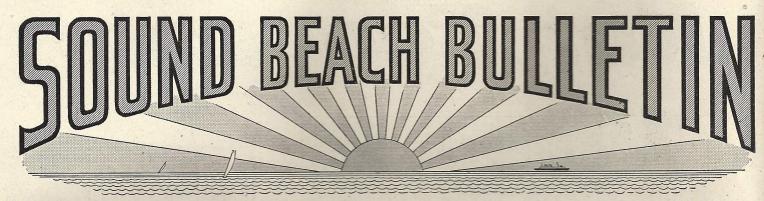
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No. 9

#### **Board of Directors** Meeting

KNEER'S HOF-BRAU 32-10 Broadway

Astoria

#### HOW YOUR \$8.00 WERE SPENT IN 1941

Public Safety	\$1.52
Special Reserve Fund	1.24
Park Department	1.04
Roads	
Garbage Removal	
Pumps	
Insurance	
Life Saving Department	
Membership Expense	
Beach Expense—Ramps	
El'ectricity	
Rentals	
Bulletin Expense	.15
Administrative Expense	
Taxes	0.0
Secretarial Expense	.05
Donation	
	\$8.00

The above tabulation represents one eight dollar membership. It shows how the eight dollars were apportioned to meet the various expenses necessary to operate for the year 1941.

#### **CLUB HOUSE ACTIVITIES**

The Sound Beach Life Guards held a dance at the Club House on Saturday, August 23rd, 1941. The net proceeds, which were approximately \$70.00 were shared among the boys as a partial compensation for the services which they rendered the com-munity during the summer. They wish to thank the people of Sound Beach who so generously supported

The Sunshine Garden Club and the Sound Beach Fire Department both held dances on August 30th and 31st, respectively at the Club House. The dances were very well supported and the proceeds will be used for the benefit of the community.

#### BELIEVE IT OR NOT

(with apologies to Bob Ripley)

The following conversation took place at the Community House-

"Do you know Red-Red who-oh you know Red, he works for the Brooklyn Edison Company and he has a place in Sound Beach-he told me so himself. Gosh fellows-don't one of you fellows know Red-hey-wait a minute-I know Red he is a fireman in Rocky Point." After due description it was proven that he was the party he was looking for. Just an example of an instance in locating your folks in Sound Beach through Association records at the Community House.

A party drove in from California visiting New York. While here they wished to visit some old friends and found they had a bungalow in Sound Beach. They drove out to Sound

REPORT OF NOMINATING

#### **Next General Meeting**

S. B. O. A. Inc.

Tuesday, October 21, 1941

NOMINATIONS

REPORTS OF 1941 SEASON ETC.

this service they made a special trip back to the Community House to thank all concerned. On the other hand, another party drove to Sound Beach trying to locate friends—a man, wife and two children. They arrived in Sound Beach about 9:00 A.M. and drove around until 4:00 P.M. when they arrived at the Community House they were near hysterics and completely exhausted—and hopelessly lost. Unfortunately, the people for whom they were looking were not listed as members. In spite of this fact our representatives made every effort to locate them. They took these people to every store in Sound Beach, icemen, etc. without success. It was really pityful to see the condition of these people—so far from home with night coming on and no place to go but to drive back to the city.

Beach and after roaming the roads for several hours, finally landed at

the Community House. Their friends were members of the Association and

were located within five minutes. 'As

a matter of fact, after finding the

location of the friend's residence, one

of our fireman escorted them right to

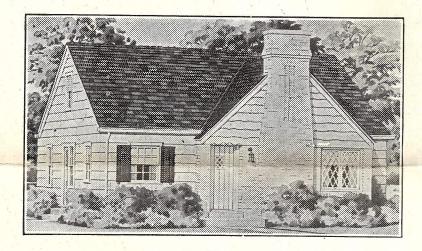
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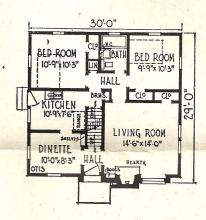
### COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee has submitted the following named individuals as members of the Board of Directors for the next three years starting January, 1942.

> Nicholas Geissler Henry Werner Earl Hanson William Walters George Palzer Mrs. C. Geissler Joseph Smith Otto Claus Charles Ke

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#### SOUND BEACH PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

#### Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements Eight (8) Months Ended August 31, 1941

	Eigili (0) Miolinia Ended / tagasi 51, 171			
	REVENUE			
	DuesBulletin Advertisements			\$ 5,176.00 193.02
	Rentals			200.00 28.00
	Auto and Beach Tag ReceiptsInsurance Refund			2.30
	Total Revenue			\$ 5,599.32
	Balances from Year 1940 .			1,148.02
	TOTAL			\$ 6,747.34
	DISBURSEMENTS			
Administrative Expense	New Typewriter	\$ 40.47		
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Re-Zoning Application	7.50	A 50 00	
	Telephone, Postage & etc.	8.25	\$ 56.22	
Beach Expense	Labor and Material East Ramp	\$ 7.00		
	Creosoting both Ramps	38.12	145.18	
	Oreosotting both framps		140.10	
	Bulletin Expense		319.45	
	Donation—Town Highway EmployeesElectricity		20.00 88.79	
	Insurance		184.30	
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Life Saving Department	Moving & Repairing Equipment	\$ 54.20 33.19		
	Beach Cleaning	27 00		
	First Aid Material	20.20		
	Paint Oars & Oar Locks	23.15 19.55		
	Beach Pumps	4.17		
	Miscellaneous	17.26	191.72	
Manhandin E	Credentials	\$ 48.00		
Membership Expense	Beach Tags	42.22		
	Services of Collector	93.95	100.00	
	Postage, etc.	2.75	186.92	
Park Department	New Lawn	\$329.35		
CLUB HOUSE	Floor Refinishing	58.00		
OLOB HOUSE	Wire & Rods-enclosing Lawn	48.25 23.25		
	Hose & Sprinkler	9.64		
	Lawn Mower	12.00		
	Flag Pole Expense Porch Railing	10.69 28.40		
	Screen Doors and Hardware	20.91		
	Cement Blocks	4.10		
COMMUNITY HOUSE	Screens for Windows	43.04		
COMMONTHITIOOSE	Rear Stairs rebuilt	35.00		
	Locks & Keys	1.75		
MISCELLANEOUS	Telephone Installation & Service	43.05		
1111002222 (1112000	Delivery Expense on Lamp Posts	5.00	250.40	
	Cleaning Catch Basin	1.00	673.43	
	Public Safety Expense		979.43	
	Pump Expense		302.13	
	Road Repairs		66.75 505.00	
	Sanitation—Garbage Removal		475.00	
	Secretarial Expense—Four Memberships		32.00	
	Signs Taxes		3.00 40.75	\$ 4,270.07
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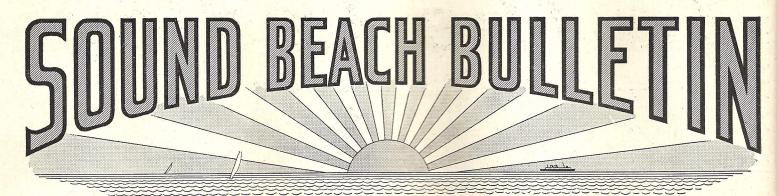
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### Notice of Annual Meeting

of the

# Sound Beach Property Owners' Association, Inc. TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18th, 1941

AT 8:30 P. M.

#### KNEER'S HOF BRAU

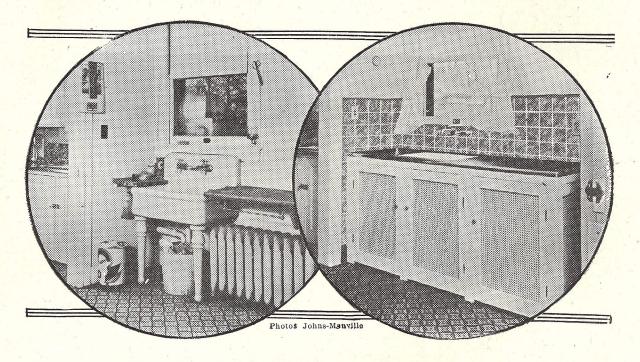
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- REPORTS OF ACTIVITIES OF 1941
- ELECTION OF OFFICERS
- FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1941
- DISCUSSION OF ACTIVITIES FOR 1942

#### TO REACH MEETING HALL:

By Subway—IRT Astoria train from Times Square or, Second Ave. El, Astoria train or, BMT Queens Plaza train, change at Plaza for Astoria shuttle. Get out at Broadway—1 Block to 32nd St.—Independent Subway, Local to Steinway St.—By Car—From Eastern Long Island—Queens Blvd, Turn right at Grand St. and straight through to Broadway or—Parkway to last exit, turn left under El to Broadway, turn left one block.—From New York City,—over Queensboro Bridge, turn left under El to Broadway (three stations from Bridge Plaza) then right one block.

## To The Ladies



The fall and winter months are desirable ones to modernize the interior of your home. All skilled mechanics are free from summer rush and can give you greater value for every dollar you spend. Materials are available and Uncle Sam, through his "Modernization for Defense" plan, provides the funds for you at a low rate of interest over a period of from a few months up to three years.

Here are a few suggestions for you:

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### MINUTES OF THE SOUND BEACH PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., MEETING HELD TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1941 AT KNEER'S HOF-BRAU, ASTORIA, L. I.

Meeting called to order at 9:30 P.M. by our President Mr. Leonard Hafner.

Motion was made, seconded and carried that the minutes of the previous general meeting be approved as published in the March issue of the bulletin. Approved.

Mr. Hafner introduced Mr. Harold Davis,

Mr. Hafner introduced Mr. Harold Davis, Superintendent of Highways, Town of Brookhaven, and a candidate for re-election, who addressed the Members.

The next speaker introduced by Mr. Hafner was Mr. O'Neill, of Mastic Beach.

#### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

#### Treasurer

Final report will be published in January issue of Bulletin.

#### Sanitation

Mrs. Kress reported that her department went along very smoothly this season with hardly any complaints.

#### Life Guards

Mr. Otto Claus reported for his son who is Captain of the Life Guards, since he at present is out of town.

He stated that all of the equipment belonging to the Life Guards was safely stored away for the winter. Mr. Claus further reported that everything went along smoothly with few complaints this season.

Mr. Hafner introduced Mr. Robert S. Still, Republican Candidate for Superintendent of Highways, Town of Brookhaven, who addressed the members present.

#### Public Safety

Mr. Henry J. Werner read a complete report which will be found in this issue of the bulletin. Mr. Leppin commended Mr. Werner and his Committee for the splendid work and suggested that a vote of thanks be extended to them.

#### Highways

Mr. Case reported all the work done on the different roads during the summer.

#### Plants and Structures

Mr. Hanson reported that a complete report was printed in the bulletin.

#### NEW BUSINESS

The Nominating Committee presented the following names as candidates for Members of the Board of Directors of the Sound Beach Property Owners' Association to serve for a term of three years starting January, 1942:

NICHOLAS GEISSLER HENRY WERNER EARL HANSON WILLIAM WALTERS GEORGE PFALZER MRS. C. GEISSLER JOSEPH SMITH OTTO CLAUS CHARLES KEESE

No other names being presented, a motion was made that nominations be closed. Seconded. Approved.

#### GOOD AND WELFARE

Mr. Ankener made a motion that a committee be appointed to see what could be done towards obtaining a fourth lane on 25-A from Huntington East. An amendment was added instructing this committee to

endeavor to have white lines forcing traffic into a single lane at all traffic lights on this three lane highway so as to facilitate the flow of traffic. Seconded and carried.

Mr. Leppin has outlined some safety lanes at the Community House Square which should prove to be a safety measure. He has also donated five lamp posts, two of which have been already placed at the Club House, the others are to be put up at the Community Square. Mr. Leppin displayed a set of detailed maps which should be very helpful to the members. Motion was made, seconded and carried that a rising vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Leppin. Motion was made to adjourn at 11:30 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

IDA DI LALLA, Secretary.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY

The safety of our Sound Beach Community is of vital interest to all of us. This year the Committee on Public Safety endeavored to secure better police protection for Sound Beach. With this thought in mind some of us called upon the officials of the Town of Brookhaven including the Chief of Police. We solicited their cooperation and laid before them our problems and our request for public safety measures.

As a result of these efforts, the Town Police put a police officer on duty in Sound Beach every day of the week. On weekends we had half the services of a second police officer who divided his time between Sound Beach and North Shore Beach. Three other Town Police officers were on duty part of the time in our community. Arrangements were made with the Town Police to use part of our Community house office as a police booth which our Association equipped with a telephone.

It is the opinion of your committee that we received full cooperation from the Brookhaven Town Police and we recommended that a letter of appreciation be sent to the Chief of Police by the Board of Directors and this has been done. For the protection of our corporate property such as the beach and the water pumps, we engaged five (5) men to act as Special Police Officers for the Sound Beach Property Owners' Association, Inc. Here again we were in contact with the Town Police who recommended most of the men employed by us. The five men were properly interviewed and fully instructed before they were employed. The men were engaged for nine weeks starting June 29, and ending with Labor day weekend.

At times all five men were on duty on the beach at one place or another. On weekends two of the men were on duty at the entrances to the beach up to 9 P. M. This measure prevented people without credentials from using the beach after 6 P. M. We believe it can be said the special police did a good job for us.

The cost of the Special Police Officers amounted to \$979.43 which you will note is within the \$1,000.00 allotted to our department in the 1941 budget.

The members of the committee wish to take this occasion to thank the members of the Board of Directors and various members o fthe association for their help and cooperation in this work.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY By Henry J. Werner, Chairman It is with extreme regret that we learn of the sudden death of Wm. Harrison on Monday, October 27, 1941. Mr. Harrison was one of the founders and charter members of the Sound Beach Fire Department and served that department for eight years as its Chief. He was an active worker right up until the time of his death. The Fire Department and Sound Beach have lost an old and valued friend who will be long remembered.

#### ROADS

The road situation in Sound Beach is probably the greatest single factor affecting the property owners and as a considerable percentage of the taxes collected in Sound Beach go into the Road Department, the Board of Directors felt that in accordance with their customary policy of going to headquarters for information, it would be a good idea to present to our members the candidates for the office of Superintendent of Highways for the Town of Brookhaven. Mr. Harold Davis, present incumbent and Mr. Robert Still. The two candidates for that office appeared at our meeting Tuesday, October 21st, 1941. Mr. Davis who spoke first, reviewed his work of the past ten years and spoke at length on the problems of the Road Supervisor covering the whole town. He assured us that if elected he would continue in the future as in the past to do as much as possible with his budget to maintain and improve our roads in Sound Beach.

Mr. Robert Still who spoke a little later in the evening, is at present in charge of the roads in the Village of Patchogue. He spoke at length on his experience in building and maintaining the roads, then went into our road situation in Sound Beach. He said that after a thorough inspection of our roads, he did not feel that we had received as much service as we were entitled to. He went on to say that he thought that in view of the large amount of taxes collected in Sound Beach each year, that we were entitled to the best that the Town of Brookhaven could give us.

He advised us to make every effort to have our roads accepted into the Town Highway System, stating that as Town roads it would be obligatory for the Town to keep the roads in first class condition. He also stated that approximately \$7,000.00 of the taxes collected in Sound Beach is a highway tax and he promised that if elected he would attempt to use at least that amount in building and maintaining better roads in Sound Beach. He referred in his talk to the fact that the town has a large amount of equipment left over from previous WPA projects such as cement, pipe, etc. and implied that in some of the bad spots in Sound Beach such as hills, gullies, etc., that these could be used for nent improvements. In view of a resolution adopted by the Town Board stating that the Road Supervisor would not be permitted to use town money on private roads. Mr. Still was asked for his interpretation of what constitutes a private road. He stated that he had consulted with the Town Board on this point and they had assured him that the roads in Sound Beach would not be considered as private roads, as the private roads referred to were driveways, entrances to private grounds and roads of that character. Mr. Still gave it as his opinion as an experienced roadman that under his program in approximately five years every road in Sound Beach will be oiled and the various hills and bad spots taken care of in a more permanent manner

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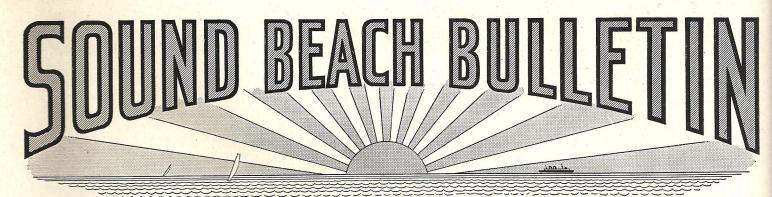
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DECEMBER, 1941

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# Merry Christmas and

## A happy and Prosperous New Year

May Your Folidays Be Joyous And May the Year 1942 Bring Good Fealth and Prosperity

## To The Ladies



The fall and winter months are desirable ones to modernize the interior of your home. All skilled mechanics are free from summer rush and can give you greater value for every dollar you spend. Materials are available and Uncle Sam, through his "Modernization for Defense" plan, provides the funds for you at a low rate of interest over a period of from a few months up to three years.

Here are a few suggestions for you:

Asbestos shingle your home Transform your attic into another room Repaint your entire house

All you need to do is decide what modernization you wish, write or phone us, and we will gladly take care of all details at no additional cost to you.

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### MINUTES OF THE SOUND BEACH PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., MEETING HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1941 AT KNEER'S HOF-BRAU, ASTORIA, L. I.

Meeting called to order at 9:30 P.M. by our President Mr. Leonard Hafner. Motion was made, seconded and carried that the minutes of the previous general meeting be approved as published in the November issue of the bulletin.

Mr. Hafner stated that due to the fact that a quorum was not present the meeting go on as usual subject to ratification at the February meeting.

Reports of the various committees appeared in the last issue of the Bulletin.

Mrs. Barry reported that her committee is trying to obtain an accurate figure on just how many bungalows there are in South Beach. To date her figure is about 1500. Mrs. Barry also requested that the maps which were given to the members on the committee be returned as they are Corporation property and they have no further need for them.

#### Auditing Committee

Mr. Hafner appointed Mr. Toner and Mr. Stephenson to serve on the Auditing Committee. Mr. Metzler, Mrs. Pfistner and Mr. Harold Hafner were nomianted and elected from the floor.

Mr. Shire suggested that stronger supports be placed in the new promenade, as some sections appear quite weak for the use it is going to have.

A complaint was made about the Cold Spring Drive Pump as same is pumping sand into the water. A motion was made that the pump be repaired in the Spring. Seconded and carried. This will be done at that time. Another complaint was made about Bayville Road which is in direnced of repair. This and other roads will be attended to in the Spring.

Another suggestion was made that posts or signs be set up at dead end sections. Mr. Hafner explained in detail the setting of posts as outlined by Mr. Leppin.

#### Election of Officers:

Mr. Hafner appointed two tellers, namely Mr. Metzler and Mr. Arthur Hafner to count the ballots cast for the election of the Members of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Metzler and Mr. Hafner reported that there were thirty ballots cast for the election of the following Members:

MR. N. GEISSLER

MR. H. WERNER

MR. E. HANSON

MR. W. WALTERS

MR. G. PFALZER

MRS. C. GEISSLER

MR. J. SMITH

MR. O. CLAUS

MR. C. KEESE

Vouchers H-156 to H-174.

Total Receipts .....\$6649.16

Disbursements 5137.15

Balance \$1512.01

Motion was made to adjourn at 10:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted.

IDA DI LALLA, Secretary.

#### BUDGET FOR 1942

The porposed budget for 1942 is now being prepared and will be drafted at the January Meeting of the Board of Directors. The opinions and suggestions of our members will be most welcome. Let us know just what you would like and if you cannot attend above mentioned meeting, send your suggestions to Mildred Bayard, Secretary Board of Directors, 6064 - 59th Drive, Maspeth, L. I.

#### FIRE PREVENTION

Due to the season of the year, aggravated by the drought, the fire risk in Sound Beach has never been greater.

Residents should exercise every precaution to avoid a conflagration which might wipe out a large portion of the community. Do not build any fires outdoors. Keep leaves and dry brush well away from building.

#### PLAY SAFE

If you must light a fire outdoors consult the Fire Department or the Fire Warden first.

#### \$25.00 REWARD

Will Be Paid by The Sound Beach Property Owners Association, Inc.

For information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons damaging any property belonging to the Sound Beach Property Owners' Association, Inc.

#### GOING UP!

The tax rate in the Town of Brookhaven for the coming year has been set at \$3.02 per hundred, assessed valuation. This is an increase of three cents over the tax rate of last year which was \$2.99 per hundred, assessed valuation. The increase of three cents is in the town highway tax which will be 70c for the coming year as against 67c during the past year.

#### AIN'T IT THE TRUTH?

Don't pay any dues. Don't go to meetings. If you do arrive late. If the weather doesn't suit, don't think of coming. If you do attend a meeting, find fault with the work of the officers and members. Never accept office, as it is easier to criticize than do things. Nevertheless, get sore if you are not appointed on the committee, but if you are, do not attend the committee meetings. If asked by the chairman to give your opinion regarding some important matter, tell him you have nothing to say. After the meeting tell everyone how things ought to be done, and finally, do nothing more than is absolutely necessary but when other members roll up their sleeves and willingly, unselfishly use their ability to help matters along howl that the organization is run by a clique.

#### TAX NOTICES

By the time this issue of the Bulletin is received, you will no doubt have received you tax bills. Just as a reminder—

FIRST HALF TAX, due Dec. 1, 1941, payable to Jan. 10, 1942, without penalty. After Jan. 10, 1942, one per cent per month will be added to May 31, 1942.

SECOND HALF TAX, due May 10 and to be paid at this office without penalty until May 31.

#### NOTICE

FIRST HALF and SECOND HALF payments can be paid at the same time.

#### NOVEMBER MEETING

It is with great regret that we must report, that due to lack of a quorum, our Corporation was unable to officially transact the necessary business at our annual meeting, which is the legal meeting required in accordance with the membership corporation law of the State of New York.

Considering the fact that the members of the Board of Directors and members of various committees give up a large part of their time, at considerable cost to themselves, it does not seem that they are getting a square deal to have only an insignificant percentage of our membership showing any indication of a spirit of co-operation, to say nothing of one of appreciation.

An organization such as the S. B. P. O. Ass'n, Inc., when almost all the service is given gratuitously through the efforts of volunteers, it is absolutely essential to have enthusiasm and a spirit of community service.

Experience has proven time and time again that without some recognition and cooperation on the part of those receiving the benefits, this enthusiasm and spirit gradually wanes with the accompanying loss of efficiency and interest.

Many of our members have made the very flattering statement that their lack of attendance was due to the fact, that they were entirely satisfied with the manner in which the affairs of the corporation are conducted.

While, as stated above, this attitude is very flattering, it does not overcome the legal obstacle, namely that business cannot be transacted without a quorum present.

It is of course possible to reduce to a number small enough to make a meeting legal, but this means that the corporation will be at the mercy of any small organized group, which may or may not have an axe to grind.

It is the feeling of the persent Board of Directors and officers that unless a considerable proportion of the membership show more interest in the future than in the past, that we might just as well fold up now and let nature take its course.

It will without doubt be a most expensive demonstration of the need of an active, honest and well run organization in a community such as

The present organization is the result of approximately ten years of hard, thankless work on the part of relatively few people and it is very doubtful that it would be duplicated in twice that length of time in the event that lack of interest on the part of the membership caused a dissoluiton of the present organization.

Our organization is not in any sense an autocratic or totalitarian racket and its future rest entirely in the hands of the general membership.

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