances are planned to raise money. They have their own initiation team, which assisted in initiating five new members last month. With 26 active members, this chapter is looking forward to earning another national award this year.—LOUIS JARVIS

OUR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE COMMENCED  
SEPTEMBER 1st AND WILL END MARCH  
31st. JOIN! BRING IN A NEW MEM-  
BER. REINSTATE AN INACTIVE MEMBER.  
BE A GOOD LOYAL MEMBER — NOW!



# THE PENELOPIAN



Alcmena Daughters bearing gifts for "Eleni."

## For Good Fellowship

One of the meetings of the Alcmena Chapter, No. 27, Daughters of Penelope, of Baltimore, was held recently at the home of Mrs. Andrew Cavacos. The Daughters came bringing various articles to send to their adopted orphan "Eleni" in Greece.

It is interesting to note that Alcmena Chapter was among the very first to adopt a Greek orphan over 14 years ago and many chapters have since followed their example.

Mrs. Peter T. Copsones is the present Chairman of the Orphans' Committee. In addition to articles, a sum of money is collected and sent every month.

The present officers are: President, Mrs. Willard Stevens; Vice-President, Miss Ann Scarlata; Treasurer, Mrs. Gus Xintas; and Secretaries, Mrs. Stella Constantine and Miss Katy Macroyannis.

Subsequently, the Daughters held a fashion show featuring "A Century of Bridal Gowns" worn both here and in Greece for the benefit of the new social and educational building addition to Baltimore's Greek Orthodox Church "Evangelismos."—SOPHIE A. CAVACOS

## Compassionate Daughters

Circumstances and an act of grace aided the destiny of a six year old girl from Mytilene, Greece. The following letter, which tells of the situation, was received by the members of Iliion Chapter, No. 135, Astoria, New York, who after due deliberation of the Foster Parents' Plan selected Constantina T. to be their Foster Child.

Dear Foster Parents:

*I received the grant for the month and a blanket. My poor mother and I thank*

*you warmly. I pray to God to keep you in good health and happy.*

*I am an orphan and live in a little house outside the town. Three years ago I lost my father. His fishboat struck a rock, my father was injured and drowned.*

*My mother works to earn a living for me and my sister, two years old. Fortunately Virgin Mary sent you to help us. With much affection and respect.*

*Your foster daughter,*

CONSTANTINA T.

A sad story, which in its small way has a happy ending. Constantina will have a chance to live a better life, thanks to the Iliion Chapter.

—ELAINE ARVANITAKIS

## On Membership Drives

A glance at the 1959 Ahepa Yearbook will show that many a chapter loses as many members as it takes in, the net result being zero insofar as increase of its membership goes.

One of the big reasons for such a situation is laxity in collecting dues. What this boils down to is having a good secretary, that is, a secretary who will be always on his toes ready to go into action whenever a member's year is up.

So the job of secretary is not that easy or simple and, therefore, could not be entrusted to anyone simply because he wants to have it. He who aspires to the president's office must make sure that he obtains the services of an alert secretary.

The other side of the picture is getting in new members. To do so a little imagination is needed, first, as to the source to be tapped and, second, as to the manner of induction. Insofar as the former is concerned there could be a sizeable increase in the membership if the Ahepans alone would bring in their sons. And, of course, there is many a young man who could be induced to join.

Insofar as the latter is concerned there are many ways to make an initiation attractive. But above everything else it must be as impressive as possible. Mass initiations — a phrase coined by *Hermes*, which now is the No. 1 New York chapter in membership — are very effective. It would also help to do away with cut and dry stuff.

Ahepa must be interpreted in terms of the present and the future and as an instrumentality which seeks to enrich not only its own members but the commun-

ity as well, with that lofty idealism which is the chief characteristic of Hellenic culture.

A would-be Ahepan must be inspired with the thought that the Order represents something different and not merely an association of individuals for the sake of having a good time.

Incidentally, the new material must be put to work immediately. The moment it remains idle and stagnant it will lose interest.—JAMES KARABATOS, Past President, *Hermes Chapter, New York.*

## Visitors at Headquarters

The following members were recent visitors at the Supreme Lodge Headquarters, Washington, D.C.:

Nicholas P. Brous, Baltimore, Md.; Gus Pezoulas and James Pezoulas, Ottawa, Ont., Canada; Mr. and Mrs. Denis Daoussis, Montreal, Que., Canada; John DeMoss, Minneapolis, Minn.; Gus Scarmales, Miami, Fla.; Takis Stergiopoulos, Gainesville, Fla.; Charles A. Williams, St. Louis, Mo.; Arthur N. Samios, Louis S. Sharkey, Peter Papadrew, Westminster, Md.; George Rodis, Flushing, N. Y.; Anthony Koutros, Hillis, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. George Chipouras, Hempstead, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. James Manos, Steubenville, Ohio; Gus Souris, Alexandria, Va.; Demetri Chronopoulos and Son, Grand Island, Neb.; Mr. and Mrs. George Pappas, Columbus, Ohio; Ted Boudouris, Dayton, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. John Tsugranes, Springfield, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. James Conomos, Buffalo, N. Y.; Louis Manesiotes, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Nicholas Zannetos, Hartford, Conn.; A. Don Bullion, Bidgeport, Conn.; Peter Katsonas and George Prahales-Panos, Montreal, Que., Canada; Steve E. Gaveris, Milwaukee, Wisc.; Joe Abram, Jacksonville, Fla.; Wm. Belby, Chicago, Ill.; John Panos, Buffalo, N. Y.; George Carros, Scranton, Pa.; Captain D. Dritsas, Flushing, N. Y.; James A. Poll, Manhasset, N. Y.; Harry Zourdos, Bronx, N. Y.; Louis J. Dukas, Bronx, N. Y.; Ted Bouras, St. Louis, Mo.

## Letters from America

Letters to friends and relatives abroad says George V. Allen, Director of the United States Information Agency, can help create the "mighty wave of understanding so sorely needed in today's world." Letters abroad make friends abroad. You can help create that mighty wave of understanding merely by writing a letter.

## THE PARLIAMENTARIAN SPEAKS

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the seventh installment on parliamentary law and procedure, prepared and edited by past Supreme President George Demeter of Boston, author of his own Manual. All questions and answers that follow were assembled by him with the officers and members of our chapters always in mind as to what they were most interested to know in carrying on their work. He now discusses motions and ballots in connection with the forthcoming election.)



Going to a meeting without having some knowledge of parliamentary law and procedure is like going to war without weapons.

This great nation of ours abounds in clubs, societies and organizations of all kinds. Therefore, we who make up the membership of these organizations, should have some knowledge of parliamentary procedure and should strive to take an active part in the proceedings and deliberations of organization meetings and conventions.

When we are apathetic or idle at meetings, or fail to vote, or otherwise sleep on our rights, we not only forfeit those rights but help give rise to the formation of dictatorships and oligarchies. Members should, therefore, be active in the management of their affairs. Dictators and oligarchs never emerge where majorities are active.

Q. - How can we manipulate motions at meetings so as to enable us to pass a desirable motion, and to defeat a worthless one?

A. - The following tactics, or proceedings, can be used by proponents to pass a good motion and by opponents to help kill a bad motion. (See Demeter's Manual, page 17)

### To help defeat a motion

1. Do not second it. Be silent.
2. Speak against it.
3. Vote against it.
4. Move to postpone it indefinitely, to kill it.
5. Amend it adversely so as to complicate it and make it difficult to pass.
6. Move to postpone it to the next meeting and thus delay its passage.
7. Move the "previous question" (which stops debate on it) so its good points may not be brought out in the discussion of it.
8. Move to table the motion so as to eliminate it from before the body and thus delay it.
9. Move to recess so as to give you time to go after votes.
10. Move to adjourn the meeting so as to prevent final action on it at this meeting and bring in your friends to kill it at the next meeting.
11. Move reconsideration, if the motion has been adopted, and try a second effort to reverse the decision taken on it.
12. Move to rescind the motion if it has not been carried out, or has not been executed.

### To help pass it

1. Second it. Say: "I second it."
2. Speak in favor of it.
3. Vote for it.
4. Defeat indefinite postponement and thus rescue it.
5. Amend it favorably to cure any defects and make it desirable to pass.
6. Vote against all postponements which tend to delay its passage.
7. Defeat the "previous question" so that you may bring out its good points and thus reveal it as a worthwhile motion to pass.
8. Vote down motions to table it and thus keep the motion before the body for decision on it.
9. Defeat all motions to recess so they won't go after votes.
10. Vote down all motions to adjourn, so that the vote for its adoption can be taken at this meeting while you have the votes to do it.
11. Vote against reconsideration so that the motion, as adopted, may not run the risk of being reversed by the second vote on it.
12. Carry out the motion promptly (execute it promptly) so that there may be nothing to rescind.

Q. - On a secret ballot the result was 27 for and 27 against. Another ballot was ordered taken, just as four other members

## SPECIAL MESSAGE

TO: PRESIDENTS, SECRETARIES AND DISTRICT GOVERNORS  
SUBJECT: ELECTION OF CHAPTER OFFICERS FOR 1960

Your chapter is about to hold its annual election of Chapter Officers next month. The proper meeting notices must be sent to all members in due time. Kindly take immediate steps to insure that all members are notified in accordance with our Constitution.

We have mailed you two forms — one for the elective officers, and the other for the appointive officers. IMMEDIATELY after elections, fill-in the elective form and mail to Headquarters. The appointive form can be mailed after the appointments are made. Newly-elected officers shall assume their duties on the first day of January, 1960. Report election results to your District Secretary.

Please note the following Constitutional provisions:

1. All newly-elected and appointed officers should be installed as early as possible, preferably at your first January meeting, if not at an earlier date.
2. All elective officers must be citizens of the country in which their chapter is located.
4. NO member shall be elected Chapter President unless he has previously served a chapter, District, or the Supreme Lodge in an elective office for at least one year.
4. No person shall hold a chapter elective office while at the same time a District or Supreme Lodge officer.

Please refer to Article IX, Sections 1 through 9, for detailed provisions of the Constitution concerning your elections.

As 1959 chapter officers, you have a firm obligation to your successors in office, specifically, to turn over to them a correct and complete set of chapter records. These records must be audited by your Board of Governors. Have you collected all dues? Have you remitted all Per Capita Tax for all members to the Supreme Lodge Headquarters?

We request that you do not delay in filling-in the 1960 Officers Report and mailing it to the Headquarters IMMEDIATELY following your elections, so that all official correspondence will go to your new officers.

The new Secret Password for the First Half of 1960 must be given only to those members who have paid their dues for at least the First Half of 1960.

GEORGE E. LOUCAS,

Supreme President.

JOHN G. PLUMIDES,

Supreme Secretary.

came in. Can these members vote on the second ballot when they were absent on the first ballot?

A. - Yes. On a re-ballot or re-vote on a question all present can vote.

Q. - Our own Chapter by-laws provide that "all elections shall be by ballot." The president ruled "the ballots have to be printed." (His brother-in-law is a printer.) Do ballots have to be printed?

A. - Not necessarily. They can be typewritten, mimeographed, or even written by long hand, just so long as the candidates' names are on the ballot. "Election by ballot," said the court in 139 Mich. 548, means a secret ballot, the essential principle being to conceal from every person the name of the candidates for whom he voted."

Q. - At our district convention a delegate showed his ballot to another delegate just how to voted, before he put it in the box. On a point of order the chairman ruled the ballot was a legally cast ballot and should be counted even though he exposed it to another. Was the chairman correct or wrong?

A. - The chairman ruled correctly. In 100 Wis. 523 (530), the court held that the ballot may be deposited in such a way as to conceal the voter's choice if he so desires.

(To be continued in the next issue.)

# AHEPA District Governors for 1959-1960

## CHRIS J. PARIS Mother Lodge No. 1

A native of Chicago, he moved to Memphis, graduating from High School and raising a family of five. Joined the Sons of Pericles Chapter, No. 78, which he served as treasurer and president. In 1937, he was initiated into Memphis Chapter, No. 7, where he acted as secretary for four terms, vice-president and president for two terms. He went on to serve as District Treasurer and Secretary-Treasurer, before reaching the highest office in our No. 1 District. He was presented the "Outstanding Ahepan" Award of 1958.



In addition he has helped his local church both as trustee and vice-president and raised \$30,000 for its building fund. As co-chairman of the 1958 District Convention Committee he raised \$3,500 in ads.

Active in the restaurant field, he has been president of the Memphis Restaurant Association and first vice-president of the Tennessee Restaurant Association. He is now on the Memphis Beer Licensing Commission and co-chairman of the 1960 Tennessee Restaurant Association Convention.

## A. G. PAPAGEORGIU Citric District No. 2

He came to the United States in 1914 and joined Chicago Chapter, No. 93, in 1927. He raised a family of three, with six grandchildren. A familiar figure at district and national conventions, he has served his chapter in many capacities and finally as president, and his former district No. 13 as governor. The owner of Pekin Cleaners in Chicago, the third largest cleaning establishment in the world, he is now making his home in Palm Beach in semi-retirement.



He has served the Greek War Relief and received many citations in the sale of U.S. War Bonds. At a cost of

\$200,000 he built a hospital in Karistos, Euboea, Greece, to serve 50,000 inhabitants. A life trustee of Chicago's St. Constantine Church, he now serves on the Board of West Palm Beach's St. Katherine Church.

His son is a member of his Chicago Chapter. His wife has served as Grand Lodge officer of the Daughters and is currently District Secretary.

## GEORGE G. BOKOLES Capital District No. 3

A native of Washington area, he joined Capital Chapter, No. 236, which he has served long and well for five years as secretary. He went on to serve as District Secretary and Lt. Governor before reaching his present office. He raised a family of two boys.



His district includes chapters from the States of North Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and, of course, the District of Columbia. Working as a public accountant in Washington, he frequently calls at the Supreme Lodge Headquarters and meets with visiting dignitaries and the rank and file of our Order.

## MICHAEL MANESIOTIS Power District No. 4

It comprises Chapters in the States of Pennsylvania and West Virginia. No biographical data or a photograph were supplied by the District Governor.

## JOHN TRILLY Garden State District No. 5

A native of Wales, Great Britain, he was raised in New York City and now makes his home in Palisade, New Jersey. He is in the luncheonette business.

After serving in the Navy for three years, he was initiated into Hudson Chapter, No. 108, which he served as secretary for four years, as vice-president and president. He went on to serve as District Secretary before reaching his present post.



He has also served as secretary, vice-chairman and chairman of four district conventions and as editor of the "Ahepa Voice," the district publication, for one year.

## JOHN PANOS Empire State District No. 6

A native of Florida, he joined Miami Chapter at the age of 21, in 1944, and served as vice-president and subsequently as Executive Chairman of the 1949 National Convention. He married and moved to Buffalo, transferring to William McKinley Chapter, No. 91, which he served as vice-president and president. He was elevated to the offices of District Secretary and Lt. Governor before taking his present assignment. He also served as vice-chairman and chairman of district conventions.



His wife Gloria is an active Daughter of Penelope and his father-in-law, C. H. Marcopoulos, a past president of Wm McKinley Chapter and very active at district and national conventions. His son, now 8 years old, will join the Sons in due course, thus completing a perfect Ahepa family.

He is a distributor of food service equipment and has an interest in drive-in ice cream stands. Has served in the Air Force, with an honorable discharge as lieutenant. A Mason, member of the Buffalo Junior Chamber of Commerce, he is now serving a term of 7 years as commissioner and secretary to the Buffalo Board of Parking. He is also a past trustee of his local church.

## GEORGE H. MEHOS Yankee District No. 7

A native of Malden, Massachusetts, he is a charter member of Norwalk (Conn.) Chapter, No. 387, which he served as its first president for two terms. His wife is also charter member and first president of the newly formed Pan Chapter, No. 288, of the Daughters. Their two girls and one boy will, when the time comes, join their respective Orders. With his



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father-in-law, he is supervisor in the grain and feed business.

He served his district as Marshal, Treasurer, Secretary and Lt. Governor. He also served in the Army for four years with the famous 4th Armored Division. He also served his local church as trustee. He is a Mason.

His District comprises chapters in Connecticut, Western Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

**GEORGE N. KOTIS**  
**Bay State District No. 8**

It comprises chapters in the State of Massachusetts. No biographical data or photograph were supplied by the District Governor.

**ANGELO CHOURAMANIS**  
**New England District No. 9**

A native of Clinton, Massachusetts, he makes his home in Nashua, New Hampshire, whose chapter he joined in 1949.

He served as treasurer for 2 terms and as president for two and a half years. During his administration, Nashua Chapter purchased its own Ahepa Home, one of the best in the Ahepa Domain. He served as District Secretary and Lt. Governor, before his elevation to his present office. His wife is also an active Daughter.



A member of many civic and fraternal organizations, he has served his local church as trustee for many years. He is associated with Electronics in the field of research and development. His district takes in Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont.

**THOMAS S. KANONAS**  
**Automotive District No. 10**

A native of Saginaw, Michigan, he is a charter member of the Saginaw Chapter of the Sons of Pericles, which he served in all capacities. He was initiated at the Detroit National convention in 1948 and has since served as Auxiliary Advisor to the Sons, District Secretary and Lt. Governor.



He graduated from Pratt Institute of Brooklyn, New York, and is now doing Estate Planning with the Great Life Assurance Company, at the

same time studying business law and taxation.

He has regularly been attending district and national conventions.

**CONSTANTINE H. HOUPIS**  
**Buckeye District No. 11**

A native of Lowell, Massachusetts, raised in Binghamton, New York, he makes his home in Dayton, Ohio, where he was initiated in 1953 by Dayton Chapter, No. 113.

After serving his chapter, he was elected District Marshal, Treasurer and Lt. Governor, thus offering to his District a well-rounded experience and training in Ahepa matters and administration.



His sister is a Daughter of Penelope and his brother-in-law, Chris Floros, is an active Ahepan. He has attended numerous district and national conventions and is quite adept at initiations.

He spent a year in Greece teaching electrical engineering, which is his field now at the Air Force Institute of Technology in Dayton.

**PETER G. BATSAKIS**  
**Blue Ribbon District No. 13**

A native and still resident of Chicago, with his parents hailing from Sparta, he first joined Lord Byron Chapter, No. 11, of the Sons in 1927.

After serving the newly born Junior Auxiliary in many capacities, he entered the Order through Oak Park Chapter, No. 104, which he served four terms as secretary, four terms as governor, two terms as president and two terms as chairman of the board of governors.



After serving as vice-chairman and twice as chairman of district conventions, district advisor, athletic director, and national deputy athletic director, he came to his present position well qualified, loved by his friends and respected by those who disagree with him, to rule a house divided and to bring again unity and fraternalism to the ranks of a mighty district.

He is active in the Moose and the Masons, the Pan-Laonian Federation, the United Greek Orthodox Churches of

Chicago, and the Road Building Machinery For Greece Program. He has attended many conventions along with his wife, a past president of Daughters Mantinea Chapter, No. 152.

**JOHN W. LAMBROS**  
**Grain Field District No. 14**

Born and raised in St. Paul, Minnesota, he, too, first joined the Sons of Pericles and then was taken over by St. Paul Chapter, No. 270, which he served in every appointive and elective office.



Likewise, before taking up his present duties, he served in every office of his district with the sole exception of the secretary. He has attended numerous district and national conventions, pleading for unity and good fellowship.

His father, John C. Lambros, has been an active Ahepan for over 25 years. They are engaged in coffee importing and roasting to the institutional trade in the Northwest.

**CHRIS S. VETOYANIS**  
**Oil Center District No. 15**

Born in the great State of Texas, he was raised and educated in Oklahoma City, where he still makes his home.

After joining Chapter No. 240 in 1946, he served as secretary, vice-president and president for two terms. He then went on to serve as District Secretary, Lt. Governor for two terms and finally was promoted to his present office.



He has quite an army record: Joined the Marines in 1942, served overseas in the Pacific Theatre

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campaigns for 3 years and was recalled to serve again in the 1950 Korean War.

Besides attending his own district conventions, he comes to Supreme Conventions and takes an active part in the consideration of national issues.

**THEODORE KAPSOS**  
Delta District No. 16

A native of the Island of Crete, he came to Milwaukee as a youngster and was educated there until 1936, when he moved to Louisiana (New Iberia). He is engaged in restaurant and hotel business, has raised four children and five grandchildren.

Though only an Ahepan of six years, he is serving his second term as district governor. He is also vice-president of the Board of Trustees of the Holy Trinity Church in New Orleans, where his chapter, Andrew Jackson, No. 133, is situated. As a result, he travels 150 miles one way each time he attends from New Iberia.

His District includes Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas. Every year he travels more than 10,000 miles attending to Ahepa business. But then he is also interested in politics, both on local and state levels, and makes traveling fun.

**JAMES G. DIKEOU**  
Silver District No. 17

Because new elections were held following the mandate of the Hollywood Convention, both biographical data and photograph have been delayed.

**HAROLD ALLEN**  
Rocky Mountain District  
No. 18

A native of Chalkis, Greece, he is a newcomer, having arrived in this country in 1951. He was initiated in 1953 by Butte, Montana, Chapter, No. 206, which he has served in many capacities, and finally as its president.

Before reaching his present office, he served as Lt. Governor and on many district committees. Though no other member of his family has joined the Ahepa family, he is quite ardent and active both locally and on a national level.



**ANDY PANOS**  
Intermountain District  
No. 19

Born and educated in Gary, Indiana, he was initiated in 1945 by Arrowhead Chapter, No. 302, of San Bernardino, California, which he served in many capacities. He then moved to Salt Lake City, Utah, and transferred to Bonneville Chapter, No. 146, which he again served as secretary and president for many terms. He was the first president of the three Salt Lake City Chapters when merged. He served as Lt. Governor for two terms and traveled throughout his district, which covers Utah, Idaho and Nevada.

He is also active in many civic and philanthropic organizations. He is married to the former Donna Kochonis, a charter member of the Salt Lake City Daughters Chapter. He is a food broker.

**FRANK S. RHODES**  
El Camino Real District  
No. 20

It covers New Mexico, Nevada and Southern California. No biographical data or a photograph have been supplied yet by the district governor.

**ELI LIVIERATO**  
Golden Gate District No. 21

A native of Patras, he returned with his American father as a youngster of three to Reno, Nevada, where he was educated and is now making his home. He was initiated into Reno Chapter, No. 281, in 1955, and has since served as Captain of the Guard, Vice-President and President for two terms.

He has served as Lt. Governor, and has participated in many district conventions. He has also joined the Lions, the Masons, the Shrines, the Elks, the American Legion and the Chamber of Commerce.

Both his mother and sister are members of the Ahepa family. He served in the Air Force overseas for two years. He attended the University of Nevada and the University of California Law School. He was admitted to practice in both States of California and Nevada.



**FOTIS C. KOUTLAS**  
Firwood District No. 22

It covers the States of Washington, Oregon, British Columbia and Alaska. No biographical data or a photograph have been supplied yet by the district governor.

**COSTICA ALEXIADE**  
Beaver District No. 23 C.J.

A self-made man, he had to work all his life, first in New York, where he has brothers and sisters, and now in Ottawa. In New York City he was a foreman in the chocolate manufacturing business. In Ottawa he is running a French pastry shop, which he took over more than ten years ago.

Though he considers his biography very ordinary, he has amassed a wonderful experience through long travels. He visits New York quite frequently.

He has worked in various capacities for his chapter and has attended many district and national conventions. He was re-elected to his present office as a reward for his fine work in the past.

**GEORGE P. MAMATAS**  
Royal Canadian District  
No. 24 C.J.

A native of Edmonton, Alberta, he was initiated into Aurora Borealis Chapter, No. 10, in 1952 and has since served in many and varied capacities. He travels extensively to cover his large territory, which covers the Provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba.

He was again unanimously elected to his present office for a second term. He is active in the affairs of his local Greek Orthodox Church and various Masonic bodies.

He studied business and personnel administration at the University of Alberta. He is currently employed by the Workmen's Compensation Board of Alberta.



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Christmas Seal Drive  
for the Ahepa School  
at St. Basil's Academy



## The Ahepa School

*Sir:*  
 Within the next few months, local chapters of the Order of Ahepa, Daughters of Penelope, Sons of Pericles and Mads of Athens will be making one final drive for funds to be used in completing the Ahepa School project at St. Basil's Academy.

The fund raising activities will take many forms and will be governed by the respective chapters of the Order.

This is not an ordinary drive for funds. It is a campaign to finalize a real undertaking by Greek Americans. The new Ahepa School will render a real service to the Hellenic Community and Ahepa lives up to the "E" in its name which stands for education.

We must remember when we are asked to buy tickets to fund-raising events that our small contributions will be matched by other small contributions throughout the country, and that the sum-total will enable Ahepa to finish its commendable work.

We cannot preserve our heritage and our faith unless we prepare our youngsters to serve it.

Ahepa, ever conscious of her role, is doing its share to build up our youth. Its work must be supported by all of us.

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**CONTRIBUTE TO AHEPA'S DRIVE FOR A SCHOOL AT ST. BASIL'S.**

## Reprinted Without Comments

*Sir:*  
 There was an attempt made at the Hollywood Convention to increase the per capita tax by 20 per cent. It failed. While it is true that the Emergency Fund is bankrupt and most district treasurers are operating on a shoestring, these funds must be aided without the expediency of a raise in the per capita tax.

Let the Supreme Lodge embark upon austerity program. We have spoiled the Supreme Lodge officers. They run the business of our fraternity on about as extravagant a basis as International boys are wont to do. And sometimes we wonder if that's not what they have become!

FRANK S. RHODES,

Editor, *El Camino Real*,  
 Official Publication of District 20.

**The man who rests on his laurels is wearing them in the wrong place. —HAROLD COFFIN**

## For Hellenic University

*Sir:*  
 At the October 14 meeting of our chapter, a great deal of time was devoted to discussing the remarks of the Honorable John W. McCormack of Massachusetts as well as to the possibilities of building the Hellenic University of America.

It was unanimously decided that such undertaking would be a great and worthwhile project. The resolution follows:

"BE IT RESOLVED: That the members of Sunshine State Chapter 190, Sioux Falls, S. D., are herein pledging their efforts towards the assisting in the structure of the Hellenic University of America.

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That we, as a body, wish to thank sincerely the Honorable John W. McCormack of Massachusetts, for those wonderful and very enlightening remarks he made before the House of Representatives on Monday, September 7, 1959."

Our chapter further felt that if we can, in any way, instill in our other chapters this same enthusiasm, this great project would come to pass much quicker and the co-operation that is needed in this type of undertaking would be the ultimate that we must have.

DEAN G. RALLIS, SR.,

Sunshine State Chapter, No. 190.

## For Good Fellowship

*Sir:*  
 We here in Montana hope to do everything possible to further the fine spirit of co-operation which exists between the Order of Ahepa and the Daughters of Penelope. We feel that we, as national organizations, enjoy a wonderful reputation in this country, and in the world. It is our sincere hope that, as time goes on, the membership of both our Orders will expand and multiply until we are represented in all parts of the world.

It is our duty to do our part in helping to spread the doctrine of good fellowship, and we pledge ourselves to do everything possible toward that end.

MRS. DENA T. CORONTZOS,

District Governor, No. 18.

## Pleas for Unity

*Sir:*  
 I hope to strengthen our Junior Order by activating the currently inactive chapters of the Sons. I hope to strengthen our chapters by initiating more members and having them participate in more social and athletic activities.

One of the more important goals I will be trying to achieve this year will be to get a better feeling of harmony and good spirit between the Ahepas and the Sons.

PETE J. ZEGRAS,

Supreme Governor, Sons of Pericles.

## Service to Humanity

*Sir:*  
 I sincerely believe in the motto that "Service to humanity is the rent we pay for the space we occupy on this earth!"

We of Hellenic origin should make our mark today and not look to the contributions our ancestors have made to carry us.

Ahepa is a multipurpose vehicle which we must use for humanitarian purpose. Our returns will be tremendous in self-satisfaction. By having our chapters actively participate in their own community affairs we shall strengthen our organization.

THOMAS S. KANONAS,

District Governor, Automotive 10.

## We Must Help Our Own

*Sir:*  
 I feel that it is about time that the Order of Ahepa started to do something for its own members. Let us try and give them something instead of taxing them for this and that here and abroad.

JOHN TRILLY,

District Governor, Garden State 7.

## Correction, Please!

*Sir:*  
 We note in the June-July issue that our chapter's contribution to the Ahepa School at St. Basil's Academy of \$50.00 originated at Bethlehem, Pa.

Please correct this to read "Allentown." I am the secretary and reside in Bethlehem.

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**"Glory to God in the Highest and  
Peace Toward Men of Goodwill"**

# Our Ahepa Family In The News

## Goodwill Ambassador



Vice-President Nixon and Pete Petropoulos.

Vice-President Richard Nixon warmly greeted in Los Angeles recently War Hero and popular Goodwill Ambassador PETE PETROPOULOS. The holder of the Silver Star, Bronze Star, Purple Heart with Cluster, Presidential Citation, and many other awards, as well as prisoner of war, Pete has just completed a 50-thousand-mile tour of Veterans Conventions all over the country.

This dynamic Ahepan will lead his famous Chesterfield Satisfiers basketball team in a 50 game schedule, playing all Service Bases in the East. The tour opened November 3rd at the St. Albans Naval Hospital.

For the past 15 years, Pete has been touring Veterans Hospitals and Service Bases. Called by the boys the Mr. Chesterfield, Pete's picture has appeared in many Chesterfield Ads. He has been on many Chesterfield sponsored TV and Radio shows.

Pete is a member of New York Hermes Chapter, No. 186.

## He Won't Give Up

NICHOLAS P. LEVENDES, many times President of Long Island Chapter, No. 86, of Jamaica, N. Y., is a man who knows how to inspire others by example. Though suffering from multiple sclerosis, he is active in church, civic and fraternal affairs, a clerk in the Queens Highway Bureau, contributor of a weekly column to The National Herald, volunteer worker for the Queens Multiple Sclerosis Society, one of our associate



editors and, of course, president of a very large and active chapter.

Last year, he helped this chapter win the district trophy as the outstanding chapter of the year. When he was elevated to the office of the president back in 1949, his chapter membership went up 86 per cent; in 1958-1959, it rose by 88.8 per cent.

The leader of the so-called Boyadzides, he coined the phrase "Operation Fraternalism" and went out of his way to preach its benevolent effect throughout the Metropolitan New York district. He is currently advocating "Operation Expansion" by appointing the entire membership of his chapter as a committee of the whole to double its roster. We salute a thinker and a doer.

## Honored by California



Proudly Displays Assembly Resolution.

SAM VLAIOS, charter member of Oakland Chapter and for many years very active politically in the City of San Leandro, was honored for his patriotic services to the United States by the State Assembly of the State of California.

The resolution presented last July was unanimously passed. It cited his long career of social and civic services to his adopted homeland; after coming to this country 52 years ago.

Vlahos' long record of civic accomplishments: operated Sam's Sweet Shop in San Leandro from 1912 to 1948; the first merchant to join the San Leandro Chamber of Commerce; founded the San Leandro Merchants Association in 1957; charter member and first treasurer of the Fraternal Order of Eagles in San Leandro; president for the last 15 years of the Kyparissioton Society.

During World War II, he demonstrated his patriotism by selling over

\$250,000 worth of U. S. War Bonds. He was a member of the San Leandro City Council from 1952 to 1956, and vice-mayor in 1956.

## Judge Feted by Daughters



Three generations of the Paradise Family.

JUDGE GEORGE M. PARADISE of Sioux City, Iowa, was honored at a testimonial dinner held last May under the sponsorship of the Daughters' Aphrodite Chapter, No. 37, of Sioux City. Don Stone, local radio and TV personality, acted as master of ceremonies. Daughters President Mrs. Stanley Katres was the committee chairman.

Reverend Chapter paid tribute to Judge Paradise as a Hellenic, as an American and as a public servant. "From an immigrant shoe-shine boy of 47 years ago," he said, "our honored guest has attained his high position through vision, dedication and a capacity to work hard and take advantage of the opportunities presented to him."

Other speakers were: Judge Oliver for the State Supreme Court; Judge Cray for the District Court; Judge Sisk for the Municipal Court; N. D. Kazis for the Veterans of Foreign Wars; Veto Vets for the American Legion; B. Brown for Disabled Veterans' Association and G. Young for the Chamber of Commerce. Judge Rawlings extended the greetings of Governor Loveless and City Manager Bodine represented Mayor Wilson.

Judge Paradise has always been active in Ahepa: past president of Sioux City Chapter, No. 191; past District Governor of Grainfield District No. 13, and District Convention chairman in 1947 and 1958.

In the picture he is surrounded by his wife and his father, Michael; his nephew, Mickey, and his brother, Dan. Also attending was his mother, though not included in the picture.

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## Editor's Corner . . .

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and a most Happy and Prosperous New Year to every member of the Ahepa family! Let the bells of these Holy Days ring with joy and gladness in the hearts of all of us who call ourselves members of the Ahepa family.

THIS ISSUE CARRIES the biographical data of the Daughters of Penelope District Governors. With the exception of two Governors, who came over at a tender age, the other 22 are native born and bred — Hellenes of American birth. What a wonderful combination.

WE ARE CONCLUDING our Christmas Seal Drive this month. All proceeds are going into the fund that will build the Ahepa School at St. Basil's Academy. Those who have not as yet made their contribution — small or large — are urged to send in their check to Headquarters in Washington.

THE AHEPA SCHOOL DRIVE will commence in earnest with the first day of the new year 1960. We must forthwith collect the remaining balance of the funds needed to complete the school. It must be a matter of personal obligation for every Ahepa and Daughter to make a final contribution and discharge the pledge given our Church in Houston, back in 1953.

THIS MONTH OF ELECTIONS will soon pass and the month of installations will find us holding colorful ceremonies at which true and tried Ahepans, Daughters, Sons and Maids take over from their predecessors as officers of our chapters throughout the Ahepa Domain. We wish them well. We wish them all to perform as expected — to their complete pleasure and to the credit of this great Order.

THE FOUNDING FATHERS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE is on since last September. So far the results are rather poor. We recommend to all to initiate new members and reinstate inactive members as we go along without waiting for larger numbers. After all, the drive will end March 31st. There is no time to be lost.

OUR BIENNIAL BANQUET will be held in Washington, Monday, March 21. Make your reservations early. Particularly our chapters are urged to issue appropriate invitations to their favorite Senator or Congressman through our Headquarters.

OUR EXCURSION TO GREECE is scheduled to leave the following day — Tuesday, March 22. It will be led by our Supreme President Loucas. Contact your local agent or write to the Home Lines at 42 Broadway, New York, for reservations. Remember that first come, first served.

OUR JANUARY ISSUE will cover elections, installations, social activities throughout the Ahepa Domain. Write your editor or airmail your news and reports direct to us immediately.

**VASSILIOS ISODOROS CHEBITHES**  
1891 - 1959

This issue was on the press when the sad news came over the wire that V. I. passed away. The Grand Old Man of Ahepa is no more. A complete coverage will appear in our next issue. At this time we can do no more than offer a prayer to our Good Lord to give our beloved leader eternal peace. May his memory remain enshrined in the hearts of all those who came to know him, to love him and to respect him. Amen!



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"Of what man is there of you, whom if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?" - Matthew VI, 9

Christmas, 1959

Dear Member of the Ahepa Family:

For you, and for those whom you hold dear, may this Christmas Season bring a full blessing of happiness, joy, and contentment.

For those unfortunate children of this world who are deprived not only of the blessings of a complete and happy home but also of the facilities for receiving equal education, may the Good Lord give to them His Blessing and His Help at this Christmas Season.

Your Ahepa Family have combined their efforts during this past year towards a common goal. We have completed the Ahepa Hall for Boys, and have presented it to the Archdiocese. It is now ready for occupancy.

We have begun construction on the AHEPA SCHOOL for boys and girls at St. Basil's Academy, and with your generous contribution at this time, we can complete this project before the close of this fiscal year, thereby giving an opportunity for equal education to these unfortunate children.

Please accept the enclosed Christmas Seals, and use them in your correspondence.

The boys and girls of St. Basil's Academy need your assistance. We cannot fail them now. Your generosity and your blessing at this Joyous Holiday Season will insure for them, not only a Happy Christmas, but a future as happy, contented and educated young men and women.

Kindly use the enclosed envelope to send us your contribution for the AHEPA SCHOOL AT ST. BASIL'S.

Looking forward to the receipt of your generous contribution at this time, in any amount, and with sincere thanks for your benevolence in the past, we remain

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

*Emily Tamaras*  
Emily Tamaras  
Grand President

*George E. Loucas*  
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P. S. - Give as much as your heart dictates - TODAY.



## CHRISTMAS IN AMERICA

Christmas has had its own history in America by generations of people from across the seas, from many periods in time, many countries, and many cultures.

In the Colonial Period — 1620 to 1776, the year we declared our independence — the festival of Christmas was celebrated in varying manner. In the bleak settlements of New England, the Pilgrim fathers strictly forbade any celebration of Christmas. They had come to these shores as refugees from religious persecution in England; they held to the conviction that their Puritan faith — stern and austere as it was — could not tolerate feasts and merrymaking. This attitude persisted in New England until the early nineteenth century.

### FROM THE ORDER OF AHEPA

**We are again privileged to be able to celebrate the birth of our Christ, the Savior.**

**Once more we shall count our blessings and thank our Lord for this bountiful life with our loved ones.**

**As of old, we shall sing the age old carols, wish one another happiness and good health and usher the New Year in the spirit of our Christian Faith and in the gladness of our hearts.**

**May each one and all of us join hands and wish one and all a very Merry Christmas and a most Happy and Successful New Year.**

GEORGE E. LOUCAS, *Supreme President.*

KIMON A. DOUKAS, *Supreme Vice-President*  
EDW. GHIKADIS, *Supreme Vice-President in Canada*  
JOHN G. PLUMIDES, *Supreme Secretary*  
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JOHN W. MERCURY, *Supreme Governor*  
WILLIAM G. NICAS, *Supreme Governor*  
WILLIAM P. TSAFFARAS, *Supreme Governor*

### St. Nicholas Is Coming

But a different atmosphere prevailed among their neighbors to the south, the Dutch settlers in what is now New York. Here the appointed day for the celebration of the birth of Christ, and Christmas eve as well, meant for the children a visitation from *Sinterklaas*, the genial and generous Saint Nicholas who was to become known as Santa Claus. He filled their wooden shoes with gifts and sweets while they slept. For the adults, it meant church services and prayers, visits and good wishes from friends and relatives, and a feast that reminded them of the homes they had left in Holland.

All down the Atlantic Coast, the observances of Christmas reflected the national origins and religions of the colonists — Swedes in New Jersey, Quakers in Pennsylvania, Roman Catholics in Maryland, Episcopalians of British stock in Virginia and settlements farther south. In some of the southern states, Christmas was and still is celebrated with fireworks, a custom introduced by French settlers in Louisiana, and Italians and Spaniards in Florida.

In colonial Virginia, Christmas was a twelve-day celebration. Following weeks of preparation of meats, fowl and pastries, gathering of greens in the woods and selection and cutting of the great Yule log, the holiday began on Christmas eve. Then a great supper was spread for relatives and friends, many of whom had travelled hither for days on horseback or by horsedrawn coach.

### The New Bethlehem

During the late colonial years, Christmas customs were enriched through the arrival of immigrants from the Old World. In 1741, a colony of Germans, settling in eastern Pennsylvania, founded a town on Christmas eve. They called it Bethlehem, in grateful memory of the birthplace of Jesus. And they celebrated the birth in the manger by reconstructing the ancient scene as described in the New Testament.

Thus, a custom originally begun in Italy — that of setting up in miniature the creche or crib, with the holy family, the shepherds, the Magi bearing gifts and the farm animals in Biblical times — was introduced to other colonists.

The Christmas tree itself, symbolic of everlasting light, did not make its appearance until the middle of the last century. It, too, was a gift of German immigrants, whose American neighbors of many cultures adopted it and made it the focal point of Christmas festivities. Early in the present century the custom of setting up a community Christmas tree in public squares began to spread.

### FROM THE DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE

**In the spirit of this season your Grand President and her colleagues in the Grand Lodge extend to each member of our Ahepa Family sincere best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a happy and successful New Year.**

**May the Year's expanding experience add to our wisdom and give a broader, truer and more purposeful meaning to our lives.**

**May we find the gladness which came to earth on that first Christmas morning.**

EMILY TAMARAS, *Grand President.*

EVELYN SEMOS, *Grand Vice-President*  
FRANCES MANOS, *Grand Secretary*  
RUTH KAMPOS, *Grand Treasurer*  
BESSY EVERGATES, *Grand Governor*  
LUCILLE KOKEN, *Grand Governor*  
LUCILLE LARREESE, *Grand Governor*  
MARGARET DAUTERMAN, *Grand Governor*  
ANN GALLAN, *National Adaptor to the Mads of Athos*

### The Lighted Candle

It was the Irish immigrants, who began to come to America in the nineteenth century. They brought with them the custom of putting a lighted candle in the window at Christmas time. They had used candles to light the way of the priest who had come to pray with them on Christmas eve in Ireland.

The singing of carols during the Christmas season — an old English institution — was publicly revived shortly after the turn of the present century in Boston, where for many years any celebration of Christmas had been outlawed. The Christmas carols of Europe, some of them centuries old, arrived with the people who came here to settle. From Austria came "Silent Night." England sent "God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen." France gave the beautiful "Cantique de Noel" ("O Holy Night"). And from no one country but rather as the gift of Europe to the New World we have "Adeste Fidelis" ("O Come, All Ye Faithful"), a carol which has been translated into more than a hundred languages and dialects.

Still other carols are Greek, Hungarian, Polish, Lithuanian, Ukrainian, Scandinavian — in fact they are sung in almost all the native languages of the people that make up America — this wonderful country of ours, God Bless Her!

# Education for Cultural Survival

By PAUL PRODROMIDIS,  
Chairman, Executive Board, St. Basil's Academy

Education from the viewpoint of an ethnic group, like our American Greeks, means more than schools, books or teaching — it means the whole tapestry of culture. Only when we examine this background of religious and racial ideals, can we formulate the kind of culture we want to perpetuate or establish, the instruments and institutions we must support in order to foster such efforts for our million or so Americans of Greek origin.

Often the question has been asked: "What is the chance of survival of the Greek language and Orthodoxy in the United States?" The very inquiry, though inspired by genuine concern for the viability of our tongue and Church, reflects a lack of faith both in our present institutions and in our three-thousand-year history that has shown the creative tenacity of our race to revive and to survive.

Many genuine pessimists see *luxury* weakening our moral fibre, the obstinate "individualism" of the Greek acting as a barrier to social progress. They are grieved over past inadequacies and the lack of sufficient preparation for leadership, which is needed so much.

Others still feel that we have not even scratched the potential of our group capabilities; they feel that "faith in our Orthodoxy, faith in our racial atavism and in the adventurous Hellenic mind," could explore new ways of arousing our people to the common worth of our history, our culture, our language and our Christian ethics.

It is truly our duty to ourselves and to the generations of our children's children that we face today's problems clearly, in straightforward thinking and with clean heart.

To focus our thoughts on fresh avenues for advancement for our people and their education, let us see the background of efforts for education, the cultural aspirations of our generation, and the possible tapping of new sources of talent and leadership for the future.

## Educators a Brave Lot

Those who aspire to see a special type of Education for our American Greek people are truly a very brave lot. Conscious of the rich heritage of the Hellenic race, and seeing so many of the offspring of these Greek families "lost" to the cause of their "racial consciousness," these leaders and writers feel that there ought to be some solid direction in the education of new generations so that our basic Greek culture may have a good chance of survival.

Greater is the courage of those who would hold on to, and propagate, the wholesome culture of their forefathers, since we are trying to hold firm to ways of life that compete somewhat with the surrounding and mass-growing culture of America itself.

The dynamic milieu in which we live and grow is both exciting and over-powering. It is at the same time a tempting competitor and also the benevolent encourager for us to grow better our own way — thus enriching our own lives as new Americans and at the same time contributing to the expanding civilization of America.

With their rich heritage of heroism, the love of freedom and of beauty, the family loyalty and simple Christian morality,



The old Eagle's Nest  
at the entrance of  
St. Basil's Academy.



Greeks are already an influence in the contemporary life of the United States. We have 350 communities and some 600 ethnic and cultural organizations which attest to the viability of our minority group within the framework of total American life.

Any inquiry into the problems of Education for the Greeks of America must understand the several phases of the average Greek. One might see him as an ethnic entity, a religious group, a patriotic stimulant or a familial citizen concerned in the pride and growth of his own little family. We should not ignore him as a staunch *individualist*, since many distinctions have been gained by this special trait often characterized as a "genius" of the Greek people.

## Living Culture of U. S. Greeks

The education of a people is a constant process; it is continuously expanding, growing, advancing. By comparison, the Greek is being brought up in the family group, learning the ways of his ancestors, the habits and customs of the race. His very meals, the songs he sings, the language he hears and speaks, are all part of the education within the family circle.

The Church takes over from very early age with the catechism, the pomp and ceremony of Liturgy; and more formally, the Sunday School, the afternoon classes and the Parochial Day Schools round-out the moral and spiritual phase of one's personality — having used as vehicle almost always the Greek language.

Other strong influences in the tenacity of Greek social mores are the daily Greek press, some ten weekly and monthly periodicals and books published here or imported from Greece; Greek Radio programs — some 22 now broadcasting in many cities of the land have kept alive the Greek tongue, through its enchanting songs, the immortal folk dances of Greece, and the reporting of news. Even helpful commercials in Greek have made the language "acceptable" to the new generation, which uses the radio to broadcast its dances, weddings and baptisms and to portray the growing life of the American-Greek community.

Recent contacts with Greece, the constant tours, exchange of scholarships, refresher courses in the Universities of Athens and Thessaloniki are additional factors in keeping language and concern with Greece alive. The sight of the Parthenon, a visit to Delphi are sufficient to rebathe the soul in the lustre of the Golden Age.

## Greek Ideals Today's Goal

We have named the areas within the cultural group that lend themselves to the propagation of language, religion and civilizational growth.

Are these sufficient to ensure the racial continuity, and the viability of the Greek way of Life? Where must we look for further activity, new insight and greater intensification to forestall possible annihilation of our racial identity? What are the possible new factors that could enliven the struggle and contribute "new blood" to the enrichment of our culture here and to the more complete *education* of our people not only in their parents' language, but also in the history of modern Greece — her heroes and writers, her contemporary poets and philosophers?

## Give to Ahepa School!

TO ALL CHAPTER PRESIDENTS:

You have already received an appeal from the Supreme Lodge Officer, acting as Zone Chairman, and from your District Governor, urging you to inaugurate a campaign to raise your quota of funds toward our \$50,000 goal for the completion of the Ahepa School at St. Basil's.

The Byzantine era of our Great Church and her spiritual writers should be better known, and the Classic authors, artists and scientists should become the common knowledge of those who would boast of having Greek blood in their veins and Greek spirit in their souls. Having created this community of spirit and having established this racial continuity, our people will more readily work with others in the propagation of the Greek ideal, the balanced life of intellect and harmony, the 'life of freedom where the *individual* is the desired product of society rather than the tool of the state.

### Educational Task of Archdiocese

Almost the whole task of education of the American Greek has been allotted to our Spiritual Office of the Archdiocese. It guides the afternoon schools; it has organized ten day schools, with three more in the completion stage; it directs our St. Basil's Academy at Garrison, N. Y. and is responsible for the Theological Seminary in Brookline, Mass.

These institutions are both in the expansive stage. At St. Basil's, we are adding a ten-class school building through the singular efforts of Ahepa, and a Gymnasium to be built by the Pan-Arcadian Federation. The Seminary is adding new buildings, and a chapel is to be built by GOYA. The Ahepa has already donated a dormitory for the orphan boys. These are gigantic strides for the single generation in which they have been accomplished. Much more could have been done and it is not too late to accomplish presently. There is much goodwill across the land, and money, too, to build for the future, to send men and women to higher institutions of learning and to pursue the professions, science, teaching and the arts, with the eagerness of being identified with the progress of the Greeks of America.

### Greeks in Higher Institutions

It is estimated that there are some 10,000 youths of Greek origin and ancestry now attending one or more of the two and a half thousand colleges and universities of the United States.

In part, it is the style for those who can afford it to send their children to college; more deeply, it is the desire of the immigrant Greek of yesteryear to give his boy and girl an opportunity he himself never had, and to "graduate" him beyond the menial tasks of the restaurant or factory.

With this endeavor on the part of the parents goes also the intuition that they must learn better the "Greek Way of Life," understand the long and heroic history of Old Mother Hellas and appreciate her great civilization that has enlightened the world and is still the ideal and inspiration of Western Civilization.

### Educated Youth Our Hope

In this vast wealth of YOUTH and educated generation of Greek Americans, shouldn't we expect a reservoir of intellectual renaissance, a list of scholars in things Greek, a large number of leaders in Greek communities, of future teachers and administrators of our expanding institutions? The answer is in the affirmative.

The possibilities are as dazzling as tomorrow's dawn, as hopeful as the great need for our cultural continuity, as necessary as the bread we eat. The soul has great wants and knows to demand greater sacrifices for the eternal amplification of the Greek Spirit.

We trust that under your leadership, as Chapter President, you will secure the co-operation of the Daughters of Penelope, Maids of Athens, Sons of Pericles, and the Greek Orthodox Church in your city, as well as the leaders of your community, in making this Drive an overwhelming success.

We are leaving it entirely to you, as the leader in your Community, to choose the means by which your share of the funds shall be raised.

There is no limit as to the amount each Chapter should raise. The Chapter and Chapter President which achieves the best result on a per-capita basis shall be awarded suitable plaques, commemorating their efforts at an appropriate function, at the conclusion of the Drive.

This is our finest effort of the year and we must not fail. We, therefore, urge you to act promptly, as soon as you receive word from your Zone Chairman and District Governor.

JAMES K. ZOLOTAS,  
*National Chairman.*

GEORGE E. LOUCAS,  
*Supreme President.*



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## Supreme President LOUCAS Honored

In an unprecedented ceremony — unprecedented for its simplicity and sincerity — our Supreme President, GEORGE E. LOUCAS of Weirton, West Virginia, was honored by his townsmen, his friends and his brethren. It was heartwarming, seeing so many coming from different parts of the country and converging on his beloved home town to pay homage and respect to the very chief of the Ahepa Domain, our own GEORGE.

In the life of an Ahepan there are three stages of glory and reward, of humility and exaltation, of utter satisfaction and complete abnegation. Whether one is completing the cycle on the chapter level, on a district plateau or on a national scale, he will unmistakably face these three stages. He assumes office, he is given some form of recognition and finally he passes "the torch on to his successor, intense with the flame of Ahepa, and leaves his office not only as good, but even better than he found it."

### Initiated in 1927

Our honored guest back in 1927, or 32 years ago, decided to join the newly organized Order of Ahepa by entering the ranks of a little chapter in Morgantown, West Virginia. He was at the time working his way through at West Virginia University. And he has not stopped once working his way up the Ahepa ladder ever since.

To relate briefly the bare facts of his Ahepa career is to present a typical case of an Ahepan who is compassionate for his fellowmen, unrelenting in their behalf and ever ambitious, ready and willing to serve humanity by serving his friends and brethren. Like everyone who has answered the call of Ahepa and has been in its service for a few or more years, GEORGE E. LOUCAS has neglected his office, has yet aside the cares and affection of his family and has ignored personal discomfort to travel far and wide, to visit and confer with friends and to carry "the torch ever intense and burning with the flame of Ahepa.

### Hollywood Answered His Prayer

He was elevated with approbation of joy and jubilation at the closing minutes of the 37th Supreme Convention in Hollywood, California and was hailed by his

fellow delegates as the 1959-1960 Supreme President of the Order of Ahepa. He was now being honored by his colleagues and his townsmen in a very simple and touching ceremony in his home town where he saw success, made friends



Presented a gold Trophy by Daughters.

and received the highest honors in his lifetime.

Toastmaster JOHN MANOS of Cleveland described him as a very simple yet dynamic, vibrant and forward looking Ahepan who reached the highest office within the gift of his fellowmen by perseverance, honesty and intense patriotism for his country and for his church.

Mayor DAVID T. FREW brought the greetings of his fellowmen so grateful for the distinct honor he brought to their little city and their great state.

### Verinis Praised His Successor

Past Supreme President C. P. VERINIS, his immediate predecessor, praised him for having rendered exceptional service to the Order of Ahepa with an intense enthusiasm lasting 32 whole years — years of devotion, of leadership and of

unselfish service in the cause of peace and progress.

Grand Governor LUCILLE KOKEN brought the greetings of the entire Order of the Daughters of Penelope and expressed the personal thanks and appreciation of Grand President Tamaras and her Grand Lodge for the fine service and co-operation of the honored guest.

Supreme Vice-President KIMON A. DOUKAS of New York, in behalf of the Order of Ahepa commended the long and sustained efforts of the Supreme President for a greater and nobler Ahepa and voiced the gratitude and thanks of his thousands of friends and admirers for a job well done.

Attorney General W. W. BARRON of the State of West Virginia, spoke of his friendship for the honored guest over the many years of work and action and congratulated the fraternity for having elevated to the highest office such a man of character and ability.

### Sekles Admired His Spirit

Past Supreme Treasurer SOCRATES V. SEKLES of Pontiac, Michigan, alluded to the many battles and forward marches taken in close company with his Supreme President and expressed the wish that he continue always in good spirits and fighting mien the good work in behalf of Ahepa.

Past Supreme Governor LOUIS G. MANESIOTIS of Pittsburgh, one of the prime organizers of the banquet presented him with a beautiful plaque to remind him of our appreciation for his "outstanding achievements and dedicated service."

Daughters Pallas Athene Chapter, No. 276, President MRS. DOROTHEA STAKIAS presented him with a gold Trophy, while Banquet Co-chairman and Hancock Chapter, No. 103, President LOUIS G. FIKARIS gave him a fine set of luggage and life membership in his chapter.

Judge J. H. BRENNAN of the First Circuit of West Virginia, who has been court companion, counsellor and final resort to LOUCAS during 29 years, paid his own tribute by reciting tidbits from ancient poets and learned scholars.

What a roll call!

They came from far and near to do honor to our Supreme President.





### Alfange Spoke of the Rule of Law

But it remained for the main speaker, past Supreme President DEAN ALFANGE of New York, to lift the entire assembly to his well known heights of oratory and wisdom and praise his friend and colleague "as a typical case of our ubiquitous Hellenic race distinguished for loyalty, capability and leadership." After tracing the great contributions of ancient Greece to civilization, he declared "Hellenism and Americanism constitute a perfect blend; they are premised on one basic philosophy — the supremacy of the law."



Attorney General Barron, Toastmaster Manos, Past Supreme President Alfange, Judge Brennan, the Supreme President and Weirton Steel Jones.

"America," Alfange continued, "is the best discovery yet of the full and honorable way of life. It is rich in all the things that are decent, for which people yearn. We must make these known," he urged, "to all the world, for upon us has fallen the challenge and the privilege to lead the world to freedom." He called upon all Ahepa officers and members to assist in providing dynamic political leadership for our country.

### Loucas Acknowledged in Humility

Supreme President LOUCAS in acknowledging the many tributes and the many words of praise, thanked primarily his good family and his wonderful "Penelope" for their patience and understanding, and in all humility ascribed Ahepa's successes to the many opportunities afforded "by this land of free enterprise" and declared the hallmark of Ahepans to be their self-reliance and their devotion to law and order.

A reception preceded the banquet at the new Ahepa Home of Weirton. A second reception followed the banquet at the archontic home of Supreme President and Mrs. Loucas. A most lavish glendi?

This ended a fine tribute to our leader and friend, to our Supreme President GEORGE E. LOUCAS, who was honored by his colleagues and his friends for services rendered during a long and uninterrupted career of 32 years in the service of Ahepa.

### Why I Am Not An Ahepan

This is an imaginary story based on facts. A paradox, you say? Perhaps? But listen.

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*I have many friends who are Ahepans. They are always busy. They attend meetings, they run errands, they pay dues, they are called upon to render all sorts of services. They give their time and spend their money as if they were working for themselves. They are not. They are working for other people.*

*And I am one of those people. My time is my own. My money is mine, too. I attend no meetings; I run no errands for anyone except for myself. I pay no dues; I serve no other master except myself.*

*When the local chapter of the Ahepa or the Daughters holds a social, I am one of their guests. I bring my wife and my two daughters and we all have a wonderful time. I pay the same admission that members of Ahepa pay. No discrimination here and that's what I like about Ahepans.*

*When there is a district convention, I take my family there and we all join in the festivities. I attend only the socials and enjoy the fun for which Ahepans and Daughters have worked so hard to prepare for me and my kind. And when they attend meetings and those so-called caucuses, I continue my fun by going to a restaurant or retiring to my hotel for some rest. I am getting ready for tomorrow while Ahepans and Daughters are exhausted with their meetings and their many activities.*

*And when the convention is over, I return home with my family and prepare for the next social that Ahepans and Daughters will be preparing for us. They are busy beavers. They keep on meeting all the time, running for office, working for others.*

*None of that for me. I am not an Ahepan, but I share all the social activities of the Ahepans at no extra cost. Besides, my time is mine and I mind my business. I am an individualist. I am not concerned about others. I don't bother with appeals and drives and contributions. That's childish stuff! If Ahepans wish to serve, they can go ahead and do it without my help or my share. I like it that way!*

*And a parting advice. Continue with your drives for new members. You will never get me. I stay out of your fraternal organization but will attend all your social activities. Indeed, I share your glory, because I, too, am an American of Hellenic origin. The more active you are the more you please me. But you leave me out. I don't wish to be an Ahepan and start serving others. I go it alone!*

Is this an imaginary story? Not at all, you will say. You have met this non-Ahepan. And this is one of the reasons we have not been able to increase our membership. But we must keep on trying. We shall eventually succeed, particularly if each one of us brings in a new member or reinstates an old, inactive member. Let us do it today, now.

—K.A.D.



### The Eugenides Foundation

The EUGENIDES FOUNDATION is continuing its efforts in Greece by helping and promoting the nation's technical education and the training of Greece's future merchantmen. The Foundation made recently a donation of \$50,000.00 as a contribution for the purchase of a training vessel, where future masters and engineers will receive their first technical experience.

The Greek Government, in appreciation, has decided to name this vessel after the late E. EUGENIDES, founder of the Foundation.

The Foundation has already appropriated the necessary funds for the printing of a series of technical books to be used by the Merchant Marine Engineering Schools in Greece. These books have been selected from the best material available in the International Merchant Marine bibliography and now in use in the best schools abroad. It is the first time in Greece that Merchant Marine engineering students, mostly from poor families, will have at their disposal proper, low-priced books in their field through which they will be able to complete their education in a most efficient way.

The EUGENIDES FOUNDATION is maintained by the earnings of the S.S. QUEEN FEDERICA of the National Hellenic American Line, which will sail from New York on March 22, carrying the 1960 Ahepa excursion to Greece.

After the death of E. EUGENIDES, the Foundation came under the management of his sister, MRS. MARIANTHE SIMON, who with religious devotion continues the will of her great brother. The Greek Nation, the Greek seamen and the Ahepa family, which is served by the S.S. QUEEN FEDERICA on its annual excursions to Greece, recall with respect and gratitude the memory of this great son of Greece, her National Benefactor, F. EUGENE EUGENIDES.



# CHAPTER NEWS



## AHEPA PROJECTS AT ST. BASIL'S Additional Contributions

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Clifford Geronopolos	5.00
Peter Cardigos	5.00
Louis G. Maniatis	5.00
Louis Xides	5.00
George Chirigos	5.00
Nick Manofias	5.00
John Geronios	5.00
James Petrolas	5.00
Alexander Avlon	5.00
Guy Bardakis	5.00
Louis Palafoutis	5.00
James Demas	5.00
Paul Panagoulas	5.00
George Shorall	15.00
George Gryvas	5.00
E. E. Giannouts	10.00
A. A. Agras	5.00
Gus Xides	5.00
George Vlastos	5.00
	\$135.00
Brabfield, W. Va., No. 147	25.00
Omaha, Neb., No. 147	50.00
Butte, Mont., No. 306	25.00
	\$100.00
<b>Daughters of Penelope:</b>	
Stamford, Conn., No. 200	50.00
Ann Arbor, Mich., No. 171	25.00
	\$75.00
<b>Personal Donations:</b>	
Andrew Frangoskas	
Vinca, Okla.	5.00
A. G. Sarros	
West Branch, Md.	10.00
Office of AHEPA (In memory of Soterios Nycholopoulos)	50.00
	\$65.00
<b>Total Contributions</b>	\$ 670.00
<b>Previous Contributions</b>	202,000.00
<b>Grand Total of Contributions</b> as of November 24, 1959	\$202,670.00
Plus 1958 Christmas Seal Drive	12,057.00
Plus 1959 Easter Mobilism Drive	6,812.25
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$221,620.88</b>



## Ahepa Bulletin

The attention of our members is invited to the following events of national interest:

**SUPREME LODGE** — A special meeting will be held at the Headquarters in Washington January 9-10, 1960. The members of the Supreme Lodge will consider projects pending and take action on matters concerning the fraternity. Chairmen of national committees appointed by Supreme President Loucas will also report. All expenses involved in this two-day meeting will be borne by the participants themselves.

**MEMORIAL SERVICES** — All chapters will hold memorial services for the late General GEORGE C. MARSHALL Jan. 10.

**FATHERS-SONS DINNERS** — The annual dinners and outings of Fathers and Sons will again take place throughout the Ahepa Domain the first week of February, 1960. Let us take out our youngsters and show them a good time.

**SUPREME LODGE** — The regular meeting will convene in Washington March 19 to 21. The plans for the banquet and the excursion will be finalized and action taken on all matters pending before reporting to the Montreal Convention.

**BANQUET** — The Biennial Banquet will take place at the Statler Hotel Monday evening, March 21. Further details will be found elsewhere in this issue.

**EXCURSION** — The Annual Excursion to Greece will depart from New York Tuesday, March 22 on the S.S. **Queen Frederica** of the Home Lines. Our excursionists will be led by Supreme President Loucas and his staff; Grand President Tamara for the Daughters, Supreme President Manta for the Sons and Grand President Tomaras for the Maids. Make your reservations now and enjoy a wonderful trip to Greece.

## Christmas Seals

Have you mailed your contribution to the 1959 Ahepa Daughters Christmas Seal Drive? The Christmas Seals were put into the mail on October 27th, addressed to all Ahepas and Daughters.

Your contribution is needed, if the Ahepa Family is to complete its obligation to the orphans of St. Basil's Academy this year.

Send in your contribution TODAY, to Ahepa-Daughters of Penelope Christmas Seal Drive, 1422 K Street, N.W., Washington 5, D.C.

## Membership Drive as at November 23, 1959

	New Members	Reinstated	Total
District No. 1	2	1	3
District No. 2	0	1	1
District No. 3	0	2	2
District No. 4	5	2	7
District No. 5	4	2	6
District No. 6	10	2	12
District No. 10	0	1	1
District No. 11	0	1	1
District No. 12	1	0	1
District No. 15	1	1	2
District No. 16	1	2	3
District No. 20	1	4	5
District No. 21	5	0	5
District No. 24	3	0	3
<b>Total, All Districts, New and Reinstated Members</b>			<b>52</b>

**HAVE YOU JOINED OUR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE? ENDS MARCH 31, 1960.**

## District Six Leads

The early returns of the FOUNDING-FATHERS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE as counted on November 23, 1959, indicate that only a few of the chapters have forwarded applications and fees to the Headquarters.

New York Empire State District 6, with a small total of 12 new and reinstated members, leads in the first count, with Capital District 4 in second place, with a total of seven.

Chapter Secretaries are urged to send proper fees and applications to the Headquarters immediately following the initiation of new candidates, and the acceptance of reinstated members.

Only those applications processed by the chapters between the dates of SEPTEMBER 1, 1959 and MARCH 31, 1960, will receive credit in this current drive.

All Reinstatement Applications must contain the name of the sponsoring member, if credit is to be given towards the Individual Prize Awards. The same rule applies to the Membership Applications.

## A Mandolin Virtuoso

PETER VOURNAS, member of North Shore Chapter, No. 94, of Chicago, was recently acclaimed by the London musical critics as one of the top mandolin artists in the world.

Last October, he and his Mandolin Quintet presented a mandolin recital at the 11th Street Theater in Chicago. It was most enthusiastically received by the audience.

Peter is president of the Fretted Instrument Guild of America.

## ADDITIONAL AHEPA GOVERNORS

### CHRIS TRAKAS Hoosier District No. 12

He first joined the Junior Order of the Sons of Pericles, which he served in various capacities, also participating in the National Championship Basketball team. After serving for three years in the army and being honorably discharged, he decided to settle in Sacramento, California, and joined our local Ahepa chapter.



After a few years, he moved to Gary, Indiana, and transferred to Gary Chapter, No. 78, which he served as vice-president and president for two terms each. He then moved to District Athletic Director, Marshal and Treasurer, gaining the needed experience for his present office. He has also attended many district and national conventions.

He is an eligible bachelor, engaged in heating and ventilating as an associate of the Alpha Service and Garage of Gary.

CONTRIBUTE TO AHEPA'S DRIVE FOR A SCHOOL AT ST. BASIL'S.

### FRANK S. RHODES El Camino Real District No. 20

A native of Colorado, he joined the Hollywood Chapter, No. 318, in 1950, and served as secretary, president and editor of the district publication, "El Camino Real," for three years. He was elevated to District Secretary and Lt. Governor before assuming his present office. He also acted as Convention secretary in Boston. He served in many capacities during our recent Convention in Hollywood.



After taking his Master's degree in education, he taught for a number of years, finally seeking the outdoor life for reasons of health. He volunteered in the Marine Corps and went to Hawaii and to Japan, as Japanese Language instructor, Fifth Marine Division Headquarters. After his discharge in 1943, he became a paving contractor.

### FOTIS C. KOUTLAS Firwood District No. 22

A lifelong resident of Everett, Washington, he is now serving his second term

as governor of a far-flung district which includes the States of Washington, Oregon, British Columbia and Alaska. He is also a graduate of the marital class, having married Margo Iskos, formerly of Chicago and Seattle.



After graduating from Everett Junior College and the University of Washington, he served for three years as an artillery officer in Austria and Germany. He is now in the Feed and Seed business with his father and brother.

### The Last Mile

We have recently received the following communication:

*As this is my last message to you, I leave with a heavy heart. For I realize the many problems confronting our Chapter.*

*First, we are barely existing from month to month. We need help desperately. The faithful few are becoming less and less as the months and years go by.*

*How far can we go? The year has now run its course. The failure or success for the future can only be judged by you.*

Despair not! This is not a communication from an Ahepa Chapter, though it might have been. It comes from a very strong and powerful organization. But it points up the common problem to fraternal life. Many are the faithful, but few are those who bear the burden and the labor and the will to work for the common good.

Our new officers must enter their offices in 1960 with a generous heart, a kind mind and the desire to do service for their fellowmen. There is ample reward in the doing.

### Father-Son Dinners

The Annual Father and Son Dinners will be held by all chapters during the first week of February, 1960. These dinners have become a permanent part of our program, as outlined in the Ahepa Officers Handbook, and the Chapter Program Guide.

The February date has been selected in celebration of the founding of the Sons of Pericles, Junior Order of Ahepa, which was instituted on February 5, 1926.

Ahepa chapters which sponsor Sons of Pericles chapters will designate their affairs as *Ahepa and Sons Dinners*, with invitations extended to all members of the Sons of Pericles, as well as to sons of Ahepans.

## To Better Ourselves

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE ORDER OF SONS OF PERICLES

Greetings:

As per an earlier circular, you have received a proposed questionnaire, the objects of which are many but primarily for the betterment and strengthening of the individual Sons chapters.

*"We will never bring disgrace to this our city, by any act of dishonesty or cowardice, nor ever desert our suffering comrades in the ranks. We will fight for the ideals and sacred things of the City, both alone and with many; we will reverse and obey the City's laws and do our best to instill a like respect and reverence in those above us who are prone to annul or to set them at naught; we will strive unceasingly to quicken the public's sense of civic duty. Thus in all these ways we will transmit this City not only not less, but greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."*

—Oath of the Athenian Youth

We have mailed you two different questionnaires. One is to be answered only by the President. The second is to be answered by the members of each chapter, individually. I cannot emphasize enough the importance of this questionnaire. Please attempt to answer all questions fairly. We don't want a prejudiced opinion. We want an honest one.

The President will be responsible to see that these forms are mailed back to Headquarters as soon as possible.

It is not necessary that the member sign his name to the questionnaire.

Please feel free to explain your replies, express views and make any remarks or comments you feel important.

Thank you very much for your cooperation in this study.

FRANK MANTA,

Supreme President,

Order of Sons of Pericles.

### WARNING

All our members are warned to be on the lookout for a person pretending to be JAMES BARRAS and an Ahepan and soliciting funds to return to his city somewhere in Ohio.

We have been advised that this gentleman has already struck in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, pretending that his car broke down and seeking assistance for himself and his family. He speaks good English but has limited knowledge of Greek.

The old "son game" flourishes again! Watch out!

### Letters from America

Your letters abroad, by promoting better understanding, can contribute to world peace and freedom. Now is a good time to write to our friends and relatives abroad.

## We Shall Be True Maids

TO ALL OFFICERS AND MEMBERS  
OF THE MAIDS OF ATHENS —

*Greetings:*

This year, your Grand Lodge, National, Regional and District Advisors and most important, all individual Maids of Athens Chapters nationwide, are striving to make 1959-60 "THE MAIDS OF ATHENS" year. Our goal is as follows:

1. *Increase in Membership* — Each Maid Chapter is requested to give a membership tea and invite prospective members to join our Order.
2. *Contributions to our National Project* — This means building up the financial reserve of our own National Treasury. We have a chance to help ourselves. Let's utilize it.
3. *New Chapters* — If any chapter and/or members know of any cities within their district which have potential chapters, please contact your Grand Governor immediately for handling.
4. *Publicity* — Let us become Ahepan Celebrities by appearing in The Ahepan Magazine. Each chapter should submit an article on the chapter's activities to our own Editor, Despina Bilides, 358 Orchard Street, New Haven, Conn.
5. *Ahepa School* — Each chapter should plan a social or any other money-making project for the sole purpose of contributing to the Ahepa and Daughters Christmas Seal Drive. Send all contributions to our National Headquarters.

Let us start the year off right by accomplishing the aforementioned requests and be proud of our achievements. Only then, we will be able to say "We are true Maids of Athens."

DENISE TOMARAS,

*Grand President,  
Maids of Athens.*

## We Are Diplomats

The Annual Report by the People-to-People Program Committee, published last October, contained the following reference: *The Order of AHEPA, national fraternity composed largely of American citizens of Greek descent, arranged a trip of 1100 persons to Greece. The participants in the People-to-People gesture of goodwill spread out over Mainland Greece and the islands, visiting friends and relatives. Discussing the project in the House of Representatives JOHN BRADEMAS (D-Ind.) said, "These Americans serve as individual diplomats from Main Street, U.S.A."*

There will be another group of "indi-

vidual diplomats" departing on the Ahepa Excursion ocean liner QUEEN FEDERICA March 22, 1960. Join the Excursion, under the command of our beloved Supreme President GEORGE E. LOUCAS.

## Appointed Educational Director

Frank D. Gramas, member of Trenton Chapter, No. 72 (N. J.), was recently appointed educational director by Honorable Charles R. Howell, Commissioner of Insurance and Banking for the State of New Jersey. He was assigned to the Insurance Department where his duties are concerned with the liaison between the department and the many schools, colleges and universities offering approved courses according to New Jersey requirements.

Frank Gramas, the son of Spyros and Aglaia Gramas of Trenton, has in the past taught in the local high schools for three years. At the time of his appointment, he was the owner of his own Insurance and Real Estate Agency. During World War II he served as an enlisted man in the U. S. Infantry. During the Korean War he served as a psychological warfare officer in the U. S. Air Force, being assigned to the Greek section of the Voice of America in the State Department.

He has served as District Advisor, Editor of the District No. 5 Ahepa Voice, and past President of his Chapter. The last District Convention in Atlantic City elected him to the office of District Marshal.

## They Will Host Convention

Last October, the Officers of our Marysville Chapter met with the District Lodge and Supreme Counsellor Loumos to formulate plans for their forthcoming District Convention and also step up the membership drive. A very elaborate program has been carefully planned as a result.

Although the membership of the Marysville Chapter cannot compare with some of our larger Chapters in the district, their enthusiasm is great. It is the first Chapter in District 21 to have acquired its own home. Its members are indeed to be congratulated for their fine accomplishment. Their new home is one of the finest and most complete buildings in the Ahepa Domain.

Following the meeting, the Ahepa dignitaries were invited to the *Harvest Dance*, which almost one hundred percent of the membership attended. This proves that when the membership of a Chapter is solidly behind its officers, success is inevitable.

Those attending besides Supreme Counsellor Loumos and District Gover-

nor Livierato were Lieutenant Governor Asimos, Treasurer Lagios and Marshal Sardounis. Marysville Chapter, under the leadership of its President, Brother Nick Malas, is bound to show a fine record during its fiscal year.

Genial Chapter President Nick Malas has assured the Ahepans of District 21 that they will enjoy one of the finest conventions when they attend next June.

## Book Reviews

**THE MERMAID MADONNA.** By Stratis Myrivilis. Translated by Abbott Rick from the Greek, "H Panaghia h Gorgona." 310 pp. New York: Thomas Y. Crowell. \$4.50.

By EDMUND FULLER

One of the most rewarding literary developments of the last eight years has been the discovery, through belated translations, of the lovely wealth of contemporary Greek writing. It began with the late Nikos Kazantzakis' ebullient "Zorba the Greek," his broodingly tragic "The Greek Passion" and finally, the widely acclaimed "Odyssey: A Modern Sequel." We have had, also, the lyric beauty of Ilias Venezis' "Beyond the Aegean."

Meanwhile, certain Greeks here said: "Stratis Myrivilis is our greatest writer — wait for him." Now he is brought to us, in Abbott Rick's fine translation of "The Mermaid Madonna." He is a writer of the first rank — more than welcome, downright needed.

As to the relative merits among this rare Greek triumvirate: the one book apiece that we have from Venezis and Myrivilis do not show the English reader anything to match the range of moods, styles and materials, or the tragic force seen in Kazantzakis' four works. This is no deprecation of Venezis and Myrivilis. Each of them is a prose lyricist of rare poetic gift, with insight into the pathos and tragedy of life. Altogether, this is a noble company of peers. We must hope for further translations from the latter two.

The setting of Myrivilis' novel is the Greek island of Mytilene, off the Aeolian coast. Upon a massive rock stands the simple chapel, adorned by the curious Christian-pagan painting of the title. It is a conventional Byzantine madonna, with a golden halo and green eyes. She is wrapped in a purple pallium. But in one hand she holds a ship, in the other, a trident; and from the waist down, she is a fish. To fishermen and olive growers alike, she is at once Our Lady and a link to a pre-Christian past, when the Greek waters were the realm of Poseidon. An old captain who had tended the chapel painted her.



**Hurry, Hurry, Hurry!**  
**The Drive Ends March 31, 1960.**  
**Send in Applications and fees.**

**FOUNDING FATHERS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**  
**September 1, 1959 - March 31, 1960**

**Prizes to Individual Members:**

(Honoring NICHOLAS D. CHOTAS, MLM)  
 First Place: \$100 Gold Watch, and Plaque  
 Second Place: Plaque, 10K Gold Ahepa Pin, and Ahepa Fez  
 Third Place: Plaque, and Ahepa Fez  
 To all members who bring in 10 or more new or reinstated members, a handsome plaque will be awarded.

**Chapter Awards:**

(Honoring JAMES CAMPBELL, MLM)  
 To the three Chapters placing First, Second and Third among all Ahepa Chapters, large plaques will be awarded.

**District Awards:**

(Honoring the late S. J. STAMOS, MLM)  
 The Three Districts placing First, Second and Third among all Ahepa Districts will receive handsome plaques.

**Special "Battles" Between Districts:**

(Honoring GEORGE A. POLOS, MLM; HARRY ANGELOPOULOS, MLM; and JOHN ANGELOPOULOS, MLM)  
 Plaques will be awarded to the winning Districts in the following special *Inter-District Battles* —  
 "Battle of the Giants" — between Districts 6 and 13  
 "Battle of New England" — between Districts 7, 8 and 9  
 "Battle of the Golden West" — Between Districts 20 and 21  
 "Battle of the Rebels" — between Districts 1 and 2  
 "Battle of the Gateway to the West" — between Districts 4 and 11

All Chapters have been divided into three categories, based upon their local population of Greek descent. Categories are as follows:

Chapter Classification	Population	Points for New or Reinstated Members
Class "A"	3,000 and over	10 points
Class "B"	1,000 to 3,000	15 points
Class "C"	Up to 1,000	20 points

Proper fees (including Per Capita Tax) must be submitted with all new applications and reinstatements for credit in the Drive. Any submissions received postmarked later than March 31, 1960, will not be credited for this membership drive.

**Our 14th Ahepa National Banquet Will Honor the United States Congress**

**Monday, March 21, 1960 — Washington, D.C.**

*To the Entire Ahepa Family:*

**FRATERNAL GREETINGS:**

Our 14th Ahepa Biennial National Banquet will be held Monday, March 21, 1960, at the Statler-Hilton Hotel in Washington, D.C. Each Ahepa Chapter is eligible to sponsor the attendance of their U.S. Senator or Representative as their special Honor Guest.

Reservations for your Chapter's Honor Guest are \$30.00 each, since such guest will have a dinner companion. Each Chapter may indicate a First, Second, and Third Choice, so that if the First Choice cannot attend, the invitation may be extended to the Second or Third Choices.

The chapter's remittance for \$30 must accompany each reservation. A chapter may invite more than one guest, provided a \$30.00 remittance accompanies each reservation.

The Supreme Lodge will invite these guests along with the chapter's own invitation.

All members of the Ahepa Family are cordially invited to attend our 14th Banquet.

Please forward your Honor Guest reservations to Headquarters at once, with your remittance, so that we may extend an early invitation to your guest, with greater assurance of acceptance. Make checks payable to: Ahepa National Banquet Committee.

The success of the National Banquet is dependent almost entirely upon the co-operation of the individual Ahepa Chapters, and we therefore, look forward to YOUR Chapter's early response.

GEORGE E. LOUCAS,  
*Supreme President.*

JOHN G. PLUMIDES,  
*Supreme Secretary.*

**TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO — DEC. 1934**

The October-December, 1934 issue of THE AHEPAN carries an article by N. D. Vellis, member of Chapter No. 235, San Francisco, titled: "Why AHEPA?" He describes his contacts with Greeks in South America, on a visit there, as follows: In Lima, Peru, he found 21 Greeks, and their first words were: "Young man, can you tell us, or explain to us, what this AHEPA is that we read so much about? Is it possible to have a chapter started here in Lima?"

In Antofagasta, Chile, where over 1700 families of Greek descent resided, fully 150 different people asked him about the AHEPA.

In Guayaquil, Ecuador, Brother Vellis came across three Greek cocoa and coffee plantation owners, who had just brought in their cargo from the plantation. They had spent 17 years in the jungles of South America. They also inquired about the AHEPA, and were hungry for news of the American-Greeks, and the progress of the AHEPA.

**TEN YEARS AGO — DECEMBER, 1949**

Prospects of at least 11 new chapters of the AHEPA announced . . . AHEPA demands the return of the 28,000 abducted Greek children held by the communists in Bulgaria, Albania and Russia . . . Stonewall Jackson Chapter of Clarksburg, W. Va., is re-activated by Supreme President Thevos . . . Brother George Peterson Cherakis of San Francisco publishes first book titled: "The Hand of Alexander" . . . Brother Christian X. Kouray of Schenectady, N. Y., is appointed City Manager at the age of 52 . . . Brother George Christopher of San Francisco re-elected to the City Board of Supervisors . . . The AHEPA contributes \$500 to the Pan-Macedonian Relief Fund.



## Your Supreme Lodge Headquarters Reports

By GEORGE J. LEBER, Executive Secretary

### New 25 Year Pins

Our Supreme Lodge Headquarters now has ready for distribution to the chapters the newly-designed 25 year pin. It can only be secured through the Headquarters. Members must order their pins through their chapter secretaries. The cost is \$1.75 each.

The requirement for eligibility to wear the pin is that a member must have 25 years of good standing membership.

Chapters may request of the Headquarters lists of names of their members eligible to wear the 25 year pin. They must remit the proper amount for payment, at \$1.75 each. Such payment for the 25 year pins is to be taken from the chapter treasury. The 25 year members are not to be assessed for the cost of the pin, which is an honor awarded by the chapter to the 25 year member.

Members who wish to replace their old pin with the new pin, should also order through their chapter secretaries. Deliveries will be made immediately, provided appropriate remittance accompanies the order.

### 1960 Chapter Dues

Your 1960 Chapter Dues are payable on January 1, 1960.

Your Chapter Secretary has already received the 1960 Dues Cards from Headquarters. He will welcome the payment of your dues at this time.

Mail a check today to your secretary. Make his task of collecting dues that much easier.

### Last Membership Drive

The Ahepa lighter and tie clasp awards for the recent 1958-1959 membership drive have been delayed due to manufacturing difficulties.

A new die is being made for the Ahepa emblem since the fraternity emblem now in official use is only available in our new 25-year pins. All other Ahepa emblems are considered outdated, because they do not follow the constitutional description.

The lighters and tie clasps should be ready for mailing sometime during the first part of next month. At the same time, the new Ahepa lapel pins will also be available through our Supreme Headquarters.

### New Initiates

The Supreme Lodge unanimously approved a resolution at its October meeting requesting all Ahepa Chapters to present their newly-initiated members with an Ahepa Lapel Pin, and a copy of the Ahepa Constitution.

The Supreme Lodge Headquarters now has available the new Ahepa lapel pin (which can only be purchased through the Headquarters); it sells for \$1.00. The Ahepa Constitution sells three copies for \$1.00.

It would be appropriate for all Ahepa Chapters to keep on hand a supply of Ahepa lapel pins and Constitutions, and to make a presentation of these to their new members on the night of their initiation. The cost per new member to the chapter will only be \$1.35 for the Pin and the Constitution.

Order now from Headquarters. Enclose your remittance.

### Official Jewelry and Supplies

The official Ahepa Emblem has been copyrighted by the Supreme Lodge Headquarters, and the following items can only be purchased through the Headquarters. No other supplier or firm is authorized to carry these items. All supplies are available now.

#### Ahepa Jewelry

Ahepa Membership Lapel Pins  
(in plastic boxes)  
Gold Plated ..... \$1.00  
10K Gold ..... 3.25

Past Officers' Lapel Pins, in  
10K Gold only  
Past President ..... \$5.00  
Past District Governor ..... 5.00

New 25-Year Lapel Pin (Sold ONLY  
through Ahepa Chapter Secretaries.  
Individual Members cannot buy these  
pins direct):  
Gold Filled only ..... \$1.75

Past President or Past District  
Governor 25-Year Pin ..... \$4.00

Ahepa Tie Clasp, with Ahepa  
Emblem ..... \$2.00

Ahepa Key Chain, Silver Plated,  
with Ahepa Medallion attached \$2.00

Zippo Lighter with Ahepa  
Emblem ..... \$4.00

Please enclose check or money order  
with your order. Make remittance pay-

able to: Supreme Lodge, Order of  
Ahepa.

#### Chapter Supplies

Ahepa Medal for Scholastic  
Excellence ..... \$4.00

Official Ahepa Constitution... 3 for \$1.00

Officers' Handbook ..... 50¢ each

Chapter Program Guide ..... 25¢ each

Ahepa Public Relations  
Manual ..... 25¢ each

A Plan for Increasing  
Membership ..... no charge

Demeter's Manual on Parlia-  
mentary Procedure ..... \$2.50 each

The Holy Liturgy of the Greek  
Orthodox Church, published  
by the Order of Sons  
of Pericles ..... 50¢ per copy

Chapter Membership Ledger Set (con-  
sists of Ledger and a supply of 100  
printed Ahepa Membership Record  
Sheets — this is a required record  
keeping system for Ahepa chapters):  
\$12.00 set

Membership Applications ..... no charge

Reinstatement Applications .. no charge

Transfer Applications ..... no charge

Electroplate of Ahepa Emblem,  
for use in printing chapter  
and District stationery ..... \$2.50

Secret Ritual (limit of 8  
per chapter) ..... 25¢ each

(Note: The Ritual has not yet been  
revised. The new Ritual will not be  
ready until after the Montreal conven-  
tion.)

Any of the above items will be mailed  
or shipped without extra charge. Mail  
your orders to

**Supreme Lodge Headquarters**  
1422 K Street, N.W.,  
Washington 5, D.C.

### Change of Address

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# THE PENELOPIAN



## Karalis Proclaimed Penelope



Past Grand President Zotaley, Pauline Karalis and past Grand Governor Phillips. A fine trio!

An important milestone in the annals of Antigone Chapter, No. 35, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, was culminated with the honoring of the first 25-year member, the worthy and esteemed Founder of the chapter, PAULINE KARALIS.

The chapter sponsored a benefit luncheon and style show in her honor, inviting members and friends from the Twin City area to attend, with all proceeds going to our humanitarian overseas project, THE PENELOPE SHELTER HOME FOR GIRLS.

Chairman and M.C. of the luncheon was past Grand President TULA ZOTALEY, who extolled the Theta-Pi record of Sister KARALIS and conferred upon her the honorary degree of ANTIGONE'S PENELOPE OF THE YEAR.

Past Grand Governor MYRTLE PHILLIPS issued a proclamation declaring it "KARALIS JUBILEE DAY." Chapter President DORIS BLAKE presented the honored guest with a silver bowl on behalf of her chapter.

Also present were District 14 Advisor MARY MANTIS, District 14 Governor ROSE MERCURY, and Eurydice Chapter President of St. Paul ETHEL MILLER.

The honored guest, visibly moved by the tributes of her sisters, expressed her gratitude for the large gathering present and related how she and others had pioneered in the laying of a firm foundation for our beloved fraternity, and her personal satisfaction in the Theta-Pi record of her chapter, which through the years has met its quota and obligations to all national, district and local projects, and has further furnished outstanding leadership for both District and Grand Lodges of our Order.

The moving ceremony was followed by a lovely style show with LUCY VILLAS

proving a very capable commentator, and the following turning in professional performances as models: GEORGIA BRANDETSAS, CHRISTINE GALLOS, GEORGIA MAVRELIS, PAT MUZETAS, KAY SPELL, ELIZABETH WICKENS.

## Dallas Daughters Active

The Daughters of Terpsichore Chapter, No. 105, of Dallas, Texas, acted as hostesses during a two day District Conference of District No. 16. Their honored guest, Grand President Tamaras, was accompanied by Grand Vice-President Evelyn Semos, Grand Governor Lucille LaReese, and District Governor Jame Carras.

Following the opening session of the Conference a tastefully prepared luncheon was served by the Daughters for their guests. In the afternoon, a talk was delivered on Manning House, which is a rehabilitation center for mental outpatients. The institution has been widely acclaimed across the country and has received great attention by all civic-minded people who have become interested in the work and problems of mental health.

The kick-off social event of the Conference was the very successful dance held at the Sheraton-Dallas Hotel.

The second day of the Conference began with church services, followed with a delightful luncheon at the Chateaubriand arranged by Betty Vouras. The beautiful decorations were executed in accordance with the Penelope theme. A lovely decorated cake in honor of the Grand President climaxed the highly successful two-day Conference.

In charge of arrangements were Irene Nicolaou, Chairman, and Katherine Catis, Co-Chairman.

The most recent activity of Terpsichore Chapter was the observance of Founder's Day. This happy event was celebrated by a Covered Dish Dinner prepared by the more cuisine-minded members. Daughters and Ahepans, with their families, participated to make this affair a very successful and wholesome family event.

## Curtain Call

Down amid the grove  
Streaks an orange pond  
With dusky skies all eyes  
Watching the bows of leaves.  
Feeling the stir of gentle gales  
While in the distance are jays  
Circling, bespeaking and clogging  
One fleeting joy, one dayfull.

JOHN MARMARINOS, JR.

## Please Note!

All members are warned that Chapter Dues are payable in advance. In the event of death with a member's Chapter Dues in arrears for six months or more, *no Emergency Fund benefit can be paid.*

Our Supreme Lodge Headquarters cannot but comply strictly with the constitutional provisions concerning payment of Emergency Fund benefits.

Any member who died on or after July 1, 1959, and had not at the time of death paid his Chapter Dues for at least the FIRST HALF of 1959 (including all prior dues payable) *would not* be eligible for Emergency Fund benefits. Since this member would have paid his dues only through December 31, 1958, he would be six months or more in arrears in payment on July 1, 1959, and thereafter.

Your dues *mailing card* is our guarantee that your dues have been paid — immediately upon payment of your chapter dues, fill in your *mailing card* and mail it at once to the Headquarters.

Annually, the Headquarters refuses the payment of Emergency Fund benefits simply because members have neglected the payment of their Chapter Dues. Dues *must be paid* on time, and *cannot* be paid after the occurrence of death.

The 1960 Chapter Dues are payable January 1, 1960. If by chance you have neglected to pay your 1959 dues at this point, don't delay another moment because you are *now* more than six months in arrears.

## New 25-Year Pins

Chapter Secretaries: When ordering the new 25-Year Pin for members who have already received the old pin, you must supply Headquarters with the names of these members. Otherwise, your orders will not be filled.

The new 25-Year Pins are issued SOLELY by Headquarters. No other agency is authorized to supply them. Individual members cannot purchase them direct. They must order through their Chapter Secretaries.

Headquarters will prepare and mail upon request a list of all those members who are eligible to receive a 25-Year Pin.

**Contribute Now to our  
1959 Christmas Seal Drive  
for the Ahepa School  
at St. Basil's Academy**

## DAUGHTERS District Governors for 1959-1960

### MRS. ANICE ROUTSOS Mother Lodge District No. 1

This district comprises the States of Georgia, Alabama, South Carolina, Tennessee and Mississippi. We regret we have received no reply to our requests for biographical data and the picture of the governor.

### STELLA T. KARRAS Citrus District No. 2

A native of Lowell, Mass., she was a charter member and president of the Lowell Chapter of the Maids of Athens. After her marriage to George T. Karras, past District Governor of District No. 2, she moved to Miami, transferring to Adraсте Chapter, No. 52. She served in many capacities and chapter president, before elevated to District Marshal and Lt. Governor.



She has served on the National Advisory Board of the Maids of Athens, organized a Maids Chapter in Miami, and has the distinction of being sister-in-law of the Maids Grand President Denise Tomaras.

She is active in her local church and the Girl Scouts, in addition to raising two youngsters.

### MARY PLUMIDES Capital District No. 3

A native of Charlotte, North Carolina, she is now on her second term, after having served as District Treasurer and Lt. Governor for two terms. She served her Venus Chapter, No. 102, in many capacities and as president, and has attended numerous district and national conventions.



She is part of the Plumides Ahepa family — her father is a charter member of Chapter No. 2, her mother a charter member of Chapter No. 102, her brother Michael is vice-president of his chapter and her other brother John is, of course, our distinguished Supreme Secretary.

She is also active in local church work and teaches Sunday school. She is an accountant.

### MENA GELLES Power District No. 4

A native of Greece, she first came in 1921 to Ohio and subsequently moved to Ellwood City, Penn., where she owns and operates a restaurant. In 1947, she joined Daughters Orpheus Chapter No. 184, which served in many capacities and as president for two and a half terms. She was elevated to District Marshal, District Advisor and Lt. Governor before reaching her present station.



She has two sisters as members of her chapter and has made many friends throughout her district by traveling and preaching the gospel of Ahepa and her three auxiliaries.

### PAULINE ZAVAKOS Garden State District No. 5

A native of Elizabeth, N. J., she first joined Nike Chapter, No. 230, in Wilmington, Delaware, where she served as secretary and president for two terms. She went on the District Lodge as Marshal, Treasurer, and Lt. Governor gaining experience and making friends for her present office. She has attended many district and national conventions and has visited Greece with our Ahepa excursions.



Besides devoting a great deal of time to her Daughters, she is also occupied with various projects of her local church and belongs to the Eastern Star.

### KATHERINE CRETEKOS Empire State District No. 6

A native of Buffalo, she joined Pallas Athena, No. 80, in 1950 and has been active in Daughters projects ever since. She served her chapter as vice-president and president, was chairman of her district convention in 1954, and has served as Lt. Governor before being elevated to her present office.

A graduate of the University of Buffalo, Department of Psychology, she was



accepted to the honorary Society of Phi Beta Kappa, and is presently teaching piano. She believes in the Daughters as the leading organization for women of hellenic origin in this country.

### SOPHIE CAPPUCCI Yankee District No. 7

A lifelong resident of Bridgeport, Conn., she joined Hermis Chapter, No. 41, and served as president for two terms. After serving in many capacities on both chapter and district levels, she was first elected Governor back in 1939. She was again singled out in 1958, and was re-elected in 1959 — for her third term, a singular distinction for a district governor throughout the Ahepa Domain! It is not very often that a district governor can serve for a second term. But a third term is impossible, except in this instance.



She is a teacher by profession and also helps with the Sunday School of the Greek Bible classes in Bridgeport since 1950.

### SOPHIE KOTIS Bay State District No. 8

This district comprises chapters in the State of Massachusetts. We regret we have received neither biographical data nor photograph from the governor.

### EDITH MAKRIS New England District No. 9

She first joined the Maids of Athens, and served as president of the local chapter in Nashua, N. H. She graduated into the Thisbe Chapter, No. 148 of the Daughters, which she served in many capacities and as president for two terms.



Active in her local church, she has served as choir director for many years, organized the Parents and Friends Music Association for the public schools of Nashua and joined the March of Dimes Drive, the YWCA, the International Quota Club and many other civic organizations.

She is an executive of the Jamey Shoe Co. of Nashua.



**ANNE VERAMES HULCE**  
Automotive District No. 10

A lifelong resident of Ann Arbor, Michigan, she joined Cnossus Chapter, No. 195, in 1951 and has been an active Daughter ever since. She served as treasurer, secretary and president for her chapter and District Scholarship Chairman, District Treasurer and Lt. Governor for her district, before attaining her present office.



She has attended a number of district and national conventions and is always in the forefront of every Daughters activity.

She is presently working as senior secretary in the City Central Records.

**CLEO LARAS**  
Buckeye District No. 11

A native of Houston, Texas, she joined the Achaia Chapter, No. 54, and served as its secretary, before moving to Middletown, Ohio, and transferring to Chrysa Chapter, No. 100. She served as District Treasurer before elevated to her present office.



She belongs to a real Ahepa family — her husband Peter is now District Marshal; her father, A. Jelson of Houston, and her four brothers are all Ahepans of long standing. In addition, she is the proud mother of three daughters and future Daughters of Penelope.

She assists her husband in the dry cleaning business.

**ANDREA ALLIVATO**  
Hoosier District No. 12

A native of Chicago, she first joined Jacma Chapter of the Maids of Athens and served in many capacities on both chapter and district levels. She graduated into the Danae Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope and then transferred to Mentor Chapter, No. 81, when she moved to Gary, Indiana. She served as marshal, treasurer, vice-president and president.



She was elevated as District Advisor,

Athletic Director, Parliamentarian and Lt. Governor.

While devoted to her Daughters of Penelope, she finds time to be a homemaker for her husband Dominic and their 8-year son Peter, whom they adopted from Greece through the efforts of Ahepa.

**CLARA PEKRAS**  
Blue Ribbon District No. 13

A native of Chicago, she is charter member of Mantinea Chapter, No. 152, of Oak Park, Illinois. She has served in many capacities and president of her chapter before becoming District Marshal, Secretary and Lt. Governor of her District. Her mother, Mrs. Sophie Pekras, is also a Daughter.



She has joined the Daughters Bowling League and last year won the "All Events Trophy." She has also been president of the Women's Auxiliary of the Greek Archdiocese Welfare Foundation—Home for the Aged, a district project for the last three years.

She is office manager of the Commercial Art and Photography Studio.

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WASHINGTON, MONDAY, MAR. 21

**ROSE MERCURY**  
Grainfield District No. 14

A native of Minnesota, she is charter member of Antigone Chapter of Minneapolis, now celebrating its 25th Anniversary. She served her chapter in every capacity and as president, and her district as Marshal for two terms and Treasurer, before coming to her present office.

She has attended many district and national conventions, is active in P.T.A. work and the Philoptelos, for which she acted as secretary for two years, and has lived in Greece for six years.

She has the distinction of being the playmate of Supreme Governor Mercury.



**ELAINE POULOS**  
Oil Center District No. 15

A native of Lincoln, Nebraska, she joined Naias Chapter, No. 225, of

Omaha in 1953. She served her chapter as Warden and then went on to serve her district as Treasurer and Lt. Governor before elevated to the highest office of the Governor.

In addition, she has served her local church as Sunday School teacher, is active in P.T.A. and was treasurer of the Newcomers Club of Council Bluffs, Iowa. She has attended many conventions and is looking forward to the time when her two sons, Teddy and Mark, will join the Ahepa family.



**JANIE CARRAS**  
Delta District No. 16

A native of Little Rock, Arkansas, she joined Terpsichore Chapter, No. 105, of Dallas, Texas, in 1942 as charter member and has served as vice-president for two terms, as chairman of the board of governors for three terms and as president. She has been District Treasurer for two terms and Lt. Governor, before her election as Governor.



Her son Gus is an Ahepan and all her three daughters are Maids, one serving now as president. She is also a member of her church Ladies Society, of the Delphian Group, and has served as trustee of her church, advisor to the Maids and on the Girl Scouts Council. She is the recipient of the International Pin Award. She operates a restaurant.

**ELIZABETH TAMARESI**  
Silver District No. 17

A native of Denver, she joined in 1946 Athena Chapter, No. 10, and served as secretary for three terms, before elevated to Lt. Governor. She is now on her second term as District Governor.

She has attended many district conventions, serving as general chairman in 1958 and as co-chairman in 1959.

She graduated from the University of Wyoming and was elected Honored Queen of Job's Daughters. She is



affiliated with the Eastern Star.

She belongs to a real Ahepa family: her father, P. K. Petrides, belongs to Cowboy Chapter, No. 211, of Cheyenne, Wyoming; her mother to Olympus Chapter, No. 6; her husband served as Sons District Governor and now belongs to Denver Chapter, No. 145; finally, her two daughters, age 11 and 7, have expressed the desire to join in due course both Maids and Daughters.

**DENA T. CORONTZOS**  
**Rocky Mountain District No. 18**

Born in Kalavryta, Greece, she came over in early life and joined her local chapter in Great Falls, Montana, serving as warden, treasurer, vice-president and president. She also acted as District Marshal before her elevation to her present office.



She has been advisor to the Maids, District Convention Committee chairman and has served on many local and district committees. Her husband is past president of Chapter No. 229 and past district governor. Her two sons, now attending law school, are also Ahepans. She visited Greece in 1950.

**EDNA B. ATHAS**  
**Intermountain District No. 19**

A native of Wisconsin, she joined Charai Chapter of Salt Lake City, Utah, in 1945 and served as marshal, vice-president and president. She was first elected as District Marshal and then promoted to Lt. Governor, before being awarded the highest office of the District Governor, in which she is now serving for a third time — quite a distinction and a tribute to her abilities.



Her mother-in-law and her two sisters-in-law also belong to her chapter. Likewise, her husband is an Ahepan. She graduated from the American Academy of Art in Chicago, has been active in politics, has served as president of the Women's Motion Picture Club and Ladies of Variety and is interested in the Children's Hospital for Retarded Children.

**ANN RHODES**  
**El Camino Real District No. 20**

A native of Chicago, she first joined

Polydema Chapter in Dayton, Ohio, in 1947, and then transferred to Hollywood Melita Chapter which she served in many capacities and finally as president. She was elected District Treasurer, Lt. Governor and is now serving her second term as Governor. She has the distinction of serving with her husband who this year was elevated to the same office in the same district.



She was one of the most active members of the Hollywood chapter during our last Supreme Convention.

**ELSIE SEATRALIS**  
**Golden Gate District No. 21**

A native of California, she joined Sparta Chapter of Stockton and served in most appointive and elective offices. She was elevated to District Treasurer and Secretary prior to her election as Governor.



Her father is charter member of our Santa Barbara Chapter and her mother of the Sparta Chapter of Stockton.

She graduated from the College of Pacific in Elementary Education.

**MARGARET SIDERES**  
**Firwood District No. 22**

A native of Tacoma, Washington, she first joined Icaria Chapter, No. 175, as charter member and served as treasurer and secretary. She became District Marshal, Secretary and Lt. Governor before being elected to her present office.



Her daughter is also a member of her chapter and her husband has served as District Governor. She accompanied him in all his visitations and has attended many conventions with him.

She believes that the Ahepa family will progress if all Officers are well trained in their stations and take an active interest in their work.

**FRANCES NANOS**  
**Beaver District No. 23 C.J.**

A native of Ontario, Canada, she

joined as charter member her local Mycenae Chapter, No. 200, of Toronto, served in many capacities and also as Advisor to the Maids of Athens. Her husband, Dr. Evan Nanos, was charter member and president of the local chapter of the Sons of Pericles, and served his Ahepa chapter as vice-president.



She has been an officer of the Young People's Association and has organized Canadian Girls in Training. Though lacking extensive experience in Daughters of Penelope, she makes it up in enthusiasm and true desire to help her Order as much as she can.

**CLEO S. GIRGULIS**  
**Royal Canadian District No. 24**

A native of Triglia, Asia Minor, she came to Canada at a very early age, following hostilities of the 20's. She joined Telemachus Chapter, No. 69, of Saskatoon in 1943 and served as secretary, treasurer and president.



When the district was organized in 1945 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, she was elected the first governor, re-elected in 1946, 1953, 1954 and again this year — all in all, she is serving now her fifth term, a most unusual and singular honor! She has also acted as district chairman of UNESCO, northern chairman of the Penelopian Shelter and editor of the district bulletin "Ahepa Beacon."

She has been instrumental in organizing two Daughters chapters, one in Calgary and the other in Edmonton.

HERODOTUS IN THE ORIENT. When Herodotus, known as the father of history, visited the Orient he saw cities far different from those in Greece. He saw sumptuous palaces, filled with a royal court of hundreds of persons decked in gorgeous robes and ready to prostrate themselves before the king. But he never saw in an Oriental city the people gathered together in a public assembly, like the Greeks, to participate and discuss affairs of government and to vote on matters affecting their welfare. Consequently, the Greek city-form of government became the "cradle of liberty," where was born the idea of popular government.

# AHEPA'S



# FORUM

## For Good Fellowship

Sir:

I believe our efforts should be directed in terms of increasing leadership and effectiveness of Ahepa here and abroad. Our fraternity should be concerned with fellowship and perpetuation of the Greek Orthodox faith. It should also be a much stronger economic factor with all the talent at its disposal.

JOHN W. LAMBROS,  
District Governor, Granfield 14.

## Laments Politicking

Sir:

My attendance at my first Supreme Convention in Hollywood was an enjoyable one, although nerve-racking at times due to our political groups.

The thing that disturbed me most was the lack of concern of the leaders of all factions in discussing the problems that affect our membership on a grassroot level.

I sincerely hope that our present leaders will be convinced of the seriousness of this problem and will take effective action to publicize the Order and increase its membership.

C. H. HOUPIS,  
District Governor, Buckeye 11.

## Operation Scholarship

Sir:

Education should be the big word in all our plans. The program for district scholarships should be reactivated on a uniform basis and then expanded to include every known university and college for those boys and girls who have the ability but not the means to pursue higher studies.

CHRIS E. VETDYANIS,  
District Governor, Oil Center 13.

## Where to Stay in New York City

Waiting for a ship, or spending a holiday in New York City, The Henry Hudson Hotel will be most convenient. 1200 rooms with bath, radio, TV and air-conditioning available. Swimming pool, solarium • walk to Times Square, Radio City, Coliseum. Call Mr. George J. Caparell (Kapareliotis).

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Act that each tomorrow brings  
us farther than today.

—LONGFELLOW

## Operation Expansion

Sir:

Since 1922, AHEPA has been on a trial run, finding the "bugs" in our operations, trying this, discarding that, yet simultaneously rendering every possible aid to our country, to our Church and also to Hellas.

Successfully entering our 30th year of mature development, our organization must review its strengths and weaknesses, weeding out the inefficient, bolstering the phases that "sell." We can easily be compared to a giant retail chain, which seeks population outlets with a better market potential and drops stores that have poor sales records.

It is believed that we have the reputation, the program and the ability to attract to our ranks 10% of our people and yet it is believed that we have less than 2 1/2% of this vast potential membership! It is also believed that heavy population areas at New York, Chicago, Boston, Los Angeles, to name only a few, must become special targets for saturated AHEPA "bombardments." Is it possible that our sales approach is lacking? Or, if the sale is made, is it difficult to keep the "customer"?

## All Levels Re-examined

The overall problem is so complex that the imagination is often staggered! However, the range of improvements runs from top to bottom and must be worked as one giant overall plan. On top we need economy; there no longer can be further income increases from chapters' taxes. In the middle district commands, the average District Lodge must cease being "gatekeepers" and become servants of their constituents. On the chapter level, great care must be given to the election of the "in-charge management" staff; the local AHEPA president and his officers are the ones most often in members' and the public's view where fumbling and incompetence are public relations' death-blows!

We say that 10% of our people actively engaged in AHEPA is not an impossibility! It was done in our formative years and it can again be done if the

product and its sales personnel appeal to the "consumer"?

The objectives must be "OPERATION EXPANSION," with national, district and local officers all moving efficiently and effectively as one. And members are the most integral part of the team; their actions, attitude and interest reflect to the outsider how good the organization is, or, is not.

NICHOLAS P. LEVENDIS,  
President, Long Island  
Chapter, No. 86.

## Pleads for Co-operation

Sir:

We should attain unity and close co-operation between Chapters, District and Supreme Lodges. We must maintain leadership by education, encouraging our young people of Greek origin and helping them to go on to greater heights of success and progress.

SOPHIE CAPPUCCI,  
District Governor, Yankee 7.

## Ahepa Always!

Sir:

The Junctions of AHEPA are not a thing of the past, but of the immediate future. May we be like the ancient runners of Marathon. Keep the light burning in the hearts of HELLENIC PEOPLE. We must keep alive our proud heritage, for traditions, beliefs and faiths, with its everyday ideals to make our Mother Country proud of our HELLENIC PEOPLE in America.

The Ahepa Family prev. last and always.

MENA GILLES,  
District Governor, Power 4.

## We Must Be Civic Minded

Sir:

I trust that our Supreme Lodge continues to urge our Chapters and Districts to become more civic minded.

We should all as one great fraternity participate more actively in local problems and projects such as the Heart or Cancer Fund and other public drives.

We should be known for sponsoring and upholding such wonderful local projects. Let us stop going outside our shores for a change.

CHRIS J. PARIS,  
District Governor, Number Lodge 1.

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CHRISTMAS SEAL DRIVE.