...BER'S SCHEDULE
...L. O. O. F. RECEPTIONS

...Meetings and Smokers for Enlisted Members to Be Continued

...he following announcement has just been ...ed by the a demonstration committee, ...ing in charge the scheduled reception ... smokers to the enlisted brothers:

Dear Sir and Brother—As the series of meet... has been so successful, the executive com... of the combined lodges of Philadelphia ... arranged to continue for the first half ... September good programs for the entertain... of the brothers and their friends who ... enlisted in the United States Government ...ice, and are stationed or mobilized in this ... Come, shake hands and get acquainted ... the brothers who are willing to sacrifice ... lives in defending "Old Glory."

...eptember 6, American Star Lodge, No. 405, ... South street, Brotherhood Building. ...ker, entertainment, good music, songs, ...ories, recitations. Bring another good fellow ... you.

September 8, Ruth Montgomery Rebekah Lodge, No. 135, Hutchinson and Girard avenue. Good music, songs, interesting stories, recitations, dancing.

September 12, Washington Irving Lodge, No. ..., 1811 Columbia avenue. Entertainment, good music, songs, stories, recitations.

September 15, Theresa Rebekah Lodge, No. ..., Parkway Building, Broad and Cherry streets. Good music, songs, stories, recitations. Come, bring another good fellow with you and spend a pleasant evening with the girls.

September 17, Ivy Lodge, No. 295, 2748 Germantown avenue. Will exemplify the first degree in full form. An invitation is extended to all brothers in the service; entertainment to follow. Yours fraternally,

JOSHUA N. LITCHFIELD,
Secretary, Executive Committee.

East Park Lodge, No. 1042, had the privilege of holding the fifteenth and last of the August scheduled receptions and smokers for the boys in blue and gray, there being nearly one hundred of Uncle Sam's representatives present. Brother Law Mealey of this lodge, spoke the words of welcome and presented P. G. Frank Sherry, of American Star Lodge, as the chairman of the evening. Brother Litchfield being compelled to assume his important part in the work of the Temple Encampment degree staff.

After a selection by the orchestra and chorus singing led by Brother Henry Haase, of Philadelphia Lodge, No. 13, the program presented Brother Perkins, of Mille, tenor solo; Brothers Smith, of Energetic, and Armstrong, of Protection, humorous stories; J. F. Stuart, of 1042, monologue and songs; Grand Conductor Ross MacIver, address; W. E. Brom, of 1042, three recitations in clever and effective manner; John F. Stuart, of 1042, songs and recitations; East Park vocal quartet, composed of Brothers Harry Huder, Fred Rauser, Edw. Rauser and C. Zirub, operatic selections, accompanied by Brothers F. Huder and Havely, violin, and A. F. Fowler, piano; Grand Marshal Stephens, address; Blair Reeley, of Mille, address; Huder and Moerder, piano duet; Charles C. Bulkeley, of Hamilton, address. Brothers Mills, Aucker, Heppard and Love were present as usual.

Refreshments and smoking tobacco were plentifully supplied by the committee of arrangements, Brothers W. E. Thomas, Lee R. Hayes and H. A. Burling.

Spring Garden Lodge, No. 99, turned out an attendance of twenty-five, which is good for this time of the year, and initiated four candidates in full form, which speaks well for the conscientious workers. It had been decided to dispense with degree work during the warm season, but the urgent desire of the interested applicants could not be delayed and the work was taken up to the satisfaction of all and will be continued right through the fall campaign. The prominence and publicity of the loyal members of No. 99 augurs well for the future of this old lodge, whose average age of membership is only thirty-two. It is also a matter of pleasure and satisfaction that a duty to the brothers enrolled in the service of the Government is being well performed and that expressions, written and spoken, of acknowledgement and appreciation are being received. The second degree will be conferred tonight, sixth floor, Parkway Building.

Amity Lodge, No. 19, under N. G. Walberg, had a well-attended session last week. There was a spirited talk on the matter of publicity suggested by P. G. C. Petersen and P. G. Rasmus Simonsen's interest in reading the Odd Fellows' news in the EVENING LEDGER, and it was the sense of the meeting that Amity should be represented in the column. A committee, composed of P. G. F. A. Fisher and P. G. Rasmus Simonsen, was thereupon appointed to look after the interests of No. 19. P. G. Fisher made interesting remarks about the outing of the children of the Orphanage, and P. G. Nilson, representative to the Orphanage, gave a fine report. P. G. Charles Marshall, treasurer of the lodge, made some favorable recommendations for the good of the order, as well as for Amity Lodge. Several candidates are on the list for initiation next month.

Philomathean Lodge, No. 10, admitted to the third degree last week Candidates Kauffman, Laffey and Reddingfield and the degree team showed great improvement in the work. The Sunday services at the Odd Fellows' Home, September 9, will be conducted by No. 10. The Rev. Robert T. Tumbleson, of Chelten Avenue Baptist Church, will preach and a choir of girls will sing. The good-of-the-order committee is working on improvements.

Kenderton Lodge, No. 266, received a report of progress from the committee on thirtieth anniversary, composed of Past Grands W. H. Zimerman, Jacob Loux, George Tucker, Joseph S. Tomlinson and George J. Burgert. Secretary Maryey will announce details later.

V. G. William King, of Imperial Lodge, No. 1095, who resigned his office to enlist at Camp Hancock, has received his commission of second lieutenant U. S. A., and ordered to report to headquarters at Admiral, Md.

Coaquanock Lodge, No. 463, sent a delegation to visit Hope Lodge, of Wilmington, last Saturday, for a joint outing and ball game. The host, expecting a professional slaughter, lined up all available talent in the lodge and were bitterly disappointed to find their victims so easy. The Quakers gathered up their remains in time to share the victors' reward of a big chicken dinner and a trip to Brandywine Park. The escape from the battlefield of several visiting "wise guys" was due to a trip through the lower Delaware garden spots in the car of Brother Frank Overfer, of the famous Overfer Brothers, of Wilmington. The guests of the day were George B. Cairns, Thomas E. Podman, William Felton, Charles Herman, A. J. Jakob, Richard Koenig, Charles Leatherman, William J. McKnight, Joseph D. Prentz, Harry W. Rommel, Howard Repsher, John M. Reich, David M. Smith, Clarence Scheel, Dr. J. Louis Waechter and H. S. Furness.

Temple Encampment degree staff conferred on Tuesday night the patriarchal degree in full form on several candidates preparatory to the competitive work at the session of the sovereign grand lodge at Louisville. Degree Master Samuel H. Pope, who is also representative of the grand encampment of the national body, expects to be able to attend and to again assist in securing the honor and prize for the most efficient staff in the United States.

A call signed by Vice President J. Y. Loux, Secretary Charles D. Hamilton and Chairman of the Board of Directors Harry S. Hamilton has been issued for a meeting of the lodge representatives to the employment bureau for the purpose of filling the vacancy of president due to the resignation of Brother W. A. M. Shaney, who has entered the service of the Government, and of planning out a fall campaign for the operation of the bureau.

Harry C. Stephens is past grand representative to the grand lodge, trustee and leading spirit in all movements in Tacony Lodge, No. 258. He is a member of Mt. Ararat encampment; chairman of the board of directors of the employment bureau, as well as a representative of Seventeenth district, and active member of the executive committee of the combined lodges for the entertainment of the members engaged in the Government service. In recognition of these and other loyal services he received this year the appointment of grand marshal, being the youngest member of that office that the grand lodge has ever had. Brother Stephens is also a member of the F. and A. M. and Grand Fraternity.

The following circular letter has been sent from the office of the Grand Lodge to all lodges in the State:

"To the Officers and Members of the Subordinate Lodges of Pennsylvania, I. O. O. F.:

"Fraternal Greetings—War, with all its attendant horrors and gigantic responsibilities, is upon our nation and country. In a very short while many of our fellow citizens called to the colors will be engaged on the battlefield, high seas, under seas and in the air, subjected to every sacrifice that such conditions entail.

"The young blood of our brotherhood has responded to the call of duty in the name of true democracy and humanity, and they, as the young flowers in the garden of Odd Fellowship which Thomas Wildey and his four copatriarchs more than ninety-eight years ago dedicated to the love of God, country and humanity, will be called upon to exemplify to the entire civilized world the truth which has amalgamated and cemented us in an organization which has as its great foundation, 'The Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.'

"Most fittingly, then do I appeal to you in this great world's crisis. The higher your Odd Fellowship, the greater your citizenship; the higher your ambition for the benefit of the many, the nobler your thoughts and aspirations, then will your lives take on a manhood irreproachable as Odd Fellows and citizens, worthy of the protection of this great United States of America.

"The circumstances of war have weighed heavily on my mind for some time, and after giving them most serious, solemn and conscientious thought from every angle, I come to only one conclusion, that the members of the order who are in at home have a sacred duty to perform. I feel certain that each member of every lodge will deem it a privilege and will be glad to fulfill any reasonable request for our brethren of Pennsylvania in the service, wherever they may be.

"I cannot emphasize too strongly the sacrifice of this great crisis in the world's history will exact from each of us, and as Odd Fellows we should be true to our obligations, ready to practically illustrate the principles of our order in a substantial and unselfish manner rendering assistance, whenever and wherever it may be required, and show our loyalty and allegiance to the great cause of humanity and democracy.

"As previously stated in my former letter to you, the laws of our order will not permit us to use these funds for general or contingent purposes, but only for the purposes for which they are intended. It is necessary, therefore, that ... Grand Lodge ... Subordinate Lodges ... Patriarchal Degree ... Encampment ... Rebekah Lodges ... Uniformed Rank ... Patriotic Order Sons of America ... Junior Order United American Mechanics ... Improved Order of Red Men ... Knights of Malta ... Knights of Pythias ... Knights of Columbus ... Knights of Honor ... Knights of the Golden Eagle ... Knights of the Golden Eagle ... Knights of the Golden Eagle