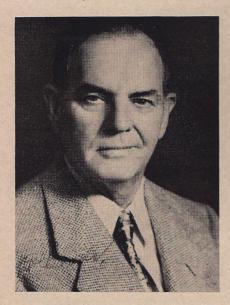


FIRST PRESIDENT DIES

Dr. William Perry Woods, the first President of Lions International, has died. He was 88. Dr. Woods passed away in an Evansville, Indiana nursing home, nearly 50 years after his election at the Dallas, Texas Convention in October, 1917. At that early date, Lionism was represented in eight U.S. states.



He had been hospitalized several times in recent years, but did not give up his medical practice until two years ago, when he was 86. Dr. Woods and his wife, who has also had a long illness and shared his room at the nursing home, celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary in September.

Past Int. Dir. Ralph O. Deckard of Bloomington, Indiana, represented the Association at the funeral services in Evansville. Dr. Woods' survivors include his widow, Anna; three daughters, Mrs. M. B. Deems, Mrs. Wilbert O. Eckstein and Mrs. Lorraine Able, all of Evansville; two brothers, Earl and Homer, and a sister, Mrs. Blanche Smith, all of Clarinda, Iowa; and five grandchildren and a niece, Mrs. J. R. Logan.

Dr. Woods was born in Clarinda, son of a farmer, and chose to go into medicine although his father had wanted him to follow in his footsteps. After attending college, he taught school for a few years to earn money for his medical studies. He later attended the University of Missouri and the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Chicago.

When a relative who was a physician in Evansville left to undertake postgraduate studies, Dr. Woods assumed the practice in 1904. His first problem was non-medical; the new doctor found he had to speak and understand the German language because of the city's large German immigrant population. His wife is of German ancestry and became his instructor.

CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS

Procedures for presentation of resolutions to be considered at International Conventions were outlined in a resolution adopted in 1957. It is reprinted here for guidance of Lions wishing to present resolutions at the 1966 Convention.

WHEREAS, on several occasions within recent years, certain resolutions have been presented to the Resolutions Committee at the last minute and, as a consequence, have not received the attention and consideration of the entire Resolutions Committee, and

WHEREAS, such procedure has a tendency to give approval to certain resolutions which may be in conflict with the Constitution and By-Laws of Lions International; and

WHEREAS, such an occurrence could result in embarrassment to the International Association after such resolutions become a part of the Proceedings of the Convention;

THEREFORE, BE IT RE-SOLVED that in the future the following shall be the procedure for presenting Resolutions to an International Convention:

First, Resolutions must emanate from a Lions club and be approved by that Lions club.

Second, Resolutions must be presented to and approved by a District Convention.

Third, all Resolutions which have been approved in District Convention must reach the International Office within ten days following the close of the District Convention at which they were adopted.

Fourth, the Chairman of the International Resolutions Committee, or any member of his Committee, may present resolutions at the International Convention, to be acted upon by said Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be printed in The Lion Magazine, thus acquainting every member of the International Association with this orderly procedure in the future.

SPRING BOARD MEETING

The Spring Meeting of the International Board of Directors will be conducted in Miami Beach, Florida, March 28 to April 2.

FOR THE RECORD

As of January 31, 1966, Lions International had 778,696 members in 19,920 clubs in 132 countries and geographical locations.

PICTURES, ANYONE?

Do you have any good photographs of your club's early activities? Or do you have any which depict some important occasion in the history of Lions International? If so, The Lion would like to see them.

The old pictures are needed for several publications now being planned for the coming Golden Anniversary Year of Lions International.

Photographs submitted by readers should be of the period between 1917 and 1930, and their contents should be fully described. Because of publishing deadlines, pictures must be received by April 30 and any arriving thereafter will not be considered.

Although not all photos can be used, each one received prior to deadline will be given careful study. All will be returned to the sender, if requested.