

Lionism On The March

ANOTHER COUNTRY. The World of Lionism extended into its 103rd country or geographical location with the organization of a new Lions club at Kampala, Uganda. Kampala is the largest city of Uganda, which is a British protectorate in Africa bordering on Kenya and Tanganyika. The predominant language is Bantu. The President of the new club is P. J. Wilkinson, P.O. Box 146, and the Secretary is Sultan H. Jaffer, P.O. Box 555, both of Kampala.

PRESIDENT'S TRAVELS. After spending Christmas at home in Manawa, Wisconsin, International President Clarence L. Sturm and his wife Norma will be in Pasadena, California, on New Year's Day as guests of honor at the Rose Bowl festivities. They will, of course, cheer for the University of Wisconsin to beat Washington in the football classic. After attending several meetings in California, the President will go to Michigan to attend the 40th Anniversary celebration of the Lansing Lions club. Then he will begin the second phase of his international travels; a long journey which will take him to Portugal and then to Africa, where the 103rd country in Lionism--Uganda--has just been added. (See above.)

DEATH TAKES PAST PRESIDENTS. The World of Lionism has been saddened by the death of two men who did much to mold the organization and progress of Lions International.

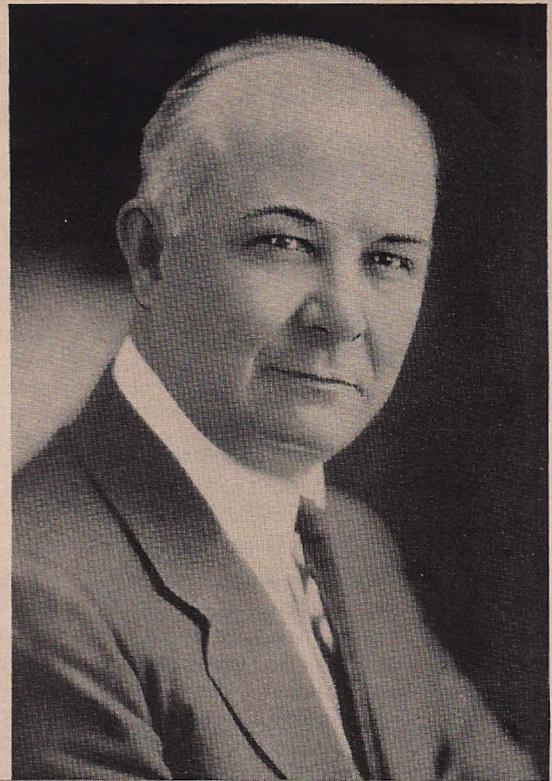
Past International President Richard J. Osenbaugh, 19th President of the Association (1935-36) passed away after a brief illness at his home in Denver, Colorado, on November 18. His business life was devoted to mining, stock raising and manufacturing. Prior to assuming the International Presidency, Dick Osenbaugh served as President of the Denver Lions club, District Governor and member of the International Board of Directors. He was chairman of the International Convention at Chicago in 1937. He is survived by his widow, who shared his unusual hobby--the study of the settlement, growth and history of the Western United States. The funeral at Denver was attended by Past Int. Presidents C. C. Reid and D. A. Skeen representing Lions International.

Judge Edgar S. Vaught, sixth International President of the Association (1922-23), died of a heart attack at his home in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on December 5. He would have been 87 in January. A native of Virginia, he became a resident of Tennessee--serving as Superintendent of Schools in Jefferson County--and then moved to Oklahoma City to become head of its school system. He also studied law, became an attorney and was appointed Judge of the United States District Court at Oklahoma City by President Coolidge in 1929...serving in that capacity until his death. He filled several offices in Lionism before his election to the Presidency, and presided at the Atlantic City Convention in 1923. A son, Edgar S. Vaught, Jr., and two married daughters survive. The Association was represented at the funeral by Past Int. Pres. Eugene S. Briggs and Int. Dir. A. C. Kidd.

Death also came on November 30 to Past Int. Dir. James F. Daniel, Jr., of Greenville, South Carolina. Jimmy Daniel served as a Director from 1946 to 1948. Death was caused by a heart attack suffered during the excitement of a football game.

PROGRESS STATISTICS. Lions International now has more than 600,000 members. As of November 30 there were 606,103 active Lions in 14,678 clubs in 103 countries or areas of the free world.

JUDGE EDGAR S. VAUGHT of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, was the sixth President of Lions International, serving the 1922-1923 term. An active Lion during most of his lifetime, he occupied several offices in Lionism before assuming the Presidency. After a promising career as a teacher and school administrator, he studied law and was admitted to the Bar in 1905. In 1928 Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States, appointed him Judge of the United States District Court in Oklahoma City—a post which Judge Vaught administered with high integrity, justice and wisdom. He gained national prominence in 1933 when he presided over the Urschel kidnapping case—the first under the newly passed Lindbergh Kidnapping Act. Other Vaught decisions held unconstitutional five New Deal codes, governing the automobile, petroleum, dry cleaning, hotel and dairy industries, and all were upheld by the highest courts. The *Tulsa Daily World* said of him: “With the passing of Edgar S. Vaught the Federal judiciary lost one of its stalwarts and the State of Oklahoma a citizen of the highest caliber.” Lionism lost a dedicated elder statesman, a great and good friend, a reverent leader.



EDGAR S. VAUGHT

THEIR GAVELS REST

The World of Lionism mourns the passing of two Past Presidents of Lions International. ■ Their illustrious records are enshrined in the archives of the Association; their memory in the hearts of their Lion brothers.

RICHARD J. OSENBAUGH

RICHARD J. OSENBAUGH of Denver, Colorado, served from 1935 to 1936 as the 19th President of Lions International. A man of many interests, he was active and successful in the fields of mining, stock raising and manufacturing. But from the early days of the Association, “Dick” Osenbaugh gave much of his time to the work and program of Lionism. He served as President of the Denver Lions club, became a District Governor and then a member of the International Board of Directors. His election to the Presidency in 1935 marked the beginning of Lionism’s expansion into Latin America; the countries of Panama, Costa Rica and Colombia affiliated during his term. Even after leaving the Presidency he maintained an active interest in Association affairs, serving as Chairman of the 1937 International Convention in Chicago. Dick Osenbaugh had an unusual hobby; the study of the settlement, expansion and early history of the western part of the United States. His wife, who survives, shared his interest in this work, and both were recognized authorities. In Mr. Osenbaugh’s death International is deprived of the experience and counsel of a man who, in every sense of the word, was a “good Lion” and served its fellowship well.

