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TOM WRIGLEY WRITES FROM WASHINGTON



IT IS BECOMING painfully evident to some that the Internal Revenue Bureau was not fooling when it announced an open season on tax evaders. The bird dogs of Revenue Commissioner T. Coleman Andrews have been ranging far and wide and have flushed a lot of game. By this time the returns for 1952 have been thoroughly examined and the result has been two-fold. Civil and criminal actions have been filed against those alleged to have wilfully conspired to cheat the government. Thousands of others who made deductions not allowed under the law have been called upon to pay millions of dollars out of court and thus avoid publicity. A new hunting preserve was opened when the Bureau sent agents on house-to-house and office-to-office random calls. They merely asked if the person had filed an income tax, if so where, and if not, why. These reports are now being examined and Commissioner Andrews is formulating a new policy designed to drag in thousands who do not file income returns, and never have. In the field of deductions for business expenses there have been rich returns from many who falsely reported large sums spent for entertaining and travel. Safe deposit boxes, desk drawers and even teapots have yielded wads of currency hidden away and not reported as income. Under the Andrews policy the taxpayer is given the benefit of every doubt. The agents are courteous, but for some they do ask the most embarrassing questions.

WASHINGTON BUS TERMINAL

A modern bus terminal is as important as an airport for any big city in this age of transportation and Washington is getting in line for an \$85-million depot. It is planned for downtown Washington and will be a bus terminal, parking garage and shopping center with every convenience. Moreover, it will be built with private capital.

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20,000 new consumers are added every month. Nearly every farm you now see along the highways has electricity for light and power, cooking and refrigeration, radio and TV. The marvel is that farmers struggled along so many years without it.

RADAR SPEED COPS

Just outside Washington, tests of radar by the Maryland State Police to check auto speeders are paying big dividends. Maryland courts hold the radar evidence is legal. This new way to curb highway speeders is spreading to other states. Maryland now has four radar equipped cars. They are moved from place to place wherever curbs are needed. The important thing, which auto drivers okay, is that the radar cars are not used as speed traps. Wherever they are stationed the traffic men put out big signs reading "55 Mile-Speed Checked By Radar". That's quite different from the motorcycle cop hiding behind the billboard technique.

WASHINGTON'S EYESORES

Those temporary government barracks about which much has been said on this page are once again in the spotlight. Public Buildings Commissioner W. E. Reynolds says it would cost \$200 million to replace them. Some date back to World War I. At present they house 50,000 government workers who have office accommodations worse than a back woods factory. To destroy them, Reynolds would work from the Lincoln Memorial toward the Capitol, "rolling them up in a ball along the Mall." Chief roadblock, however, is the economy freeze order which permits no new office building construction.

EXPENSIVE "USED" CARS

If you have an ancient auto which will still run it is probably worth a lot more than you think. Smithsonian Institution experts say. Collectors, in fact, are combing the country to get them. Interest in the old benzine buggies is increasing, as the recent annual Autorama here proved. Favorite place to look is the carriage shop in some farmer's barn. Many a Pierce-Arrow, Winton, Peerless, Rolls-Royce, as well as early makes of French, German and Italian cars, finally wound up on a

farm where their big motors were used for power. Probably the oldest car now on record is the Autocar No. 1, a three-wheeler built in 1897 and on display in the Smithsonian.

SCHOOL ACCIDENT INSURANCE

District public school children are being offered group accident insurance at \$1.25 per year. A new idea, it pays a maximum of \$9,500 for one accident, \$2,000 for medical expenses, \$7,500 for loss of limbs or sight and a \$1,000 death benefit. Covers accidents to the pupil on his way to and from school and while he is on the school property. Does not cover high school football. Football players here are insured at \$10.60 each, the premium being paid out of game receipts.

MAIL SHAKEUP

Between now and next Spring a lot of changes in collection and delivery of the U. S. Mail can be expected. Some of the new ideas under study make the present system look like the Pony Express of Wild West days. Planes are being substituted for trains in moving regular mail between Washington and Chicago and also New York and Chicago. The planes carry what they can, the rest goes by train. But the big idea is to get rid of the old, heavy mail bags by substituting lighter, metal containers, use regular bus lines for some routes, and put on special trailer trucks for bulk mailing and other types of delivery.

CAPITAL CABBAGE

A new kind of cockroach, fond of grapes, apples, carrots and dog food, has invaded the U. S. from Madeira, Smithsonian Institution reports... Health Department examined 3,688 dogs which had bitten people in the last fiscal year... Tax revenue on alcoholic drinks declined \$69,000 the past fiscal year... Keep your eye on the public debt. It is over \$272 billion and the legal limit is \$275 billions, less than \$3 billion to go... Lady bugs are being imported into Texas to knock off the boll weevil... When His Royal Highness the Crown Prince of Japan was given a reception by newspapermen at the National Press Club he had broiled octopus and tea, but he let it be known he likes hot dogs and cokes.

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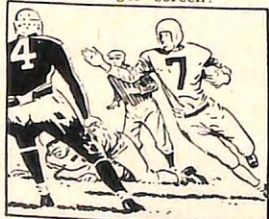
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PROCLAMATION

To All Subordinate Lodges and Members of the
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GREETINGS:


The Grand Exalted Ruler, by and with the approval of the Board of Grand Trustees of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America, acting on authority given him under Section 6, Article 3, Grand Lodge Constitution, does hereby proclaim that the next session of the membership and representatives of the Grand Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will convene in Los Angeles, California, July 4, 1954, with the opening and public meeting to be held in the Paramount Theatre on Sunday, July 4, at eight o'clock in the evening.

The opening business session will convene in the Paramount Theatre at 9:00 Monday morning, July 5, 1954, at which time the election of officers for the ensuing year will be held. Business sessions will continue thereafter each morning at 9:00 on July 6, 7, and 8, until the business to come before the sessions is finished.

Dated: Oct. 15, 1953

Attest:

Grand Secretary


EARL E. JAMES
GRAND EXALTED RULER



RECALLING THE EARLY DAYS

I am just in receipt of my autographed copy of the History Of the Order Of Elks. While, of course, this much-needed book will be of great interest to all Elks, it was of particular interest to me because I have had the extreme pleasure of living with the history this book so thoroughly covers for fifty-three years. I had the great opportunity of appreciating the early struggles of the Order as told in the History because I knew Brother Steirly personally, as well as William Bowron, who was the first initiated Elk.

Fraternally yours,
Harry Leonhardt

"Host of Los Angeles No. 99"

We here at the Magazine were particularly gratified to hear from an Elk of so many years' standing, who knew Brothers Richard Steirly and William L. Bowron, both of whom were among the fifteen Jolly Corks who founded the Order back in 1868.

As Brother Leonhardt said, the struggles of the early days of the Order are most thoroughly and interestingly told in the recently published History Of the Order of Elks by Past Grand Exalted Ruler James R. Nicholson, and there is a chapter on the Vivian controversy, with the conflicting views on the founding of the Order covered.

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TOUGHEST IN CLEATS

Pro football's heavyweights are finding you can't always stop little fellows.

BY AL STUMP

MRS. MARTHA ALBERT, a pretty dark-haired housewife of Menlo Park, California, often has wished that her husband never had seen a football. Such a moment came two seasons ago when a 255-pound tackle of the Green Bay Packers stretched Frankie Albert stiff and senseless on the turf of San Francisco's Kezar Stadium. Albert, a 5-foot-10-inch, 168-pound quarterback—

one of the great play-callers of all time—for eight years has been the box-office salvation of the San Francisco Forty-Niners.

That day the Albert family was watching the game on television at home. They saw the Forty-Niner doctor dash onto the field. He put his hands under Albert's back and lifted, in an effort to ease his breathing.

But for a long, awful few minutes, he didn't move.

"When's Daddy going to get up?" asked Janie Albert, age six.

Mrs. Albert sobbed and switched off the television. In the two years since, neither she nor the children have watched a Forty-Niner game, either in the stadium or living room.

Difficult as it has been for his wife,



Quick lads able to meet modern offensive needs are vital to a team.

and as remunerative as professional football has been for one of the smallest T-formation quarterbacks in National League history (\$20,000 a year for nearly a decade), the most arresting side of the Frankie Albert story is that he always got up after taking his lumps from the giants who dominate the game... and did a noble pioneering job for the little man. In more than 120 games he has had six fractured ribs. His nose has been broken four times, eventually requiring surgery. His legs have been battered the color of old steak and all of his front teeth removed by flying elbows and knees. At times Albert has played with a spunglass cast protecting his body (while ribs were healing) from neck to waist. In a Chicago Bears game, he was hit so vigorously by an end outweighing him nearly 100 pounds that he swallowed his tongue and came close to self-strangulation.

Yet old pros say, "There's nobody like Frankie. He changed the game."

How the little lefthander, who averaged 14 touchdown passes per season, changed it is notably evident in a new trend this season. Before World War II, the comparative midgets of the NFL like Albert were so rare as to be curiosities. Now the small-bore athlete who always before was scorned is cropping up in quantity. Under tightened competition and a shift toward speed of attack, scarcely one of the 12 clubs can afford to be without several light, swift types to confound the opponent's defense, or cope with it. By professional definition, a midget is anyone under 5-10 and 175 pounds. When the 1953 season opened, no less than 32 of them were on league rosters. Odds against any of them becoming stars, of course, are exorbitantly long. Still the peewees were not only getting by in a Neanderthal world, but were adding new thrills—as kick-off and punt-return specialists, as breakaway runners, pass-catchers and defensive men fast enough

to cover elusive ends on passes. And, like Mickey Mouse, they pack terrific crowd appeal.

Who'll be the next Albert? Well, with Frankie retired by age this year, a dozen successors were competing for the greatest-little-man-of-the-pro-grid title. There's Verda T. (Vitamin) Smith, jackrabbit Los Angeles Rams halfback whose 80 and 90-yard touchdown spurts have helped his team to two divisional championships and one world title since 1950. There is Eddie LeBaron, a 5-foot-8, 165-pound youth of cherubic mien, who replaced Sammy Baugh as Washington Redskins quarterback last season—when most experts said he'd flop. Jug Girard and Doak Walker, twin halfback threats of the defending champion Detroit Lions, could walk under the outstretched arms of the typical pro lineman. Joe Arenas, 5-10, 170, is a top ball-toter with the Forty-Niners. Buddy Young and Joe Sabol of the Baltimore Colts are smaller than Arenas. Teams kick away from Johnny Williams, a skinny but jetlike 165-pounder of the Redskins, said to be the most dangerous of safety men. But the supreme eye-stopper—as amazing to coaches as to fans—is Billy Cross, a 24-year-old Texan with the Chicago Cardinals.

"The first time we brought out Cross, a couple of years back," says Joe Stydahar, the Cardinals coach, "the crowd thought it was a gag. You know, like Bill Veeck using a dwarf to pinch-hit for the St. Louis Browns."

CROSS disappears from sight when he stands behind Cardinal center Jack Simmons (6-4, 245). He is 5 feet 6 and weighs 148—the most meager individual in modern pro history.


He is no gag. When the Cards met their intercity rivals, the Bears, recently, bookmakers listed them as one-touchdown favorites. The odds were based on the power running of Charley Trippi and Elmer Angsman and the passing of Frank Tripucka. The 50,000 fans in Comiskey Park were hard put to identify Cross, a rookie from obscure West Texas State Teachers College. Until he got the ball, that is.

A blur in a red shirt, he bobbed up to take a 20-yard pass from Tripucka. He faked two tacklers off their feet, raced away from another for a touchdown. A bit later Cross scooted between two linebackers who made futile gestures moments after he'd been there for 40 yards and another score. The two runs gave the Cardinals a 24-14 victory. Billy thereafter became known as "Double Cross" to the Bears.

"In college, I ran 100 yards in 9.7 seconds," explains Billy. "Most pro linemen and linebackers are so big and beefy they couldn't do it in 15. All I do is go where they think I'm going, only I'm not."

You'd think that by all physical laws the percentages would catch up with

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Los Angeles

**Proud Capital of a
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BY OTHO DE VILBISS

From downtown Los Angeles famed Wilshire Boulevard sweeps west across MacArthur Park to the Pacific. Imposing building above lake at right is home of Los Angeles Elks.

FEW if any cities have been the inspiration for so much fulsome prose as Los Angeles. Yet, the truth is that the town defies description. As the ad says, it must be seen to be appreciated.

Of what other city can it be said that, within its borders, can be found magnificent ocean beaches, mountain ranges with peaks soaring above 5,000 feet, sweeps of silent desert, scented orchards and vineyards and an economy that sustains over 2,000,000 people? Wrap this package of bewildering contrasts in a climate that is the envy of the Riviera and you have fabulous Los Angeles, fastest-growing city in the world, beautiful capital of a tremendous empire that is a charming blend of the old and the new, where the tumultuous energy of the West has been tempered by the languor of the tropics to produce a way of life that has had more influence on the rest of the country than many people suspect or will admit. The fellow who said that he didn't want to be a millionaire, he just wanted to live like one, should have been good to himself and moved to Los Angeles. Money is still necessary there, and people still have to work, but nature's abundant blessings, so freely enjoyed by all, have reduced these requirements to minor irritations.

The City of Los Angeles is a sprawling

colossus dominating the 44 other cities and over 100 towns that make up the bewildering complex that is Los Angeles County. Although the City's 453 square miles make it the largest in the U.S., it is small compared to the County's 4,080 square miles. Included in this vast and diverse domain are two islands, Santa Catalina and San Clemente. The last time it was mapped, the City of Los Angeles lay in the northern half of the County, stretching like a huge jig-saw piece from the Pacific on the west to the San Gabriel Mountains on the east, completely surrounding such well-known cities as Beverly Hills, San Fernando and Culver City. It has long since engulfed Wilmington, San Pedro, Hollywood and a score of other communities in its mercurial spread, and threatens to breach the dikes that protect Burbank, Glendale, Pasadena and a long list of other cities that are growing in the familiar Los Angeles tradition.

This is the friendly, hospitable city that will be host to the 90th Grand Lodge Convention of the Order of Elks next July. Speaking of July, we might as well dispose of the weather question right now for the benefit of those Convention-goers who have never visited Los Angeles at that time. You won't need a raincoat. The Weather Bureau has never

recorded rain there in July. But you had better bring something warm for evening. The mean temperature for the month is a brisk 71 with an average daily maximum of 81 and minimum of 60. The humidity averages 87 at 7:30 a.m. and subsides to 53 at 1:30 p.m. Actually, save for some rain in the winter months, there's little variation throughout the year. Now you know why Los Angeles' weather—commonplace though it has become—is still probably the greatest single attraction among its many lures.

Eye-popping growth that not even the nation's worst depression could stop is the major phenomenon of this phenomenal land. It amazes even Los Angeles. In the depression decade 1930-1940 the City of Los Angeles jumped from 1,238,000 to 1,504,000. The 1950 census gave the City a whopping 1,970,000, and the April 1, 1953, official estimate was 2,100,000. Figures for Los Angeles County are even more staggering. In the same 23-year period, the County's population more than doubled from 2,208,000 to 4,650,000 this year. Any fear of a post-war slackening was quickly dissipated as thousands of servicemen and war workers who had been exposed to Los Angeles and found it good poured in at war's end. The most conservative estimates place the County's current annual increase at 165,000 persons, of whom 110,000 come by choice and 55,000 have the good fortune to be born there. It's small wonder that Los Angeles, now our third largest metropolitan area and the fastest growing spot on earth, looks forward confidently to overtaking Chicago by 1960.

No stranger to coping with an expanding economy, Los Angeles has tackled with energy, enthusiasm, imagination and success such inevitable problems as housing, schools and traffic that have overwhelmed lesser communities. Seven hundred thousand homes have been built in Los Angeles County since 1940, a quarter of a million of them since 1950, at a pace that left even the natives goggle-eyed.

A glance at the school situation tells its own story. In 1940, the operating budget of Los Angeles city school system alone was \$43,000,000. Today it is \$128,000,000, to provide for an enrollment of 373,000 pupils. In five years, the City has built 41 schools; it has 24 under construction, and will spend \$40,000,000 a year for more schools under a \$130,000,000 bond issue cheerfully voted by its citizens last year. In Los Angeles County, a staggering 950,000 kids trooped into 1,057 schools, including 19 junior colleges, when the bell rang last September.

Their schools, like their homes, are built in the style that has influenced architecture and living habits from coast to coast, and made patio and outdoor fireplace by-words even in New England. Rare indeed is the Los Angeles family without these accoutrements to happy



Miles-long Santa Monica Beach, viewed from Pacific Palisades, is just 17 miles from Los Angeles Civic Center. It is one of 14 major beaches serving the metropolitan area.

living, and they doubtlessly are obtaining estimates.

In this vast area, an automobile is a necessity, and practically everybody has one. Furthermore, where people think nothing of driving a couple of hundred miles for an evening of bridge, it's considered odd to walk even to the corner drugstore. There are 1,900,000 private passenger cars (not counting the several hundred thousand filled with wide-eyed tourists) in Los Angeles County, or one for every 2.3 persons, the highest ratio of any major city in the world. Every morning, a great flood of cars pours into downtown Los Angeles from all directions, and recedes at night, and there are similar maelstroms operating around the other centers. The steady flow of the non-peak hours is only slightly less.

Under these conditions, traffic could easily become a paralyzing problem; and it is a problem in Los Angeles, but not the picturesque shambles its prideful citizens sometimes like to make it. This horrendous myth is neatly exploded by the record that shows that Los Angeles won the National Safety Council's award for cities over a million three years straight 1949-51 and placed second in 1952. One important reason for this praiseworthy showing is that Los Angeles naively supposes that pedestrians have a right to live. Motorists from elsewhere, taught to look upon a pedestrian as target for today, soon learn that the pedestrian has the right of way not only in theory but also in fact. It's an eerie feeling to cross a street in the well-marked pedestrian lanes, and see charging motor-

ists come to a respectful stop until you are thoroughly past them.

Much credit for this, as well as the unruffled flow of traffic generally must go to Los Angeles' efficient police force. These handsome, courteous, smartly-tailored policemen really work at their jobs as though they enjoyed it.

Los Angeles has applied simple logic to the traffic problem. The result is a system of super-highways that makes real the movie shorts of the 20's portraying the city of the future. Crisscrossing

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Four-level traffic interchange is hub of County's network of freeways. Civic-Center at right rear.

The Grand Exalted Ruler's Visits



Mr. James' first official visit was made to Chicago (South), Ill., Lodge. He is pictured here as he was welcomed by Mayor Nathan Kennelly in the presence of Past Grand Exalted Rulers Joseph B. Kyle, Frank J. Lonergan, Floyd E. Thompson and Grand Secretary J. Edgar Masters, J. Paul Kuhn of the Grand Forum, D.D. William O'Hara, State Association Secretary Albert W. Arnold, P.E.R. Ray Hinch, E.R. Dr. Frank Farrell and other Elk and civic leaders.

EARL E. JAMES, 34-year-member of Oklahoma City, Okla., Lodge, No. 417, made his first official lodge visit as the Order's leader on July 14th when E.R. Dr. Frank A. Farrell and other officials of CHICAGO (SOUTH), ILL., LODGE, NO. 1596, as well as the city's Mayor, Nathan Kennelly, welcomed him and his entourage. A great many Elk and civic officials were present on this occasion for which Ray Hinch was General Chairman.

A short time later, the Grand Exalted Ruler visited SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, LODGE,

NO. 85, where he conducted his Western District Deputy Conference, and on Aug. 8th, he was back in his home state, when delegations and their ladies from 20 lodges, in particular his own OKLAHOMA CITY LODGE NO. 417, turned out in large and enthusiastic numbers to pay tribute to Mr. and Mrs. James at a gala banquet.

Another outstanding occasion was the Aug. 13-14 visit Mr. James paid to WICHITA, KANS., LODGE, NO. 427, accompanied by Special Deputy Floyd Brown. The Order's leader outlined his plans for

the year to members of the lodge during afternoon and evening programs on the 13th, and at a special breakfast the following morning, preceding an extensive tour of the Institute of Logopedics which has long been a Kansas Elk charity project. At this time, E.R. Louis Grimm presented his lodge's \$500 check to Dr. Martin F. Palmer, Institute Director, to aid in the three-fold program of research, professional training and clinical work in progress at the Institute which habilitates speech and hearing disorder cases, including several cerebral-palsied children and adults.

Aug. 19th found the distinguished Oklahoma attorney in Delaware for several Elk events. Accompanied by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Robert South Barrett, Past Grand Est. Loyal Knight Charles G. Hawthorne and several other Elk luminaries, Mr. James called on Gov. J. Caleb Boggs at the State Capitol in Dover where the recent institution of DOVER LODGE NO. 1903 completed the list of branches of the Order in capital cities.

Over 200 men turned out to pay tribute to Earl James at a luncheon that day when WILMINGTON, DELA., LODGE, NO. 307, and the local Kiwanis Club were joint hosts. The Grand Exalted Ruler was the principal speaker and among others at his table were Dr. Barrett, Mr. Hawthorne, P.D.D.'s Paul K. Shutt, Sr., and Leon J. Buckley, Program Chairman I. B. Finkelstein, Kiwanis Club Pres. Harry C. West, Mayor August F. Waltz, E.R. Alton H. Jacob, Judge Thomas Herlihy and Secy. Gerrish Gassaway of the Chamber of Commerce.

That afternoon, Mr. James and his party arrived at SALISBURY for the Convention of the MD., DELA., and D. C. ELKS
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Below: In Harrisburg for the Pa. Elks Assn. Convention, Mr. James placed a wreath on the memorial honoring Past Grand Exalted Ruler Meade D. Detweiler. Left to right are State Pres. Barney Wentz, Past Pres. Harry Kleean, E.R. Albert Filippelli and the Order's leader.

Above: Oklahoma City's Earl E. James, the Order's new leader, is feted by the Okla. Elks Assn. At the speaker's table are, left to right: D.D. and Mrs. Floyd Hyer, Mrs. M. M. Thomas, Mrs. James S. Tate and Oklahoma City Lodge's E.R. Tate, Mrs. Earl E. James, the Grand Exalted Ruler and P.E.R. M. M. Thomas. In the foreground, left to right, are Bristow E.R. L. A. Wood, Past State Pres. Arthur J. Hall and Holdenville P.E.R. Taylor Ramsey.



ROD & GUN

BY TED TRUEBLOOD

Magnificent midgets, quail are special challenges to any hunter.



WHEN the game Warden checked us, we had two quail—one apiece out of a wild covey that had flushed barely in reach of the full-choke barrels. It was 4 p.m. of a gray November afternoon.

There are days when quail are hard to find. This had been one of them. Drizzling rain had fallen most of the time since early morning and though we had tramped through many covers that were usually productive the dog had failed to strike the scent of birds. Now we were undecided where to turn. We had no thought of giving up, however. You don't quit with daylight and only one bird and the season coming to a close.

We drove a couple of miles farther down the dirt road and turned in at another farm. After speaking to its owner we walked out into his fields—fields that we knew well and that we also knew held quail.

We tramped across a corn patch. It had been picked. The stalks were broken down and weathered and there was much spilled grain on the ground. Previously, we had found two coveys feeding here along toward evening. This time there were none.

Finally, just before dusk, we started across a weedy swale to another field. The cover here was dense. Thick, waist-high sweet clover made pushing our way difficult. I couldn't see the dog. Suddenly, when I was nearly through, I came upon him. He was pointing.

My companion was a little behind. I waited for him to catch up and we moved in. Two quail buzzed out. One went his way and one went mine and we got them both. Three more flushed at the shot and we got one apiece.

Three or four came out while we were reloading, but they still were getting up when we were ready to shoot once more. One, two or three at a time they came. It was a big covey. We stood in our tracks and filled out our limits and there were plenty left for seed.

That kind of shooting doesn't happen often. Bob is clever. It is always tempting to say that he is getting wilder. Maybe he is; a lot of folks think so. There were wild coveys in Frank Forester's time, however, just the same as there are now.

The weather has a lot to do with the

behavior of all kinds of game, including quail. One autumn we had an early snow. That morning when we started hunting there were three inches of it on the ground and the sky looked as though more might fall at any minute. The quail didn't want to fly. We quit hunting when we had found three coveys because we had killed all that the law allowed us.

AT THE OTHER extreme, I have always found quail to be jumpy, wild and hard to handle on dry, windy days. Wind, of course, seems to make all upland birds nervous. It also makes scent conditions difficult. A dog that never bumps a covey on a damp, still day is likely to run through one after another when the wind is blowing.

Another factor in the behavior of quail is the cover—not only the cover from which they are flushed but the kind available for them to fly into, too. If they are feeding in a field bordered by woods or a swamp, they naturally are going to head for it, particularly if the covey has been shot into before, and you won't see them again that day. Of course, this is more marked where they are hunted hard. On the other hand, quail in areas where all the land is cropped can only fly into another field when they are put up.

Bob is the favorite of many sportsmen because he holds so well for a pointing dog. His Western cousins, the mountain, valley, Gambel's and scaled, or blue, quail are notorious runners. Admittedly, the birds are different, but I feel that the kind of cover in which they live has a lot to do with it. Often the Western birds can't hold because there is nothing for them to hide in. A few times I have found Bobwhites in similar cover, and their behavior was not a great deal different.

There is fairly good Bobwhite shooting in a few spots in the West. One of these that I hunted several seasons had open sagebrush on two sides of the cultivated fields. The birds fed in the wheat stubble and corn. They usually spent their loafing hours in a stringer of willows and wild roses along an irrigation ditch.

When they were flushed from either spot, however, they flew into the sagebrush. I never got a decent shot at them there. They wouldn't hold for a dog. Instead, they ran over the barren, dusty soil until they reached the crest of a hill. Then they flew 150 yards down into an orchard on the other side where it was impossible to hunt them.

What makes quail hunting great?
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Photo by Wide World



This unusual action picture shows a couple of quail exploding right in the hunter's face.



Left: On hand to see Nursing Director Georgia Wilson place in service the first of two Isolettes given to Jackson-Madison County General Hospital by Jackson, Tenn., Lodge were, left to right: Past State Pres. Hugh W. Hicks, Chairman of the Hospital Board; Past State Pres. E. J. Nunn, P.D.D. John Gasell, E.R. James King and P.E.R. Ed Henry, Jr.

Below: A happy handful of the 175 orphans who were guests of Asheville, N. C., Lodge at its 29th Annual Picnic, pause for a stretch and a laugh during the day's excitement.



NEWS of the LODGES

Jackson, Tenn., Elk Gift Helps Newborn Infants

Thanks to Jackson Lodge No. 192, premature babies in the area will have a better chance of survival. Informed by authorities of Jackson-Madison County Hospital that so many premature babies are born there each year that an Isolette, a new type of incubator that has measurably lowered the infant mortality rate,

was sorely needed, the local Elks immediately purchased the device and presented it to the hospital. The money, collected some years ago, had been held against just such a call. As soon as its installation was complete, the Isolette became the home of a new baby whose lung had collapsed; within five days he was restored to health and taken home.

Immediately, two premature infants were placed in the device, and when a third baby was delivered, only an old-fashioned incubator was available. As soon as this news was communicated to the lodge, the Elks purchased a second Isolette.

Portsmouth, Ohio, Elks Launch Nurses' Training Fund

Concerned about the severe shortage of nurses in the area, and anxious to sponsor a really worthwhile project, Portsmouth Lodge No. 154 has granted to the county's one nurses' training school, located at Mercy Hospital, a \$500 repayable scholarship fund.

The expense of the training period is a contributing factor to the lack of nurses; with the Elks' donation, many young women who could not normally afford the course, will be able to do so. Following their appointment, when they are on salary, they are expected to pay the money back into the Fund, so that other girls may avail themselves of it.

Chairman H. M. Scott of the lodge's Research Committee presented the check to Sister Priscilla, Director of the Hospital, who spoke highly of the Elks' generosity and foresightedness.



To alleviate the shortage of nurses, Portsmouth, Ohio, Lodge established a \$500 Student Loan Fund to help young women to train in Mercy Hospital. Here, E.R. S. M. Beck, seated right, presents the check to Sister M. Priscilla of Mercy Hospital, in the presence of nurses and Elks.

Right: Billy Phillips, 14-year-old member of Tallahassee, Fla., Lodge's Sea Scout Ship, receives awards for best design, best construction and fastest entry in the annual local Soap Box Derby in which the Elks sponsored him. The boy went on to place in the National Races in Akron.



Left: This photograph tells its own story of Hilo, Hawaii, Elksdom's patriotic participation in the community's Independence Day Parade.

Potential students are recommended by high school officials, and screened by the Training School faculty. Only the most deserving and capable are chosen, and a report on their progress will be submitted to the lodge from time to time.

Burlington, N. C., Elks Hear Thad Eure Address

A concise and informative review of the activities of the State and the Grand Lodge was delivered before an enthusiastic meeting of Burlington Lodge No. 1633 by Secretary of the State Thad Eure, a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Activities.

The session also featured the recognition of 34 new Elks, each of whom received a membership pin from E.R. Dr. J. R. Kernodle.

Not a Worm Turned Down at Martinsville, Va., Fishing Rodeo

Under police escort, buses carrying over 500 youngsters to the Annual Fishing Rodeo held by Martinsville Lodge No. 1752 started from various strategic points promptly at 9 a.m.

At Sportsmen's Lake children from 2½ to 15 years old dropped lines dangling 9,000 worms provided by Lacy's Worm Farm, and did their darnedest to win one of the 48 prizes offered.

Not everyone won a prize, but they all did well when it came to the food—nearly 1,500 hot dogs, 75 cases of soda and a truckload of watermelons were taken care of. Lillian Slayton and Jimmy Franklin caught the largest fish, winning complete fishing equipment outfits. J. D. Warren and Mary Lawrence won some fine equipment, too, with their second-place catches.

Right: Secy. Norman Y. Chambliss, center, stands by patiently with P.E.R. W. M. Spears, right, and the bus driver, while Chairman Josh L. Horne and other Boys Camp Committeemen, seated, brief the young guests of Rocky Mount, N. C., Lodge on the route they'd take to summer camp.



Exalted Ruler Claude Blanchard, center, was photographed breaking ground for Lumberton, N. C., Lodge's \$75,000 home. With him are Charter Members of Lumberton Lodge, instituted last October.





When these youngsters, Middlesboro, Ky., Lodge's Little League Team, opened the season, Judge H. E. Ball, an Elk since 1911, an Honorary Life Member and father of E.R. George Ball, seated, extreme right, pitched the first ball. Seated, extreme left, is Secy. F. C. Hatfield.



E.R. G. R. Caron, Mgr. Gerald Boulaine, P.E.R. Hugh French, seated left to right, with Danielson, Conn., Lodge's three-year Bowling Champions for New England, 1953 State winners: George Pelletier, Earl Mitchell, Edward LaFramboise, Wm. Turkia, Capt. Leo Beauvais, Victor Bessett.



Above: More than 150 high school youngsters participated in Idaho Falls, Ida., Lodge's summer golf classes. Here are the trophy winners at the "Victory Banquet," with Youth Committee Chairman Bob Bybee, golf pro George Orullian, N. D. Andersen, Lowell Bybee, Joe Poitevin.



Effingham, Ill., Lodge assumes maintenance of the local youth center for a nine-month period as E.R. Allen Austin presents the lodge's \$1,500 check to Board Chairwoman Mrs. Wilmer Woelfer at special ceremonies.

Below: These Columbus, Miss., Elks are preparing their annual 4th of July Brunswick stew. Left to right: Sam Blewett, P.E.R. T. I. Halbert, Keith Guyton, Douglas C. Stone, Joseph Prowell and Gray McKellar.



Right: Here are 22 of the 40 Madison, Wis., Elks who received Life Memberships on Old Timers Night.



Above: These are the Yankees, Port Jervis, N. Y., Lodge's 1953 entry in the Little League. This is the lodge's seventh year of baseball team sponsorship under Mgr. J. F. Schoonmaker, Past State Vice-President.





A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND EXALTED RULER

A Brief Report and Expression of Thanks from Your Grand Exalted Ruler

Without doubt I had the good fortune to be born under a "lucky star". As I write this, I am filled with tremendous satisfaction that all of the great plans for this year are working out so well, with every department of the Order functioning with harmony and enthusiasm. Our Elks National Foundation is preparing new plans to increase its already great usefulness. The National Service Commission eagerly adopted a suggestion to render even greater service to our veterans by aiding in the employment of the handicapped. Changes in the operation of our National Home at Bedford are being made, which, I am confident, will add to the comfort and well-being of our Brothers there.

Your Grand Exalted Ruler has burdened our Grand Secretary's office with requests for complete information and detailed reports about our Order's current operations and finances and they have been answered promptly and cheerfully.

Our Elks Magazine has given your Grand Exalted Ruler unlimited assistance and has been most effective in presenting our plans and programs to the membership and the public.

The Board of Grand Trustees and each of our Grand Lodge Committees are working diligently and effectively to serve our Order better.

This planning and working together are signs of the dynamic character of our Order; they are evidence of its vitality, which is reflected also in the many new lodges that have been instituted and the increase in membership reported by lodges throughout the Order.

Of relative unimportance is the fact that your Grand Exalted Ruler has traveled many thousands of miles, yet, striving to measure up to the high standards of efficiency expected of all of us, I have been on time for every appointment and answered every letter promptly. The receptions that have been extended to me on my official visits have been beyond belief. They speak more loudly than words of the solidarity of spirit and the will to achievement that are adding new luster to Elkdom. My smallest meetings have been about 300 and the largest State Convention I have visited had an attendance of between 10,000 and 12,000. Even the weather has been perfect.

For all of this I thank the Officers, District Deputies, Committees and employees of the Grand Lodge, but most of all I thank the Officers, Committees and members of our subordinate lodges for the immediate, enthusiastic and wholly wonderful support which they are giving all along the line.

As Thanksgiving time approaches, I feel that it is mete and proper that we pause to give our thanks to Him who makes all things possible, thanks to Him for our success and for the privileged opportunity to serve our Brothers, our communities, our fellow men, our country and our God.

EARL E. JAMES
GRAND EXALTED RULER



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BY HORACE SUTTON

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BEFORE the heavy frost descends like a frigid blast on most corners of the country, I would like to get in one last fleeting word about summer. Next summer, I mean, when in July the Elks meet in the modest settlement known as Los Angeles—a center of palms, pictures and platinum-plated Cadillacs—for their 90th Grand Lodge Convention. On their way to and from the Convention thousands of Elks will spend vacation days in the Northwest and now is none too soon to think about the matter.

For the benefit of those who have the foresight of a squirrel, we have prepared a number of tidbits for anybody interested in heading north to the nation's corner pocket for a private vacation after the gathering is done in Southern California.

On the way up I had better mention

Planning a Trip?

Travel information is available to *Elks Magazine* readers. Just write to the Travel Department, *Elks Magazine*, 50 East 42nd St., N. Y., stating where you want to go and by what mode of travel. Please print name and address. Every effort will be made to provide the information you require, but kindly allow three weeks for us to gather the information. Because of seasonal changes in road conditions, if you are traveling by car be sure to state the date that you plan to start your trip.

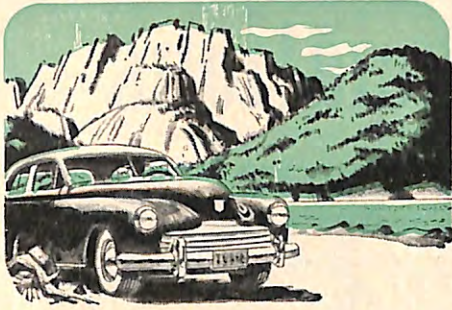
Are you taking advantage of this service? More and more Elks and their families are. In the first nine months of 1952, 1173 inquiries were received and answered. This year, during the same period, our Travel Department received 3,094 requests for travel information of all kinds.

Yosemite National Park since it is near enough to the northbound route, and famous enough as an outstanding attraction of the West, to be a powerful lodestone. The Park takes in a handy parcel of land that measures some 750,000 acres, although most of it will have to be inspected by foot, by mule, or by horse. Yosemite is a combination of the mighty High Sierras, waterfalls that tumble between them, and great valleys gorged out by glaciers. A hiker named Reddelford is supposed to have been the first to gulp at the view (1833), but he was followed by a naturalist named Brunnell who made so much noise about the place (1851), that Congress took quick action and moved to keep the tract unspoiled (1864). By 1890 Congress had gotten around to calling it officially a national park.

Yosemite Valley, which is the big eye opener on the premises, is a mile wide and seven miles long. Massive cliffs hem in the valley like burly bodyguards, and the Merced River runs along the valley floor in spring and tip-toes along it in summer.

Coming up from the south—that is, Los Angeles—you can swerve off Route 99 at Fresno and take Route 41 into the park at Wawona. One of the best sights near the south entrance is the grove of king-sized trees at Mariposa. Sequoia trees are about the oldest living thing, not counting, of course, the movies currently being shown on television. One famous sequoia at Mariposa, for example, is 3,800 years old and now has a 35-foot waistline.

About staying in Yosemite, you can



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find almost anything from a plot of U. S. real estate on which to rest your frame to some rather posh accommodations at American plan hotels. In between are motor courts, lodges, and even tents where you can do your own housekeeping.

Quite a bit can certainly be said, too, for the Northwest proper which is to say, Oregon and Washington. Oregon likes to say that it has a four-hundred-mile air-conditioned coastline, which, of course, is perfectly true. It also has mountains with snow and deep seas with fish, and for that matter, caves with sea lions.

First off, it has Crater Lake National Park, which is quite a bit to have. The lake rests in the heart of a mountain and the water is nearly 2,000 feet deep. It is also six miles wide, covers twenty square miles, and has twenty miles of shoreline. The Indians thought this place was the battleground of the gods and stayed away in droves. Crater Lake was discovered three times, beginning in 1853 when a young prospector happened by, and ending in 1865 when two soldiers, somewhat off course, stumbled on it.

Everything from mink to bears lives in Crater Lake Park, although the mink

are seldom seen and the bears are rather unplayful. There are cougar, coyote, red foxes, and plain goggle-eyed tourists within the Park limits.

Hardy types can of course rest at night close to the earth, but for those unbefitted by the blood of Dan'l Boone, the Crater Lake National Park Company has both lodge and cottages at extremely reasonable rates.

Aside from Crater Lake, Oregon's other big landmark is Mount Hood, a massive pile that seems to dominate the skyline from almost anywhere. There are times when you can look over fields of rhododendrons to its white cape, and other times when you see it riding behind the soft valleys covered with apple and cherry trees. Most dramatically, perhaps, you can see Mount Hood from the west hills of Portland with all the city laid out before it. A naval officer from a Vancouver sloop gets the credit for discovering Hood, which is really named for a rear admiral in the British navy. Lewis and Clark looked on Hood for the first time in 1805, or fifteen years after the sloop passed by.

The magnificent sight of Hood seemed
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Oregon State Highway Commission Photos



The Columbia River Gorge, as seen from the Vista House, atop Crown Point. The express route by car through the gorge, U. S. Highway 30, the old Oregon Trail, may be seen skirting the river below, as does the scenic route of the railroad.

News of the State Associations

WEST VIRGINIA

Earl E. James, the Order's new leader, was guest of honor at the Aug. 28-29 meeting of the W. Va. Elks Assn. in Fairmont, when Past Grand Exalted Ruler Wade H. Kepner was among the nearly 1,200 Elks and ladies who attended the P.E.R.'s banquet, special breakfast, band concert and Grand Ball which highlighted the Convention.

The fine Wheeling Drill Team conducted an All-State initiation, and Beckley Lodge's Ritualistic Team received the State title.

It was reported that the W. Va. lodges had given \$120,740.97 to charity, and that Veterans Service Committees in Beckley, Clarksburg, Huntington and Martinsburg had played host to 2,620 hospitalized servicemen.

Next Aug. 20-21 will see the delegates in Elkins; until then, Assn. officers will be: Pres., Nelson Clarke, Martinsburg; Vice-Presidents, L. E. Pruett, Beckley; W. H. Craze, Morgantown; H. P. Bell, Jr., Parkersburg; Secy., G. W. Shipley, Martinsburg; Treas., W. D. Morris, Huntington.

PENNSYLVANIA

Harrisburg welcomed 476 delegates and 12,000 visitors to the 47th Meeting of the Pa. Elks Assn. Aug. 24-27, when Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Earl E. James were guests of honor. Gov. John S. Fine, Mayor Claude Robbins and host E.R. Albert Filippelli welcomed the Conventioneers, for whom Pres. Harry Kleeen responded, and among the many dignitaries present were several former leaders of the Order including Grand Secy. J. Edgar Masters, James T. Hallinan, Howard R. Davis and George I. Hall, all of whom were on hand for the traditional "Scrap Heap Dinner" held by the Past Presidents.

Highlight of the affair was the report made by the Student Aid Committee whose Chairman, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Charles H. Grakelow conducted exercises during which Mr. Davis, Com-



All but seven of the 28 young people who were awarded a \$400 Scholarship by the Pennsylvania Elks Assn. were on hand to receive their honors and be photographed at the Harrisburg Meeting.

mittee Secy., introduced 21 of the 28 young men and women who received Elks National Foundation and State Assn. Scholarships of \$400 each. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Robert S. Barrett was present to address the students, one of whom, A. J. Yates, won second place in the National Contest.

Former Pres. W. P. Baird conducted the Memorial Services at which Past Pres. K. L. Shirk was the speaker, and Past Pres. Wilbur Warner presided at the dinner honoring the new head of the Assn., Barney W. Wentz of Ashland, when 325 guests applauded addresses by Mr. James, Past Grand Exalted Rulers Grakelow, Barrett and Davis, and Grand Est. Lead, Knight Lee A. Donaldson. Other new officers of this group are Vice-Pres., Ruel H. Smith, Warren; Treas., Charles S. Brown, Allegheny, and 37-year Secy., W. S. Gould, Scranton. C. C. Gehron of Williamsport is a five-year Trustee.

H. Earl Pitzer, former Pres., was Exec. Chairman, assisted by P.E.R. Benjamin Bowers, for this very successful event which closed with an outstanding parade.

WISCONSIN

The 51st Annual Convention of the Wis. State Elks Assn. took place at La Crosse Aug. 20, 21 and 22, with an attendance of nearly 600 persons. Among the distinguished guests were Past Grand Exalted Rulers Charles E. Broughton

and Henry C. Warner, both of whom addressed the banquet guests on the evening of the 21st, when P.E.R. H. K. Holley, Jr., was Toastmaster.

The Memorial Services, at which Rev. F. E. Wallace gave the benediction and memorial address and Albert C. Wolfe made the invocation, was the best attended in the Assn.'s history. The Milwaukee Elks Chorus provided the musical background for these Services.

During the past year, \$90,450 was pledged by the Assn. to the Elks National Foundation, as a tribute to Mr. Broughton. The "Most Valuable Student" Awards for the State were made at the Past Presidents' Banquet by Mr. Broughton and George Kroening, and the Wis. Elks' Constitution Contest awards were given by R. M. Naset.

New officers of this organization are Pres., James Boex, Green Bay; Vice-Pres.-at-Large, A. E. LaFrance, Racine; Vice-Presidents C. J. Weed, Oshkosh; Kenneth Sullivan, Madison, and John Green, Superior; Trustee, W. J. Eulberg, Portage; Secy., Leo H. Schmalz, Kaukauna; Treas., Wm. H. Otto, Racine; Sgt.-at-Arms, J. G. Franey, Eau Claire; Chaplain, A. F. Quick, Kenosha; Tiler, Fred Theilacker, Milwaukee; Inner Guard, Charles Hervey, Appleton. John Hayes of Appleton won the State Golf title, and John Jamieson and Keith Bucher tied for pro honors, with the Madison quintet taking the team championship.

TENNESSEE

S. J. Elkins, Jr., of Knoxville was elected to succeed retiring Pres. Hugh W. Hicks of the Tenn. Elks Assn. at its Sept. 4-5 Convention in Columbia. Among the more than 400 Elks on hand were Grand Exalted Ruler Earl E. James;

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Grand Exalted Ruler Earl E. James, center, congratulates S. J. Elkins, incoming Pres. of the Tenn. Elks Assn. as retiring Pres. Hugh W. Hicks, left, looks on.

STATE ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

State	Place	Date
Md., Dela. & D.C.	Frederick, Md.	Nov. 14-15
North Carolina	Washington	Nov. 20-21
Iowa	Clinton	Nov. 21-22

ELKS NATIONAL SERVICE COMMISSION

ACTIVITIES

YOUR National Service Commission sends nearly two million cigarettes a year to our Armed Forces in Korea. Each pack carries the Commission's greetings, and Chairman James T. Hallinan receives hundreds of messages of appreciation in return—some brief, but sincere, "thank-yous"; others, long and interesting letters. It occurred to us that you might like to see what some of the most recent had to say. Only a few could be reproduced here, so we quote from several others.

Numerous letters were signed individually by as many as 20 men, and PFC Georg A. Paradis, USMC, took care of the amenities for "the men in the first squad, first platoon, Dog Company" when he wrote that they "wish to thank all the members of the Elks for the thoughtfulness they showed by sending the men here in Korea the most wanted luxury, cigarettes, especially around this time of the month (Aug. 18th)."

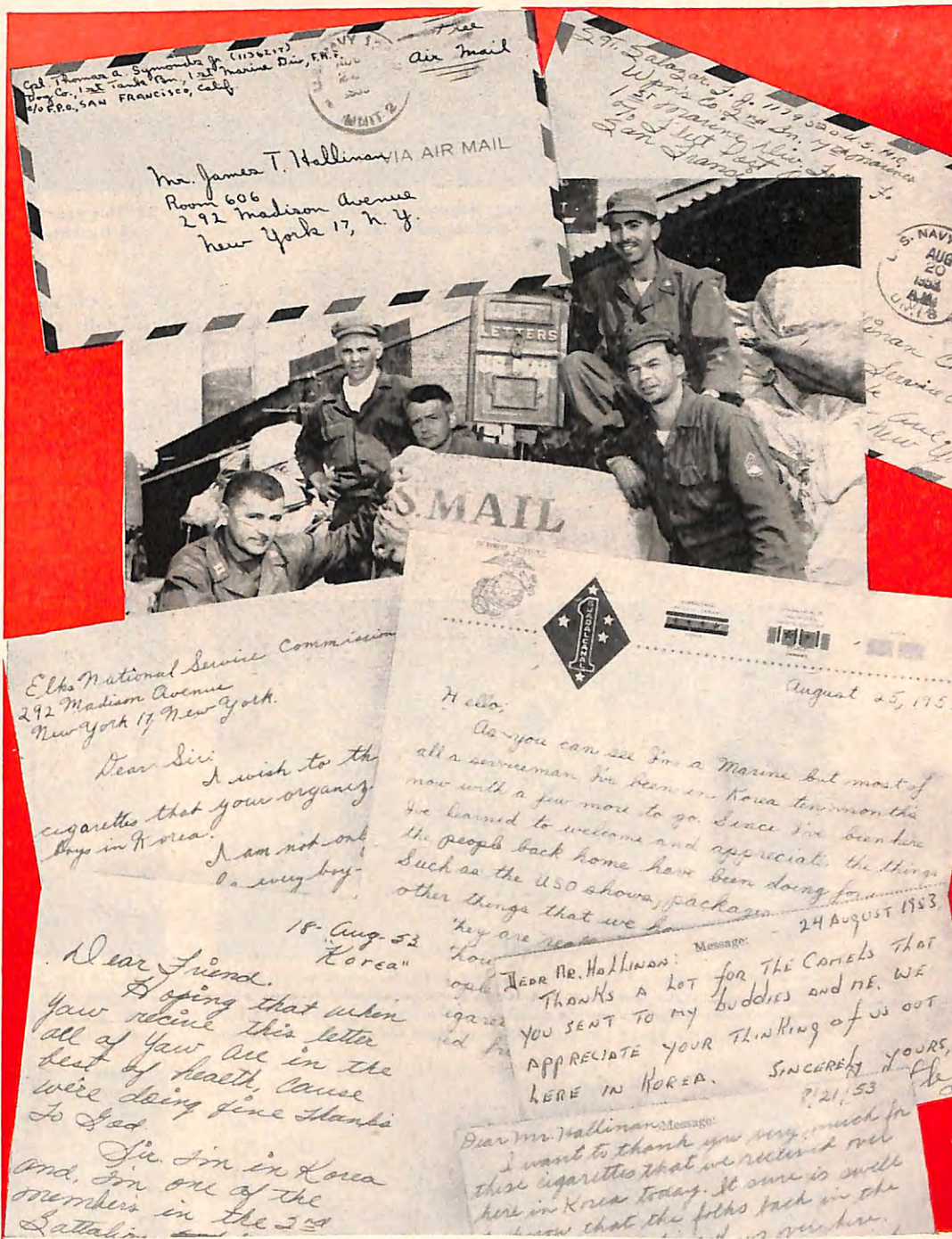
Some of our fighting men are heavy smokers—S/Sgt. William A. Casserly, another man from Dog Company, 1st Tank Bn., 1st Marine Division, said: "Today I received a carton of cigarettes from you. They really came in handy because we get our ration every four days. Then we only get three packs. For some men three packs will last them, but for me and most of the men I know, they only last two days."

PFC. W. F. Schubigio commented, "It was about the nicest thing any organization has ever done for us. No one in our battalion had a smoke and it was really getting rough. When we went to chow today they gave each man two packs of cigarettes. I don't think any guy in the world could have appreciated those smokes more than us."

Too many letters carried the remark made by PFC Louis R. Jung in his letter signed by 13 of his buddies, and repeated by Sgt. Robert Stillwell over 11 other signatures: "It makes us feel great to know we are still being thought of by the people back home." And in a two-page letter, PFC Sal Paruolo wrote: "I want to admit something to you. You see, I was under the impression that people back in the States forgot about us Marines and Army and Navy doing the Police Work out here."

Many Elks are in the Service so, naturally, these gifts get to our members, too. Major F. K. Bernardini, USMC, P.E.R. of San Diego, Calif., Lodge, wrote: "I would like to thank the Elks National Service Commission for this particular carton of cigarettes, received on a bunker on the main line of resistance the night of the cease-fire at approximately Eleven O'clock."

It is gratifying to learn that our Allied Forces are also receiving the cigarettes.



G. Gordon Bolton, BRCS, writes: "I am Chairman of the UN Joint Red Cross Team stationed here to deal with Communist POWs passing through this camp. I have come here from London to do the work and appreciate your kindness in sending the cigarettes."

Of course, the Service Commission is not the only segment of Elkdom which sends cigarettes to Korea. Our State Associations, the majority of our lodges, and thousands of individual members are sending millions of additional cigarettes regularly to our men there, and there is no doubt that they are appreciated. Even the non-smoking fighting men take the

time and trouble to write. PFC Joseph A. O'Kelley is one. "It makes us guys feel good to know that you people back home are thinking of us," he wrote. "I don't smoke, but my buddy does, and I'm sure he'll enjoy them. Thank you."

In his thank-you letter, Sgt. Jack A. Purcell said: "This is one of the few concrete instances which I can remember during the past 12 months which shows the people back home have not forgotten the troops in this theater. Keep up the good work as an example to other organizations similar to yours."

Don't worry, Sergeant. You can count on the Elks.



Crawfordsville, Ind., Lodge's Chorus, organized four years ago by Ralph Howard, extreme right, has maintained a membership of over

30. This year its 36 voices are lifted in song at veterans hospitals and local benefits including an annual minstrel show for the cancer fund.

NEWS of the LODGES

Quincy, Mass., Elks Hold Traditional Clambake

Among the 300 men at the annual clambake, chicken barbecue and outing held by Quincy Lodge No. 943, were several men closely identified with the harness-racing game; one of them was long-time Elk W. K. Carson, Asst. Gen. Mgr. at the Foxboro Race Track.

P.E.R. W. C. Canniff, Jr., put on the bake, and P.E.R. J. D. Connolly and his Entertainment Committee kept things moving smoothly.

Asheville, N. C., Elks, 175 Orphans and Fun

Asheville Lodge No. 1401 entertained 175 youngsters from three orphanages and the Child Welfare Division of the County Welfare Dept. at their annual

picnic at Recreation Park. All rides and park amusements were open to the young guests, who were kept happy with plenty of hot dogs, ice cream and pop. Chairman E. S. Holcombe and his committee were well pleased with the proceedings, and the children were too. The event started with a ride to the park in buses supplied by C. R. McIntire, Pres. of the Oteen Bus Co., and ended with each tired guest receiving gifts.



Coeur d'Alene, Ida., Elks set up the golf balls for some of the 350 children who were guests at the lodge's annual Picnic. Nearly 350 adults also attended as paying guests at the affair which was held for the benefit of the Idaho Elks Convalescent Home for Crippled Children.



Secy. of the State Thad Eure, Grand Lodge Activities Committeeman, photographed at Burlington, N. C., Lodge with local officials. Left to right: Brodie Hood, N. C. Elks Assn.'s Boys' Camp Director; Lodge Treas. Luther Simpson; Mr. Eure; E.R. Dr. J. R. Kernodle; P.E.R. B. P. Jones.



For two years, Madison, Wis., Lodge, under Co-Chairmen R. C. Mapes and R. J. Scott, has operated chartered buses from the lodge home to the University football stadium for visiting Elks, families and friends. All voluntary contributions were placed in a Crippled Children's Fund. Here, Fund Committeemen F. B. Reynolds, R. L. Michels and Chairman J. R. Brown present a \$570.76 check to Wis. General Hospital Supt. H. M. Coon for special equipment for the hospital's Cerebral Palsy Center.



The Elks of Catskill, N. Y., Lodge are sponsoring the campaign to raise \$6,600 for the purchase of a new ambulance, fully equipped for first aid work, by the Emergency Rescue Squad of Citizens' Hose Co. No. 5. The lodge members have utilized this clock to inform the community of their program in fund-raising. Now at the half-way mark, everything points to success, including these ladies representing the others of the distaff side who have assisted the lodge in this undertaking.

Rocky Mount, N. C., E.R. Repeats Hampton, Va., History

Fifty years ago, Joseph Gold became E.R. of Hampton, Va., Lodge, No. 366. This year his son, Norman, is E.R. of Rocky Mount, N. C., Lodge, No. 1038.

Hampton Lodge's Secy. Stuart M. Perviance reported to Norman Y. Chambliss, Secy. of No. 1038, that the lodge records for 1903-04 revealed that Joseph Gold had not missed a single session that year—a fact duly reported to his son.

Some Pay, Some Don't, at Coeur d'Alene, Ida., Picnic

Expecting 500, but well prepared to handle the 700 who showed up, Coeur d'Alene Lodge No. 1254 was a generous host to local picnickers this year.

Held mainly for the children, all of whom received prizes, the event saw 350 small-fry kept busy, well-fed and happy without paying a nickel. But it also saw an equal number of adults having a good time, and happy to pay for it, inasmuch as the proceeds went to the Ida. Elks Convalescent Home for Crippled Children, and a nice sum it was, too, Chairman G. H. Sonnichsen reports.

Traffic Safety on Minds of Tallahassee, Fla., Elks

Tallahassee Lodge No. 937 recently announced the appointment of a Traffic Safety Committee, by E.R. Joe Cooke.

Homer Gramling is Chairman of the six-man Steering Committee whose first action was the sponsorship of a traffic safety contest in the city schools. Any licensed driver between the ages of 16 and 19 is eligible, as are those between the ages of 14 and 16, operating with a restricted license. Cash prizes will be awarded to the drivers receiving the highest points for driving safety, and the project has the full cooperation of the police and the State Highway Patrol.



Pleased young fisherman "Pete" Green was one of the 700 who participated in Martinsville, Va., Lodge's Annual Fishing Rodeo.

THE PICTURE OF COURAGE



THERE IS NO GOOD in a rebellious disposition. There never was a right endeavor, but it succeeded".

That's 48-year-old Glenn M. Coston speaking, the man who appears in the lower part of this picture, who has never walked since rheumatic fever and arthritis shriveled and twisted his legs 34 years ago. His arms are so constricted that he can move them only a few inches; the fingers are stunted, deformed and curled into inflexible balls—yet he is an accomplished artist whose work supports him and his aged parents, and is making it possible for him to buy his own home.

A man of quiet serenity and determined resignation, Glenn Coston lies in an adjustable wheel chair, the picture of courage, patience and control, guiding his brush at the end of a stick, resting on one twisted arm. Sometimes his canvases are so large that it is difficult for him to reach the top; then he "just turns the picture around, and paints it upside down". When that won't work, he uses a thin reed, six feet long, attached to the end of his brush.

San Antonio, Tex., Lodge bought one of his landscapes, a 2' by 3' hunting scene executed with such painstaking accuracy and detail that critical hunters cannot find a flaw in it. That's Aubrey Kline, Chairman of the lodge's Trustees, standing near Mr. Coston, and he is holding a U. S. Department of Labor Citation from the President's Committee on "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week". It was conferred on the lodge "in recognition of outstanding efforts expended in promoting equal opportunity in employment for the physically handicapped".

You see, it was San Antonio Lodge that discovered this artist, an amazing case of an almost completely destroyed body schooled into usefulness by a strong and intelligent mind, patient determination and indomitable spirit.



LODGE NOTES

MANKATO, MINN., Lodge reports the passing of one of the Order's most devoted members, 95-year-old Olaf G. Lundberg, who had served his lodge as its Tiler for 45 years. As Mr. Lundberg had requested, he was given an Elk funeral, with the officers of Mankato Lodge conducting the services both at the funeral home and the cemetery . . . The 367 members of four-year-old **MYRTLE BEACH, S. C.**, Lodge invite all Elks traveling along Route U. S. 17 to stop by their attractive lodge home for one of its famous seafood dinners, or to enjoy the deep-sea fishing and surf bathing the home's locale affords . . . One of the biggest events of the year for **POTTSVILLE, PA.**, Lodge is its annual picnic. This year's event included volley ball, cards and plenty of food, with good humor spread thickly by a costumed quartet of Elks—Chief Burgess William Brady, Prison Warden Walter Scheipe, Councilman Joe Long and George Flail . . . Summer-time is picnic time anywhere, and the Elks of **ALASKA** gave good evidence of that this year. Under the able planning of Co-Chairmen Clifford Dame and Clair Evans and their committee, 500 youngsters had a happy time at the annual outdoor party sponsored by **ANCHORAGE** Lodge. About 150 pounds of hot dogs, 30 gallons of lemonade and 1,600 ice cream bars were taken care of, and prizes were awarded in a series of games and contests . . . The Elks of **KODIAK, ALASKA**, provided exactly the same sort of fun and food for 300 children at their event, handled by John Gibbons and held at the Rotary Playground. A highlight was a concert by the Marine Drum and Bugle Corps, on tour of Pacific Bases . . . The Annual Family Picnic of **PONTIAC, MICH.**, Lodge was the success expected by everyone who had heard about the wonderful Carnival Party these Elks held a few weeks earlier for 800 underprivileged children. Chairman Jack Bender made certain that all the young Carnival guests had plenty to eat and drink, and a chance to win the many prizes awarded. The job of keeping things running smoothly was efficiently managed with the help of a capable committee of young-minded Elks, many of whom were accompanied by their wives.



Left: E.R. W. S. Wiggins, left, and Past State Pres. G. R. Mayer, P.D.D., burn the mortgage on the home of Sheffield, Ala., Lodge.



Below: These men are Tampa, Fla., Lodge's entry in the local Intersocial League, made up of four teams from the Latin Clubs and this group. The Elks' team took last year's pennant and is leading the league again this year.



Left: Under the management of Elks Ray W. Bauer, upper left, and F. A. Berghoff, upper right, these youngsters won the first half championship of the Fraternal Little League for their sponsors, Fort Wayne, Ind., Lodge, the second year the Elks have undertaken this activity. Four of the boys placed on the All-Star Team.

Right: Redondo Beach, Calif., Lodge's extensive youth work, taking care of 100 boys, includes the sponsorship of this Little League Team, the Cardinals, pictured with E.R. Wm. D. Brunner, standing at left, and Mgr. Tom Coleman, right. The lodge also sponsors the Dodgers, another Little League group, and three Boy Scout Troops.



Left: This team, sponsored by Price, Utah, Lodge, won the 1953 City Little League Championship. At left background is Asst. Coach Henry Dusserre, and at right, Coach Ray Leavitt.



In the Doghouse

Faust tells how to run a home clinic for your dog.

TO ME it has frequently been a matter of regret that I did not long ago try to become a veterinarian although beyond fortifying me with a greater knowledge of Fido it wouldn't help very much in this business of writing about dogs. This is so because I don't hold with giving medical advice by mail and it often happens that readers write to me asking such advice about their sick dogs. Even if I were a vet I'd still decline to give advice via the Post Office. Yes, in such simple matters as internal or external parasites, slight injuries and the like, I do tell what should be done but further than this it's no soap. To repeat—I'm not a dog doctor and what's more important there are very few people who are able to diagnose and correctly describe a dog sickness and its symptoms.

What may seem to be nothing more than ordinary sniffles or a mild cold afflicting a dog may actually be the forerunner of an illness serious enough, if improperly treated, to result in a doggy funeral. Hence it does grieve me to have to tell readers who have sick dogs that I can't help them. These days there are not many people who are located beyond reaching distance of veterinarian service and even though it may call for a considerable trip with the sick pooch it is the better part of wisdom to take that dog to a person who is trained and qualified to diagnose and prescribe a course of treatment for it. There are, however, certain precautions an owner can take and the best of these is to give the pup an occasional physical check-up at home. This is a small enough service to render to a faithful four-legged friend.

Suppose we begin by giving your dog the once-over from hocks to whiskers. We'll reverse the order of procedure and begin in the whiskers department. Starting with his mouth we'll give this a careful look-see since it is the only lifting and grasping tool he has, and is one of the most important parts of his body. With it he must do nearly all of the things that you or I do with our hands. Now let's see his teeth—there should be 42 of them, 22 in his lower jaw, 20 in the upper. In time all dogs accumulate tartar on the teeth. Gone too soon are those pearly white puppy teeth and too soon comes that dull, yellow coating that marks an accumulation of tartar caused largely by residue of foods. If the coating is thick it should be scraped off with a

dull—mark this please, I said dull knife. Following this, the dog's teeth should be brushed and this should be done at least once a week. For this you can get a brush at any five-and-dime store, or from your local druggist. The bristles should be soft and for the cleansing agent any good tooth powder, powdered charcoal or better still a good, mild tasting tooth-paste. The paste is best because should the dog inhale any powder he'll become a confirmed skeptic in the matter of tooth-brushing thereafter. The consistent, regular brushing will banish tartar and thus help keep the dog's breath clean.

UNLESS he's afflicted with some internal ailment, Fido's bad breath is usually due to tartar and nothing else. I have even used milk of magnesia instead of a paste and kept dog teeth well cleaned.

Brushing should be done as gently as possible. If the paste has a pleasant taste your dog will endure the brushing with less resistance and may even like it. Fido's gums should be gently brushed too. For the first few trys you may have to get someone to hold the dog for you, but if you don't make this a domestic riot and don't frighten the dog with loud scolding he'll get used to the brushing. The reason for brushing the gums is to help keep them firm, which they should be—firm and unless he's a chow, pink. Mr. Chow's mouth and gums should be dark to black. While on the subject of the dog's mouth and in case you don't know it, the business of the color of the roof of a dog's mouth has nothing to do with his being a pure-bred or not, contrary to the opinions of those who still think that black in

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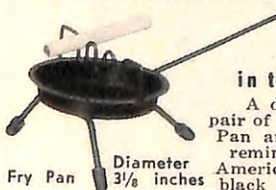
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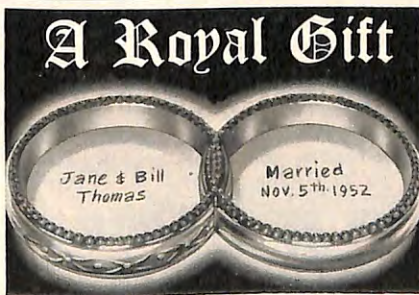
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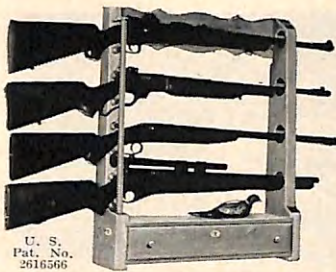
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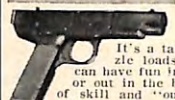
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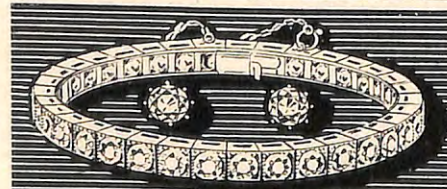
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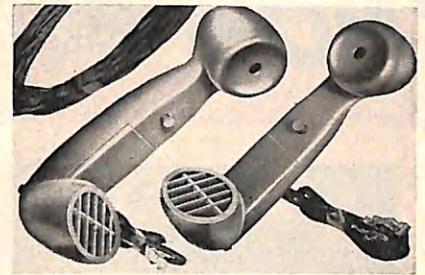
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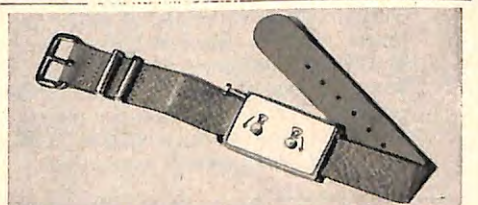
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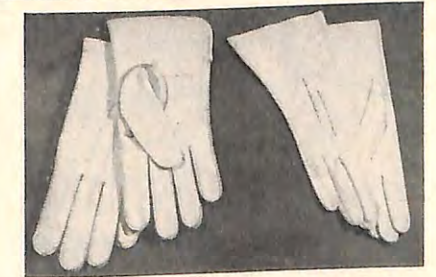
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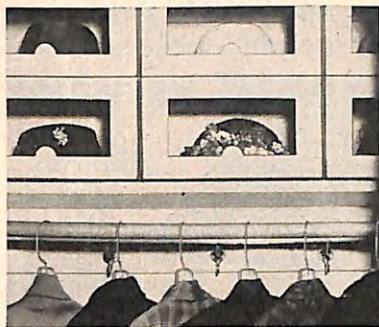
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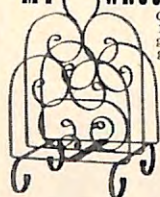


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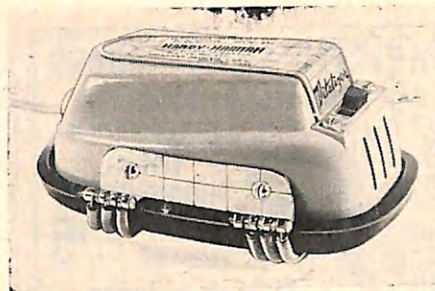
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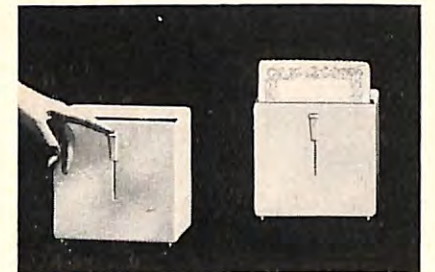
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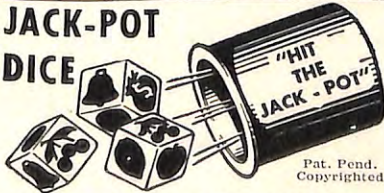
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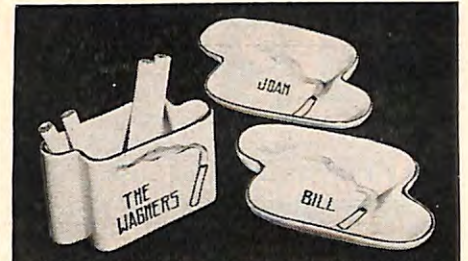
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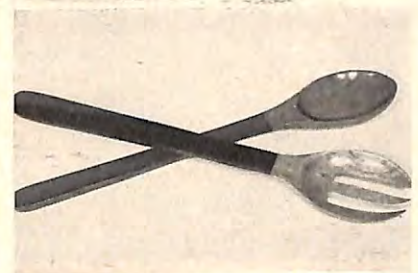
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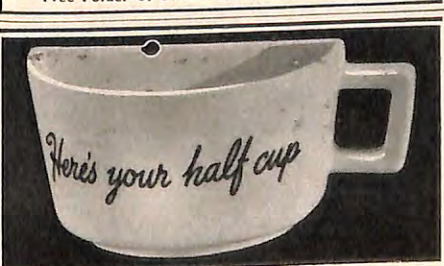
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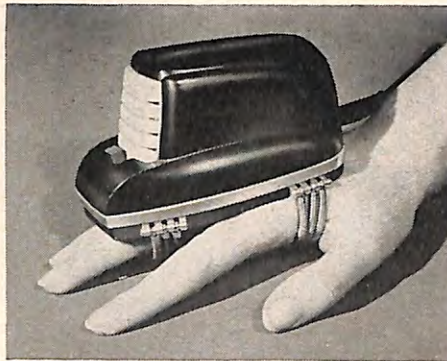
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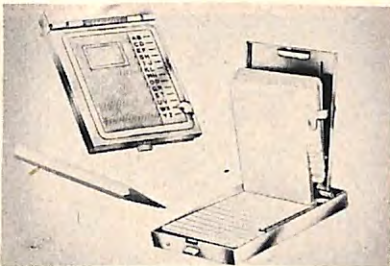
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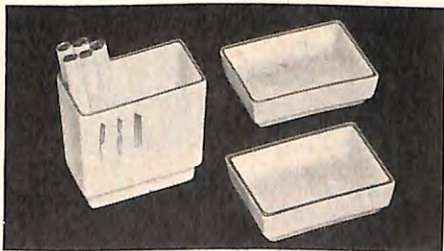
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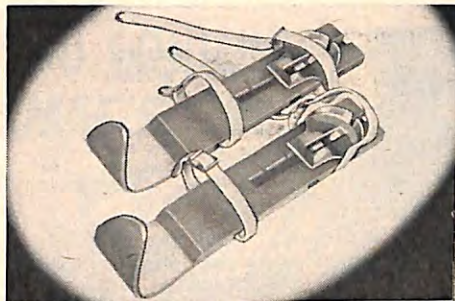


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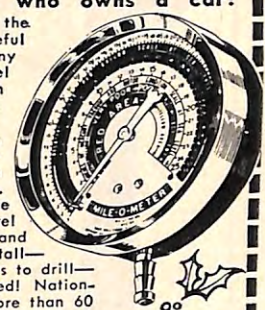
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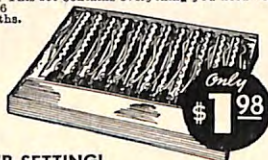
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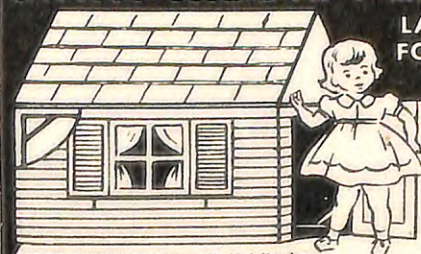


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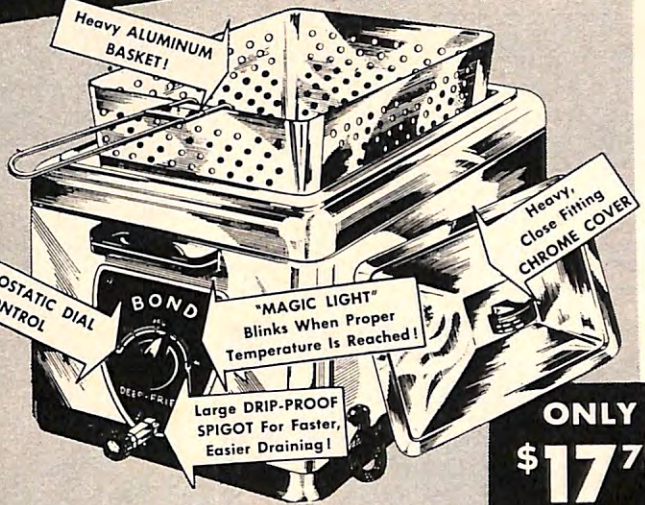
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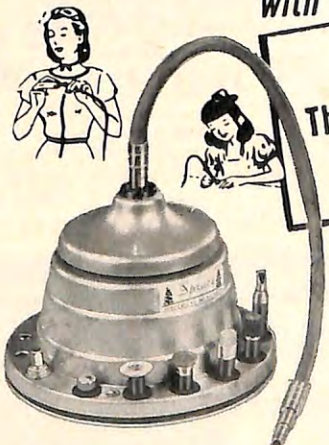
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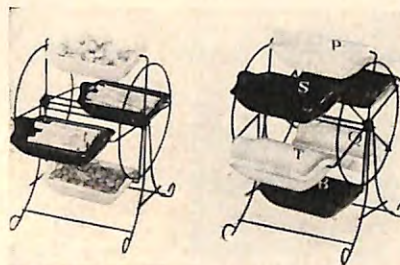
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Below: Some 70 newsboys line up for dinner at the party honoring the "Business Men of Tomorrow" sponsored by The Dallas, Ore., Lodge's Social and Community Welfare Committee headed by Est. Lead. Knight A. C. Grindle, left.



Above: This scene in the home of Norwich, N. Y., Lodge followed the Junior High School Prom, when 75 young couples were guests of the Elks at a very successful Prom Breakfast.

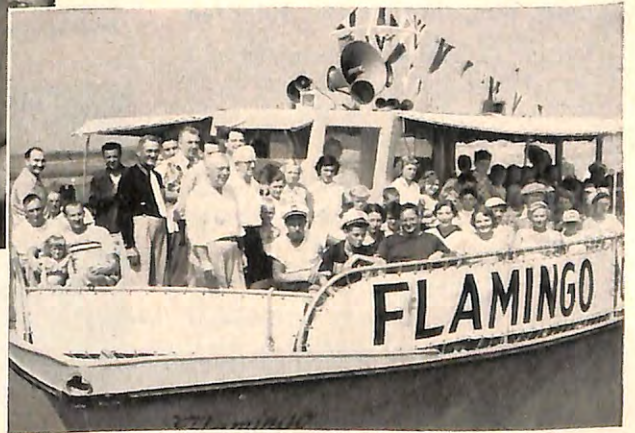


Right: A few of the hundreds of Bend, Ore., youngsters crowd under the stadium for refreshments served by the Boy Scouts during the outstanding annual party given for the local small fry by Bend Elks who brought in a traveling vaudeville troupe to perform on a specially constructed stage.



Above: E.R. A. S. Jacob, left, presents Wilmington, Dela., Lodge's \$500 scholarship to Roger Stanley, who won second place in the Dela. Police Assn's annual Pushmobile Derby. At right is Ralph M. Dolson, the Lodge's Publicity Chairman.

Right: This boatload of 65 crippled children, and Elks sponsors, enjoyed the annual outing conducted by 53-year-old Millville, N. J., Lodge, assisted by seven-month-old Wildwood Elkd. Millville Lodge has given about \$250,000 to crippled children's work in a 30-year period. This year's event included a roast beef dinner and swimming with J. E. Cronin in charge.



The members of the Purple Bowling Team of Tampa, Fla., Lodge who won the Civic Bowling League Championship are, left to right: Joe Bondi, Earl Coppersmith, Claude Ring, Guy Manning, and Jim Gibson.



Trustees Steve Brodie and Jude Schaffert, Co-Chairmen of the Elks Hospital Fund Committee, present Lancaster, Calif., Lodge's \$2,300 check to A. G. Marquardt, Director of the Antelope Valley Hospital Committee.



Left: Dr. Charles Cullen, left, Pres. of the Centre County Medical Society, presents Benjamin Rush Awards to County School Supt. T. E. Sones, second from left, and P.E.R. Robert Breon, Jr., third from left, as Elk Beecher Charnbury looks on. Mr. Breon accepted the citation for State College, Pa., Lodge for its contributions to the health of the area. For many years it has given free use of its home to the Red Cross, Cancer Society and Community Nursing Service, financial and other aid to welfare agencies.

Right: The officers of Minot, N. D., Lodge and candidates.



Above: E.R. Dr. Howard C. Adams of Athol-Orange, Mass., Lodge accepts a \$350 gift for a set of officers' jewels from Mrs. Mae MacMannis, representing the Elks' ladies.



Above: Omaha, Neb., Elks Bowling League Champions, Art Olson, Jack Gleason, Dick Mueller, Harry Carruthers and Henry Krupa.

Below: At Jersey City, N. J., Lodge's annual outing for residents of St. Joseph's Home for the Blind are E.R. V. P. Cahill, with Sister Rose Magdalene, nine-year-old Peter Bordino and Mary Ellen Morgan, five, of St. Joseph's.



NEWS of the LODGES

Tampa, Fla., Charter Elks Honored

E.R. J. C. James and the officers of Tampa Lodge No. 708 initiated 28 men in honor of the five living original Tampa Elks— E. D. Lambright, Nick Gramigna, Ernest Berger, Julius Maas and L. M. Antuono, in the presence of the first four listed. Mr. Lambright delivered an address welcoming the initiates, and other speakers, introduced by Past State Pres. J. Frank Umstot, were Assn. Pres. Victor O. Wehle and D.D. L. Crook.

Below: Over 350,000 persons saw the Richmond, Calif., Elks Mounted Patrol defeat 14 posse groups in the Phoenix World Championship Rodeo. Del Becker is Patrol Captain.



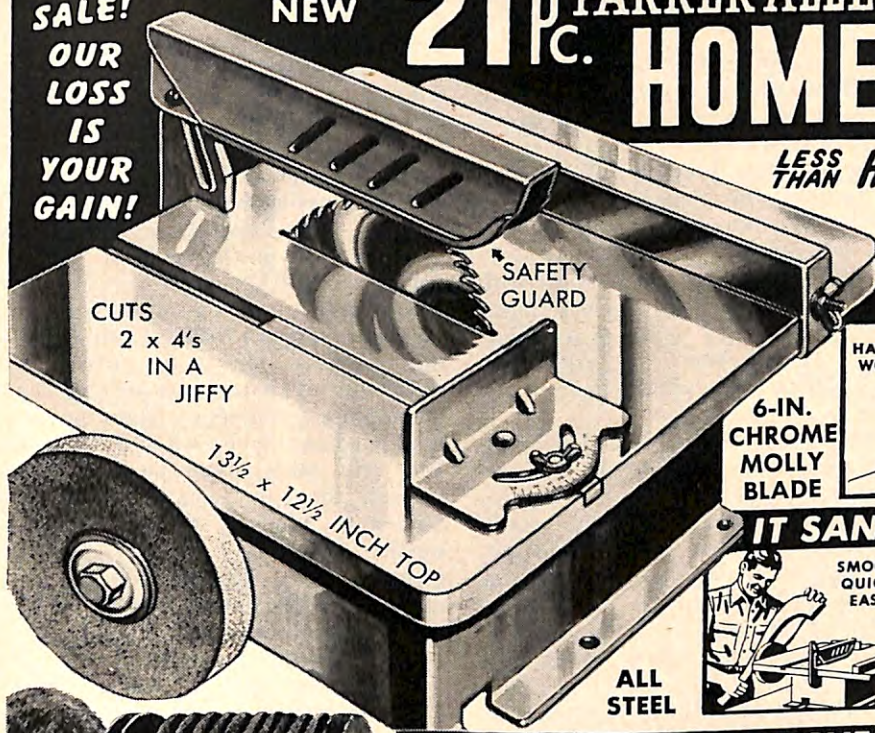
Above: One of 37 Old Timers honored by Twin Falls, Ida., Lodge was 52-year-Elk, A. B. Colwell.



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Toughest in Cleats

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Cross, yet in 12 games of 1952 he was uninjured while averaging 4.9 yards per carry and gaining 347 yards, the 19th best showing in the league. If 19th doesn't sound like much, consider that 163 players broke into the ball-carrying column.

The current rise of Detroit as pro

champion is a tribute to Raymond (Buddy) Parker, an inventive young coach, and a number of hard-hitting big backs. But who has been the workhorse hero of the piece? He's Ewell (Doak) Walker, who on a squad of Bulldozers must eat heartily of his favorite steak-and-raw-salad to maintain 167 pounds and stands

5-feet-9½. Though Walker graduated from Southern Methodist University in 1950 with an All-American reputation, it was freely forecast that he'd last with the pros only up to the first solid contact. "Somebody pasted a newspaper cartoon showing a bug squashed by an ape on my

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ONE OF ELKDOM'S OUTSTANDING BANDS



Elks All-City Youth Band, Racine, Wisconsin, Lodge No. 252, that won First Honors in its Division at the Convention in St. Louis last summer. In May 1951, the Elks Boys Band was organized into a Youth Band, under the direction of Ralph Houghton and supervision of Joseph Marck. After many auditions, there

evolved an eighty-piece band, complete with a Drum Major and seven Baton Twirlers. In the Spring of 1952, the Racine Elks, through their members in business and industries, completely outfitted these young folks in new uniforms, the color of which is rich purple and white. In 1953, there was another reorganiza-

tion, with Ralph Houghton as Director, Al Harris as drillmaster, Julius Kovach as business manager, Gordon Martin as secretary and William Naleid as treasurer. The band enjoyed a most successful year, travelling about 3,000 miles and appearing before at least 500,000 people.

TRAVELGUIDE

Hunters returning from Canada this Fall will have no trouble bringing moose, elk or deer into the United States. Last year's restrictions have been lifted. Also U. S. water fowl hunting hours have been liberalized. Shoot now until sunset instead of one hour before sunset.

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Marle B. Crum (El Dorado No. 1407) writes, "We carried several oil credit cards on our trip but Texaco's was the one most used. You can depend on there being a station in every town with nice, clean rest rooms for the family."

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Travelers to Mexico are finding it advantageous to stop at Dan Sanborn's (McAllen No. 1402) Tourist's Service Centers at Laredo, Brownsville and McAllen—the three main gateways to Mexico. They have just about everything a Mexico-bound traveler needs.

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Recommended 'asides' as you motor South this winter... Charles Maxwell (Springfield, Ohio, No. 51) suggests a stop at the Big Oak Motel, Roanoke, Va. Owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ward (Charleston No. 202)... W. N. Isakson (Youngstown No. 55) recommends a two or three-day stop-over at Williamsburg. "Especially if you are interested in early American History. A must is the stage production 'The Common Glory'." He recommends advance reservations for Williamsburg... At Kitty Hawk, N.C., December 17th, The Golden Anniversary of Flight—a memorable observance of the Wright Brothers' conquest of the air 50 years ago... Theron C. Webster (Lowell No. 87) says "Stop at the Elks Home in Sumter, S.C. The home and the surroundings are delightful and the food delicious."

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"For those who like deep sea fishing and think it is only for millionaires," J. W. Burchak, Augusta, Ga., points to Hillsboro Beach, Fla. "For only \$5.50 each my wife and I enjoyed four hours of fishing. The boat is 'Helen S.' and I heartily recommend it."

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J. Walter Caves (Newark, N.Y., No. 1249) reports, "While crossing the Southwestern deserts we placed a cake of dry ice on the front floor of the car. With the cowl ventilator and rear window wing open the results were excellent. One cake lasts three hours and may be purchased in most of the desert towns."

For Elks Who Travel

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hardly to have evoked any inspiration from either Lewis or Clark. They proved to be somewhat less lyrical than Rodgers and Hammerstein, for they wrote merely, "saw a mountain bearing S.W. conical form Covered with Snow."

Guides will take you hiking up Mt. Hood, but if you would rather just sit and watch it, rates in a mountain resort cost about \$36 a week for two in a house-keeping cottage, and there are more up-holstered lodges where the tariff is as high as \$60 a week per person without meals.

Oregon also has the Columbia River Gorge, one of the most spectacular river routes in the world. It can be seen by car or train and offers The Dalles, where the river narrows, and Bonneville as major attractions to supplement scenery in no great need of additions.

Oregon's coastal road is topped with the waterside town of Astoria, founded by nobody other than John Jacob Astor who came on from Wall Dorf in Germany to found a fur empire. Astoria is doing much better business these days in fish, although it has remembered Astor with the Astor Column. It is the center for salmon and tuna canning and the canneries are open to the traveler every day from 8 to 5. It's waterfront vies with the colorful harbors of Norway and Portugal for being photogenic, and it also harbors the largest small boat mooring basin in the land. For about \$3.50 a tourist can go out for salmon or cod or tuna and have his fish canned and sent home. No license is required for offshore waters. The Oregonians say, "Forget the red tape and concentrate on your line."

Washington, Oregon's neighbor on the north, was probed by one Bodega Y Quadra, a Spanish explorer, in 1775. He sent seven men ashore for water and wood, and all were chopped up by the Indians. One Captain Barkley sent six men ashore twelve years later, but the Indians hadn't become any more amicable, and these sailors were awarded the

same inhospitable treatment. Things have improved some up in Washington in the past hundred years or so, and Washingtonians are getting so they rather like to have visitors put ashore. For example, a fleet of super-modern ferries takes travelers all over Puget Sound, with eight different trips to choose from; or, why not try them all?

One ferry trip goes as far as Vancouver Island in Canada's British Columbia. For this excursion, tourists can drive north of Seattle to Anacortes, which sits on a point, then ferry across Haro Strait to the Canadian island town of Sidney. The boat trip takes three hours, weaving through the San Juan Islands. From Sidney to Victoria, the famed warm-weather town is 18 miles, takes thirty minutes, by car. Anyone who wants to deviate from the normal return to Seattle can take another ferry to Port Angeles, which is less than ten miles from the north entrance to the Olympic National Park, dotted with peaks, hot springs and laced by rivers.

One of Washington's most engaging resorts is the group of San Juan Islands themselves, 172 of them clustered in Puget Sound in the northwest corner of the State, which is to say, the country. Orcas Island, which is the largest and probably the most interesting of the group, is eroded on its fringes with bays and inlets, dappled in its interiors with a quartet of lakes, and there is even a mountain on the real estate, 2400-feet high. The weather is good enough for the local chamber of commerce to call it the sunshine belt of the Pacific Northwest. By the sea there are clams and crabs. In the woods there are deer, pheasants and quail. As for the fishing, the salt water variety is right at the front door and includes salmon, cod, red snapper and halibut. What's more, all these types do not confine their biting to the summer months, but remain cooperative throughout the year. It is few other fish or fauna able to make that statement.



Boating on beautiful Lost Lake, within Oregon's Mt. Hood National Forest.

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locker," recalls Walker. "The papers printed my dimensions alongside those of Ed Neale of the Packers." (Neale, a 6-5 tackle and off-season blacksmith whose favorite parlor trick is breaking beer bottles over his bare forearm, comes in at 310). "I'll admit they had me worried."

Unlike Cross, Walker has no blazing speed. He does, however, know all the stop-and-go running tricks, and constantly thinks on his feet, a compensating attribute typical of the new breed of mobile professional. Last December 28, the Lions faced the Cleveland Browns for the world championship at Cleveland. Walker was sent off tackle, where he picked up Cloyce Box, 225-pound end, as a blocker.

"You should have seen Walker," relates Parker. "On the sidelines we could hear him yelling at Box, 'Stay up! Stay up! Keep going!'"

Instead of diving at the nearest pair of legs, Box obeyed orders. He shouldered two men aside and went on to remove the safety man at the precise moment Walker's zig-zagging brought him into the clear. The 67-yard touchdown play broke up the contest, assuring the winner's pool of \$93,984.87 for the Lions.

"You can't trust Walker—he's sneaky," say old pro scouts. In a Los Angeles game in '51, he faked a leg injury with Detroit trailing, 17-22, in the last three minutes. As he intended, the Rams were suspicious. They played him for a run.

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE WORK ASSIGNMENTS

Chairman H. L. Blackledge of the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee, Fort Kearney National Bank Bldg., Kearney, Neb., has assigned to the other members of this group the various duties they will handle in connection with Judiciary work.

It is suggested that all lodge Secretaries make a special note of this information, so that when it is necessary to write to the Judiciary Committee on any phase of its work, the correspondence and other material connected thereto may reach the proper Committee-man without delay:

Chairman Blackledge—All general opinions and decisions.

William S. Hawkins, 320 Wiggett Bldg., Coeur D'Alene, Ida.,—House Rules and all By-Laws revisions and amendments, except those relating to corporations.

John E. Fenton, Land Court, Pemberton Square, Boston 8, Mass.—All corporation matters, including By-Law amendments and revisions for incorporated lodges and clubs.

A. F. Bray, 422 State Bldg., San Francisco 2, Calif.,—Building application approvals.

Waldrop Windham, 312 Comer Bldg., Birmingham 3, Ala.—Approval of bulletins and publications.

At which Walker hobbled toward end, suddenly stopped and threw a 30-yard winning pass to Leon Hart in the end zone.

Had the Doaker heeded early advice, he'd be in Dallas today in the filling-station business. As it is, he's the smallest man ever to win the National League scoring crown: 128 points, in 1950. His \$18,000 salary puts him around the league top.

At that, he towers over Claude (Buddy) Young, possibly the most remarkable midget of all. From Illinois U., where he was national sprint champion, Young is a human hydrant, 5-feet-5, 175 pounds. The Baltimore Colts don't hesitate to use Young on straight-ahead power plays. He's as indestructible as he is aggravating. One of his stunts is to wear "card-board" pants, so light they afford virtually no protection. But they help give him that extra step on the opposition. Once, against the Los Angeles Dons, he ran an estimated 150 yards to gain 45.

Taking a lateral pass, Buddy cut inside end, where he danced around tacklers, then raced toward the Dons' bench. There he reversed his field and ran backward, feinting men off balance until finally five of them were flat on their faces. Finally, he ghosted past the Los Angeles bench again, where Coach Jimmy Phelan by now was feeling no pain. A sixth Don leaped for Young, missing and sprawling practically at Phelan's feet. He lay there with a glazed expression.

"Get up," Phelan wearily told him. "He'll be back in a minute."

Young scored and scored twice more that afternoon, emphasizing a fact that all the talk about pro football being a game for mastodons won't diminish. In 14 of the 15 years between 1930-44, four teams, Green Bay, the Chicago Bears, New York Giants and Washington Redskins, monopolized the championship. They bristled with the biggest and best men drafted from college squads. Out of that ill-balanced set-up came the rise of the underdogs. President Dan Reeves, a wealthy stockbroker, has invested an estimated \$1,000,000 in the Los Angeles Rams, Philadelphia and Cleveland owners have been almost as spendthrift. And among them they've won four of the last five titles. The result has been to equalize the sport into a Mexican stand-off, with the pot going to the trickiest dealer. "We've found that you need finesse even more than power and passing strength," says Curly Lambeau, the Redskin coach. "Even a Bronko Nagurski wouldn't run far against today's stacked, 240-pound defenses."

Offenses have opened up. The swing to Split-T, Winged-T, Suzy-Q and other alignments designed to spread the defense has opened the door to players of distinctly un-goonlike proportions. Quick lads who can swing wide as men-in-motion, taking pitch-outs and forward passes or acting as decoys, are not just useful, but vital. Going into this season, the



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At the Long Island track where we met to take his photo as Lord Calvert's current "Man of Distinction", he tipped us some dope about hayburners. Should you ever get caught in a shower near a track and be forced to seek shelter in the grandstand, these tidbits might be handy:

1: The only "sure thing" is that once a race starts, horses are running. Not necessarily yours. Just horses.

2: The difference between a trotter and a pacer is that one moves both left legs, then both right legs, and the other just moves any old leg at all, as the spirit moves it. (Our notes are a bit smudged, and you'd better not quote us on this one.)

3: The "daily double" is a plan that doubles your chances of losing one wager.

4: Serious-minded sulky drivers (no, dear, "jockeys" ride on top of the horse) race with a stop-watch in hand — which tells if the horse is running fast enough. One way bettors can tell if it ran fast enough is to attempt cashing their pari-mutuel tickets.

In gratitude, we offered Mr. Brown a tidbit of our own: Lord Calvert costs a little more and tastes a little better.

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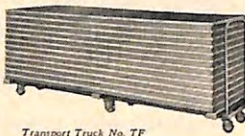


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Rams had no fewer than four small swifties—Skeeter Quinlan, Jack Dwyer, Glenn Davis and Vitamin Smith—on half-back duty. The Philly Eagles had a similar pair in 5-9, 175-pound Don Stevens and Frank Ziegler. The Cardinals were happy with Dale Samuels, same size, of Purdue. Pittsburgh's Steelers could have drafted any of a hundred ogerish stars as their No. 1 choice of 1952. They took Teddie Marchibroda. of St. Bonaventure, a 166-pound T-quarterback. Marchibroda was "insurance" for the Steeler first-stringer, Jim Finks, and is Finks the tall, strong, rangy type as exemplified by such greats as Sammy Baugh, Bob Waterfield and Otto Graham? Not at all. Finks, in fact, almost became the pro forgotten man because of his size.

UP FROM Tulsa University in '49, the slim 175-pounder had clippings to prove that he had the second-best pass-completion record in the nation as a collegian. The Steelers didn't read so well. They assigned him a sub halfback's defensive role. Several burly Baltimore Colts hit him at once, and Finks was carried out with a broken back.

That seemed to wash up Jimmy for good. He returned to Tulsa. When he was out of the cast, he obstinately practiced his passing. He did it for a year. "I knew my only chance was to become so accurate that they couldn't turn me down," he says. "Then I went back and asked for another tryout."

Late last season, Finks riddled the New York Giants by the incredible score of 63-7. He tied Otto Graham for the league championship with 20 touchdowns and broke nine Steeler records. With an arm like his, Finks never again will have to block or tackle anybody... many believe he'll be the new Frankie Albert.

Head man Hampton Pool of Los Angeles points out that fast, small pass receivers can make the defense look silly. "The average big end doesn't go far after he makes a catch," illustrates Pool. "He's all reach and strength and no maneuverability. But when a little monkey like Vitamin Smith is the receiver—hold your hat! You've got a runner on the loose right in the middle of the other team's secondary."

Nevertheless, Smith, upon reporting to the Rams four years ago, felt so inadequate that he almost quit. The 5-feet-8-incher was pictured standing on a ladder to light the cigar of a teammate a foot taller. Once, in a hotel lobby, he was mistaken by a club official's wife for the teen-age son of one of the players. In his first game, Smith had his head benevolently patted by a Forty-Niner lineman.

"Look who's here," he grinned. "They took Eddie Arcaro off his horse."

Smith hails from Abilene (for some reason, Texas specializes in rugged midgets) and has his pride. He ran with all his might, but Norm (Big Chief) Standlee, a 272-pound linebacker, merely picked him up and threw him down. Against Cleve-

land, Vitamin was caught from behind by center Frank Gatski with the affect of a building falling on him. Knocked out, he was carried to the bench.

"How do you feel?" someone asked when he came around.

"Well, ah was carrying the ball in mah stomach," replied Vitamin, "and iff'n you'll take a good look, you can see the print of the laces on the back of mah jersey."

Pool admired the boy's courage and sought to buck him up. He tried to improve his handling of kicks—Smith being inclined to fumble under pressure. "You must keep your eye on the ball at all times," lectured Pool. "When you look up just before making the catch, what do you see?"

"Generally two great big hungry ends with blood in their eye," muttered Smith.

"You must discipline yourself to forget them. Just keep trying. You can do it."

"Ah know," moaned Vitamin, "but it's only the spirit that's willing, coach. The flesh is weak."

The plight of the undersized pro hasn't been much more honestly stated, yet when the Rams developed other tasks for him, Smith soon became a standout. He set an all-time National League record for kick-off returns with a 97-yard touchdown sprint; established another mark of three kick-offs brought back for touchdowns in one season—which stood until Wally Triplett, of the Cardinals (significantly, a 175-pound ex-track star from Penn State) raised it to four. Smith remains one of the most respected pass-catchers, with nine recent touchdowns on his record.

Every college football senior with an eye for a dollar hopes that his name will be called in the annual NFL draft, a semi-affle in which the teams take turns selecting the best available amateur talent. A stocky, 19-year-old blond named Eddie LeBaron had made Little All-American at College of Pacific (Calif.) in 1949 when the pros assembled at Philadelphia to



Earl (Jug) Girard, halfback for the Detroit Lions, checks in at 175 pounds and is 5'10".



Doak Walker, Southern Methodist's great All-American, who shares halfback responsibilities for the Detroit Lions with Jug Girard, knows all the running tricks and thinks on his feet.

draft. Sportswriters acclaimed the "Little Baron" as a magician at faking from the T-quarterback position. His coach, Amos Alonzo Stagg, ranked Eddie with the best backs of his nearly 90 years. But LeBaron got this word from Philadelphia:

After 98 picks around the table, his name wasn't mentioned. All scouting reports agreed that LeBaron, 5-8, 165 pounds, was a bad risk. The meeting was nearing a close when George Marshall, the Redskins owner, picked Eddie, "almost as an afterthought."

LeBaron then went to Korea, where, as a Marine lieutenant, he killed an unknown number of Reds, was twice wounded, and won the Bronze Star and Silver "V" of the Corps. Returning in 1952, he walked into a New York night club and (it being the off season) ordered a drink.

The bartender looked at LeBaron's baby face and said severely, "No minors served."

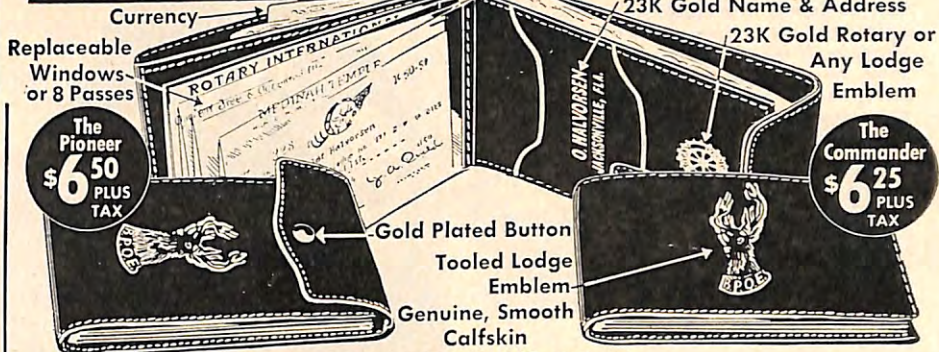
The league's shortest and lightest play-caller hopes that the bartender was in the Polo Grounds last December, when he was able to prove his manhood publicly. He was knocked out for seven minutes in the first quarter by the Giants. He returned to throw four touchdown passes and beat them out of a berth in the division play-off, 27-17. Nowadays LeBaron is spoken of in tones of injured surprise by the same coaches who didn't want him. The most adept of ball-handlers, he had a past season's record of 14 touchdowns by air and a 4.0-yard-average as a runner. The Philadelphia Sportswriters Association voted him its "Most Courageous Athlete of the Year" award.

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Another pro lightweight that stands out, Volney (Skeet) Quinlan, 175 pounds of fast traveling halfback of the capable Los Angeles Rams.

of Chicago Cards. An official peeled them off, anxiously asking the limp quarterback, "You O.K.?"

"Sure I am," Eddie said, automatically. He returned to the Washington huddle, where a teammate reported the first thing he said was, "Let's play some gin rummy."

Charlie Justice, the Redskin halfback and LeBaron's room-mate, says, "He's vulnerable all right, but he makes up for it other ways. Nobody hates to lose as much as Eddie. He's all fire and fight—no matter how far we might be behind in the last few minutes, he's playing twice as hard as anybody on the field."

Choo-Choo Justice might exclude himself. He is another of the clan of gamecocks, one of the most brilliant ground-gainers, at 170 pounds, in Redskin history.

However, as the midgets step forward, you must give the pioneering palm to

Frankie Albert—and, insist league veterans, to one Bill Dudley. They'll tell you with impassioned gestures that Dudley, though he looked as if a stiff wind would blow him away, had no peer as an all-around footballer. In 1946, Bullet Bill—5-9, 175, without great natural speed—was the circuit's Most Valuable Player. He repeated in 1947. He scored more touchdowns than any halfback—44. He was easily the most feared of all defensive backs.

Dudley's secret? For one thing, he was sold on Bill Dudley. And he constantly kept selling himself to himself. Pittsburgh players of Dudley's heyday recall a poem by Thomas Moore he liked to quote:

"There was a little man
 and he had a little soul;
 And he said Little Soul,
 let us try, try, try!"

At a time when Dudley was so slowed by sore legs that some said he was finished, Pittsburgh sold him to Detroit. But only after the Lions granted a unique contract provision. All pro contracts carry a clause absolving the club of salary payments for the full season in event a player is injured. "Dudley not only demanded a record \$25,000 for one year," says a Detroit source, "but also the first waiver-of-injury contract. Grange or Nev-ers or Thorpe couldn't get that. But little Bill did."

The Lions, quite frankly, resented such bounty. They snubbed Dudley up to the opening game. There he was stopped cold the first period by a knee injury. In the second a tackler fetched him a blow that gashed his lip so deeply that it hung over his chin. He went to the sideline, ordered the doctor, without anesthetic, to stitch it up.

After that the little man from Bluefield, Va., turned loose for more than 200 yards and the game-winning touchdown.

One week later the Lions named him team captain. Like more than a few others who today are taking a page from the Dudley book, he simply didn't know when he was licked.

Los Angeles

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the county north, south, east and west is a network of six-lane freeways, that have been driven through the center of Los Angeles. At the hub of this network is a four-level traffic interchange that connects four of these motorists' dreams. More than a hundred miles of freeways have been completed, and work is going steadily forward on the rest of the 400-mile system under a half-billion dollar program with a 1963 completion date. What these beautifully engineered highways have done to free the other main arteries from congestion and speed traffic may be gathered from the fact that the Hollywood Freeway, which carried 32,000 vehicles daily upon its opening in 1950, now carries 115,000.

Freeways are just part of a well-integrated, bold traffic control system that has won for Los Angeles the top award of the Institute of Traffic Engineering the past three years.

Equally phenomenal has been the industrial expansion that has carried Los Angeles County to third rank as a manufacturing center. Capital investments in new industries and expansion of existing ones skyrocketed from \$72,000,000 in 1948 to \$330,000,000 in 1952 for an astonishing five-year total of \$903,000,000. The war had brought a tremendous influx of some 500 plants to the Los Angeles area, but it was dwarfed by the post-war gain of 1,244 plants including those of such concerns as Union Carbon

Elkdom Mourns Two Past Grand Trustees

Within ten days, the Order was deprived of two of its most devoted members when death took Colonel Alfred T. Holley and Henry A. Guenther. To Mrs. Holley, and to the wife and two sons of Mr. Guenther, the staff of the Magazine offers its deepest sympathy.



COL. ALFRED T. HOLLEY



HENRY A. GUENTHER

Founder and Honorary Life Member of Hackensack, N. J., Lodge, No. 658, Alfred T. Holley was 81 when he succumbed early in September.

A man of great organizational ability, he was the second Exalted Ruler of the lodge he helped bring into existence, and was its only member to be elected to that office four successive times.

In 1903 and again in 1904, he was appointed to the Committee on Work and Ritual of the Grand Lodge. In 1907 he was elected to the Board of Grand Trustees, acting as Chairman in 1912 and 1913. During that period the Elks National Home Commission was organized, with the Board of Grand Trustees included on its membership; Col. Holley played an important part in planning the Home and supervising its erection.

Initiated into Newark, N. J., Lodge, No. 21, in 1902, Henry Guenther gave unstintingly of his time and energies in the cause of Elkdom. He served admirably on numerous committees in his lodge, becoming its Exalted Ruler in 1918. The following April found him an active participant in his State Association, and he served on all its important committees until his election to its Presidency in 1927.

In January, 1930, upon the death of Grand Trustee Richard P. Rooney, Mr. Guenther was appointed to fill his unexpired term. In July, 1931, he was elected to membership on the Board, acting as Home Member from 1934 until 1937 when he became its Chairman. From 1930 until his death at the age of 74, Mr. Guenther served his lodge as an Alternate Grand Lodge Delegate.

& Chemical, Anheuser-Busch, Schlitz, Libbey Glass, Lever Bros. and Borden, with other industrial giants still coming.

The high-style creations of Los Angeles' fashion designers have made them the peers of their New York and Paris colleagues, and in sports and casual wear—for both men and women—they have long set the pace. The American male, in particular, owes a great debt of gratitude to the emancipating influence of Los Angeles. About men's clothing, as with the weather, much was said but little if anything done until these freedom-loving comfort-conscious designers went to work. Given the chance, millions of men have cast off their armor plate and donned the comfortable, if flamboyant, clothing that Los Angeles created.

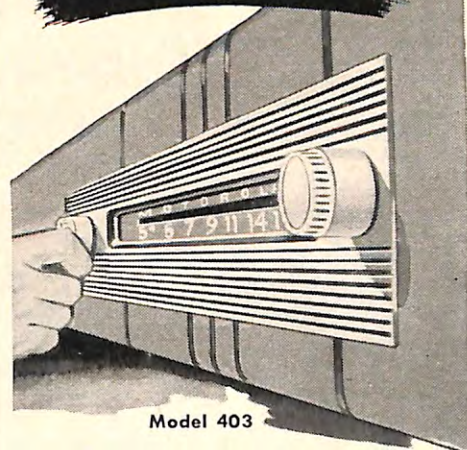
So urban is Los Angeles, that it is likely to escape notice as one of the

nation's leading agricultural areas. From 1910 to 1950 Los Angeles County's farm crops topped the country in dollar volume. It still ranks ahead of 11 states in agricultural production. The Chamber of Commerce admits modestly that Los Angeles now is the second county, an admission made easier by the fact that Fresno County on the north has risen to first place. Chief reasons for this shift were the displacement of thousands of acres of orange groves and other farm crops by homes and industrial plants, and the expansion of cotton growing in Fresno County. Cotton is a game that Los Angeles, too, can play.

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PASADENA'S Tournament of Roses is queen of a long list of pageants, festivals, fiestas, musical and dramatic events around the calendar. Notable among them are the Hollywood Bowl Symphonies Under the Stars which begin an eight-week run in July; a 10-week season of light opera, also *al fresco*, presented from June to August in the famed Greek Theater in Griffith Park; and the Padua Hills Theater, near Claremont, where plays of Old California with Mexican casts are presented the year round, to mention a few that will be available to Elk Convention visitors.

Griffith Park, whose 4,253 acres make it the largest in the world, also houses an excellent zoo and the Griffith Park Planetarium where shows are presented every day save Monday. A notable attraction, in quality and variety, is the Huntington Library, Art Gallery and Botanical Gardens. The Gallery houses a fine collection of 18th Century British paintings including Thomas Gainsborough's "The Blue Boy", Sir Thomas Lawrence's "Pinkie" and works by Romney, Sir Joshua Reynolds, Hogarth and others. Among the 150,000 rare books and a million letters and documents in the Library are the Gutenberg Bible, Benjamin Franklin's Autobiography in his handwriting and the first collected edition of W. Shakespeare's plays. The Botanical Gardens here are reward enough in themselves. The 50 acres open to visitors present: An Oriental Garden with 100 varieties each of azaleas and camellias as well as wisteria, rhododendrons, flowering peach, plum and cherry; Desert Plant Garden of 25,000 plants; Cycad Collection of 50 specimens, some resembling tree ferns, others palms, from four continents; Palm Collection of 200 specimens from around the world.

If this doesn't satisfy the backyard gardener, he can hop out to 201 West Carter Street in Sierra Madre, near Pasadena, and view the world's largest wisteria vine. Over 45 years old, it spreads over an acre and a half. Its blooming in late March or early April is an imposing event.

From here, it's a few minutes drive to the Lyons Pony Express Museum in Arcadia. You as well as the youngsters can browse among 24 rooms filled with relics of the Wild West. There's something for everybody.

Besides its excellent swimming and always popular glass-bottomed boats that reveal the magic beauty of underseas gardens, Santa Catalina Island, just 2 hours and 10 minutes from Los Angeles harbor, offers a first rate attraction in its Bird Park. Here are to be seen thousands of rare and colorful birds, many of them trained to talk and perform.

In and near Los Angeles are some of the most beautiful and best preserved of California's historic Mission Churches. The Church of Our Lady, Queen of the Angels, faces the Plaza, at Sunset Boulevard and Los Angeles Street, site of the pueblo that was the start of Los Angeles in 1781. Open daily and still carrying on the Lord's work, this Mission contains much fine old statuary and stained glass windows. Located in San Gabriel, and still in use is San Gabriel Mission, built in 1771. Near the city of the same name is lovely San Fernando Mission with its Memory Gardens of flowers and statues.

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Street, El Paseo de Los Angeles of yesterday. The short lane is still paved with brick and tile, and it is lined with many gay shops, booths and cafes. Mexican food and handicrafts are for sale, and strolling musicians and dancers entertain.

Modern counterpart of Olvera Street, but multiplied many times over, is the Farmers' Market, near Beverly Hills. Back in 1933 a few farmers began the custom of backing their trucks up to the curb and selling their produce to passers-by. Today, 152 merchants do a 17 million dollar annual business in just about everything under the sun. Numerous outdoor restaurants off a large patio serve native dishes from so many places that it seems like a giant lazy susan.

Among the 47,000 retail stores and shops in Los Angeles County are some of the handsomest and finest to be found anywhere, as befits the nation's third largest retail center doing an annual business of 5 billion dollars. About 10 per cent of

these transactions are done in downtown Los Angeles. All of the four large downtown department stores and many of the leading women's and men's shops have established branches in one or more of the elegant shopping centers that have been developed as the city spread.

Justly famed is beautiful Wilshire Boulevard and its Miracle Mile of dazzling shops, but rivaling it are its own Wilshire Center, the Beverly Hills section of Wilshire, Pasadena, the Lake-wood section of Long Beach and Westwood near the campus of the University of California at Los Angeles. So stunning and glamorous are many of these stores that a visit to them is more rewarding than a 3-D movie.

Los Angeles has seldom been accused of modesty, but as a matter of fact it doesn't always claim to have the best or the biggest. If you're tired after this sightseeing trip, let's go over to Third and Hill and take a ride on the world's shortest railroad.



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The Grand Exalted Ruler's Visits

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ASSN., reported elsewhere in this issue, and on the 21st, MARTINSVILLE, VA., LODGE, NO. 1752, was host to the distinguished visitor who was guest of honor at the lodge's Fifth Annual Dinner-Dance when P.E.R. C. C. Broun was Master of Ceremonies. Over 300 applauded Mr. James' stirring talk, and others who spoke included Dr. Barrett, Mr. Hawthorne, John L. Walker of the Grand Forum, D.D.'s J. C. Aaron and D. S. McClarin, State Pres. Joseph Marcus and P.D.D. Paul S. Johnson.

Following the Eastern District Deputy Conference at the ELKS NATIONAL HOME in Bedford, Va., on the 22nd, Mr. and Mrs. James, in the company of Past Grand Exalted Rulers Masters, James T. Hallinan, Howard R. Davis and George I. Hall, arrived in HARRISBURG for the opening of the PA. ELKS ASSN. Convention Aug. 23rd, and then attended the meeting of the W. VA. ELKS ASSN. at FAIRMONT on the 28th, escorted by Past Grand Exalted

Ruler Wade H. Kepner. Both these conclaves are covered fully in another section of this issue.

A caravan of Elks and ladies of MATTOON, ILL., LODGE, NO. 495, welcomed Mr. and Mrs. James when they arrived with Mr. Kepner in his private plane at Coles County Memorial Airport Aug. 29th. The occasion marked the opening of the lodge's magnificent \$150,000 home which features a dining room accommodating 75 persons, a \$10,000 kitchen and a heating and air-conditioning system installed at a cost of \$33,000. The three-day celebration, with P.E.R. Omer Macy as Chairman, included a buffet luncheon, entertainment and dancing, a banquet and dance in honor of Mr. and Mrs. James, and came to a close with a meeting of the ILLINOIS S.E. DIST. lodges conducted by State Vice-Pres. John D. Mitchell.

BRAINERD, MINN., LODGE, NO. 615, was host to the Order's leader and his wife on Aug. 30th, when he was guest at a Grand



Above: Officials at Martinsville, Va., Lodge included, seated left to right: D.D. J. C. Aaron, Est. Loyal Knight C. S. Cox, E.R. J. R. Gilley, Jr., Mr. James, Est. Lead. Knight S. W. Garener, Est. Lect. Knight Starling Shumati, Dr. R. S. Barrett.



Mr. James was joined at his Conference at the Elks National Home in Bedford, Va., above, by Past Grand Exalted Rulers J. E. Masters, J. F. Malley, R. S. Barrett, J. S. McClelland and H. W. Davis, and L. A. Lewis, J. R. Coen and Mr. Masters at Salt Lake City, Utah, below.





At the Delaware Capitol, left to right: Past Grand Exalted Ruler Barrett, Past Grand Est. Loyal Knight C. G. Hawthorne, Gov. J. Caleb Boggs, Dover E.R. W. K. Cary, Grand Exalted Ruler James and State Auditor G. D. Enterline, Shamokin, Pa., P.E.R.



Left to right at the opening of Mattoon, Ill., Lodge's home: Mrs. Omer Macy, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Wade H. Kepner, Mr. James and E.R. and Mrs. Paul Graham.

Ball attended by 300 persons from other Minn. lodges, as well as Watertown, S.D., Nebraska and Oklahoma. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern and Gov. C. Elmer Anderson were on hand, and Past Pres. Aubrey M. Kerr of the Okla. Elks Assn. introduced Mr. James to the gathering, following his presentation by Judge C. E. Erickson, Master of Ceremonies. During his Brainerd stay, Mr. James was host to E.R. C. L. Nelson, Grand Tiler Dr. M. H. Carlson, D.D. Norman Hansen and other officials and their wives at a fish fry, providing the fare taken during his vacation in the area. The visit closed with a meeting of MINN. CENT. DIST. State Vice-Pres. E. M. Peacock presided.



The Order's leader looks on at right as E.R. Louis Grimm, left, presents Wichita, Kans., Lodge's \$500 check to Dr. Martin F. Palmer, Director of the Institute of Logopedics.

Grand Exalted Ruler's Itinerary*

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| NOV. 1 | Harrisburg, Pa. |
| 2 | Mount Carmel, Pa. |
| 3 | Gettysburg, Pa. |
| 4 | Bedford, Pa. |
| 5 | Butler, Pa. |
| 6 | New Kensington, Pa. |
| 7 | Warren, Pa. |
| 8 | Euclid, Ohio |
| 9 | St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn. |
| 10 | Sioux Falls, So. Dakota |
| 11 | Bismarck, No. Dakota |
| 14 | Board of Grand Trustees Meeting at Elks National Home, Bedford, Va. Lynchburg, Va. |
| 15 | Binghamton, N. Y. |
| 16 | New Jersey Lodges |
| 18 | Dixon and Galena, Ill. |
| 19 | Dubuque, Ia. |
| | Moline and Rock Island, Ill. |
| | Davenport and Muscatine, Iowa |
| 20 | Omaha, Fremont and Lincoln, Neb. |
| 21 | Lincoln, Neb. |
| 23 | Benton Harbor and Holland, Mich. |
| 24 | Ionia and Flint, Mich. |
| 28 | South Norwalk, Conn. |
| 29 | Rockville, Conn. |
| 30 | Waterbury, Conn. |
| DEC. 2 | Junction City and Manhattan, Kans. |
| 3 | Topeka, Kans. |
| 4-5 | Joplin, Mo. |
| 7 | Milwaukee, Wis. |
| 11 | Albuquerque, N. M. |
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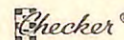
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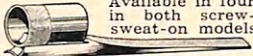
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Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland, E. W. McCabe of the Grand Lodge Ritualistic Committee, John T. Menefee, former Grand Lodge Committeeman, D.D.'s Leon Easterly and Harry Napier, State Secy. John A. Gasell and U. S. Sen. Estes Kefauver, a member of Chattanooga Lodge.

During the conclave, Mr. Hicks' recommendation that the Assn. subscribe an additional \$1,000 to the Elks National Foundation was adopted unanimously, and State Treas. Menefee delivered a check in that amount to Mr. James.

Reports revealed that a great deal of stress has been laid on the importance of youth work among the State's lodges, and Past Pres. E. W. McCabe presented a plaque to E.R. Charles Mason in recognition of Bristol Lodge's outstanding service to youth in the past year. This lodge also captured the State Ritualistic Trophy for 1953.

Knoxville Lodge will be host to the 1954 meeting, and serving with Pres. Elkins until then will be Maurice Conn, Bristol, ranking Vice-Pres.; George Farr, Chattanooga, Frank Turner, Nashville, and Dean Douglass, Memphis, Dist. Vice-Presidents; John T. Menefee of Chattanooga, Treas.; John A. Gasell, Jackson, Trustee; George Dykes, Oak Ridge, Secy.; Forrest Orr, Greeneville, Tiler; George Crane, Knoxville, Sgt.-at-Arms, and Vernon Hines, Nashville, Chaplain.

MARYLAND, DELAWARE and DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Dignitaries attending the Annual Convention of the Md., Dela. and D. C. Elks Assn. in Salisbury Aug. 20, 21, 22 and 23 included Grand Exalted Ruler Earl E. James who was accompanied by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Robert S. Barrett and Past Grand Est. Loyal Knight Charles G. Hawthorné.

A banquet in Mr. James' honor was attended by about 200 guests, with P.E.R. Millard Tawes of Crisfield Lodge as Toastmaster. Dr. Barrett introduced the Order's leader who delivered a vigorous and inspiring talk, and entertainment



Retiring Pres. E. H. Lattimer, left, and new Pres. James H. Boex, right, with Vice-Pres.-at-Large Alfred E. LaFrance at the Wisconsin Meeting.

was supplied by Mr. Hawthorne, Chairman of the Assn.'s Veterans Committee for seven years, who brought to Salisbury part of one of his shows in order that the delegates could see the type of program he has been providing at the various VA Hospitals.

During the conclave various committee reports were delivered, including an outstanding coverage of the work on the Boys Camp the Assn. maintains. Rosell T. Pickrel, former member of the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee, made the Scholarship presentation. Retiring Pres. R. Edward Dove of Annapolis, who is once again the Assn.'s capable Secy., presided at these sessions until the installation of the following officers: Pres., W. E. Slaughter, Easton; 1st Vice-Pres., Chas. L. Mobley, Hagerstown; 2nd Vice-Pres., Charles Heinmuller, Towson; 3rd Vice-Pres., Armour Friend, Silver Spring; Chaplain, Earl Huber, Prince George's County; Tiler, W. D. Davis, Frostburg; Sgt.-at-Arms, E. D. Smith, Frederick; Treas., J. G. Motyka, Washington, D.C.

Many interesting social events were enjoyed, including a dance honoring Mr. Dove, a typical Eastern Shore Crab Feast, a Corn Roast and a 50th Anniversary Dance commemorating the Golden Jubilee of the host lodge. Following the Memorial Services at which Hon. E. Dale Adkins, Jr., was the speaker, the Convention adjourned until the next regional meeting Nov. 14 and 15 at Frederick.



Highlighting the Md., Dela. and D.C. Assn. Convention at Salisbury, host E.R. W. Wendell Humphreys, left, presents the top Youth Award to Louis E. Brown, Jr., while Miss Janice I. Schuler receives her tribute from Towson E.R. N. Charles Heinmuller. At right, retiring Pres. R. E. Dove.

Rod and Gun

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What is there about it that makes men, rich and poor, neglect friends, business and family to hunt quail? There are many facets to charm the mind and delight the spirit, but the greatest of these is the magnificent midget himself.

Bob is a sweet bird. I love to hear—and watch—him whistling from a fence post during the spring and early summer. Later, nothing gives me a greater thrill than to discover that a covey is using in the berry bushes out back of the house. We usually don't see them until the chicks are two-thirds grown and capable of flying well. Mrs. Bob is a cautious mother. From the day that we first discover them, however, it is a constant game to see whether we can observe them at their daily feeding, dusting or loafing.

DURING the summer, these "garden quail" become quite tame. If we sit motionless, or even if we go about our work cautiously so as not to startle them, it is not unusual to watch them undisturbed at a distance of 50 or 75 feet.

As summer fades with the first cool nights we see them less often. By the time there has been a touch of frost and the hazy days of Indian summer have arrived, our backyard covey is gone. It has moved out into the fields where the spilled grain and ripening weed seeds afford a diet more tempting than the berry patch which was its summer haven.

When November comes and we can once more go afield with gun and dog, Bob is an entirely different bird. He is wild, wary, clever—well able to shift for himself. Our friendly covey that hung around the house all summer is now no different from any other.

Of course, quail are not alone in this trait. Pheasants and grouse and ducks have it. The deer that watched you curiously along a trout stream in July becomes invisible in October. All game becomes wilder as the year progresses toward the hazardous days of winter. Perhaps nature in her wisdom is preparing it for survival until spring again brings ample food and safe cover.

Whatever the mysterious force may be that prepares him, Bob is ready when we go afield. He is a brown, feathered, buzzing bullet, ready to flip out of his cover with a rush that freezes minds and paralyzes reflexes as he streaks away to safety.

My early quail hunting was a strange mixture of tingling excitement, bitter

disappointment and, occasionally, high elation. I was puzzled a good share of the time, too. Quail look absurdly easy to hit when you're a boy tagging along behind your father and watching him shoot.

Then come the first gun, the first season, the first covey. I was out by myself after school on the day the season opened. Just back of the field we had in corn that year was a little patch of waist-high brush. I knew there was a covey using there and I made a bee line for it.

Strangely, I found myself becoming more and more nervous as I approached. I began to tighten up until I held my gun in a tense and vice-like grip. I was not conscious of walking into the cover where the quail were. I simply seemed to get there, as though transported by some invisible force, and suddenly, with a paralyzing roar, the quail were in the air. Quail did not make a noise like that when it was my father who held the gun.

I squeezed the wood and metal as though the quail were going to take it away from me. My mouth probably fell open. More than likely, I shook. Suddenly, when the quail were 20 yards gone, I realized that if any of them were going to be shot, I was the boy who had to do it. I slammed gun to shoulder, pointed it at the spot where the quail seemed to be the thickest and pulled one trigger, then the other. Naturally, I didn't turn a feather.

Of course, I knew better than that. I had tagged along behind my father too long not to know that you have to shoot at a quail. But I had just discovered one of the basic facts of wing shooting: All birds fly slower when you don't have a gun.

My hands were trembling as I dropped in fresh hulls. My knees felt a little weak. My heart was pounding. I had also discovered the devastating effect of a covey rise on an over-anxious gunner.

I had been too excited to watch the covey down. I didn't have any idea in the world where they went—and I knew better than that, too. So I struck out in the direction that it usually flew when it left this cover.

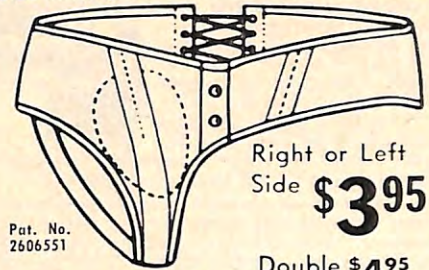
When I had walked perhaps 150 yards, the dog suddenly became very busy. He was making game and I began to tighten up once more. He flushed a single. This time I would not wait too long. My gun was up and the shot was off before Bob had flown 10 yards. I have no idea where



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the charge went. The other barrel was forgotten.

How infinitely more difficult it became when I was doing the shooting! I watched my dog hurrying through the cover—pointers and setters were unknown to me in those days—and reloaded again.

Shortly, another quail buzzed out. This time I was ready. I brought my gun up deliberately, held carefully, and pulled the trigger. I was sure I was right, but the bird, a straight-away, didn't miss a wing beat. I now think that I waited until he leveled off and shot over him, but at the time my miss was a complete mystery. I simply couldn't believe my eyes.

Another single flew. This time I knew why I missed him with the right barrel. I was away off to the side when I pulled the trigger. I managed to get the second shot off at him, but he probably was too far. At any rate, I thought my hold was right—and he flew on.

By this time I was getting angry. I could hit quail. I would hit them! Unfortunately, as every experienced smooth-bore shooter knows, determination can't point a shotgun worth a darn. I missed another quail twice and while I was reloading a couple more got out.

The dog dashed back and forth over the spot where they had been while I watched tensely, but he could find no more. Evidently they were all gone. I relaxed gradually as I watched him. He finally worked away toward the right in the general direction that a couple of the singles had taken.

Convinced by now that I would get no more shooting here, I swung my gun down, balanced it ahead of the trigger

guard in my right hand, and turned to follow him. I had not taken three steps when a quail fluttered out of a low bush almost at my feet.

The gun came up somehow and I shot. To my complete amazement, Bob dropped. A puff of feathers followed him slowly down. I ran and picked him up. I had killed my first quail.

Thirty seconds before, I had been utterly dejected, depressed, completely without hope. Now, I was in the clouds. The fields suddenly were beautiful in the evening sunlight. The world was a lovely place and I was the center of it. I followed my dog on, walking buoyantly through the crisp stubble; scenting the sweet wood smoke.

The emotional wringer through which this little brown bird can put one probably is beyond comprehension to all who are not quail hunters. It can't be explained because there is no sense in it, really. After all, a quail is only a few ounces of flesh and a handful of feathers. What has he that can hurl a man to the depths of despair and then lift him to the peaks of happiness, all within a short November hour?

I can't explain it, but I have experienced the full spectrum of emotions many times. That is what makes quail hunting. It isn't the country and it isn't the autumn weather and it isn't the dog work nor the honest outdoor companionship of old friends. It is more than that. It is something that Bob himself possesses. Not any one trait or ability, of course, but the sum total of them all. There is none other like him—the magnificent midget.

In the Doghouse

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the roof of the mouth is a sure sign of canine blue blood.

Next in importance to your dog is his nose. You'd be surprised how much his nose knows. With it he detects the presence of enemy or friend; as a hunter it enables him to locate his game and tells him many things that you or I would never notice. Don't be too confident that your dog is well if his beak is cold and wet. That's not always a reliable indication. A dog that may be coming down with any one of a number of sicknesses may still have a cold, wet schnozzle. Nor is it true that a warm, dry nose is a signal for sickness provided this isn't prolonged for more than a few days. The dog's nose is an important part of his respiratory system and the wetness is simply his perspiration.

It is claimed by some authorities that this is the only way a dog perspires but I can't agree; I've had dogs that in summertime, when the thermometer was going skyward, would become slightly damp in the arm-pits and I've seen faint, damp dog tracks on the concrete floor of a porch left there by dogs that had been confined indoors all day. Of course if

a dog's nose continues to remain dry for more than a few days, it means that he isn't perspiring as freely as he should; like any other warm-blooded animal prolonged suspension of perspiring is an indication that something is wrong and a dog so afflicted should then be taken to a vet for thorough examination. One of the most prevalent disorders to the dog's nose is caused by a minute, red, worm-like insect that selects this as its living quarters. In his efforts to get rid of this unwelcome visitor the pooch will indulge in frequent head-shakings and persistent pawing at his nose. If your dog goes into action this way and persists in doing these things then you'd best take him to his vet who will spray the nose and thus rid your dog of that parasite.

Next we'll move on to inspecting your dog's eyes. They should be bright and clear with the whites free from traces of yellow or red. If they begin to run, look out for an on-coming cold. I've recommended this preparation before in these pages but that was quite a while ago. It's a very good eye-wash not only for Fido but for human beings too. You add two teaspoonsful of boric acid to one pint

of boiling water. After this cools add a half teaspoonful of spirits of camphor. Stir thoroughly. I've found nothing like it to soothe tired eyes and to relieve soreness that comes from eyes that are inflamed and running. For yourself you'll probably want to use an eye-cup but for your dog use a very soft sponge or soft cloth. Bathe the eyes gently and dry them gently too. If the dog's eyes persistently run then your vet should take over as this is an abnormal condition and may be the symptom of something more seriously affecting the dog. For cuts or tears around your dog's eyes don't try to home-doctor these. It's too serious a matter for amateur treatment.

Dogs can be and many have been victims of cataract.

About once a month take a look at your dog's feet or do it right away if the dog begins to limp or if there's a sign of injury. If the pads are sore or cracked rub vaseline into them, but wipe the excess off if you value your rugs or carpets and your good standing with the lady of the house. Remove any foreign objects that have lodged between the pads or toes. If the nails are growing too long clip them or have them clipped by your vet. They can grow so long as to curve inward and become painfully ingrown. If you try to do the clipping yourself examine the nail closely. Try to see where the "quick" ends. This is a small vein-like streak of live flesh which, if cut, will be very painful. There are nail clippers for dogs available at pet departments or pet supply stores and also sold by mail. If you want the name and address of a manufacturer to order a clipper, write to me and I'll give them to you. There are also sold at the departments and stores I mention and by mail, files to keep the purp's nails in trim.

Now for the coat. It's the only wardrobe your dog has and it's mighty important to him. It should be clean and glistening. A dull coat is a pretty good indication that Fido's off his feed. The coat of a sick dog is harsh, dry and stands off from the body raggedly. The coat should be kept as free from fleas and other parasites as is possible. But it isn't sufficient to free the coat of such visitors; the dog's sleeping place should also get a thorough going over. Your local druggist has commercial preparations that will put Mr. Flea out of business and quick. The dog's coat should be combed and brushed every day if he's one of those long-coated fellows. If his is a short coat, you won't need the comb. If you do use a comb be sure that the teeth are not sharp; if they are, then file them down. Both comb and brush can be bought in most five and dime stores.

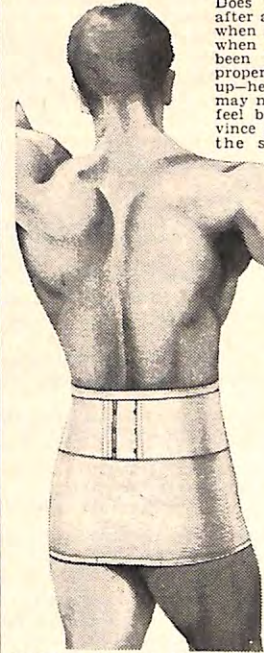
DON'T comb a long-haired dog while its coat is wet—you'll comb out too much live hair. The only exception to this is for the Yorkshire terrier whose coat should be combed only when wet. The daily grooming will help your dog get rid of excess hair and for the tidy housekeeper the dog that sheds excessively is one of the worst of all nuisances. When grooming the dog, stand it on a few sheets of newspaper to catch the combings and the fleas too when you are de-fleaing the purp. For both long and short coated dogs put a few drops of olive or mineral oil on the brush or a small daub of vaseline. This will help make the coat shine.

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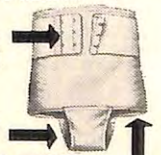


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EDITORIAL

STRAYED ELKS



To those not already familiar with the facts it will come as a surprise, as one reads the report of the Grand Secretary submitted at the recent Grand Lodge Session, to note that in the subordinate lodge year ending March 31, 1953, although 81,363 American citizens stood at the altar of the Order, took the obligation and became members, the total membership of the Order increased only 27,135.

Having taken in 81,363 new members why is it that we increased only 27,135 in membership?

Death, of course, took its toll and 15,270 Elks passed away during the year.

What was principally responsible, however, for the Order failing to show a gain last year of around 65,000 was the dropping from the rolls of 40,195 members.

Surveys have shown that a very large percentage of those who dropped out or were dropped for non-payment were members out of the jurisdiction of the lodge to which they belonged and had never gotten in touch with the lodge nearest their new residence.

Isn't it possible that a very large percentage of us know of at least one such strayed Elk?

It seems to us that the job of regaining such former Elks should not be left entirely to the officers of the lodges.

Perhaps there are many of us who can bring one more back. Let's make the effort.

"What man of you, having an hundred sheep, if he lose one of them, does not leave the ninety and nine . . . and go after that which is lost, until he find it. "And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulder, rejoicing."

ELK LEADERSHIP



When an Elks lodge assumes the leadership of any activity, bringing into play its organizational ability, enthusiasm and steadfastness of purposes, there is action; things happen and another successful project results.

That was the case last June when lodges throughout the Order staged observances of Know Your America Week that demonstrated the Elks' unwavering vigilance in preserving Americanism against the encroachments of Communism. Of the many fine observances held, one of the most outstanding that came to our attention was the county-wide program sponsored by San Diego, Cal., Lodge No. 168.

Every lodge had been urged to take the initiative, and supply the leadership needed to promote a truly community program. That is just what San Diego Lodge did, and the results were remarkable. The Elks moulded into a smoothly working team the representatives of 60 cooperating groups. They included local units of the national organizations that make up the All-American Conference to Combat Com-

munist, sponsor of the Week, as well as other groups. These cooperative efforts produced a program that stirred the people of San Diego County to a patriotic reawakening. It was a week of re-dedication to the fundamental principles of Americanism that will have lasting effect.

San Diego's Elks are to be congratulated for so successfully exemplifying the qualities of leadership for which our Order has become justly noted.

THE MAT OF WARM WELCOME



A recent issue of the bulletin published by Toledo, Oregon, Lodge No. 1664, contained this reminder by Exalted Ruler Bob Lamphier:

"Be friendly to visiting brothers. Make them feel especially welcome when they visit our Lodge home. But

no matter where you meet them—at the hall or on the street—go out of your way to give them a hearty welcome."

This word of advice is most interesting, particularly because it substitutes for mere courtesy the thought of doing everything possible to make visitors feel entirely at home—as much at home, perhaps, as they would feel among members of their own lodges.

The sooner such an attitude is adopted as a general and active policy, it seems to us, the more confident can we all be that our Order will continue to grow strong through the years and gain in membership.

One of the few serious obstacles we meet in our march to new membership goals is the situation that thousands of our members, primarily because of business interests, move every year to points which lie at some distance from their home towns. As your Magazine's list reveals, many of these "Stray Elks" have more than the distance of a State between themselves and their Lodges. Far too great a percentage of them are known, through lapsation analyses, to regard Elkdom as out of reach and to put it out of mind.

Our Order can meet that problem best by uniting in an all-out effort to extend a warm and reassuring welcome to all of the "Stray Elks" who visit the Lodges nearest their new homes to enjoy some contact with fellow Elk members. Let us welcome them with a warmth that will make them come again. If that is done, our lodges will profit through their presence, the visitors will gain in fraternal companionship, and the Order will prosper through the retention of their names on the roster.

ALLIES



For the past few weeks we have noticed, with some amusement, the recurrence of the phrase "An onion and you", which some "character" has been printing in chalk here and there on the risers of subway stairs.

This morning, as we wended our way to the office desk, we noticed that someone had taken up his stick of chalk and revised the phrase in rebuttal.

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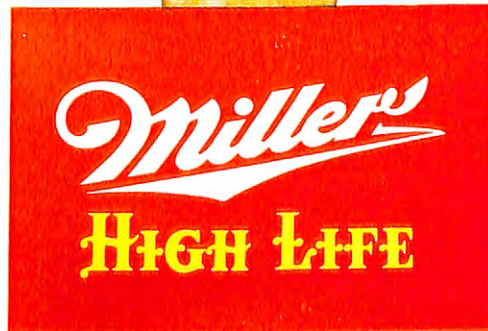
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