

Chicago, Sept. 15th, 1898.

To Officers and Members of the Endowment Rank, Knights of Pythias, and the Order Universal:

The Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, at its Twelfth Convention, held in the city of Indianapolis, Ind., August 23rd to September 1st, 1898, inclusive, adopted amendments to the Constitution and the General Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Endowment Rank as follows:

Article II., Section 7 of the Constitution was amended by adding the following:

"From and after the dates of the certificates held by such members, less 10 per cent. for expenses incurred in carrying the endowment to date of cancellation."

Also the following, to be known as the second paragraph of said Section 7, Article II. of the Constitution:

"The Board of Control is hereby authorized to pay or refund an amount as may by them be deemed just and equitable to any member of the Endowment Rank in good standing, upon sufficient evidence that such member, by reason of old age or physical disability, is pecuniarily unable to continue such certificate in force, and upon the surrender of the same and all claims thereunder; provided, his membership in the Rank has continued for a period of ten consecutive years."

Also the following, to be known as Section 9 of said Article II. of the Constitution of the Endowment Rank:

"In times of epidemic, or upon information of a threatened epidemic, the Board shall have authority to prohibit the admission of members in any Section of the Endowment Rank."

Article III., Section 5 of the Constitution was amended to read as follows:

"The Board shall have power to direct the investment in ready convertible securities of such parts of the endowment fund as it may deem wise and proper, when the amount in said fund will justify: provided, such investment shall be limited to government, state and municipal bonds and first mortgages constituting a first or prior lien on first-class improved real estate, not exceeding 50 per cent. (fifty per cent.) of its market value."

This act to take effect immediately.

Article IV., Section 6 of the General Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Endowment Rank was amended by adding thereto the following:

"If any member of the Endowment Rank shall engage in a hazardous undertaking other than that now provided for under the hazardous or extra hazardous grades, or sojourn or reside in a country or locality where he shall be exposed to physical or climatic dangers, rendering his risk extra hazardous, the Board of Control may annul the certificate of such member or reduce the amount of his endowment to the minimum. Such member shall immediately notify the Board of Control upon engaging in such hazardous undertaking or making such change of residence as above specified, and a failure to give such notice shall forfeit such certificate."

Article VI., Section 1 of the General Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Endowment Rank was amended by adding to the second paragraph of said Section the following:

"Provided that in the case of members transferred to the Fourth Class (present system), from either of the former classes, the date of such transfer shall be taken as the date of admission

to the Endowment Rank in computing the amount to be paid as aforesaid."

Article XII., Section 1 of the General Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Endowment Rank was amended by striking out all of the first paragraph and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"When a member of the Endowment Rank is suspended from his Lodge for non-payment of dues, or for any other cause, his membership in the Section and Rank shall be forfeited and his certificate become void."

The proposed amendment to Article VI., Section 1 of the General Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Endowment Rank by striking out on page 41 thereof lines 24 to 28 inclusive, to-wit:

"Active service in the army or navy in time of war shall forfeit the certificate and all claims thereunder of any member of the Endowment Rank heretofore or hereafter admitted," was not adopted. This provision remains in full force and effect.

The resolution adopted by the Board of Control at its regular quarterly meeting April 21st, 1898, as embraced in a circular issued by the Board under date of April 23rd, 1898, relating to the restoration of certificates to those who apply therefor after having served in the army or navy, was approved by the Supreme Lodge. The Supreme Lodge also approved the rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Control at its quarterly meeting February 3rd, 4th, and 5th, 1898, as embraced in the official circular of the Board

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