Meeting First Thursday each month at Grace Luth. Church, Hillcrest and Kavanaugh, L. R. Ark.

No. 11

Lt. Gene Walther, President

With 15 members present and six guests the March 4th meeting was a wowwer. This was the "best" in recent months. No one went home empty. Bill Pitts came with the idea to give the logical magicians a few things to take home. Shades of the Fuller Brush Salesman. Gifts for all in attendance: A tricky out of the pocket trick...linking (beer) can top tabs and more gifts... sheets of real sandpaper printed on the occasion of the 25th year of McKee-Pitts Industrials Inc. Bill assured us that this gift would help any magician smooth out his act..or at least remove some of the rough edges. Bill also dave us "goodies" to take home in the lecture, i.e. a few firm fresh ideas about the use of the silk vanisher; serpentine silk, thumb tips etc. We are grateful to Bill for his enlightenment. When Bill returns maybe we will be prepared to present him with a safety (pin) award.

## NEW MEMBERS OFFICIALLY RECEIVED:

Al Cates, Dr. Snowberg, Don Terry, Randy Irwin, and Tom Bird. The greatest influx of talent at one time since John Mc Smith joined (and he has The Order of Merlin).

## OPPORTUNITY FOR THAT FREE LECTURE SOON:

Karrell Fox reappears at the McCain Mall on its first anniversary on Monday Mar. 18.

## SURPRISE ! SURPRISE ! SURPRISE !

Little Mary Kay Matthew of the Magic Club brought her dummy along and performed as a ventriliquist. Mary Kay was at her greatest as a "not so straight man" for Logan's card routine.

Frank Caple repeated his Professor's Nightmare and Linking Ring Routine for taping by Dr. Snowberg.

#### IN THE BUSINESS SESSION

The vote to increase the yearly dues to \$8.00 carried. The motion had a rider that kept it from a veto, namely all Ring members are entitled to a free lecture without charge (up to \$80.00) with this increase in dues. This is the first increase in dues in the past 25 years.

# THE FINANCIAL PICTURE

Bank Balance 1/30/74 \$75.45
Dues received and deposited
March 85.00
Total on hand \$160.45

CONTEST NEWS :

Mercer Helms will be appearing with his doves in the lounge of the Vapors at Hot Springs March 21st - 27th.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

The most pleasant surprise of the nite was the appearance of L. D. Boyer. Though still taking treatments we rejoice that improvement in health made it possible for us to have the pleasure of L. D. 's company.

Its good news too that J. K. Poch after hospitalization at Memorial Hospital, NLR is home.

or. J. Mc Smith's performance for the retarded little folk of Madison School for the Deaf, 21st and Madison, March 2nd added points....Sweet Charity.

Contest Needs......Radio Exposure

All Ring Twenty-Niners are asked when they perform to get the news on the air if possible. It will bolster a weak spot in our contest scoring.

\* KERRELL FOX LECTURE

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X/SUNDAY MARCH 17/M 7:30\*

AT

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH kavanaugh at hillcrest Little Rock, Arkansas

KARREL FOX will repeat the lecture he presented at the 1973 IBM (Miami) Convention and at Abbots Conclave.

RING 29 Members FREE Fee for Guests \$4.00 B R I N G ' E M