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BY BRUNO SHAW

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TOM WRIGLEY WRITES FROM WASHINGTON



AS SCHOOLS RE-OPEN in September, the spotlights of many groups, industrial, religious, political and social, will be turned on the American education system. Results of this widespread scrutiny will be followed by legislative moves in the next session of Congress. Questions reaching far beyond the teaching of the three "R's" are being considered by industry and labor. What opinions are students forming, for instance, on federal power projects, socialization of industry, production quotas, guaranteed annual wages, pension plans, unemployment insurance and the like? Labor organizations, the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers are keenly interested in the teaching of business economics. There is talk of a co-ordinated effort to present the facts in teaching elementary economics in high schools. Some surveys in schools last spring showed a surprisingly wide difference of opinion on how far the government should go in business. They ranged not only to control of steel, coal and oil to government guaranteed wages. Search of textbooks for subversive or propaganda material will continue. In many states problems of the integration of racial groups will command local and national attention. Federal aid to schools is a burning political issue. Estimates for new school construction run as high as \$7,000,000,000 and construction programs of around \$700,000,000 have been urged, but nothing like that sum will be spent.

HEROES OF THE RAILS

A half century ago Congress authorized a bronze medal for heroism. To date only 69 have received it. The last two who recently won the award are railroad men. Glen E. Northcutt, 20, apprentice Santa Fe telegrapher at Moore, Oklahoma, snatched a little girl from the path of an oncoming train. Louis LaSalle, 22, Boston & Maine fireman, saw a youngster playing on the tracks. He leaped from the front of the engine, grabbed the child, and rolled into the ditch as the train roared past.

ATOMS FOR PEACE

The Washington National Cathedral may be heated by atomic energy in a few years. The problem already had been explored and declared to be quite feasible. Atomic heating would serve two purposes.

It would eliminate a 120-foot smokestack and it would be a notable example of the use of atomic power for peace. Dr. William Pollard, nuclear physicist, a member of the church, has conferred with Gen. Kenneth D. Nichols, former general manager of the Atomic Energy Commission. He has asked for an engineering report. General Nichols said an atomic heating plant would be a probability in 10 years and a possibility in five. Right now, even if such a small plant could be built, the cost would be prohibitive. Use of atomic energy is being developed so fast, however, the Washington Cathedral, before many years may be warmed by the modern miracle, energy from atoms.

SAVE HISTORIC MANSION

Christian Heurich, Sr., German born, was Washington's esteemed brewer for more than half a century and in 1892 built a mansion near Dupont Circle which is famous. There is nothing like it in the nation's capital. Mr. Heurich died in 1944, aged 102, and his widow has now announced the mansion will be left to the Columbia Historical Society as a museum. Incidentally, Heurich's brewery, an ornate red brick castle, near the Lincoln Memorial, is still in operation. Close by is a statue of William Jennings Bryan.

AMERICA'S SWEET TOOTH

Calories notwithstanding, this nation consumes 8,400,000 tons of sugar a year, and the mountain of sweet stuff is continually growing. The government has an interesting method of handling domestic sugar supplies and at the same time permit Cuba to export large quantities. Sugar quotas for the United States, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands now total 4,400,000 tons. The Philippines are allowed 974,000 tons. This total is subtracted from the 8,400,000 figure and Cuba can send in 96 per cent of the difference. All of which makes for a lot of sugar conferences in Washington.

OUR WHITE HOUSE

When the cornerstone of the White House was laid in 1792, the estimated cost was \$400,000. Today it is a \$16,000,000 investment just for construction alone. It was rebuilt after the British burned it in 1814 and various changes enlarged it from 62 to 132 rooms. The renovating during the Truman administration

cost over \$5,500,000. The patriotic thrill it gives thousands of visitors week after week is worth every nickel of the outlay. FDR was presented a swimming pool, Truman had a bowling alley given to him and President Eisenhower has a putting green. Under the mansion is a bomb proof shelter built during World War II.

FAST PRIVATE PLANE

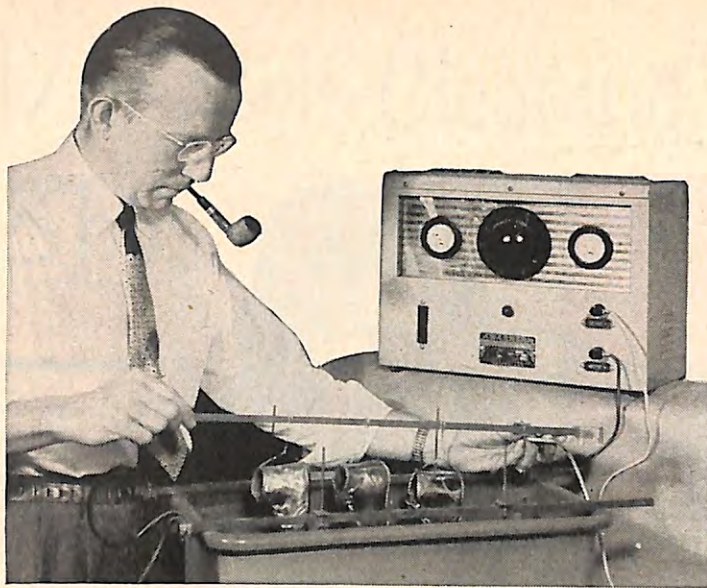
For the big business executive or sportsman who wants to go places in a hurry a French 4-passenger twin jet plane called the "Paris" is exhibited at National airport. It cruises at 350 mph and has a top speed of 415. It can climb on takeoff to 10,000 feet on one jet. The plane, after being displayed here and in other cities, will tour Canada.

WANT U. S. MEDICAL SCHOOL

Now that a temporary Air Force Academy has been established, the Pentagon wants a military medical and dental academy in order to build up adequate medical staffs. There is a shortage of doctors and dentists in the armed services and a medical academy would tend to correct this, it is argued.

POTOMAC POSTSCRIPTS

Mammoth National Institutes of Health thought it had everything but now needs \$400,000 for a "hotel" to house 800 rhesus monkeys to test polio vaccine . . . Estimates of U. S. production have been upped by Commerce Department to \$375 billion a year for all goods and services . . . Agriculture Department is buying grain storage bins to keep 100,000,000 extra bushels of this year's harvest . . . Federal workers now total about 2,300,000 and the average pay is \$4,000 a year. Fewer than 4 per cent get over \$7,000. Sight-seeing buses drive by the White House so visitors can get a glimpse of Ike's putting green . . . Healthy John J. Gillen retired from the Post Office Department as Director of International Postal Service and gave the government back 2,227 hours of unused sick leave . . . Draft rejections are running up to 80 per cent in some states . . . The old 1848 Winder Building, where passports are issued, has a Civil War dungeon under it, used for storing records . . . Civil Aeronautics reports 67 passenger planes were hit by lightning in the past two years but without loss of life or injury.



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By James U. Mason

What a fellow makes in his regular job today is hardly enough to make ends meet. Higher taxes, higher costs of food and rent and almost everything else raise hob with the savings account. And I say that what a fellow puts away is even more important than what he makes. It would worry me sick if I couldn't save a little against a rainy day.

And that makes it almost necessary to make some extra money. There are lots of ways to do it, too. The magazines and newspapers are full of ads for agents to sell things. But if I had to make a living by selling, from house-to-house, I'm afraid I'd starve to death. I like to make something with my hands and either sell it by mail or let the stores sell it for me. There are lots of people like me.



Another thing: Lots of men—and women, too—don't want to get mixed up with something that might hurt them on their jobs. They want a plan they can operate at home—in spare time—one that they can work at any time they please and one that doesn't need any rented store or hired help.

And that's where my little money maker rings the bell.

Let's say you're like me. You want to make some extra money but you don't want to do any selling. All right—take a look at what you can do with this machine. I'll give you some facts that I discovered and your own common sense will tell you they're true.

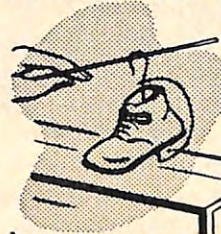
If you're going to make something, it ought to be something that lots of people want—something that lots of people buy. It shouldn't be something that sells at just certain seasons—but all year 'round. And, it shouldn't be any flash in the pan. It's got to be steady—year after year—something that's not here today and gone tomorrow.



Well, give a thought to this: What's more permanent than babies? Ever since I can remember there's been more and more babies born every year. Last year three and a half million. This year more. Next year, more yet. Then answer this question and tie it in with your thinking: What's stronger than mother's love for her baby? And what is more powerful than love or sentiment in making people buy things. Now you've got the idea.

Every year millions of mothers want their babies' first

shoes preserved as mementos. These mothers have the shoes "bronzed" as they call it—by electroplating. Electroplating coats the shoes with copper and preserves them forever. And there's no big company that has a corner on the business of metalizing baby shoes. Almost all of this work is done by little fellows in their kitchens or basements. Lots of orders come to you by mail when you send out circulars letting mothers know you can do the work. Lots of stores take orders, but they have to turn over the work to you. There are six or seven ways to get orders without making any house-to-house calls. The big job is keeping up with them.



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you are asleep, awake or at the movies. The materials cost 54c a pair. The retail price you get for electroplating is \$6.00—so the profit is more than \$5.00 a pair. Since you can do six pair a day you can see what the profit is, and the beauty of it is that the machine doesn't cost much. Almost anyone can afford the equipment and the book you get tells how to run the machine and how to get orders. Anyone can follow the instructions.

Of course, there's a lot more information than what I can give here. But write me a note or send me a postcard with your name on it and I'll send you all the information right away by mail. I'll show you how to start; what you need to buy; where to get it at the lowest price; how to get orders coming in seven different ways; and everything you want to know about the business. When you get all the facts, you can decide whether you want to get a "little money maker" of your own. Everything I send you now is free—no charge and no obligation. I'll be glad to help you get a start. Address me, James U. Mason, 1512 Jarvis Avenue, Chicago 26, Illinois. There's no catch to it. No one will call to try to sell you anything. I'll mail everything free, postage prepaid. Then you can decide. Write to me right away so I can help you get started making money.

*A Message
from the
Grand Exalted Ruler*



P L A N E L K D O M ' S P R O G R E S S

INSPIRED BY THE ENTHUSIASTIC MANNER in which you accepted in Philadelphia my challenge to "Serve Elkdom—Live Elkdom", I say with confidence: "Elkdom has embarked on its best year of achievements and progressive expansion."

We shall constantly bear in mind our objective to nourish Elkdom's dynamic tenets by keeping our Order pointed on the path of progress; by encouraging and stimulating "the steady expansion of the marvelously humanitarian services the Elks everywhere are rendering to the less fortunate, to America's youth, to the war victims in our Veterans' Hospitals, to those in our Armed Forces." "A Plan For Elkdom's Progress" has been mailed to all Exalted Rulers, District Deputies, Grand Lodge Officers and Committeemen, and State Association Presidents. These men—all members of the same team—are now ready for action. They seek the cooperation of every Elk in implementing our Plan.

Membership Control is one of our main objectives. The emphasis is on *keeping* our members. Strong Lapsation Committees are now cooperating with lodge Secretaries in solving this problem. We shall conduct Improvement In Dues Delinquency And Lapsation and Net Gain In Membership Contests. There are awards for Subordinate Lodges, District Deputies, and State Associations. By improving our lapsation record, by instituting new lodges wherever they are needed, and by initiating carefully selected candidates in all of our lodges, we will attain our goal of a five per cent *net* gain in membership.

The Elks National Foundation symbolizes the great heart of Elkdom. As you know, no part of the principal of this *Permanent* Trust Fund will ever be spent. The income—and only the income—is used for worthy charitable, educational, and benevolent purposes. The Grand Lodge pays all

administrative expenses. Thus, your gifts to the Foundation are truly perpetual.

Magnificent though the Foundation's record is, it is not good enough for a charitable organization of more than 1,150,000 members. Because too few individual Elks have participated in this noble work, we shall conduct this year a campaign on behalf of the Foundation. Its objective will be to obtain a contribution from every Elk, every Subordinate Lodge, and every State Association. Appropriate contests will be conducted.

Our reaffirmed solemn pledge "So long as there are veterans in our hospitals, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will never forget them" is being faithfully redeemed through the Elks National Service Commission's program. All Elks will support this important Commission.

Every lodge and every Elk should support the major project of their State Association.

It is most important that our lodges expand and increase their productive endeavors with America's youth. They should gear their activities to the needs found in their respective communities. With the juvenile delinquency situation as serious as it is, Elk leadership is needed for action. Moreover, the lodges should enlarge their various social and community welfare programs. They have wonderful opportunity for service in many fields.

It will be our purpose this year to expand the usefulness and increase the prestige of our Order. To do this I ask every Elk to "Serve Elkdom—Live Elkdom" and thereby implement "A Plan For Elkdom's Progress."

John L. Walker,
Grand Exalted Ruler

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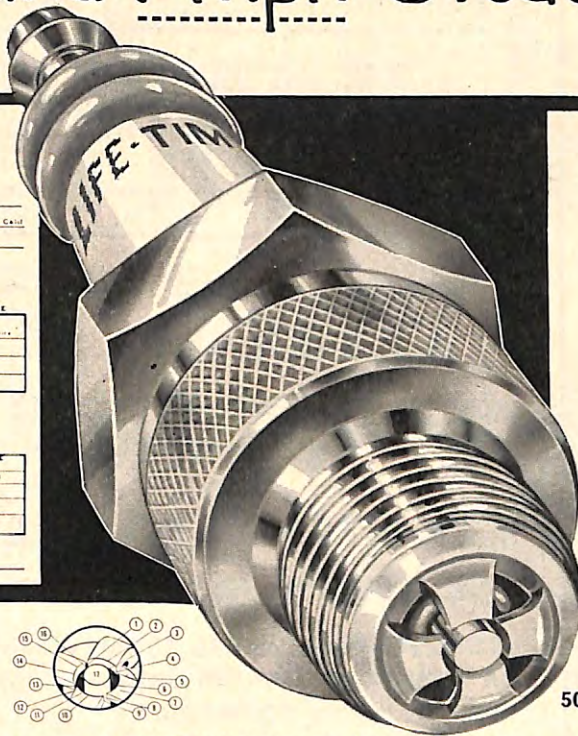
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There were absolutely no other changes made during these runs except spark plugs.

The above times were recorded on an electric timing device at the end of 1/4 mile acceleration from dead stop. Fuel used on all runs was 93 Octane aviation gas.

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What Our Readers



Have to Say

It has come to my notice that Thomas E. Martin, a member of Iowa City Lodge, No. 590, is left off of your "Elks In Congress" pages in the June issue. Just thought you'd like to have this called to your attention.

Dr. George Maresk

Ogden, Utah

Here's a suggestion for our members: Don't throw away your Elks Magazines. Each month a million Elks receive their Magazine and are fully aware of the Patriotic, Benevolent and Charitable work of the Order as well as those who advertise in the Magazine. It could be that another million persons might become acquainted with our advertisers, as well as the good work of the Order, if members would leave the Magazines in places where it can be read by others. For example, the doctor's office; the dentist's office; the barber shop.

Jere J. Sullivan

Los Angeles, Calif.

Some time ago you had an article about the future of baseball. It brought to my mind some ideas about speeding up the game. First of all, I wish something could be done to limit the practice of infielders wasting time at the beginning of each half inning. When a football team changes from the defensive to the offensive, everybody doesn't sit back and wait while the players practice a few forward passes, dummy scrimmages and tackles; the teams go ahead and play football. I think baseball teams should do likewise.

T. F. McCarthy

Berkeley, Calif.

In your "Elks In Congress" feature in the June issue, you failed to include Representative William H. Ayres from the 14th District of Ohio.

Earl M. Markle

Akron, Ohio

Just a note to tell you that I believe you picked a subject of great interest right on the nose when you added the "Elks Workshop" section to the already wonderful Elks Magazine.

Bert Bagett

Klamath Falls, Ore.

Having been an Elk for over 26 years, I have always enjoyed our fine Magazine. While all departments have been handled satisfactorily, the latest achievement of real merit is the "Elks Workshop". I think highly of it.

William G. Fahy, Jr.

San Rafael, Calif.

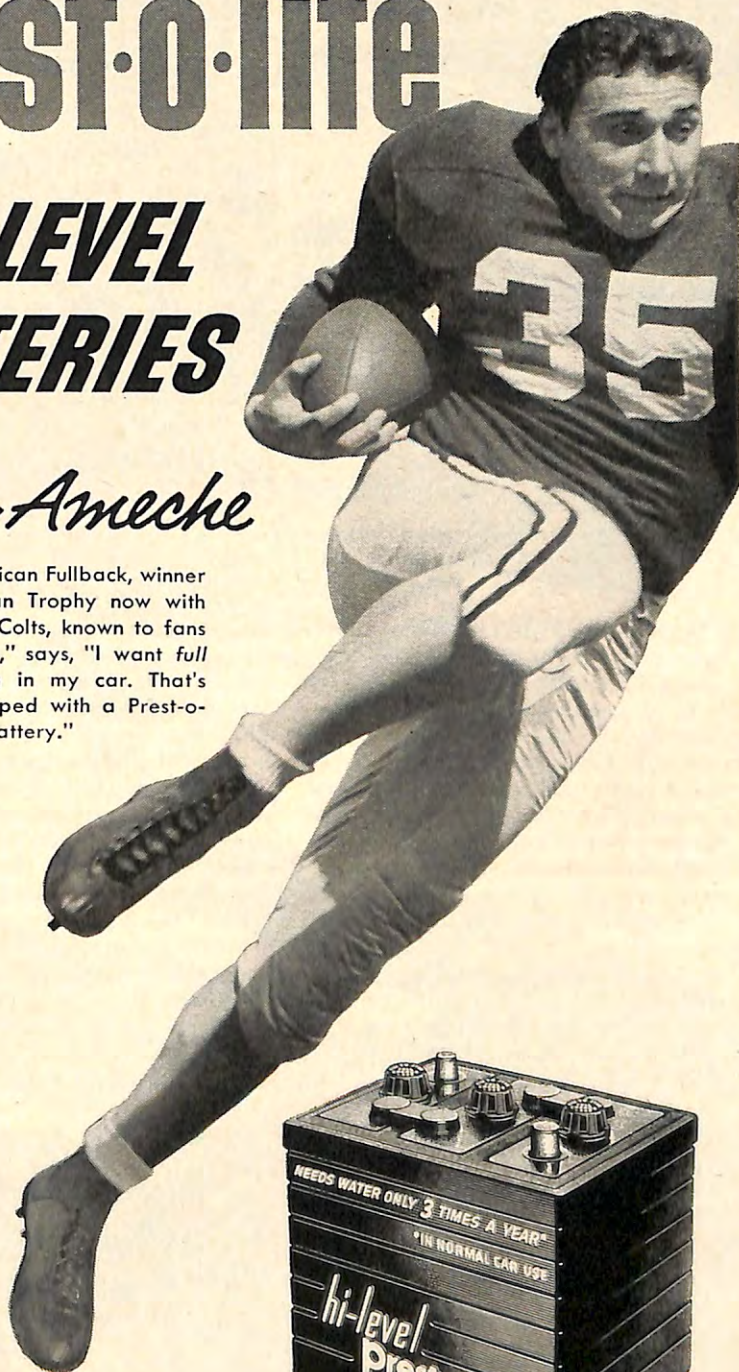
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Alan Ameche

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REPORT FROM



Formosa has plenty of modern automobiles but here the author rides in a pedicab, the native one-man-power taxi whose driver tinkles bell instead of blowing horn.

Defensive power of Republic of China grows with United States armed forces aid.

BY BRUNO SHAW

For several years, Bruno Shaw has contributed to The Elks Magazine articles exposing the threat of communism. He was formerly publisher of a newspaper in Hankow and this article is based on a recent trip to Formosa to supplement his knowledge of the Far East with on-the-spot material. A second article about conditions and progress in Formosa will appear in our November issue.

SO MANY CONFLICTING views have been presented to the American people about Formosa, its people, its government, its meaning to the United States and our responsibility for it, that the Editors of ELKS MAGAZINE decided a first-hand survey and report to its readers by a reporter who has lived many years in that part of the world and who has a personal acquaintance with its people, leaders, traditions and language, would be a worthwhile project for them to sponsor.

Accordingly, after undergoing the customary series of injections and scratches to immunize myself against tropical diseases, which are routinely required by the health authorities of East and West,

and securing the appropriate visas for the countries I planned to visit en route, I embarked on a tour that was to last two months and eventually embrace in addition to Formosa—Hong Kong, Korea, Japan and the Philippines.

In this, and the second part of this article which will appear in a forthcoming issue of The Elks Magazine, I shall report on what I saw during the weeks I spend in Formosa interviewing every official of the Nationalist Government, and personally inspecting military and naval installations, farms, schools, health stations, government and private industries, and speaking to the people in the rice paddies of the agricultural districts and in the teeming streets of the capital city

of Taipei and in the smaller but equally crowded ones from Keelung on the northern tip of Formosa to Kaohsiung in the far south.

My report will not end the conflict of views, of course. But it will present the facts about this critical area, and on those facts the reader will, I hope, be able to base his own conclusions about the role the United States may be called upon to play in that part of the world.

We have two schools of thought in the United States on the subject of Formosa, of Formosa itself. We have those who would like to start a shooting war immediately with the Chinese Communists, Chiang Kai-shek's troops across the Formosa Strait to the China mainland, and with flags flying, bombs falling, troops charging, get rid of the Communist problem in the Far East once and for all.

The other school of thought, whose ideas are no less staggering to the people of Formosa, comprises those who advocate easing tensions by compelling the

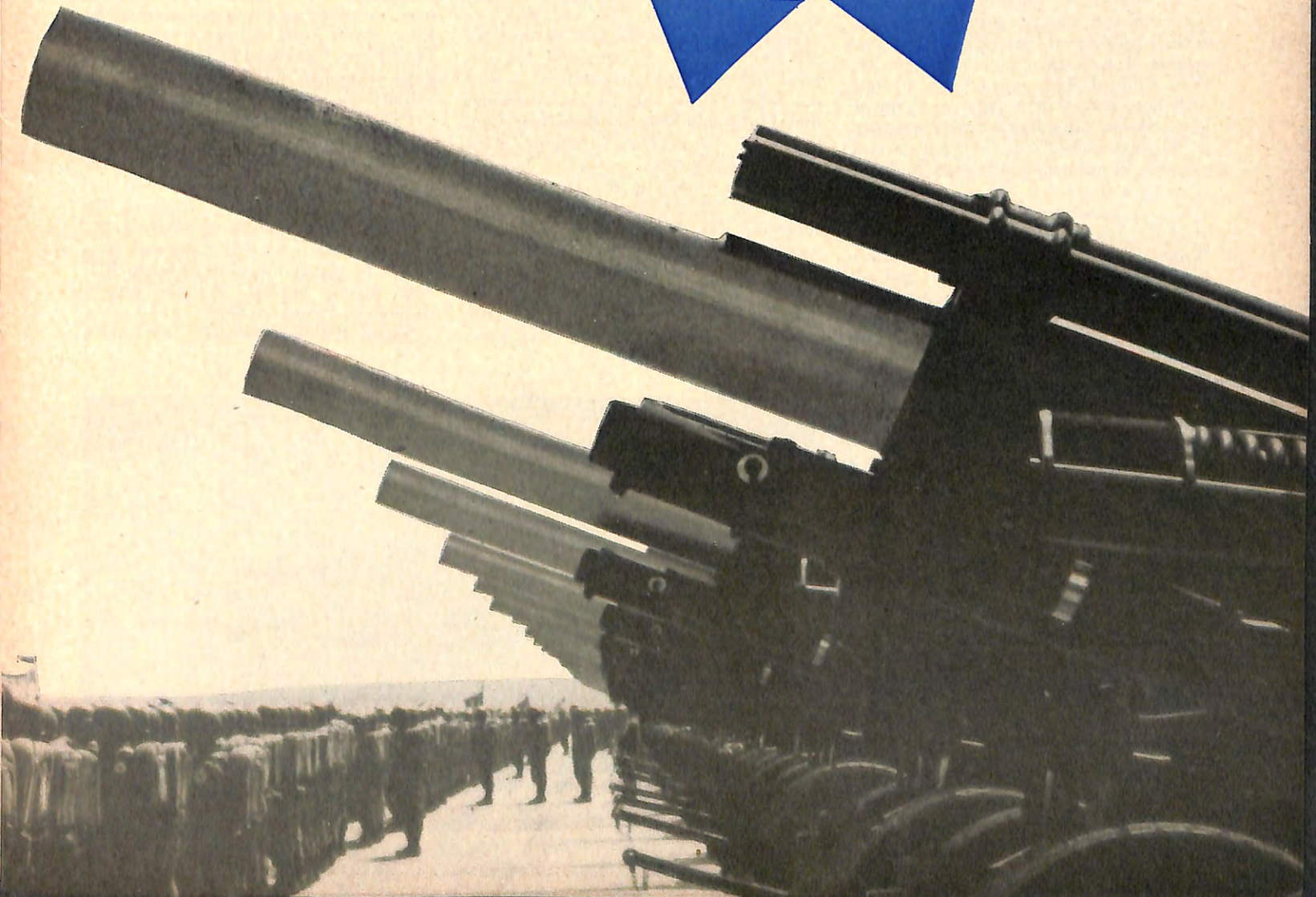
Mobile guns and troops at northern air base in Formosa on occasion of semi-annual review by President Chiang Kai-shek. Theme of the day: Return to the Mainland.



FORMOSA

PART I.

Pres. Chiang Kai-shek
welcomes Bruno Shaw
on arrival in Formosa
for Elks Magazine.





Lovely little six-year-old Diane Farrell says "Thank You" to the Washington Elks as she hands her recently discarded left shoe and leg brace to Therapist Norman Hommas, as State Secy. Tom Randall looks on. The child was able to dispose with her brace for the first time in her life following several months' therapy from one of the Washington Elks Cerebral Palsy Mobile Units. The scene took place at the recent Convention at Aberdeen.

GOVERNOR SMYLIE IS MAIN IDAHO CONVENTION SPEAKER

Gov. Robert E. Smylie, a member of Boise Elksdom, was the principal speaker at the 33rd Annual Idaho Elks Assn. Convention at Kellogg, June 16, 17 and 18. Pres. Clifford Warr opened the sessions with host E.R. Albert Nuss and Mayor H. C. Seeber extending a hearty welcome to the 600 guests who enjoyed several concerts, a tremendous parade and the Round-Up Ball.

The splendid work for crippled children the Idaho Elks are doing at their Home at Boise was discussed, with Clayton Lorenzen, a speech therapist and administrator of the Home, introduced by Sgt.-at-Arms Don Glover. Woody Benson of Boise Lodge presented a resolution calling for expansion of the Home's facilities, readily adopted by the delegates who learned that 40 per cent of the sum to be raised for the erection of a new \$450,000 building had been realized. It was pointed out that since 1947, in addition to the 1,375 Idaho patients cared for at the Hospital, residents from other States, and from the Canal Zone and South America, had been hospitalized there.

Boise Elksdom received the State's Youth Plaque, its singing members won the Chorus Contest, with Idaho Falls in second place, and Russett's Quartet of Boise took the Barbershop Competition. Lewiston Lodge's State Championship Ritualistic Team conducted the initiation of a class of candidates, and Wallace Elk officials handled the Memorial Services.

The Association made awards to three girl and three boy students during the

News of the State Associations

year, and State Chairman E. C. Phoenix reported that Arlene Martin had received a \$400 Elks National Foundation Award. The delegates heard their fine Veterans Hospital work discussed, and decided to meet at Sun Valley next year.

Past Pres. Hayden Mann installed the following officers: Pres., Patrick H. King, Boise; Vice-Pres.-at-Large, Loris Winn, Moscow; Dist. Vice-Presidents: Fred D. Hilliard, Pocatello; William MacKnight, Jerome, and James Gridley, Coeur d'Alene; Chaplain, E. G. Yates, St. Maries; Secy., Loren H. Basler, Boise.

ST. LOUIS IS HOST TO MISSOURI DELEGATES

Past Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Earl E. James were special guests of the Missouri Elks Assn. when it convened at St. Louis May 27th, 28th and 29th. As principal speaker at the gala banquet, on the 28th, Mr. James addressed 400 persons, following the presentation of various scholarships, and the announcement that Joplin had won the Ritualistic Contest with Warrensburg in second place and Clayton in third.

A dance wound up the evening's program and at the business session the following day, Francis Karr of Trenton was elected President, with Gene Keas of that lodge as Secy. Vice-Presidents are Guy D. Moore, Joplin; John Craig, Sedalia; John Goshe, Chaffee, and Charles Darrell, Jr., Macon; Treas., Max Frye,

St. Joseph; Marshal, L. H. Durley, Sedalia; Chaplain, Wm. R. Kublin, St. Louis; Tiler, Guy D. Cook, Maryville; Inner Guard, Carl Kelsay, Jefferson City, and Trustees, Ivan Aubuchon, Festus-Crystal City; O. M. Flory, Nevada, and C. Ray Franklin, Excelsior Springs.

HON. JOHN S. McCLELLAND ADDRESSES FLORIDA ELKS

The 460 delegates to the 49th Annual Convention of the Florida Elks Assn. meeting at Miami in May were an enthusiastic audience for the inspiring address made by Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland, a special Convention guest. Judge McClelland was deeply impressed with the report made by Past Grand Est. Loyal Knight Wm. A. Wall, later elected to the Board of Grand Trustees, speaking as Chairman of the Fla. Elks Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Trust Fund. Established a little more than three years ago, this Fund has over 1,900 subscribers, with assets of \$562,469.43.

Past Pres. Victor O. Wehle, Chairman of the Operating Committee of the Harry-Anna Home, reported that its 22nd year was most successful; its medical staff admitted 103 patients and discharged 104, totaling an expenditure of nearly \$110,000. The State's 64 lodges donated \$89,739.61 to the Home, with Orlando Elksdom giving \$15,021 to this project through its Tangerine Bowl football game.

Miami Elksdom celebrated its Golden



Above: Dalton's Ritualistic Team which won the Georgia State Championship included, left to right: D.D. Ira N. Nochumson, Est. Lect. Knight Bud Hawkins, Inner Guard Elwood Maness, Chaplain George L. Kirkpatrick, Jr., Esq. Lewis Higgins, E.R. Philip E. Bailey, Jr., Lead. Knight James M. Feighery, Loyal Knight Arthur Wink; P.E.R. John S. Andrews and State Ritualistic Chairman Guy Tiler. Henry A. Hopkins, Candidate for the Team, is not pictured. E.R. Bailey took the Guy Tiler Trophy for highest points in the State. He and Arthur Wink also won All-State honors.

Jubilee during this conclave, providing splendid entertainment for the delegates and guests who will meet next year at Fort Myers. Over 2,500 attended the President's Ball, enjoyed a concert, floor show, sight-seeing and an old-fashioned barbecue, and saw Fort Lauderdale capture the Ritualistic Championship.

Retiring Pres. J. Alex Arnette's report showed a good membership gain, with the year's charity and welfare donations amounting to well over \$200,000. Past Grand Est. Lecturing Knight Chelsie J. Senerchia was the eulogist for the Memorial Services attended by 1,500 persons, with Hon. David J. Hefferman delivering the Memorial Oration.

Frank J. Holt of Miami succeeds Mr. Arnette as President of the Assn., with the following elected as Vice-Presidents: Luther Clary, Fort Walton; George E. Currie, Palatka; John W. Morgan, Orlando; Marion G. Shrode, Bradenton; Parker T. Wilson, Clewiston, and Earl R. Adams, Key West. James J. Fernandez of Tampa continues as Executive Secy., with Tallahassee Elk Claude L. Johnson as Treas.; Peter Gessner of DeLand as Sgt.-at-Arms; Thomas B. Lipe, Miami, Tiler; Francis X. Carroll, Pensacola, Chaplain; Howell A. Davis, Palatka, Historian, and George W. Hulme, Lake Worth, Organist. Mr. Wall is a five-year Trustee, with Cullen H. Talton of Daytona Beach to be a Trustee of the Assn.'s Trust Fund for seven years.

ILLINOIS ELKS MEET AT SPRINGFIELD

Concluding one of the best years in its history, the Illinois Elks Assn. held its 52nd Annual Meeting in Springfield late in May, with 985 visitors registered.

Charles W. Clabaugh of Champaign is the new President, with George F. Thornton of Oak Park as Vice-Pres.-at-Large; Albert W. Arnold, Lincoln, Secy., and Roy W. Smith, Sycamore, Treas. District officers include Vice-Presidents W. R. Mattson, Decatur; Homer L. Fry, Aurora; James W. Cliffe, Sycamore; John G. Gilbert, Carbondale; Wm. J. Glenn, Jr., Fairfield; Merlin Erdmann, Belleville,



Some of the handicapped youngsters who will benefit through the generosity of the Connecticut Elks were witnesses when the Association presented a \$10,000 check to the Newington Home and Hospital for Crippled Children. P.D.D. Edwin J. Maley, Chairman of the Conn. Elks Crippled Children's Committee, hands the gift to B. E. Foss, Managing Director of the Hospital, in the presence of newly-elected State Pres. Merritt S. Ackerman, center foreground, and other Elk dignitaries.

and Glen Hoffman, Pekin. Trustees are Lisle C. Snyder, Watseka; Alex C. Birren, Jr., Chicago (No.); William Moreland, Rockford; John E. Giles, Jr., Marion; P. R. Tinberg, Urbana; Louis Gorman, Jerseyville, and Fred J. Corey, Kewanee.

The new Illinois officials were installed by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Henry C. Warner, one of the distinguished guests of the Convention along with Past Grand Exalted Ruler Floyd E. Thompson, Grand Trustee N. H. Feder, Grand Secy. Lee A. Donaldson, J. Paul Kuhn of the Grand Forum and Grand Lodge State Association's Committeeman Wm. S. Wolf.

Mattoon Lodge's Ritualistic Team won that contest, and initiated a special class of candidates before a large crowd.

The Past Presidents dinner was attended by 15 of Illinois' former Elk leaders, and the Assn.'s Publication Commission's breakfast-meeting saw Wm. S. Wolf

reelected Chairman, and State Secy. Albert W. Arnold retained as Editor of the *Newsette*.

At the impressive Memorial Service, U. S. Senator Everett M. Dirksen of Pekin Lodge delivered the principal address, and Grand Secy. Donaldson was an authoritative speaker at the luncheon for 45 lodge Secretaries. Henry C. Warner, as Chairman, presided at the Crippled Children's Commission conference.

Social highlight was the banquet attended by about 375 persons who heard an interesting address by Orville E. Hodge, State Auditor of Public Accounts and P.E.R. of Granite City Lodge, and several other fine speakers. Youth Activities Committee Chairman Kenneth Goodrich presented the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee plaque for the outstanding youth work of the year to De-

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Governor Robert E. Smylie, a member of Boise Lodge, second from left, is welcomed to Kellogg, scene of the Idaho Elks Convention by host E.R. Albert Nuss, third from left, and City Councilman Al Clifford, right. At left is Clifford Warr, retiring President of the Association.



Successful entrants in the Rhode Island Elks Assn. Scholarship Contest are left to right: 4th prize-winner Lois A. Bootier; 2nd prize-winner June P. Nyberg; 3rd prize-winner Bruce Blomstrom; 1st prize-winner Assunta A. Gallucci, and 5th prize-winner Gail P. Goodreau.

Our Most Valuable Students



FIRST AWARD \$1,000
Kathleen Joanne Kampmann
Ballard (Seattle) Wash.



SECOND AWARD \$900
Rose Marie Pribil
Eau Claire, Wis.



THIRD AWARD (TIED) \$800
Rose Marie Scarpello
Ambridge, Pa.



FIRST AWARD \$1,000
Robert Allen Evans
El Dorado, Kans.



SECOND AWARD \$900
Frank James Bernhard
Houston, Tex.



THIRD AWARD (TIED) \$800
Jack Gregory McDonald
Stockton, Calif.



THIRD AWARD (TIED) \$800
Ernest Irving Hanson
DeKalb, Ill.



FIFTH AWARD \$600
Francis Wingfield Langston
Atlanta, Ga.



FIFTH AWARD \$600
Donald Joseph Nelson
Milton, Mass.

THIS year an exceptional group of students were recipients of the annual Elks National Foundation "Most Valuable Student Awards." The young lady who won first award of \$1,000 in the Girls' Division was flown by the Foundation from Honolulu to the Convention in Philadelphia to receive her award. Both the winning boy and the winning girl plan careers in medicine. Presentations to the winners at the Convention were made by Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, Chairman of the Foundation, and Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis, a Trustee of the Foundation.

In addition to the eleven major awards, there were forty-four \$500 awards.

Winners in the Girls' Division were: Janet Kay Trittschuh, New Castle, Ind.; Carole Patricia Young, New Castle, Pa.; Patricia Frances Sherlock, Hartford, Vt.; Madonna Rae Boley, Sheridan, Wyo.; Janet Louise Sheaffer, Dixon, Ill.; Ava Louise Merrill, Portland, Me.; Paula Sue Kennerly, Holdenville, Okla.; Kathleen Margaret Kingston, Boston, Mass.; Arabella May Tafoya, Denver, Colo.; Sheila Ann Smith, Hornell, N. Y.; Dorothy Ann Gamblin, Eugene, Ore.; Joanne Emilie Racine, Hartford, Vt.; Patricia Ann Waggoner, Parkersburg, W. Va.; Doris Joan Whipperman, Compton, Calif.; Mary Lou Cassens, Winthrop, Mass.; Dorothy Ann McGuire, Cut Bank, Mont.; Ann Kathleen Steinbaugh, Redondo Beach, Calif.; Carole Ann Bates, Everett, Mass.; Shirley Ann Hagberg, Faribault, Minn.; Barbara Anne Herrmann, Richmond, Calif.; Onda Jane McKeever, Marion, Ind.; Phyllis Elaine Pilley, Petoskey, Mich. and Janet Lee Hartmann, Sidney, Nebr.

Winners in the Boys' Division were: David Harold Monk, Iowa City, Ia.; William Benjamin Tiffany, Shawnee, Okla.; Charles Diran Yegian, Northampton, Mass.; Ben Edward Lynch, Elmira, N. Y.; Michael Loughran Davidson, Peru, Ind.; Donald Lee Hedger, Dickinson, N. D.; Leonard Anthony Ferrante, Lakewood, Ohio; Fredrick Jerrold Josties, Sterling, Colo.; Edward Paul Kelly, Sandpoint, Ida.; James Michael Banovetz, Duluth, Minn.; John Naber Paden, Pasadena, Calif.; Edward Jardine Wortman, Rockland, Me.; John Thomas Bonner, Butte, Mont.; Brent Banta, Redondo Beach, Calif.; William Pearce, Lansing, Mich.; Alexander Milroy Blanton, Juneau, Alaska; Douglas A. Benton, Greeley, Colo.; Curtis Winsor Clark, Charles City, Ia.; David Tipton Thomas, Barnesville, Ohio; Andrew William Revay, Jr., New Kensington, Pa., and Samuel David Shore, Lewistown, Pa.



THIRD AWARD (TIED) \$800
Anna Elizabeth Haney
Atlanta, Ga.



FIFTH AWARD \$600
Sharon Lou Wilson
Springfield, Ill.

Elks National Foundation SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

THE Elks National Foundation Trustees announce that THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS in scholarship awards will be distributed at the 1956 Grand Lodge Session. This announcement of the "Most Valuable Student" awards should be of interest to the students of every community who are leaders in their schools and colleges. For more than twenty-one years these awards have made it possible for many superior students to continue their college courses under favorable circumstances. The awards offered this year are:

	Boys	Girls
First Award	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
Second Award	900.00	900.00
Third Award	800.00	800.00
Fourth Award	700.00	700.00
Fifth Award	600.00	600.00
Twenty-two \$500 Awards.....	<u>11,000.00</u>	<u>11,000.00</u>
	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00

ELIGIBILITY

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

MERIT STANDARDS

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

FORM OF APPLICATION

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

The bound application, with exhibits and letters, must not weigh more than ten ounces.

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

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

applicant thinks qualify him for one of the scholarship awards.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Only students of outstanding merit, who show an appreciation of the value of an education and who are willing to struggle to achieve success, have a chance to win our awards. Experience indicates that a scholarship rating of 90% or better and a relative standing in the upper five per cent of the applicant's class are necessary to make the group that will be given final consideration for the awards.

FILING OF APPLICATIONS

The application, verified by the proper subordinate lodge officer, must be filed on or before March 1, 1956, with the Secretary of the State Elks Association of the State in which the applicant is resident, in order that it may be judged by the Scholarship Committee of said Association and, if approved as one of the quota of applications allotted to the State, be forwarded to our Chairman not later than April 1, 1956.

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

Requests for blanks and other information should be addressed to John F. Malley, Chairman, 16 Court Street, Boston 8, Massachusetts.

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION TRUSTEES

APPLICATIONS MUST BE FILED BEFORE MARCH 1, 1956

The National Association of Secondary-School Principals has placed this contest on the Approved List of National Contests and Activities for 1955-56.



George Stallings, manager of the 1914 Braves' "miracle team", in the dugout with the three pitchers that brought the team the pennant and then beat a great Athletics team four straight in the Series. From the left: Dick Rudolph, 27-game winner that year, Lefty George Tyler and Bill James, who won two of the four games in the World Series and 26 during the year.

Culver Service photo

Legends, facts and excitement attend the World Series.

ANOTHER TURN OF THE WHEEL—and up pops the September home-stretch leading to the fifty-second World Series.

Fervent questions, unanswerable and embarrassing, fill the air. It is the day of descent for springtime prophets. What happened to the world champion Giants through the first half of the season? Wasn't the acquisition of Ralph Kiner supposed to make a walk-away race of it for the Indians? Who counted the Dodgers and Yankees out? Have the Cubs replaced the Pirates as cellar occupants in the senior loop, as they were supposed to? But most confounding of all, the "one of worst team in the history of modern major league baseball," by unanimous decision last April, hasn't lived up to its reputation. Is Kansas City's climate *that* invigorating?

Let's face it. Individual batting averages, pitching records and team statistics of the previous year were—and always have been—about as reliable for prognostication as grade B horoscopes. What has occurred thus far this season has been duplicated almost annually since the beginning of baseball.

Should the Dodgers, who hit the traditional halfway mark on Independence Day with a bulge of twelve and a half games, and continued that pace through July, eventually meet the Yankees (with Chicago, Cleveland and Boston driving the way they were on August 1, an eventuality that we are by no means forecasting) in the World Series, custom, founded on past performances between these two teams, would dictate that the American Leaguers be the favorites. Remember who the favorites in the Series were last year?

Let's have a look at the legend—actually it amounts to no more than that—of the July 4 halfway mark. The theory that a club leading the league on fireworks day should win the pennant originated back in the early years of the century. There was some justification for it then, based on results, because in the National League it failed to hold up only once from 1900 through 1913, the Phillies being the lone club to finish

World Series

ROUND-UP

BY FRANK C. TRUE



The Chicago Cubs proved troublesome to the league leading Brooklyn Dodgers and when Don Newcombe's record stood at 18-2 early in August it was the Cubs that had beaten him in both games. Here Randy Jackson, Cub third baseman, slides home safely as the ball arrives too late for a tag by catcher Roy Campanella. The umpire calling the play is Frank Dascoli.



United Press photo

lower than first after leading on July 4. In the American League, however, it was a different story. From 1901 to 1913, six July 4 leaders failed to come through.

From an overall viewpoint, the alleged "axiom" has an average of only .618 in the National League. During the fifty-five seasons since 1900 in the older circuit, only thirty-four leaders on Independence Day went on to win the flag. In fifty-four seasons in the American League, thirty-six Independence Day leaders became pennant winners, not counting the year 1938, when the Yankees and Indians were tied for the top berth.

Are you old enough to remember John McGraw's Giants of 1912, when Rube Marquard was turning in twenty-six victories, Christy Mathewson twenty-three, and top-notch performances were coming from such stalwarts as Larry Doyle, "Chief" Meyers, "Moose" McCormick, Art Fletcher and Fred Merkle? That was the year the Polo Grounders reached July 4 with a lead of 14½ games—the largest ever amassed by any National League club at the halfway mark—and went on to win the flag by ten games.

But let's look on the other side of the fence. In 1935 Bill Terry's Giants topped the heap on July 4 by nine games. It was then Charlie Grimm's fourth-place Cubs, with a modest 38-31 record, burst aflame after the All-Star game and won sixty of their last eighty-two games, nosing out the Cardinals by four games, while the Giants finished third, eight and a half games off the pace.

The sting of 1942 hasn't yet completely healed in Brooklyn. Do you recall how the Dodgers were dominating the league with a nine and a half game lead on Independence Day? And how the old "Gas House Gang" in St. Louis, with Musial, Slaughter, Moore, Marion, Kurowski and company, put on a stretch drive, beginning July 5, which resulted in sixty-five

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One of the great stretch pennant drives in baseball history was staged by this St. Louis Cardinals team in 1942. The Dodgers had a 9½-game lead on the July 4th, but were beaten out by two games. In the line-up were Cardinal greats Stan Musial, Country Slaughter, Terry Moore and Marty Marion.



Al Kaline, sensational young Detroit Tigers outfielder, who early in August was leading the American League in batting. He promises to become one of the great stars of the game.

International News photo



Hank Gowdy, when he was with the New York Giants after his great career with the Boston Braves. Hank, who played in the N. L. for 19 years, was the first Major Leaguer to enlist in World War I.

News of the Lodges



These lovely young ladies are the Rhythmettes of Las Vegas High School, who have been traveling around the country on a good-will tour sponsored by the Nevada Elks Assn. With their initial appearance at the Brigham Young University Panorama at Provo, Utah, accompanied by Mrs. Lorrin Ronnow, mother of one of the Rhythmettes, director Evelyn Stuckey and Youth Activities Chairman James Roberts, the girls visited many other cities, including Philadelphia, Pa., where they performed for the delegates to the Grand Lodge Convention. They then journeyed to New York City where they were featured on the Ed Sullivan "Toast of the Town" TV show.

New Britain, Conn., Elks Observe 50th Anniversary

The high point in the Golden Jubilee program of New Britain Lodge No. 957 was reached at its 50th Anniversary Banquet when hundreds of Elks and their guests filled the lodge hall, applauding the stirring address delivered by retiring Grand Exalted Ruler William J. Jernick.

At the close of the program, Mr. Jernick presented special pins to four 50-year members of the lodge—P.E.R.'s Joseph M. Halloran, Wm. E. Beers, and John J. Madigan and Harry C. Brown. As the one lodge in Conn. to meet all 16

points in Mr. Jernick's Gold Star Program, New Britain Elksdom, represented by P.E.R. Francis M. Kelly, received a plaque from the Order's 1954-1955 leader.

State Tax Commissioner John L. Sullivan, General Chairman of the Program, introduced Robert C. Vance, editor and publisher of the *New Britain Herald*, who served as Master of Ceremonies. Among the speakers were Mayor Edward B. Scott and Conn. Elks Assn. Pres. Merritt S. Ackerman. Other distinguished guests included Arthur J. Roy, newly elected Grand Est. Loyal Knight, retiring D.D.'s Edward J. Connolly, Aubrey Brown and Charles L. O'Brien; Pres. John J. Gillis-

pie of the Conn. P.E.R.'s Assn.; P.D.D.'s John J. Mangan and Joseph E. Sommers; Past State Pres. Thomas F. Winters, and host E. R. William F. Mangan who later in the evening headed a special team of officers initiating a Golden Jubilee Class into No. 957.

Ohio Welcomes Shelby Lodge No. 1966

As D.D., Dr. Robert L. Marquart presided at the ceremonies which made Shelby Lodge an official branch of Ohio Elksdom. Assisting in the institution ceremonies which took place at the home of Mansfield Lodge No. 56, were P.D.D.'s William Michener and Chris Schneider, with the championship Degree Team of the No. Central District, the officers of Elyria Lodge, handling the initiation of the 150-man Charter Class. E.R. James P. Adkins and his panel of officers were installed by Willard Lodge's leaders who had won second-place honors in the District Ritualistic Competition.

Among the dignitaries on hand for these ceremonies were Fred L. Bohn, former Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, John C. Cochrane of the Grand Forum, 1954-55 D.D.'s James Plummer and Bob Brown, retiring State Pres. L. A. Kuenzli, and State Trustee A. E. Socin. The two-day program began with open house with the Mansfield Elks as hosts, followed by a reception and ball in honor of Shelby's Elks and their ladies, when the 500 guests were entertained by Mount Vernon Lodge's Championship Glee Club.

Elks Lodge Established In Staunton, Va.

Staunton Lodge No. 351 came into official being recently at the Veterans Home, when large delegations of Elks from neighboring lodges were on hand. The capable Ritualistic Team from the sponsoring Harrisonburg Lodge No. 450 initiated 86 Charter Members in honor of its own E.R., Porter K. Graves, Chairman of the Va. Elks Assn.'s New



The *Flying Cloud*, foreground, one of three craft owned by Sea Explorer Unit Ship #36, one of the groups comprising the Scout Family sponsored by Agana, Guam, Lodge, pictured with the *USNS General Barrett*,

whose skipper is Capt. Jack Reddy, an Agana Elk. In return for Capt. Reddy's efforts in making the Sea Scout Ship a reality, some of the boys exchanged visits with him aboard the *Barrett*.

Lodge Committee, who also participated as Master of Ceremonies.

As Staunton's first Exalted Ruler, J. Paul Tribes outlined the plans for the programs his lodge will undertake, and then introduced John L. Walker, later elected as the Order's 1955-56 Grand Exalted Ruler, who delivered a brief address on the Elks National Foundation.

New York State Has New Lodge at Endicott

With Franklin J. Fitzpatrick, new Pres. of the N. Y. State Elks Assn., former Grand Lodge Committeeman T. Lawrence Cusick and retiring D.D. Thomas Kinney officiating, Endicott Lodge No. 1977 was instituted recently at ceremonies attended by hundreds of interested Elks.

Participating in the program were the officers of Owego Lodge No. 1039 and Binghamton Lodge No. 852, with the State Ritualistic Champions from Norwich Lodge No. 1222 handling their duties in an exemplary manner.

A class of 105 candidates was initiated into the new branch of Elkdom, as a tribute to Charles F. Johnson, Jr., President of the Endicott-Johnson Corp., and its members elected Leslie Hewitt as their first Exalted Ruler.

Pottstown, Pa., Lodge Mourns George A. Lessig

George A. Lessig, prominent in the advertising business in Pennsylvania and a devoted member of Pottstown Lodge No. 814, passed away suddenly at his home at the age of 58.

A Past Exalted Ruler of No. 814, Mr. Lessig had established its Charity Fund two years ago and earned a national reputation when he was responsible for the pledging of 265 \$100 subscriptions to the Elks National Foundation.

He had served the Southeastern area of his State as District Deputy in 1946, and in May had been elected first Vice-Pres. of the District. Affiliated with the Masons, Lions, Eagles and the Chamber of Commerce, he was also a sustaining member of the Boy Scouts of America.

Canton, Miss., Elk Fathers March on CP

Not long ago, the Elks of Canton Lodge No. 458 were on the march in support of the project so close to the hearts of all members of Elkdom—aiding our little cerebral palsy victims.

In the Annual Father's March sponsored by the lodge, the Elks served as captains and leaders, with almost every member participating in the canvass which reached every home in the community. E.R. Dr. James Grace and Secy. Griffin White, County CP Drive Chairman, reported that the Drive netted \$1,562.19 for this work.

In addition to the Father's March the Canton Elks participated in the successful 18-hour Cerebral Palsy Telethon over Station WLBT.



This photograph was taken in the dugout at Fenway Park when the Cleveland Indians played the Boston Red Sox on 1955 Elks Charity Baseball Day, sponsored by the Mass. Elks Assn. for the benefit of the Elks National Foundation. The seventh annual event saw Chairman Dr. Wm. F. Maguire, 2nd Vice-Pres. of the Assn., present a \$1,200 check to Foundation Chairman Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, representing 1,200 Elks who attended the affair, with 400 veterans as their guests. This gift brought to \$9,415 the total presented to the Foundation during the seven years this project has been undertaken. Left to right: 1955-56 State Pres. Michael J. McNamara, Trustee Edward Chitow of Gardner Lodge, Dr. McGuire, Past State Pres. Wm. F. Hogan, D.D. John J. Murray, John E. Fenton of the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee, baseball great Ted Williams, Past Grand Exalted Rulers Malley and E. Mark Sullivan, retiring State Pres. Andrew A. Biggio, Red Sox Mgr. "Mike" Higgins, State Vice-Pres. Louis Dubin and former Grand Trustee Edward A. Spry, now Grand Treasurer. In the background are former State Pres. Wm. R. Burns and State Secy. Thomas F. Coppinger. The successful event found Boston as an 11 to 7 victor.



North Penn., Pa., Lodge's Charter Members, with D.D. B. Harrison McCoy, center foreground.



Every year, Idaho Falls, Ida., Lodge sponsors a Junior Golfers Tournament. This year 147 girls and boys enrolled in the two-week program, climaxed by a contest with 34 trophies awarded. With the successful youngsters when they were honored at a special program are, left to right, background: Elks Don Harris, Chairman N. D. Andersen, golf professional George Orullian, E.R. C. S. Lowrie, Lowell Bybee, Leo Stavros, Joe Poitevin and Wesley Diest.



Pictured as they were initiated are the 135 Charter Members of Ellenville, N. Y., Lodge, No. 1971.



The first officers of Shelby, Ohio, Lodge, led by J. P. Adkins, eighth from left.

Keokuk, Ia., Elks Host Student Post-Prom Party

Once again, the members of Keokuk Lodge No. 106 saw to it that local junior and senior high school students were completely safe for the entire night following their annual prom. For the fourth year, the Keokuk Elks entertained the young people from midnight until after dawn with dancing, movies, games and entertainment, followed by a hearty breakfast at 5:30 in the morning.

After the formal dance at the high school, the students enjoyed dancing at the lodge home to music by a four-piece combo. At 1:30 Pete Nepote was host to the youngsters at a free movie at the Iowa Theater, and an hour later, they returned to the lodge home for more dancing and games, with about 50 prizes awarded through the generosity of local merchants and other interested citizens.

In the absence of Walter Kelly who started the whole project as Elk Chairman, E.R. Louis Betts took over the handling of the program during which many other Elks and their wives assisted in the proceedings by serving refreshments and acting as chaperones.

Cadillac, Mich., Elks Sponsor Houghton-Higgins Lodge

Michigan welcomed a new branch of Elkdom recently when D.D. Fred H. Gilman, as one of the final official acts of his term, instituted Houghton-Higgins Lodge No. 1982, under the sponsorship of Cadillac Lodge whose officers initiated the 77-man Charter Class. Augmented by 21 affiliates of other lodges these Elks elected Clarence Box as their first Exalted Ruler. The principal address on this occasion was delivered by retiring Grand Est. Lead. Knight Benjamin F. Watson.

Red Cross Honors Elks Of Goshen, Ind.

Directors and officers of the local Chapter of the American Red Cross were elected at its annual meeting recently, an event which took place at the home of Goshen Lodge No. 798.

Following this part of the program, the organization presented three certificates of appreciation—one of which went to the Elks lodge, represented by E.R. Daniel J. Donovan, in recognition of the fine cooperation the Chapter has been receiving from No. 798.



At San Diego, Calif., Lodge's Old Timers Night Program, Chairman H. D. Thurber, Sr., right, a 35-year-Elk, presented a special Elks' pin to 62-year-member Philos Tyler, left. Looking on is E.R. Chas. H. Lentz. P.E.R. Edwin W. Beale presided at the program during which all officers' chairs were occupied by members of 25 or more years' affiliation.



Tournament Director Ray Sawyers, center, presents the West Virginia State Elks Golf Tournament Trophy to Jack Peck of Logan Lodge, who won the 54-hole medal play event with a new record of seven under par score. At right is Don Hinchman of Huntington, runner-up.

Right: Fifty years after serving as Exalted Ruler, William Marshall, seventh from left, foreground, was honored by Vancouver, Wash., Lodge with the initiation of a 50-man class. The lodge's only living Charter Member, initiated 53 years ago, Mr. Marshall assisted E.R. Arnold Marti, Jr., in the ceremony, giving the Charge to the Flag. The guest of honor received a 50-year P.E.R.'s pin from P.E.R. Gilbert Daniels, who had been initiated by Mr. Marshall half a century ago.



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Left: Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis accepts a miniature Prairie Schooner, fashioned by the clever fingers of one of our veterans hospitalized in California while recovering from the effects of war imprisonment. The presentation, made by a representative of the veterans there, was repeated with National Service Commission Chairman James T. Hallinan as the recipient.

Right: A token presentation of leather, representing the \$50,000 supply of skins processed through the California Elks Veterans Committee headed by Robert N. Traver, was offered to the Grand Lodge Convention by a delegation of Golden State Elks. Wasting no time, the first shipment to reach here was turned over to the Philadelphia VA hospital during this meeting, with its Recreation Director, Norman Doyle, Jr., accepting the gift.



Left: An impressive exhibit of the fine work being done by veterans hospitalized in Massachusetts, with material supplied by the Elks of the Bay State, is inspected during the Convention by, left to right: Lynn Mass., Lodge's P.E.R. Richmond H. Minton, Past Grand Exalted Ruler E. Mark Sullivan and P.E.R. Alfred Gross of Boston, and Gen. Frank J. O'Rourke, State Committee Chairman and new D.D.

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Looking south from 60th Street and 5th Avenue, with the lower end of Central Park at the right.

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**With summer out of the way,
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NEW YORK, once the summer is done and its citizens are done in, has that certain inescapable something that moves men to music and soupy words. There is, first off, that bittersweet thing called "Autumn in New York," which by itself is enough to send any sentimentalist running to Gotham. Anybody not caught up in the first onslaught will most certainly succumb to "New York in the Fall," another tinkly thing that glorifies the biggest town on earth once the heat is off.

What moves men to music in this particular season is, I think, that tremendous sense of the portentous, that impending excitement. The seersucker-and-station-wagon set is back, bleached and sunburned, and already climbing into black at the approach of the smart season. Madison Avenue and Rockefeller Center is afire with new television and radio shows. After all, the big talent has been vamping on the summer theater circuit or abroad all summer. Broadway is throbbing with new plays and talks of new plays. And up in the city's extremities, in the Bronx and out in Brooklyn, baseball is working up to a crescendo.

I don't know what your problems are about getting the small set packed off to

school or the large set to college, but if you can surmount these handicaps and can fly the coop, this is the time to see New York. The three New York ball clubs, first off, will be on hand until deep September. It seems almost certain, with the Dodgers ahead 12½ games at the present writing, that there will be some sort of World Series activity here running over into the first days of October. If you're worried about missing those first football days at home, Columbia opens its gentle season on September 24th playing the Ivy League in the intimate wooden confines of little Baker Field, as collegiate a stadium as you're liable to find anywhere in the land.

To me one of the pleasant corners of town in the autumn is the flowering tree shaded area which General Sherman overlooks—59th St., the end of Central Park, the large fountain so Rome-like, the venerable Plaza Hotel, so European; the fashionable Sherry Netherlands and the Savoy Plaza and the commencement of the elegant shopping district of Fifth Avenue. Hansom cabs wait as they wait in Montreal and in Rome to take visitors on a slow trot through Central Park by sunlight or moonlight. These droshkys

are licensed by the city and their rates are prescribed by law. However, recently some drivers have been making a practice of covering the charts which the law provides they exhibit to all. Then they up the tariff by anywhere from one to three dollars, a practice which would outrage an American tourist were it to happen to him abroad. Ask to see the tariff card and agree on a price beforehand if you want to play safe.

Aside from such corners, New York's standard sightseeing attractions are Rockefeller Center, the Statue of Liberty, the Empire State Building, the United Nations Building and Time Square. Newest attraction is the slender 39-story shaft of the UN's Secretariat Building, a magnificent modern structure that rises austere over the East River. Beside it is the low sloping, curved-roofed General Assembly Building with its striking auditoriums done mostly in Scandinavian modern style with outstanding contributions by the Danes, Swedes and Norwegians. To this oft-guided tourist, the guide service organized at the U.N. is about the world's best. The tour conductors are attractive, uniformed, well-informed young women who seem to possess a real insight of what they are showing rather than discoursing dispassionately from a memorized script. Over a million people visited the U.N. last year and 780,007 took the tour.

In the sharp competition for the tourist's attention, the Empire State Building, tallest structure in the world, last year clocked 1,154,844 visitors who rode the high-speed elevators to its 86th and 102nd floor observation levels. On good days all New York harbor stretches out in a tremendous panorama, the liners steaming in from Europe like toy boats in a bathtub. Westward the view stretches

across the Jersey plains, southward the financial district around Wall Street is like a segregated Alpine range miles from the tall canyons that begin to rise again in the Thirties and Forties. The Great White Way pulsates at night just north of the tower and in the neighboring sky lights flicker on the wingtips of planes just zooming in from the Coast, from Canada, from Spain, the Azores, Paris, London, and Iceland. Inside the building there are phone booths where you can call home from the world's tallest building or even record your impressions on a record so you will have it for all time.

About 500,000 visitors a year troop through the collection of buildings known as Rockefeller Center which houses the radio and television studios of the National Broadcasting Co. which itself has tours of its facilities. Beginning on September 25th you can ice skate in the sunken plaza while high-priced executives look jealously out of their office windows above you. There are glass-walled restaurants on either side of the rink, and down the block is the world-famed Radio City Music Hall which features one of the largest theaters and its renowned Rockettes. One of the best views of town, especially in the fall twilight, can be had from the Rainbow Room atop the RCA Building where cocktails are served 65 floors above Manhattan with all Central Park laid out like a two and a half-mile green carpet below you.

Nobody can really count how many visitors troop through Times Square a year. Chances are that many of them are New Yorkers who still get a thrill from the fantastic signs that not only pop lights but also blow smoke, pour coffee and spill water like Niagara.

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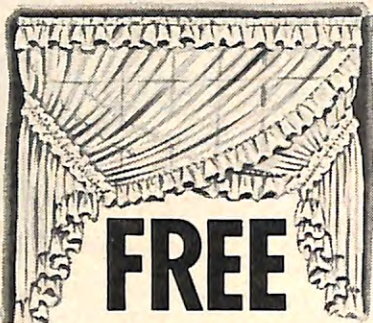
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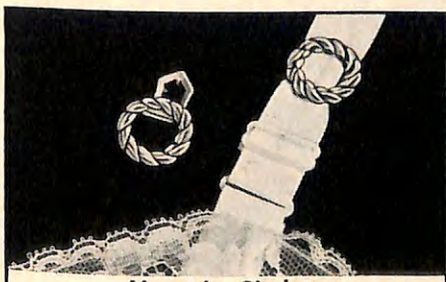
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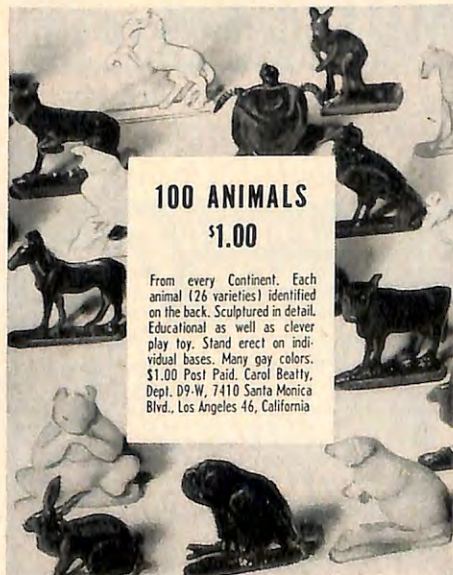
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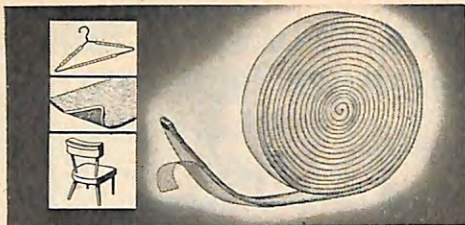
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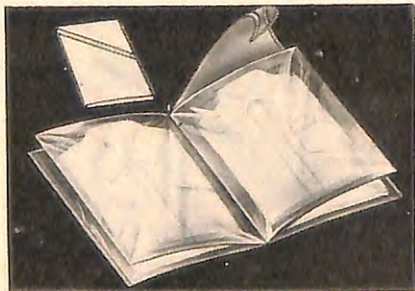


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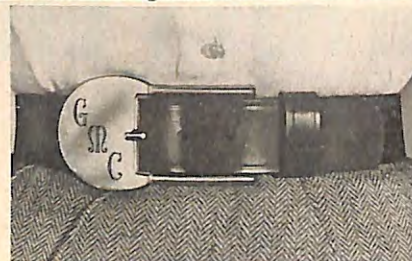
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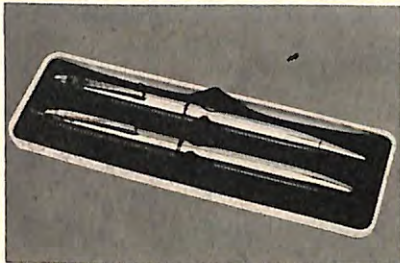
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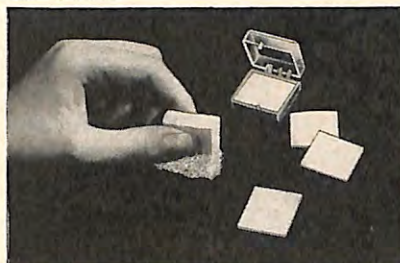
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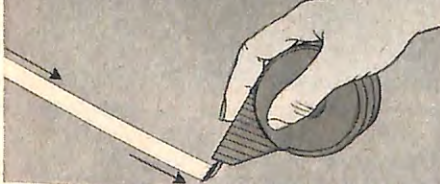
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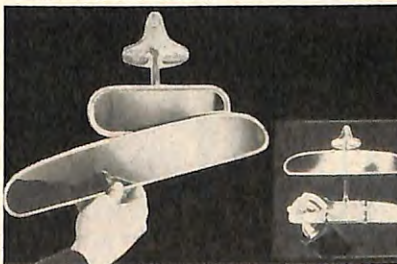


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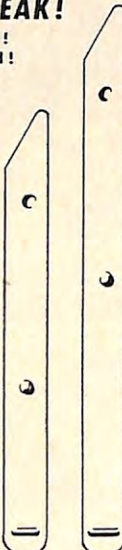
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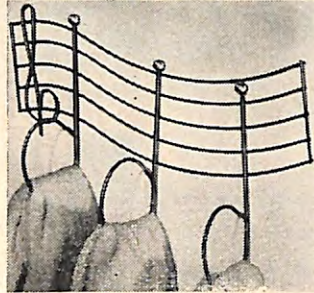


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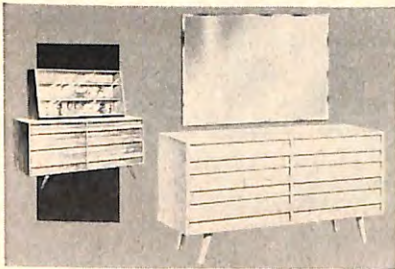


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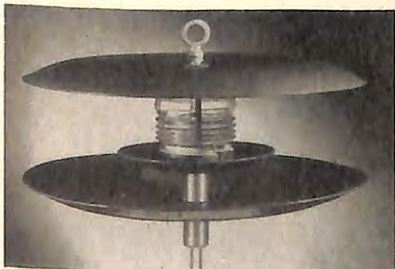
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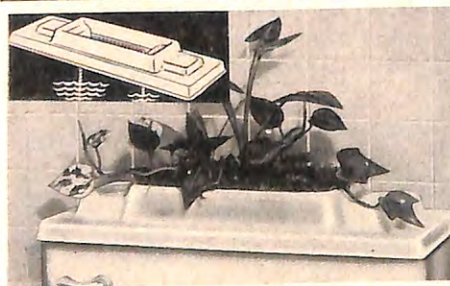
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NEWS from the HOME



One of our great institutions is the Elks National Home in Bedford, Va. There, in a beautiful, scenic setting, our aged Brothers enjoy care and rest. As might be expected, news of interest continually comes to us from the Home, and here are some items that we have collected during the past few months.

Two "Firsts"

Superintendent Thomas J. Brady, forwarding the Flag Day program from the Home, says, "Notice the 'guest speaker'—a fifteen-year-old boy. Down here at the Home we try a lot of 'firsts.' Incidentally, did you know that our farm has been chosen as one of seven in the county that has shown the most improvement?"

Getting Acquainted

At the close of the school term each year, the teacher of the second grade class at Liberty Academy in Bedford brings her class for a tour of the Home, after which ice cream is served by Brother Charles B. Eyer, assistant steward at the Home. This community project serves to acquaint the youngsters with the Home, which figures so prominently in Bedford.

Large Attendance

Superintendent Brady reports that over 350 were in attendance at the Easter Sunrise Services held on the grounds of the Home. "It is the talk of the community," he said. After the services, coffee was served.

A Word of Appreciation

This is a quote from a letter to Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis from William Wilson of Alhambra, Calif., Lodge, which Mr. Lewis received after Brother Wilson arrived at the Home recently through his help. "What could be more sacred to worship, or more significant, than the God in our life and the

emblem of fraternity entwined in the deliberations of Elks assembled. A good Elk believes in the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. Long live the Fraternity of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity."

Long Time Residents

Shortly before he was elected Grand Exalted Ruler, John L. Walker made a special trip to the Home to participate in a presentation ceremony in honor of two long time residents—Daniel F. Edgington and George Wolfe. Brother Edgington was retiring after 17 years in office as Exalted Ruler of the Lodge at the Home, and Brother Wolfe at the same time retired from various activities at the Home, including arranging the Memorial and Flag Day Services. Brother Edgington is 88 years old and Brother Wolfe is 82. Both received gifts from employees of the Home.



Superintendent Thomas Brady with William Bishop Boyd, who is thought to be the oldest member of the B.P.O.E. Brother Boyd celebrated his 100th birthday May 28th at the Home and received a big birthday cake, in addition to greeting cards and congratulations from his many well-wishers.



Daniel F. Edgington, right, retiring Exalted Ruler at the Home, congratulates Raymond Bailey, the new Exalted Ruler, as Grand Exalted Ruler Walker looks on. Brother Bailey arrived at the Home last January and is from Portland, Oregon, Lodge.

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ROD & GUN

BY DAN HOLLAND

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If they're good, try them on hand trapshooting.



AT ONE TIME OR OTHER most of us have run into the type: "I couldn't miss a thing today. I'd have even had that last one, too, as far away as he was, if it hadn't been for..."; or, "Did I ever tell you about the time I got my limit of five ducks with four shots? Well, they were flying higher than a cat's back that day, and they had a strong tail wind helping them along, but I..."; or, "This smart old cock pheasant flew the length of this corn field, see, and everybody and his brother took a crack at him as he went by, so when he gets to me he's eighty yards high and going at least sixty miles an hour, but Old Betsy here knows what to do to those wise ones. Yes sir, I says to myself when I squeezed the trigger, I says..."; or, "There's no reason why you can't be just as good a shot as I am—almost, anyway. Just you watch how I...".

There's an occasional such shooter who can't bear to deny others the knowledge of his prowess with a gun. If he's merely the type who says, "I feathered him, anyway."; or, "I got that one,

all right, but he fell way off behind those trees."; we can excuse him. No one can be blamed for wishful thinking. But the fellow who knows he's good to the point of being obnoxious about it may need his flight feathers clipped, and there are ways and means of bringing him down to earth with us ordinary mortals. One way is to take him ruffed-grouse hunting in thick cover and to sympathize with him and help him make excuses each time he misses. He'll go home hating himself. This method requires the proper setting and season, though, and the same results can be obtained at any time and place with clay targets and the proper tactics.

By tactics I don't mean such as palming off dummy shells to the noisy one at a trap shoot to quiet him. This has been done, all right, but anyone who would play such a trick puts himself on a lower level than the big talker. One bunch of fellows actually went to the trouble of turning out some wooden facsimiles of clay targets on a lathe, painting them the proper color and springing them on the club braggart. Everything went according to plan—that is, his score was a humiliating zero—until he caught one quick with a full pattern and drove it a country mile off course.

That's when he called for a re-count.

But there's a far easier and perfectly honorable way of humbling the man who knows too well that he's a good shot. This can be accomplished by introducing him to a simple device known as a hand trap. In most trap shooting—skeet or down-the-line traps—the targets are sprung from a fixed trap. As a result there is a limited variation in the direction and speed of the targets, and any trap or skeet shooter with enough practice becomes somewhat mechanical in his actions. But there's nothing mechanical or predictable about a hand trap. The variety is limited only by the ability and disposition of the man with the trap.

I grew up with two brothers who were, and are, better shots than I am. The three of us and Dad would shoot miss-and-out with a hand trap. In other words, as long as the one with the gun could keep hitting them, he could keep shooting; but, as soon as he missed, he stepped down and it was the next one's turn. The object, of course, was to keep the gun, and the object of the one with the trap was to throw him out. For what I lacked in shooting ability, I made up in handling the trap. In fact, we all got so we could do the kind of things with a clay target that Bob Feller can do with a baseball. The most deceitful of the lot—in fact, his tactics were downright

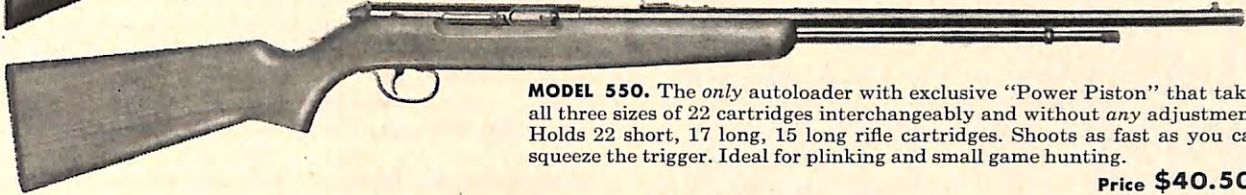


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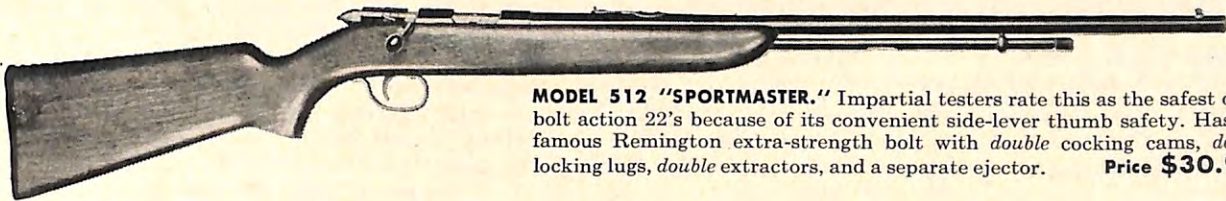
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dirty at times—was my oldest brother, Bob, who is ambidextrous. He might throw the target in normal fashion right-handed, or he might shoot it out left-handed upside down. A clay target is designed to have a certain amount of lift when sprung so that it will soar, but when it's bottom-side up it goes just so far then collapses, like a dejected rail bird.

As in pitching a baseball, the most effective weapon is change of pace. A hard, straight, fast one with plenty of wrist snap is a tough target. The shooter must get on it in a hurry before it gets out where the pattern is thin. If he hits a couple of fast ones and is keyed to the tempo, it's time to toss him an easy one. Even though it hangs there like a balloon, the chances are he will shoot too quick and miss it. Also, like a pitcher, a good man with a hand trap can throw curves and drops controlled by the angle at which he holds the trap when he lets it go. Another way to vary the throwing is first to send out a grass-cutter, like a jacksnipe, and to follow it with a high-flying duck far overhead. It doesn't take long to discover a shooter's weakness, whether it is the high ones or the low ones or the slow, tricky flyers, like a woodcock.

But if a man gets too good and hits them all, then it may be necessary to work on his timing. Get him set to shoot, but don't throw it. Stop and adjust the

trap. Ask him again if he is ready. Wait a few seconds until he wonders what's wrong this time, then let it go fast. If this doesn't unnerve him, there's always a last resort. The only thing to do then is to throw one on edge—that is, throw it overhand with the trap held perpendicular instead of flat—and throw it high and far. This one is really mean. It is a slim target that asks the most of a shotgun pattern to start with, and it drops so deceptively fast that it is difficult to judge the proper lead.

BUT hand-trap shooting isn't limited to skilled shooters, and it isn't merely a competitive game. Quite the opposite, it is the best possible introduction to shotgun shooting. Except for the extra yardage imposed on certain class shooters at a handicap trap shoot, skeet and down-the-line trap shootings are inflexible. In other words, the traps are impersonal. They throw a target the same for a rank beginner as for an experienced shooter. But a man with a hand trap can make the target as difficult—or as easy—as he wishes. This is important to anyone learning to handle a shotgun. Just as I have seen good shots humbled by a hand trap, I have seen novices brought along by a few Sunday afternoon sessions to the point that they could go hunting and enjoy it, enjoy it with the satisfying knowledge that they knew what to do with the gun in their hands. Familiarity

with a firearm is not only necessary for the fulfillment of a hunt, but it is important for the safety of everyone concerned. There is no way to attain the proper respect for a shotgun's destructive power and also sufficient skill to enjoy hunting except through training and use, lots and lots of use.

My dad is the best all-around wing-shot I have ever witnessed in action, and I say this with all due pride and prejudice. Admitting that I recognize the prejudice, I realize that this isn't entirely a matter of natural talent. Dad grew up shooting ducks in the Missouri River bottoms when the seasons were long and the parade of waterfowl almost endless, when he could go out and burn up a box of shells each morning before work for weeks on end—and he did just that. There were plenty of bob-white around the river-bottom farms, too, and out on the prairie were chickens which, although not much of a challenge to a good shot, at least provided variety. And during the off-season he made the rounds of pigeon shoots. The chances are that by the age of twenty-one he had burned more powder at feathered game than most of us will in a lifetime.

What makes a good shot? The desire to shoot or hunt must be there to begin with, but that's not a difficult quality to find. There are several million of us in whom that is a positive and powerful trait.

with Ed Faust



In the Doghouse

The bloodhound is a most remarkable dog.

THE day was ended. In the twilight that follows sundown the race track was hushed. Far across the infield a stable lantern glimmered and you could hear the tinkle of a banjo and the murmur of a chorus made mellow by distance. In a near-by stall the mare Sonsonia, winner of last year's Oaks, always fussy as an old maid, was moving restlessly before bedding down for the night. Having no money, and consequently no place to go, I was alone sitting with my chair tilted back against the door of the tack room housing the saddles and other horse gear necessary to the business of racing when out of the dusk Baltimore Red appeared leading the saddest looking dog I ever saw. The pooch was a black and tan job, loose and limber, big boned and had a face with more wrinkles than a pauper's purse. Long before I knew Red he was a rider and it was said that he had the makings of a good one until that curse of every jock, increasing weight, grounded him for keeps soon after his apprentice days were over.

Since then, aside from occasionally warming up a horse before a race or galloping one for a one-horse owner, Red was no man's slave. In other circles he might have been called a bum. When in the money he was a turf consultant; when out of it, which was his usual lot, he was a tout, something which among race horse people is considered just a trifle lower than a hop toad's watch pocket. But nobody ever called him that when he was around. He had a hair trigger temper and plenty of muscle to back it up.

Besides, almost everybody except Casey the mounted cop liked him because he was the helpfulest scamp you ever saw. Casey, who would ride in once in a while for a sneak snooze, said that Red had a record but what that record was nobody seemed to care. For all I knew it might have been a record as a parchesi player, although I doubt if that would get him known at Headquarters.

"What for a dog is that Red," I asked. "Looks like an undertaker's stand in." "This here is a genuine, simon pure bloodhound. They chase people across the ice in Uncle Tom's Cabin shows. Let

him have one good whiff of you, or anything you have including those two bucks you're going to lend me, and he'll track you clear across the Atlantic Ocean." Red didn't know my finances or lack of them, but I was used to his touches and his exaggerations too. After all, anyone who touts horses has to have imagination although he needn't be limited to facts.

"How come you have him, Red?"

"I—I borrowed him from a man but I'm going to sell him and give the man the money. That is, if I can find him."

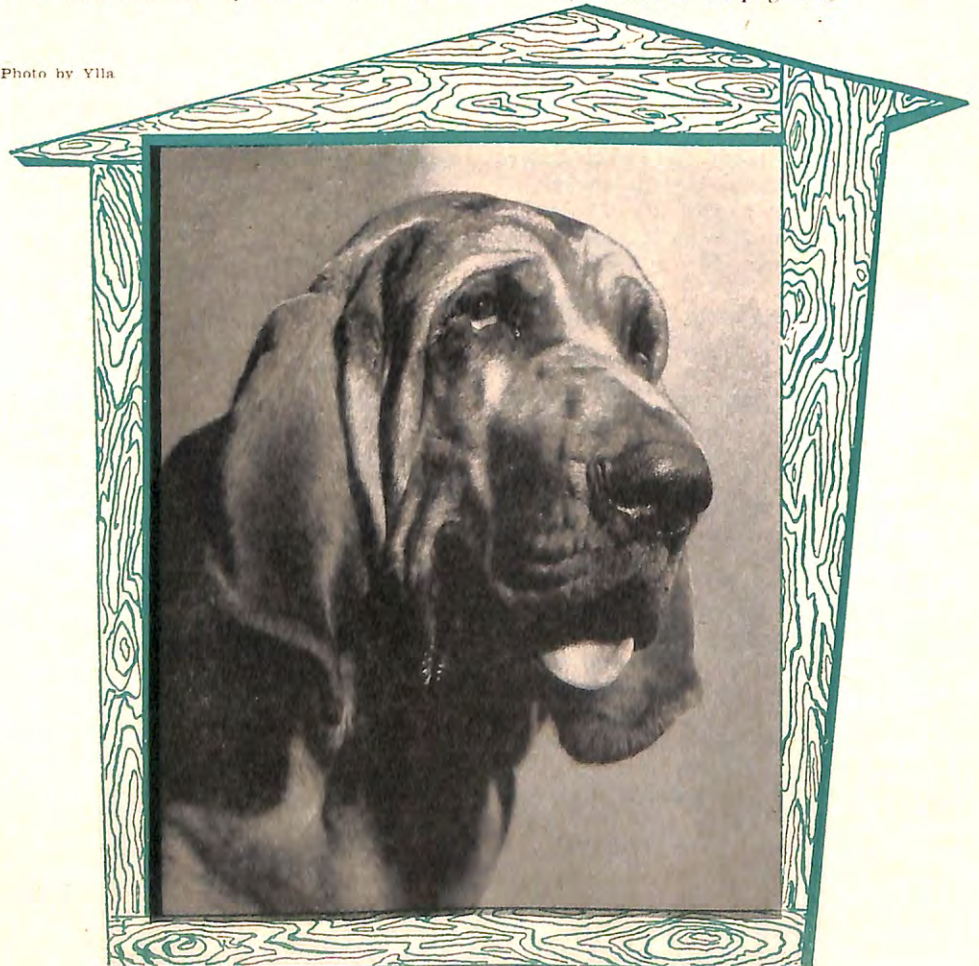
This was my first acquaintance with the bloodhound.

To digress, not long ago while serving Grand Jury duty I had occasion to talk with the County Sheriff who has

charge of the coop that houses the scallywags who get out of line. I asked if he knew anything about dogs used to trail escaping prisoners. His reply was emphatic. "Never knew a dog to be worth a darn as a tracker." I suspect the gentleman's experience with dogs must have been very limited. There are innumerable, authenticated accounts of law enforcement agencies having successfully used dogs to trail escapees, and lost persons too. Many stories from police and other reliable sources testify to the valuable work performed chiefly by bloodhounds although sometimes dogs of other varieties have been also used successfully. But the bloodhound has the

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Photo by Ylla



In spite of his reputation, the bloodhound is a gentle dog.

Serving Florida's Youth

Fourth in a series of articles about Elk State
Association work for crippled children.

**The Elks of Florida have opened
their hearts to crippled children.**

BY MARIE BOLLES



These three little girls are finding a way to a new life through kindly aid of the Florida State Elks Association.

IN THE rolling hill, citrus and lake region of semi-tropical Florida, many persons from colder climates come to find relaxation or regain lost health, following the trail of Ponce de Leon in the quest for the Fountain of Youth.

They soak in the warming rays of the sun, drink the golden orange juice of fruit picked in their own backyards and come alive again in the freshly washed atmosphere of Florida.

Here in the heart of the heart of Florida amid the rustling palms in the little town of Umatilla the Elks of Florida have opened their hearts to crippled children and have opened their pocket-books to support the Harry-Anna Home for crippled children who have no other source of help in their quest for health

and joy that rightfully belongs to youth.

Founded in 1931 by the Florida State Elks Association and formally opened in April, 1933, the Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Home became a reality through the kindly and gracious benevolence of an interested Elk and his wife, Harry R. P. and Anna Wallace Miller of Eustis, who presented the Association with a three-story fireproof building set in 12½ acres of ground within the city limits and including a citrus grove.

The creating of this Home was the result of the Association's adopting, as its major objective, the relief and care of the indigent crippled children of the state of Florida.

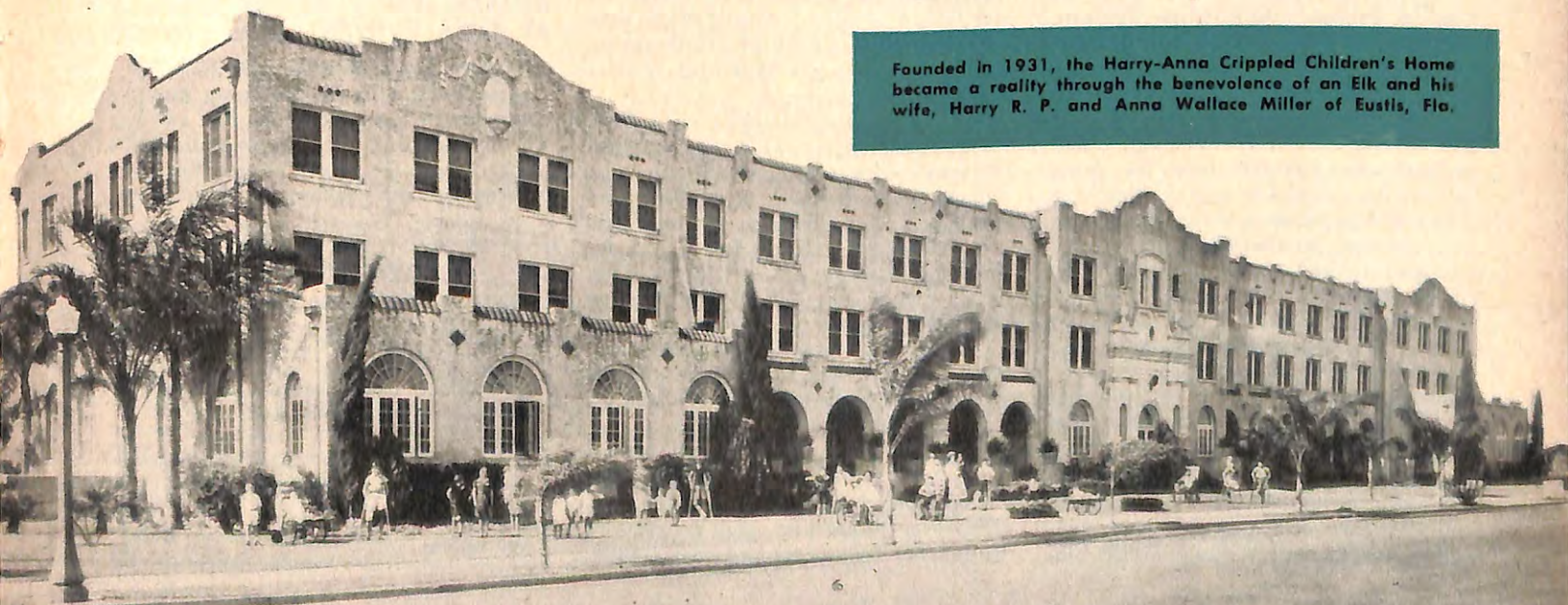
In accepting the building, the Elks of Florida also accepted the responsibility

of developing and sponsoring such an institution as is established today, and in honor of the property donors, named it the Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Home.

The Home is in no sense a State institution, but serves a State need. It is sponsored by the Florida State Elks Association and is controlled and operated by the board of directors and the Home committee, composed of at least two members from each of the 64 lodges in Florida. This group is elected by the delegates during the annual State Convention of the Florida Elks Association. They meet quarterly at the Home.

They also appoint from their own group an operating committee of five who
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News of the State Associations

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Edward J. Griffith, left, presents his gavel to William R. Thorne, his successor as President of the N. J. Elks Assn. At right is 1954-55 Grand Exalted Ruler Wm. J. Jernick.

Kalb Elkdom, and four \$400 Elks National Foundation Awards were presented.

Reports of the State Vice-Presidents as well as Secy. Arnold and retiring Treas. Eugene Schnierle, were well received, and after the delegates discussed the purchase of a site for the establishment of a summer camp for boys, a Commission was appointed to investigate the entire matter. Springfield will again be host to the Annual Convention next year, with a Fall Conference at Marion and a Mid-winter Round-Up at Champaign.

OREGON ELKS DISCUSS THEIR FINE EYE CLINIC PROGRAM

Led by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Frank J. Lonergan, nearly 3,000 persons were guests of Ashland Lodge at the June 2, 3 and 4 Convention of the Oregon Elks Assn. Other Elk dignitaries on hand included the new Chairman of the Grand Lodge State Assns. Committee, Frank Hise, retiring D.D.'s R. M. Mulvey, K. S. Fortune, Frank Wells and Robert Thompson, P.D.D. Earl T. Newbry, Secy. of the State of Oregon, and Rawlins Coffman, Vice-Pres. of the Calif. Elks Assn.

Discussion of the Ore. State Elks Eye Clinic, which has been operating since 1949 in conjunction with the Univ. of Ore. Medical School, revealed that it had received over \$100,000 from the Assn. since its inception. Through the purchase of special equipment, some 4,505 children of low-income families have been examined and treated. Again this year, the Visual Committee received a \$1,000 gift from the Elks National Foundation to finance the transportation of these children to the Portland clinic.

Dorothy Ann Gamblin received her \$400 Foundation award and a \$600 State scholarship; another \$600 Assn. award went to Wm. S. Becken, and Carlene Inman was a second \$400 Foundation award recipient. Four young people were honored as Youth Leaders, and Corvallis Elk-

dom's fine youth program was rewarded at this meeting, during which the Assn. made its sixth contribution, a \$1,000 donation, to the Elks National Foundation. A two-mile parade on June 4th had many outstanding units, mounted groups and floats, with every Oregon Exalted Ruler in the line of march.

Social highlight was a buffalo barbecue for 3,000 guests at the high school football field during which band concerts and Drill Team exhibitions went on continuously. Roseburg Lodge won the trapshoot with Corvallis in second place, and Klamath Falls and Eugene tying for third. The Medford entry won the golf tournament, and a Medford Elk, Sam Van Dyke, took both men's singles contest and the High Scratch Game in the Bowling Tournament; Baker took the High Scratch Series and the Grants Pass bowlers the team event.

Seaside Lodge will be host in 1956 with Corvallis the site for the Midwinter Session. The 1955-56 officers are: Pres., Martin P. Coopey, Corvallis; Vice-Presidents, D. V. Bulger, Portland; Vern Moore, Klamath Falls, and Jack Judson, Ontario; Secy., Harold Harp, Tillamook; Treas., H. M. Randall, Salem; Sgt.-at-Arms, C. H. Halden, Portland; Asst. Sgt.-at-Arms, John D. Graham, Salem; Chaplain, W. D. Randle, Albany; Inner Guard, Ralph Moe, Coos Bay; Tiler, K. C. Cale, Bend; Trustees, John Pennington, Eugene; Wm. R. Brown, Pendleton; Otto Sanders, Baker; A. E. Dalros, Roseburg; D. E. Starks, Sr., Gresham.

YANKTON JUBILEE COINCIDES WITH SOUTH DAKOTA MEETING

A truly outstanding Convention was enjoyed by nearly 900 Elks and visitors to the So. Dak. Elks Assn. Convention June 3, 4, and 5 at Yankton Lodge which was celebrating its 50th Anniversary.

Past Grand Exalted Rulers James G. McFarland and George I. Hall, and former Grand Trustee J. Ford Zietlow were among the guests, with Mr. Hall making a fine address at the Memorial Services which closed the session.

Some interesting statistics were given on the Assn.'s principal charity, crippled children's work, with clinic operations requiring the expenditure of \$3,000 during the year. The Chairman for this program proposed a resolution calling for the establishment of a Crippled Children's Endowment Fund, and a five-man committee was set up to study the plan.

The Convention guests were taken on a tour of the Gavins Point Dam, and the parade held Saturday afternoon was the finest in Association history.

The host team won the golf tournament, with Huron in second place; the Sioux Falls sharpshooters took the trapshoot over Rapid City, and Watertown's Ritualistic Team captured that contest.

Rapid City will be host to the 1956 meeting; until that time, the following will be in charge of the Assn.'s business affairs: Pres., Kenneth L. Roberts, Rapid City; Vice-Pres.-at-Large, Fred Green, Brookings; Vice-Presidents: Ross E. Case, Watertown; L. J. Gregory, Yankton, and Don Fletcher, Deadwood; Secy., R. W. Hanten, Huron; Treas., M. M. Korte, Aberdeen; Chaplain, Carl Locke, Rapid City; Trustees: Martin Cogley, Sioux Falls; Sam Spargur, Rapid City; Harold Ricketts, Mitchell; Ronald Felker, Madison, and Gerard de Blonk, Brookings.

TEXAS ELKS SELECT E. C. BUNCH AS NEW PRESIDENT

During the very successful 30th Convention of the Texas Elks Assn. at El Paso the first four days in June, the delegates elected Odessa Elk E. C. Bunch to head their organization for the coming year. Assisting him in their districts are Vice-Presidents H. E. Garrett, Grand Prairie; William Gross, Longview; Howard Stapleton, Plainview; Ed. F. Burgdorf, Houston; Phil Edie, Harlingen, and Forest D. Gathright, Austin. Long-time Secy. H. S. Rubenstein of Brenham was again reelected, and Reese B. Lockett of Brenham remains as Treasurer. J. L. Armstrong of Austin and Dr. D. E. Biser of Dallas are members of the Assn.'s Trustees, and Carl R. Mann of Baytown is serving as a Trustee of the Assn.'s Crippled Children's Institute.

The host lodge's Ritualistic Team emerged as victor in the State competition with Galveston a close second and San Antonio in third place. A most impressive Memorial Service had State Chaplain Wm. D. Boyd of Big Spring as speaker, with Past Presidents C. E. Smeltz and H. S. Rubenstein as eulogists.

This fine meeting closed with the decision to hold the 1956 Convention at Fort Worth on June 6th.

GOLDEN JUBILEE OBSERVED AT IOWA CONVENTION

A State Assn. celebrating its 50th Anniversary this year was the Iowa group, convening in Sioux City June 3, 4 and 5. Three hundred delegates representing 35 of the State's 39 lodges elected Francis Moetzel of Des Moines as their new

1955 ANNUAL STATE ASSOCIATION CONVENTIONS

STATE	PLACE	DATE
Tennessee	Memphis	Sept. 1-2-3
Colorado	Grand Junction	Sept. 22-23-24
*Indiana	Indianapolis	Sept. 24-25
*New Jersey	Lindhurst	Sept. 25
California	San Diego	Oct. 4-5-6-7-8
*Georgia	Gainesville	Oct. 16-17
*Oklahoma	Muskogee	Oct. 29-30
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Right: Retiring State Assn. Pres. John E. Galvin, left, and E.R. William P. Mennealy of Presque Isle Lodge, second from left, present an inscribed electric clock to Joshua N. Southard, Secy. of Rockland Lodge for the past 22 years. Looking on are Mrs. Southard and Brian M. Jewett of the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee, Chairman of the Maine State Elks Assn. Convention during which the presentation took place.



Left: At the Iowa Convention, left to right: Past Grand Exalted Rulers George I. Hall, Henry C. Warner and James G. McFarland.

President, with Harry Burrell, Ames; M. W. Andresen, Davenport; John T. McKeever, Dubuque, and Bernard G. Tranter, Carroll, as Vice-Presidents. Sanford H. Schmalz of Muscatine retains his office of Secy., with A. P. Lee of Marshalltown as Treasurer. Lynn Swaney of Cedar Rapids was elected to a four-year term as Trustee, while A. R. Perasso of Sioux City, Cloyd U. Shellady of Iowa City, and Harry L. Michael of Council Bluffs continue in that capacity.

The Convention was honored by the presence of three Past Grand Exalted Rulers—James G. McFarland, Henry C. Warner and George I. Hall, who were on hand to see Davenport Lodge receive the State's Youth Activities Plaque.

Iowa Elksdom continues to lead the State's fraternal, civic and patriotic organizations in providing recreational programs for patients in the Iowa VA Hospitals, and its principal summer youth activity is again the sponsoring of vacation periods for youngsters at summer camp near Milwaukee, Wis.

GEORGE I. HALL ADDRESSES NORTH DAKOTA SESSION

A special guest of the 35th Annual Meeting of North Dakota Elksdom at Mandan, Past Grand Exalted Ruler George I. Hall was an impressive speaker at the State banquet during which D.D. Everett Palmer and Past Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern presented State Scholarship Awards to leading students.

The Assn.'s work with crippled children, its greatest charitable activity, is handled in cooperation with the State Welfare Department and the Easter Seal Society. An interesting and informative report on this subject was made by Director Rudolph of Camp Grassick, an Elk-sponsored project for crippled and other afflicted children.

P.F.R. J. J. Murray served as Convention Chairman, carefully overseeing the events of the June 5, 6 and 7 con-

clave, which included three dances, a fine Convention parade, and a tour of the Standard Oil Refinery.

Williston Lodge will be host to the 1956 Meeting, and A. C. Moore of Grand Forks was chosen as successor to Pres. Ray C. Dobson. Other new No. Dak. Elk officials are Wallace McKenzie of Dickinson as Vice-Pres.; Ray Greenwood of Jamestown, Secy.; Alec Rawitscher, Williston, Treas., and Paul Brewer of Bismarck, Trustee.

MINNESOTA ELKS HOLD FOUR-DAY CONCLAVE

Every lodge in the State was represented at the June 9-12 meeting of the Minn. Elks Assn. at Thief River Falls. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Sam Stern and Grand Secy. Lee A. Donaldson were guests of honor, with Mr. Stern addressing the business session and Mr. Donaldson the principal speaker at both the impressive Memorial Service and the State banquet.

Reports of the State Welfare Committee revealed an increase in expenditures of \$21,000 over last year, and it was announced that the Association's new project, the Pelican Lake Youth Camp for deserving children, would be in operation this summer.

On the 10th, the nationally known Bemidji Fish Fry Crew served hundreds of pounds of tasty pike to all visitors, many of whom participated in the Assn. parade the following day.

St. Paul won the Ritualistic Contest with Brainerd in second place, Bemidji in third, and Red Wing Elksdom won the choice as 1956 Convention hosts, with a midwinter conference at Minneapolis. E. M. Peacock of that city was elected President for the coming year, assisted by Vice-Presidents Walter Jung, Thief River Falls; L. R. Benson, Rochester; Norman Hansen, Alexandria; Trustee Phil Johnson, St. Paul; Treas. L. E. Moening, Owatonna; Secy. Bob Newhouse, Minneap-

olis; Tyler Wm. Van Essen, Brainerd; Chaplain H. J. Erickson, Bemidji, and Sgt.-at-Arms M. P. Hunziker, Willmar.

MAINE DELEGATES ELECT A. J. FERLAND, JR., AS PRESIDENT

Rumford Elk Arthur J. Ferland, Jr., was elected President of the Maine Elks Assn. at its June 10, 11 and 12 Convention in Rockland. Other national Elk figures in attendance were Past Grand Exalted Rulers John F. Malley and E. Mark Sullivan, and Edward A. Spry, the Order's new Grand Treasurer.

Opening with the President's Ball on the 10th, the Convention highlights included a testimonial to Joshua N. Southard, Secy. of Rockland Lodge for 21 consecutive years. A reception was held the same evening for the State's newest lodge, Presque Isle No. 1954.

More than 400 Maine Elks and their ladies saw P.E.R. Carl M. Stilphen of Rockland install Mr. Ferland and his corps of officers who included Vice-Presidents Joseph J. Cummings, Augusta; Dr. John H. Nugent, Portland; John J. Nahra, Old Town, and Alcide P. Morin, Lewiston; Secy.-Treas., Edward R. Twomey, Portland. Past Pres. Brian M. Jewett of the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee was reelected Administrative Assistant.

Gardiner Lodge received and retired the State Bowling Trophy, and Biddeford-Saco Elksdom won permanent possession of the Golf Trophy, as well as the State Youth Plaque, presented by State Youth Chairman, Eli B. Denton and accepted by P.E.R. Leon F. Jones.

At a meeting of the P.E.R.'s Assn., Past State Pres. James E. Mulvaney was chosen as top officer, with Eugene Palmer as Vice-President and James L. Burns as Secy.

Over 250 persons attended the annual Memorial Services on Sunday morning, and enjoyed the various entertainment programs of the three-day meeting.



Plans for a new Boy Scout Hut being erected near Lake Lorna Doone are checked by Henry Balch, Executive Editor of the *Orlando Sentinel Star*, Harrison Quinby, Explorer Adviser to the Orlando, Fla., Elk-sponsored Troop, and Mayor J. Rolfe Davis, a member of the lodge.



E.R. Henry H. Hogan presents Danville, Va., Lodge's 1955 \$250 scholarship to Miss Vera Lobl of George Washington High School.

NEWS of the LODGES

Freehold, N. J., Elks Make Gift to Convent School

Freehold Lodge No. 1454 has presented its fourth gift to the House of Good Shepherd to assist the young ladies who are students at the school to better their opportunities in business following graduation. The donations include an electric dictaphone, typewriter, mimeograph machine and motion-picture apparatus.

The Presentation Committee, headed by E.R. Russell Kissam, was welcomed

cordially by the Sisters and girls of the school who enjoyed a concert by the Freehold Elks' band. During the program, several of the students received awards.

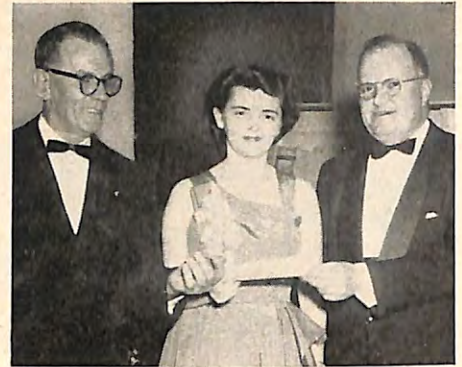
West Virginia's Elk Golfers Meet

More than 70 golfing enthusiasts, representing 11 lodges, participated in the 9th Annual West Virginia Elks Golf Tournament at Willow Wood Country Club at Hinton.

Jack Peck of Logan Lodge, one of the State's outstanding amateurs, won the 54-hole medal play event, with a new record of 202, seven under par. Don Hinchman of Huntington was runner-up and Beckley's Ray Carper, Steve Ulaki, R. Easley, Jack Burger and Bob Wills took the five-man team championship. The tourney was played in flights of eight golfers at the Country Club which is owned and operated by Hinton Elks, with awards and trophies presented to successful players at special ceremonies.

Manchester, Conn., Elks Dedicate \$100,000 Home

Formal dedication of the new home of Manchester Lodge No. 1893 took place recently, with Arthur J. Roy, newly elected Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight of the Order, an outstanding speaker. Among the others who addressed the large crowd of New England Elks in attendance included Congressman Antoni



Committee Chairman Lloyd L. Jenkins, left, and E.R. Ralph L. Bailey present to Mrs. Elinor J. Nelson, President of the County Cerebral Palsy Assn., a \$750 check, representing the proceeds of Prince George's County, Md., Lodge's Ball aiding the Cerebral Palsy Fund.

Sadlak, D.D. Aubrey Brown, James H. McVeigh, Presiding Chairman and No. 1893's first E.R., and Trustee Harry Firato, Assistant Mayor of Manchester.

A choral group of 32 Springfield, Mass., Elks participated under the direction of Irving Guyer, and during the evening Mayor Harold Turkington, an accomplished pianist, entertained.

Many valuable gifts were made by generous and thoughtful individuals. The \$100,000 building consists of a 40' by 70' lodge room indirectly lighted, with knotty-pine paneling and a beige and terra cotta tiled floor; a refreshment room similarly decorated, and a colorful cocktail room.

Right: Dignitaries who recently initiated a class of Greenwich, Conn., Elks included retiring State Assn. Pres. Thomas F. Winters, seated foreground, with Past State Pres. Thomas J. Clark on his right and D.D. Edward J. Connolly on his left and, standing, Past Pres. Louis I. Olmstead, D.D. Charles L. O'Brien and State Sgt.-at-Arms John W. Claflin.



Two Charter Elks of Pensacola, Fla., were honored on the lodge's 50th birthday when E.R. Charles V. Bowman, right, presented certificates and Charter Member Pins to P.E.R. Max L. Bear and Dr. C. J. Heinberg, who accepted the tribute for his father, P.E.R. Max J. Heinberg.



Photographed when Lowell, Mass., Elksdom's first annual \$300 scholarship was presented are, left to right: P.E.R.'s Francis V. Redding, Secy., and Scholarship Committee Chairman Walter J. Markham, Miss Sheila C. Nison, Treas. J. Russell Harrington and E.R. Henry A. Kierce.



With A. G. Lemish, third from left, foreground, as E.R., these men will handle Auburn, Ind., Lodge's affairs during its first year.

Left: Est. Lead. Knight Norman Allumbaugh of Long Beach, Calif., Lodge, right, presents a 1955 Plymouth Station Wagon to Major Howard Sloan of the Salvation Army for its use in transporting children to and from its youth recreational centers. At left is E.R. Gerald Desmond.



Middletown Elks Sponsor Ellenville, N. Y., Lodge

Past State Pres. William Edelmuth was the Master of Ceremonies when Ellenville Lodge No. 1971 was welcomed as part of New York State's Elk Family in the presence of about 450 members. James A. Gunn of the Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Activities and Dist. Vice-Pres. Edward F. Turchen, together with officials of the sponsoring Middletown Lodge, conducted the institution. No. 1971's sponsor, headed by P.D.D. Frank McBride, handled the initiation of the 135 Charter Members, and D.D. Joseph S. Disch received capable assistance from a group of former D.D.'s in installing E.R. Manuel Miller and his fellow officers.

Norristown, Pa., Officers Institute North Penn Lodge

Assisted by P.D.D.'s of the Pa. S.E. Dist., 1954-55 D.D. B. Harrison McCoy, conducted the installation of the Charter Officers of North Penn Lodge No. 1979, led by E.R. William F. Hill. Following the institution ceremony by Norristown Elk officials the officers of Reading Lodge, headed by E.R. LeRoy J. Klein, initiated the Charter Members to whom State Pres. Ruel H. Smith extended a cordial welcome. Past Grand Exalted Rules Charles

H. Grakelow delivered the principal address at this event, during which Norristown's Elks Chorus and Band entertained.

Auburn Lodge Instituted by Indiana Elk Officials

Dignitaries of Indiana Elksdom officiated at ceremonies instituting Auburn Lodge No. 1978, when 77 candidates were initiated by a South Bend Degree Team, with 71 Garrett Elks accepted on dimit.

D.D. Theodore Snyder was in charge of the program in which Past Grand Exalted Ruler Joseph B. Kyle, recently elected Grand Est. Lead. Knight Robert L. DeHority, State Pres. Herbert Beitz, Vice-Presidents William A. Hart, and Charles P. Bender, Past Presidents L. A. Krebs, O. Ray Miner and Cecil Rappe, Grand Lodge Ritualistic Committeeman, and P.D.D.'s Elmer Kauffman, B. E. Gates and Amos Jockel participated.

Following the installation of E.R. Anthony Lemish and the other Charter Officers, entertainment was enjoyed.

Quincy, Mass., Elks Sponsor AAU Track Meet

The 67th Annual New England AAU Track and Field Championships were held at the Veterans Memorial Stadium under the aegis of Quincy Lodge No. 943. The Elks took over the meet, an Olympic

qualifying event, as part of its Golden Jubilee Celebration, with 350 athletes participating.

Harold Connolly of Boston University, who has overcome the handicap of a withered left arm, established a new mark in the hammer throw, breaking his own record which had already smashed the American record for this event.

Weymouth's champion hurdler Dave Settele was one of five double winners, along with Ed Shea of Northeastern, who took the three-mile run and two-mile steeplechase; Jack Fawcett of Tufts, who won the mile and the half-mile; Sal Mazzocca of Northeastern who captured the honors in the broad jump and hop, step and jump, and another Northeastern athlete, Charlie Miller, who won the 100- and 200-mile dashes. The Boston AA won the team title.

Another sports event sponsored by Quincy Elksdom as part of its 50th Anniversary festivities was the amateur boxing match which drew nearly 2,000 spectators. Following the exciting 13-bout card, Americo Sacramoni of Everett, New England's 118-pound champion, was voted the outstanding boxer of the show and was awarded the Elks Trophy. The fans were entertained by drill team exhibitions, the Milton Legion Band and a half-hour fireworks display.

Below: Green Bay, Wis., Elk officials proudly display the State plaque its Youth Activities won for the second consecutive year. Left to right: P.E.R. Daniel Griffin, Youth Activities Committee Chairman Lee Rondou, Co-Chairman Leo Barry and E.R. Leo V. Barron.



Above: When Houghton-Higgins, Mich., Lodge was instituted, its first E.R., Clarence Box, was photographed with three father-son combinations among its Charter Members. Left to right: Robert DeWitt; his father, Est. Lead. Knight Roy DeWitt; W. B. Alschbach; Mr. Box; the younger Alschbach, Wesley; Esq. R. J. Sohn, and his father, Albert J.

"FREEDOM'S FACTS" — New Red Line



As part of its anti-communistic activities, The All-American Conference to Combat Communism is publishing a monthly bulletin called "Freedom's Facts". BPOE is one of a group of 50 national organizations with

membership in the Conference and, therefore, for several months we have been quoting interesting material from "Freedom's Facts". An analysis of Soviet lack of productive results is particularly interesting this month:

WHEN the communists created their social system and based it on economics back in 1917, their assumption was that in time socialism would produce more goods and services and do it more efficiently than capitalism.

Lenin was so sure this would happen that he predicted in 1919, "Capitalism can be utterly vanquished and will be utterly vanquished by the fact that socialism creates a new and much higher level of labor productivity."

Despite intensive effort since the Five Year Plans began in 1928, however, Soviet labor productivity has remained low. Today only 25 per cent of Soviet collective farms are electrified compared to 93 per cent of U. S. farms; Soviet steel output is up to about 45,000,000 tons while U. S. production is over 110,000,000 tons. Soviet agriculture, which once produced surpluses of grain, has fallen behind so far that the Soviets are importing grain from countries like Canada. And Soviet labor productivity has risen no higher than 40 per cent of that of labor productivity in the U. S.

Behind this poor showing of the Soviet Union's socialist economy are three major economic weaknesses: lack of incentive for workers to produce, lack of skilled workers and trained foremen, and, most critical of all, a lack of top-flight plant and factory managers.

To solve the incentive problem, Party members have unleashed a new campaign to persuade workers to produce more and to expose them to public condemnation if they do not. According to "Pravda" of May 29 this campaign will make use of radio, films, newspapers and publishing houses as well as of Party members, trade unions, the Komsomol and the All-Union Conference of Industrial Workers.

The entire secondary school system in the Soviet Union has been revamped to turn out more skilled workers and efforts are being made to induce foremen to speed industrial output by making at least some production decisions for themselves.

Now that the Kremlin bosses are gearing up for ever greater industrial output, the heat is being turned on the inefficiency and "bureaucratic indifference" of factory managers and administrators.

In one editorial after another, the Party newspaper, "Pravda," has brought nearly every major economic ministry of the Soviet Union under criticism. The coal industry, for example, spent 8 million rubles (about 2 million dollars) to build a new coal pit, then discovered there wasn't enough high quality coal to pay for the expenses.

Soviet plant and factory managers, of course, unlike American counterparts, are merely order takers. The big decisions are made at the ministerial level. The Soviet manager thus operates within major and minor plans, refuses to experiment for fear of being charged with "wrecking"—the equivalent of treason to the state. The close supervision under which he operates and the fear of making

an error, apparently has hampered his ability to run a factory without conferences and red tape. These are designed not to aid production, but to provide alibis when the production goals are not met.

The seriousness of this lack of good factory managers and the red tape involved in socialist economic production, in fact, has forced the Reds to make industrial reorganization a top item on the agenda of the Party Congress next February.

Obviously, the communists instead of proving the superiority of socialism so far, at least, have demonstrated that it is an inefficient system primarily because it destroys man's freedom of decision, and provides inadequate incentive to excel.

More significantly, however, this current drive to reorganize Soviet industry and to boast industrial output indicates that the Reds will be using every possible means during the next few years to increase Soviet industrial and military power vis-a-vis the United States. There is no indication, however, that this increased power will be used solely for peaceful purposes.

TRIBUTE IS PAID TO MEMORY OF EDWARD LEACH



Edward Leach passed away on May 5th, 1924, but his magnetic personality and great achievements have kept his memory fresh in the hearts of his Brother Elks of New York Lodge No. 1.

Every year, during the month of May, members of the lodge he loved and served so well have journeyed to Waterbury, Conn., to conduct Services of Remembrance at Edward Leach's grave at Riverside Cemetery.

This loving tradition was observed again this year when on May 7th a large delegation of New York Elks participated in the tribute. As in the past 31 years,

Photographed at the May 7th, 1955, memorial pilgrimage to the grave of Past Grand Exalted Ruler Edward Leach are New York, N. Y., Lodge's Treas. Thomas A. Bowen, Est. Lect. Knight Raymond Tese, Acting Chaplain John H. Gleason, Est. Lead. Knight John J. Mangan, Est. Loyal Knight James J. Carr and Secy. Jerry Navarro.

officers and members of Waterbury Lodge hospitably welcomed the faithful New Yorkers and accompanied them to the cemetery under the guidance of a police escort. There they joined in the tribute to this great man; although many had never known him, yet they felt they knew him well.



Americo Sacramoni, New England's 118-pound boxing champion, receives his trophy from Quincy, Mass., Lodge's E.R. Edward Densmore, following the young man's outstanding success during the Elks amateur boxing show.



Guests of P.E.R. Almer I. Tedder of West Palm Beach, Fla., Lodge are pictured at the barbecue he gave at his home in honor of all Exalted Rulers of the Fla. South Central District and their wives. Seated, center, is Grand Trustee W. A. Wall. Standing fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth from left, respectively, are P.D.D. Edward Poland, Past State Vice-Pres. Luke J. Fraser, Past State Pres. J. Alex Arnette, State Pres. Frank J. Holt and P.E.R. Tedder.

Athens, Ohio, Elks Place Youth at City Helm

E.R. Francis Pontious of Athens Lodge No. 973 reports that the ten elected high school students who took over the city's management for a day under the guidance of their adult counterparts did a very nice job.

Arrangements for this program were handled by Mr. Pontious and Est. Lead. Knight Wm. U. Gould, with the whole-hearted cooperation of city and school authorities.

At a luncheon interval in the day's activities, certificates were awarded each student official in recognition of his participation in the program.



Fifteen of the 28 surviving Charter Members of Biddeford-Saco, Me., Lodge attended its 20th Anniversary Dinner and Dance not long ago. Seated, left to right, are Aime Desrosiers, John B. Beauchemin, P.E.R.'s Judge Daniel E. Crowley, Joseph D. Boucher and Felix T. Sheltra, Edmund Haskins and Frank C. Reed. Standing: Robert Tartre, C. F. Benoit, Arsene Labonte, Archie La-Branche, C. H. Goodwin, Arthur Daigneault, Dr. A. L. Corriveau and Paul Shevenell.



NEWS of the LODGES

Among Virginia lodges sponsoring vacations for deserving boys at the State Elks Camp are, above, Lynchburg Committee Chairman W. R. Miller, George Haymaker, Bob Hawkins, Est. Lead. Knight H. W. Meade, Alex Neister, Charlie Layne, E.R. C. B. Wohn, Jr., Mott Smith, B. F. Blankinship, Tom Londeree, former Grand Tiler and Esq. R. Chess McGhee, Trustee W. E. Terry and Richard Eubank, with their initial 50 guests. Above, right, 15 of the boys who were Norfolk Lodge guests, with Committee Chairman D. C. Jackson, left background, and Committeemen Roy Tyree, center, and Larry A. Marsh, P.E.R., right. Jack Brow, right in next to last row, supervised the trip. At right are the first 50 youngsters Richmond Lodge sent camping this year.

Serving Florida's Youth

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conduct all business necessary in the direct management, operation and maintenance of the Florida Elks Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Home. This committee coordinates with the program of the Florida State Crippled Children's Commission.

The slogan of the Home . . . "No man is so great as he who stoops to help a crippled child" . . . is a motivating force in the life of the man behind the management scenes of the Home since its inception, James Fernandez.

Mr. Fernandez has been comptroller of the Home since 1931 and business manager since 1945, although he moved from his Tampa residence to Umatilla only four years ago. He also is executive secretary of the Florida Elks Association and the Harry-Anna Home is headquarters for the Florida State Elks.

Since his residency in Umatilla, Fernandez has seen \$100,000 in improvements to the building including remodeling and renovating. Part of this program was furnishing of rooms for mothers of patients who are to be discharged. The mothers stay here . . . in hotel style . . . while they learn how to take care of the child when he goes home. These rooms were furnished by various Elks Lodges of Florida and Ladies of the Elks.

The trust fund of the Harry-Anna Home for Crippled Children includes the Miller business building in Eustis, also given by H. R. P. Miller.

Another addition to the Home is the 22-acre tract six miles from Umatilla, given last year by E.R. Duff and his sister, Mrs. Inez Bishop. Known as the Bishop Memorial, the acreage includes 17 acres of citrus groves and seven cottages on the beautiful sparkling blue waters of Lake Charm for the benefit of the children and the staff of the Harry Anna Crippled Children's Home.

Other improvements in the near future will be additions to the hospital facilities. The Home has been, for the past 22 years, strictly a convalescent orthopedic hospital. Future plans call for a cardiac department including treatment of rheumatic fever, nephritis and treatment of diseases of the chest of non-contagious type. The Home will have house physicians who are outstanding in treating these diseases. The hospital will also own a complete x-ray department and full laboratory equipment.

Dr. Richard Walker, Orlando, is the present head orthopedic doctor for the Home. Dr. Royce Muller is surgeon and Dr. George W. Griffin, registered pediatrician, is on call at all time. All three reside in Orlando, which is about 35 miles South of Umatilla.

Patients are admitted to the Home after investigation by field nurses of the Florida State Children's Commission and the little patient begins to be "treated" from

the moment he or she enters the doors of the Home.

The superintendent's friendly and cheery greeting . . . the smiles of the nurses . . . the songs and encouraging cheers of the other contented patients . . . together with the proper supervision . . . all go towards making a better human of the tiny physical wrecks.

Upon admission the "guest" is placed in a sunny and cheerful isolation room and kept there until routine examinations and laboratory tests are made to insure against contagion.

Upon being placed in the regular wards the prescribed medical treatment is applied; the proper daily routine of play, school, recreation, physiotherapy, occupational therapy and the will to get well begins to unfold and the Home has another satisfied guest.

The food is prepared under strict dietary regulations, tasty and nutritious. It is good, vouched for by the inevitable call for "seconds" at every meal.

SIX registered nurses, a physiotherapist, and 25 to 30 nurses' aides are on duty each day at the Home. Patients at the Home come to love the nurses, the friendly atmosphere and the many attractions offered. Little Mary cried when her parents came to take her home. Perhaps she suddenly realized she would miss seeing TV from one of the six sets in the Home . . . or the games always at hand . . . the tasty meals . . . the understanding and helpful teacher.

The school at the Harry-Anna Home for Crippled Children includes first through twelfth grade and is a regular accredited school of the State school system. Teachers are supplied by the Lake County school system and graduates are included in the Umatilla class roster.

The average patient load is 70 children and last year's operating cost was \$118,747.07. Funds are provided by 30,000 Elks of Florida who pledge \$3 each per year for maintenance. The Crippled Children's seal campaign nets about \$30,000 for the Home and the Elks National Foundation contributes to the cause.

Proceeds from the classic Tangerine Bowl Game played each New Year's Day

in Orlando also go to the aid of the Home. The Tangerine Bowl is claimed to be the only 100 per cent charitable game in the country. Players receive inspiration for the game from a visit the day before to the Harry-Anna Home. After talking to these cheerful youngsters with maimed bodies, they give their spectators a game they'll never forget.

Also assisting in raising funds for the Home are the women's circles of the Florida Elks, the Anna Miller Circles, the Does and the Ladies of the Elks. They sponsor benefit parties, dances and other events and wrap Christmas gifts for the crippled children and assist in many other ways to create happiness for the children of the Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Home.

To be assured the work of the Harry-Anna Home for Crippled Children will be continued, the Elks founded a permanent endowment at the annual Convention in 1949. This is supervised by a Board of Trustees composed of seven outstanding Elks. The purpose of this endowment is to perpetuate the Florida Elks Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Home and for it to be self-sustaining. All funds derived from its investments must go 100 per cent to the upkeep of the Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Home. The administration expenses are carried by the Florida State Elks Association and the trustees receive no compensation of any kind.

The advisory committee includes bankers who are experts in investments. The First National Bank of Orlando has been named custodian. Chairman of the advisory banking group is James G. Richardson, professor of business administration at the University of Florida.

In order to build up this permanent endowment, the officers and members have invited all philanthropic minded persons outside of the Order to participate in this great humanitarian objective by donating to this cause whatever they feel they can afford.

At the beginning of March, the trust fund had assets of \$650,657.86 from 1,700 subscribers.

The first chairman of the trust fund was the late David Sholtz, Past Grand Exalted Ruler and past Governor of Florida. He was succeeded by W. A. Wall of West Palm Beach.

"Let us not forget" is the plea of Florida Elks.

And who could forget after a visit to the Harry-Anna Home for Crippled Children. Who could come away dry-eyed from the Sunday School services where these bedridden patients, those in wheel chairs, or on crutches . . . sing joyfully "Onward Christian Soldiers . . . Marching onward . . ." with faith and hope in their faces. A faith made possible by the benevolent Elks of Florida.

CORRECTION

In our Report of the Grand Lodge Convention which appeared in our August issue, we failed to give proper credit to the winner in the Division 500-1,000 members for the best Youth Day Program among lodges. The winner was Biddeford-Saco, Me., Lodge No. 1597, rather than Alamogordo, Tex., Lodge No. 1897.

Report From Formosa

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Republic of China to relinquish the offshore islands of Quemoy and Matsu to the Communists, and by placing Formosa and the Pescadores under United Nations trusteeship.

Neither of these two courses is alluring to the officials of the Nationalist Government, with every one of whom I discussed them individually. The first one, they say, inspired by sympathy for the Chinese people in Formosa and on the China mainland and by fear of the growing strength of world Communism, would not be a practical venture at this time. The second, in their opinion, is a recrudescence of the kind of thinking that inspired Neville Chamberlain in 1939 to assume that if Hitler were treated with consideration, even to the extent of selling out a few small nations of Europe, the world would have peace in his time. The result was the disaster of World War II.

Let us examine, therefore, what the people who are directly concerned think about the future course of events in the Far East. We may begin, quite logically, with the President of the Republic of China, Chiang Kai-shek, who commands the unswerving loyalty of his army and his government, and whose ideas on this subject are probably more important than those of any other one man.

I had first met the Generalissimo many years ago in the midst of a battle in the walled city of Nanchang in Kiangsi Province, in the summer of 1927, when he was leading the Northern Expedition against the provincial warlords of that time. He won his war against the warlords, unified his nation, and later proved to be a staunch ally in resistance against Japanese aggression. He was surprisingly young, both in age and appearance, to be the leader of a people for whom, traditionally, advanced age has been the criterion of the measure of a man's wisdom.

Now, at the age of 68, President Chiang bears himself with the same erectness, the same assurance, and the same sense of quiet power and dignity, that he has worn during the more than quarter century he has been leader of a nation beset almost continuously by foreign and domestic war. In his office on the third floor of the National Defense Building in the heart of Taipei, we talked about the past, the present, and the possible future of his country.

I put many pointed questions to him which a man of lesser stature might have tried to evade with "no comment" or "this must be off the record." But not once during our entire conversation and in spite of my most searching inquiries did he ever resort to them.

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The TV Film Programs are being prepared from selected "Reader's Digest" editorial material. While the TV shows are live, films of the programs are being made for general distribution to organizations such as the BPOE. The programs will appear at 8 p.m. on four Monday evenings in September. The subjects of the programs are as follows:

"*Dear Friends and Gentle Hearts*" (Sept. 5). This film tells the story of the life of the gifted composer Stephen Collins Foster.

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of China should an attack be made against Formosa or the Pescadores, an island group thirty miles to the west. We have pledged similar aid for Quemoy and Matsu only if a Communist attack on those offshore island groups constitutes a threat to Formosa. This declaration is interpreted in the United States in many different ways, and so I asked President Chiang what it meant to him.

"President Eisenhower" answered the Generalissimo, "is a military expert as well as a statesman. He knows the importance of Quemoy and Matsu and he understands their political and military significance. We understand here how difficult it is for him to make a clear cut stand on these island groups, and that it is necessary for him to make his statement in that way. However," he said, "we see only one interpretation of that pledge. And that is: that any attack on Quemoy or Matsu is an attack on Formosa. They are all one, and you cannot separate one from the other."

I turned then to the next most important question in the minds of most Americans, in connection with Formosa. We know, I said, that you are making preparations for a return to the China mainland. "When and how do you expect to do that?" I asked him.

"We have no intention" he said, "of suddenly launching our armed forces in an attempt to retake the mainland. Such a venture would be impossible because we would have to consult with the United States first to assure ourselves of logistical support, and there is no such assurance now. However, if there is a revolt of the people on the mainland—an actual uprising or genuine attempt at mass uprising, not a mere expression of dissatisfaction which alone has no power and no

force—in that case our troops will land and join with them."

"Of course," he added, "it could come about in another way. If, for example, the Communists made an attack upon us we would follow up with a counterattack and force a landing on the mainland."

Suppose, I asked him, the United States helps to repel a Communist attack but will not provide logistical support for an invasion of the mainland. What would you do then?

"We are not worried that that might happen" said Chiang, "but if it does, we will depend upon ourselves, including logistics."

If pressures are brought upon your Government to give up Quemoy and Matsu in exchange for a cease fire and Communist assurances not to attack Formosa, I asked him, what would your attitude be?

"We do not believe that the United States would ever put such pressure upon us" replied President Chiang, "because American interests in the Far East can be safe only when we recover the mainland. If we are asked to evacuate more territory, Quemoy and Matsu, then all American interests will be driven back to Honolulu and California. Would you like to see that?"

He spoke slowly and carefully. "If Quemoy and Matsu are gone" he said, "there will be no Formosa. And if there is no Formosa there will be no Okinawa and no Philippines."

When we shook hands as I took my leave, I asked President Chiang whether, since he has never been to the United States, he had given thought to paying us a visit. He started to make a polite deadpan reply, and then his sense of humor prevailed. "My wife and I plan

to make that trip" he said laughingly, "but we have an appointment we have to keep in Nanking first." Nanking, of course, was the Capital of the Republic of China until, in the winter of 1949, it fell to the Communists.

I had arrived in Formosa in a torrential downpour, and at the Taipei airport where I was met by Chinese friends on my arrival from Tokyo, I expected to be overwhelmed with customary apologies for the inclement weather and the discomfort it might cause me. I was greeted instead with happy smiles and congratulations for having brought the rain. There had been a severe drought for the past five months, I learned, and fears were beginning to be felt for the rice crop on which the nation depends for its staple food. For the next few weeks, as I flew, rode and tramped in an almost unbroken deluge, I found some crumbs of comfort in the thought that while I was almost continuously damp inside and outside my trench coat, the food supply of the nation was safe.

Formosa, meaning "Beautiful," is the name given to the island by early Portuguese explorers, and it is the one by which it is commonly known in the west. Taiwan, written in two Chinese characters which mean "Terraced Bay," is its proper Chinese name. Because the government of the Republic of China has resided there since December 1949, criticism is often made by newcomers that it is overburdened with governmental structure—one for the National Government and one for the Province of Formosa itself.

There is sound reason, however, for this seeming superfluity of executive and administrative organization. Formosa was ceded to Japan as indemnity at the end of the Sino-Japanese war of 1895. At the end of World War II, Japan relinquished all right and title to it. Today, probably the only one point on which there is complete agreement between the Communists in Peiping and the Nationalists in Taipei is that Formosa is a province of China, an integral and inseparable part of that nation.

And so in Formosa there is a provincial government headed by Governor C. K. Yen, with its own provincial legislature which enacts laws for the administration of the internal affairs of that province. Then there is the Federal government of the Republic of China, with some five hundred duly elected members of the Republic's National Assembly representing every province in China, who evacuated to Formosa in 1949. This federal government, which enacts domestic and foreign legislation, is maintained as a holdover until new elections can be held in China itself in accordance with the Constitution of the Republic. It is a warranty of the Nationalist Government's determination to return and reestablish itself on the mainland.

At the head of the executive departments of the Federal government is Pre-

mier O. K. Yui, whom I interviewed the day after I saw the President. He is a former banker who, in the nineteen thirties, was Mayor of Shanghai, and an extremely capable one.

How long, I asked Premier Yui, can an island as limited in size and resources as Formosa, support a half million or more men in its armed forces, and a double burden of government organization?

"We are doing two things here on Taiwan" he explained. "We are creating the kind of 'show-case' economy, industry and agriculture that will be in sharp contrast to the deplorable conditions on the mainland under the Reds, in order that the people may be confident in looking to us for release from Communist oppression; and we are building up a powerful army, navy and airforce capable of launching a successful counterattack against the Reds on the mainland.

"When do we think this will take place? It will not be soon. It could be three, four, or ten years, or more. And if not by us, by our children.

"How? Either the Communists will attack us in a manner that will bring the United States into the conflict; or, more probably, we will attack them when our preparations will have been completed. We expect transport and air cover from the United States. We believe that the United States recognizes the fact that the only solution of the Far East problem is to help us rid China of Communism and restore freedom and a non-aggressive democratic government to the mainland."

With the new military draft in Red China, I suggested, it is possible that the Communist armies on the mainland may soon be swollen to several million, and that the air arm equipped by the Soviet Union will also have grown to enormous proportions. How, in addition to securing a beachhead on the mainland, can the Nationalist forces overcome so large a handicap?

"We know from those who escape from behind the Iron Curtain in China" replied Premier Yui, "that vast numbers of the Chinese people are dissatisfied with Red rule; that many military commanders and their troops have been forcibly impressed into the Red army; that their resentments will change to open revolt when we are ready to move to the mainland; and that at that time we will be able to count not only upon our own troops launched from Taiwan, but upon hundreds of thousands of those now under the Communist banner who will join with us when we land—as will millions of the Chinese common people."

"This is our hope and our determination. We will never allow it to be destroyed by talk of 'handing over Quemoy and Matsu' and 'Trusteeship for Formosa.' Those discussing such projects" he said, "will find they cannot dispose of us as a pawn in some kind of an international chess game."

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renewing acquaintance with Foreign Minister George Yeh. I had last seen him in December of 1954, when he came to Washington to sign jointly with Secretary of State John Foster Dulles the treaty which guaranteed American aid in the event of a Communist attack on Formosa. As the co-signer of that pact, he declared that his understanding of it with respect to the offshore islands of Quemoy and Matsu was precisely the same as that which President Chiang had outlined to me a day or two before.

Mr. Yeh believes that if the United States would issue a statement that it looks with disfavor upon any Red threat to Quemoy and Matsu, this would be enough to deter the Communists from attacking the islands. "These islands are essential for our defense," he told me. "The radar on Quemoy and Matsu makes it impossible for the Reds to launch a sneak attack on Formosa, and whoever controls the islands controls the Formosa Strait."

One high ranking official who for security reasons asked me to withhold his name, pointed out the dangers in the reluctance of the United States to take as firm a stand on the offshore islands as it has on Formosa itself.

"Suppose" he said, "the Reds should make an air attack on Quemoy. Will we sit by and allow them to have control of the air over the island while our troops are driven underground, opening the way for them to attack in force by landing craft?"

"Of course not," he said. "We will have to bomb their airfields to destroy the bases on the mainland from which they make their air attacks. What will they then obviously have to do? They will bomb the bases from which we send our bombers, and these are all on Formosa."

"When they bomb us on Formosa, then the fat will really be in the fire, for at that late stage the United States will have to come in, not only in accordance with its agreement to aid us if Formosa is attacked, but to safeguard its own military outpost in the west Pacific—for if the United States loses Formosa its whole chain of defense in the Pacific is broken."

"Could we refrain from bombing the Reds' airfields on the mainland if they make an air attack on Quemoy" he asked. "Obviously" he said, "that would be impossible. If we were to do that, then we might as well give up now without a struggle."

There is no visible feeling of crisis in Formosa. While official circles find their documents stamped "secret" and "confidential" in the same way ours do in Washington, they have a native sense of humor that permits them to remark, as a government official did when he handed me one to look at, "Here's another one of those 'Destroy Before Reading' memos that came this morning."

But the business of national defense and preparations for return to the main-

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land are serious business indeed. In an address to his troops in review at Hsinchu Air Base, in northern Formosa, I heard President Chiang make this promise: "Your families on the mainland are hoping you will come back and take the mainland from the Communists. Take good care of your weapons, so that you can kill ten Communists with each one when we go back."

I visited the Nationalist armed forces training stations at Tainan and the naval base and academy at Tsoying, in southern Formosa. To each of these units are assigned United States officers of the Military Assistance Advisory Group, known as MAAG. They are consultants who supervise and instruct Chinese soldiers, sailors and airmen in the best use of weapons and their maintenance, the techniques of modern warfare and logistics. Universally, I found, MAAG officers are proud of their men and confident that, if put to the test, they will make a showing that will confound those who still think of the Nationalist defense force as an "over age army."

The "over age army" is a thing of the past. The over-age, sick and disabled are being retired as fast as the national economy can absorb them in civilian occupations. The new generation, from Formosa, overseas, and the mainland, are more than filling the ranks. The officer training schools, army, navy and airforce, are patterned, with MAAG assistance, on the lines of our own West Point and Annapolis. They are doing a superb job, and the cadets, whose quarters, equipment and classes I inspected, are an earnest group of youngsters who have pledged their lives to the service of their Republic.

In estimating what the future holds, and whether a cease fire in Formosa Strait would bring peace to that part of the world, it is instructive to consider the views of Defense Minister David Yu,

brilliant and self-sacrificing head of the Nationalist Government's armed forces. A Ph.D. Harvard 1922, he has been Director of Army Ordnance and Vice Minister of War, and several years ago was attached to the Chinese Embassy in Washington.

"A cease fire will not be offered by the Communists for the purpose of securing peace" says Defense Minister Yu. "The Communists must have an objective, not peace *per se*. The China coast

now, from Shanghai to Canton, is ringed with airfields. The fact that our friends must understand" he impressed upon me, "is that as in the past when we were invaded by Mongols and Manchus, China today is in the midst of a civil war that can end only with the extinction of one government or the other—theirs or ours.

"Please try to convince your people" he urged me, "that until that time comes, there can be no permanent cease fire, no peace, and no security."

For Elks Who Travel

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Announcement has been made by H. B. Cantor, well known hotel operator, of his plans to construct two huge 1,250-foot super-liners, each of more than 100,000 tons, and each to carry 10,000 passengers and crew. The unusual feature, in addition to the unheard of size of these ships, is that plans include one-way passage to Europe for as low as \$50.00 per person, for transportation and berth. Meals may be had at restaurants, coffee shops and cafeterias on board.

For the auto enthusiast who plans to be in Daytona Beach next February the Nascar Auto Association offers National Speed Week, February 12 through the 26. Trial runs through the measured mile, electrically-timed, on the sands of the beach for sport cars, stock cars and midgets. Drivers of the old family vehicle who succeed in bettering the 100 mph mark automatically become members of the Daytona Beach Chamber of Commerce Century Club and receive a certificate of their record.

Bill Nagle, who owns and operates Patricia Ann Tours in Mexico City, is ready to be of service to all Elks travelers in that ancient land. If you are planning to be in Mexico City this fall or winter look up Nagle for service at Ave. Sonora 208-210-B Mexico, D. F.

A new rail travelcard credit system will be inaugurated August 1 on 43 railroads in the United States. The new card will be good

from coast to coast and will permit credit on all member railroads for rail and Pullman tickets and for meals and refreshment on trains. They will be issued to both companies and individuals.

The International Highway to connect United States and Panama is one step nearer completion with the opening of a 13-mile link between the capitals of Nicaragua and Costa Rica. Two links remain unfinished, a stretch in northern Nicaragua as well as one in southern Costa Rica.

Stop-over vacations at Yellowstone Park are now offered to the coast-to-coast air traveler. United Air Lines has set up three-day itineraries for as little as \$79.95 and this includes round-trip rail fare from Salt Lake City to Yellowstone, Wyoming. Hotel, meals, and sight-seeing are also included in the plan.

The museum at Shelburne, Vermont, on U. S. Route 7, is highly recommended for those who are interested in fine old New England housing and early American antiques and colonial arts and crafts. Much of it is dated to pre-Revolution days.

Surinam has just announced that it no longer requires passports for U. S. citizens. With this announcement, the entire membership of the Caribbean Tourists Association has eliminated the red tape of passports for travelers.

The motel has finally arrived in Switzerland. The first one to be built is at the western end of Lake Brienz. It will comprise 21 modern cabins with a total of 70 beds. It will be open soon and followed by others at the more famous resorts of Interlaken and Jungfrau.

MRS. SHOLTZ AND MRS. HULBERT PASS AWAY

With regret, the passing of the widows of two Past Grand Exalted Rulers is reported. On April 22nd, Mrs. Alice May Sholtz, widow of Past Grand Exalted Ruler David Sholtz, former Governor of Florida, died in Hendersonville, N. C. The funeral services were held in Hendersonville, and Mrs. Sholtz was interred in Cedar Hill Cemetery, Daytona Beach, Fla. Mrs. Sholtz is survived by a son, Mitchell D. Sholtz, Phoenixville, Pa.; a foster son, Eugene Hampton, Hendersonville; two daughters, Miss Lois Sholtz, Asheville, N. C., Mrs. Carolyn Rominski, Asheville; and a sister, Mrs. Richard H. Cubberley, Morristown, N. J.

On June 22nd, Mrs. Regina R. Hulbert, widow of Past Grand Exalted Ruler George Murray Hulbert, died at her home in Bayport, L. I. Mrs. Hulbert was interred in Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Valhalla, N. Y. Mrs. Hulbert is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Joseph C. Kenney, her brother Frank C. McNeeney and a sister, Mrs. William O'Toole.



When on June 27th Grand Exalted Ruler William J. Jernick attended a dinner at Weehawken, N.J., lodge, this photograph was taken, although it did not reach the Magazine in time for the August issue. Top row left to right: August Palmitessa, Master of Ceremonies, Past Exalted Rulers Frank Galland and Thomas H. Murphy. Center row: George Safer, Joseph Backle, Exalted Ruler James A. Sarubbi, Kenneth M. Vreeland, Past Exalted Ruler of Englewood lodge, Mr. Jernick, Most Rev. Monsignor Cornelius J. Boyle, Edgar Leone, George Mayorga, Past District Deputy Harry Smith, William Kenney and State Delegate Robert Binda. Front row: Raymond Gatti and Trustees Charles Binda, John F. Cahir, Ernest Hofmann and John A. Sarubbi.

Elks National Foundation—

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Fourteen years ago, Miss Helen Delich received the first award as the Most Valuable Student among girls and recently she wrote the following letter to Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, Chairman of the Elks National Foundation. The letter was so outstanding that Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis read it to the delegates at the Convention in Philadelphia.

“As I notice that the wonderful Elks once again are convening in the City of Brotherly Love, it is with a bit of nostalgia and wholehearted appreciation that I recall 14 years ago when I was flown by that very Benevolent Organization to the same city to accept an award that started me on the road to a career I hadn't even dreamed was possible.

“Since then I have become the only actual female Maritime Editor in the nation as well as the first woman to be named an editor on that very excellent newspaper ‘The Baltimore Sun’, in some department other than Society.

“My best wishes to the 1955 winners and my very warm personal greetings and appreciation to yourself and all of the other Elks gathered at this grand conclave this year.”

Arthur L. Allen, Past Exalted Ruler of Pueblo, Colo., Lodge presented a check for \$1,000 to the Foundation at the Convention in Philadelphia. The check was for an Honorary Founder's Certificate in memory of Brother Allen's long-time friend, late Past Grand Exalted Ruler John R. Coen. Unfortunately, this generous contribution was credited to another member of the Order in the Convention Report in our August issue. Brother Allen, over a period of years, has been one of the most generous contributors to the Foundation among the members of the Order.

Mr. Conway L. Maughan writes appreciatively to Mr. Malley: “This is to inform you that I have successfully completed my course in Physical Therapy at Stanford University and have also passed

the examination of the American Registry of Physical Therapists. I feel that the training I received at Stanford is equal to any in the country and I am very confident that I can work very successfully in the field of Physical Therapy.

“Last night I met with Jack Bowen, Exalted Ruler of the Logan, Utah, Lodge and he is going to arrange for me to meet with the members here and to make a report of my scholarship and studies and also make a few remarks about physical therapy as related to Cerebral Palsy. Again I wish to thank you for the scholarship and assistance from the National Foundation.”

In writing to the Foundation, Mrs. Eleanor DeGiacomo, who is the recipient of a Cerebral Palsy grant for a special course at Boston University, made a point about the mentality of children afflicted with cerebral palsy that goes to the heart of the matter.

“Much emphasis has been based on the child's I.Q. I have found that other than glancing at it when a child is referred to me, it has been only a measure. Some children with higher I.Q.'s have done less than those with lower I.Q.'s. This is easily understandable, because of the implications affecting the child's personality, emotions, and environmental influences. I consider each child as an individual to be studied and brought up to his paramount capacity, wherever it may lie, and develop the whole individual in a manner most pleasing, considering maximum happiness.”

One of the most valuable aspects of the Foundation work is the opportunity to make it possible for trained therapists to take short courses that extend their knowledge of cerebral palsy. Raymond P. Gendron, who is a Speech Therapist at a Massachusetts hospital, recently took a course at Boston University under a grant from the Foundation, and after completing the course with the grade of ‘A’, expressed his appreciation in a letter to Mr. Malley:

I wish to extend my thanks and appreciation to the Elks Foundation for the scholarship received for attendance at the course on Cerebral Palsy at Boston University. As a therapist in the field of Cerebral Palsy, it was most enlightening and encouraging to participate in a course which covered every possible aspect concerning Cerebral Palsy.”

World Series Roundup

(Continued from page 15)

victories and only nineteen defeats? By winning forty-one of their last forty-eight starts, the Cardinals nosed out the Dodgers by two games, despite the fact that Brooklyn, under the guiding hand of Leo Durocher, finished the season with the highly commendable record of 104 games won and 50 lost.

What causes these last-lap spurts? Does it defy analyzation? Let's listen to Hank Gowdy, catcher of the 1914 Boston Braves, the so-called miracle team which put a permanent dent in the myth of the halfway mark:

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RITUALISTIC RULES READY

Edward W. McCabe, Chairman of the Ritualistic Committee, announces that the Ritualistic Rules for the 1955-56 year are ready and will be distributed by Grand Secretary Lee A. Donaldson to State Presidents, Exalted Rulers and Grand Lodge Committeemen. Ritualistic supplies, as well as additional copies of the Rules, can be obtained from the office of the Grand Secretary, Elks National Memorial Building, Chicago, Ill.

the Braves of forty-one years ago, but I think most of them are wrong," said Hank, who now lives in Columbus, Ohio.

"The spark which really ignited us didn't occur in any National League park, but resulted from something that happened in Buffalo, N. Y., on the morning of July 4, 1914. On that day we were in last place, thirteen games behind the league leading Giants. We dropped a doubleheader that day, which left us with a record of 26-40, for an average of .394, fifteen games behind the Giants.

"Then we went to Buffalo for an exhibition game. It was there the real payoff came. We not only were beaten, but beaten good—so good I can't even remember the score. No matter what most people tell you about exhibition games, there's nothing that humiliates a big league club more than being bowled over by a minor league outfit, especially by a lop-sided score.

"We returned to Boston feeling like Arabs without camels. Everybody was pugnacious, silent and glowering. George Stallings was a wonderful leader. I don't remember his exact words, but they went something like this: 'Well, men, until we went to Buffalo I thought there was no room below the bottom, but I was wrong. I simply can't figure you guys out!'

"George was right. We couldn't figure ourselves out, either. With an infield that included such talented men as Johnny Evers, Charlie Deal and Rabbit Maranville and a good pitching staff in Bill James, Rudy Rudolph, George Tyler, Dick Crutcher, Gene Coeahan and others, we weren't, by any measuring-stick other than National League averages, a last-place club.

"So we got good an' mad. From the second week in July until the end of the season we played ball like a farmer fighting bees. Everybody was everywhere at once. Defensively, I think we were the best club in either league. Fewer runs were scored in those days with the 'dead' ball, so that helped.

"Can you imagine how we felt at the close of the season when nobody was willing to concede us an outside chance against Connie Mack's great Athletics in the World Series? Our reaction was

similar to that of the Giants against the Cleveland Indians last year. Yes, the Athletics had Eddie Collins, Home Run Baker, Amos Strunk, Wally Schang, Chief Bender, Herb Pennock, Joe Bush, Eddie Plank, Bob Shawkey, John Coombs and others in an all-star lineup. But, in coming from the bottom to the top, hadn't we beaten some pretty good teams? We thought so—and I'm not exaggerating when I say we entered the World Series confident we would win."

The records show how right Gowdy was. The Braves, in sweeping the Series, four straight, defeated Bender, Plank, Bush and Shawkey. Boston's winning pitchers were Rudolph, James, James (same guy) and Rudolph, which gives some idea of how much rest pitchers needed in those days.

Just as the spurt pennantward of the 1914 Braves lends itself to a logical explanation, so is there an obvious answer to the Dodgers' fast break at the start of this season. Injured pride is the worst wound that can be inflicted on a ball player and, in this respect, the Bums were "hurt bad."

Finishing second to the Giants last year, narrowly escaping third place in the path of the Braves, would have been ignominious enough for the Flatbushers, but there was an added measure. During the winter months, Horace Stoneham, President of the Giants, with tongue in cheek, held a press conference and announced the Braves would be the team to beat in 1955; that he couldn't see Brooklyn as better than third place. That was all that was necessary to put the Dodgers in a padded cell.

What really happened to the Giants? First, two of the club's key men, Mays and Ruben Gomez, were allowed to play winter baseball in Cuba. That was a mistake that won't be repeated, according to Stoneham. Secondly, a squad of players, each with about \$11,000 of World Series money in addition to his regular salary, isn't as prone to hustle as a group of hungry athletes. Which accounts for this newspaper headline that had its origin in Brooklyn: "Giants Lack Desire to Win."

There were, of course, other extenuat-

Early Wynn Helps Crippled Children

Early Wynn, pitcher for the Cleveland Indians and one of the best in baseball today, writes a weekly column for a Cleveland newspaper. Instead of accepting remuneration, Brother Wynn, who is a member of Venice-Nokomis, Fla., Lodge, turns over the entire proceeds from the column to the Elks Crippled Children's Fund in his hometown of Venice. "As long as he is as generous as that, he can write almost anything he wants in his Saturday soul baring," says Boston "Post" sports columnist, Gerry Hern.

A PLAN FOR ELKDOM'S PROGRESS

By GRAND EXALTED RULER JOHN L. WALKER

MEMBERSHIP CONTROL PROGRAM

(1) Improvement In Dues Delinquency and Lapsation Contest.

To recognize those lodges which have been outstandingly successful in keeping their members and to encourage all other lodges to improve their dues delinquency and lapsation records, we present this Membership Control Contest. Each lodge will compete against the record it wrote last year. It will be charged as of March 31, 1955 for each:

<i>delinquent of 6 months</i>	<i>1 debit point</i>
<i>delinquent of 1 year</i>	<i>2 debit points</i>
<i>delinquent of over 1 year</i>	<i>3 debit points</i>
<i>member dropped during year</i>	<i>4 debit points</i>

The Improvement Record of each lodge will be determined on March 31, 1956 by the same point system, except 4 credit points will be given for each reinstatement subsequent to March 31, 1955.

In order that each lodge may fairly compete with similarly situated lodges, we have divided them into the following leagues:

<i>Lodges which had no debit points on March 31, 1955 and lodges instituted after March 31, 1955.....</i>	<i>All Star League</i>
<i>Lodges with 1 to 50 debit points as of March 31, 1955.....</i>	<i>50 League</i>
<i>Lodges with 51 to 100 debit points as of March 31, 1955.....</i>	<i>100 League</i>
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<i>Lodges with over 1000 debit points as of March 31, 1955.....</i>	<i>1001 plus League</i>

The Grand Exalted Ruler will give awards to the winners in each league in district, state and national competition.

In addition, Certificates of Merit will be awarded every lodge which improves its dues delinquency and lapsation record at least 50 per cent.

Special awards will be given to all lodges that have 100 per cent paid up memberships on March 31, 1956, without having dropped anyone for nonpayment of dues.

(2) Net Gain in Membership Contest

Unless the lodges initiate a substantial number of new members, it is obvious that we cannot obtain our objective of a 5% NET GAIN in membership. In order to encourage lodges to achieve this goal, the Grand Exalted Ruler has announced a program to be known as the "NET GAIN IN MEMBERSHIP CONTEST" in which an award will be made to:

The lodge with the highest net gain in each district for the year ending March 31, 1956

The lodge with the highest net gain in each state for the year ending March 31, 1956

The ten lodges in the Order with the highest net gains for the year ending March 31, 1956

In addition, the Grand Exalted Ruler will award a Certificate to each lodge achieving a 5% Net Gain in Membership for the year ending March 31, 1956.

In the next issue, the Grand Exalted Ruler's Program for the Elks National Foundation will be published.

ing circumstances. Little Davey Williams, who had figured so prominently in the Giants' double play combination at second, played most of the time on his nerve alone, suffering from a painful back ailment. Monte Irvin, formerly a tower of strength at bat, fell away to such an extent he had to be shipped to the minors. Johnny Antonelli, the 25-year-old prize of the 1954 pitching staff, lost his touch—and so it went.

Durocher tried every trick in the book. He switched from railing accusations to soft words of irony. At times, for a change of pace, he blamed himself for defeats. He juggled his lineup almost daily until he ran out of ideas—and still Goliath slept. Then, shortly before the All-Star game on July 12, due to no perceptible cause, the Giants got back on the main line again temporarily.

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meshing with precision up to July 4, despite an abnormal number of injuries. Don Newcombe, Roy Campanella and Duke Snider were having great years. At the halfway point the Brooklyn squad had absorbed twenty-eight major injuries, which riddled the mound corps and most of the key men in the lineup, but determination bordering on ferocity still prevailed. From the Brooklyn front office emanated news releases paralleling the physical status of the team with the injury-plagued Yankees of 1949, the implication being, of course, that the Yankees "also" won the pennant that year.

Then the Dodgers began faltering, but so did the other first-division clubs. It was at this point that Durocher, in a desperate effort to jolt the Giants onward, cut loose with a blast at Brooklyn's "phony home run club."

"Sure they hit a lot of home runs," he snapped. "The park is made to order for home runs. If Willie Mays could play seventy-seven games in Ebbets Field he'd break all existing slugging records. Homers? He'd hit a ton of 'em."

Regardless of where they eventually finish, the Cubs must be acknowledged as 1955's most surprising, if not astonishing, team. The fact that it was the Bruins who remained in pursuit of the runaway Dodgers through the first lap can be credited to the managerial wisdom of Stan Hack. It has been said too often that it is the team which makes its manager look good; that playing ability alone counts for 85 per cent of success. In the case of the Cubs it's just the other way around.

The only excuse for optimism in Pittsburgh last spring was the fact the Cubs were in the same league. As spring

training got under way there was no reason to suspect Chicago wouldn't supplant the Pirates in last place.

What happens when a manager starts sending infielders to the outfield, like crazy? Suppose we let Hack tell his own story:

"Last year we were an offensive—and you can interpret that last word as you please—club," said Hack. "Catchable fly balls dropped for singles and doubles. That put pressure on the pitchers, who were afraid to get one close enough to the plate so a batter could hit to the outfield.

"This year, when Randy Jackson was ready to return to third, after being injured, I decided to take a long chance and substituted Eddie Miksis, who'd been playing third, for Frank Baumholtz in the outfield. Eddie, who'd been hitting well, played the outfield as though he'd been there all his life. Next I noticed Bob Speake, a big first-baseman up from Des Moines, shagging flies in the outfield. I took another chance and sent him to the outfield. When Hank Sauer came down with ptomaine I put Bob Tappe, another first-baseman, in the outfield. Now, when I have to replace an outfielder, I use Jim King, an ex-shortstop. It works!

"With our defense tightened, our pitchers have regained confidence, and so. . . ."

In other words, watch out for the Cubs. Not this year, but they're a young team.

Baseball men in the know are inclined to attribute the Yankees' pace-setting ability through the first lap of the race, despite many faltering steps, largely to two factors. First, Mickey Mantle at last has matured to the point where he can

PAST GRAND EXALTED RULER SHOLTZ MAUSOLEUM



Present at the dedication of the Mausoleum of Past Grand Exalted Ruler David Sholtz on March 20th were, left to right: Reverend W. Pipes Jones, State Chaplain of Florida Elks Association; J. Alex Arnette, State President; Past Grand Exalted Rulers Sam Stern and John S. McClelland; Grand Trustee William A. Wall; Past State President Cullen H. Talton; Robert Machon, Exalted Ruler of Daytona Beach, Fla., Lodge, and State Secretary James J. Fernandez. The Mausoleum is in Daytona Beach.

outsmart pitchers—or most of them. Despite his batting average of .300 last year, practically every pitcher in the league had a “book” on him that could be used effectively in a pinch.

“Give him a fast one letter-high and he’s a dead duck,” was the word.

It’s true that a large part of Mickey’s .300 average for 1954 was attained by clouting bad balls, or sucker pitches, which most hurlers find difficult to refrain from when they have an 0-2 balls-and-strikes count on a batter. But now it’s different. Mickey, who has altered his batting stance slightly to meet letter-high pitches, is laying off the bad ones and putting the burden on the pitcher.

Secondly, the acquisition of fireballer Bob Turley from Baltimore last winter, and a couple of youngsters during the season, gave Manager Casey Stengel the opportunity he so badly needed to rotate his pitching staff properly. Somewhat of a problem earlier in the season, the big Illinois youngster responded to the coaching of Bill Dickey. The mid-season recall of Don Larsen from Denver also helped.

The White Sox, Indians and Red Sox, with the return of Williams, were expected to be in the thick of the race, of course, but if you’re wondering about the extremely youthful Detroit Tigers, Manager Bucky Harris makes it sound simple. At the start of the season Harris, always on the conservative side in his remarks, said: “If these kids get hot, there’ll be no stopping them.”

He’s of the same opinion today, but injuries to Ray Boone and Harvey Kuenn came at an inopportune time, costing the Tigers perhaps six or seven games.

The most outstanding of the youthful Bengals has proved to be 20-year-old Albert Kaline, whose bat has created widespread unhappiness among American League pitchers.

“This kid keeps adding power to his swing as he matures,” said Harris. “All the credit belongs to him; not me. What he’s done has been on his own. Yes, he’s

In the Doghouse

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highest score and a background that make him one of the most dramatic and interesting of all dogs.

Some years after my interview with Red and his hound I became domesticated and my interest in horses was diverted to dogs—breeding them, showing them and later writing about them. In the course of visiting sundry dog shows I met a man who is perhaps one of the leading breeders of bloodhounds in the United States. That man was Robert Noerr of Stamford, Connecticut, Secretary of the American Bloodhound Club and Editor of the “Bloodhound Breeders Bulletin”. What Bob Noerr doesn’t know about those hounds just isn’t worth knowing and he substantiates his knowledge by authenticated facts.

Before we go into exploits of the

a bonus player—a bonus baby who’ll never be farmed out.”

Turning from the past to the future, let’s careen down the way to the 1955 World Series with one dominant thought; namely, that anyone who attempts to pick a Series winner deserves his fate.

If you think past performances have much bearing on the outcome of a short 4-out-of-7 series, then here is just a minute sample of the countless incidents which have turned the tide in deciding games:

1924-Giants vs Senators at Washington (Walter Johnson opposing John Bentley); twelfth inning, score tied, 3-3. The previously mentioned Hank Gowdy, unquestionably one of the great catchers of all time, ripped off his mask to get under an easy pop foul that would have taken the Giants out of a jam. The mask got under his feet and he hit the ground with his face. Whereupon a bad-bounce single went over Freddie Lindstrom’s head at third and it was all over.

1925-Pirates vs Senators at Pittsburgh (Ray Kremer opposing Walter Johnson). The game was started, played and finished in the rain on the express order of the late Commissioner Kenesaw M. Landis. The pitchers worked from an “island” of sawdust, said to have been scooped up from the floor of a nearby speakeasy. Kiki Cuyler hit one of Johnson’s pitches into right field and the ball became entangled in a tarpaulin roll, enabling the Pirates to win the game and the series.

1929-Cubs vs Athletics at Philadelphia (Fred Blake opposing Ed Rommel). Hack Wilson of the Cubs, one of the standout fielders of his day, lost a ball in the sun for the first time in his life as the Athletics rallied to overcome a Cub lead.

On and on through the files of baseball go the “breaks” which have saddened and gladdened hearts of bygone years. As long as the game exists, they will continue.

bloodhound suppose we have a run down on the dog as he differs from other dogs. Most people know that he’s a long-eared, big dog, but many do not know how big, his color or other of his characteristics. He is from 25 to 27 inches from top of shoulder to ground with the larger size being preferred. His weight is approximately 90 pounds although he may go to 110 pounds. Here again the maximum is preferred. His color usually is black and tan but some dogs are colored red and tan or even tawny. According to the Standard the dog’s expression should be solemn and dignified. They have the drooping hound ear, perhaps the longest among dogs. In temperament they are affectionate, sensitive, a bit shy and rarely quarrelsome.

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developed in England but its greatest usefulness has been in the United States where the breed has been known for a little more than 100 years. In part because of the name of the breed, and the fact that bloodhounds are so often used in connection with dramatic events such as trailing escaped prisoners, or suspected lawbreakers, a popular misconception holds that they are among the most ferocious of dogs. On the contrary, they are unusually gentle. They do not attack the person they have been trailing. Their duty is simply to locate the wanted individual and when that task is completed it is up to the police, or whoever is in charge of the chase, to take over.

What isn't generally known is that bloodhounds are frequently used to locate lost persons, particularly children. A police-trained dog taught to attack would be wholly out of place in such work. As I've written before in these pages, the name of the breed stems from the fact that this was one of the earliest breeds for which pedigrees were kept. In the course of years the dogs became known as blooded hounds—just as you may hear people refer to any pedigreed animal as a blooded animal—one of unquestioned breeding.

It is not certain how far back the breed goes but many authorities believe that bloodhounds were known in Mediterranean lands more than 1,900 years ago. Of all dogs this hound is perhaps keenest when it comes to scent. He is indeed a scent hound; doesn't have to see his quarry as do the sight hounds which depend upon speed to keep it in sight. More than 700 years ago when ecclesiastical officials did not think it beneath their dignity to ride to hounds many church leaders aided in the development of the bloodhound. Some maintained packs and kennels often were an important part of a monastery. To a large extent those men of the cloth were responsible for keeping bloodhounds pure blooded. Abroad, the bloodhound has been used to trail people but the importation of the breed to this country emphasized its ability as a tracker. In the days before the Civil War when there were larger regions thinly settled, particularly in the South, the bloodhound acquired an undeserved reputation as a savage dog. Many different breeds of dogs, mongrels too that could follow a trail, were used to track escaping slaves but the bloodhound being so superior as a tracker, so much more often successful in locating a wanted person, was a relied upon dog. Some breeders capitalizing on the name of the breed pictured the dogs as being savage, this to promote fear among escapees or criminals. An example of the then current belief in the powers of the bloodhound is seen in this advertisement printed in *Lossing's "The Civil War in America."*

"BLOODHOUNDS WANTED. We the undersigned will pay five dollars

per pair for fifty pairs of well bred hounds, and fifty dollars for one pair of thoroughbred Bloodhounds, that will take the track of a man. The purposes for which these dogs are wanted, is to chase the infernal, cowardly bushwackers (who have taken advantage of the bush to kill and cripple many good soldiers) to their haunts and capture them."

F. N. McNairy and H. H. Harris
Contrary to belief, bloodhounds on the track of a person do not bay as do nondescript dogs used in packs. The bloodhound at work is harnessed and leashed. The dog that bays would give notice and warning to the hunted person not only that he was being followed but would give some idea of how close the dogs were. Today many prison farms and camps employ bloodhounds. The bloodhound is the only dog whose results are accepted in a court of law. It is said that some of the best known bloodhounds of this country have brought more convictions for police departments than many of the best human detectives. One dog appropriately named Nick Carter has been credited with more than 600 convictions. One of his greatest achievements was picking up a trail that was more than 100 hours old. The endurance and persistence of the breed is evidenced by several that have followed human trails for more than 50 miles—one in particular led law enforcement officers 138 miles.

Countess of Shasta, a bloodhound whose pictures have appeared in two of America's largest Magazines and on television and was seen at Chicago sports shows, came from the kennels of Mr. George Brooks who, when the Countess died, said that he would not try to train another puppy since it takes from two to three years to train a bloodhound to become a reliable trailer. Two days before the dog died she tracked down a man who had stolen \$51. Prior to that she

trailed a poolroom robber to a house where nine men were playing cards. Mr. Brooks reports that once inside the house the dog immediately began climbing over one of the men who later confessed to the robbery.

Sgt. William H. Horton, handler of bloodhounds for Troop K of New York State Police and who has been featured in the "Only Human" column of the N. Y. "Daily Mirror", said, "No two people have the same scent, just as no two people have the same fingerprints. . . Bloodhounds are the gentlest dogs in the world although the idea they're vicious has helped us out. Once after three days of trailing an upstate hillbilly who killed a woman, the hound plunged through a clump of bushes and when we followed we saw the murderer on the ground screaming 'Take him off me. He'll kill me.' The dog was just licking his face and neck." Sgt. Horton reports using dogs from 25 to 50 times a year to find criminals, missing children and elderly persons who wander off.

One of the biggest exploits of one of the Sgt.'s dogs was when three convicts broke out of Sing Sing prison. One killed an Ossining officer and was himself killed. The others forced a fisherman to row them across the Hudson River. Lt. Maxwell of the Troop enabled the dog to get the convict's scent from their bedding. The trail was then picked up on the far side of the river where the escapees had abandoned the boat. The men were located and captured and later got the electric chair. Without the assistance of the bloodhound the men might have made good their escape.

These are just a few examples of the remarkable power of scenting, the stamina and persistence of this most remarkable of all dogs—the bloodhound. I could fill this magazine with authenticated cases similar to these. If you are interested in reading more about the exploits of these dogs—just let me know.



Muscatine, Iowa, Elks Chanters, winners of the National Championship at the Grand Lodge Convention in Philadelphia. This is the third consecutive year that this outstanding choral group has won first place in the chorus competition. During the Convention the Muscatine Chanters made frequent appearances at the Sessions, hotel lobbies and other places where Elks gathered in Philadelphia to enjoy their singing. In the photograph at left in white coat is Max Collins, who has been Director of the Chanters since 1948. At right is their accomplished pianist, Mrs. Stella Myser.

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WORKSHOP

Getting acquainted with hand woodworking tools.

BY HARRY WALTON

BUY yourself an electric shaver, a new car, or even a miracle-fabric shirt, and you'll get detailed instructions with it. But purchase hand tools, and it's taken for granted you know what to do with them.

Nevertheless, such tools are easier to use and do better work if the user gets acquainted with a few basic techniques. Of course, the tools must be in good condition; nobody can master poor, damaged or dull ones.

SAWING TO LENGTH. Hold the crosscut saw in one hand with the index finger extended along the handle (Fig. 1). Place the work on a firm support such as two sawhorses, chairs or boxes so that the cutting line overhangs. Hook the fingers of your free hand over the edge farthest from you, with the thumb alongside the guide mark.

Remember that the kerf, or groove cut by the saw, has a definite width of its own. If you cut inside the measured length, it will be short by the width of the kerf. Therefore start the saw on the waste side of the line.

Lay the saw alongside your thumb, at an angle of about 45 degrees to the work surface. Slowly draw the saw backward; repeat if necessary until it has cut a starting kerf. Then cut on the forward stroke, gradually increasing its length until you are using the full blade.

A little downward pressure may be applied on the down stroke, but too much will buckle the blade or force it off the line. Keep your eyes on the line just under the teeth.

Should the cut go off the true vertical—bend the blade sideways slightly and saw with short strokes until it is corrected. As you approach the end of the cut, reach around with your free hand to hold up the overhanging part so that it does not break off and splinter the edge.

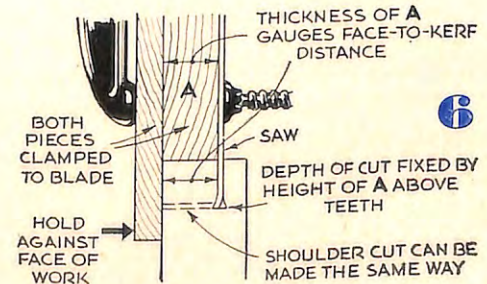
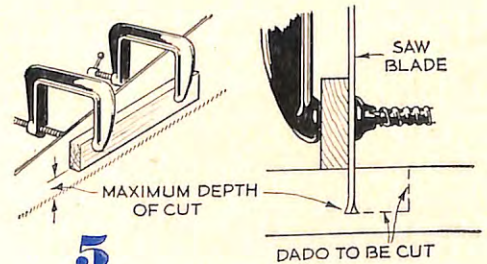
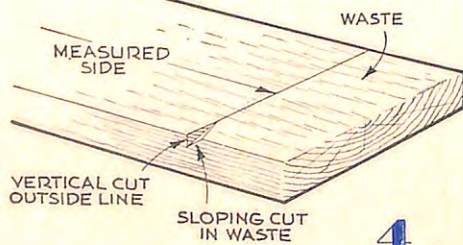
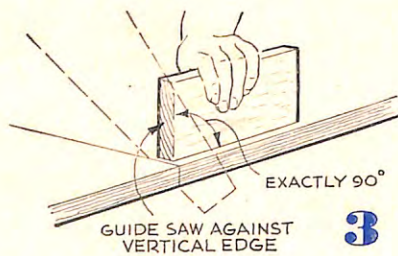
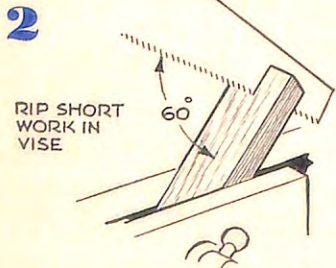
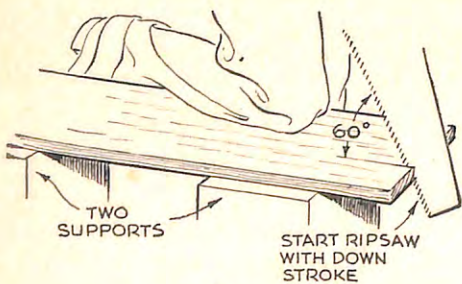
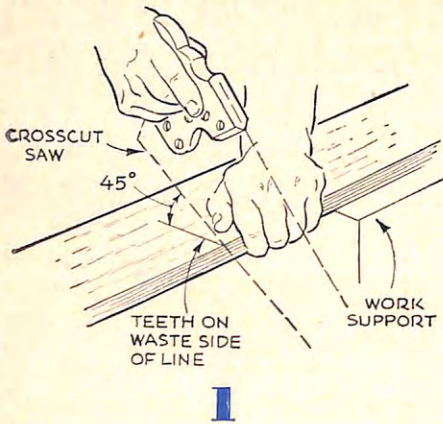
For sawing off a long end, you will have to cut between two supports. Then the kerf may pinch the saw, either because one or both ends sag and so lift the work at the cutting point, or because the middle sags. Readjust the work supports in the former case. Hold up the middle with your free hand if it tends to drop.

RIPPING TO WIDTH. A rip saw has coarse, chisel-like teeth that will cut along the grain much faster than a crosscut saw, although the cut edge will be rougher and may have to be planed.

Lay the board lengthwise on a sawhorse or across two as in Fig. 2, with a few inches overhanging. Place one knee on it. Hold the saw a bit higher than a crosscut saw, at about 60 degrees.

Rip saw teeth will hop the guide line (and your thumb) if carelessly started. Instead of letting the full weight of the saw rest on the wood, lift up on it so that the teeth lie very lightly on the edge, and start with a slow forward cut. Once the kerf is begun, continue with long, easy strokes, letting the saw's weight supply the cutting pressure.

Should the cut run off square, bend the blade until the kerf is gradually straightened. Should it wander off the line, gently twist the blade to bring the teeth back



on it, taking short strokes with the front end of the saw.

If the kerf tends to spring shut behind the saw, binding the blade, hold the kerf open by driving a bit of wood or a screw-driver into it.

USEFUL SAWING TIPS. Where a square edge is important (as in fitting a butt joint) it may help to hold a short square-cut piece of wood on the work alongside the cutting line. Keep the flat of the saw blade right up against the square end, as in Fig. 3. Should you have trouble starting the kerf exactly where you want it, use a pocket knife to cut a notch as in Fig. 4.

To saw the sides of a notch or dado to uniform depth across the width of a board, try clamping a strip of wood to one side of the blade as in Fig. 5, as far above the teeth as the depth of cut you want. After tightening the clamps, sight along the teeth to make sure the blade is not kinked out of line. Start the cut at an angle, but gradually level the saw, cutting until the strip touches the work surface all the way across and the teeth can go no farther. A similar trick helps in sawing the cheek of a tenon or a half-lap joint across an end (Fig. 6).

USING A CLAW HAMMER. Simple as it looks, a hammer can be misused. A common fault is holding it too near the head. It should be grasped near the end of the handle, becoming an extension of your forearm.

Set nails with a tap or two; then drive them with quick, full swings. Watch the nail, not the hammer head. If a glancing blow knocks a nail askew when it is scarcely started, a judicious tap or two may straighten it up. But if the nail is bent when well into the wood, better pull it out and use a new one.

To avoid denting the wood, let your last blow bounce off the nail rather than follow it down. Don't drive finishing nails all the way; let the head stick up and use a nail set to drive it below the surface.

For driving nails into hardwood, it is best to drill starting holes. Lubricating

the nails with soap helps too. Starting holes are a wise precaution if you must drive nails near the end of a board, especially in wood that splits readily. If no drill is handy, make the hole by driving in a smaller nail not quite all the way and pulling it out. Another stunt that helps prevent splitting is clipping off the nail point. The square end cuts the fibers instead of wedging them apart.

Where you cannot use your free hand to hold a nail for starting, grip the hammer head as in Fig. 7 with the nail in the fingers and its head against the side of the hammer. One blow sticks the nail.

To avoid marring the wood when you pull a nail, put a bit of wood or even thickly folded paper under the hammer head. Don't try to pull long or stubborn nails in one yank; instead, place a scrap of wood under the hammer at the fulcrum point (Fig. 8) when the nail is part way out. The stepped block shown is handy.

Nails set below the wood are almost impossible to remove without marring the surface. It's better to drive them right through the piece you wish to remove (with a nail set) right. Then you can draw the nails out of the piece behind.

HOW TO USE PLANES. For accurate work, a plane iron should be set to turn up thin shavings, and the edge of the blade should be parallel to the sole plate. Stand alongside the work with your left foot forward, holding the handle of the plane with the right hand and the knob with your left.

Planing against the grain turns up a rough shaving and leaves a scarred surface. Plane the same piece with the grain and you get a silky shaving and a smooth surface (Fig. 9). If you cannot tell the direction of the grain by sight, try planing, and reverse the stock if you find the going rough.

To smooth the wide side or face of a board, plane diagonally across the high corners first with a heavy cut. Bear down on the knob of the plane as you start each stroke. Once the heel of the plane is on the work, bear down equally on knob and

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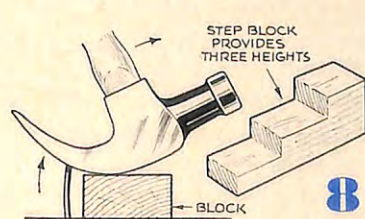
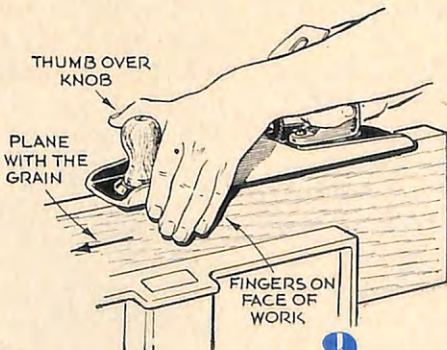
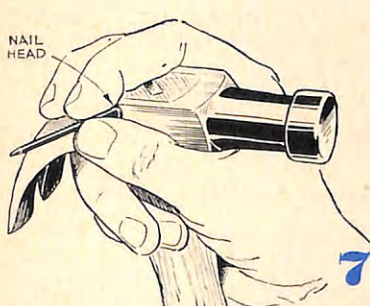
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handle, but as the front slides off, ease up on the knob and increase pressure on the handle. This prevents rounding off the ends.

When the highest spots are down, plane diagonally with a lighter cut at right angles to the first strokes (check by tilting the plane on its edge across the work, and seeing where light comes through). Finish with light cuts parallel to and with the grain.

To square an edge, determine the high side with a try square. With the work in a vise, hold the plane parallel to it, the thumb of one hand on the knob but its fingers below the sole plate, sliding against the vertical face of the work (Fig. 9). This helps keep the plane level; it should not be tipped even if the edge is plainly higher on one side than the other. Shift pressure from knob to handle during each stroke as explained above.

To plane an end, you must cut across end grain, and it helps to hold the plane aslant of its direction of travel. This produces a shearing cut that severs the end-grain fibers more readily. However, if you plane from edge to edge, the farther edge will probably split off. To avoid this, plane only past the middle; then reverse the piece and finish by planing from the other edge.



Editorial

SEPTEMBER

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

Thus spoke the poet Browning.

In September it is to be expected that the Subordinate Lodge Officers, installed, planted, if you will, in April, will have organized their forces, arranged their committees for the work ahead and prepared to make a record for the coming year.

In the month of September the Grand Exalted Ruler will have concluded his three mass meetings of his District Deputies in various parts of the country and they will be properly briefed and ready to proceed to assist in the garnering that the poet has associated with Autumn.

The Subordinate Lodge Officers and Committeemen, the State Association Officers and Committeemen and the Grand Lodge Officers and Committeemen all will be fully manned and organized for the work ahead in September and we may be confident that under the leadership of our able, earnest and energetic Grand Exalted Ruler his "Plan For Elkdom's Progress" will be made a tremendous success.

RED CHINA?

In the August, 1949, issue of The Elks Magazine (published six years ago) there appeared under the title "What Shall We Do About China?" an article by the able, informed and experienced writer on Far Eastern affairs, Bruno Shaw, whose article on Formosa appears in this issue.

Mr. Shaw's question has not, up to this time, been answered and at present the proper answer seems far off.

It is recognized that the people of the United States want to live in peace with all the world but it is certainly going to be a tremendous task for them to live in peace and mutual respect with the Red rulers of Red China, particularly now that the story of the eleven American fliers just released after being imprisoned for several years in violation of all the rules, regulations and laws of war, peace, decency or civilization has been placed on record.

Surely not while there remains in the minds of the present generation, not while there is written in history of all time the story of the brutal, uncivilized torture of the eleven airmen, the things they told of inhuman treatment and indignities meted out to them—the things also that

they have referred to by saying "things you don't want to talk about"—can men of decent, civilized minds consider them as members of an organization formed to

"reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person, in the equal rights of men and women and of nations large and small" and to "establish conditions under which justice and respect for the obligations arising from treaties and other sources of international law can be maintained."

AN INSPIRING ADDRESS

At the Judiciary Night of Queens Borough, N. Y., Lodge held a short time ago Honorable Albert Conway, Chief Justice of the Court of Appeals of the State of New York, thirty four years a member of the Order of Elks, delivered an address which we feel impelled to bring to the attention of our readers.

He emphasized that an important material thing does not come into being until a man has imagined it. He cited as an example structures like the Empire State Building, which could not be constructed until a man saw them in his mind's eye.

He stated that it was also true with ideals and ideologies saying that our forefathers conceived of a land where men would be equal before the law and among their fellow men; where liberty would be the inheritance of every man; where there would be a separation of powers and the executive, legislative and the judicial powers would be equal, where man's inalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness would be recognized as coming from God and not from the state.

He said that it had always seemed to him that our beloved Order of Elks was one patriotic organization which kept constantly before its members the principles which our forefathers had in mind when they founded our republic.

He closed his address with a quotation from a publication of the Order ending as follows:

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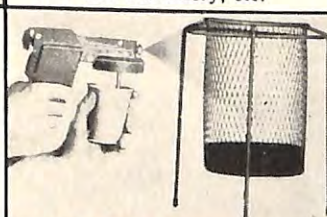
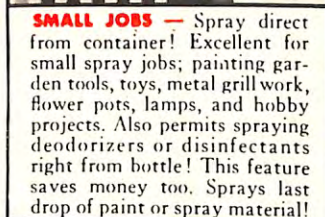
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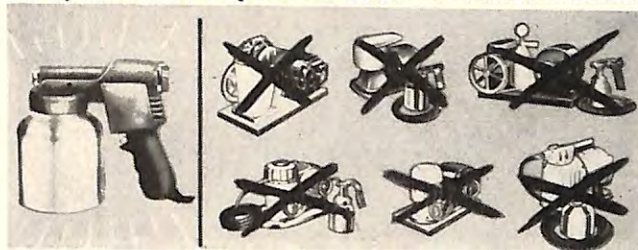
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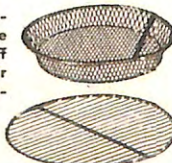
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