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STORY OF THE MILWAUKEE EVENT

PRESIDENTIAL PONDERINGS

THOSE ATTENDING

PF-000 Forrest & Rachel Campbell
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PF-024 Gilbert & Helen Westgard,
and Helen's son Eddie
PF-034 Mrs. Blanche G. Lloyd
PF-053 Ralph D. Gardner
PF-093 Les & Bertie Langlois,
and daughter Marcie
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PF-167 Mrs. Cecelia D. Vild
PF-168 Dr. Joseph P. Wild, M.D.

Guest Doris Sibigroth

EDITOR'S NOTE: There were 14 members
present at the 1965 Mendota Affair. We
have broken our own record by more than
twenty five per cent.

HEADQUARTERS SANDS MOTEL

The motel of recent design is built
around an inner court which is used for
parking. The building is three stories
high, with hotel type corridors running
through the entire building. Several
entrances and elevators made it conven-
ient to get to our rooms. Our rooms were
all grouped together as much as possible.
A spacious and private dining room and
meeting room was placed at our disposal.
A complete coffee shop was available
across the court as well as an enclosed
and heated swimming pool. We were not
exposed to the sounds of street traffic
and other than our own jovial merriment,
we were not disturbed. The weather was
ideal, the rooms were comfortable, and
the service was wonderful, for which we
express our gratitude and appreciation to
the management and employees of the
Sands Motel. We left Sunday morning
refreshed, and with good will.

ANNUAL CONVENTION --- Our Milwaukee
Event is history, and what a nice meet it
was! Thanks to Les and Bertha Langlois
for their hospitality and arrangements,
thanks to those who brought such fascin-
ating exhibits. Thanks to the committees
who worked intelligently and forthrightly.
It was a harmonious meeting, signifying
growth and progress in every facet of our
operation.

Jack Row's priceless exhibit (he won a
Thompson-Thomas issue of Phil the Fiddler
for his collection) spurred all of us, I
am sure, to try to outdo him at the Des
Moines Session. Our awards program went
well, and we were sorry that Max and Ida
Goldberg could not be present in person
to receive the "valued services" Luck and
Pluck award, a new one instituted this
year.

Our Ragged Dick winner, Robert Claudio,
a fine young hero. Our finances in good
shape. Our newsletter openly applauded
for freshness, newness, and Alger lore.
It ended all too soon. Your president
has a well-sunburned bald pate from his
afternoon in the sun in the Langlois'
beautiful back yard. Loved it, food and
all.

Chalk up still another reason for at-
tending a Horatio Alger annual conven-
tion: conservatively, at least 300 Alger
titles were offered for purchase, barter,
give-away. Jack had a lot of free
goodies, and our youngest (Eddie West-
gard) did not pass the 40-title mark
without a few bargain basement acqui-
sitions, I am sure.

OUR NEW YEAR --- Members have a right
to know what our program is for the next
twelvemonth. First, I will try to de-
serve the very great honor you have be-
stowed in asking me to serve a second
year. We will seek to build membership
in order to increase our acquaintances,
help develop numbers for local or re-
gional gatherings, and for larger funds
to increase our services to members.
Added membership also increases the tempo
and the arena of our influence.

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INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Steve heard of us through publicity in the AB. He had previously read Tebbel's book, then delighted to learn of our Society and anxious to read the book which bears our stamp of approval. Steve has lived in and around NYC all his life and has appeared behind the footlights. He played the part of the young boy in THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK over 700 times in a cross-country tour, including the old Pabst Theatre in Milwaukee. Steve has a degree in drama from NYU which led to his career as a playwright. He has just completed a new play and feels that an Alger opus will eventually find its way to the stage. Perhaps there is yet hope for my own dream, THE BOY FROM THE BOVERY.

Viola heard of us through the Des Moines Register publicity. The books belong to her husband, but the membership belongs to Viola. George and Dixie are friends of Jack and Beth Row. Their interest stems from a professional job of salesmanship. So, if you can't fight 'em, then join 'em! Welcome aboard. Dr. Wild and his wife, are both members. They heard of us through the Milwaukee Journal. They showed up at our banquet and went away with an autographed copy of Gardner's book. Don heard of us through George Setman. His application was awaiting Ken Butler upon his return home from Milwaukee. Our goal was 100 members by convention time--and we just made it. Don has nostalgic memories from his boyhood days. Don't we all.

We hope to provide funds to add pictures occasionally to The Newsboy. We hope to make some progress on a valuation guide. We hope to get some books in libraries; the wonderful exhibit at the Milwaukee Public Library shows us that Alger can be built into more than just books for circulation --- we can inform the public about our hero's work and social influence.

In the new year we hope to broaden the scope of our services. Example: Gilbert Westgard will try to provide missing pages in your collections; and if that is not possible, photographic inserts to make those editions complete. We will enlarge and improve our "membership package" that goes to those who inquire about membership in our society. We hope to add one or two significant awards. We hope to continue the wonderful feature and news coverage of Newsboy. We hope to get more activity on a regional basis. We hope to have more regional news letters in Newsboy. We hope to print more research and comment on Alger's heroes and stories. We hope to issue our membership roster twice yearly. Finally, we hope to culminate our year with a greater-than-ever convention in Des Moines, with at least 50 members present, though we were well pleased to have 19 at Milwaukee.

MISSING PAGES SERVICES --- We made mention of a new service we hope to build under the guidance of Gilbert Westgard. If you are missing a page, title page, etc., write Gilbert at his new address. The front and back will be reproduced photographically if Gilbert has the book, even an actual page if available. To achieve this latter, please send to Gilbert any totally disfigured, coverless, or forlorn Alger books you don't want. That beat-up book may contain just the page that someone needs to make complete an otherwise prized volume. When photography is required, Gilbert will make a modest charge for his materials.

RENEWING COVER CLOTH --- This tip from Ralph Gardner to restore and clean shabby covers: (1). Dust book thoroughly with clean cloth. (2). Rub vaseline on cloth portion of cover, leave it stand an hour. (3). Wipe off with clean cloth. (4). Wipe again, briskly, using another clean cloth. Sounds good. I'm going to try it on one of my duplicates, not so much to test Ralph's idea as to test my own dexterity.

VALUES OF ALGER BOOKS --- The excellent color spread in the Sunday Des Moines Register (May 8th) brought many letters from Iowa readers requesting information on the worth of Alger books in their possession. Each article on Alger points up the need for some kind of a booklet assessing approximate values. The need is not so much to guide our own members, (though newer hobbyists would welcome such help) as it is to help us convince
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MILWAUKEE EVENT: continued --

ROOM EXHIBITS

President Butler, and Jack Row arrived on Thursday, with others arriving early Friday morning. They made use of this additional time in preparing interesting displays. The highlights of Jack Row's display included a complete set of the eleven Alger books supposedly completed by Stratemeyer; Sixteen different editions of Phil, the Fiddler; About eight or ten small size Hurst editions, A half dozen or so of the Winston Library editions and about as many beautifully bound Henry T. Coates editions, plus some duplicates.

President Butler's display was highlighted with his authentic boot black box on which he had painted the name "TOM" and three wall plaques on display but with the recipient's name tantalizingly concealed with tape. He also had an enormous display of press clippings.

Other displays included Westgard's with a supply of ALGER STREET, Campbell's Alger picture, two wall hangings and several books about Horatio. House, Hartmann, Lloyd and Friedman also had book displays or books for sale.

MILWAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY

The tour of the city Friday afternoon included a visit to the famous Horticultural Conservatory at Mitchell Park, and was highlighted by a visit to the Milwaukee Public Library. Previously, the entire collection of Alger books owned by Gardner Dalton, PF-045 was donated to this Library and many of them were on display. The exhibit is on the balcony level of the Main lobby. There are perhaps a dozen glass enclosed cabinets with various book arrangements. On the wall behind each cabinet were enlarged reproductions of the illustrations found in the Alger books.

MADER'S GERMAN RESTAURANT

At six p.m. we dined at Mader's, with twenty-two present. We were served at five tables in the public dining room. The menu consisted entirely of German dishes, and the waitresses were attired in authentic fraulein costumes. Souvenir brochures of Mader's were passed around for autographing by those of our party. We then returned to our rooms.

ALGER STREET

The corridor between our rooms could have been named Alger Street appropriately enough, however, no one present thought to do so. Butler did have a placard on his door with this inscription: KEN, THE BOOK-BOY, or WHERE IS MY WANDERING JORING TONIGHT? (obviously another Alger ghost title, don't you think)

Alger Street: continued --

The door to each room was like the entrance to a used book store. Many arms were loaded with books. Some new titles must have been added to individual collections this night. Eddie Westgard who weighed in with 24 titles left Sunday with 40 titles. I guess no one can top his record. After renewing old acquaintances and making new ones, the shops were closed and deserted, but only to reconvene in the coffee shop across the court.

THE BUSINESS SESSION

Before our Saturday morning business meeting started, a local man appeared with a box of some 100 Alger books. No meeting can be conducted under such circumstances. Our business just had to wait. However, in less than ten minutes the gentlemen had sold all his books and left with a little money in his pocket, and happy smiles on some of our faces.

After roll call, reading of minutes, and financial report, it was decided that we had enough money on hand to proceed with our proposed membership tile project. Reduced dues for juvenile members was discussed and we voted to discontinue. A set of proposed By Laws were read by committee chairman Carl Hartmann and presented for adoption. President Butler named the following committees: Budget; Campbell, Lloyd and Butler. Nominating: Campbell, Anderson and Poznan. 1967 Convention: Row, Gardner and Hartmann. Corrections: Westgard and House. Service: Westgard. The first three committees were asked to report at the evening session. Meeting adjourned a short time before noon.

THE PICNIC LUNCH

It was a bright sunny day and the group gathered on the warm slopes of the Langlois' terraced back yard. A smorgasbord lunch had been prepared by caterers and the outdoor setting succeeded in whetting our appetites. After the serving table had been cleared, Les brought out about 100 Alger duplicates and offered them for sale at cost. The ones remaining could have been picked up in a small basket. Croquet was enjoyed by mixed teams, and the game of horse shoe was enjoyed by the men. Much time was spent in hunting for the shoes as a result of wild pitches from the novices.

We also were invited to see the Langlois home, including the enviable and nearly complete Alger collection of Les's. He explained that many of his first editions were temporarily loaned to the Milwaukee Public Library. It being Bertie's birthday, we all sang Happy Birthday to her, and for he's a jolly good fellow to Les. Committees could be seen in various corners plotting the future of our Society for the coming fiscal year. Regretfully, we left for the motel to prepare for the evening banquet, carrying away our loot and prizes.

THE MILWAUKEE EVENT: continued --

THE BANQUET AND BUSINESS SESSION

The banquet was held in a private dining room at the Sands Motel. Again a smorgasbord dinner was served to nineteen members, wives, guests, and our Ragged Dick Award recipient Robert Claudio, for a total of 30 people. New members approved before the dinner was served included George Miller, a close friend of Jack and Beth Row, and Dr. Joseph P. Wild M.D. and also his wife Cecelia D. Wild.

Our Ragged Dick Award recipient, Robert Claudio was selected from the senior class at Boys' Technical High School of Milwaukee, by a committee headed by Vice President Leslie Langlois. Robert is 17 years of age, born in New York City on October 31, 1948. Robert's parents came from Puerto Rico. Robert's father is deceased. Robert lives with his mother and three younger brothers at 2434 North Booth Street, Milwaukee. Robert is small in size for his age, has coal black hair and eyes. When Mr. Claudio died, Mrs. Claudio brought her four boys to Milwaukee to live where they could be near their grandparents. Robert is interested in music and drama. He plays the saxophone and clarinet, and takes part in his class plays. Robert will continue his education at U.T.I. in Milwaukee and will study in the field of electronics. He currently supplements family income under direction of the Neighborhood Youth Corps of Milwaukee, and is an assistant to his music teacher. In our opinion, Robert is a typical Alger hero and especially qualifies as "A NEW YORK BOY" and "THE YOUNG MUSICIAN."

While waiting for press photographers, President Butler opened the evening business session by asking for the report of the Budget Committee. The Committee proposed a budget for the fiscal year 1966-1967 of \$650.00, based upon an extremely low estimate of 130 members. It was noted that we had 99 members at that time. We were one short of our self imposed quota of 100 members by convention time. The budget was approved and adopted.

The Nominating Committee next to report recommended the reelection of Kenneth Butler (cheers) for President; For Vice President to replace Les Langlois who did not wish the office another year, the Committee placed in nomination the name of Jack Row (cheers). The Committee recommended the reelection of Mrs. Blanche Lloyd for the office of Sec'y-Treas. (cheers). For the two offices of Board of Directors allowed by our Articles of Incorporation, the Committee recommended the names of Ralph Gardner and Carl Hartmann (cheers). There were no other nominations, and the proposed slate of officers were unanimously elected.

Jack Row reporting for the 1967 Convention Committee, and acting for all of

Banquet & Business Session: continued--

our Society members from the State of Iowa, invited the members to hold the next convention in Des Moines. (cheers). Jack, speaking for the committee and the Iowan members, promised us the biggest and best convention ever. (more cheers). Needless to say, the invitation was accepted.

In announcing several awards, our President presented a boot-black figurine to Ralph Anderson, publisher of Collectors News in recognition of service to our Society for recent publicity in his monthly publication. (cheers).

The President declared the room exhibit of Jack Row to be the best, and promised Jack, upon his return to Mendota, another edition of Phil, The Fiddler to add to his collection. (cheers).

President Butler at this point acknowledged with regret, the message from Paul & Frances Soini, that due to circumstances beyond their control, they would be unable to attend as scheduled. He announced a similar message with his regrets, from Max and Ida Goldberg. He was especially disappointed, he remarked, since the next award had Max's name upon it. The Award was in the form of a wall plaque and identified as the Society's LUCK AND PLUCK Award. He stated that it was in recognition of meritorious service to the Society in conducting the past two annual Alger Memorial Observances in South Natick.

The President reminded us that the 1964 NEWSBOY Award went to Ralph D. Gardner for his book HORATIO ALGER, or The American Hero Era. He also explained that although a bit late, the 1965 NEWSBOY Award goes to Gilbert K. Westgard for his book ALGER STREET, The Poetry of Horatio Alger, Jr. (cheers).

The 1966 NEWSBOY Award went to Forrest Campbell for his Alger-type story (in serial form as a supplement to the newsletter 1963-1965), THE YOUNG POSTMASTER.

The RAGGED DICK Award, recently referred to as our New STRIVE AND SUCCEED Award, in the form of a check in the amount of one hundred dollars was presented to Robert at this time. Robert's acceptance speech in typical Alger hero style was the finest speech of its kind that I have ever heard. When asked if he had ever read any of Horatio Alger's books, he replied, "No, sir; I was not familiar with the author or his stories, until I was informed of this award. Then I became interested." Vice President Langlois promised to give him several copies. Robert asked to be excused since he was scheduled to appear in his class play that evening. As he was about to be whisked away in a waiting cab, your editor presented Robert with the complete story of The Young Postmaster. He left us amid much applause and cheering from all present.

THE MILWAUKEE EVENT: Banquet & Business Session: continued --

(EDITOR'S NOTE: After the banquet it occurred to me that we should have a copy of Robert's Award Acceptance Speech, so Vice President Langlois called Robert at his first opportunity. Here is his reply)

Dear Mr. Campbell

I would like to thank you for the (a) copy of The Young Postmaster. Saturday night when I arrived home after the school play (which was a complete success) I read chapter I. I must congratulate you on your characteristic writing. I am reading your book (story) every chance I get. I know I will enjoy it very much.

Mr. Langlois called me and told me you wanted a copy of my speech. Actually I hadn't prepared it until I rode the bus to the motel. I knew I would have to say a few words so I thought about it on the way to Sands. I did not write it down but I did remember it. You will find a copy enclosed. I am grateful to you for wanting to print my speech and I only wish that more young people would learn about Horatio Alger.

Thank you once again for the (a) copy of your book (story).

Sincerely yours, Robert A. Claudio
(Zip Code 53212)

ROBERT'S AWARD ACCEPTANCE SPEECH

I would first like to thank you for this award. Horatio Alger's ideal "from rags to riches" is a very good one. Anyone can succeed if they have the willingness to succeed. They can overcome any obstacle in their path. With the wrong spirit in mind they won't succeed. With the proper spirit and proper guidance they will succeed. Thank you.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: It was necessary for Robert to leave before the press photographer arrived. If Robert will supply us with a negative, we will have prints made and enclose with the August Issue)

RALPH GARDNER SPEAKS

Ralph was invited to speak, and did so. He held our interest for the balance of the evening, inviting questions as he progressed. Recalling an interesting item regarding the name of Horatio Alger, your editor rudely interrupted to announce that a man in Kalamazoo claims to have had a buddy in the army by the name of G. Horatio Alger. They were stationed at Augusta, Georgia in 1942. Last seen in California when their outfit split up. This man hailed from New York State and would be about 50 years old today. Can someone suggest a way to check this out? Sorry for the interruption, Ralph.

PRESIDENTIAL PONDERINGS: Values of Alger Books - continued:

folks, who think they have a fortune, that their average Alger books are probably worth much less; that our member is not trying to beguile him out of them. I have replied to all inquiries which came my way. I am sure only a few of my correspondents believe I gave them an honest evaluation. A guidebook such as I suggest would not be simple or cheap, unless someone can come up with a formula that can be stated briefly. One hundred and fifty titles times an average of eight publishers times five states of condition adds up to 6,000 entries!

Your Particular Friend, Ken Butler

THE WIND-UP, AND RETROSPECT

Parting can be such sweet sorrow, and it was so in Mendota, too. Some of our members in attendance were not guests at the motel since they lived within a reasonable driving distance, and the balance of the evening, by popular demand, was spent in making new, and renewing old acquaintances. Attempts to restore order and complete unfinished business were abandoned. A scheduled farewell breakfast, such as we had in Mendota, was cancelled, because commitments could not be established for reservation purposes. The trend was for a social evening together.

Room exhibits again captured our interest. The first time for some, the nth time for others. Last minute decisions to buy that book after all. Not because of price for not one book offered was overpriced, but because of purse-string limitations. Gradually, one by one, we were forced to yield to the sandman. With the final good-bye, the last door was closed and Alger Street was empty and quiet, but behind closed doors feeble attempts at packing were put off until morning.

Les and Bertie deserve our grateful thanks for hosting the Milwaukee Event. The responsibility was theirs. The enjoyment was ours. Souvenirs at the banquet table included a Personal Directory booklet, a miniature telephone set, and book matches printed especially for us. The cover bears the familiar picture of Ragged Dick as a boot-black, and these words: HORATIO ALGER SOCIETY - MILWAUKEE EVENT - MAY 1966. There was never a dull moment, thanks to Les and Bertie. There was just too much to do, and too much to see.

We understand that plans are being considered for a full three day session in Des Moines. States represented this year were: New York, Michigan, Indiana, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. Iowa is centrally located in the continental United States. We should have a record turn-out, and with your cooperation, we will make our membership quota of 130 members. There was a group picture taken in Milwaukee. If you're not in it, hope you will be at THE DES MOINES SESSION.

OBITER DICTA ABOUT THE PRAIRIE REGION

We are still basking in the highlights and reflections of the wonderful meeting at Milwaukee. It was a pleasure to meet some of our new "Partic'lar Friends," and to have an opportunity to visit with them and compare title lists, want lists and Alger books on display -- some of them beautiful prizes.

Ken Butler no doubt will announce the selection of our meeting site for 1967; but I would like to add that we in Iowa are tremendously pleased that it will be in Des Moines. Pauline Millen, PF-122 informs me that her husband (Cliff) will definitely retire from the Des Moines Register next May. With a little more time on his hands, it is our hope that Cliff will be bitten by the Alger bug too. Pauline has already agreed to take an active part in next year's meeting preparation by working up some special activities for the women who will attend.

Ralph Anderson, PF-144, Collectors News publisher, of Grundy Center, Iowa, is also enthusiastic about the prospect of a meeting of our Society in Des Moines. The way Ralph bought books in Milwaukee, he must have added at least 40 new titles. I'll bet he hits 100 by this time next year.

Here's a suggestion and a request, since I was named chairman of the committee for next year's meeting-site selection (also on the committee - Ralph Gardner and Carl Hartmann). For those of you who attended the Milwaukee Affair (Event), do you have any constructive criticism? What kind of a meeting would you like to have next year? What planned activities should there be? What facilities? For those of you who were not able to attend the Affair (Event) in Milwaukee, we sincerely hope that you'll plan to attend next year; and we will welcome any and all suggestions that might be used to help make the meeting a success. If there is even a remote chance that you'll be able to attend next year's meeting, please write your suggestions to me -- soon, before you forget. We want to have the kind of a meeting YOU would like. Let me have your suggestions so this will be possible. Jack W. Row, PF-101, Clarion, Iowa 50525 May 24, 1966

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Jack has prepared a revised list of authentic Horatio Alger book titles. A copy is enclosed, and the supply is sufficient to provide duplicate copies upon request. This new list has been improved with some deletions, however, the numbered code system has not been altered. Keep this list handy with your Gardner book in order to decode the BOOK MART offerings. Our grateful thanks to Jack, and also to Beth who so willingly shares her husband with us. From the DES MOINES SESSION will come a new RAGGED DICK Award recipient, or in other words, JACK'S WARD.)

Five new Alger! Five hard to find titles. How about that!! This is written for those that didn't attend the Milwaukee Event. Boy, did you miss a wonderful time. I'm gloating. I got to see a spectacular display by Jack Row; the unforgettable display at the Milwaukee Library; the Milwaukee Museum; the Milwaukee Conservatory; book stores loaded with Hentys, Optics, etc. (only one Alger found). I had a wonderful lunch (won a booby prize for horse shoe pitching) at the picnic Les & Bertie put on. What a terrific way to spend an afternoon.

Talking Alger with experts, yes, Ralph Gardner and Gilbert Westgard. I was lucky enough to have Ralph ride with me from Kalamazoo to Milwaukee, with Alger talk all the way. What I wonder is how anybody or any organization can be so lucky as to have people like Les & Bertie Langlois, Ken Butler, Forrest & Rachel Campbell, Ralph Gardner, and on and on.

Every event or convention has its highlights - in Milwaukee there were so many that they overwhelmed you. Every room you visited at the motel was a sight in itself. Jack Row and Forrest Campbell* outdid themselves. I'm still wondering how Ken Butler ever used his room, loaded as it was with Algeriana. Books for sale, books to trade and books just to look at. Everything an Alger collector could hope for was at Milwaukee. Next year we will meet in Des Moines, Iowa. Don't miss it. Jack Row is in charge and we know he will live up to Mendota and Milwaukee (tough road ahead, Jack). - Carl Hartmann PF-102

(EDITOR'S NOTE: *There was no comparison, my room exhibit was among those who also ran. Ralph was invited by Society members of Kalamazoo to stop off on his way to Milwaukee and make a public appearance. Ralph appeared on TV, gave a public lecture, interviewed by the local press and posed for photographs while autographing his book in the Comstock Township Library. His lecture was attended by some 30 interested people, which may result with two new Society members for us.)

HUMOR

PF-001 Why didn't we take I-94 right in to Milwaukee instead of Hwy #100?
PF-000 Les says it isn't completed downtown. It doesn't connect up.
PF-001 Well, he's from Milwaukee, and he ought to know!

Ken Butler's promise to black everyone's boots with his new boot-black box caused the ladies to entertain thoughts of a plot against him by placing all their shoes in front of his door Sunday Morning. Trouble is--they all overslept.

Gilbert Westgard suggests a very appropriate name for our local units if and when they organize -- NEWSBOY LODGE No. 1 etc. ALGER MEMORIAL OBSERVANCE next on our agenda, July 16-17 South Natick, Mass.