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A Letter from the PRESIDENT

To Grand Exalted Ruler Charles E. Broughton

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June 20, 1947

Dear Brother Broughton:

I regret that it is not possible for me to join with my fellow Elks in the National Convention of our Fraternity in Portland, Oregon, next month.

The Elks, by reason of their far-flung membership, are always aware of national needs. Through the war years their service was outstanding, whether in maintaining morale at home or in the armed forces abroad, in hospital work, or in the manifold other activities which ease the hard impact of armed conflict.

In time of peace the Elks can be relied upon to preserve the things that our boys have fought for to the end that our democratic form of government shall survive. I think that the future of our democratic institutions lies in the speedy authorization of a program of universal training for American youths which was drawn up by an advisory commission of distinguished citizens. This program is now before the Congress. Without universal training we cannot, in the opinion of the commission, maintain effective reserves. In that opinion I heartily concur.

We shall see this question in its true perspective only if we remember at all times that our young men would not be training in order to win a war but in order to prevent a war.

My best wishes to all my Brother Elks for a successful gathering.

Fraternally yours,

HARRY S. TRUMAN

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IN THIS ISSUE

We Present —

THIS month your *Elks Magazine* is devoted primarily to the account of the third largest and best attended Convention the Order has ever held. Portland, Ore., turned itself inside out for the B.P.O.E. and Portland Lodge No. 142 proved itself to be one of the most hospitable, thoughtful and considerate lodges in the country.

In order to conform to the new format of our Magazine—placing the fraternal section in a special place of its own, where it can be found instantly—we have included with it the Convention story, the speech of acceptance of the newly elected Grand Exalted Ruler, L. A. Lewis, of Anaheim, Calif., Lodge, No. 1345, excerpts from the reports of many of the important Committees and Commissions of your Grand Lodge, and retiring Grand Exalted Ruler Charles E. Broughton's splendid summation of his tenure of office.

As most of these reports were submitted to the accredited delegates in written form, only highlights of these reports are contained in the Magazine.

On page 26, we have the pleasure of reproducing an excellent studio portrait of your new leader; his masterful acceptance speech appears with it. As Mr. Lewis is certainly this month's biggest "News of the Order", his photograph appears on the page usually reserved in our Magazine to emphasize the Order's latest and most newsworthy feature of the month.

The rest of the fraternal section is devoted to interesting events in the lives of the subordinate lodges, as well as the State Associations. In this connection, we wish to draw your attention to page 29, where appears an account of the work the New Jersey Elks are doing for the paraplegic World War II victims. In World War I these tragic injuries usually were fatal; the New Jersey Elks today are doing their best not only to keep these men alive, but to make their existence as pleasant as possible.

IT IS regrettable that with the shortage of paper and the length of the Grand Lodge data, we have been forced to postpone publication of your lodge news, pictures and State Association Convention reports received in our offices; we hasten to assure you that none of your activities have been overlooked and that they will be publicized in the earliest possible issue.

On pages 4 and 5 start our fiction piece called "One on the House", a murder mystery in the inimitable vein of that well-known writer, Wyatt Blassingame. His stories of Sanctity Key have appeared before in our Magazine and have been received with praise. C. P.



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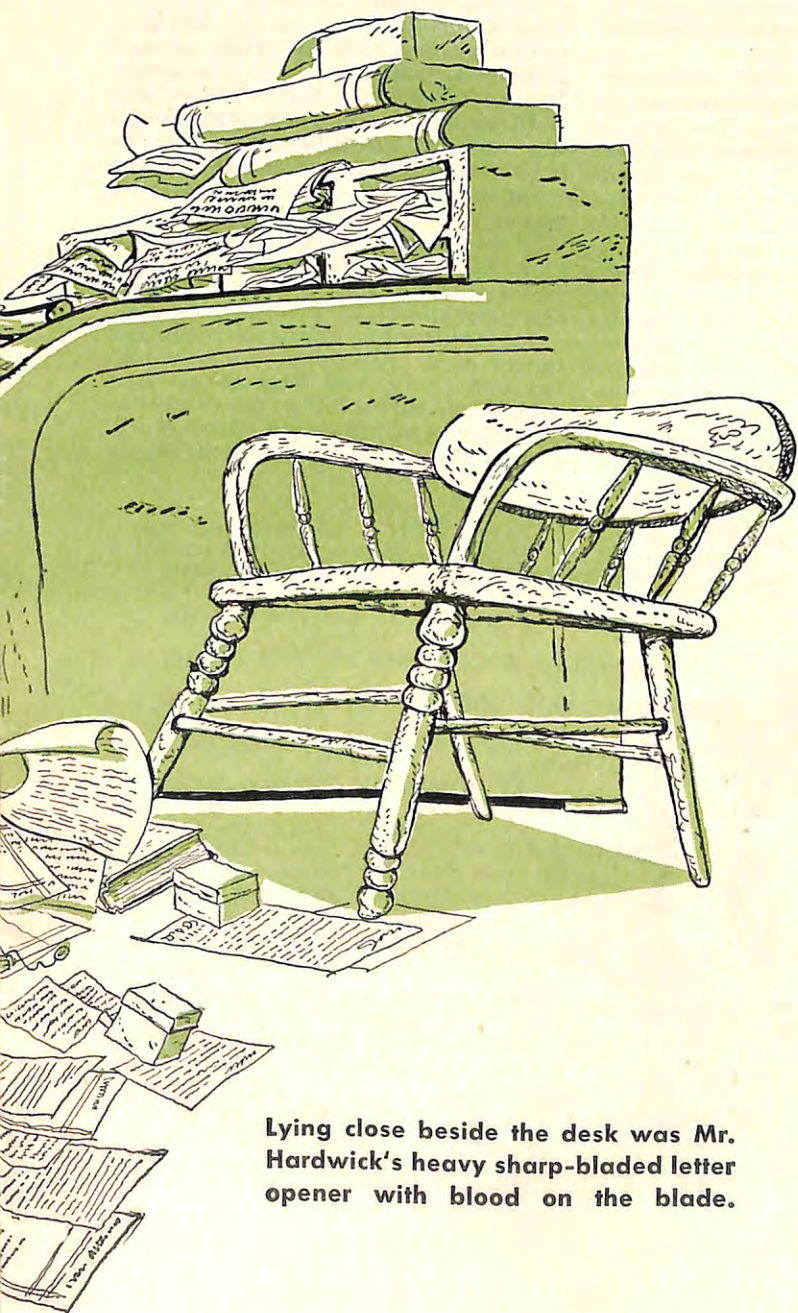
1 on the House



Illustrated by OSCAR LIEBMAN

BY WYATT BLASSINGAME

**It cost more than money
to get a drink on the
house at The Anchorage.**



Lying close beside the desk was Mr. Hardwick's heavy sharp-bladed letter opener with blood on the blade.

MR. E. B. BROWNING and I were standing at the bar of The Anchorage, and after a while it developed that we were both there for the same reason: each was waiting for the other to buy the drinks. "It is near the first of the month," E.B. said, "and I am a trifle short."

I explained that this made two of us, and in discussing this crisis it naturally occurred to us to go and call on Mr. Harry Hardwick, because Mr. Hardwick was one of those rare and beautiful characters who was never short on money or the good things it will buy, especially liquor. "And he is a dear friend of mine," E.B. said. "He will be glad to see me. I hope."

There were grounds for doubt on this point, but it was a chance worth taking. So we were preparing to leave when the door opened and in came Mr. Sam Smart. This was a sight so incredible it stopped E.B. and me in our tracks.

Sam Smart had never been in The Anchorage before. He never went anywhere he was required to spend money, and everybody admitted it would be easier to get road directions from a gopher than a dime from Sam Smart. Besides, he didn't approve of liquor.

Now, looking strangely disturbed, he asked, "Have you seen Mrs. Smart recently?"

"Not recently," E.B. said.

We went out. The night was chilly so that both E.B. and I wore coats, but there was a half moon over the gulf and a mockingbird sang in a palm tree. "If Sam is expecting his wife in The Anchorage," I said, "we better get away from here. Because the only way she would visit a bar would be with an ax in one hand and a fiery torch in the other."

"Yes," E.B. said. "It takes all kinds of people to make a world. But it seems to me that in the case of the Smarts the Lord went too far."

"But Mrs. Smart is a friend of your wife."

"There is no need to grow morose," E.B. sighed. "Let's go to Harry Hardwick's and get that drink."

Before we reached Mr. Hardwick's house we could hear his phonograph going. Mr. Hardwick was an old man, but he had youthful inclinations. He was a devotee of boogie woogie and he had a phonograph that would play twenty-four records without stopping—and it usually did. When I knocked on the door it was playing something called "The Juicy Jive".

There was no answer to my knock, so E.B. opened the door and we went in. "Mr. Hardwick!" I called. Mr. Hardwick still did not answer, but just at this moment the phonograph stopped playing long enough to change records. And in the quiet we heard a sound from the back of the house.

"Mr. Hardwick is making a drink in the kitchen," I said.

So we went into the kitchen, but nobody was there. "Maybe he is outside," I said, and looked out the window. E. B. Browning was beside me and he looked too. We stood aghast, holding to the window sill, not believing the thing we looked at.

There was a woman tipping away across the backyard. We couldn't see her plainly because the moon was almost down and she had her back to us and she was in a hurry. But even so we could tell that she had a figure like a square-rigged ship under full sail.

When she had disappeared E.B. said, "I don't need a drink now. I've had too much already."

"It wasn't the D.T's. It was Mrs. Sam Smart."

"That's the same thing, ain't it?"

"At least," I said, "it looked like Mrs. Smart."

"Who else has a beam like that?"

I started to mention his own wife, but this seemed hardly fair. So I said, "What would Mrs. Smart be doing here?"

"We'll ask Harry," E.B. said. "We got to give him a chance to defend himself. But first—" And he made his way to a well-stocked closet.

We selected a bottle of Scotch and had a couple of nips each before going into the living room again. The phonograph was changing records, from something called "Willie The Wood Woo", to an opus entitled "The Berri Berri Boogie". I called, "Mr. Hardwick!"

"Maybe he has passed out," E.B. said, taking another

swig from the bottle he was carrying.

The study opened off the living room. It was cluttered with a desk, an old typewriter, chairs, and some fishing rods. The desk drawers were open and there were old pieces of paper and reel boxes and plugs scattered about, more on the floor than on the desk, and in the middle of them Mr. Hardwick stretched placidly. His hands were folded on his bulbous stomach. His mouth was open and his eyes were closed.

"Stewed!" E.B. said. He knelt and began to shake Mr. Hardwick. "Out like a light," he said.

"Oh-oh!" I said.

"What?"

"Wait a minute." I took a liquor bottle from him and had a quick swallow. A few drops spilled down the outside of the bottle. I put it on the floor and said, "Roll him over."

E.B. flopped him over. The back of his shirt was a soggy, blackish-red, and there was a hole in his shirt under the left shoulder blade. I didn't need to look further to know there was also a hole in Mr. Hardwick. And lying close beside the desk was Mr. Hardwick's heavy, sharp-bladed letter opener with blood on the blade.

"Dead?" E.B. said.

"Murdered," I said.

"I'm leaving," E.B. said. He grabbed up the bottle, wavered for an instant between the need for a quick drink and a quick exit, then thrust it in his pocket and headed for the door.

Now I am the Sanctity Key deputy, but it is a sort of honorary, non-paying job and I do not feel called upon to stay alone with a corpse. Besides, it was obviously my duty to phone the sheriff as quickly as possible and it was necessary to go to The Anchorage for that. I passed E.B. when he was half way down the steps.

THERE were four or five persons in the bar when we crashed in. One of these was Sam Smart, clutching a half emp'y bottle of orange soda which somebody else must have bought for him, since he never spent a nickel of his own, and looking as jovial as the black plague. "Oh my Gosh!" I whispered, grabbing E.B. by the arm as I remembered something I should have remembered before. "Mrs. Smart! Slipping away from the house!"

She made a long gurgling noise, rose majestically and fainted in the aisle.

"She murdered Harry!" E.B. whispered.

"She must have! But keep it secret until the sheriff gets here."

"Of course," E.B. said, and grabbed Dewey, the bartender, even before I could get to him.

We were back at Mr. Hardwick's when the sheriff arrived, and E.B. and I puffed out our chests and told how we had not only discovered the murder, but had solved it. "It was Mrs. Sam Smart," I told him. "At least, we are almost certain it was Mrs. Smart. We saw her sneaking away from here. At least, we are pretty sure she is the person we saw."

The coroner found a watch in Mr. Hardwick's pocket which had been broken as he fell, and the hands were stopped at twelve minutes after eight. This was, as well as I could figure, about a half-hour, or forty-five minutes, before E.B. and I discovered him.

"Just time for Mrs. Smart to have got all those papers scattered around looking for whatever she was looking for," E.B. said.

He and I went to the kitchen to celebrate. We had a few drinks of Mr. Hardwick's liquor, toasting a speedy trial and quick execution for Mrs. Smart. Then E.B. wondered hopefully if the law could get Mr. Smart too, for some kind of accessory after the crime. We were happily probing this theory when Sam Smart himself came rushing into the room, followed by the sheriff. Sam's eyes were rolling and he was almost frothing at the mouth. "What do you mean?" he yelled at E.B. and me. "How dare you accuse my wife of consorting with that old devil?"

"We didn't accuse old Harry of any such thing," E.B. said. He looked pious. "Speak well of the dead, that's me. All we did was accuse your wife of murdering him."

"But she didn't murder him," the

sheriff said. "At the time Mr. Hardwick was killed, she was at the local store. I've checked on it."

"I'll sue you for defamation of character!" Smart howled. "I'll get every cent you've got, both of you!"

I felt myself getting sick. E.B. was staring, grief-stricken, at the sheriff. "You mean she didn't kill him? But we saw..."

"You were too drunk to know what you saw," the sheriff said. "Mrs. Smart swears she was never here."

"The sheriff heard you!" Smart shouted. "He'll testify, and I'll sue the gold out of your teeth."

"Not before I knock the gold out of yours," E.B. said, and started for him.

A woman's voice said sharply, "E.B."

It was Mrs. Browning, a very full-blown lady who wore her hair in curls and always carried, tucked under one arm, a small dog by the name of John Keats. E.B. often said that his wife loved that dog more than she did him, to which some persons replied, "Why not?" This, of course, was a fair question, though I have always felt there was something to be said in E.B.'s favor. His wife controlled the purse strings and she could at times be very stern for a lady who enjoyed ill health and the composition of unpublished love poetry.

Now she said, as if on the point of fainting, "You come home, E.B. You know I am not well enough for all this excitement."

E.B. started to reply, but thought better of it. And after his wife had led him away, and Sam Smart had given up threatening me and departed, the sheriff asked, "How much money did you owe old man Hardwick, Johnny?"

"Who?" I said. "Me?"

"Yes. You."

"I owed him two hundred bucks. I

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Should we admit 400,000 of Europe's displaced persons? Our Panel members take a stand on this vital problem.

SINCE legal restrictions first were imposed, the subject of immigration has been a controversial problem. Today, because of the recent war, it has become a subject invested with greater importance than ever before. Literally hundreds of thousands of displaced persons in Europe cast envious eyes on America, clamoring to enter our Country. Has America a place for some of these people? In view of a possible business recession and a nation-wide housing shortage—to name only two factors—could America accommodate these people? Or, on the other hand, do we still have unproductive areas which could be utilized to accommodate displaced persons? Moreover, as some Panel members pointed out, not a few of our foreign-born citizens have made great contributions to our national economy. Unquestionably, many of the displaced persons would continue the fine record established by their fellow countrymen in the past. Yes, the subject of immigration is one for speculation and there is scarcely an American who hasn't a decided opinion on the question. For this reason, it has been selected for the topic of this month's Elk Panel of Public Opinion. As you may know, the Panel members are the current Exalted Rulers and District Deputies, as well as a group of Past Exalted Rulers who requested that their names be retained on the Panel.

Only one question was asked, but comments were invited.

THE QUESTION:

HOW DO YOU REGARD THE PROPOSAL FOR THE UNITED STATES TO MAKE A SPECIFIC EXCEPTION OF ITS IMMIGRATION LAW IN ORDER TO PERMIT THE ENTRY, WITHIN THE NEXT TWO YEARS, OF 400,000 OF EUROPE'S DISPLACED PERSONS AS NON-QUOTA IMMIGRANTS?

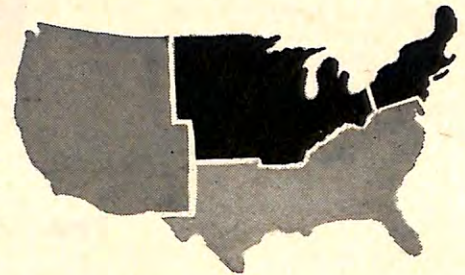
An explanatory note below the question on the ballot read: "In connection with this question, it should be pointed out that this would cover the entry of about 40 per cent of those who cannot be restored to their own countries, and also that, between 1940 and 1948, immigration fell short by 914,000 of the total possible under the quota system". (Quotation was taken from the *New York Herald-Tribune*). The admission of the 400,000 D. P.'s would not change existing immigration laws."

In Favor 31.3%
Opposed 65.8%
No Opinion..... 1.6%

NOTE: The above percentages total 98.7%. The remaining 1.3% is accounted for by incomplete returns.

As a typical group of substantial American business men, the Panel members indicate that there is a strong tide against further immigration, although there is a minority of about 30 per cent who advocate the admission of the displaced persons. While the 65 per cent majority gave a variety of reasons for not admitting the D. P.'s, most believe that we should keep America for ourselves. Many fear that subversive groups would not be screened out. Others feel that our economic stability is in doubt.

At the right is a map showing the four geographical areas into which the replies were divided. Listed below are the percentages of the total replies which were received from each of the four sections.



The 12 Northern States.....34% of the replies
The 9 Eastern States.....26% of the replies
The 16 Southern States.....24% of the replies
The 11 Western States.....16% of the replies

The replies from the North, East, South and West were close to the 31-66 ratio of the national returns. However, in the Western States, 26% favored admission and 72% opposed, thus indicating a slightly stronger opposition to admitting the displaced persons.

COMMENTS:

I favor—but no Communists to be admitted.
 The doors should be closed, and I mean stay closed.
 I favor if they come up to U. S. standards and believe in our way of life.
 We have the space and resources. We owe to the world to do all we can to absorb as many D. P.'s as we can.
 Nation-wide housing conditions do not warrant it. Jobs are now getting harder to find. Additional people would not help.
 It is the charitable thing to do.
 I think it's time to get tough. Right now we're feeding a large part of the world, while American people are required to pay inflated prices.
 Bringing relief to weary is an act of brotherly love. Our postwar position is too indefinite.
 One "specific exception" would bring pressure for more "specific exceptions". The ideals and principles of most would not be in harmony with ours.
 Careful check to admit only those skilled in crafts that would aid our production.
 We must first find housing for our own, especially those who served in the last war.
 Would vote yes, but do not approve of immigration from certain Communistic and Fascistic countries.

ROD and GUN



American Museum of Natural History Photo

BY DAN HOLLAND

The Alaskan brown bear is cagey—and he's the boss.

TWO-STEP LOUIE of Tenakee was treed by a brown bear. He was lucky; he had a tree to climb. But after a couple hours of cramped tree-sitting, with nothing better to do than look down into the frothy mouth of an angry she-bear, old Two-Step began to wonder just how lucky he was. He couldn't stay there forever, so he put his ingenuity to work. Louis was smart. He wadded his shirt together, calmly lit a cigarette, then touched the match to the shirt. When it was blazing well he dropped it smack in the snarling face of that bear. The last he saw of her she was going over the mountain knocking the bark off the trees as she went and trailing sparks like she was jet-propelled.

Men not so smart or lucky as Two-Step Louie have been killed by Alaskan brown bears. Others have been severely mauled and cuffed, and still others have been so scared they'll never get over it. Yet the Alaskan brownie is not necessarily mean or aggressive. He is not a temperamental beast, and it is only rarely that there is a bad actor which is out to kill everything in sight. Alaskans who know these bears the best tell me that a brownie will not attack without provocation. However, it seems that bears have their own ideas of just what constitutes provocation.

Apparently mere intrusion can be

considered an unfriendly gesture. Each bear has his own hunting range—probably he has used it all his life—and he resents any “muscling in”. If any living thing encroaches on territory he considers his own, he finds out right now who is boss.

Luke Elwell, famous big-game guide on Alaska's Kenai Peninsula, told me an example of this trait: After wandering all over Alaska, Luke and his wife selected what is perhaps the most beautiful spot in all the world for a cabin. We sat in Luke's new home drinking coffee and looking out on the deep blue of Upper Russian Lake and at the everlasting snows of the giant peaks, their reflection in the mirrored surface making the lake appear as deep as the mountains were high, and Luke told of the bear that once lived there.

It seems that for years an old sow bear had used the beach in front of the cabin as her Fall feeding ground when the sockeye salmon were spawning. Luke had seen her many times, often with a family of cubs. It was always the same bear, for brown bears have traits and characteristics as individual and obvious as do humans.

The previous Fall, when the cabin was well on its way to completion, the old sow arrived to fatten up on salmon. Fortunately, Luke and his wife were camped on a point a quar-

ter of a mile away. The first they knew of her arrival was a deep-throated roar. They looked over toward the cabin and saw the big bear standing on the beach giving voice to her rage at this sign of intrusion. For a full thirty minutes she stood flat-footed, facing the cabin and making the hills ring as she roared her heart out. Then slowly and reluctantly she gave ground and backed off, for she realized that this was something she couldn't drive away, and she was wise enough to know that when man moved in she had to leave.

She has never shown up again. No doubt a mighty battle raged somewhere in the hills nearby within the next few days when she attempted to move in on some other bear's range.

A PERSON doesn't actually have to see or hear a brown bear to be impressed. It's sufficient to see the indications of his presence; to see the massive footprints sunk along the banks of a salmon river; to smell the rich and musty odor of freshly-torn sod where he has grubbed or rolled over huge boulders in search of rodents; to look overhead and witness where the king of the tundra has stretched to the utmost and ripped the bark off a Sitka spruce fourteen feet from the ground, just to show the rest of the boys in the neighborhood that he's a little bigger and so a little tougher than they are. These signs are enough. You put your foot or puny hand in his paw-print, you stretch half-way up the tree to his claw marks, you attempt to budge the boulder that he has pushed aside casually, and you are impressed. When you realize that this ponderous creature is sufficiently agile to dash into a river and grab a frightened salmon in his teeth, or to pounce on a nimble deer, or to slap an excited squirrel routed from its burrow, you will be awed by the mere existence of such a magnificent creature.

I know. I fooled around the brown bear country of Southeastern Alaska a good while before I actually saw a bear. The jungle-like foliage there is so dense in many places that it is next to impossible to travel except along the well-trod bear trails, and often a person can't see six feet in front of his face. A man's a fool to play hide-and-seek with a bear in his own backyard, but fishermen have been known to be foolish and some of the best trout fishing in the world is found in the Southeastern brown bear country. As good as the fishing is, though, I have found it a little difficult to concentrate on a floating dry fly when I realized I was trespassing on a brown bear's private pool.

The Alaskan brown bear is the largest bear in the world. In fact he is the largest of all carnivores. A big one may grow to the enormous weight of 1,500 pounds. A large hide will skin out to 10 by 10 feet. Step

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Scottish Terrier Etching
by Marguerite Kirmse

IN THE DOGHOUSE

with Ed Faust

***Faust is not a fanatic
on England just be-
cause he is still writ-
ing about Great
Britain's terriers.***

LAST month, you will remember—we like to think—I turned over my immortal prose to the subject of dogs by nations, beginning with those of Great Britain. It was my intention to cover them in one issue, but as there are some forty-five breeds which have been developed by our English and related cousins, it just couldn't be done. I got as far as the Irish terrier and then the Editor blew a whistle at me.

So this finds us, in proper alphabetical sequence, leading off with another Irishman, that staunch fellow, the Kerry blue. He's a terrier to his toes and a fine one, too. While not pugnacious, he's well able to take care of himself in a scrap and is known as being plenty mean on small game. He gets his name from being first noted in the mountainous area of County Kerry. His color is more often black than blue, but when he is blue, you can't mistake it. (Incidentally, this is one of the rarest colors among dogs.) A breed in existence for about a century, it enjoys two distinctions: it is one of the few ever chosen as the national dog of its country, the Irish Republic, and its pups are always born black; when they do change to blue it occurs later on. Sometimes the blue takes on a lilac shade. It is also one of the

few terriers for which a soft, silky coat is required, according to the standard for the breed.

Next we have a little fellow who was admitted to dogdom's royal circle only a few years ago—the Lakeland terrier. He too is all terrier—brisk and sassy. His weight is from 16 to 17 pounds and he is black and tan, like the familiar Airedale. Many years ago dogs of this breed were known as the Patterdale terriers. Hailing from the mountain lakes district of England, they were, and still are, used to make life unhappy for the fox and such critters. Among the breeders of the Welsh terrier, a dog strongly resembling the Lakeland, there is some feeling that the American Kennel Club should not have given its official recognition to the Lakeland. There is some speculation that he's a distant cousin of the Bedlington, a terrier I described in your July issue. The chief point of difference between the Welsh and the Lakeland is the color: while the Welsh can be only black and tan or grizzled and tan, the Lakeland is permitted a wider range to include blue and tan.

Many years ago, before dog-showing existed, there was a common little short-coated, black-and-tan terrier that many people often referred to as

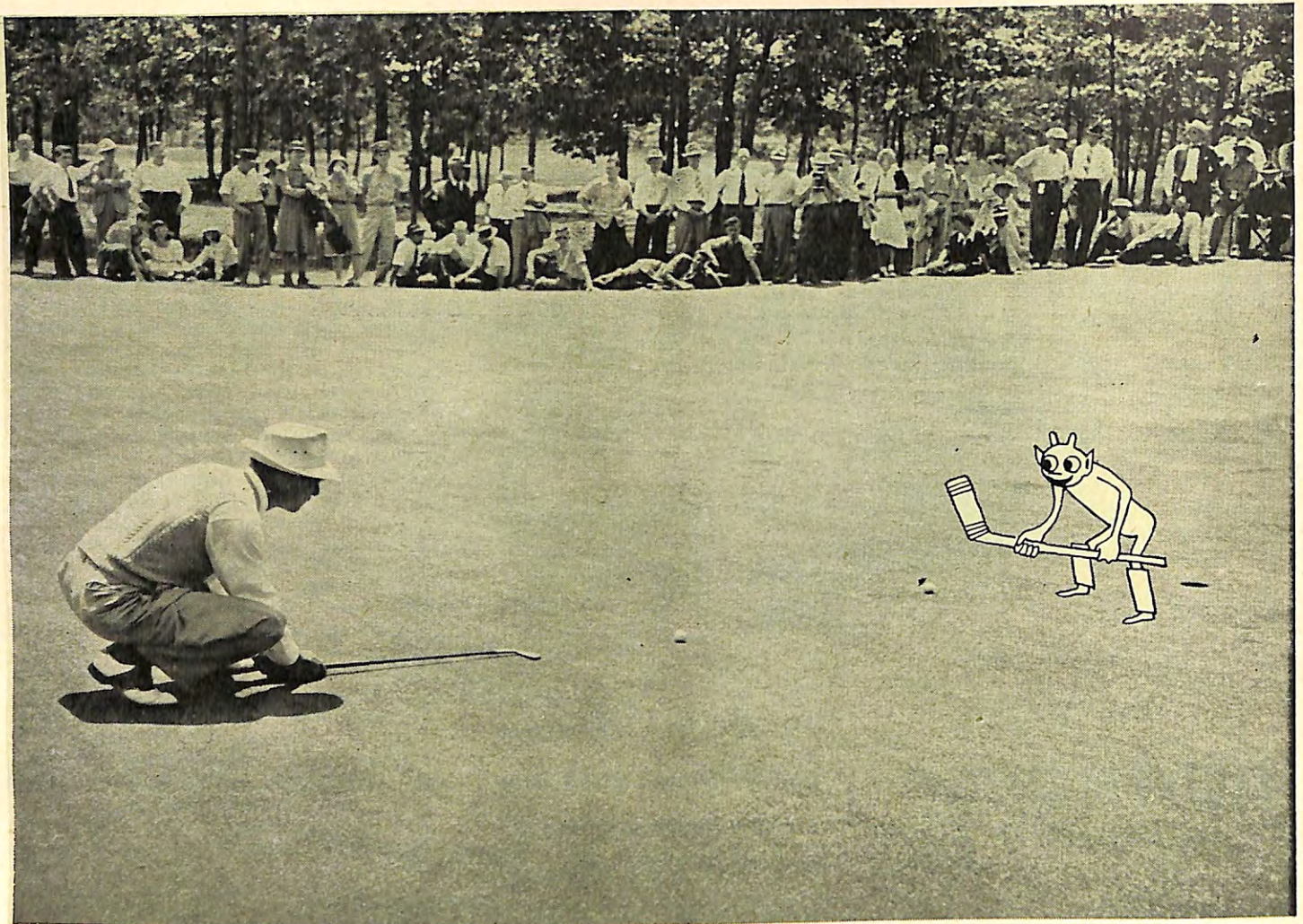
the rat terrier. This little dog actually was, and still is, the Manchester terrier, a sporting dog developed by the poorer classes in and about Manchester, England, for rat hunting (if that's a sport) and rabbit coursing. He's a trim, cleanly-built little tyke, weighing from 14 to 22 pounds, with a close, glossy, black and tan coat.

Another little terrier, this time the shaggy-coated kind, is the Norwich. He's short, has stubby legs and a bobbed tail, and the whiskers of an old man. He first became known in England in 1880 or thereabouts, and is said to have been tremendously popular with the students at Cambridge. Like all terriers, he's courageous and game to the core and is no small shakes as a hunter of vermin—the furred kind, that is. He tips the scale at from ten to 14 pounds and can be red, black and tan or grizzled. The standard is particular to state that his coat must be hard and wirey. It is noted for the fact that in its pursuit of game any scars incurred are not to be held against the dog in the show ring. That, I think, bespeaks the high regard judges and breeders have for him. Incidentally, don't let anyone tell you that the English dogs are not among the best. For this article I selected pictures of two of the lesser known breeds and I was not surprised to find that both dogs were imported from England. These two terriers were top show dogs of their day and one—the West Highland White—won dogdom's top award—best-in-show at Westminster.

PERHAPS one of the most popular breeds in the United States right now, sharing honors with the wire-haired and the cocker, is the Scottish terrier. There's hardly a need to describe him as he is so well known. When James I became king of England he wrote back to Scotland requesting that a number of these terriers be sent to him, which would indicate that these little fellows were mighty popular even that far back. How old the breed is a matter for speculation, but certain it is that it has flourished in Scotland for many centuries. The Scotty is a great little ratter and tough enough to tackle much larger game. Little as he is, he must be heavy-boned, and have a harsh, wirey coat, to get anywhere in the show ring. He's one of the terriers whose tail is never cut and his colors can be steel or iron grey, although you'll seldom see this variety, nor the sandy or wheaten colored. The more common are the grizzled or black.

A dog more popular in England than in the United States, comparatively speaking, is the Sealyham, a cocky, brash little mite, said to be utterly fearless. Although not as common as the Scottish terrier, here in this country you'll see a lot of them at the shows. Originated by one Captain John Edwardes and named for his estate in Wales, there's a

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A tense moment in the semi-finals of the P.G.A. as Sam Snead lines up a putt. He missed it.

NIBLICK NERVES BY VINCENT D. LUNNY



The buildup for a historic flub. Sam Snead looks on while officials measure the distances. A duffer's putt, but it cost him the 1947 U. S. Open.

It's tough going to adjust the human temperament to tournament golf.

TOURNAMENT golf is a tough business. No simple triumph of mind over matter, it is 72 holes of nightmarish action fraught with nervous tension and unrelenting concentration.

No matter how much sense has been pounded into a golf ball on the practice tees, one dumb nerve on a rampage can make it misbehave when the chips are down and the big prize money hangs on a single putt that lingers tantalizingly on the lip of the cup.

Gene Sarazen, who ranked among the top pros for a quarter of a century, says that the grim tightening of the nerves is the hallmark of championship golf. Unlike other

sports, golf affords no release valve and there is no defense.

"Football players have bodily contact to expel nervous energy," Sarazen says. "Tennis players at Forest Hills are constantly on the move, darting and twisting across the court. Boxers are too busy defending themselves to stop and think of the consequences of their punches, and ball players have eight other fellows, a manager and two coaches to share their responsibility."

Sarazen is right. If the shortstop, for instance, fails to get his glove on a bad-hopping grounder, the second baseman might field it and make the throw to first. The professional golfer has no one to back him up. He is on his own except for the vociferous, and sometimes unruly, fans who crowd so close that often he has to ask them to stand back, out of the arc of his wicked backswing.

I wonder how Joe DiMaggio would like to bat in a World Series with 4,000 fans surging madly over the diamond, littering the place with pop bottles, and leaving just a two-foot alley for the pitcher to deliver the ball? How would Sid Luckman like to throw forward passes over the heads of thousands of people, some of them standing within inches of his receiver?

Fantastic? Maybe! But golfers face similar circumstances in every tournament from Philadelphia to San Francisco, from Montreal to Miami.

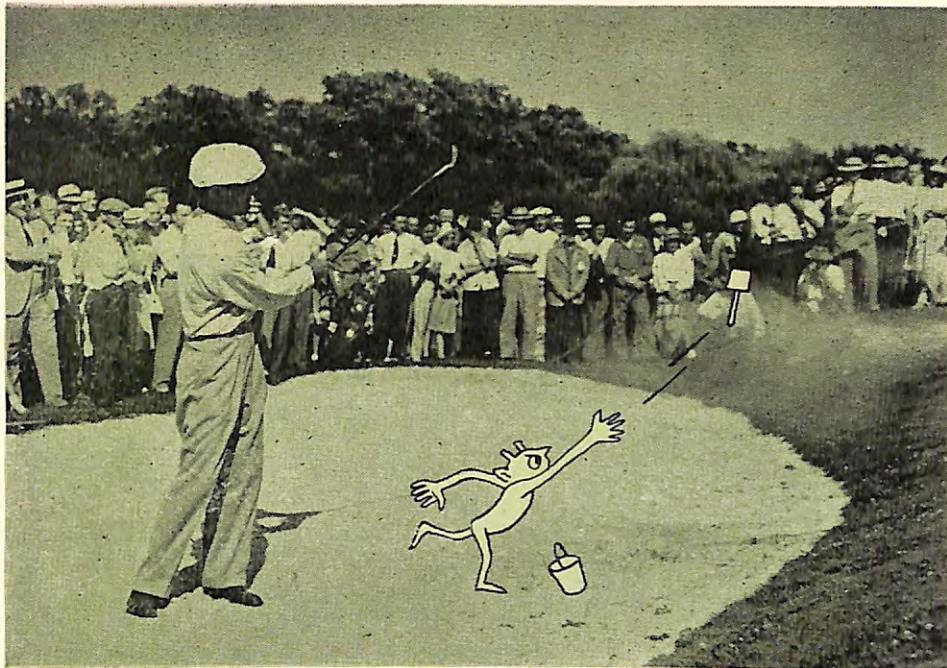
How then do the top-flight pros make the phenomenal scores that have become as common as taxes? How do they get the sub-par 65s and 66s—and the 29s for nine holes—when the average golfer, playing without interference and without undue pressure, is usually over 95, seldom breaks 90?

The pro is a skilled craftsman. That's admitted. But the answer seems to lie more in the ability to adjust fickle human temperament to the calculating environment of the links, rather than in sheer mechanical skill.

It seems to lie in the ability to relax mentally and physically when a single misplayed shot might mean the difference between fame and virtual oblivion. To achieve that happy state while maintaining the powers of concentration requires self-inflicted punishment on the whole nervous system.

When Bobby Jones announced his retirement after winning the British Open and Amateur and the U. S. Open and Amateur in 1930, he said, "Nothing could make up for the hell of those last 72 holes. You couldn't drag me back to tournament golf with a team of wild horses."

Greatest amateur of them all, greater than most pros, he retired at 28, at the peak of his career, because the strain was too much for him. He was tired of being violently sick on the mornings of the final rounds, tired of being able to keep nothing on his rebellious stomach but toast and tea, tired of fighting his nerves



Spectators rim the trap as Ben Hogan blasts to the fifth green of the Elmhurst Country Club course during the Chicago Open Tournament.

which had become as tight as trout lines.

Inability to take a mental beating early in his career almost ruined Ben Hogan. But Hogan's capacity to make a mental comeback against overwhelming odds and to overcome physical limitations demonstrated his championship qualities. His ultimate reward came last season when he won \$42,556, the greatest sum ever won by any golfer in any season.

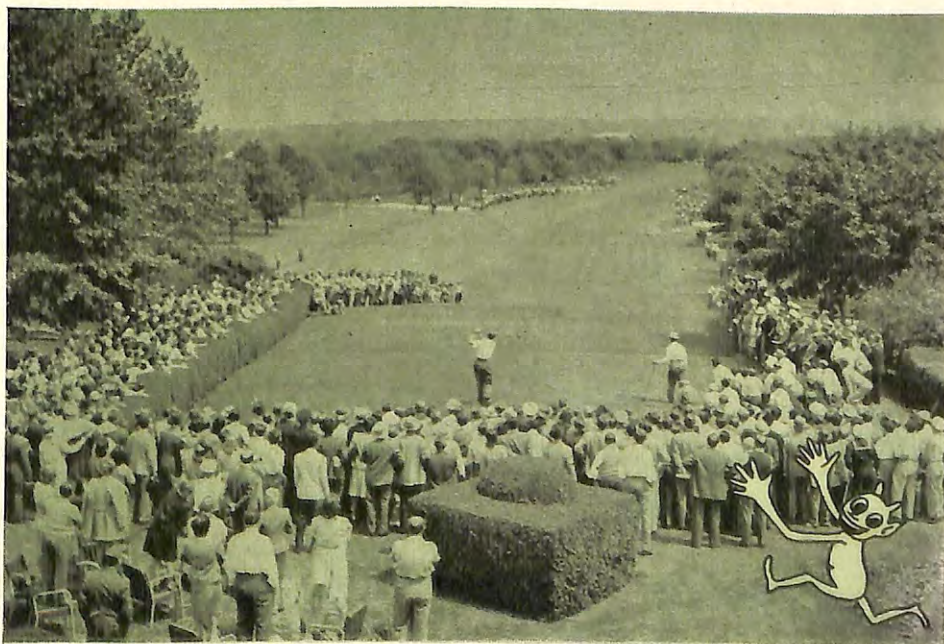
Hogan, who weighs only 135 pounds and has a tabby-cat expression that might have been hewn out of granite, started as a left-handed golfer.

"I wasn't getting anywhere," he

recalled during the P.G.A. tournament at Portland, Ore., "so I switched to a right-handed game. I increased my backswing almost two feet and I was able to achieve better coordination between hands and body."

Still it was a while before he was able to make much progress. In his first season as a pro he sprayed shots all over the championship courses from fairway to rough and he finished so far behind the leaders in every tournament that he didn't win a single cent! He was so discouraged that he attempted to regain his amateur status. Denied reinstatement, he gave up tournament golf entirely

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Byron Nelson drives from a tee lined by the gallery. One of the best in the game, he retired this year because of the strain of tournament golf.

IT'S A MAN'S



WORLD

BY DICKSON HARTWELL

IN THE absence of a dog or a horse, and sometimes even when they are around, a man's best friend is his pipe. It is a constant source of solace; if properly cared for it has no moods or temperament, and it can be carried in the pocket. This feature alone gives a pipe a distinct advantage over either a horse or a dog. Unfortunately, though, pipes are usually bought carelessly, like kisses at a charity bazaar, with little regard for the properties necessary to give enduring satisfaction.

Pipes are also bought in large quantities as gifts by women to whom a pipe is a pipe—period. These vast and indiscriminate purchases are stimulated by two convictions. One is that somehow a pipe-smoking man is a homebody, devoted to his family, his fireside and his books, and much less likely than a cigarette smoker to run off with a red-headed manicurist. (Actually, the real homebodies are cigar smokers.) Secondly, women have persuaded themselves that a pipe is somehow romantic, doubtless because well-mannered country gentlemen in English novels are invariably pictured as pipe smokers, and when a man lights up, ladies ecstatically wrinkle up their pert noses and sniff, saying, "My, but I love the smell of a good pipe." Then for a birthday or anniversary they go out and splurge a dollar to get their man a pipe—gift-wrapped.

Good pipes aren't to be had for a dollar. As one connoisseur put it, "At that price all you can buy is a wooden smoking bowl. A pipe is something else again."

You can spend as much as \$15 on a pipe without being extravagant. You *must* spend that much if you want a bowl of selected bruyere, a

fossilized root which comes from the south of Italy and a couple of Caribbean islands. Bruyere provides the most dependable and even smoke—among the woods—and bears about the same resemblance to the average briar that Princess Elizabeth bears to a scullery maid.

The best pipes are hand-carved from a single large root—one root to a tree, too—with the grain of the root determining the size and shape of the bowl. Except for the obvious difference between a curved and straight stem, most people think pipes are pretty much alike, but, as in the case of women, there are hundreds of shapes. For example, there is a special design for billiard players. It has a high lip on the front of the bowl. When the player leans over the table to make a shot, the lip prevents ashes from spilling onto the cloth. There are stand-up shapes with a flat base which won't roll over—and spill ashes on you-know-who's furniture—every time they are set down. There are tiny between-the-acts pipes which hold just enough tobacco for a five-minute smoke. And there is the long-stemmed churchwarden type reminiscent of Colonial times but still in demand among those who know the comfort derived from such a pipe.

ONE test of a quality pipe is whether it has been pre-aged. This maturing process is accomplished by soaking the bowl in oil for as long as six months after it has been carved, or through heating to remove all the moisture from the wood. A pipe also should be light in weight because a heavy pipe is uncomfortable to smoke. The bowl should be thick to provide a cool

smoke and protect the smoker from burning his fingers. Some bowls are mottled to radiate heat, but whether they do is a matter of opinion.

Sometimes men buy a good pipe and then fail to enjoy it because they don't know how to smoke it properly. The choice of tobacco has much to do with success and satisfaction in pipe smoking. Most cigarette smokers can't tell one popular brand from another, but pipe smokers are more sensitive. Turkish, Egyptian and American tobaccos vary widely in moisture content, for example. Turkish is a dry tobacco, which means that it is relatively fast burning. Consequently—don't ask me why—it results in a cooler smoke. A slow-burning mixture of tobacco, for some reason which I doubtless learned in high school physics, gives a hotter smoke, and if it burns too slowly will be too warm to enjoy. If the tobacco becomes dry it won't cool the pipe off to freezing, but it might not taste so good either. Pipe smokers usually discover what they prefer by trial and error. It is easy to humidify tobacco with an expensive and elaborate mahogany box. A slice of orange or potato peel or apple, if you prefer that flavor, can be dropped into any container to sustain moisture.

The way you fill a pipe also affects your enjoyment of it. (All this seems very technical, but we're into this now and we may as well finish it up once and for all.) The tobacco should not be tamped in tightly. Fill the pipe slowly and evenly, with only moderate finger pressure, so that the tobacco permits a free, effortless draw. If a pipe is loaded unevenly some quite mysterious reaction takes place which causes moisture condensation in the bottom of the bowl—which, as every pipe smoker knows, is an evil thing.

A thin film of carbon inside the bowl adds to a good smoke, but if the carbon cake becomes too thick the pipe may crack. When the bowl cools, the wood contracts more rapidly than the carbon. A cracked pipe isn't much good. Incidentally, if there isn't enough carbon the wood may burn. Also, incidentally, always cool a new pipe before relighting it; keep a pipe immaculately clean; empty it immediately after smoking, by tapping it gently against the heel of your hand, not your shoe; and keep the bowl downward when not in use.

Pipe smoking is good to keep away mosquitoes, too, but not as effective, I discover, as a white shirt. Our indefatigable Department of Agriculture has done it again. Intrepid scientists, these D. A. farmer-entomologists trekked into the mosquito-ridden backwoods of Oregon (no effete Jersey mosquitoes for them!) and there exposed themselves to wave after wave of vicious attacks by the proboscis-fitted, dipterous females in a research project apparently designed to discover what color mosquitoes liked best.

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The "Voice of America" is due for some competition on the air waves. Russia and Great Britain, of course, were already old-timers in the propaganda-broadcasting art when the State Department came up with its program for putting America before the world. Now, Senor Franco is tuning up to join the chorus in larger voice.

According to reports reaching Washington, Spain has placed an order for more than \$1,000,000 worth of radio broadcasting equipment in Great Britain. The contract will supply four powerful short-wave broadcasting transmitters for the Spanish State Broadcasting Service.



The value of our short-wave broadcasts is still to be determined, but American dollars are already doing an effective job abroad. The Department of Commerce reports that tourist travel is rapidly regaining its position as the Nation's leading import. Last year, U.S. tourists spent \$550,000,000 in foreign travel, including \$330,000,000 in Mexico and Canada and \$220,000,000 overseas.

More important, foreign travel expenditures, which totalled more than \$8,000,000,000 during the years between 1930 and 1939, were equivalent to more than three-fifths of foreign payments on American loans and investments abroad, or to more than one-half our export surplus during this period. In the years just ahead, travel expenditures abroad are expected to play an equally important role in our domestic economy.



One early import figure of significance to American consumers is being subject to revision. There are now reasons to believe that world production of copper in 1947 may be higher than previously estimated and that foreign requirements may be filled sooner than had been expected. If this should prove to be the case, some "distressed" copper may soon come looking for American dollars and one of the shortages which have been hampering the electrical equipment industry may be alleviated.

Washington officials are cooperating with trade association experts in discounting the fears bred by reports of undue expansion of the Nation's productive capacity during the war. Chief rumor to be spiked is that productive capacity in all major lines was doubled during the hostilities. While it is true that we more than doubled our facilities for producing planes, ships and munitions, many of the largest branches of factory employment and output increased only one-half or less during the war years, despite abnormal overtime employment.



Nevertheless, business inventories are building up rapidly, although they are reported still below the prewar relation to sales. About \$10,000,000,000 has been added to the book value of business inventories since the middle of last year, reflecting higher costs as well as greater physical stocks. Inventories also have continued to rise on the wholesale level, causing a rise in the ratio of stocks to sales.



Rising inventories have not been accompanied by any loss of profits by United States corporations reporting cash dividend payments. Such payments reached a record high of \$1,117,500,000 during the first quarter of this year, 21 per cent higher than the figure for the same quarter of last year.



Where are the profits coming from? Recent census figures upset some popular misconceptions regarding the areas of largest employment. Most Americans would class agriculture or the manufacturing industries as the largest employers, but census figures show them to be wrong. Actually, the distributive trades and services top the list, with employment of over 12,000,000.

These 12,000,000 Americans perform mighty important jobs. Without them, the 6,000,000 farmers would find it hard to deliver their product to the ultimate

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Gadget & Gimmick Department

By W. C. BIXBY



THINGS have come to a pretty pass. I read somewhere a few days ago that modern business executives want more time to think about their jobs. One progressive thinker said he always set aside one hour a day to do nothing but think about his business. He claimed it helped. I can see him closing his door firmly against all intruders, pulling the curtains together and focusing his attention on the tip of his automatic pencil to help him concentrate. Then, refreshed and uplifted, he calls briskly for the next problem on the day's agenda. This man is a piker, however, compared to another businessman who claims executives should take two or three days a week from their offices to do nothing but **THINK ABOUT THEIR BUSINESS**. This, I feel, is going too far. It might lead to focusing your gaze on a teed-up golf ball to help you concentrate and to hell with the pencil. Try concentrating on these new novelties a moment.



IF YOU have double-hung windows you will be glad to hear of this next item. Most of us have double-hung windows but we don't realize it. They are the kind of windows that move up and down in two sections. That is, they move that way if they're not stuck. In short, double-hung windows are what we think of ordinarily when we think of windows

at all, which isn't often. At any rate, this is a new lock for such windows. It is designed to lock automatically when you pull the window down. Locking windows keeps burglars out unless they are smart enough to think about looking under the doormat for the key you left there. If you use this new lock, which is very inexpensive, you will not have to worry and leave before the newsreel because you don't remember locking the basement window.

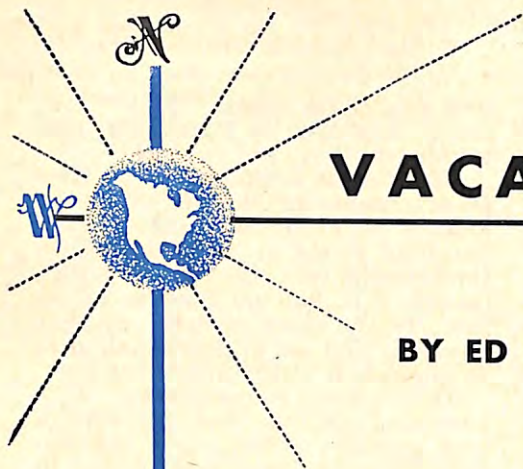


THERE is a certain type of person who gets real pleasure from the perusal of railroad timetables. I am not one of those people. I feel certain you are not one either. I was forced to sit beside one such character on a trip one time. He explained the theory of timetables to me but I'd never got beyond calculus in school and I couldn't follow him. At the end of his explanation he gave me a problem. We were going from Los Angeles to New York. His problem was simply: When do we arrive in Grand Central Station? I tried to flag the conductor and ask him, but my jovial companion said that was cheating. Well, I never did find out from the timetable. I got as far as Salt Lake City and the time had changed, plus the fact that we had gained altitude, and that finished me. But had I possessed a new, simplified timetable, things might have been different. It is a pocket-size cardboard calculator. Line up the two cities in question on one wheel, and arrival and departure times appear in little windows next to the different trains. Believe me, this little gimmick is definitely a great step forward in railroading.

WHICH way the wind is blowing has always been a great question in America. You can hear the question asked at rallies, elections, UN meetings and so on. But to the man who really wants to know which way the wind blows this item is directed. With it he can tell not only which way it is blowing but how fast it is going. It is a streamlined weather vane plus a propeller type anemometer. The working mechanism is connected to an indicator box about the size of a table radio. On a rainy night you can stay inside and find out about the wind. The machine operates on 115 volts a.c. and has two dials: one shows the direction; the other the speed of the wind. Startle your family. Come bursting in to the living room from your study some night and say, "My gosh! North East by East at 48!" That'll wow 'em.



THE question is: Are your golf clubs individualized? The answer most probably is no. If that is the answer, then it is up to you to do something about it. And hurry up too. There's no use wasting the remainder of the golf season not using individualized clubs. If your clubs are not weighted correctly then whoever wants to borrow them won't have a good game, will he? See? There are four matching "woods" out now with aluminum heads and adjustable weights. By judiciously varying the weights you will be able to make a visiting cousin happy on the links. And visiting cousins must be made happy; we all know that.



VACATIONS UNLIMITED

BY ED TYNG

Canada offers picturesque touches of Old France in the midst of our brave New World

THE charms of Eastern Canada are so varied and the distances so great that the prospective visitor must decide in advance whether he wants the wilds of Ontario, New Brunswick or Quebec with their unsurpassed fishing and hunting territory; the sophisticated pleasures of Montreal, Canada's largest city that is still predominantly French; the quaintness of old Quebec, even more French, with its rich historical associations and relics; picturesque Ottawa, the Dominion capital, or the varied scenery and ocean-game-fishing offered by Nova Scotia.

Every part of Eastern Canada welcomes the tourist warmly and the gentlemanly customs and immigration men on the Canadian side, after only a cursory inspection, cheerfully wave the countless thousands of United States citizens on their way. The big jolt for most persons who visit Canada comes only when they reenter their own country, for the sad truth is that many United States customs and immigration men are not as kindly as their Canadian counterparts. Especially is this true when identification papers (which should show birthplace) are inadequate or missing. U. S. officials usually insist on opening all parcels, even boxes of iced fish. One has to be in Canada more than 48 hours to bring back \$100 worth of goods. Presumably that is to prevent persons on the American side of the St. Lawrence from doing their daily shopping in the Dominion, where prices of many articles still are cheaper than they are in this country.

Seasonal events greatly influence tourist tides, but probably more people go to Quebec and Montreal than any other Canadian cities. Both are famous for winter sports and are within easy reach of summer resorts in the mountain and lake country. Salmon fishermen flock to New Brunswick and Quebec streams in the Spring, when the automobile tourist frequently will find more mud than he ever thought could be in one place. Nova Scotia welcomes the giant tuna anglers in August and September at Wedgeport, near Yarmouth. In fact, throughout the summer and fall the Gaspé Peninsula is an outstanding favorite of

the motorist. Each year hundreds of visitors make the Gaspé tour in taxicabs. For excursions of several days, special rates are quoted, with overnight stops available at hotels in the larger towns.

This year marks the resumption of overnight steamer service from Boston to Yarmouth and Saint John. The Labor Day week in Nova Scotia will see the first postwar International Tuna Matches at Wedgeport. Only picked experts from various countries will participate in the Tournament, but anyone can fish for tuna at any time in the summer if he will spend about \$40 a day in the hope of hooking and landing a fish that will weigh from 300 to 800 pounds. Tuna rarely run smaller than 300 pounds and often run larger than 800. Guides cajole the huge fish to the angler's hook by tossing whole herring into the water and talking persuasively to the tuna in French. Finally the fish gets a whole herring with the angler's hook inside of it and, *voilà*, the fun begins. Buses run from Yarmouth to the Wedgeport fishing village and they are homey vehicles that let passengers off at odd places. Frenchified English notices are not uncommon; for example: BUS FARE, SHE WENT UP—70 CENTS!

Dominating the city of Quebec is one of the most magnificent hotels in the world, the Canadian Pacific Railway's Chateau Frontenac, to which most tourists go for sightseeing and a cocktail if their budget or time do not permit a longer stay. Few who inspect this immense hotel realize that it has a royal suite that has

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Province of Quebec Tourist Bureau Photo



Percé, on the Gaspé Peninsula, and the rock from which it is named.

I on the House

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sorrow from him now and then when I'm short of cash."

"The property you gave him a mortgage on is worth more than two hundred. The note you signed was in there on the floor."

I felt foolish trying to explain. I'd borrowed from Mr. Hardwick a number of times when my desires got ahead of my income and I wound up short. He'd lend almost any amount without charging interest; but what he did demand was plenty of security. "Just in case you drink yourself to death before you pay it back," he used to tell me. He drew up his own papers, and he gave you any amount of time you wanted. He didn't make money out of it. He was just doing people favors, but making sure they didn't rook him.

In fact, in the next couple of days it began to look as if old man Hardwick had held one of his home-made mortgages against half the property on Sanctity Key. And every time the sheriff questioned a new person a whole flock of rumors went sailing around the island like seagulls. We had more rumors than Major Hoople's Boarding house.

But as the time for Mr. Hardwick's funeral approached, gossip settled definitely on one thing: The person who didn't attend the funeral service would be the guilty person. And if the murderer went to the service, something would happen to give him (or her) away.

And the weird thing is, it did. It couldn't have happened anywhere but on Sanctity Key. We breed our murders in our own peculiar fashion, but we solve them the same way.

THE funeral was held in the little building which serves as both church and community hall for the island. On my way I stopped by E.B. Browning's.

Mrs. Browning met me at the door, John Keats under her arm. She wore a flowered dress, and on her there was room for many flowers. "Some persons may not think it appropriate for a funeral," she said. "But to me it symbolizes Ever-Returning Spring."

"Yes'm," I said.

She said, "I want you to promise me, Johnny, that you will get E.B. to the service, even if you have to carry him."

"Is he in that shape?" I asked.

E.B. came out of a back room. He was sober and, as always when sober, he looked very emaciated and miserable. "People been claiming I killed him," he said unhappily. "They'll all sit and stare at me."

"If you don't go, they'll be sure you killed him," Mrs. Browning said.

Another car stopped outside and it was Mr. and Mrs. Sam Smart to ask if Mrs. Browning wanted to ride to the funeral. She looked at me. "You'll bring E.B.?"

"I'll get him there."

"Then I will go on now. I don't want to be late."

When she had gone E.B. sat forlornly at the table. "I can't face 'em," he said. "They'll all be saying I did it."

"They are saying everybody did it. Take a drink and brace up."

"I can't. I had a bottle hid, but Martha found it and threw it away."

I reflected on the great sagacity I had showed in remaining single, and I went out and fetched a bottle from my car. At the sight of it E.B. brightened considerably. He had a quick drink, then got a couple of glasses and put the bottle beside them. "Help yourself, Johnny," he said. "Have a good one."

I had a good one, and E.B. had one or two. "It's going to be hard to face all those people," he said. "Why should they think I killed old Harry?"

"Do you want to be a social leop-ard?" I asked. "The only person on the island not accused?"

"But I am innocent," E.B. said, taking a swig.

"You are also getting drunk."

E.B. glared at me. "How can you tell?" he demanded.

It took some time to get E.B. in shape for the ordeal, and by the time we arrived at the funeral the service had already started. Everybody was present, but we got seats on the aisle near the back. They had a preacher from the mainland and he was laying it on thick. One minute he would shout and the next he would whisper. It was a very emotional service, the preacher obviously knowing nothing about old man Hardwick except that he had left money behind. Finally, as he was enumerating some of Mr. Hardwick's beautiful qualities, speaking in a husky whisper, it got too much for E.B. He began to weep.

"Be quiet," I whispered. "Folks are looking at you."

He sobbed louder. He put an arm around my shoulder, the tears rolling down his face. "I can't help it," he said. "I can't help it, Johnny. Old Harry was the best friend I had in the world, the bum!"

Everybody was looking now. I saw the Smarts staring acidly. Mrs. Browning took one look, and her face went white.

The preacher made a strong bid to regain attention. His voice went high and he began to lambast the evils of drink which brought on early death. As he spoke of death E.B. began to look afraid and I thought the situation was in hand, but at this moment John Keats came waddling up the aisle. Mrs. Browning had left him in the car and somehow he had got out. When he reached us he stopped and began to gnaw gently on E.B.'s ankle.

E.B. tried to shove him away, but John Keats thought this was a game. He dived over E.B.'s toe and took a

firm grip on the ankle. "Ouch!" E.B. cried. And then in a reverent, desperate whisper, "Get out of here!"

Heads came around the way they do at a tennis match. But they were looking at E.B.'s face and couldn't see John Keats on the floor. Even the preacher was momentarily silent, though E.B. had no time to notice this. In the same reverent whisper he cried, "Get out of here!" and gave John Keats a boost toward the door.

Keats yipped in amazement. Mrs. Browning saw him then. She made a long gurgling noise, arose majestically from her seat, and fainted in the aisle. Mrs. Browning was an old hand at fainting.

E.B.'s spirit of gallantry was aroused now and he reached his wife with a single bound. But she had not fainted dead enough to trust E.B. He kept trying to lift her and she kept trying to push him away. He got her half erect despite protests, but her weight and struggles were too much for him and together they went down with a crash that shook the building. There was a rip as the pocket tore off E.B.'s coat, then a frantic cry from Mrs. Browning as she struggled erect and sailed off down the aisle, E.B. and John Keats right after her, offering to help and yipping loudly.

It must have been three or four minutes later, although the place was still in some confusion, when I found the paper which had dropped from E.B.'s torn pocket. I read it a couple of times before it made sense. Then I read it three more times, wondering how E.B. could possibly have got it. Finally I noticed the circular mark on it, a mark the exact size of a Scotch liquor bottle. I remembered how, kneeling beside Mr. Hardwick's corpse, I had let a few drops of liquor spill down the outside of the bottle; I must have put the wet bottle on this piece of paper, I realized, and when E.B. picked it up in a hurry to leave the paper had stuck to it. He had put the bottle, paper and all, into his pocket; but when he took the bottle out the paper had stayed in his pocket. And he hadn't worn the coat since that night.

I walked across the church to where Sam Smart was standing. I showed him the paper but kept a firm grip on it. "It's a loan of five hundred dollars," I said, "backed by a mortgage on your house. And the date when final payment should have been made is eight months past. He must have been going to foreclose," I said. "That's why you killed him."

If he had admitted it was a mortgage and asked, "So what?" the sheriff would never have been able to prove anything. But he had killed once to keep from paying that money; and perhaps the excitement had unnerved him so that he wasn't thinking too clearly. Anyway, he tried to kill again, right in public.

He didn't have a chance. Not with

me. By the time he got the knife out of his pocket I had already passed John Keats who was still pursuing master and mistress down the street. In a few more strides I had passed Mrs. Browning. But it appeared that now she was chasing E.B., and he was a hard man to catch.

STANDING at the bar in The Anchorage, E.B. and I admitted we were a couple of exceptional detectives. "I figure it this way," I said, "Sam'd had three years to pay back that loan, but the idea of turning loose money, even in small amounts, was just too much for him. So finally the three years was up and it was time to pay off the whole five hundred. Maybe he didn't have that much in a lump sum, or maybe the idea of giving it to somebody else just drove him mad. Anyway, he kept stalling. And after eight months Mr. Hardwick decided Sam meant to gyp him. He said he

wanted his money or he'd foreclose."

"As long as you were trying to pay him back," E.B. said, "Harry didn't worry. But if he thought anybody was trying to cheat him, he could be tough."

"That's why he always made you put up more than enough security to cover a loan," I said. "So he and Sam must have argued about it and Sam got desperate and killed him. Then he started to search for the mortgage Mr. Hardwick had drawn up, but he couldn't find it right away. While he was still searching somebody knocked on the door."

"How do you know all this?" Dewey, the bartender, asked.

"Deduction," I said. "Besides, Sam finally confessed to the sheriff and the sheriff told me."

"Well, who was it knocking on the door?"

"Mrs. Smart. She had come to ask for a longer time to pay back the loan. Only Sam didn't know who it

was, so he scrambled out the back. She went in and found Mr. Hardwick dead. She didn't know who had killed him, but it was obviously a good chance to get back the mortgage. She began to look, and had the papers all scattered about, but before she could find the right one, E.B. and I knocked. Then she scrambled."

"But why did Sam turn up here that night?" Dewey asked.

"After running from Mr. Hardwick's he went home. His wife wasn't there; he was afraid to stay alone; he wanted an alibi for the time the murder was discovered. So he came here."

Dewey sighed. "My only chance to get a nickel out of the guy."

"He bought a drink didn't he? Or did somebody buy it for him?"

He bought it. At least, he ordered it. But when you and E.B. came in shouting about a murder I was so excited I let him get away without paying for it."

It's a Man's World

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Wearing black, blue, red, yellow and white shirts, they let the mosquitoes come and bite them and then, without scratching, mind you, they counted the insects that were eating them. "In a half-minute count," they reported later, after the welts had disappeared, "1,499 mosquitoes of one species alone were counted on black shirts and only 520 counted on white. Blue shirts attracted 1,334; red, 1,331 and yellow, 623."

It happens that among my favorite colors are red and blue, too, and I mentioned the remarkable similarity between me and mosquitoes when I stopped in on the Department of Agriculture the other day. "Not a thing to it," they said. "Mosquitoes can't tell one color from a hole in the wall." "Then how come this vast, tax-paid research?" I asked. "Different colors reflect different light intensity," I was told. "Mosquitoes, like dogs, are color-blind. We just wanted to see how they are affected by varying light reflections."

It still seems to me that Oregon was a long way to go for that.

SPEAKING of farmers (I am ½ farmer, myself), their prosperity in recent years has made of them just about the best customers there are. They've been fixing up the old homesteads so that now 52 per cent of our occupied farm dwellings have electricity; 28 per cent have running water; 17 per cent have bath and toilet facilities, and 15 per cent have central heating. There still seems considerable room for improvement and this is probably the reason why during the war years, in spite of high profits, three-quarters of a million farms were abandoned. But the farm country would be a salesman's

dream if it were not for one gruesome fact.

One of the great lessons of the last war was that farmers bought more and more land as their profits rose—and mortgaged it heavily—and got themselves out on a financial limb which ruined hundreds of thousands of them. The old story is being repeated now. Farmland prices have been skyrocketing; cash transactions have dwindled and been replaced by heavy mortgage-financing, and soon government-guaranteed prices will expire. Unless he sells for cash, the future of the Midwestern celluloid-collar salesman appears unbright.

ONE of my readers has a bright future. Inspired by a recipe for an out-of-this-world chicken dish published here some months ago, he invited the boss to dinner, piled his plate with the delectable stuff and was promptly rewarded with a promotion to assistant manager, in exchange for the secret formula. I think it's time he got to be manager, so here goes for another concoction which can be whipped up without trouble by any man who has a heavy frying pan, a couple of dollars and an appetite. It isn't my own idea; I stole it from O. A. Kresse of Torrance, California. I can say frankly it has one flaw: guests who smell it cooking drool all over the place.

Mr. Kresse offers it as an *hors d'oeuvre*. I offer it—because that's the way I had it last night—as the entire meal, backed up with a large bowl of tossed salad.

The backbone of the dish is shrimp, which crustacean, when captured fresh and properly prepared, is held by epicures to be among the most dependable dishes with which

to titillate a jaded taste bud. Down in New Orleans the shrimp is called a prawn and is regarded with some reverence. With the development of quick freezing and the following recipe there is no reason why they should not be held in equally high esteem in Denver or Topeka.

Place the heavy frying pan on the gas burner (or, if you know about cooking, use a casserole in the oven) and pour into it ¼ cup of olive oil and a chopped-up clove of garlic. When the garlic is light brown (sautéed) add two pounds of cleaned and shelled shrimp and let it simmer in the olive oil until it is also light brown. Then add a tablespoon of Worcestershire sauce, three dashes of Angostura bitters (same as you use for cocktails), a cup of cooking sherry and a cup of chili sauce, stirring slowly so that this stuff gets well mixed. The dish is then allowed to simmer slowly (you can even do it in a double boiler, if you want to) for about 45 minutes, or until the guests are writhing in anguished hunger. Then add a cup of shredded cheese, like Cheddar, and let the cheese melt into the sauce just before serving. Dosages of salt and pepper are at your discretion.

There is no need of my describing what happens to the palate when some of this reaches that sensitive organ. It just stands up and cheers, that's all. One more suggestion. French bread is a natural for sopping up this sauce (the devil with manners; this is really good eating) but it will be even more of a natural if you melt some butter, stir a touch of garlic into it and spread this on the bread. Better yet if you toast the bread.

Now I'm hungry. Got a hamburger?



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housed more wearers of the ermine than perhaps any other hotel: King George V; King George VI and Queen Elizabeth; the Duke of Windsor, when he was Prince of Wales; Henry, Duke of Gloucester; the King and Queen of Siam, and Princess Juliana of the Netherlands.

Most of the big Canadian hotels have royal suites, but as a rule they are royal only when royalty arrives and it is quite possible to rent them if the prospective guest is a person of respectability and of some prominence—and if he has the price. That is to say that not everybody can walk in and demand the suite just because he may have the money. The cost is not entirely prohibitive. At a guess it would seem safe to say that the royal suite at the Frontenac would cost about \$60 a day.

The famous Quebec hostelry opened its doors as recently as 1893, high on the cliff looking down on the St. Lawrence, on the site where once stood the Chateau St. Louis, official residence of the early governors of New France. A short walk to the west is the Citadel, for many years the key to half a continent. New wings were added to the Frontenac in 1899, 1909 and 1922 and the central tower was built in 1924. The hotel has 723 rooms, including four period suites: the Canadian, the Chinese, the Dutch and the Colonial.

Quebec has the distinction of being the only walled city on this continent north of Mexico; the upper town, built on the cliff, is quite distinct from the lower town, around Cape Diamond and the valley of the St. Charles River where it joins the St. Lawrence. Jacques Cartier, who discovered Canada and who landed in 1534 at what is now Gaspé, visited the site of Quebec in 1534, but Champlain named it and established a trading post there in 1608. It was the first and last stronghold of New France and for nearly 150 years it was the capital of Canada. As one strolls today around the Citadel, adjoining the Frontenac, and situated on a promontory 350 feet high, views ramparts with their old iron cannon, and then walks to the Plains of Abraham (now Battlefields Park), one wonders how General Wolfe's Colonial army in 1759 ever scaled those heights to capture the city.

The old streets and historic landmarks of the ancient city are a joy for the wandering visitor. One of the city's most prized relics is Notre Dame des Victoires, in the Basse Ville, built in 1688. The Basilica of Notre Dame has burned three times since 1647 and its latest reconstruction dates from 1922. The Kent House, at 23 St. Louis Street, dates from 1650; the Montcalm House, on the same street, dates from 1677. Sous-le-Cap is the narrowest street in North America. Many houses,

windmills, ox-teams and other relics of ancient French Canada are to be found on Isle d'Orleans in the St. Lawrence, reached by toll bridge. Seven miles from Quebec City are the 274-foot Montmorency Falls.

Most of the automobile tours around the Gaspé Peninsula start at Quebec City and the ox-carts and communal open-air ovens, in which bread is baked as it was three centuries ago, are encountered long before one reaches Gaspé.

Percé, named from the great pierced rock 420 feet by 250 feet that rises sheer from the sea off the village shore, is an excellent terminus for those who do not want to travel the final long miles to Gaspé village. The arch in the rock is wide enough for small boats. Three miles offshore is Bonaventure Island, a sanctuary for about 18 species of wild waterfowl. Percé is a great fishing center and for a few dollars a native will take one offshore a mile or so to catch huge cod or halibut. Many of the boats, pointed at both ends, were built by the grandfathers of today's fishermen and have been repaired so often that they seem composed mainly of tar. Ancient single-cylinder engines snort and bark as they push the old boats through the sparkling water. The tourist must bring his own reel; some of the natives have never seen a reel and would think such gadgets were effeminate.

When Ottawa was chosen capital of Canada in 1858, Queen Victoria, to whom the difficult choice was left, wrote that the city "combines more advantages than any other place in Canada for the permanent seat of the future government of Canada". It also has many advantages for tourists, particularly those who have but a weekend, a few days or a week. Strangely enough, Ottawa has played the role of Cinderella in the tourist trade, getting less than her fair share of attention.

Yet in Ottawa the visitor can establish headquarters at one of the magnificent hotels, live and dine sumptuously, and see everything by taking a series of short walks. It is ideal for honeymooners. The railroad stations, hotels and stores in the center of the city are but a block or two from the great Gothic buildings from which the Dominion govern-

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ment is carried on, and which are the main sightseeing attractions. From the bluff upon which the Parliament buildings stand there is a magnificent view of the Ottawa River, first explored by Champlain in 1613. Champlain named the Rideau River, which joins the Ottawa River at the capital city, which was once called Bytown.

The original buildings of Parliament were destroyed by fire on February 3, 1916, with the exception of the Parliament Library wing, which remains today as it was in the early 1860's. The interior is a magnificent example of carved Canadian pine. On the grounds is the ancient bell which on the evening of the great fire tolled the hour of midnight just before it plunged to the base of its tower. Today the reconstructed buildings, copied as closely as possible from the originals, are featured by a 295-foot Victory Memorial Tower in which there is a carillon of 53 bells, the smallest weighing 10 pounds and the largest 22,400. As tourists are guided around the tower, the mechanism that operated the giant clock and the carillon is explained. The hours are struck by automatic electrical machinery but, in case of power failure, there is provision for manual operation. The clock has never failed to toll the hours. Just over the doorway in the central tower is the Memorial Chamber designed as a solemn setting for a book in which there

will be recorded ultimately the names of all the 60,000 Canadians killed in World War I. Guides take visitors around the government buildings in small groups. The Commons Chamber contains a fine example of the wood carver's art in the speaker's chair, a replica of that used in the British House. The maces used in the Canadian Commons are copied from those of the old town of Rye. When the mace is laid on the table of the House, the Commons is in session.

Cocktails and other alcoholic drinks now are obtainable at the table in the leading hotels and inns. If the visitor wants bottled liquor, he must obtain a permit and buy from a government dispensary. Or if, while he is in Ottawa, he wants to drink at bars with no restrictions, he can take a car over to Hull, on the Quebec side of the River. Hull is the third industrial city in the Province of Quebec and is worth a visit anyway.

The Chateau Laurier, which is one of the Canadian National Railways' major achievements in the hotel line, is a center of Ottawa life, day and night, and in all seasons. Like Quebec's Chateau Frontenac, although a bit smaller, it is in the style of a Sixteenth Century chateau of enormous dimensions; yet, with all its vastness and grandeur, it is not expensive.

Rod and Gun

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that off on your living room rug! A very large hide from out on the Alaska Peninsula may measure 11 by 11 feet. If you are six feet tall, compare that with your height!

This is the master, the absolute monarch of his domain. With his size, fearlessness and cunning, he is one of the most fascinating of big-game animals. The hunting season in Alaska extends from the first of September until the middle of October. The bears hibernate during the winter, of course, and after hibernation there's a Spring season for hunting. Full particulars on guides, where, when, how—and even why—a person should hunt brown bears can be readily obtained from the Alaska Game Commission, Juneau, Alaska.

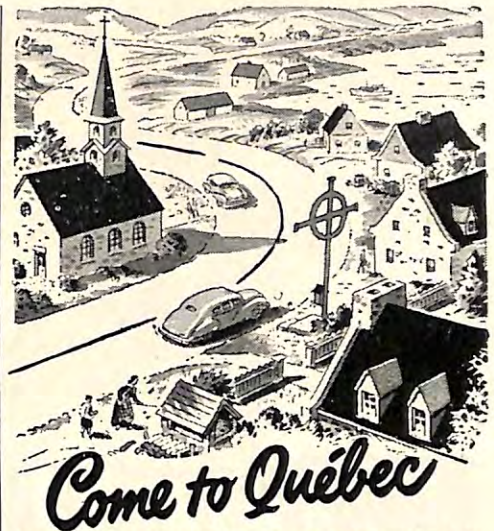
Practically all wild animals have come to fear man as they do no other living thing, but I doubt if the brown bear knows fear. He has learned to respect man and his mysterious power and nine times out of ten will give way, begrudgingly, in the face of the human animal. Occasionally he will turn aside with much grumbling, muttering and head wagging, as much as to say, "Put that gun down and I'll flatten you like a rug."

Other individuals will ignore the man intruder as completely as though he didn't exist. With never a glance or a sign of recognition, he

will wander off to one side nonchalantly sniffing and poking in the tundra for mice or other tidbits, but all the while his keen nose is keeping him posted. This, I understand, can be a dangerous type. The first indication that he realizes anyone is around is when he suddenly wheels and with the breathtaking speed of a racehorse comes charging down on his foe.

Hosea Sarber of Juneau, who doubtless knows more about brown bears than any man alive, tells me that bears are bluffers and that many such charges can be stopped by a man who will stand his ground and talk back to the bear in no uncertain terms. A dog, a horse or even another man will recognize a commanding voice, and so it is even with the bear. However, in spite of his admiration and affection for the bear and his uncanny ability to talk their language, Hosea has had to stop seven bears with lead when they couldn't be dissuaded otherwise.

A BEAR has his likes and dislikes just as does a human. Like other animals, most of these sensations come through his sense of smell; some odors please, some irritate. This situation has made things unhealthy for a few individuals who spend a good deal of time in bear country. Such a man is George Lean



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of Cooper Landing on the Kenai Peninsula. Bears don't like him. Not once but several times George has been attacked at close quarters without the slightest warning. Other men in Cooper Landing who spend an equal amount of time in the woods have never had a run-in with a bear. Just as mosquitoes are attracted to one individual and not another, apparently George Lean has the unenviable ability to stir these keen-nosed animals into an immediate rage. From that moment on, the bear is the hunter and the life of the unsuspecting person is in danger.

Naturally, George carries a gun with him whenever in bear country, and fortunately he has cool nerves, a steady trigger finger and a keen eye. The result is that he has come out winner in his five encounters with mad bears.

One of these resulted in the near death of his partner, young Jack Lean. The two were winding up a very brushy trail along a mountain-side, entirely unconscious of the fact that they were being stalked.

"The first thing I knew," George calmly relates, "there was a big brownie in mid-air practically over my head. I had the advantage, I guess, because once the bear had left the ground he couldn't change his course. Anyway, I dropped flat and he skimmed right over me, but before I could get a gun on him he had wheeled around and nailed Jack. The kid had presence of mind to fall on his face and cover his head because a bear always goes for the head first. I pumped three slugs into him as fast as I could and knocked the bear off Jack, who was up on his feet and had the finishing shot in the big fellow before I could take the honors. In that short while the kid was badly mauled, and it was only the heavy pack and packboard on his back that saved his life. The bear was a big one. The skull measured 19 1/4 inches."

Jack Lean spent two months in the hospital, but came out of it in fine shape and is now the equal of any bear on the peninsula.

In spite of incidents like this, men who know these bears well are unending in their praise of the animals. Each bear has his own peculiarities and some have almost human characteristics. One may be a natural clown, another is the grouchy, grumbly type. Still another may be a clumsy lout, while the next has a very stately demeanor. Although a monarch for centuries and still occasionally given to exercising dictatorial powers, the brown bear on the whole is a jolly old king.

Frank Dufresne showed me a remarkable movie of bears at play taken by a member of the Alaska Game Commission. The half-dozen bears were romping on a hillside in a snowfield and apparently were so wrapped up in their fun that the cameraman was able to stalk them closely. Talk about a bunch of kids sliding on a newfallen snow! They had nothing on this happy family.

In Indian file they trudged up the hill to the top of their slide, then one by one they would jump, slide and roll down the steep incline. Last of all came the biggest bear of the lot, a fat old fellow with a veritable beer belly. Not being as agile as the others he sat in the snow and slid down with his spread legs gathering in the fluffy snow and his fat belly pushing it aside. It didn't take much imagination to picture a broad smile on his face. At the bottom of the slide they again fell in line and trudged back to the top for another ride.

Is it any wonder that those who know him regard this great animal so highly? They fear him, because they realize his power and ability, yet they respect, admire and enjoy him.

ONCE, for reasons not clear to me now, I decided that I wanted to try to take some flash pictures of brownies. Since no one had ever shot a flash bulb at one of these animals no one knew what kind of a reaction it would have; so I asked Hosea Sarber.

"What'll he do?" repeated Hosea. "Why when that thing goes off in his face, he'll run like hell—only I don't know which direction!"

We decided to find out. Hosea took me to a meadow near Whitewater Bay on Admiralty Island where in the half light of the northern summer night we could make out seven bears feeding along the headwaters of a salmon river.

We didn't get the picture, probably luckily, so still don't know how a brownie will react to a flash bulb. However, Hosea put me so close to one of those giants that we could hear his heavy measured breathing as he lumbered toward us along a trail leading from the meadow. For all his size a bear moves his feet with catlike silence; so we could hear only the breathing coming closer and closer as he labored up the hill. I squatted there, nearly paralyzed waiting for him to step into view ten feet away. At the last moment the bear stopped, his breathing stopped, my heart stopped. We could do nothing but sit there frozen and listen as that huge animal searched for our scent with lungful after lungful of air. We listened while he sucked in each barrelful of air, then blew it out again in a disgusted snort. He sampled the air again and again. He wasn't sure. We were less sure. Although I had the best rifle shot in the north country by my side, I was the least sure of anyone.

The wind was from the bear to us, as Hosea had planned it, but somehow the bear had got a whiff of some tainted air. Finally he turned aside off the trail and rustled through the leaves at our very elbows, practically within touching distance. His breathing grew dimmer and dimmer and then, again, there was silence. Hosea nudged me and motioned that we had better get out of there pronto, to which motion I agreed.

What is the best thing to do if you should come face to face with a big bear and don't want trouble? The natural thing to do is to get up a tree, like Two-Step Louie, if there's a tree handy—and if there's time to climb it. Then what? I've often wondered, if I was sufficiently scared to climb a tree, if I would ever muster enough courage to come back down.

When there's no tree around, it's another problem. If a bear is just curiously grumbling and trying to make up his mind whether it is worth the bother of knocking your head off, they claim there are ways to appease him. One of these is to talk to him continually in the right tone of voice—calmly, if possible. The other is to bark like a dog. For some reason as yet unexplained, a bear or any other creature on the face of the earth will run from a barking dog, whether it be foxhound or fox terrier.

There is a certain corpulent Dutch gentleman in Alaska who has the misfortune to operate a salmon cannery on Admiralty Island in the heart of the bear country. His existence is a pretty miserable one, for he lies awake nights dreading the time when he may come face to face with a brownie. The horrible vision haunts him night and day. On top of this he likes to fish, and to fish one of these Admiralty Island trout streams it is necessary to follow the bear trails through the devil's-clubs and other dense foliage. He's miserable when he's fishing, but then he's miserable when he's not fishing; so now and then he takes his rod and wanders off for a day on a favorite trout stream. When off alone he practices a bit of barking just to keep in trim.

One day he was coming back to camp from such a jaunt with nothing much to worry him, except the thought of the 1,500-pound bear they had to shoot a few days before for raiding the fish dump right in among the cannery buildings. As he tells the story, he turned a bend in the bear trail, which paralleled the stream a good thirty feet from the water's edge, and as he came around the corner he stumbled over a hump-back salmon still flopping and kicking out there on dry land.

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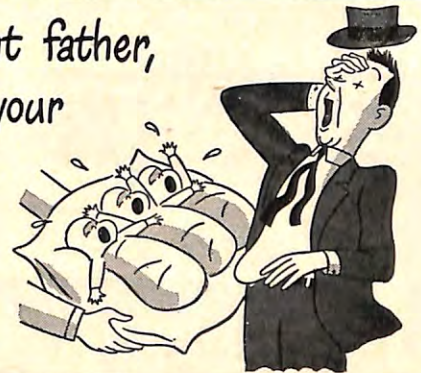
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In the Doghouse

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belief, by no means confirmed, that they are the result of crossing the wire-haired fox terrier with the Dandie Dinmont, a dog I referred to in my last article. Like all the terriers, they are diggers bred to root out small game. Captain Edwardes put every dog he bred to a fighting test and what do you think he used?—a polecat. Now, in case you don't know it, a polecat (English variety) is a terrific fighter. Any dog in the Captain's kennel that shied or showed fear of the game was put to death, hence the breed today has some of the fightingest blood among all dogs. He's a well-mannered little chap, clean and obedient, with extremely short legs and square, powerful jaws. His weight ranges from 20 to 21 pounds and he should wear a hard, typical-terrier coat, a soft coat being considered a bad fault. His color should be all white or white with lemon, badger or tan markings on head and ears only, and those colors should be clear and free from flecks, ticking or spots.

Here's a very old breed, the Skye terrier, hailing from the Isle of Skye west of Scotland. Once popular in this country, that popularity has waned considerably since the turn of the century. He's the doormat dog, having one of the longest coats. His standard specifies that the outer coat should be five and one-half inches long, flat and free from curl; he has an inner coat too, but much shorter. Oddly enough, that same standard permits two types of ears—erect or pendant, and this is peculiar because of its rarity. Wearing a variety of colors, the usual are dark or light blue. He weighs in at 16 to 18 pounds according to the breed standard, but actually many of the specimens I have seen at the shows weighed considerably more.

A larger, smooth-coated terrier is the Staffordshire, said to be the result of a cross between the bulldog and the white English terrier; indeed, the appearance of the dog does suggest the bull terrier rather than the bulldog. He is a heavily-muscled animal, powerful and built for tough

going. His fighting qualities are such that many years ago in this country he was known as the pit bull terrier and was extensively used for fighting. Weights vary between 35 and 50 pounds and any color other than all white is permissible.

STILL another very old breed is the Welsh terrier and now we are right down Mr. Faust's alley as this happens to be Papa's favorite dog. I've bred them and shown them and consider them one of the most sensible dogs there are. The breed is easily one hundred years old and is getting increasingly popular. If you are thinking of forming a line for one of the Faust pups, forget it—for a while. I have no pups and no Welsh at all for the time being. But I'll be back at the shows with them next year or I'll kick a nanny goat in the bustle. The Welsh has a distinctive expression—almost a cross, disagreeable look—and yet it is among the gentlest of dogs, intelligent and courageous and excellent with children. So smart are they that one house pet we had knew about forty words. It got so, after a while, that we had to spell out certain words while he was around and—would you believe it?—after a time he became a pretty good speller himself. I'll never forget the day I spelled the word mutt with one t. He bit me, by way of correction. They're small dogs, running to about 20 pounds and, properly trimmed, they're dogdom's stylists. They are colored pretty much like the Airedale and if any Welsh breeder reads this and finds out where I live I won't live there anymore; he or she will burn my house down. It is considered by Welsh breeders to be almost, but not quite, sacrilegious to compare these dogs to Airedales. The coat is rough, wirey and can be either black and tan or black grizzled and tan.

Now we come to that little white dog you see accompanied by a black Scotty in the advertisements of a certain popular brand of joy juice. Most people think he's a white Scotty, but there ain't no such ani-

Percy T. Jones Photos



The Skye terrier comes from an island off the coast of Scotland.



The West Highland white terrier is a lively little English dog.

mal. He is the West Highland white terrier and perhaps is a remote cousin to the Scotty. At any rate, he's definitely a Scotsman but a gay and lively one, and very alert. Although white, it's not hard to keep him clean, I understand, because he has such a dry skin, free from doggy odor. He too is a dog developed for use on small game and is a tough little hombra where such game exists. His color must be pure white, free from any trace of another color, and his weight runs from 13 to 19 pounds.

Moving into the class of dogs designated as hounds, our first would be the beagle as this dog is so thoroughly identified with England. Yet this dog's origin is so shrouded in mystery I don't feel he belongs in an article dealing with the dogs definitely originated and developed there.

So let's stay within the confines of the Empire and give a look at the Scottish deerhound. Possessing great speed, this is a dog that hunts by sight. In this respect he differs from some of the other hounds that hunt by scent. He's a whale of a dog, weighing from 75 to as much as 110 pounds, and the breed is an ancient one. So valued were they many years ago, that in certain localities a leash of these dogs was sufficient as a fine to free a nobleman condemned to death. As the hunting of antlered game by dogs is not permitted in the United States, the chief employment of these giant hounds is in running down wolves, coyotes and rabbits. It's a graceful animal, built for terrific speed, but to have one as a house pet would be something like living with a horse. In fact, the breeders will sell their puppies only to people living in the country. It has the typical drooping hound ear and a harsh, wirey coat. The color preferred is a

dark blue-grey, although darker or lighter greys are seen, as are yellow, sandy red or fawn. He really resembles a rough-coated greyhound.

RIGHT here we come to the foxhounds. In England a larger variety is preferred to our smaller model, but other than this there isn't a dime's worth of difference between them. First mention of the breed in American history records that a Robert Brooke, en route to the Crown Colony in 1650, took a pack of these hounds with him. We learn that years later George Washington imported these dogs from time to time. The more common colors are the hound markings—black or tan irregular patches on a white body—but the dog can come in any color, as far as the standard is concerned. Needless to say, the name of the dog designates its use. Here I have to give size, as weights are not specified. The sizes are from 21 to 25 inches at the shoulder (where dogs are always measured for size).

Another dog you'll have to visit one of the biggest dog shows to see—and then you'll be in luck if there is a specimen on hand—is the otterhound. He looks something like a shaggy bloodhound and is about as big. I've known several and have found them unusually gentle. Being big, they make fine guardians. They are generally grizzled or sandy-colored and, of course, the name indicates their use. They're said to be wonderful in the water. They're reputed to be the principal ancestor of the Airedale, and weigh up to 65 pounds. An oddity is that these dogs have webbed feet, which increases their ability in the water.

In the next issue I'll discuss the remaining British breeds.

Niblick Nerves

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and devoted his time to the golf shop.

Finally, in 1937, he decided to try his luck once more on the big-time circuit and he entered the General Brock Open at Niagara Falls, Ont. He didn't win—that honor went to Jules Huot, of Quebec City—but he came close. Thus encouraged, he persevered and now he is one of the greats of the fairways.

Completely dominating the pros in 1946, the little free-swinging Texan walked briskly over assorted links, leaving a hare-and-hounds trail of half-smoked cigarettes behind him. If this was a sign of nervousness, his rivals didn't think much of it because Hogan won eleven tournaments and, paired with Jimmy Demaret, a fellow Texan, he won two four-ball tests. Only major event to elude him was the U. S. Open.

Hogan exemplifies nerve control. With him, the age of golfing man ended; the age of golfing machine began. He thrives on tension and hard work. Said Tommy Armour,

the great iron player, "They may be able to beat Hogan in the muscle, but not in the mind."

Hogan's \$42,556 for his 1946 victories sounds like a lot of money for an athlete but it is only half what Babe Ruth made in a single season with the New York Yankees—and Ruth didn't have half the expenses that Hogan had.

Deduct traveling expenses, manager's fees, cost of equipment and incidentals, give Uncle Sam his cut and Hogan will be lucky to have \$15,000 left. Herman Barron, the second-money winner, dropped to the \$20,000 bracket. Scores of other pros were lucky indeed to realize \$5,000 and many of them went broke drawing on the salaries they earned by hard work at their home clubs.

With Hogan, Barron, Byron Nelson and Lloyd Mangrum dominating the field of 170, or so, tournament golfers, there just wasn't enough prize money left for the rest to acquire an adequate supply of greenbacks. For instance, in the first six

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So golfers, unlike other athletes, have financial worries too. Joe DiMaggio's earnings have no relation to his current batting average because he has an iron-clad contract which guarantees his season's earnings. Sid Luckman collects fat checks whether his passes are whipped deftly into the hands of receivers or not. Even losing boxers, like Billy Conn, make a comfortable living because they get a percentage of the gate.

Golfers know no such Utopia. It is the mental strain and the financial worry that makes golf a young man's game. The average age of all first winners of major links events is 23. Sarazen was only 20 the first time he won a U. S. Open. Francis Ouimet was 20, too, when he emerged from the caddy shack and defied the critics by holing a long putt to tie Harry Vardon, the great British star, and Ted Ray, one of the few shotmakers ever to defy the old man with the scythe. The next day Ouimet won the playoff and golf moved to the top of the sports pages.

Jones, of course, says that no man ever wins the Open but that someone always loses it. Delving into the records you'll find the truth in that remark—and you don't have to delve very far.

Byron Nelson had last year's championship practically stowed away in his big bag, but fate intervened and he joined the endless parade of ghost champions—fellows who should have won but didn't.

Nelson, the wartime king of the fairways, was playing just well enough to win by a slim margin. In his last round, the crowd pressed too close to his lie after a long tee shot and some careless character bumped his caddy. The caddy, knocked off balance, stumbled and unintentionally kicked the ball. That cost Nelson a stroke and that one stroke forced him into a tie with Lloyd Mangrum and Vic Ghezzi. Mangrum went on to win the title, beating his rivals by a single stroke in the second 18-hole playoff.

Then there is the case of Sammy Snead, one of sport's most absorbing psychological cases, a naturally great golfer whose nerves quiver like frogs' legs on a frying pan. In 1939 the biggest blow-up in the history of competitive golf blasted him out of the Open.

He came up to the seventeenth tee at Philadelphia needing only two pars, a four and a five, to win by two strokes. He carded a five on the seventeenth and the one-over-par shattered his confidence and sent the heebie-jeebies scurrying up and

down his spine. He hooked his drive on the eighteenth, barged down the fairway like a Sunday duffer and three-putted for an eight.

The reason? Pressure. He knew that Craig Wood and Denny Shute were burning up the course behind him. The sheer determination that gripped his nerves, the tension generated by 72 holes of hell were too much for his emotional stability. He blew up like a July 4th firecracker. Roman candles exploded in his brain when he tried to press and his shots had as much sense of direction as a cheap skyrocket.

"I went back there a year later for an exhibition and shot an easy birdie on that same hole and posted a course record of 64," Snead recalled. "It didn't look like the same course." He shook his head. "I guess the pressure did it." Pressure did it again in the playoff of the Open in June. After gamely sinking a 15-foot putt on the eighteenth green to tie Lew Worsham, Snead missed a two-and-a-half-footer on the same green the next day and lost by one stroke.

Leo Diegel is another ghost champion, having tossed the U. S. Open away once.

"I was in the twosome right ahead of him," Sarazen recalls, "and I was waiting on the fourteenth fairway to play my second shot. I could see Diegel fidgeting on the tee behind us. Finally, when he was free to drive he was as tight as a spool of thread. He topped his drive and it was impossible for him to get home in two on the par four hole. Even so he might have got his par. But just as he was about to play his second shot, a fellow came running up, excited and out of breath.

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"The combination of waiting, the topped drive and the message was too much for Leo. He flubbed his second shot and wound up with a six when a five would have given him the title."

In other sports the competitor seldom has to wait for a decision. The boxer knows his fate a few seconds after the final bell. The tennis player sometimes can see defeat looming long before the point comes that ends the match—not so the golfer.

He may have an early starting time and he has to fret and fume for hours, waiting for the others to finish.

"That's the worst part of a championship," says Hogan. "The sitting and the waiting for the others who are trying to catch you. And there is nothing you can do to stop them because there is no defense in golf."

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Elk Newsletter

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consumers and, to cite a more striking example of their importance, the 30-odd cigarette manufacturers located chiefly in three States would find it almost impossible to supply their millions of customers--or even the million or more retail outlets handling their product.

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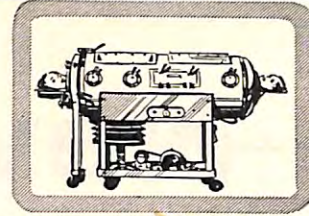
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Property owners, however, are not being slow to hold down their losses in another field, it would appear, since manufactured paint sales are now reported at record levels. Records are also being made in other fields by toothpaste and leather goods. Personal hygiene learned in the armed forces during the war is credited with the increasing toothpaste sales while, strange as it may seem, the Nation's bands are contributing to the upswing in leather goods purchases--by a steady demand for instrument cases.

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Still awaiting some form of national or local simplification are the thousands of conflicting and overlapping building construction regulations. Are there a dozen State and local government agencies administering a vast complex of legislation in your community? Do you have a plumbing law and an elevator law and an electrical law, a boiler law, a fire prevention law and a "building law"? If so, Commerce officials hold, you may be permitting serious interference with construction in your community, since many of the unwieldy and costly administrative procedures thwart the construction industry and cause wasteful use of materials as well.

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Your generous and enthusiastic welcome makes me determined to attempt to fulfill your expectant hopes. Words are such meaningless things at a time like this and I know that I cannot express to you what is actually in my heart. It is difficult for me to believe that you have elected me to be the leader of the greatest Fraternity in the world. I thank you deeply for this opportunity for service. My Brothers, more than anything else, I desire your approval of me and my acts in your behalf as the leader of our great Order.

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During the year last past, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has been led by a man who represents the highest type of American citizenship, who has brought home to the American people the knowledge that the members of our Order stand for American principles and believe in the American form of government. I deem it a high privilege and a great honor to succeed in office that sterling leader, beloved by all—the Hon. Charles Broughton.

Our Order is unique in many respects, not the least of which is that great body of men, the twenty-three living Past Grand Exalted Rulers of our Order, each of whom has served as our Chief Executive and each of whom has dedicated a lifetime of sacrificial service to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. I have received many opportunities for service from our Past Grand Exalted Rulers. No man more deeply honors these great leaders for their unselfish, unremitting service. No man gives them greater credit for the exalted position of our Fraternity. No man can more earnestly beseech them for their continued understanding, generous counsel and able guidance.

And I would not be standing here today were it not for a beloved member of that group of Past Grand Exalted Rulers. If ever a man has had an inspirational mentor—I am that man. Proud indeed am I to have on this platform with me the man who has guided me, encouraged me and inspired

me—yes, even chided me, but at all times taught me how best to serve the Order we each love reverently—my pal for almost thirty years, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Michael F. Shannon.

If I have merited this recognition in any degree, I unhesitatingly tell you it was because of the continuous, faithful, unselfish support of the Past Exalted Rulers and members of my own lodge—and my selection is primarily a recognition of that little lodge.

I am most sincerely grateful to Dr. Howard B. Kirtland, Past Exalted Ruler of San Luis Obispo Lodge No. 322, and Past President of the California Elks Association, and to Past Chief Justice of the Grand Forum, Supreme Court Judge Henry Wenzel of Queens Borough, N. Y., Lodge, No. 878, for the fine tributes that they have paid me today. In spite of the fact that they have known me for many years and have undoubtedly been apprised of my many weaknesses, I thank them deeply for lending their talents to me on this occasion. They have been entirely too generous in their tribute. They have made it very difficult for me to try to live up to the promises they have made in my behalf, but I assure you that even though their eyes may have been blinded with affection, I will do my very utmost to prove myself worthy of their confidence and your confidence.

I would be ungrateful if I failed to express my deepest gratitude to President Leonard Bush and the officers, members and Past Presidents of the California Elks Association. Their devoted support, unswerving loyalty, touch me most deeply. I need their continued affection and help.

I can best merit your confidence by working tirelessly and unflinchingly to fulfill the duties of this important office. I have the right to expect—I must have the same effort in return from the members of my team—the Exalted Rulers of the subordinate lodges. Working together we can and must accomplish great things.

I demand more than club affiliation—there is no place in our obligation which stresses the club over the lodge. In many subordinate lodges the club activities are entirely disproportionate to the lodge activities. Our Order demands crusaders enlisted in a sacred cause—a cause which enhances the regard of people everywhere for the Order of Elks, an Order dedicated by sacred obligation to the sanctity of the home, to the love of God and fellow man—to the vigilant service and protection of our Country and its institutions. By seriously performing this obligation, we will make better and nobler this Fraternity of American gentlemen.

This year will not be dedicated to making the Grand Exalted Ruler popu-

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lar but to making our Order stronger and better. I will be mindful of my obligation and insist that the laws of our Order are obeyed. I intend to be impartial but firm. I want our Order to forge ahead by constructive accomplishments during the coming year. We cannot live in the past—nor bask in the glory of yesterday's achievements. Our glorious past should be the pattern upon which to build a more glorious future. Our great Order is like baseball—the hits you made yesterday won't win the game today.

I have always believed, "It is easier to preach by the mile than to practice by the inch"—so this year I want action and more action—vastly greater accomplishment. In all organizations, and in ours as well, we have too few participants—too many spectators. We want fewer spectators in the bleachers—more players on the field. God give me the strength to increase the number of active participants in all of our great programs.

Candidly, I will demand performance this year—not excuses. I will be frank and earnest in my suggestions and criticism—but please remember, my Brothers, "He has the right to criticize who has the heart to help." I want you to know that I have no use for drones—and less use for those who promise much and do little. I want Exalted Rulers, District Deputies and Grand Lodge Committeemen who bubble over with enthusiasm—I believe it is better to be a geyser than a puddle.

My Brothers, in short, I want Elks to live Elkdom. I want every man to ask himself the question, "When is a man an Elk?" and then go out and answer the question by performing good deeds in a praiseworthy manner. I want every Elk in every lodge to be jealous of the good name of our Order—ever more careful that his personal conduct shall not besmirch our precious reputation. I want every Elk to help build his lodge into the kind of a lodge into which every member would be proud indeed to welcome his own son.

My program for this year will not be new—rather an old-fashioned plan but designed to make the name of Elk even more revered and respected. I have devised a plan to endeavor to make each Elk an active partner, not a limited partner. I shall not take the time of this Convention to explain it in detail but will enlarge upon it at the luncheon meeting with the Exalted Rulers immediately following this Session.

I firmly believe that the more our members learn of the great activities and accomplishments of our Commissions and Foundation—the greater will be their pride in their Order. I refer to our Magazine, our home at Bedford,

Virginia, our Elks National Veterans Service Commission and our Elks National Foundation. I want all Elks to know about their great services to humanity, not only from speeches by Grand Lodge officers and District Deputies but by becoming an integral part of them, by contributing to them and sharing the labors of our great programs. Yes, I want the whole Country to know about the good that Elks do. I want the whole country to know that because there is an Order of Elks, because Elks are performing their job better all the while, because Elks are working, striving, creating and doing in a greater degree those acts which Elks have always done, that crippled children walk again; that tubercular men, women and children are becoming strong and well; that Elks are educating underprivileged and worthy youngsters; that Elks in every State in the Union, under the leadership of our Elks National Veterans Service Commission, are doing countless acts to make the days easier and happier for our veterans in the hospitals. Yes, helping them to fit themselves for gainful occupations in later years.

Today there are approximately 900,000 members in this greatest American Fraternity. I will advocate no drive or drives to increase our membership. Rather would I emphasize the necessity of each lodge striving more zealously to justify our existence to the extent that we can expect all outstanding citizens of our communities to want to join our ranks.

I look to you Exalted Rulers for the success of all the undertakings of this year. You have been given the opportunity of making your lodge a real factor in community welfare—of making the name "Elk" known favorably in every home. I ask you so to live and conduct yourselves individually that you may be an exemplar to your members—then will the worthwhile citizens in your various jurisdictions come to your doors asking for membership.

I want a real live Elks lodge in every American community big enough properly to support a sound lodge—then indeed can we bring home to all the religion of Elkdom. Conversely, I am committed to remove the charter from a lodge in any city where it is no longer a credit to be called an Elk, and if I find any like this, I sincerely hope the Board of Grand Trustees and the Grand Lodge will support me if I find it necessary to take such disciplinary action.

I have the primary responsibility for disciplinary action respecting a subordinate lodge but you have the primary responsibility for disciplinary action when it becomes necessary respecting the individual member. I look to you to do your duty fearlessly when it is for

the good of the Order. We must keep this a fraternity of American gentlemen. We cannot expect leading citizens to join our ranks or remain in them afterwards if our lodges or the individuals who compose them fail to live in a manner worthy of the objectives and the purposes of our Order.

This is a happy Order—this is a benevolent Order—but this is first and foremost a patriotic American Order.

These are times, if our country is to continue, for Elks to hold aloft the torch of freedom and liberty to a darkened world—men of faith and courage are needed as never before. This is an Order of faith and courage, faith in our American way of life and courage to fight for its continuance.

If the members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will spend as much time in the protection of the ideals represented by our Flag as the communists are spending to destroy those ideals, our Nation will need not fear. Let's throw the weight of almost a million members behind every proper move designed to protect and defend American ideals and the American way of life. Let's substitute practical achievements for lip service.

Old Glory floats in troubled peace. The enemy is on the march within and without our borders. Fifth Columnists and fellow travelers fight underground. They encourage hate and distrust and seek continually to set class against class. Paid radio broadcasts are a part of their pattern. They exercise rights over the radio which were recently denied to one of our great generals of the late war, when he endeavored to bring to us the truth about oppressive conditions abroad. They openly attack our loyal public servants in their press—yes, on last Flag Day when our Brothers of Santa Barbara, California, Lodge passed out American lapel flags on the streets of their city—hundreds refused to wear the American Flag—some even threw them on the sidewalks.

My Brothers, I pledge you that all my strength will be utilized to acquaint every Elk with the real danger confronting Elks and their beloved Country. I want—with your help—to make the Order of Elks stronger and nobler. I want you to help me demonstrate how much we can and will do to preserve for our children and grandchildren the right to serve God as we will, the right of free initiative and a just reward therefor; yes, even the right to continue to be an Elks' fraternity. Then and then only will we know that the destiny of America is to continue to be a march of glory through the years, striding all the while knee-deep among the stars, radiating tolerance and good will—keeping America for Elks—keeping Elks forever for America.

The Elks NATIONAL FOUNDATION

As a clause that deserves a place in your will, we suggest the following:—

"I give and bequeath the sum of.....Dollars to the Elks National Foundation Trustees of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America, a corporation duly established and existing under the laws of the District of Columbia."

A bequest to the Foundation is a bequest for permanent, deserving charity.

HELP for the PARAPLEGICS

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through the courtesy
of the New Jersey
State Elks

ACCORDING to the Veterans Administration there are 83 New Jersey boys who have become paraplegics as the result of spinal injuries received during World War II. The seriousness of their disability cannot be exaggerated since they lose the use of both legs, as well as the control of vital organs.

The New Jersey State Elks, through their Servicemen's Committee, have undertaken the task of assisting these men to obtain homes especially designed for their wheelchair existence. They are now raising a fund of \$40,000 for this purpose.

The VA considers this disability

comparable to total blindness and therefore they receive a maximum pension of \$360 a month from the Federal Government. The State has recently passed a bill granting an additional \$500 a year to each, to give them a total of slightly more than \$400 a month.

As a result, these boys are able to finance their own homes. However, their biggest problem is to get someone to do the job for them without falling into the hands of racketeers. The New Jersey Elks have come through with the necessary legal, banking, architectural and construction advice, and, in addition, give and

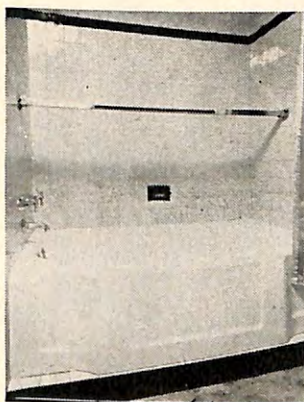
install a \$350 electrically operated garage door in each home.

It is expected that several of the boys will find it necessary to underwrite a mortgage higher than permitted under the GI Bill of Rights. In these cases the Elks Committee will arrange to pay the difference between the mortgage and the cost of the home.

Of the 83 paraplegics in the State, more than half have already been contacted by the Elks who expect, with all 62 lodges in the State cooperating, to be able to realize their goal of furnishing all these unfortunate men with their own homes. Although one home has been completed, four more have been designed and construction should be completed by October.



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***PARAPLEGIA:**
Paralysis of the legs and lower part of the body, both motion and sensation being affected. (Dorland's "The American Illustrated Medical Dictionary")



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The first recipient of one of the specially-constructed homes is Stanley Sliwa whose home was started last February and completed within two months. Electric plugs are placed high; light switches low, for easy accessibility. Everything he needs is on one floor, although the pretty little home has two stories. 1. Doorways are widened to admit his chair. 2. Bathroom facilities are designed to minimize his dependence upon others. 3. Ramps take the place of steps. Here Stanley enters his garage by way of the concrete platform raised six inches to enable him to get into his car at its own level. 4. Young Mr. Sliwa accepts the deed to his home from, left to right, William Wilson, builder; Charles Goll, Secretary of the Elks Committee; Frank Maynard, banker, and Chairman Joseph F. Bader of the N. J. State Elks Paraplegic Committee.

**ACTIVITIES
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VETERANS SERVICE
COMMISSION**

1
Patients at Percy Jones Memorial Hospital enjoy an entertainment given for them by the Michigan Elks Assn.

2
A view of the show and some of the audience at the Carnival put on at the Minneapolis VA Hospital by the Minnesota State Elks Association.

3
An auditorium show sponsored by the Massachusetts State Elks Association in the recreation hall of the Veterans Hospital at West Roxbury.

4
Veterans at McGuire Hospital in Richmond take part in a carnival given by the Virginia State Elks Assn.

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Patients at Oteen Veterans Hospital at Asheville are entertained by Elks ladies through the courtesy of the North Carolina State Association.

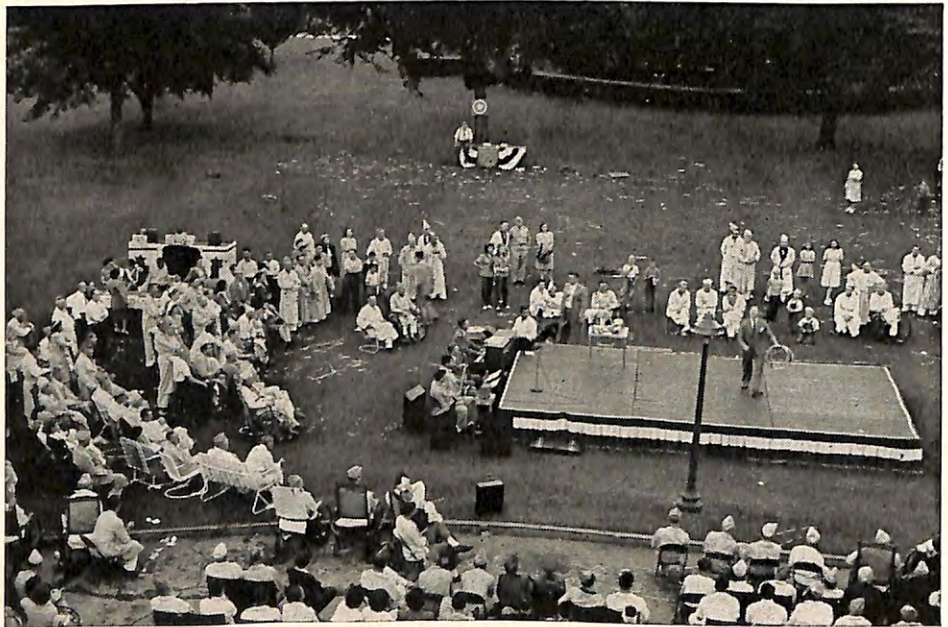
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Convalescent veterans at Newington Hospital pause to have their picture taken during a bingo game sponsored by the Connecticut State Elks Assn.

7
Members of the Ladies Auxiliary of Dallas Lodge distribute cigarettes to hospitalized servicemen during an entertainment given under the auspices of the Texas State Elks Association.

8
Entertainers and part of the Rhode Island State Elks Association Hospital Service Committee during a show put on for the boys at Newport Naval Hospital.



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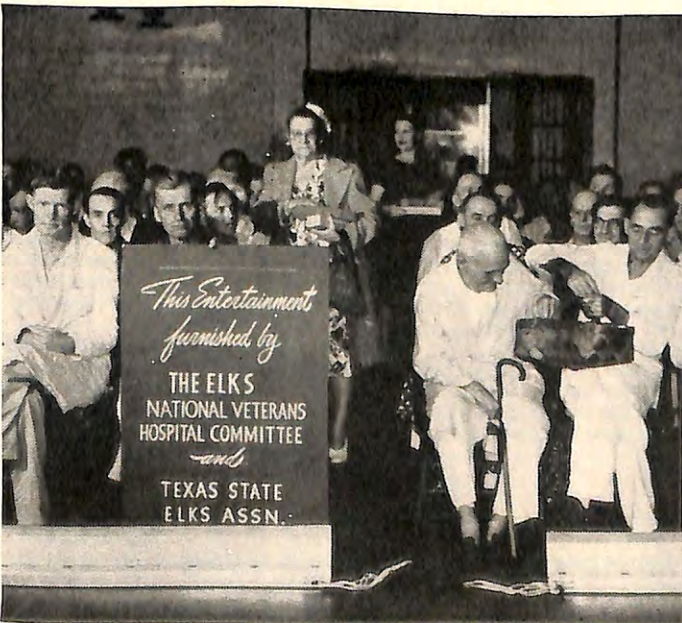
4. VIRGINIA STATE ELKS ASSN.



5. NORTH CAROLINA STATE ELKS ASSN.



6. CONNECTICUT STATE ELKS ASSN.



7. TEXAS STATE ELKS ASSN.



8. RHODE ISLAND STATE ELKS ASSN.



- 1 Retiring Pres. F. C. Stanton, right, congratulates newly-elected Pres. Harry E. Williams of the Arizona State Elks Association.
- 2 Dignitaries present at the dinner held during the meeting of the North Dakota State Elks Assn. included, left to right: Sam Stern, Approving Member of the Board of Grand Trustees; Toastmaster H. D. Paulson; Past Grand Exalted Ruler James G. McFarland, and Pres. Mack V. Traynor.
- 3 Those at the speakers' table at the Alabama State Convention dinner, included Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland.



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News of the STATE ASSOCIATIONS

WEST VIRGINIA

The largest attendance in the history of the West Virginia Elks Assn. was recorded at the 39th Annual Convention at Huntington May 25th, 26th and 27th. A total of 2,332 persons was registered at this session which was highlighted by the presence of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Wade H. Kepner, Chairman John E. Drummey and Secretary George I. Hall of the Board of Grand Trustees, and West Virginia's two U. S. Senators, Chapman Revercomb, P.E.R. of Charleston Lodge, and Harley M. Kilgore, a Beckley Elk. P.D.D. Roy C. Heinlein, Secretary to the Grand Exalted Ruler, was Mr. Broughton's official representative at the meeting.

A two-mile-long parade, held the second day, was witnessed by 45,000 persons and consisted mainly of 25 beautiful floats and six bands. The finals of the Ritualistic Contest found Charleston Lodge in No. 1 place. Morgantown Lodge was awarded the 1948 Convention.

The P.E.R.'s banquet, with 175 in attendance, had Mr. Kepner, Mr. Drummey and Mr. Hall as principal speakers. Herbert Fitzpatrick of Huntington Lodge was the oldest Past Exalted Ruler there, having headed his lodge in 1902. A Grand Ball and floor show concluded the Convention, with 1,500 present.

Officers for the next term are: Pres., A. E. Kallmerten, Huntington; Secy., W. Don Morris, Huntington; So., 1st Vice-Pres., W. C. Fletcher, Princeton, and 2nd Vice-Pres., W. C. Wortman, Jr., Charleston; No., 1st Vice-Pres., E. B. Heiskell, Morgantown, and 2nd Vice-Pres., Elwood Grizzell, Moundsville; Treas., S. P. Goodman, Williamson, and Trustee, Richard T. McCreary, Wellsburg.

NEBRASKA

A highlight of the 35th Annual Convention of the Nebraska State Elks Assn. June 8th and 9th was the presenta-

tion of a \$25,663.50 check to the Children's Memorial Hospital in Omaha. Dr. C. W. M. Poynter of the Hospital staff accepted the check from August Schneider, 20-year Chairman of the Elks Benevolent Commission. The fund had been raised by the 19 Nebraska lodges to furnish one wing of the institution in honor of Mr. Schneider. The ceremony took place at a banquet June 9th, at which Past Grand Exalted Ruler Henry C. Warner, of Dixon, Ill., was the principal speaker.

Other business of the meeting, at which York Lodge No. 1024 was host, and North Platte Lodge won the Ritualistic Championship was the election of officers as follows: Pres., Glenn F. Waugh, Fairbury; 1st Vice-Pres., L. H. Murrin, North Platte; 2nd Vice-Pres., Cliff N. Ogden, Jr., Omaha; 3rd Vice-Pres., Bernard M. Diers, Scottsbluff; 4th Vice-Pres., Dr. V. J. Morgan, York, and Trustee, C. L. Baskins, North Platte. Secy. H. P. Zieg, Grand Island, and Treas. Fred C. Laird, Fremont, were reelected.

GEORGIA

The 46th annual meeting of the Georgia Elks Assn. was held in Macon on May 24th, 25th and 26th. Twenty-eight lodges were represented by 448 delegates, and visitors included officials from several out-of-town lodges. Addresses were made by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Judge John S. McClelland; Edward A. Dutton, a member of the Grand Lodge Activities Committee; Special Deputy Roderick M. McDuffie; D.D.'s Loomis Taylor and Reuben A. Garland; State Pres. Paul E. Henson and Past State Pres. Bruce C. Jones.

Social activities included bridge and cocktail parties for the ladies, sightseeing tours, a dinner-dance and an old-fashioned barbecue. Eight teams competed in the Ritualistic Contest which was won by Decatur Lodge, with Atlanta and Dalton Lodges placing second and third respectively.

The Scholarship Committee reported two nominees, Eugene Taylor Griffith and Frances Benbow Clark, for the Elks National Foundation's "Most Valuable Student Contest", to each of whom Atlanta Lodge gave \$100 in cash. The State Committee awarded to Phyllis Helen Saraf, top graduate of St. Vincent's Academy in Savannah, a \$300 scholarship allotted to the State by the Foundation. A resolution was adopted requesting all lodges to offer cash prizes for outstanding graduates of high and preparatory schools. In this connection East Point Lodge gave a cash prize of \$100 to Alton D. Thompson, Jr., graduate of College Park High School, and Albany Lodge gave \$500 in cash to Marion Brim Edwards, No. 1 graduate of Albany High School. District Deputies' reports revealed that all but four Georgia lodges are subscribers to the Elks National Foundation; the Secretary-Treasurer announced a net gain in membership for the State of 1,109.

The men who will head the Association for the coming year are: Pres., Jesse D. Jewell, Gainesville; Vice-Presidents: Wallace C. Haggard, Americus, A. Mac Pickard, Columbus, and W. E. Dixon, Macon; Chaplain, Rev. Father Joseph Driscoll, Dalton, and Sgt.-at-Arms, J. B. McKibbin, Gainesville. Secy.-Treas. R. E. Lee Reynolds of Atlanta Lodge was again reelected.

OKLAHOMA

Tulsa Lodge No. 946 was host to the 40th annual meeting of the Oklahoma State Elks Assn. May 31st and June 1st. Completing their first day's session with a banquet and dance that evening, nearly 600 delegates elected the following officers the next day: Pres., H. J. Salz, Woodward; 1st Vice-Pres., J. Thad Baker, Muskogee; 2nd Vice-Pres., Kenneth Aldridge, Oklahoma City; 3rd Vice-Pres., Aubrey M. Kerr, Ada, and Treas., Marvin Fowler, Shawnee.

At the banquet Saturday night in the Mayo Hotel's Crystal ballroom, scholastic prizes consisting of \$300 from the Elks National Foundation and \$275 from the Association were awarded to five Oklahoma students. Representing the Grand Lodge at the banquet, and the principal speaker of the evening, was Past Grand Exalted Ruler John R. Coen of Denver, Colo. That afternoon saw the Ritualistic Contest in which representatives from five lodges participated, with Sapulpa, Shawnee and Oklahoma City Lodges winning the first three places in that order.

Other important business transacted were reports on the outstanding service

given former servicemen by the Association's Veterans Service Committee, the adoption of a new constitution and by-laws and the decision that Oklahoma City Lodge would be host to the next annual Convention. Oklahoma reports a membership listing 5,920, showing a gain of 507 for the year.

MISSOURI

Jefferson City Lodge No. 513 welcomed the largest attendance in many years on May 10th and 11th when 19 of the State's 25 lodges sent representatives to attend the Association's Spring meeting at which Past Grand Exalted Ruler Bruce A. Campbell was the principal speaker.

Activities of the Association which were reviewed were its participation in the Elks National Veterans Service Program at hospitals in St. Louis, Excelsior Springs and Springfield, and its well-known Eyeglass Program through which glasses are provided to indigent children and the aged. It was reported that Festus-Crystal City Lodge had been instituted, making the 25th lodge in the State.

A parade led by the Washington, Mo., Elks Band marched through the business section following the Saturday afternoon meeting, and a reception and dance were held that night. Washington Lodge's Degree Team exemplified the Ritual in the initiation of a class from Washington, Jefferson City and Columbia.

Another event of interest was the presentation of the \$300 "Most Valuable Student" award to Elizabeth Ann Bruch by H. H. Russell, Vice-Pres. of the Assn.

New officers are: Pres., John T. Dumont, St. Louis; Vice-Presidents: H. H. Russell, Warrensburg, Dr. Richard Shale, Macon, Dr. Paul V. Wooley, Excelsior Springs, and L. B. Pratt, Jefferson City; Treas., M. F. Thurston, Columbia, and Trustees: C. O. Harmon, Maryville, Dolph Tobin, Washington, and William Ilgenfritz, Sedalia.

ARIZONA

The 32nd Annual Convention of the Arizona State Elks Assn. was held in Clifton April 17th, 18th and 19th and was attended by more than 700 Elks and their ladies. The host lodge, Clifton No. 1174, saw to it that everyone was entertained. Dances were held Thursday and Friday evenings at the lodge home, and following the banquet Saturday evening the Grand Ball took place at the Clifton High School Auditorium.

Announcement of the winners of the "Most Valuable Student Contest" was made and Margaret Ann Allee received the \$300 prize as first-prize winner.

It was revealed that activities sponsored by the Elk ladies had raised more than \$10,000 for the benefit of the Arizona State Elks Tubercular Hospital at Tucson, M. H. Starkweather, Executive Secretary of the Hospital, reported on the splendid condition of this institution. The local radio station KGLU arranged a 15-minute State-wide broadcast with State Pres. F. C. Stanton and Tony Blanton of the Elks Hospital as speakers.

Nine of the 16 lodges in the State competed in the Ritualistic Contest, with Yuma Lodge winning top honors and receiving the Starkweather Trophy. Tucson Lodge took second place, and Bisbee, third. Individual awards were made to those officers winning top honors in the various Chairs.

Ed. D. Baird, a member of the Grand Lodge State Associations Committee

addressed this meeting at which it was decided that Douglas Lodge No. 955 would be host to the 1948 Convention.

The following men will lead the Association during the coming year: Pres., Harry E. Williams, Phoenix; Vice-Pres., Ed. G. Lawler, Yuma; Secy., Leo C. Gavagan, Phoenix; Treas., Joe F. Mayer, Globe, and Trustees, Al Kleindienst, Winslow, Robert C. Russell, Jr., Ajo, and W. R. Wilder, Douglas.

FLORIDA

Hundreds of Elks and their ladies from all 42 lodges, including the new branch at Plant City, descended on Tampa for the 41st and most successful Annual Convention of the Florida State Elks Assn. which took place between May 17th and the 20th. An unofficial estimate of those registered was placed at about 2,700, including local Elks and their ladies.

Many enjoyable activities were arranged by the host lodge, with a girls' baseball game taking place the first evening for the benefit of the Harry-Anna Home for Crippled Children at Umatilla; later that evening the opening Convention dance was held in the ballroom of the lodge home. The ladies were guests on sightseeing tours, fashion shows and card parties. The members of the Harry-Anna Home Commission were guests of Past State Pres. J. Frank Umstot at a special dinner May 18th.

Former Gov. Doyle Carlton spoke at a luncheon in the Palm Room of the Tampa Terrace Hotel on May 19th, and Mr. Umstot honored all Past Presidents of the Association at a dinner at Las Novedas Restaurant that evening. While the delegates were in session, the ladies were taken on a tour of St. Petersburg where they were greeted by Mayor George S. Patterson, and Tarpon Springs where Mayor Fred M. Howard provided a program of entertainment. They also visited the Bay Pines Veterans Hospital and Clearwater.

On Tuesday, the 20th, St. Petersburg sent a 50-car, two-bus motorcade carrying a 90-piece band to take part in the huge parade which climaxed the meeting. Thousands of Tampans lined the streets to watch the 64-unit pageant which took nearly an hour to pass. Pretty girls decorated the many beautiful floats, and clowns and gaily uniformed bands added a great deal of comedy and color to the line of march.

Prior to the parade a Memorial Service for departed members was held at which Dr. E. C. Nance, President of the University of Tampa, was the principal speaker.

The Convention was brought to a close with a banquet, floor show and ball at the Fort Homer W. Hesterly Armory. Key West will be the scene of the 1948 meeting.

Cullen H. Talton of Daytona Beach was elected President, and those chosen as Vice-Presidents were N. E., W. A. Partain, Jr., Palatka; N. W., William McCullough, Pensacola; Central, Leo Butner, Sanford; S. W., Gerald E. Ludwig, Sarasota, and S. E., Edward O. Williams, Fort Lauderdale. Other officers are Treas., C. L. Johnson, Tallahassee; Historian, H. A. Davis, Palatka; Tiler, Carl O. Gabbert, Tampa, and five-year Trustee, James J. Fernandez, Tampa. Members of the Harry-Anna Home Commission elected for terms of five years were A. C. Altwater, Sebring; J. P. Wendler, Miami Beach; L. T. Doss, Sanford; J. R. Fitzpatrick, Miami; Bronson W. Bryant, Gainesville, and J. T. Lowe, Jacksonville.

News of the SUBORDINATE LODGES

FALLS CITY, NEB., Lodge, No. 963, was host to the annual Fish Fry which was attended by about 400 Elks from Omaha, Lincoln, Nebraska City, Falls City, Beatrice and Fairbury Lodges. About 1,000 pounds of fish disappeared, along with several other delectable items, to "dinner music" provided by a cowboy band from Kansas City. Later on the trophies won during the day in various tournaments including golf, horse-shoe pitching, trapshooting, softball, etc., were awarded.

NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARK., Lodge, No. 1004, got rid of its mortgage not long ago at ceremonies attended by Past Grand Exalted Ruler James R. Nicholson, State Pres. W. H. Laubach, D.D. John P. Frye, and many other dignitaries of the State.

A total of 199 candidates was accepted into the Order in honor of the mortgage-burning, following an extensive membership campaign; of these, a class of 100 was initiated that evening. The lodge now has a membership of more than 800, and unencumbered properties valued at approximately \$100,000.

SAPULPA, OKLA., Lodge, No. 1118, goes all-out when it comes to helping the young people have a good time. The lodge home has become a most popular gathering place for teen-agers every Friday night when chaperoned dances have been held for the city's high school students.

Not only the ballroom but the lounge as well are turned over to the use of these young citizens who are welcome to enjoy games while not dancing. All affairs have been well attended and orderly, with no complaints either from the youngsters or their chaperones.

TARPON SPRINGS, FLA., Lodge, No. 1719, brought the total number of lodges in its State to 41 not long ago when it was instituted in the presence of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Robert S. Barrett. Dr. Barrett participated in the institution ceremonies, accepting the dispensation from D.D. Fred M. Loudermilk, as well as in the installation of officers.

The new lodge got off to a fine start with 59 Charter Members, of whom 49 were new Elks, with the officers of Tampa, St. Petersburg and Clearwater Lodges taking good care of the initiatory work.

The State Associations Committee Reports the Following Convention Dates for 1947

Association	City	Date
Virginia	Danville	August*
Maryland, Delaware & District of Columbia	Washington, D. C.	August 3-6
Wisconsin	Superior	August 21-23
Ohio	Cedar Point (Sandusky)	August 24-28
Pennsylvania	Erie	August 25-27
Colorado	Colorado Springs	September*
New Hampshire	Concord	September 26-28
California	San Diego	October 8-10
New Mexico	Carlsbad	*
Tennessee	Bristol	*
*Date not yet set		

SPENCER, IA., Lodge, No. 1725, began its life with 159 new Elks, plus 38 men who were accepted on dimit. The important ceremonies were conducted by the officers of Fort Dodge Lodge with State Assn. Pres. Leo P. Ronan among the visiting dignitaries. Within the next month many new applicants, plus a large group which was unable to attend the institution ceremonies, will swell the membership list of No. 1725.

LAKWOOD, OHIO, Lodge, No. 1350, now boasts a terrific 63-piece band, in answer to the Grand Exalted Ruler's request that each lodge sponsor some worthwhile youth movement, in an effort to combat the spread of juvenile delinquency.

Organized a year ago by E.R. E. T. Clauser and placed under the direction of Joseph A. Monia, a member of the Order and a well-known band leader, these youngsters has been woven into one of the most successful musical organizations in the community.

A recent concert given by the newly-uniformed band had Chairman Bert A. Thompson of the Grand Lodge Activities Committee in the audience. A paid concert, sponsored by the Past Exalted Rulers' Association proved a tremendous success. The proceeds went to the Ohio State Elks Association to spark-plug its drive to establish a fund to give assistance to spastic paralysis sufferers in the State.

VIRGINIA, MINN., Lodge, No. 1003, donated a resuscitator to the Virginia Municipal Hospital not long ago. A life-saving device combining three different instruments in one machine, it was sorely needed by the institution. It will be of valuable assistance in obstetrics, surgery and pediatrics, since it can be used on patients of all ages.

1 Here are pictured some of the 400 persons who attended the annual Fish Fry at which Falls City, Neb., Lodge was host.

2 P.E.R. Linden V. Glazier presents the Colors to Commander C. E. Pigg, Jr., of the Lansing organized Naval Reserve, on behalf of Lansing, Mich., Lodge members.

3 The Lakewood, Ohio, Team which won the Ohio N. E. District Ritualistic Contest.

4 E.R. Carl A. Opp presents Orange, Calif., Lodge's \$1,000 check for the Elks National Foundation to D.D. Paul Beck.

5 State Assn. Pres. B. A. Whitmire, left, and T. D. Hunter, a Hendersonville Elk, are pictured with the Chevrolet truck sold by Mr. Hunter at cost, which was purchased for the North Carolina Elks Camp for Boys. The new car was added to the already well-equipped camp in anticipation of the record number of boys who are spending this summer there.

6 Shown here are Elk dignitaries who witnessed the initiation of a class of 100 candidates and the burning of the mortgage at North Little Rock, Ark., Lodge. Left to right are State Pres. W. H. Laubach, D.D. John P. Frye, Past Grand Exalted Ruler James R. Nicholson, P.E.R. Henry O. Topf, P.D.D. A. L. Justin, P.E.R. Thomas B. Jones, P.E.R. Judge Milton McLees, and Secy. D. A. Beard, P.E.R.

7 Some of the hundreds of children who are benefiting through the program conducted by the Social and Community Welfare Committee of Hamilton, Ohio, Lodge to combat juvenile delinquency.

8 Members of Richmond, Va., Lodge are pictured with a few of the more than 100 children at the Crippled Children's Home, who received gifts through the lodge not long ago.



1. FALLS CITY, NEB.



2. LANSING, MICH.



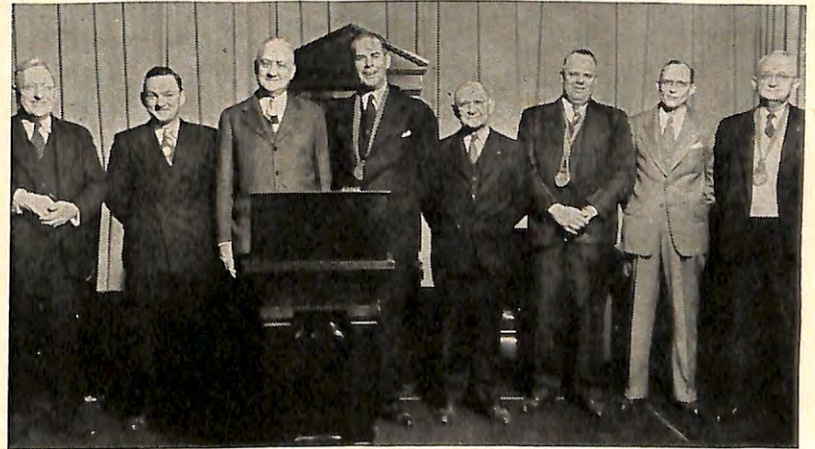
3. LAKEWOOD, OHIO



4. ORANGE, CALIF.



5. HENDERSONVILLE, N. C.



6. NO. LITTLE ROCK, ARK.



7. HAMILTON, OHIO



8. RICHMOND, VA.

NEWS OF THE SUBORDINATE

LODGES

OHIO ELKS BOWLING ASSN. This year's Annual Bowling Tournament of Ohio, the sixth in the organization's history, was also its largest as well as the greatest fraternal tournament ever held in the State. Three hundred and nine teams participated last year; 439, this year. The members of Mansfield Lodge No. 56 played host to the keglers, with Chairman Robert F. Horn in charge of proceedings. The 1948 event was awarded to Lima at the Spring meeting held there not long ago.

A breakdown of entries showed that 439 five-man teams were entered; 995 doubles and 1,972 singles. In the five-man event the Leimgrubers team from Bowling Green took top honors; in the two-man event, P. Varley and J. Yoho of Alliance walked off with the prize, and A. Katter of Wapakoneta took first place in the singles, with a score of 733. R. Hurtt of Bowling Green rolled 1,866 to grab the honors in all events, with C. Kasper of Cleveland following him with 1,849.

This Tournament, which took place at the Colony Bowling Alleys, saw \$8,213.70 distributed in prizes, with a trophy for the five-man top team and medals to each winner of the five-man, two-man, singles and all events.

SALINA, KANS., Lodge, No. 718, was host to the All-State All-Elk Bowling Tournament this year in which ten States were represented. Started in 1942 under the aegis of Thomas J. Aaring of Pullman, Wash., the first tournament was held by telegraph. It is now determined through elimination contests which begin in each State. The first, second and third teams in each State compete in the national tournament annually. This year Salina lodge took first place, with Olympia, Wash., second and Great Bend, Kans., third.

SAN JOSE, CALIF., Lodge, No. 522, is proud of its Billiard Team which recently won the Joe Lewis Gold Cup in the play-off of the three-cushion Championship Billiard Match in San Francisco.

Both the San Francisco team and that of No. 522 are included in the ten-team Bay Cities Elks Billiard League which participated in that Tournament. Captain Jimmy Mills of the San Jose group won the fifth and deciding game of the match after both teams tied at two games apiece.

GREENFIELD, IND., Lodge, No. 1720, is the first new lodge in the State in 20 years and the occasion of its institution was quite an affair. It took place in the lodge room of Indianapolis Lodge No. 13 and was attended by about 350 Indiana Elks.

D.D. Robert Marxson called the meeting to order, and Past Exalted Rulers from various lodges filled the chairs for the institution ceremonies, as well as for the installation of officers. The officers of the host lodge took advantage of the pause between these two events to initiate a class of 44 members for the new lodge. These men, plus six members who held transfer dimitts, comprised the 50 Charter Members of No. 1720.

The members of Rushville and Shelbyville lodges were most cooperative in getting the new lodge started, and P.D.D. L. A. Krebs and State Secy C. L. Shideler assisted in organizing the lodge and the meeting.

About 200 Elks' ladies came to Indianapolis for this affair and after the meeting they attended the banquet at the Antlers Hotel, and enjoyed selections sung by the famous Indiana Elks Chanters.

With the institution of the Greenfield branch of the Order, Indiana now boasts 65 subordinate lodges, all members of the Indiana Elks Assn.

OTTUMWA, IA., Lodge, No. 347, has invested \$38,263.92 during the year ending April 1st in civic and welfare programs in its locality. Thousands of persons will be reached through this expenditure. The largest amount, \$28,225, was contributed for the health and safety of the people of Ottumwa. Topping this list was a \$25,000 donation toward the city's new hospital. No. 347 also gave \$2,500 toward the construction of a canopy at the ambulance entrance of the St. Joseph Hospital and anticipates a further expenditure for an elevator for ambulance cases to that institution.

Other gifts were \$150 for a Police Dept. safety book; \$50 to the Cancer Fund; \$50 for the Infantile Paralysis Fund and \$375 for tonsillectomies among needy children.

Over \$5,000 was spent for boy and girl welfare programs and large amounts were given to the Ottumwa Centennial Committee, the Community Chest, the Red Cross and the Iowa Elks War Commission.

1 Thomas J. Aaring of Pullman, Wash., left, is pictured with dignitaries of Salina, Kans., Lodge with the trophies Salina Lodge bought and presented to the winners of the All-States All-Elks Bowling Tournament. This tournament, in which ten States were represented, was instigated through the efforts of Mr. Aaring in 1942.

2 These Charter Members were in charge of the 45th Anniversary Celebration of Ogdensburg, N. Y., Lodge.

3 Officials of Elkdom with Charter Members and officers of Greenfield, Ind., Lodge at its institution.

4 An actor's-eye-view of some of the 3,800 children who filled three different theaters when they were entertained by Haverhill, Mass., Lodge's Youth Organization Committee.

5 Here is the Elks Minstrel Troop of Newport News, Va., Lodge which put on a very successful two-day show.

6 Los Angeles, Calif., Lodge's annual Egg-Rolling Contest gets going under the watchful eye of famous "Bozo" the Clown and Los Angeles Elks. Looking over her shoulder in the center of the picture is movie starlet, Ann Gillis.

7 Here are some of the long-term members of Apollo, Pa., Lodge who attended a dinner celebrating the lodge's Old Timers' Night recently.

8 This is a view of some of those who attended the Elks Interlodge-Alliance Annual Victory Banquet at the home of Fall River, Mass., Lodge.



1. SALINA, KANSAS



2. OGDENSBURG, N. Y.



3. GREENFIELD, IND.



4. HAVERHILL, MASS.



5. NEWPORT NEWS, VA.



6. LOS ANGELES, CALIF.



7. APOLLO, PA.



8. FALL RIVER, MASS.

NEWS OF THE SUBORDINATE LODGES

ABERDEEN, S. D., Lodge, No. 1046, always expects a wonderful turnout for its "Homecoming" celebrations, but the 1947 edition was something to crow about. Festivities began with a Dutch lunch in the club rooms at noon. At a special lodge meeting later in the day 85 candidates became affiliated with the Order, setting an all-time record for No. 1046. A huge banquet was held at six P.M. in the Civic Arena when 600 Elks were served. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Henry C. Warner was a special guest and the principal speaker at the banquet. Later, a talented professional show was put on for 1,600 Elks and their wives, followed by a dance.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Lodge, No. 461, welcomed nearly 100 World War II veterans and their ladies at a recent cocktail and dinner party at the Alvarado Hotel. Another big event in No. 461's history was Past Exalted Rulers' Night which had an attendance of 14 of the lodge's former leaders and a large representation of its membership.

MUSKOGEE, OKLA., Lodge, No. 517, has a Ladies Auxiliary which has been very busy sewing articles for distribution by the Salvation Army. These ladies have sent out 322 new garments from their sewing room since the first of the year in their project to keep the needy of the locality well clothed. In addition to making new outfits, mostly for babies and teen-age boys and girls, the group has collected, cleaned and separated much used clothing for distribution.

DALLAS, TEX., Lodge, No. 71, in cooperation with the Elks National Veterans Service Commission, is doing a great deal for veterans confined to U. S. Hospitals in that territory. The boys at Veterans Hospital at Lisbon are often visited by the wives of members of the lodge, who distribute cigarettes and other important items to the patients there.

QUEENS BOROUGH, N. Y., Lodge, No. 878, recently honored its State Association's President, Judge John F. Scileppi, when he paid his official homecoming visit there.

On behalf of his lodge, Judge Scileppi, who has traveled more than 15,000 miles in visiting the 91 lodges in the State, was given a desk set and a \$500

check to cover the cost of his trip to the Grand Lodge Convention in Portland. Among the distinguished guests were State Vice-Pres. James Niland and several other State Elk dignitaries.

MIAMI, FLA., Lodge, No. 948, held its regular Spring Festival this year to raise funds for the Crippled Children's Hospital at Umatilla. Of the additional funds raised, \$1,000 was allocated to Mt. Siani Hospital and \$1,000 to the South Florida Children's Hospital. Other deserving charities were also assisted through this popular Festival.

LYONS, N. Y., No. 869, earmarked a nice amount for charitable purposes at a recent meeting. A gift of \$1,000 went to the Elks National Foundation and \$199 was donated toward the infantile paralysis drive. A class of nine candidates was initiated at this time.

PLAINFIELD, N. J., Lodge, No. 885, has a group of bowlers which ran up a great record in the State's Elks bowling circles recently by winning the championships of both the State Elks Bowling League and the Central N. J. Elks Bowling League. These men were defending champions in the Central circuit, but won the State loop honors for the first time in 37 years of effort.

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF., Lodge, No. 3, observed the 41st anniversary of the great fire of April 18, 1906, with a special program which included gas-light quartets, motion pictures taken just prior to that memorable date, and other attractions of the early 1900s.

Over 1,000 San Francisco Elks attended the semi-annual joint meeting and high jinks of Zane-Irwin Post No. 93 of the American Legion in the Veterans Auditorium, when entertainment and refreshments were enjoyed.

WOODWARD, OKLA., Lodge, No. 1355, came through in the true Elk fashion when on April 9th its town was struck by a tornado which destroyed a hundred lives and thousands of property dollars. The Trustees of No. 1355 decided to go through with its 17th Annual Rodeo this month, although it will take many months for the community to get on its feet once more.

It has been decided to donate half the net proceeds of this famous affair to the Woodward Relief Fund which will be used to rebuild the city.

1
D.D. Norman C. Banfield was the only clean-shaven man present at Sitka, Alaska, Lodge when the be-whiskered Elks held a successful party to celebrate the "Days of '98".

2
Here are some of the 85 candidates who were initiated into Aberdeen, S. D., Lodge at its recent regular "Home-coming" celebration.

3
When Springfield, Ill., Lodge observed Past Exalted Rulers' Night not long ago these men were present and included 21 former leaders of the lodge.

4
Members of a class of candidates initiated recently into Price, Utah, Lodge are pictured with their officers.

5
These members of the Order attended the celebration of McKees Rocks, Pa., Lodge's 35th Anniversary. Among them was F. J. Schrader, Assistant to Grand Secretary J. Edgar Masters.



1. SITKA, ALASKA



2. ABERDEEN, S. D.



3. SPRINGFIELD, ILL.



4. PRICE, UTAH



5. McKEES ROCKS, PA.

The Grand Lodge

Convention

Portland, Oregon, July, 1947



ON July 14th the Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks held its 1947 Session in the Civic Auditorium in Portland, Oregon. This was the third meeting of the Order to take place in that city, as well as the third largest in Elk history. The last time the Grand Lodge enjoyed the gracious hospitality and delightful climate of Oregon was in 1925, the initial meeting having been held there in 1912.

In a militant address to an enthusiastic audience attending the Opening Session of the Order's 83rd Meeting, retiring Grand Exalted Ruler Charles E. Broughton continued his battle against the foes of Americanism by again issuing a call to all patriots in general, and the 900,000 members of the Order of Elks in particular, to stand firm against the vicious influence of the Communists, Fascists and the Ku Klux Klan. Mr. Broughton, instrumental in abolishing the Klan in his own State of Wisconsin, stressed the need of nationwide vigilance in this time of crisis and emphasized the vital role of the Order as a bulwark against intolerance, prejudice and organized hatred of class and creed. As Mr. Broughton defined the issues and problems at stake, he clearly outlined the basic position of the Order with the words, "Only an American can be an Elk."

The initial evening session was opened by the singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" by Miss Beatrice Nelson, prominent West Coast soprano, accompanied by the band of Portland Lodge No. 142.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Frank J. Lonergan, through whose untiring efforts the success of this 83rd Meeting was insured, then delivered the opening remarks. Judge Lonergan took this occasion to welcome more than 25,000 members of the Order and their families to Portland—the City of Roses. Grand Chaplain, the Rev. George L. Nuckolls of Gunnison, Colo., Lodge, No. 1623, followed with the opening prayer.

Exalted Ruler Claude M. Snow of Portland Lodge addressed the audience

and personally offered the sincere welcome of the host lodge. P.E.R. Robert W. Hibbitt, Chairman of the 1947 Elks National Convention Commission, continued with an expression of appreciation and welcome.

After a gracious and friendly greeting to the delegates, Mayor Earl Riley presented the keys to the city to Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Broughton. His address was followed by an enthusiastic invitation to visit the State, delivered by Oregon's Acting Governor, Marshall Cornett.

A high-spot of the musical portion of the Opening Session was the singing of an organization famous in Elkdom—the Indiana Elks Chanters, directed by Carl C. Jones. The Chanters were encored twice and concluded with the spirited singing of a song native to their State, "On the Banks of the Wabash". The playing of "In Dear Old Portland" by the local Elks Band, and tenor and soprano solos were musical highlights. To conclude the ceremonies on a fitting note, E. L. Hatton, President of the Oregon State Elks Association, led the delegates and the public in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

FIRST BUSINESS SESSION

THE first business session of the 83rd Meeting of the Grand Lodge opened in the Civic Auditorium at 9:30 Tuesday morning, July 15, by Grand Esquire F. T. Garesche of No. 142, after which an invocation was delivered by the Grand Chaplain.

Grand Exalted Ruler Broughton then presented to the assemblage those nineteen of the twenty-three living Past Grand Exalted Rulers who were in attendance at the Convention. They were:

Raymond Benjamin of Napa, Calif., Lodge, No. 832; James R. Nicholson of Springfield, Mass., Lodge, No. 61; Bruce A. Campbell of East St. Louis, Ill., Lodge, No. 664; J. Edgar Masters of Charleroi, Pa., Lodge, No. 494; William Hawley Atwell of Dallas, Tex., Lodge, No. 71; Charles H. Grakelow of Phila-

delphia, Pa., Lodge, No. 2; John F. Malley of Springfield, Mass., Lodge, No. 61; John R. Coen of Sterling, Colo., Lodge, No. 1336; Floyd E. Thompson of Moline, Ill., Lodge, No. 556; Michael F. Shannon of Los Angeles, Calif., Lodge, No. 99; James T. Hallinan of Queens Borough, N. Y., Lodge, No. 878; Charles Spencer Hart of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Lodge, No. 842; Dr. Edward J. McCormick of Toledo, O., Lodge, No. 53; Henry C. Warner of Dixon, Ill., Lodge, No. 779; John S. McClelland of Atlanta, Ga., Lodge, No. 78; E. Mark Sullivan of Boston, Mass., Lodge, No. 10; Frank J. Lonergan of Portland, Ore., Lodge, No. 142; Dr. Robert South Barrett of Alexandria, Va., Lodge, No. 758, and Wade H. Kepner, Wheeling, W. Va., Lodge, No. 28.

Mr. Broughton then introduced the members of the Board of Grand Trustees: John E. Drummey, Chairman, Seattle, Wash., No. 92; George I. Hall, Vice-Chairman and Secretary, Lynbrook, N. Y., No. 1515; Sam Stern, Approving Member, Fargo, N. D., No. 260; Hugh W. Hicks, Home Member, Jackson, Tenn., No. 192, and Howard R. Davis, Williamsport, Pa., No. 173.

Mr. Broughton then had the honor of reading to the delegates a letter from Harry S. Truman, President of the United States and a member of Kansas City, Mo., Lodge, No. 26. His letter appears on page one of this issue of your Magazine.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Thompson, pointing out that it was evidence of Mr. Broughton's courage that he was attending the Convention, considering the serious nature of the injuries suffered in his recent automobile accident, assisted Mr. Broughton in the balance of the day's program by first introducing to the delegates those members who had come to the Convention from far-off places. Among these were representatives from Puerto Rico, the Canal Zone, Hawaii, Alaska and the Philippines.

Routine appointments were made on behalf of Mr. Broughton by Mr. Thomp-

son, and then the Grand Exalted Ruler took the opportunity to present his splendid report. Mr. Broughton was pleased to announce that during his tenure of office 28 new lodges had been instituted.

At Mr. Broughton's request, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Thompson next introduced the Grand Secretary J. Edgar Masters, who submitted his report, which was adopted as written. Following Mr. Masters' introduction, Chairman Drummey of the Board of Grand Trustees requested Vice-Chairman and Secretary Hall of this body for his report, the preliminary section of which was received and approved by the Grand Lodge. Important excerpts of all these reports, which were accepted and approved as written, are printed on other pages of this Magazine.

Appointment of officers and recommendations were offered by Mr. Broughton as the next order of business. He appointed Judge John S. McClelland as a member of the National Memorial and Publication Commission for a period of five years, and then named to the Elks National Foundation Trustees for a period of seven years, Secretary Floyd E. Thompson. S. D. McKinnon of Miles City, Mont., Lodge, No. 537, was appointed to the Grand Forum for a period of five years, and Joseph F. Sherman was named Pardon Commissioner of the Grand Lodge.

Nominations were in order for the election of Grand Lodge officers for the following year. In an eloquent and forceful speech, Dr. Howard B. Kirtland, of San Luis Obispo, Calif., Lodge, No. 322, a Past President of the Calif. State Elks Assn., nominated L. A. Lewis of Anaheim, Calif., Lodge, No. 1345, as leader of the Order for the year 1947-48. His nomination was seconded by Judge Henry C. Wenzel, Jr., former Chief Justice of the Grand Forum and a member of Queens Borough, N. Y., Lodge. Mr. Lewis was unanimously and enthusiastically elected by the Grand Lodge delegates. In accepting this high office, Mr. Lewis delivered an address which was one of the most articulate and vital ever given before the Grand Lodge; its force and clarity have rarely been paralleled. The full text appears in this issue.

In a room decorated with fir trees, purple and white petunias and great clusters of gladiola, the incoming Grand Exalted Ruler received an ovation, unprecedented in recent years, from bands and marching delegations representing subordinate lodges from most of the West Coast.

After the stirring acceptance speech, further nominations were made in this order: P.D.D. Douglas E. Lambourne, of Salt Lake City, Utah, No. 849, a member of the Grand Lodge Distributions Committee, was nominated for the office of Grand Esteemed Leading Knight by D.D. Seth Billings, Provo, Utah, Lodge, No. 185. For Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight, Ronald J. Dunn, of Oneida, N. Y., Lodge, No. 767, was nominated by Judge John F. Scileppi, Past State Pres. and a member of Queens Borough, N. Y., Lodge. As Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight, H. H. Russell of Warrensburg, Mo., Lodge, No. 673, was nominated to office

under the aegis of J. R. Garrison of the same lodge. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Grakelow took great pleasure in nominating for reelection to the office of Grand Secretary, Past Grand Exalted Ruler J. E. Masters; this nomination, which was enthusiastically received, was seconded by P.D.D. Sidney A. Freudenstein of New Orleans, La., Lodge, No. 30. The ballot for this office was cast by Grand Chaplain Nuckolls and Mr. Masters was unanimously re-elected as Grand Secretary for the ensuing year.

For Grand Treasurer, the name of Joseph B. Kyle of Gary, Ind., Lodge, No. 1152, was placed in nomination by C. L. Shideler, Secretary of Terre Haute, Ind., Lodge, No. 86. This nomination was warmly seconded by Past Grand Exalted Ruler McClelland and met with the unanimous approval of the Grand Lodge.

Emory Hughes, of Minneapolis, Minn., Lodge, No. 44, was named to the office of Grand Tiler by William P. Faley, of St. Paul, Minn., Lodge, No. 59, and John F. Antwine of Birmingham, Ala., Lodge, No. 79, received the nomination as Grand Inner Guard from C. E. Shaver of Huntsville, Ala., Lodge, No. 1648.

Pres. Lee Donaldson of the Pa. State Elks Assn. asked for Howard R. Davis as a member of the Board of Grand Trustees for a term of five years. All these nominees, duly seconded, were unanimously elected to their respective offices.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Thompson, still acting as Grand Exalted Ruler for Mr. Broughton, moved that the place of meeting for the next Convention be left in the hands of the Grand Exalted Ruler and the Board of Grand Trustees, pleading that the Order of Elks and its yearly Conventions have grown so large that the choice of a place of convening requires serious deliberation.

P.E.R. Robert S. Farrell, Jr., Chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee on Judiciary and a member of Portland, Ore., Lodge, presented a resolution to this effect, which was subsequently adopted.

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION

THE next important conference of the Grand Lodge was opened by Grand Chaplain Nuckolls with an invocation, and followed with the report of the Grand Lodge Distributions Committee which was delivered by Horace R. Wisely, and then approved and adopted.

The report of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission was presented by the Chairman, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Campbell. This report appears elsewhere in this issue.

In presenting his report, Mr. Campbell summarized the events of the past year and the accomplishments of his Commission, giving credit to his fellow Commission members.

His supplementary report follows:

In our printed report this Commission, without recommendation as to allocation, turned over to the Grand Lodge the sum of \$200,000. At the time the report was prepared, it was thought that such amount was necessary to balance the budget. Since coming to Portland, we have been advised that

only \$150,000 is necessary for that purpose.

We therefore amend and supplement our report and turn over to the Grand Lodge out of the surplus earnings of *The Elks Magazine* the sum of \$200,000, with the recommendation that said \$200,000 be paid to the Grand Secretary at such time as he shall request, and be distributed as follows: \$150,000 to the General Fund of the Grand Lodge; \$50,000 to the Board of Grand Trustees to be a part of the "Grand Lodge Reserve Fund" subject to all the terms and conditions of the resolution creating such fund. When this \$50,000 is turned over, the aggregate amount in such Reserve Fund will be \$350,000.

The next order of business was the reading of the report of the Elks National Foundation, through the courtesy of Chairman John F. Malley, who summarized the activities of this body and gave credit to the members of the Order who had contributed to the magnificent success of the Foundation's program. Excerpts from this report, necessarily abbreviated owing to space limitations, follow:

Report of the Elks National Foundation Trustees

Current Year

Although this report covers only eleven months, total receipts amount to \$286,309.16, which exceeds by \$34,550.33 the best year previously reported. On April 30, 1947, our principal fund was \$1,557,973.43.

Donations came from sources as follows:

<i>Honorary Founders' Certificates</i>	
New subscriptions from 113 lodges.....	\$ 34,288.00
New subscription from 1 State Association	100.00
New subscriptions from 3 District Associations	1,200.00
New subscriptions from 1 P.E.R. Association	100.00
New subscriptions from 16 individuals	8,000.00
New subscriptions from 4 miscellaneous groups	1,800.00

<i>Permanent Benefactors</i>	
153 new Permanent Benefactor subscriptions from lodges.....	100,245.00
13 new Permanent Benefactor subscriptions from State Associations	6,950.00
1 new Permanent Benefactor subscription from District Association	200.00
2 new Permanent Benefactor subscriptions from individuals	2,000.00
One Bequest	438.16
Payments on account of existing subscriptions	111,591.00
Miscellaneous contributions	19,397.00
	\$286,309.16

We attribute the success of our promotional program to the complete and enthusiastic cooperation which we have received from Grand Exalted Ruler Charles E. Broughton, his District Deputies, the officials of the State Associations and many other members of our Order.

All State Associations except one are subscribers for Honorary Founders' Certificates, and all the subordinate lodges except 136 are similarly enrolled. A substantial percentage of the fully-paid Honorary Founders have made additional subscriptions to become Perma-

ment Benefactors. Individual members in ever-increasing numbers are coming to the support of the Foundation by subscribing as Honorary Founders, Permanent Benefactors or Participating Members, or by making good-will donations.

Appreciation

Pennsylvania leads in current contributions to the Foundation. From within that State we received during the eleven-month period \$41,438.16, increasing the total contributions of Pennsylvania to \$163,364.07.

California is second with current period contributions amounting to \$38,351, bringing the total contributions of California to \$131,975.75.

North Dakota is the only State with all lodges and its State Association on our rolls as fully-paid Honorary Founders and Permanent Benefactors. This result was obtained by the enthusiastic advocacy of District Deputy John K. Kennelly with the assistance of Grand Trustee Sam Stern.

California South Central, responding to the excellent promotional efforts of District Deputy T. F. McCue, made a conspicuous record, providing fifteen Permanent Benefactor subscriptions, one Honorary Founder subscription and one Participating Membership subscription, totaling \$14,500 in money contributions. This was the top score of the Districts throughout the country.

Pennsylvania North Central District, under the leadership of District Deputy John H. Bennett, was a close second, with sixteen Permanent Benefactor subscriptions, one Honorary Founder subscription and twenty-one Participating Membership subscriptions, making the total money contributions from this district \$13,545.

Massachusetts West came in third with total donations amounting to \$10,724.50. This was brought about through a unique promotional method put in operation by District Deputy Morton O. Chamberlin, the objective of which was to enroll the individual members in the "Golden Book of Elkdom". He obtained individual contributions amounting to \$8,674.50, the largest amount obtained from individual donations in any district.

The Pennsylvania Elks Association was most cooperative in its campaign to obtain individual membership subscriptions. The officers of the State Association and the District Deputies, aided by F. J. Schrader, Assistant to the Grand Secretary, promoted the plan enthusiastically with excellent results. District Deputy George A. Lessig of the Southeast District was top man with 89 subscriptions from his district, 82 of which came from members of his home lodge Pottstown No. 814.

At the last Grand Lodge Session the District Deputies serving under Grand Exalted Ruler David Sholtz and also the District Deputies serving under Grand Exalted Ruler Wade H. Kepner demonstrated their enthusiasm for the Foundation by becoming subscribers for Honorary Founders' Certificates. Later, District Deputy Leon J. Buckley organized the District Deputies serving under Grand Exalted Ruler Broughton

and promoted the plan for this group to become subscribers for both Honorary Founder and Permanent Benefactor Certificates. At the close of our fiscal period \$1,170 had been contributed in pursuance of this plan.

Brother George W. Loudermilk of Dallas, Texas, was very successful in promoting subscriptions for individual Honorary Founders' Certificates among his friends in Texas and added six new names to this group of subscribers.

There was excellent promotional work by many other District Deputies.

Eighteen of the 48 States show every lodge recorded as a subscriber for an Honorary Founders' Certificate.

California	Nebraska
Connecticut	New Hampshire
Delaware	North Dakota
Idaho	Pennsylvania
Iowa	Rhode Island
Maine	South Dakota
Maryland	Utah
Massachusetts	Vermont
Michigan	Virginia

Close competitors for similar distinction are the following:

New York	with 89	enrolled out of 91 lodges.
Illinois	83	" " " 84
Indiana	64	" " " 65
Wisconsin	34	" " " 35
Oregon	26	" " " 27
Minnesota	23	" " " 24
West Virginia	19	" " " 20
Montana	17	" " " 19
Arizona	15	" " " 16
Tennessee	11	" " " 12
New Mexico	9	" " " 10
Nevada	7	" " " 8

Georgia led the States with fifteen new lodge subscriptions, with Illinois in second place with fourteen new subscriptions.

1320 lodges are now subscribers for Honorary Founders' Certificates.

801 of these are fully-paid Founders. 46 State Associations are now subscribers for Honorary Founders' Certificates.

39 of these are fully-paid Founders. 80 individual Elks have subscribed for Honorary Founders' Certificates, including 15 of the living Past Grand Exalted Rulers.

60 of these individual subscribers are fully-paid Founders.

295 Permanent Benefactor subscriptions from lodges are recorded. 158 of these are fully-paid Benefactors.

17 State Associations are now subscribers for Permanent Benefactor Certificates.

7 of these are fully-paid Benefactors.

3 individual members are fully-paid Permanent Benefactors.

Many have availed themselves of the opportunity to enroll as supporters of the Foundation following the announcement that a Participating Certificate and bronze token or watch chain charm, symbolic of the Elks National Foundation, would be given to any member who donated \$100 to the Fund. Many more have subscribed for Participating Certificates and are making payments in monthly or annual installments. If a substantial percentage of our large membership will form the habit of

making occasional donations, the principal fund will be doubled in a relatively short period of time.

Income Account

June 1, 1946		
Balance		\$13,014.94
Income received during 11-month period ended April 30, 1947		
Bond Interest..	\$17,474.22	
Dividends	23,145.52	
		\$40,619.74
Transferred to Security Depreciation Reserve	4,061.98	36,557.76
Available for distribution		\$49,572.70
Distributions		38,275.00
April 30, 1947		
Balance		\$11,297.70

EXPENSES

Nothing is deducted from the income of the Foundation to defray administrative expenses. The cost of administration for the period reported, paid out of Grand Lodge appropriation, amounted to \$11,297.45.

In addition to our principal fund of \$1,557,973.43, we have a Security Depreciation Offset Fund amounting to \$55,187.08. This Reserve is to provide for possible losses from sale or redemption of securities and possible loss of premiums in lieu of amortization. All moneys accumulated in this Fund are invested exclusively in Government securities. When added to our principal fund, it brings our capital assets to \$1,613,160.51.

DISTRIBUTIONS

To State Associations

Distributions from the available income during the past year to assist the activities of the State Associations have been made as follows:

<i>Hospitalization</i>		
Arizona Elks Association for tubercular hospital at Tucson	\$ 875.00	
Ohio Elks Association for hospital program	300.00	
		\$ 1,175.00
<i>Crippled Children Rehabilitation</i>		
Florida State Elks Association	\$ 500.00	
Georgia State Elks Association	300.00	
Idaho State Elks Association	300.00	
Nebraska State Elks Association	300.00	
New Jersey State Elks Association	600.00	
Texas Elks Association	300.00	
Vermont State Elks Association	300.00	
West Virginia Elks Association	300.00	
		2,900.00

Educational Funds

California Elks Association	\$ 500.00
Colorado Elks Association	300.00
Connecticut Elks Association	300.00
Illinois Elks Association	300.00
Indiana Elks Association	300.00
Iowa Elks Association	300.00
Massachusetts Elks Association	1,000.00
Michigan Elks Association	300.00

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Montana Elks Association	300.00	
New York State Elks Association	1,200.00	
Oregon Elks Association	300.00	
Pennsylvania Elks Association	1,200.00	
Utah Elks Association	300.00	
Wisconsin Elks Association	300.00	6,900.00
Children's Homes and Camps		
Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia Elks Association	300.00	
North Carolina Elks Association	300.00	
Virginia Elks Association	300.00	900.00
Welfare Work		
Minnesota State Elks Association	500.00	500.00
		12,375.00
<i>For Scholarships allocated to States or equivalent amount for special use:</i>		
Alabama		
Scholarship to Mary Ann Gentry, Montgomery	300.00	
Arizona		
Scholarship to Margaret Anne Allee, Tucson	300.00	
California		
Scholarship to Kenneth V. Shaffer, Berkeley	300.00	
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Scholarship to Richard H. Morris, Oakland	300.00	
Connecticut		
Scholarship to Thomas F. Smith, Naugatuck	300.00	
Florida		
Scholarship to Marvel Vaughn, Winter Haven	300.00	
Georgia		
Scholarship to Phyllis Helen Saraf, Savannah	300.00	
Idaho		
Scholarship to Paula E. Gaut, Lewistown	300.00	
Illinois		
Scholarship to Vaughn Hayes Kaley, Flat Rock	300.00	
Scholarship to Jo Anne Fisherkeller, Lincoln	300.00	
Indiana		
Scholarship to Winifred Able, Seymour	300.00	
Scholarship to Joseph Sabastian Lauber, Indianapolis	300.00	
Iowa		
Scholarship to Willis Dean Curell, Boone	300.00	
Kansas		
Scholarship to Eugene Lloyd Carter, Garden City	300.00	
Kentucky		
For use in Tuberculosis Program	300.00	
Maine		
For use in Crippled Children Program	300.00	
Massachusetts		
Scholarship to Amelia M. Cardillo, Waltham	300.00	
Scholarship for award by United Prison Association	300.00	
Michigan		
Scholarship to Herbert Smith, Kalamazoo	300.00	
Scholarship to Virginia Tazelaar, Grand Rapids	300.00	
Missouri		
Scholarship to Edith Ann Bruch, Warrensburg	300.00	
Montana		
Scholarship to Lois Rachel Ibsen, Missoula	300.00	
Nebraska		
Scholarship to Carol Virginia Smith, Omaha	300.00	
Nevada		
For use in Crippled Children Program	300.00	
New Hampshire		
For use at Golden Rule Farm for Boys	300.00	
New Jersey		
Scholarship to Frank Turkot, Woodlyne	300.00	
New Mexico		
Scholarship to Emmett C. Usinger, Silver City	300.00	
North Carolina		
Scholarship to Robert B. Payne, Gastonia	300.00	
North Dakota		
For use in educational program	300.00	
Ohio		
Scholarship to Harold Urschel, Jr., Bowling Green	300.00	
Oklahoma		
Scholarship to James D. Hembree, Jr., Muskogee	300.00	
Oregon		
Scholarship to James A. Wells, Waldport	300.00	
Pennsylvania		
Scholarship to Frank Brown, Jr., Renovo	300.00	
Scholarship to Patricia Wagner, Watsonville	300.00	
Scholarship to Francis D. McCarthy, Williamsport	300.00	
Rhode Island		
Scholarship to Claire Agnes Quinlan, Westerly	300.00	
South Carolina		
Scholarship to Mary Joyce Edwards, Charleston	300.00	
South Dakota		
Scholarship to Milo Leland Brekke, Sioux Falls	300.00	
Tennessee		
Scholarship to Patricia Spencer Rees, Johnson City	300.00	
Texas		
Scholarship to Barbara Belle Brooks, Amarillo	300.00	
Utah		
For use in educational program	300.00	
Vermont		
For use at Goshen Camp for Crippled Children	300.00	
Virginia		
Scholarship to Anne Marie Hardin, Richmond	300.00	
Washington		
Scholarship to James E. Rosensweig, Longview	300.00	
West Virginia		
Scholarship to Kenneth F. Koon, Wheeling	300.00	
Wyoming		
Scholarship to Amelia Potochnik, Rock Springs	300.00	
Scholarships for 1946-47 paid after the close of the fiscal year ending May 31, 1946, in accordance with requests made prior thereto, are shown as expenditures of the current year thusly:		
Alaska		
John Frederick Prouty, Juneau	300.00	
Colorado		
Raymond Heisler, Glenwood Springs	300.00	
Hawaii		
Julia K. Stewart, Honolulu	300.00	
Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia		
Arta Carolina Olson, Hagerstown	300.00	
Ohio		
June E. Johnston, Coshocton	300.00	
Wisconsin		
Barbara Peterson, Antigo	300.00	15,900.00
Colorado, Delaware, Maryland and District of Columbia, Louisiana, Minnesota, New York and Wisconsin have made request for their 1946-47 allotments. However, since payment thereof had not been made at the close of our books on April 30, 1947, they do not appear as expenditures of this report.		
		\$28,275.00
Summary of Distributions 1946-47		
To State Associations	\$12,375.00	
For scholarships allocated to States or equivalent for special use	15,900.00	
Most Valuable Student Prize Awards for 1946 (To appear in September issue.)	10,000.00	
		\$38,275.00

Most Valuable Student Contest Prizes, 1947

In the November issue of *The Elks Magazine*, the Elks National Foundation Trustees announced an offer of \$8,000 in cash prizes to be awarded to the "Most Valuable Students" of the school year 1946-47 as follows:

	Boys	Girls
First Prize.....	\$ 700	\$ 700
Second Prize.....	600	600
Third Prize.....	500	500
Fourth Prize.....	400	400
Fifth Prize.....	300	300
Five \$200 awards.....	1000	1000
Five \$100 awards.....	500	500

These prizes were offered to the students of the Country who are outstanding in scholarship attainment, in character, in citizenship and in extra curricular activities. Any student in the senior or graduating class of a high or preparatory school, or in an undergraduate class of a recognized college, and resident within the jurisdiction of the Order, was eligible to become a candidate for these awards.

We instructed the students to file their applications with the Secretary of the State Association of their resident State on or before March 1, 1947. Each State Association which was a subscriber in good standing for an Honorary Founders' Certificate as of January 1, 1947, was permitted to endorse and submit one application, and also permitted to endorse and submit additional applications up to the quota allotted to its State. This quota was based upon the total contributions to the Foundation from all sources within the State as of December 1, 1946.

Emergency Educational Fund

This fund to assist children of Elks killed or incapacitated in World War II was established by resolution adopted at the Grand Lodge Session in Chicago in August, 1944.

We have to report that we have received no applications for assistance from this fund up to the present.

At the conclusion of Mr. Malley's report, so much enthusiasm was aroused that several generous contributions were made to the Foundation by individual members, lodges and State Associations. A complete list of these donors will appear in our September issue.

Both Mr. Campbell's and Mr. Malley's reports were unanimously approved and accepted by the Grand Lodge, before its adjournment for the annual observance of the Grand Lodge of Sorrow, an account of which will also appear in the September issue of the Magazine.

THIRD BUSINESS SESSION

On behalf of Mr. Broughton, Dr. Edward J. McCormick took the gavel and introduced Mr. Tom C. Clark, Attorney General of the United States, and a member of Dallas, Tex., Lodge, No. 71, who was greeted with prolonged, rising applause. The Attorney General delivered a forceful and stirring address which brought home to the delegates the importance of their obligations as citizens and leaders of their respective communities. Mr. Clark's address was

received with the enthusiasm it deserved. It was an address that did much to promulgate the program of the Department of Justice toward the decentralization of governmental powers, furtherance of State rights and the abolition of bureaucracy.

Attorney General Clark played a patriotic phonograph record which was heard for the first time, sung by Bing Crosby and written by Irving Berlin, and which, the Attorney General said, would sweep the country in a few weeks.

To overcome subversive forces which face us, Mr. Clark suggested the organization of a "Freedom Train" for a tour of the country, carrying to the people the original documents of our Government for which Americans have expended so much. Mr. Clark's appeal to the Elks for the heritage of freedom was received with whole-hearted response.

A resolution, which accompanies this account of the Convention proceedings, was presented by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Malley, under the title, "Heritage of Freedom".

Resolution on Sponsorship of the Freedom Train

WHEREAS the American Heritage Foundation, realizing that subversive forces in various guises seek to undermine our democratic structure, and that demagogues and bigots are carrying on their destructive game of setting one group of Americans against another, has launched a comprehensive program of education in the ideals and practices of American democracy, to develop greater and more responsible participation by American citizens in the affairs of their Government, and to inculcate in the youth of America a full appreciation of the heritage of which they will be the trustees tomorrow; and

WHEREAS this program contemplates the utilization of all media of communication, education and community action in a national program that will emphasize and dramatize the common heritage of every American—our system of democratic government, based on individual freedom, rededicate our citizens to this American Heritage and thus immunize Americans against subversive propaganda and strengthen them for the constructive tasks ahead; and

WHEREAS a plan has been developed to sponsor the national tour of a Freedom Train, now being constructed as a national shrine to house about one hundred original documents of American history, upon which the development of American democracy and civil rights is based; to cause the Freedom Train to visit approximately two hundred communities in all of the forty-eight States during a tour beginning in September, 1947, and, in connection with the tour of the Freedom Train, to have every community visited proclaim and organize a community rededication week, to be climaxed by the arrival of the Train, and has summoned our citizenry and all American organizations to participate in these revival meetings for American democracy, and

WHEREAS our Order, which, since its inception, by preachment and prac-

tice, has promoted American ideals, responded to every call for service to our beloved country and its democratic institutions and fought against every subversive influence, now recognized in the plan and proposed performance of the American Heritage Foundation a dramatization of its own principles and purposes and an opportunity for greater service to our country and to humanity;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it Resolved that the Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America, in Annual Session at Portland, Oregon, gives full approval to the American Heritage Foundation and the objectives and plan which it has promulgated, pledges the more than nine hundred thousand American citizens who constitute the membership of our Order to patriotic participation in the program of rededication to American tradition and ideals, and requests enthusiastic and effective action by the officers and Committeemen of the Grand Lodge, the State Associations and the subordinate lodges, and of each member of our Order, to the end that the letter and spirit of this resolution may be fulfilled.

THIS resolution was adopted unanimously by a standing vote.

Dr. McCormick then recognized Past Grand Exalted Ruler James T. Hallinan, Chairman of the Elks National Veterans Service Commission, who submitted his Commission's report in a stirring and thought-provoking address, telling in specific detail of the outstanding work done by the Order through this Commission. He then brought to the attention of the audience particular examples of work performed by maimed and paralyzed veterans through the assistance of the Elks—a watch made by a handicapped boy was presented to newly-elected Grand Exalted Ruler Lewis, and another to Judge Hallinan. A wallet, fashioned by one of these veterans, was given to Mr. Broughton.

These presentations were followed by a recommendation made by Judge Hallinan that the per capita tax of the 900,000 Elks be increased 15c per year to aid this Commission's program. The recommendation was received with the complete support of the delegates, and was passed unanimously.

Judge Hallinan's report follows:

Report of the Elks National Veterans Service Commission

THE major activity of the Elks National Veterans Service Commission during the year has been to continue the Hospital Program that had been organized under the direction of the Elks War Commission.

Two years have passed since World War II ended. Over 12,000,000 men and women made up our armed forces during that struggle. Of this number 150,000 returned to become patients in the hospitals located throughout our land, many of whom are still patients in such institutions. As our records disclose, the hospitals of America are now caring for approximately 125,000 war veterans.

The Elks National Veterans Service Commission, appreciating the responsi-

bility of the members of our Order to the sick and wounded, continued and augmented the Hospital Program initiated by the Elks War Commission, and through the continued cooperation of our State Associations and subordinate lodges, the greater part of our activity during the past year has been confined to programs lightening the burdens of the hospitalized veteran and endeavoring by our visits to impress upon each patient the continued interest of our Order in his welfare and the recovery of his or her health and strength.

We are providing a variety of entertainment in 152 hospitals located in 41 States. List of States and number of hospitals in each State follows:

State	No. of Hospitals
Alabama	1
Arkansas	2
California	18
Colorado	1
Connecticut	1
Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia	12
Florida	4
Georgia	2
Illinois	7
Indiana	4
Iowa	4
Kansas	2
Kentucky	2
Louisiana	1
Maine	1
Massachusetts	12
Michigan	6
Minnesota	3
Mississippi	1
Missouri	2
Montana	1
Nebraska	1
New Hampshire	1
New Jersey	3
New York	8
North Carolina	3
North Dakota	1
Ohio	7
Oklahoma	2
Oregon	1
Pennsylvania	6
Rhode Island	1
South Carolina	2
South Dakota	1
Tennessee	4
Texas	5
Vermont	1
Virginia	7
Washington	8
Wisconsin	3

The programs differ according to patient and hospital requirements and consist of professional and amateur entertainment, bingo games, card parties, baseball and football games, theater parties, fishing trips, visits to athletic events, occupational therapy, and Christmas parties.

Unfortunately, many of the organizations which were active in this field during the war have lost interest. To them the war is over. They have forgotten the sick and injured veterans, and because of this, our continued interest in this program becomes more important and more deeply appreciated by the veterans and the hospital personnel.

During the past year we have furnished approximately 2,000 programs,

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not including special entertainment furnished in hospital wards. Nor does this include the many separate programs that have been furnished by our many subordinate lodges at their own expense, such lodges having spent thousands of dollars on these programs without any financial assistance from the Elks National Veterans Service Commission.

These lodges deserve, and we gratefully express to them, our thanks for their generous contributions to the Hospital Entertainment Committee.

Recognizing the work that our Order is doing in behalf of the veterans, the Veterans Administration has honored us in naming our organization a member of the Veterans Administration Voluntary Service National Advisory Committee. We were represented at a two-day conference held at Washington, D. C., on June 2nd and 3rd.

Grand Exalted Ruler Charles E. Broughton appointed the Chairman of the Elks National Veterans Service Commission to represent our Order on this Board.

The National Committee has divided the United States into thirteen districts and each member organization of the national body is entitled to a member on each District Committee.

Carrying the organization further, a Committee is set up in each community where a Veterans Hospital is located and we are also entitled to representation on each local Committee to cooperate in planning all activities.

We believe when the selection of these Committees has been completed, we will be able to increase our services to the veterans materially.

The activities of the Elks National Veterans Service Commission during the past year have been financed by moneys contributed to the Elks War Fund by the subordinate lodges, augmented by a contribution of \$100,000.00 from the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission. No request was made for voluntary contribution from the lodges this year. True, we have received \$71,613.72 in contributions from subordinate lodges, but this represents unpaid balances of their quotas to the War Fund for the years, 1942, 1943, 1944 and 1945. All lodges which completed their payments have received a beautiful Certificate of Appreciation. Any lodge which hasn't met its full quota and desires to do so now will also receive its Certificate. Our hospital work is not ended and may not be for years to come, for many of our servicemen will be confined for an indefinite period.

MANILA

During the past year the conditions in Manila have not changed, building materials and labor are still difficult to obtain, and Manila Lodge continues to function in temporary quarters.

GUAM

Last December an unofficial survey was made of conditions in Guam by Alfred C. Latte, Secretary of Honolulu Lodge, who spent several weeks in Agana on personal business. While there, Brother Latte found that there

were only ten members of Agana Lodge No. 1281 residing on the Island and that of the ten only four were able to attend a meeting called by him to discuss the future of Agana Lodge. Lack of transportation was the reason for absence given by the other members.

Briefly, Brother Latte's report indicates that there are several hundred Elks employed on the Island at the present time, members from practically every State. These men are on contract to remain one to two years.

The citizens of Guam are ineligible for membership. Under the present Navy ruling, only citizens may operate business. This eliminates any possibility, for the present at least, of having permanent residents on the Island who are eligible for membership in our Order. With only ten former members on the Island, none of whom seems willing to assume the responsibility of leadership, and with no possibility of increasing this number under present conditions, it seems advisable to hold in abeyance the reorganization of Agana Lodge awaiting future developments pertaining to making the Guamanians American citizens. This, of course, would not mean that the natives would be eligible for membership, but it would open the Island to American citizens who desire to do business and would make it their permanent home.

RECRUITING

During the past year the subordinate lodges of our Order have maintained the splendid record that we have made in all efforts in recruitments during the war and are continuing their efforts to secure 30,000 young men monthly to volunteer in this service.

Since the end of Selective Service on March 31st our assistance has been more in demand than it had been in previous months and our response has been prompt and effective.

We have received from the War Department a letter expressing its appreciation for our efforts and urging us to continue our efforts toward stimulating recruiting. This letter appears on page 50 of this issue.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Frank J. Lonergan of Portland Lodge then announced the presence of General Mark Clark on the floor. This statement was acknowledged with a roar of welcome from the delegates who arose and cheered as he was escorted to the stage and introduced by Judge Hallinan.

General Clark delivered an address which was significant in its wide-awake approach to foreign events. Pulling no punches, the General said that, in his view, the Soviet Union has thoroughly obstructed the settlement of the European peace and obviously intends to continue its hindering tactics. General Clark exposed a condition that is shattering the dream of world peace. His words, while shocking, gave a definite blueprint of an explosive situation. General Clark recommended most strongly that universal military training be adopted by the United States, and made this recommendation unequivocal.

At the conclusion of General Mark Clark's powerful speech, Dr. McCor-

mick introduced Past Grand Exalted Ruler Charles S. Hart who recited many of the quotations of Admiral Chester A. Nimitz in relation to his suggestion that the Order of Elks establish more firmly its stewardship of the Boy Scout Movement of America. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Hart delivered a forceful speech recommending the sponsorship by the B. P. O. E. of branches of the organization known as the Boy Scouts of America. He gave many instances of leadership and aid already practiced in this regard by many subordinate lodges. He pointed out this country's need for an organization such as the Boy Scouts. He said there is not sufficient sponsorship to supply leaders for the 700,000 Scouts who want to join each year. There are countless youngsters who need this interest and the leadership which can be given them by the Order of Elks. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Hart spoke with such sincerity and obvious conviction that his recommendation met with the spontaneous approval of all the delegates. The Elks committed themselves to following this movement of the American Boy Scouts. A resolution, requested by Mr. Hart and made by Past Grand Exalted Ruler E. Mark Sullivan, was unanimously carried.

Resolution on Sponsorship of Boy Scout Troops

BE IT Resolved by the Grand Lodge of Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, acting in accordance with recommendations to this session, contained in the report of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Hart and in the address of acceptance by Brother L. A. Lewis, Grand Exalted Ruler-elect, that the Grand Lodge earnestly recommends to the subordinate lodges of the Order that they enthusiastically participate in and support the program of sponsoring and leading Boy Scout troops within their respective jurisdictions, and urge them to give special consideration to the needs of Scout work in less privileged neighborhoods and districts.

The supplementary report of the Elks National Foundation Trustees was delivered by Vice-Chairman Benjamin, whose fine report concerning the scholarship winners will appear in the next issue of the Magazine. First prize of \$700 went to James D. Hembree, Jr., who was present to make a clever acceptance speech. The first prize-winner among the girls was Mary S. Firra. Both of these young people aroused the enthusiasm of the Grand Lodge by their records and personality.

Chairman Robert S. Farrell, Jr., of the Grand Lodge Committee on Judiciary, took the opportunity to deliver the report of his Committee, excerpts from which follow:

Report of the Judiciary Committee

WE FEEL that some of the delays and much of the correspondence could have been avoided had the subordinate lodges, in submitting revisions of their By-Laws or amendments to their By-Laws for approval, first examined and studied the current edition of the Guide By-Laws as supplied to

them by the Grand Secretary's office. Approximately one-third of the lodges, in submitting amended or revised By-Laws for approval, failed to follow the directions as shown in the Guide By-Laws and especially failed to include with the amendments or revisions the certificate of the Exalted Ruler and the Secretary showing the action of the lodge in regard to the adoption of the proposed amendments or revisions. Forms for these certificates are found on pages 22 and 23 of the Guide By-Laws.

At the end of each Grand Lodge Session where statutory changes are made, an up-to-date edition of the Guide By-Laws, including such changes, is sent to each subordinate lodge by the Grand Secretary's office. A review of the files of this Committee indicates that many of the subordinate lodges have not taken the necessary steps to bring their local By-Laws up to date.

Also, many lodges apparently do not keep a supply of their own By-Laws for current use. During the year at various times your Chairman, upon receipt of a question, has written to a subordinate lodge and asked for a copy of its By-Laws in order that reference might be made to them before rendering an opinion. In some of these instances the Secretary of the lodge or the Exalted Ruler has written back that they were unable to find a copy of their By-Laws in their own files or they have sent on an old copy, vintage of the late 1920's or early 1930's, and stated that this was the only copy in existence and asked that it be returned to them. It is suggested that all lodges bring their By-Laws completely up to date.

During the past year many of the lodges have amended their By-Laws by providing for an increase in initiation fees. The Committee feels that at this time it should bring to the attention of the subordinate lodges again that while this may appear to be a minor matter to the subordinate lodges and one for local consideration only, said new initiation fee cannot be considered to be in effect or in any force at all until the approval of the Chairman of the Judiciary Committee has been given, and we therefore urge all subordinate lodges to forward such amendments to the Chairman as soon as the same have been properly adopted, and also to remind the lodges that in giving approval, the Chairman cannot allow the change to become retroactive and that the new fee cannot be considered to be in effect until the date of approval.

The following matters were referred to our Committee and we submit them to you with our recommendations. Following the usual custom, it is suggested that objections to the recommendations, if any, be made at the time the same are read and that those matters to which objections are made may then be considered separately after the remainder of this report is completed and acted upon:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS: At various times Incorporated Municipalities, by annexation proceedings and vote of the people, annex to such municipali-

ties certain contiguous territory wherein a Chartered Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is located.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That in the event such contiguous territory, within which is located a Chartered Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is by such annexation included within the boundary lines of such Incorporated Municipality, such annexation of territory shall have no effect upon the legality of the existing lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks located within the territory annexed.

AMENDMENT TO SECTION 209 G.L.S.

During the past year your Committee has received many requests for opinions interpreting Section 209 of the Grand Lodge Statutes. As presently written we find that this section is not consistent with the other provisions of the Grand Lodge Statutes in regard to the appointment, removal, or term of office of committee members appointed by the Exalted Rulers of the subordinate lodges in that under this section a subordinate lodge may provide for staggered terms for the House Committee. Your Committee feels that this is not only inconsistent with the general law of the Order, but also that Exalted Rulers of the subordinate lodges should have the right to work by, through and with committees of their own appointment in putting into effect the lodge program for the year. Your Committee therefore recommends that Section 209 of the Grand Lodge Statutes be amended so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 209. If such home or club be not incorporated, it shall be managed and controlled under any one of the following methods:

1. By the elective officers, including the trustees of the lodge; or
2. By the trustees of the lodge; or
3. By a house committee or board of governors to be appointed by the Exalted Ruler for that purpose.

The method of home or club government, adopted by a lodge shall be specified in its by-laws.

The Governing Board of the Home or Club shall have the power to suspend

a member from Club privileges, for violation of Club Rules, after notice to such member and a hearing before such Governing Board."

At the conclusion of his report and recommendations, Chairman Bert A. Thompson, of the Grand Lodge Activities Committee, delivered a short report of his Committee, accounting for its stewardship during the past year. Excerpts are as follows:

Report of the Lodge Activities Committee

THIS year our Committee has endeavored to be of assistance to the subordinate lodges by sending out a series of communications which by word and picture have given to exalted rulers, ideas and activities which have been used in many lodges.

The suggestion was made to lodges early in the year that the dues of veterans going to school under the G.I. Bill might be remitted in order to help them obtain an education and at the same time keep them in good standing in the Elks. The response to this suggestion indicates that this is now almost a universal practice among the lodges.

A new activity was started this year in the nature of a lodge bulletin contest. One hundred and sixty-five entries were received, all of which have been on display in the registration room in the Convention headquarters hotel.

As a result of this emphasis on lodge bulletins, many lodges have started new bulletins and improvement can be noted in many lodge publications.

In setting up the contest we divided the lodges into three classes. Those with a membership below 500, from 501 to 1000, and over 1000. Between 50 and 60 entries were received in each class. First, second and third place awards have been awarded in each class.

In the course of his report, Mr. Thompson's proposal to waive Elks dues of the GI students received enthusiastic support of the Grand Lodge.

Another announcement of Mr. Thompson's was the results of the Bulletin Contest held by his Committee among those lodges which produce official publications.

A summary of this contest appears in the box below:

LODGE BULLETIN CONTEST WINNERS

	Lodge No.	Editor
<i>0-500</i>		
1st 1192 News—Fairfield, Ia.	1192	Claude Carter
2nd Four-one-Eight-News—Charles City, Ia.	418	D. B. Rhinesmith
3rd Elks Bugle—Three Rivers, Mich.	1248	Robert C. VanHorn
<i>500-1000</i>		
1st The Sault-Elk—Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.	552	Charles Payment
2nd Elkaster—Sioux City, Ia.	112	Harry E. Harbeck
3rd Auld Lang Syne—Oregon City, Ore.	1189	Wm. Lamber, Jr.
<i>1000 and over</i>		
1st Ninety Nine—Los Angeles, Calif.	99	Gerry Donahue
2nd Temple Chimes—Boise, Idaho	310	George C. Young C. H. Enkling
3rd The Flashlight—Denver, Colo.	19	Francis S. Mancine

Plaques were presented to winning lodges and pen and pencil sets suitably inscribed, were presented to the editors. Certificates of merit suitable for framing were presented to all lodges who sent in entries.

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At the conclusion of Mr. Thompson's report, the Grand Lodge adjourned until 9:45 the following morning.

FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION

THE final Session opened on July 17th with the customary invocation by Grand Chaplain Nuckolls, and after several routine matters Grand Exalted Ruler Broughton presented various members of the Board of Grand Trustees. Chairman John E. Drummey presented the following resolution:

BE It Resolved, that the proper officers of the Grand Lodge be, and they are hereby, authorized to provide out of the appropriations of general assistance, a contingent fund of \$1,000 for the use of the Grand Exalted Ruler so that the general assistance donations may be made without loss of time.

BE It Resolved, that the proper officers of the Grand Lodge be authorized to provide out of the appropriation for expense of the Elks National Foundation Trustees, a contingent fund of \$2,000 for the use of the Chairman of the said Trustees that the Trustees may function without loss of time.

BE It Resolved, that the proper officers of the Grand Lodge be, and hereby are, authorized to provide out of the emergency charity fund a contingent fund of \$2,500 for the use of the Grand Exalted Ruler so that in emergency donations therefrom may be made without delay.

BE It Resolved, that the proper officers of the Grand Lodge be, and hereby are, authorized to provide out of the appropriations of the National Memorial and Publication Commission to carry on its public relations and public service for the Grand Lodge a contingent fund of \$5,000 for the use of the Commission that the Commission may function without the loss of time.

THESE resolutions were unanimously adopted.

George I. Hall, Vice-Chairman and Secretary of the Board of Grand Trustees, read a resolution granting a pension of \$175 a month to Miss Louise Zillig, employed for 35 years in the office of the Grand Secretary and now compelled to retire on account of ill health. This resolution was adopted on motion and unanimously carried. The gratitude of the Grand Lodge to Miss Zillig for her many years of faithful service was amply manifested in the presentation of this resolution and discussion thereon.

Mr. Hall presented several other routine resolutions which were unanimously approved and adopted by the Grand Lodge. He then announced the final budget for the following year of estimated receipts and expenses. The Committee's recommendation was unanimously approved and adopted.

Hugh W. Hicks, of Jackson, Tenn., Lodge, No. 192, a member of the Board of Grand Trustees, followed Mr. Hall by reciting applications for new charters. The details of these recitations appear in the report of the Board printed elsewhere in this issue. The Board's recommendations were received and approved.

Grand Trustee Howard R. Davis offered a resolution as follows:

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section 15, Article 3 of the Constitution, and Section 49 of the Grand Lodge Statutes, there are hereby fixed and assessed upon each member of the Order as of April 1, 1948, annual dues in the amount of \$1.45; that of the amount so fixed and assessed, \$1.00 for each Elk on its rolls of membership as of April 1 shall be paid by each subordinate lodge on or before May 1, 1948, for the expense of publishing and distributing the national journal known as *The Elks Magazine*, and the sum is hereby appropriated for that purpose; and of the amount so fixed and assessed, 30c for each Elk on its roll of membership as of April 1, shall be paid by each subordinate lodge on or before May 1, 1948, to meet the expenses of the Grand Lodge including the maintenance of the Elks National Home, and the same is hereby appropriated for such purpose, and of the amount so fixed and assessed, 15c for each member on its roll of membership as of April 1 should be paid by each subordinate lodge on or before May 1, 1948, to meet the expenses of the Elks National Veterans Service Commission, and the same is hereby appropriated for such purpose. This is an increase in the per capita tax to \$1.45 from \$1.30 this year, this action being made necessary by the action taken by this body yesterday afternoon.

THIS resolution was approved and unanimously adopted.

Chairman James A. Bresnahan of the State Associations Committee then announced the winners of the National Ritualistic Contest in which were entered 21 teams, the largest number in the Contest's history. Everett, Mass., Lodge, No. 642, won the first prize of \$500 with a score of 97.7996%; Sycamore, Ill., Lodge, No. 1392, second prize of \$250; Oakland, Calif., Lodge, No. 171, third prize of \$125; Gary, Ind., Lodge, No. 1152, fourth prize of \$75, and Decatur, Ga., Lodge, No. 1602, fifth prize of \$50. Mr. Bresnahan handed the prize to the Exalted Ruler of each team. He had already delivered the report of his Committee which had been accepted and approved, and excerpts from which appear below:

Report of the State Associations Committee

Emphasis was placed on the following projects:

INTERLODGE RITUALISTIC CONTESTS.

A COMPLETE RECORDING OF ALL ELK ACTIVITIES IN WORLD WAR II.

STATE ASSOCIATION SPONSORSHIP OF EXPANDED PROGRAMS OF INTERLODGE ACTIVITIES.

APPROVAL OF CONSTITUTIONS, BY-LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS OF STATE ASSOCIATIONS AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERE-TO.

PROMOTION OF INTEREST IN PERMANENT BENEFACTORS' CERTIFICATES TO THE ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION.

INAUGURATION OF A STATE AS-

SOCIATION PRESIDENTS' BREAKFAST MEETING AT THE GRAND LODGE SESSION.

NATIONAL RITUALISTIC CONTEST.

STATE ASSOCIATION CONVENTIONS.

SURVEY OF STATE ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES.

PREPARATION OF REPORT AS A HANDBOOK TO SERVE AS A SOURCE OF INFORMATION AND A GUIDE FOR FUTURE PLANNING.

Interlodge Ritualistic Contests

Exalted Rulers of subordinate lodges were requested to exhort their officers to dedicate a greater effort to more proficient exemplification of the Ritual, and advised relative to the Rules and Regulations which govern Ritualistic Contests.

The reports of State Association Secretaries gave evidence of an increased interest in interlodge and State contests, and States where such contests were discontinued during the war period reported a revival of interest and a resumption of this important competition.

Elk Activities in World War II

The fact-gathering and writing of a record of Elkdom's activities in World War II were initiated by Past Chairman, Howard Davis and his associates of the State Associations Committee.

Although it is a task of great magnitude, the State Associations Committee looks forward to accomplishing a patriotic and historic document.

Survey of State Association Activities

ALABAMA

Crippled Children's Fund

Efforts were expended in behalf of some 12,000 handicapped boys and girls who are crippled, or were paralyzed in the serious epidemic of Polio in that State.

The Association Scholastic Committee secured an outstanding student worthy of a scholarship award which was presented at the State Association Convention.

ARIZONA

State Elks Hospital

Major attention concentrated on the well-known Elks Tubercular Hospital at Tucson. Financial assistance in the amount of \$6,385 was extended to patients during the year and represents the difference between what the patients can afford to pay and the actual cost. \$5,000 was paid on the mortgage of \$20,000 and the Association hopes that the balance of \$15,000 will be paid off at the rate of \$5,000 per year.

ARKANSAS

Reorganization

This Elks Association is in process of reorganization. The Committee on By-laws has submitted its work for approval and this is a definite trend toward the early reorganization of a State Association in Arkansas.

CALIFORNIA

Rehabilitation of Veterans

California's Veterans Service Committee performed the highlight activity of this State Association program. Fourteen hospitals, with a capacity of 17,000 veterans were supplied with everything needed for all types of rehabilitation activity.

The Association has organized camera clubs; clubs for lapidary work; supplied hard wood for wood-turning and carving; furnished tanned hides for leather tooling; supplied old clocks and watches for jewelry repair, old radios for radio repair and feathers for fly-tying for the paraplegic cases who need occupational therapy.

COLORADO

Child Welfare Program

The Committee on Child Welfare has completed a thorough survey on juvenile delinquency, its causes and effects, and has recommended the immediate appointment of a Child Welfare Committee.

CONNECTICUT

Purchase of Bus

Connecticut Elks raised funds for purchase of a bus to transport crippled children to beaches and to other places of recreation in the vicinity of the Crippled Children's Home at Newington.

They sponsored a trip to the United States Military Academy at West Point for over one hundred and fifty high school students.

FLORIDA

Maintenance of Crippled Children's Home

The maintenance and support of the Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Home at Umatilla, Florida, has been the outstanding project. The operating expenses of the Home are approximately \$75,000 annually. There are 62 children there at this time.

GEORGIA

Membership Increase Through Ritualistic Work

Under the leadership of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Judge John S. McClelland, Georgia Elks have attained great efficiency in the proper exemplification of the Ritual. This is regarded as largely responsible for the great increase in membership.

IDAHO

Dedication of Crippled Children's Home

The Crippled Children's Home at Boise, costing over \$100,000.00 and recently dedicated was sponsored by the State Association.

ILLINOIS

Mid-Winter Round-Up

Sponsored a Bowling Congress and a Billiard Tournament with approximately 100 teams entered. Monthly entertainment programs in veterans' hospitals also were provided.

IOWA

Recreation for Veterans

Furnished vaudeville shows each month in each United States Veterans Hospital and provided:—

Recreational equipment—Cards, games, puzzles, machines, pool and billiard, athletic, radio, etc.

Recording machines—recordings of patients' voices are sent to members of family and friends.

Chapel with altar, drapes and organ. Baseball league with awards and dinner.

Electrical equipment for rehabilitation program.

Special entertainment programs.

Tobacco and candy.

INDIANA

Indiana Elks Chanters

The Indiana Elks Chanters have furnished many programs of entertainment for the veterans hospitals in Indiana. The Chanters average about three public performances a week and have done much to publicize Indiana Elkdom.

\$5,000 was contributed toward the installation of a five-channel radio set which covers the entire Veterans Hospital at Marion.

KANSAS

Physically Handicapped Student Aided

Awarded the \$300 allocated to the State by the Elks National Foundation to the most deserving physically handicapped high school senior to enable this student to continue his education.

KENTUCKY

Tuberculosis Mobile Units

Aided control and care of tuberculosis in the State. Three mobile units were purchased. In the past ten years expended over \$100,000 for the sponsorship of the tuberculosis control project. Paid all expenses for care and surgical treatment of eleven patients at the Hazelwood Sanatorium in Louisville.

LOUISIANA

First State Ritualistic Contest Held

Initiated State Ritualistic Contests, interest in which has developed strongly.

MAINE

Portable Surgical Outfit

Purchased a portable surgical outfit for the Crippled Children's Committee.

MARYLAND, DELAWARE AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Boys' Summer Camp

Planned to operate during August a boys' summer camp, at Camp Ritchie, in Western Maryland with an attendance of 125 boys each week.

MASSACHUSETTS

Youth Organization

The Elks Youth Organization sponsored by the Massachusetts Elks Association received exceptional support this year, with 54 lodges participating in the

program, or 87 per cent of the lodges in this State. A varied program including sponsorship of basketball teams, baseball teams, Boy Scout troops, theater parties, outings, field days, band and music clubs, and sports instructions has made the local lodges a vital factor in directing the progress of the young people of this State. To take a typical example, one lodge sponsors a weekly Teen-Age Dance from 8:00 p.m. to 10:45 p.m. This same lodge also arranges a six-week summer outing program for the young people. Another lodge brings big-league ball players as star guests for an athletic night. These are but a few of the imaginative steps the local lodges have taken to guide young people during these critical years.

18,570 Pairs of Slippers

18,570 pairs of slippers were manufactured and 18,564 pairs were distributed to hospitals throughout the State.

MICHIGAN

Donated \$4,200 to the Michigan State Veterans Facility at Grand Rapids for the purchase of an ambulance to be used for the transportation of non-ambulatory cases to surgical centers and \$3,100 for beds for students at Pine Lake Veterans Vocational Technical School.

Expended \$12,445.80 to provide entertainment for hospitalized veterans.

MINNESOTA

Plastic Surgery to be Provided

Raised funds to provide plastic surgery for a 19-year-old youth who has attracted publicity because of his need for surgery on his burn-scarred face.

Provided entertainment for, and contributed to, material needs of the hospitalized veterans.

Provided full-time services of a welfare worker attending Elks from all over the country who are admitted to the Clinic at Rochester.

MISSISSIPPI

Proposed Plan

Studying a plan to furnish and equip a children's hospital in Mississippi.

MISSOURI

State Eye-Glass Fund

Each year, hundreds of pairs of eye glasses are furnished to indigent school children and to adults.

MONTANA

National Foundation Scholarship Award Supplemented

Supplemented the National Foundation Scholarship Award with a contribution of \$1,000. A donation of \$1,000 was also contributed to the Orthopedic Hospital at Billings. Provided a monthly program at the Veterans Hospital in Helena.

NEBRASKA

Cooperation in Eighteen Clinics

Has cooperated with the State divi-

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sion on crippled children's service in conducting eighteen extension clinics at various points affording treatment for patients who would ordinarily have to return to hospitals for recheck, etc. 1351 patients received the benefits of these clinics during the past year.

NEVADA

Wheel Chairs Furnished

Major activity was Crippled Children's program. Juvenile wheel chairs and many other aids were furnished to individuals and hospital wards where children are convalescing from rheumatic fever and other crippling diseases.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Inter-State Ritualistic Contest

Donated \$300 to the Golden Rule Farm to aid in the building of an athletic field. Held seventeen shows for patients who are hospitalized at the Portsmouth Naval Base.

NEW JERSEY

Clinic for Surgeons and Nurses

Promoted a clinic stressing the use of artificial arms and limbs. Interesting exhibitions were given by wearers of artificial prostheses which they have mastered. Is making considerable headway in looking after paraplegic and quadraplegic cases of the late war, taking in conditions which are not covered by Veterans Administration regulations. Is raising \$40,000 among the Elks of New Jersey to cover the cost.

NEW MEXICO-EL PASO

Boys' Ranch

Endorsed the Boys' Ranch which is being established in New Mexico for worthy homeless boys. Is also stressing the institution of more lodges.

NEW YORK

American Principles and Ideals

Has fostered in the subordinate lodges Committees on American Activities to emphasize American principles and ideals, and historical dates in American history. Sponsored essay contests on subjects relating to American history and civics as well as oratorical contests and joint meetings with patriotic and service organizations.

NORTH CAROLINA

Mountain Camp Site

Burned the mortgage on Association's 316-acre mountain camp site where plans are being made to take care of an increased enrollment of from 318 to 425 boys selected from among deserving youngsters. \$8,000 in improvements also has been financed.

NORTH DAKOTA

Care of Undernourished and Crippled Children

Completed purchase of Camp Crasick, located on a small lake, and equipped with a few buildings, furnished for the care of undernourished and crippled children. Swimming and

medical care under the direction of the Public Health Department are provided.

OHIO

Welfare and Juvenile Delinquency Committee

Have donated buildings for youths' clubs; organized baseball teams and furnished equipment; formed a girls' choir; provided dresses and shoes; transported and entertained the children of the Jefferson County McCollough Children's Home; planned Christmas parties for underprivileged children; spent over \$5,000 on a teen-age club; financed Drum Corps for Boys' Clubs and organized bands and orchestras.

OKLAHOMA

Americanism

Prepared a manual for subordinate lodges emphasizing fifteen special dates, with a brief history of the happening on each date and with suggestions as to its observance. Americanism Week was stressed and the manner of its observance was fully outlined.

In the "Most Valuable Student Contest", supplemented the Elks National Foundation donation of \$300 with an additional amount of \$250.

OREGON

Safety Campaign

The paramount interest of the Oregon State Elks Association was devoted this year to the great task of preparing to welcome the Grand Lodge Session to Portland.

Supported actively a Safety Campaign which originated in the office of the Oregon Secretary of State.

PENNSYLVANIA

Student Aid and Hospital Entertainment

Student Aid and Hospital Entertainment have constituted the two major projects. Covered all the eight veterans hospitals in the State. Members of the theatrical profession, the radio, dance bands, etc., have been highly cooperative.

RHODE ISLAND

Past Presidents' Night

In the Veterans' Entertainment Program the State Association has endeavored to interest subordinate lodges to take turns monthly in assuming the responsibility of the program. The entertainment has taken place at the Newport Naval Hospital.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Plans for a More Active Association

The South Carolina State Elks Association has planned the adoption of a new constitution, which will be the groundwork for a more active Association. Provided entertainment at the Naval Hospital at Charleston and the Veterans Hospital at Columbia.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Membership Increase

Entertainment is furnished to the two

veterans hospitals in the State and an effort is made to take care of their every comfort.

Continued to sponsor 12 clinics at strategic points throughout the State to aid crippled children.

TENNESSEE

Scholarship Contests and Hospital Service

Active in the Best Student Scholarship Contest and also in the three hospitals in the State.

TEXAS

Texas Elks Crippled Children's Institution

The Texas Elks Crippled Children's Institution represents an investment of more than a quarter of a million dollars raised through the Texas lodges. It is equipped with the most modern facilities, with a total capacity of 38 beds and four isolation wards.

UTAH

Worthy Student Contest

The outstanding project of the Utah State Elks Association was the Worthy Student Contest in which awards amounted to \$700.

VERMONT

Thorpe Camp

Operates and efficiently maintains the "Thorpe Camp" in Goshen, Vermont, solely for the purpose of aiding crippled children.

VIRGINIA

Boys' Welfare Work

For a number of years has sponsored tubercular work at various sanatoriums. This year decided to sponsor Boys' Welfare Work and inaugurate one or more Boys' Camps.

WASHINGTON

Officers' Conferences

Planned three conferences at the beginning of the year, with one conference being held in each district and attended by the officers of each lodge.

WEST VIRGINIA

Rehabilitation

Continued its Crippled Children and Rehabilitation of Crippled Children's programs.

WISCONSIN

Funds Raised for Veterans' Entertainment

Assumed the responsibility of entertainment of the patients in all veterans hospitals, which program was formerly arranged and financed through the cooperative efforts of 35 organizations. Expended \$7,000 in sponsoring two programs weekly in every veterans hospital.

WYOMING

Youth Programs

Sponsored promotion of programs for young people. Assisted Boy Scouts and other Youth organizations.

D.R. Robert S. Barrett next rose to introduce Charles G. Hawthorne of Baltimore, Md., Lodge, No. 7, who presented a check for \$5,700 to Chairman John E. Drummey of the Board of Grand Trustees. This sum was raised by Mr. Hawthorne through small contributions from lodges to be applied toward motion pictures and other entertainment presented to the residents of the Elks National Home at Bedford, Va.

The Grand Exalted Ruler then enjoyed the privilege of presenting to the delegates P.E.R. James E. McCormick of Modesto, Calif., Lodge, No. 1282, who composed the Mother's Day Ritual used by our subordinate lodges. Mr. McCormick received a standing ovation from the Grand Lodge. One of the most popular members of the Order, a visitor from Montpelier, Vt., Lodge, Riley C. Bowers, was also introduced.

The Chairman of the Credentials Committee, Leonard M. Lippert of McKeesport, Pa., Lodge, No. 136, announced that more than 2,200 delegates attended this Session, and it was estimated that over 25,000 Elks and their families added to Portland's housing problem for the week of July 14th.

Torrington, Conn., Lodge, No. 372, presented, through the agency of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Lonergan, a handsome gavel to the newly instituted lodge of Torrington, Wyo.

At this juncture, the report of the Chairman of the Auditing Committee, Arthur L. Allen of Pueblo, Colo., Lodge, No. 90, was approved and adopted as written.

As the Convention drew to a close, Grand Exalted Ruler Broughton delivered to the delegates heart-warming expressions of his appreciation for the efforts made by the members of the Order in carrying out his program. He expressed the wish to continue his services to the Order throughout the remainder of his life. At the conclusion of his remarks, Mr. Broughton turned over his gavel to Past Grand Exalted Ruler Benjamin, requesting that he temporarily act as Grand Exalted Ruler for the installation of the incoming Grand Exalted Ruler and other new officers. With fitting ceremony, the officers-elect were escorted to the rostrum and installed into office.

The new officers of the Grand Lodge are: L. A. Lewis, Grand Exalted Ruler; Douglas E. Lambourne, Grand Esteemed Leading Knight; Ronald J. Dunn, Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight; H. H. Russell, Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight; J. Edgar Masters, Grand Secretary; Joseph B. Kyle, Grand Treasurer; Emory Hughes, Grand Tiler, and John F. Antwine, Grand Inner Guard.

Upon assuming office, Mr. Lewis' first action was to appoint as his Secretary P.E.R. William W. Garvin of Santa Ana, Calif., Lodge, No. 794.

Mr. Lewis recognized Past Grand Exalted Ruler Sullivan who arose for the purpose of asking that the Grand Lodge approve and accept a resolution, then in the hands of stenographers in the process of being prepared, thanking and congratulating the outgoing Grand Exalted Ruler. His request was approved and adopted whole-heartedly. Mr. Kyle, the newly-elected Grand Treasurer, stepped forward to second

Mr. Sullivan's resolution.

Mr. Lewis next recognized Past Grand Exalted Ruler Charles H. Grakelow who took the responsibility, on behalf of all 2,200 delegates, the Grand Lodge officers and visiting Elks, to thank Portland Lodge, Mayor Riley, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Lonergan and others who had contributed to one of the most productive Conventions of the Order.

Mr. Lewis next appointed Emmett T. Anderson, Past Grand Esteemed Leading Knight, of Tacoma, Wash., Lodge, No. 174, to the Elks National Veterans Service Commission. His appointment was received and volubly approved.

Several interesting and attractive gifts were presented to both incoming and outgoing Grand Exalted Rulers by members of Panama Canal Zone (Balboa), C. Z., Lodge, No. 1414 and Cristobal, C. Z., Lodge, No. 1542.

D.D. Seth Billings then introduced District Deputies C. E. Richards, Jr., Fort Madison, Ia., Lodge, and Edwin J.

Alexander, Aberdeen, Wash., Lodge, who, on behalf of the 140 District Deputies who served under Grand Exalted Ruler Broughton, gave the Order's outgoing leader a portable bar.

Next, P.E.R. Harold S. W. MacFarlin of Rochester, N. Y., Lodge presented a handsome pair of binoculars to Mr. Broughton, which, he said, had been awaiting the Grand Exalted Ruler at the time of his misadventure in April.

On behalf of Williamsport, Pa., Lodge, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Grakelow presented to Howard R. Davis of the Board of Grand Trustees a handsome gift of flowers to be distributed as he saw fit, to some worthy recipient.

Judge Lonergan, without whose assistance this Convention would not have met with the success it did, rose to thank the delegates for coming and wish them God-speed on their journeys home.

The Convention closed with a suitable prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

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1 April 1947

Judge James T. Hallinan, Chairman
Elks National Veterans Service Commission
292 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Judge Hallinan:

When I wrote to you on January 29 about Army Week, I did not realize it would be necessary to write so soon again to ask the help of the Elks National Veterans Service Commission. But now we face a new problem, posed by the formal end of Selective Service on March 31. That date marks a crucial turning point in the development of our peacetime Regular Army.

I inclose a statement on the problem by the Chief of Staff. Also inclosed is a fact sheet which reviews our recruiting progress thus far and sums up our plans for intensifying our recruiting campaign in the months ahead.

Without the continuing aid of patriotic leaders and organizations such as Elks National Veterans Service Commission, we could not hope to succeed in this great mission. We have called on you before, and your support has always been generously given. In this new and greater challenge, I know that we can count on you once more to do all you can to stimulate recruiting and to inform the public on the Army's manpower needs. I can only say that your help is needed now more urgently than ever before.

Sincerely yours,


J. EDGAR MASTERS
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Major General, United States Army
Chief, Military Personnel Procurement Service

Excerpts from the Annual Report to the Grand Lodge of Grand Exalted Ruler Charles E. Broughton

Rededication of the Elks National Memorial Building

TO QUICKEN the spirit of American patriotism" our majestic, beautiful National Memorial Headquarters Building in Chicago was rededicated. Under the direction of the National Memorial and Publication Commission a program was carried out on Sunday afternoon, September 8th, with Chairman, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Bruce A. Campbell presiding.

United States Senator Alben W. Barkley flew from Europe to make the principal address.

Elks National Veterans Service Commission

One of my first acts as Grand Exalted Ruler was to appoint the following as members of the Elks National Veterans Service Commission: James T. Hallinan, Chairman, Queens Borough, New York, Lodge, No. 878; Henry C. Warner, Vice-Chairman, Dixon, Illinois, Lodge, No. 779; Dr. Edward J. McCormick, Secretary, Toledo, Ohio, Lodge, No. 53; David Sholtz, Treasurer, Daytona Beach, Florida, Lodge, No. 1141; E. Mark Sullivan, Assistant Treasurer, Boston, Massachusetts, Lodge, No. 10; Frank J. Lonergan, Portland, Oregon, Lodge, No. 142; Wade H. Kepner, Wheeling, West Virginia, Lodge, No. 28.

This Commission is sponsoring programs in 148 hospitals in 41 States for the entertainment and recreation of our hospitalized veterans.

The Commission is also carrying on a very successful campaign in conjunction with our Government to secure voluntary recruits for our peacetime Army.

One of our appealing veteran Brothers that I especially would like to mention is Jay R. Schatz, whose picture appeared in the March issue of *The Elks Magazine* with the caption:

"Jay Schatz, a 23-year-old hero of World War II, with only a short while to live, is initiated into the Order at his request by officials of Racine, Wisconsin, Lodge. At that time he also received Grand Exalted Ruler Charles E. Broughton's personal Elk Emblem Pin."

In May I received a most delightful and encouraging letter from Brother Schatz:

"May 19, 1947

"Dear Mr. Broughton:

"I know you will understand my not having written you sooner. I have only recently been feeling better due to treatment with streptomycin, a new drug that is being tested here on tuberculosis.

"I was sorry to read in the paper of your accident and hope that you are not seriously hurt. The paper did not give any details. It would be a great loss to all Elkdom and one that I would personally feel if you were to be ill.

"I want to thank you for the nice Elks pin you sent me for Christmas. I'm very proud that my Elks pin came from a great man like you and will always treasure it. At present I have it on my robe but hope that one of these days I'll be wearing it in the lapel of a suit.

"Your kindness and that of all the other Elks to me at that time indeed made my Christmas a perfect and memorable one. I hope that some day I may prove worthy of your kindness.

"I'm sure you'd be interested to know that the Elks' show which is here once a month is the best entertainment we have. Speaking not only for myself but for all the veterans here, I know that it ranks as tops and is preferred to U.S.O. and all other shows. We all thank the Elks from the bottom of our hearts.

"Wishing you the best of luck and happiness, I remain

"Fraternally yours,
(Sgd) "Jay R. Schatz"

Membership

The total membership gain from April 1, 1946, to April 1, 1947, was 84,932, bringing our membership as of that date, up to a grand total of 877,271. This is the largest membership in the history of the Grand Lodge and well on toward the million mark. We must always bear in mind that the membership figures carry from April 1 to April 1, and that any gain between April 1 and the date of the Grand Lodge Meeting in an extraordinary year such as we have had, will approximately reach 30,000.

New Lodges

The growth of the Order has not been confined to lodges of the past, but with the twenty-five newly-installed lodges drawn from all sections of the country, namely:

Ostego, Michigan	No. 1711
Placerville, California	No. 1712
Jackson, Wyoming	No. 1713
Mountain Home, Arkansas	No. 1714
Russell, Kansas	No. 1715
Belle Glade, Florida	No. 1716
Artesia, New Mexico	No. 1717
Port Clinton, Ohio	No. 1718
Tarpon Springs, Florida	No. 1719
Greenfield, Indiana	No. 1720
Festus-Crystal City, Missouri	No. 1721
Penn Yan, New York	No. 1722
Reidsville, North Carolina	No. 1723
Laguna Beach, California	No. 1724
Spencer, Iowa	No. 1725
Torrington, Wyoming	No. 1726
Plant City, Florida	No. 1727
Ukiah, California	No. 1728
Tifton, Georgia	(Reorganized under old number)
	No. 1114
Crockett, Texas	No. 1729
Las Cruces, New Mexico	(Reorganized under old number)
	No. 1119
Logan, Utah	(Reorganized under old number)
	No. 1453
Pasco, Washington	No. 1730
Flat Rock, Michigan	No. 1731
Hollywood, Florida	No. 1732
Urbana, Ohio	No. 1733
Wauseon, Ohio	No. 1734

The Grand Exalted Ruler's Visits

During the year it was also a privilege to visit many of the conferences and annual meetings of the State Associations. This part of our structure has brought marvelous results.

While traveling to Minnesota and through northern Wisconsin to visit a number of lodges, I made a pilgrimage to Black River Falls in my home State. There I conducted brief memorial serv-

ices and placed a wreath on the grave of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Thomas B. Mills, who served the Order as Grand Exalted Ruler in 1912-1913. I also visited the graves of Past Grand Exalted Rulers Lawrence H. Rupp at Allentown, Pennsylvania; Walter F. Meier at Seattle, Washington; Basil M. Allen at Birmingham, Alabama.

Emergency Charity Fund

Our Order has always had in mind assistance in any emergency and this year two appeals have met with ready and willing responses. On Wednesday, April 9th, Oklahoma and Texas were visited by a tornado with a loss of life well over a hundred and hundreds injured. The property damage in Woodward, Oklahoma, wiped out a goodly portion of the town, the home of Woodward, Oklahoma, Lodge, No. 1355.

Brother Earl James, a member of the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee, immediately got in touch with me, and upon the recommendation of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Judge William Atwell, and Past Grand Exalted Ruler Bruce A. Campbell, \$2,000.00 was made payable—\$1,000.00 to Amarillo, Texas, Lodge and \$1,000.00 to Woodward, Oklahoma, Lodge.

On April 16th another tragedy, an explosion and fire in Texas City, wiped out hundreds of lives and caused damage running into the millions. Working with Past Grand Exalted Ruler Judge Atwell and District Deputy M. A. deBettencourt, another \$2,000.00 was sent for relief purposes.

Lodge Activities Committee

Early in my administration Chairman Bert A. Thompson and other members of this Committee conceived the idea of having all lodges enter bulletins in the Bulletin Contest sponsored by this same Committee. When the contest closed there were one hundred and eighty entries and preliminary judging was done in my office. With the elimination down to the ten best entries, the bulletins were sent on to New York for further judging and awards. The last week of May the final judging took place in New York City at the headquarters of *The Elks Magazine* with five competent judges making the final decision. This contest should be a permanent one every year for it has shown marvelous results in the publishing of lodge bulletins. We predict that next year there will be additional entries. As these bulletins or newspapers grow they will add prestige to our entire Order.

Elks National Foundation Trustees

The Elks National Foundation Trustees will report the most successful year since that great philanthropic agency was established within the Grand Lodge of our Order. We want to offer our appreciation and deep thanks to John F. Malley, Chairman, Springfield, Massachusetts, Lodge, No. 61; Raymond Benjamin, Vice-Chairman, Napa, California, Lodge, No. 832; Floyd E. Thompson, Secretary, Moline, Illinois, Lodge, No. 556; Murray Hulbert, Treasurer, New York, New York, Lodge, No. 1; Edward Rightor, New

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Excerpts from Annual Reports Submitted to the Grand Lodge at Portland, Ore., in July

ANNUAL REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY

Membership

During the year ended March 31, 1947, subordinate lodges added to their membership rolls 110,329 new names by initiation; 10,409 by dimit, and 12,153 by reinstatement. In this same period, they expelled 145; dropped from the rolls for non-payment of dues 24,147; granted dimit to 12,366, and lost by death 11,301. Our membership as of March 31, 1947, totals 877,271, thereby showing an increase of 84,932 members.

Grand Lodge Finances

The total income of the Grand Lodge for the year ended May 31, 1947, amounts to \$401,769.73; expenses amount to \$416,776.09, showing an excess of expenses over income of \$15,006.36.

The Grand Lodge holds in its various funds United States Securities in the following amounts:

In the Reserve Fund	\$300,000.00
In the General Fund	200,000.00
In the Home Fund	50,000.00
In the Emergency Educational Fund	48,000.00

Current assets of the Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks are \$1,041,886.14; fixed assets are \$1,209,384.98; other assets are \$63,333.10, making the total assets of the Grand Lodge \$2,314,604.22.

Subordinate Lodge Finances

Reports filed in this office show that subordinate lodges of our Order had, at the beginning of the year just closed, cash on hand in the amount of \$14,565,423.41. During the year, they received from all sources \$56,499,346.91 and expended \$54,743,764.90, leaving their cash balance as of March 31, 1947, \$16,321,105.42.

These reports also show the total assets of subordinate lodges to be \$163,162,474.86.

Growth of the Order

It is again pleasing to be able to report a large gain in membership. The total of 877,271 members in good standing as of April 1, 1947 is the largest in the history of our Order. The previous high mark was on April 1, 1924, at which time our membership was 839,429.

We can safely look forward to further gains next year, as on April 1 subordinate lodges had elected to membership and reported awaiting initiation 18,521 men.

We can point with pride to the expenditure by our subordinate lodges of \$5,022,896.86 for charitable and welfare work. This is by far the largest in the history of the Order. The most striking point in connection with this phase of Elk work is that only \$529,279.80 was expended for our own members and their families. The balance of \$4,493,617.06 was donated to outside agencies. This unit of service has grown from year to year, and shows that Elkdom is not only benevolent and full of plans for the betterment of mankind, but is actually engaged in making those plans effective.

During the year, there has been a

united effort on the part of Elk forces. Subordinate lodges have maintained high standards, and they deserve commendation. They have exercised care in their selection of officers, taken more pride in their Homes, looked more carefully after new members, and shown a better Elk spirit than ever before. In short, the Order is in fine condition, and Elks everywhere are stimulated to better work.

Contributions Received from The Elks Magazine

At the New York Session of the Grand Lodge, the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission turned over to the Grand Lodge from the surplus earnings of *The Elks Magazine* the sum of \$300,000.00. By direction of the Grand Lodge, this contribution was allocated as follows: \$100,000.00 was turned over to the Elks National Veterans Service Commission to carry on its work; \$25,000.00 was appropriated for public relations and publicity work, to be directed by the Memorial and Publication Commission; \$25,000.00 was appropriated for the purchase of 10,000 Memorial Books; \$50,000.00 was turned over to the Board of Grand Trustees to be added to the Reserve Fund of the Grand Lodge, with instructions to invest this sum in Bonds or other Securities of the United States of America; \$100,000.00 was placed in the General Fund of the Grand Lodge, the receipt of which amount made it possible for the Board of Grand Trustees of the Order to balance the budget.

Charitable, Welfare, and Patriotic Work

Below is a list of Charitable, Welfare and Patriotic activities in which subordinate lodges are engaged, together with total moneys expended for same:

Activities	Amount
Relief of Members, their Widows, Orphans, Dependents, Burials, etc.	\$ 529,279.80
Summer Camps, Outings, etc.	85,675.55
Milk, Ice and Fuel	42,120.57
Crippled Children	443,291.65
Medical Aid	117,951.76
Hospitals	456,386.80
Miscellaneous Charities	1,141,939.93
General Aid to Needy Families	121,911.94
Thanksgiving Baskets	42,157.54
Christmas Baskets	468,233.49
Scout Work	136,207.28
Big Brother Work	105,780.44
Play Grounds, including Prizes	147,410.41
Scholarships, Text Books, etc.	78,459.86
Red Cross, Salvation Army, etc.	364,330.35
Veterans Relief	310,303.16
Flag Day, Constitution Day, etc.	177,209.33
Elks National Foundation	254,247.00
	\$5,022,896.86

The following table shows the amount expended in Charitable Welfare work by each State and Special Jurisdiction during the period from April 1, 1946, to March 31, 1947:

State	Amount
Alabama	\$ 79,941.05
Alaska	13,707.87
Arizona	61,119.00
Arkansas	9,360.20
California	383,106.82
Canal Zone	2,881.86
Colorado	184,853.07
Connecticut	79,444.18
Florida	125,634.99
Georgia	88,879.65
Hawaii	11,867.29
Idaho	156,936.62
Illinois	175,137.12
Indiana	171,588.20

Iowa	196,021.15
Kansas	81,979.63
Kentucky	38,722.73
Louisiana	7,441.47
Maine	16,095.95
Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia	54,459.78
Massachusetts	224,844.75
Michigan	163,325.10
Minnesota	44,218.65
Mississippi	13,264.56
Missouri	47,208.24
Montana	77,024.40
Nebraska	98,035.36
Nevada	17,279.90
New Hampshire	16,825.04
New Jersey	201,204.47
New Mexico	29,967.10
New York	369,697.00
North Carolina	56,120.35
North Dakota	108,210.59
Ohio	191,027.77
Oklahoma	14,387.16
Oregon	99,990.02
Pennsylvania	460,838.64
Puerto Rico	6,673.11
Rhode Island	25,367.93
South Carolina	22,755.21
South Dakota	31,474.52
Tennessee	36,573.40
Texas	178,385.96
Utah	40,106.87
Vermont	49,285.65
Virginia	52,819.59
Washington	213,378.25
West Virginia	91,733.98
Wisconsin	81,469.69
Wyoming	20,224.99
Total	\$5,022,896.86

ANNUAL REPORT BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES

Purchase of United States Securities

The following bonds were purchased during the Grand Lodge year: for the Reserve Fund, \$50,000.00, and for the Emergency Educational Fund, the following:

United States Treasury Bonds, 2½s.	\$15,000.00
United States Treasury Bonds, 2¼s.	10,000.00
United States Treasury Bonds, 2¼s.	15,000.00
United States Treasury Certificates of Indebtedness	8,000.00
Total	\$48,000.00

The General Fund of the Grand Lodge held Certificates of Indebtedness in the amount of \$100,000.00, which became due December 1, 1946. This sum was re-invested in United States Savings Bonds, Series G, interest rate 2½%.

All of these bonds, together with the bonds already in the hands of the Board of Grand Trustees, have been deposited in safety deposit box 40478, rented from the National Safety Deposit Box Company, Chicago, Illinois.

Bonds of Officials

Surety bonds of the following officers of the Grand Lodge are held by the Board of Grand Trustees as follows:

J. E. Masters, Grand Secretary	\$25,000.00
John F. Burke, Grand Treasurer	5,000.00
Robert A. Scott, Superintendent, Elks National Home	25,000.00
Bruce A. Campbell, Chairman, Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission	5,000.00
James R. Nicholson, Treasurer, Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission	10,000.00
John F. Malley, Chairman, Elks National Foundation	25,000.00
Murray Hulbert, Treasurer, Elks National Foundation	25,000.00
James T. Hallinan, Chairman, Elks National Veterans Service Commission	25,000.00
David Sholtz, Treasurer, Elks National Veterans Service Commission	25,000.00

Building Applications of Subordinate Lodges

During the current Grand Lodge year, your Board has issued permits to subordinate lodges for the purchase of and additions to lodge buildings in the amount of \$1,865,508.00. Authorization has also been granted for the sale of subordinate lodge property amounting to \$100,000.00. This has been done in accordance with Section 208 of the Grand Lodge Statutes, which requires all subordinate lodges to obtain a permit approved by the Grand Exalted Ruler and the Board of Grand Trustees before they can acquire property for constructing a Home, make substantial alterations, refinance or sell property.

Elks National Home

The Elks National Home, resting in the Blue Ridge Mountains near the Peaks of Otter at Bedford, Virginia, is a beautiful picture to those on the trains passing daily, where the large fireproof buildings and spacious landscape are called to the attention of the traveler.

The Home is under the able management of Brother Robert A. Scott, capable both in business and farming, with a keen interest in and desire to give each Brother who resides at the Home, every consideration.

It is inspiring to visit the lodge at the Home, the only lodge without a number, but with a membership whose appreciation of the Order is unequalled.

There you find Brothers in the evening of life; yes, they have seen better days, but are now cared for in a most considerate manner, each with private room, hospital, recreational and entertainment facilities, and no restrictive rules, such as they would find if they were in an "institution", instead of a Home.

Starting in 1946 all the buildings were repainted, this work being finished this year. Addition of a steel and concrete building was made to the barns; a new machine for the manufacture of ice was bought, and new equipment was added to the kitchen.

We have lost many Brothers through death this year, but have gained in residents by new arrivals.

Supervising the Home has been a duty of pleasure on the part of the Board of Grand Trustees, and the meetings of the year have been attended by the full membership.

In concluding this section of the report, may we again thank Superintendent Scott for his invaluable services, and extend our thanks to his efficient staff.

Funds at the Home

In addition to the financial operations as shown in the attached tables, there are certain funds held at the Elks National Home for entertainment and operation of various purposes, which are not included therein.

These funds are deposited in the name of Robert A. Scott, Superintendent of the Elks National Home, and are not otherwise included in the assets of the Grand Lodge.

On May 20, 1947, the cash balance of these funds amounted to \$10,531.54, deposited as follows:

Checking Account	\$ 531.54
Baxter Legacy Account (Bldg. & Loan)	5,000.00
Savings Account	5,000.00
Total	\$10,531.54

Maintenance of Home

MAY 31, 1947

Net Operating Expense of Home, per following statement	\$145,413.67
To determine the base figure upon which per capita cost of maintenance is to be charged to subordinate lodges, the following expenses are deducted, in accordance with Section 69 of the Statutes of our Order:	
Maintenance of Buildings	\$10,131.47
Maintenance of Grounds	2,515.27
Maintenance of Equipment	5,869.55
	<u>18,516.29</u>
Balance to be used for apportionment to lodges.....	\$126,897.38

The average number of residents at the Home during the fiscal year ended May 31, 1947, was 246 and the average cost per resident for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1947, was \$515.86.

The following table shows the average number of residents at the Home during the past five years, with average maintenance cost per member:

Year ended May 31	Average Number of Residents	Average Cost per Resident
1943	255	\$468.08
1944	251	497.94
1945	232	502.06
1946	234	490.68
1947	246	515.86

In addition to the Net Operating Cost of \$106,145.73, as shown in the statement for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1947, Grand Lodge expended the following sums for the Home. These amounts were considered extraordinary expenses and, therefore, were not provided for in the annual budget of the Home, and are not included in the statement. These amounts, except for the insurance premiums, are considered as fixed assets or expenditures in lieu of depreciation. The insurance premium is for coverage for a five-year period from November 27, 1946, to November 27, 1951.

Kitchen Equipment	\$ 784.37	
Station Wagon	1,134.56	
Painting and Decorating	11,838.32	
Shingles—Barn Roof	416.48	
Road Resurfacing	2,352.02	
Deep-Freeze Machine	595.00	
Ice Machine	2,043.00	
Cold Storage Plant	4,064.00	
Insurance	6,476.40	\$ 29,704.15

Net Operating Cost, per statement for fiscal year

106,145.73

Total Cost to Grand Lodge

\$135,849.88

REPORT OF ELKS NATIONAL MEMORIAL AND PUBLICATION COMMISSION

THE officers and members of the Commission, all of whom are Past Grand Exalted Rulers, are as follows: Bruce A. Campbell, Chairman; John R. Coen, Vice-Chairman; James R. Nicholson, Treasurer and Managing Director; John S. McClelland, Secretary, and Michael F. Shannon, Asst. Secy. and Asst. Treas.

The Elks National Memorial Building

Since the close of World War II and the removal of travel restrictions and gas rationing, the number of visitors to the Elks National Memorial Building has vastly increased and is now back to prewar figures. Since its erection 1,221,409 persons have visited it, and during the last year the number of such visitors to the Building was 74,027.

REDEDICATION OF MEMORIAL BUILDING: At its Chicago meeting in 1944, the Grand Lodge declared the Memorial Building to be a memorial not

only to the Elks who served in the first World War, and particularly to those who made the supreme sacrifice in that great conflict, but also to those members of our Order who served in the recent great World War, and especially those who then gave their lives in the defense of their country. The Grand Lodge also directed that the Memorial Building be rededicated with appropriate ceremonies.

On Sunday, September 8, 1946, dignified and impressive rededication ceremonies were held at the Building. In the proceedings of last year's Grand Lodge, the Grand Secretary included a transcript of the rededication ceremonies. Therefore, we do not, in this report, detail the rededication ceremonies, except to state that the dedicatory address was made by Senator and Brother Alben W. Barkley of Paducah, Ky., Lodge, No. 217.

A suitable plaque relative to the rededication of the Building, and similar to the one placed in the Building after the first dedication, will be installed later in 1947.

EXPENSE OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION: By previous resolutions of the Grand Lodge, this Commission was authorized to pay, from surplus earnings of *The Elks Magazine*, and charge the same to the Grand Lodge, the expense of maintenance and operation of the Memorial Building. The amount so paid during the fiscal year from June 1, 1946, to May 31, 1947, is \$47,693.70. With the \$14,602.50 paid for expenses of the rededication, the total amount charged by the Commission to the Grand Lodge on account of the Building during the last fiscal year amounts to \$62,296.20.

MEMORIAL BOOKS: At the 1946 Session of the Grand Lodge the Commission was directed to deliver to the Grand Secretary 10,000 Memorial Books, similar to those previously published, at a cost of approximately \$26,000.00; the books are to be offered for sale to visitors to the Memorial at the price of \$1.00 each.

The new book is of the same excellent quality as the two earlier printings, which aggregated 15,000 copies. It is not an exact reproduction of the former printings, for in its preparation the Commission made two important and interesting changes, namely: the inclusion of an account of the activities of our Order in the second World War and of the rededication of the Memorial Building, and a conservative restyling of the format of the book.

Rising costs for paper, printing and binding, crating and shipping made it impossible to hold to the amount of \$26,000.00 under an escalator clause in the contract. However, the appropriation was exceeded by only \$1,203.00.

Public Relations

Following the intensive public relations efforts of the Elks War Commission during the war, the Grand Lodge, meeting in New York City, placed under the direction and control of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission the conduct of public relations. The Grand Lodge appropriated the sum of \$25,000.00 to carry on this work. The Sutton News Service, previously engaged by the Elks War Commission as counsel, was retained.

The return of the Grand Lodge to its birthplace, New York City, to hold its 82nd Session was greeted by the press with the greatest volume of publicity ever accorded a Session of the Grand Lodge. The metropolitan dailies,

the Associated Press, the United Press and the International News Service were most liberal with their coverage. The radio commentators and the news-reels also contributed to the splendid coverage of the Convention.

In its publicity work the Commission has had most valuable cooperation from Grand Exalted Ruler Charles E. Broughton. A newspaper publisher and owner of a radio station, a member of the Associated Press and United Press, his experience and influence made possible radio and press recognition otherwise unattainable. At the outset of his administration, Brother Broughton declared that he would devote much time and effort to fighting subversive elements attempting to undermine our Government, and in all his lodge visits his voice was raised emphatically and effectively against communism, intolerance and all other factors working against the American way of life.

A vigorous statement from the Grand Exalted Ruler on the dangers of communism was sent to the Exalted Ruler of each subordinate lodge, to fifty leading press columnists and to the city editors of one hundred of America's largest newspapers, accompanied by a letter from Brother Broughton urging the cooperation of the press. This resulted in a volume of publicity in all sections of the country.

One of the most publicized events of the year was the Rededication of the Elks Memorial. The press of Chicago was most liberal in its coverage. A story of the ceremony and a photographic mat of the Elks Memorial for newspaper reproduction were distributed to Exalted Rulers of all subordinate lodges, and, with their cooperation, widely publicized.

The visits of the Grand Exalted Ruler, with the cooperation of Exalted Rulers of subordinate lodges, were all well publicized. Letters to local newspapers advising of the Grand Exalted Ruler's impending visit were followed by a story sent to the Exalted Ruler of the lodge with the request that it be placed in the hands of the editor.

Editorial releases pertaining to the activities of the Order and the Grand Exalted Ruler's stand on un-American activities were sent out during the year through the National Industries News Service. This service covers about 2,000 small-town and family newspapers, many of them in communities too small for a lodge of Elks. The publication of these editorials brought news of Elk activities into new fields, acquainting the people of the smaller rural communities with the patriotic objectives of the Order.

The Commission has followed the practice of sending the Exalted Ruler of each lodge the story to be released (by him) to his local newspapers, with provision for insertion of his own name as the sponsor of the story. Ten such releases have been circulated, during the period covered by this report, on the following subjects: a mat story of the War Commission's Certificate of Merit; a historical sketch of the Order's origin; an announcement of the Order's cooperation with the Army's enlistment campaign; a story of Grand Exalted Ruler Broughton's election; a post-election statement of the Grand Exalted Ruler; a mat story of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Hallinan and Grand Exalted Ruler Broughton; a story of the Army recruiting campaign; speeding up of the Army drive for recruits; the Army's appeal to high school graduates, and Mr. Broughton's interview on the Klan.

Each Exalted Ruler has been requested by the Chairman to appoint a member to handle local publicity and to send to the Commission all clippings and other published matter pertaining to his lodge. The response indicates excellent cooperation.

Cordial public relations is a factor in the success of every lodge. To promote better relations and to maintain those already established with the community, all lodges have been requested to appoint a member to keep the local newspapers informed of the activities of his lodge.

The scrapbooks compiled by the Commission, voluminous as they are, contain only a small percentage of the stories actually published, but every State in the Union is represented in these books and it is safe to say that the clippings therein represent circulation in the tens of millions. The scrapbooks are eloquent commentaries on the friendly relations existing between the press of our country and the Order of Elks.

The Elks Magazine

GENERAL: With the May, 1947, issue, *The Elks Magazine* completed 25 years of continuous and successful publication. In the Silver Jubilee issue of the Magazine of June, 1947, appears an article detailing the history and character of the Magazine during the first quarter-century of its existence.

During the last fiscal year nine issues of the Magazine, including covers, consisted of 64 pages; one issue of 56 pages, and two issues of 68 pages, making the aggregate number of pages, including covers, in the Magazine for the fiscal year, 768. During the fiscal year just ended, the aggregate number of copies of the Magazine printed was 9,832,697, an increase of 1,141,356 copies over the previous fiscal year. In percentages, this increase amounted to 13.1%.

A comparison of the June, 1946, issue with the June, 1947, issue is extremely interesting. The June, 1947, issue, including covers, consisted of 68 pages as against 64 pages for June, 1946, an increase of four pages, or 6.3%.

The number of copies of the Magazine produced in June, 1947, was 863,000 as against 771,221 copies printed for the June, 1946, issue, an increase of 91,779 copies, or 11.8%. The total pages of the June, 1947, issue of the Magazine, including covers, was 58,684,000 as against 49,358,144 for the June, 1946, issue, an increase of 9,325,856, or 19%.

In general, every effort has been made to restore the Magazine to its prewar character, since restrictions and economies necessitated by the war have been removed.

REVENUES AND EXPENSES: For the past year we are able to report surplus earnings of the Magazine of \$244,798.19. This increases the aggregate surplus earnings of the Magazine for the 25 years of its existence to \$5,013,814.18. This year's surplus is \$128,955.95 less than for the previous fiscal year for the reasons hereinafter set forth in this report.

The expense of publication of the Magazine during the last fiscal year was \$765,943.03, or an increase of \$155,055.98 over the previous year. In view of advances in prices, the reasons for this increase are easily understood. Additional expenses due to price advances, the unusual number of copies of the Magazine published, the use of better paper, increase in size of the book, increased postage, and better and

more articles, stories and illustrations, over which the Commission has no control whatever, account for 91% of the increase and were common to the publishing industry during the past fiscal year. This leaves only 9%, or \$13,959.10, of the total increase due to causes other than those above specifically named.

The Commission feels that the showing is an excellent one and that there is nothing disturbing in the decrease in surplus earnings or in the increase in costs for the current fiscal year.

We are not alone in this matter of increased costs of publication. A more-or-less comparable professional publication in a recent issue reports that four typical pages of its journal in 1942 cost an average of \$2,950.00 per issue; that the same number of pages and copies cost \$3,584.00 at the 1946 rates and \$4,800.00 at present printing charges, an increase of 63% over 1942, and 33% over 1946.

ADVERTISING: For the fiscal year ending May 31, 1947, net advertising revenues (after deducting all commissions to advertising agencies) received were \$206,074.61 as against \$257,606.50 for the previous year, a decrease of \$51,531.89, or approximately 20%. This net advertising revenue is the highest for any fiscal year since 1931 and 1932, except for the last two preceding fiscal years. The reasons for this reduction in net advertising revenue are obvious. During the war-scarcity period and the high income taxes, many advertisers used institutional advertising to keep their products before the people, even though they had little to sell. Now the uncertainties of business in the future have decreased advertising, and particularly commitments for any extended period. In view of business conditions, many advertisers are using the large weeklies instead of the monthly magazines. Other reasons could be assigned for these decreases.

PER CAPITA COST OF THE MAGAZINE: The total cost per capita of the publication of the Magazine for the reporting year was 95¢, which was an increase of 15¢ over that of the previous fiscal year. The reason for this has been explained in other sections of this report. It is interesting to note that advertising income contributed about 26¢ per capita, leaving the net per capita to the membership of only 69¢.

DISPOSITION OF EARNINGS: During the 25 years of its existence, the aggregate surplus earnings of the Magazine have amounted to \$5,013,814.18. The Commission has in previous years turned over to the Grand Lodge the sum of \$4,267,783.52. In addition, during the last year it has paid out for the Grand Lodge for the cost of operation, maintenance and rededication of the Memorial Building the sum of \$62,296.20, making \$4,330,079.72 already turned over by the Commission to the Grand Lodge, an average of about \$177,000.00 per year.

This money has been used for various purposes, such as the building of an addition to the Elks Home at Bedford, Virginia; the decoration of the Memorial Building with murals, statues and other decorative features; the operation and maintenance of the Memorial Building; contributions to the Elks War Commission and the Elks National Foundation; for the establishment of the Grand Lodge Reserve Fund, which now amounts to \$300,000.00, and for general Grand Lodge expenses. If it had not been for these earnings of the Magazine the per capita tax for many years would have been materially in-

creased. As it is, the per capita tax for each year has averaged at least 30¢ lower than it would otherwise have been. For the year ending May 31, 1947, more than 45¢ per member was turned over to the Grand Lodge for its purposes. After consultation with the Board of Grand Trustees and the Grand Secretary, we have decided to turn over to the Grand Lodge this year the sum of \$200,000.00. After this payment the Commission will have a surplus June 1, 1947, of \$483,734.46. The Commission feels that it is necessary to keep this surplus in its treasury, in view of the uncertainties of postwar conditions and other emergencies and contingencies, and believes that good business judgment requires that we should maintain the surplus at this level.

SURPLUS: On June 1, 1946, our surplus was \$801,232.47; on May 31,

1947, it was \$683,734.46, or a decrease of \$117,498.01. It must be remembered, however, that during the last fiscal year, out of surplus earnings we turned over to the Grand Lodge the sum of \$300,000.00, and in addition paid the expenses of maintenance, operation and rededication of the Memorial Building, amounting to \$62,296.20.

EXPENSES OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION: No officer or member of this Commission receives directly or indirectly any compensation of any kind, except necessary expenses incurred in traveling and otherwise. During the year the total expenses of officers and members of the Commission amounted to \$3,106.14. This we consider extremely reasonable for the management and operation of a business that has receipts of over a million dollars each year.

AUDIT OF COMMISSION'S AC-

COUNTS: With this report and as a part thereof there is filed a financial statement to May 31, 1947, of receipts and disbursements of funds of the Commission, with detailed comparative balance sheets, statements of income and expenses, summary of cash receipts and disbursements and itemized statements of all expenses of the publication of the Magazine, all under the official audit of Ernst & Ernst, Accountants and Auditors, 19 Rector Street, New York, New York. The Grand Lodge Auditing Committee has also audited the accounts and funds under the control of the Commission and has certified its approval in its report to the Grand Lodge.

BRUCE A. CAMPBELL,
Chairman
JOHN S. McCLELLAND,
Secretary.

Excerpts from the Report of Grand Exalted Ruler Charles E. Broughton

(Continued from page 51)

Orleans, Louisiana, Lodge, No. 30; Charles H. Grakelow, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Lodge, No. 2; Robert S. Barrett, Alexandria, Virginia, Lodge, No. 758. Not only the Trustees of the National Foundation are to be congratulated but also Elkdom as a whole for responding to this philanthropic agency of ours.

Elks National Home

In Bedford, Virginia, which has the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains as a background, is our National Home. This Home was founded in 1902 and formally dedicated in July, 1916. The building has a capacity of 450 with individual rooms for everyone who comes to the Home. In more recent years the enrollment has averaged about 250.

During the war days some of the Brothers, even though seventy years of age and upward, decided to go to Washington and accept positions such as elevator operators and the like because of the labor shortage. Now they are coming back and we can expect a normal increase during the coming few years.

It is not necessary for me to dwell at any great length on this Home, for many members of our Order have made visitations from time to time and they know the splendid equipment of the Home, and the ideal surroundings under which these Brothers are living out their years.

The Home is in charge of the Board of Grand Trustees and Superintendent Robert A. Scott. The members of the Board meet there at given times during the year, and in the last two years several notable improvements have been made in the rebuilding of the driveways and the interior and exterior of the Home.

As a previous member of the Board, I have been in close contact with the Home and I can say that we cannot give too much credit to the governing Board and the Superintendent. In my visits, both in an official and non-official capacity, I have always come away with a glow of pride and satisfaction that our Order maintains this National Home.

Death of Grand Inner Guard Huss

The Grand Lodge was saddened on September 29th when news was received of the sudden death of Grand Inner Guard Clifford Huss of Ogden, Utah, Lodge, No. 719. Brother Huss had come up from the subordinate lodge and through his own State Association to a point where his ability was recognized by the Grand Lodge. It is regrettable that his career as a member of the Grand Lodge was cut down so early. His State Association work and his interest in lodge activities made it an extreme pleasure to include him as a member of the Grand Lodge family.

Recommendations

I would like to recommend:

1. That the Elks National Veterans Service Commission continue, and that there be action at this Grand Lodge meeting giving it even a wider range of activity and greater financial assistance.

2. That the Grand Lodge adopt a resolution approving the American Heritage program and pledge full cooperation.

3. That a committee be appointed to guide the cooperative action of our Order in participating in the program of "The Freedom Train" which is being sent across the country to tell the story of the United States. A guiding committee to work out details with the subordinate lodges in the neighborhood of the cities and towns visited by "The Freedom Train" will make for effective action on the part of Elkdom in this excellent American program.

4. That a director for Grand Lodge activities be appointed to coordinate with the subordinate lodges and to work in conjunction with the Grand Lodge Activities Committee.

5. That District Deputy Grand Exalted Rulers continue their activities in

support of the Elks National Foundation.

6. That the Grand Lodge Activities Committee continue its campaign urging bulletins from subordinate lodges and that awards be presented for the most outstanding publications.

7. That in the future we visit as many of the smaller lodges as humanly possible, even holding our more important night meetings at these lodges, for the attendance warrants this consideration.

Conclusion

The Veterans' Service program has had the unanimous support of all subordinate lodges in and near veterans hospitals. This work, added to that of aiding crippled children, long a goal of ours, has been one of our big achievements during the past year. Then, too, I am proud to report twenty-five lodges have been added, which is the work of the District Deputy Grand Exalted Rulers.

In all we have had a great year. The accomplishments have been many. They are yours. I have been rewarded many times in the wealth of new friendships and the ready responses to our American program. I have spoken in more than thirty States and my plea for tolerance has aroused a fighting army in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

It has given me an assurance and the satisfaction of knowing that minority groups bent upon destroying our democracy will find a real fighting spirit in Elkdom. I have been honored many times in the past, but the greatest honor of all times was my privilege to serve you.

In New York a year ago I said, "As your Grand Exalted Ruler for the coming year and working together we must not, we cannot, we will not fail."

No army of men ever worked more loyally; none deserves more praise.

May God bless all of you and grant to all of us peace and understanding.

Fraternally,

Charles E. Broughton

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Editorial

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—FROM PREAMBLE TO THE CONSTITUTION, BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS

California Tops



ALIFORNIA, top State in membership, by the unanimous selection of Brother L. A. Lewis for Grand Exalted Ruler has also captured the Order's top office.

"Lew" Lewis, as our new Grand Exalted Ruler is known throughout the length and breadth of his native State as well as far beyond its borders, is a shining example of the kind of Elk that makes California Elkdom "tick".

A member of Anaheim Lodge No. 1345, he has been a practical, working Elk since the day of his initiation. Says his lodge in announcing his candidacy: "He was initiated on the 12th day of November, 1919, and during the steady march of California Elkdom through the succeeding years, years of both shadow and sunshine, he has ever been the energetic, enthusiastic, wise leader, holding high the banner of Elkdom. Gifted of speech, pleasing and sincere of personality, he has endeared himself to the rank and file of Elkdom." Thus spake the boys at the home of "Lew" Lewis, and their opinion is liberally shared abroad.

In 1936 Brother Lewis was elected President of the California Elks Association, and his administration turned in a net gain in membership over a loss for several preceding years—a gain which continued until California reached the top.

Brother Lewis is fitted by Grand Lodge experience for his present office. He served as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, was a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Judiciary for four years, and resigned, after four years' service as a Justice of the Grand Forum, when his lodge presented him as a candidate for the office of Grand Exalted Ruler.

L. A. Lewis is a graduate of the University of California, and a leading member of the California bar. Like so many other successful men of our Nation, he came through the University on his own, and in the midst of work and study also found time to achieve top rank in the field of scholastic athletics.

He is blessed with a delightful family, consisting of his charming wife and daughter and three sons. The latter, all Elks, served with distinction in World War II—two in the Navy where the fighting was hottest, and one in Army zones of active combat.

The friendly, engaging personality of "Lew" Lewis will win friends everywhere, and, true to his California heritage, he may be counted upon to administer the countless important affairs of the Order with a zeal and enthusiasm that will hasten its forward march.

Marching On



IN THIS issue of *The Elks Magazine* the business side of the Portland Grand Lodge Session is fully reported, and pride and gratification will swell the breast of every Elk who reads it. It is a record of achievement in every field of Elk endeavor, of progress all

along the line.

The lodge year began with a quiet but determined campaign launched by Grand Exalted Ruler Broughton against subversive influences and un-American activities which mobilized the forces of Elkdom into a staunch patriotic unit alerted to do battle wherever the minions of hatred and intolerance threatened to disrupt and destroy.

No Elk will read of the work of the National Veterans Service Commission without feeling a thrill of gratitude that he holds membership in a Fraternity that does not forget. This Commission has, through the State Associations, carried on entertainment programs in 152 Veterans Hospitals in 41 States, programs made possible by the cooperation of State organizations, subordinate lodges and individual members.

The funds of our splendid philanthropy, the Elks National Foundation, have been increased to a marked degree by voluntary subscription, a gratifying commentary upon the humane and charitable impulses of members of the Order.

The National Memorial and Publication Commission has again turned over a handsome sum accrued from the earnings of *The Elks Magazine* for the uses and purposes of the Grand Lodge.

Everywhere, the subordinate lodges show increased assets, and their prosperity is reflected in expenditures for charitable and welfare purposes which reach the magnificent sum of \$5,022,896.86.

The Grand Secretary reports a gain in membership of 84,932. This splendid increase has been acquired without resorting to special classes, high-pressure solicitations or drives in any form. It indicates a better understanding on the part of American men of the aims and objects of the Order. Subordinate lodges, turning their wartime momentum into paths of peace, are attracting new members by their adherence to the patriotism, humanity and good fellowship which are the foundations of the Order.

Space permits only brief reference to some of the highlights of the Grand Lodge year. A detailed story of the work of the Commissions and Committees charged with carrying on toward the Order's objectives will be found elsewhere in this issue. To know your Order better read this story. It is a record calculated to make every Elk prouder than ever of his membership in this great American Fraternity.

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