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# NEWS

## THE ELKS MAGAZINE

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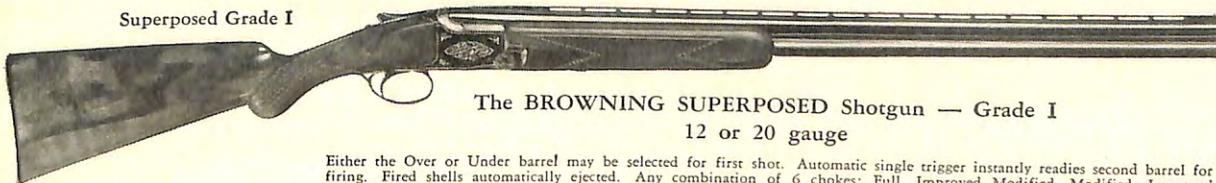
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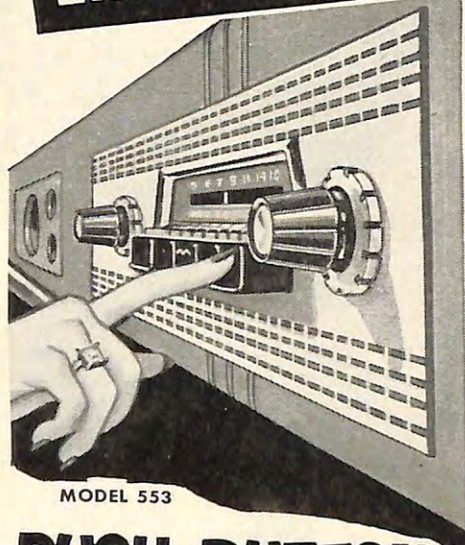
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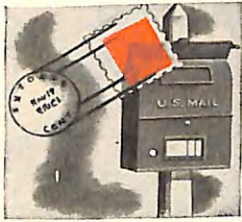
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## What Our Readers



## Have to Say

Your "In the Doghouse" articles in The Elks Magazine have always been read

with a great deal of interest by both Doctor and myself. It is nice to read about people like you, Mr. Faust, and I am sure you would be most interesting to talk to. We wish you well in your articles, and you can be sure we will read every word from here on.

Doctor & Mrs. C. W. Frey  
Millerstown, Penna.

I want you to know that in your large reading audience are the wives of many Elks. Particularly do I want to commend Mr. Ed Faust's section "In the Doghouse" which offers the best help in understanding and dealing with the problems of your dog than in any magazine I have ever read.

Mrs. Emmett M. Botelho  
Juneau, Alaska

Thanks for running another of Octavus Roy Cohen's fine stories on Florian Slappey. Hope you will be able to run more of them.

Irving I. Poznan  
St. Louis, Mo.

We in our home enjoyed reading the Octavus Roy Cohen story in the July issue. Send us more of them.

Joseph Wohl  
Lima, Ohio

We enjoy The Elks Magazine very much and the covers are really outstanding. Keep up the good work.

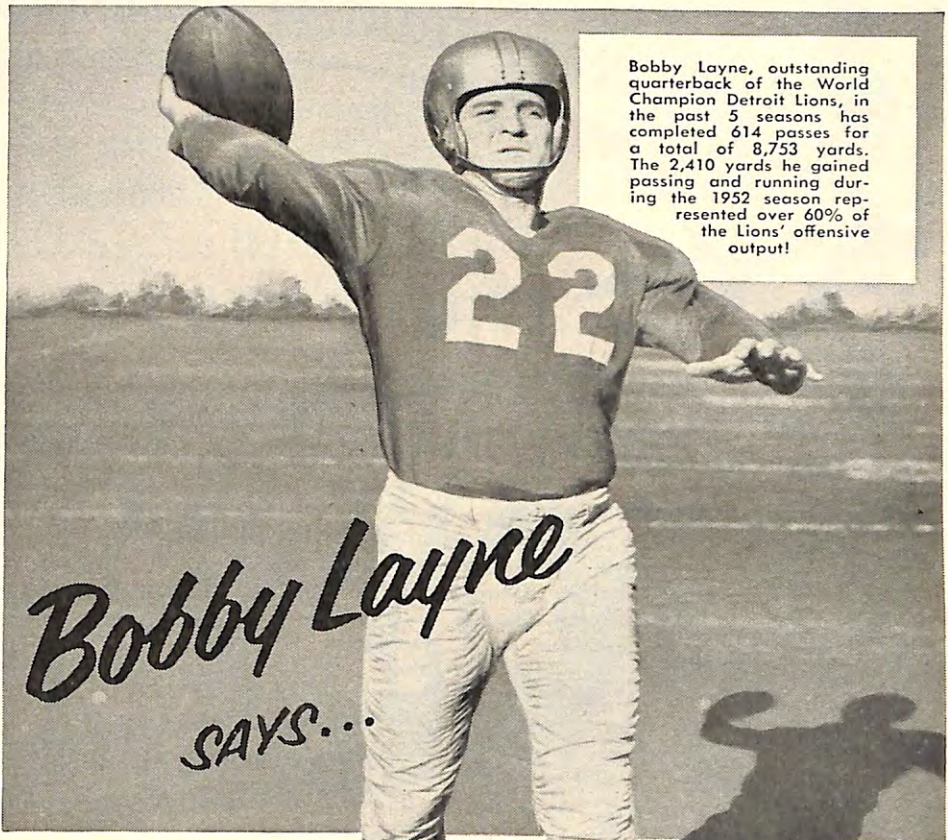
L. E. Marker  
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Venice, with the help of our lodge, (Venice-Nokomis, No. 1854) became the first city in the United States to be enrolled 100 per cent in the Civil Defense drive. May I personally compliment you on the fine job you are doing with our Magazine. I have been associated with printing and publishing for over forty-five years and know the problems you have to meet. Again, thanks, and good luck to you.

Robert L. Gregory  
Venice, Fla.

I would like to thank you for the wonderful help of your Travel Department in routing our recent trip to Virginia. Your Service helped to make our visit to the Elks Home in Bedford, Virginia, as well as lodges throughout that State, Maryland and Delaware, a delightful experience.

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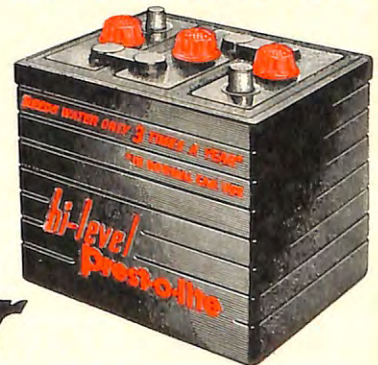
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## TOM WRIGLEY WRITES FROM WASHINGTON



**A**S SECRETARY of the New Department of Health, Education and Welfare, Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby has a bigger job than most people think. Just one part of it is administration of the new \$64,000,000 Clinical Center opened two months ago in nearby Bethesda. It is an elaborate research center in which scientists are seeking the answer to baffling diseases, like cancer for instance. Patients are being carefully selected. The hospital is the greatest of its kind in the world. All the effort put forth by government for health and welfare, however, is not enough. With it must go the voluntary assistance of the people. The work of the Red Cross and of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and the health programs of other organizations can only be accomplished by millions of volunteers. Take the Elks for an example. It would be difficult to estimate what this voluntary work in health and welfare would cost if on a paid basis. Realizing its value our government gives it every encouragement and cooperation.

### BEER POPULAR HERE

Out Milwaukee way, they sure drink beer as well as make it, according to census figures. Wisconsin leads the nation in beer consumption—26.6 gallons per resident a year. The District of Columbia is ninth, an average of 21.8 gallons a person. Mississippi is low with but 4.6 gallons. The nation drank 2,626,014,123 gallons of beer last year.

### "NO PRESIDENTIAL CARRIAGE?"

Old man Economy has brought the Nation's Capital one more step nearer to Main Street, your town and mine. Diplomats used to wear silk toppers and were easily distinguished from the rank and file. Now they wear fedoras and truth be known, some don't even wear hats. White House automobiles used to be long sleek limousines, almost as snooty as the haughty Rolls-Royce's of the British Embassy. Now the White House cars, except the very few, are a fleet of 14 Mercurys, replacing six Lincoln limmys and six Lincoln convertibles needed for parades. President Eisenhower has a Cadillac; Mrs. Eisenhower a Chrysler. There are two Lincolns for use of visiting dignitaries and a Packard which was formerly used by Margaret Truman. The White

House cars are rented on a yearly basis. They are replaced at various intervals. The change to smaller and lighter cars will save several thousand dollars a year, a presidential spokesman says. It is hoped that important people won't mind. However, some years ago when the late Sister Kenny, famous Australian nurse, came to Washington to call on FDR, she was hustled off the train, which was late, into a taxi to be rushed to the White House. And Sister Kenny said: "What—no presidential carriage?"

### WORK INJURIES LOWER

Labor Department reports show a lower percentage of work injuries. Greatest number occur in planing and saw mills, in steel foundries, metal doors, sash and frames; boat building and repairing. Fewest occur in making ophthalmic goods, electric lamp bulbs, rubber footwear and of all things—explosives.

### INVESTIGATING COMMUNISTS

A sturdy little agency named the Subversive Activities Control Board is doing a real job in a quiet way these days to curb communism. SACB generates no frictions within government. It stays in its own legally assigned field, and, operating without fanfare, gets good and lasting results. The recently completed 24 months investigation of the Communist Party produced the first constitutionally managed decision ever applied to a political organization. The Board found the Communists to be agents of Soviet Russia and that put the party on a spot from which it can be controlled. SACB has only 26 staff members. It operates on a budget of less than \$200,000 a year but it has now squared away for hearings on 12 alleged Communist fronts, with more to come. The Board has five members and three of them are Elks—Chairman Tom Herbert, former governor of Ohio, Watson B. Miller, former Federal Security Administrator, and Harry P. Cain, former U. S. Senator from Washington.

### TO KEEP PROSPERITY

The Administration is keeping a sharp eye for any signs of an economic depression. It doesn't mean there are clouds on the horizon but it does mean that this nation is not going to blunder into an economic slide unprepared. Government

machinery will promptly be put in motion to offset any upsets. The Texas drought and the loss suffered by the cattlemen was quickly countered by emergency steps. Careful watch is being kept on farm prices.

### JUKE BOXES

Juke boxes employ 250 here with 16 firms supplying the records. The latest machines cost \$1.050 each and the records cost an average of 63 cents. Machines are installed on a commission basis. The idea started in San Francisco in 1889 and the first machine took in 20,000 nickels in six months. Today there are 450,000 juke boxes taking in the money. Some can play 100 tunes.

### "TORTURE BAR" STAYS

Mail clerks who sort mail use what is known around post offices as a "torture bar." Politely called a "rest bar", it consists of a vertical metal post across which a bar of wood 6 x 8 inches is mounted at a 45 degree angle. The sorter leans against the bar as he works. Joseph Buras of New Orleans, vice-pres. of the association of Post Office clerks, calls the thing a pain in the back and the cause of all kinds of ailments. Rep. James H. Morrison of Louisiana put in a bill to provide stools for the clerks but what with the huge postal deficit, it did not get much support. It will be introduced again when the second session starts. Trouble is that the P. O. Dept. is still losing \$2,000,000 a day.

### WASHINGTON WASH

Employment stays at a high level . . . Anything can happen here, like an alligator killed in crossing traffic downtown and a parakeet flying into a 12th story office window, and someone accidentally flooding the Potomac river with 1000 gallons of gasoline. . . . Washington Monument has carried more than 27,000,000 people up the elevator. . . . Rookie policemen now get \$3,900 base pay instead of \$3,600 under the bill signed by the President. . . . District Teachers' Union wants the same pay as cops. . . . GI home loans are well above the 3 million mark and total more than 19.6 billion. . . . American Institute of Architects is still working to get the temporary buildings now defacing the Capital torn down.

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# Timberline Trial

*Meesh thought the Mountie would have the good sense not to argue with a hidden rifle.*

BY WILLIAM BYRON MOWERY

IN THE ambush of dwarf junipers up near timberline big Meesh LeBlanc was sitting in a clump of snow-covered boulders, his rifle against a knee, his eyes scanning the long white miles down into the headwaters valley of the Nahannah. Close beside the half-breed prospector a Yukon wolf, tame and partnerly as a dog, was crouching on a little mound of drift.

"Growing late of the day, Lupe, for any *Police Montés* to appear," Meesh remarked to the tawny animal, in bush French. "But we'll watch a while yet to be safe." In his slow, grave way he said, "Breaking free of that accursed mantrap was a hard fight and keeping free has been a long fight, and we'll let no *p'tit*





**"How'd you happen to come by this wolf, Meesh?" Kettick inquired.**

turn of carelessness lose it all for us now.

It was an afternoon of glittering, hoarfrost cold, in the spring Moon-of-the-Gray-Mating. Low in the southwest a bright, coppery sun was inching down to its early setting, but the slant glare of it was still a blinding dazzle on the snows and icefields of that mountain wilderness known as the Hohdenpah. All around the man and wolf an immensity of lofty peaks, massive ranges and winter-stilled valleys dark with pine and spruce stretched away to a sawtooth horizon.

A new-comer to the North would have felt altogether safe from the Police, back in those lonely mountains, but Meesh LeBlanc had lived all his thirty years in

the Mackenzie country and he knew that the Mounted would find out his whereabouts sometime and somehow. From his hidden shack, tucked under a cliff on the other side of the hogback, he had been coming over to the juniper ambush every clear day that winter and keeping strict watch on the old Indian trail that led east to the Mackenzie River and the Police post at Eaux Mortes. And when he would get up to go he would say:

"Still no *Montés*, Lupe. But tomorrow we'll watch again, and tomorrow and tomorrow, till the break-up comes and we head on across for Alaska." He would look out over that wild, virgin land and the fear of penitentiary walls that was

with him constantly would run cold in his blood. "After all our loping of mountain and muskeg, we'd smother in such a place—smother there before the seasons went once around."

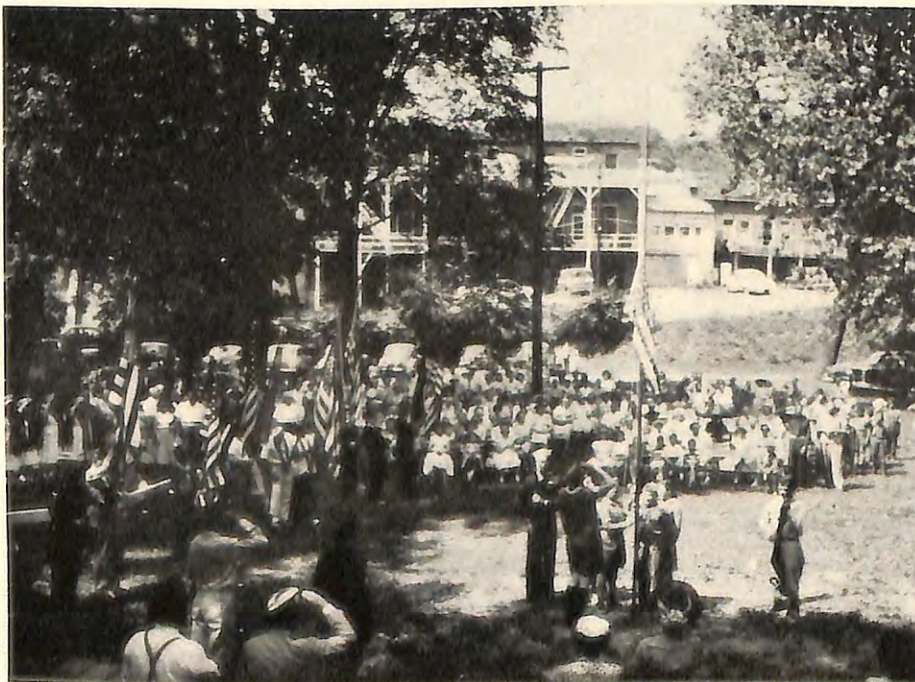
The first purple dusk of the long Northern twilight began gathering in the canyonlike gorges of the Nahannah. Meesh finally got up, and as he toed into his racquets he glanced at the northwest sky, where an ominous russet sheen was creeping up from the horizon like a slow curtain. "By morning there'll be a blizzard pounding these mountains, Lupe. So we must go now and chop extra wood. After that, if time remains, we'll climb the  
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# THE ELKS SALUTE

# OLD GLORY



A view of San Diego, Calif., Lodge's ceremonies in which 60 organizations participated.



Honor Guards come to attention as the Flag is raised at the Excelsior Springs, Mo., Services. So well-received was this first community-wide program, that the Elks will repeat it annually.

**F**OLLOWING the custom of the past few years, the reports of the 1953 Flag Day ceremonies were submitted to the Lodge Activities Committee of the Grand Lodge for review. The following is a digest of the reports of those events which, in the Committee's opinion, were most exemplary.

## KNOW YOUR AMERICA WEEK CLIMAX

San Diego, Calif., Lodge's impressive outdoor program, selected as most representative of those held by lodges of over 1,000 members, was an appropriate finale to the county-wide observance of Know Your America Week, spearheaded by the Elks. A month earlier, E.R. T. P. Golden secured a list of the members of the All-American Conference to Combat Communism, and all other veteran and fraternal groups, and sent each a personal invitation to attend a meeting at the lodge home to outline the Week's program; all 60 groups sent delegates and were represented in the services, conducted by Elk John H. Briel, a Past Cmdr. of Post 6 of the American Legion. Wm. A. White, Cmdr. of the Legion's Dept. of Calif., was the speaker; a musical program was supplied by the Police Dept. Post Band and the V.F.W. Chorus, and P.E.R. Harold Dibb gave the History of the Flag, assisted by the lodge's Boy Scout Troop and a U.S. Marine Color Guard.

Congressman Frank T. Bow of Ohio's 16th District addressed several hundred guests at the second-place program of Alliance, Ohio, Lodge, which opened with a concert by the City Band, and a V.F.W. drill. Prior to the speaking program, for which Carl Stoope was Chairman, Army planes flew overhead. E.R. R. C. Sherer delivered the welcoming address, to which Mayor Harley Ewing responded, and



This panoramic photograph of the ceremonies

P.D.D. J. J. Russell related the Flag's history, assisted by the Scouts.

### STARTS THE DAY RIGHT

It is interesting to note that the Lafayette, Ind., program which won third honors in this group, took place in the morning. Over 200 were on hand for the Service following a breakfast at which E.R. F. L. Willis presided, and Lt. Col. Don M. Beck, USMC, was the principal speaker. An American Legion Color Guard and Firing Squad participated in the flag-raising ceremony on the Elks' country club lawn.

Honorable Mention in Group I went to Beckley, W. Va., Inglewood, Calif., Lancaster, Pa., Nashville, Tenn., Olympia, Wash., Omaha, Neb., and Yakima, Wash.

### 25,000 AT OWATONNA, MINN.

An old hand at staging dramatic patriotic events, Owatonna, Minn., Lodge marched off with top honors for lodges of between 500 and 1,000 members. For 16 years, these Elks have held a public Flag Day ceremony, with R. I. Bzozkie as Chairman for 13 of them. At this year's two-hour outdoor program over 25,000 persons applauded the precision of the 13 units, comprising 1,000 individuals, which formed a living replica of the Elks' symbolic Eleven O'Clock Emblem. The pageant was preceded by a parade, and closed with a spectacular fireworks display. The newest member of the State Supreme Court, Chief Justice Roger Dell, was the speaker.

The Elks of Utica, N. Y., were awarded second-place honors in this category. Joined by Iion, Herkimer and Rome Lodges, the Utica Elks staged one of the biggest patriotic demonstrations in years. More than 30,000 spectators saw the parade in which many civic, fraternal and

patriotic organizations, plus 27 volunteer fire depts., participated. At the open-air Services, conducted by E.R. J. E. Doyle assisted by officers from the other lodges, a member of the Lodge Activities Committee of the Grand Lodge, T. Emmett Ryan, was an impressive speaker.

The lodge's Boy Scout Troop played a stellar role in the third-place program conducted by Visalia, Calif., Lodge. Over 500 persons applauded the stirring address delivered by Lt. Col. Houston Stiff, USMC, whose presence, with several other Marine Corpsmen, added to the military atmosphere of this event.

In this class, Alamosa, Colo., Berkeley, Calif., Fort Pierce, Fla., Hudson, N. Y., Lancaster, Ohio, Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Wausau, Wis., Lodges received Honorable Mention for their observances.

### MONTH'S PREPARATION REWARDED

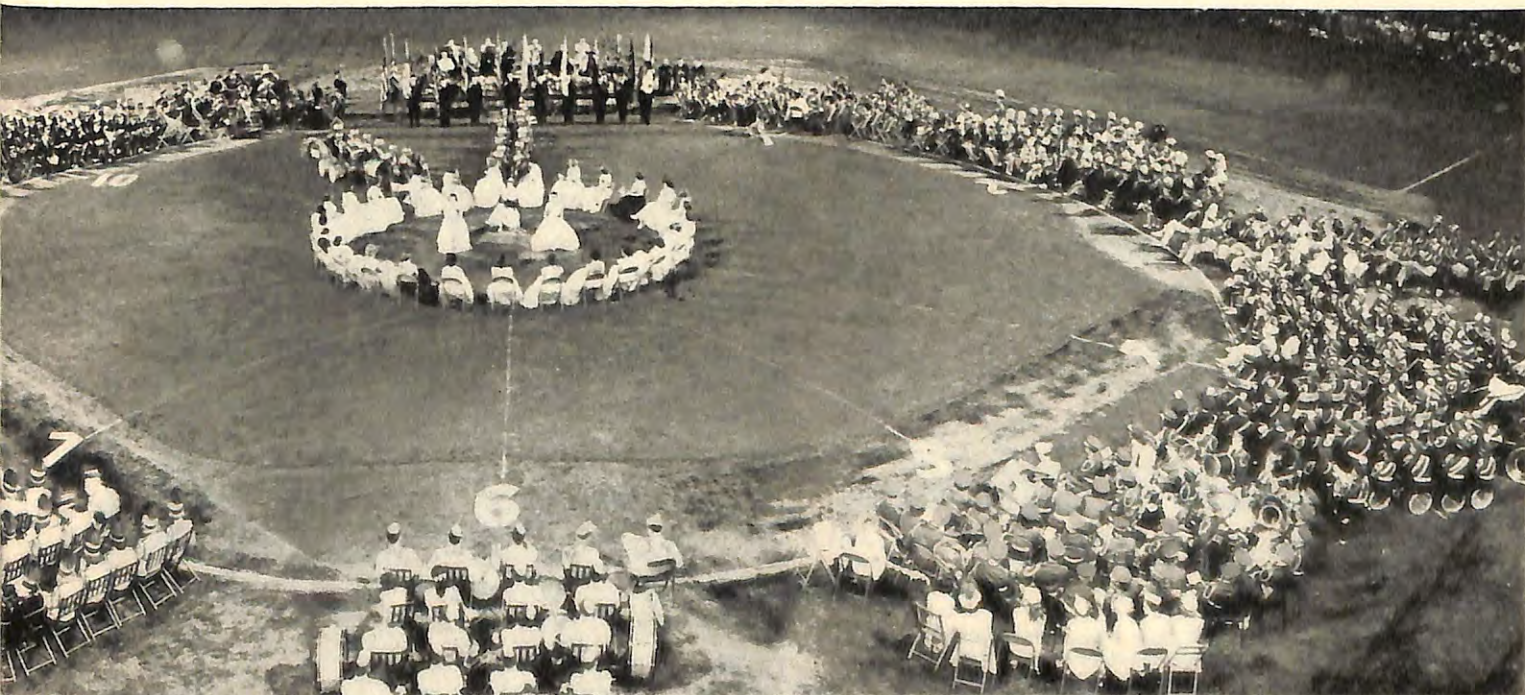
The well-planned and widely attended ceremony held by Excelsior Springs, Mo., Lodge won top honors for lodges of less than 500 members. The observance, planned a month in advance by E.R. C. Ray Franklin and his special committee, received the immediate and enthusiastic support of the entire community. In spite of the heat, hundreds of persons lined the streets to watch the parade, and then proceeded to Municipal Park for the program. Dr. G. J. Erskine was Chairman of the Committee whose first act was to enlarge itself to take in other groups, so that the event would represent the entire community. That these efforts were successful was evidenced in the varied groups of participants, among them two American Legion Posts, the V.F.W., Rotary, Kiwanis, Odd Fellows—all in uniform, and the Sheriff's posse of Mounted Horsemen. There was a 4-H Club float, a

Negro firing squad, an all-veteran color guard, Scouts, and the State Highway Patrol. The American Legion Auxiliary was given the privilege of selecting the speaker, a Vice-Pres. of the National Auxiliary, Mrs. Jerome Duggan of St. Louis. Reflecting as it did the true American spirit of tolerance, this event received the full support of every church and religious organization in the area.

Publicity Chairman Tom Barrett was as careful in compiling his report of Shenandoah, Pa., Lodge's program as T. D. Birtley and M. J. McDevitt were in planning Group III's second-place ceremony. For the first time, these Elks expanded their parade to take in other groups, and it included some 1,000 marchers, featuring 250 soldiers from the Indiantown Gap Military Reservation, and its crack Drum and Bugle Corps. All six local Spanish-American War Veterans participated, and the Scouts were much in evidence, but the biggest attraction was the complement of sailors from the USS Damato Destroyer Escort, named after the town's Marine hero, Cpl. Anthony P. Damato, who was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor posthumously.

Third-place in this group was awarded to Marietta, Ohio, Lodge at whose program William Saxbe, Speaker of the Ohio House of Representatives, addressed 200 citizens. E.R. J. M. Gerhardt presided at the observance during which the local high school band and the Chord-Would Quartet furnished a pleasing musical background, and the American Legion, D.A.V. and V.F.W. presented the colors.

Honorable Mention in this group went to the following lodges: Banning-Beaumont, Calif., Bartlesville, Okla., Colville, Wash., Dunkirk, N. Y., Leadville, Colo., Pottsville, Pa., Reidsville, N. C., and Sebring, Fla.



conducted by the Elks of Owatonna, Minn., shows participating units in position to form a huge clock, hands facing at the Elks' traditional Hour of Eleven.

# ELKS NATIONAL SERVICE COMMISSION ACTIVITIES

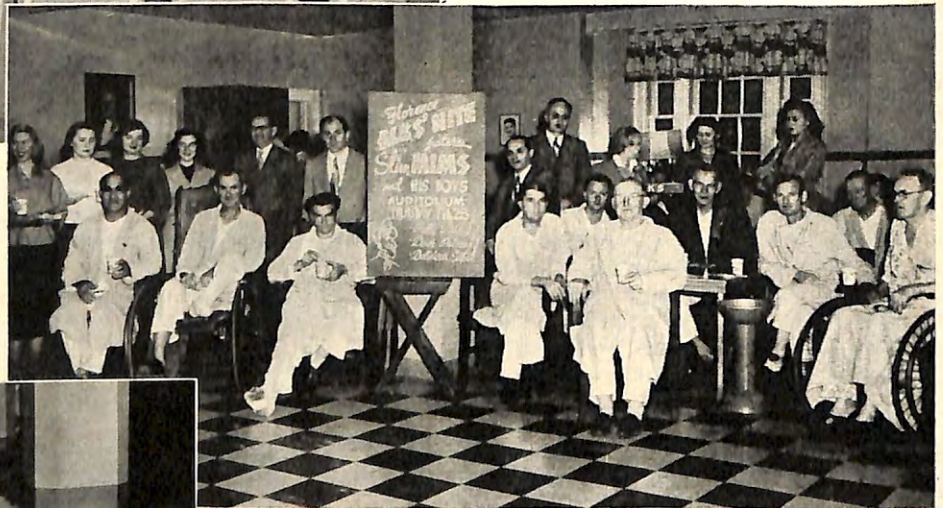


Above: These are a few of the veterans who were guests at one of Leominster, Massachusetts, Lodge's annual outings for patients at the Cushing VA Hospital.



Above: At the Nebraska Veterans Hospital, the patients enjoy an outdoor musical program put on for them by the Omaha, Nebraska, Elks.

Right: Hostesses and members of Florence, S. C., Lodge, pictured with some of the patients at the Columbia Veterans Hospital who attended one of the Elks regular monthly programs.



Above: Convalescent servicemen at the Veterans Hospital in Coral Gables watch one of the frequent shows staged by the Florida Elks.



Right: Earl Coleman and his all-girl show from Kansas City perform for patients in the outdoor theater of the Wadsworth, Kans., Veterans Hospital, during a program put on by the Kansas Elks Association. Included in the photograph are Chairman Bill Moore and P.E.R. C. E. Gordon.



## A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND EXALTED RULER

START THE YEAR with high hopes, confident that the fine enthusiasm and spirit shown by thousands of Elks at the National Convention in St. Louis must carry us on to greater achievement. Thousands of Elks and their families have gained a new concept of the lofty principals and objectives of our Order. No one could have attended our Grand Lodge sessions without having become a better person. All who witnessed the presentation of Elks National Foundation scholarships to worthy youngsters, who otherwise might not have been able to continue their education and preparation for a complete life, must have felt a thrill of pride as they simply and sincerely thanked our Order for giving them real, substantial opportunity and hope.

All who watched the wounded veterans while the National Service Commission made its report, must have silently and reverently repledged and rededicated themselves to help carry on this great work. *"That those who have given their all that we might live"*, shall continue to enjoy a few moments of good fellowship each month in the Veterans Hospitals throughout this country.

The youngsters who appeared before the Convention to receive our Elks Youth Leadership Awards are typical of hundreds of thousands of boys and girls who are being benefited by Elks youth programs. I am sure that all of us realize the obligation that rests upon all Elks to expand our youth programs that their benefits may be extended to more and more youngsters. I hope that the underprivileged boy and girl, the less-chance youngster, will in particular be the beneficiary of this expansion.

Those who learned of the vast sums of money

and unselfish service given by our members that crippled children might walk again; that the blind might see again; that those in the twilight of life might find peace and comfort at our Home at Bedford, Virginia, during the remaining days of their life; all must feel a deep sense of satisfaction at being a part of this great charitable Order.

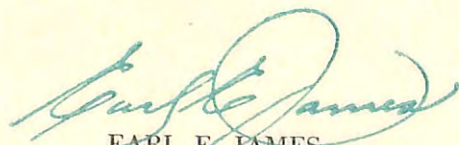
The sacred and beautiful Memorial Service, paying tribute to our departed Brothers, must have left an indelible impression upon the minds and souls of all who witnessed this sublime and impressive ceremony.

Most of our members have long since learned that our Order is much more than "a good time organization"; that pleasure is a poor substitute for joy. Yet, there was pleasant good fellowship in abundance for those who feel that they can live life fully and, at the same time, support the good works of our Order.

I call upon every Elk to help me increase the good that each lodge can do; to make every one of the 1664 lodges throughout this nation a source of pride to all good citizens.

I ask you all to remember, *"That when we cease to grow we begin to die"*; that we cannot bask in the glory of yesterday's achievements. We must forge ahead to greater accomplishments.

For me, the ceremony of election and installation in office was one of solemn dedication to a life of service in the cause of humanity and freedom.

  
EARL E. JAMES  
GRAND EXALTED RULER

# News of the State Associations



During the Indiana Elks Association Convention, Past Pres. Thomas E. Burke, Chairman of the Permanent Activities Committee, right, presented a \$10,750 check to Dr. E. S. Young, Dean of the Purdue Univ. Graduate School, for use in cancer research. He also gave the Assn's \$34,500 check to Dr. John Van Nuys of Indiana State University Medical Center.



At the Minnesota Convention in Duluth retiring Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern, right, enjoyed conversing with 106-year-old Albert Woolson, the oldest living father of the GAR and the last survivor of the Boys in Blue, who participated in the Minnesota Elks' Convention Parade.

## OREGON

Gov. Paul L. Patterson, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Frank J. Lonergan and Grand Lodge Judiciary Committeeman Wm. S. Hawkins were inspired speakers at the Ore. Convention in Grants Pass June 4-6. Nearly 1,500 delegates and guests were on hand, among them Frank

Hise of the Grand Lodge Ritualistic Committee, Special Deputy John N. Mohr, and Earl T. Newbry, P.D.D., and Secy. of State for Oregon.

An impressive report on the Assn.'s four-year-old Children's Eye Clinic was compiled by Dr. Kenneth Swan, Head of the Univ. of Ore. Medical School's Ophthalmology Dept. It revealed that 20,000 examinations and treatments, and 300 major eye operations have been performed since the Elks adopted the program, contributing \$52,000 to it.

Medford Lodge won the Trapshoot Contest, and an All-State Ritualistic Team initiated one candidate for each lodge.

Bend Lodge will be host for the Mid-winter Meeting in January, and the new officers are: Pres., W. L. Stollmack, Bend; 1st Vice-Pres., Hans Soll, The Dalles; 2nd Vice-Pres., M. P. Coopey, Corvallis; 3rd Vice-Pres., D. V. Bulger, Portland; Secy., Harold Harp, Tillamook; Treas., H. M. Randall, Salem; Sgt.-at-Arms, C. H. Halden, Portland; Chaplain, W. H. Sergeant, Grants Pass; Tiler, J. G. Judson, Ontario; Inner Guard, Lynn Newbry, Ashland; Organist, W. S. Roberts, The Dalles; Trustees: J. S.

Reed, Ashland; G. D. Field, Portland; Fred Simpson, Toledo; Dr. H. W. Hermann, Grants Pass; G. S. Gray, Seaside.

## VIRGINIA

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Robert South Barrett, principal speaker at the Charlottesville Convention of the Va. Elks Assn. June 21-23, saw the team from his own lodge, Alexandria, capture the Ritualistic Contest over Norfolk and Roanoke.

Mayor W. R. Hill, P.E.R., welcomed the 365 delegates who applauded the fine report on the Assn.'s Boys Camp, delivered by Past Pres. Morris L. Masinter, which revealed the many important improvements made at the Camp where 400 deserving boys spend two-week vacation periods at the Elks' expense. Chairman Morris Lutto reviewed the Assn.'s semi-monthly programs at four VA hospitals.

Hon. Harry Michaels delivered the Memorial Address and Hon. Porter Hardy made the Flag Day address at impressive Services held at Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson. Martinsville Lodge received an Award for the best community service, and the golfers from Portsmouth Lodge defeated the Petersburg team. The



Above: Paducah, Ky., Lodge's P.E.R. Sam Sloan accepts its trophy for the largest percentage gain in membership from State Vice-Pres. Tom Rogers. Others are Est. Lead, Knight Robert Utterback, Past Pres. George Rock, State Trustee Charles Vandeveld and E.R. H. R. Harris.

Left: These are the Alabama Ritualistic Champions from Sheffield Lodge, headed by E.R. Percy Hoskins, Jr., seated second from right.



Idaho E.R.'s, D.D.'s, Grand Lodge Judiciary Committeeman W. S. Hawkins, State Pres. Hayden Mann and the \$1,000 Bar of Silver, mined in Kellogg, which the Ida. Assn. gave the Elks National Foundation on its Silver Anniversary. It is now exhibited in the Elks National Memorial Bldg.

\$400 Elks National Foundation Scholarship was awarded to W. E. Parsons, and Miss E. L. Robinson received the \$100 State Assn. award. Another State prize of \$50 was won by W. H. Jago, while the Youth Leadership \$100 Bond went to Miss S. L. Failes.

Open house, picnics, sports events and a Grand Ball were a few of the entertaining features provided for the delegates who elected Joseph Marcus, Norfolk, as Pres.; W. E. Barrick, Danville, 1st Vice-Pres.; F. J. Howard, Hampton, 2nd Vice-Pres.; K. V. Brugh, Pulaski, 3rd Vice-Pres.; C. F. Curtice, Petersburg, Secy.; D. S. McClarin, Norfolk, Treas.; V. K. Pifer, Hampton, Chaplain; L. B. Maxey, Suffolk, Sgt.-at-Arms, and B. P. Kushner, Danville, Tiler.

#### NEW JERSEY

Atlantic City was the scene of the outstanding 1953 meeting of the N. J. Elks Assn. June 19-20 which attracted well over 2,000 Elks and their guests.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler James T. Hallinan addressed 400 diners at the State Banquet at which General Chairman John J. Graziano was Toastmaster. Lyndhurst Lodge received the State Ritualistic Trophy, and Dover Lodge was selected as host to the Sept. meeting of the Assn. which distributed \$129,000 to the N. J. lodges during the year for their use in charitable endeavors.

The largest parade in the Assn.'s history, with 52 lodges participating, and 22 bands and nine floats, closed the Convention at which the following officers were elected: Pres., Louis A. Spine, Somerville; Vice-Presidents: Vincent

Loftus, New Brunswick; Frank Gibson, Freehold; Michael Lynch, Morristown; Joseph Aragona, Hoboken; Secy., H. A. Wertheimer, Atlantic City; Sgt.-at-Arms, W. H. Wilson, Lyndhurst; Treas., A. F. Greiner, Perth Amboy; Inner Guard, E. J. Griffith, Camden; Tiler, Cahill Krieger, Mountainside; Organist, H. A. Burnham, Union City; Chaplain, C. A. Hotaling, Red Bank; Trustees: Charles Wibiralski, Perth Amboy; Albert E. Dearden, Trenton; George L. Hirtzel, Elizabeth; Harry H. Smith, Englewood, and James Driscoll, Orange.

#### IDAHO

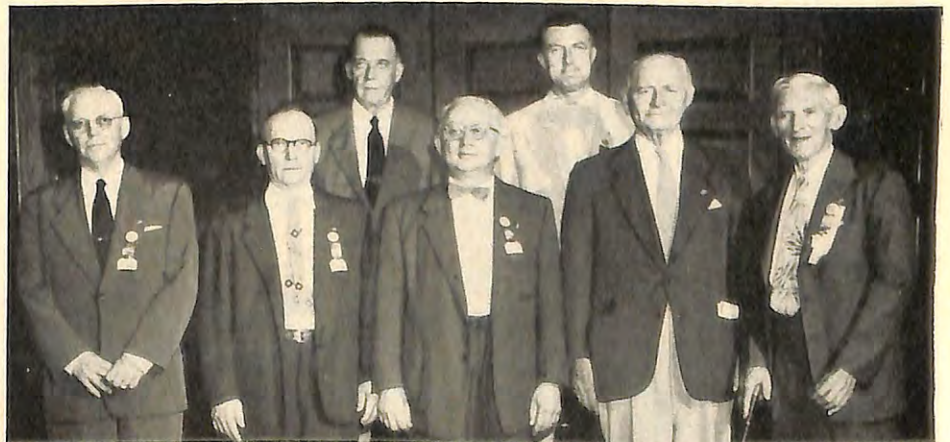
Hayden Mann of Lewiston Lodge was elected Pres. of the Ida. Elks Assn. by the 1,400 delegates who convened in Boise June 11-13. Mr. Mann will be assisted by Vice-Pres.-at-Large Clifford Warr, Preston; Vice-Presidents Loris Winn, Moscow; Patrick King, Boise, and Fred D. Hilliard, Pocatello, with Reed Huneke of Lewiston as Secy.

Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern delivered a splendid address, and visited the Ida. Elks Convalescent Home for Crippled Children which the Assn. plans to expand with the erection of a fine \$480,000 hospital building.

Boise took the Ritualistic title, and won the Band and Chorus Contests over Coeur d'Alene and Kellogg entries.



Rene Gagnon of Manchester, left, one of the Marines who raised the Flag on Mt. Surabachi on Iwo Jima, hoists the Stars and Stripes at the New Hampshire Elks Assn.'s state-wide Flag Day program, assisted by Scout Ted Aldrich. Past Grand Exalted Ruler James G. McFarland, the principal speaker, headed an impressive list of dignitaries who were introduced by Mayor L. M. Pickett. Among them were State Assn. Pres. Edward Govangeli, Past Pres. B. P. Hopkins and Sen. A. H. Kendall, who joined 5,000 spectators in cheering the thrilling patriotic parade of Elks and members of other organizations who came from all over the State to march along Keene's Main Street.



Virginia Elks Association officials at the recent Convention, left to right, foreground: Vice-Presidents K. V. Brugh, W. E. Barrick; Pres. Joseph Marcus, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Robert S. Barrett, Chaplain V. K. Pifer; second row: Treas. Donald S. McClarin and Secy. Charles F. Curtice.

#### STATE ASSOCIATION CONVENTION INFORMATION FOR 1953\*

State	Place	Date
Tennessee	Columbia	Sept. 4-5
California	Long Beach	Sept. 16-17-18-19
Colorado	Colorado Springs	Sept. 17-18-19-20
Vermont	Hartford	Sept. 18-19-20

\*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

There's an endless friendly war between the public and game wardens.

## BY TED TRUEBLOOD

IT HAS ALWAYS seemed strange to me that only one kind of law breaking is funny to the average, normally intelligent citizen. Burglary, robbery and all the other nefarious activities draw stern disapproval. Even traffic violations are never funny—so long as it is the other fellow who commits them. Violations of the fish and game laws, however, nearly always draw a laugh.

Actually, when you analyze the matter, they're not funny. The fish and game belong to everyone, and when somebody takes a bird illegally he is, in effect, cheating the rest of us. But most of the time, unless the violation is wantonly destructive, we don't take time to think of that. Our first reaction is to chuckle.

To a lot of folks, too, the game warden is an ogre. They picture him as a merciless, tireless, ever-watchful hunter of simple sportsmen who have erred slightly and, I might add, always unwittingly—at least, when they are caught. Actually, nearly all game wardens are nice guys. I know a lot of them. They're wardens mostly because they love the out of doors. The majority doesn't enjoy arresting anybody; they do it because it is their job to keep the boys in line. Surprisingly enough, too, they get as many chuckles as anybody out of the friendly war between the law, which they represent, and the general public. They can even enjoy

a laugh at their own expense—and some of the things that happen to them shouldn't happen to a dog.

I recall the time, for example, when the director of the game department of one of the Western states and his chief assistant actually assisted in a game law violation. It so happened that this particular state had recently enjoyed a change of administration. Everybody in the fish and game department, including the director and his chief deputy, was new. Consequently, while they were full of enthusiasm, they were exceedingly empty of both knowledge and experience.

On their way back to the state capital after attending a sportsmen's meeting one day, they saw a couple of boys shooting bullfrogs with twenty-two rifles in a slough beside the road. They stopped to watch. The youngsters were so engrossed that they didn't notice the spectators. They were having a wonderful time.

The director and deputy caught some of the boys' enthusiasm. They left their car and went to stand on the bank. The boys saw them then and might have fled if the director hadn't seen a big frog hiding in the reeds just at the crucial moment. "Here's a whopper," he shouted, "come and get him."

One of the boys waded across the slough, shot the frog and collected it for his bag. By that time, the chief deputy had discovered one. He called the other boy, who likewise was successful. Then, for nearly an hour until they remembered

the call of duty, the men patrolled the banks of the slough, acting as spotters for the two young sharpshooters.

When they returned to the office, the director and his assistant were still enthusiastic over the sport of frog shooting. The first person they told about their little adventure was the chief clerk. Although he, too, was new in office, he was somewhat better versed in the content of the game laws than they. He let them finish their story, then began to laugh.

The director grinned. "I suppose," he said, "that it must have looked funny to see two grown men running along a slough spotting bullfrogs for a couple of muddy urchins with twenty-two's."

"It sure must have, all right," the clerk said. "Especially when the men in question were supposed to enforce the game laws of the state."

"Why? What's wrong with shooting frogs?"

"Not a thing," said the clerk choking with laughter again. "Personally, I think it's a good idea. The only hitch is, you're supposed to catch frogs on a hook. It's against the law to shoot them!"

A fellow I know who lives away back in the hills killed an elk in August. This was some six weeks in advance of the time when such an act would become legal, but he needed meat. The stiff fine that inevitably would follow if he was caught, while it was an ever-present threat, was a possibility more remote than the im-

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ILLUSTRATED BY WILLIAM VON RIEGEN



He shot out of there like a scared rabbit.



# The Social Side of the Convention



August A. Busch, Jr., President of Anheuser-Busch, Inc., and Eberhard Anheuser, at right, Chairman of the Board, congratulate Grand Exalted Ruler James at a reception held by Anheuser-Busch at Grant's Farm.

**E**LKS and their ladies attending the 89th Grand Lodge Convention held in St. Louis in July were most ably entertained by a social program supplementing the regular Business Sessions.

Monday, the Convention Committee, of which Past Grand Exalted Ruler Bruce A. Campbell was Honorary Chairman, and George E. Wunderlich, Committee Chairman, provided a splendid sightseeing tour utilizing the facilities of the "Admiral." This streamlined, fully air conditioned ship is a pride of St. Louis and provided a most interesting trip on the Mississippi River.

That evening the famous Minstrels of St. Louis Lodge gave a most interesting show to a large group in Kiel Auditorium. After the St. Louis Lodge Minstrels con-



Grand Exalted Ruler-Elect James and Grand Exalted Ruler Stern arrive at Busch Stadium for Elk Night ball game. In foreground are the colorful Holdenville, Okla., Elkettes, an outstanding drill team of young ladies.

cluded their program, the Bands, Drum and Bugle Corps at the Convention came to the platform and played before the audience.

One of the big highlights of the Convention was the reception at Grant's Farm, the estate of August A. Busch, Jr., President of Anheuser-Busch, Inc. This social affair was presented for Elk dignitaries at the Convention and proved to

be a most gracious and enjoyable afternoon. Expressing the Order's appreciation of this thoughtful party on behalf of Elkdom, Past Grand Exalted Ruler George I. Hall presented Mr. Busch with a beautiful plaque, with the engraving, "World's Most Gracious Host". Also presented was a set of four-in-hand driving reins for Mr. Busch's famous Tally-Ho.

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Cast of the St. Louis Lodge Minstrels on stage at Kiel Auditorium during their show that was such an outstanding hit.

# winners at the

# CONVENTION



Muscatine, Iowa, Lodge's Choral Group, first place winner among Choruses. Also Quartet Contest winner.



Above: "The Lancers", National Championship Junior Drum and Bugle Corps from Evanston, Ill., winner for the third straight year in this division.



Above: The splendidly-trained Junior Drum and Bugle Corps from Rochester, Minnesota, winner of second place in that division.



**A**T THE Grand Lodge Convention in St. Louis this year the Elks and their ladies were offered outstanding entertainment by some of the top Choruses, Bands and Drill Teams in the Order. The efforts of these great Elk groups to come to the Convention and provide the color and spirit that contributes so importantly to the success of the Convention is most thoroughly appreciated. On these pages are photographs of the first and second place winners.

Among Drill Teams, the team from Milwaukee, Wis., placed third; the team from Pottstown, Pa., fourth, and Columbus, Ohio, fifth. In the Choral Contest, the Chorus from Milwaukee, Wis., placed third; the Chorus from Springfield, Mass., placed fourth, and from Terre Haute, Ind., fifth.

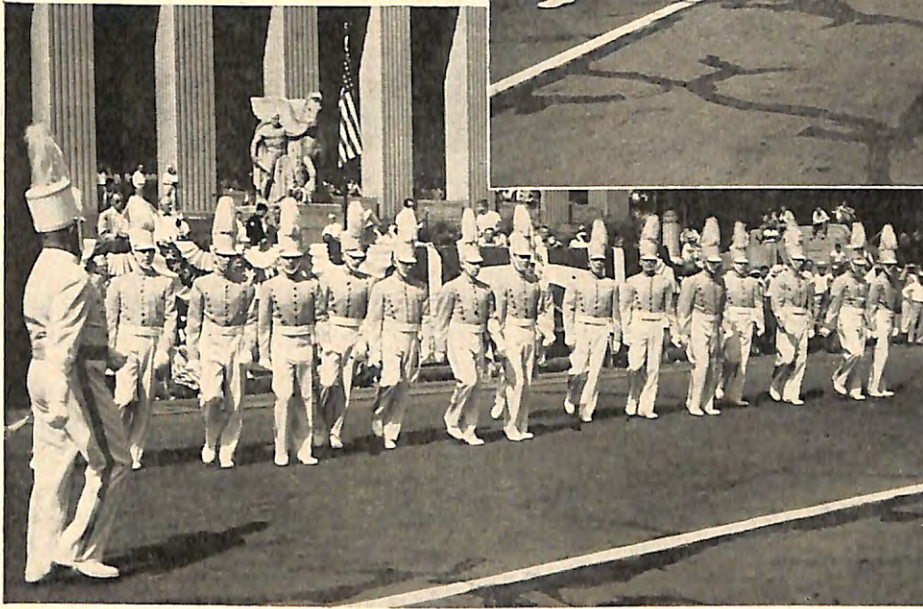
Unfortunately, a photograph of the splendid Junior Band from Racine, Wisconsin, was not available but this famous band placed first in the Junior Band Division.

National Championship Band in the Senior Division from Fargo, N. D.

Right: The Drill Team from Charleston, West Virginia, winner of first award among Drill Teams, provides a demonstration of its skill on one of the main streets in St. Louis.



Below: Second place winner among Drill Teams, the famous team from Lancaster, Pa., that has offered so much to our Grand Lodge Sessions.



Below: One of Elkdom's great Drum and Bugle Corps—from Great Falls, Montana—winner of the Senior Division among Drum and Bugle Corps.



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Below right: Second place winner in the Quartet Contest, from Terre Haute, Ind., Lodge. This group sang beautifully during the Convention.



Below: The celebrated Hanover, Pa. Male Chorus, second place winner in the Choral Contest this year.



# Our Most Valuable Students



FIRST AWARD \$900  
Mary Katherine Conine  
Traverse City, Mich.

FIRST AWARD \$900  
Jean Frances Anderson  
Lincoln, Ill.

THIRD AWARD \$700  
Stella Lois Ward  
St. Petersburg, Fla.

THIRD AWARD \$700  
Marilyn Jane Moulton  
Atlanta, Ga.

THIRD AWARD \$700  
Barbara Rose-Marie Sukurski  
Coos Bay, Ore.

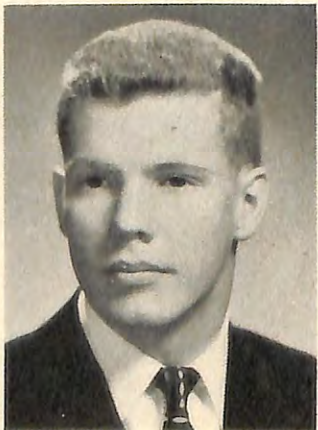
COMPETITION for the "Most Valuable Student Awards", which the Elks National Foundation awards annually to exceptional students to assist their educational plans, was exceptionally keen this year and there were several ties. For the first time, the winners in the Girls' Division were tied. Also there was a three-way tie for third place in the Girls' Division and a two-way tie for third place in the Boys' Division. In addition to the ten major awards, there were thirty-seven Scholarship Awards of \$400.

Winners in the Girls' Division were: Marilyn Kay Nellis, Geneva, N.Y.; Jacquelyn Lee Starr, New Kensington, Pa.; Barbara Jo Benz, Oskaloosa, Ia.; Elizabeth Ann Kilgore, Concord, N.H.; Rose Marie Scarpiello, Ambridge, Pa.; Ruth E. Berglund, Montpelier, Vt.; Susan C. Hill, Omaha, Neb.; Marlowe Elaine Olson, Fargo, N.D.; Diane Marilyn Mayer, Lakewood, Ohio; Sandra Kay Stalcup, Denver, Colo.; Judith Mary Kantack, Meriden, Conn.; Elizabeth Jane Crawford, Iowa City, Ia.; Margaret Davidson Eberlein, Gary, Ind.; Mary Lou Cassens, Winthrop, Mass.; Kay Lynnette Fornell, Bozeman, Mont.; Hazel LuJeane Wilde, Park City, Utah; Dorothy Marie Perry, Montpelier, Vt.; Shirley Ann Currie, Seattle, Wash., and Ann Catharine Evenson, Racine, Wis.

Winners in the Boys' Division were: William Patrick Bliss, Flagstaff, Ariz.; Denny Edgar Marshall, Jennings, La.; Robert James McRae, Missoula (Hellgate), Mont.; Dale Bert Metcalf, Pendleton, Ore.; Robert Claude Morrison, Baytown, Tex.; William Paul Killian, Sarasota, Fla.; John Lloyd Marlow, Blackfoot, Ida.; Donald James Mayer, Lakewood, Ohio; Donald Macdonald Graydon, Delano, Calif.; John Rudolph Eriksson, Detroit, Mich.; Donald Richard Jolliffe, St. Paul, Minn.; Clair Anthony Redding, Gettysburg, Pa.; William Ewing Parsons, II, Roanoke, Va.; David Wilbur TeSelle, Stockton, Calif.; William Dean Foust, Kokomo, Ind.; Henry T. V. Miller, Nashville, Tenn.; Jerome Edmund Lord, Waterbury, Conn., and Robert Lincoln Eberly, Cortland, N.Y.

In addition, there was a \$400 Special Scholarship awarded to Miss Frances Delores Potts, Joplin, Mo.

For a report of the "Most Valuable Student Awards" at the Grand Lodge Convention in St. Louis in July, refer to pages eighteen and nineteen of our August issue. These presentations at the convention were made by Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, Chairman of the Elks National Foundation, and Past Grand Exalted Ruler Floyd E. Thompson, Secretary.



FIRST AWARD \$900  
Earl Adams Gober  
Valdosta, Ga.

SECOND AWARD \$800  
Adolph Joseph Yates  
Butler, Pa.

THIRD AWARD \$700  
Harald Malmgren  
Conimicut, R.I.

THIRD AWARD \$700  
Ronald Winston Tatum  
Joplin, Mo.

FIFTH AWARD \$500  
James Burton Stuelke  
Council Bluffs, Ia.

# Elks National Foundation SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

THE Elks National Foundation Trustees announce that TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS in scholarship awards will be distributed at the 1954 Grand Lodge Session. This announcement of the "Most Valuable Student" awards should be of interest to the students of every community who are leaders in their schools and collegés. For more than nineteen years these awards have made it possible for many superior students to continue their college courses under favorable circumstances. The awards offered this year are:

	Boys	Girls
First Award .....	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Second Award .....	800.00	800.00
Third Award .....	700.00	700.00
Twenty \$500 Awards....	10,000.00	10,000.00
	<u>\$12,500.00</u>	<u>\$12,500.00</u>

## ELIGIBILITY

Any student in the graduating class of a high or college preparatory school, or in any undergraduate class of a recognized college, who is a resident within the jurisdiction of the Order, may file an application.

## MERIT STANDARDS

Scholarship, citizenship, personality, leadership, perseverance, resourcefulness, patriotism and general worthiness are the criteria by which these young applicants will be judged.

## FORM OF APPLICATION

The Foundation Trustees furnish a blank entitled "Memorandum of Required Facts", which must be filled out in typewriting and made a part of the student's presentation. The Trustees do not furnish any other blank nor do they insist on any special form of application or presentation. They prefer that each applicant use his own ingenuity in presenting his case. Experience has shown that the interests of the applicant are advanced and the time of the Trustees is conserved by orderly, concise and chronological presentation on paper approximately 8½" x 11" (the usual business-letter size), bound neatly at the left side in a standard binder or cover (8¾" x 11½") which can be procured at any stationery store. Remove all letters from envelopes and *bind the letters flat*. Exhibits evidencing notable achievements in leadership, literature, athletics, dramatics, community service or other activities may be attached, but the applicant should avoid submitting repetitious accounts of the same aptitude. *Elaborate presentation is unnecessary*. Careless presentation definitely handicaps the applicant.

In addition to the "Memorandum of Required Facts", which should be first in the cover, we suggest as essential details the following, preferably in the order indicated:

1. Recent photograph of the applicant. (Not a snapshot.)
2. A statement of not more than 300 words prepared by the applicant in his own handwriting, summarizing activities,

accomplishments and objective of further education which the applicant thinks qualify him for one of the scholarship awards.

3. A letter of not over 200 words from a parent or other person having knowledge of the facts, presenting a picture of the family situation and showing the applicant's need for financial assistance to continue in school.

4. The applicant's educational history *from first year of high or college preparatory school* to date of application, supported by school certificates signed by the proper school authority, showing the courses taken, the grades received and the rank of the applicant in the class. The different methods of grading in the schools of the country make it desirable that the school authority, in addition to furnishing the formal certificates, state the applicant's average in figures on the basis of 100% for perfect.

5. A comprehensive letter of recommendation covering character, personality and scholarship of the applicant from at least one person in authority in each school.

6. Two or three letters of endorsement from responsible persons, not related to applicant, who have had an opportunity personally to observe the applicant and who can give worthwhile opinion of the character, industry, purposefulness, disposition and general worthiness of the applicant.

7. A letter of endorsement signed by the Exalted Ruler or Secretary of the subordinate lodge in the jurisdiction of which the applicant is resident, *stating that he has reviewed the application and verifies the substantial accuracy of the statements contained therein*.

*Applications that do not conform substantially to the foregoing requirements will not be considered.*

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## FILING OF APPLICATIONS

The application, verified by the proper subordinate lodge officer, must be filed on or before March 1, 1954, with the Secretary of the State Elks Association of the State in which the applicant is resident, in order that it may be judged by the Scholarship Committee of said Association and, if approved as one of the quota of applications allotted to the State, be forwarded to our Chairman not later than April 1, 1954.

The officers of the subordinate lodges are requested to give notice of this offer to the principals of the high and preparatory schools and the deans of the colleges in their vicinity, and to cause this announcement to be published in the lodge bulletin. Members are requested to bring this announcement to the attention of qualified students.

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# NEWS OF THE LODGES



At the Pottsville, Pa., N. E. Dist. meeting were, left to right: Vice-Pres. George Remagen, Secy. W. G. Warner, Inner Guard Harry Schugart, State Vice-Pres. Barney Wentz, Tiler Joseph Mooney, Pres. J. P. Tolan, Sgt.-at-Arms William Kotz, Exec. Board members A. A. Dunn and Hugh Mundy.

## Cottage Grove Is Oregon's Newest Lodge

A total of 341 Oregonians became affiliated with Cottage Grove Lodge No. 1904 when it came into being recently; this included 301 initiates and 40 on dimit, with the Eugene Elk officers performing the initiatory ceremony.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Frank J. Lonergan was on hand to see Special Deputy Clifton B. Mudd install the officers of No. 1904, a privilege he has enjoyed for every one of the State's 15 lodges instituted since 1944. The original membership of these lodges totaled 2,513, at the present time there are nearly 7,000 on their rolls.

Other dignitaries at the Cottage Grove ceremony were Grand Lodge Committeeman Frank Hise, Special Deputy J. N. Mohr, D.D.'s Lee Stewart, H. W. Robert-

son and G. S. Gray, and P.D.D.'s E. M. Angele, W. L. Stollmack, Robert C. Gile and Earl T. Newbry.

## Jackson, Tenn., Elks Take Over Armed Forces Day Observance

When Jackson Lodge No. 192 sponsored this year's Armed Forces Day, it was the first time in the city's history that one group had handled the event; its success brought great credit to E.R. J. C. King and his fellow Elks.

A thrilling parade followed a luncheon for 250 civic and military leaders who heard an address by Brig. Gen. J. W. Henry, Adj. Gen. of Tenn. Among the guests were State Assn. Pres. Hugh W. Hicks, former Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees; Brig. Gen. W. M. Johnson, World War II C. O. of the 117th Inf. Reg. in the ETO, and representatives of

the Third Army, Tenn. Natl. Guard, Milan Arsenal, Millington Naval Installations and several veterans groups.

Thousands witnessed the spectacular parade in which numerous other organizations and military groups were represented with floats, bands, marching units and artillery displays, as planes roared overhead.

## Lancaster, Ohio, Elks Dedicate Memorial

Over 200 persons, including D.D. C. H. Evans, saw E.R. J. W. Mills and the officers of Lancaster Lodge No. 570 dedicate a striking monument to the memory of all the lodge's deceased members.

The 7½-foot monolithic granite tablet, bearing a hand-carved elk's head and an inscription, stands in Maple Grove Cemetery between two granite benches, and an American Flag flies from a nearby standard. An American Legion color guard had charge of the flag-raising ceremonies, and P.D.D. Alcide Brasseur delivered an inspiring address.

## Olympia, Wash., Elks Honor Edwin J. Alexander

One of the best attended events in the history of Olympia Lodge No. 186 was Eddie Alexander Night. Among the many dignitaries on hand to laud the fine work Mr. Alexander has done for the Order, and his own State in particular, was Past Grand Exalted Ruler Emmett T. Anderson, Lt. Gov. of Wash.

Mr. Alexander, a P.E.R. of Aberdeen Lodge, Past State Pres., P.D.D., Chairman of last term's Grand Lodge State Assns. Committee and currently a mem-



Left: Jackson, Tenn., Lodge recently presented a bronze memorial plaque to the local high school on which the names of each year's best all-around athlete will be engraved. Here, the 1953 student, Bobby Ross, third from left, receives a wristwatch from the lodge. Others, left to right, are D.D. J. A. Gasell, Coach Tury Oman, E.R. James C. King, who made the presentations, State Assn. Pres. Hugh W. Hicks, and Chairman E. J. Munn of the lodge's Trustees.



Right: Among those celebrating Thomas Butler's 50th year in Elkdom, when he received a Life Membership in Arlington, Mass., Lodge were, left to right: John K. Burke, former Grand Treas., Mr. Butler's son, E.R. George Fitzgibbon, Toastmaster Dan Tierney, the guest of honor, and General Chairman Edward M. Cartullo, Secy. of the lodge.



Above: E.R. M. C. Karnopp and C. A. Ross of Lincoln, Neb., Lodge congratulate E. G. Wilkinson, Jr., winner of the annual \$1,200 fellowship in dentistry for children set up by the lodge in 1950 in memory of Mr. Ross' son who died in World War II. The young patient is Jerry Nealy.

Below: Chairman John F. Malley of the Elks National Foundation, left, is congratulated by Dean J. Wendell Yeo of Boston University School of Education, center, when Mr. Malley presented 25 Foundation Scholarship grants to the University's Summer Workshop on Cerebral Palsy, accepted by Dr. Arthur G. Miller, Director of the Workshop, right. These grants make possible the attendance of 25 students and practicing members in the field at the Summer session, in cooperation with the United Cerebral Palsy Assn. and the Boston Children's Medical Center.



ber of the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee, was made an Honorary Life Member of Olympia Lodge by adoption.

**Golden Jubilee Celebrated by Fredericksburg, Va., Lodge**

More than 600 members of Fredericksburg Lodge No. 875 and their ladies attended an elaborate banquet marking the lodge's 50th Anniversary. Past Grand Exalted Rulers Howard R. Davis and Dr. Robert S. Barrett were guests of honor, with Mr. Davis the principal speaker.

During the program, at which E.R. George L. Hunter presided and P.D.D. W. B. F. Cole was Toastmaster, 50-year-membership pins were awarded to three of the lodge's Charter Members, P.E.R.'s I. S. Strasburger and S. S. Kaufman and William K. Goolrick.



This photograph was taken at the opening of the Third Annual Havre de Grace, Md., Elks Charity Minstrel show. This year's performance realized nearly \$2,000 for charitable purposes.



Two interesting figures in Ohio Elksdom exchange pleasantries at the commencement exercises of Xavier University in Cincinnati. Left, Senior P.E.R. and Honorary Life Member Anthony B. Dunlap, Class of 1890, one of the school's oldest alumni, and a Cincinnati Elk since 1901; right: Past Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Edward J. McCormick of Toledo Lodge, President of the American Medical Assn., who received an LL.D. at the ceremonies.



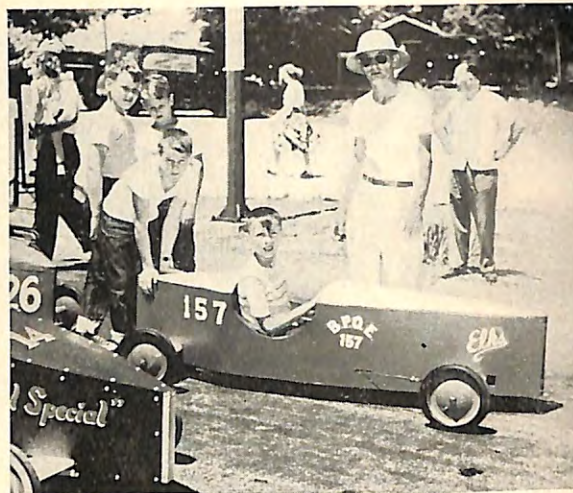
These are the officials who participated in the impressive ceremony dedicating this handsome monument to the memory of all deceased members of Lancaster, Ohio, Lodge, regardless of where they are buried. The photograph includes several P.E.R.'s, E.R. James W. Mills and his fellow officers, D.D. C. H. Evans, Rev. Fr. Maurice Donovan, Life Member, and P.D.D. Alcide Brasseur.



Right: Committee Chairman N. M. Simpson with Russell Hiatt, Kenton, Ohio Lodge's entrant in the Hardin County Scrap Box Derby.



Two of the last visits made by Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern prior to the close of his year of office were to Minneapolis, Minn., Lodge, whose officers are shown with him in the picture at top left, and, above, to Deer Lodge, Mont., where he was photographed, seated third from left, with local Elk officials.



### Grand Exalted Ruler's Itinerary\*

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|---------|---|
| SEPT. 3 | Nashville, Tenn.                                      |
| 4       | Columbia, Tenn.                                       |
| 5       | (Tenn. State Assn. Convention)                        |
| 6       |   |
| 11      | Hershey, Pa.  |
| 12      | (Past Grand Exalted Rulers' Conference)               |
| 13      |   |
| 16      | Long Beach, Calif.                                    |
| 17      | (Calif. State Assn. Convention)                       |
| 18      |   |
| 19      | New York City   |
|         | (Downstate Exalted Rulers and Secretaries Conference) |
| 20      | Oneida, N. Y.   |
|         | (Upstate Exalted Rulers and Secretaries Conference)   |
| 26      | Indianapolis, Ind.                                    |
| 27      | (Ind. State Assn. Fall Meeting)                       |
| 28      | Chicago, Ill.   |
| 29      | (Grand Lodge Organizational Meeting)                  |
| OCT. 1  | Kansas City, Mo.                                      |
| 3       | Muskogee, Okla.                                       |
| 4       | (Okla. State Assn. Fall Meeting)                      |
| 6       | Louisiana State-wide Meeting                          |
| 8       | Tour of New England Lodges                            |
| 9       | (Maine)   |
| 10      | New Hampshire   |
| 11      | and   |
| 12      | Vermont)  |
| 14      | Dallas, Tex.  |
| 17      | Galveston, Tex.                                       |
| 18      | Galveston, Tex.                                       |
| 19      | Lubbock, Tex.   |
| 24      | Little Rock, Ark.                                     |
| 25      | (Ark. State Assn. Fall Meeting)                       |
| 25      | Salt Lake City, Utah                                  |
| 28      | Salt Lake City, Utah                                  |
| 29      | Las Vegas, Nev.                                       |
| 31      | Queens Borough, N. Y., 50th Anniversary               |

\*Subject to change



Ten Charter Members of Huntington Park, Calif., Lodge were honored on the lodge's 32nd Anniversary when a huge crowd saw service pins presented to those who were members for 15 years or more. Los Angeles P.E.R. Norman Bailie who installed the host lodge's first officers was present.



Above: Special Deputy Clifton B. Mudd, fifth from left foreground with Past Grand Exalted Ruler Frank J. Lonergan on his left, presents the dispensation for the Charter for Cottage Grove, Ore., Lodge to its first Exalted Ruler, Orlo Bagley.

Right: The Red Feather Disaster Relief Fund for victims of the recent Flint, Mich., tornado received \$5,000 from the Order. Left to right: Flint Lodge's Committee Chairman James Bolton who turned over \$3,000 from his own and other lodges; Vice-Pres.-at-Large S. G. Converse who presented the State Assn.'s \$1,000; E.R. S. M. Rutlin; Dist. Vict-Pres. F. M. Bevins; Grand Lodge Youth Activities Chairman B. F. Watson who gave the Grand Lodge's \$1,000; Fund Treas. J. R. Burroughs.





# Business Outlook

## for the End of the Year



BY DR. MARCUS NADLER

Dr. Nadler is Professor of Finance at New York University. This article is a follow-up of his forecasts for business conditions in 1953 which ran in our January issue.

IN AN ARTICLE in the January issue of *The Elks Magazine* discussing the general outlook for business for 1953, the following statement was made: "Indications are that the present boom will come to an end sometime during 1953 or early in 1954. . . . The real question, however, of the utmost importance to business men all over the country is whether the downturn in business will be minor in character . . . or a serious downward readjustment . . ."

This statement is as accurate today as it was at the beginning of the year. The first half of 1953 was marked by a high level of business activity, large disposable income and, for all practical purposes, full employment. However, it was also marked by a sharp increase in private indebtedness, notably consumer credit, and by a large deficit of the government.

### READJUSTMENT PERIOD

In spite of the current high level of business activity, it is becoming clearer that the peak of the boom in all probability has passed and that the economy of the country is entering a period of readjustment. This readjustment is being brought about by the following factors:

1—The pent-up demand for all kinds of goods, including housing, has been largely met. The supply of many consumer goods in some instances has surpassed the demand and inventories are increasing. This is a clear indication that current production in many instances is larger than sales. It is generally agreed that a decline in automobile production and other durable consumers goods is likely to develop during the fourth quarter of the year. A decrease in production in these vitally important industries is

bound to have an impact on steel production and activity in other industries and the combination of these factors will tend to bring about a general decline in business activity.

### PRIVATE DEBT IS UP

2—Private indebtedness, and notably consumer credit, have increased rapidly during the last year. While the total amount outstanding is not out of line with the volume of disposable personal income, it is evident that if employment decreases, and particularly if the reduced employment should be accompanied by a reduction in over-time payments and a decrease in job openings, there would be an adverse effect on many families particularly in the lower income groups which are now heavily in debt. This not only will lead to an increased delinquency in instalment payments but also will force many families to curtail their purchases in general, with a resultant adverse effect on business activity.

3—Military expenditures are at their peak and a decline from the present level is bound to take place. Already substantial reductions have been made in appropriations for the fiscal year 1953-54 and orders for certain types of military equipment have been cancelled. The curtailment in defense expenditures also will have a further adverse effect on producers of durable consumers goods who have also been the largest producers of military equipment.

4—Farm income has decreased and the current outlook is not particularly favorable. The decline in farm income will affect the sales of farm equipment as well as other commodities usually purchased by the farmer.

5—Inventories are large. So long as sales continue at their present level the total volume of inventories cannot be considered as out of line. However, should there develop a decline in the total volume of sales many a manufacturer and distributor will find that his inventories are beyond his requirements and in all probability efforts will be made to liquidate them.

Just as the accumulation of inventories stimulates business activity, inventory reduction has the opposite effect. The decline in business volume in 1949 was primarily the result of the efforts of manufacturers and distributors to reduce inventories.

6—The forces of inflation have run their course. Production has increased considerably not only in the United States

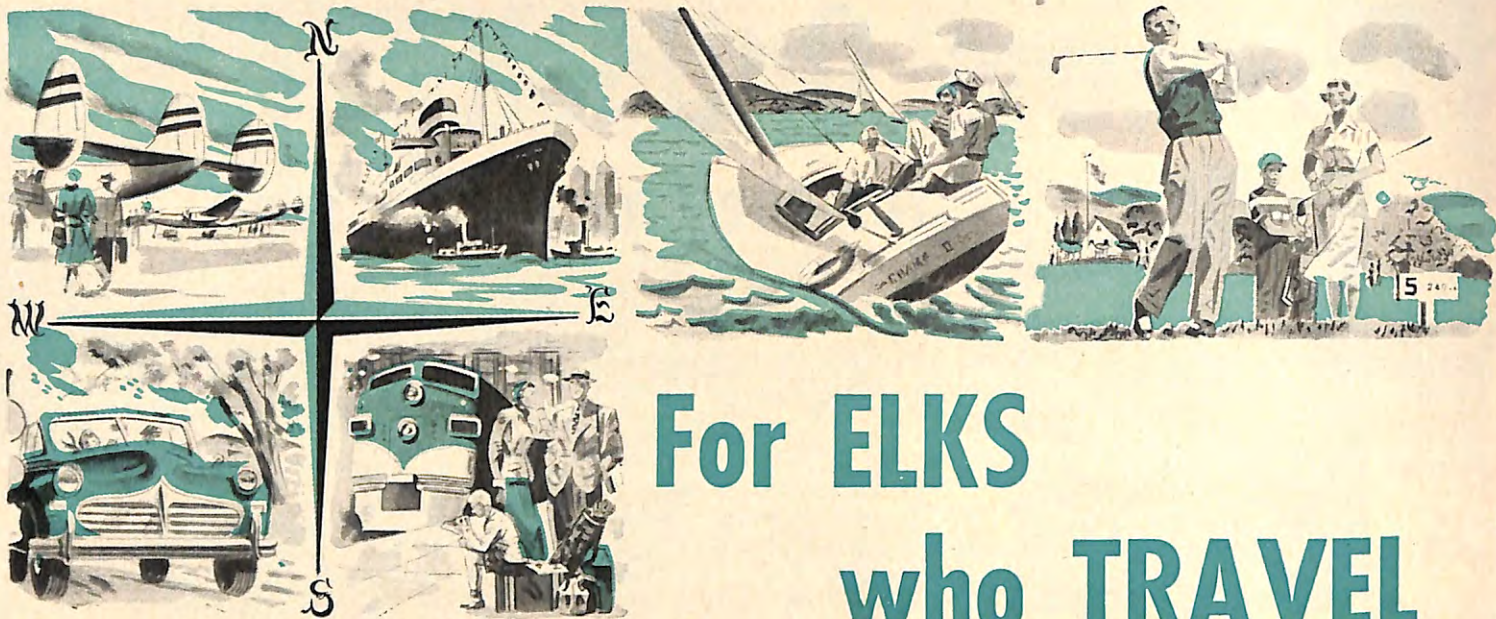
but all over the world. The sellers' market is a thing of the past and competition is keen and steadily increasing. The only danger of inflation that still remains emanates from the large deficit of the government and the constant increase in wages. Not only did the Federal government end the fiscal year 1952-53 with one of the largest deficits in peacetime but the estimates for 1953-54 indicate a further substantial deficit. To a considerable extent the deficit will have to be financed through the sale of government obligations to the commercial banks. Already the credit policies of the Reserve authorities have undergone a change. The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System recently lowered reserve requirements to enable the commercial banks to acquire additional government securities. This in turn will lead to an increase in commercial bank deposits and hence in the means of payment. This increase in the money supply must be considered inflationary in character.

### INFLATION VS. PRODUCTION

The constant increase in wages has contributed to an increase in the prices of certain types of manufactured goods. However, one may expect that as soon as business activity begins to decline, accompanied by an increase in unemployment, there will be an increase in efficiency of management and in the productivity of equipment and labor and that such developments will bring about a moderate decline in the prices of certain types of manufactured goods. Moreover, it is probable that when the excess profits tax expires at the end of 1953 the principal beneficiaries of such tax reduction will not be the stockholders but rather the ultimate consumer. It cannot be denied that the government deficit and the constant wage increases are inflationary in character; nevertheless there is no reason to believe that the spiral of inflation will be renewed. The strongest force against inflation is production and this, as was indicated previously, has increased considerably. In fact the productive capacity of the United States today is 50 per cent higher than it was at the end of 1945. Under these circumstances one may expect that the index of wholesale commodity prices will level off and that later on a minor downward readjustment may take place.

The pattern of the readjustment: The readjustment which may be expected either toward the end of this year or in

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IF EVERYTHING goes according to pattern this year, Labor Day will be the usual signal for the vacationers to beat it for home, the kids to beat it for school, and the resort owners to fold up the scenery and drain the lakes until the new season rolls around in the spring. The only trouble with the system is that it seems to leave a rather numerous collection of people utterly and simply vacationless with no place to get a sunburn except from a barbershop lamp. This is where California comes in.

The lower half of the West Coast real estate enjoys what the local boosters like to think of as a "second summer," a bonus of good weather all through September and October, and running into November. Mountains, valley, desert and seashore offer subtropical atmosphere at the same time, and since no single area has any particular climatic advantage over any

other the rates are rather sensible. It is past the "high rate" season at the beaches and the mountains, and the astronomic scale has not got into effect yet on the desert oases.

### COOL AND DRY

At the same time the weather is moderate too. All during September a man standing with a thermometer in the center of Los Angeles would strike an average of 77.3 degrees. In October the slip goes down to 73.8, in November to 70.8. But what makes September especially interesting is that the rainfall average is down to two tenths of one inch, and October is only six-tenths of an inch. Despite the wisecracks of the radio comedians broadcasting from the West Coast, the Weather Bureau says there is only one day in September with 1/100 of an inch of rain or more, only two such days in October and three in November.

On the other hand, there is plenty of water along Southern California's 200 miles of sea, and although the rates sink when school starts, the weather goes on being amiable for another 60 days or so. All manner of fall events are scheduled along the seaside in the second summer months. Oceanside in San Diego County holds a swimming race on September 7, an excuse for visitors to take the short drive out from Los Angeles. Spectators will crowd the pier, otherwise used for fishing, among other attractions, while the race begins at the beach, continues through the breakers, around the mile-long pier and back to the beach. While this race is for hardies, there are others for junior boys and girls and for senior gaffers of 45 and more.

### Planning a Trip?

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Are you taking advantage of this service? More and more Elks and their families are. In the first six months of 1952, 881 inquiries were received and answered. This year, during the same period, our Travel Department received 2,063 requests for travel information of all kinds.



Oceanside is an entrance to Palomar Mountain, site of the world's largest observatory which is open during the day to visitors. San Diego has been building for tourists, too, especially at Mission Bay, a \$20-million aquatic park development that has attracted a 302-unit resort motel. Forty-eight units were completed this summer, opening under the name of the Bahia Hotel. Coming soon is a salt water swimming pool, restaurant, cocktail lounge, cabana and boating facilities. If you wander about with a trailer hooked on your back bumper, a new 900 unit de luxe trailer park is going up on De Anza Point in another corner of Mission Bay.

Down at San Pedro, world's largest fishing port, the town does honor to its most important industry, fish. The San Pedro Fisherman's Fiesta comes off September 19 to 21 and for three days the place is decked out in bunting and loaded with celebrants. Everything comes to a climax in a water parade of 100 fishing boats, each decorated with flags and flowers, and representing something nautical—character, song, or situation.

Way down near the Mexican border at the south end of San Diego Bay, where the names and the atmosphere are tinted with tortilla, the city of Chula Vista holds its Moon Festival, the Fiesta de la Luna, September 24 to 27. Here old Spain and the new West mix amiably and citizens in both costumes hold a flower show, a horse show, a chuckwagon breakfast at the ball park for all visitors and a gigantic Fiesta Parade. If the moon is cooperative it will rise over San Diego Bay and the evening's entertainment will feature its arrival.

#### DESERT IN OCTOBER

Since it is vastly too hot for a mortal to venture into the desert area during the first summer, the ranchlands of Southern Cal don't get under way until the second summer is fully at hand. Palm Springs, that famous retreat of the glamorous West, starts things off with Western Week, October 23 to 25. Sitting under Mount Jacinto, 105 miles east of Los Angeles, Palm Springs offers a swimming pool with virtually every large hotel or apartment house. You can cycle the surroundings, golf on the 9-hole course, picnic in a canyon, take your pick of well over 100 hotels and apartments, half of them called the Casa Something or other and the other half the El Something or Other. There are also three guest ranches.

In the matter of getting West, in case you are not already there, the Overland Route from Chicago follows the path blazed by the nation's early fur trappers in the 1800's, and worn smooth by the covered wagons of the Mormons. Now you run west over the combined rails of the Chicago and Northwestern, the Union Pacific, and the Southern Pacific from Chicago to Salt Lake City to Reno to San Francisco. The Golden State Route takes you via Southern Pacific south from Chicago to El Paso, then up through Tucson, Phoenix and Los Angeles. The Sunset Route is for Southerners coming via New Orleans, Houston, San Antonio and so west. All trains offer chair cars or Pullmans. For late vacationers in the Northwest, the California second summer can be reached on the Shasta Route running south from Portland to San Francisco over 718 miles of woods, lakes and mountains which you can enjoy in full daylight.

#### PACKAGE TOURS

Another way to do it if you would rather keep your own car in the garage is to fly west with United and sign up for one of their tours. You can either travel by bus or pick up a rented car at the airport and the price of your transportation and your lodging is figured in one bundle. For instance, there is a seven-day Hollywood vacation as low as \$26.83 plus tax and air fare. It includes hotel accommodations at the Hollywood Plaza at the corner of Hollywood and Vine for six nights, plus a sightseeing tour of town, and tickets to radio and tv shows emanating from the west coast.

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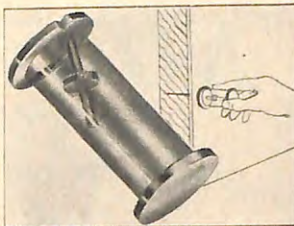
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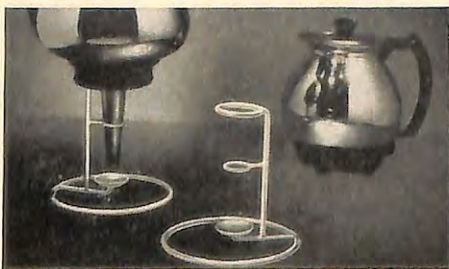


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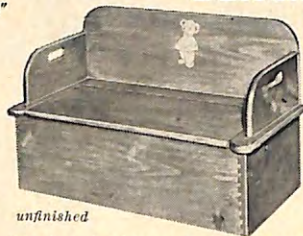
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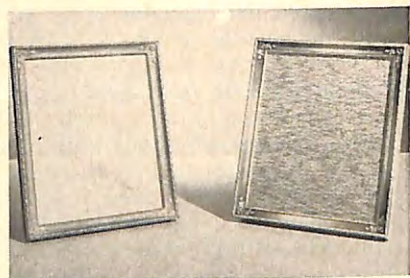
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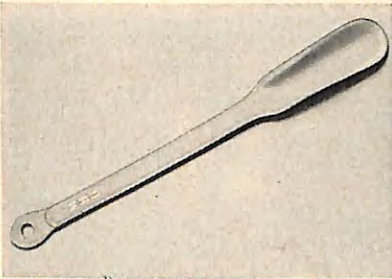
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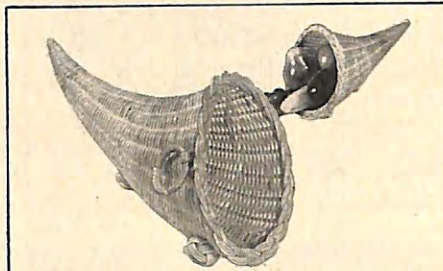
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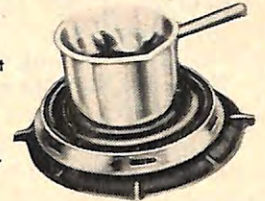
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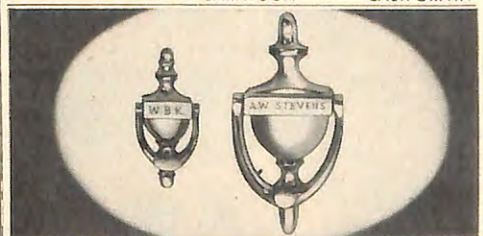
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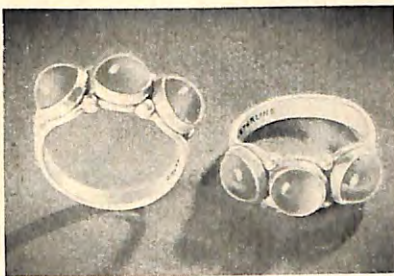
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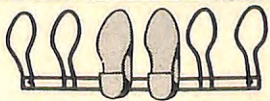
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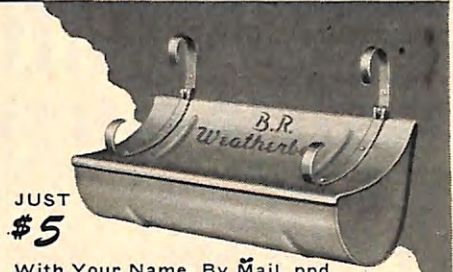


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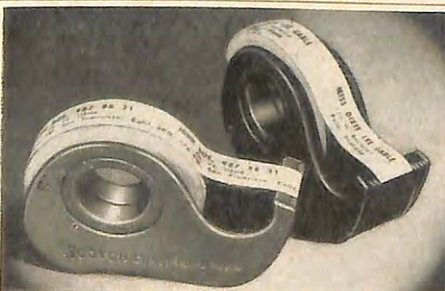
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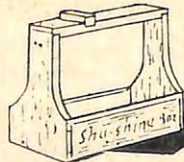
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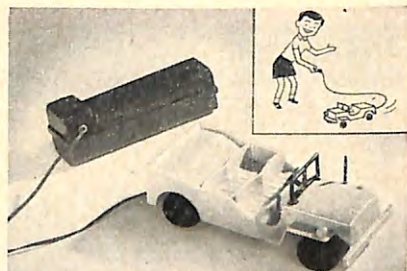
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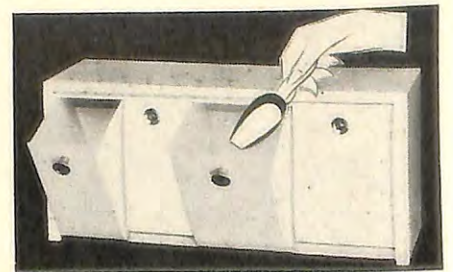


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Left: On hand for the institution of Pompano Beach, Fla., Lodge were, left to right, foreground: P.D.D. W. A. Wall, D.D. John S. Fenn, State Pres. Victor O. Wehle, P.D.D. James Dunn, E.R. W. M. Walton; second row, P.D.D.'s A. T. Healy, J. Alex Arnett; Fort Lauderdale E.R. Herbert Sperry, Committee Chairman Earl Sapp, P.E.R.; P.D.D.'s E. O. Williams, J. J. Fernandez, State Assn. Secy.

Below: The legend on the theater marquee tells the story of this Van Wert, Ohio, Elk event. E.R. Dr. F. B. Fugazzi stands at right with the young guests; other Elks pictured at left include Police Chief M. L. Kennedy, Past Exalted Ruler Vic Morrow and Patrolman Chas. Hartman.

**Willimantic, Conn., Elks Give All-Out Aid to Rebuild School**

The \$5,000 Willimantic Lodge No. 1311 donated to the Fund to replace St. Mary's Parochial School is only part of its efforts to compensate for the \$250,000 fire which destroyed it. One of its P.E.R.'s was Chairman of the committee of volunteers who cleaned up the debris; another P.E.R. is Chairman of the Fund-Raising Committee; still another lodge officer, assisted by a fellow member, is working with the Pastor of St. Mary's Church to complete plans for the new school, and two other Elks are Co-Chairmen of a scrap-metal drive to augment the Fund, for which they have already accumulated scrap worth over \$2,500.

**Greenville, S. C., Lodge Fifty Years Old**

Greenville Lodge No. 858 recently completed a full week of special services and events commemorating its 50th Anniversary. Highlights of the program included special tribute to the lodge's four living Charter Members, one of whom is 84-year-old Thomas H. Pope. Appropriate ceremonies were conducted at which the lodge's Trustees presented to E.R. James A. Bailey the cancelled \$160,000 mortgage on the lodge's four-story \$500,000 home, one of the finest in the South.



The week's events included two dances for the benefit of the lodge's Boys and Girls Camp which accommodates about 60 children at several two-week sessions. As part of its Golden Jubilee observance, No. 858 published an interesting Souvenir Booklet which was presented to each of its 1,200 members.

**Dover, Dela., Completes Capitol City Lodges**

With the institution of Dover Lodge No. 1903, every State Capitol now has an Elks lodge. D.D. Paul K. Shutt, Sr., and P.D.D. Leon J. Buckley who conducted the institution and installation

ceremonies, are largely responsible for the organization of No. 1903. Assisting Mr. Buckley were P.D.D.'s R. E. Dove, P. B. Matthews, C. Ray Hare, F. W. Coulbourn, L. T. Dryden, R. S. Mathias, Ivy R. Todd and Past Pres. J. J. Mealey.

Addresses were made by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Robert South Barrett, Grand Est. Loyal Knight Charles G. Hawthorne and Delaware's State Auditor, G. D. Enterline, P.E.R. of Shamokin, Pa., Lodge. Guest of honor was Joseph H. Martin, sole surviving Charter Member of Wilmington, Dela., Lodge whose officers, led by E.R. Alton S. Jacob, initiated the 120-man Charter Member Class.



These long-time Appleton, Wis., Elks were honored on the lodge's 1953 Old Timers Night.

# WHAT'S BOBBY DOING THERE?



Illinois defeated Iowa in the first Interstate Elks Billiard Tournament winning this 32-inch rotating trophy. Winners Roy Childers, left, and Art Sackett inspect the award. The other champions are Don Tozer and Wayne Belford.

## NEWS of the LODGES



Est. Loyal Knight W. W. Kerr, left, and E.R. F. J. Ryan, visit 104-year-old Mrs. Angela Woodman at the Home for the Aged as part of Somerville, Mass., Lodge's Mother's Day observance.



**E**VERYONE but the young man standing so sturdily in the foreground has a good reason for being in this picture. He's six-year-old Bobby Guter, and his grasp on the wheel chair the South Orange, N. J., Elks presented to the Kessler Institute was prompted by pleasure, not necessity.

Bobby was born without feet, but he can stand up to anything now—thanks to the N. J. Elks Crippled Children's Committee, and the artificial limbs they gave him after an operation performed by Dr. Henry H. Kessler, world-famous orthopedic surgeon and a Newark Elk.

Standing behind Bobby, as they have for six years, are, left to right, J. J. Marion, Treas. of the N. J. Elks Crippled Children's Committee; South Orange E.R. A. George Juliano; Wm. K. Page, Jr., Administrative Director of the Institute, and local Elk Committeeman J. F. Robinson.



Above: State Pres. Gen. G. A. Fraser, third from left, presents to Carl Erickson, fourth from left, Acting Mgr. of the VA in Fargo, a television set for the hospital from the North Dakota Elks Service Commission. Others are State Chairman R. P. Burfening, left, State Trustee F. V. Archibald and Veterans Special Service Chief William Anderson, right.

Right: Portland, Me., Lodge's senior P.E.R., 88-year-old Elmer G. Gerrish, seated, with fellow members who visited him at his home in Melrose, Mass., where he has resided for over 50 years. Past Grand Est. Loyal Knight C. Dwight Stevens, right, presented to Mr. Gerrish, a 50-year-membership pin. Other visitors were, left to right: P.E.R. Walter H. Lovell, E.R. William Mennealy, and Secy. James R. Tedford.



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St. Louis in July

# ELKS NATIONAL MEMORIAL AND PUBLICATION COMMISSION

REPORTING to the Grand Lodge Convention in St. Louis in July, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Bruce A. Campbell, Chairman of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission, detailed the activities of the Commission during the year.

## Memorial Building

During the twelve months ending May 15th, 92,198 persons visited the Memorial Building in Chicago. Since its erection, 1,753,026 people have visited the Building and have acclaimed its beauty, dignity and grandeur.

This year the third edition of the Memorial book was published and 10,000 copies were printed. During the fiscal year, 2,032 books were sold or otherwise disposed of.

The concern which the Commission engages each year to appraise the Building found a reproductive value of \$4,607,103.54, a sound value of \$4,292,822.10 and an insurable value of \$4,460,671.00, an increase of \$336,611.56 this year. The Memorial Building is now 27 years old and the expense of renewals and replacements increases each year. The maintenance is also increased because of deferred maintenance during the war years. During the last year, items over and above ordinary expenses amounted to \$1,328.79, but about \$9,000 will be required this year for these repairs. The expense of maintenance and operation of the Memorial Building, which is paid entirely out of the surplus earnings of The Elks Magazine, amounted to \$66,662.14 during the fiscal year.

## The Elks Magazine

With the May issue, The Elks Magazine concluded 31 years of publication. During the year, 13,275,703 copies of the Magazine were printed, an increase of 393,348 copies. This year one issue of the Magazine, including covers, consisted of 64 pages. There were seven issues of 60 pages, two of 56 and two of 52 pages, making a total of 700, as compared to 680 for the previous year. Total number of pages printed during the year was 774,562,380, an increase of nearly 44,000 over the previous year.

Earnings of the Magazine for the fiscal year were \$240,807.17, as compared to \$253,944.55 for the previous year. However, total income for the current year actually was \$73,190.56 more than the

previous year. Mr. Campbell pointed out that publication costs were \$85,272.38 higher than the previous year, which accounts for the fact that profits were \$12,081.82 less. Also, income from interest was \$1,055.56 less, so that total profits were \$13,137.38 under the corresponding figure for the preceding year. The total cost per capita for publishing the Magazine for the year was \$1.05, as compared to 99.8 cents for the previous year. Against this, there was an advertising income of 27 cents per capita, leaving a net per capita cost of 78 cents. Total net income from advertising was \$291,903.22, as compared to \$247,404.52 for the previous year. Therefore, there was an increase of \$44,498.70, or eighteen per cent. This increase was due to increased advertising rates, which compensated to some extent for increased production costs. Also, increased advertising space sales contributed to the higher advertising income. This year the Magazine carried 1,065 advertisements, as compared to 895 for the previous year. The Elks Family Shopper Department, which has become a very popular and important part of the Magazine, has been in operation since the issue of September, 1951, and for the fiscal year contributed \$50,487.41 to the earnings of the Magazine.

## Income and Expenses

A digest of the income and expenses of the Magazine as reported by the public accountants, Ernst & Ernst, follows:

Income:		
Magazine Subscriptions .....	\$1,074,366.00	
Advertising .....	291,903.22	
Miscellaneous .....	1,057.18	\$1,367,326.40
Publication costs and expenses:		
Magazine paper .....	\$ 396,935.82	
Printing and binding .....	217,326.84	
Engraving .....	22,239.95	
Departmental expenses (as shown by schedule):		
Editorial .....	96,709.08	
Advertising .....	154,684.33	
Circulation .....	169,071.04	
Administrative and general .....	72,616.25	
Miscellaneous .....	129.55	1,129,712.86
NET INCOME FROM PUBLICATION .....	\$ 237,613.54	
Interest Earned .....	3,193.63	
	\$ 240,807.17	
Maintenance of Memorial Building .....	66,662.14	
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR .....	\$ 174,145.03	

## Elk History

Under the authority of the Commission, Past Grand Exalted Ruler James R. Nicholson, General Manager of The Elks

Magazine, prepared a "History of the Order" from the date of its inception in 1868 to the close of the 1952 Grand Lodge Session. This book was published the first of July. Mr. Campbell stated that the Commission feels that this book fills a long-felt need for an authoritative History and that a copy should be in the possession of every member of the Order. However, the edition is limited, Mr. Campbell pointed out, and members of the Order are advised to take advantage of the opportunity to buy this History at an early date. It is sold virtually at cost of publication and the price is \$3.50, with an additional shipping charge of 12 cents, making a total of \$3.62. Members of the Order living in New York City are advised to include the local sales tax of three per cent.

## Official Elk Jewelry

Numerous inquiries have been received in the past by The Elks Magazine for information relative to official Elk jewelry. There being no provision to supply such jewelry, the Commission presented a plan for purchase and sale of such official emblems by the Commission. Designs from an outstanding manufacturer of fraternal jewelry have been approved by the Grand Exalted Ruler and the Advisory Committee of the Grand Lodge. Under this plan, the Commission will be authorized to secure such items, particularly official button designs for Elks of fifteen-year, twenty-five-year and fifty-year membership, and sell them to lodges and individuals at a modest advance in price above the purchase price.

## Public Relations

Operations of the Public Relations Department, of which Otho DeVilbiss is Director, were marked by a high degree of success during the past year, Mr. Campbell reported. Press clippings and Grand Lodge publicity during the year totalled 7,541, which was 21 per cent more than the previous year and a new record.

More newspaper publicity was received during the Convention in New York in 1952 than any Convention of which there is a record. The 3,903 clippings received was 10 per cent higher than the high of 1952, in spite of the fact that the Order was competing for news space with two national political conventions.

The Public Relations Department cooperated with "Parade," a Sunday magazine distributed with 30 newspapers to 5,000,000 readers, in preparing a feature story on Grand Exalted Ruler Stern. This was published on January 11th. Data on the Grand Exalted Ruler and his background and also on the Order were distributed to local newspapers in advance of 73 visits by Mr. Stern, with the result that there was a total of 2,497 press clippings.

Localized news release promoting Elks National Youth Day and covering features of the Youth Activities Committee's

Program were distributed to all Exalted Rulers. In all, publicity on Youth Activities produced 339 clippings.

The Blood Program, which was continued this year, produced more valuable publicity for the Elks. Chairman Campbell stated in his Report. A total of 1,273 clippings was received. Of course, it should be understood that there is a strong possibility that many clippings do not reach the Public Relations Department.

National Newspaper Week, which is backed strongly by the Order, produced more publicity than any of the previous annual tributes to the nation's press and a total of 892 publicity clippings on this program were received.

Three lead articles in The Elks Magazine were distributed to approximately 1,200 newspapers and radio stations. A summary of an article on Russia, by Garrett Underhill, was carried by the United Press and the author appeared as a guest on a MBS network panel program.

During the year, The Elks Magazine Film Service was expanded and new features were added. At a minimum, 3,245 Elks viewed the Grand Lodge film, "Twixt Dream and Deed".

Lodge Bulletin Editors made wide use of material contained in four releases and much of this information also served as newspaper publicity. These releases included a round-up report of the Grand Lodge Convention; a Blood Program promotion article; short items on Grand Lodge agencies, as well as filler paragraphs intended to stimulate dues payment. Mats of the Elks National Home and electrotypes and color mats of the Grand Lodge Emblem were made available.

One of the most effective promotions was the support given to "Freedom Week" and "Know Your America Week", which is sponsored by the All-American Conference to Combat Communism. Lodges were urged to support Freedom Week and the Public Relations Department also prepared an article on the event for The Elks Magazine.

### **Disposition Of Earnings**

During the 31 years of its existence, aggregate surplus earnings of the Magazine have amounted to \$6,403,758.30. The Commission has already turned over to the Grand Lodge \$5,720,735.06, or an average of nearly \$200,000 a year. Mr. Campbell reported. These earnings are used for various purposes: The building of an addition to the Elks National Home in Bedford, Virginia; decoration of the Memorial Building; operation and maintenance of the Memorial Building; contributions to the Elks War Commission and the Elks National Foundation, and the establishment of the Grand Lodge Reserve Fund, which now amounts to \$580,000. Also, the earnings are used for general Grand Lodge expenses.

The Commission pointed out that if it

had not been for the earnings of the Magazine the per capita tax for many years would have been materially increased. In fact, in some years the per capita tax per member has been fifty cents lower than it would have been if the amounts turned over to the Grand Lodge by the Magazine had not been made.

This year, out of surplus earnings of the Magazine, \$150,000 was turned over to the Grand Lodge. In recognition of the 25th Anniversary of the Elks National Foundation, \$25,000 of this \$150,000, on recommendation of the Commission, was turned over to the Foundation to be added to its Principal Fund.

On June 1st, 1952, surplus of the Com-

mission was \$683,878.21, and on May 31st, 1953, it was \$683,023.24, with a net decrease of \$854.97. However, Mr. Campbell particularly pointed out that this does not include the \$175,000 turned over to the Grand Lodge during the last fiscal year, as well as the expenses of \$66,662.14 paid for maintenance and operation of the Memorial Building in Chicago.

Members of the National Memorial and Publication Commission submitting the Report: Past Grand Exalted Rulers Bruce A. Campbell, Chairman; John R. Coen, Vice-Chairman; John S. McClelland, Secretary; Michael F. Shannon, Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer and James T. Hallinan, Treasurer.

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## **ELKS NATIONAL SERVICE COMMISSION**

**S**EVEN YEARS of constant, faithful service to our hospitalized veterans and the members of our Armed Forces are marked by this year's Report." Past Grand Exalted Ruler James T. Hallinan, Chairman of the Elks National Service Commission, stated in the introduction to the Annual Report of this Commission. "We as Elks can proudly point to the fact that we have kept pace with our added responsibilities and will continue to try to fulfill our obligation to the men and women of the Armed Forces and to the veterans.

"The purpose of our programs is the furtherance of the Elks National Service Commission objective to convince the veteran that regardless of his handicap, the Elks are behind him in an effort to equip him with the essentials of making him an honored and useful member of his community," Chairman Hallinan stated.

### **Fraternal Centers**

At the time of the Report, there were thirteen fraternal centers in operation and, as Chairman Hallinan said, they provide a "Home Away From Home" for thousands of young men and women in uniform. They are celebrated for their cordial hospitality and are a popular off duty headquarters for our young military trainees. During the year, the Commission reactivated the center at Columbus, Georgia, and opened a new one in Sumter, South Carolina.

### **Duration Stickers**

This sticker was designed by the Commission and approved by the Grand Exalted Ruler because it seemed desirable to provide a uniform method of assuring that when an Elks Serviceman presents a card stating that his dues are paid for the duration, there will be no confusion in the mind of anyone examining the card.

### **Work In Korea**

Two shipments totaling two hundred thousand letterheads and envelopes bear-

ing the Elks Emblem were forwarded to Korea in answer to a shortage of stationery. The Commission feels that it has made it possible for many thousands of Servicemen in Korea to write welcome letters to their parents and loved ones.

During the year, the Commission also continued its program of sending cigarettes each month to the Armed Forces in Korea. One hundred thousand cigarettes are sent each month and each package is clearly labeled with greetings from the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

### **Courtesy Cards**

The Courtesy Cards, which were issued two years ago, continue to be in demand. Chairman Hallinan reported. These Cards are issued to blood relatives of members of our Order serving in the Armed Forces, who were under twenty-one years of age at the time of their induction. The Commission sincerely hopes that when the Courtesy Cards are presented, they will be honored by the subordinate lodges. They are available to each lodge, without cost, by writing to the Elks National Service Commission, Room 606, 292 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York. Furthermore, the Commission requests that Exalted Rulers, through the medium of their lodge bulletin, at meetings stress the importance of corresponding with our young men and women in uniform. The urgency of this simple gesture has been brought to the attention of the Veterans Service Commission by morale officers in all branches of the Service. As Chairman Hallinan said, "We should keep in mind their sacrifices are being made in order that we may continue to enjoy our happy privilege of the American Way of Life."

### **Manila**

Under the original agreement with the Manila Lodge, it was understood that any monies received by the lodge as a result of payments by the United States Government for war damages would be

remitted to the Commission, since the Order had financed the rebuilding of this lodge. The lodge received its award for war damages as a result of filing such claim. However, the Philippine Government passed legislation to the effect that any money withdrawn from the Philippine Islands is subject to a seventeen per cent withdrawal fee.

The Commission now has received a check for \$73,789.19 which represents the money on deposit, less the seventeen per cent withdrawal fee and \$44.28 for stamps. This money has been deposited in the general funds of the Commission. The Commission does not intend to close the situation and is protesting the taking of the withdrawal fee and has instructed Brother Thomas J. Wolff, of the Manila Lodge, to proceed accordingly in the hope that the entire award for war damages will be received. This has been quite an involved matter and Brother Wolff has contributed importantly to the results that have been achieved. His splendid work on behalf of the Commission was emphasized in Chairman Hallinan's report.

### Finances

Finances for the program this year were secured as follows:

Balance of \$376,996.85 remaining from last year's budget.

\$92,286.60 from Grand Lodge per capita assessment 1951-52.

On account, \$256,963.80 contributed by Grand Lodge through the 30 cents per capita tax paid by members of the Order as of April 1, 1953, as unanimously adopted by the Grand Lodge Session in New York in July, 1952.

\$25,000 appropriated to the Commission by the Grand Lodge for the expense of office maintenance in connection with the activities of the Commission.

\$2,003.41 interest earned on securities (\$73,789.19 received against advances previously made to Manila Lodge for reconstruction) and \$1,250 donations from subordinate lodges to the Fraternal Center Fund and other Programs.

The above items made a total of \$828,289.85, as of May 31, 1953.

Total expenses including General Administrative Expenses, Hospital Program and Elks Fraternal Centers, for the fiscal year amounted to \$317,941.39, leaving a balance, as of May 31, 1953, of \$510,348.46.

At the 1952 Grand Lodge Session in New York, a Resolution was unanimously adopted authorizing the Board of Grand Trustees, with the approval of the Grand Exalted Ruler, to levy an assessment, not exceeding one dollar per year per member, to be expended under the direction of the Elks National Service Commission in the event of an emergency. However, the Commission was pleased to report that it was not necessary to ask for this assessment and was successful in carrying on its program without additional funds. Furthermore, at that Session, the

per capita tax was reduced from \$.35 to \$.30 and this reduction was continued at the 1953 Grand Lodge Session in St. Louis in July.

Members of the Elks National Service Commission submitting the Report to the Grand Lodge were: Past Grand Exalted

Rulers James T. Hallinan, Chairman; E. Mark Sullivan, Secretary; Henry C. Warner, Vice-Chairman; George I. Hall, Treasurer; Howard R. Davis, Assistant Treasurer; Frank J. Lonergan; Wade H. Kepner; Emmett T. Anderson; Joseph B. Kyle; W. Hawley Atwell and Sam Stern.

## COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

THE Annual Report of the Committee on Judiciary was made by the Chairman of the Committee, John C. Cochrane.

During the year, the Committee rendered about 210 formal opinions but noted that, while over the past few years there has been a decrease in the number of opinions requested, there also has been a very large increase in the submission of revisions and amendments of subordinate lodge By-laws. This reflects a healthy condition in the lodges for it shows that the officers in charge are utilizing the material from the Annotated Statutes and are, in increasing numbers, recognizing the necessity of keeping their lodge By-laws up to date and in conformity with Grand Lodge Statutes.

In his Report, Chairman Cochrane emphasized that each Exalted Ruler and District Deputy should have readily available a current edition of the Annotated Statutes.

### Amendments

The Committee on Judiciary presented three amendments to the Grand Lodge, all of which were unanimously adopted at the Convention in St. Louis.

The first was an amendment to Section 226 of the Grand Lodge Statutes and its purpose is to enable lodges to apply to the District Deputy for permission to hold their Memorial Services on a designated day during the week immediately preceding or following the first Sunday in December. The Statute, as amended, reads as follows:

"The first Sunday in December of each year is dedicated as a day on which shall be commemorated by every Lodge of Elks in sacred session the memories of departed Brothers, and shall be known as 'Elks Memorial Day.' It shall be incumbent upon every lodge to hold such services. The Grand Exalted Ruler may, in exceptional cases and for good cause, grant a dispensation to any two or more lodges to hold such services jointly.

"The District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, may upon request and for good cause, grant permission to a Lodge to hold such service on a designated day during the week immediately preceding or following the first Sunday in December."

The second amendment was to Section 17 of the Grand Lodge Statutes, for the

purpose of providing a Convention Committee to carry out the plans and arrangements for the Annual Grand Lodge Sessions. Section 17 was amended to read as follows:

"The Grand Exalted Ruler shall appoint a Convention Committee consisting of five (5) members, which original members shall be appointed for one, two, three, four and five years respectively, and all subsequent appointments shall be for a term of five years.

"The program for Grand Lodge Sessions, including pageants, parades, exhibitions and other attractions of public character, shall be under the control of the Convention Committee.

"It shall be the duty of this Committee to secure and receive invitations from cities in the United States who are desirous of extending an invitation to our Order to hold the Grand Lodge Session. After investigation by said Committee, it shall submit its recommendations to the Grand Exalted Ruler and Board of Grand Trustees.

"Any and all contracts involving the expenditure of Grand Lodge funds that may be made with respect to any of said matters, shall be entered into and executed by the Convention Committee."

The third amendment was to Section 25 of the Grand Lodge Statutes to bring this Section into conformity with Section 17 as amended. Section 25 now reads as follows:

"The Grand Exalted Ruler, on the advice of the Convention Committee and with the approval of the Board of Grand Trustees, may for good reason, change the time or place of holding the ensuing regular Session of the Grand Lodge. The Grand Exalted Ruler shall promulgate an order designating the new time and place, and specifying therein the reasons therefor."

Members of the Committee on Judiciary submitting the Report were: John C. Cochrane, Chairman, H. L. Blackledge, William S. Hawkins and John E. Fenton. Newton M. Todd, a member of the Committee, passed away during the year and his place on the Committee was filled by Jacob L. Sherman of Denver, Colorado, lodge.



Some of the 40 youngsters from the Children's Home who were the guests of Bradford, Pa., Lodge for a full day of fun and thrills at the Smethport Centennial.



E.R. E. Howard Train, fourth from left, foreground, pictured with his staff of fellow officers for one of California's newest branches of the Order, Quincy Lodge No. 1884.



The officers of Lodi, Calif., Lodge, with several of the dignitaries who participated in the lodge's institution. Seated, left to right: Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis, E.R. Theodore Heil, State Pres. V. H. Grocott and D.D. W. F. Buettner.

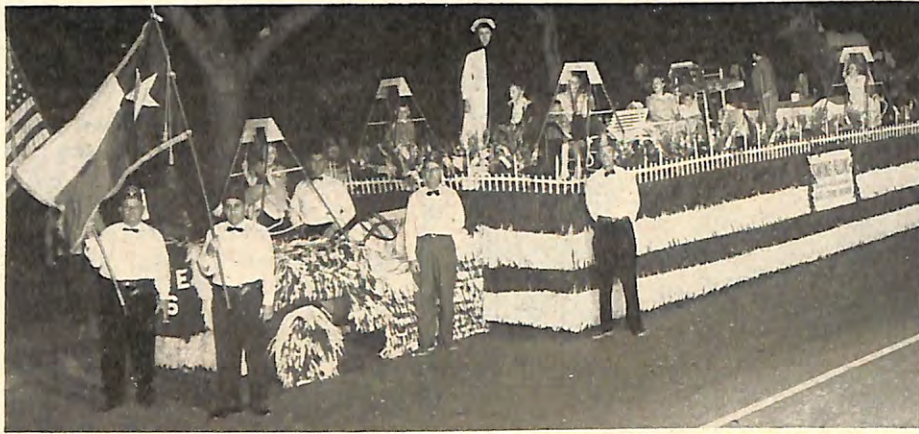
## Complete accumulation of Membership Cards of CHESTER B. HORN in Colorado Springs Lodge No. 309, B.P.O. ELKS, over a period of Fifty Years Membership.



This unusual picture almost tells its own story. It shows the Honorary Life Membership Card of P.E.R. Chester B. Horn of Colorado Springs, Colo., Lodge, and his collection of all cards issued to him each of the 50 years he has been a member. It is interesting to note that his original card was signed by the lodge's 1903 E.R., the late Rush L. Holland, who was to become Grand Exalted Ruler five years later. Mr. Horn, who was the first candidate Judge Holland initiated into the lodge in its present home, was a member of the Rush L. Holland Memorial Committee. He is also a former Grand Tiler, a Past District Deputy and has been Pres. of the Colo. State Association.

## LODGE NOTES

Three CORTLAND, N. Y., girls were awarded Elk scholarships this year, E.R. G. E. Cowburn reports. One young lady, Miss Elizabeth Ann O'Shea, received an \$800 educational grant from the Elks National Foundation to further her background for cerebral palsy work. The others are Miss Mary Ann Hayes, who received a \$400 State Assn. award, and Miss Marilyn DeSanta, recipient of a \$250 State Assn. scholarship. Committee Chairman H. O. Keller made the presentations . . . While many lodges sponsor boys' baseball teams, the Elks of ROCHESTER, MINN., Lodge have taken over their team's fans, too. There are 750 enthusiastic rooters, and the lodge will welcome any other youngsters under 14 years of age to the club, known as the Rochester Royals Knothole Gang, with Elk Jerry Regan in charge . . . ENSLEY, ALA., Lodge has lost a faithful member in the recent death of P.E.R. John Ramage, initiated in 1915 . . . The Mass. Elks' \$30,000 fund for the relief of victims of the recent tornado was enriched by a \$500 donation from QUINCY Lodge whose members also donated blood for these sufferers . . . BRAWLEY, CALIF., Lodge added to the State Assn.'s Cerebral Palsy Fund in a unique manner. Elk James Harrison and his son donated for auction the first bale of Imperial Valley cotton grown and processed this year; Elk Tunney Williams was the auctioneer, and it was bought by another Elk, C. T. Dearborn, purchaser for Cook Co. of Memphis, Tenn., bringing in \$523.45 for the CP Fund . . . An interesting note about the March of Dimes in MADISON, WIS., concerns Est. Loyal Knight Roy C. Mapes who directed the Elks' auction for the campaign from his sick-bed. Co-Chairman Tom Roach and E.R. L. M. Basford were on hand at Methodist Hospital to see Mr. Mapes present a \$725.45 check to City Chairman C. W. Regenberg . . . A recent RICHMOND, CALIF., Lodge community project was the sponsorship of a free public concert, in which the U. S. Army Field Band was presented in cooperation with the Army and Air Force Recruiting Service . . . The new home of ONTARIO, ORE., Lodge is richer by 12 folding tables which Marion Brizendine presented to E.R. Jack Judson on behalf of the members' ladies.



San Antonio, Tex., Lodge's Fiesta San Jacinto Parade float, representing the Tex. Elks' Crippled Children's Hospital, carried nurses and several little patients, four of whom sat in swings kept in motion by a more fortunate child, little Pennye Norris, daughter of the Est. Lect. Knight.



These are the Elk and school officials who handled the 209 children Nutley, N. J., Lodge entertained on its 3rd Annual Junior Safety Patrol Outing. The Elks are Police Capt. Walter Rasp, Youth Activities Committee Chairman Everett Zabriskie, Police Chief C. J. Rummel, Grand Trustee William J. Jernick, P.E.R. Emil Barbata and Supt. of Schools, Ehud Priestley.



Pictured with Tampa, Fla., Lodge's officers and the 54 men they initiated in honor of E.R. Joe C. James are Mr. James, P.D.D. J. F. Umstot, State Pres. V. O. Wehle, D.D. R. E. Moore.



When Denver, Colo., Lodge celebrated Lawyer's Night, a sense of humor put the Legal Eagles, led by Past Grand Exalted Ruler John R. Coen, third from left foreground, Henry S. Lindsley of the Grand Forum, second from left, and former Grand Tiler Jacob L. Sherman, right, in prison garb.

### California Welcomes Two New Lodges

D.D. W. F. Buettner conducted the institution ceremonies, State Pres. Vincent H. Grocott made the Flag presentations and Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis installed the officers for Calif.'s Quincy Lodge No. 1884, which came into being during a blizzard May 23rd, and also for Lodi Lodge No. 1900 on June 5th.

Assisting Mr. Buettner on both occasions were Past Presidents J. B. Morey, E. J. Williams and H. R. Wisely, and P.D.D. E. E. Keller. At Quincy, he was also aided by Grand Est. Lead. Knight R. S. Redington, State Assn. Secy. E. W. Dale and Vice-Pres. Ernest Olivieri, and former Presidents C. P. Hebenstreit, member of the Lodge Activities Committee of the Grand Lodge, and D. K. Quayle. Past Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight H. B. Hoffman, Past Grand Tiler L. B. Browne, and State Vice-Pres. George Ireland and Trustee C. T. Reynolds assisted him at Lodi.

E.R. Rudy Matskovich and the Oroville Lodge officers initiated Quincy's Charter Member Class, while Stockton Elk officials, led by E.R. Eugene Heil, initiated the new Lodi Elks. The membership of both lodges totaled 472 men, with No. 1884 having ten more to its credit than Lodi Lodge.

Mr. Wisely, Mr. Hoffman, Mr. Browne, D.D. R. A. Smale and State Vice-Pres. J. J. Brennan assisted Past Grand Exalted Ruler Lewis at both events, and others participating with him in the installation of Quincy's E.R. E. Howard Train and his officers included D.D. R. D. Conover and State Treas. F. E. Tumbleson. Also active in the Lodi installation of E.R. Theodore Heil and his staff were Past Grand Est. Lead. Knight F. E. Dayton and State Trustees Chairman N. G. Culjis. Several of the dignitaries mentioned earlier, as well as a number of other P.D.D.'s and P.E.R.'s completed the staffs officiating at these ceremonies.

### Bradford, Pa., Elks "Adopt" 40 Children for a Day

Joining in the spirit of the Smethport, Pa., Centennial Celebration, Bradford Lodge No. 234 conducted its annual Kiddies Day by "adopting" 40 youngsters from the Children's Home on the final day of the week-long series of festivities marking the anniversary.

E.R. L. A. Smith and the lodge financed bus transportation for the children to the county seat where they were welcomed by a delegation of Elks, headed by Est. Lead. Knight Howard E. Geckler. The youngsters had reserved seats for the Pa. State Police Rodeo, saw the displays, watched the Boy Scouts and fraternal orders parade, got tickets to the Centennorama, a spectacular historical pageant, and had spending money in their pockets. The evening was climaxed by dinner and a gigantic fireworks display at McCoy Stadium.



## The Social Side of the Convention

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Nancy Mae Dewhirst, who received the Third Place Award of \$200 in United States Savings Bonds at the Convention in St. Louis, as a National Award of the Youth Activities Committee, entertains at the Hammond organ in the Oklahoma room of Kiel Auditorium where the 1953 Sessions were held. Looking on are Grand Exalted Ruler Earl E. James, at the left, and W. "Bram" McKenzie, Chairman of the South Dakota State Elks Association. South Dakota was presented by the Youth Activities Committee with a check for \$200 for being the First among State Associations for youth leadership work.

In further appreciation of the 89th Grand Lodge Session, the Anheuser-Busch firm held Open House for all Elks and their ladies the afternoon of July 7th.

That evening the St. Louis Browns and Cleveland Indians played a game in honor of the Convention.

The following evening, the well-known St. Louis Municipal Opera Company staged the Broadway hit musical, "Blossom Time". This was followed by the

Annual Grand Ball, which was this year held at Kiel Auditorium and was also a reception to the newly elected Grand Exalted Ruler, Earl E. James of Oklahoma City.

The following morning, the 89th Grand Lodge Session closed, but most certainly all in attendance in St. Louis not only profited from the Four Business Sessions, but went away with memories of the social highlights.

## Rod and Gun

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mediate prospect of prime elk steaks and luscious roasts.

He shot his game in the evening, as all wise poachers do in hot weather. Then he dressed it out and hung it up to cool. At daylight next morning, he went to work. Part of the meat he could keep fresh. This he wrapped carefully and hung in a shaded corner of the barn. The remainder he would jerk. He stripped out all the muscles and dipped them in brine and by ten o'clock he was ready to start smoking them.

The best place to do this was in the cellar. Unfortunately, it was dug in the hill back of the house and faced directly on the main trail through the valley. Anybody going up or down the creek would pass within a couple of yards of the cellar door. Using the cellar for a smokehouse was hazardous, but it was a chance that had to be taken.

He carried all the meat to it and hung the pieces from the rafters. Then he

started a small fire and covered it with green aspen to make the smoke. It was nearly noon by the time he finished this final task. Just as he stepped out the door, he saw a horseman coming down the trail. It was the game warden.

As the officer rode up and drew rein, the smoke was beginning to seep out of the cracks around the cellar door. Dozens of yellow jackets, which had been attracted by the fresh meat, were buzzing angrily around it, too. The officer noticed both of these things immediately, of course, but the poacher was not dismayed.

The two men, who had played fox and hounds for years, greeted each other cordially. Then the poacher said, "Well, Tom, I'm just about ready to fix a bite of dinner. You might as well light and eat. How's tricks?"

"Pretty good, Dave." The officer dismounted and led his horse to the rail fence behind the house, where he tied

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# In the Doghouse

Faust gives some pointers on dog photography.

EVERY SO OFTEN it becomes my painful duty to return snapshots that dog owners send me, usually with a hope that the snaps will be published in your *Elks Magazine*. The reasons for returning them are one, or sometimes all, of several reasons. In most cases the pictures are not clear enough for reproduction. Then again they may show in addition to the dog one or more people. This being a magazine of more than a million circulation devoted to the general interests of Elksdom, pictures of people or groups that can be printed are only those that are taken in connection with outstanding events which are likely to concern a greater number of readers. Lastly, the editorial department usually has on hand more dog pictures taken by professional photographers than it could use in many issues.

Now the taking of a good dog picture suitable for reproduction in a publication is no small trick. In fact, photographing dogs is one of the most difficult chores the professional encounters and some there are who devote all their time to this one specialty. One lens expert of my acquaintance told me that it was not at all unusual for her to give nearly an entire day to getting one good shot after taking twenty or thirty pictures.

While professional dog photography is a quite highly skilled art or specialty, there is no reason why the average amateur can't take reasonably good pictures of his or her dog, and this is written to point out a few necessary things to be observed should you want to get a few snaps of Fido in the family album. I don't assume to be a lens shark, so if this is read by a professional or one of those expert amateurs—the kind who sends his prints to exhibitions—I ask his indulgence, as this is being written for the average owner of an average dog who only uses his camera at infrequent intervals.

In writing this I'm assuming that you have a camera, but if you haven't almost any kind will do, although the camera with a fast shutter is preferable to get a good picture of a restless dog. As you may have noted from time to time, there are two kinds of dog pictures: the formal wherein the dog is carefully posed, and he'll have to be a fairly well trained fellow to hold a pose, and the informal picture when you snap Fido when he isn't

looking. The latter might be taken when he is at play or doing something unusually interesting. Don't try to take action pictures with the box type camera unless you are outdoors on a particularly clear and sunny day. It's here that you'll need the faster shutter to "stop" the movement of the purp. The best formal pictures for the occasional photographer to try are head studies of the dog.

TO BEGIN, groom your dog to look his best, although hunting dogs in the field make good subjects without grooming. If they are disheveled all the better as this furthers the impression that they are working. For a formal picture, after you comb and brush the dog go over its coat with a cloth on which you have sprinkled a few drops of olive oil, or put the oil on the brush itself. This will help bring out highlights on the dog's coat. This goes for all breeds other than dogs that have wirey coats—foxterriers, airdales, etc. Coats of this type should look hard and wirey in the picture. For the formal shot, plan your picture in advance and be prepared to use all the patience you can command because Fido isn't often a willing subject. In fact some dogs become uneasy when they notice that

black instrument being focused on them.

If you scold the dog or shout you'd better forget the whole thing for the rest of that day. Don't try to photograph your dog when it is tired; it won't make a pleasing subject. If after repeated trials you just can't get the dog into the position you want, stop and give both yourself and the dog a rest. If the dog does pose as you want him to, give him some small tidbit as a reward if you plan to take more pictures immediately following. Try to be alone with the dog since other people are likely to distract him from his job of properly posing. By no means permit any other animals within sight of the dog.

Earlier I mentioned that some dogs grow uneasy under the lens. If you own such a purp, before taking any pictures let him get a close-up of the camera and let him smell it. His scent perception will often tell him that your camera is wholly harmless. Hold your camera a trifle higher than the dog's head and shoot from a distance of twelve to fifteen feet if your camera permits focusing down to that distance. Measure the distance from where you will stand and where you will place the dog and don't guess at this un-

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Photo by Ylla



A Cocker Spaniel and Boston Terrier. Puppies usually are not this cooperative.

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him. Then the two men started around the building. "How's things with you?"

"Not bad. Grass is good and my cows are putting on weight. Only thing that bothers me is the yellow jackets. Never saw so many before. Can't hardly mow hay for 'em—team gets into a nest every round or two. Barn's full. Cellar, too. Why the plagued things moved in until I couldn't hardly get a can of fruit. I'll fix 'em there, though. I just lit a smudge that'll curl their toes."

With the two suspicious facts—the smoking cellar and the yellow jackets swarming around the door—thus satisfactorily explained, the friendly enemies sat down and enjoyed a hearty lunch. A couple of hours later, the warden left without the slightest suspicion that he had missed his long-awaited opportunity.

**N**OT ALWAYS is the laugh at the expense of the officer, of course. A warden friend was patrolling during the pheasant season when he saw a couple of hunters, who were about a hundred yards from the road, kill a hen. He drove on slowly, meanwhile glancing back occasionally to make sure that they retrieved it. When the illegal bird was safely in their possession, he turned around.

He stopped his car near theirs, got out and started across the field toward them. They saw him coming, stopped hunting and waited for him, but when he was about halfway there he had to cross a deep ditch. This took him out of their sight for approximately half a minute.

When he drew near, he discovered that they were a man and a woman. Furthermore, the lady looked as though she might be expecting a visit from the stork. The officer told them who he was, then asked to check their licenses, which they produced. Then he asked to see their pheasants. The man removed a couple of cocks from his hunting coat. The lady's jacket obviously was empty.

"All right," my friend said, "I saw one of you shoot a hen when I drove past a few minutes ago. Where is it?"

"We never shot a hen," the man said, although he was obviously ill at ease.

The officer explained that he had seen them shoot it, that it was his duty to arrest them and that, further, he intended to find it if they had to stay there all night. He began to search the nearby stubble, thinking that they might have hidden it while he was out of sight climbing down into and back out of the ditch.

No luck. He found a few feathers, which confirmed his belief that they had shot the hen, but he was unable to turn up the bird itself. It, of course, was essential evidence. Without the hen pheasant, there would be only his word against that of the hunters and he would lose his case. He decided to try questioning again.

"All right," he said to the man, "which one of you shot it?"

"We didn't shoot it."

"Well, I know you hid it while I was

climbing through the ditch. Where'd you put it?"

"We didn't put it any place," the man said, but as he said it he inadvertently glanced at his lady friend. The warden's eyes followed his and suddenly he was struck by the strong suspicion that her apparent condition was due, not to the approach of a stork, but to the actual presence of a pheasant.

My friend was, however, a cautious as well as modest man. He could recall instances in which the courts had looked with disfavor upon those who caused expectant mothers to become emotionally upset. He could not search the lady. He could not arrest the couple without the evidence. It looked as though he would have to let them go, guilty though he knew they were. True, he might arrest them and take them in to have her searched by some police matron, but in case he *was* wrong there might be the unpleasant matter of a charge of false arrest.

While he was pondering his dilemma, the lady's face suddenly assumed an expression of extreme agitation. She swallowed rapidly, several times. She blushed. She began to squirm. She screamed. Her companion's face became red.

The officer said, "I'll turn my back. You hand me the pheasant."

"All right," she gasped. Thirty seconds later the trio was on its way to court. The hen had been merely stunned and it had recovered its senses—and full vigor—at a moment that was, from the standpoint of the warden, most opportune.

**G**AME WARDENS, like highway patrolmen, have heard all the excuses. They are not, however, men without mercy. One of them, who also happens to be a friend of mine, heard someone shooting ducks about half an hour after sunset one evening. This procedure was strictly illegal, so he began a cautious approach on the poacher's hiding place.

"I finally poked my head up over the creek bank," he told me, "and there he was, right below. I waited for him to shoot again and then I said, 'You're under arrest,' and flashed my light on him.

"He shot out of there like a scared rabbit. In those days I could run. I thought to myself, 'I'll soon have you,' and I lit out after him. He took off down the creek with me about thirty feet behind, but I couldn't gain an inch.

"We went down the creek to the road, then over the fence and a half mile south. We turned east at Fenton's corner, him still holding his lead. He was a running fool. Pretty soon, though, he got so tired he had to walk. So did I. That was a funny thing. Every time he slowed down, I had to, too. I couldn't gain a yard to save my soul. We'd run a while and walk a while and then we'd run some more.

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cold. He turned around and said, 'Well, I guess you got me.'

"I said, 'I know that.' I shined the light on him. It was Shorty Wallace. He wasn't but about five feet high. He had on an old Army overcoat and a pair of heavy rubber boots. He was still carrying his five mallards—that's twelve or thirteen pounds—and he'd hung onto his gun all that way, too. It was an old rabbit-eared, ten-gauge double that would of weighed ten pounds if it weighed an ounce.

"We weren't either one saying much yet. We both needed air. But I thought to myself, 'You running sonofagun. If you'd gone to school you'd have broken all the track records in the world.'

"Only he never went to school after about the seventh grade. He had to go to work, day labor, which was still his occupation. He had a wife and eleven kids and it was the night before Thanksgiving. It was during the hard times, too, and guys like Shorty didn't make much

even when they had work—which wasn't often. Soon as I got my breath a little, I said, 'I s'pose you'll have to lay it out.'

"He said, 'Yes, I guess I will.'

"I said, 'I'll have to take your ducks and gun.'

"He didn't say anything. I got to thinking about my family. My wife was probably stuffing the turkey right now. I thought about Shorty's eleven kids, waiting for their dad to come home with Thanksgiving dinner. It would be a long wait.

"I said, 'If you ever shoot another duck after sunset I'll skin you alive. If you ever even take a gun out of doors after hours I'll put you in jail for twenty years.'

"He thought that over. Then I said, 'It's my duty to arrest you, but I've got to go and get my car. If you weren't here when I came back I probably couldn't find you.'

"With that I left him standing there in the road, still holding his five ducks and that danged old shotgun."

**In the Doghouse**  
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less you are experienced. If this seems like too much trouble, set your focus scale at 100 feet, your shutter speed at 1/25th of a second and stop down to f16. But don't try this unless the light is very good. I wouldn't advise using flash bulbs when trying to photograph the dog. To many dogs the flash is too alarming and makes them camera shy forever after.

The big dogs such as Great Danes, collies or purps of corresponding size usually appear better when snapped outdoors. Photographing a big dog within the confines of a room, unless you are making a head study, shows too much dog with too little space around him. The background against which you place your pooch is very important. It should furnish a contrast—a dark colored dog against a light ground, a light colored one against a dark ground.

Don't pose dogs with mottled coats such as dalmatians or dogs with broken patches of color such as those of the beagle type under trees where there are spots of light and shade. Unless yours is a dog of a hunting breed, such as a setter, one of the larger spaniels or a retriever, don't pose your dog in grass that covers too much of its feet.

Most dogs photograph best from a three-quarters-on position, that is partially facing the camera. For dogs of German shepherd type the accepted pose is wolf-like stance with one hind leg slightly advanced ahead of the other. The same pose is often employed for dogs of Doberman pinscher and Great Dane type. It suggests a slight crouching alertness, as though the dogs were ready to spring into immediate action. The important thing when photographing is to bring out your dogs' best features or points. English bulldogs, those tough-

looking citizens that are actually gentle as lambs, always photograph best from a nearly "head-on" position. This emphasizes their broad shoulders, large heads and bowed legs. Dogs that have pronounced ruffs around their necks such as chow chows, pomeranians, etc., should have the ruffs brushed up and be photographed more nearly facing the camera than the three-quarters position mentioned earlier. All other breeds can be best photographed from a full side view.

Don't try to take formal pictures of very young dogs or puppies. It's a hundred to one you'll waste a lot of film as those youngsters just won't stay put, or at least the odds are so much against their doing so that the effort isn't worthwhile. For informal pictures, well that's something else. If you use a very inexpensive camera with a slow lens and shutter, your only hope is to catch the pups at play in good sunlight. When you do this stand well away at a distance of at least twenty five feet, more than this would be better. If the resultant picture is sharp, no matter if the puppies look very small, you

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In response to our initial announcement of the recently published "History Of the Order Of Elks" by Past Grand Exalted Ruler James R. Nicholson, we received a nice letter, with the first order, for the History from John Sachs, who is a member of White Plains, New York, Lodge No. 535. Brother Sachs informs us that he has been an Elk for forty-three years and a Life Member since 1936.

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## Business Outlook

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the early part of next year will not go very far and will not be all-embracing. The principal industries that will be affected by this readjustment will be:

1—The durable consumers goods industries, partly because, as indicated previously, the supply has caught up with the demand, and partly because of the heavy indebtedness of individuals.

2—Home construction, partly because the number of homes erected since the end of the war has been very large and partly because family formation at present and in the immediate future will be smaller than in the recent past, because currently the children born during the depression are coming of marriageable age. As is well known, fewer children were born during the depression years.

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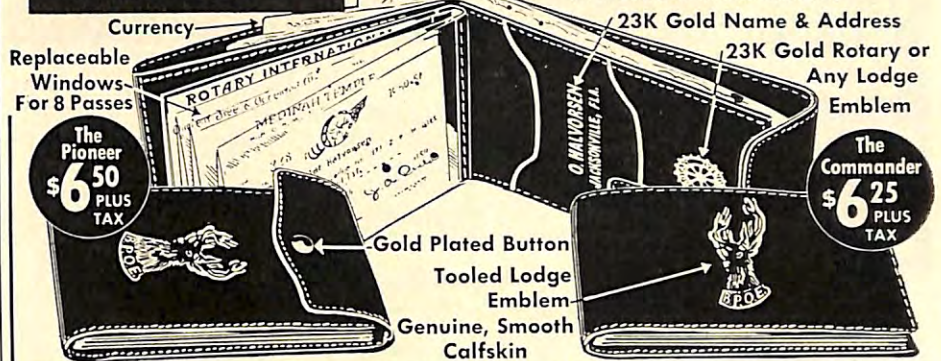
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The question that is at present of the utmost importance to business men is how long will the readjustment last and how far will it go? A great deal, of course, will depend on the attitude of the ultimate consumer as well as on management. In part at least the duration and the magnitude of the readjustment will depend on the actions that may be taken by the Federal government.

**BETTER VALUES—MORE BUYERS**

What the attitude of the ultimate consumer will be it is impossible to state. It is, however, fairly certain that management will endeavor to overcome the effects of the readjustment through the introduction of new models and possibly of lower prices. Since the accumulated volume of savings in the hands of the people is very large and since their economic security is strong, one may expect that better values will attract new buyers. Moreover, the economy of the country is dynamic. New products are constantly being produced; new inventions are being utilized and the factor of obsolescence because of the high cost of production, notably labor, will play a much more important role in the future than it has in the past.

The government, too, can adopt measures to stimulate business activity. A reduction in taxes is bound to take place at the beginning of next year. Should this be accompanied by a modification of the tax structure of the country in general, it will give a powerful and favorable stimulus to business activity. Similarly a lowering of money rates will stimulate borrowing, particularly by political subdivisions and public authorities in order to erect public works, the pent-up demand for which is still very great. There is a great and steadily increasing need for new schools, hospitals, playgrounds, roads and parking facilities. The Federal government, either alone or jointly with political subdivisions, will continue to spend large sums of money to preserve the natural resources of the country. Construction of all types will therefore remain at a high level and the construction industry plays a very important role in the economy of the country. It should be noted that the recently created Advisory Board on Growth and Stability has been requested by the President to report on the steps government and private industry can take to maintain a stable prosperity. The improvement in the international political situation which is apparently taking place will stimulate American private investment abroad and this too will

have a favorable effect on the economy.

Under these circumstances one may expect that the anticipated readjustment will not go very far nor last very long. The pattern of the readjustment may be similar in character to that experienced in 1949. At that time the readjustment lasted about ten months and the index of industrial activity as prepared by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and which measures the physical volume of business decreased from about 193 to about 160. It is possible that the readjustment which is in the making now may last somewhat longer but the percentage decline in the physical volume of business activity should not be greater than the one that was witnessed during 1949.

Conclusion: 1—The greatest boom in peacetime in the United States is gradually coming to an end. In fact it is quite possible that the peak has already been seen and that the decline set in sometime in April. In all probability business activity will not witness the same pick-up during the fall of this year as was witnessed in 1952, when the prolonged steel strike created a new pent-up demand and the building up of inventories. However, while business activity in the last half of the year will be somewhat lower than in the first half, the decline in all probability will be only moderate.

2—The principal characteristic of the readjustment will be increased competition and an effort on the part of manufacturers and distributors to reduce their inventories. It also will be characterized by the effort of many families to reduce their indebtedness resulting from the huge purchases of durable consumers goods and homes during the past few years.

3—Because the economy of the country is dynamic one may expect that the natural forces will soon reassert themselves and bring the decline to an end.

**PROBLEM BEFORE BUSINESS**

It is fairly certain that the Federal government will not stand idly by and permit the readjustment to become a serious recession accompanied by large-scale unemployment. The measures to be taken by the government will deal primarily with fiscal and credit policies. A lowering of taxes will increase the disposable income of individuals as well as of corporations while the adoption of an easy credit policy will stimulate borrowing by political subdivisions and public authorities with a resultant favorable influence on the erection of public works. The main problems before business men—large or small—briefly are: To keep their inventories in good shape and prevent overstocking; to pay more attention to the credit of the individual debtor in order to avoid not only delinquencies but also failures and losses later on.

Finally, as conditions are at present one may expect that the readjustment will be relatively minor in character and will not be of long duration. For those who

are not prepared to meet the readjustment it will be painful and accompanied with substantial losses. For those who realize that business is returning to normal and who are preparing themselves to meet competition, business will continue to be satisfactory.

## Timberline Trial

(Continued from page 7)

saddleback to the heather flats and try to get a *mouton sauvage*—But now what?"

The wolf had vaulted up on a boulder and was gazing fixedly down into the valley. Meesh turned his head and looked. Three miles down the mountain a darkish, ant-small figure had just emerged from a belt of thick pines and was crossing a bear-grass meadow, following the ancient moccasin trail of the Takudah goat-hunters. At first Meesh thought the thing might be a solitary caribou or yearling moose. But then, with a jolt, he made out that it walked with a snowshoe shuffle and was pulling a small toboggan sled.

From his ambush he watched the distant pines for other figures to emerge. But none came. "Hmmp, only one of them," he thought. "One alone, on a wide-open slope—he'll have the good sense not to argue with a hidden rifle. But after that I will have to sled up and leave this country of the Nahannah. They'll comb it with planes and snow cats, hunting me."

The lone figure, his rifle slung at his back and the hand-sled toggled to his belt, came on and on up the old Indian trail till at last he was within easy reach of the gun in the junipers. Meesh cupped his mittened hands:

"You down there. Stop."

The man below halted and stared up the slope, trying to locate the person who had hailed him.

"Where are you up there, LeBlanc? What'll you have?" he demanded.

"Turn yourself around and go back where you came from, Sergeant Kettick. Back to Eau Mortes, and thank *le bon Dieu* that you walked into a deadfall and then out again without harm."

The Policeman got out cigarettes, lit one and called back: "I didn't come on this detail just to turn around and go home, LeBlanc. So I'll have to come on up. Take it easy now."

Without unslung his rifle, he hitched at his belt, blew on his cigarette and started up across the last three hundred yards.

Meesh stirred uneasily and swore. "Nerve of the *diable*, Lupe! We must stop him or find ourselves in trouble." Taking a careful aim, he sent a bullet whistling low over the Policeman's parka. "What you heard that one saying was to turn yourself around, Sergeant Will. The next one you'll not hear say anything; you'll not hear at all the next one."

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slope, his racquet beams squealing on the powder-dry snow, his smoke hanging behind him in stiff little hunks.

Again and again Meesh ordered him back and threatened to shoot him in his tracks. But the steady whine of the snowshoes finally brought it home to him that nothing short of a bullet between the eyes would halt the officer, and he dropped the useless threats. In growing fright he glanced around and studied his chances of breaking away. But the time for that had passed; except for the ambush thicket he too was on wide-open slope. And the thought of saving himself by the simple little act of squeezing a trigger and cutting the Policeman down did not enter his mind.

For a minute or two longer he kept out of sight in the junipers, dumfounded at the way his plans had cracked up against the superb bravery of the *Monté*. But he was helpless and knew it, and when Kettick was a few rods down slope he stood his .303 against a boulder, got to his feet and waited.

The Policeman came on up, a lean, sharp-eyed sergeant, medium tall, hard-bitten. He glanced at the uneasy wolf, nodded to the big *métis* and said, "How're you, Meesh," and flicked the sweat off his forehead.

Sensing that the stranger was an enemy, the wolf edged up against Meesh's leg, shy and wildish. Meesh rested a hand on the animal's shoulder. "Everything, it *va bien*, fellow," he said reassuringly, though he was jarred to the shoe-pacs himself. During the winter he had come to believe that the disaster which had piled down on him at Eaux Mortes had run its course and at break-up time he could slip through the Mounted cordon and be merely another stranger in some Alaskan town. It had seemed to him little enough to settle for, this losing his friends of a lifetime, his new-built cottage home, his several mining claims, his name itself. But now even that bitter settlement was out.

The silence got awkward and painful. Kettick brought out his cigarettes. "Smoke, Meesh? Keep them. Imagine you've been out some while." He was a Policeman with a job to do, strict and businesslike, but he had been friends with the big hardrocker for half a dozen years, and also he was not unaware of his heavy debt to the man he was arresting. "Decent of you, not shooting," he grunted. "Damned decent. I figured you wouldn't. But I couldn't be sure. Thought you might have gone a little bushed, back in here. Besides, the second person a man puts out, it comes easier. The first time's the hard one."

Meesh answered him in French. "My second person," he said. For a moment all the old anger and exasperation of a hundred denials smoldered in his eyes. But he kept hold of himself and said quietly, "The very reason you're standing there alive, Sergeant Will, is that you'd have been my first time."

Kettick shook his head, firmly. "Sorry I can't buy that, Meesh. It's not that I don't understand. You took a galling lot from Dartois. He jumped your Goose Lakes thorium claim. Your four years of geigering around in that muskrat muck. On top of that, taking Mareea away from you. But—you did kill him." He added, without jest: "And how, my friend! The fellows are still arguing how many sticks of dynamite you must have used to scatter him and his cabin that thorough. And then, to fox things up worse for yourself, you broke arrest, broke out of the Police buttertub and pitched off."

"I saw coming a penitentiary term, a long one, for life *peut-être*," Meesh said, "and could I merely sit and let it come? In view of that damnable evidence against myself, I didn't in truth blame you for arresting me, Sergeant Will. But you shut the book, you wouldn't listen to me or look for anybody else. After all the winter to reconsider, are you still without doubt that the person who did the Dartois dynamiting was I?"

The silence got bad again. Kettick finally made talk. "Handsome animal you have there. Must be a wolf; a dog would be taking me apart. Those Takudahs mentioned there were some big grays back in here."

"What Takudahs?"

"A pair of meat hunters. Out of Fort Rogue, over in the Yukon. That's how I found out where you were. They ran onto some showshoe tracks last fall here in the Hohdenpah. I heard about it just last week. Knew it was you. No person would hole up in here unless he was hiding out. I understood the Indians saw the tracks over on the west slope, but I'm glad to be wrong; that Rogue headwaters would be a frightful mess of country to comb." He glanced at the northwest sky. "Got a shack around here close, Meesh?"

"Over across the hogback-là."

"Then suppose we go over there. This blizzard coming on looks to be a bad one. Short but wicked, these spring woolly-whippers. We'll let it kick over before starting for Eaux Mortes. Get your gun and let's go."

MEESH picked up his .303 and led the way out of the junipers, silent and somber-faced. It had been plain to him from the first that some other man had had a score to settle with Curly Dartois and had settled it fearfully, with the dynamite, and plain also that this person had been more than ordinarily cunning in rigging another man with the killing. Now it was equally plain, from Kettick's silence, that during the many months since the murder this party had made no betraying move or drawn the least suspicion to himself. It mystified him, as it had all along, for the shrewd, experienced Kettick to be so taken in. At times he believed that the dreadful incident might not be the simple grudge killing it seemed but had something more to it, something which would explain why the



Police had been thrown off the track so badly. But what this dark corner could be, or even if it existed at all, he could only guess.

AS THEY walked up the hogback Kettick said to him, somewhat scoldingly: "One reason I came on this patrol myself was to see that things don't keep on going from bad to worse with you, Meesh. From here on out, no more breaking arrest or digging yourself in deeper. As this case stands, you'd get an ugly-long term. What you ought to do is admit killing Dartois. Then you could plead the extenuating circumstances. Then the fellows at Eaux Mortes, including the Police, could put their paddles in for you. That way you'd get off with only, say, twelve to fifteen years."

"Only," Meesh thought. His fists clenched and he told himself he would fight till he dropped against paying that terrible price for another man's crime. But Kettick's advice, coming from a friend and a wise, knowing officer, frightened him through and through. He could see no opening for any fight, no way out of the quick-bog he was caught in. The killing was six months

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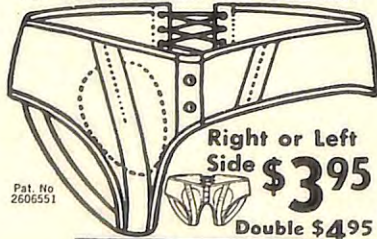
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old, the Police were still fooled, the book was still closed.

The blizzard built up faster than they had expected and the dark came early. By the time they finished chopping wood in the straggle of dead jackpines below the cliff, it was almost full night, the storm wind had started up, the snow was beginning to seethe and crawl.

Inside the small shack, of logs and caribou hides, that took advantage of an overhang at the cliff foot, they cooked up a stew of mountain sheep and moraine cranberries. After their supper Meesh fed the wolf, and Kettick made himself a pallet of his toboggan and some chunks. Then they sat and smoked, by the red-dish flickers from the little sheet-iron stove.

"How'd you happen to come by this wolf, Meesh?" Kettick inquired.

"He merely appeared here several months ago, out of the nowhere. I'd put out food for him and he'd follow me hunting, and so *peu-à-peu* he grew tame, as slinker wolves will."

"Odd," Kettick grunted. "You, having a pet wolf."

"What is it that's odd about that, Sergeant Will?"

"I didn't believe you had much use for wolves. Those Takudahs said you were killing 'em right and left back in here."

Meesh was astonished. Except for Lupe there were no wolves on the Nahannah and there had been none; he had not run onto a track all winter or even heard any distant howling. Very plainly, he thought, those Takudahs had confused him with another person.

Kettick went on: "The way we figured it at Eaux Mortes, you needed a stake for your get-away, so you decided to make some wolf-bounty money. You used the fat-ball trick and the ganghooks because you didn't have any regular traps and were shy on rifle cartridges."

A deep anger rose in Meesh. He knew about those cruel devices—frozen fat-balls with a length of spring steel coiled up inside, and baited ganghooks strung head-high from tree limbs so that wolves would leap up and seize them and hang there perishing—and it burned him to hear that the fellows at Eaux Mortes believed he had been killing wolves by those inhuman methods. But he kept silent, thinking hard. All winter he had wondered where the big lone wolf had come from and why at first it had seemed so fear-haunted, and now he realized that here was the answer. Over in the Rogue headwaters where the Indians had seen the snowshoe tracks some party had killed off a colony of wolves in those heartless ways, and Lupe was a survivor of that slaughtering. Considering the frightening, unnatural deaths of its kin, no wonder the wolf had fled from its home range and had still had that dumb terror in its eyes when it showed up at the shack on the Nahannah.

Then the question of who that Rogue party could be drifted into his mind. At

first a mere wisp of a question, it started growing on him as he pondered it; growing into a huge and startling thought, like a *jinee* out of a bottle. As he well knew, the upper Rogue wasn't trapper territory, and no prospector would stay there in the winter. He remembered Kettick's remark that nobody would hole up in there unless he was hiding out, and he asked himself what this party could be hiding out from. Clearly something of most serious nature. Yet Kettick, a while ago, had dropped mention that the year had been very quiet for the Police. Along the Big River and over around Fort Rogue they'd had only routine stuff—*except for the Curly Dartois killing.*

**I**T WAS half an hour later that Kettick demanded: "What's on your mind, Meesh? You've gone mum as a cooked owl."

The shrewdly intuitive question put Meesh on guard. Not for all the gold of Yellowknife would he have had Kettick get any inkling of the grim intent which had shaped up in his thoughts. He leaned back in the shadows and said, "If you faced a dozen years in Stony Mountain, Sergeant Will, you'd be a little 'mum' yourself, *hein?*"

"Probably," Kettick admitted. But his manner showed he was suspicious there might be something up wind. In a minute he remarked, apparently just talking: "I think I'll let you in on something, Meesh. Last fall the Police were just about to pull the string on Dartois when you barged in. Your fence wasn't the only fence he'd jumped. At Smith and Resolution the Police had worked up enough on him to put him away for most of his life. All you did was to give him a quick, easy out. And get yourself into this fix."

Meesh got the point. Kettick was telling him not to break arrest or fight the law in any way that might be in his thoughts. He paid no attention to the warning, and it was no news to him that Curly Dartois had jumped other fences. He had, in fact, believed all along that the person who killed Dartois had come there from some other post, visiting Eaux Mortes quietly and briefly, and that this was the reason the person had drawn no suspicion.

It did seem odd to him that this party had headed back into the Hohdenpah after the killing, instead of returning home. The only explanation he could see for this was that the party hadn't himself realized what an extraordinarily shrewd job he'd done, and had lost his nerve and decided to drop out of sight, at least till he saw how things shaped up.

Kettick got up and knocked out his pipe. "How about us turning in, Meesh? I did twenty-five snowshoe miles today and can use some bunk patrol."

Meesh had been waiting for that question. "This blizzard is bad and growing worse, Sergeant Will," he said casually. "One should keep the fire up. Toward morning I'll wake you for your turn."

For a second or two Kettick hesitated, and it was plain he still had a linger of mistrust. But then he started taking off his boots, and Meesh could tell he was thinking that the blizzard outside was a guarantee he would still have a prisoner when he woke.

For more than an hour, while the storm steadily mounted and the wolf and Kettick slept, he chunked the stove and thought his plan over carefully. To locate the unknown person in that "frightful mess of country," that half a thousand square miles of mountains, where the main Takudah trail split up into a dozen faint hunting trails: a man who likely was sticking close to his shack in some out-of-the-way gorge or creek-head, and whose old tracks would all be wiped shut by this blizzard—he knew this would take a miracle of good luck in the short time he would have before the Mounted were after him.

**A** LITTLE before midnight he got up silently, put on his heavy clothes and lashed some grub and camp gear onto his toboggan. On the chance that he might hold Kettick there a while and gain extra time, he took a piece of charcoal from the wood ashes and wrote on the back of his prospector license:

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The wolf had waked up, and it wagged its tail eagerly as it watched Meesh sling his .303. He whispered at it sharply: "Down, fellow. Quiet now. *Oui*, we're going on a hunt. But for game more dangerous than the cannibal bear and so hard to find that the devil with a lantern could fail."

When he was ready he picked up the sled, motioned to the wolf, and they silently eased out through the flap-door into the night.

The blizzard, almost at its full fury, was as savage a storm as any he could ever remember—a churned-up welter of clubbing blasts, stinging spume and bitter, punishing cold. For a minute or two, as he stood outside the shack getting used to the dark, he doubted if a man could possibly fight a storm that brutal. But it had to be then or never, while the blizzard would brush his tracks shut and Kettick could not follow.

With the wolf beside him, he groped his way out along the cliff, struck the old trail and turned west, into the teeth of the storm.

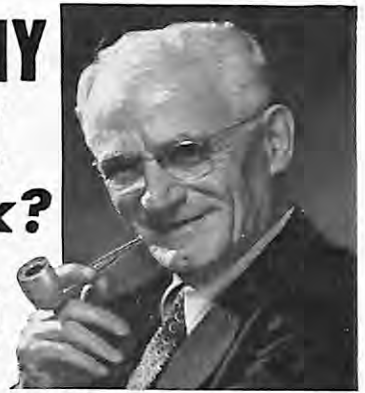
Sometime toward morning he found he was across the Divide; by the feel under his snowshoes he knew he was over the height-of-land and into territory where the waters ran toward the Pacific. The dawn finally came, such as it was, but he did not stop. Through the whole swirling, storm-dark day he pushed resolutely on, putting all the miles he could between

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After a hasty meal he walked out on the lip of the butte for a look at the wilderness he would have to comb. As he gazed down across the great fan of headwater streams, he knew that before he could cover even a third of that upper Rogue the Police planes out of Resolution and Norman would be quartering back and forth across the Hohdenpah and picking up his snowshoe tracks. And another question, which he had tried to keep out of mind, was troubling him more and more—even if he did locate that unknown party, what evidence would he have against the man, when there'd been no evidence to begin with and the dynamiting was half a year old?

Three miles below the butte he came to the first thin timber, a moraine flat of wind-gnarled larches, and there the Indian trail forked. One branch looked the same as the other, one direction as good as the other. In his tormenting uncertainty he muttered: "Lupe, Lupe, you know where he is, which way I should go. If you could for but one minute talk!"

From up on the butte the south part of the Rogue country had appeared a little better wooded and more hospitable than the north headwaters, and so he started down the path that angled southward.

Before he had gone a hundred yards he noticed a queer change in Lupe's behavior. All the way down from the butte the wolf had followed along behind him, its tail drooping, its mood oddly reluctant and uneasy. But now it was trotting ahead, its tail up jauntily, its uneasiness suddenly gone.

Puzzled, he stopped for a minute and watched the animal as it leaped at a flushing ptarmigan in a willow thicket and poked through some buckbrush on a rabbit scent. Something, he knew, had caused that abrupt change. And it seemed to have happened back at the fork of the trail.

A first hazy suspicion of the truth struck him. He called Lupe in, hurried back to the forks and walked a couple of rods along the path that angled to the north. But on that path the wolf refused to follow. He whistled to it, slapped his leg, talked to it soothingly and finally did persuade it to come to him. But it came tail down, nervous, afraid.

As he patted and calmed it his suspicion, running strong and clear now, had his blood thumping. "Why don't you want to go on this path, Lupe?" he said.

"Are you scared of something in this direction, *peut-être*? Remembering something, fellow—like fat-balls and baited ganghooks?"

Still not dead sure of his suspicion, he struck out on the north trail and followed it till he came to another fork, in a timbered swale two miles northwest. There the wolf behaved exactly as before. Along one trail it went with him willingly, even eagerly. But when he started along the other, it sat down and balked.

Swearing softly, Meesh stepped back to it and crouched down, a little staggered by this crashing turn to his luck. "Nom de Nom, you are telling me where he is—as plainly as any talk! But you've got to come along, fellow. All those trails and creeks and swales and timber belts are one big *hochepot* to me, but you can guide me straight to him." He could feel the wolf trembling and hear its low keening, and he knew it was indeed remembering those fearful times, back in the November Moon-of-Hardening-Ice, when it came upon its litter mates hanging in the jackpines and its other kin dying along the wolf-colony runways.

Late in the afternoon of the fourth day, in wild country thirty miles to the northwest, he ran upon fresh snowshoe tracks in a deep, timbered creek-gorge.

The trail led up stream toward a rounded creek-head a thousand yards on, and he guessed that there he would find the shack of the party he was after. Knowing he was dealing with a person who would kill him at first glimpse, he left the trail, diagonaled up slope into a thick stance of black spruce and cautiously made his way on up stream, slipping from tree to tree and stopping every few rods to reconnoiter.

WHEN at last he spotted the shack, in the creek-head pines, he worked the bolt of his rifle to make sure the grease had not frozen and looked to see there was a cartridge in the chamber. Then, with infinite caution, he angled down toward the top of a low cliff that would give him a good view of the creek-head. Without seeing anything of his enemy, he crept closer and closer, till he came out on the edge of the cliff and crawled into a thicket of lacy junipers that gave him fine hiding and the command he wanted.

The feather of smoke from the shack was thin and dull, and this told him the man was gone. Out hunting, he concluded. He slipped the .303 down inside his heavy clothes to keep it warm, and waited.

At sundown, with the first owl dusk settling in the shadowy gorge, the man returned. Carrying a yearling bighorn ewe, he came down the game trail above the creek-head, down through a fissure to the right of the overfalls, and passed within fifty feet of Meesh on his way to the shack. The tree branches kept Meesh from seeing his face, but he did see and recognize the fellow's clothes—the In-

dian-made netsuk and huduluks of white moosehide, the lynx-fur capote, the broad sashbelt of rainbow hues. He had seen that colorful outfit only once but he remembered it instantly.

"*Sacre donc!* It's that freight-boater from Grande Rivière. That man called Ribadeau—Jules Ribadeau."

His mind flipped back to the murky, snow-spitting afternoon in October when Ribadeau came to Eaux Mortes for a few hours and then apparently went on down north. It was all, he thought, exactly as he had suspected—a visitor from another post, who'd come there with a burning score to settle and killed Dartois, just when the Police were about to send the fellow up for most of his life, and then had lost his nerve and fled back into the Hohdenpah.

Yet something puzzled Meesh, as he waited for his enemy to get clear of the trees. He remembered well the lowering afternoon of Ribadeau's visit and recalled that except for a few minutes at the Bay store to buy a coil of rawhide he himself had spent the entire afternoon at home, mending snowshoes. In that brief time how could anybody, especially a complete stranger like Ribadeau, have come into his cottage and got together his special dynamite and fuses, his work gloves, hat, belt-knife and all the other incriminating things which the Police discovered when they searched the cabin strewage and gathered up what they could find of Curly Dartois?

The wolf had caught the smell of the man below and it was on the point of bolting. Meesh put a hand on its shoulder. "Keep down, fellow, *down*. We've only found him. It remains to capture him and that may involve some rifle argument. Then we must truss him up in our sleeping poke and travel day and night back to the Nahannah, while Sergeant Will may still be there."

When the man reached the little clearing in front of the shack, Meesh called down to him, sharply:

"*Vous-là, Ribadeau!* Throw your gun down. Then stand quiet."

At the sudden voice in the silence of the gorge, the man dropped the sheep carcass, whirled around, whipped up his gun and stared along the cliff top, trying to locate his enemy. His capote was flung back and Meesh saw him plainly, and a huge oath fell out of his mouth. The man in the clearing had the height and build and crow-black hair of Ribadeau but he was *not* Ribadeau. He was even wearing the clothes of Jules Ribadeau but he was *not* Ribadeau. He was a man who'd been dead six months. The man whose body had been scattered all over half an acre by that tremendous blast in the twilight of a day last October.

It was so staggering a moment that Meesh could not believe what his eyes told him. Unthinkingly he got up on one knee and blurted out:

"Dartois! Is it—you-*là*—is it really you, Dartois?"

The rifle below swung toward him hastily and an evil little spurt leaped from its muzzle. The deadly whistle of a bullet zipping into the junipers and past his cheek brought Meesh back to reality. As he ducked down, another bullet came burning in and he felt the flick of it through the top of his capote. But then he was safely down out of sight, clutching Lupe by the fur so that the wolf would not break cover and get killed.

He waited till the flurry of shots was over. Then he edged his own rifle out and took aim, a slow, careful aim. He wanted Curly Dartois alive, not dead. The real story of that October afternoon was beginning to clear up. Ribadeau must have gone to Dartois's cabin to kill him, but Dartois had got the jump and killed Ribadeau. Then he had changed clothes with the slain freight-boater and then rigged up the dynamiting job. Somehow he had known the Police were closing in on him, and he had figured that by stepping into oblivion he could throw them completely off the track and forever keep them from looking for him.

In desperate haste Dartois was jamming another clip of cartridges into the magazine of his rifle. Meesh fined down on him and shot. At the *cr-aa-ck* of the .303, Dartois's rifle jumped out of his hands and fell into the snow. The heavy bullet, catching him solidly in the gun shoulder, twisted him half around and dropped him to his hands and knees.

FOR SEVERAL long minutes big Meesh kept down in the junipers, his rifle still at alert. He was swearing that the man who had fooled the *Montés* and everybody else would play no more cruel tricks, and so he watched and waited till he saw, beyond any doubting, that his bullet had knocked all the fight out of Curly Dartois.

Finally he got up and stepped out to the edge of the cliff and stood there a few moments, looking down at his enemy and planning a swift trip back to the Nahannah. He was fairly sure he would find Kettick still at the shack, and a huge slow grin spread over his face as he imagined the officer's astonishment at the sight of the man who'd been dead since last October—the man whom one Meesh Le-Blanc had been charged with killing.

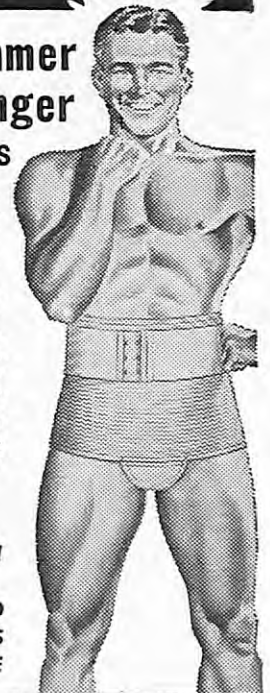
In the gathering owl dark the wolf edged up against his leg. As Meesh looked down at the tawny animal, his grin faded and his eyes filled with the marvel of what had come to pass there in the Hohdenpah. It was Lupe who had guided him to Dartois and so the lone stray wolf had paid the man back for that heartless slaughtering of its kin. The payment had been long in coming and strange the form it had taken, but it had finally come. It was almost as though *le bon Dieu* had brought it all about.

He reached down and patted the uneasy Lupe. "Steady, fellow," he said quietly. "Everything, it *va bien*. In truth, it *va tres bien* for us both."

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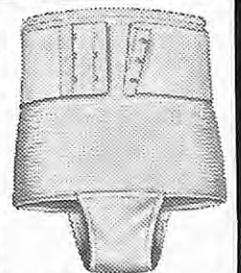
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# EDITORIAL

## A PLEDGE



One of the most dramatic moments of the Grand Lodge Session in St. Louis was the appearance of a large group of California Elks led by Past State President Robert Traver carrying rolls of leather for distribution by the Elks National Service Commission for use in therapeutic work in the veterans' hospitals.

This was followed by the presentation to the Grand Lodge of seven veterans from Jefferson Barracks Hospital and the tribute by Special Service officer Katz to the Elks National Service Commission.

Since then the Korean Armistice has been signed and people are beginning to hope that such scenes as those just referred to will pass from the stage and appear no more. Even though a lasting peace should follow this armistice it will be a long, long time before the last disabled veteran should have left the last veterans' hospital and his need of care, comfort, entertainment and good cheer shall have ceased.

And so the following pledge with which Past Grand Exalted Ruler Hallinan closed his report as Chairman of the Elks National Service Commission remains timely:—

"We want every veteran to know that we appreciate the sacrifices they 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."

## LOOKING AHEAD FROM AUTUMN



As the month of September arrives we may well recall the words of the poet Browning:—

"Spring shall plant and Autumn garner to the end of time."

In April the subordinate lodges of the Order planted a new set of officers.

Five months have passed and there has been time to become familiar with such of their duties as officers as they were not familiar with previously.

Those months have enabled them to determine how they were going to meet their responsibilities and what goal of accomplishment they are to set for themselves.

The new Exalted Ruler has been a delegate for the Grand Lodge, has had an opportunity to become acquainted first hand with the policies and workings of that body.

He has returned better qualified to carry on a program of lodge activities that will contribute to the success of his lodge, enthuse the members and win for the lodge the increased respect and confidence of its community.

We have had our summer vacations.

May we all have come back refreshed and strengthened and determined to do our part to make our lodge, contributing materially to the patriotic, civic, humanitarian activities of the greatest fraternity in the world—the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

## GERMANS HAVE THE WILL



The June riots in East Germany not only caught the Russian overlords flat-footed, but also surprised the entire world. Apparently the West as well as the Kremlin had placed too much reliance on the efficacy of Communist suppression, and too little faith in the love of liberty that is deeply rooted in man's nature. Any belief that the Germans differ from others in this respect must have been completely dissipated when the East Germans again defied their masters early in August with strikes, sabotage and mass violence.

Whatever the Germans are, they are not docile, as the citizens of East Germany have just demonstrated to the consternation of their Red Masters, and the delight of the free world.

Moscow will no doubt resort to even more ruthless measures to open the eyes of East Germans to the beauties of the Communist paradise. Tyranny will triumph—for a while at least—but only after many brave Germans have died before Red guns and under Red tanks, died fighting with their naked hands for something dearer than life.

Open rebellion in East Germany after eight years of Communist rule makes it reasonable to assume that the Communists have had no greater success in curbing the fierce spirit of freedom that has burned for centuries in the hearts of Poles and Czechs and the others of the Satellite nations. We should, and no doubt will, do everything that lies in our power to aid, encourage and strengthen all of them to resist.

## CONGRATULATIONS



Thousands of our members who served in the A. E. F. European theatre in 1944 will recall meeting Rennie L. Arnold, an energetic Virginia Elk, Past Exalted Ruler of Petersburg Lodge No. 237 and Past District Deputy, when he toured the continent as president of the American War Dads and as representative of Dr. Robert S. Barrett, who was Grand Exalted Ruler at that time.

They will all join with us wholeheartedly now, we feel sure, in expressing congratulations to him on his recent election as Imperial Potentate of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine.

It gives us a warm sense of pleasure to note the list of honors conferred by fraternal and civic organizations on this dynamic Virginian. We take delight in noting the recognition accorded him by the Elks and the Shriners, since both organizations are tied in spirit by their work in the field of crippled children rehabilitation. We find, too, that he was awarded the Legion of Honor of the DeMolay Society for his work in building character in boys, another item of real interest since he is now serving as Assistant Treasurer and Director of the Virginia Elks Boys' Camp, operated by the Virginia State Elks.

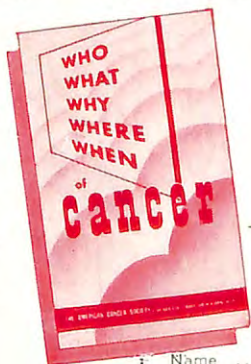
The members of the Order will extend their heartfelt wishes to Rennie Arnold for a most successful administration as Imperial Potentate.

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