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In every communication give the name and number of your Court and where located. It is impossible to find your name on our lists unless this information is given.

To Our Members.

The officers for the ensuing term in the various Subordinate Courts have been elected and duly installed. It is the duty of members to assist and encourage them in every possible manner. The attendance at the regular meetings of the Court, and the observance of a kind, brotherly and gentlemanly deportment during the sessions will go a long way towards making the labors of the officers and those taking an active interest in the welfare of the Court and Order a pleasure. When about to criticize a brother's motives and make a few stinging remarks over some trivial matter which will rankle in his mind, long after you have forgotten them, think it over, and DON'T. Remember you are just as liable to make a mistake as he is.

If you cannot attend the meetings of your Court, at least see that your dues and assessments are in the hands of the Financial Secretary before the end of the month. When you are living away from where your Court is located and are in the habit of remitting your dues, etc., be sure and send the proper amount for that particular month. Don't forget that the per Capita Tax and the Special Endowment Assessment are due in December and June of each year, and the Court dues as arranged by the By-laws of your Court. You have no right to expect the Financial Secretary to continually remind you that you have sent your monthly remittance minus these dues and assessments.

Remember that the monthly report accompanied by the cash must be sent to the Supreme Secretary on the first of each month, and if your payments are not in the Financial Secretary's hands at the proper time, it causes him to delay his report sometimes beyond the proper limit. The small amount of remuneration your Court may pay him for his services is a pittance in comparison with the worry and anxiety entailed by the dilatoriness of perhaps half-a-dozen members of the Court in this respect.

Courts, like individuals, feel stronger and work to better advantage when they have a cash surplus in the bank, which they can fall back on in an emergency. If a Court has by any means got behind in its finances, we would earnestly impress upon the officers and members alike the importance of using every effort in their power to bring the Court up to a healthy financial state. There are numbers of Courts who have retrieved their position and prestige by two or three of the members, with energy and pluck, taking hold and devising a scheme, such as a concert, supper or musical and literary entertainment on behalf of the Court, and pushing it through to a successful issue. Is it worth trying in your Court?

There never was a better time than the present for introducing the benefits of our Order to prospective members. Our surplus has reached the magnificent sum of nearly \$300,000.00 and everything in connection with the Order is working smoothly, and with a substantial increase every month. Bear these facts in mind and go to work among your friends, and if only one in five of our members who read this will bring in a recruit at the next meeting of his Court we will have such an increase in the near future as will astonish the most sanguine. You think this is all talk, do you? Well, try it, and see.

A sound discretion is not so much indicated by never making a mistake as by never repeating it.—Bovee.