



**Out of Hospital**—Herbert Hoover watches as author Clarence Budington Kelland (left), points out the channel they'll follow when they leave Miami Beach, Fla., for a fishing trip. The 78-year-old former president had just left St. Francis Hospital after a bout with flu. At right is Lawrence Richey, former White House secretary and an old friend. (AP Wire-photo)

### Hollywood Awards Circuit Becomes Active Once Again

By BOB THOMAS

Hollywood (AP) — Here we go on the awards circuit again! When the California fruit trees are beginning to burst forth again into blossom, it's a sign that the award season is with us again. Statuettes and plaques pop up all over the place, delighting the winners, the gold-plating companies and the trade papers, which bulge with congratulatory ads.

### War Objectors Assigned Duty

Albany — Twelve selective service registrants from Linn county, board No. 11, classified as conscientious objectors, recently were assigned to serve a two-year hitch in the service of the United States by being employed by hospitals, veterans hospitals and various other departments, the Linn county board announced Friday.

Those who have begun their two years of service, the same amount of time served by inductees, are: Melvin J. Stewart and Lyle Joseph Stewart, Halsey; Clarence A. Reaser, RFD 1; Wayne Daniel Alliman, RFD 1; Curtis Richard Zehr, RFD 1; Charles Wesley Reaser, RFD 1; Richard John Fahndrich, RFD 1; Wilton Daniel Smucker, Daniel L. Stewart and Delbert E. Baker, Harrisburg, and Ivan Dale Roth and Willard Paul Gerig, Lebanon.

Also inducted into the army this month were 31 young men from Linn county, including six voluntary inductees, the board also stated.

The board sent 40 men to Portland Thursday for physical examinations. Of the 40 examined, 27 will be inducted March 12 and 13, it was announced.

### Pythian Sisters to Initiate at Dallas

Dallas — In the absence of Mrs. Mary Buller, most excellent chief of the Pythian Sisters, Mrs. Olive Friesen conducted the regular meeting of the Pythian Sisters on Thursday, Feb. 12. Mrs. Carl Swanson took Mrs. Friesen's place as excellent senior for the evening.

During the meeting balloting was held and it was announced that the next meeting, Feb. 26, would include initiation.

The committee serving for the evening included: refreshments, Mrs. Anna Colgrove, Mrs. Adeline May, Mrs. Betty Crider, Mrs. Della Swanson, and Mrs. Wilda Bollman; program, Mrs. Ruby Irwin; decorating, Mrs. Melba Richardson, and Mrs. Edris Woods.

The Valentine motif was used as the theme for the meeting. The highlight of the evening was a candlelight reobligation service.

Within a few days, I covered the TV Academy awards, the movie academy nominations and the Photoplay award dinners. Also currently in season are the award events of the Screen Directors guild, Redbook, Look, Pic and Click. Surely a reporter deserves some kind of award for getting through all of them.

The TV Academy's Emmy statuette may yet become a full sister to the austere Oscar. That will take a little time, but this year's TV Academy event was a professional show. Sole hitch came when emcee Art Linkletter ran through three microphones before finding one that worked.

The TV affair seemed to have even more excitement and electricity than the movie event. Maybe that's because it was held at a dinner, as the Oscar events were in pre-war days. By limiting attendance to a select audience, the sponsors provided an atmosphere that was tense and responsive.

It's possible that the Oscar presentations can be held in more intimate surroundings, now that the event is being televised. There has been some call for the TV Academy to make more award categories to honor writers, singers, producers, directors, etc. That seems a mistake.

The movie academy has insisted on rewarding every creative branch of picture making. That's nice for the creators, but it merely bores or confuses the public. The ultimate is reached with three different categories for screen writing. Why not cite the best pictures or TV shows and let all the creators take the bows.

Awards postscripts . . . It looks as though few of the top Oscar contenders will be in town for the big event March 19. Shirley Booth and Bette Davis are in New York shows, and Julie Harris has been touring with "I Am a Camera." Kirk Douglas, Alec Guinness and Jose Ferrer are abroad, and Marlon Brando is off riding his motorcycle. The latter may be induced to attend with a tuxedo coat over his tattered T-shirt.

Gary Cooper is in Mexico, but may return for Oscar night. Only Joan Crawford and Susan Hayward are definitely expected to be in town.

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