

## CHAPTER NEWS

### CHAPTER No. 1—SALEM

Probably the most outstanding and memorable event since the first issue of our magazine was the social night of the Salem Chapter held in the Moose Hall, May 12th. This was an experiment by the entertainment committee and from the favorable comments most certainly should be repeated.

The evening was devoted to just about all kinds of games and entertainment appropriate for such an occasion. Had there been a few more bachelors I think even a poker game could have been drummed up but the wives came out in force and pretty well kept the hubbies interested in bridge and pinochle, while the minority members who for some reason were unchaperoned, found diversion at darts, pool and the like.

Thanks to the far-sightedness of those in charge of the affair in providing prizes for both men and women some of the members who played with some of the champs got in on the take of prizes. Those in this class, and who won prizes by virtue of reflected skill, were as follows: Pool: Art Burt. (Art had no competition); Bridge: W. E. Brown, (his signals worked); Pinochle: Joe Stirnaman (dirty work somewhere), and Darts: Roy Boldt (Roy just shut his eyes, gritted his teeth and let fly. Plain luck.) The real champs were these women: Pool: They couldn't seem to hit the ball; Bridge: Emma Brown (the Browns practised a long time to cop both men and women's prizes); Pinochle: Ruth Query (she can always show up the Pres. in open competition); Darts: Freda Burt (look out Art she's got a mean eye), and to crown it all Bessie De France won the jackpot and Buck immediately invested it for her in a real estate deal.

The crowning glory was the refresh-



ments. Dozens of every kind of sandwich imaginable, gallons of steaming hot coffee, plenty of nice fluffy cake and enough ice cream to fill the crowd. Boy what a nite!

All Salem Chapter members note: The meeting nite has been changed from the second Friday to the first Tuesday in each month. Since the first Tuesday of July falls on the 4th it was decided to skip the regular July meeting and have a big all-Department picnic, Sunday, July 16th. This will be a pot luck affair and open to all State Employees and their families. The entertainment committee will have a lively program of games and events lined up so there won't be a dull moment. Paradise Park, near the Salem Airport, is the place. Let's all turn out.

These are busy times for our members. Many of them are scattered around the state on paving and oiling crews and others are confined pretty well to their regular duties. In spite of these circumstances and the always pressing gas shortage the attendance at our meetings is better than fair. The membership of the Salem Chapter now numbers 156 with new members coming in steadily. When our new executive secretary gets to circulating around, the entire State membership should show a substantial gain. Mr. Stewart comes to us highly recommended and deserves our 100 per cent cooperation and backing.

There must be a lot of interesting personal items which should be inserted

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