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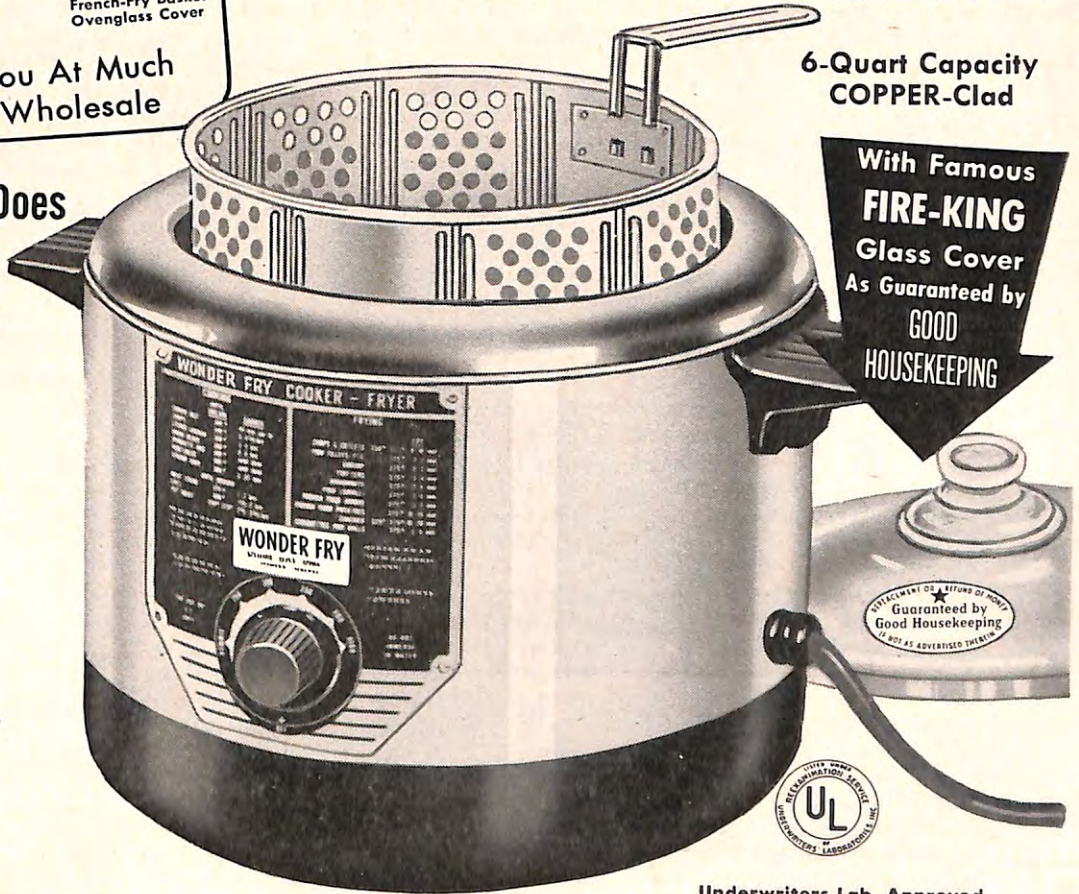
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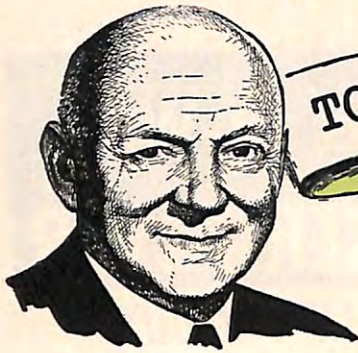
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LONG before the raucous blasts of the Presidential campaign boomed to their present climax, the rap-rap of hammers began on construction of a stage on the Capitol steps for the inauguration in January. It will cost a neat \$300,000 and it will be no ordinary bandstand. In general, it is similar to that of 1953—only larger. This time, it will be constructed with more attention to the needs of television, newsreel, radio and still cameras. Out in front will be 15,000 seats, and requests, even before the election is held, are already flooding the mail of senators and representatives. The inauguration date, January 20, falls on a Sunday and most likely a private oath-taking ceremony will be held that day, according to law, with the big blow-off on Monday, January 21. Down in front of the White House, the reviewing stand for the inaugural parade will be more ornamental and provide a patriotic backdrop. Across Pennsylvania Avenue, there will be bigger stands for the cameramen, radio and press.

FANCY FISH STICKS

Folks who order fish sticks on Friday are getting a break from Uncle Sam. The Agriculture Department has set up standards under which frozen fish sticks can be graded for flavor and even good appearance. Agriculture recommends the fish sticks weigh not less than $\frac{3}{4}$ of an ounce and not more than $1\frac{1}{4}$ ounces. They should be properly breaded and should not contain bones which can be separated from the product. Fish sticks which pass the requirements can get a Grade "A" label. Maybe they will taste even better.

NAVY'S BIGGEST JINX

The original battleship *Texas*, biggest jinx of the Navy, lies on the bottom of Chesapeake Bay south of Tangier Island and five times in recent years pleasure boats and coast guard cutters have hit the sunken hulk. Air Force Colonel Julian A. Harvey now has a \$26,000 suit against the government, claiming his 68-foot yacht *Torbatross* hit the wreck and sank and that the spot was marked with the wrong kind of buoy. The old *Texas* was a sister ship of the *Maine*, and was bad luck from the day her keel was laid. During construction 14 men were killed. At launching she turned on her side. On her trial run she swamped a freight schooner. She ran aground five times and once sank at her

dock. They say that when she fired a battery of guns in the Spanish-American War she rolled partly over so that her guns pointed to the sky. Decommissioned in 1900 and renamed the *San Marcos*, she was sunk in target practice in the Bay. Attorney Thomas McGovern for Col. Harvey in his suit declared her sinking was the "only straight course she ever steered." To salvage or destroy the old hoodoo would cost the Navy a million, it is estimated. Chesapeake storms have failed to break her up.

HOPE FOR TAXPAYERS

Cheer up, Mr. Taxpayer, there is hope. Seven men are working to simplify the Federal Income Tax return so that an ordinary citizen can understand it. They are members of a House Ways and Means Sub-Committee under the chairmanship of Rep. Wilbur Mills of Arkansas. A good start has been made and after the elections there may be public hearings. Anyone with a gripe will be heard. The committee is also trying to find quicker ways to return rebates to taxpayers and also to speed up a review of items on returns that should or should not be deductible. There is even a chance some exemptions may be increased.

LOCK WIZARD HERE

One of the world's top safe crackers, Harry C. Miller of Rochester, N. Y., has been paying one of his regular visits to Washington to teach a few selected government security officers how to dial their safes. He is the one they call when they can't get the things open and he is also a consultant on security. Miller, a former Washingtonian, has invented two locks which even the most skilled crackmen cannot open. A regular combination lock, he says, can be dialed open in nine minutes.

MOSQUITOES ON TRIAL

Army Medical Corps has 8500 Malayan mosquitoes cooped up at Walter Reed Hospital which are getting more care than pedigreed pups. The buzzers were flown to Washington from Kuala Lumpur by Major Herbert C. Barnett, Medical Corps entomologist, in 59 hours and were in rather poor shape when they arrived but a few hours in a hot humid room fixed them up. A study is being made by the scientists to determine if they are the

carriers of Japanese encephalitis which kills about 30 per cent of its victims. American soldiers have no immunity to the disease. It has symptoms like polio. The mosquitoes are kept in small cages with fine screens and the room in which the cages are kept is also carefully screened so the vicious little stingers won't get out. Major Barnett says that if any of the six varieties of the mosquitoes are found to be the carriers of the disease, Army doctors will work to create a vaccine.

SHERMAN WAS THERE

The best story about Associate Justice Sherman Minton of the U. S. Supreme Court, who recently resigned, has it that he was stopped for speeding in Georgia and the cop asked his name. "Sherman Minton," said the Justice. "Did you say 'Sherman'?" bawled the cop. "HERMAN" said the Justice.

NOTED HORSE DIES

Cavalrymen at Fort Myer across the Potomac are mourning the death of Raven, a ten-year-old black horse, used for ceremonial funerals of generals and high officers in Arlington National Cemetery. Raven, with cavalry boots turned backwards in his stirrups and an empty saddle, had slowly walked in more than 100 funerals.

CAPITAL CAPS

The election will cost more than \$100 million, most expensive in history . . . Mailmen may soon make their rounds pulling golf caddy carts instead of lugging heavy pouches . . . Civil Aeronautics is providing better radar for 47 big airports . . . Most Washington fountains are dry because the plumbing gets out of order . . . Central Intelligence Agency will build its \$45 million hush-hush building near Langley, Va., at the end of a 2-mile private road . . . San Jose, Calif., leads the nation with 24 per cent of its families having two cars. Washington has only 8 per cent in the two-car class . . . Someone swiped the big Senate Office Building doormat but won't dare use it because it has "U. S. Senate" on it in letters 10 inches high . . . City planners are toying with the idea of limiting future downtown buildings to 7 stories and requiring plenty of parking space . . . Shop early signs are beginning to appear, drat it.

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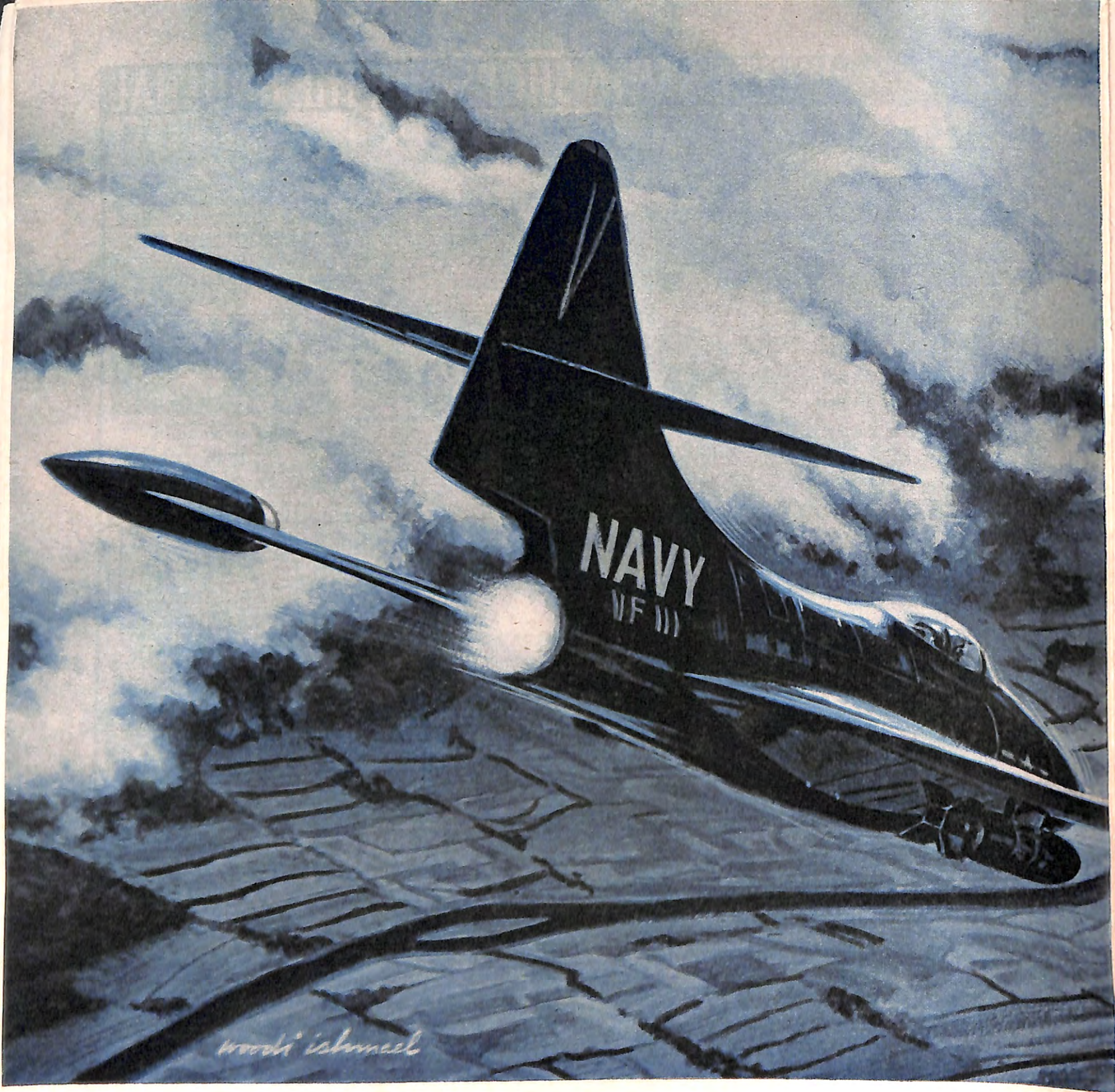
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UG 3213-011 \$1.98
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UG 3754-003.....89c



BY CAPTAIN CARL H. AMME, JR.

United States Navy

Link had to find out. Was he just getting old and careful, or was he losing confidence and becoming afraid?

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER LINK MARTIN adjusted the throttle forward a notch as the landing signal officer of the *Chesapeake* gave the "come on" signal with his paddles. He felt the plane pull ahead slightly, then steady. The LSO had his arms straight out to the sides indicating the jet was in the groove. Martin felt the edge of his moustache with his tongue. This one had better be good. He'd already had one wave-off today. The carrier came closer as Martin's plane flew down the groove. God, she looked small! He could just see the face of Joe Sweeney, the landing signal officer, framed against the can-



TARGET ON THE

WHANG-GU

was wind screen. Without exactly seeing it, he was aware that the ship's wake, passing under his plane, was getting shorter. Suddenly, Sweeney's arms began to swing up sideways to form a U. The plane was too high! Martin's hand on the throttle hesitated a moment before cutting the speed. It was too late. Sweeney frantically waved the paddles in front of his face and Martin jammed the throttle forward. The Panther surged up and away.

Two wave-offs in one flight! He could just see Commander Don Hale, the group commander, making a note of it in his black book. Since reporting aboard the *Chesa-*

He nosed the plane down quickly and saw the bridge about three miles to the left of his nose. The Panther roared as it leaped forward.

peake last March, Link Martin had taken more wave-offs than landings. It was a record, a bad one. Martin just could not get back the knack of flying off of carriers. It wasn't like this flying the airlines. You didn't have somebody on the ground telling you what to do. You did it all yourself. Less chance of error that way. The more people stuck their noses in the pilot's job of bringing the plane in safely, the more chances for a crack-up. Imagine the airlines having a man at the end of *(Continued on page 54)*

Below: E.R. Paul F. Brooks of Auburn, N. Y., Lodge, left, presents trophies to winners in the 1st Annual N. Y. Elks Assn.'s Boys and Girls Golf Tourney. Tops among the 70 participants were, left to right, Warren Simmons, Sheila O'Grady, Doris Ann Bobbett and William Mansfield.



Above: When D.D. Ray G. Medley paid his visit to Hilo, Hawaii, Lodge, he made the trip from Honolulu via submarine, the *USS Wahoo*, two of whose crewmen had made application to join Mr. Medley's lodge and were investigated en route. The special committee for this purpose included three Elk members of the submarine's staff. On their arrival, Hilo E.R. Myron Isherwood, left, was pictured welcoming the *Wahoo's* Commander and his other visitors, including Honolulu E.R. D. H. Puckett, third from left, and Mr. Medley, fifth from left.

State Associations Committee Issues Valuable Information

With a letter stressing the fact that there are many cities in the United States where there are no Elks lodges at present, but where the population would justify the institution of a lodge, Chairman Frank Hise of the Grand Lodge State Associations Committee has distributed two valuable pieces of literature to all District Deputies and State Association Presidents.

This literature includes a booklet on the Organization and Institution of New Lodges which should be of great help in this part of their work. Of even greater assistance, however, is the list which was attached to each booklet.

The Committee has given a great deal of time and effort to the compilation of the names of all communities whose populations would warrant the establishment of an Elks lodge there.

Each State is listed separately, and every Deputy and Association President received only that list which applies to their own particular State.

E.R. Paul W. Fawcett of Lowell, Mass., Lodge presents a \$500 Elks National Foundation Scholarship to Joseph G. McCarthy. Left to right are Treas. J. R. Harrington, the recipient, Mr. Fawcett and Secy. Francis V. Redding, P.E.R.



Two New Lodges for New York State

In recent months, two branches of Elksdom have come into existence in the Empire State as the result of organization efforts of Dist. Chairman Franklin G. Edwards of the State Assn.'s New Lodges Committee, headed by D.D. Gordon H. Meyer. Babylon-Bay Shore Lodge No. 1998 was instituted under the sponsorship of Freeport Lodge, while Elmont Lodge No. 2008 came into being under the aegis of Hempstead Elksdom.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler George I. Hall conducted the ritual on both occasions, with Past Grand Exalted Ruler James T. Hallinan making the principal address at the Babylon-Bay Shore pro-

gram which was attended by 500 members.

More than 150 Charter Members were initiated into No. 1998 by the Southeast District All-Star Team, led by P.E.R. Edward Carlson of Lynbrook Lodge, which also handled the initiation of 161 Charter Members for Elmont. At this lodge's first meeting, E.R. David Lee and his fellow officers initiated a number of candidates who had been unable to attend the institution. On that occasion, State Chairman James A. Gunn of the New Lodges Committee who is Chairman of the Grand Lodge Auditing Committee this year, was a witness to a fine rendition of the ritual by these first officers, all of whom had been initiated only five days earlier.

An Honor for Redwood City, Calif., Lodge

The members of Redwood City Lodge No. 1991 enjoyed a pleasant surprise on the occasion of their meeting and initiation dedicated to Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn. The surprise was the unexpected visit of Mr. Bohn's Deputy for the West Central Dist., Dr. John M. King.

Dr. King made this his first official visit and was extremely pleased at the performance of the ritual given by the youthful lodge's officers headed by James Flynn, Jr., in the initiatory ceremony. San Mateo Lodge's Glee Club entertained throughout the evening, under the direction of Edward Baker.

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The first officers of Cranford, N. J., Lodge, No. 2006, the 18th and last instituted under State Pres. Louis Hubner as the Assn.'s New Lodges Committee Chairman. Seated, left to right: Treas. Nat Platt, Est. Lead. Knight William Luddeke, E.R. Frank Mullin, Loyal Knight Raymond Kirwan, Lect. Knight Robert Massarelli, Secy. Patrick Williams. Standing: Esq. James Dooley, Trustees John Roberts, Kenneth Forrestal, Gustaf Swanholm, Donald Richards and Frederick Snover, Inner Guard Robert Williamson, Tiler Walter Lytle and Chaplain Walter Wasowski.

"DEVELOP ELKDOM'S RESOURCES"

NEARING the season when millions of Americans are turning their thoughts to Thanksgiving, I hope all Elkdom will join me in a genuine expression of gratitude.

The Pilgrims observed the first Thanksgiving as a day set apart to thank Almighty God for His Blessings bestowed on them.

Today, we Americans and particularly those of us who are members of the Order of Elks, have so much more to be thankful for. Too seldom do we approach the day with the solemnity of the occasion.

We are living in a great era, not because we created it but because Almighty God gave us the mentality to help develop the fruits of His creation.

OUR RESPONSIBILITY

As Americans and as Elks it is our responsibility to appreciate and protect this faith, this trust, these Divine Gifts. Without charity of thought, word and deed our intentions are futile.

How fitting it is then that the Thanksgiving month of November has been selected to renew our efforts for the Elks National Foundation. Lodges everywhere are activating their local committees to work with State Associations in promoting the Grand-Lodge Foundation, truly the "Great Heart of Elkdom."

This, our major charitable program, deserves the support of every member and I am asking all Elks to express their thanks by purchasing Participating Memberships. In this way we do so much for so little.

We are thankful for our great country and the position of leadership God has granted us. As American gentlemen, nearly 1,200,000 strong, we can best express our gratitude by our constant defense of our nation and its defenders.

GRATEFUL TO OUR YOUTH

Grateful also are we for our fine young men and women, the Youth of America, whom we shall encourage and support so that they too will join us in our thanks to God for our rich heritage.

In doing these things we should not neglect to be thankful for our vast membership and fervently hope that thousands more will join our efforts for God and Country.

For all of these blessings and many more, I feel sure that Elks everywhere will join me in a devout Thanksgiving.

Very gratefully,



GRAND EXALTED RULER



A Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler

"A STRONGER ELKDOM FOR A BETTER AMERICA"

What the Attorney General's

THERE are few Americans who have not heard of "the Attorney General's subversive list." Since the Federal loyalty-security program was initiated in 1947, it has often featured prominently in news accounts of government security cases and of persons charged by private individuals or groups with being communists or pro-communists.

"Mr. —," you have probably read or heard quite often, "was accused of being a member of five (or perhaps eight, three, or fifteen) organizations on the Attorney General's subversive list."

In spite of widespread public reference to the Attorney General's list in recent years, however, and its use in security work by some States, municipalities and private corporations as well as by the Federal government, there are apparently relatively few people who really understand just what it is and the function it is supposed to serve. In June, 1955, the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee reported that its nature and purpose are "greatly and quite generally misconceived."

Because of the important role it plays in both governmental and private efforts to combat communist subversion, it is vital that the American people have a true understanding of the "A-G's list," or the "subversive list" as it is variously referred to, and its significance. Misconceptions are dangerous. On one hand, they can lead to unfair judgments about persons affiliated with groups on the list; on the other, to unjustified criticism of the methods and functioning of security efforts.

The word "subvert," from which "subversive" is derived, means to destroy, overthrow, undermine or corrupt. Defined as simply as possible, the Attorney General's subversive list is a compilation of organizations which the country's chief law enforcement officer, *after investigation*, has found to be operating (or to have operated) for the purpose of destroying, or assisting in the destruction (or overthrow, undermining or corruption) of the United States.

Having membership knowingly in, or affiliation with, such groups is obviously incompatible with loyalty to this nation and its principles.

The need for a subversive list is apparent to anyone who stops to think about the security problem. The heads of all Federal departments and agencies were faced with a tremendous and difficult

task when, in 1947, President Truman directed them to check the loyalty of all government employes. This problem was further complicated in 1953 when President Eisenhower made these same officials responsible for the integrity of their employes from the security viewpoint. (A person loyal to this country would be a security risk if, for example, he had quite frequently been duped by subversive elements into supporting their causes.)

How were the officials charged with these responsibilities to go about their task? Obviously, they could not make a full-scale investigation of the lives of millions of government workers, nor could the FBI do it for them. The job was too big; it would take many years to complete and there would be no effective security while it was being carried out.

It would be useless, too, for them to ask all Federal employes to fill out a personal history statement, listing each subversive group with which they had been affiliated. Any loyalty or security risk who thought he had a chance of getting away with it would conveniently "forget" affiliations he believed would get him in trouble if they were revealed. And how much chance would there be for the government to prove, if the affiliation was discovered later, that the employe had not actually forgotten it and that he had committed a deliberate and punishable act of concealment?

Unfortunately, too, many government officials charged with enforcing the loyalty-security program knew relatively little about communism and other subversive movements.

JUST which organizations were subversive? If an employe admitted membership in some unfamiliar group, what did it mean? Was that group loyal to the United States? Or was it communist, fascist or otherwise aimed at undermining the government?

These would be vexing questions even for the government official who had a great interest in communism, had studied it for years and knew far more about it than most people. He would know the names of all major communist fronts, as well as the names of many leading communist party members and fellow travelers. But if, for example, he had lived in Chicago all his life, he would probably not know the names of many communist organizations that were operating or had operated in distant cities or towns.

How could he be expected to know that the Elsinore Progressive League in Elsinore, California, or the Guardian Club in San Antonio were recently added to the Attorney General's list. How would he know that a relatively small organization in some other city, with its objectives still well concealed, was actually designed to serve as the base upon which a nationwide communist movement would eventually be built?

There was only one realistic solution to this problem. A list of all known subversive groups in the country would have to be drawn up for the guidance of loyalty-security officials by the man best qualified to do the job. This would be the Attorney General, who had the FBI under his jurisdiction and also had access to information gathered by other intelligence and investigative agencies.

With such a list available, the loyalty-security problem could be simplified and much more effectively handled. Every government employe could be given a copy, told to check every organization on it most carefully before filling out an accompanying statement, and warned that falsification could lead to dismissal or other punishment.

People can—and do—forget some past activities when they have no reminder of any kind. But when given a check list and instructed to be most exacting in filling it out, it is difficult not to remember affiliation with an organization on it and equally difficult to excuse omissions on the grounds of poor memory.

The compilation of a list of subversive groups by the Attorney General, therefore, was the logical—and perhaps the only—solution to this key problem in establishing an effective security program.

The Attorney General's subversive list did not originate, as many people mistakenly believe, with President Truman's Loyalty Order (Executive Order 9835) of March 21, 1947, which marked the beginning of the present security program. It predates that by about five years.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued Executive Order 9300—his Subversive Activity Order—on February 5, 1943. This set up a five-man Interdepartmental Committee in the Department of Justice to consider charges of subversive activity brought against any employe of the executive branch. It was under this directive that Attorney General Francis Biddle, then and still known as a liberal, drew

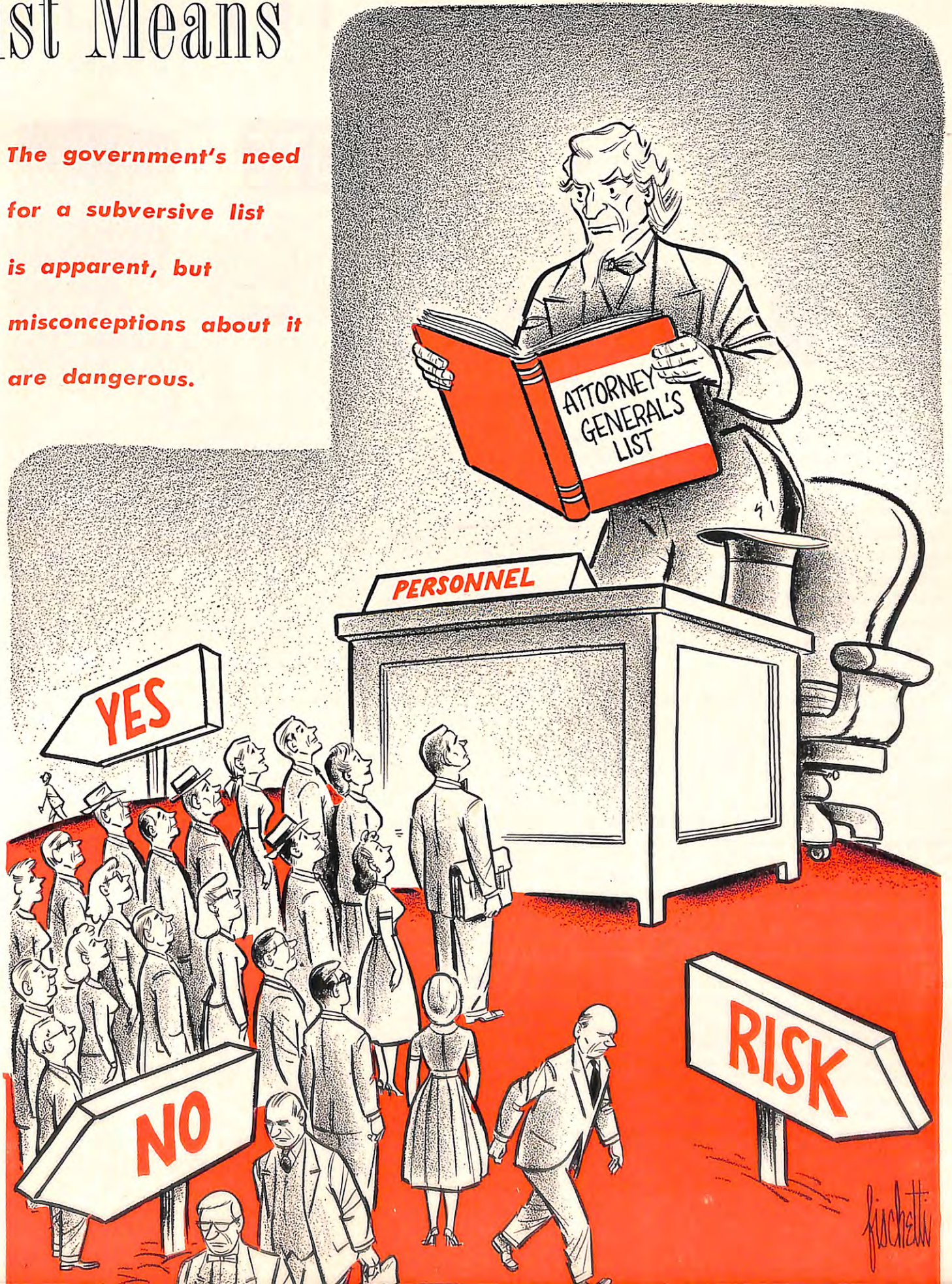
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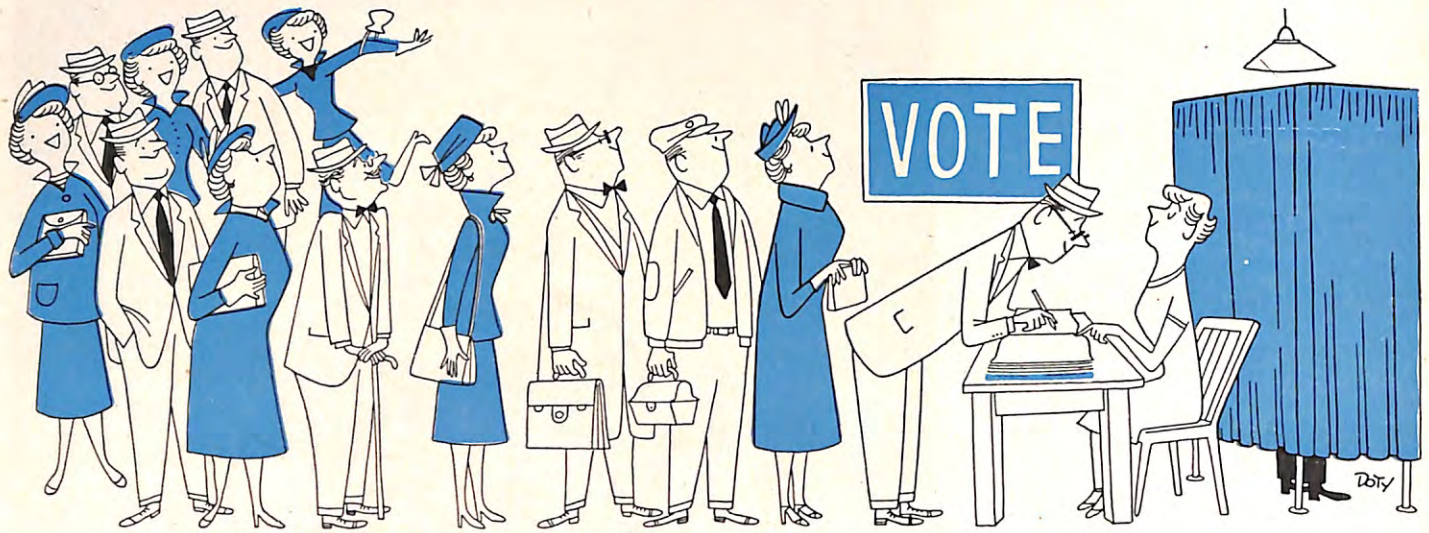
List Means

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for a subversive list
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Elks Organize to

GET OUT THE VOTE



Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn threw the Order's full weight into the campaign to get all of America's voters to the polls November 6. In a Special Message to Exalted Rulers, the Elks' leader asked each Lodge to set up a Get Out The Vote Organization and conduct a vigorous, grass-roots drive among the voters in its community, with special emphasis on reaching the young voters.

The program, under the direction of Chairman Arthur J. Roy of the Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Activities, marshals the Order's all-out support for the campaign being waged by the American Heritage Foundation.

The text of Grand Exalted Ruler Bohn's Special Message follows:

TO MY BROTHER ELKS:

Four years ago in 1952 there were some 30 million American citizens who were eligible to vote but failed to go to the polls. When we know that almost one out of every three citizens fails in the highest duty of citizenship, then we are faced with a dangerous weakness in our Republic, and it becomes our stern duty to overcome that weakness. Responsive to our obligation, the Order of Elks is cooperating fully with the American Heritage Foundation Campaign to get out the vote in November, and I appeal to you to enlist in this Campaign and to make it succeed for our country's safety.

The most disturbing fact in this situation is that young people who have just reached voting age form a high percentage of those who fail to vote. You will immediately recognize this as a most insidious threat to America's future that must be corrected. We must get first voters to the polls, get them in the habit of voting. We can and must help them to overcome any reluctance to vote caused by their unfamiliarity with the process. Whatever the reason, our responsibility is to make sure that every young person assumes his duties as a citizen when he reaches that privileged state.

Voting is a privilege, a right. But more than that, the franchise is a responsibility that every man and woman should be proud and happy to discharge by walking into the voting booth on Election Day and casting his ballot. The citizen who fails to express his views on candidates and issues in the only way that can be effective, at the ballot box, is failing to bear his share of the responsibility for self-government. That means that he is adding to the responsibility of his fellow citizens who do go to the polls.

Specifically, here is what I ask and urge that you and your Lodge do to get out the vote in your community on November 6:

1. Establish an Elks Get Out The Vote Organization within the Lodge, under the direction of a Special Committee; cooperate with other groups to avoid duplication of effort, but don't wait for others to do it; act now.

2. Where registration is still open, the Committee should make certain that every Elk, all eligible voters in his family and especially all first voters in the community are registered.

3. Conduct a community canvass, neighborhood by neighborhood, asking each individual voter to pledge that he will

vote on November 6, with special emphasis upon first voters.

4. The Committee should publicize and promote this Campaign through press, radio and television.

5. Set up a transportation pool to transport to the polls any person who needs such assistance or encouragement to get to the polls.

6. To reach first voters, invite them to attend a Voters' Roundtable Meeting; ask a Judge or other respected official who is NOT a candidate to make a brief address on the importance of voting; arrange for the Election Commissioner or other appropriate official to explain the voting procedure; provide for discussion and questions and answers; invite the young voters to assist in the Get Out The Vote Campaign.

7. **ON ELECTION DAY:** Start early and work late to get every eligible voter to the polls; check the polling places and contact those who haven't shown up; do a thorough follow-up job.

Of each individual Elk, I ask that you not only support your Lodge's Campaign, but also that you solicit the cooperation of your relatives, friends and associates, and that you make it your personal business to get them to the polls, especially those first voters.

This Campaign will be backed by an enormous amount of advertising and publicity. In the last analysis, however, it will be up to you and me to get the job done. It will require hard, personal effort by aroused Americans. But surely that is a small price to pay for adding to the vigor of American citizenship and to the safety of our beloved country at a time when it is assailed by powerful enemies bent on its destruction. I appeal to you to pay the price of freedom.

Ballot Battles



At the Hot Springs, S. D., VA Center, left to right, Mgr. Paul A. Hatton, Asst. Mgr. and Elk Veterans Hospital Committee Chairman George Dickens, "Domiciliary Member of the Year" Fred Harris, Domiciliary Services Director Carl R. Ottmann and Special Services Chief Mrs. Mary Raines.

for Old Soldiers

**Elks National
Service Commission's
novel contest
stimulates
elderly veterans**

THE domiciliary patient in a Veterans Administration Hospital lives in a world without hope.

The fact that he is a resident there is evidence that he has neither home nor family. Having attained the maximum in medical benefits he is no longer a bed patient, yet he is not well enough to return to the outside world, alone and friendless.

The situation seemed to be without solution, until George Dickens, Chairman of the Hot Springs, South Dakota, Elks Veterans Hospital Committee and Assistant Manager of the VA Center there, decided to do something about it.

To revive their zest for living and stimulate the return of dignity and hope among these men, he inaugurated a contest, the winner to be nominated and elected by popular ballot of his fellow residents as "Member of the Year".

Among other things, the award was based on personal conduct and neatness, attendance at, and participation in, the Center's programs and, of course, cooperation—including giving assistance in maintaining and improving the appearance of the domiciliary building and its grounds.

To keep interest at a peak, an "Elks Traveling Plaque" was presented each month to the ward whose appearance, as well as that of its residents, was outstanding.

A marked change in atmosphere became apparent throughout the Center. Competition was keen and spirits were high. Climaxing several months of suspense, a lively party was held at which Brother Dickens announced the "Member of the Year" to be Fred Harris who received fifty dollars in cash from the Elks, along with his treasured citation.

Interest in the contest was not confined to the domiciliary. Through stories published in the newspapers, the entire community was made aware of the competition and its purpose, resulting in better public understanding of the domiciliary patient and his problems.

Naturally, the program's success assured the continuance of the Elks Traveling Plaque presentation to the ward whose members are cooperative, courteous and neat, and the annual election will be eagerly contested.

Since, as far as can be ascertained, this project is the first of its kind, George Dickens has made history in "serving those who served" to which all Elkdom is dedicated.

News of the State Associations



This photograph, taken during the Tennessee Elks Assn. banquet, commemorates the presentation of the Benjamin Ritualistic Award to the 1956 National Champions from Chattanooga, represented by D.D. Archie M. Day, Jr., standing, center. Standing at the right is Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland and, left, Chairman Edward W. McCabe of the Grand Lodge Ritualistic Committee. Seated, left to right, are Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn, retiring Pres. E. D. Seagraves and Gatlinburg Lodge's E.R. Robert A. Miller, Jr.

PENNSYLVANIA ELKS WELCOME GRAND EXALTED RULER BOHN

The Golden Anniversary Convention of the Pennsylvania Elks Assn. was staged at Reading Aug. 19 to the 22nd, with Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn as guest of honor. Registration at this meeting was 1,010, breaking all records for the past decade.

A welcoming Committee headed by Past Grand Exalted Rulers Charles H. Grakelow and Howard R. Davis, Grand Secy. Lee A. Donaldson, Assn. Pres. Walter Urben and host E.R. John E. Reagan escorted Mr. Bohn to the public opening session Sunday evening at which 2,500 persons applauded his impressive message. On Monday morning, the Order's leader outlined his program for the delegates to the first business session, and was on hand for the Student Aid Luncheon and Scholarship Presentations Program later in the day, prior to departing for the Nation's Capital. During his brief stay, Mr. Bohn appeared on television and on four radio programs.

Grand Secy. Donaldson presided at the Sunday evening program which included welcoming addresses by Mayor Daniel McDevitt and E.R. Reagan, with Pres. Urben responding. Highlight of the business session the following day was the presentation of awards totaling \$13,300 to 28 deserving students by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Davis, Secy. of the Assn.'s Student Aid Committee. Among those present were Foundation first-prize winner Dianna Kasnic and second-prize winner Carole Young for the State.

An audience of 2,500 heard the Male Chorus Competition won by York Lodge, with Norristown in second place and Butler taking third prize. On Tuesday, committee reports included those of the Veterans Hospital Committee and the group handling flood relief operation last fall in which \$18,000 was raised and disbursed; both reports were made by Chairman Howard R. Davis. That evening over 500 Elks and their wives attended the President's Ball at which Past Pres. Wilbur G. Warner presided.

The annual "Scrap Heap Dinner" of

Past Presidents was handled by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Grakelow, while a special committee headed by Past Pres. H. Earl Pitzer assisted by Past Pres. Barney Wentz took care of arrangements for this and other Convention affairs.

The Convention closed with a fine parade of 1,800 marchers viewed by over 30,000 spectators, and the decision to meet next Aug. 18-21 at Pittsburgh. Until then, the following will conduct the Assn.'s affairs: Pres. A. Lewis Heisey, Middletown; Vice-Pres. John S. Buchanan, Bedford; Treas. Wilmer E. Whitacre, Kittinging; Trustee James P. Tolan, Mahanoy City. William S. Gould of Scranton was elected Secy. of the group for the 41st consecutive year.

TRI-STATE ELKS MEET AT EASTON, MD.

Easton, Md., Lodge was host to the Convention of the Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia Elks Assn. which opened Aug. 23rd and closed on the 26th. At the opening public session, local Elk Walter Barnes, Pres. of the City Council, made the welcoming address, and Scholarship, Youth Leadership and Youth Activities awards were presented on a State level, with Annapolis taking the year's Youth Activities plaque.

Pres. Paul K. Shutt, Sr., presided at these sessions, and Past Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Robert South Barrett was present to congratulate the Assn. on the opening of Camp Barrett. Co-Chairmen Chas. G. Hawthorne and Seymour Hall reported on the Veterans Hospital work, and it was announced that Cumberland Lodge had won the Ritualistic Championship. On Friday evening, a beautiful Memorial Service was conducted under the leadership of Past Pres. W. Edgar Slaughter.

The Saturday session was devoted to various committee reports, notably that made by Chairman Rosell T. Pickrel of the Youth Camp Committee, and the election of the following men: Pres. Claude S. Martin, Washington, D. C.; Vice-Presidents Bruce M. Mackey, Cumberland, Md., Fred A. Dammeyer, Annapolis, Md., and Elmo Hackett, Dover, Dela.; Secy. (for the 12th year) R. Edward Dove, Annap-

olis; Treas. Joseph G. Motyka, Washington; Trustees Alton Jacob, Wilmington, Dela., and James P. Quick, Washington; Chaplain Andrew Jarboe, Washington; Sgt.-at-Arms Robert Mason, Frederick, Md.; Tiler Robert Zittinger, Towson, Md.

Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn arrived late Saturday afternoon, and after attending a crab feast, he enjoyed dinner as the guest of host E.R. Charles Sheridan and then returned to the lodge home to install the new officers. He delivered an inspirational address at the final session Sunday morning when it was decided to hold the 1957 Convention in August at the home of Washington Lodge which will be celebrating its 75th anniversary at that time. Four regional meetings will take place in the interim.

VIRGINIA MEETING DRAWS MANY ELK LEADERS

Past Grand Exalted Rulers Dr. Robert South Barrett and John L. Walker were among the dignitaries present at the Virginia Elks Assn. Convention in Hampton Aug. 25, 26, 27 and 28. Both men addressed the delegates who also welcomed Bishop Wm. A. Brown, former Grand Chaplain, and Dr. Murray Kantor, P.E.R., who spoke at the annual Memorial Service.

The finest Ritualistic Contest in the organization's history found eight teams competing for the title, with Norfolk Lodge not only capturing the Championship over Newport News, but the All-State Team honors as well. John J. Brow of this group won the John R. Schafe plaque as outstanding ritualistic competitor.

Kenneth V. Brugh of Pulaski is the new Pres. of this Assn., with Ed L. Curtin, Portsmouth; Porter R. Graves, Harrisonburg, and Paul S. Johnson, Roanoke, as Vice-Presidents. Charles F. Curtice, Petersburg, is Secy.; Donald S. McClarin, Norfolk, Treas.; V. King Pifer, Hampton, Chaplain; W. L. Tate, Pulaski, Sgt.-at-Arms; Robert Garnett, Marion, Tiler; Francis J. Howard, Hampton, was named a five-year Trustee.

The 841 delegates and guests enjoyed many fine social events, including the Grand Ball, two banquets and several luncheons. During the meeting it was de-

cided that the Convention sites for the next three years be selected; as a result, Roanoke was named for 1957, Alexandria for 1958 and Portsmouth for 1959.

Reports revealed an increase in membership of 465 with 21 lodges in the State which contributed over \$7,000 to the aid of veterans in VA Hospitals. The Virginia Elks Boys' Camp, Inc., completed another successful year under the leadership of Joseph McSweeney, Jr. The State's Elks contributed over \$10,000 for this purpose, and 381 youngsters were able to attend camp this year.

RECORD CROWD AT WEST VIRGINIA CONVENTION

The 48th Annual Convention of the West Virginia Elks Assn. took place August 23, 24 and 25 at Parkersburg with over 600 members and guests on hand. Among the dignitaries present were Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Wade H. Kepner, Grand Trustee Dewey E. S. Kuhns, former Grand Chaplain Rev. Fr. Richard J. Connelly, Mr. Bohn's Secy., James W. Plummer, and Mayor Frank W. Grove who presented the Key to the City to the Order's leader. Mr. Bohn, Mr. Kepner and Mr. Kuhns addressed the delegates in session, and also spoke before the 200 persons in attendance at the P.E.R.'s Banquet, at which Paul S. Foster of Huntington was elected President of the P.E.R.'s Assn.

Scholarship and Youth Leadership Award winners were honored on this occasion, when the Ritualistic Trophy was awarded to Sistersville Lodge and Wellsburg Lodge received a State plaque for its Youth Program which had won Honorable Mention at the Grand Lodge Convention, an honor also accorded its National Youth Day observance. This lodge also received the plaque awarded to the West Virginia Elks Assn. at Chicago for having produced the third best Youth Program in the Nation. These plaques were accepted by Wellsburg Lodge's E.R. Charles McDonald, Youth Activities Committee Chairman Robert Isinghood and P.E.R.'s Ray Malone and David Campbell, Jr. Chairman Fred Kemper of the Assn.'s Youth Activities Committee made these presentations and also rewarded the State Youth Leader, Tom Weber. Scholarship Com-

mittee Chairman William R. Fugitt gave two Elks National Foundation awards and one State Assn. Scholarship totaling \$1,200 to B. A. Dudding II.

This was the second year for the Assn.'s splendid Crippled Children's Camps program—three of which are operating in various parts of the State. On the evening of Sept. 24th, the Association held an open meeting at which Camps Director Tom Orr introduced ten-year-old Claudia Sarnia and five-year-old Paula Martin, two crippled children who had attended one of the camps during the summer and who told of their experiences. The Southern District project found 72 handicapped children enjoying a full week's entertainment which not only included movies, "live" shows, a day at an amusement park and stunt nights and campfire programs, but a Christmas party as well. Huntington Lodge provided a Santa Claus for this unique hot-weather event, and each youngster received at least one gift.

Another fine report on the State's highly commendable Veterans Service program was made by the Chairman for this effort, Garnett W. Shipley, who itemized the various expenses of this work, totaled at nearly \$3,000.

Thousands of persons lined the streets to witness the colorful parade which climaxed the final day's activities, preceding the Grand Ball Saturday night.

Clarksburg was awarded the 1957 Convention, and the following were elected to office: Pres. William H. Craze, Morgantown; Vice-Presidents Phil Cramer, Parkersburg, Richard Goodwin, Clarksburg, and W. Don Morris, Huntington; Secy. Garnett W. Shipley, Martinsburg; Treas. William Cook, Princeton, and Trustees: Dewey E. S. Kuhns, Charleston; Paul K. Berwinkle, Weirton; Nelson Clarke, Martinsburg; Lawrence E. Pruett, Beckley, and George J. Jones, Wheeling.

GATLINBURG IS SCENE OF TENNESSEE CONCLAVE

One of the State's newest and most active lodges, Gatlinburg No. 1925, played host to more than 500 Elks and their wives during the highly successful Sept. 13-14-15 Convention of the Tennessee Elks Association.

Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn was



The Order's Grand Exalted Ruler, right, presents the gavel of office to Claude S. Martin of Washington, D. C., Lodge as the new President of the Maryland, Delaware and D. C. Elks Assn.

a special guest of the Convention and was the featured speaker at the banquet at which E.R. Robert A. Miller of the host lodge presided. Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland led the list of speakers on this occasion, introduced by Toastmaster E. D. Seagraves, retiring President of the organization.

The Grand Exalted Ruler presented the plaque emblematic of the top State Youth Activities Program to Kingsport Lodge, and during the evening, the Benjamin Plaque was awarded to Chattanooga Lodge's All-American National Ritualistic Champions, following which the Annual President's Ball took place. A highlight of the Convention was the thrilling Ritualistic Competition which saw 11 teams vie for the State title, ultimately won by Bristol Lodge. A most impressive and well attended Memorial Service was conducted on the 15th.

Social activities included a Stag Luncheon and a scenic tour climaxed by a picnic and special showing of the outdoor epic, "The Great Smokies Drama".

Before they decided to meet next year at Chattanooga, the delegates elected the following: Pres. Henry Beaudoin, Memphis; ranking Vice-Pres. George H. Dykes, Oak Ridge; Vice-Presidents Cecil Thomas, Bristol, Aubrey Hagan, Jr., Pulaski, and Frank Chambers, Paris; Secy. Edgar A. Ryerson, Memphis; Treas. Kenneth Stevenson, Chattanooga, and Sgt.-at-Arms Ed Collins, Chattanooga.

With Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn, seated center, are 14 of the 28 students who received Elks National Foundation and State Association scholarships of \$400 or more during the Pennsylvania Elks Assn. Convention. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Howard R. Davis presented the awards which totaled \$13,300.





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BY HORACE SUTTON

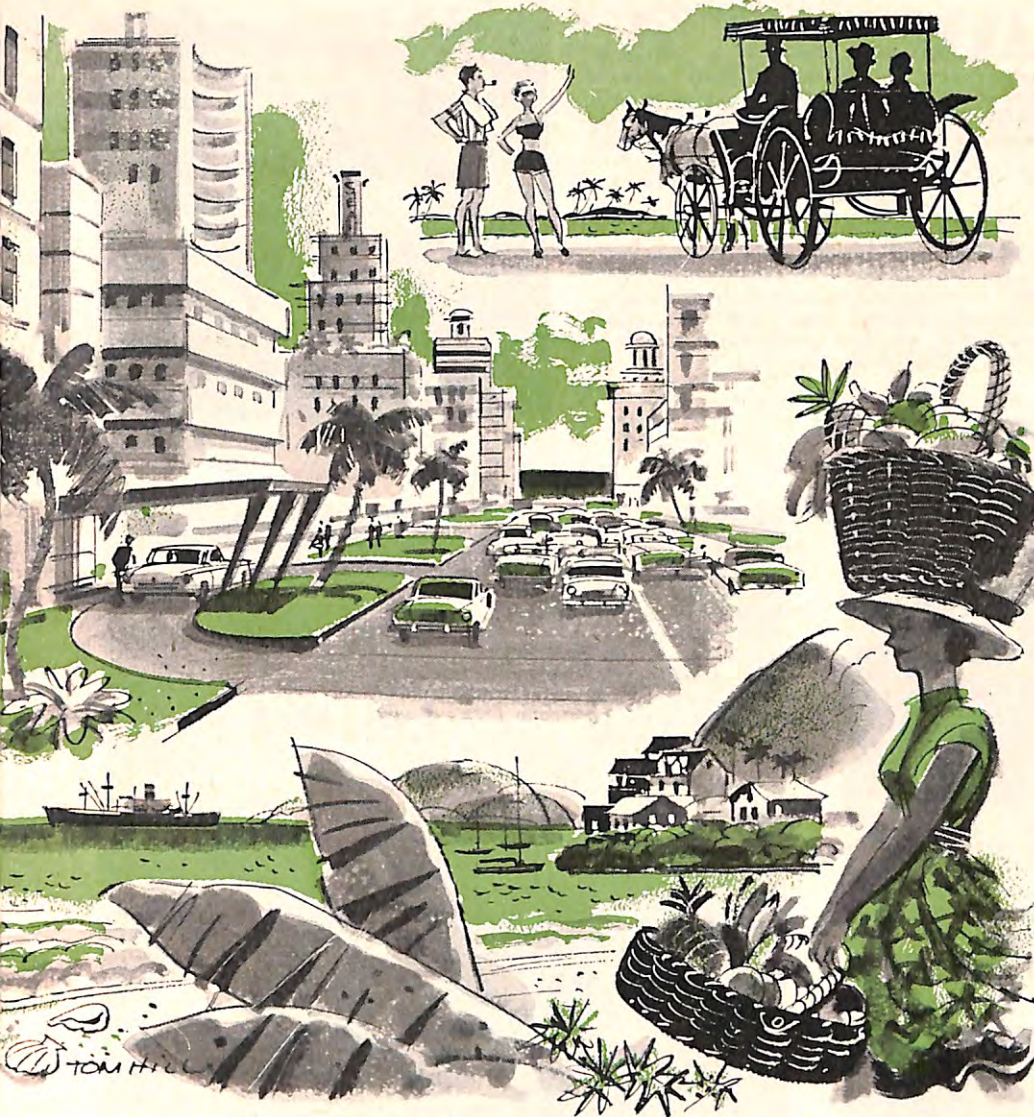
IT IS HARDLY TOO EARLY to think of what is going on in the Southlands. Personally, I begin to think of it when I see the first of birds wheeling and winging—flying off as if they were leaving a ship which, if not sinking, will soon be too cold for comfort. What I'm saying is, I don't blame them, and if it were not for the glories of autumn, I would be wishing I would be going too.

As for what is afoot down there, I can tell you this: in Miami Beach there is to be a new hotel. Now there's news. Of course, recently the hotels along the Gold Coast that fringes on the winter-warm sea have been built around some motif, some notion. First came the Fontainebleau, two years ago, which copied the French flair so much it even imported the mayor of Fontainebleau—the original—for the opening. In a now classic quotation the mayor said, after one orb-opening look, "Bouillabaisse!" A bouillabaisse is a dish popular in the Marseilles area which is served in a soup plate and mussels, clams,

chunks of fish, and almost anything that comes out of the sea including old boot.

I am not here to say whether the decorators became purer purists after that, but they certainly adopted definite strains. Last year came the Spanish-style Seville, the Swiss-style Lucerne and the Italo-French-style Eden Roc. I say Italo-French because the name is French and so is some of the sculpture, but then it contains the Villa d'Este Room, the Café Pompeii and other Italianate overtones, so I just can't say for sure.

This year we shall have at last the Americana, a hotel all about the home territory. Now this doesn't mean it is all about, as Al Capp prefers to call it, the Yew Hess Hay. What the architect had in mind was the Americas, you know, from the land of the sourdoughs to the pampas, or maybe even to Cape Horn. It will be fraught with the handiwork of the Indians, not so much people like the Comanches, or other unruly types with whom Victor Mature is always having trouble, but with



the Mayans and the Aztecs who had a dandy culture going before the Spaniards came in. There will be nooks with birds, some with totem poles and other corners will have you sighing and thinking you were in Mount Vernon.

As for the hotels that were the "this-year's hotels" in other years, even the best of them these pre-season days are charging between \$7 and \$10 a day per person, two in a room, and that includes breakfast and dinner. This giveaway plan will go on until the first of December, and in the case of some hotels, until the fifteenth. Then things go up slightly for Christmas and New Year's and by the time the full season is on, after the first of the year, the rates are up in the stratosphere. Motels are knocking down their air-conditioned caves for \$5 and \$6 a day for the room, and that's cheaper than motels on the road.

Now then, if you're looking for a novel routing I had perhaps ought to notify you that it is now possible to sail to Europe from Florida. This will prove downright handy for Europe-bound travelers who inhabit the south, and also for those who go to Europe in the off season and would like to linger awhile in the decompression chamber of warm Florida weather before heading out to the rest of the frostbitten

country. Anyway, all this is being done by the Italian company known as Sicula Oceanica, which will have two ships stopping at Miami every month as it plies the ways between Italy and Central America. A Portuguese company has already started calling at Port Everglades, Fla., with the *Santa Maria*, a 21,000-tonner built in 1954 which carries over 1,000 passengers in three classes. The route calls for sailings from Lisbon with stops at Madeira and in the Canary Islands, then Miami and Central America. Incidentally, one of the Italian ships, the *Venezuela*, will be well remembered by transatlantic travelers under its maiden name, the *de Grasse*, one of the French Line. The *de Grasse* was one of the first ships back on transatlantic service after the war, even, if memory serves, before the *Ile de France* and the *Liberté* could be brought into regular play.

As for the lands that lie south of Florida, there is big news this season. The government has finally gotten around to lifting its transportation tax which it had originally installed at the outbreak of hostilities to deter people from taking (and crowding) the trains. Remember the slogans that said, "Is this trip necessary?" The money looked so good in the Federal

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Left: Wausau, Wis., Lodge's E.R. George G. Lella, right, presents a \$100 check to David Campbell, left, fourth-place winner in the Wisconsin Elks' Annual Constitution Contest, as the lodge's Youth Chairman A. E. McDonell looks on.



Right: E.R. R. E. Rutledge, right, of Austin, Tex., Lodge presents the "Elk of the Month Award" to G. L. Jamison in appreciation of his outstanding coaching of the lodge's Little League Team which won the local Championship and third place in the district competitions.

NEWS of the LODGES



Left: Veteran Hancock, Mich., Elks who received Honorary Life Memberships recently are, left to right, Michael Messner, Sr., W. C. Douglass, Dr. James Fisher, C. A. Wright, Edward Haas and Ben Wieder.

Below: Belleville, Ill., Lodge's Youth Activities Committee presents a \$200 check to the Black Knights Drum and Bugle Corps, which is co-sponsored by the lodge, to help defray its expenses for a trip to Dallas for the VFW National Competition in which the Knights took fifth place. Left to right foreground are Forest Creason, Philip Feder, P.E.R. M. A. Erdmann, Chairman, Chas. Wasem, Jr., Roy Mank, Drum Major Larry Aud, Chas. Wasem, Sr., Clarence Blair, Norman Ackerman and Vernon Pool. The Knights were National AMVETS Champions for 1954 and '55.



Chairman Glen H. Jahnke of Bismarck, N. D., Lodge's Crippled Children's Committee, left, and E.R. George O. Hegstad, center, accept a \$1,000 check from the lodge's Publicity Chairman Jack Swenson on behalf of the National Foundation for Underprivileged Children, Inc. The gift, to be used for the lodge's crippled children's work, was presented on a TV newscast as evidence of the Foundation's high regard for the work Bismarck Lodge is doing for handicapped and underprivileged youngsters. The Foundation, whose President is Hollywood commentator and columnist Jimmy Fidler, made the donation after carefully screening deserving organizations throughout the country, and indicated that the lodge's Committee's selection is a tribute to the fine work it is doing.

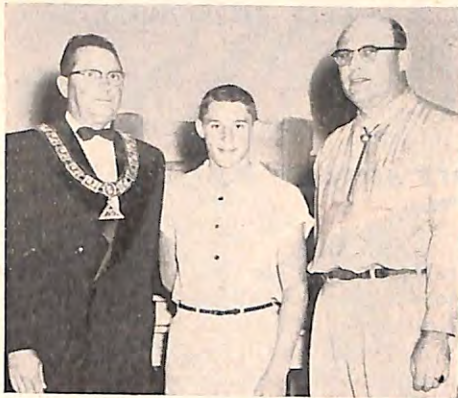


Rapid City, S. D., Elldom is proud of the three-generation Felberg family, pictured with Past Grand Exalted Rulers James G. McFarland, third from left, and John L. Walker, fifth from left, when the twin grandsons of Gus Felberg, fourth from left, were initiated. Gilbert Felberg, is also pictured, second from left, with sons Donald, left, and Douglas, right.



E.R. Barney Meyers, center, holds the Boy Scout charter for a new Troop sponsored by Corpus Christi, Tex., Lodge. Other Elks included in the picture with the boys and local Scout officials are, left to right, background, Asst. Youth Committee Chairman Kenneth Walls, Youth Committee Chairman Wayne Bolan and Esq. Maurice Gillespie.

ON THE ELK DIAMOND IN 1956



The Roswell, N. M., Little League Team which plays on Elk-donated ground, won the 1956 World Series at Williamsport, Pa. One of its pitchers was named the League's outstanding player, topping 500,000 boys for a four-year scholarship at Lycoming University. He is Ferrel Dunham, pictured with his Elk father, right, and E.R. T. H. Rogers.



Ashland, Ky., Lodge furthered the interest in local Little League baseball this year by presenting handsome trophies to the winning and runner-up teams, with individual trophies for each player. E.R. David Aronberg, rear center, made the presentations at a special meeting at the lodge home.



These youngsters, playing under the banner of Bergenfield, N. J., Lodge, won the Little League Championship of their division. With their opponents, managers, coaches and parents, they were feted by the lodge's Youth Activities Committee at a program when films of the 1955 World Series were shown. The boys, who received inscribed souvenirs, are pictured with E.R. Henry A. Carlsen, left background, and coaches.



Under the management of Elk James Dean, left background, and Coach Lewis Clark, right, Rome, Ga., Lodge's Pony League Baseball Team enjoyed a terrific season its first time out. Three boys pitched no-hitters; one youngster stole 34 bases. At season's end, five of the players were selected for one of the All-Star teams to represent Rome in the State Tournament—Long, Morris, Stubblefield, Bolton and Smith.



This is the Dalton, Ga., Elks' Team which won the Little League pennant with a 15-3 season's record, a feat duplicated three times in the past four years. With the boys are, back row, left to right, Mgr. Jack Lance, League Pres. Bill Percy, Mgr. Alonzo Burchfield and E.R. Arthur Wink.



Capably coached by E.R. Rex Maluy and A. W. Daniel, Silver City, N. M., Lodge's Little Boys League Baseball Team won 17 games, with no losses, to capture the title for the regular season championship. They also won a play-off series with 11 teams after the season's close.



These boys played Little League ball this year under the aegis of Endicott, N. Y., Lodge. With them are Youth Activities Committee Chairman Theodore Roper, left background, and E.R. Paul F. Koot, right.



This is Canton, Ohio, Lodge's 1956 Co-Championship Pony League Baseball Team with E.R. Clayton A. Betz, second row center, John Sponseller, third row left, and Myron Robinson, third row right.

ROAD & GUN

BY TED TRUEBLOOD

For all Ted cares, we could have let our chukars stay in Karachi.



BEFORE I start to unburden myself on the subject of the chukar partridge, I would like to say that I love quail. I adore—and respect — ruffed grouse. I feel kindly toward woodcock,

blue grouse, Hungarian partridge, sharp-tail grouse and sagehens. I have affection, and sympathy, for the poor, silly ptarmigan. I even like pheasants.

My motive in setting forth these facts is to make amply clear that my feeling toward the chukar partridge is not influenced by a sour stomach, the inability to hit the cackling idiots, nor a malevolent attitude toward our feathered friends in general. I would even go so far as to make the flat statement that I like all birds, even robins. I do not, however, like the chukar partridge, his father nor his mother, nor his children, nor any of his kith or kin.

The chukar is not a bird. The fact that he can fly might lead you to think so, but he is not. He is a cross between an antelope and a barnyard hen. He is a ventriloquist. He is a foul ball in lovely plumage.

Imagine yourself with me. It is midday, and hot. You are tired and thirsty. You are hungry. Your feet probably hurt a little and your gun weighs twenty pounds. The ground is powder dry and dusty. The dog is overheated, dying for a drink and can't smell anything for the dust, anyway.

Before us rises a mountain. It is steep. It is so steep that at some time in the remote past when there was a rain the soil had started to slip, sliding down its face and leaving the bare rock exposed. Mostly, however, there isn't any soil, just rock. A few bushes and occasional clumps of grass manage to survive among the rocks. They range in size from little ones that roll under your feet to big ones that you have to detour or scramble over, like a monkey.

From somewhere toward the top of this mountain comes a series of sounds. They remind you of an old hen carrying on over a worm. *Kra, kra, kra, ca-ca-ca-ca, cut, cut, cut, cut.* They are shriller than hen talk, but similar. They are repeated from right and left. A dozen voices take up the conversation, and the center of the chattering seems to be straight up the mountain, maybe 500 yards.

We look at each other resignedly—

we've been through this before—and start up. The chukar talk stops. Up and up we toil. The sweat makes crooked tracks as it trickles down through the dust on our faces.

Eventually, we figure we're high enough. We stop. Not a sound, not a chukar. The dog looks bored. We spread out twenty yards farther apart and climb a hundred yards more. Finally we admit that they have made fools of us again and give up.

The first chukars were brought to the United States from Karachi, India, in 1893. Dr. Gardiner Bump of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, says there are four species and 28 subspecies of the things. He adds that some live at elevations of 10,000 feet; some thrive in desert country; some on steppes, and others in well-watered grasslands. Two years ago, Al Klotz and I flushed a big covey at the 12,000-foot level on Mt. Whitney.

EFFORTS were made to introduce chukars in many areas, and most of them were unsuccessful. The birds stocked in Nevada hit it off just right, however. That state has a lot of them and has had an open season for several years, as has Wyoming. Washington was the next to build up a chukar population that justified hunting. This is the fourth fall that we have been allowed to chase them in Idaho. My first

experience, on the first day of the first season, was revealing—and pretty much typical.

A friend and I toiled up a rocky mountain—they are always up a mountain—for two hours. At last we topped out on the ridge and sat down to catch our breath. We had been hearing chukars for the better part of an hour, but we hadn't seen any. Before us lay a grassy valley, 400 yards wide and about three-quarters of a mile long.

As we sat there wondering which way to turn next, a covey of chukars got up from the grass in the middle of the valley and flew out of sight over the opposite ridge. We discussed that. While we were doing so, we saw a second covey. They were not flying, but they were running. They ran up the slope across from us and likewise passed from view over the distant ridge.

We eventually succeeded in killing some of the things, but the price in effort was terrific. Not one held for the dog. Most of those we saw—and we saw plenty—either ran or flew long before we got within range. We finally discovered that if we would climb a ridge quietly and then rush over the top and a few yards down the other slope we could startle them into flying while they were still within range—provided there were



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I will concede chukars three good qualities. 1. They are beautiful. 2. They are delicious—usually. (More on this later.) 3. They seem to thrive in country where anything else but a horned toad would starve to death or die of thirst.

Chukars have red bills and feet (they're called red-legged partridge in Europe) and weigh about a pound and a quarter apiece. They have a creamy throat patch bordered by a streak of dark brown that starts on their forehead, runs back past their eyes and comes to a point at the base of the neck. Their backs are uniform olive brown. Their flanks are vertically barred with dark brown and white. Their breasts are pale blue while bright tan feathers cover their bellies and extend to the end of the tail on the under side. All of these colors blend into each other with lovely shadings.

Now let me tell you how Clare Conley and I got our chukars last fall. Clare is a young man who likes to do things properly, so he went to the Game Department and said, "Where is the best place to hunt chukars?"

They told him that there were more chukars in the foothills between Black's Creek and Mountain Home than anywhere else in Idaho. On the rocky slopes, they said.

We searched this country by car and afoot for two full days. We were assisted

by two dogs. We drove 300 miles and walked nearly as far, and we didn't see a chukar. We didn't even see a track.

Late in the afternoon of the second day, while we were driving along a single-lane road through the sagebrush beside a telephone line, I saw something suspicious lying in the cheat grass between the wheel tracks. Clare stopped the car and we got out. It was a chukar. We looked around in the brush beside the road and found two more. They couldn't have been deader, but they were still limp.

"This is the spot," Clare said. "A big covey flew into the phone wires. Three of them broke their necks. Let's go."

We walked up a rocky mountain east of the phone line—remember what I said about mountains?—and then we separated widely and walked along the side of it for two miles. Next we hurried down to the flat to the west of the wires and combed it until dark. We didn't see a feather. The dogs didn't find a sniff.

AN article about chukars in *Idaho Wildlife Review*, the publication of the Idaho Game Department, says, "Over-shooting does not occur." I'll tell the world!

The same article reports that chukars start laying their eggs about the middle of April. The nest usually is in a shallow depression on the ground and is lined with grass. The hen lays about fifteen eggs and incubation takes twenty-four days. The

young are active and adept at hiding, and the male leaves the female to rear the brood alone.

Later in the season last year, my wife and I were scooting along up a reservoir in our boat. The wind was doing its best—and in this country that is pretty good. As we passed a notch in the hills I looked through it and noticed that the little seepage lake on the other side was black with ducks. Judging from the direction of the wind, every duck there would have to fly out through the notch.

We beached the boat and walked back to it with Joe, the pointer, following along at heel. When we were in position we made some noise and the ducks started out in a cloud. We got real busy and laid five of them on the sand, and when I looked around for Joe he was about twenty yards away, pointing a thicket of greasewood. Trying to point it, that is. Chukars were sifting out in every direction like ants.

We charged them, and every time we could run fast enough to make one of the idiots fly we shot at him. In this we were assisted by Joe. His philosophy is to point them if they'll set and make them fly if they won't. These chukars obviously wouldn't set so he set about wholeheartedly to make them fly. Thanks to his efforts, we managed to get five.

I gloated. I have never gloated over any other bird. This was the first time in four
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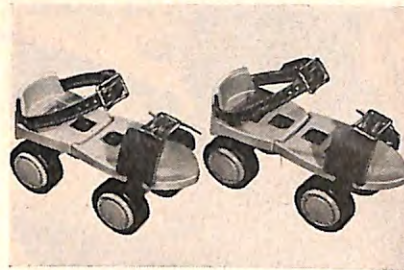
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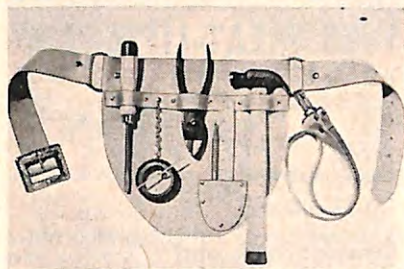
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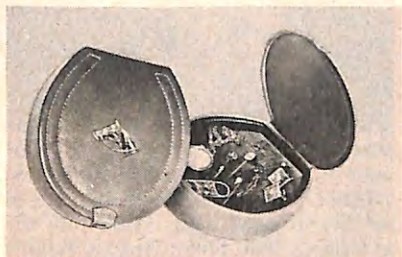
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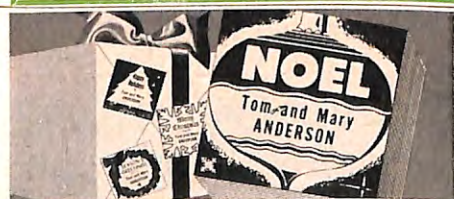
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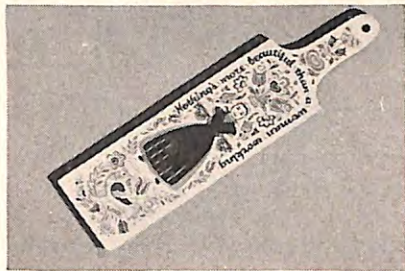
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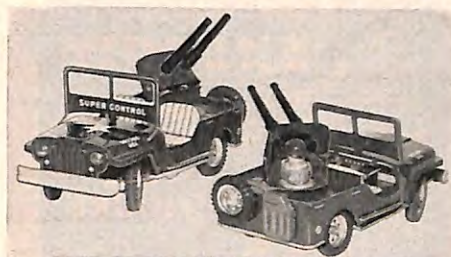
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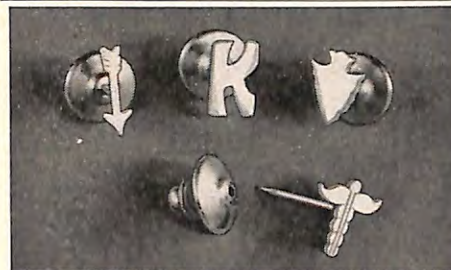
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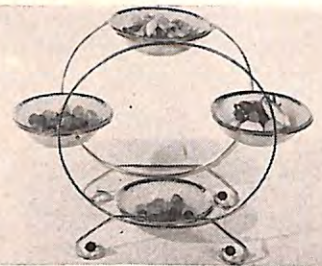
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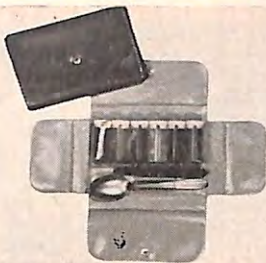
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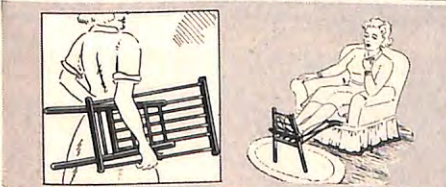


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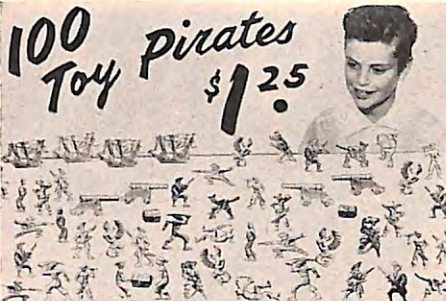
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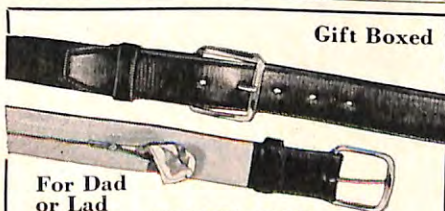
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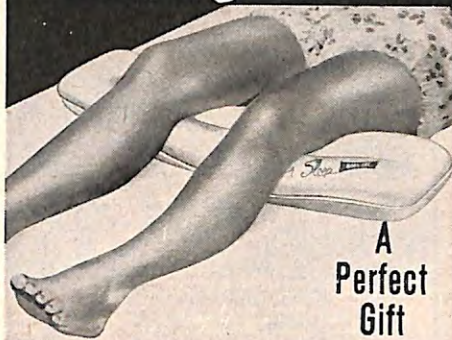
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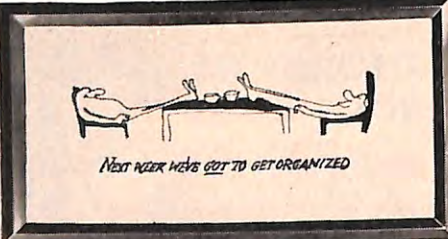
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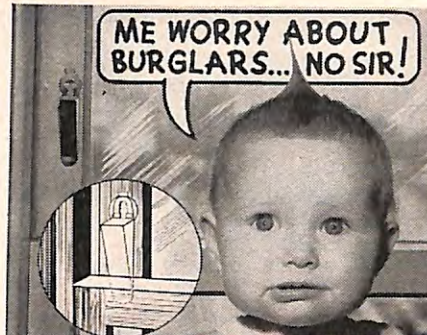
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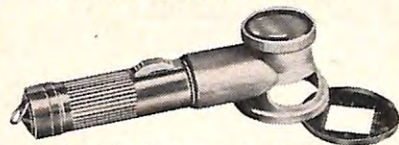
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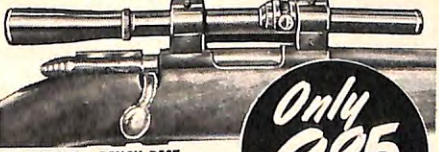


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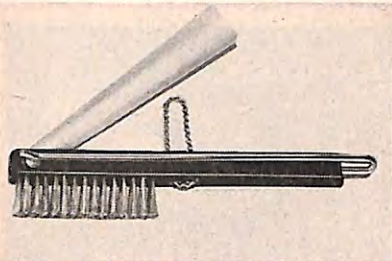
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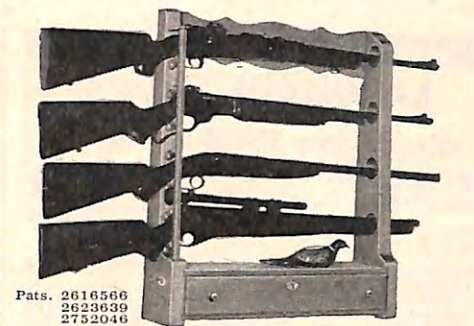
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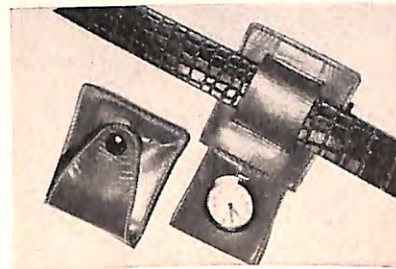
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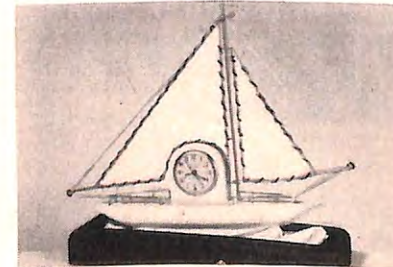
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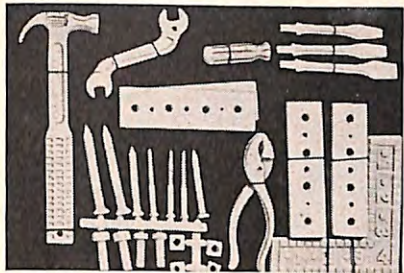
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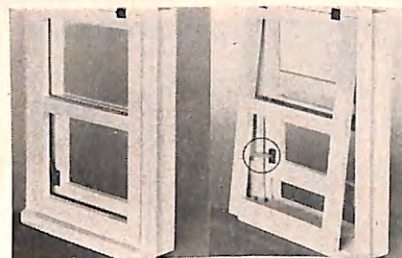
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I want to express my deep appreciation to the Elks and their Magazine for taking up the fight against Communism. You are doing a splendid piece of work. My experience as a PTA president has convinced me that the Reds are really pushing in the educational field, and America had better wake up—soon! Would it be possible for you to send me 100 reprints of the article by J. Edgar Hoover, which ran in the August issue and 100 reprints of Freedom's Facts from the September issue.

Mrs. Chris Larsen, Jr.
Sioux City, Iowa

I am wondering if it might be possible to purchase reprints of the article by J. Edgar Hoover, which ran in your August issue. Such an important article needs wide circulation. My husband and I enjoy your Magazine very much.

Mrs. Robert Baures
St. Petersburg, Fla.

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Mrs. Ella L. Glenn
St. Petersburg, Fla.

Let's have more fiction as good as "Uptown Story" by William Fay in the September issue. The members will read the Magazine more completely when we have a good story to start them off.

Percy Cogswell, Sec'y.
Alliance Lodge No. 961
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We certainly agree with Brother Cogswell, and the only factor that prevents a story running each month is available space. The Magazine has a supply of stories ready, and we hope to increase the amount of our fiction during the forthcoming year.

It is my belief that most Elks today, regardless of their position in life, are interested in projects that would come under the category of "Do-It-Yourself." I know, I for one am always glad to see what your next Elks Workshop project will be, because anyone should be well assisted by the very simple instructions that you offer.

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In the Doghouse

Leading kennels find that cold weather can help a dog if handled with caution.

MANY of us in this here U. S. of A. may still have occasion to wipe the perspiration from our brows, but it won't be long before it is going to turn into frost as wintry winds come down from the north to remind us that indeed the Harvest Days Are Over Jessie Dear. For many of us, and this goes double for most small boys, winter puts a new zing into life. For most dogs it does the same thing. Yes, even the larger, more rugged short-haired purps find new energy when there's a snap to the air and enjoy an invigorating gallop through the snow. For the frail, short-haired tiny tykes winter exposure should be limited to short periods. For all dogs, large or small, short- or long-haired, the coming of cold weather re-

quires a little extra care. The precautions aren't many but they'll go far to make the dog more comfortable and less subject to sickness. This is particularly true for the pooch on the sunset side of life.

In these pages during other seasons of the year I have advised against feeding foods containing much fatty substances. Contrary to some authorities who would forbid any fat in the dog's diet, I believe that a small amount will not only be enjoyed by most dogs but will have beneficial effects. A lot depends upon the amount of exercise the dogs get. The closely confined house pet usually getting little exercise is naturally inclined to take on weight and for this reason that kind of dog should be strictly limited in the

matter of fattening foods. But the dog that enjoys regular, daily romps—and what dog in good health doesn't?—should have some fat included in his dinner pail. For that kind of dog the fat should be increased as cold weather begins. The amount of his rations should be increased, too. The health-giving vitamins in cod liver oil, particularly vitamins A, D and E, are of unusual value in doggy diet. Deficiency of vitamin A may result in poor appetite, lessened resistance to colds, respiratory and lung infections, while lack of vitamin D retards tooth and bone structure. For the large dog a generous tablespoonful of oil should be mixed with one of its daily meals. The medium size fellow can do well with one-and-one-half teaspoonfuls while for the midget one teaspoonful is ample.

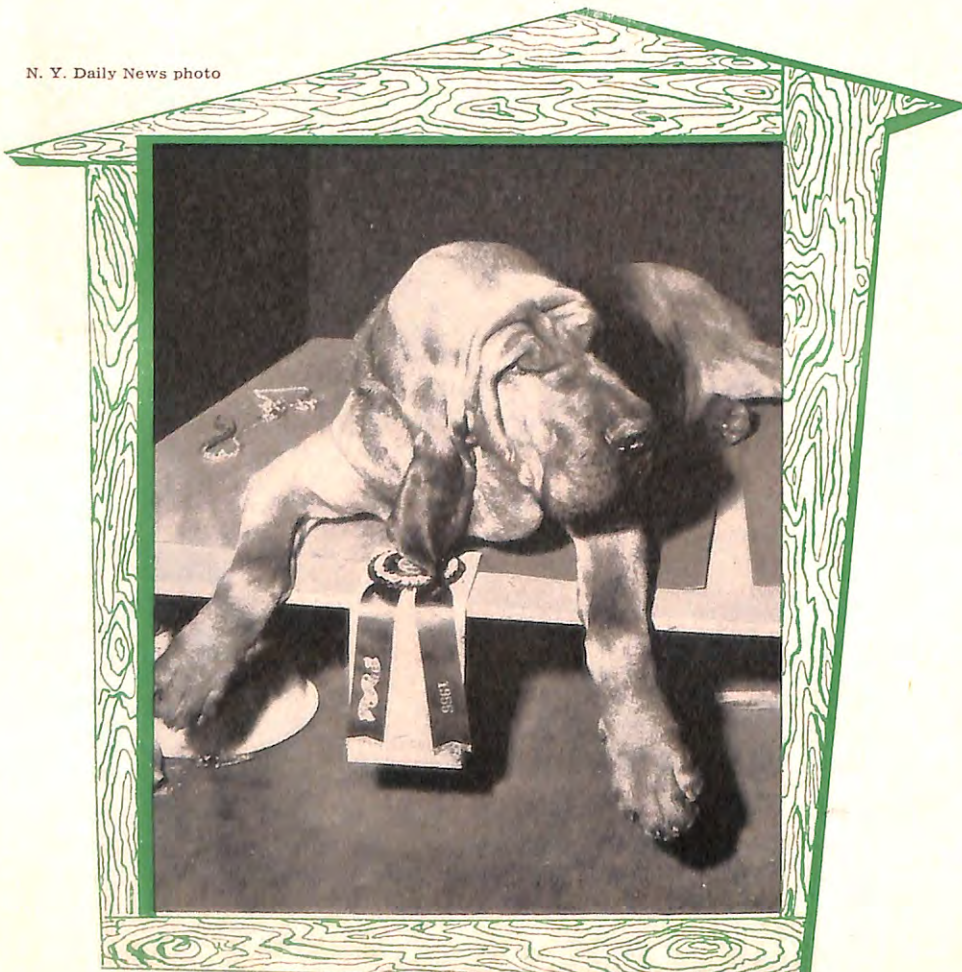
With the coming of snow, encourage your dog to romp in it. Few dogs need such urging but if your dog is one that does then have him chase a stick or other object thrown by you (no stones please if you value your dog's teeth). The romping and running will be good for him. Barring the pint-size purps mentioned earlier, most dogs can stand cold much more comfortably than they endure heat. Dogs of the Arctic regions frequently sleep out in snow when temperatures are far below zero. They'll burrow or make "nests" for themselves and sleep as comfortably as your dog would in a heated house. Granted, their coats are long and dense and the snow has an insulating effect, still the dogs' footpads, noses and stomachs are poorly protected compared to the other parts of their bodies.

As a matter of fact, quite a few kennels of pedigreed dogs, some of them showing aristocrats, are housed in unheated kennels in areas where the thermometer takes a nose-dive below zero. Some of these are dogs that are by no means considered long-haired.

The first Welsh terrier I ever owned came from such a kennel in the northern part of Westchester County, New York, while still a puppy. If you live in that part of New York you'll know that it can get cold enough to give a polar bear chilblains. When that pup was first introduced into our home, he had a coat like sealskin: dense, shining and healthy. A

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N. Y. Daily News photo



Bloodhound Champion Fancy Bombardier rests on his blue-ribbon laurels.

What the Attorney General's List Means

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up the first Attorney General's list. In all, he cited about 47 organizations as subversive. His list, like the present one, was compiled as an essential aid to a government agency dealing with a security problem.

President Truman's Loyalty Order, for reasons now apparent, authorized a continuation of the publication and use of the subversive list instituted by President Roosevelt. It ordered the Attorney General to include six types of organizations on it:

"The Loyalty Review Board shall currently be furnished by the Department of Justice the name of each foreign or domestic organization, association, movement, group or combination of persons which the Attorney General, after appropriate investigation and determination, designates as (1) totalitarian, (2) fascist, (3) communist or (4) subversive, (5) or as having adopted a policy of advocating or approving the commission of acts of force or violence to deny others their rights under the Constitution of the United States, (6) or as seeking to alter the form of government of the United States by unconstitutional means." (Numerals inserted in quotation by author.)

This paragraph, repeated almost word-for-word in President Eisenhower's Security Order (Executive Order 10450; April 27, 1953), points up another false notion many people have about the Attorney General's list. Not all organizations on it are communist. The Black Dragon Society is on the list, as are other groups that were agencies of Japan or other Axis powers before and during World War II—the German-American Bund, Lictor Society (Italian Black Shirts), etc. The Knights of the White Camellia, Ku Klux Klan and other native American movements which have rejected constitutional principles are also included. The list has grown steadily over the years. Of the nearly 300 groups now on it, however, only about 55 are non-communist.

ANOTHER important factor about the Attorney General's list that is not known to most people is this: the list has no legal status outside the Federal security program. Courts do not, and need not, recognize it in any other cases. From their viewpoint, it is merely a list of organizations compiled by an officer in the executive branch of the government, at the direction of his chief, for the specific use of other officers of the executive branch in carrying out the Federal security program.

Because trials are not held before the Attorney General cites a group as subversive, what the courts regard as "due process" has not been followed and, therefore, they cannot accept the citation as a legally binding "conviction." This does

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What the Attorney General's List Means

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not mean that the Attorney General is doing something illegal when he cites a group as subversive without a trial. The Federal Government has the right to establish its own standards for those seeking employment with it and also the criteria that will be used in judging whether or not a person meets those standards. The Attorney General's list is one of the criteria the last two Presidents of the United States have decided to use in judging the fitness of all Federal employes.

(Note: In the past, groups were not granted hearings before being cited. Under present procedure, instituted in May, 1953, the Attorney General notifies in advance all groups he intends to cite as subversive, and informs them that if they so desire they may demand a hearing to refute his charges before he goes ahead with the citation. To date, only a few groups have availed themselves of this right. So far, too, no hearings held have resulted in a reversal of the Attorney General's original finding as to the subversive nature of these organizations.)

SOME people ask this question: If the subversive list has no legal standing outside the Executive Branch of the government, how can States and municipalities use it in their security programs? The answer to this question is that these agencies, too, have the power to establish their own standards for employment and can select the Attorney General's list as one of their criteria if they care to. When they do so they are indicating the confidence they have in the integrity and reliability of the country's chief law enforcement officers and the care they have exercised in drawing up the list.

When private publications or individuals make use of the Attorney General's list in fighting communism, they do so because they, too, have faith in the Attorney General and know that most Americans share that faith. These citations may have no legal status, but they do have what might be called "real" status. They are accepted as reliable. No convincing evidence has ever been presented to cast any doubt on their correctness.

The most important question of all concerning the Attorney General's list is this: Just what does affiliation with, or membership in, an organization on it mean? Does it automatically convict a person of being a Communist, Fascist or other type of subversive?

The answer to the latter question is "No." And to the first question, there is no single answer, but only many answers—because affiliation can mean many things. A few examples will illustrate:

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We are receiving more and more complimentary letters from traveling Elks who visit New York and stop at the Piccadilly Hotel on West 45th Street. So many Elks are now stopping here that it has become a well-known Elk gathering place. Conveniently located just off Times Square and Broadway, it is in the heart of the City's most interesting activities. You'll get a real Elks' welcome at the Piccadilly.

The new "confirmed airline ticket pick-up plan" became effective on September 16th. Now when you reserve space your airline agent will advise the time by which you must pick up your ticket, indicating a positive reservation. If your tickets are not picked up by that time, *your space will be cancelled.* If you hold an "open" ticket you will be advised the time by which you must have the open ticket filled in and validated.

For Elks Who Travel

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coffer that it has taken over a decade of bleatings from the travel industry to get the thing removed. What has been done now is to pull it back, but to involve it with a 250-mile buffer zone that anybody who is thinking about a winter vacation ought to be conversant with.

The buffer zone is a strip that is supposed to extend 250 miles into the near lands of Canada and 250 miles in to the near reaches of Mexico. If you travel beyond the zone you travel free of tax. Trips inside the zone will set you back an added 10 per cent. Since most of Canada's resorts are in this area they are going to suffer greatly. Mexico gets away much better because all its big spots, such as Mexico City itself, Acapulco, Taxco, Cuernavaca, Guadalajara, are all well beyond the limit and so there will be no transportation tax from the last point in U. S. territory.

The Caribbean, apparently, gets off Scot-free and that is going to have some reaction in the way cruises are planned.

If not validated in time, *your space will be cancelled.*

A golf course is planned for tourists to Israel. In the vicinity of Israel's ancient port of Caesarea, which nineteen centuries ago was the capital of Judea, visitors will be able to play on a modern and year 'round course—the first in that section of the world.

Another gathering place for Elks, and far across the world from New York, seems to be developing at the Hawaiian hotel in Hawaii. It is known as the "Story Book Hotel" at 260 Beach Walk, Waikiki, and—the spirit of true island hospitality keeps guests happy and entertained, according to the reports we receive from the many traveling Elks who have sampled this hospitality.

Charge accounts are now available at sea. The Moore-McCormack Lines is offering this service to passengers on the luxury ships "Argentina" and "Brazil". Passengers aboard the vessels may charge all their services, incidental tips and any of the 3,000 items sold in the ships' stores. This service is available to first class passengers only—each of whom receives an application which merely asks where the bill is to be sent and sets forth an agreement as to credit terms. The terms include a limit of \$2,000 credit without prior written authority from the Travelers Credit Service, which will handle all arrangements.

There are many advantages to vacationing in autumn months. In most places rates are cheaper—up to 25 per cent less than the cost to you in the summer season.

For one thing, the old rule required that you stop at another Continent for the tax rule to prove inapplicable. So cruise boats out of New York and New Orleans have been in the habit of putting into ports on the top of South America. They weren't always the most fascinating ports but they did eliminate the levy on the whole trip. All that finagling on the high seas won't be necessary any more, and whether it will come this season or next, the trend to my way of thinking is going to be toward shorter cruises that won't require ships to go so far south as to touch at a South American port.

The elimination of the tax in the sure-weather Caribbean will also lure lots more people away from the not-so-sure Florida coasts where the transportation tax—New York to St. Petersburg, for example—will be slapped with a 10 per cent tariff. New York to Nassau, which is certainly not far off the U. S. mainland, involves no tax at all providing no planned intermediate stop is made en route. All this is going to require some family sessions before deciding just where to escape the cold this winter.

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The road to recovery for this little patient at the Tennessee-Virginia Cerebral Palsy Center, Kingsport, Tenn., is being made easier through the knowledge that Occupational Therapist Aldean C. Dahl obtained at Columbia University, New York, where she completed a post-graduate course in cerebral palsy with a B plus record, aided by a grant from the Elks National Foundation.

Writing to Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, Chairman of the Foundation, Miss Dahl expressed her appreciation for Foundation aid with these inspiring words: "It is without a doubt an excellent course at Columbia, and your organization is to be commended for its willingness to help therapists in order that they may take this course. It has

already been a great help to me in my work here at the Cerebral Palsy Center in Kingsport, and I know that it shall be of even greater help in the future."

Here's your Elks National Foundation at work in various parts of the country as witnessed by recent grants in the field of cerebral palsy:

On recommendation of Santa Monica, Calif., Lodge, Miss Marjorie Lee Ginsberg entered Children's Hospital Society School of Physical Therapy in Los Angeles for a special course to advance her training.

Under the sponsorship of Columbia, Mo., Lodge, Miss Alexandra Marion Meyer of Kansas City enrolled at the University of Kansas to begin her junior year in a four-year course leading to a B. S. degree in physical therapy.

Logan, Utah, Lodge sponsored Charles J. Peck, who was awarded a \$780 fellowship to assist him to complete a course in physical therapy at Stanford University, and also Lyle Duane Adams, who was awarded an \$800 Elks National Foundation fellowship to enable him to enter the University of Southern California for a 13-months' physical therapy course. Both Mr. Adams and Mr. Peck make their home in Logan.

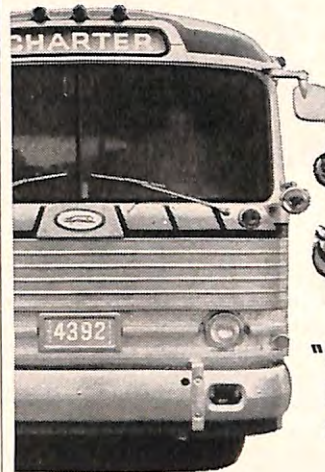
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Mike Mitchell, age 6, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Mitchell of Phoenix, Ariz., was able to enter first grade this fall with the help of training he received at the Samuel Gompers Memorial School, specializing in cerebral palsy work. No small factor in Mike's progress was the help he received from Mrs. Carol Halstead, special instructor at the Memorial School, who completed her course of study at the San Francisco State College through the help of an Elks National Foundation grant. This again is a living proof of the "Joy of Giving" to the Order's great Foundation. With Mike and Mrs. Halstead is W. M. McMillon, Exalted Ruler of Phoenix Lodge.



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member of one organization on the Attorney General's list.

2—About ten years ago, Mr. Y, a quite prominent businessman in a fair-sized community, was affiliated with three groups on the list. He never joined any of the three but did sponsor one rally or public meeting held by each of them (though he did not attend these functions).

3—Mrs. Z, very active in community affairs in her city, is regarded by many people as a fellow traveler, by some as a communist, even though she occasionally makes anti-communist remarks. Over a period of years, she has been associated in one way or another with two dozen or more groups on the subversive list.

Just what do the subversive affiliations of these three people signify?

FBI records (not available to the public) reveal that Mr. X is a secret member of the communist party. Because of his position, he must be careful. The party has ordered him to become a "sleeper," to lay low and avoid contact with any organization that would arouse suspicion regarding his loyalty. This man is not only a security risk but also a loyalty risk.

In the case of Mr. Y, the FBI has no evidence that he is, or ever was, a communist or pro-communist. Actually, he lent his name to the three groups in question at the urging of a man whose acquaintance he made shortly after moving to the community where he now lives. Having first met this man on business, having seen him several times at clubs and having heard nothing derogatory about him, he assumed he was respected and completely reliable. He therefore

agreed to support the affairs put on by the three (subversive) groups when assured by this man that they were for worthy causes.

Some time later he learned that his business acquaintance was a fellow traveler and the organizations were highly suspect. From that time on he refused to associate himself with them or any other group until he had first checked into it carefully.

Mr. Y is obviously completely loyal and, according to government standards, should not even be considered a security risk today.

Mrs. Z, some people would be surprised to learn, is not a loyalty risk. The FBI knows definitely that she is not a communist, that she is sincere when she makes her generalized (and unprompted) remarks against communism. She is a bad security risk, however, because she is an emotional, unthinking, compulsive and naïve do-gooder, the type the communists can always dupe into serving their causes. She suffers from a psychological, not a loyalty, defect.

THESE are only three of the many possible meanings of affiliation with subversive groups. Each case must be judged individually in the light of all available evidence. Persons associated with such organizations may be open or secret communist party members, knowing fellow-travelers of varying degrees (some people fellow-travel just a little bit, others support the party line in most or all of its aspects), or perhaps just gullible innocents.

Completely new factors would enter into the case of Mr. Y, for example, if he had actually joined the three subversive groups in question and had regularly attended their meetings for a considerable period of time—or even if,

though he did not join them, he had attended the three functions of these groups (at which the communist line was promoted by some obviously pro-communist speakers) and then continued to give his name as a sponsor of other affairs they held.

It should be noted, too, that the imaginary case of Mrs. Z is an unusual one. Most persons with so many subversive affiliations would be loyalty risks because they would be confirmed fellow travelers, if not actually secret Communist Party members.

It is clear from a consideration of the above cases that the number of subversive affiliations alone, especially when they are few, is not a conclusive gauge of a person's loyalty, as distinguished from his security status. Other factors must also be taken into consideration before drawing conclusions. When did the person belong? For how long? Why and how did he join or lend his name? What was the general reputation of the group at the time? How obvious was its pro-communist taint?

It is for these reasons that both President Truman's and President Eisenhower's Loyalty-Security Orders stated that affiliation with groups on the Attorney General's list was only one of a number of factors that were to be considered in judging the loyalty or security status of Federal employes. Neither order provides for the automatic dismissal of an employe because of one or several subversive affiliations.

A man who was a communist some years ago may be neither a loyalty nor a security risk today. Another person who was merely in fronts but never joined one knowingly, and was never consciously disloyal, could still be a security risk.

The Attorney General's list, then, is
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PASSING OF MARTIN J. CUNNINGHAM IS A GREAT LOSS TO ELKDOM



Martin J. Cunningham, one of New England's best loved and most devoted Elks, passed away August 28th after an illness of several months. His death at the age of 77 marked the close of an enviable career, both as a member of the Order and as a public servant.

Born in Willimantic, Conn., Mr. Cunningham and his parents took up residence in Danbury when he was a boy. A man who truly exemplified the principles of this Fraternity, he joined Danbury Lodge No. 120 in 1903, and enjoyed the distinction of being the only member who served that lodge as Exalted Ruler for two terms—in 1907 and again in 1911. He was voted an Honorary Life Membership in his lodge in 1928.

In 1913, Mr. Cunningham was appointed District Deputy for the entire State; he was the founder and first President of the Connecticut Elks Assn., organized in 1931. His service in the Grand Lodge in-

cluded a term as Grand Esteemed Leading Knight in 1930, and membership on the Grand Lodge Committee on Judiciary from 1937 to 1941; he held the Chairmanship of that body during his final term.

Among his civic offices, Martin Cunningham was a two-term Mayor of Danbury and served as judge of the probate court for sixteen years. He had also been a member of the Board of Education, corporation counsel for the city, a representative of the General Assembly and assistant prosecutor of the City Court.

A communicant of St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, Mr. Cunningham had been a leader in the Knights of Columbus since his affiliation 57 years ago.

He is mourned by his wife, sister and two brothers, and by his thousands of friends, hundreds of whom attended the solemn Mass of Requiem offered at St. Peter's Church, and the burial services at St. Peter's Cemetery.

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Rod and Gun

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seasons of effort, however, that I succeeded in getting right smack into the middle of a big covey of chukars. Even though nine-tenths ran off like rabbits, and even though we missed plenty due to our efforts to make them fly, I still felt gratified.

We found all of them, with Joe's help, and then picked up our ducks. Then we paused to get our breath. The action had been pretty fast.

We decided, since it was getting late, to return to camp and broil a pair of chukars for dinner. This was something we hadn't tried, but chukars are delicious and any bird is better broiled over a bed of coals.

When we picked our bag, we noticed a strong garlic odor about the chukars. When I dressed them I discovered that their crops were full of wild onions—little bulbs about the size of buckshot, and very strong.

I got a fire going. As soon as there was a good bed of coals I began broiling a pair of them while my wife prepared the rest of the dinner. She wrapped a couple of potatoes in foil and put them in the coals to bake. She made a salad, using water cress from the spring and some celery, lettuce, tomatoes and cucumbers that we'd brought from home. She took some frozen peas out of the ice box and

soon had them simmering in butter over a corner of the grill. I don't remember just what else we had, but it was worthy of the occasion.

At last the chukars were done. I had basted them with salad oil and sprinkled on salt and pepper, and the coals had given them a color that would make your mouth water just to look at. We sat down beside our little grub box-table, and Joe maneuvered into position to beg for tidbits.

I cut into the breast of my chukar. Perfection! crusty brown on the outside, then a layer of white and still pinkish toward the center. But the garlic odor was still there. "Well," I thought, "maybe a touch of garlic on game birds will be good."

I took a bite. The onion flavor was strong and bitter, far too strong and bitter. I looked at Ellen. She was chewing away on a thigh. I decided maybe my imagi-

nation had got the best of me, due to finding the crops loaded with onions, and I didn't say anything. I buttered my potato and ate some salad. Then I tried another bite of chukar. It was just as bad.

Ellen was still worrying the thigh, so I cut a leg off mine and took a bite of it. There was no difference between its flavor and that of the breast. I laid it down and ate some more salad. By this time Ellen was eating salad, too. I said, "How do you like your chukar?"

She said, "It's pretty strong, isn't it?"

We finished the rest of our dinner and tried another bite or two of chukar, but we finally had to give it up. We just couldn't go it.

If I ever shoot any more chukars I'll take out their crops immediately, like you do ruffed grouse when they've been eating skunk cabbage. I'm not sure I will ever shoot any more, however, unless we run out of decent birds that will hold for a dog and take wing within range—at least once in a while.

If you should ask me where to hunt pheasants, I would politely put you off. If you'd ask me where I hunt grouse, the chances are I would not tell you the truth. If you had the temerity to ask the location of my favorite quail covers, I would promptly lose my voice. If you would like to know where to hunt chukars, however, just knock at my door. I have no use for the things.

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Know Your America Week Nov. 18-24

The All-American Conference to Combat Communism has designated November 18-24 as Know Your America Week. The Order of Elks is one of more than 50 organizations affiliated in the Conference which will participate in this sixth annual demonstration of patriotism and appreciation of the American way of life.

Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn has urged each Elks Lodge to take the initiative in staging a community-wide observance supporting a "positive program of selling the greatest bargain in history—American freedom that gives every man the right to a future unlimited."

The Grand Exalted Ruler sent Exalted Rulers copies of the Know Your America Week Program, outlining a plan for a community observance and listing other organizations cooperating in the project. He requested Lodge leaders to contact local heads of these Conference affiliates and to enlist their cooperation in staging outstanding Know Your America Week programs.

"Know Your America Week deserves your Lodge's strongest possible support", the Grand Exalted Ruler said. "I am confident that you will give it, so that once again the Elks will unite Americans from coast to coast in a ringing manifesto of faith in freedom and defiance to its enemies. Your Know Your America Week observance will help make a Stronger Elksdom for a Better America."

Noting that Thanksgiving Day falls within Know Your America Week, Brother Bohn said that this is a time to be thankful to "a benevolent God for guiding our nation in the way of truth and justice; to our forefathers who established our liberties; to those who defended them with their blood; and to those who have used freedom to build a society so rich and fruitful for all."

What the Attorney General's List Means

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designed to serve merely as a reliable guide or check list for government officials charged with carrying out the security program. It states that certain organizations were operated for subversive purposes but it says nothing about the persons affiliated with those organizations. It is up to security officials to judge the meaning of a government employee's association with such groups.

Most groups on the subversive list are communist fronts. A communist front, by its very definition, has communists in it—or it wouldn't be "communist." But it also has fellow-travelers, communist sympathizers and non-communist dupes in it—or it wouldn't be considered a "front."

Judgments of persons associated with subversive groups must be based on acknowledgment of this fact, of some of the questions previously mentioned, and on plain common sense. Years ago, when communists first adopted the device of setting up fronts (subversive groups), they called them "innocents' clubs" be-

cause so many people enticed into them were actually innocent of any pro-communist taint. This is not true today, however, and has not been true for some years. Responsible citizens know of the front device, try to, and nearly always succeed, in steering clear of entanglement in it. More and more, the communist fronts—especially those that have been in existence for some years—are being forced to rely on actual party members and communist sympathizers and fellow-travelers for support.

In 1954, Dr. Daniel A. Poling, Baptist minister, editor of the "Christian Advocate" and one of this country's most prominent clergymen, wrote an article on communist infiltration among the clergy for a well known national magazine. In it he wrote: "There is no excuse for any American citizen becoming a communist 'dupe' today." This statement could well be paraphrased in these words: "There is no excuse for any American citizen becoming affiliated with a group on the Attorney General's list today."

Target on the Whang-gu

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the runway telling the pilot when to land!

But he couldn't explain that to the other pilots of the group. They wouldn't understand. They would think that he was afraid and was trying to alibi his sorry record of wave-offs. He knew that they considered him, at thirty-seven, old. But he didn't feel old. On the other hand, he didn't feel the same as that carefree bunch on the *Chesapeake*. He believed in

the safety slogan posted in the ready room which read:

*"There are old pilots and there are bold pilots
But there are no old, bold pilots".*

Martin did not at all approve of the way the other pilots of the air group had perverted this flying safety slogan into a

derisive motto to indicate that they were all young, that they all took chances and that anyone who didn't was just plain "old". A favorite expression of ridicule to anyone who didn't take chances, especially in pressing home an attack against the Chinese Communists, was "What's wrong? Do you want to grow old?"

The carrier pulled by as Martin made a wide turn and headed again for the stern of the *Chesapeake*. Joe Sweeney's arms were out wide. This time the plane was steady in the groove and Martin practically ignored the landing signal officer as he concentrated on keeping it there. He saw the carrier grow bigger as he approached, but never big enough. In the last critical seconds, Sweeney slashed his right arm across his body to the left and down and Martin cut his throttle. The plane dropped from under him and slammed onto the flight deck; the tail hook grabbed a wire and Martin was thrown forward against his shoulder straps as the plane was pulled to a halt. He was down.

On the signal, Link Martin gunned his jet and taxied over the barriers that were dropped to let him pass to the group of fighters parked near the bow. Before climbing out of the cockpit, he read through his check-off list that he carried in his pocket. Most pilots would just check mentally "Gas off, switch off" and jump out. But not Martin. He still followed the careful habit of the airlines, where nothing was left to memory when it came to taking off and landing a plane. He pushed his crash helmet back off his head as he swung his lanky frame over the edge of the flight deck, down the catwalk to the ready room. The wind blew his few uneven wisps of hair that fringed his bald head over his grey eyes and with the sun on his neck it felt good. He paused and squinted momentarily at the peaceful horizon before he ducked down into an interior of ventilation motors and incandescent lights.

IN THE READY ROOM he walked over to the intelligence briefing officer and slouched into a brown leather upholstered chair in front of the desk. The bright light overhead accentuated the round shiny spot on his head and the two leather creases that ran down under his cheekbones made him look tired.

"Rail cuttings", he reported.

There was a flicker in the intelligence officer's eye and two pilots, whose arms were extended like wings to illustrate how they would pursue imaginary MIG's, paused in "mid-air" to listen. Bombing railroad tracks was old stuff.

"Where?" the intelligence briefing officer asked.

Martin knew what was in their minds and he knew they knew the answer. It was the trunk line along the coast between Hangwan and Chingsan. Cutting the railroad in this flat uninhabited stretch was just as effective for stopping the supplies as cutting them closer in. And a lot

safer. Martin saw no point in risking his life needlessly. He told the intelligence officer where. One of the pilots made a sucking noise with his gums. Martin stiffened to get up, but stopped.

"What about the bridge?" the intelligence officer asked.

The bridge over the Whang-gu where all the supplies were crossing the gorge into that salient deep into the ROK right flank. It was a hot spot. Eighth Army had been screaming for days to destroy it. It had highest priority of all targets on the east coast. If the Commies broke through, it would completely disrupt the peace negotiations at Panmunjom. Martin looked at the intelligence officer and realized that he knew the answer to that too. Other pilots had landed before him and had been de-briefed already.

"Socked in", he replied wearily. "There was a solid overcast over the entire area. Not even a mountain peak showed". He got up out of his slouch and crossed to the bulletin board to read the flight schedule for the next day. Suddenly, everybody in the ready room stopped talking. Then Martin noticed the safety slogan. Someone had crossed out the last line and substituted a new one:

*"There are old pilots and there are
bold pilots.
And we have one old, bald pilot!"*

Martin felt the blood pump through his neck to the round bald spot on his head and he wanted to turn and explain that they were wrong, that he was not old, that he could fly as well as ever, that he was just careful. Instead, he just stood there feeling the pitiless look of each pilot on his back. Martin remembered the flight schedule and ran his finger down the list. He was not even listed to fly the next day! The bleak significance of this omission when every flight would be used to destroy the critical bridge over the Whang-gu sank into his mind. They not only thought he was old, they thought he was afraid.

As he turned and walked past the pilots sprawled in the soft leather ready chairs, someone said, "I hear that they are going to lengthen the flight deck to 6000 feet, same as the airlines use." Another pilot said, "Yeah? I heard that they were going to build it six feet higher so you wouldn't have so far to drop when you get the cut." Martin hurried down the ladder with their laughter in his ears.

Eighteen years of flying, fourteen with the airlines. He didn't have to come back in the Navy. He had done his bit in the Pacific in *Yorktown*, *Princeton* and *Wasp* fighting the Japs. They all seem to forget that. He could have stayed with Midwestern Airlines, flying the same routes, being careful, precise and having a home with Diane and the two boys. But he came back into the Navy. Because of Diane. And the two boys. But mainly because of himself.

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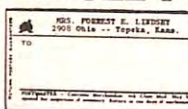
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what he saw when Diane came into his thoughts. Each vision was always different. He saw her now, standing in the doorway with the light from the hall doing all sorts of shimmering things to her long auburn hair. Her blue eyes were eager as she touched the new lieutenant commander stripes on his sleeve. Link Martin was always aware of Diane's eyes. She meant him to be. On this, his last day as a civilian, she had put on his favorite dress, a striped spring outfit which brought out the soft roundness of the woman. Her full lips smiled, "I know why you're going, dear, and I'm proud. Just remember—I love you and *do* be careful."

Careful, that was it. Or afraid? Ever since the time he turned back to Chicago when he ran into that turbulent cold front over Burlington, the question had nagged him. Martin had turned back, even after getting the pilot report on the radio that both TWA and a United plane had no trouble in getting through. It looked bad to him, so he played safe. No one ever questioned him on it. No one would—if he was just being careful.

That was why he joined up again. He had to find out. Was he just getting old and careful or was he losing confidence and becoming afraid? In the Navy he could find out without a precious load of passengers on his conscience. He didn't intend to do anything rash; he just wanted to know.

MARTIN turned his thoughts to the group of pilots in the ready room; to Don Hale, to Joe Sweeney, the landing signal officer. They were a tribe that he was once a member of back in World War II. Realists, carefree young officers hard to control but easy to lead; with the sober understanding of the job to be done but with a sense of enthusiasm and apprehension in the doing. They all knew the meaning of fear, but they bore it as a challenge and a game. They revelled in their youth, their thoughtless confidence and were impatient with all who were not of the chosen breed. To them all naval officers were irreverently classed into three types: "Young studs, old fuds and lieutenant commanders". There were the "young studs" and Martin bore no grudge. For he was a lieutenant commander.

Commander Don Hale called to him as he passed down the corridor. The group commander was a few years younger than Martin, a career Navy man and a good one. Martin stepped into his cabin and stood negligently at the doorway.

"Sit down, Martin".

Martin sat on the edge of the bunk and waited. Don Hale picked up his pencil and pointed to the chart on his desk.

"The old man has put out the word. We've got to get that bridge tomorrow. He says that the whole ROK front will break unless we do. Now, we have a dawn strike coming up and I want the boys to get plenty of rest. I need an experienced pilot like you to work out the attack plan. The

weather guesser says there'll be more clouds in the valley," he paused a moment. "I've been thinking. Maybe some of us can get in on the deck and follow the gorge up. That's the only way I can see". Don Hale avoided Martin's eyes and stared at a pencil he kept turning between his fingers. Martin wasn't fooled, there was a regular operations officer to work out the flight plan. Don Hale was just trying to let him down easy. Martin played along.

"Flattery won't get you anywhere, Commander, but I'll do it," he said smilingly. "What time do you take off?"

Don Hale tossed the pencil on the desk and stood up. It was plain to see he was relieved that Martin didn't make an issue of being grounded.

"We launch at zero five thirty. That should put us at the coast at daybreak. We'll have to have some light to get up that canyon".

"Then I'd better get going on that flight plan right away," Martin said.

In the operations room, Martin broke out the charts and photographs of the area. The Whang-gu emptied into the sea through a low and wide plain that ran along the coast for about eighty miles. About fifteen miles inland the plain gradually narrowed into a valley between two ranges of hills. About eight miles further on the Whang-gu valley bent sharply to the southwest, tapering off into a winding gorge with rocky peaks on both sides, some topping six thousand feet. Later, the valley opened up again into a wide plain extending to the westward. The bridge was just at the point where the gorge began to widen again.

Martin shook his head. It was suicide to fly up that gorge from the east. Even if the ceiling was high enough for the planes to get under, they still had some thirty miles to fly—and get shot at. If the ceiling wasn't high enough, they would be boxed in—down a dead-end flight.

But Martin had his orders. The bridge had to be destroyed if at all possible. He pulled his chair up to the desk. Maybe he could figure out something. He packed tobacco firmly in his pipe, took deep drags sucking the flame down into the bowl until the match finally went out. He sat there a long time letting the smoke escape out of the side of his mouth, just looking at the chart. Finally, he sighed and got to work.

The next morning at four forty-five a.m., the last pilots straggled into the ready room. Commander Hale, looking like a man from outer space in his immersion suit, life jacket studded with toggles, die markers and a whistle and carrying his crash helmet under his arm, called for order. The weather prophet pointed to a chart and spelled out the weather at the target. Solid overcast over the valley with cloud-base at 3500 feet, tops at 7000. Link Martin's turn came up and he explained the strike plan.

"The idea is for the six planes to get under the clouds at the coastline and fol-

low the Whang-gu up to the target. The highest point along the gorge is about 2500 feet, so you should have a thousand-foot clearance before you get to the bridge. The bridge is at an elevation of 1860 feet, which is well below the base of the clouds. After the attack, climb out in any direction between Southwest and West and get on top. It's all clear country west of the bridge, at least for ten miles on either side".

The teletype hammered out the navigational data, the course and speed of Point "Oboe", the imaginary moving point where the carrier would return to whenever the planes came back. The six pilots had just time to scribble the dope on the Mark III plotting board when the bull horn sounded.

"Pilots, man your planes!"

Link Martin stood on the signal bridge and watched the Panther jets catapult into the air over the bow of the *Chesapeake*. It was still the "greatest show on earth" and always, it gave him a thrill. But this time he was glad he wasn't flying. It was a reckless mission, with odds over twenty to one against hitting the target. To Martin there was only one sensible approach and that was from the west. Only the clouds prevented that. He closed his eyes and wished them luck.

AT SEVEN THIRTY, another strike was launched against other targets along the coast, interdiction targets, rail cutting, marshalling yards, trucks, tunnels. But on the *Chesapeake*, from the captain to the lookout, everyone waited for word from the six Panthers attacking the Whang-gu bridge. At seven fifty-eight CIC picked the returning planes up on radar and the captain ordered the *Chesapeake* into the wind. Four landed safely.

Don Hale climbed to the bridge and reported to the captain.

"It's no use, Captain. The gorge is closed in tight as a drum. We lost Remington from ack ack. Salzman must have hit a peak trying to turn back. I pulled up straight ahead and trusted to luck. When I broke out at 5000 there were mountain peaks all around me. I almost spun in, too".

Link Martin felt a prickling on the back of his neck as he heard that last. He pushed past the officer of the deck and grabbed the group commander's arm.

"Say that again!" he demanded.

Don Hale looked at Martin in surprise. After what he had just gone through, he didn't feel like using kid gloves.

"Say what again?" he snapped. "It was socked in!"

Link Martin's voice pitched higher. This was no time to beat around the bush. "What did you say about the tops?" he demanded again.

"Damn it, Martin. It was five thousand feet".

Martin swung around to the captain. "Captain, I think I can hit that bridge. From the west".

Don Hale started to interrupt, but the

captain held up his hand. Martin briefly outlined his plan.

"The weatherman said the ceiling would be 7000. That would mean the peaks would be obscured. Now Hale, here, says when he broke out he could see the peaks around him. Mount Kagan is 6200 feet and only seven miles from the bridge. You see, Captain, this calls for an airline pilot". Martin looked over at Hale and added, "An 'old' hand—and a careful one".

The captain regarded the two officers a few moments then walked out to the wing of the bridge and looked out towards the west. Suddenly, he turned and hammered his right fist in the palm of his left hand.

"Okay, do it!" he decided. "And God be with you".

Martin changed into his flight gear and reported to the ready room. As he checked over his charts for the last time, Don Hale came over and hesitantly raised his hand as if to place it on Martin's shoulder. After an awkward moment, he changed his mind and ran his hand through his hair before quickly retrieving it into the pocket of his trousers.

Martin looked up and smiled. "Don't worry, Don, I'll make it." Don Hale abruptly pulled his hand out of his pocket and grabbed Martin's own impulsively.

"I'm sorry, Link. I really am," Don Hale apologized. "Please, be—" he stopped before he said the word. He grinned sheepishly, then got serious.

"You know the gas situation, Link. It's going to be a tight squeeze to make it back".

At that moment, the boatswain mate called over the loud-speaker, "Pilots, man your planes". The boatswain mate had made a slight mistake. This time there was only one pilot and one plane. Martin grabbed his charts, the plotting board and his helmet, stumbled up the ladder and climbed into his Panther fighter.

"Start engines!" the bull horn sounded.

The Panther half whined and half roared as it warmed up. On the signal of the spotter, Martin gave the jet a burst of power and taxied over to the port catapult. The *Chesapeake* turned into the wind and picked up speed. The flight deck crew, some in red shirts and helmets, others in yellow and green, braced themselves at a sharp angle against the strong blow sweeping across the flight deck. The launching officer gave the signal to idle the engine as the crew hooked the plane to the catapult. Martin made a last minute check of the instruments, took a cinch in his shoulder harness and looked out. The launching officer raised his right arm skyward. Martin bent the throttles forward, the jet roared. He gave thumbs up as he leaned back to brace himself. Suddenly, the launching officer swung his arm down, squatted to the deck and pointed to the bow of the carrier.

Whamb!

Martin's head jerked back as the plane was whipped over the end of the flight deck. He put back pressure on the stick

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and the plane dropped ever so little before it began to climb clear and away into the sky.

During those last tense moments taking off from the *Chesapeake*, there was no room for being afraid, there was no room for Diane, there was no room for anything except the business of taking off and of making no mistakes. Flying across the clouds to the coast he could think of these things. Afraid? Yes. He could always turn back and say he couldn't make it. Diane? She was shaking her head and saying, "Go on, darling and find out. But *do be careful*". Careful? Martin was going to fly as if his life depended on it. He smiled at the idea. His life did depend on it!

His Panther jet streaked toward the mountain peaks looming up in the distance. Martin checked through his plan of attack once more. Check wind drift. Slow down. Cross Mount Kagan on a course of 248 degrees. That should head him down the western valley just a little to the right of the center. He checked the instruments in the cockpit and headed for a rocky point on the coast to get his wind drift. He changed the heading three degrees to the right to compensate for the wind. A heading of 251 degrees should hold the course. He slowed down to 150 knots. He'd have to go slower yet, but he would use landing flaps for that when he started his descent. Suppose he picked the wrong mountain? He shuddered.

AS the plane came up on Mount Kagan, Martin lowered his flaps and took up his compass heading. He checked the second hand on the clock and as the jet passed over the topmost ridge he said, "Mark" aloud and noted the time and altitude. 6400 feet. At the same instant he pulled back a notch on the throttle and the plane started down. He felt relaxed. This, he knew about, the standard airline instrument let down, 500 feet per minute. The plane entered the clouds at 5200 feet, two minutes and ten seconds. He kept the wings steady and corrected the heading, which had drifted off a degree. Still going down.

4500 feet.
4300.
42. Four minutes and twenty seconds. Ten seconds slow.

Martin nosed over slightly, then when the altimeter read 4000 feet he levelled off and turned left forty-five degrees. One minute on his course then he reversed heading to the right. The standard procedure turn. If he had been going any faster, he would have smacked into the hills.

He counted the seconds to another minute then turned to his final course to the target. The plane descended again. 3500 feet.

3500 feet. That's where the weather-man said he'd break out of the clouds. Still no sign of land. If he didn't see the ground by 2500 feet, he would have to pull up and go back to the ship. The

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On May 1st, The Elks Magazine moved its offices to 386 Fourth Avenue, New York 16, N. Y., after having been located for thirty-five years at 50 East 42nd Street. The move was made in order to obtain larger space and also to better the coordination of the various departments by placing them on one floor. We would appreciate it very much if readers will take note of this change of location and address all communications to 386 Fourth Avenue.

valley was about 1900 feet above sea level. Even in the airlines, with a radio range for guidance, he always insisted on at least five hundred feet of clear visibility between the ground and the base of the clouds. Without the range, Martin allowed himself an extra hundred to play it safe.

Suddenly, at 2850 feet he broke out. He took a quick look out and saw the Whang-gu river just under his left wing. He nosed the plane down quickly and saw the bridge about three miles a little to the left of his nose. He jammed the throttles forward, threw up the flap and the Panther roared as it leaped ahead.

Martin made a quick check of the arming switches. Nose fuse, off. Tail fuse, on. The 1000-pound bomb tail fuse was set for a five second delay to allow him time to get clear—if he could.

He aimed the fighter at the base of the abutment on the left bank of the river. The water was low and the mud showed just under the surface. If he could place his bomb in the mud right at the foot of the pier, it would plunge to the bottom of the foundation and do the most damage.

HE glanced at his speed. 200 knots. It was picking up fast. He eased the throttle slightly. He didn't want to misjudge the distance. Martin touched his moustache with his tongue and fingered the firing key as the Panther darted in on its run. He was dimly aware that the Commies were firing at him, tracer bullets passed in front of his eyes. Abruptly, he knew it was time.

Now!

He pressed the button and the plane ballooned as the heavy bomb dropped clear. Martin bent the throttle forward, banked the plane in a steep right turn. He didn't know whether he would clear the hills or not but he did know that his aim was true—even before the bomb went off.

WHOOM!

The shattering explosion buffeted the plane and the control stick jerked wildly in Martin's hand. He fought for control, steepened the turn and started to climb

to the safety of the clouds. Just before he entered the overcast he took one last look over his shoulder. The bridge was a mass of twisted girders lying in the bottom of the gorge.

As the Panther streaked east over the mountains to the sea, Link Martin felt a strange elation surge through him. He knew! He might be old, but he was not afraid. He was just careful. He could see Diane standing at the dock in San Francisco waiting for him. As soon as the boys stopped jabbering to their Dad long enough for their mother to speak, she smiled and said, "I knew it, darling. I knew it all the time". He felt like singing!

Then suddenly he noticed the gas gauge. About twenty minutes of fuel. He reached for his plotting board and checked Point "Oboe". He could just about make it if he made a straight-in approach. There wasn't enough to circle the ship in a normal carrier approach. Martin reached for the mike.

"Tampa, this is Charlie Sugar. over".

The answer came back loud and clear and filled his helmet. "Hello, Charlie Sugar. This is Tampa—Martin, this is the Captain speaking—Good going, old boy! We already got the word. For once, a message arrived on time. As soon as the patrol saw the bridge go, they radioed back. I bet General Clark in Tokyo knows it by now. Wouldn't be a bit surprised if they don't know it in Washington, too. Damn good, Martin. Damn good".

FOR once Martin began to show impatience. "Look, Captain—," he began, then stopped. This was no time to throw voice discipline overboard. He started again.

"Tampa, this is Charlie Sugar." he said in measured tones. "I'm running low on gas but think I have just enough to make a straight-in approach. Estimate my position forty miles west of Point 'Oboe'. Do you have me on radar? Over".

There was a few seconds pause before the *Chesapeake* answered.

"Charlie Sugar, this is Tampa. We have you, forty-three miles bearing 283 degrees. Ship is at flight quarters. Am turning into wind and standing by. Steer course, one zero three. Wind from zero nine five. Thirty-five knots across the deck. Over".

"Tampa, this is Charlie Sugar, Roger and out". Martin acknowledged. He pushed the jet over in a steep descent. He would just get down to the water in time to slow down and get set for the landing. Suppose he got a wave-off? He just couldn't.

"Flaps down, gear down, tail hook down", he said to himself. He reached for his check-off list to see if he forgot anything. "Guns, on safe. Hydraulic pressure, up. Fuel!"

Martin picked up the *Chesapeake* ahead steaming away from him into the wind. He saw Joe Sweeney, the landing signal

officer, standing on his platform on the port side of the stern waiting to coach him in. As the plane got closer, Sweeney raised his paddles above his head to indicate that he was too high. Martin cut some throttle and the plane dropped lower. The landing signal officer held his hands straight out to indicate that the altitude was right. Martin held it there. Joe Sweeney lowered his paddles down to form an inverted U. The Panther was too low. Martin speeded up and got back into the groove.

There seemed to be nothing to it. The jet roared over the stern of the *Chesapeake* and Martin pulled back the throttle as Sweeney gave him the "cut". The tail hook of the Panther grabbed the wire of the arresting gear and the plane pulled abruptly to a stop right in the center of the flight deck. People ran out from all sides to greet him.

In the last split second as Sweeney gave the cut, Link Martin realized there was something more than just being careful. He suddenly found out that flying was not a one-man job. Others had a hand in it. Joe Sweeney, who guided him in; the captain who arranged to have the ship in the right spot at the right time; the radioman who tuned in his frequencies; the mechanic; the ordnance man; even the messboy who had a plate of sandwiches waiting. Martin knew now why he had had so many wave-offs! He had tried to do it alone, by just being careful. Today, he put his faith in Joe Sweeney and Joe brought him down.

Then he remembered that time in the airlines when he ran into bad weather and turned back to Chicago. He had relied only on his own judgment. He did not believe the pilot reports of the TWA and the United planes. He had thought he was losing confidence. He was. Confidence in others.

Don Hale and a gang of his boys practically carried him to the ready room to get de-briefed. The intelligence officer was all grins as Link Martin made his report. Finally, he slumped back with a wonderful feeling that all was right again and he looked around at his friends. Joe Sweeney pointed to the bulletin board and suddenly everyone was quiet. Just like the last time.

Martin saw that the flying safety slogan had been changed again. A new word was added. It no longer pointed the finger of contempt. It was full of pride, squadron pride, group pride, ship pride. He read the words that made everything all right:

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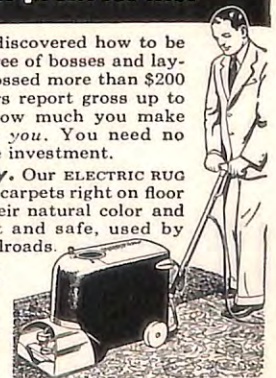
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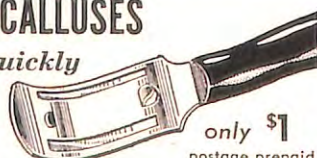
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In the Doghouse

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Unheated quarters help to develop a heavier undercoat on the dog and this gives added protection and makes for a better outercoat. The skin of the dog that has a good undercoat is less likely to get wet to the point of discomfort and possible danger to the dog if it isn't thoroughly dried after exposure to moisture. Now most dogs will naturally grow heavier coats in winter, but there's far less chance of this if the dog is permitted to rest close to a source of heat. Explain to your dog that I'm not suggesting that if you have kept him indoors for a winter or a part of a winter that you, immediately after reading this, exile him to your back yard if you have one, or to an unheated cellar or any cellar, unheated or not. Either would be tough and unfair to the dog. I merely advise if you want your dog to have a better coat and must keep him outdoors, don't suddenly banish him to the outdoors in the middle of a cold spell after he has enjoyed the life of an indoor purp. Introduce him to his outside house before the weather gets cold. But once you decide that he is going to be an outdoorsman, don't break the routine by allowing him to sleep indoors one night and outdoors the next. The changes will be harmful to him.

If he is to be an indoor purp keep him away from heat sources as mentioned and see to it that his sleeping place is free from drafts. For the indoor fellow a sleeping box is best, one large enough for him to comfortably stretch in and with three sides elevated about six inches above the bedding. The three-sided box

helps ward off drafts and keeps the bedding confined to the box. The fourth or open side should be turned away from draft. While most manufactured dog beds are of the three-sided type I see no real reason for this unless the dog is crippled or is otherwise unable to make the small jump that getting into a four-sided box necessitates.

The best of all bedding is a thick layer of newspapers; but, as they are likely to prove unsightly in some rooms, the next best is a piece of carpet. Most of the dog beds of cushion type are difficult to keep clean, and this in part explains why many dog owners who regularly de-flea their dogs wonder why Fido quickly takes on a new cargo of such unwanted boarders. Unless the dog's bed and bedding is de-fleaed he'll continue to be reinfested. Newspaper bedding can be easily and quickly destroyed and the carpet can be taken out and cleaned more thoroughly than would be possible were the bed a cushion. I should have added earlier that another count against heat as affecting a dog's coat is that in addition to making it dry and "harsh" the heat also induces shedding to the point of discomfort to the dog and frequently to the dog's owner. Whether the purp is an insider or an outside dog, he'll not need the tubbing that he should have when the warm days arrive.

For dogs other than the small, thin-coated toy dogs, sweaters and coats are not at all necessary. The only exceptions I'd suggest is for young puppies, sick or convalescing dogs or possibly a rain coat for the dog that's exercised during rainy weather and the latter more to keep the dog's coat from getting too wet and to lessen the owner's bothersome task of drying the dog.

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"FREEDOM'S FACTS" — A Red Fear



The All-American Conference to Combat Communism, membership in which consists of fifty national organizations, including the BPOE, as part of its program publishes a monthly bulletin

under the title "Freedom's Facts". The bulletin is devoted to explaining and exposing various facets of communism as it affects the American public. The excerpt that we publish this month from "Freedom's Facts" was selected because of its reminder of the atheistic thinking of the Reds as it has undeviatingly continued from Karl Marx to the present-day leaders.

The most surprising development in Communist activities in the field of religion came recently with the announcement that the atheistic Soviet Union was exporting Bibles in the Russian language to the United States.

Less than three years ago a visitor from one of the Scandinavian countries had sought in vain to find a Bible of any sort in the Soviet Union. Yet today the Moscow Patriarchy of the Russian Orthodox Church has printed 25,000 Bibles and expects to print an additional 75,000 in the near future. While this printing pales beside the 15,391,171 Bibles the American Bible Society distributed in the single year of 1954, nonetheless it represents an apparent change in the Communist approach to religion.

TIPPED THEIR HAND IN 1920

The purpose of this change is tipped off by a tactical rule set forth by Joseph Stalin in 1920—a time when present-day Reds say he was still acting in the best interests of the Party. In "Soviet Policy On the National Question" Stalin declared: "If, for instance, the Daghestanian masses, who are profoundly imbued with religious prejudices, follow the Communists 'on the basis of the Shariat' (the Mohammedan code), it is obvious that the direct method of combating religious prejudices in this country must be replaced by indirect and more cautious methods."

It is by such "indirect and more cautious methods" that Reds today are attacking religious faith inside the Communist Empire and, at the same time, are trying

to use religious contacts to win free-world support for Communist causes.

It is almost as if the atheistic Reds are trying to convince the free world that since Bibles now are being printed in the Soviet Union, the free world can discontinue distribution of Bibles, testaments and gospels inside the Communist Empire.

One of the first decrees which Party Boss Nikita Khrushchev signed on his own authority (November 10, 1954) warned Communist anti-religious agitators that "insulting attacks against believers and the clergy can only lead to strengthening and even intensifying religious prejudices among the people". Virtually admitting that religious beliefs were too strong to attack directly, he urged Red agitators to use an indirect attack. Radio Moscow explained the new line shortly afterward when it urged "Party, Soviet, trade union and Komsomol organizations . . . to use all their resources and abilities to raise the consciousness of the workers and to liquidate religious beliefs".

Since then the Reds have extended their religious activities into a positive program to make a favorable impression on religious groups throughout the world.

NEED FOR ACTION

Nonetheless, the Communist concern for religion points up one very hopeful fact. The Reds admit that religious belief is too strong in the Communist Empire at this time to be attacked directly. At the same time, the current indirect approach in attacking religion holds several pitfalls. Instead of reducing religious appeals to enslaved peoples of the Communist Empire, these appeals should be increased. Instead of working through a captive clergy, which the Reds can control, religious appeals should be made directly by Western priests and clergymen to the peoples under Communist tyranny. Instead of permitting themselves to be used as propaganda tools by the Reds, churches should use every opportunity to encourage people in Communist lands to study the Bible and to judge their governments by God's code of good and evil.

It is well to remember that religion has a freeing affect on men's souls. When the ideas of Christianity reached the enslaved peoples of the old Roman Empire, the effect was to free them from fear of man-made tyranny. Once their fear was overcome, the tyranny crumbled. It is this eventuality which Red tyrants fear today.

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ELKS WORKSHOP



How to make the doors in your house behave.

BY HARRY WALTON

UNTIL it goes wrong, a door seems a simple mechanism. But when it drags, binds or hangs open it can be baffling, and clues to the trouble can be as misleading as those in a whodunit. With a little detective work, however, you can spot the difficulty and usually remedy it. Figure 1 shows the names of various door parts.

IF A DOOR DRAGS on the bottom, first try tightening all the screws in both leaves of the upper hinge. Should they be loose, the door may sag enough to touch at the bottom corner. If the screws are tight, open the door wide and put a piece of wood, a thin book or other blocking under this corner to hold it up. Then unscrew the top hinge to see whether a shim (such as a piece of cardboard) has been placed under the leaf. If so, remove the shim and screw the hinge back without it.

Should this also fail to stop the dragging, or should it introduce new difficulties, put the shim back. A piece of cardboard placed behind the *lower* hinge may stop the dragging. If it does not, find the rub points as described below, and sand or plane the high spots off the bottom.

SHOULD HINGE SCREWS FAIL to tighten when you turn them, take them out and tamp steel wool into the holes, or put in composition wood, fiber screw anchors, or glue-coated wooden plugs. With

composition wood, leave the door blocked up until this material hardens.

Be wary of using larger screws than the original ones. The screw heads may not sink flush in the hinge leaves, and by protruding may hinge-find the door.

WHEN DOORS DON'T LATCH make sure that the latch springs out of the lock as it should. It may be gummed up with paint or dirt. If the spring inside is broken, remove the lock for repair.

Perhaps the latch doesn't line up with the hole in the latch plate (figure 2). This may be shown by rub marks on the

strike (the projecting tongue) or can be checked by eye as you slowly close the door. If the misalignment is small, you can try filing the plate in position.

Usually it is better to remove the two screws, take off the plate, and file the hole in it larger where it will do the most good. Should you want the bolt to work too, you will have to file the second hole as well. When you replace the plate, it may be necessary to chisel away some of the wood behind the holes to let the latch enter.

Settling of a house or shrinking of a door may leave such a wide gap at the lock side that the latch does not enter the plate. Thick cardboard shims behind both hinges may move the door toward the jamb enough to remedy such a case. Cut cardboard the size of each hinge leaf, put it in place, and punch screw holes through.

This method doesn't show but of course it widens the gap at the hinge side. You

A simple repair for doors that have shrunk away from the lock jamb is a thick shim of plywood or hardwood set under the latch plate. An opening must be cut in it under the latch holes. Hammer back the projecting strike or tongue of the latch plate slightly to let latch engage easily and avoid catching clothing.

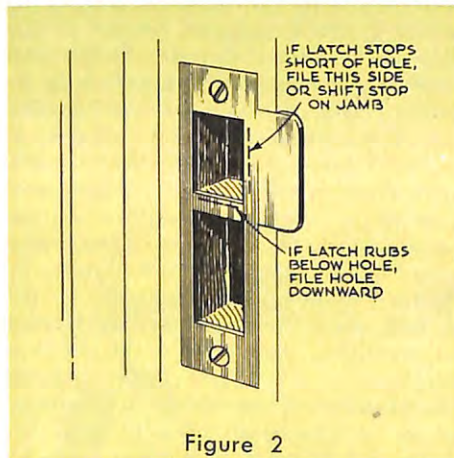
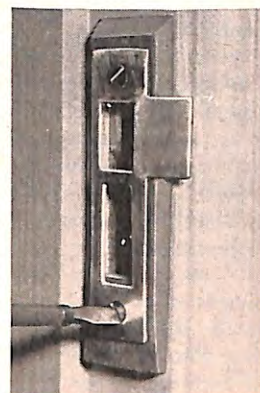


Figure 2

may prefer to nail a thin strip of wood to the lock jamb instead, and mount the latch plate anew on this strip. Carefully fitted and painted, it will scarcely show.

The photograph above shows an even simpler repair—a thick shim under just the latch plate. This may do where appearance is not of first importance.

A door that has warped out of flat may hit the stop on the lock jamb before the latch clicks into place. You can reset the stop as described farther on.

DOORS THAT BIND may be the victims of humid weather, or settling of the house may have distorted the door frame. First find out exactly where the door rubs. Rub marks and paint streaks can be misleading because they may date from earlier periods. You can be more certain by sliding paper or a thin card between the closed door and the jamb.

Loose hinge screws, or a shim behind a hinge, may be the hidden villain that causes binding. Check these points, and make sure that a rub is not caused by a thick paint run, a tack, or the like.

You can plane the lock stile (vertical member) while the door is in place. Drive wedges under it to keep it from swinging.

It is much easier to dress the top or bottom of a door if you take it down. This takes about a minute, and you needn't remove the hinge screws. Hold a steel-handled screwdriver under the ball on each hinge pin and tap it upward.

Loosen the lower hinge pin but leave it

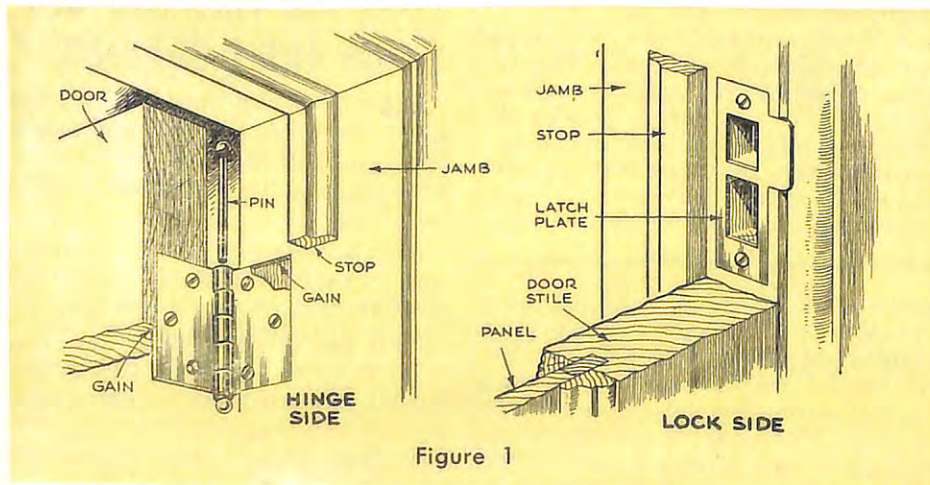


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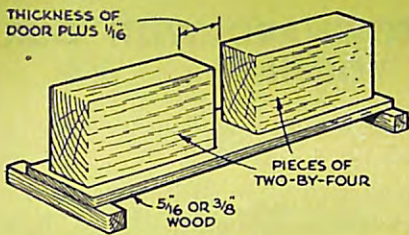


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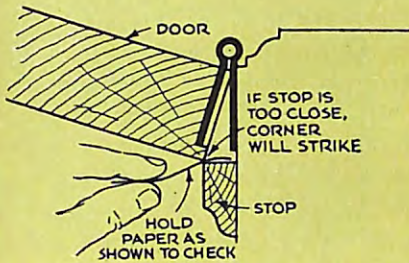


Figure 4

in part way while you drive out the upper one. Be alert to catch the full weight of the door as you unship it from the jamb; it's usually heavier than you expect.

A door jack, shown in figure 3, is better than a helper for holding the door while you plane it. You can make it in a jiffy.

Plane cautiously to avoid unsightly hollows, and rehang the door for a trial fitting. Grasp it with one hand on each edge and lift it to mesh the leaves of the lower hinge first. Start the pin in this one; then engage the top hinge and push its pin into place. If binding persists, recheck with paper strips as before. Once the door works freely, touch up the planed edge with *thin* paint or varnish to match the woodwork.

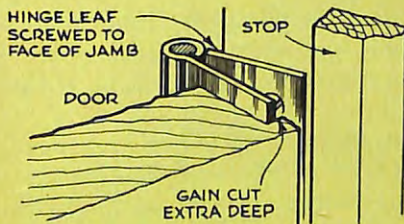


Figure 5

IF DOORS WON'T CLOSE freely but the paper check shows they are not striking the jamb anywhere, they may be hingebound. This is usually evidenced by a springy feeling as you close the door. Watch the hinge as you do so; if it strains away from the jamb slightly, this is a sign of hinge binding.

Before touching the hinge itself, see whether the stop on that side is set too close. If you cannot see clearance, check with a paper strip as shown in figure 4. If the strip is tightly held when the door is almost shut, the stop is too close.

It may be possible to drive the stop over a trifle. Hold a block against it and hit the block with a hammer or mallet.

If the stop will not shift, raise it by driving a chisel (flat side toward the jamb) under it. Pry it up just enough to draw the nails a little way. Then drive the stop over with a block and tap it back into place. Check for clearance again. If the door is free, drive an extra nail or two into the stop, slanted away from the door.

WHEN HINGES BIND see first that you plane it. You can make it in a jiffy the screws are tightly driven and sunk flush, next whether the hinge leaves are properly recessed and parallel to the face of the jamb. (In some cases the leaf may not be set into the jamb at all, the other leaf being set into a gain deep enough to accommodate both leaves, as in figure 5.)

Should either hinge leaf lie aslant of the jamb surface (or the door edge) as shown in figure 6, it will close while the door is still part way open. Forcing the door shut will strain the hinge.

A hinge leaf may be cocked this way because the gain was cut deeper at the outside, or because there are wood splin-

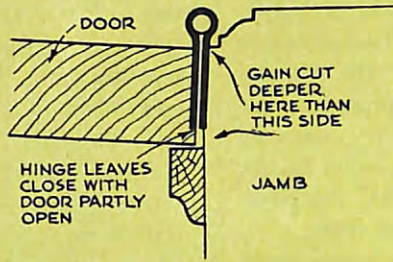


Figure 6

ters under the other side, or because a shim has been fitted under it in the wrong place (cardboard shims are sometimes used to compensate for slight errors in cutting gains). The remedy is to fit a narrow shim (one third to one half leaf width) under the pin side of the hinge leaf as shown in figure 7.

If this moves the door toward the lock jamb enough to result in binding, try a thinner shim or true up the gain by careful use of a wide chisel. Both hinges, however, should be recessed to about the same depth. If they are not plumb, a door may tend to swing open or shut.

It is also possible for a hinge leaf to be

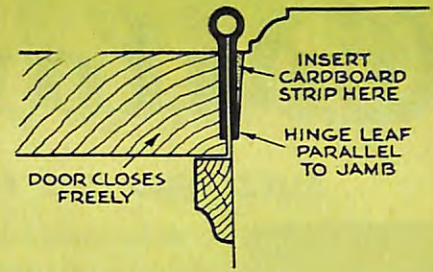


Figure 7

recessed too deeply. In this case the door edge will hit the jamb and produce the effect of hinge binding. The answer is to fit one or more full-size cardboard shims under the leaf, so raising the leaf.

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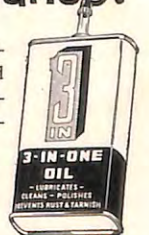
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Editorial

SUEZ AND THE FUTURE



At the present time it seems apparent that no arrangement can be made with President Nasser that does not leave him a continuing upper hand.

Whatever the developments of the immediate future it seems highly improbable that after what has happened any feeling of confidence in Nasser's integrity can be restored or that there can be removed a justifiable doubt of his keeping any agreement entered into.

Whatever is done now, is it not wise to begin planning and preparing for the future so that independence of him and his Canal will be completely established before the expiration in 1966 of the treaty of 1888 which will be the arrival of the date on which Egypt will acquire a title to the Canal of the legality of which there can be no doubt.

It is true that the 1888 treaty guarantees free access to the Canal for the ships of all nations even after the termination of the concession. However, it would appear to be established that the Egyptian dictator cannot be depended upon to meet an obligation and it would seem to be the part of wisdom for the Canal users to consider the possibilities of their divorcing themselves from that route.

There is no doubt about the nationalization being morally wrong and that Nasser is proceeding against and carrying a burden of adverse world opinion in this respect. Even his good friend Jawaharlal Nehru disapproves of his action although admitting that it is technically legal.

We are told that 1,200,000 barrels of oil pass through the Canal daily, while 800,000 barrels daily go to the Mediterranean ports through pipelines.

We have heard much about the possibility of routing the oil tankers around the Cape of Good Hope but we are reminded that such a trip from the Persian Gulf to the west of Europe takes 30 days and covers 11,000 miles while the trip by way of the Canal takes only 13 days and covers only 6,000 miles. We are told that even after the saving of \$7,600.00 in Suez tolls the longer haul would cost \$46,000.00 more than the shorter haul on a round-trip basis.

These figures, of course, are based on the present size of tankers. However, we are also told that by building and using super tankers (65,000 tons) shipments around the Cape can compete successfully with the smaller tankers using the Suez Canal. It has also been stated by an authority that with nuclear ships, which will be with us undoubtedly within the next few years, the Cape of Good Hope can compete with the Suez Canal even more successfully.

Then the suggestion has been made that new pipelines be built from the oil fields to Mediterranean ports.

As it is necessary for such pipelines to pass through Arabian territory the complications of such a step would include the possibility of our stepping out of the Egyptian frying pan into the Arabian fire.

The problem is truly a real one but when one's mind goes back to the success of the Berlin airlift one must feel that there is a solution also for the problem of Suez.

ELKS MOVE FORWARD WITH OUR YOUTH



The youth activities of the Elks have progressed tremendously since the Grand Lodge, in 1949, upon recommendation of Grand Exalted Ruler, George J. Hall, created a Youth Activities Committee and charged it with "the preparation and carrying out of programs on behalf of our youngsters." This progress is measured not only statistically, in the numbers of programs and activities undertaken, the number of boys and girls embraced in them and the amount of money that goes into them. More importantly, our youth programs have acquired a significance of purpose and a direction that are making solid contributions to the future welfare of our nation by inculcating our youth with zealous faith in America and its institutions.

In its first annual report, the Youth Committee said that 863 Lodges were engaged in youth work of some kind. In its report for 1956, the Committee proudly pointed to the fact that 1,711 of our 1,757 Lodges, as of that date, were co-operating in the Order's youth programs. These programs reached more than a million and a half youngsters at a cost to Elks of more than \$3,000,000.

It would be difficult to find a better place for the money.

From the outset, the Youth Committee and the Grand Exalted Rulers under whom they have served have focused clearly on a single goal. That was, and is, to stimulate our Lodges to undertake youth activities of such a nature as to inculcate in the minds and hearts of America's youth a clear understanding of and appreciation for the moral, spiritual and political values that are the foundation of our society. Two outstandingly successful projects were undertaken to achieve that goal. One is the annual Elks National Youth Leadership Contest and the other the annual Elks National Youth Day on May 1.

While we work to shape the character of our youth to high standards of morality and ethics, the Communists are working just as hard to convert our youth to the evil materialism of Karl Marx, Lenin and Stalin.

Scattered throughout the United States are summer camps operated by the Communist Party. Here, they lure children of unsuspecting parents, in addition to the children of the Communist faithful, and using all the devilish techniques developed by perverted minds, they teach these children to be faithful followers of the state, to which they must give their bodies and souls.

Fortunately, the Elks are aware of this situation. Grand Exalted Ruler Bohn has singled it out for action. He insists very properly that we must keep a proper perspective towards youth and their problems, and that we must sell ourselves and our principles to our youth. Chairman Hebenstreit of the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee has challenged our Order to act boldly.

We hope that every Elk and every Lodge will accept the challenge, and participate in the Elks National Youth Leadership Contest and in Elks National Youth Day. We hope that every Elk Lodge will broaden its youth program to give better guidance to more youngsters. Wherever an Elks Lodge stands, let it be the center of the struggle to kill the Communist virus in that community.

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