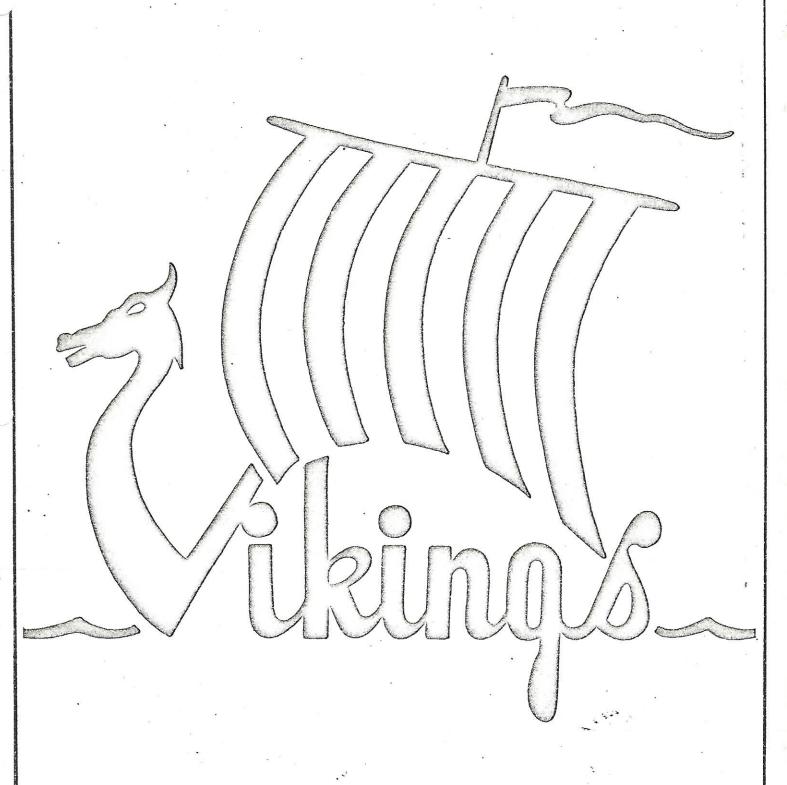
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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE VIKINGS, M. C.

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THIS ISSUE, BEING THE SECOND OF VOLUME II., IS DEDICATED TO THE MANY ASSOCIATE MEMBERS OF THE VIKINGS, M. C., FOR WHOM WE HOLD THE GREATEST ESTEEM, AND ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE WHOSE AFFILIATIONS ARE ENTIRELY WITH OUR FRATERNAL GROUP, AND WHO SEE FIT TO ASSOCIATE EXCLUSIVELY WITH THIS GROUP OF BOSTONIANS IN BROTHERLY AFFECTION.

THE MONTH PAST HATH SEEN:

- + The visit of the SPEARHEAD, M. C. of TORONTO, to visit Boston on the week-end of 9 - 12 October. The high-light of the week-end was a splendid party and dinner, held at Markin K.'s House, & several letters of appreciation are extant.
- + The naming of Carl B., President of The Vikings M. C., who chose the name of THOR, in a ceremony befitting the occasion, & in the fullest traditional splendour associated with Viking functions.

 (THOR made a personal gift to The Longship with a contribution of fine photographs for the last issue. The Staff's, & Club's appreciation are here noted.).
- + The Knighting of Sir Marvin, as the first official act of tradition performed by THOR, under the authourity of the adopting of customs by Vikings of former times, wherever they found themselves, & occasioned by Sir Marvin's gracious offers of the use of his House for our functions, & in recognition of great hospitality extended unto us, even before his application for membership in this Club. Knightings of this nature will be reserved for exceptional recognitions by The President.
- + The First Anniversary of The Boston Bike Club, which was a complete success, featuring one of the choicest dinners served to date in Boston, and attended by many good friends both from this area, & from places afar. Chicago, New York, Washington, & other places were represented.
- + The recovery of many persons who have in the past been un-well, among them Club members of ours, and persons from afar, associated with us either through the A.M.C.C., or through Associate Membership.
- + The propriety of Bostonians to such an extent, that in this issue there is no page entitled The Improper Bostonian. (There were no contributions to the page. If it is missed, action can be taken, however, the Editor can not fabricate the same, with no material.).

THE DEADLINE FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LONGSHIP MUST OF NECESSITY BE DECLARED AS THE TWENTIETH OF THE MONTH PREVIOUS.

THE LONGSHIP with its last issue began Volume II of its history. I feel that we also as a Club are entering the Second Chapter of our history. In looking around at the Vikings today, I can see many changes from the original model which was formed. Almost all of these changes have been for the better. The level of maturity for the Vikings has risen, & it is with wisdom and common sense that we are now moving forward. I have also been greatly impressed with the intelligent thinking which has been made manifest at our recent meetings, and with the participation by all of our members.

You have all given much, in your own individual ways, & in return you deserve the best that a club can offer. The "Club" is not the individual property of any particular person, or persons, it belongs to you all, & you will make of it whatever it is to become. The responsibility, therefore, of protecting and preserving the Club is yours.

It has been brought to my attention that some of you feel that we need to place some emphasis on a few more low-key "fun" events. These social activities need not be elaborate or costly. Nor should they require a great deal of time and effort to plan. These events could be limited to Vikings and their guests, and would provide us with excellent opportunities to introduce our friends to the Vikings.

These social events need not be limited to "house parties" alone. We could take mini-trips, visit places of interest, do anything in which we share a common desire. The "key-word" here is SHARE. All of us realize, I am sure, that virtually everything is enjoyed more if we share it. A ride on a bike, a visit to a museum, both become infinitely more enjoyable if we share the experience with others.

It is also just as natural that when we begin to share experiences with others, we also learn to share of ourselves. There are many of us around with much to share. By sharing, we grow, & if as individuals we grow, the V. M. C. grows as well. A fraternity is not held together by constitutions, by-laws, & meetings. It is, however, bound to itself by the sharing of the individuals within it.

You remember that a great feeling we had last Christmas when we shared our "material wealth" with the Home For Little Wanderers. This feeling can be greatly enlarged upon when we share with each other one of the greatest assets we possess, BROTHERHOOD.

This feeling of brotherhood can grow if we remember a few simple things. When we have the urge to critisize the actions of another member, ask ourselves, do we know all of the facts involved; or better yet, question our own motivations for criticizing in the first place.

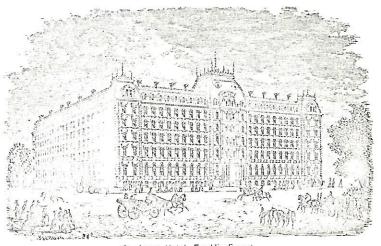
When we know that a member is feeling low, we can go a little out-of-the-way to lift his spirits, to show concern. If we let something happen to one of our brothers, we are letting it also happen to ourselves. We as a Club are the sum total of what we make it. Therefore, assist each other, and by doing so you will have given the greatest possible contribution to the VIKINGS, M. C.

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The V. M. C. have had several meetings in the past at S. George Street, (formerly James Street), and this handsome building, now 103 years old, is familiar to us all. After a short life as a Hotel, it became the home of the N. E. Conservator of Music, and later, The Franklin Square House. It is about to embark upon another career. (It would make a great Club House., Ed.)

The St. James Hotel is one of the best and largest hotels in the city. It accommodates about 500 guests, and has over 400 rooms. The price for transient board is \$3 a day. The proprietors are J. S. Doyle,



St. James Hotel, Franklin Square.

formerly of the American House, and G. C. Mead, formerly of the Tremont House. The St. James is finely situated on Franklin Square; which is a beautiful park, with trees, flowers, and fountains. The house is surrounded by broad streets, and the locality is exceedingly healthy. The hotel was built in 1867 by M. M. Ballou, and is of brick, with granite facings, and a French roof. The Washington-street cars pass near by every minute of the day. The house is provided with reading and smoking rooms, clubrooms, ladies' and gentlemen's parlors, telegraph-office, billiard-room, and two elevators. The St. James is the largest family hotel in the city, and the most expensively furnished one.

(Contributed by Woody B., of the Membership Committee).

Have you ever been asked the question, 'What do I get by joining The Vikings?' Did you stutter, stammer, turn red, shuffle nervously, sweat a lot, then run like hell to the jon and try to find another Viking to get you off-the-hook?

After suffering through this speechlessness (that is rare for me), and humiliation (I've never won anything for humility either), I decided to see if I could verbalize just what we've got that our friends in pin-stripes, sweaters, and sneakers don't have.

I think that I am ready for that question the next time it is asked (and I hope that I'll be asked many times), because after taking inventory of my warehouse of goodies, I am convinced I lucked onto the most meaningful way to get genuine satisfaction from that shaded, jaded, (sometimes raided), facet of my life.

If my thoughts can save you from that uncomfortable feeling of not having the answer to an obvious question, here they are! The reasons are inexhaustible and I am sure you can come up with many I have not thought of, especially in view of my young age, and sheltered existence!!! (In my first starring-role, I played the part of father to Theda Bara).

You join the Vikings, and you will probably find you now have an entirely new dimension to the after hours (work-hours, that is)—side of your being. You'll go to the cocktail parties of your fluff friends, twirl your glass ever so adroitly, and talk of theatre, Marie, last week's party, and you use the word "she" a lot. You enjoy the party but you'll likely find yourself thinking of V. M.C. and being proud that a party is not just a party, but chock full of surprises, variety of adult games, and even displays of talent. The runs have shown there is no limit to the creativity, ingenuity, and the hospitality of the "funny set".

Join The Vikings; & presto, you're no longer a loner - you are a family man. There are twenty or thirty guys you care about - and, what's even more surprising, they care about you! You unzip your protective shell (fooled you, didn't !?), & there is a selflessness you never knew you possessed. You suddenly find you're thinking in terms of the group rather than of yourself. You're even searching for ways of doing for the group. "This is me?" you ask; it's the new you! You find yourself using the term "brother" - and meaning it. You love these guys!

Join the Vikings; you join the A. M. C. C., and you're an international man. Overnight you've got connections in Chicago, Washington, Denver, Philadelphia, Montreal, to name only a few. You go into a watering-spot (ostensibly to quench your thirst) in one of the cities, and your colours are the barrier-breaker. Chances are that before the night is finished, you have a host, or two, or ten, or thirty! You come back raving about what a friendly city Chicago is. It never was before -

- it ain't <u>Chicago</u>, Baby; it's <u>brotherhood</u>. What's more, as a Viking, you are invited to runs (parties), all over the East Coast and the Mid-West.

Join The Vikings; & you join a group of masculine guys who you can introduce to Aunt Abigail, or even to the chairman-of-the-board. And would you believe that you suddenly feel less like a cripple, or the family "cross-to-bear", or the village idiot? It happens, & it's worth a thousand times the cost of the Club dues!

Join the Vikings; & your fun-dollar gives-the-finger to inflation. Where can you spend Twenty-five Dollars and get three days and nights of entertainment, lodging (this is lodging?), and excellent board, all the beer you can drink, the best in fun and games, and comradeship unexcelled anywhere? - only at an A.M.C.C. run!

Join the Vikings; & you exchange ideas on issues, you plan and work together, you agree or disagree, knowing that the friendship will still be intact. You lose an election or a cause, but you don't cry or quit. That common bond - that good-of-the-group has prevailed. You have joined a mixed bag of beautiful people - young and old, rich and poor, black and blue! And you learn to live with them and realize that it takes each one of them to make this great fraternity. If we were all alike, 't would be duil, and we'd probably find ourselves wanting to return to the fabric circuit.

Join The Vikings; & you've got a friendship that knows no bounds. You realize what it is all about when you see parties being given simultaneously in five or six cities to raise money for a fund to help you and your brothers in case you're injured or sick, and can not meet expenses. Did you ever see this happen in the textile crowd? You see your buddies giving blood in the name of the Club so that if you need it, it is there. It's the satisfaction of knowing if you need help, it's there in a quantity you never dreamed possible. You're laid up with a sprained ankle; your Viking brother comes to help and gives you hepatitis! That's friendship, Man!

What can you get by joining the Vikings? You get an entirely new relationship that comes to have more meaning with each meeting, each social, each encounter, with a truly great bunch of guys! What did I get by joining The Vikings? - I found out what was in it for me!!!

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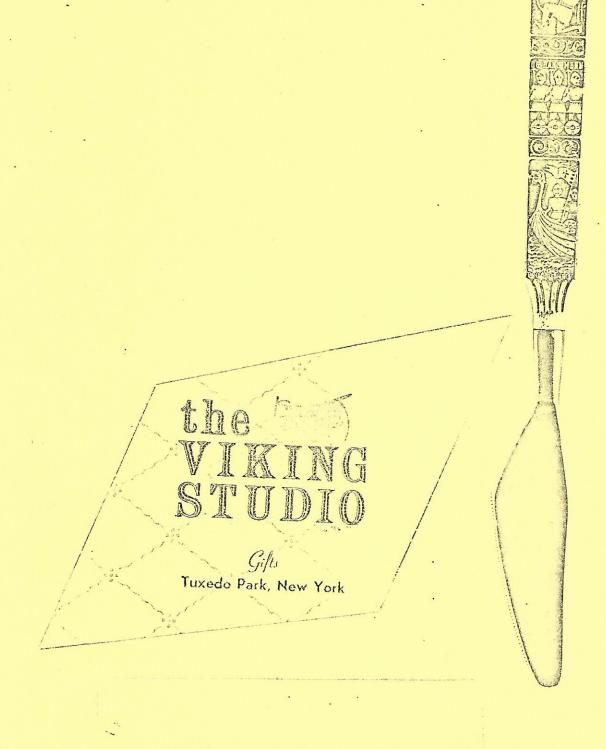
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