Proceeding of The 2nd Biennial Convention Professional Rehabilitation Workers With The Adult Deaf Arlington Hotel Hot Springs, Arkansas May 18-21, 1969
FIRST BUSINESS MEETING

Robert Lauritsen, 1st Vice President, called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. Mr. Lauritsen explained that President Blake deferred the duties of president to him since Mr. Blake is in fulltime graduate study at The University of Arkansas.

President Gary Blake introduced Dr. Gerald H. Fisher, Director of the Arkansas Rehabilitation Research and Training Center, Hot Springs, Arkansas, for welcoming remarks.

Dr. Gerald Fisher extended greetings from Hot Springs as well as the staff of the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center.

Victor Galloway, PRWAD Executive Board member responded to the welcome.

Robrt Lauritsen spoke summarizing the organization and historical information relating to the establishment of the Professional Rehabilitation Workers With the Adult Deaf. The title of this paper was the “PRWAD . . . A Chronicle:”

“Our Goal is Pragmatism” was enscrolled on a recent *Time* magazine cover. Pragmatism as defined in this context, is the practical approach to problems and affairs. The reference was to Robert Finch, Secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. “Find a need and fill it!” were six words that Henry J. Kaiser used to show the way to
success in any activity of life. “Do it!” are two words used by Norman Vincent Peale that show the way to accomplishment.

These few phrases, from scattered sources seem fitting and appropriate for the Professional Rehabilitation Workers with the Adult Deaf. We are not quite three years old, but we have a membership of over 600 persons. Our Journal of Rehabilitation of the Deaf is read quarterly by over 700 persons. Our PRWAD Newsletter is read six times a year by PRWAD membership. Our organization is comprised of members whose myriad of activities relate directly to the total well-being and total rehabilitation of deaf adults. We would not be presumptuous enough to say that we realized a need and have filled it. We can say we realized a need for an organized approach to fulfilling the needs of adult deaf people. We have formed our organization and we are in the process of fulfilling, at least in part, some of those needs.

PRWAD has been typified since its inception by a body of professional people who are pragmatic, a group whose focus is on getting the job done for the people we have chosen to serve. The Convention Program is highlighted by reports of activities that were unknown, and unheard of just a few years ago, and, in some cases, just a few months ago. Members of PRWAD have in many instances, been the pragmatists, the doers, or the catalysts for the New Programs and Services for Deaf People.

In order to gain perspective for the future, let us take a brief look over the past decade, and, in particular, over the last five years. In the late 1950's and the early 1960's, there were only a handful of rehabilitation workers with adult deaf people in the United States. The early '60's witnessed a growth in the numbers of these dedicated professionals. Various states, colleges, universities, public and private agencies were beginning to find ways to provide services to adult deaf people, a group which for too long had received only minimal service.

As the numbers of workers began to increase, it became apparent that there was a strong, vital need for some form of communication to take place among professionals who were
widely scattered across the United States. Rumors and rumbles came from several sectors suggesting that a new national organization be formed.

Some type of vehicle was needed to bring together these interested parties. One such vehicle was the October, 1964, Knoxville workshop on “Improved Vocational Opportunities for Deaf People,” sponsored jointly by the Vocational Rehabilitation Administration and the University of Tennessee. At an after hours session in Knoxville on the evening of October 21, 1964, some thirty concerned professionals shared their thoughts and their dreams. From this beginning, a steering committee began to crystalize a plan for action which just nineteen months later saw PR WAD become a reality.

The initial steering committee was comprised of Gary Blake as Chairman, William Woodrick, Secretary, and Members Roy Patton, Dr. William Craig, Norm Tully and Robert Lauritsen, and Dr. Boyce Williams as advisor. The committee was to change slightly with additions of Alan Jones, Roger Falberg, Farrell Mitchell, Geno Vescovi, and James Whitworth. The committee sent a memo to all known rehabilitation workers with deaf people on November 15, 1964, reporting on the Knoxville meeting and immediate goals of the founding group.

One of the early objectives of the steering committee was to initiate the promotion of a national conference of grassroots level rehabilitation personnel serving the deaf. It was hoped that such a conference could take place before the end of fiscal year 1965. Such a meeting did become a reality when Dr. Stephen P. Quigley came forward on November 30, 1964, as the representative of the co-sponsoring institute, the Institute for Research on Exceptional Children of the University of Illinois, together with the Vocational Rehabilitation Administration. This national workshop, held in St. Louis, May 23-27, 1966, entitled “A Workshop on Rehabilitation Casework Standards for the Deaf” became the formal visible vehicle for the establishment of PRWAD. The steering committee, in essence, became the planning committee for this workshop.

At the Sheraton-Jefferson Hotel, site of the workshop, seventy-five participants remained for an after-sessions meet-
ing on May 25th and PRWAD was officially born. Once again Gary Blake chaired the meeting with Douglas Burke serving as Parliamentarian.

There are three primary steps involved in establishing an organization such as ours. First, it is necessary to have the proper motion. Such a motion was made by Dr. William Desmond Phillips, then of DePaul University. The motion was seconded by Mr. Edsel Ford. The motion carried unanimously.

The second ingredient for forming an organization is the acceptance of By-Laws. Proposed By-Laws as prepared by Roger Falberg with assistance from Geno Vescovi, were presented. After much discussion, appeals, and a decision of the house, it was moved by Mr. William Chrisman, Jr. that the By-Laws, with certain amendments, be accepted. The motion was seconded by Ray Valencia. The By-Laws, with amendments were accepted.

The third ingredient for the formation of an organization is the election of officers. The first officers, duly elected that evening, were:

President: James Whitworth
First Vice President: Robert R. Lauritsen
Second Vice President: Geno Vescovi
Treasurer: Albert T. Pimentel
Secretary: William E. Woodrick
Board of Directors: Gary Blake
Richard Johnson
Alan Jones
Mrs. Beatrice Lamb

These officers, who comprised the first Executive Board of PRWAD, held their first meeting in St. Louis before departing for their respective homes. It is your Executive Board that is charged with the responsibility of discharging the responsibilities empowered upon it by the By-Laws and the wishes of the membership at large. Since the first Board meeting in St. Louis, the Board has met formally eight times to conduct the business of the organization. One of the first actions of the Board, while still in St. Louis, was to appoint Roger
Falberg as Editor of the journal, not yet named. The first journals were distributed less than one year later, in April, 1967. Mr. Falberg noted in the first Editorial,

We have no doubt that we speak for all the PRWAD members and the Executive Board when we voice our deep and sincere appreciation to Professor Stephen P. Quigley and the University of Illinois for helping publish the first two issues through the University of Illinois Press. Were it not for Dr. Quigley and the University, the first issue of this Journal would still be years away.

Mr. Falberg served as Editor through the first six issues of the Journal, which, as you know, was named Journal of Rehabilitation of the Deaf. Falberg worked out countless details involved not only with editing, but also with the actual publishing functions. After the first two issues of JRD had been printed by the University of Illinois, the printing shifted to the Missouri School for the Deaf, thanks to the cooperation extended by Superintendent Lloyd Harrison. Robert Johnson, printing instructor at the Missouri School spent uncounted hours in assisting Mr. Falberg with the publishing. JRD stayed at the Missouri School through the July, 1968 issue. Mr. Falberg, faced with increasing professional responsibilities, relinquished editorship to coincide with the July issue. His resignation was accepted with regrets by the Executive Board.

Mr. Glenn Lloyd became the second Editor of JRD beginning with the October issue, 1968. Board action also decreed that JRD go “commercial” to coincide with the change of Editors. Our commercial printer is Sullivan’s in West Point, Mississippi. Also in the fall of 1968, Carl Isbell was named Distributing Manager of JRD. In February, 1969, Albert Pimentel was named Acting Business Manager of JRD.

In our relatively short existence, we have come to know sadness. Mrs. Beatrice Lamb, an innovator of rehabilitation services in the Bay area of California, a speaker at the May, 1966, St. Louis Convention and an original Board member of PRWAD, passed away in December, 1966, enroute to Gallaudet College. A token of esteem and the high regard for
“Bea” is reflected in the fact that the proceedings of the Rehabilitation Casework Standards for the Deaf Workshop was dedicated to the memory of “Bea . . . a creative, capable and inspiring colleague.”

The year 1967 was an eventful one for PRWAD. July 1st, 1967, saw new officers taking the helm for the biennium. These officers, who are your current officers, are:

- President: Gary Blake
- First Vice-President: Robert Lauritsen
- Second Vice-President: Dr. Stephen P. Quigley
- Secretary: William Woodrick
- Treasurer: Albert Pimentel
- Board of Directors: Dr. Boyce Williams - four years
  Glenn Lloyd - Who was replaced by Norman Tully when Lloyd became Editor of JRD - four years
  Alan Jones - two years
  Victor Galloway - two years

Our first Convention was held in 1967 thanks to the cooperation of Dr. Ross Stuckless, and Dr. William Craig. The first convention immediately followed the October Workshop on “New Vistas for Competitive Employment of Deaf Persons,” in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. This convention, held less than eighteen months after the establishment of PRWAD attracted eighty-eight members. Speakers at the first Convention were Dr. Gerald Fisher, Dr. Ross Stuckless, Dr. Boyce Williams and Albert Pimentel. At this Convention, the membership elected to become a member of the Council of Organizations Serving the Deaf with Herbert Pickell and Eugene Peterson elected as our representatives.

During the year 1968, the membership of PRWAD continued its growth. As an example, in March, the membership totaled 235 persons. By September the number had passed 350. As you know, growth is still taking place and we now number over 500 members. Acknowledgements for this growth are due to Robert Gonzales, PRWAD Membership Committee Chairman.
Your Executive Board held official meetings in Knoxville and Washington, D. C. during 1968. Heavy emphasis was placed on the JRD, which as already noted, witnessed a change of Editors, and the fact of going commercial. At the Knoxville Board Meeting, the PRWAD Newsletter was established with Larry Stewart as Editor.

In the Fall 1968, PRWAD was invited to join the President’s Committee on the Employment of the Handicapped, an invitation which we did accept with Albert Pimentel as our official delegate. Following the Washington Board Meeting, President Blake found it necessary to relinquish part of his Presidential responsibilities due to doctoral studies. We look forward to Gary’s active participation in PRWAD at the completion of his studies.

PRWAD has been active on a number of fronts. We are now an incorporated organization. We have co-sponsored a Workshop on Community Services for the Adult Deaf together with the Council of Organizations Serving the Deaf, the National Association of the Deaf, and the National Association of Hearing and Speech Agencies. A number of letters have gone out to State Directors of Vocational Rehabilitation informing them of PRWAD, the JRD, and our Conventions. These are but a few of the activities in which we have been involved.

PRWAD, in less than three years, has come of age. We, too, have a goal of pragmatism. We recognized a need and our united efforts will help to fill that need. It is up to us—to you and I—to “do it,” Robert Frost wrote:

The woods are lovely, dark and deep,
But I have promises to keep
And miles to go before I sleep,
And miles to go before I sleep.

F. Eugene Thomure, Assistant Conference Chairman, made announcements pertinent to the Convention arrangements; meeting rooms, etc.
The minutes of the Pittsburgh conference were approved as published in the July, 1968 issue of the *Journal of Rehabilitation of the Deaf*.

Treasurer's report:

Financial Statement

July 1, 1968 to May 15, 1969

Balance brought forward from June 30, 1968 $3,644.31
(Including $2,180.00 in 1968-69 prepaid membership dues.)

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### Recapitulation

- **Total Funds**: 7,287.96
- **Total Expenditures**: 4,420.19
- **Current Balance**: $2,867.77

### Addendum

- **Number of PRWAD Members**: 533
- **Paid Subscribers**: 179
- **Journals Obligated**: 712

Albert T. Pimentel, Treasurer

1st Vice President Lauritsen named an audit committee to study the treasurer's report. The committee:

- Mrs. Edna Adler, Chairman
- Edward Carney
- Bernard Greenberg
- Richard Phillips

A Resolutions Committee was appointed:

- Alan Crammatte, Chairman
- Richard Walker
- Willis Ethridge
- Roger Falberg

By-Laws Committee chairman, Larry Stewart reported that the proposed amendments to the By-Laws had been mailed to the membership thirty days prior to the Convention.
Nominations Committee Report:

In accordance with the By-Laws of the association, a mail ballot was conducted through the office of the Secretary, William E. Woodrick. A total of 141 ballots were returned with the following elected to serve from July 1, 1969 through June 30, 1971 with the exception of the two new Board Members who will serve 4-year terms beginning July 1, 1969.

President — Robert Lauritsen
1st Vice President — Alan Jones
2nd Vice President — William Woodrick
Secretary — Jerome Alpiner
Treasurer — Uriel Jones
Board Members — Albert Pimentel
Jim Whitworth

First Vice President and Acting President during the past year, Bob Lauritsen, needs no introduction. Alan Jones, Public Health Service Project Director, Washington, D. C., brings to his new office a long record of rehabilitation service with the deaf—a total of 21 years with the Pennsylvania Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation as field counselor and administrator. William Woodrick, Director, RSA Orientation to Deafness Program, University of Tennessee, previously served as a teacher of the deaf in Mississippi and as a coordinator, counselor, and supervisor in the Mississippi DVR. Jerome Alpiner, Professor and Director, Program in Communication Disorders, University of Denver, comes with an extensive background in speech and audiology and broad involvement in various professional organizations. Uriel Jones, Principal of the Vocational Department, Tennessee School for the Deaf, has long been active in vocational education and organizational work among the deaf. Both Albert Pimentel, Director of the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf, and Jim Whitworth, Coordinator of the Rehabilitation Center for the Deaf, Cave Spring, Georgia, round out Executive Board membership with extensive experience in the area of service to the deaf.

The Nominating Committee would like to express its appreciation and gratitude to those who also ran for office. Their willingness and cooperation helped to field an excellent
slate of nominees—Richard M. Phillips, Gallaudet College; Rev. Herbert W. Rohe, Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, St. Louis; Delbert Royer, Seattle Deaf and Severly Hard of Hearing Program; Mrs. Mildred Johnson, Washington State DVR counselor; Willis Ethridge, Pittsburgh Counseling and Community Service for the Deaf; and Arthur Jillette, Jr., Consultant, New Hampshire DVR.

Members of the Nominations and Elections Committee, Bill Craig, Herbert Rohe, Tom Mayes, Clyde Mott, Bill Woodrick, and the chairman began discussing nominees during the late summer with a December 1 goal for the final slate of names. It developed that working by mail became a rather tedious and long drawn-out process with numerous delays and false starts. Once the slate was set up and proposed candidates were contacted for acceptance: for some it took weeks and months even before responses were received. For those that responded in the negative, it was necessary to seek alternates and to resume the waiting process for acceptances. Frequently it was necessary to resort to long-distance telephoning.

In view of this, it is my recommendation that the election be held at the annual meeting so that the Nominating Committee has adequate time to round up a slate and get the approval of each candidate as well as a biographical sketch prior to the election meeting.

It has been an interesting experience for all of us and we wish to extend our thanks to everyone involved.

Mervin D. Garretson
Nominating Committee Chairman

SECOND BUSINESS MEETING
MAY 20, 1969
HOT SPRINGS REHABILITATION CENTER

Robert Lauritsen, 1st Vice President, called the meeting to order and on the basis of a membership count ruled that a quorum was present.
Mr. Lauritsen reported to the membership that PRWAD and COSD had jointly sponsored a workshop with the National Association of Hearing and Speech Agencies in Dallas, Texas on April 13-16, 1969. The workshop focused on community services and was directed by Mr. Ed Porter of NAHSA involving persons representing three areas in the community: 1) Vocational Rehabilitation; 2) Hearing and Speech Centers; and 3) the Deaf community.

After an explanation of the procedure for amending the By-laws, Mr. Lauritsen introduced Mr. Larry Stewart for presentation of the By-laws Committee's recommendations. The recommendations were made on each individual change, with both the original By-law and the proposed change projected on an overhead projector.

A number of changes were made in the By-laws as a result of the Convention action. A complete copy of the By-laws including changes made at Hot Springs will be printed in the Newsletter.

A significant change is in membership classification to regular, associate, or honorary.

Following a call for a quorum count the second business session was adjourned, there being an insufficient number present.

THIRD BUSINESS SESSION

ARLINGTON HOTEL

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21, 1969

Robert Lauritsen called the meeting to order ruling a quorum present. Larry Stewart proceeded with a presentation of the By-laws Committee report as in the previous business session. Fred Schrieber moved that the By-laws be accepted as amended and approved. The motion was seconded and passed.
The report from the COSD representatives Eugene Peterson and Lewis Wilcox was read by Mr. Wilcox.

COSD Representatives report:

As your elected representatives on the COSD, Board of Directors we have spent an interesting and educational two years, and if we haven't been able to report back as often as we would have liked we have learned much about the functions of the many organizations that make up this unique council.

Some of you will remember at the Pittsburgh meeting of PRWAD, our organization was asked to join COSD, and to elect two delegates to serve on their board. It was our good fortune to have served most of the time in the inter-conference period as your elected representatives.

We went to the meetings rather unprepared for the challenge that was ours because of the lack of experience with which the action was taken in Pittsburgh.

As with all attempts as a pioneering venture, there is reason to wish we had done things differently when our activities came up for review.

We have attended all of the board meetings and have done our best to relate the philosophy of PRWAD to COSD. We have felt somewhat handicapped by this because of the lack of direction given to us as your representatives by this organization. We hope that this present conference will enact policy that will eliminate this shortcoming in the future.

During our tenure on the COSD Board we were privileged to participate in the preparation of two highly successful forums. The proceedings of which you have been or will be able to read if you were not privileged to attend.

Those activities which have thus far been pursued by COSD have not been done without hours of unselfish work and deliberation. It is interesting to observe that those forum topics thus far selected may well have been selected as PRWAD themes because of the scope of the rehabilitation process.
The next planned forum topic "The Law and the Deaf" will answer another long unmet need of the deaf man and rehabilitation workers.

We believe that the greatest strength of COSD lies in its composite makeup; selection of members from all the large organizations dedicated to improve the lot of the hearing impaired.

The weakness we believe lies in the problems inherent in any such group experiencing a problem of identity and purpose. Add to this the burden of forum preparation and it results in a situation where not enough time has been given to coordinating the needs and ambitions of its member organizations.

We believe in the philosophy of COSD and want to urge your continued support within the present structure of our organization.

We believe that additional experience will give board members more time to accomplish proper and effective liaison between the two organizations and a new and better COSD will evolve.

It is our hope that before the end of this conference, provisions will be made so your newly elected representatives will attend COSD as better informed and better directed ambassadors of PRWAD than they have been thus far.

To implement these improved relationships and to expedite the inter-conference needs relative to our association with COSD we submit the following for your consideration:

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the PRWAD Board of Directors and your elected representatives to COSD draw up a program of continuing intercommunication and be empowered to implement it in this inter-conference period.

**RESOLVED:**

2. That PRWAD continue to give financial support to COSD in accord with the recommendations of the
Executive Board of PRWAD and action of this body.

RESOLVED:

3. That the term of office of delegates be in harmony with the by-laws of COSD and the beginning and ending of the delegates’ terms be in alternate years.

RESOLVED:

4. That the PRWAD Board be given power to make interim changes in representation to conform to changing situations within the framework of both organizations, limiting these changes to decisions which will not be a financial obligation on the Board beyond those currently authorized.

Lewis Wilcox
Eugene Peterson
COSD Representatives

Resolutions of the By-laws committee were voted and passed by the membership.

Discussion followed concerning the term of office of the present COSD representatives. Mr. Peterson, whose term expired April, 1969 was asked by President Blake to remain in that role until a new representative could be elected by the membership.

A motion was made and passed to extend the term of Mr. Peterson until December 31, 1969.

Larry Stewart was nominated to serve as PRWAD representative beginning January 1, 1970 through December 31, 1972. Mr. Stewart was elected by acclamation.

Since Mr. Wilcox’s term expires December 31, 1970 a replacement will be elected at the 1970 Convention.

Membership Committee Report:

At the Pittsburgh meeting on October 17-18, 1967 we had approximately 165 members. Between this date and our first major membership drive in March, 1968 we acquired 35 new members for a total of 200. During March to July, 1968...
and during September and October of 1968 we launched two membership drives which procured 386 new members for a present total of 586 members.

B. Robert Gonzales, Chairman
Membership Committee

Religious Workers Committee Report:

The president appointed Father Thomas Bartley, Lottie Riekehof, and Ingvald Thvedt to serve on this Committee with the last named as chairman. A steering committee is being organized with plans to include a representative from each of the religious groups which are quite active in serving deaf people.

The chairman conferred with leaders from Assemblies of God, Baptist, Methodist, Episcopal, Catholic, Jewish and Lutheran groups in March 1969. Plans were made for two breakfast meetings at PRWAD in Hot Springs, May 1969.

The first two Committee members were not present but the following people met: Carter Bearden (Baptist), Gerald Burstein (Jewish), Robert Daigle in place of Thomas Bartley (Catholic), Herbert Rohe (Lutheran MS), Allen Simms in place of Otto Berg (Episcopal) and Ingvald Thvedt (Lutheran ALC).

It will be the task of the Committee in the future to involve religious workers of all disciplines in the development of a consensus statement as to our role in PRWAD and the development of our goals and objectives as active participants in the program of PRWAD. We are also trying to gather information that will be offered through the Journal and Newsletter.

It will be our responsibility also to recruit other qualified religious workers for membership in PRWAD and suggest training programs which will better qualify them for participation in PRWAD.

More questions for consideration are: (1) the role of the religious workers in relation to rehab workers with the deaf; (2) the training of the religious workers with the deaf; and
surveys among the religious workers to obtain information.

In the interest of better professional leaders such as religious workers, this Committee suggests that whenever possible, grants from the government and private foundations include "religious workers," such as in leadership training, media, instructional materials and techniques.

Suggestions or comments to any member of the Committee will be appreciated.

Ingvald Thvedt, Chairman
Religious Workers Committee

Manpower Needs Committee report:

The Manpower Needs Committee has selected a course of action which should provide the following information:

a) Number and types of agencies nationally which presently are providing less than full services to the deaf because of personnel shortage.

b) Number of professional positions for serving adult deaf persons now standing vacant nationally.

c) Nature of these vacancies.

d) Five year projection nationally of professional personnel needs.

In order to gain the above information, the following procedures will be followed:

1) The committee will contact every member of PRWAD with a request for the names and addresses of agencies in their respective states now providing, or wishing to provide extensive services to the adult deaf;

2) Each of the above agencies will be contacted by the Committee, and asked to a) describe their present services to the adult deaf, b) indicate the number of personnel vacancies at present, c) describe the nature of the role of these personnel if available, d) make a five-year projection of anticipated needs for
personnel qualified to provide services to the adult deaf.

It is anticipated that this information will be collected prior to the fall, 1970 PRWAD Convention, and that a report of findings will be submitted at that time. Our success hinges on the responses of the membership; therefore it is crucial that we have a good response on the original questionnaire.

E. Ross Stuckless, Chairman
Manpower Needs Committee

Journal of Rehabilitation of the Deaf report:

Mr. Chairman, the current Editor of the Journal of Rehabilitation of the Deaf assumed responsibility with the October 1968 issue (Volume 2, Number 3). Arrangements were made with Sullivan's of West Point, Mississippi to produce the Journal retaining the original format as nearly as possible. To date, three issues have been produced by Sullivan's.

Mr. Carl Isbell, a member of PRWAD and a Vocational Rehabilitation counselor specializing in work with deaf clients for the State of Mississippi, was asked by the Executive Board to assume responsibility for the mail distribution of the Journal. Mr. Isbell accepted the responsibility and has been serving in this capacity since the October 1968 issue.

The Editor is responsible for receiving manuscripts for publication consideration. Manuscripts are sent to at least one of the Editorial Advisory Board who review the manuscript, make minor alterations or corrections, and recommend publication or non-publication. In some cases it is suggested that with re-writing a manuscript may be improved to the point where it will be acceptable for publication. The following are members of the Editorial Advisory Board:

- Jerome G. Alpiner, Ph. D.
- Sidney M. Hurwitz
- Edgar L. Lowell, Ph. D.
- Thomas Mayes, Ph. D.
- Mrs. Lucile Taylor
- Dale C. Williamson
Mr. Albert Pimentel, Treasurer of PRWAD recently agreed, at the request of the Executive Board, to serve as the Business and Subscription Manager for the Journal. This relieves the Editor of the burden of attempting to conduct business, especially in connection with reprint of articles requests.

In addition to the regular handling of Journal production, we are currently engaged in the publication of two monograph supplements. The first is titled Deafness and the second is a publication of a workshop held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania under the direction of William Craig, Ph. D. We are far behind schedule on the first, primarily due to the nature of the material in the monograph and partly due to an unexpected overload at the University of Tennessee facility which is handling its publication. I have no progress report at this time on Dr. Craig's work, but expect it is moving along rather well. This second monograph is being produced at Sullivan's, the regular printer of the Journal.

Over the past year, one especially significant problem has become very evident. The problem has to do with the inability of the Editor to winnow out all the typographical errors which do occur in the final publication. Every effort is made by the Editor to catch all errors and provide for their corrections. However, it seems inappropriate for the Editor to be solely responsible for final proofreading of manuscripts, galley proofs, and page proofs. By virtue of the fact that the Editor must read all material a minimum of three times, he tends to become overly familiar with the copy and, as a result, miss a number of typographical errors.

There should be a solution to this problem, but it would help a great deal if manuscripts were submitted in final form. That is, the authors of submitted manuscripts should present "clean" copy and adhere to the format utilized in the Journal which is as close to the American Psychological Association guidelines as possible. Two copies should also be submitted so that the Editor may have a working copy as well as the printer.
This completes the report of the Editor of the *Journal of Rehabilitation of the Deaf*, Mr. Chairman. Are there any questions from the chair or from the floor?

Glenn T. Lloyd, Editor

*Journal of Rehabilitation of the Deaf*

**Professional Rehabilitation Workers With the Adult Deaf Newsletter report:**

The *PRWAD Newsletter* was officially initiated in September, 1968. Copies of the initial issue of the Newsletter went out to some 350 members. Since then the membership has grown beyond the 600 figure, and in keeping with this growth in membership the *Newsletter* has started to reach a larger and larger number of professionals serving the deaf in the field of rehabilitation.

The *Newsletter* was originated with the idea of facilitating communication among the membership. It was felt by the Executive Board that such communication was essential if the PRWAD as a professional organization was to become fully effective in serving the general membership. Thus, the decision was made to initiate the *Newsletter* with issues to be distributed on a bi-monthly basis.

Over the past year the *Newsletter* has been printed by Mr. Robert Anderson of Jacksonville, Illinois. Mr. Anderson has performed this service on his own time, charging only for paper and other supplies. We are indeed grateful for Bob's help. The job of printing the *Newsletter* has now become too great for Bob, however, as we are currently reaching a membership of more than 600. Accordingly, we have turned to other sources for assistance in publishing our paper.

I am pleased to report that Mr. Charles C. Estes, instructor in Offset Printing at the Special Technical Facility for the Deaf and Blind in Talladega, Alabama, has agreed to assume the responsibility of printing future issues of the *Newsletter*. The only expenses for which the PRWAD will be responsible are those for paper and ink. It is anticipated that with Mr. Estes' assistance the PRWAD *Newsletter* will ap-
pear in a formal format which will reflect well on the organization.

PRWAD members have responded well to requests for news for publication in the Newsletter. I would like to take this opportunity to thank each person who has been of help in this respect, and to ask that each member take upon himself the responsibility of reporting information which will be of value to the general membership.

In closing my report, I wish to express my appreciation for the opportunity to serve the PRWAD as Editor of the Newsletter.

Larry G. Stewart, Editor

PRWAD Newsletter

The Resolutions Committee presented the following resolutions:

The Professional Rehabilitation Workers With the Adult Deaf, meeting in Convention in Hot Springs, Arkansas, May 18-21, 1969 do reaffirm our commitment to provide and advance professional service to hearing impaired individuals with whom we work. In order to promote those who serve deaf adults, we hereby resolve:

1) That in view of the great progress during recent years in the difficult area of rehabilitation case services to deaf clients and in the recruitment and training of workers in other professional disciplines for service to deaf people, the reduction in Federal funds budgeted for these purposes is a regrettable action, with serious, negative implications for these productive and taxpayer-creative services.

2) That we look with favor upon the action of members concerned with services to multiply handicapped deaf persons intended to promote information exchange and professional growth among workers in that specialized area. The officers are urged during the next biennium to facilitate and encourage the establishment of special interest groups among the members.

3) That, after examining the several innovative programs for post secondary education of deaf people, presented
at this convention, we consider innovation and new blood desirable in the field of education of deaf persons, especially at secondary and higher levels. We commend all who have ventured into this long neglected area and welcome them to a field of endeavor replete with challenges.

4) That this organization wishes to express its commendation and appreciation of the very special attention and empathy toward deaf people displayed over many years by Mary E. Switzer, Commissioner of Social and Rehabilitation Services. Perhaps no other official in the world has given greater support to the growth of all sorts of services to deaf people than has she.

5) That we deny to conference chairman Stephen P. Quigley, his assistant F. Eugene Thomure and all those who helped them the anonymity that is the frequent lot of those who undertake to organize and administer a Convention. Their efforts have made this meeting a happy and satisfying one for us all.

6) That we highly appreciate the hospitality and edifying program offered by the Hot Springs Rehabilitation Center and commend its staff for the significant work they are carrying forward.

7) That the officers of the PRWAD continue and expand efforts to involve executives and personnel of schools for the deaf in professional activities and problems related to vocational rehabilitation. And, conversely, that the PRWAD and its members become involved in the professional endeavors of educators.

8) That, through its various channels of communication, the PRWAD make known to rehabilitation personnel the availability of the Community Business Service Associates Program of the Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing Company, and urge careful study of that program and its implementation wherever feasible.

9) That, recognizing the honor bestowed upon us by the invitation to participate in the activities of the President's Committee for Employment of the Physically Handicapped,
the PRWAD lend full support to this committee and provide the necessary leadership to implement this opportunity to help expand the distribution of knowledge concerning deaf people.

10) And finally, that copies of these resolutions be sent by the secretary to all parties concerned with their subject matter.

Alan B. Crammatte, Chairman
Resolutions Committee

The resolutions were accepted by vote of the Convention.

NEW BUSINESS

The chair recognized Mr. Douglas Watson who made a motion regarding the establishment of a section of PRWAD for persons concerned with services to severely handicapped deaf adults. The motion was amended and passed establishing an ad hoc committee to be appointed by the president to be responsible for dissemination among PRWAD members of information regarding severely handicapped deaf adults. The committee will sponsor activities promoting more effective rehabilitation practices with such clients.

Ed Carney moved that a committee be established concerning media in the rehabilitation process. It was seconded and passed. The following were named to the committee:

- Mrs. Ruth Goddard
- Vern Davis
- Rev. I. M. Thevdt
- Harry Sandlin

Willis Ethridge moved that a committee be established (named by the president) to study the feasibility of changing the name of PRWAD. The motion carried.

Glenn T. Lloyd moved that the Convention extend its appreciation to the interpreters who served at the Convention. The motion was seconded and passed.

On motion by Mr. Falberg the Convention was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

William E. Woodrick, PRWAD Secretary