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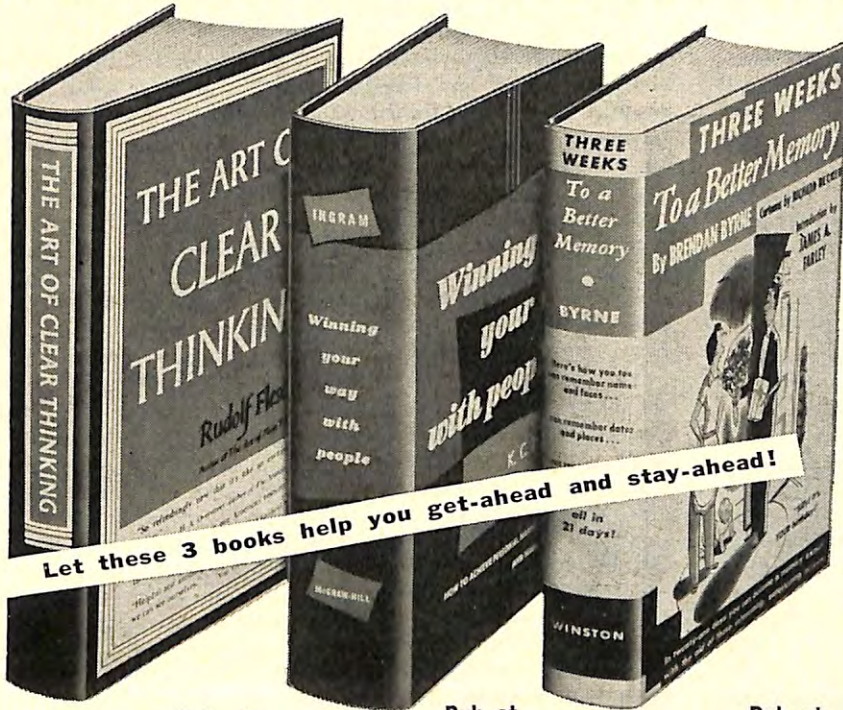
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The Speech of

GRAND EXALTED RULER, Past Grand Exalted Rulers, Brother Elks: I find it difficult to express the emotions I feel on this occasion. Pride is not one of those emotions. Your actions, and mine, during this year will determine whether or not we can be justly proud of this occasion.

Naturally, I feel highly complimented by your selection of me as your leader of this great Order. Your enthusiastic welcome gives me greater determination to fulfill your highest hopes. I thank you deeply for this opportunity of service. It is truly a rare honor, but I regard this honor as recognition for the State of Oklahoma and Oklahoma Elksdom, and now I want to thank the great Elks of my lodge, and of Oklahoma, who have so faithfully and generously given of their time and money, supporting the program and principles of our Order.

I want to thank the Tulsa Drill Team, the Holdenville "Elkettes" and the College Singers, for their fine cooperation and assistance in making this ceremony an inspiration. I also want to thank the Elks of Missouri for their fine hospitality and for their efforts in making this Convention a success. I would be ungrateful if I did not express to our Brother, Senator Robert S. Kerr, my appreciation for the fine things he said in his nominating speech, and Brother Morris Womack, of Texas, Brother Willis McDonald, of Louisiana, and Brother Bill Laubach, of Arkansas, for their kind expressions.

Most of all, I want to thank and pay tribute to our beloved Past Grand Exalted Ruler, Bruce Campbell, for his inspiration and guidance. He has encouraged, guided and taught me how best to serve the Order. If it were not for Bruce A. Campbell, of East St. Louis, I would not be here today. Thank you, Brother Campbell. I shall try to merit your confidence by working tirelessly and unflinchingly to perform my duties.

My appreciation goes to each and every one of our great Past Grand Exalted Rulers, whose loyalty and high service have been an inspiration to every member of this Order. I know that we can count upon their full cooperation during the year.

In accepting the office of Grand Exalted Ruler, I do so with all humility, well knowing my limitations. I pray God for strength and guidance, so that at this year's end you can be proud of my every act—proud of our progress and of our accomplishments. I pledge you that the Grand Lodge Officers, Past Grand Exalted Rulers, the various Committees, The Elks Magazine, the National Foundation, the Elks National Service Commission, the Elks Home at Bedford, the Grand Secretary's office, the Grand Trustees, and myself will perform our full duty. We will work unceasingly for the betterment of our Order. We must have that same effort in return from our team of District Deputies and Exalted Rulers.

There has never been a successful lodge that stressed club activities, over and above the activities of the lodge. Every worthwhile lodge in our Order attained success by rendering good work in the community. Worthwhile people will not join or support an organization if it does not have a worthwhile program. Being absolutely certain of these things, I shall use every power of the Grand Lodge to support every subordinate lodge officer who makes a sincere and honest effort to increase the good that his lodge can do. I shall be mindful of my obli-

gation and insist that the laws of our Order be obeyed, and I shall insist that you Exalted Rulers, who gave your solemn promise that you would serve the Order for the year, keep that promise. The Order must forge ahead by constructive accomplishment. We cannot live in the past or bask in the glory of yesterday's achievements. I want every Elk to live as an Elk, performing good deeds, and I want every Elk and every good citizen of these United States to be proud of the good name of this Order. I want every member of this Order to be proud to wear the Elk Emblem. I want every man in this Order and every citizen of this country to understand and believe that the Elk's Emblem means good fellowship and good citizenship.

The program for the year will be to increase the activity of the lodge. It will be designed to make the name of "Elk" more revered and more respected. Our motto shall be, "Do something worthwhile and let people know about it." We want the whole country to know the good that Elks do. We want our members and all citizens to know that crippled children walk again; that the blind see again; that the sick are becoming strong because of our efforts; that underprivileged and worthy youngsters in every State in the Union are being educated; that the aged members of our Order are being well cared for at Bedford; that in every State in the Union, our Order is, each month, visiting and entertaining our wounded soldiers in the veterans' hospitals. We want it to be truly said that membership in an Elks lodge is the finest thing that can happen to a man; that the operation of an Elk's lodge is the finest thing that can happen to a community.

OUR ORDER must increase its sponsorship of Youth Programs. This cannot be over-emphasized. Every major town in America has its problems with teenagers. We must redouble our efforts and increase our program of scholarships, leadership contests, Boy Scouts' programs, athletic contests, playgrounds, parks, swimming pools and summer camps. They will continue to be of great help and influence if properly planned and consistently sponsored. In my opinion, we should direct a major portion of our Youth Program toward the underprivileged. We must help those who do not have help or opportunity. Such work may be carried on through the Juvenile Department of your courts or governmental agencies. You may furnish athletic equipment or sponsor athletic programs, or Christmas programs in the reform schools or orphanages. Give aid and guidance to those who have no home inspiration. Open the window of hope for those who have no hope. There is nothing more worthwhile or more soul satisfying than the knowledge that you have given help or guidance to an unfortunate person at a time when it was desperately needed. The slightest help or suggestion can be of tremendous importance to a child who has been denied opportunity and affection. You can only make older people comfortable, but young people can be inspired and guided into a useful, worthwhile life. Such programs will not only have tremendous influence upon the youth of the country, but also help you "sell" your own membership on the activities of your lodge, and gain the respect and support of every worthwhile citizen in your community. We must not shirk this responsibility. (Continued on page 42)

Acceptance

OF EARL E. JAMES



Earl E. James, Oklahoma City, Okla.,
Lodge No. 417, elected Grand Exalted
Ruler on July 6 at the Grand Lodge
Session held in St. Louis, Missouri.



SLOW BOAT TO

BY HUGH B. CAVE

DANGER

From history prof to Communist courier was quite an excursion.

HE WAS the last of the nine passengers to board the freighter. Ten minutes before sailing time he strode through the pier shed with a single small suitcase and went straight to the ship's dining room to be assigned his cabin—a single, he hoped.

The line's passenger agent, seated at the long center table, glanced from the man's ticket to the man himself. He saw in Andrew Vernon an anxious young American with watchful gray eyes, a har-

ried man who obviously had lived for some time out of a suitcase.

"Well, yes. I can put you by yourself, Mr. Vernon. The cabin will be small, though. This isn't a luxury ship."

"I'll trade the comforts for privacy," Andrew Vernon said with a shrug.

The steward, a long-faced Martinique boy, jiggled his keys impatiently and reached for Vernon's suitcase.

It was a cabin not much larger than a phone booth. Vernon lit a cigarette

and stood for a moment at the open port, watching the crew lower the cargo booms. He wondered which cabin Miss Davis had, and if she were in it. Probably not. She would be outside somewhere, taking a last look at New York. Turning, he gazed at himself in the small mirror above the wash basin, and shook his head at what he saw.

"You've come a long way in eight months," he said. "From history prof to Communist courier is quite an excursion."



To stand still for long was dangerous. But he had learned her name.

ILLUSTRATED BY HARVEY KIDDER

Now it's a freighter to Haiti. Better watch your step."

He hung his topcoat in the locker and carefully examined the padlock on the steel door. Not that it was an expensive topcoat. It wasn't. But inside the lining lay one hundred thousand dollars, cash, that did not belong to him.

When the ship was well out in the river he stepped into the corridor, locked his cabin door with a key and went on deck.

Ruth Davis was at the rail, gazing at the Statue of Liberty. Others were on deck too, but they stood apart in a group. The girl was alone.

"Hello there," she said. "It's cold out here."

A stiff November breeze whipped the river, and Vernon shivered. He smiled, though. Inside, he was warm as his nerves unwound. For the first time in a week he felt safe.

"You'll be sitting out here in a cotton dress day after tomorrow," he predicted. She would look nice in a cotton dress, he thought. She was long-legged and slim, and her mahogany-red hair blew in the wind. A little too solemn, perhaps, but

lovely. "What takes you to Haiti on a cargo ship? Seeing the world?"

"I told you yesterday. I'm going to teach for UNESCO."

"That's right, you did." But yesterday I wasn't listening, he thought. I was looking behind me for my shadow.

Yesterday he had met her on the pier when, against his better judgment, he had walked up from his hotel to see what sort of ship he would be traveling on. She had been there with her luggage, and he had seen the ship's name on the tags and spoken to her. Not for long, of course. To stand still for long was dangerous. But he had learned her name.

"You and I seem to be the only Americans," he said now, with a glance at the other passengers.

Ruth Davis nodded. "The three women by the lifeboat are going to Guadaloupe. The others are Haitians."

"Know them already, do you?"

"We've been talking."

THE JEREMIE was a small ship, even for a freighter. She rolled a good deal and by big-ship standards she was dirty. Vernon didn't care. By supper time his

sense of freedom was complete. He almost missed the shadow.

He could have sat by himself in the dining room but chose instead to join the Haitians at the center table. Ruth Davis was there too, more attractive than ever in gray skirt and yellow cashmere cardigan. Vernon sat beside little Suzanne Lissade and, smiling, straightened the pink ribbon on her raven hair.

"My name's Andrew Vernon," he told her.

She answered in a bright babble of French. With a mock shudder he held up his hand. "Whoa! I don't even speak good English."

"Is not so good, you go to Haiti and don't speak the language," Edita Jolicoeur said, flashing a smile at him across the table. "In Haiti is necessary you speak French and Creole. We have to teach you, no?" Her smile expanded when Vernon grinned and nodded. She was a good-looking, dark-skinned girl with the liveliest eyes he had ever seen.

"Thanks," Vernon said. "Thanks very much."

Her laugh rang through the room, as
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News of the State Associations



Prior to his election as the Order's new leader, Earl E. James of Oklahoma City, Okla., Lodge, left, attended the Texas Elks Assn. Convention in Houston. With him are Convention Chairman Art Gharrett, center, and retiring Pres. R. P. Willis.

FLORIDA

All but one of the State's 62 lodges were represented by the 1,074 persons at the Fla. Convention in St. Augustine May 22-25. Distinguished guests included Grand Treas. Edward A. Dutton, Special Deputy Floyd Brown, Past Grand Est. Lead Knight James A. Dunn, Past Grand Est. Loyal Knight Chelsie J. Senerchia, and W. A. Wall, former Chairman of the Grand Lodge Ritualistic Committee.

Past Pres. Walter J. Matherly, Dean of the Univ. of Fla., delivered the address at Services honoring the memories of Past Grand Exalted Ruler David Sholtz, Past Presidents M. A. Rosin and C. C. Kirby, and the other 357 Fla. Elks who had passed away during the year.

Pres. Victor O. Wehle reported on the Assn.'s fine progress, with seven lodges

instituted and a net gain of 2,125 members. The State contributed \$136,615.36 to charitable purposes, and another \$54,819.08 for general welfare, as well as contributing \$84,002.24 to the maintenance of the Assn.'s Harry-Anna Home for Crippled Children.

Miami Lodge's team won the Ritualistic Contest, with three of its members making the All-State Team, together with three from Tallahassee Lodge and one from West Palm Beach.

Pres. Wehle was reelected until the 1954 meeting in Orlando, and will work with Vice-Presidents: Fred Wagner, Tallahassee; J. P. Riordan, Jacksonville; W. E. May, New Smyrna Beach; Richard DeMott, Jr., Winter Haven; R. J. Skanes, Lake Worth, and John Rosasco, Coral Gables; Treas., C. L. Johnson, Tallahassee; Historian, H. A. Davis, Palatka;

Tiler, M. T. Carnes, St. Augustine; Sgt.-at-Arms, Peter Gessner, De Land; Organizer, George Hulme, Lake Worth; Chaplain, Rev. Pipes Jones, Palatka. James J. Fernandez of Tampa continues as Executive Secy., and Mr. Matherly of Gainesville starts a five-year term on the Board of Directors. Trustees of the Foundation Fund are Mr. Johnson, seven years, and Mr. Wehle, six years.

ILLINOIS

Denham Harney of Jacksonville was elected Pres. of the Ill. Elks Assn. at its 50th Annual Convention May 22-24 with Moline and Rock Island as co-hosts. Vice-Pres.-at-Large is R. G. Borman, Carlinville; Treas., Eugene W. Schnierle, Harrisburg, and Albert W. Arnold of Lincoln was again named as Secy.

More than 1,000 persons attended the meeting, among them Past Grand Exalted Ruler Henry C. Warner, Grand Lodge Activities Coordinator Bert A. Thompson; Ind. Elks Assn. Pres. P. W. Loveland, and Iowa Pres. Lynn Swaney. L. L. Hamilton, Past Pres. and Secy. of the Mich. Elks Assn., Ind. Past Pres. C. E. Thompson and Fairfield, Ia., P.E.R. H. L. Sellers judged the Ritualistic Contest, taken by the 1952 National Championship DeKalb Team which received a trophy from Past Pres. John E. Giles.

The delegates were saddened to learn that poor health forced the resignations of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Bruce A. Campbell as Chairman of the Assn.'s Crippled Children's Commission, and its Exec. Secy., Frank P. White, naming Mr. Campbell as Honorary Chairman, and Mr. White as consultant to his successor. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Warner is the new Chairman, Mr. Arnold will take over Mr. White's duties, and Mr. Giles was named as Vice-Chairman and Treas.

Sam Ryerson presided at the Past



Student William P. Rust receives the \$400 Elks National Foundation Award for New Jersey from P.D.D. William Kennedy, second from left, at the home of Bloomfield Lodge. At left is P.E.R. Edmund Gruchacz and at right are E.R. W. W. Kulzy and D.D. Theodore Grimm.



Chairman Arthur J. Roy of the Grand Lodge Ritualistic Committee, left, congratulates Miss Katherine Taylor, third-place scholarship winner, at the Connecticut Convention. First-prize scholar Alfred Moroski, right, and second-place scholarship winner Thomas Lafleur, look on.



Chairman John F. Malley enjoyed the privilege of presenting the Elks National Foundation Award for Maine to Miss Patricia Ann McCarthy at the Augusta Convention.

Presidents Dinner, and retiring Pres. Don C. Patten conducted the business sessions during which it was reported that \$20,000 had been pledged to the Elks Natl. Foundation, the membership gain was 2,014 and Veterans Service Committee expenditures totaled \$17,351 in the State's nine hospitals, not including the amount spent at the Waukegan Service Center where about 50,000 servicemen were entertained during the year.

WYOMING

Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Henry C. Warner, Colo. State Pres. C. F. Rice, D.D. R. A. Rowlands and Past Pres. T. Joe Cahill were among the nearly 800 persons who attended the Wyo. State Convention at Cody May 27-29, when the Assn. presented a Chevrolet station wagon to the Wyo. Society for Crippled Children and Adults.

Casper Lodge won the Ritualistic Championship, with Sheridan in second place and Cody in third, while six Casper officers were members of the All-State Team, with one from Laramie.

Until next year's meeting in Torrington the following will handle Assn. business: Pres. E. B. Cope, Torrington; Vice-Presidents: Joe Spangler, Greybull; Paul McKelvey, Rawlins, and George Forester, Casper; Trustee, Henry Hecht, Cody; Sgt.-at-Arms, Robert Fuller, Riverton; Inner Guard, R. B. Jones, Thermopolis; Chaplain, Frank Christian, Lusk; Secy.-Treas., Lou Mehse, Laramie.

MINNESOTA

The 49th Annual Session of the Minn. Assn. June 4-7 in Duluth had nearly 700 in attendance, and about 400 Elks and their wives heard Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern's address at the State Banquet.

In various competitions held in connection with an outstanding parade, the Rochester Elks' Drum and Bugle Corps took first place and the Mankato entry won the band contest. The Ritualistic title was captured by Minneapolis Lodge over St. Paul and Bemidji.

The delegates voted to investigate pos-



E.R. John H. Stauber holds the trophy captured by this four-time Wisconsin Ritualistic Championship Team from Marshfield Lodge.

sible sites for a Youth Camp the Assn. will sponsor and elected the following: Pres., Dr. John D. Mitchell, Duluth; 1st Vice-Pres., Jos. Manderfeld, Mankato; 2nd Vice-Pres., Ernest Peacock, Minneapolis; 3rd Vice-Pres., Walter Jung, Thief River Falls; Secy., C. W. Wilkinson, Duluth; Treas., O. C. Paulson, Thief River Falls; Trustees: John Meurer, Minneapolis, E. Archie Cook, St. Cloud; V. L. Howerton, Virginia, Rochester will be host to the 1954 meeting.

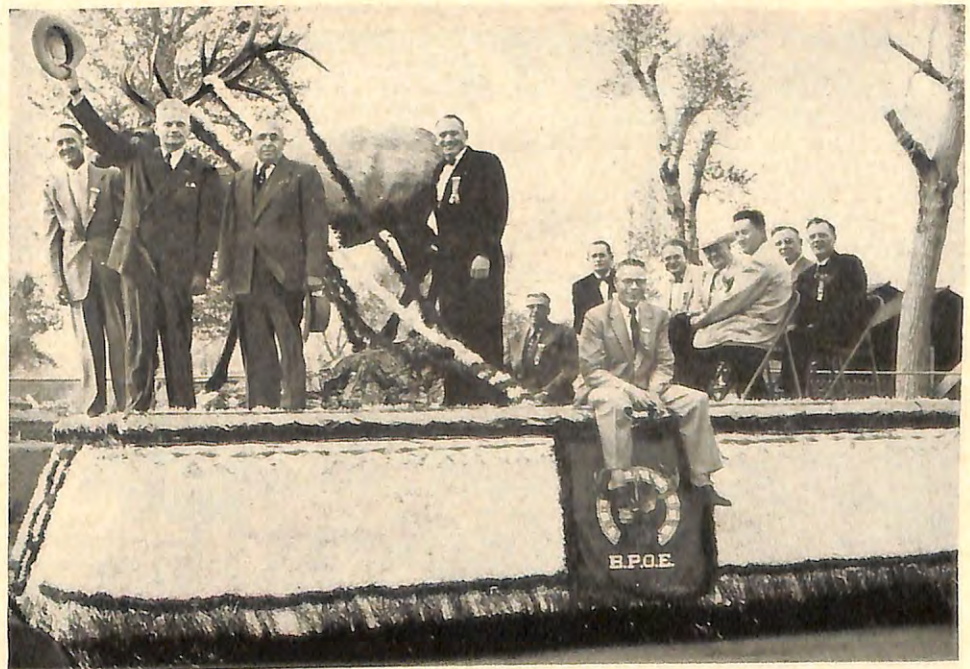
ALABAMA

Mayor R. B. Sercy welcomed nearly 400 Ala. Elks Assn. delegates to the 31st Convention in Huntsville May 22-24. State Sen. Joseph Foster also addressed the opening meeting on the 23rd, while Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland was the principal speaker at the banquet that evening.

Youth Leadership Awards were presented to Miss Shirley F. Hamilton and

Steven T. Kimbrough, both of Cullman, by Committee Chairman G. W. Smithson, of Birmingham, later named Exec. Vice-President. P.E.R. Ray Balthrop of Homewood Lodge conducted the Memorial Services when Howard Hellon spoke.

The 1954 meeting will have Birmingham Lodge No. 79 as host, and until that time Bernard Rosenbush, Jr., Tuscaloosa, will be Pres. of the organization. Other officers are Dist. Vice-Presidents: W. S. Wiggins, Sheffield; C. M. Hampton, Talladega; J. J. Burks, Birmingham; Ed Levy, Demopolis; W. C. Bostwick, Montgomery; Norman Evans, Alexander City; B. B. Miller, Dothan; Gary Bailey, Mobile; Stanley Connell, Fairhope; Tiler, A. F. Kruckeberg, Mt. Brook; Trustee, Earl M. Shelton, Montgomery; Secy.-Treas., Carter Dobbs, Decatur; Chaplain, C. C. Acker, Decatur; Organist, Tom Davidson, Birmingham; Historian, Gilbert Mayer, Sheffield; Inner Guard, Kenon Ferguson, Anniston; Outer Guard, R. F.



Retiring Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern, third from left with Past Grand Exalted Ruler Henry C. Warner on his right, joins other Elk dignitaries aboard the official float in the parade which welcomed him to the Wyoming State Elks Assn. Convention which took place at Cody.



Left: Part of Ohio's championship New Philadelphia Degree Team, with the Annual Trophy, left, a plaque, and the Robert A. Dunkle Revolving Trophy, right, captured permanently by the three-time winners.



Right: The Ames Elks' Bowling Team which won the Iowa Championship.

Flynn, Bessemer; Sgt.-at-Arms, Dave Israel, Blocton; Publicity Chairman, Ira Naler, Birmingham.

CONNECTICUT

Samuel Annunziato of Stamford was elected to head the Conn. Elks Assn. at its annual Convention in Norwich June 6th. Other officers are: Vice-Presidents: T. F. Winters, Bristol; M. S. Ackerman, Middletown; Secy., G. H. Williams, Rockville; Treas., J. E. Bryan, Middletown; Trustee, J. J. Gillespie, Bridgeport.

State Scholarships and Youth Activities Awards were presented at the opening session, when Chairman Arthur J. Roy, of the Grand Lodge Ritualistic Committee, delivered a fine address. The State Assn. Banquet was an enjoyable affair, with an address by Pres. P. A. Johnson of the City Council, who was joined at the head table by Mr. Roy, P.D.D. Felix J. Callahan, D.D.'s Thomas Clark and John Mangan, retiring Pres. Daniel Foley, and many other dignitaries.

INDIANA

Gary Lodge was host to the 53rd Meeting of the Ind. Elks Assn. June 18-21. Two Past Grand Exalted Rulers, Grand Secy. J. Edgar Masters and Joseph B. Kyle, were present, as were Supt. R. A. Scott of the Elks National Home and several Ill. Elks Assn. officials, including Pres. Denham Harney, Past Presidents Don Patten, W. G. Maltby, D.D., and Joseph Cooke who gave the Memorial Address.

Three \$400 Elks National Foundation Scholarships were awarded by Commit-

tee Chairman Gerald Powell, while two students received \$100 Youth Leadership Awards from retiring Pres. P. W. Loveland. C. E. Thompson, Ritualistic Committee Chairman, presented the award to the championship Vincennes Team.

Chairman T. E. Burke of the Permanent Activities Committee, reported that the Assn. had contributed \$52,580 in the fight against cancer the past year; this included \$1,100 spent on the publication of a booklet giving the history of this work, sent to each Ind. Elk; the \$6,230 billboard poster program; the \$34,500 check Mr. Burke presented for cancer research to Dr. John Van Nuys, Dean of Ind. Univ. Medical Center, and a \$10,750 grant to Dr. E. C. Young, Dean of the Graduate School of Purdue Univ.

Officers of the Assn. for the coming year are: Pres., L. A. Krebs, Indianapolis; Vice-Presidents: C. M. Rappe, Union City; Herb Beitz, Kokomo; Dr. W. A. Hart, Michigan City; John Jennings, Evansville; Secy., C. L. Shideler, Terre Haute; Treas., Paul Manship, Noblesville; Trustees: C. P. Bender, Wabash; R. C. Marx, Anderson; N. L. Freeland, Greensburg; J. F. Beldon, Seymour; G. R. Means, Hammond; Sgt.-at-Arms, Al Schlorch, South Bend; Chaplain, Don Reed, Bluffton; Tiler, C. L. Parker, Bedford.

NEBRASKA

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Henry C. Warner addressed the delegates to the 41st Convention of the Neb. Elks Assn. in Kearney June 6-7-8, when Scottsbluff Lodge's entry took Ritualistic honors over

North Platte, and Broken Bow Elks won the Trapshoot. George Giesler of Kearney won the Golf Contest, with Lincoln Elk Herman Rohrig scoring the low net.

The delegates, who paid warm tribute to the late August Schneider, founder of crippled children's work in the State, elected the following: Pres., A. D. Mapes, Norfolk; Vice-Presidents: R. D. Greenwalt, Scottsbluff; P. D. Zimmer, Falls City; W. K. Swanson, McCook; W. W. Wenstrand, Omaha; Treas., F. C. Laird, Fremont; Secy., H. P. Zieg, Grand Island. Trustees are J. M. Fitzgerald, Omaha; J. R. McNannay, Hastings; C. E. Burdick, Ainsworth; E. L. Bradley, Columbus; Graden Rathbun, Lincoln.

IOWA

All but three of the State's lodges were represented by the 350 delegates to the 48th Convention of the Iowa Elks Assn. in Waterloo June 6-7-8, when Past Grand Exalted Ruler Henry C. Warner delivered the Convention address.

It was reported that this group spends about \$10,000 annually on the welfare of hospitalized veterans, under the chairmanship of Dr. W. H. Ward, while Chairman J. T. McKeever handles the Iowa Elks' summer camp project; Cedar Rapids Lodge received a plaque for its youth work this year.

The Boone Ritualistic Team defeated Iowa Falls, Muscatine and Decorah entries, and the 1953-54 officers are: Pres., Cloyd Shellady, Iowa City; Vice-Presidents: Richard Burton, Iowa Falls, Russell Powell, Newton; Tom Carroll,avenport; Basil Gorey, Boone; Trustees:

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The Miami team which won the Fla. Ritualistic Contest, with coach P.E.R. D. G. Satin, right, who placed in competition a Southern Dist. Trophy in memory of Past Grand Exalted Ruler David Sholtz.

STATE ASSOCIATION CONVENTION INFORMATION FOR 1953*

State	Place	Date
Md., Dela., D. C.	Salisbury, Md.	Aug. 20-21-22-23
Wisconsin	La Crosse	Aug. 20-21-22
Pennsylvania	Harrisburg	Aug. 24-25-26-27
Tennessee	Columbia	Sept. 4-5
California	Long Beach	Sept. 16-17-18-19
Vermont	Hartford	Sept. 18-19-20

*Ohio Summer Conference at Cedar Point Aug. 23-26
 Indiana Fall Meeting at Indianapolis Sept. 26-27
 Oklahoma Fall Meeting at Muskogee Oct. 2-3-4
 Wisconsin Fall Meeting at Stevens Point Oct. 17
 Iowa Midwinter Meeting at Clinton Nov. 21-22

ROD AND GUN

The West offers any kind of trout fishing that you like.

BY TED TRUEBLOOD



THERE WAS a brisk chop on the water when I got into the canoe and shoved off from camp, but I was anxious to begin fishing. I started the little outboard and ran across the lake to the thicket of half-submerged willows that bordered the sunken channel of a creek emptying into it. There I tied up and attached a big, drab, weighted wet fly to my leader.

Although an occasional fish was rolling among the willows, I knew from experience that the feeding fish would be deep—close to the moss-covered bottom, which was six or eight feet beneath the surface in the channel. I cast across the opening that marked the submerged course of the stream and let my fly sink

for a count of ten. Then I began to work it back slowly with short pulls and pauses, letting the retrieved line fall in coils on the bottom of the canoe.

Nothing happened. I cast in different spots, let the fly sink for longer and shorter periods and tried working it both faster and more slowly. Finally, just as I was on the point of changing to another pattern, the fly stopped hard in the middle of the channel. It felt as though I had pulled the hook into some heavy, immovable object deep beneath the surface. I struck sharply. There were no snags in the channel.

Instantly, the rod bowed down, quivering, until the tip almost touched the water, and the line sizzled toward the nearest clump of willows. I held hard. This was rough, tough trout fishing. I had about twenty feet in which to stop whatever it was I had hooked. If he got into the brush, he was a goner.

I held as hard as I dared—and my nine-foot leader was tapered from 20-

pound-test nylon at the butt to six-pound at the point. Despite the strength of my tackle, the trout pulled foot after stubborn foot of line through my fingers. Finally, inches from the threatening willow, I turned him. He swung up the open water of the channel and I let him go more freely, although I still made him earn every yard of line he took.

Eventually, I led him to the canoe and netted him. He was a cutthroat that weighed exactly five pounds, but since I was alone and he was far more fish than I could eat I turned him loose. It should be no trouble to catch a smaller trout, say one of about two pounds, for my dinner—I thought.

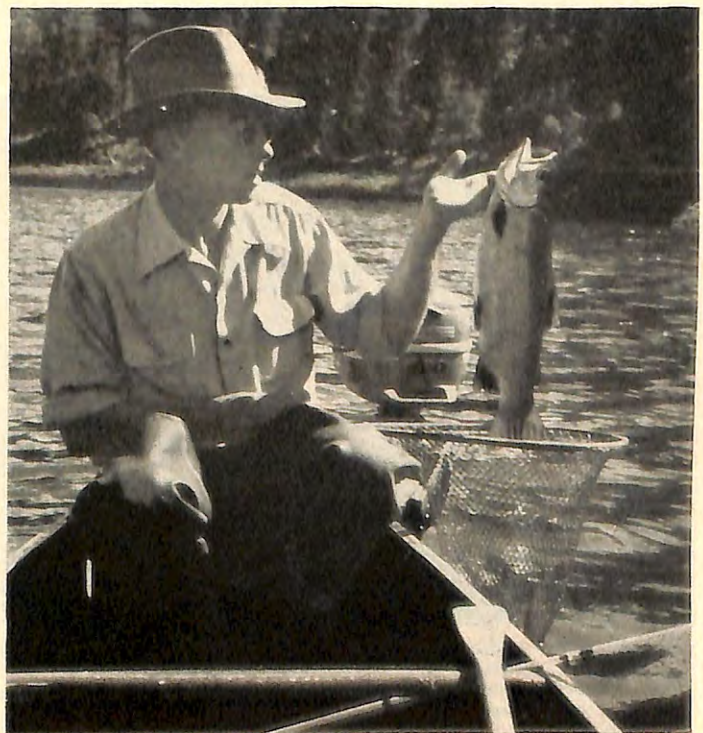
That was nine o'clock. I fished until one. The wind increased steadily in intensity until the waves surging through the willows made the canoe pitch uncomfortably. Worse, they were making the water so muddy that the trout could no longer see my fly. Running back to camp across the rolling lake now was out of the question so I pushed the canoe through the willows a hundred yards to shore and pulled it up on the bank to wait out the wind.

During the four hours that I fished, I landed six trout. The last five were almost identical in size to the first one. I hooked two that I couldn't hold out of the brush. They broke off. I have no

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This sequence shows a four-pound rainbow coming to the net, safely in it, and being admired on a lake in Montana. Nobody knows why Trueblood's mouth was open all this time. Maybe he didn't quite believe it himself.



NEWS OF THE LODGES

Chelsea, Mass., Elks Aid Many as Memorial

Alfred L. Brown of Chelsea Lodge No. 938 lost his son in 1943, and his wife in 1951. Following his request that his friends contribute to a fund in memory of his wife and child instead of sending flowers of condolence, he received nearly \$1,000 which he turned over to his lodge for the establishment of the Roselyn and Robert Brown Benevolent Fund. Created in October, 1951, this Fund has helped many unfortunate people of the commu-

nity. A 20-man Committee, with Mr. Brown as Chairman, distributes funds to the needy, on the advice of the Children's Medical Center, Mass. General Hospital and similar groups.

N. J. Elks Distribute \$76,000 for Crippled Children's Work

The second annual "Pageant of Giving" of the N. J. State Elks Assn.'s Crippled Children's Committee saw \$76,015.82 turned over to the State's lodges for this work—an increase of 25 per cent over last year. The program, held at the home



On Greenville, S. C., Lodge's 50th Anniversary, Trustees Chairman H. C. Beattie, left foreground, delivered the cancelled \$160,000 mortgage on the lodge home to E.R. James A. Bailey, right. Looking on are Trustees R. F. Mullinix, H. R. Stephenson, Jr., D. F. Dobbins and O. F. Goings.



Tacoma, Wash., Lodge presents an annual \$500 Scholarship Award to a student from each of the city's three high schools. This year, E.R. Burr Anderson, third from left, son of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Emmett T. Anderson, enjoyed the pleasure of presenting the awards to Jerry Elarth, Stuart Anderson and Robert Coon, as P.E.R.'s Lloyd Wynans, Chairman of the Tacoma Elks' Scholarship Committee, left, and Superior Court Judge Bertil Johnson, second from left, looked on.



Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis, center, smiled his pleasure when San Mateo, Calif., Lodge's officers, led by E.R. Raymond J. Daba, right, initiated a class of 47 men in his honor. At left is P.E.R. Edward E. Keller, P.D.D.

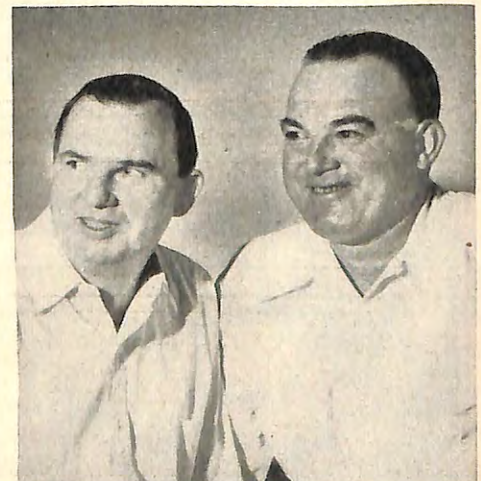
of Elizabeth Lodge No. 289, proved the tremendous value of the Elks' Shield Campaign.

Grand Trustee William J. Jernick, Chairman of the Committee, made the distributions which were accepted by District Chairmen Jos. P. O'Toole, Grand Lodge Committeeman; Dennis A. Lyons, Thomas Hayes and Harold Fuccile, and State Pres. Joseph F. Bader delivered a warm address of appreciation. Citations in recognition of their efforts in the fund-raising campaign were presented to a number of cooperative citizens by Julius J. Marion, Treas. of the Committee.

Corvallis, Ore., Elks Promote Youth's Interest in Art

Most of the youngsters in the Benton County, Ore., area have found outlets in their drive for recognition—the majority in the field of athletics, others in displaying their talents in various 4-H Club Fairs and Boy and Girl Scout exhibitions.

Until Chief of Police C. W. Fruitt, a member of Corvallis Lodge No. 1413, came through with an unusual idea, however, the more esthetic type of child had no opportunity to show his artistic ability.



Ramy Frost and Mert Ryerson, the Pontiac, Ill., Elks who won the doubles championship at the 1953 Elks National Bowling Tourney in Chicago which had 5,170 Elk participants competing for a total of \$31,156 in cash prizes.

Mr. Fruitt suggested that his Brother Elks sponsor an Annual Arts Award Exhibit in which the young artists of the community would be invited to participate.

The idea was approved without hesitation, and the assistance of the faculties of the local schools was solicited. Miss Mary Jo Allbright, Art Coordinator for the Corvallis Schools, immediately went to work, arranged for the two-day exhibition and secured as professional judges Wirth McCoy, Ore. State College staff artist; John Horn, Ore. College of Education art professor; Freda Harshberger, Art Coordinator of the Eugene City Schools, and C. A. Bates, an art teacher. Art work eligible included oils, chalks, crayon, pencil, sculpture, watercolor, charcoal, silk screen, letter typography and prints, and the judges selected eight portfolio winners—five, ranging in age from nine to 17, won five dollars each, and three, from 12 to 17 years old, received ten-dollar prizes. In addition there were approximately 100 blue, red and white ribbon awards made.

The Corvallis Elks rightly consider this one of their finest achievements; the event, which elicited widespread commendation, was an unqualified success, as evidenced by the fact that the more than 1,000 entries were viewed by considerably more than 4,000 members of the community which has a population of 16,500.

West Chester, Pa., Elks End Fiftieth Year

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Howard R. Davis was the honored guest and principal speaker at the dinner-dance which closed the week-long Golden Anniversary celebration of West Chester Lodge No. 853.

Events included an Old Timers Reunion when special tribute was paid to three Charter Members, John L. Clower, George Moses and Frank Kilpatrick. Nearly 100 wives of the West Chester Elks were guests at a buffet luncheon, and 57 men were initiated by E.R. F. M. Oakes and his officers as the Anniversary Class before an audience of over 200. About 150 members enjoyed their Anniversary Stag Night, and sports events which marked the festivities included a Bowling Tournament and a Trapshooting Contest in which J. D. Rigg, G. D. Baldwin, Jr., Wm. E. Seal and S. L. Logan broke "50".

Florida Welcomes Lodge at Pompano Beach

The latest addition to the Elk family of Florida is Pompano Beach Lodge No. 1898. The ceremonies took place in the spacious home of Fort Lauderdale Lodge No. 1517 and were attended by a sizable crowd, including many of the leading Elks of the State. A class of 69 men was initiated that evening, while another 24 became affiliated with the new branch of the Order on dimit or release.



Holding their awards are the top portfolio winners in the Corvallis, Ore., Elk-sponsored Art Exhibit. With E.R. Harvey McConnell, left, and Miss Mary Jo Allbright who directed the show, at right, the eight talented young artists are, reading left to right: Jim Hathaway, Doris Kitzmann, Don Callarman, Joe Resch, Shirley Kroll, David Pugsley, Lou Ann Hartman and Jean Shirley.



West Chester, Pa., Elk officials, pictured with their principal guests during the lodge's 50th Anniversary Celebration. Seated, left to right, are Treas. C. S. Brubaker, Chairman, E.R. F. M. Oakes, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Howard R. Davis, P.D.D. R. T. Frisby, Est. Lead. Knight John Bennett.



At Palo Alto, Calif., Lodge for State Pres. Vincent H. Grocott's combination official visit to Los Gatos, Santa Cruz, San Jose and Palo Alto Lodges were 500 Elks, including, left to right, foreground: Past Presidents E. J. Williams, J. B. Morey; host E.R. Ford Barger; Past Grand Est. Lead. Knight F. B. Mellmann; second row: Mr. Grocott, Past Grand Est. Lead. Knight F. E. Dayton, Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis, D.D. Fred Gerhardt, P.D.D. H. J. Budde, Past. Pres. H. R. Wisely.



Left: Coach Bob McCutcheon and his Antelope Valley Junior College basketball stars, the Marauder Champions of the So. Cent. Conference, with some of the Lancaster, Calif., Elks who paid them tribute at a public ceremony.

Right: Chairman Ray E. Sawyers grips the handsome trophy won by Ed Tutwiler, right, in the Seventh Annual West Virginia Elks Golf Tournament sponsored by Hinton Lodge. At left is runner-up Sam Campbell. Golfer Tutwiler wears the State Amateur Open Crown and qualified for the National Tournament.



1953 Elks National Bowling Tournament Biggest Ever

The 33rd Annual Tournament of the Elks Bowling Assn., conducted at the Congress Recreation Alleys in Chicago, Ill., was the largest in its history. A record 1,142 teams, 2,467 doubles and 4,934 individuals were registered, a total of 5,710 participants. Cash prizes totaling \$31,156 were awarded, plus diamond-studded gold belt buckles for winners in each event, and a diamond-studded trophy, donated by Secy. E. N. Quinn, which was awarded to Litchfield, Ill., Lodge whose No. 4 Elk Team won the champion-

ship. The Detroit, Mich., Maxwell Insurance Co. group made the highest actual pin fall in the five-man event. Junie McMahon of Passaic, N. J., and H. Case of Detroit, Mich., won the All-Events title; Pontiac, Ill., Elks Ramy Frost and Mert Ryerson captured the two-man event, and two Ohio Elks won individual honors—J. Flinn of Troy and G. Gorday of Akron. Of the 192 lodges represented, only nine failed to enter any winners.

At the Assn.'s meeting, Toledo, Ohio, Lodge, No. 53, was chosen as host to the 1954 event which will open Mar. 6 and run for ten weekends, with the exception of the Easter weekend, until May 16th.

Reservations may be made now by writing directly to Secy. Quinn, P. O. Box 29, Madison 1, Wis.

Stuart-Jensen, Fla., Lodge Grows

About 75 Elks from several Florida lodges, including Vero Beach, Fort Pierce and West Palm Beach, were on hand to see a class initiated into Stuart-Jensen Lodge No. 1870 at a recent meeting at the Tropic Hotel.

Guest speakers included P.D.D. Charles Peckelis and E.R. Charles Wilson of Fort Pierce Lodge, and E.R. J. Edward MacDonald of West Palm Beach. Following the meeting a Dutch luncheon was served.



E.R. C. S. Perry, left, foreground, smiles his appreciation of the entertaining program put on for him and 100 other San Francisco, Calif., Elks and their wives who made the annual two-day visit to San Luis Obispo Lodge, enjoying a golf match, barbecue and dance.

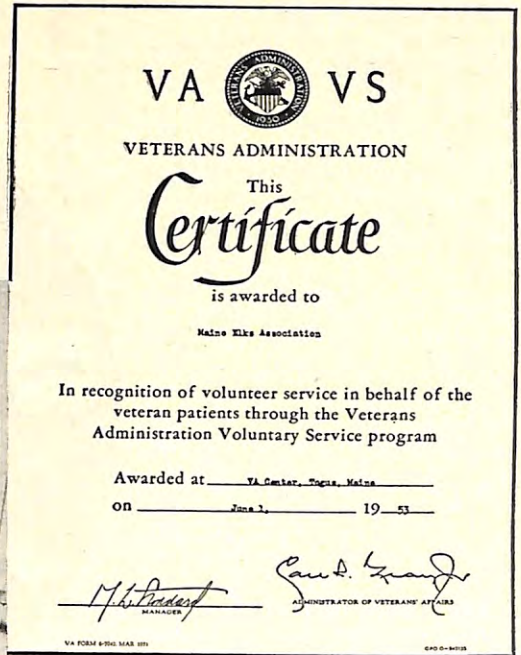


Participating in San Benito, Tex., Lodge's 9th Annual Scholarship presentation were, left to right: \$250 award winners Max Y. Harris and Patricia A. Richardson, E.R. A. S. McGehee, and W. Robert Dunbar, winner of the one-year scholarship to Texas Southmost College.

Right: The officers of Elizabeth, N. J., Lodge with the 41-man class initiated by a team composed of officials who won the National Ritualistic title at the 1939 Convention in St. Louis.



ELKS NATIONAL SERVICE COMMISSION ACTIVITIES



Left: The cast of a show presented by the Maine Elks, sponsored by Bath Lodge, for Togus Hospital veterans, and, above, the citation the Assn. has received for this fine work.

Right: A view of patients from the VA Hospital in Memphis and some of the Tennessee Elks who take them on Mississippi boat trips.



Above: Ample evidence of the success of Santa Maria, Calif., Lodge's Annual Veterans Drive and Clam Feed, participation in which was by donation of an article for VA work. Over 200 hides and 3,300 other articles loaded a truck with 6 3/4 tons of material. Left to right: State Committee Chairman Robert N. Traver, P.E.R. Paul Sanchez, E.R. Edward E. Rubel, Lodge Committee Chairman James Draper, Jr., and W. Cent. Dist. Committee Chairman Ed. Blaisdell.



Right: A section of the audience in the auditorium of the VA Center at Hot Springs during one of the So. Dak. Elks' monthly programs.

THE



GRAND LODGE CONVENTION

ST. LOUIS, MO., JULY 5-9, 1953

WITH a large audience of Elks, their ladies and guests in attendance, the 89th Convention of the Grand Lodge opened Sunday evening, July 5th, in Kiel Auditorium, St. Louis, Mo. After an organ prelude, the wives of the Past Grand Exalted Rulers, Grand Lodge Officers and Committeemen entered the Auditorium, with the 1952 National Championship Drill Team from York, Pa., Lodge, providing honorary escort. The curtains of the platform then opened with the Past Grand Exalted Rulers, Grand Lodge Officers and distinguished guests attending the Convention seated. The famous Hanover Elks Chorus from Hanover, Pa., 1952 National Champions, then led the audience in singing the "Star-Spangled Banner".

George E. Wunderlich, Chairman of the 1953 Convention Committee, gave brief opening remarks welcoming the delegates and their wives. The Reverend Richard J. Connelly, Grand Chaplain, then offered the Opening Prayer, which was followed by an address by the Honorable Raymond R. Tucker, Mayor of the City of St. Louis and a member of St. Louis, Lodge, No. 9. Mayor Tucker read the Official Proclamation that he had issued welcoming the Grand Lodge to St. Louis. Following his address a beautiful duet was sung by Shiela Reynolds, soprano, and Harry Weber, baritone, both members of the St. Louis Municipal Opera Company.

Honorable Phil M. Donnelly, Governor

of the State of Missouri, was unable to attend the Convention because of pressing duties in connection with the recent closing of the Missouri Legislature and, in his place, Lt. Governor James T. Blair, Jr., gave a splendid welcome on behalf of his State. Miss Reynolds and Mr. Weber then sang solos and were followed by two selections from the Hanover Elks Male Chorus, under the direction of Paul F. Worcester. This great group that has contributed so much to so many Conventions was warmly applauded by the audience.

Guests Present

Chairman Wunderlich introduced three distinguished Elk guests who were seated on the rostrum: Bernard Dickman, Postmaster of St. Louis and Chairman of the Convention Committee when the Sessions were held in St. Louis in 1939; United States Senator Robert S. Kerr, Ex-Governor of Oklahoma, and James A. Farley, Past Exalted Ruler of Haverstraw, N. Y., Lodge and former Postmaster General.

Miss Reynolds and Mr. Weber then rendered a very fine interpretation of a song from the famous musical comedy, "Blossom Time".

Mr. Wunderlich called for a standing ovation to the Past Grand Exalted Rulers on the stage. Then Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern delivered a stirring address that was most appreciated by the audience.

"It is most inspiring to assemble here

because all America is conscious of the vital role of St. Louis in our national development and history. It may be truly said that St. Louis is the crossroads of America. . . . One cannot help but feel that, as we assemble here, our deliberations will be influenced by the inspiration of immortal Missourians. So it is that our hats are off to our host city and its remarkable State—Missouri," Mr. Stern said.

"In my judgment the ideal of Brotherhood is one of the great truths of Elksdom and of our beloved country. In fact, that ideal is the dream and the aspiration of the whole world. That ideal of Brotherhood we find in our ritual. It is widely affirmed from the pulpits of our religious faiths. Yet this ideal is too often rejected in the forms of everyday life in the struggle to keep this concept alive in our hearts and minds.

Aware of Threat

"As members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks we recognize the great threat of communism. Communism is a movement of hate and class distinction. We must strengthen our security against aggression and against totalitarian forces which would destroy us. We dare not relax our vigilance against tyranny no matter what its guise or form may be.

"In humility, I say to you that you have bestowed upon me this year one of the greatest honors that can come to any

American. It has been a challenge and an inspiration to me at all times. I shall ever recall this year with fond remembrance. As long as the Almighty spares me I am resolved to give our beloved Order my sincerest devotion. I ask God's Blessing upon all of us and pray that He give us peace, health and prosperity,"

said Mr. Stern in concluding his address.

After the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by John R. Kurtz, Exalted Ruler of St. Louis Lodge, the Hanover Elks Male Chorus again sang, after which the Grand Chaplain gave the benediction. The Opening Public Session closed with an organ recessional.

the Auditing Committee. A digest of the Report of the Grand Exalted Ruler and the Grand Secretary appeared in our July issue.

Robert E. Boney and John T. Menefee of the Auditing Committee were introduced, but Chairman Roy D. Martin was unable to attend this year.

D. E. Lambourne, Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, gave a preliminary report on the Grand Lodge budget.

The Grand Exalted Ruler introduced J. Howard Hannah, Past Exalted Ruler of Springfield, Mo., Lodge, No. 409, who delivered a very interesting talk about his great State and extended a cordial welcome to the delegates. Exalted Ruler John R. Kurtz, St. Louis, Lodge, No. 9, was presented and welcomed the delegates to his city. He particularly pointed out that it was most gratifying to have the Convention in St. Louis this year since it is the 75th Anniversary of his lodge, one of the oldest in the Order.

Election of Officers

Next came the election of Grand Lodge Officers. In an extremely eloquent and moving nominating speech that was very well received by the delegates, Senator Robert S. Kerr, member of Ada, Okla., Lodge, No. 1640, nominated Earl E. James of Oklahoma City, Okla., Lodge, No. 417, for the office of Grand Exalted Ruler. The nomination was seconded by: Morris Womack, Dallas, Tex., Willis McDonald, New Orleans, and William Laubach, Little Rock, Ark. The nominations then were closed by motion and Earl E. James was elected Grand Exalted Ruler unanimously.

Mr. James was escorted to the rostrum by the following Committee: Past Grand Exalted Rulers Bruce A. Campbell, James R. Nicholson, James T. Hallinan, Henry C. Warner and Emmett T. Anderson, as well as D. Earl McCroskey, President of the Oklahoma State Elks Association, and James S. Tate, Exalted Ruler of Oklahoma City Lodge.

Stirring Demonstration

In honor of the Grand Exalted Ruler-Elect, the Holdenville Elkettes and the Tulsa Drill Team in precision form marched to the front of the Auditorium before the stage and took their positions, one group on each side of the center aisle. The Holdenville Elkettes, a magnificently trained group of attractive young ladies from Oklahoma, were outfitted in most striking uniforms. The Tulsa Drill Team is famous throughout Elkdom for its fine organization.

Then a group of boys and girls from Northwestern State College, Natchitoches, La., sang from the rear of the rostrum in honor of the Grand Exalted Ruler-Elect. This proved to be a remarkable singing group, for their performance was of a moving and spiritual character most appealing to the delegates who at the same

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1st Business Session

THE First Business Session of the 89th Grand Lodge Convention was called to order at 9:30 a.m., Monday, July 6th, by Grand Esquire H. H. Russell, of Warrensburg, Mo., Lodge. Then the splendid Drill Team from Pottstown, Pa., winner of the National Championship last year, entered the Auditorium, followed by the Great Falls, Mont., Drum and Bugle Corps that has been so outstanding at Grand Lodge Conventions.

The Grand Lodge Officers were then escorted to their stations by members of the Pottstown Drill Team and the customary opening ritual followed. The singing of "My Country Tis Of Thee", "Star-Spangled Banner" and "Auld Lang Syne", as provided by the ritual, was accompanied by the celebrated Elks Male Chorus from Hanover, Pa., Lodge.

A prayer by Grand Chaplain Connelly followed and Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern then declared the 89th Session of the Grand Lodge officially opened.

Officers Introduced

Mr. Stern introduced the Grand Lodge Officers. The delegates were asked to stand for a moment in silent tribute in memory of Past Grand Exalted Ruler David Sholtz, who passed away during the year.

Following this, Mr. Stern paid a sincere tribute to the twenty-four living Past Grand Exalted Rulers in attendance at the Sessions. Led by the Grand Esquire and members of the Pottstown Drill Team, they entered the Auditorium and went to the platform where they were introduced individually by the Grand Exalted Ruler. In attendance in order of introduction were:

James R. Nicholson, Springfield, Mass., Lodge, No. 61; Bruce A. Campbell, East St. Louis, Ill., Lodge, No. 664; J. Edgar Masters, Charleroi, Pa., Lodge, No. 494; William H. Atwell, Dallas, Tex., Lodge, No. 71; Charles H. Grakelow, Philadelphia, Pa., Lodge, No. 2; James G. McFarland, Watertown, S. D., Lodge, No. 838; John F. Malley, Springfield, Mass., Lodge, No. 61; John R. Coen, Sterling, Colo., Lodge, No. 1336; Floyd E. Thompson, Moline, Ill., Lodge, No. 556; Michael F. Shannon, Los Angeles, Calif., Lodge, No. 99.

James T. Hallinan, Queens Borough, N. Y., Lodge, No. 878; Edward J. McCormick, Toledo, Ohio, Lodge, No. 53; Henry C. Warner, Dixon, Ill., Lodge, No.

779; John S. McClelland, Atlanta, Ga., Lodge, No. 78; E. Mark Sullivan, Boston, Mass., Lodge, No. 10; Frank J. Lonergan, Portland, Ore., Lodge, No. 142; Robert S. Barrett, Alexandria, Va., Lodge, No. 758; Wade H. Kepner, Wheeling, W. Va., Lodge, No. 28; Charles E. Broughton, Sheboygan, Wis., Lodge, No. 299; L. A. Lewis, Anaheim, Calif., Lodge, No. 1345; George I. Hall, Lynbrook, N. Y., Lodge, No. 1515; Emmett T. Anderson, Tacoma, Wash., Lodge, No. 174; Joseph B. Kyle, Gary, Ind., Lodge, No. 1152, and Howard R. Davis, Williamsport, Pa., Lodge, No. 173.

The Grand Trustees

After these introductions, the Board of Grand Trustees was introduced: D. E. Lambourne, Salt Lake City, Utah, Lodge, No. 85; Thomas J. Brady, Brookline, Mass., Lodge, No. 886; Fred L. Bohn, Zanesville, Ohio, Lodge, No. 114; Nick H. Feder, Belleville, Ill., Lodge, No. 481, and William J. Jernick, Nutley, N. J., Lodge, No. 1290.

Dewey E. S. Kuhns, Charleston, W. Va., Lodge, No. 202, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, gave his Preliminary Report, stating that 2,325 members of the Grand Lodge were in attendance.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland offered a Resolution that a Committee of three be appointed to provide a suitable memorial for late Past Grand Exalted Ruler David Sholtz. This was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Stern introduced the following members of the Grand Forum: John E. Mullen, Providence, R. I., Lodge, No. 14; Henry S. Lindsley, Denver, Colo., Lodge, No. 17; John L. Walker, Roanoke, Va., Lodge, No. 197; John F. Scileppi, Queens Borough, N. Y., Lodge, No. 878, and J. Paul Kuhn, Aurora, Ill., Lodge, No. 705.

After these introductions, the customary calling of Grand Lodge members from distant lodges took place. Each stood and gave his name and lodge. The audience applauded heartily in appreciation of the effort of these Brothers in coming to the Convention. Present were three Brothers from the Canal Zone, two from Puerto Rico, ten from Alaska and two from Hawaii.

The minutes of last year's Session in New York were approved, as were the Reports of the Grand Exalted Ruler, Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and

time were according a standing ovation to Mr. James. The Grand Exalted Ruler-Elect then delivered his Speech of Acceptance. This moving address is reported in its entirety on pages four and five of this issue.

The elections of the Grand Lodge Officers then were continued. The following Officers were elected: Grand Esteemed Leading Knight, Lee A. Donaldson, Sr., Etna, Pa., Lodge, No. 932; Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight, William A. Wall, West Palm Beach, Fla., Lodge, No. 1352; Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight, Frank Hise, Corvallis, Ore., Lodge, No. 1413.

In a gracious speech, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Charles Grakelow nominated Past Grand Exalted Ruler J. Edgar

Masters for re-election as Grand Secretary, and he was duly elected. Edward A. Dutton, Savannah, Ga., Lodge, No. 183, was elected Grand Treasurer for a second term. Dr. Melvin H. Carlson, Brainerd, Minn., Lodge, No. 615, was elected Grand Tiler and Edward H. Powell, Providence R. I., Lodge, No. 14, Grand Inner Guard. Arthur Umlandt, Muscatine, Iowa, Lodge, No. 304, was elected a Grand Trustee for a five-year term and Glen S. Paterson of Watertown, S. D., Lodge, No. 838, was appointed to the Grand Forum for a five-year term.

James A. Farley then addressed the delegates briefly.

After a prayer by the Grand Chaplain, the First Business Session closed.

25th Anniversary of the Elks National Foundation. Dr. Watson said that the Memorial Foundation of the Eagles was inspired by the Foundation and highly complimented our Order for the work the Foundation is doing in benevolent good deeds.

Mr. Malley spoke briefly about the Foundation, referring to the "twenty-fifth birthday" and the good work being done by the Foundation in every field of philanthropy—"In the name of Elkdom," as he said.

Cerebral Palsy Tribute

He then introduced Past Grand Exalted Ruler McCormick, President of the American Medical Association, who spoke about the work of the Elks National Foundation in the field of cerebral palsy.

"We, of American medicine, look upon some charities with a rather skeptical eye," said Dr. McCormick. "The only charities that are worthwhile are the charities that make the dependent independent, and that has been the type of charity that the Elks National Foundation has entered into for many years. As President of the American Medical Association, I am cognizant of the fact that there is a great shortage of trained individuals to care for those suffering from cerebral palsy. I am cognizant of the fact that the Elks have called attention to this great need in the field of cerebral palsy during the past several years. I want to pay tribute this morning . . . to the Elks National Foundation and to all members of this great Order because you stepped in at a critical moment to fill in the gap and you have filled it well. I bring you greetings from the doctors of the United States of America and I thank the members of this great Benevolent and Protective Order for their interest in the problem and for the great help which you have given the medical profession," Dr. McCormick said in concluding his remarks to the Grand Lodge.

Gift from Colorado

After Dr. McCormick concluded his address, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Coen presented to Mr. Malley, John McMahon, Ouray, Colorado, Chairman of the Colorado National Foundation Committee. "Whose gift," Mr. Coen said, "speaks louder than his words."

"It is my pleasure to present the names of 980 members of 20 Colorado Elks Clubs and 1400 contributors to the Elks National Foundation and our total checks in the amount of \$30,704.49," Mr. McMahon said. This announcement of a most generous bequest to the Foundation was rousingly applauded by the delegates.

Since May 1st, 1952, Colorado had contributed \$9,086.00, making a total contribution of \$39,790.49. After the Colorado presentation, William S. Hawkins, a member of the Committee on Ju-

2nd Business Session

BECAUSE of the Annual Grand Lodge Memorial Service which followed the Second Session on July 7th, this meeting ended at 11:00 a.m. Before the opening of this Session, the delegates were entertained with selections by the All-City Youth Band of Racine, Wisconsin. This band, consisting of young men and women, was very well received by the delegates in attendance. After the band left the Auditorium, the meeting opened and the Grand Chaplain delivered a prayer.

Horace R. Wisely, Chairman of the Distribution Committee, delivered his Report.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler John R. Coen gave the Report of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission for Past Grand Exalted Ruler Bruce A. Campbell, Chairman of that Commission. While Mr. Campbell was present in St. Louis for the Convention, for which he was Honorary Chairman, he was prevented by illness from delivering the Report which he customarily gives. Mr. Coen prefaced his Report with a tribute to the contribution Mr. Campbell had given during the year to the work of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission as its Chairman.

He then introduced the other members of the Commission: Past Grand Exalted Rulers Michael F. Shannon, John S. McClelland and James T. Hallinan.

Magazine's Work

Mr. Coen opened his Report with a discussion of the The Elks Magazine, the direction of which is under the supervision of the Commission. He spoke of the Elks Family Shopper Department, which was started two years ago, and which has done so much to provide income for the Magazine. The income, in turn, is used for the Order. Mr. Coen advised the delegates present that they should do more to strengthen this great medium of our Order and, wherever

possible, should exert influence on potential advertisers. He pointed out that, while the Magazine returned a substantial profit this year for the Grand Lodge, the publication costs were virtually equal to per capita income and the profit was derived from advertising. (Complete details will be found in our digest of the Report in the September issue.) He reminded the delegates that The Elks Magazine belonged to them and that they, as Exalted Rulers, should return to their lodges with a full comprehension of The Elks Magazine and the Order's progress and our role as interpreters of the Order's efforts.

An Opportunity for Lodges

Mr. Coen then spoke about the Public Relations Department. Mr. Coen strongly urged every Exalted Ruler to take advantage of the many opportunities which the Public Relations Department afforded, particularly mentioning Newspaper Week as "a magnificent opportunity to sell Elkdom." He pointed out the facilities afforded to the lodges by the Public Relations Department and how with very little effort on their part they could conduct a sound relationship with their local newspapers and thereby strengthen their lodge locally. After Mr. Coen concluded, his report was accepted.

Next Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, Chairman of the Elks National Foundation, presented his Report, which was extended into the Third Business Session because of time limitations.

Mr. Malley introduced the Trustees of the Foundation: Past Grand Exalted Rulers Robert S. Barrett; Floyd E. Thompson; Charles H. Grakelow; L. A. Lewis; Edward J. McCormick and Charles E. Broughton.

After these introductions, Mr. Stern introduced Dr. T. V. Watson, of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, who presented the Civic Award of the Fraternal Order of Eagles to Mr. Malley, in honor of the

diciary, from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Lodge, No. 1254, representing the Idaho Elks State Association, presented a bar of silver beautifully encased in a mahogany box. The value of the bar of silver was \$1,000. This most unusual and original gift was tendered in honor

of the 25th, or Silver Anniversary, of the Elks National Foundation.

Following the Idaho presentation, there were many other gifts for the Foundation and the Second Business Session then closed for the Grand Lodge Memorial Service.

contributed more than \$400,000 to the Elks National Foundation.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Floyd E. Thompson next made the Annual Scholarship Presentations for the Foundation. A complete report of these presentations will be included in our September issue. For the first time since the Scholarship Awards have been made, there was a tie for the first place. Jean Anderson from Lincoln, Ill., and Mary K. Conine from Traverse City, Mich., both sponsored by the respective lodges, each received First Awards of \$900.00. The winner for boys was Earl A. Gober from Valdosta, Ga. All three of these young people came to the rostrum and spoke very movingly about their appreciation of the Elks National Foundation's contribution to their educational careers.

3rd Business Session

THE Third Business Session, on July 8th, was declared an open meeting because of public interest in the Reports of the Elks National Foundation and the Elks National Service Commission. After a prayer by the Grand Chaplain, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Floyd E. Thompson offered a Resolution to study the matter of establishing a pension program for employees of the Grand Lodge. This Resolution was passed and a Committee composed of Past Grand Exalted Rulers Floyd E. Thompson, John R. Coen and E. Mark Sullivan was appointed.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Malley, Chairman of the Elks National Foundation, then presented the Report of his Committee, which was continued from the previous session. Mr. Malley particularly urged Exalted Rulers in attendance to familiarize themselves with the Emergency Educational Fund of the Foundation. The purpose of this Fund is to provide means for children of Elks incapacitated in World War II to obtain a college education. To date, little advantage has been taken of this opportunity, mainly because the children of Elks who gave their lives in World War II have not reached college age when they will require assistance.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Robert S. Barrett spoke about the Emergency Educational Fund, which was established

when he was Grand Exalted Ruler (1944-1945). Dr. Barrett offered a Resolution extending the scope of the Foundation's Emergency Educational Fund to include any war in which a member of the Order participated, including Korea. The Resolution was passed unanimously and Dr. Barrett made a strong appeal that the delegates return to their lodges with a full knowledge of the advantages offered by this Fund and a determination to acquaint every member of their lodge with it.

Pennsylvania's Gift

Mr. Malley announced that the total of Silver Anniversary gifts to the Foundation made at the Convention was \$81,696.-87. The Oregon Elks made a very generous gift of \$7,354.50 in cash and the California Elks gave \$2,100 in cash. There also were many thousands of dollars in pledges, which will further increase the Foundation's fund.

On behalf of the Elks from the State of Pennsylvania, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Charles H. Grakelow gave Mr. Malley cash and checks in the amount of \$29,112.88. This contribution was in honor of the 25th Anniversary of the Foundation and Mr. Malley particularly pointed out the great work that the Pennsylvania Elks had done on behalf of the Foundation. To date, Pennsylvania has

Dollars in Silver

After Past Grand Exalted Ruler Thompson concluded his report, the Great Falls, Mont., band entered the auditorium followed by a delegation from Montana. This proved to be a most dramatic presentation as the Montana Exalted Rulers in attendance at the Convention stepped to a large canvas bag on the platform and poured silver dollars into it from a pail. The total contribution in silver dollars was nearly \$8,000 in honor of the Silver Anniversary of the Foundation.

The report of the Elks National Foundation then was unanimously approved. A digest of this report will be found elsewhere in this issue.

Dramatic Presentation

Next order of procedure was the presentation of the report of the Elks National Service Commission by Past Grand Exalted Ruler James T. Hallinan, Chairman of that Commission. Chairman Hallinan first asked that the Holdenville Elkettes escort veterans from Jefferson Barracks to the platform. Led by Robert N. Traver, Ontario, Calif., Lodge and Past State President of the California Elks, a large delegation from California entered the auditorium and walked to the platform carrying rolls of leather for therapeutic use in all veterans hospitals in the country. Mr. Traver then presented Chairman Hallinan with a beautifully made leather suitcase—the work of veterans in California.

Lester Katz, Special Service Officer for Jefferson Barracks Hospital, introduced seven veterans from that hospital. Each stood and was heartily applauded. Mr. Katz spoke briefly about the splendid contribution that the Elks National Service Commission has made to Jefferson Barracks Hospital. Chairman Hallinan particularly praised George E. Wunderlich, Convention Chairman, for the work that he had done in making the 89th Convention in St. Louis such a success. Mr. Hallinan then delivered a brief,

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1953 Elks National Foundation Scholarship presentations. Left to right: Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, Chairman, Jean Anderson, Earl A. Gober, Mary K. Conine, who was tied with Miss Anderson for Awards to girls, and Past Grand Exalted Ruler Floyd E. Thompson.

but extremely impressive, explanation of the purposes and accomplishments of the Elks National Service Commission, saying, "We want every veteran to know that we appreciate the sacrifice that you have made to keep America the place you want it to be. As long as there is a veteran in any hospital, there will be an Elk prepared to take care of him." Chairman Hallinan then introduced the other members of the Commission: Past Grand Exalted Rulers Henry C. Warner, E. Mark Sullivan, George I. Hall, Frank J. Lonergan, Wade H. Kepner, Emmett T. Anderson, Joseph B. Kyle, Howard R. Davis and William H. Atwell.

Next he announced that \$73,000 out of the original \$250,000 contributed for the rebuilding of Manila Lodge had been returned. However, there was a withdrawal deduction of 17 per cent by the Philippine Government.

Concluding his report, a digest of which will appear in our September issue, Chairman Hallinan announced that the per capita tax for the Elks National Service Commission again need be only thirty cents per member.

Plaque Presented

Brother Larry Thompson, in charge of the Fidelity Post of the American Legion in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., presented Chairman Hallinan with a plaque as an expression of appreciation for the Commission's work on behalf of his Post. This Post is restricted to Elks who are veterans of World War I, World War II, or the present engagement in Korea. Chairman Hallinan then paid a moving tribute to William Frasor, Executive Director of the Elks National Service Commission. Mr. Frasor was unable to attend the Convention because of illness and in his tribute to Mr. Frasor's outstanding work, Chairman Hallinan joined with all Elks in wishing him a speedy recovery. He then spoke of the outstanding contributions of Floyd Brown, special representative of the National Service Commission, who so ably conducts the work of the Commission in veterans hospitals.

Chairman Hallinan asked Brother Harry Maddrey of Winston-Salem, N. C., Lodge, and representative of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company at the Convention to come to the platform. Brother Maddrey presented each of the seven veterans on the platform with a carton of Camel cigarettes and was heartily applauded.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Henry C. Warner offered a resolution which extended the assessment of one dollar per year for each member of the Order in the event of a national emergency. This resolution was passed unanimously.

The matter of providing funds for entertainment programs for the Elks National Home has been delegated to the subordinate lodges on a voluntary basis of contributions of \$5.00. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Robert S. Barrett stated



Prominent Elks from Georgia with Earl A. Gober, Elks National Foundation Scholarship winner, and Grand Exalted Ruler-Elect Earl E. James. From left to right: Grand Treasurer Edward A. Dutton, Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland, Earl A. Gober, Mr. James and Homer C. Eberhardt, Past President of the Georgia State Elks Assoc.

that through the efforts of Past Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight Charles G. Hawthorne, of Baltimore, Md., Lodge, No. 7, more than \$6,000 was raised to provide for motion pictures and television for the Elks residing at the Home.

A resolution concerning the All-American Conference to Combat Communism was then offered by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Joseph B. Kyle. This Resolution endorses on the part of the Elks the splendid work of this organization and makes available in support of its work \$3,000 which is to be expended under the direction of the Grand Exalted Ruler. This resolution was passed unanimously.

Next, a Committee of three to obtain a suitable Memorial for Past Grand Exalted Ruler David Sholtz was appointed. They were: Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland, Past Grand Esquire Chelsie Senerchia and C. H. Talton of Daytona Beach, Fla., Lodge.

Nashville Lodge Award

Benjamin S. Watson, Chairman of the Youth Activities Committee, submitted his report and urged every delegate to read carefully the report as a guide to a Youth Program for the year. He introduced Commander Thomas J. Keane, Director of Civic Relationships of the Boy Scouts of America, who spoke of the extremely important role the Elks are playing in this great Youth Activity. He then presented John F. Killebrew, Exalted Ruler of Nashville, Tenn., Lodge and announced the presentation of a trophy to Nashville, Tenn., Lodge for its outstanding Boy Scout work. When called upon, this lodge not only saved the Boy Scout troops in Nashville but built them to the point where they are now one of the most outstanding districts in the country. Elksdom's direct cooperation with the Boy Scouts of America was

initiated at the Grand Lodge session in Portland when L. A. Lewis was elected Grand Exalted Ruler and, therefore, Commander Keane asked Mr. Lewis to make the presentation of the trophy to Exalted Ruler Killebrew of the Nashville Lodge.

Telegrams to Mr. Stern from executives of the Boy Scouts of America and the Girl Scouts of America were read. George Steele of Gloucester, Mass., Lodge, and a member of the Committee on Youth Activities, presented \$200 to William B. McKenzie, of Sioux Falls, S. D., Lodge, for the South Dakota Elks Association. Mr. McKenzie is Chairman of the South Dakota Commission on Youth Activities of the State Association of that State. Rosell T. Pickrel of Washington, D. C. Lodge, presented a trophy to Exalted Ruler Alexander Hershey of Bridgeport, Conn., Lodge for the lodge conducting the best youth program during the year. A. F. Bray, Richmond, Calif., Lodge, member of the Committee on Youth Activities, next made the Youth Leadership Awards totaling \$6,000 in War Bonds. These awards are made in cooperation with the Elks National Foundation. Because of their active youth work, the two winners were not present at the Convention. They are: Linda Black of Canton, Miss., and Robert L. Lake of Milton, Mass.

On behalf of the Committee on Youth Activities, Chairman Watson presented Grand Exalted Ruler Stern with a plaque in appreciation of his contribution to the success of the Committee's program.

Henry S. Lindsley, presenting the report of the Grand Forum, opened his very moving presentation by asking retiring Chief Justice John E. Mullen to come to the platform. The Chief Justice was given a Certificate which was signed

by the members of the Grand Forum and he then addressed the delegates in appreciation of his opportunity of serving the Order as Chief Justice.

John C. Cochran, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, presented his report and then introduced the remaining members of his Committee: H. L. Blackledge, Kearney, Neb., Lodge, No. 984; William S. Hawkins, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Lodge, No. 1254 and John E. Fenton, Lawrence, Mass., Lodge, No. 65. Unfortunately, the fifth member of the Committee, Newton M. Todd, Long Beach, Calif., Lodge, No. 888, passed away in June, and Jacob L. Sherman, Denver, Colo., Lodge, No. 17, was appointed to his place. Chairman Cochran offered three amendments to the

Constitution, all of which were accepted. These amendments will be printed in their entirety in the September issue.

One of the amendments will make it possible for a lodge to hold Memorial Services during the week preceding or following the first Sunday in December, if the lodge obtains permission from the District Deputy. The second amendment establishes a Convention Committee to plan and conduct the annual convention. The third amendment was passed to make the establishment of the Convention Committee consistent with the Statutes of the Order.

After Chairman Cochran concluded, the Grand Chaplain offered a prayer and the Third Business Session was concluded.

New Mexico; for cash and pledges on a per capita basis, also New Mexico; for best promotion, Colorado.

New Lodge Institution Contest: New lodges, 4-1-52 to 3-31-53, Florida, California and Oregon; new lodges 4-1-52 to 7-1-53, California and Florida; new lodges 4-1-52 to 3-31-53, Oklahoma.

State Bulletin and News Letter Contest: Illinois, Ohio and Colorado.

Convention Exhibits and Displays Contest: Indiana, California, and Florida. Honorable Mention to Colorado, Massachusetts, New Jersey and Idaho.

Over 30 teams participated in the Ritualistic Contest this year, Arthur J. Roy, Willimantic, Conn., Lodge, No. 1311, Chairman, stated in opening his Report. Greeley, Colo., Lodge was the winner of the 1953 National Ritualistic Contest, regaining the title won in 1950 and 1951, but lost to DeKalb, Ill., lodge last year. The Greeley team's score was 95.0849 and \$500 was awarded. Second place winner of \$250 was Riverside, Calif., lodge, with 94.1696; third place winner of \$125 was New Philadelphia, Ohio, with 93.9614; fourth place winner of \$75 was DeKalb, Ill., lodge, with 93.9186, and fifth place winner of \$50 was Miami, Fla., lodge, with 93.7919. The members of the team were introduced by Exalted Ruler Joseph L. Haefeli.

The All-American Team this year is: Exalted Ruler, Joseph L. Haefeli; Leading Knight, Ross I. Schaklee; Loyal Knight, Karl R. Adams; Lecturing Knight, Leonard S. Lamb; Esquire, Norman L. Dean; Inner Guard, James Scheldon—all members of Greeley lodge. All-American Chaplain is Arnold G. Hyder, from Anderson, S. C.

In his report, Chairman Roy urged that the Past Exalted Rulers increase their interest in ritualistic work and that

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4th Business Session

BEFORE the final Session opened Thursday morning, the Band from Fargo, N. D., came to the platform and played several spirited numbers. The meeting then opened with a prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Exalted Ruler announced that hurricane relief in the amount of \$1,000 had been granted during the year to Angelo and Waco, Texas, lodges; \$1,000 to Flint, Mich., lodge, and \$500 to Port Huron, Mich.

Dewey E. S. Kuhns, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, gave his final report, which was accepted. After thanking his Committee for their most appreciated assistance, Mr. Kuhns announced that in attendance at the 89th Grand Lodge Convention were:

Past Grand Exalted Rulers.....	24
Grand Lodge Committeemen.....	42
Grand Lodge Representatives....	15
District Deputies.....	138
Special Deputies.....	6
Representatives	420
Alternate Representatives.....	89
Grand Lodge Members.....	1683
	2417

Chairman Everett E. Palmer of the Lodge Activities Committee gave his Report, which was accepted. Mr. Palmer introduced the members of his Committee: William I. O'Neill, Milwaukee, Wis., Lodge, No. 46; C. P. Hebenstreit, Huntington Park, Calif., Lodge, No. 1415; T. Emmett Ryan, Albany, N. Y., Lodge, No. 49, and Thad Eure, Raleigh, N. C., Lodge, No. 735. The Lodge Activities Committee Awards will be reported in the September issue.

Edwin J. Alexander, Chairman of the State Associations Committee, then submitted his Report. "One year ago your Committee accepted the responsibility for the promotion of State Associations Programs without the benefit of any fixed or historical pattern to follow. Within a matter of weeks your Committee, heeding the suggestions of many of your State

Presidents and Exalted Rulers, pieced together a progressive 'Five-Point' Plan," Mr. Alexander said.

Chairman Alexander then presented his Committee: Robert L. Dehority, Elwood, Ind., Lodge, No. 368; Glen S. Paterson, Watertown, S. D., Lodge, No. 838; Morley H. Golden, San Diego, Calif., Lodge, No. 168, and Joseph P. O'Toole, Newark, N. J., Lodge, No. 21. He then announced the trophy winners in the five divisions of the Committee's Contests.

"Major Project Development": California, for cerebral palsy project; Indiana, for the "Stop-Cancer" project; and New Mexico for outstanding success in the first year of a cerebral palsy project.

Elks National Foundation Silver Anniversary Contest (Founder's Certificates): For cash purchases on a per capita basis,

Major General Ruffner making the presentation of the "Department of Defense Meritorious Award" to Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern. The Order won this award for its outstanding work in raising blood for the armed forces, and particularly the boys in Korea.





Platform of the Opera House in Kiel Auditorium at the start of the Grand Lodge Memorial Services. Seated at left are participants in the Services: Lee Donaldson, Past Grand Exalted Rulers John S. McClelland and Charles H. Grakelow and Grand Chaplain Rev. Richard S. Connelly. At right are the College Singers.

The Grand Lodge Memorial Services

THE Annual Grand Lodge Memorial Services opened on Tuesday morning, July 7th, at the traditional hour of eleven, in Kiel Auditorium. As the curtains parted, there was revealed a white altar surrounded by ferns and bouquets of blending white flowers. This beautiful floral arrangement was prepared by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Charles H. Grakelow.

After the curtains were drawn, two altar boys walked upon the platform and lighted the candles of the altar, after which there was a Processional of the College Singers from Northwestern State College in Natchitoches, La.

The Steindel Ensemble then played a selection by Mendelsohn, after which the College Singers offered two very beautiful hymns and the Grand Chaplain, Rev. Richard S. Connelly, gave the Invocation. This was followed by another choral from the College Singers. The Steindel Ensemble then played one of Mozart's religious quintettes.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland then delivered a Eulogy on late Past Grand Exalted Ruler David Sholtz. Mr. McClelland particularly spoke of Mr. Sholtz's dedication to Elkdom, which

culminated in 1936 when he was elected Grand Exalted Ruler. He also spoke of his career as a successful lawyer and businessman in Florida, where he was elected Governor in 1932.

In his Eulogy, Past Grand Exalted Ruler McClelland said, "Thus briefly do we record the service of Dave Sholtz to Elkdom, the nation, the State and his community. Whatever endeavor he pursued, he performed with unequalled zeal and was acclaimed the leader. His life benefited thousands and his influence for good will live in the hearts of unborn generations. His delightful friendliness was unveiled to all who knew him and they will always cherish the memory of their association with him."

After Past Grand Exalted Ruler McClelland's eloquent Eulogy was concluded, the College Singers sang, "How They So Softly Rest", by Millan and the Ensemble played Schubert's "Ave Maria".

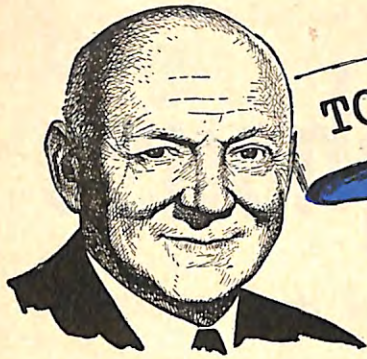
Then Lee Donaldson, Past President of the Pennsylvania State Elks Association and Grand Esteemed Leading Knight-Elect, delivered a Eulogy on "Our Departed Brothers". This was a most moving address, in which Mr. Donaldson paid

particular tribute to the Elks who had given their lives in Korea. As he truly said, "The fame of those heroic men is eternal." Mr. Donaldson spoke of the many thousands who had departed during the year and the memories that they left with their Brother Elks. In his Eulogy, Mr. Donaldson particularly stressed how Elkdom is exemplified by the Elks National Service Commission and the Elks National Foundation, both of which further not only the aims of the Order but also of the country. This was a most memorable Eulogy and one which will long be recalled by Elks and their guests in attendance at the 89th Grand Lodge Of Sorrow.

After Mr. Donaldson concluded, the College Singers sang a Tschaikowski choral and the Steindel Ensemble played, "Going Home", by Dvorak.

The Memorial Services of the 89th Grand Lodge concluded with a hymn by the College Singers, followed by the Benediction by the Grand Chaplain.

The Committee that directed this program of Memorial exercises consisted of Past Grand Exalted Rulers: James T. Hallinan, George I. Hall and Charles H. Grakelow.



TOM WRIGLEY WRITES FROM WASHINGTON



WASHINGTON is no longer a city to be shunned in mid-summer because of the torrid heat. Temperatures may soar into the high 90's and shoot over the 100 degree mark but visitors who observe a few simple rules are not uncomfortable. The Capital is probably the best air-conditioned city in the country. All government department buildings excepting some temporaries are cooled. The White House has perfect air-conditioning with a huge panel of push buttons controlling the indoor climate. Over at the huge Pentagon the cooling system is one of the largest of its kind. Members of Congress who used to wear white linen or seersucker suits and mop their brows with big handkerchiefs now enjoy cool offices and committee rooms. Some even wear vests all summer. Hotels, restaurants, theaters, museums, all are kept at correct temperatures through man's inventive know-how. You are conscious of Washington's high humidity—it's an inland city at sea level—only when on the street or riding in taxis or busses. Air-conditioning the old Capitol was one of the toughest jobs ever handled by temperature engineers. With its high ceilings, massive walls, huge rooms and endless corridors it looked like an impossible task. Before the complicated system was perfected some Congressmen liked to have died of pneumonia. Many a debate became heated literally when the blowers went haywire. Now there's no excuse for a senator to get hot under the collar.

NEW AUTO INSURANCE

The District has a new kind of auto liability insurance to cover "uninsurable" drivers. Companies have pooled together so that drivers rejected as poor risks can apply through a new setup and perhaps obtain insurance by paying an increase of from 10 to 25 per cent over regular rates.

FIREFLY BLINKS GREEN

August is the month for fireflies and so the Smithsonian Institution comes up with a new variety which flashes a green tail-light in double blinks . . . like that. The fancy thing was discovered by retired entomologist Frank McDermott on the dunes of Bethany Beach, Del. Smithsonian says each species of firefly has its particular flash. In the new green light kind only the males have wings. The female is a glow-worm and stays on

the ground. The male goes blinking along and finds his mate when the glow-worm in the grass blinks back in a sort of blinkety-blink courtship. Smithsonian sells a booklet listing fireflies and their kinds of blinks. With it you can go firefly spotting at night. Chances are you won't find a new species, for some 3,000 varieties have been catalogued.

BUSINESS GOOD HERE

Business is good in Washington even for mid-summer. Hotels are filled and home and apartment building continues on a big scale. Stores are doing a good volume of sales. The number of spring and summer visitors is a new record. Only decline is in government cafeterias, down 8 per cent so far this year. Might be due to the crackdown on time off for coffee and snacks during working hours and also to the cut in personnel.

WE LIKE TO READ

Dire predictions TV would hurt public libraries have not come true in Washington. Reading is more popular than ever, according to District Librarian Harry N. Peterson. Over 70 per cent of homes in the District now have TV sets, and he thinks it has stimulated interest in reading. The public library here was established by Congress 50 years ago. It has 16 branches and several bookmobiles. Circulation averages a million and a half books a year, with peak years reaching two million. Like other libraries there is a penalty for keeping books beyond a designated limit. The nickels and dimes paid for overtime total more than \$50,000 a year and the money goes to the U. S. Treasury, which sure can use it.

PARKING METER HARVEST

About \$400,000, most of it nickels, are stuffed in Washington's parking meters each year, reports M. S. Nichols who is in charge of collections. He says the revenue averages \$95.96 per meter, which is only exceeded by two cities in Rhode Island averaging \$96.85. Collector Nichols says 2,803 cities and towns now have meters, with Baltimore the only big city without them. Coin boxes from the meters are opened in a central counting room and out come the nickels, pennies, dimes, slugs, hairpins, washers and other phonies, some of them pretty clever. Meter violations are few here, according

to police. Greatest abuse is the driver who parks and keeps putting in nickels all day long. It's cheaper than parking on lots which charge 30 to 50 cents for the first hour.

STATE LOBSTER SHIFT

Some State Department employes go to work at 4 a.m. in order to have important reports and papers ready when the top men arrive at 9:00. One girl worker was stopped by police, who asked how come out alone at 3:45 a.m. "Just going to work at the State Department", she said. They call it the lobster shift, same as on newspapers.

AIR FORCE ACADEMY

What with budget balancing—an Administration headache—not much is being said openly about establishing an Air Force Academy as large or even larger than West Point and Annapolis. It is on the list of Administration projects, however, and is being much discussed in military circles. The argument is that with air power a main part of national security, we need a separate Air Force Academy just as we have one for the Army and the Navy. Efficiency and the morale of the Air Force would benefit and public attention would be focused on the needs of military aviation, it is claimed. If and when the Air Force Academy is established it will probably be located in the West, Southwest or Midwest rather than in one of the Eastern States.

CAPITAL COOLERS

Senators' offices now look even more important, with new maps of the U. S. bought at a total cost of \$37,000 . . . Oldest dog in the District is a Welsh corgi, aged 19, which veterinarians say would be 133 years in human terms . . . Metropolitan Area Traffic Council gets away from traffic by meeting on a river fireboat. Cheaper, too, they say . . . Washington has fewest traffic deaths of any city its size, according to National Safety Council . . . It's now against the law to fly the Stars and Stripes lower than any other flag on U. S. soil . . . If a discharged soldier owes the army money he gets a bill, but if the army owes a soldier money they don't say a word . . . Scotch sells here for as low as \$3.59 a fifth, with soda a quarter a quart. Here's how.

with Ed Faust



In the Doghouse

Faust tells how to send your dog to school.

ONE OF MY FRIENDS is a fox-terrier. He lives on my road and every so often he and I have interesting conversations. A remarkable dog, you'll agree. He hasn't lived in my neighborhood long. In fact he is a brand new dog, a companion to a new dog owner. Not long ago he was complaining about his boss and among his complaints were objections to what he regarded as certain silly tricks his owner was trying to teach him.

"Now look here Pete", I said, "don't be so sensitive and critical, because, after all, that man you live with is not only a pretty good guy but has a lot of pride in you and simply wants to do a little show-off act with you before his friends."

This advice I think explains the reason why so many owners want to teach tricks to their dogs. The stunts themselves have little purpose other than to air the vanity of the owner who is thus able to be the envy of his friends as the owner of an unusually smart purp. A dog that has become a capable performer of tricks isn't necessarily more intelligent than other dogs that have not been schooled this way. A dog that learns tricks may simply be more alert than the average.

I frequently get letters asking advice about the teaching of tricks; so frequently that I have a little pamphlet devoted to the subject which I send in reply. My advice to the would-be dog trainer is first to teach his dog the fundamentals of good behavior and the necessity for obeying certain necessary commands. Such lessons are really obedience lessons and are not to be catalogued as stunts.

You will see dogs performing obedience tasks at many of the larger dog shows. These obedience requirements are intended to make the dog a more well behaved citizen and a better companion to its master. Foremost among these obedience requirements is that the dog learn to come to its master when it is called. Also very important is that the dog learn to remain in one place at the master's command. Still another is to follow its master, on or off leash.

Before going into the details of these basic lessons let me brief you on the principles of dog training. To begin with, do not give your dog any commands employing long sentences. Keep your words brief but make the commands emphatic.

You do not have to shout; merely emphasize your commands a little more than you would when ordinarily speaking to your dog. When giving a command word always use the same word or words and never substitute other words. The dog interprets your wishes by the sound of your words and if you switch these sounds, you only confuse the dog.

The second important thing is never to lose your temper when teaching your dog. Be firm but patient. Do not fail to reward your dog with some simple tidbit when it has obeyed your command and never, no never, punish the dog for failing to obey. There are certain commands or tricks that dogs just will not learn, either through disinclination or distaste for that particular task. It is important, too, that you do not prolong the teaching periods; twenty minutes or so a day will be suffi-

cient. Longer periods than that will only tire the dog and make the teaching disagreeable to him. You should also avoid trying to school your dog after it has eaten a hearty meal. I should have added that when you reward your dog with a tidbit, a pat or two and some words of praise will be in order. Dogs know when they are praised and as a rule they love it.

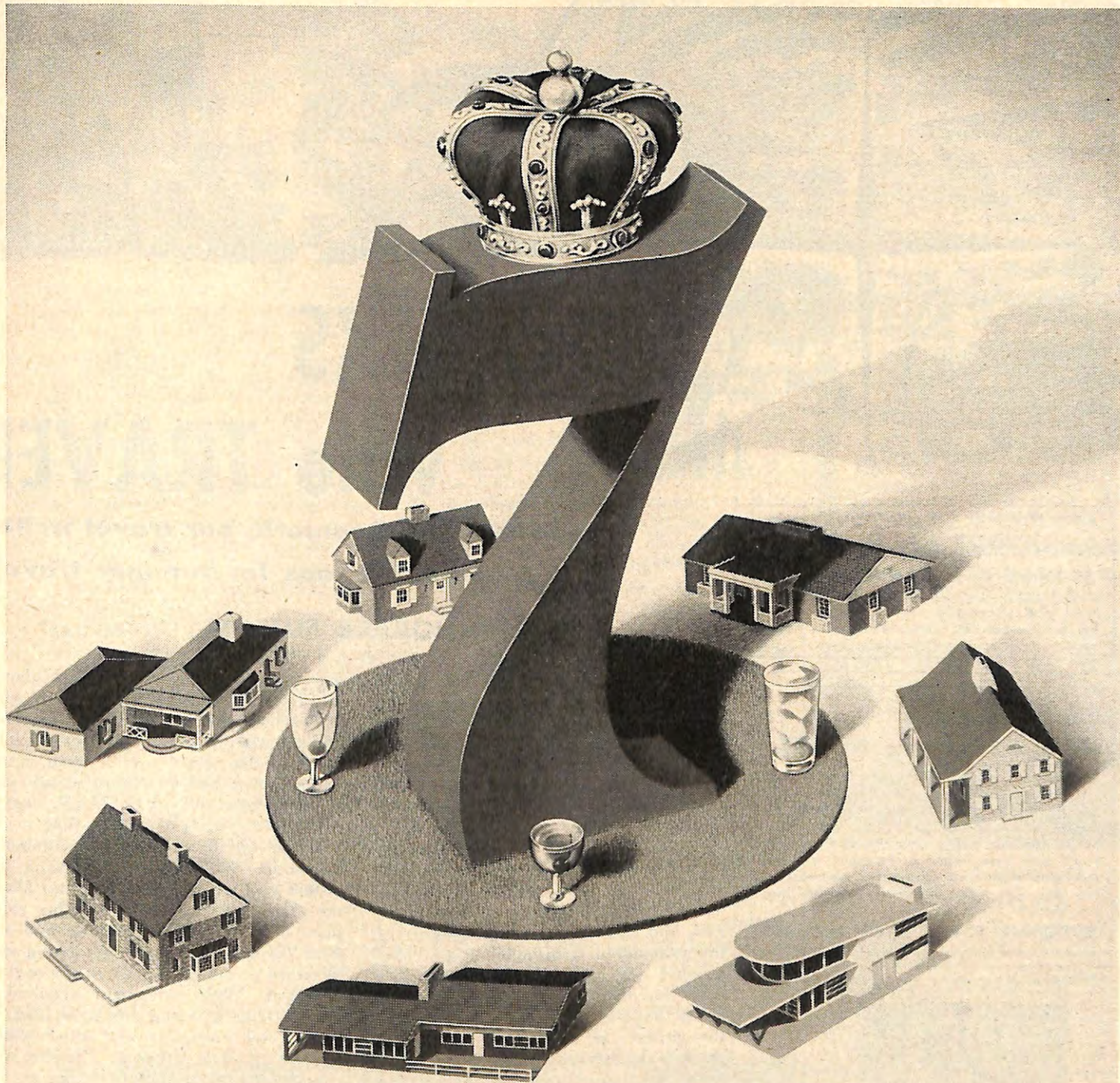
If, in the course of the lessons the dog makes a wrong move, do not carry through that lesson to completion but start at the beginning again. One final word of advice is that you try to teach only one lesson at a time and do not begin the teaching of another until that lesson is thoroughly learned or you are sure the dog never will learn it. One thing the dog owner has in his favor is the fact that most dogs are endowed with a desire

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The lively cairn terrier readily learns tricks.

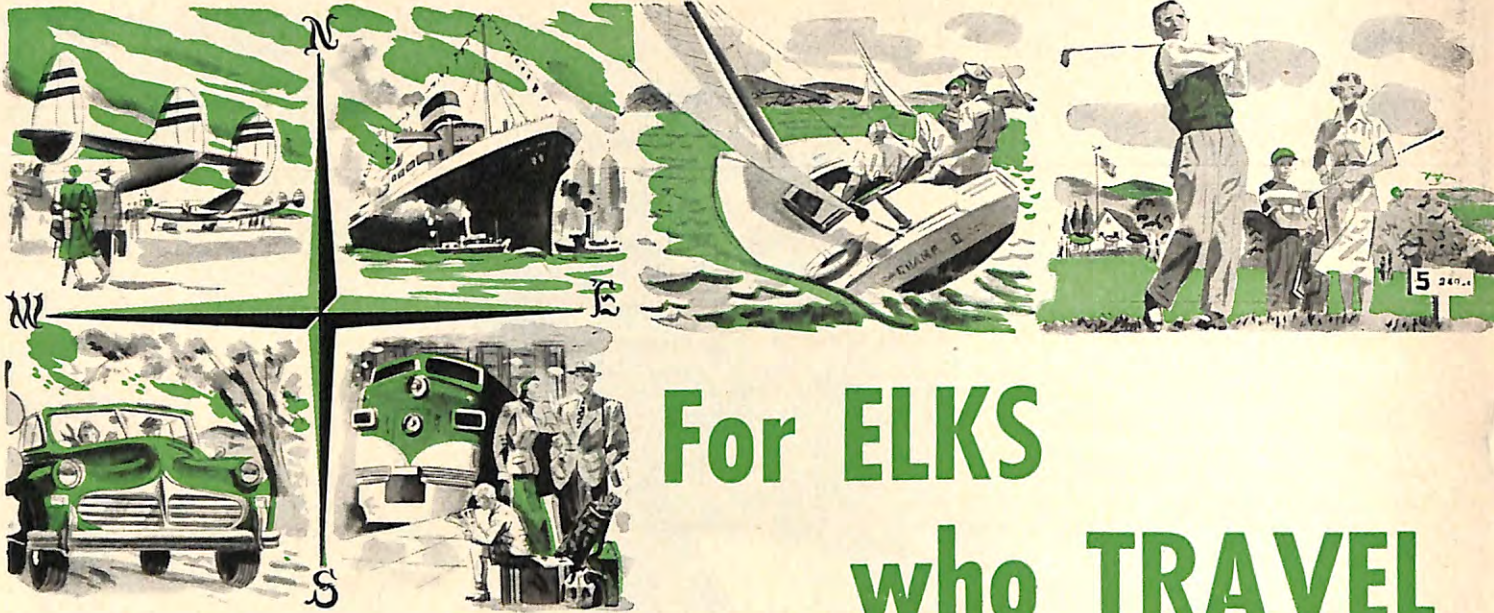


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ODENSE, DENMARK—One humid day early this June we slipped out of New York aboard the *Gripsholm* of the Swedish American Line and spent the next ten days eating our way across the North Atlantic. The sea trip to Scandinavia is nothing more nor less than an elegant introduction to the way things are going to be once the ship puts into the harbor on the other side. Since landing we have been rather preoccupied with eating, a rather serious Viking custom, and that's the way things were on the gallant old *Gripsholm*. I say "old," because she has such a history, going back into the flapper days, but there is much that has been modernized both on the bridge, in the engine room, and among the travelers' accommodations. Some of the old embellishments have been left, however, and three might have slept comfortably in our bathroom which

had two full-sized wash stands placed side by side, should both occupants wish to rinse their hands at the same time. The bathtub was fitted with a set of knobs and dials that would provide fresh or salt water, hot or cold, in shower or tub, and anybody possessed of an M.I.T. degree could get the hang of it in no time at all.

It was rather interesting to ruminant, (when one had time from feeding the system with Scandinavian delights) about the years when the *Gripsholm*, her sides painted with the Swedish flag and the word "Diplomat", toured the warring seas to return people to the places where they belonged. These exchanges included a pair of trips bringing Japanese back to Japan, and Americans and other Allied nationals back to freedom. The ship was commanded in those trying days, as she is now, and will be until December when he retires, by Captain Sigfrid Ericsson who is permitted to be called "Sir" since he has been knighted by the Swedish king, and to wear a monocle, because it suits his military bearing.

The *Gripsholm*, as you can imagine, offered a welter of herring which was part of the daily smörgåsbord, and there were always dishes that are common to special days in Sweden. For those who found a certain gastronomic lack in mid-afternoon, mountains of Danish pastry, or what the Scandinavians insist on calling Vienna bread, appeared on the veranda deck, and people sat amid the plants and shrubs while the orchestra played European melodies. It made a perfect scene of an Old World cafe come 4:30 p.m. any afternoon.

With time out for dancing, for games of Swedish-American bingo, trap-shooting

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off the stern, and displays of the ship's own folk dancers we finally turned over the top of Scotland and headed for the home port. The Orkney Islands came up on the left, the houses of Scotland showed clear on the right, then the underpart of Norway on the left and the Skaggerak and Kattekak of Denmark's north coast off the right. On the ninth night we picked up the first of the archipelagos of Sweden and with a pilot on board we threaded through the maze of islands, some all but touchable from the railings. The sky shone with a deep midnight blue along after such a color looked real.

The next morning we came ashore at Gothenberg, a salty city which thinks in terms of ships and seafaring, a theme displayed in its magnificent fountains and predominant in its life. We had enough time in Gothenberg, to which we return again, to spend a night in the shining new Park Avenue Hotel so called because it is in a park and on an avenue and not from any American reference at all. Compact and not overlarge, it is, all the same, one of the world's best-run hotels with a myriad of little touches that seem long ago to have been forgotten in the United States—the arrow on the door to tell you which way to turn your key, the sterilized brush in a sealed bag to scrub your back, the hanger with half a dozen clip-on hooks to suspend your nylon, traveler's wash; and the person-

nel speaks English right down to the busboy.

For those who can tear themselves out of the downy beds there is the fabulous fish market of Gothenberg in the morning's first daylight hours, when the new catch is auctioned off right on the pier amid much bustle and excitement. And while in the neighborhood, there is also the mariner's museum, a lively exhibition of the lore of the sea and the Scandinavians from the days of the exploring Vikings up to the new *Kungsholm* to be placed in service to America this winter. Even those who don't go professionally to sea spend their free hours on the water and a boy of eight who is lucky enough to have a father of some means will start at that age to pilot his own sailboat.

The Swedish train we caught from Gothenberg to Malmö in the southern Scania section, proved to be a model of modernity and cleanliness. We rolled through the Swedish farmlands, past hay laid out on horizontal bars, past fields brilliant yellow with mustard. And we passed the time by having breakfast in a cheery, modern dining car, where even the waiter spoke English, and had a choice of bacon and eggs or a combination of slices of cheese, liver sausage and ham served with fine black bread or white. Scania was once a part of Denmark but it is long since Swedish, retain-

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The "Ferry Inn", one of the many attractions of world-famous Tivoli Park in Copenhagen.

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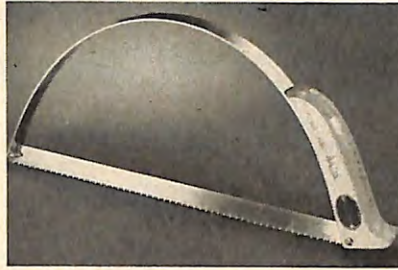
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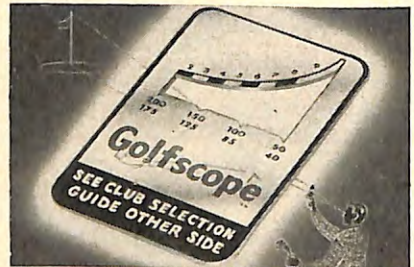
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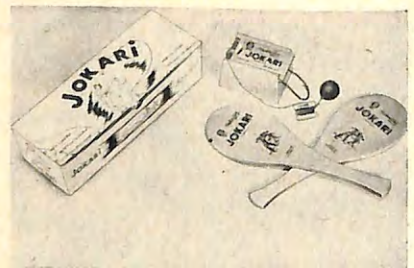
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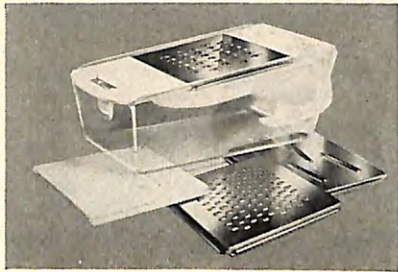
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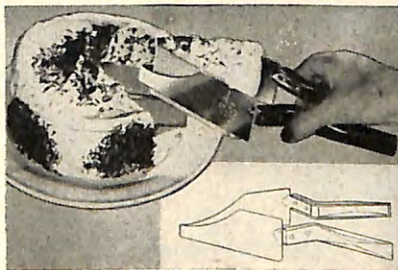
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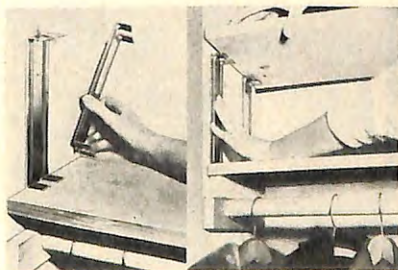
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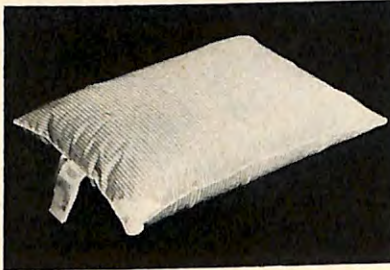
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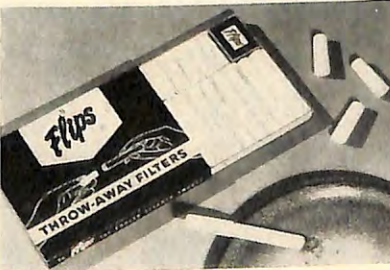
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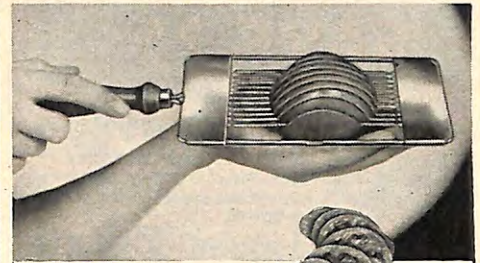
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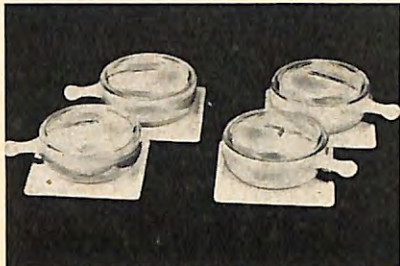
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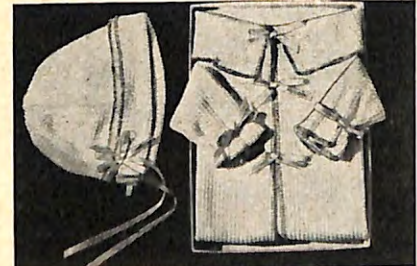
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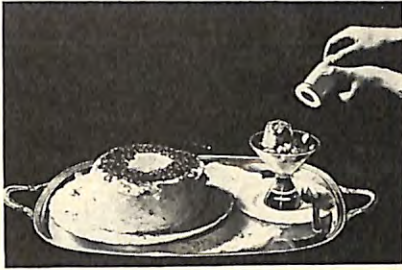


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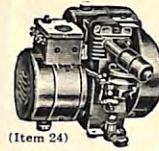


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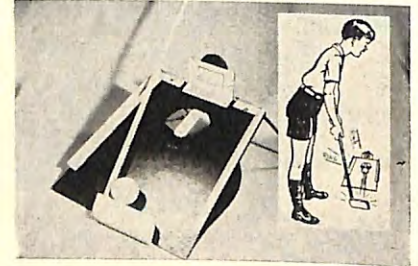
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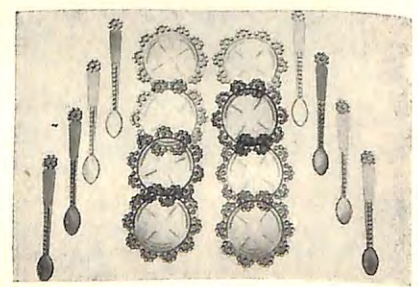
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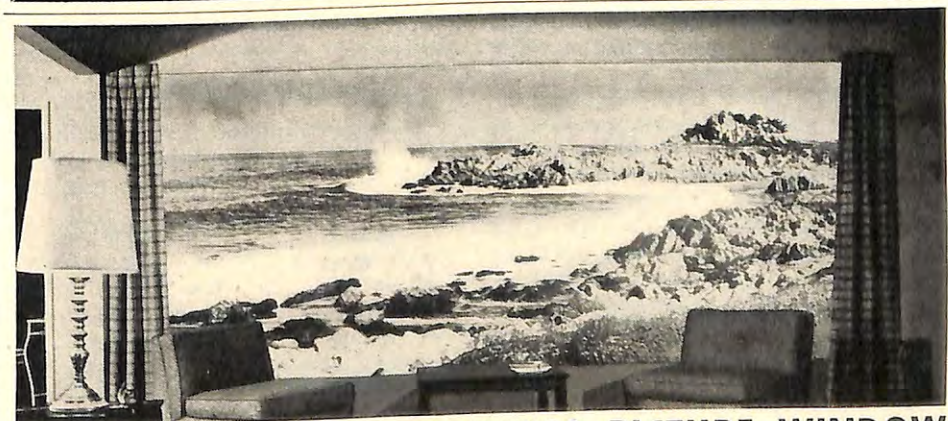
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soundly established and functioning beneficially," said Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, Chairman of the Elks National Foundation, opening his Annual Report to the Grand Lodge.

Created by the Grand Lodge in 1928, the Elks National Foundation was designed to be a permanent trust fund that would increase from year to year through the voluntary contributions from members, lodges, State Associations and from other sources and its growth has been in conformity with this plan, Mr. Malley said. The original gift of \$100,000 from the Grand Lodge has been increased by contributions and bequests to about \$3,150,000 and the income from the Principal Fund has shown a corresponding increase from \$16,000 in 1931 to \$127,600 last year. Mr. Malley pointed out that the Foundation is unique in that the entire income is available, without deduction for administrative expenses, to further charitable, educational and benevolent activities on both the national and State levels.

Current Year

During the year, the Silver Anniversary Campaign was promoted to increase the Principal Fund of the Foundation. The response in enthusiasm and favorable comment was most gratifying, and the program fulfilled its basic purpose of acquainting all Elks with the aims and benefits of the Foundation and increasing the Principal Fund.

During the fiscal year ending April 30th, total donations to the General Fund from all sources amounted to \$302,671.25. Of this, \$50,000 was received on account of the bequest to the Foundation under the will of Elizabeth M. Rogers of St. Petersburg, Florida, and there is a substantial balance to come later, Mr. Malley stated. Mrs. Rogers made this generous provision through the prompting of J. B. McGuinness, a member of St. Petersburg Lodge. The Foundation received an additional \$5,000 from the will of Willamette M. Fanning, of New York, widow of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Joseph T. Fanning. Other bequests were received from Dr. Elmore G. Damrel, Chicago, Illinois—\$1,000; Reuben Nelson, Greeley, Colorado—\$1,000; James W. Putnam, Day-

tona Beach, Florida—\$500; and Alfred C. Watson, Hartford, Vermont—\$100.

In addition to the Consolidated Principal Fund of \$3,135,750.46, the Foundation has a Security Depreciation Offset Fund of \$108,063.24 to provide against possible losses from sale or redemption of securities and possible loss of premiums in lieu of amortization. All money accumulated in this Fund is invested exclusively in government securities. When added to the Principal Fund, it amounts to \$3,243,813.70.

Appreciation

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Malley paid particular tribute to Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern for the time that he devoted to the furthering of the Elks National Foundation. Mr. Stern called upon his District Deputies and Committeemen to give fullest cooperation in the Silver Anniversary Campaign and his assistance was greatly appreciated.

In his Report, Mr. Malley expressed appreciation of the publicity which *The Elks Magazine* had given to the Foundation and paid special tribute to the District Deputies, Presidents of State Associations, members of Foundation Committees, both State and local, and all Brothers who also had given enthusiastic and effective well-organized effort to make the Silver Anniversary Campaign a success in the area of their influence. Chairman Malley also thanked the promoters of the Twenty Club for the ingenuity and originality for raising funds for the Foundation.

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Iowa	Rhode Island
Kentucky	South Dakota
Maine	Utah
Maryland	Vermont
Michigan	Virginia
Minnesota	Wisconsin
Nebraska	Wyoming

Close competitors for similar distinction, with all but one lodge similarly subscribed, are the following:

Illinois	Montana
Kansas	Nevada
Massachusetts	South Carolina
North Dakota	has the distinction of

being the only State with all the lodges and the State Association recorded as fully paid Honorary Founders and Permanent Benefactors.

Mr. Malley urged all Elks to enroll as Participating Members of the Elks National Foundation. A Participating Certificate is given to any member who donates \$100 to the Foundation.

"Let all join in a group endeavor to expand the Foundation in amount and in performance. 'Though you can't give a million, you can be one of a million to give,'" said Mr. Malley.

Current Distribution

The program of the Elks National Foundation in the field of cerebral palsy has been most appealing to members and the public. The Foundation has appropriated \$85,000 to train doctors, therapists, technicians, nurses, teachers and other qualified persons in the treatment of cerebral palsy. "This sum has been expended as speedily and as wisely as possible under the best advice which we have been able to obtain," Mr. Malley reported. The Foundation grants covering the cost of tuition, maintenance and other necessary expenses have sent 100 persons qualified by aptitudes and educational background through courses of specialized training in the treatment of cerebral palsy at leading universities and medical institutions of recognized standing.

Recently Mr. Malley reported that of the 92 grants made by the Foundation, all have completed their courses of study and are now holding assignments in the field of cerebral palsy. The cerebral palsy program of the Foundation has evoked commendation from the officials of medical institutions and universities and from eminent doctors and sociologists of our country and has brought new honor and prestige to the Order, Mr. Malley reported. Furthermore, the Foundation has encouraged the cerebral palsy programs fostered by the Elks State Associations by financial assistance and several of these Associations have expanded their rehabilitation projects for crippled children to include cerebral palsy treatment and training centers.

Other Benefits

This year the Elks National Foundation increased the "Most Valuable Students" awards by \$4,000, bringing the total to \$19,000. Of this, \$9,500 was awarded to twenty boys and an equal sum to twenty girls. The full report of the 1953 awards will appear in the September issue, along with an announcement of the awards for 1954. Whenever the applications for "Most Valuable Student" awards have been brought to the attention of the Foundation, there were students who were most deserving of assistance but unable to meet the necessarily high rating in competition on account of unusual handicaps, physical or otherwise. Therefore, provision was made for these students to

receive Special Scholarships. During the year one Special Scholarship was awarded. Every State is eligible to receive one or more Elks National Foundation Scholarships, amounting to \$400 each. These are available for award to the students selected by the State Associations for the purpose of enabling them to enter college or to continue their college courses. While the State Association uses its own discretion as to the method of selection, it is required to award the Elks National Foundation Scholarship of \$400, in its entirety, to the student selected. The Foundation extended similar privileges to Alaska and to the Possessions. However, Mr. Malley particularly pointed out that these Elks National Foundation Scholarships allocated to the States and Territories should not be confused with the Elks National Foundation "Most Valuable Student" awards. The two projects are separate and distinct. Continuing its program to encourage youth leadership among the young people of our country,

the Foundation cooperated with the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee. A report of these awards, announced at the Grand Lodge Convention in St. Louis, will appear in our September issue.

Expenses

During the year, for administrative purposes, the Foundation expended \$26,286.33. However, this entire cost was paid out of Grand Lodge appropriation and nothing was deducted from the income of the Foundation to defray administrative expenses.

Conclusion

Concluding his Report, Mr. Malley particularly reminded members of the Order that the Grand Lodge had appropriated \$50,000 to assist children of Elks killed or incapacitated in World War II. During the year, one application was approved but it developed that the applicant later entered the United States Army and returned the Scholarship.

Mr. Malley urged the officers of the State Associations and the subordinate lodges to familiarize themselves with the provisions of this Special Fund because it is likely that many children of Elks, for whose educational assistance the fund was established, will reach college age in the near future. Mr. Malley further urged inclusion of the Elks National Foundation in bequests. This particularly applies to members of the Order who are in the legal profession and in a position to point out the enduring merit of a gift to the Foundation, the Principal Fund of which is maintained in its entirety, with the income of the fund being used entirely for beneficent purposes.

Trustees of the Elks National Foundation submitting the report, all of whom are Past Grand Exalted Rulers, are: John F. Malley, Chairman; Robert S. Barrett, Vice-Chairman; Floyd E. Thompson, Secretary; Charles H. Grakelow, Treasurer; L. A. Lewis, Edward J. McCormick, M.D., and Charles E. Broughton.

Youth Activities Committee

THIS year the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee again featured a "Three-Pronged" program policy:

1—Conducting of Youth Leadership Contests at local, State and national levels.

2—Designation of May 1, 1953, as "Elks National Youth Day", featuring the slogan: "Keep May Day American".

3—Insistent urging that each subordinate lodge of the Order institute, foster, activate and maintain a year-round Youth Program in its area.

At the earliest possible date every lodge was forwarded a questionnaire to fill out and return to the Committee. The purpose of the questionnaire was to obtain the name of the subordinate lodge Youth Chairman and call to the attention of the Exalted Rulers the need for a Committee in their lodge. Over six hundred lodges responded and, as a result, many local Youth Committees were appointed.

State Association Presidents were solicited for the names of their State Youth Committee Chairman. The Committee was gratified that it was furnished with a Youth Chairman from every State Association and also Alaska. "The tremendous importance of State Associations in our program cannot be overestimated", Chairman Benjamin F. Watson said.

In mid-November, a booklet was distributed to every Exalted Ruler, local Chairman, State President and State Chairman. The booklet was a handbook of the aims of the Committee and how they could be accomplished.

Upon orders from lodges and State Association Committees, over 15,000 entry blanks were distributed. The Committee points out that it should be thoroughly

understood that this is not a Scholarship competition but rather it seeks to find and reward those boys and girls in the country who may not necessarily be the outstanding scholars but who nevertheless have, and display, qualities of Americanism and leadership which Elks like and admire. The Committee believes that about 10,000 boys and girls filed entries.

Each State Association was authorized to submit a winning boy and girl entrant in State competition as contestants in the national contest. Every State, as well as Alaska, submitted entries. The Youth Leadership Winners are announced in the report of the Third Business Session in this issue. Recognizing that when May Day is Red it is the antithesis of American principles, the Committee continued the practice of timing Elks National Youth Day with May 1st. The response was splendid.

Praise for Youth Day

Mayors of cities signed Resolutions lauding the Day and events. Governors of States issued Proclamations designating May 1 as Elks National Youth Day, extolling the program, and President Eisenhower wrote to Grand Exalted Ruler Stern emphasizing his belief in the merit of our Youth Day. However, above and beyond all this stirring of governmental approbation was the response of the lodges, Chairman Watson said.

Several hundred lodges made a "day" of it. There were parades, athletic events, public gatherings, banquets, dances and the like, and, unquestionably, it was one of Elksdom's highlights for the year.

While May Day and Youth Leadership Contests serve excellent purposes, the Committee recognizes that nothing can

take the place of an earnest, week-by-week activity on the part of the lodges during the year. The long-range viewpoint cannot be neglected, but the Committee was gratified to note the gradual, but steady, growth of long-term boy and girl programs. High on the list is Scout Troop sponsorship. The Committee feels justified in estimating that in this lodge year about 650 lodges are sponsors of Scout Troops of one type or another, aggregating nearly 675 units, since several lodges sponsor more than one troop. While it is impossible to arrive at any exact figures, Chairman Watson stated that he thought his Committee was on safe ground in suggesting that the subordinate lodges disbursed in the neighborhood of two and one half million dollars on behalf of the Youth of our country during the year. As he said, "It may well be more; we feel certainly not less."

To stimulate subordinate lodge participation in the Youth Program, handsome plaques were again awarded this year. From each State Association the Committee selected a lodge as outstanding for its work during the year. In making these selections, the Committee emphasized the possibility that some lodges that did outstanding jobs were neglected because of their failure to file an entry blank. It is apparent that if this selection is to be on an entirely equitable basis, the State Associations will have to co-operate in returning the blanks, because otherwise there is no basis for judgment. "Another year we will hope for one hundred per cent filing by both best state lodge and State Associations," Chairman Watson said.

Concluding his Report, Mr. Watson expressed his appreciation for the co-operation he had received during the year. He particularly mentioned the assistance extended by Grand Exalted Ruler Sam

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Left: Dignitaries at Queens Borough, N. Y., Lodge's Judiciary Night included, left to right, foreground: Democratic Executive Committee Chairman J. A. Roe, Judges H. W. Wenzel, Jr., Past State Pres., C. W. Froessel, E. H. Lewis, Past Grand Exalted Ruler James T. Hallinan, F. F. Adel; second row: Grand Trustee W. J. Jernick, Past Grand Exalted Ruler George I. Hall, E.R. T. J. Mackell, Judges Gerald Nolan, Stanley Fuld, John Van Voorhis, Frank Kenna, Republican Exec. Committee Chairman; third row: Judges Albert Conway, M. R. Dye.



Above: On behalf of Minneapolis, Minn., Lodge, E.R. John Hafich accepts from its composers, Michael Franzman and J. J. Dreis, a copy of "The Good Old Elks", and full publishers' rights to the song, when it was presented for the first time on P.E.R.'s Night.

Queens Borough, N. Y., Elks Observe Judiciary Night

More than 1,000 persons attended the highly successful Judiciary Night program conducted by Queens Borough Lodge No. 878 in honor of three Long Island judges as part of its 50th Anniversary celebration. The honored jurists were Associate Appeals Court Justice C. W. Froessel and Appellate Division Justices Henry W. Wenzel, Jr., a Past State Pres., and Frank F. Adel. Chief Court of Appeals Justice E. H. Lewis was the principal speaker on the program attended by Hon. J. F. Scileppi of the

Grand Forum. Past Grand Exalted Ruler James T. Hallinan presided, and the lodge's Glee Club, led by George Seuffert, presented several selections, with Sylvester J. Garamella as soloist.

Crippled Children's Hospital Pet Project of El Paso, Tex., Elks

El Paso Lodge No. 187, like the other lodges in the State, contributes generously to the support of the Texas Elks Crippled Children's Hospital at Ottine. Last year, in addition to the \$5,000 realized in its Annual Charity Drive, the lodge sent a special donation to the Hospital that totaled more than \$1,100 as a contribution toward the erection of a new school building for the youngsters there.

During the year, the lodge began a practice of publishing in its bulletin a list of members celebrating their birthdays each month; it is the custom now

for these members to contribute five cents to a special Crippled Children's Fund, for each year of their lives, whenever their names appear in the birthday list. While each Elk willingly gives the proper amount, many voluntarily make larger donations; one generous member recently made a \$75 contribution.

Harlingen, Tex., Lodge Instituted

D.D. James R. Moore took care of two important phases of the ceremonies bringing into being Texas' new lodge, Harlingen No. 1889. He acted as Grand Exalted Ruler in the actual institution, and also installed the new lodge's officers, led by Phil R. Edie.

E.R. H. B. Livingston and his officers of the sponsoring San Benito Lodge enjoyed the privilege of initiating the splendid class of 331 men who became affiliated with No. 1889.



E.R. James A. Stiles, at left foreground, wearing dark suit, pictured with the outstanding class which was initiated into Albany, N. Y., Lodge as a tribute to him.



This is a view of the impressive Charter Member Class of the newly instituted Manchester, Conn., Lodge, which, according to the files of Grand Secretary J. Edgar Masters, is one of the largest on record.



Above: At the institution of Wildwood, N. J., Lodge were, left to right: D.D. W. F. Huff, State Pres. Joseph F. Bader, E.R. W. P. Kennedy of the new lodge and P.D.D.'s E. J. Griffith and Dr. Louis Hubner.



Right: Fullton, N. Y., is proud of this Elk-sponsored basketball team which won first place in the local High School Intramural League.

Connecticut Welcomes New Lodge in Manchester

Over 2,000 men, representing every lodge in the State, and many from Mass. and N. Y., saw D.D. John J. Mangan conduct the ceremonies instituting Manchester Lodge No. 1893. Assisting him were P.D.D.'s Arthur J. Roy, Grand Lodge Committeeman, T. J. Clark, State Assn. Secy. G. H. Williams, J. P. Wrang, H. C. Brown and T. F. Winters, Wm. F. Hunihan, Pres. of the Conn. P.E.R.'s Assn., and State Vice-Pres. S. M. Annunziato.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler George I. Hall, who flew to Conn. from Chicago in order to be present, addressed the huge Charter Member Class of 481 men who were initiated by Rockville Lodge's officers, led by E. R. Alden E. Bailey, whose son was one of the initiates. P.E.R. James M. Reardon of New London, one of the organizers of No. 1893, installed E.R. James H. McVeigh and his officers, assisted by a suite of P.E.R.'s of Rockville Lodge whose members presented a \$5,000 gift to Manchester Elksdom. P.E.R. Joseph Adorno of Middletown Lodge, Treas. of the State, extended Gov. John Lodge's official welcome.



E.R. L. B. Page, seated seventh from left and the other officers of Baton Rouge, La., Lodge, pictured with the class they initiated in honor of Grand Inner Guard Roy Yerby, seated fifth from left with D.D.'s Willis C. McDonald on his right and H. L. Boudreaux on his left.

Below: Anna-Jonesboro, Ill., Lodge donates \$5,000 toward construction of a municipal swimming pool. Left to right: J. W. Rich, Park Board Secy. and P.E.R.; lodge Secy. O. M. Baggott, Board Chairman Norman Wahl, E.R. H. R. McCarty and Mayor Dale Denny.



The Billiard Committee of San Francisco, Calif., Lodge is host to the Santa Barbara Elk players.



Above: Admiration of the courage of Ray Lambert, blind Banning-Beaumont, Calif., Elk, left, who is building his own home, prompted his fellow Elks to help him. His aides are, left to right: Secy. E. S. Kreitz, E.R. K. B. Husby, Est. Loyal Knight Dan Byerly. An accomplished musician, Mr. Lambert is the lodge Organist.



Looking pleasantly formidable are the members of Santa Barbara, Calif., Lodge's Pistol Team which won the Winter League Championship. Left to right: R. B. Romero, Thos. Higgins, Jack Efaw and Jim Johnson.



E.R. M. B. Scott presents awards to three winners in the Boys' Bicycle Race sponsored by Waycross, Ga., Lodge, as Past State Pres. W. W. Hinson and City Recreation Director Mickey Katkavek look on.



State Pres. James A. Gunn, second from right, is welcomed to Beacon, N. Y., Lodge by E.R. W. T. Carey. At left is Hon. Charles Garrison, P.D.D., and at right is Committee Chairman P.E.R. Dr. Simon Cahn.



At Long Beach, Calif., Lodge's Olympic Champions Night were, left to right: Bravin Dyer, Olympic Diving Champion Pat McCormick, the lovely guest of honor, E.R. Jess W. Grundy, Vicky Draves and Mel Patton.



Some of the 500 high school students applaud the floor show during the Post-Prom Party given for them by the Elks of Elgin, Ill.



Chillicothe, Ohio, Lodge's entry in the National Hospital Day Parade at the local VA Hospital, an annual event with 25,000 spectators.

Elgin, Ill., Elks' Prom Party Out of This World

Scenes from the tales of the Arabian Nights sprang into life for more than 500 junior and senior high school students who were wide-eyed guests of Elgin Lodge No. 737 at a Post-Prom Party that was a masterpiece of ingenuity.

Practically everybody in town cooperated in making the party the happiest of the year. Co-sponsored by the Home-School Council whose highly-imaginative members had charge of decorations, the event required hundreds of hours of planning. Mandarin-garbed chauffeurs drove

each couple to the Masonic Temple, converted into a veritable Oriental palace, where a turkey dinner, prepared by the ladies of the Eastern Star and served by Junior Chamber of Commerce members, was enjoyed to the music of strolling musicians, and each young guest found at his plate a handsome memento.

Later the youngsters retired to the ballroom to dance and watch a four-act professional floor show while they enjoyed soft drinks and sandwiches served by the Elks. Each couple was photographed in a "jinricksha", hired for the occasion, and received a print of the picture.

So. Cent. Calif. Hoop Stars Honored by Lancaster Elks

Large numbers of the public attended the Lancaster Lodge No. 1625 program paying tribute to Coach Bob McCutcheon and his Antelope Valley Junior College basketball team, champions of the So. Cent. Conference.

P.E.R. Roy J. Simi presented a plaque to McCutcheon for "his fine coaching job and youth activities", and each player received an engraved gold basketball from Chairman Johnny Gorrindo. Secy. J. M. Pollard donated and presented a trophy to Captain Frank Fletcher.

News of the State Associations

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A. P. Perasso, Sioux City; Harry Michael, Council Bluffs; Secy., Sanford H. Schmalz, Muscatine; Treas., A. P. Lee, Marshalltown.

UTAH

More than 700 Elks at the 39th Utah Elks Assn. Meeting elected the following officials: Pres., Wilford Redmond, Eureka; 1st Vice-Pres., W. A. Beazer, Provo; 2nd Vice-Pres., M. L. Empey, St. George; 3rd Vice-Pres., Thomas Schow, Salt Lake City; Treas., Elmer Brown, Ogden; Secy., Alex Blight, Eureka.

Provo Lodge, which celebrated its Golden Anniversary during the three-day conclave which closed May 23rd, was gratified to have the State Ritualistic Contest won for the second year by its team, over Tintic, Salt Lake City, Cedar City, Price, Park City and Tooele Lodges in that order. Guests of honor were Chairman D. E. Lambourne of the Board of Grand Trustees, and Pres. Campbell Rice and Secy. Frank Buskirk of the Colo. Elks Assn.

SOUTH CAROLINA

Over 500 Elks and their ladies registered at Myrtle Beach for the So. Car. Elks Assn. meeting May 29-31. Sumter Lodge's Team won the Ritualistic Title, and Special Deputy Floyd Brown was a special speaker at a public meeting when five \$400 State scholarships, a \$400 Elks National Foundation Award, and 16 local lodge scholarships were presented.

Officers for the coming year are: Pres., Ed. T. Gullede, Sr., Sumter; Exec. Vice-Pres., L. E. Burmester, Charleston; Dist. Vice-Presidents, F. E. Wiley, Myrtle Beach; Wm. E. Brown, Rock Hill; B. F. Allen, Jr., Union; Secy-Treas., James E. Parker, Jr., Rock Hill.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Howard R. Davis delivered a splendid address, and reports were made on the Assn's fine work at Veterans Hospitals.

NEW YORK

Public ceremonies in the State Education Bldg. in Albany opened the 41st Annual Convention of the N. Y. Elks Assn. Addresses were made by several previous N. Y. Elk scholarship winners, and a plaque was presented by Dr. Wm. A. Fellows, Director of the local VA Hospital, to Past Grand Exalted Ruler James T. Hallinan in recognition of his efforts for servicemen. Judge Hallinan later presided at public exercises at which 29 college scholarships totaling \$10,250 and two \$300 Youth Leadership Awards were presented.

Among the speakers at this meeting was Past Pres. James A. Farley, former U. S. Postmaster General, and Pres. James A. Gunn presided at the May 22nd session when Past Grand Exalted Ruler George I. Hall installed the following new officers: Pres., Bert Harkness, Platts-

burg; Secy., Wm. R. L. Cook, Queens Borough; Treas., Claude Y. Cushman, Binghamton; Dist. Vice-Presidents: R. J. McNulty, Amsterdam; Harold Bogue, Mount Vernon; E. D. Forrester, Catskill; E. A. Burns, Massena; P. J. Regan, Wattertown; E. J. Folz, Hudson; J. R. McGuire, Cortland; J. T. Brown, Glen Cove; C. G. Over, Lancaster; E. R. Hutton, Batavia; Trustees: A. J. Dyer, Peekskill; G. R. Weigand, Elmira; J. L. Caggiano, New York City; George Palmer, Wolcott.

Bath Lodge won the Ritualistic Contest, with Ilion, second; Lancaster, third, and more than 150 members participated in a golf tournament with team honors going to Schenectady, followed by Albany and Geneva. The grand prize in the parade closing the three-day meeting was awarded to Troy Lodge, while the Hoosick Falls float was judged most representative of Elksdom.

At the Memorial Services, Past Pres. John J. Sweeney eulogized Past Grand Est. Lead. Knight Dr. J. Edward Gallico, while State Secy. Cook paid tribute to the memory of Thomas F. Cuite, a former State Assn. Secy.

MAINE

Augusta was the scene of the Silver Jubilee Convention of the Maine Assn. June 5-6-7, which was highlighted by its first public Memorial Service, in which Past Grand Est. Lect. Knight Daniel E. Crowley, Past Grand Est. Loyal Knight C. Dwight Stevens, and Past Grand Inner Guard F. L. Sylvester participated with other Me. officials.

At the Jubilee Banquet and Ball, with P.D.D. A. A. Lessard presiding, Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley presented the Elks National Foundation Award for Maine, and Past Grand Exalted Ruler E. Mark Sullivan, Grand Trustee Thomas J. Brady, former Grand Lodge Committeeman Edward Spry and D.D. W. R. Burns, all of Mass., as well as Vt. State Pres. Peter Hall were special guests.

Brian M. Jewett of Bath Lodge, who was responsible for the handsome Silver Jubilee Book giving the Assn's history, was elected Pres. Serving with him are: Vice-Presidents: J. E. Galvin, Millinocket; A. J. Ferland, Jr., Rumford; J. J. Cummings, Augusta; R. G. Brewer, Rockland; Secy.-Treas., Edward R. Twomey, Portland; Trustees: Robert Martin, Augusta; J. J. Colby, Waterville; R. F. Donovan, Gardiner; Neale Bither, Houlton; J. J. Nahra, Old Town; H. G. Broder, Bangor; L. B. Cook, Rockland; W. R. Kersey, Rumford, and Chairman M. A. Costellow, Biddeford-Saco.

Augusta Lodge took the Bowling Contest, with one of its members, Peter Croteau, winning the billiard championship, and another, Leo Pomerleau, the pool title. The cribbage contest was won by Dr. J. H. Nugent of Portland.



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LODGE NOTES

When **HANOVER, PA.**, Lodge paid tribute to its Old Timers recently, E.R. Edward J. Conrad, Jr., enjoyed the privilege of presenting a 50-year-membership pin to his father . . . One of the latest groups of new **ALBANY, GA.**, Elks was a class honoring P.E.R. D. W. Brosnan . . . The Relief Committee of **REVERE, MASS.**, Lodge presented a new incubator to the city's Memorial Hospital not long ago . . . **ALMA, MICH.**, Lodge honored its junior P.E.R., Harrison Orwig, with the initiation of a class of 14 . . . **NEWBURYPORT, MASS.**, Lodge had several Gold Star Mothers as its special guests at the Mother's Day Services conducted by E.R. Wm. H. Hulse and his officers, with Rev. John Crispo as principal speaker. The ladies received corsages from their hosts, who entertained them later at the lodge home . . . On their way home after attending the No. Car. and So. Car. Elks Assn. Conventions, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Howard R. Davis and three other Pa. Elks, paid a surprise overnight visit to **ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.**, Lodge, to the distinct pleasure of its hospitable members . . . At a recent session of **WASHINGTON, N. J.**, Lodge, E.R. Lawrence Sangi accepted a large American Flag from Madison Lee Elliott Camp #19 of the N. J. Dept. of the United Spanish War Veterans, whose commander, Wm. R. Blackwood is a member of the lodge . . . **SOUTH ORANGE, N. J.**, Lodge has been taking care of six-year-old Bobby Guter, who was born without legs, and is now getting along nicely with artificial limbs following an operation by Dr. Henry H. Kessler, world famous orthopedic surgeon and a member of Newark, N. J., Lodge. When the Crippled Children's Committee of South Orange Lodge presented a specially equipped wheel chair to Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation, Bobby was on hand . . . Imagination ran wild when the **DENVER, COLO.**, Elks' ladies held a Mad-Hatters Party. Prizes were awarded the most original hat, the largest, funniest and so on.

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CALIF. ELKS BILLIARD TOURNNEY

During the Calif. Convention in Long Beach, Sept. 16-19, the Annual Billiard Tournament will take place. Those interested may contact State Chairman Howard L. Hayes at San Francisco Lodge or George Massey at Long Beach.



One of the last official visits made by D.D. G. W. Brubaker prior to his recent untimely death was to the thriving Calhoun, Ga., Lodge, instituted last March.



Riverton, Wyo., Lodge officials are pictured with the class they initiated in Lander, as their tribute to the Order's retiring Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern.



This is Beaumont, Tex., Lodge's float entered in the Neches River Festival Parade.



Pictured on the steps of the Elks National Home in Bedford, Va., are the talented members of Princeton, W. Va., Lodge's Chorus and Quartet, and other entertainers who recently presented a most enjoyable program for the residents of the Home.

Grand Lodge Convention Report

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judges clinics be organized so that qualified judges and checkers will be available at all times, in all sections of the country. He introduced his Committee: M. E. H. Smith, Greeley, Colo., Lodge, No. 809; Frank Hise, Corvallis, Ore., Lodge, No. 1413, Ed. W. McCabe, Nashville, Tenn., Lodge, No. 72, and Fred H. Kelly, Salina, Kans., Lodge, No. 718.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler James G. McFarland, with a most impressive tribute to Elksdom's great contribution to the Armed Forces blood campaign, then introduced Major General Clark L. Ruffner, who has had an outstanding career as a tactical leader not only in World War II, but also in Korea. General Ruffner in clear-cut words explained the special problems of the fighting in Korea. The General went ashore with the 10th Corps at the Inchon landing. At present, he is Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs.

Colonel James Bennett, a veteran of some of the most severe fighting of World War II and now associated with the Department of Defense, read the following Citation of the "Department of Defense Meritorious Award" which the Order received at the Convention for its united efforts in support of the Armed Forces blood campaign:

"CITATION FOR DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE MERITORIOUS AWARD"

Between November 1951 and July 1952, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, through a special campaign, contributed or pledged more than 500,000 pints of blood for the exclusive use of the Armed Forces of the United States.

This vital support of the Armed Forces' blood donor program, exceeding that of any other civilian organization, was a material factor in the success at a time when the supply of blood and blood plasma for use in Korea and elsewhere was running extremely low.

This outstanding effort in behalf of national defense was brought about by the

careful planning and supervision of the national headquarters of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and through the diligent, continuous and purposeful efforts of the organization's field representatives.

The untiring, enthusiastic and successful support of the Armed Forces' blood donor program reflects great credit on the officers and members of the organization. It is, therefore, my great pleasure to confer on the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks the Department of Defense Meritorious Award for your truly significant achievement.

Charles E. Wilson
Secretary of Defense

General Ruffner made the presentation of the award to Grand Exalted Ruler Stern, after which the Grand Exalted Ruler read a letter from President Eisenhower commending Elksdom for assistance to the blood campaign.

D. E. Lambourne, Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, reported the Final Budget. Thomas J. Brady of the Board of Grand Trustees offered a Resolution continuing the per capita tax of \$1.75 and this was passed unanimously. Fred L. Bohn of the Board reported the Contingent Funds. (A digest of the Board's Report was published in the July issue.) Nick H. Feder reported that the Board had granted charters for 51 new lodges during the year—lodges No. 1861-1910 and also No. 693. Then Mr. Feder paid a most moving tribute to Chairman Lambourne, who retired from that office this year, and spoke of the earnest and most useful work that Mr. Lambourne had accomplished as Chairman. A resolution that a suitable testimonial be given Mr. Lambourne was passed unanimously and to applause from the delegates. William J. Jernick of the Board reported on changes in the Districts.

At the conclusion of the Report of the Board of Grand Trustees, Grand Exalted Ruler Stern spoke briefly but feelingly

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about his year as leader of the Order. "It was a most pleasant year", he said. "Thanks for the opportunity to serve". Then the delegates accorded the Grand Exalted Ruler a standing ovation for his work during the year.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Howard R. Davis offered a Resolution of appreciation to Past Grand Exalted Ruler Bruce A. Campbell, Honorary Chairman of the Convention Committee; the Convention Committee, of which George E. Wunderlich was Chairman; the State of Missouri; the City of St. Louis; the press, radio and TV stations of St. Louis.

Then Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland proceeded to the installation of the new Grand Lodge Officers. (For names and offices refer to the report of the First Business Session.)

Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley offered a Resolution commending Grand Exalted Ruler Stern and expressing the thanks of the Order for his leadership. The Board of Grand Trustees was directed to provide a fitting testimonial of esteem for Mr. Stern.

Then as Past Grand Exalted Ruler Mc-

Clelland continued the installations, the Holdenville Elkettes and the Pottstown, Pa., and Tulsa, Okla., drill teams came to the front of the auditorium. The curtains at the rear of the platform were drawn and the talented College Singers, who entertained so beautifully throughout the Convention, sang "My Country 'Tis of Thee". Earl E. James, the new Grand Exalted Ruler, spoke of his plans for the year before him and of his inspired purpose to further Elkdom.

New Youth Committee

Mr. James announced the new Lodge Activities Committee: George Saltz, Woodward, Okla., Lodge, No. 1355, Chairman; Edwin J. Alexander, Aberdeen, Wash., Lodge, No. 593, Vice Chairman; Thad Eure, Raleigh, N.C., Lodge, No. 735; Leroy Schmid, Butte, Mont., Lodge, No. 240, and James A. Gunn, Mamaronock, N. Y., Lodge, No. 1457.

The Grand Exalted Ruler appointed Bert Weiser of Holdenville, Okla., lodge as his Secretary.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Michael F. Shannon, Assistant Secretary and Assis-

tant Treasurer of the National Memorial and Publication Commission, was reappointed for a term of five years.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Charles E. Broughton resigned as a Trustee of the Elks National Foundation and was appointed to the Elks National Service Commission. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern was appointed a Trustee of the Elks National Foundation.

The appointments to the Convention Committee established at this Convention were as follows: Past Grand Exalted Ruler George I. Hall, Chairman, and Past Grand Exalted Rulers James T. Hallinan, John S. McClelland, Michael F. Shannon and Charles H. Grakelow.

Several presentations were made to Grand Exalted Ruler James, including a new Lincoln car from the Elks of his home state—Oklahoma.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler McFarland welcomed Mr. Stern to the Advisory Committee of the Grand Lodge and presented him with his Past Grand Exalted Ruler's Badge. The Grand Chaplain then offered a prayer. Mr. James declared the 89th Session of the Grand Lodge closed.

Youth Activities Committee Report

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Stern; the Trustees of the Elks National Foundation; Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, Chairman of the Foundation; Past Grand Exalted Ruler Bruce A. Campbell, Chairman of the National Memorial and Publication Commission; the valuable aid given by Otho DeVilbiss, Director of Public Relations for the Order; Hon. Allen B. Hannay, Clyde E. Jones and Hon. John R. Dethmers, who acted

as judges in the National Youth Leadership Contest; Past Grand Exalted Ruler Robert S. Barrett for his frequent letters of approbation and encouragement; Hon. Jay H. Payne for his aid in judging the "Best Lodge" contest; Edward Spry for his counsel and suggestions. Bert Thompson, Grand Lodge Activities Co-ordinator, for his ever-available assistance, and Grand Secretary J. Edgar Masters for his

prompt attention to requests for names, addresses and supplies.

The Committee submitting the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Report was: Judge A. F. Bray, San Francisco, Calif.; Rozell T. Pickrel, Washington, D. C.; George Steele, Boston, Mass.; John Erhard, Dallas, Texas, and Benjamin F. Watson, Lansing, Mich., Chairman of the committee.

Speech of Acceptance

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Our Order is a patriotic organization. It must be a militant force in the cause of liberty. These are times when Elks must hold aloft the torch of freedom to a darkened world. Flag Day services are compulsory in our Ritual, and every lodge pays homage and respect to the Flag during its opening and closing ceremonies. Yet it is not enough for Elks to hold a perfunctory Flag Day service and thereby claim to be great patriots. The whole recorded history of man is strewn with the wreckage of great civilizations which have crumpled and fallen because of the corruption and indifference of the people, and because tyranny replaced the highest principles of government. It destroyed countries in the past. We must not allow it to destroy America. There has always been a struggle between people and government—the people trying ever to free themselves from tyrannical rule, and the government seeking to subjugate, regulate and control. In all revolutions against organized government, excepting the American Revolution, a tighter control, a more tyrannical government resulted. In our Revolution, our

Forefathers turned directly away from collectivism towards the basic importance of the integrity of the individual man. They knew that governments and officials are not sacred but rights of the people under governments are.

Our country is the only one in the whole world where the individual man has natural personal rights that he can require every person, including the government, to respect and observe. For years, the name "America" has been magic throughout the world. That name stands for freedom! We have lost much of that magic by aping Old World methods and adopting their plans of government. My Brothers, America can learn nothing from Europe. Europe must come to school here. We have the most modern, the most just government in the world. We must be ever vigilant to preserve the liberties for which our Forefathers died! They left us a great heritage. Men, like Jefferson, organized our government under divinely inspired principles of liberty and justice, and men like Patrick Henry shouted like lions for freedom. Today, many of our leaders

bleat like lambs for security! This is not politics, it is a philosophy of government. The theory that governments must support the people, "From the cradle to the grave", is not a political question; it is an idea which has permeated weak-minded people, who find it more pleasant to dream of Utopia than to work for their own happiness, prosperity and freedom. Such ideas forge more links in the chains of slavery! Let us preserve the heritage that has been left to us by our great leaders like Washington, Jefferson, Madison, and Lincoln. Ours is the task of re-educating the public to the essentiality and desirability of maintaining and strengthening the limitations of our government, in the interest of preserving our freedom. Extravagance, patronage and bureauracy are the real threats to our way of life. If we make our government work, communism and other freak ideas will find little support here.

Our government depends upon your active interest as citizens. You say, "What Can I Do? My voice will not be heard!" Let me tell you what you can do. The snowflake is almost without

weight or substance, yet I have seen snow crush an iron roof. If enough of us tell our officials that we are tired of lip service, and demand that each newly elected official be faithful to his obligation as a public servant; that he support his oath to defend the Constitution, without evasion; and we rededicate ourselves to the principles that have made our country great, and become vocal and militant against the vices that have permeated our public life; if we, as Elks, will spend as much time and energy in protecting the basic ideals of our government as the communists do in building their philosophy, we will never need to worry about the future of America!

Imagine, if you can, what would happen to this government, if the leaders of Russia had a million fanatical supporters of their brand of government within our midst! We have a million Elks who can and must staunchly and militantly defend

our theory of government. It is our duty as Elks, every one of us, to sell American principles throughout the length and breadth of this land. It is our duty as intelligent, patriotic, militant, aggressive citizens, who love liberty, to see that these principles are known to the young of this country, by carrying this message to the schools of our nation. It is our duty to render more than perfunctory ceremonies and lip service in the cause of human happiness and freedom. We must be more than "sunshine patriots".

I want each of you to help me demonstrate how much we can do, to preserve for our children, the heritage that has been handed down to us by our Forefathers. Then and only then will our children and our children's children, down through the years, exemplify American patriotism and keep America the magic name in the hearts of all the peoples of the earth!

For Elks Who Travel

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ing the informality of the Danes and some of their accent which pokes through the Swedish tongue.

The route we had followed was the one the Germans had used during the war after they had exacted an agreement from the Swedish government to take their sick and wounded troops across Sweden between Gothenberg and Malmö. It was soon discovered that the Wehrmacht members were not very sick at all and were being used to bolster the defense in Norway.

From Malmö, we caught the ferry that leaves in a flurry of seagulls from the south Swedish coast and an hour and a half later ties up on the Copenhagen dock. Denmark has been a delight. Copenhagen, where fully one fourth of the country's population lives, is the playground of the north, and you sense it when you first cross the Raadhusplads, the Town Hall Square at night. It is a tremendous cut of unfettered real estate guarded by the Town Hall itself, a massive structure. Neon signs decorate it, and so does a statue of a pair of *lur* players who stand on a pedestal three stories high ready to give blast on their ancient horns. The bells chime down from the towers, the pigeons and the sparrows provide a mobile in the air for those who sit in the outdoor cafes, à la Paris, to watch the Nordic world go by.

It is perhaps simple to capture the personality of the Danes when you hear that there is an amusement park in the middle of town. It is called Tivoli, and it isn't the rowdy popcorn and hot dog extravaganza by the sea with which we have grown familiar in the States. Tivoli is a garden filled with trees and flower beds; it has a boy guard in big furry busbys which parades twice a day, the leader commanding the troops from atop a horse and the hats of the marchers sometimes taller than the wearers. A de-

lightful pantomime theater gives early evening performances while it is still light and the audience is a horde of ash-blond, blue-eyed, pop-eyed youngsters. There are two dozen restaurants in Tivoli, including the Wivex which, since it can seat about 1,200 people at a time, is probably the largest eating place in Europe. Sometimes as many as twelve bridal couples are celebrating at one time, and then the band plays a special dance and while they whirl around the floor, the rest of the dancers stand at the sidelines and clap in time to the music. An old Scandinavian custom.

There are, to be sure, some of the usual amusements one expects at a fun park, but the effect is more like having a World's Fair in your town every summer with something doing every minute including a monster firework display each weekend with the stars bursting behind the Town Hall Tower. After Tivoli closes there are a number of nightclubs in Copenhagen where, through one means or another, it is possible to work yourself around the clock. This procedure might sound more attractive to those from neighboring countries which have tighter regulations than it would to visiting Americans.

It would probably take weeks to eat one's way through the best restaurants of Copenhagen, and in four or five days there we never invaded the same place twice and never got less than an excellent meal. I don't think Americans will be able to bypass the lure of Oskar David- sen's and indeed they shouldn't for it isn't everywhere, or for that matter anywhere, that one can order from a list of 177 sandwiches. Putting anything handy on a sandwich is an old Danish idea, and this may include a fried fish, a side of beef, or a few hundred shrimps piled on top of a slice of bread paved with a quarter of an inch of butter. The



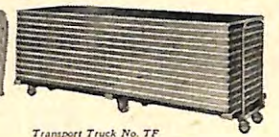
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names are utterly hopeless in English, but Davidsen's has thought of that and the reverse of the menu that looks like a broad ticker tape that has been running all day, is printed in English. Au Coq d'Or can vie with the best of Paris at prices that are about one-third of the tariff imposed in the capital to the south.

There are some bargains too in the shops, with savings so great that traveling housewives suffer from a fast pulse. This is the headquarters for china and figurines manufactured by the famed Danish firms of Bing and Grondahl and also Royal Porcelain which sit alongside each other on the main shopping street. Both are armed with a battery of English-speaking clerks and for those traveling home with Scandinavian Airlines, the houses can figure shipping charges and insurance in a jiffy. It appears that the

to please their masters, a characteristic which I believe few if any other animals have.

To teach your dog to come to you on command, he must first have learned that the name you have given him is *his* name. Short names are best and names containing sibilants are particularly good since these sounds carry well and are more easily heard by the dog. The command lesson begins by taking the dog out on a long rope attached to its collar. Let the dog run to the end of the rope, then call him to you. If he does not come, gently but firmly pull him to your side, repeating his name over and over. When you have thus brought him to you give him some small tidbit and a pat or two. Let him run again and repeat the performance. This you should do over and over until the dog willingly comes to you. See that the rope is long enough and that you take the dog to a place where it is possible for him to get around a corner of a building or in some other way get out of your sight. When you retrieve him at the end of the rope he will soon learn that even though he cannot see you, escape is impossible for him.

Once the dog has learned to come to you on the rope, the next step is to free him from the rope and teach him to come to you while unleashed. Never forget to give the dog a small reward when he returns to you.

Another basic lesson that every dog should learn is to stay put in a given place at his master's command. In this there are two variations. One is the "sit" command and the other is the "down" command. To teach the dog to sit you must firmly but gently press its rear end to the ground with one hand while you hold the other hand under the chin so that its whole body does not lie prone. Here you must repeat the lesson and the command word "sit" over and over. The down command is given when you want the dog to lie down. After he has mastered

Danes have a heritage for clean and modern lines which exists in their magnificent church buildings, some of which date back hundreds of years. These same trim designs shine through in the furniture, much of it done in blonde woods, in lamps and lighting fixtures which are incredibly cheap, in artful pottery and even children's toys. I won't say that the toys possess the mechanical cleverness of the Germans or the Japanese but they have a whimsy and a solidity that is refreshing and difficult to duplicate.

No one should see Copenhagen and let Denmark go at that, for the countryside has a particular charm which is quite its own. I don't remember ever seeing such an endless landscape of beautiful farmland, the massive horses, the neat haystacks the flatlands now and then gently rolling. This is written from Odense, the

In the Doghouse

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the command to sit, pull his front legs out from under him and press his body to the ground. At the same time repeat the word "Down." When the dog has learned these two lessons through your manual help, move away from him and give him the sit command so that he will sit without your assistance. Still later, while at a distance from the dog, drill him in the down command. In both cases it will help you to use arm signals. For the sit command you can move hand in front of you horizontally. For the down command use your hand in a downward, pushing movement. The dog will learn to recognize such visual signals. As a matter of fact, dogs that do seemingly wonderful things in talking pictures necessarily have to be drilled to obey hand signals from their trainers since command signals can not be spoken for the obvious reason that they would be picked up by the sound track.

A THIRD important lesson your dog should learn is to walk properly and quietly with you, on or off leash. This lesson begins by taking the dog out on a leash and giving it the command word "heel". If the dog lunges ahead, which it very likely will do, it must be jerked sharply back to your side so that the nose extends no further than your leg. Most dog authorities recommend that dogs be walked on the left-hand side of their owners and to many this seems wholly unnecessary. As a matter of fact, a dog walked on the left on a public street would be more likely to encounter a passing pedestrian. For the house pets I suggest that dogs be walked at the right. It will further help your dog to learn the lesson of heeling if you take it along a street where there is a fence; when he is walking close to your side and attempts to lunge forward you can crowd him against the fence while giving him the command word "Heel." If he is bumped often enough he will in time learn to obey.

birthplace of Hans Christian Andersen who, if every American isn't familiar with him now, certainly none shall escape after the film that bears his name has made its appointed rounds. Andersen is treated with a good deal more quiet respect over here and there is a fine museum, part of which is in his actual birthplace, where all manner of memorabilia has been collected and placed on display. Readings of his works are done each April 2, which is his birthday, but so far no festival of the type given now in almost every European city and American hamlet has been organized on an annual basis. The town, too, is full of wonders, of ancient streets with half-timbered houses, cobbled walks, and everywhere vestiges of the strange man whose whimsy has gladdened a million childish hearts. It was rather like the Danes to produce him.

An interesting trick is to teach your dog to bark on command. To do this it is necessary to tie up the pooch and stand in front of him a bit out of his reach. Pretend to eat something; in fact actually do have a piece of meat or some tidbit that he relishes so that he can see it. Offer it to him but keep it just beyond his reach. At the same time give him the command word "Speak". Try to anticipate when he will bark so that your command and his bark will both be sounded at the same time. It is well to have a number of small pieces of whatever you intend giving him and reward him each time that he does bark. Scold him if he barks incessantly or barks without your command, as you do not want to have a canine alarm clock. That can become an awful nuisance to both you and your neighbors. When the dog has learned to bark, try him out after you untie him so he will learn to bark at your command no matter where he is.

To teach the average dog to jump on command is a cinch because all dogs, differing from horses, are natural jumpers. The horse's rib construction is different from that of a dog and he has less muscle leverage in his hind quarters. Besides, the horse's hoofs being hard, jar the animal when he lands after making a jump. The dog, on the other hand, has proportionately greater muscle in and around his caboose and his paws being soft, he does not land with such force.

You can begin the jumping trick by backing your dog into a corner and extending your arm in front of you, using the simple command "Jump". Don't let him wiggle under your arm but make him go over it. The reason for the corner position is that he cannot make any end runs. When he learns to jump at command in this way then move him out to the center of the room and kneeling on the floor again extend your arm and give him the jump command. You can later substitute a stick or any similar object.

The dog that learns to jump while indoors should be just as proficient a jumper outdoors. In the early part of these lessons while the dog is being taught from a corner position, it will help if somebody else calls the dog; but do not let that person remain in the room except when he or she does the calling.

This brings me to advise that all lessons given to the dog should be given not only by the person with whom the dog is best acquainted, but in absolute privacy with no other people or animals around to distract the dog's attention. Maybe you will want to teach your dog to walk on his hind legs, although why this is considered a smart thing I have never been able to determine. Use the command word

"Walk" and here again employ a tidbit which you hold just out of the dog's reach so that he will rear up in an attempt to get it. When he does this, slowly back away from him, at the same time giving him the command word. Don't tire him; walk him only a few steps in the first part of this lesson, for this is an unnatural means of locomotion for the dog. In time you should be able to dispense with the tidbit and simply employ the command word. A further development of this trick is to teach the dog to waltz and in this all you need do is to move in a slow circle holding the tidbit over his head just above his reach. Again let me repeat, do not tire him. Use the command word "Waltz".

Rod and Gun

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idea how big they were, but fish weighing more than ten pounds are not uncommon in this lake, which is practically on the backbone of America, within a few miles of the Continental Divide.

That is one example of Western trout fishing. It is rough and tough—big flies, heavy tackle and heavy fish. The water never is very clear, so no finesse is required. It is just a matter of finding fish, showing them a fly they'll hit and then holding them after you hook them. Not all trout fishing in the West is like that, however. On some waters you have to be just about as smooth to fool the trout as you do on hard-fished Eastern streams.

Twenty miles away across the Divide there is another lake. It, too, has big fish. Not so big as those in the first perhaps, but big enough to make your hands tremble when you see one cruising its gin-clear water. Different tactics are required here.

My wife and I nosed the canoe into a shallow bay on it one morning about a year ago. The surface was perfectly flat so I put on a pair of polaroid glasses and stood up to look for feeding fish. There were small ones a foot long or less everywhere. After watching for several minutes I saw a pair of good rainbows cruising over the moss about sixty feet away.

My leader was fourteen feet long, tapered to 2X and to it was attached a cream-colored nymph tied on a No. 10 hook. Quickly working out line by false casting, I dropped the fly to the water ahead of the approaching trout. I was careless, however, and put fly and leader too close. Whether they saw it flash in the air or were frightened when it struck the water four feet ahead of them I don't know, but they whirled and streaked away. No use to follow; they wouldn't get over their alarm for half an hour. I gave the canoe a push with the paddle and resumed my watching for fish.

Suddenly, I saw another good one. He, too, was coming toward us and only forty feet away. Holding the rod horizontal so that he would be less likely to see it,

I carefully dropped the nymph to the water directly in his course and about six feet ahead of him. When he was a couple of feet away from it I began to gather line slowly in my left hand. He saw it and began to follow, but he had been too close when I saw him. He came along after the fly for a few yards, then saw the canoe and shot away. Failure number two.

The third trout, which I saw after a few minutes of careful watching, was following a course that would take him past the canoe at a distance of about fifty feet. Perfect. I waited until he was just right, then laid the nymph down ten feet ahead. He didn't suspect a thing. When he was nearly to it, I began to recover line slowly. He quickened. I saw the white inside of his mouth as he opened it, and when the white disappeared I struck.

The amount of violent energy that can be compressed into the slim shape of a trout and the speed with which he can release it are amazing. He just seemed to explode. Spray flew and the water frothed. He shot into the air, a quivering, lavender and silver spring. Then the line hissed through the water.

I held the rod high to keep the leader out of the beds of moss, which were a yard beneath the surface, and let him go. Eventually, he exhausted himself and I led him back to the canoe and netted him and turned him loose. He was a rainbow of twenty-two inches and four pounds.

That morning, we caught four rainbows and three browns, all of which were more than eighteen inches long, as well as several smaller fish that got the fly by accident. Each of them was hooked in much the same way: we saw him first, made a long, careful cast, let the nymph sink a few inches and then began to retrieve it as he approached.

Unlike stream trout, which usually lie in one spot and let the current bring food to them, trout in a lake cruise continually in search of something to eat. We had plenty of opportunities. The waits between fish were short as they wandered

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over the moss beds, but we frightened more than we hooked. This usually is the case. Good trout in perfectly clear water beneath a smooth surface are extremely wary.

This lake fishing for rainbows, browns, cutthroats and brook trout is something that the Eastern angler definitely should sample when he visits the West. It will be an experience to remember.

There are good trout lakes in widely scattered areas throughout all of the mountain states, from New Mexico north and west. The High Sierras of California have golden trout, of course. In other places you never know what to expect when you sample a new lake. Most of them are a fly fisherman's dream come true, although bait-casting and spinning tackle will also catch fish.

The majority of mountain trout lakes are between one and two miles in elevation, so the weather is likely to be rather violent. The sun is hot and bright when it shines, but a thunderstorm will make you wish for long underwear and a heavy jacket. The nights are always chilly.

Of course, not all Western trout fishing is in lakes. There are streams of all kinds and sizes—large and small, fast and slow. Some of them churn over boulders and through deep canyons; others meander across pleasant meadows. You can find any kind of fishing you like in any kind of water you prefer.

Your tackle need present no particular problem. If you use spinners, spoons and other lures then the spinning or bait-casting outfit you already have will do the job as well in the West as in the East. If you're a fly fisherman you'll do eighty per cent of your Western fishing with the same rod, reel and line you use at home. I use a light, eight-foot rod most of the time. If you can manage it, however, you should also have an outfit that will enable you to make fairly long casts—from fifty to seventy-five feet, say—on lakes and big streams.

On most waters, the flies you use at home will catch trout. At times, how-

ever, you'll need both extremely large and extremely small ones. I catch many trout each year on wet flies, bucktails and streamers tied on No. 2 hooks, but some days I wouldn't get a fish if I didn't have some 16's along, too. It's always a good idea to buy a few flies locally. The boys who live there know what the fish like.

A good angler in Pennsylvania will have no trouble catching trout in Montana, but there are a couple of points to remember. First, don't make the mistake of thinking that Western trout are unsophisticated. Most of the good ones are plenty smart, and some Western waters are just as tough as any Eastern river I know anything about.

I remember fishing a big meadow stream that has a lot of husky rainbows one day when it seemed utterly impossible to interest a trout in a fly. They were rising steadily everywhere to any insects they happened to see, including small May flies, grasshoppers and damsel flies—about as wide a variety as you can imagine—but they definitely were not rising to my flies.

I was using a light line and a very long and very fine leader and I fished with all the skill I possessed, but the glass-smooth water and smart fish were too much. Finally, I blundered on the solution. I was standing on the bank where grass overhung water a foot deep when I glanced downstream and noticed a dimple of a rise, just under the edge of the grass and about seventy-five feet away. My fly was a scantily tied, black No. 16.

Rather than risk attempting to get closer, I cast about halfway to the fish. Then I pointed the rod tip down and fed out line as the fly floated toward him. I couldn't see the little fly that far, of course, but I could see the floating line and when it appeared that the fly must be about to the trout I saw a rise. I struck hard enough to move the long floating line slightly, hooked and subsequently landed a fat sixteen-incher.

For the remainder of the day, I fished only by making long downstream floats

to rising trout. It was slow, difficult fishing, but it paid off in several more good ones at a time when it was absolutely impossible to cast anywhere near a feeding fish without putting him down.

The second point an Easterner should remember when he is fishing in the West for the first time is this: There are plenty of trout and there is plenty of water. Move right along. The more you hammer the fish in one spot the less likely you are to catch one. Many good Eastern anglers whom I know sometimes spend half an hour or more in one place. The most successful Western trout fishermen cover a lot of stream.

August and September are the best months for trout fishing in the West. In the mountain states there is no such thing as water too low and hot for trout to strike. Instead, the rivers are usually too high and discolored for good fishing during June. They begin to get right in July and August finds them in perfect condition.

The weather is more settled late in the summer, too. During a single June week in the West Yellowstone, Montana, area—which is the hub of the best trout fishing country in the United States—we had rain, hail and snow, and cold wind almost constantly. There was not a single pleasant day and hardly a pleasant hour. September in the same region usually brings frosty nights and warm, sunny days.

The trout are most willing then, too. One September day three years ago, my brother and I caught and released 136 brook trout. They all took flies and they ran from one to four pounds in weight. That's not bad fishing. In fact, it was too good. We got tired of it. There was no uncertainty.

At four o'clock we decided to move to another spot and see if we could catch some rainbows. They were just as reluctant as the brookies had been willing, but we managed to outwit a couple apiece before dark and we had a wonderful time.

Slow Boat to Danger

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pretty as herself. "No, no, *monsieur!* You don't say 'thanks.' Say '*Merci.*'"

"*Merci,*" Vernon said. "*Beaucoup.* I blundered through French in college, but don't expect too much."

It was a gay supper. Afterward, warmed by the good red wine, Vernon stood beside Ruth Davis at the rail, close by the stairway to the officers' deck above. He said, "Look at me. Do I look any different?"

"You look a lot happier than yesterday, if that's what you mean."

"I was scared to death yesterday."

"Were you? Why?"

Leaning on the rail, he turned to face her. She was about his age, he guessed—maybe two or three years younger. A school teacher; therefore they had some-

thing in common. He would have liked to talk to her.

He would have liked to say to her, "Look, Miss Davis. I'm neck-deep in a dangerous business I didn't ask for and don't really understand. Don't ask me how it happened; it just did. I was teaching history at a small college in Maryland, coaching the basketball team on the side and minding my own business. A man named Lentz, a math professor at the same school, tried to interest me in Communism. I wrote a note to the F.B.I. Next thing I knew, I had agreed to play along with Lentz as an F.B.I. agent, or something of the sort, letting him lead me by the nose so I could learn what he and his fellow travelers were up to."

Yes, he would have liked to tell her. It

would be a relief to talk to someone. But if he said anything he would have to say it all. He would have to describe how Michalik, the bearded Communist leader in Washington, had handed him a hundred thousand dollars and instructed him to deliver the money to certain men in Port-au-Prince.

"You are to go by freighter," Michalik had said, "because I suspect we are watched by the F.B.I. and the airlines would be too easy for them. You must be exceedingly careful to attract as little attention as possible."

The money was not for use in Haiti. Port-au-Prince was merely a convenient rendezvous. The men to be paid were Puerto Ricans who could not safely receive such a sum in their own country

where they and their mails were known to be under surveillance.

"This is important money," the bearded man had warned grimly, "and it must be delivered intact and on time or you, Mr. Vernon, will be a most unhappy man. I make myself clear? But of course we have profound respect for your ability and integrity, else you would not have been given the assignment. I shake your hand and wish you a successful journey."

VERNON'S first journey, undertaken with extreme caution, had been a secret one to the F.B.I., where the powers who guided his movements had gone into a huddle. He should go through with the business, they decided. The money must be delivered. It would be marked money, though. When spent in Puerto Rico it would put the red finger on Communist leaders there against whom the F.B.I. had long sought specific evidence.

"Go to Haiti," the F.B.I. had said. "Go by freighter, as Michalik instructed. Deliver the money. Then your work for us will be finished."

But, of course, he could not breathe a word of this to Miss Davis. He scarcely knew the girl. Frowning at the white foam along the ship's side, Vernon sought refuge in silence.

"I have something to tell you," she said, studying his face.

"What?"

"Yesterday, on the pier, a man in a blue serge suit came up and spoke to me after you left. He asked when the ship was sailing. He said he knew you and asked if you were to be a passenger. I'm afraid I gave him the information he wanted."

Vernon's hands closed hard on the rail.

"I'm sorry if I've made trouble for you," she said.

"No. It's all right."

It wasn't all right. From the day he had accepted the hundred thousand from Michalik, he had been aware that he was being followed. Perhaps he had even been trailed to the F.B.I.

He had seen the pudgy little man in the blue serge suit half a dozen times in the past week. In the hotel lobby, behind him on the street, seated near him in restaurants. It was no one he knew, but until last night he had been convinced the man was in Michalik's employ, assigned to keep an eye on him. Last night something had happened. Returning from a restaurant around the corner, he had found his door open. Someone had forced the lock.

His room had been ransacked. Luckily he had been wearing the topcoat.

He was confused now. Michalik might have assigned a man to watch him—a hundred thousand dollars was a lot of money—but would hardly have instructed the fellow to break into a hotel room. Vernon did not know what to think. He let go the rail and managed a sheepish smile.

"No harm done. At least, I don't think so."

"From the way he talked, I thought he was going to be a passenger," Ruth said. "He isn't, though."

"No, he isn't."

The ship rolled enough to make Vernon grab at the rail again. As he did so, he heard voices overhead. Turning, he saw the captain, a sharp-nosed Frenchman in blue uniform, descending the stairs.

"Getting rough?" Vernon asked.

"A little, perhaps." The captain's glance went easily to Ruth Davis' slim figure and his smile was wide enough to reveal a gold front tooth. "Nothing very serious. Soon we'll have a tropical moon, eh?" Almost without pausing, he stepped over the high sill and disappeared inside. The ship's radio officer, a shabby man with a frown, trailed after him without comment.

"Let's go inside," Ruth suggested.

In the dining room Edita Jolicoeur and another Haitian, young *Monsieur* Paret, played gin rummy. Plump *Madame* Lisade read a magazine while her niece, little raven-haired Suzanne, worked at a jigsaw puzzle. There was nowhere else for the passengers to gather. The cabins were too small.

Vernon bent over the youngster's chair, found a piece of the puzzle and handed it to her. "I don't have to speak French to do this," he said. "Here you are, honey. Try this."

Edita looked up from her cards to flash a sparkling smile at him. "Is easy to see you like children, *Monsieur* Vernon."

"I come from a large family."

"In Port-au-Prince you visit me. Plenty children in my house. I have four sisters, three brothers, all little ones." She beckoned with her eloquent hands. "You play cards with us?"

Vernon shook his head. "I just came in to say good-night."

"But is early!"

"By me it's at least midnight." He reached over little Suzanne's shoulder and picked up a toy cardboard clock with movable hands. He turned the hands to twelve. "Midnight," he said again, wishing he were in Port-au-Prince with the money delivered. "See you all later."

HE SLEPT POORLY, conscious of every lurch and roll of the ship, the rumble of her engines and the occasional clatter of footsteps on the iron stairway by his door. It was a rough ship on a rough sea. At five-thirty the clatter of the padlock against the steel door of the locker woke him for good. He shaved and sat on the edge of his bunk until it was time for breakfast.

In the dining room he found pots of black coffee and warm milk on the tables, but Edita Jolicoeur and Ruth Davis were the only other passengers present.

"Everybody still asleep?" he asked.

Edita lifted her expressive hands and shook her head. "The little girl, Suzanne,

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she is too sick to eat breakfast. Her aunt stays with her in the cabin."

"They ought to eat something," Vernon said.

He found the long-faced Martinique steward in the pantry and emerged after twenty minutes with toast and scrambled eggs on a tray. He handed the tray to Ruth. "You deliver it, will you?"

She took it and went out, almost colliding in the doorway with the ship's radio man. The latter nodded indifferently to Vernon, ignored Edita, hunched himself down at the officers table and ate as if in a hurry. Edita watched him quietly until he departed.

"Mr. Fournier does not like me, I think," she remarked then.

Vernon glanced at her solemn dark face and said quickly, "He probably thinks all passengers are a nuisance on a cargo ship."

"Thank you, *monsieur*. You are kind."

"What do you do in Haiti, Edita? Do you work?"

"In my father's shop, *monsieur*, on Rue du Quai. A little shop, not important. We make handbags and sisal shoes, things like that."

"When we get there, I'll come visit you."

"Is good," she said. "But now we play some gin rummy, no? On deck is raining this morning."

"Rummy it is."

Laughing happily, she produced cards from her purse.

VERNON saw little of Ruth Davis during the following two days. Suzanne and her aunt were seasick and Ruth spent most of her time in their cabin, looking after them. Vernon amused himself by playing cards with Edita while the ship plodded southward into warmer weather.

The tiny flag on the dining-room chart was off the coast of Florida when Paret joined the rummy game on the third morning. Vernon, tired of rummy and remembering that most Haitians were enthusiastic gamblers, produced a box of toothpicks from the pantry and suggested a change to poker.

Edita's eyes danced. "Is good. I like poker."

Paret liked poker, too.

Vernon had not made up his mind about Paret. The youth had been in the States a year and was going home to Jacmel, where his family was in coffee. He was not happy about going back; he preferred life in America. Slack-faced, a bit too flashily dressed, he appeared to be a moody, overindulged young man.

Now as the poker game progressed, Vernon watched him and noted a shiftiness of glance, a petulance of mouth that made him wary. Plays strictly for keeps, he decided; not for pleasure. Experimentally he said, "This all right? Or would you two rather play for nickels, say?"

Paret's glance swept the stacks of toothpicks. The largest pile was his own.

But before he could reply, Edita emphatically shook her head.

"No, no. Is better this way."

"I think so, too," Vernon said.

Paret looked unhappy but said nothing.

That afternoon Vernon returned from a stroll on deck—the sea was smoother and the sun more brilliant now—to find little Suzanne sitting with Ruth Davis in the dining room. The child played listlessly with her cardboard clock.

"I'm teaching her to tell time in English," Ruth said. She looked up at the ship's clock, set the cardboard hands to match and smiled at the youngster. "*Quelle heure est-il, chérie?* What time is it now, darling?"

"Half past t'ree."

"Three. Half past three. And time we went back to the cabin to rest, so you'll feel well enough to eat some supper tonight." Ruth nodded to Vernon, spoke to Suzanne in French, and they went out together.

Left alone, Vernon studied the flag on the map. Two days more, he thought. He could not rid his mind of the man in the blue serge suit. Nor could he forget Michalik's dour threat of punishment if anything went wrong.

He felt like a man awaiting a major operation which could be fatal.

There was a genuine tropical taste in the air that evening and the sea was silver with moonlight. When Vernon left his cabin at nine o'clock he found Ruth Davis with Edita and Paret, in battered red chairs on the after deck. The three girls from Guadeloupe sat in a little group apart. Suzanne and her aunt had returned to their cabin immediately after supper and were not in evidence.

Ruth patted the arm of her chair. "The steward charged us two dollars each for these antiques," she said, smiling. "He's a sharp boy with a dollar."

Vernon found the Martinique boy and

parted with two dollars of his own. He settled himself.

It was a quiet evening. He talked to Paret as best he could, to be polite, but they had nothing in common and the conversation died. Edita Jolicoeur took over for a time, explaining the intricacies of Creole to Ruth, who would have to learn it, she insisted. Vernon lay back in his chair and laughed softly at Ruth's efforts to master the language of the Haitian peasant.

She was an exceptional girl, he decided. The kind of girl he had never been lucky enough to find. Not once had she questioned him about the reason for his nervousness, or the man in the blue suit, yet in a dozen little ways she had been sympathetic and friendly.

He was not in love with her. Love at first sight, he firmly believed, was adolescent nonsense. But he *could* love such a girl, easily, if the time and place were appropriate and his future not so uncertain. He wondered idly, then not so idly, how she would react if he mentioned the subject.

At ten-thirty Edita and Paret retired, leaving Vernon and Ruth alone on deck. The Guadeloupe girls had gone in half an hour before. The night air was a caress, the sea velvet smooth. Vernon looked again at Ruth, sitting quietly in the moonlight, and said, "Why would a girl like you be going to Haiti to work?"

"I happen to like Haiti. I was there once before, on a visit."

"But won't it be the end of the world?" She look thoughtfully at her cigarette. "If you mean won't it be miles away from my family and friends—I have no family any more, and friends are where you find them. Edita's a friend. So are you."

"I'm not a very entertaining one."

"Something's troubling you."

I wish I could tell you what it's all about, Vernon thought unhappily. He

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leaned forward to touch the arm of her chair. "Where will you be in Haiti? Port-au-Prince?"

"For a few days, at least. After that I don't know."

"I'll tell you what's troubling me after we land."

"All right," she said, curiously gazing at him.

He bore her appraisal without discomfort. In fact, he returned it. Tonight she wore the cotton dress he had predicted earlier—a casual, pert creation that would have attracted many an admiring glance on one of the cruise ships plying these same waters. He wished the Jeremie were such a ship, with an orchestra and a dance floor.

Ruth stood up. "I'll go in, I think."
"So soon?" he protested. "It isn't late."

"I've had a long day with Suzanne."
He said good-night, lit a cigarette and watched her go across the deck, past the yellow dining-room ports. Two cigarettes later he gave up and returned to his cabin. Before the door clicked shut behind him he knew he was in trouble. The locker was open. The padlock on the steel door had been forced.

He snatched his topcoat from its hook and flipped it inside out. The lining was in ribbons, the money gone.

Stunned, Vernon stood for a moment with the coat in his hands, then tossed it on the bunk and went striding down the corridor to knock on Ruth Davis' door. "Who is it?"

"Andrew. I have to talk to you."
She let him in. With his back to the door, moisture forming on his clenched hands, he told her what had happened. Told her everything, because there was no other way to tell it. "I've got to get that money back," he said hoarsely. "If I don't have it when I get off the ship, I'm finished."

She was calmer than he. "Hadn't you better radio the F.B.I. to arrange protection for you? There are Marines at the Embassy in Port-au-Prince, if they don't have time to send someone down by plane."

Vernon's mouth drew thin. "Not yet. It would mean eight months' work wasted."

"Suppose we go to the captain then."
The captain, a methodical man, asked questions and with maddening lack of haste wrote the answers in a small notebook. Then he chose his words with care.

"I will question the crew and the ship's officers, of course. If nothing comes of that, I can ask the passengers to submit to a search of their cabins. You understand, Mr. Vernon, I cannot accept any responsibility for this."

"Just find the money before the ship gets to Haiti," Vernon begged.

The captain got nowhere with his own people, and half an hour later the passengers were assembled in the dining room. Paret nervously chain-smoked cigarettes. Madame Lissade sat uncom-

plaining with little Suzanne asleep in her arms. Ruth Davis and Edita Jolicoeur talked together in subdued tones. The three girls from Guadaloupe remained aloof, as usual.

The captain beckoned to Vernon. "With me, if you please." He strode out with Vernon at his heels.

They searched the Guadaloupe cabin first, and Vernon thought they might find something. He was disappointed. Ruth Davis' room he scarcely looked at. In the cabin occupied by Madame Lissade and Suzanne he looked only a little harder.

Paret's the one, he thought bitterly. He's a shifty character. But Paret's cabin, surprisingly tidy, was unproductive.

WITH SINKING HEART Vernon followed the captain into the small cabin of Edita Jolicoeur. She wouldn't do it, he told himself. She could use the money, with so many brothers and sisters to feed, but she's honest. His gaze fell on a small bright object on the rack above the wash basin—a man's gold signet ring. The captain said impatiently, "Well, Mr. Vernon?"

Vernon hesitated, a chill creeping through him.

"That is yours, Mr. Vernon?"
"Yes," Vernon said, hating himself. "It's mine."

Edita took it with surprising calm, but Vernon, watching her, saw the terror that came into her eyes. He knew that kind of terror. In Michalik's presence he had felt it many times.

He thrust himself forward. "Edita, I don't know how my ring got into your room, but I want you to believe—"

The sharp-faced captain silenced him with a gesture of impatience and Vernon stepped back, realizing the affair was out of his hands. His fellow passengers were stunned and silent as Edita followed the captain to his cabin for questioning. They filed out, all but Ruth Davis, like witnesses at a hanging.

Ruth looked at Vernon, her face pale and strained. "I don't believe it."

"Do you think I believe it?" he retorted.

"They won't find the money in her possession."

On that point, at least, Ruth was right. When the captain returned he wore a look of resignation. Edita's cabin had been thoroughly searched, he stated. Miss Jolicoeur had volunteered to submit to a search of her person by any woman aboard the ship. Obviously the money was not concealed in her clothing.

"All I can do," the captain concluded, "is assure you that no one will be permitted to leave the ship at Port-au-Prince until the police come aboard. I cannot lock the woman up. I cannot guarantee she will not throw your money overboard, to clear herself." He shrugged, with finality. "I have done what I can."

Vernon thought of the bearded man in Washington and took a deep breath to

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steady himself. He climbed the stairs to the radio room, wrote out a message and handed it to Fournier, who took it with a silent nod. It was a confession of failure. He turned away with tears in his eyes.

HE WAS UP before daylight, after a sleepless night in which he spent most of the time sitting on his bunk, smoking cigarettes. The ship would dock at three that afternoon, the captain had said. He still had a few hours.

He began by confronting the long-faced Martinique steward in the pantry. "Pierre, you take care of the cabins every day. You must have the keys—perhaps a master key."

The boy shrugged. "A master key, *monsieur*, but I do not keep it. Each morning I take it from the captain's cabin and return it when I am finished."

"You returned it yesterday?"

"I always return it."

Vernon sensed hostility behind the boy's frown, but persisted. "You could have taken the key again last night, Pierre. That's true, isn't it?"

"I or anyone else," Pierre retorted, "if the captain was not in his cabin and the door was not locked."

You or anyone else, Vernon thought. No—not anyone else. It had to be someone who knew I had the money and where it was hidden. No one on this ship could have known without being told, and only one person could have done the telling.

He looked long and hard at Pierre's noncommittal face before framing his next question. Then, quietly: "Pierre, listen. When the ship was in New York, did a short, heavy man in a blue serge suit come aboard?"

"*Monsieur!*"

"Did you see such a man on the pier, talking to anyone from the ship?"

The steward shrugged again. "I saw many men on the pier. A short man in a blue suit? I do not remember."

But it was an idea and Vernon went to work on it. One after another he questioned the crew, desperately hoping for a lead. Then, with time running out, he turned to the passengers.

He had seen little of the passengers during the morning. Edita Jolicoeur had not left her cabin; the others had appeared only briefly. Now, enlisting the aid of Ruth Davis, Vernon went from cabin to cabin, frantically seeking information.

A man in a blue serge suit? No one had seen him. By two o'clock he knew his failure was complete, with no chance for a last minute reprieve.

He sagged into a chair in the dining room and wearily shook his head at the cigarette Ruth offered him. "It's no use," he said. "If we had more time—but we haven't." Head in hands, he tried vainly to think of some new approach, then grimly looked up at her. "I'm not thinking of myself now. I'll be taken care of, even though I've made a mess of things. But that poor girl will be dragged

to the police station and questioned . . ."

"She doesn't blame you." Ruth said. Her hand rested on his for an instant. "You've done everything you could."

"I wish I'd never reported the theft," Vernon said savagely. "Then she wouldn't be in trouble." He would have said more, but at that moment *Madame* Lissade came waddling in, obviously distressed.

The woman looked at them helplessly. "I've hunted everywhere for my little girl's clock," she complained. "Now she insists she left it here."

After his morning's activity, Vernon could have diagrammed the whole ship. He got up and removed the cardboard clock from the rack of glasses behind the water cooler. Automatically he glanced at it.

"Wait."

Ruth and *Madame* Lissade gazed at him in bewilderment.

"Ten of eleven," Vernon said. "Suzanne wasn't in here at that hour this morning."

"She was with me all morning in the cabin," the aunt said impatiently. "Why?"

"Because she's been setting this thing by the ship's clock. She must have been here at ten of eleven last night."

"Nonsense. She was asleep."

"Suppose we ask her," Vernon said quickly. "You ask her, Ruth. You speak her language."

The little girl was sitting on her bunk, sorting toys. At sight of the cardboard clock she exclaimed happily and reached for it. Ruth shook her head and asked questions in French. Without hesitation, Suzanne answered.

Ruth turned to Vernon, her face flushed with excitement. "You're right. She was in the dining room. She woke up and went in to get a drink of water. The clock was on the table. She played with it, set it the way I've been teaching her, and left it by the cooler. But"—still puzzled, she frowned at him—"I don't see what you're driving at."

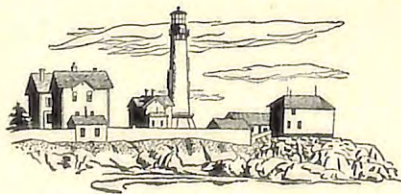
"From that end of the dining room you can see the corridor to my cabin. Ask her if she saw a man at my door."

Once more Ruth questioned the girl. This time her face was pale as she swung about.

"Fournier," she said. "The radio man."

Vernon made for the stairs to the captain's quarters. A moment later, still trembling, he stood at the captain's side while that officer rapped sharply on Fournier's door.

It was an anticlimax, really. The radio



man, his face covered with shaving soap and a razor in his hand, sullenly declared his innocence when accused, then stepped aside, glowering, while his room was searched. The money was under a layer of radio parts in a cardboard box on the floor. Vernon counted it. None was missing.

"How did you know I had it, Fournier!"

"I—was told."

"By a man in a blue serge suit, on the pier in New York?"

Fournier wet his lips, hesitated, at last sighed and nodded. "He promised me ten thousand for stealing it. He said it wasn't yours to begin with."

"I see. One more question, Fournier. Did you send my message last night?"

"No."

Vernon stepped back. The captain, brushing past him, grasped Fournier's shirt front in a powerful hand. "How did Mr. Vernon's ring get into Miss Jolicoeur's cabin, Fournier?"

"I—I guess I put it there, to throw suspicion on her."

The captain was a Frenchman. His open hand flicked out like a snapped whip, jarring Fournier's head on his shoulders and leaving two crimson welts on the man's cheeks.

THE JEREMIE plodded past the shadowed hills of La Gonave Island and docked at three o'clock. Vernon, his suitcase barely packed, stood in the dining room with the other passengers while immigration officials checked off their names.

Edita Jolicoeur, in line ahead of him, turned when she had run the gauntlet. She offered her hand. "Is a promise? You and Miss Davis will come soon to visit me?"

"Is a promise," Vernon said solemnly. His glance went to Ruth, waiting for him by the door. I hope I can keep it, he thought.

He left the ship with Ruth and led her through customs to a taxi, where he said good-by to her. His own cab took him up through the Champ de Mars, past the sparkling white Presidential Palace to the little hotel where he had a reservation. He went straight to his room, shut the door and sat down to wait.

When the knock came at the door ten minutes later, Vernon knew who would be standing there. He opened the door and the pudgy man in the blue serge suit—only now it was a light tan suit—stepped inside. He shut the door behind him with his left hand. His right was in his coat pocket.

"I guessed you'd fly down to be on hand when Fournier arrived," Vernon said. "But you're wasting your time. I haven't the money."

Pudgy came close to him and halted, teetering on wide-spread legs while peering into Vernon's face. At close range he was vaguely familiar. He was someone Vernon had met—perhaps only once—

at Michalik's apartment in Washington.

"Where is it?" he demanded.

"Where it should be. Delivered to the gentlemen from Puerto Rico."

"You lie. You came directly here from the pier. The Puerto Ricans are not at this hotel."

Vernon backed up a step and dropped into a chair. He was frightened because he did not trust any of the men he had met in his role of fellow traveler. They were all crackpots in one way or another. But he did not think the pudgy man would resort to violence. Not yet, at least. There would be a few minutes of indecision.

"Look for yourself," he said, waving a hand toward the bed. "There's my topcoat, ruined by Fournier. There's my suitcase."

Pudgy flipped the coat over and glanced at the torn lining. He thrust it aside. Lifting the suitcase to the bed, he opened it and turned it over, dumping out its contents. He tapped the empty shell with his knuckles and pushed that aside, too.

Frowning, he said, "You came off the ship with a girl."

"Miss Davis. One of the passengers."

"Where is she?"

"I have no idea."

Pudgy sat on the bed and with his left hand put a cigarette between his lips. He lit it, using a lighter. The smoke curled idly up past his eyes and the eyes were angry. "I have been to a great deal of trouble," he said.

"Unnecessary trouble." Vernon shrugged. "Why didn't you make your move in New York, when you were haunting me? Hiring a stranger like Fournier to rob me was foolish, wasn't it?"

"Fournier was a last resort. In New York you had an annoying habit of wearing your topcoat wherever you went. I could hardly accost you on the street, and you refused to answer a knock on your hotel door. I am not a professional at this business."

"Strictly an amateur? Vernon forced a smile, wondering desperately how much longer the waiting would be.

"Perhaps, but a determined one. And this is not New York." The pudgy man lifted his left arm and glanced at his wrist watch. He withdrew his right hand at last from his pocket. It held an automatic pistol. "I am going to give you ten seconds to tell me where the money is."

"I've told you."

The pudgy man began counting.

"This is insane," Vernon argued. He could feel the sweat coming to his face and the trembling begin in his knees. "If I haven't got the money, how the devil can I—"

"Four," the pudgy man said.

"You're a fool. Michalik will crucify you for double-crossing him like this!"

"I have no intention of going back to Michalik. He will never find me. Seven. Nor am I bluffing, Vernon. Eight—"

Vernon heard the door open but his

back was toward it. He did not turn. He saw the pudgy man's eyes swerve in that direction and saw them widen. Indecision froze the man's face for a second; then panic suddenly possessed it and he twisted sideways on the bed, trying desperately to gain his feet and bring his gun-hand around.

There were two shots. Surprisingly, they made little noise—no more than backfires blending unobtrusively with the street sounds outside. The pudgy man sank back on the bed and slid to the floor. The two men who entered the room, one of them calmly pocketing an automatic pistol of his own, were swarthy men with Puerto Rican faces.

"You are unharmed, Señor Vernon?"

"I'm all right. Thanks."

"It was not the fault of your Miss Davis that we took so long to get here. Our idiot cab driver got himself caught in traffic."

Vernon let his breath out. "Miss Davis delivered the money safely?" he asked.

"Of course."

"Then my job is done."

"Done, señor." The two men shook his hand. One of them knelt for an instant beside the man on the floor, then rose and said with a shrug. "Leave him here. Tonight we will take him off your hands, for a little ride. There will be no involvements, señor. You will be free to return to Señor Michalik whenever you wish."

To the F.B.I., you mean, Vernon thought. And then to obscurity, teaching history again. He was grateful to them for shoving the pudgy man under the bed before they left. When the door had closed on them, he sat down and dried his face with a handkerchief, and tried to analyze his feelings.

He was glad it was over. But he was sorry, too, in a way. It was not every day a man met a girl like Ruth Davis—a girl who believed in him enough to face danger by his side.

MAYBE he wouldn't go back to teaching right away. He could have a leave of absence if he asked for it—to study in Haiti, say. Columbus, that was it. Columbus had discovered on his first voyage, stopping—where was it?—at Mole St. Nicholas, Baie d'Acul and other places on the north coast. The Great Navigator had even founded a colony here—Navidad—of which no trace had ever been found. That would be something to investigate . . .

There was a knock on the door. He rose quickly, with thumping heart, and opened it. Ruth Davis stood there.

"Are you all right, Andrew? Did they get here on time?" Her tone was breathless.

Vernon looked at her and saw that she was more than breathless. She was frightened. Frightened for him. He stepped into the corridor and pulled the door shut. For what he had to say to her he wanted no audience—not even a dead man under a bed.

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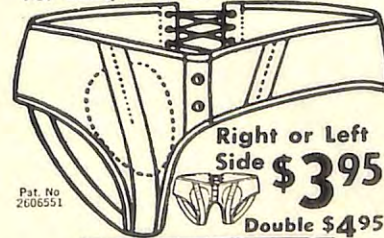
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EDITORIAL

OUR NEW LEADER



Out of the Cimarron country comes our new Grand Exalted Ruler. He comes with the strength and vigor we are accustomed to associate with the great open spaces of the former Indian territory.

Becoming a member of the Order in 1924, Earl James has spent 29 years qualifying for the great responsibilities the members of the Grand Lodge delegated to him at the recent Session in St. Louis.

Almost as soon as he became a member of the Order he was made an officer of Oklahoma City Lodge No. 417 and in less than six years he became the Exalted Ruler of that lodge. Twice he served as District Deputy.

For two years he was a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Judiciary and for four years he served as chairman of that most important Committee.

During the period of chairmanship he undertook the task of annotating the Statutes of the Order; a work the importance of which was realized by many of his predecessors, none of whom had attempted the Herculean task.

There was essential to the completion of this important task the fullest possible measure of patience, determination and devotion to the cause.

For many years he has been active in the State Elks Association of Oklahoma. To the development of the strength and the character of the Order in his State he has contributed materially.

In a large measure his inspiring leadership has been responsible in the increase of 120 percent in the Elk membership in his State since 1940 and in the same period the increase in the number of lodges from 19 to 31.

He is a man of intelligence, experience and integrity.

He has always maintained a high standard of professional and personal conduct.

A devoted husband and father, a loyal friend, an earnest and effective worker in the Order, he will have the full confidence, respect and cooperation of his Brothers.

OUR GRAND SECRETARY



Sunset of July 5, 1953, had little significance for many of us, but it must have sparked a feeling of intense pleasure and gratification in the heart of Grand Secretary J. Edgar Masters. It signaled for him the fulfillment of a quarter century of devoted service as

the elected Grand Secretary of this great Order of Elks.

On the following day, the delegates to the St. Louis Grand Lodge Convention again demonstrated their confidence in his ability and their appreciation of his outstanding service by reelecting Brother Masters to this important post in the Grand Lodge. Nine Grand Secretaries preceded him, but his tenure is longest.

Brother Masters holds a record in one other respect. He

has attended Grand Lodge Sessions without interruption since 1903, a record evincing a half-century of keen interest in the affairs of our Order.

The remaining facets of his shining record of service to the Order are well known to Elks. In 1907 Brother Masters was Exalted Ruler of Charleroi, Pennsylvania, Lodge No. 494, where he still holds membership. In 1912 he was made Chairman of the Grand Lodge Auditing Committee. From 1915 through 1920 he served on the Board of Grand Trustees.

The year 1921 brought him appointment as Chairman of the Good of the Order Committee of the Grand Lodge, and 1922 the top Elk honor—Grand Exalted Ruler.

Brother Masters has been keenly interested in your national publication from its inception. In June of 1923, when the Magazine was one year old, he wrote in his annual report as Grand Exalted Ruler: "The Elks Magazine is surely fulfilling its purpose of bringing our membership closer together." Little wonder that, following his term as chief executive, he accepted appointment on the National Memorial and Publication Commission, where he helped shape publication policy until 1927.

Now, in his twenty-sixth year as Grand Secretary, Brother Masters exhibits the same qualities of kindness, loyalty and executive efficiency that have won him friendships everywhere throughout his years of activity in the Elks.

The Order will be well served and its members happy if the Grand Lodge body continues for many, many years to have the privilege of voting to elect J. Edgar Masters as Grand Secretary.

ARE WE LOSING A GREAT TRADITION?



Fourth of July we drove through one of the medium-priced housing developments so popular with young married couples today. While this one happened to be in suburban New York, its counterpart can be found on the outskirts of any great American city.

The scene of homes and family activity unfolded from the car was an inspiring manifestation of the fundamental strength and well being of this country.

The proud new head of the house was mowing the lawn—or building a patio—or gathered in a small group, talking about everything from the builder's inadequacies to the race in the American League. Young mothers were occupied with weeds or babies, and the children were carefreely sporting as our youngsters always have. Yet in this cluster of some 200 new American homes, only one flag was flying on Independence Day.

Later that day, we drove through a nearby residential district of houses thirty to forty years old. The children were gone, the shrubs and trees overgrown, and all was quiet—but from the porch of at least half of these old homes an American flag was flying.

Inevitably these older homes will go. It is for the young couples of today—by example to their children—to pass along the great American tradition of proudly flying the flag from the home on the days dedicated each year to Americanism.



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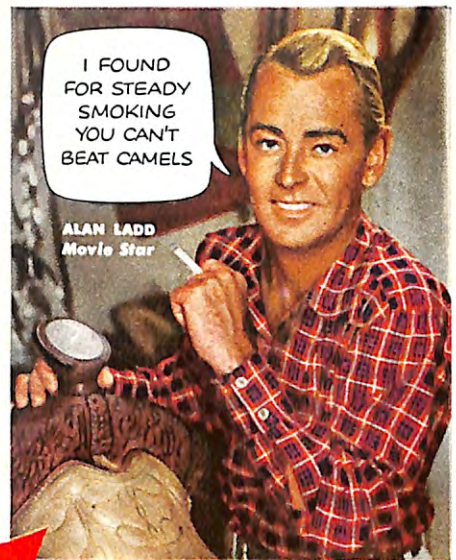
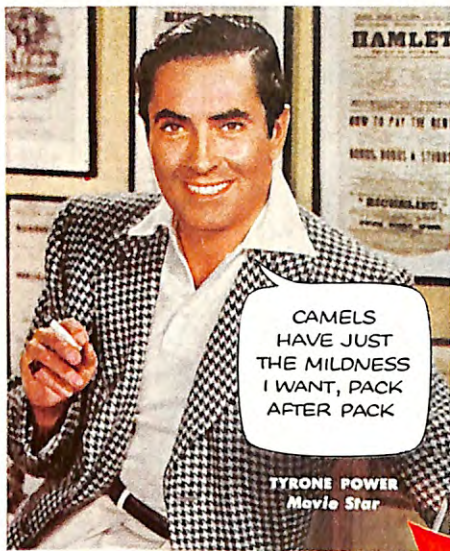
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