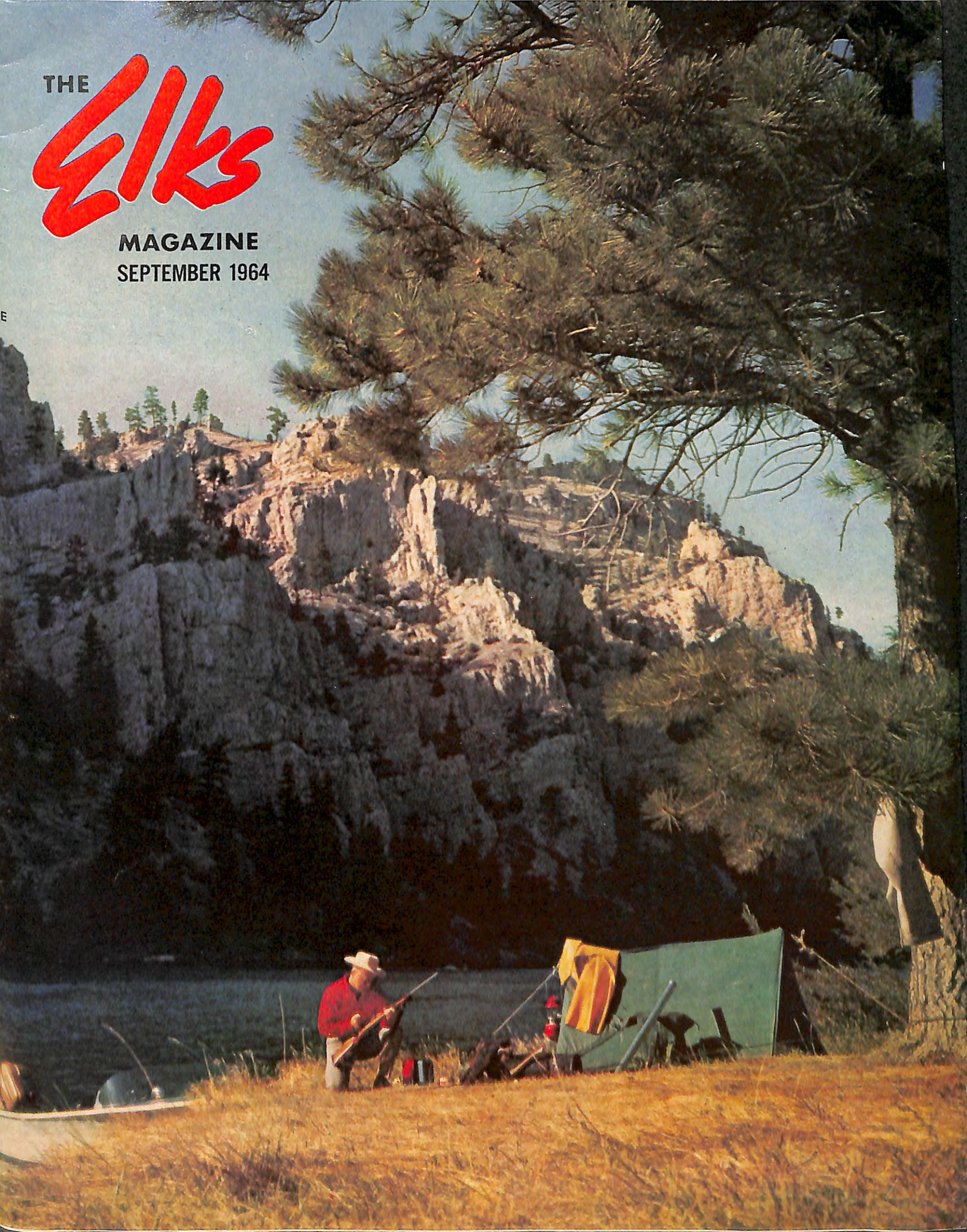


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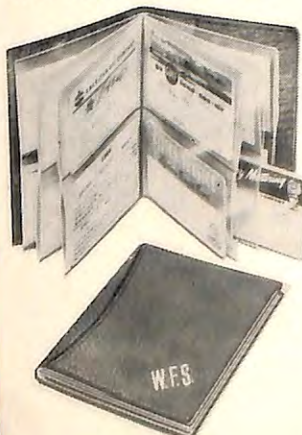


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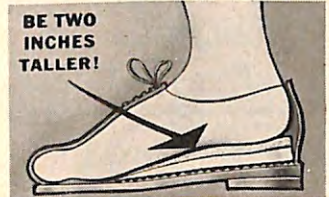
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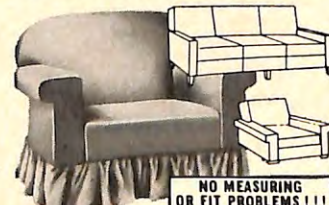


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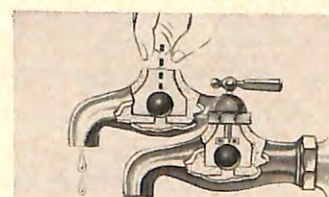
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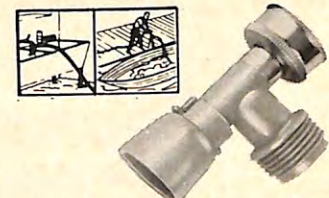
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By **ERWIN BAUER**

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But without all the planning and careful preparation, the trip could easily have been a failure—as too many hunting trips every year are. More than a month before he was scheduled to catch his plane from home, he began to get ready.

First Pete made a list of the gear, clothing, and equipment he would need. When this was assembled, he checked to see that all of it was ready and serviceable. Next he sighted in his rifles, firing them frequently on target ranges near home. And, having just passed his 48th birthday, he began a serious campaign to get in the best possible physical condition for the riding and mountain hunting ahead. When he finally did board his plane, he was as prepared for his big adventure as a middle-aged sportsman can be.

There's an important lesson in this anecdote for every American hunter. It makes no difference whether he plans a big-game trip far afield or he merely will hunt pheasants and rabbits in the lower forty near home. By applying a bit of forehand planning—by copying Pete Sanderson's formula—any sportsman can extend his hunting season and double his pleasure as well.

To tell the truth, *any* hunter can be

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sedentary and are not designed to keep a sportsman's lungs and legs in shape for hiking. But you still have 30 days or more to get them in shape.

Every year much newsprint is devoted to hunting accidents. But the cold fact is that far more "accidents" result from poor physical condition than from gunfire, and nearly all could be avoided—perhaps just by taking a short after-dinner walk every evening and by extending it gradually until opening day. And try to lose weight. That's good advice even if you don't go hunting; you won't be sorry about it, even if you have to call off a hunting trip at the last minute.

One friend of mine, whose job chains him to an administrative desk in a big city, uses the stairway instead of the elevator to his office, progressively, during September. By the time of his annual deer hunt in the North, he can climb the 19 floors twice daily, morning and noon, with ease. Of course, walking in a deer woods becomes pure pleasure after that.

There are other ways to get in shape without greatly altering a busy routine. Walk rather than ride from home to work, or at least walk part of the way. Borrow Junior's bike and do a few turns around the block every evening. Or borrow his YMCA card and go for regular swims. The widely publicized and published, in booklet form, Canadian Air Force exercises can increase anybody's capacity for work, and they require only eleven minutes of exercise each day. The idea isn't to make an athlete of every American businessman, but simply to improve his condition so that hunting is a happy experience rather than a chore. But bear in mind that your conditioning should be done with caution. Check with your doctor if in doubt.

One special word to hunters who plan pack or horseback trips. Make as many visits as possible to the local riding facilities for a few hours in the saddle. Just a little riding can prevent much soreness and discomfort later on.

Getting in condition includes getting the dog or dogs in condition, too. Running dogs regularly before opening day is good for both the pooch and his owner. It sharpens up senses and gives the owner a better chance to control the dog when finally finding game and retrieving it. The more practice and experience he gets, the better any dog will perform in the field.

I saw a sad incident take place last November. My neighbor's son was coming home from 18 months in Vietnam in time for the opening of our pheasant season. Both the neighbor and the boy had looked forward to the day and the reunion for a long time. But my neighbor had been too busy to take his pointer afield beforehand, and

the dog barely managed to stumble through the birdless day. Unfortunately, this type of disappointment is experienced too often.

It's extremely good advice to any dog owner to consider the animal's condition before prolonged hunting. It's dangerous to take overweight dogs afield. Check the pads, clip the nails.

I have an especially good tip for owners of hunting dogs, and it concerns the availability of high quality cover for dog training. Around the fringe of every city across the land are brushy or grown-up areas just inside corporation limits which are retired from farming and where no hunting or shooting is permitted. But this doesn't prohibit a sportsman from running his dog (with landowner permission, of course, and this is usually granted) in these marginal places. Nine times in ten they contain more game than more outlying areas; this is highly beneficial to the dog.

It may sound strange, but it's just about as important to get hunting gear in shape as it is to improve personal physical fitness. There's the matter of footwear, for example. Nothing is more excruciating than to take a long, difficult hike in brand new boots, but that's exactly what many sportsmen do every year. They buy a pair of hunting shoes but never bother to break them in before the hunt. It would be hard to estimate how many trips—and how many feet—this has ruined. But wearing hunting shoes for gardening or other house chores beforehand can spare you this.

Now, September is also the time to check waders, hip boots, other rubber footwear, and foul-weather clothing for holes and leaks. It's much too late for this once you're settled in a duck blind somewhere and a cold rain begins to fall. It's also very important to "condition" new duck or canvas outer garments (hunting pants, vests, and coats) by repeated washings before wearing them in the field. New duck garments are stiff, and it takes almost twice as much effort to walk the same distance in new pants as it does in pants softened by wear or washing.

In many cases, the success of a hunting trip depends largely on having proper equipment. That's especially true where it is necessary to operate from a hunting camp. It's hard to overemphasize the importance of being comfortable during non-hunting hours in camp. Sleeping furnishes a good example because a hunter is far more fit for a hard day in the field after a good night's sleep.

The adjustment from home sleeping to sleeping in camp has always been tough for many outdoorsmen. The air mattresses so long in use contribute very little to anybody's comfort or con-

venience. You might as well sleep on a pile of rocks, which you will do anyway if deflation occurs during the night. But that's all changed. Recently polyurethane foam camp mattresses have become available, which make sleeping as luxurious and warm as at home. And make no mistake about it, a good, sound night's sleep can be the difference between a highly successful hunt and a failure.

There have been wonderful new advances in many other kinds of outdoor gear. Sleeping bags are lighter in weight and less expensive for the warmth they give. For sleeping in the coldest latitudes, down-filled bags are still the best bet. But where temperatures are unlikely to be very severe, there are excellent buys among the bags filled with synthetic materials. It's good advice to have the best bag you can afford.

The newest cookstoves and lanterns are also vastly improved—in weight, compactness, versatility, and reliability. Some are fueled with butane or propane which comes in small cylinders or cartridges. I've used these on many expeditions during the past few years and have found them virtually trouble-free. There is even a miniature gas-operated refrigerator and freezer designed particularly for hunting camp use. It solves the problem of keeping fresh fruits, vegetables, and meats for longer periods. The ice cubes are also welcome for campfire cocktails.

Some veteran outdoorsmen may resist the idea because it detracts from the wilderness mood of a hunting camp, but it's now possible to have electric lights in the most remote location. The culprit is a tiny portable generator that weighs only 14 pounds and is no larger than a six-pack of beer. It also powers electric shavers, coffee makers, and whatever.

New advancements in food processing have made possible a more varied and nutritious menu in any camp. Typical are the freeze-dried foods which preserve everything from tender beefsteaks and porkchops to lobster and turkey breast without refrigeration.

A man can improve his skill and knowledge of almost anything by consulting the experts—in other words by reading about it. That includes becoming a better hunter and, probably, a better camper.

I have seen many hunting camps that simply were not adequate. Reading a good book or magazine on the subject would have corrected this. A most frequent mistake is that the hunters don't allow themselves enough room. Purchase of an extra tent might be the solution. The ideal setup is one in which there are separate tents—or quarters—for living and sleeping. In

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Are We Leaders or Losers?



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BEING the star salesman for the Higgins Industrial Products Company, it came as no surprise to me to learn that I had won the annual sales contest in the chemicals division. I must say, however, that winning an "all-expense-paid trip for two to the Bahama Islands aboard an authentic staysail schooner" held some ramifications which even I could not anticipate.

To begin with, the telegram announcing our prize stipulated, quite clearly, *all expenses paid*. This was not, in every sense of the word, entirely true. Not that my boss, Mr. Higgins, would deliberately skimp on his prizes—everything was really quite first-class. It's just that . . . Well, let me start at the beginning.

Needless to say, the telegram caused quite a stir at our house. Not on my

part, of course. Being a man, I have a degree of control over my emotions that is not evident in the opposite sex. My wife, however, became unhinged to the point of utter hysteria. Before I could calm her down, she let out a gleeful screech that sounded like a cross between a banshee wail and an African elephant's mating call. This, as I knew it would, brought the inevitable.

Within seconds there was an insistent knocking at our kitchen door. I opened the door and, as I had anticipated, I found myself face to face with the Widow Kincaid, our next-door neighbor. I should explain here that the elderly Mrs. Kincaid is quite convinced that I make a regular practice of beating Martha, my wife. "I heard a noise, Mr. Plumwell," she said. "Is everything all right?"

"Yes, Mrs. Kincaid," I said firmly. "Everything is quite all right."

"But the noise," she insisted, looking past me skeptically.

"Won't you come in," I said, nimbly sidestepping her elbow.

It was at this point that Martha made a rather spectacular dash directly towards our visitor. She threw her arms around the old lady, kissed her several times on the forehead, and violently danced her around the dinette set, twice.

It would be difficult to describe Mrs. Kincaid's reaction to all this except to say that she clasped her hands to her bosom and ran for the door, shaking her head and making funny clucking noises. Although she stamped all the way across the yard without ever looking back, we did notice her peering



"Outrageous," I countered. "I'll give you ten dollars." "Thirty," he said, still smiling.

The winner of a "free" vacation trip tells all (with tongue in cheek)

By WILLIAM J. LYNOTT

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from behind her kitchen curtains a little while later, still shaking her head. I couldn't tell whether or not she was still making the clucking noises.

That same evening, I learned of the wardrobe requirements for an ocean cruise to the Bahamas. Martha presented me with a list of the new clothes she would be needing for the trip. The list included, for example, Bermuda shorts, clam diggers (whatever they are), deck shoes, straw hat, stretch slacks, underwear, casual purses, a sailor blouse, swimsuits, sunsuits, and something called a shift.

I would like to emphasize here that I am not a tightwad. Being a businessman, however, I do have a grasp of economic principles that could hardly be expected of the average housewife. Diplomatically, but firmly, I explained

to Martha that such an expenditure for use on only a single occasion was not economically sound and was, therefore, out of the question.

When she finally stopped crying, we arrived at a compromise. The sailor blouse was eliminated from the list.

It seems that the requirements for husbands are somewhat less stringent than those for wives. Therefore, Martha's list for me was quite short: Bermuda shorts and two pairs of crew socks.

When the shopping was all finished, I sat down to add up the bills. We had spent exactly one hundred and ninety-seven dollars. A considerable sum, I reflected, considering the fact that we had yet to see our first sea gull.

Unfortunately, my first expenses were by no means to be my last. I had

failed to consider another requirement which Martha described as "miscellaneous supplies." This list included, but was not limited to: sunglasses, suntan lotion, seasick pills, ten rolls of color film (and, of course, a new camera to take best advantage of the film), beach towels, binoculars, insect repellent, and copies of *Moby Dick* and *Mutiny on the Bounty*.

This commendable foresight on Martha's part added another one hundred and four dollars to the cost of our free cruise. All of this might have served to put something of a damper on my enthusiasm had it not been for the colorful folders describing our trip, thoughtfully sent to us by Mr. Higgins. First, there would be the jet flight to Miami. Once in Miami we would
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The Past Grand Exalted Rulers on the platform Sunday night, in order of seniority, were: John F. Malley, James T. Hallinan, Dr. Edward J. McCormick, Wade H. Kepner, L. A. Lewis, George I. Hall (at podium), Emmett T. Anderson, Sam Stern, Earl E. James, William J. Jernick, John L. Walker, Fred L.

Bohn, H. L. Blackledge, Horace R. Wisely, William S. Hawkins, John E. Fenton, William A. Wall, and Lee A. Donaldson. Others were Grand Exalted Ruler Ronald J. Dunn, the Hon. James A. Farley, Grand Chaplain Dr. Kenna T. Trout, and glee clubs of Rock Hill, S. C., Lodge and Queens Borough, N. Y., Lodge.

CONVENTION IN NEW YORK

Highlights of the 100th Session of the Grand Lodge, B.P.O.E., held in New York City July 12-16, 1964



Robert G. Pruitt chats with his mentor and sponsor, Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland, in his hotel suite.

Opening Ceremony

ON SUNDAY EVENING, July 12, the 100th Convention of the Grand Lodge opened in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel with the procession of Grand Lodge officers and distinguished guests. The Pottstown, Pa., Lodge Drill Team served as Guard of Honor.

George I. Hall, Honorary Co-Chairman, introduced Grand Chaplain Dr. Kenna T. Trout for the Invocation, and then introduced his fellow Past Grand Exalted Rulers. All were present except James R. Nicholson, senior Past Grand Exalted Ruler, whose health prohibited his attendance. John S. McClelland was not on the stage because of physical disability, but his presence was warmly marked by a standing ovation.

The program was given luster by musical selections rendered by the Rock

Hill, S. C., Lodge Chorus and the Queens Borough, N. Y., Lodge Glee Club. The latter group featured Ray Stenger as tenor soloist. Before Dr. Trout offered the Benediction, the two groups joined in singing a stirring rendition of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," with accompaniment by an instrumental ensemble.

The welcoming address was given by a popular and famous New York Elk—James A. Farley, Past State President and former Postmaster General of the United States. Grand Exalted Ruler Ronald J. Dunn presented the principal address of the evening, reporting on his year as Elksdom's leader.

The Opening Ceremony marked the beginning of the Convention in a grand style, with an overflow crowd animating the elegant ballroom. It was a harbinger of the noteworthy Grand Lodge Business Sessions to follow.

First Business Session

THE PRESCRIBED RITUAL opened the Grand Lodge Business Sessions on Monday morning, under the chairmanship of Grand Exalted Ruler Ronald J. Dunn. Before beginning the day's business, he introduced the Past Grand Exalted Rulers and Grand Lodge officers. Brief welcoming remarks were then made by Brothers James A. Farley; Hugh McLaughlin, Exalted Ruler of New York No. 1 Lodge; and Ray Barnum, New York State President.

On calling for those representing distant jurisdictions, Brother Dunn acknowledged one from Manila, P. I., one from Guam, 11 from the Canal Zone, two from Puerto Rico, and 14 from Alaska. Five answered from Hawaii, and District Deputy Warren Flagg asked for the floor to present the Grand Exalted Ruler with two trophies earned on a visit for winning a fishing tournament. Brother Dunn won both the marlin division and the overall tournament trophy with a 540-pound marlin in the Hawaii Heart Association tournament.

The Grand Exalted Ruler nominated, and the Grand Lodge approved, the appointment of James T. Hallinan to a five-year term on the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission and Dr. Edward J. McCormick to a seven-year term on the Elks National Foundation Board of Trustees.

The highlight of the Monday session was the election of Grand Lodge officers. Leading off, Judge Homer C. Eberhart of Georgia nominated Robert G. Pruitt of Buckhead (Atlanta), Ga., Lodge for Grand Exalted Ruler, eloquently summing up Brother Pruitt's exemplary contributions to Georgia Elkdom and to the Grand Lodge. Seconding remarks were made by Judge John F. Scileppi of New York. Mr. Pruitt was elected unanimously.

The other Grand Lodge officers elected appear in a photograph with the new Grand Exalted Ruler in these pages.

Following the election, Grand Exalted Ruler-Elect Pruitt was escorted to the stage, with the Pottstown, Pa., Lodge Drill Team serving as Honor Guard. A rousing demonstration by Georgia Elks ensued, and then Brother Pruitt delivered his acceptance speech (see page 18). Before closing the Session, Grand Exalted Ruler Dunn introduced his successor's family (see photo).

Second Business Session

PAST GRAND EXALTED RULER Emmett T. Anderson, Vice-Chairman, presented the report of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission at the Tuesday morning session. Chairman

John S. McClelland had courageously traveled to New York to see Robert G. Pruitt elected Grand Exalted Ruler, but left the report in the hands of Brother Anderson. He announced that once again the Commission was pleased to turn over \$100,000 to the Grand Lodge General Fund from surplus earnings of THE ELKS MAGAZINE. (A digest of the printed Commission report appeared in the August issue.)

Past Grand Exalted Ruler George I. Hall went to the podium to read a telegram of greeting, commendation, and encouragement to the Order from President Lyndon B. Johnson.

The report of the Elks National Foundation was begun by Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, to be completed the following day. Brother Malley, Chairman of the Foundation Trustees, encouraged everyone to read

the printed Annual Report. He also encouraged all who might someday bequeath funds for charitable purposes and all who influence the drawing up of such bequests to consider the Foundation as a worthy and safe charitable trust.

Following his remarks, Chairman Malley called on Past Grand Exalted Ruler Edward J. McCormick, a Foundation Trustee, to receive additional contributions to the Foundation Principal Fund. A considerable number of Elks, representing themselves, their lodges, or their State Associations, filed past the podium to present checks.

John Frakes, Chairman of the Ritualistic Committee, announced the four finalist teams: *Western Division*, first—Puyallup, Wash.; second—Kearney, Neb.; *Eastern Division*, first—Dalton, Ga.; second—Anderson, S. C. He then



The new Grand Exalted Ruler at the podium with his predecessor following the election. Mrs. Pruitt can be seen over her husband's shoulder, and their daughter, Jeanne, is at right.



Members of the Convention Committee get together for the photographer. Left to right are Past Grand Exalted Rulers William S. Hawkins, Lee A. Donaldson, L. A. Lewis, and George I. Hall (Chairman). John S. McClelland is missing from the picture, although he attended the Convention.



Principals in the establishment of aid to Alaska through the Elks Disaster Fund: Past Grand Exalted Ruler Dunn, Alaska Vice-Pres. Hess Ragins, Dick Harpole, and Past Grand Exalted Ruler Anderson. Harpole investigated Alaskan needs for the Order. Alaska Pres. John F. Cushing was ill when photo was taken.

announced the All-American teams and presented the trophies, as follows: All-American Western Team—Exalted Ruler James R. Keyes, Puyallup; Esquire Clarke Helle, Puyallup; Leading Knight James A. Reno, Puyallup; Loyal Knight Robert S. Yates, Wellington, Kans.; Lecturing Knight Joe C. Smith, Wellington; Chaplain Lance Hove, Puyallup; and Inner Guard Leo McCoy, Kearney. All-American Eastern Team—Exalted Ruler Robert Howalt, Dalton; Esquire Truett Lomax, Dalton; Leading Knight Ned Elleman, Troy, Ohio; Loyal Knight Martin Karant, Kingsport, Tenn.; Lecturing Knight John H. Lewis, Dalton; Chaplain John W. Stokes, Dalton; and Inner Guard Claude Travillian, Dalton.

The Chairman of the Lodge Activities Committee, Alex A. McKnight, presented his report. The results of the Committee's major programs have been reported throughout the year in THE ELKS MAGAZINE.

In presenting the report of the State Associations Committee, Chairman Joseph E. Brett gave a progress report on a special program. The Committee is administering a project whereby each State Association is asked to raise \$1,000 for the Elks National Foundation as a memorial to the late President Kennedy. Although the project began relatively late in the fiscal year, Brother Brett announced that two State Associations had completed such a commitment: Illinois and Massachusetts. Another part of the Committee's work was directed at supporting and encouraging major projects throughout Elksdom. In recognition of accomplishment among the States, which had been promoted by Committeeman C. L. Shideler, Brother Shideler presented awards for

major project displays at the Convention. The outcome of the judging was: Florida, first place; Nebraska, second place; Texas, third place; and Pennsylvania, Utah, New York, honorable mention.

Committeeman Brooks Bicknell was in charge of the State Associations Bulletin Contest. He announced the results as follows: Publications issued more often than quarterly—Ohio, first place; Illinois, second place; and Colorado, third place. Quarterly publications—Florida, first place; Pennsylvania, second place; and Indiana, third place. Publications issued three times a year or less—Missouri, first place, and North Carolina, second place.

Before the Tuesday session closed, Past Grand Exalted Ruler H. L. Blackledge was recognized to propose the following resolution:

"WHEREAS the tragic death of President John F. Kennedy took from our nation an inspired leader, from the world a dedicated humanitarian, and from us a most distinguished Brother, a member for many years of Boston, Mass., Lodge No. 10; and

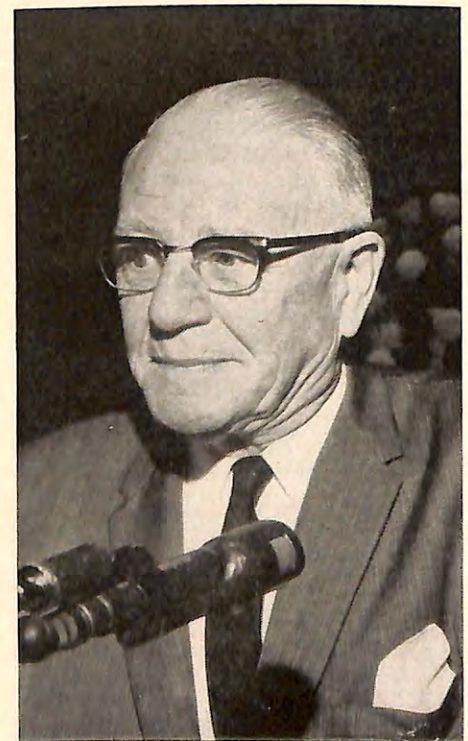
"WHEREAS we reflect, and shall continue to reflect, with deeper understanding and steadily mounting appreciation of the challenge of his charge to us and to all citizens of these United States—'Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country'—and

"WHEREAS it is appropriate that official record be made in the Grand Lodge both of our loss and our determination to fulfill the challenge so given to us, "NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America, assembled in its 100th Grand Lodge

Session:

"FIRST—That we thus record in the Official Proceedings of this Grand Lodge Session our sorrow and our deep sense of loss by the death of our Brother, John F. Kennedy, President of these United States;

"SECOND—That, by continued and expanded programs in fields of patriotism and charity, we of the Elks express our determination to demonstrate effectively and permanently exactly what we



Past Grand Exalted Ruler Emmett T. Anderson, Vice-Chairman, presents the report of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission.

can do for our country, all as a continuing tribute to his memory and in appreciation for his life and for the many blessings that God has given to each of us."

Past Grand Exalted Ruler William S. Hawkins seconded the adoption of the resolution, and a standing, unanimous vote was followed by a moment of silent prayer.

Third Business Session

The first report of the morning was that of the Elks National Service Commission, presented by Chairman James T. Hallinan. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Hallinan urged everyone to read the printed Annual Report (a digest of which appeared in the August issue), and refrained from giving a lengthy verbal report. Among his closing remarks was this: "You have made my life very, very happy. You have made the life of each of our Past Grand Exalted Rulers serving on this Commission very happy. Better than that, the way you have paid your assessments and carried on these programs is a great tribute to the Order of Elks, to their ladies, and to the members of their families. . . . Thank you again. We all ask you to keep up the good work."

Brother W. Edward Hudson was then recognized to make a presentation. He is national adjutant of Veterans of World War I of the U.S.A.,



Past Grand Exalted Ruler Earl E. James served as Installing Officer on behalf of John S. McClelland. Here he presents Mr. Pruitt with the jewel of office.



The Grand Lodge officers and newly elected Grand Trustees for 1964-65: (seated, l. to r.) Grand Treasurer John B. Morey, Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight H. Foster Sears, Grand Exalted Ruler Pruitt, Grand Esteemed Leading Knight Edward J. McCormick Jr., Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight Fred H. Kelly; (standing) Grand Inner Guard M. B. Klinesmith, Grand Trustee Frank Hise, Grand Chaplain Msgr. George M. Scott, Grand Secretary Franklin J. Fitzpatrick, Grand Trustee Joseph F. Bader, Harold J. Field (newly appointed to the Grand Forum), and Grand Tiler Thomas J. Pendergast.

Inc., and in behalf of his organization he presented Brother Hallinan with a plaque of appreciation. Past National Commander John Ericksen also participated in the presentation.

For the second part of the Elks National Foundation report, Vice-Chairman L. A. Lewis took the rostrum. He announced the results of the "Most Valuable Students" scholarship contest, which are reported elsewhere in this issue. Following the adoption of the report, Past Grand Exalted Ruler McCormick again received contributions to the Foundation. Lucian B. Smith, President of the Montana Elks Association, displayed a large board containing 1,000 silver dollars contributed by Montana lodges. He announced that they were to be auctioned in the foyer, with the entire proceeds to go to the Foundation.

E. Gene Fournace, Chairman of the Youth Activities Committee, was next on the agenda to present his report. He reminded the Grand Lodge of the Committee's three main points of emphasis: the promotion and guidance of well-balanced year-round youth programs for lodges and State Associations; Elks National Youth Day, as the focal point of Elk interest in America's youth; and the Youth Leadership Contest, which is conducted at local, State,

and national levels. The committee also maintains liaison with and supports the work of other youth organizations throughout the country.

Awards given for overall youth programs were presented as follows: *Lodges with fewer than 500 members:* First place—Nogales, Ariz.; Second place—Fulton, N. Y.; Third place—Wilson, N. C. *Lodges with 500 to 1,000 members:* First place—Ilion, N. Y.; Second place—Bedford, Pa.; Third place—Warren, Ohio. *Lodges with more than 1,000 members:* First place—Binghamton, N. Y.; Second place—Lincoln, Neb.; Third place—Vancouver, Wash. *State Associations:* First place—Nebraska; Second place—California; Third place—New York.

The results of judging Elks National Youth Day, for which awards were next given, appear elsewhere in this issue.

The results of the Elks National Youth Leadership Contest appeared in the May issue. Brother Fournace invited Susan Leeson and John Johnston, the first-place winners, to the stage to briefly address the Convention. Both of their mothers were present and were introduced also.

Vincent H. Grocott made his final report as Chairman of the Americanism Committee. After serving for three



Following the report of the Elks National Service Commission, Chairman James T. Hallinan was presented a plaque by National Adjutant W. Ed Hudson (left) and John Erickson (right) of the Veterans of World War I of the U.S.A.



The Grand Exalted Ruler with his family: Standing are Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Pruitt Jr. and their son, Robert G. III, and Miss Jeanne Ruth Pruitt. Elkdom's First Lady is seated beside her husband.

years—from the time the Committee was first instituted—he stepped down. During his tenure, Brother Grocott has always presented one of the most eloquent of reports, and he didn't disappoint his audience this July.

This year the Committee selected eight lodges as deserving of special awards for outstanding Americanism programs throughout the year. They are: Cincinnati, Ohio; Salt Lake City, Utah; San Diego, Calif.; Meadville, Pa.; Billings, Mont.; Fulton, N. Y.; Blue Island, Ill.; and Arlington-Fairfax, Va.

A program supported by the Committee that was launched last year and proved tremendously successful was the July 4th bell-ringing campaign. Brother Grocott had as guests the two men who originated the program, and they were presented with trophy-like mementos of appreciation—topped with swingable, ringable bells. Eric Sloane and Eric Hatch, with their wives, then made brief but pointed remarks about the convictions that inspired them to originate the program.

The Wednesday session closed in time for preparations to be made for the Grand Lodge Memorial Service at 11 o'clock.

Final Business Session

THE FOURTH AND FINAL business session of the 1964 Convention began with the report of the Credentials Committee by Chairman Marvin Lewis. He reported the following attendance figures:

Past Grand Exalted Rulers.....	19
Grand Lodge Officers.....	21
Grand Lodge Committeemen.....	68
District Deputies Designate.....	189
Special Deputies.....	12
Representatives	1,742
Alternates	9
Grand Lodge members.....	1,146
Total	3,206

John T. Raftis, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, presided over the legislative portion of the session. He subsequently summarized the results for THE ELKS MAGAZINE (see "Amendments").

The report of the Board of Grand Trustees followed, headed by Chairman Edwin J. Alexander. The Grand Lodge budget which he presented, and which was adopted, showed total estimated receipts and expenditures of \$2,835,963 each.

Before introducing Home Member Joseph F. Bader, Brother Alexander reported that a citation was received by the Board, the Grand Exalted Ruler, and the Elks National Home at a meeting there. It was from the Virginia Eye Bank and Virginia Eye Clinic As-

sociation, commending Elldom and the Brothers at the Home for 92 successful corneal transplants during the past two years. Many residents of the Home have bequeathed their eyes for this purpose, giving the precious gift of sight to others.

Brother Bader called on Thomas J. Brady, Superintendent of the Home, for remarks to the Grand Lodge. Always a popular figure, Brother Brady spoke jovially about the Home and emphasized the value of a personal visit to the Home to every Elk who can do so: "Those who have seen it can really throw out their chests and feel they're better Elks after leaving there."

R. Leonard Bush proposed a resolution in tribute to Chairman Alexander, who was retiring from the Board. The motion for adoption received several seconds and was passed, Brother Alexander receiving a standing ovation when he completed his report.

Phillip F. Berg, Chairman of the Auditing and Accounting Committee, announced in his report that an Accounting Manual had been prepared, published, and mailed to all subordinate lodges to assist in bolstering this aspect of lodge administration.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler George I. Hall, Convention Committee Chairman, announced that the 1965 Grand Lodge Convention will be held in Miami Beach, Fla., July 11 through 15.

Chairman John Frakes then announced the results of the Ritualistic



The winning Puyallup, Wash., Ritualistic Team (l. to r.): Exalted Ruler James R. Keyes, Esquire Clark Helle, Leading Knight James Reno, Loyal Knight Eugene Hammermaster, Lecturing Knight William Angeline, Chaplain Lance Hove, Inner Guard Jack E. Nelson, and Arthur J. Emery, Coach and Candidate.



Chairman E. Gene Fournace and Youth Activities Committeeman M. J. Junion (right) pose with the Youth Leadership winners, Susan Leeson and John Johnston. At left is Elks National Foundation Chairman John J. Malley. The Foundation provides the funds for the U. S. Savings Bonds awarded the winners.



The Americanism Committee presented trophies to the founders of the July 4th bell-ringing movement. L. to r. are Eric Sloan, retiring Chairman Vincent H. Grocott, Ronald J. Dunn, and Eric Hatch.



“Most Valuable Students” Linda Johnson and Michael Dickens pose with Elks National Foundation Trustees (from left) Walker, McCormick, Lewis, Malley, Stern, and Fenton.

Contest and presented trophies and checks. First place was won by Puyallup, Wash., Lodge with a score of 95.743; second place, Dalton, Ga., 95.213; third place, Anderson, S. C., 95.119; and fourth place, Kearney, Neb., 94.759.

For the installation of officers, Past

Grand Exalted Ruler Earl E. James presided. He expressed the Order's respect, affection, and appreciation to Ronald J. Dunn for his year of leadership, then conferred the jewel of office upon Grand Exalted Ruler Pruitt. A resolution of tribute to Brother Dunn was presented by George I. Hall, and

it was adopted by standing acclamation.

Before closing the 100th Grand Lodge Session, Brother Pruitt introduced the 1964-65 Grand Lodge officers and committeemen. He then presided over the closing Ritual, and the benediction was offered by Grand Chaplain Rt. Rev. Msgr. George M. Scott.



AMENDMENTS to the Grand Lodge

Constitution and Statutes Voted Favorably

Upon at the New York Convention

This summary was prepared for THE ELKS MAGAZINE by John T. Raftis, Chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee on Judiciary

At the New York Convention in July, two amendments to the Grand Lodge Constitution were proposed and voted upon favorably. These will be referred to the subordinate lodges for final approval, as provided in Article IX of the Grand Lodge Constitution. Also, a number of amendments and additions to the Grand Lodge Statutes were passed and became effective 30 days after adjournment of the Session (which adjournment was July 16).

Proposed Constitutional Amendments

Article IV, Section 3—Procedure in case of vacancy in the office of Grand Exalted Ruler or his inability to serve during his term of office: As presently enacted, Article IV, Section 3 does not determine whether the successor is merely acting Grand Exalted Ruler or succeeds to the office itself. Also, no procedure is provided to determine the fact and duration of inability of the Grand Exalted Ruler to act.

The proposed amendment provides that in case of such vacancy in the office, the powers and duties, but not the office itself, devolves upon the officers named in Article III, Section 2 of the Constitution in the order named, who shall be Acting Grand Exalted Ruler. However, upon a majority vote of all members of the Grand Lodge Advisory Committee, such Acting Grand Exalted Ruler may be elected to the office of Grand Exalted Ruler.

In case of the inability of the Grand Exalted Ruler to serve, the powers and duties of the office shall devolve upon the officers as provided above. Such inability shall be determined: (1) The Grand Exalted Ruler may declare his own inability in writing. (2) If the Grand Exalted Ruler is unable or unwilling to make such declaration, it may be made by majority vote of all members of the Grand Lodge Advisory Committee. (3) The Grand Exalted

Ruler may resume the powers and duties of his office on his written declaration, subject to veto by vote by at least two-thirds of the Grand Lodge Advisory Committee.

Finally, where a vacancy is created in the office of Grand Esteemed Leading Knight (or other office) by reason of election to the office of Grand Exalted Ruler, as above provided, the new Grand Exalted Ruler shall nominate a member to fill the vacancy, subject to confirmation by vote of a majority of the members of the Grand Lodge Advisory Committee.

Article III, Section 21—Providing that lodges in the State of Hawaii may attach themselves and become a part of the California State Elks Association, with the consent of the California State Elks Association. The present Article III, Section 21 permits only lodges of Delaware and the District of Columbia to attach themselves to a State, which must be contiguous.

Amendments to Grand Lodge Statutes

Section 141—Surrender, revocation, forfeiture, or suspension of subordinate lodge charters or dispensations: Section 141 was amended, in part, as follows: "(a) Such trustees must be members of the Order and bonded in such sum as may be deemed necessary. *The Board of Grand Trustees shall fix the amount and hold possession of the bonds above provided for, which bonds shall be payable to the Order and the bond premiums thereon shall be paid from trust funds hereby created. Such trustees shall also furnish public liability insurance coverage for the protection of the Order in such sum as may be fixed by the Board of Grand Trustees, and the premiums thereon shall be paid from the income or corpus of the trust. Such trustees shall immediately notify the Board of Grand Trustees of any vacancies, and such*

vacancies shall be filled by the Grand Exalted Ruler.

"(b) Said trustees shall immediately list, inventory, and appraise all property and ascertain and list all debts of the lodge. A copy of all inventories, lists, and appraisals shall immediately be filed with the Grand Exalted Ruler and Grand Secretary. *The trustees appointed as herein provided shall make a report and account of their actions at least once each year to the Grand Exalted Ruler, with copies thereof to the Grand Secretary and Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees.*

"(d) *At any time after ten (10) years from the date of the creation of the trust, whenever it may appear to the Grand Exalted Ruler that the lodge in question is not going to reorganize, or a new lodge is not likely to be formed in the same community, then the Grand Exalted Ruler may order all remaining property of the trust conveyed to the Order, and thereupon the trust shall terminate, the trustees discharged, and their bond exonerated.*"

Section 37b—Powers of Board of Grand Trustees to deal with real estate acquired in connection with the Elks National Home: "Section 37b. The Board of Grand Trustees shall, by appropriate resolution, have power to sell, grant, and convey any real estate now owned or hereafter acquired under the provisions of Section 66, Grand Lodge Statutes, or acquired by gift or devise to the Elks National Home. Such resolution and such sale, grant, or conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the Grand Exalted Ruler, and any instrument of such sale, grant, or conveyance shall have affixed thereon the seal of the Order's Grand Secretary."

Section 29—Compensation of Grand Secretary: An amendment was passed providing that the Grand Secretary
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Grand Lodge Memorial Service

After the business session adjourned on Wednesday morning, July 15, the stage in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel was quickly transformed into a proper setting for the Grand Lodge Memorial Service. Flowers, candles, and other decorations helped establish a sacred and reflective mood as Elks, their families, and guests took their places and filled the ballroom.

The chairman for this year's Grand Lodge Memorial Service was Past Grand Exalted Ruler William A. Wall. After a choral prelude by the Rock Hill, S. C., Lodge Chorus, he opened the service and then asked Grand Chaplain Dr. Kenna T. Trout to offer the invocation.

Raymond Barnum, President of the New York State Elks Association, read the Eleven O'clock Toast, after which tenor Raymond Stenger sang "The Vacant Chair." The Rock Hill Chorus followed with "One God."

The General Eulogy was presented by Judge Stephen C. O'Connell, a Past Exalted Ruler of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Lodge. In paying tribute to the memory of those who died during the preceding year, Brother O'Connell noted that the humble as well as the exalted had enriched the lives of all: "Most who pass from this world are not remembered in the pages of history. History records the merest outline of the exceptional, of a few great crimes, wars, mistakes, and dramatic acts performed by extraordinary men.

Only a few mountain peaks are touched. All the valleys of human activity, where countless victories are won, where unnumbered acts of charity, friendship, labor, and service wrought with love of brother, are left unnoticed in the eternal shadows.

"As Elks, we know that as important as the peaks are, they are not the foundation of our brotherhood, or our nation, or of progress in the affairs of mankind. It is the valleys which buttress and support the mountains and their peaks. It is the soon-forgotten kind words, the unrecorded performance of ordinary deeds, the little-known sacrifices and acts of charity, the patient understanding of one another and the problems of each, the faith in loyalty to friend and country, and the love and devotion of the many that have for the most part guided, sustained, and improved this Order of Elks and this nation.

"In this Memorial Service we do what history does not and cannot do. We remember and honor all our sleeping Brothers, the ordinary with the extraordinary, the average and the exceptional. We honor and remember them not for what they received from life but rather for what they gave to us, and to others, in practicing Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity in their lives. . . ."

After additional sacred musical selections, the Grand Chaplain closed the service with the benediction.



Participants in the Grand Lodge Memorial Service were (standing, at left): Past Grand Exalted Ruler William A. Wall, Chairman; N.Y. State Pres. Raymond Barnum, who gave the Eleven O'clock Toast; the Hon. Stephen C. O'Connell, who presented the General Eulogy; and Grand Chaplain Dr. Kenna T. Trout.

Acceptance Speech of **ROBERT G. PRUITT**

I ACCEPT my election as Grand Exalted Ruler—an almost unbelievable honor for one who regards himself as just an ordinary, working Elk.

I shall exert every effort to fulfill my obligations in a manner that will merit your approval. That is my purpose, my hope, my prayer. I am grateful to you, and I am humble.

I wish to thank my good friend, Homer Eberhardt, for his wonderful nomination speech. He is a great Elk down in Georgia, and a longtime, close friend of mine. I also wish to thank John Scileppi for his fine second. He, too, is my good friend, and holds my respect and admiration.

I am grateful to the Past Grand Exalted Rulers who endorsed my candidacy. They mean so much to the Order of Elks. So long as they retain their interest—so long as they guide and counsel us on the uncertainties of the future—I feel Elksdom is secure.

I am grateful to Past Grand Exalted Ruler Earl E. James, who gave me my first Grand Lodge appointment as Grand Treasurer some ten years ago. I am also grateful to Past Grand Exalted Ruler William A. Wall, with whom I have worked over a long period of years.

Understandably, I am most grateful to Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland, who is my sponsor and my “Elk Daddy.” He raised me in the Order. No finer, more honest, or kindlier man ever lived. He has spent a goodly portion of his entire life in the service of Elksdom, and we Elks down in the Southeast can never adequately express our gratitude to him.

I am blessed with many friends in Buckhead Lodge, in my State of Georgia, and in our neighboring states who have been kind to me. To them I also express my grateful thanks.

It has been my good fortune to work with our present Grand Exalted Ruler on the Grand Forum. He already had my full respect, but his fine record this year has raised him still higher in my estimation. Grand Exalted Ruler Dunn and the others who preceded him make me acutely aware that I will be walking where great men have trod. I hope I can approach the high standards they have set.

My Brothers, I have a program and will go into it this week with the Exalted Rulers and District Deputies. It is not my purpose to repeat it here, but I would like to comment briefly on a few highlights of my personal philosophy about Elksdom.

No man—no Elk—could be more impressed than I am with our record of service to others. The honesty and generosity of our traditions, the gentlemanly manner which characterizes all Elk activities—our fine charitable programs, our staunch support of youth, our deep love for and unwavering support of our great and beloved country, our constant efforts to improve the communities in which we live—all these have brought us the respect and affection of America.

We are proud of that record, and I pledge to you there will be no lessening of any of our fine programs. On the contrary, we will improve, strengthen, and expand them.

But when I think of these things, my mind inevitably turns to the greatness of the Order itself—to the wonderful, generous, big-hearted men who call themselves Elks and



make these things possible. All great movements depend on men. They are conceived and executed by men. And so it is in Elksdom.

To my mind, the greatest thing about the Order of Elks is the caliber of the men who compose it—and I am so proud to be in that number. I shall always be grateful I had the good sense to apply for membership and was accepted.

My Brothers, no soundly motivated man is content to limit his activities to the pursuit of personal ambitions. Now, mind you, there is nothing wrong with that. It is the American way of life for any man to capitalize on his talents, improve his own lot and that of his family to the limit of his ability and within the rules of fair play.

But if a man is the right kind, he has an inner urge to give some portion of his energy and substance to help those who are less fortunate—to do something for others, rather than for his own benefit. I think Past Grand Exalted Ruler Jerneck put it exceptionally well when he said that is the rent we pay for the space we occupy here on earth.

The Order of Elks provides a perfect vehicle for such a man to associate himself with others of like intent and

Presented to the Grand Lodge on July 13, 1964, upon his election to the office of Grand Exalted Ruler

transform his desires into wonderful deeds. Working alone, an ordinary man can hardly rehabilitate a single person. But by joining with others, in an organization such as ours, he can participate in the rehabilitation of thousands.

That is the work of Elkdom, and it creates the fraternal bond of brotherhood that binds us so pleasantly together. Our Order has a purpose, and substance, and we are a part of it. We feel good about it, and we are made better and more wholesome men.

Elk fellowship is the finest in the world. We have a good and happy Order, and our work is a rich, warm experience that is good for any man. When we go beyond card-holding membership and actively participate in the work of the Order, we receive much benefit. In addition to the deep personal satisfaction that comes from service to others, we get an education in important things—such as diplomacy, organization, public speaking, the politics of group action. We develop confidence and ingenuity. We improve ourselves generally, in business as well as in our family and social lives.

I hope this year to bring about an increased awareness of the personal value of membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, to shed additional light on the image of our Order, for if we clarify that image in our own minds, it will help us make it more attractive to others—particularly the men we would like to have in our membership. I feel that would be a real service to Elkdom.

Now, my brothers, I ask you to consider another thing with me—the responsibility upon us, as Elk leaders, to give sustained, conscientious, and responsible attention to our assigned duties, so we will contribute our fair share to the general enhancement of Elkdom. This we must do.

I have a belief in the necessity for good leadership in any organization; that is the driving force that makes it go, and the Order of Elks is no exception. Our Order did not become great by chance. Thousands of Elk leaders—in the subordinate lodges, the State Associations, and the Grand Lodge, many of whom have passed on—have been responsible for our Order being the great force for good that it is today. These Past Grand Exalted Rulers had a lot to do with that. Now, the torch is passed to our hands.

This, my Brothers, is a Grand Lodge Session—a Convention of Elk leaders. We are charged with the responsibility of cherishing, protecting, and furthering the cause of Elkdom and every aspect of it. We must live up to that expectation—by deeds, not just good resolutions. We cannot be honored by the office we hold unless we first honor our office by the able performance of our duties.

This year I shall constantly urge every Elk leader to improve on that phase of Elkdom coming within his jurisdiction. We must be unrelenting in our determination to do that. Nothing must escape our attention. That which is bad must be replaced by that which is good. That which is already good, we should strive to make better.

We must give searching attention to our Elk homes and what goes on in them, and how our lodges stand in their communities—for there beats the heart of Elkdom.

An Elk home need not be a mansion to meet the test, but it must have the proper atmosphere, appealing to the kind of gentlemen we want in our Order. Quality is what we

seek—not necessarily the quality of affluence, but the quality of character.

Each community must know of the good deeds of Elkdom, that knowledge to be provided through proper publicity. That will go a long way toward increasing the pride of membership in those who belong and a desire to join in those who do not.

All that is needed to accomplish these things is for every man here to do his job. We have the authority. We have the ability. The record we make will be our record. Let's make it a good one, for the Order of Elks and for ourselves.

Finally, my Brothers, I ask you to consider Elkdom against the broad, majestic tapestry of world events. We are living today in one of the most significant periods in the history of mankind. Revolutionary upheavals are erupting all over the world as men strain to strike off the shackles that bind them. There is no mistaking the powerful emotion that surges in their breasts. They want to be free, and they mean to be free.

They are inspired by our great American traditions. They strive to come up into the sunlight and clear, cool air of true freedom—the kind we enjoy in this great land of ours almost as a matter of course.

But these are also troubled times for us. We are being challenged on all sides. We are not without enemies. We have many. Some are outside our borders, but some are within. Never before has it been so important for us to be strong and vigilant so our great country can ever serve as a guiding beacon for all men.

Our nation needs as never before the patriotic support of all its citizens. Our nation needs the Order of Elks as never before, the kind of support we always gladly give our beloved country—the simple, rugged, unreserved patriotism that swells in the heart of every Elk.

We are especially needed by the youth of our country. They are faced with trying times, and the strong helping hand of Elkdom now will yield a rich return in the future when these young people meet their destiny and come to grips with the challenge of life.

Our compassionate regard for the unfortunate, our belief in the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man, constitute a steadying influence amidst the uncertainty and turmoil with which we are surrounded.

Our country now has an even more acute need for all the fine things Elkdom stands for and can supply. You and I are privileged to serve at this time and see our beloved Order rise to the great challenge which confronts us. To serve is the important thing—and that is what we are here to do.

My Brothers, it is said in the Bible, "To every thing there is a season, and a time for every purpose under the heaven. . . ." For us, the time is now.

One of the finest things about being Grand Exalted Ruler is the honor of being associated with you wonderful Brothers in our work. Like you, I love the Order of Elks and believe in its innate goodness. The possibilities open to us are without limit. The future seems even better than the past. So I say to you, let's get on with the task. Let's go to work, saying to each other: "Isn't it great to be an Elk!"



The Image of **ELKDOM**

Being an Elk is a wonderful experience that offers a man so much pleasure and satisfaction. One reason why this is so is that Elkdom is a happy Order—that is, we appreciate the value of pleasant and enjoyable relationships and emphasize those activities conducive to them.

Another reason why Elkdom is such a rewarding experience is that Elks do so many wonderful things for others. In Elk work there is a great personal satisfaction, the more so as a man devotes himself to it.

The first concern of any real man is for the welfare of his family and himself, and rightfully so. He is interested in improving their and his lot in life. At the same time, any man who is soundly motivated must feel an impulse toward unselfish service to others, most importantly to aid those who are in need because of misfortune of one sort or another. It has been aptly said that this is a part of “the rent we pay for the space we occupy on earth.”

These good works help to create strong fraternal bonds between Elks, bonds that are difficult to define but none the less real and in many respects to be found only in Elkdom.

Being active in Elkdom brings numerous benefits to a man beyond the social values and the satisfaction that derives from helping others. It gives him a solid grounding in the importance and techniques of organization and experience in public speaking, and it builds self-confidence from overcoming problems and getting things done. It develops ingenuity in creating new ideas, meeting new challenges.

These are some of the reasons for Elkdom’s appealing image. We can be glad that we belong to a fraternity that presents such an attractive image to the world, and even prouder of the part that each of us has played in creating that image.

“Isn’t it great to be an Elk!”

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert G. Pruitt". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned to the right of the quote.

Robert G. Pruitt, *Grand Exalted Ruler*

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION—"The Joy of Giving"



Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis, Vice-Chairman of the Elks National Foundation, presented the first-place awards to Linda Lou Johnson and Michael D. Dickens at the Grand Lodge Convention in New York City.

A HIGHLIGHT of the New York City Convention was the appearance of the two top "Most Valuable Students" scholarship winners, Linda Lou Johnson of Mount Vernon, Wash., and Michael D. Dickens of Atlanta, Ga. The awards, worth \$1,500 each, were announced by Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis, Vice-Chairman of the Foundation Trustees.

A total of 143 scholarships were awarded under this national program, with a total value of \$111,000. An announcement of the 1965 competition appears elsewhere in this issue.

Both Linda and Michael addressed the Grand Lodge briefly to express their appreciation. Linda, whose father died when she was in fifth grade, has not decided which college she will attend or what she will major in; however, she has indicated a strong interest in both law and mathematics.

Michael reported that although he had planned to enroll at Georgia Institute of Technology, his scholarship has made possible the choice he preferred all along: Princeton University. He hopes to become an aerospace engineer.

The top twelve winners are pictured at the left; following is a list of all winners of \$700, \$800, and \$900 scholarships. Sponsoring lodges are the same as winners' hometowns, except as indicated in parentheses.

Our Most Valuable Students



SNYDER



KAMINSKI



GRAY



ADAMS



MONTGOMERY



CLARK



KANTER



ERNST



BURKE



CROSBY

THE TOP TWELVE *First award, \$1,500:* Linda Lou Johnson, Mount Vernon, Wash. and Michael D. Dickens, Atlanta, Ga. (Buckhead [Atlanta]). *Second award, \$1,400:* Sandra Rae Clark, Sheridan, Wyo. and Lee R. G. Snyder, Huron, S.D. *Third award, \$1,300:* Jacqueline G. Kaminski, San Bernardino, Calif. and Frederick S. Kanter, Bristol, Pa. *Fourth award, \$1,200 (tie):* Ruann Faye Ernst, Beckley, W. Va.; Pauline E. Adams, Cincinnati, Ohio; Russell W. Gray Jr., Knoxville, Tenn.; and John R. Burke, Rutland, Vt. *Sixth award, \$1,000:* Barbara C. Crosby, Augusta, Ga. and Lon W. Montgomery, Waynesburg, Pa.

ARIZONA: Gordon Alan Rule, Chandler (Mesa), \$900; Jane E. Schlicker, Chandler (Mesa), \$700; Caroline L. Rapson, Winslow, \$700.

CALIFORNIA: Phillip H. Wallin, Red Bluff (Chico), \$800; Ilene M. Klasky, Monterey Park (Alhambra), \$700; Jacqueline G. West, Fresno, \$700; Janice Mulcahy, McKinleyville (Eureka), \$700; Dolores I. Hansen, Tuolumne (Sonora), \$700; Aida L. Alcala, San Bernardino, \$700; Kathleen A. Mueller, Round Mountain (Redding), \$700; Michael M. Conway, Salinas, \$700; Daniel B. Bickley, Long Beach, \$700; Jan Alan Garpner, Pasadena, \$700; Robert L. McWhirk, Marysville, \$700; John A. Driscoll, Big Bear Lake, \$700; Gerald G. Bennett, Alhambra, \$700.

COLORADO: Stephen K. Ehrlich, Brighton, \$700; Edwin E. Hoey, Grand Junction, \$700.

CONNECTICUT: Anthony B. Wight, Milford, \$700.

FLORIDA: Linda S. Barger, Hialeah (Miami), \$900; William H. Arnold, Clearwater, \$700.

ILLINOIS: David L. Cox, Bushnell (Macomb), \$900; Gregory H. Stanton, Streator, \$900; Jay Albert Kaiser, West Frankfort, \$700; Ann E. Kirkeeng, Riverdale (Harvey), \$700; Richard J. Stratton, Leland (Mendota), \$700.

INDIANA: Klari J. Neuwelt, Gary, \$800; Diane K. Schaik, Lafayette, \$700; John J. Burke, Terre Haute, \$700.

IOWA: Patricia A. Murphy, Centerville, \$800; Timothy J. Klement, Council Bluffs, \$700.

KANSAS: Michael J. Richmond, Wichita, \$800; Carla C. Bauman, Wichita, \$700.

KENTUCKY: Ann R. Randolph, Princeton, \$700.

LOUISIANA: David C. Van Voorhis, Baton Rouge, \$700.

MAINE: Dorothy M. Evans, Bridgton (Portland), \$700.

MD, DEL. & D.C.: Ellen M. Spathelf, Washington, D.C., \$900; Joseph D. Cohn, Jr., Havre de Grace, Md., \$700.

MASSACHUSETTS: Judith G. Fink, Tyngsboro

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WORCESTER, Massachusetts, Lodge dedicated its new home with the initiation of a class of 80. Pictured at the dedication dinner were, left to right, P.E.R. Andrew F. McCarthy, Dinner Chairman Francis X. Scott, E.R. James Consolmagno, Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, retiring Grand Exalted Ruler Ronald J. Dunn, Past Grand Exalted Ruler John E. Fenton, P.D.D. Alfred J. Mattei, Dedication Chairman, and Trustee Arthur Yagjian.

**News of the
Lodges**

Covering All Points

NORWALK, Ohio, Lodge welcomed baseball great Lefty Grove and State Director of Agriculture John Stackhouse as members of a 16-man class. Left to right, below, are State Pres. Carleton Riddle, Director Stackhouse, Lefty Grove and E.R. Richard Mutz.



ROME, Georgia, Lodge dedicates a new flagpole. Left to right are State Pres. Henry H. Ansaldo, Chairman Richard L. Stames, Jr., of the Lodge's Americanism Committee, E.R. Sam Doss, Jr., and Hon. James D. Maddox, a member of the lodge and principal speaker. Also pictured are members of the Marine Color Guard who assisted in the ceremony.



CRAIG, Colorado, Lodge's "Huck Finn Day" had a fishing contest in which hundreds of youngsters participated, a free theatrical show, and a Huck Finn-Becky Thatcher Costume Contest which resulted in this charming photograph. Left to right: First place winners Ronnie Douglas and Nancy Griffin, second-placers Dicky Kendall and Debbie Tafoya, and third-prize winners Mark Bonderud and Lori Henderson.



OMAHA, Nebraska, Lodge, which recently was given its original No. 39, welcomed a total of 178 new members within a one-month period. This group, including 89 of a class of 103, is pictured with the lodge officers, foreground, with E.R. O. M. Campbell, in whose honor 75 men had been initiated earlier, appearing eighth from left.



MONTEREY, California, Lodge's recently dedicated ultra-modern \$500,000 home was inspected by 1963-64 Grand Exalted Ruler Ronald J. Dunn just prior to the California Convention. He is pictured here, third from left, with Past Grand Exalted Rulers L. A. Lewis, left, and Horace R. Wisely, right, and E.R. Manuel DeMaria of the host lodge whose new facilities include spacious lodge quarters, dining room, swimming pool, barbecue pits and sauna baths. On hand at this meeting were representatives from nine neighboring lodges, as well as P.D.D. Bob Grafe, State Vice-Pres. Marvin Broderson, Grand Treas. John Morey, former Grand Est. Lead. Knight C. B. Hebenstreit and Past State Pres. Jim Nielsen.



LOS ANGELES, California, Lodge paid tribute to the memory of the late General Douglas MacArthur at ceremonies in MacArthur Park which is situated just across the street from the lodge home. Left to right are Japanese Consul Heihachi Mochizuki, Hon. Carlos M. Teran, E.R. of Los Angeles Lodge, and retiring State Pres. Vern R. Huck.

BLOOMFIELD, New Jersey, Lodge presented \$766.06 to Rev. Father Egan, Director of New Jersey's Boystown, for its building fund. A dinner sponsored by the lodge realized \$566.06, while the Elks' ladies contributed \$200 to this worthwhile cause. Left to right are Eleanor Kulzy, Grand Trustee Joseph Bader, Chairman of the Boystown Committee, P.D.D. Walter Kulzy, Father Egan, and P.D.D. and Mrs. Theodore Grimm.





GRAFTON, West Virginia, Lodge welcomed one of its largest classes, 26 candidates and four transfer dimitts, in the presence of over 200 Elks. The group was named in honor of 90-year-old G. Ona Sinsel. In the foreground are E.R. Calvin Smith, fifth from left, and his officers.

News of the Lodges CONTINUED

THE ELKS OF Eureka Springs, Ark., Lodge, No. 1042, are nothing if not community-minded. Not only did they give a check for nearly \$1,000 to Carroll County Hospital, they also donated generously to the Boosters Club to assist in paying for the installation of lights at the athletic field, where Little League Baseball has played all summer. The Elks sponsor one of the teams, for which it bought all uniforms and equipment. The boys are doing well under Elk Noel Barnes' coaching.



SKOKIE VALLEY, Illinois, Elk officials received a full set of jewels from their ladies. Making the presentation here is the wife of the late Dr. Robert Graf, a P.E.R. Second from left is E.R. Jack Brugg, accepting the jewels for his lodge.

CAMBRIDGE, Massachusetts. Pictured when Mayor Edward A. Crane, an Honorary Life Member, presented a scholarship for St. Peter's Hospital, given by the lodge's P.E.R.'s Assn. in memory of its late Secy. Edward J. Shea, to Bishop Thomas J. Riley of St. Peter's Church, are, left to right, P.E.R. and Fund Secy.-Treas. T. J. Hartnett, Mayor Crane, Mrs. Shea, Bishop Riley and Fund Chairman William M. McLaughlin, P.E.R.

MIAMI, Florida. Pictured during the last clinic of the year are D.D. J. Fritz Gordon and all but two of the area's former Deputies of the past decade.

FAIRLESS HILLS, Pennsylvania, Elks' ladies presented their first scholarship for nursing in a program designed to provide at least one such scholarship annually to a deserving high school graduate. The money is raised from the "tips" received by the ladies who serve at various lodge functions. Pictured are, left to right, foreground, Mrs. Dale Westbrook, Mrs. Clarence Williams, Miss Carol Tassej who was the recipient, and Mrs. John Conforti; background: E.R. L. E. Shirey, Esq. Dale Westbrook and Est. Lect. Knight Harry Hudson.



CHILLICOTHE, Ohio, School crossing officers will be wearing new and distinctive headgear and fluorescent safety vests, thanks to the local Elks. A sample of the yellow helmet was presented to City Mgr. B. J. Stacy and Police Chief George Rice by E.R. Basil Wells, right.





STATE COLLEGE, Pennsylvania, Lodge was proud to initiate the twin sons of Elk Gerald H. Slagle as two of a recent class of 20 candidates. Left to right are Gerald Slagle, twins Terry and Gerald, and E.R. Don C. Meyer.



MELBOURNE-EAU GALLIE, Florida, Lodge held a testimonial paying tribute to 60-year-member Stanley G. Thomas when he received a 60-year pin. Left to right are Est. Loyal Knight Vincent Caporale, E.R. C. O. McAllister and Mr. Thomas.



SCRANTON, Pennsylvania, Lodge presents a \$600 State scholarship to David E. Eisenberg. Left to right are lodge Treas. Charles Lebowitz, E.R. Harold Gardner, Elk Joseph Eisenberg and his son, the recipient, with Dist. Treas. Joseph M. Dunleavy.



VALLEY STREAM, New York, Elkdome paid tribute to P.E.R. Joseph T. Annona at a dinner recently. Left to right, E.R. Stanley Barak, former State Vice-Pres. Richard Miller, Mr. Annona, Past State Vice-Pres. E. G. Granfield and P.D.D. George Olsen.



RIVERHEAD, New York, Inner Guard J. Raymond Tucker and his three sons, all members of the Order, are pictured here. Left to right, background, Inner Guard Tucker, Richard E. Tucker and E.R. H. F. Robinson; foreground: former lodge Treas. Raymond G. Tucker and Youth Activities Committeeman Robert H. Tucker.



OSSINING, New York, Elkdome's 40th anniversary was celebrated with a very successful dinner-dance. At the speakers' table were, left to right, background, Rt. Rev. Msgr. William Ward, P.D.D.'s James Dempsey and Russell DiBlasi, General Chairman, R. Frank Faillace, Jr., P.D.D. Joseph Russell and Rt. Rev. Msgr. George McKinney; foreground: Mrs. Dempsey, Mrs. DiBlasi, Mrs. Faillace and Mrs. Russell.



WALTHAM, Massachusetts, E.R. M. P. Sweeney presents the lodge's \$500 Salvucci Scholarship to Miss Catherine Ann O'Neill who will attend Boston Univ.



HANOVER, Pennsylvania, Elk Richard A. Gruver sponsored his three sons as initiates. Left to right, E.R. M. J. Gabrys, Esq. A. L. Bollinger, Est. Loyal Knight Richard Walker, Richard, Larry and Roger Gruver, their father, Est. Lead. Knight T. B. Murphy, Secy. J. B. Baldauf, Lect. Knight R. J. Cashman and Chaplain James Martin.

Lodge Notes



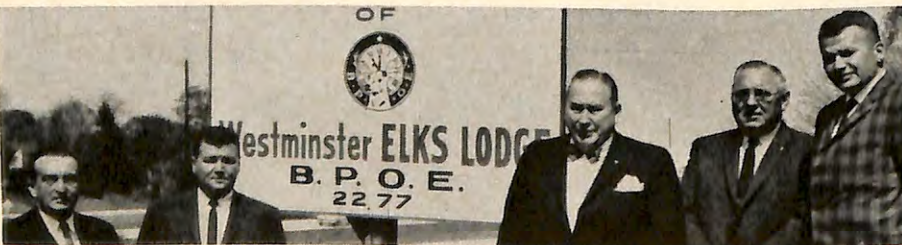
ROCHESTER, Minnesota, Mayor Alex Smekta (holding spade) breaks ground for the Elks' new lodge home with, left to right, Merritt Horton, E.R. George Arneke, sole surviving Charter Member W. W. Lawler, P.E.R. Gerald Palmer, Dr. Charles Mayo, famous surgeon of the Mayo Clinic, Edward Damm, Charles Swanson, Clem Joswick, Lloyd Koenig, Al Cecil and Bob Brown.



EUREKA SPRINGS, Arkansas, E.R. Robert Weaver, center, presents a \$932 check to Sister M. Scholastica of the Carroll County Hospital. Others are, left to right, Sister M. Marcella, Trustee N. L. Tucker and acting Treas. W. W. Kelley.



WEST HAVEN, Connecticut, Est. Lead. Knight Walter Rystyk drove Miss Linda Rose Guirino, "Miss Connecticut Junior Miss," in a recent community Parade. With them at right are, left to right, Est. Lect. Knight J. J. Philbin, Loyal Knight A. J. Sapienza, Esq. J. D. Vitelli and E.R. L. H. Churchill. At left background is Tiler Albert Brindisi.



WESTMINSTER, Maryland, Elks Building Corp. Members were joined in examining the 8½-acre site of the new lodge home by Mayor Scott S. Bair, a member of the lodge. Left to right are Trustee Marcus Pickett, City Mgr. J. R. Eckard, E.R. R. A. Lint, Mayor Bair, Trustee George Hardesty and P.E.R. Donald Patrick, Secy.

SOUTHERN PINES, North Carolina, Lodge was host to its fourth National Elks Amateur Invitational Golf Tournament when more than 80 silver trophies were awarded. Larry Dempsey of Greensboro topped a record field of 269 entries, with two-time winner Art Ruffin of Wilson in second place. Left to right are Committeeman Dr. Boyd Starnes, champion Dempsey, host E.R. Jack Reid, runner-up Ruffin and Tourney Chairman Robert E. Strouse.



Huntsville, Ala., Lodge wasted no time in paying tribute to the Order's new Grand Exalted Ruler Robert G. Pruitt. On July 21st, Past District Deputy Abe Pizitz initiated a class of 17 candidates in Mr. Pruitt's honor.

Raymond J. Quesnel of Montpelier, Vt., the new Chairman of the Grand Lodge Ritualistic Committee, is also the new President of the Vermont-New Hampshire Chapter of the Telephone Pioneers of America.

Robert J. Whalley, who served Point Pleasant, N. J., Lodge as Exalted Ruler in 1962-63 died as the result of an accident in Milwaukee, Wis., several months ago. He was 37 years old. An Honorary Life Member of the Order, he is survived by his wife, two daughters and four sons.

A long-time, devoted member of Berkeley, Calif., Lodge passed away on July 17th. He was Harold A. Nielsen, a member of that lodge since 1936. His contributions to his lodge were many, and were formed with singular devotion and self-sacrifice. For 16 years, he had organized and directed the Berkeley Elks' Christmas parties for children. In addition, he had held the office of Treasurer for 21 years.

Leading a recent issue of the Sperry and Hutchinson Company Magazine is an article by Ronald R. Bupp, 30-year-old S&H fieldman who has been a member of York, Pa., Lodge for nine years. Now District Deputy for Pennsylvania's South Central area, he's also been Vice-President of his State Association. His "A Recipe for Leadership in Community Affairs," is as much a story of Elksdom's leadership as a fraternity as it is of Ron Bupp as an individual.

Terrence G. Mackle, Esteemed Leading Knight of Anchorage, Alaska, Lodge, has been appointed Chief of the Administrative Services Division of the Federal Aviation Agency for the Alaska Region. The announcement was made by FAA Director James Rogers.

John C. Chiotis, Director of the World Wide Detective Bureau, is a member of the Order's Mother Lodge, New York No. 1. He was recently admitted to membership in the New York

City Police Department's Honor Legion by its President, Sergeant Vincent A. Tabano. Mr. Chiotis was the recipient of the 1963 American Association of Criminology Award for outstanding achievement in the field of criminal investigation.

Winding up the story of honors, three Boy Scouts who are members of Elk-sponsored Troops won National Court of Honor recognition. One is 17-year-old Eagle Scout Jim Hollon of Lusk, Wyo., Lodge's Troop who won an Honor Medal as the result of prompt action in an emergency. While visiting the USS Missouri in Puget Sound Naval Shipyard, Jim saw a sailor on duty slip and fall into water 40 feet deep and be taken swiftly by the outgoing tide. Jim Hollon immediately dove into the water, swam 15 feet to the victim, Ira Zeagler. Although he had panicked and was struggling fiercely, the Scout succeeded in calming him and effected the rescue with dispatch.

Certificates of Merit went to Eagle Scout Thomas Cavagnaro, 14, and Life Scout Ronald Palmer, 16, both members of San Clemente, Calif., Lodge's Troop. When 11-year-old Robert Kie-man stumbled and fell on his knife while on a campout in Trabuco Oaks Canyon, the blade entered his chest below his throat. Thomas and Ronald took over immediately, controlled the bleeding, forestalling serious shock, then got the boy to the Marine Hospital for first-aid. He was later transferred to another hospital for further, more intensive, care.

Hot Springs, Ark., Lodge's annual family picnic over the July 4th weekend drew a crowd of over 300. High-light of the outing was the visit made by the youngsters to L. G. Burrell's houseboat, in which the host was assisted by Exalted Ruler Joe Tillman and Picnic Chairman Larry Searcy. Steward Herman Searcy took care of the serving of the picnic food, and Sherrod Thompson, Jr., handled the entertainment. The Hot Springs Elks' third annual "deep-sea" fish fry was another success, thanks to three-time Chairman Marvin Oakes who served dolphin and red snapper he'd caught recently in the Florida Keys.

Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Elk Arthur J. Bohn has had a book published. A collection of verses in the Lewis Carroll-Edward Lear tradition, appealing primarily to youngsters, it's called "Poems for Pigwidgeons."



FORT MYERS, Florida, Lodge's successful Essay Contest on "The Dangers of Communism to Our American Way of Life," open to all county high school juniors and seniors, culminated when 12 prizes totaling \$500 and ranging from \$200 to \$10 were presented. Left to right foreground are P.D.D. Pat LeMoynie, Chairman; \$200 award winner Sandy Shadrick; George Waldron, James L. Walrod, Christian R. McCarter, Jr., Roger Skelton and David Donofrio; background: Beverly Walters, J. R. Bagwell, Donna Taylor, R. D. McMullen, Jr., Beth Davis, Ronald Romeis and E.R. C. M. Curtis.



PORTLAND, Maine, Elks are proud of their Little League No. 1 champions pictured here with P.E.R. Roy Maddocks, Coach Gerald Dowd and Mgr. Joe Coombs. This lodge has sponsored a Little League group for the past 15 years, winning six sectional titles.



CAMDEN, New Jersey, Lodge's 8th annual Crippled Children's Charity Ball was a financial and social success. Pictured at the event were, left to right, P.D.D. Wm. F. Huff, Committee Treas.; P.E.R. C. W. Rowand, Committee Secy.; E.R. S. J. Calio; Committee Chairman Ray Smith, and Past State Pres. E. J. Griffith, Program Chairman.



ROSWELL, New Mexico, Lodge presented Life Memberships to five members. Pictured with E.R. Karl E. Wise, left, and P.E.R. Buddy Adams, right, they are, in the usual order, P.E.R. Wm. W. Merritt, a 54-year Elk, and George H. Foster, O. O. Askren and P.E.R. Carl McNally, all 51-year Elks, along with H. G. Moberly who could not attend.

HUNTINGTON, West Virginia, Lodge has opened the Stella Fuller Settlement Playground every year for 21 years with free ice cream for several hundred youngsters. Left to right are State Pres. Frank F. Martin; Stella Fuller, founder and Director of the Settlement; a Cub Scout and Boy Scout of the Settlement Troops; a family which has received a great deal of help from the Settlement; E.R. M. V. Kidd; Jim Ayers of Bordens Dairy; Bill Patton of the lodge's Entertainment Committee, and P.D.D. George Rinehart.





**News of the
Lodges** CONTINUED

SHREVEPORT, Louisiana, Elk officials and guests are pictured in the foreground, with the 111-man class initiated to celebrate the lodge's 75th anniversary. Among those on hand were Past Grand Exalted Ruler Wm. A. Wall, the principal speaker, Willis C. McDonald of the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee, State Pres. B. L. Champagne, State Secy. E. F. Heller, D.D.'s Bill Lambdin and C. H. Elborne and P.E.R. C. A. Matherne.



NEW CASTLE, Delaware, E.R. Otis J. Jennings is pictured at left with Youth Chairman Gary Frazier, left background, Committeeman Carlos Guajardo, right background, and the lodge's Little League team and its Mgrs. J. Lovejoy and J. Timmons, when the boys received their Elk emblems.



ST. PETERSBURG, Florida, Lodge has a nice Junior Golf Program going, thanks to Edward Wiseman and Clarence Busick who give instructions, without charge, to youngsters between 8 and 14, every Saturday.



OHIO NORTHWEST DISTRICT golfers were guests of Mercer County Lodge at its beautiful course during their annual two-day tournament when this Lima team won the contest in which 125 Elks participated. Left to right are Lima Elks Don Mack, Al Frese, Dist. Golf Chairman Joe Blanchard, Gene Blanchard and Paul Layman. At extreme right is Tournament Chairman Bill Otte.



TOWANDA, Pennsylvania, Lodge was host to 200 graduates of Towanda and St. Agnes High Schools at a dance which was such a hit that it will be an annual event. Elk officials and their wives were on hand to welcome the seniors, and to serve them a buffet supper.

LONG BEACH, California, Lodge, with eight lodges of Los Angeles and Orange Counties, put on a successful family activity for charity at Disneyland, when this photograph was taken with the well-known Mickey Mouse. Left to right are E.R.'s Richard Schmitz, Pasadena Lodge; Winston McMullen, San Fernando; C. Ross McKelvie, Long Beach; Milton Mitchell, Santa Ana, and Drex McCulley, Redondo Beach.

ELMONT, New York, Lodge was host to the Nassau County Trail Blazer District Boy Scouts at a dinner attended by, left to right, Elk Scout leaders Peter Piastra, Dist. Vice-Chairman; Fred Simon, Dist. Chairman; E.R. Dick Rodriguez, Dist. Vice-Chairman who received a Scouter Key Award; P.E.R. J. L. Dossel, former Dist. Chairman.



★ Tom Wrigley WRITES FROM WASHINGTON

"GET OUT THE VOTE" is the rallying cry as the Presidential election campaign gets into full swing. A sweeping, non-partisan campaign is being jointly sponsored this election year by the American Heritage Foundation and the Advertising Council. Citizens are being urged not only to vote but to do so after careful consideration of the issues.

WASHINGTON won't be quite the same after Jacqueline Kennedy moves to Manhattan—headquarters for the John F. Kennedy Memorial Library, to be built in Cambridge, Mass. Accompanying Mrs. Kennedy to New York will be her press and social secretaries; the former First Lady still receives some 500 condolence letters daily.

THE SENATE Anti-Trust and Monopoly Subcommittee's investigation of the funeral business has disclosed that only a small percentage of the country's 24,000 undertakers list their prices in the copy of their ads. Those who do believe this information is in the public interest.



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PERLE MESTA transferred her well-publicized party-throwing talents and her entire staff of servants last month to Atlantic City for the Democratic National Convention. D.C.'s perennial "hostess with the mostest" tossed off no less than six parties—five with 200 invited guests each. The sixth: a bash for a mere 700 chums.

NEW PLEDGE SYSTEM will be tried out on Government workers here this fall during a charity fund-raising campaign encompassing the United Givers Fund, National Health Agencies, and International Service Agencies. Federal workers will be asked to make a single pledge to be deducted from their paychecks. The experiment will also be

tried with federal employees in seven other cities.

SAFER JET FUEL is now being used on the President's plane and commercial airliners. JP-5 (kerosene) has superseded JP-4 (high-octane gas and kerosene), because it's believed JP-4 vapors could trigger the explosion of an in-flight jet, struck by lightning.



MEANWHILE, a \$38,000 contract has been granted to the Illinois Technical Research Institute by the FAA to develop a bomb detector for luggage. The "baggage sniffer" would react to the odor of explosives, and an adjunct ferret out ticking mechanisms. Between 1933 and 1962, planted bombs have destroyed eight in-flight planes.

U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH Service has perfected a new, portable electrocardiograph that can transmit a patient's heartbeat from his home—via telephone—to the Service's headquarters, where, in turn, a computer translates the heartbeat pattern into graph form for interpretation by a cardiologist.

BIGGEST FOOD SHOW ever staged in this country will be held here in the National Guard Armory, Oct. 3-11. Its planners expect at least 150,000 people to see the cooking demonstrations, pick up new food ideas, and sample new food products.

OUT TO PASTURE. Big Boy—the proud, white lead stallion with the caisson that bore President Kennedy's cas-



ket to Arlington National Cemetery—has been retired to the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research in Olney, Md. Now 18, Big Boy was the caisson section's lead horse for 12 years.

PAYDAY FOR LBJ is the last working day of each month. The procedure is a simple one. Mrs. Virginia Callahan of the Treasury Department walks into the White House and turns over to Chief Clerk Carson Howell two checks totaling \$12,500 and representing the President's salary and expense money. Security isn't considered much of a problem, since if the checks were stolen they'd be rather difficult to cash.

THE UPCOMING start of a new academic year reminds me of the story that USIA Director Carl T. Rowan told about Harvard's President Eliot, who



is reputed to have once said that his school might indeed be called "a great storehouse of knowledge," as universities often are, since freshmen bring in so much knowledge and seniors depart with so little!

SEPTEMBER SHORTS . . . Government-sponsored group-health insurance rates may be upped Nov. 1. . . . The employees' bulletin board at the White House carries an announcement of a speed-reading course. . . . The minting of Kennedy half-dollars has been stepped up by the Treasury Department in an effort to thwart the black-marketeering of them. . . . Washington set a record tourist mark last year of eight million—but '64 is expected to go that two million better. . . . The books say that the top of the Capitol's dome has 13 columns, representing the original 13 colonies; actually, there are only 12. . . . The Census Bureau reports that women outnumber men in this country by 2.5 million. . . . The most history-scarred desk in the U. S. Senate is presently occupied by Mississippi Senator John Stennis. Once the desk of Jefferson Davis, it still carries the marks of Union bayonets. . . . Sign in a local valet-service shop reads: "Pants Pressed While You Hide."



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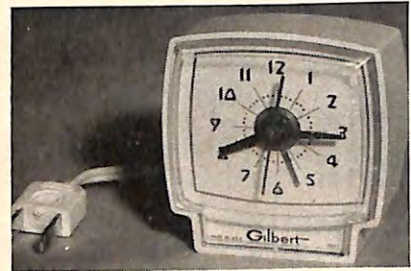


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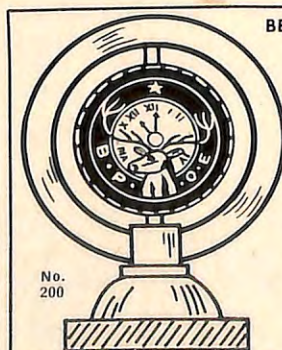
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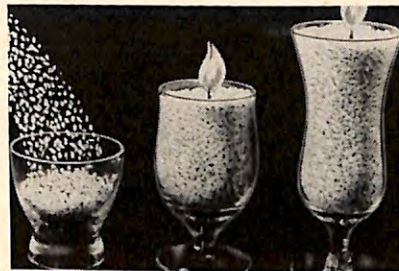
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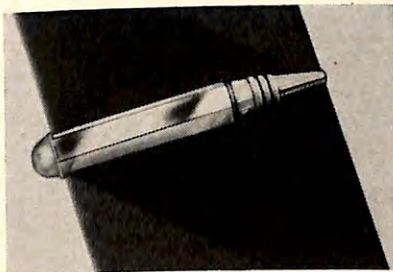
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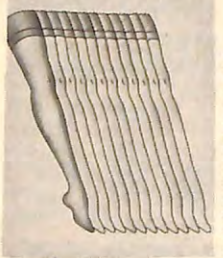
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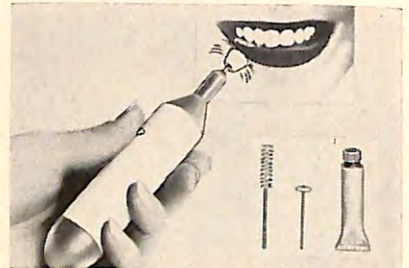
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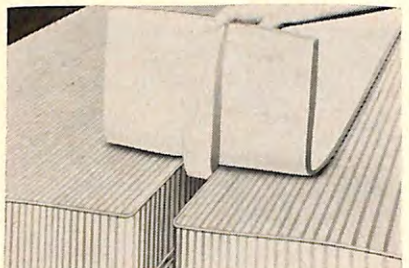
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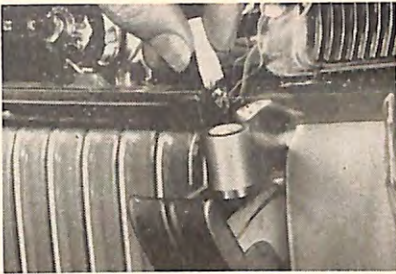


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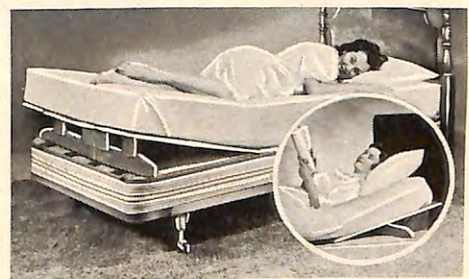
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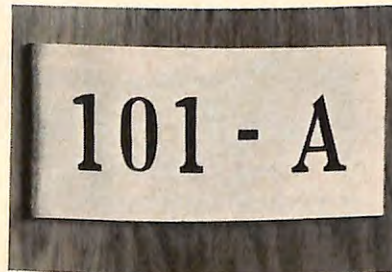
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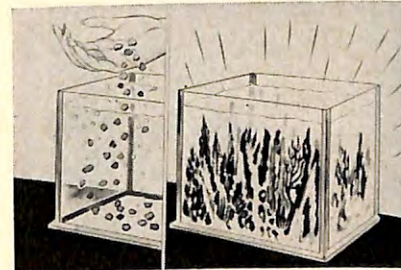
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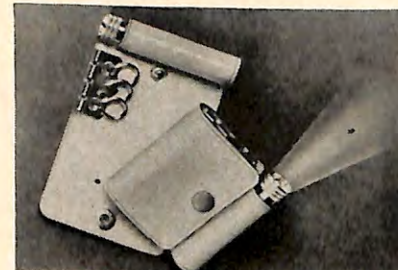
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PHOENIX LODGE REMEMBERS OUR VETERAN FATHERS



Father Theodore J. Radtke, a Phoenix Elk, is pictured at left with Frank E. Murphy, one of the patients, and Veterans Committee Chairman George W. Saville, Sr., right.



Chip Samuell plays a request number for patient Jim Dunn and his visiting wife.



This is the Bill Maule Family, with Mrs. Maule at the organ and Mr. Maule on bass fiddle, their children making up the rest of the entertainment unit.



Phoenix Elk William S. Corbin, left, is pictured with Paul Derr of Milton, Pa., who was the father farthest from home. At right, Chip Samuell again.

Ever since the Veterans Administration Hospital was established in Phoenix, Arizona, the authorities there have allocated to the local Elks the pleasant job of programming the Hospital's observance of Father's Day.

The photographs on this page represent the Elks' 1964 observance, when their Committee arranged to have a speaker, entertainment and prizes, to be awarded to fathers in several categories.

Rev. Father Theodore J. Radtke was the speaker, the musical portion of the program had two segments—Chip "Yellowstone" Samuell, a member of the Order, visited several wards with his guitar and sang Western ballads, while in the Recreation Hall, the musical Maule Family, consisting of a mother, father and four children making up an orchestra with vocalist, entertained.

Canteen Merchandise Books were given as prizes to the oldest father, the youngest father, the father who was farthest from home, and the father having the most children. Each patient received a Canteen Book, too.

All in all, it was a most successful, and very happy, Father's Day in Phoenix, both for the hospitalized fathers, and the Elks who honored them.

On the Road,

Driving through France is more than a journey; it's a feast, both of culinary delights and exciting scenery, with wonderful accommodations for seasoning. And for good measure, our traveler adds a side trip to Corsica

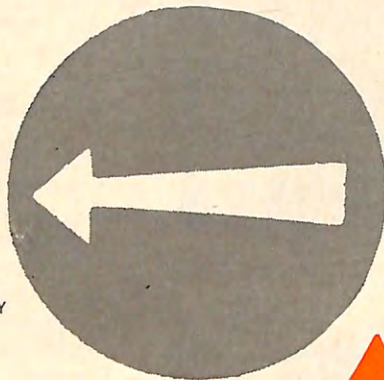
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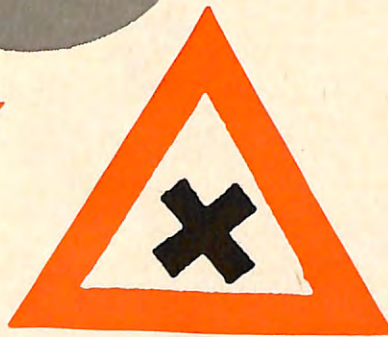
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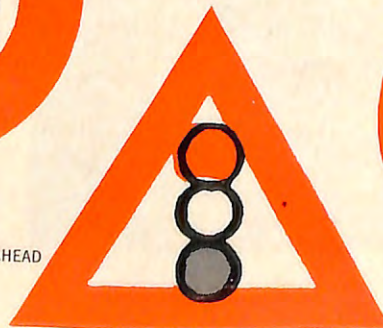


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FLIGHT 004 taxied to a stop at Orly Airport; the engines whined a final sigh, ending another flight of one of the world's longest nonstop commercial jet hops—Los Angeles to Paris. Time: 11 hours. Distance: 5,700 miles.

This really impressed me, for the first time I crossed the Atlantic, it took five leaps with refueling stops at Iceland, Greenland, Labrador, and Montreal just to get from Europe to New York. I was in a twin-engine DC-3 something like 20 hours.

But this is 1964, and we'd come all the way from Los Angeles nonstop in about half that time. In case you're still unimpressed, we left Los Angeles weighing 325,000 pounds. When we landed in Paris, we were 110,000 lighter. That's how much jet fuel we consumed. That beautiful blue and white bird gulps the stuff at the rate of 10,000 pounds an hour.

When we boarded the plane in Los Angeles, darkness had already settled across the city. Inside, the 14-man crew was already busy: three pilots, two engineers, two radio-navigators, and seven cabin attendants.

Captain Claude Bergevin, former Free-French flier and Resistance hero (the airline was Air France), handled

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French Style

the controls. The jet engines howled at the moon as he released the brakes. Less than a minute later, the lights of Los Angeles winked back, hundreds of feet below, as the jet made for the heavens.

Forty-five minutes after takeoff, a feast worthy of Maxim's was wheeled down the aisle of the cabin. With dinner barely over, the stewardess informed us it was time for breakfast. My watch said it was 2 in the afternoon Paris time (6 A.M. in Los Angeles). But we *were* over the Atlantic by this time, so never mind—we just swallowed our Post Toasties and kept our mouths otherwise shut. Anyway, this time I wasn't forced to drink wine with my cornflakes, which I swear happened once on another French flight.

I flew to France for a new travel experience: to drive south from Paris to the Riviera and then hop over to Corsica. Friends enthusiastically insisted that motoring was the *only* way to see la belle France.

First, though, I spent several days revisiting an old flame. The last time I saw Paris, her heart was old and gray. Forgive that affront to the memory of Oscar Hammerstein, but it's true. That was before de Gaulle's Minister of Cultural Affairs, André Malraux, ordered the city's magnificent buildings scrubbed. Personally, I was fond of Paris with the smudge on her face.

Being a romantic of sorts, the buildings' former grayness, to me, was a sign of maturity, with the memories of her youth locked behind the façade.

I remember once I stayed in a small Left Bank hotel just around the corner from the St. Sulpice Cathedral. When I looked up at that magnificent old church, its walls black with grime, I

felt a deep affection for it, as one feels warmly toward someone whose face reflects a kindness and wisdom—and a confession of having lived long and well and seen it all.

Along the very narrow street beside the cathedral had passed the Hemingways and Picassos who had achieved immortality. Against its walls had reverberated the jackboots of armies and lately the trooping of the tourist invasion; thousands upon thousands of visitors have seen Paris age gracefully.

I reluctantly have to admit that the current cleanup is revealing an architectural attractiveness few postwar tourists knew existed. The change is creeping slowly across the city—on both sides of the Seine. The buildings' original pinks, pastel yellows, and creamy whites are reappearing. Certain critics nevertheless complain that the city's mellow patina is being sacrificed. Others disagree, citing that the grayness was not the result of age but simply the grimy residue of 20th-century industry and automobile exhaust fumes.

The 18th-century buildings surrounding the Place de la Concorde are now a sandy yellow. The obelisk in its center—a gift to Charles X from the Egyptian viceroy in 1829—turns out to be a delicate pink. Across the Seine, Les Invalides, tomb of Napoleon, white again. And only recently workmen attacked the walls of the Uouvre's courtyard for the first time in 400 years.

When I passed by, the noble, columned Opéra was being bathed. Notre Dame presents a special problem. Because of its filigree and exterior sculpture, the 12th-century cathedral will perhaps be impossible to clean.

I noted other changes: skyscraper
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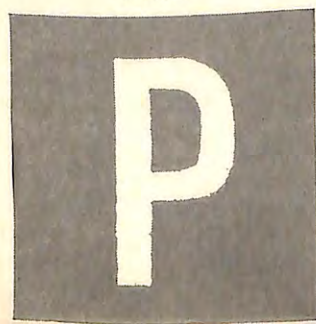
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News of the State Associations

At the Oregon Convention in Salem, local Elk-sponsored Explorer Scouts were pictured with Elk dignitaries and a few of the thousands of Oregon youngsters who are being aided by the Elks in their Eye Clinic Program. Left to right foreground: State Pres. Jim Trimble, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Emmett T. Anderson who holds Dee Anne Lipsey of Albany, and State Treas. Hal Randall, holding Brian Gray, also of Albany. In the background are Scott Cameron, Francis Burke and Jeff Brown, Doug Hashell, George Newbry of Portland High School, Clinic Program Chairman Louis Cline, and Scout Dave Vores.



Boom in

CALIFORNIA ELKDOM, meeting for the 49th annual Convention in San Mateo May 20th through the 23rd, welcomed Grand Exalted Ruler Ronald J. Dunn who spoke at the first business session and at the President's Banquet. He was greeted officially by Past Grand Exalted Rulers L. A. Lewis and Horace R. Wisely, both of California.

A total of 5,179 persons were registered at this meeting at which Henry J. Budde of San Francisco Lodge was elected to succeed Vern R. Huck as President. Vice-Presidents are Owen J. White, Alameda, E. C. Keefe, Tulare, Vern Backs, Big Bear Lake, Ralph Susmark, Canoga Park, R. V. Balma, Redding, T. H. Quigley, Placerville, J. B. Scott, Ukiah, C. E. Proctor, Santa Ana, R. C. Pierce, Indio, H. W. Jordan, Long Beach, M. R. Pike, Torrance, H. J. Thomas, Vista, Walter Kinkaid, Ontario, and Leland Simas, Santa Maria. Edgar W. Dale of Richmond continues as Secretary, and Robert E. Walker of Santa Ana is Treasurer. New Trustees include Fred Holdinghausen, Sonora, and Carmine Addressa, San Diego. Appointed at this meeting were Sergeant-at-Arms Leonard Johnston, Glendale; Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms Jack Lockwood, Bakersfield; Tiler Dick Rypkema, Paradise; Assistant Tiler J. Happer, San Diego, and Chaplain Rt. Rev. Msgr. George M. Scott, San Pedro. Grand Trustee R. Leonard Bush was the installing officer.

Immediately on taking office, President Budde appointed his entire list of committees, and held a special briefing session with all Vice-Presidents and the Committeemen on hand.

As usual, the highlight of the Convention was the presentation of the

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The warm welcome to VIP visitors to the Wyoming Elks Convention in Laramie is commemorated in this photograph. Left to right: State Pres. and Mrs. James F. Meyers, Mrs. Horace R. Wisely, Mrs. H. L. Blackledge, Past Grand Exalted Rulers Wisely and Blackledge, and Mrs. Charles Cummins and Laramie E.R. Charles Cummins.



Idaho Elksdom's Youth Leadership Chairman D. J. Rainville, right, presents State Youth Awards to William Hull of Caldwell and Jeanne Weston of Blackfoot.



George Carver, who heads the Florida Elks' Crippled Children's Hospital, accepts Miami Beach Lodge's \$2,500 check from E.R. V. J. Toscano.

Michigan Elksdom's Major Project aided 350 children last year, bringing the seven-year total to 1,250. Pictured at the State Meeting are, left to right, foreground, Project Exec. Secy. J. A. Stotenburg, William Zellers of Hastings, Maryann Malik of Grand Rapids, Gail Rogin of Plymouth and Jode K. Miles, Jackson, all Elk beneficiaries. Background: Hastings Chairman Elton Sanderson, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn, Pres.-elect Milton D. McKay, Mrs. John Rogin, retiring Pres. Carl Fernstrum, 1963-64 Grand Exalted Ruler Ronald J. Dunn, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Edward J. McCormick, John Rogin, and Commission Chairman Hugh L. Hartley. Following the Commission report, Elks and their ladies presented \$46,574 to start the work for this year.



Benevolence

Major Project Commission report and the Exalted Rulers' March when Piggy Bank Committee Chairman Paul Haines of Pasadena received \$313,736.46 from the State's Lodges, an all-time high. This project presently employs 36 therapists who handle a caseload of more than 1,000 cerebral-palsied and otherwise handicapped youngsters. Plans are well under way to expand this already enormous undertaking.

One of several worthwhile innovations of this year's California conclave was the holding of special sessions on various lodge programs. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely served as Chairman at a Membership Control seminar, with a number of committeemen taking over splinter groups on different phases of lodge activity. Past President Paul Wemple presented a new Manual on Protocol which was very well received. Mr. Wemple was also Chairman of the moving Memorial Service at which the speaker was Monsignor Scott, State Chaplain.

Trustees Chairman Eric Silva announced that the Fall Conference of the Association to be held in Fresno on October 17th would be confined to officers and committeemen. He also announced the acceptance of the invitation of San Diego Lodge for the May 19th-22nd Convention next year, and that Monterey would be host to the 1966 session May 18th through the 21st.

Santa Ana Elk officials won the Ritualistic Championship, with Grass Valley and Richmond Lodges placing second and third. An All-State Ritual Team was composed of Richard Berry, Norwalk, Exalted Ruler; Wayne Franklin, Grass Valley, Esteemed Leading

Knight; Donald Luce, Richmond, Loyal Knight; Robert Smolan, Glendale, Lecturing Knight; Greg Stewart, Redondo Beach, Esquire; Donald Clute, Richmond, Chaplain, and James Juvinal, Grass Valley, Inner Guard.

REPRESENTATIVES of 38 of the State's lodges answered the roll call at the two-day 35th Annual Convention of the Connecticut Elks Association at New Britain which opened June 5th. Official greetings were extended by Mayor James F. Dawson, a member of the host lodge, and the State's official welcome from Gov. John N. Dempsey, Honorary Life Member of Putname Lodge, was read by Grand Lodge Committeeman Thaddeus J. Pawlowski, the Governor's official representative.

The largest budget and a most ambitious program was adopted at this meeting. It included the decision to undertake a \$50,000 program for the establishment of a new Sterile Supply Department for Newington Hospital for Crippled Children, the Association's favorite charitable endeavor. Newington's Executive Director, Berger E. Foss, received a \$20,385 check to underwrite the cost of equipping and expanding the Hospital's laboratory facilities, and to purchase an X-ray machine and developing equipment for that department.

Outstanding reports were submitted by the National Foundation, Crippled Children's and National Service Committees, and the New Lodge Committee reported the institution of Wethersfield-Rocky Hill Lodge with about 200 members. The annual Memorial Service was well attended, with retiring President Michael Kiro, and Exalted Ruler Wm. B. Coyle and Past Exalted Ruler Francis Joyce of the host lodge participating. Grand Trustee Arthur J. Roy delivered the Memorial Address, and also installed the following

officers: President Gilbert A. Rich, Southington, Vice-Presidents George English, Manchester, Thomas Newton, Greenwich, and Harrison Berube, New Haven; Secretary T. J. Pawlowski, Norwich, and Treasurer Edward Kligerman, Branford. Holdover Trustees are Fitzhugh Dibble, Westbrook, L. I. Olmstead, Southington, R. S. Lewis, New Haven, E. E. Arnold, Willimantic, and T. V. McMahon, Bridgeport.

Another duty of Mr. Roy's was the presentation of the Arthur J. Roy Ritualistic Trophy to the State Champions of Norwich Lodge, represented by Exalted Ruler Paul Vasington. Youth Leadership Awards were announced by Chairman John A. Burda, and State Association Awards to outstanding lodges were presented to Milford, East Hartford and New London Lodges which placed in that order.

THE ELKS OF INDIANA, meeting for their annual Convention at French Lick June 4th through the 7th, were another group to receive a visit from Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Ronald J. Dunn who arrived with Past Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn, the principal speaker at the Past Presidents' Banquet. The distinguished visitors were guests at the Exalted Rulers' breakfast and the Secretaries' luncheon at which C. L. Shideler, a member of the Grand Lodge State Associations Committee, spoke briefly. Special tribute was paid by the Past Presidents to Mr. Shideler who has just completed his 25th term as State Secretary.

Scholarships were presented to 11 outstanding Indiana students and the State's Youth Leaders were also honored at this meeting during which a \$43,000 check was presented to the Indiana University Medical Center and \$19,500 went to Purdue University to continue the research on cancer to which these Elks have contributed nearly \$950,000 in the past 17 years.



Past Grand Exalted Ruler H. L. Blackledge, left, congratulates Wm. M. Dunn on assuming the Presidency of Nebraska's Elks.



Past Grand Exalted Ruler Wm. J. Jernick, center, looks on as incoming New Jersey State Pres. William Browning, right, accepts the gavel of office from retiring President Harry A. Wolf.



A \$730 check was presented to the Florence Crittenton Home.

About 900 Elks and their ladies attending the banquet applauded the address delivered by the Order's leader, and saw the Ritualistic trophy presented to the title-holding team from Logansport.

Representatives of Indiana's 50,998 Elks will convene in Indianapolis on January 16th and 17th, for their Winter Session, and on June 10th to the 13th for the 1965 meeting. New officers are President J. F. Beldon, Seymour; Vice-Presidents Wilbur Lee, New Castle, Roy Rogers, Jr., Goshen, Stanley Mascoe, Indianapolis, L. C. Gerber, South Bend, and Dr. Wm. H. Collison, Linton; Secretary C. L. Shideler, Terre Haute; Treasurer J. L. J. Miller, East Chicago; Chaplain J. W. Hastedt, Seymour; Tiler Dale Phillips, Dunkirk; Sergeant-at-Arms Robert Maxwell, Greenfield, and Inner Guard Marvin Rich, Huntington. Trustees are W. A. Booher, Logansport, J. J. Baldwin, Portland, Donald McMurtry, Evansville, R. W. Olinger, Greensburg, H. L. Scott, Jr., Kokomo, and George Stutzman, Elkhart.

THE SPACIOUS HOME of Salt Lake City Lodge, No. 85, was the scene of many important events marking the 50th anniversary of the Utah Elks Association when it met there June 4th, 5th and 6th. Over 400 Elks and their guests were on hand, among them Past Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. William S. Hawkins, and District Deputies Reid Allred and Howard Berry. Mr. Hawkins was the featured speaker, addressing the final business session and the Convention Ball on the closing night. U. S. Senator Frank Moss was the speaker at the Memorial Service.

Provo Lodge won the Ritualistic Contest, with Tooele Lodge in second place. Provo Elk Harry Cutshall re-

ceived the trophy on making the highest individual score as his team's Esquire.

The new term's officers are President Edwin Soles, Provo; Vice-Presidents J. Vurge Smith, Cedar City, Ray Thompson, St. George, and Mont A. Gowers, Salt Lake City; Secretary Harry Cutshall, Provo; Treasurer F. J. Nelson, Salt Lake City; Sergeant-at-Arms John Paulos, Tooele; Inner Guard Tom Eastwood, Eureka; Chaplain Gail Fife, Cedar City; Organist Richard Bircumshaw, Park City, and Tiler Arthur Miller, Provo. Association Trustees are Chairman Howard Berry, Park City, Robert Thomas, Eureka, Wayne Garrett, Logan, Keigh Wansgard, Ogden, and Val Maughan, Moab.

It was reported at this conclave that the Association's four-year-old Major Project, the Crippled and Handicapped Persons' Committee, has handled 170 worthy cases at an expense of more than \$11,000. During the past year, 50 cases were taken care of by the Committee which has also bought and equipped a Utah Elks Association Physical Therapy Room at Eldred Hospital for the Aged in Provo. The equipment cost \$1,500. Another important undertaking of Utah's Elks, the Deer Hides Program, found 1,188 hides produced by the members of the State's 12 lodges, with 417 custom-tanned skins turned over to the Veterans Hospital in Salt Lake City.

Many activities occupied the attention of the delegates during the lighter hours of this Meeting for which Gene R. Dyer was General Chairman.

WITH Past Grand Exalted Rulers John F. Malley and John E. Fenton in attendance, the Massachusetts Elks Convention June 19th, 20th and 21st at Plymouth had a registration of well over 600 delegates, the highest in the Association's history.

Past District Deputy Harold J. Field was the speaker at the Memorial Services, and reports on the charitable activities of the State's lodges showed an expenditure of \$287,000, with another \$36,000 presented to various State organizations from the Association's Charity Awards Program.

Dalton, Georgia, Lodge's three-year State Championship Ritualistic Team went on to win second-place honors in the National Contest in New York. Left to right are Coach Phil Bailey, Inner Guard Claud Travillian, Chaplain John Stokes, Est. Lead. Knight R. E. Mann, E.R. Robert Howalt, Loyal Knight Cliff Townsend (high man in the State), Lect. Knight John Lewis and Esq. Truett Lomax.

Thomas E. Gibbons of Westfield is the new President, with Charles B. Burgess, Newton, Arthur D. Kochakian, Haverhill, Henry T. Flaherty, Clinton, and John F. Cahill, Cambridge, as Vice-Presidents. T. Joseph Whalen of Springfield is Treasurer and Alfred J. Mattei, Worcester, is Secretary.

THE FINE NEW HOME of Salem Lodge was the setting for the May 21st, 22nd and 23rd Convention of the Oregon Elks Association. Over 3,000 persons, including 529 delegates attended the sessions during which committee reports were read covering the wide variety of service programs being undertaken by these Elks. They include Veterans, Youth, Scholarships, Elks National Foundation, Blood Bank and the extensive Eye Clinic which has long been Oregon Elkdom's prime interest.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Emmett T. Anderson, former Chairman Edwin J. Alexander of the Board of Grand Trustees, Dick Harpole, outgoing President of the Washington Elks Association, and Grand Lodge Auditing Committee Chairman Philip F. Berg were guests.

Milwaukie Lodge will be host to the Midwinter Meeting, with the 1965 Summer Convention to be held at Ashland. Officers of this organization are President Frank Wheeler, Burns; Vice-Presidents William Warden, Lebanon, Al Beeler, McMinnville, Robert Stults, Roseburg, and Raymond R. Schroth, Hermiston; Secretary L. A. O'Neil, Portland; Treasurer Hal Randall, Salem; Chaplain Allen Bartholomew, Springfield; Inner Guard Dale Boyer, Ontario; Tiler Russel Hines, Hillsboro; Sergeant-at-Arms Tom Turner, Burns, and Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms Jack Stolsig, Lebanon. David Stark, Gresham, and C. A. Eaton, Myrtle Creek, were named Trustees.

HAROLD J. FIELD, of Brookline, Mass., now a member of the Grand Forum, was the principal speaker at the banquet held during the Maine Elk Association Convention at Biddeford-Saco May 22nd, 23rd and 24th.

Past Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight Daniel E. Crowley installed the new officers led by Robert Messier of Old Town as President. Vice-Presidents are Joseph Winner, Lewiston, William Tippens, Millinocket, Philip Oliver, Bath, and Richard Hughes, Bangor. Edward R. Twomey of Portland, long-time Secretary-Treasurer, remains in office.

Delegates voted to continue the Association's crippled children's work, as well as their nursing scholarship program, and selected Bangor as 1965 Convention site.

ABOUT 1,200 ELKS and their families met on beautiful Jekyll Island June 4th, 5th and 6th for the 1964 Convention of the Georgia Elks Association.

Reports on Scholarships, and on Aidmore, the Georgia Elks' Hospital for Crippled Children, reports on Scholarships, and the State Association Banquet were highlights of the Meeting during which contributions were made for Aidmore, totaling \$161,612.67, a substantial increase over all previous years. Ritualistic Awards and John S. McClelland Plaques were presented at the banquet which closed the session, during which a number of social events were enjoyed.

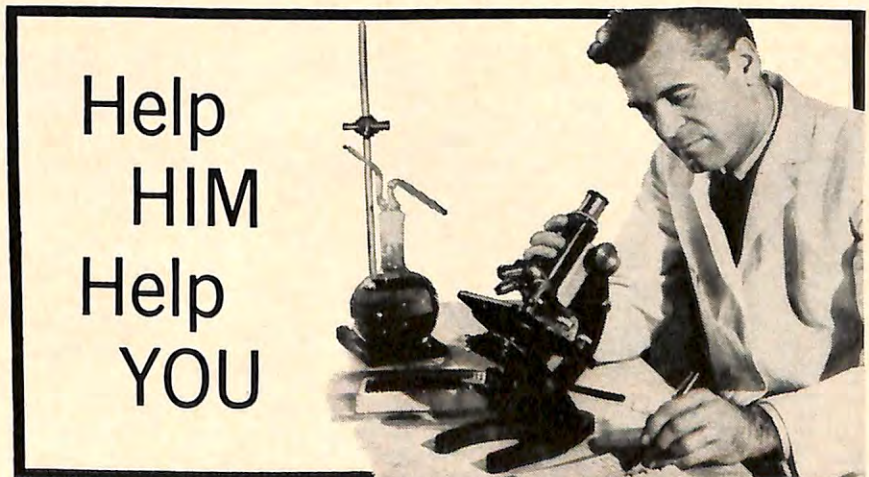
H. L. Williamson of Albany heads the organization for the 1964-65 term with John S. Andrews, Dalton, as Executive Vice-President, and C. O. Snyder, Toccoa, W. C. Daye, Savannah, Henry P. May, Cartersville, and J. A. Bell, Warner Robins, as Vice-Presidents. Roderick M. McDuffie of Atlanta remains as Secretary-Treasurer; C. W. Caudell of Elberton is Chaplain; Roy Jaekel, Albany, Sergeant-at-Arms, and Ben F. Perry, Atlanta, Tiler.

HIGH SPOT of the 52nd Annual Convention of the New York Elks Association at Syracuse May 21st, 22nd and 23rd, was the approval by the

delegates to finance a new Major Project, the nature of which will be determined by a group headed by James A. Gunn, Grand Lodge Committeeman.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler George I. Hall opened the session, and the Memorial Services featured a general eulogy delivered by 1963-64 Grand Exalted Ruler Ronald J. Dunn. State President John J. O'Brien presided at the first business session when State Elks National Foundation Chairman F. R. Blauvelt reported the year's contributions to the Foundation at \$35,000, with 372 Participating Memberships pledged. Youth Activities Chairman John F. Schoonmaker announced that 272,570 young people had benefitted 55 types of programs participated in by the State's lodges. Excellent attendance marked an enlightening Youth Activities Seminar, and Mr. Dunn's clinic for Exalted Rulers and Secretaries in which Grand Secretary Franklin J. Fitzpatrick and former Grand Esquire Francis P. Hart participated.

The final business session saw an enthusiastic response to an outstanding address by Mr. Dunn, at the conclusion of which he presented a personal membership trophy to the South Central District which showed the highest percentage gain during the year; the award will remain with Endicott Lodge



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The Ronald J. Dunn New York State Membership Trophy went to Endicott Lodge which enjoyed a 51-percent increase last year. Left to right are P.E.R.'s T. C. Coughlin, Membership Chairman, and James Rohland, and E.R. Thomas Mulquinn.

which had a 51-percent increase. Rome took Ritualistic honors, with Watkins Glen and Patchogue as runners-up.

Closing feature of the Convention were exercises at which Past Grand Exalted Ruler James T. Hallinan presented Scholarship and Youth Activities awards, totaling \$20,700, to 45 girls and boys. Other dignitaries present at this session included Grand Lodge Committeemen Howard F. V. Cole, and Peter T. Affatato, John F. Scileppi, formerly of the Grand Forum, and Mr. Dunn's secretary, Harry J. Bird.

Officers for the ensuing year are President Raymond Barnum, Lockport; Vice-Presidents N. E. Boyson, Rome, E. J. Packey, Smithtown, A. A. Mastrociani, Pearl River, L. J. Riani, Keeseville, J. H. Lavine, Massena, J. T. Belcastro, Albany, S. J. Rollo, Port Chester, S. J. Durish, Endicott, Vincent Cataldo, Staten Island, W. J. Watson, Wellsville, Donat Parent, Buffalo, W. J. Fingar, Penn Yan; Trustees Maurice Shapiro, Fulton, J. B. Fleischman, Sr., Riverhead, A. F. Mueller, Jr., Haverstraw, R. A. Wiley, Ticonderoga, Peter A. Buchheim, Albany, and J. J. Kelly, Niagara Falls. Re-elected are Secretary Wm. R. L. Cook, Queens Borough, and Treasurer Wm. C. Petzke, Elmira.

MICHIGAN'S Elks convened for their 60th Annual Convention at Jackson Lodge May 15th, 16th and 17th, with a total registration of 1,000, including retiring Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Ronald J. Dunn, and Ohio's Past Grand Exalted Rulers Dr. Edward J. McCormick and Fred L. Bohn. Mr. Dunn was honored at a banquet during which he delivered an inspiring address, and also attended the session during which scholarship and Youth Activities awards were made, and \$46,000 was presented to Chairman Hugh L. Hartley for the Association's Major Project for handicapped children.

A capacity crowd attended the President's banquet when outgoing President Carl Fernstrum was the speaker. Ritualistic awards were presented on this occasion, with Dowagiac Lodge taking top honors. Drill Team honors went to Otsego Elksdom.

Niles will be the site of the May 14th, 15th and 16th Meeting next year, with Muskegon Lodge hosting the October, 1964, conclave.

The Association's new officers are President Milton D. McKay, Albion; Vice-President-at-Large Roy R. Gallie, Lansing; Vice-Presidents Eric Jacobson, Sturgis, Roy Schlachter, Hasings, H. A. Hoxie, Dearborn, L. P. Frank, Saginaw, Bernard Boyink, Grand Haven, Theodore Henchel, Manistique, and Victor Giacoletto, Calumet. Leland L. Hamilton, Niles, continues as Secretary, and S. Glen Converse, Lansing, as Treasurer. New Trustees of the Association are O. J. Collins, Iron River, Ward Scovel, Grand Rapids, and H. B. Tarpley, Jackson.

ONE OF THE BEST, and most enjoyable, Conventions of the Wyoming State Association took place in Laramie June 4th, 5th and 6th, when over 400 members were registered, in addition to hundreds of guests. Highlighted by the presence of Past Grand Exalted Rulers H. L. Blackledge and Horace R. Wisely, Grand Lodge New Lodge Committee Chairman C. F. Rice, District Deputies Richard Collins and Thomas Hubbard, and several Colorado State dignitaries, this 55th Annual Convention saw \$2,600 awarded in scholarships, and heard reports on the various activities sponsored by the Association. A State Past Exalted Rulers Club was organized, and its members immediately made a \$100 gift to the Elks National Foundation which also received a third \$1,000 donation from the Association.

Leading Wyoming's Elks until the 1965 Meeting at Riverton are President Paul W. Child, Riverton; Vice-Presidents Dale Redfield, Jackson, and C. V. Redman, Torrington; Secretary-Treasurer L. G. Mehse, Laramie; Sergeant-at-Arms A. J. Kelly, Greybull; Chaplain F. R. Anderson, Rawlins; Inner Guard Paul Cody, Casper; Tiler Paul Wonnacott, Rock Springs, and five-year Trustee James F. Meyers, Laramie.

A dinner attended by over 700 persons closed the session during which musical entertainment had been provided by the Denver Elks' "Jolly

Corks" band, and Peverley's Powboys of the host lodge.

WITH PAST GRAND EXALTED RULER Sam Stern, former Grand Chaplain Rev. Fr. Felix Andrews and Grand Trustee Ray Dobson in attendance, the North Dakota Elks Association Convention was held June 7th, 8th and 9th in Dickinson. Rains put a damper on the annual parade and golf tournament, but failed to affect the spirits of the delegates. The Association Trustees authorized the purchase of additional acreage adjacent to the Elks Youth Camp to provide a larger area for recreation, and the delegates voted to hold their June, 1965, session in Grand Forks.

Officers for the current year are President Cliff E. Reed, Minot; Vice-President Gordon Klug, Grand Forks; Treasurer Everett E. Palmer, Williston; Secretary Ray Greenwood, Jamestown, and Trustee Frank Roberts, Bismarck. The last three were reelected.

RAPID CITY Elks took both team and individual championships in the first annual Golf Tournament held during the June 4th, 5th, 6th Convention of the South Dakota Elks Association in their own home town. Bill Doyle was the kingpin in the individual event, with Page Townley as runner-up. They were joined by Rogert Eckholm and Ed Stamper in rounding out the title-winning foursome.

Milo Rypkema, as Convention Chairman, welcomed nearly 1,000 Elks and guests to this meeting, including Grand Trustee R. Leonard Bush and former Grand Trustee J. Ford Zietlow. Top-flight students Lee Snyder, Huron, Ann Sattler, Yankton, and Becky Marshall, Rapid City, were honored at this meeting, and President's Awards went to Brookings and Madison Lodges, for high net membership gain; Melvin Potthast of Brooks for selling the largest number of Elks National Foundation memberships, and Laural Benson, Pierre, who sold 102 Foundation Certificates in two years. Making the presentations were Leadership Chairman Ed Belmore and Past State President Kenneth Roberts.

Serving until Madison in 1965 President Richard Curtis, Deadwood; President-elect Joseph Garrity, Brookings; Vice-Presidents William Stringham, Sioux Falls, John E. Hayes, Aberdeen, and Ed Belmore, Rapid City; Secretary Wayne H. Shenkle, Sioux Falls, and Treasurer John Skvaril, Huron.

A LARGE NUMBER of dignitaries joined Grand Exalted Ruler Ronald J. Dunn at the May 6th through the 9th Convention of the Arizona Elks Association. They included Past Grand Exalted Rulers L. A. Lewis and Horace

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Alaska	Fairbanks	Sept. 24-25-26

R. Wisely, Grand Treasurer John Morey, Grand Trustee R. Leonard Bush, Grand Lodge Committeemen John Frakes and Elman Pace, and District Deputies Blaine Toller, Victor Stewart and Mulford Windsor.

Phoenix Lodge won the Ritualistic Contest, and new officers are President W. H. Gray, Phoenix, Vice-Presidents Lowell Marler, Mesa, Harold Nimtz, Winslow, and George Dingman, Ajo; Secretary Wayne Adams, Phoenix, and Treasurer E. F. Erb, Miami, who also won honors for presenting the shirt design most representative of Arizona. • •

All Expenses Paid

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board a colorful excursion steamer for a "delightful two-hour trip to the island of Bimini, closest of the Bahamas to the United States mainland." At Bimini, we would find our cruise ship, the *Calypso*, all ready to whisk us away on a seven-day voyage through the enchanting and romantic islands. The memories of this dream vacation would, the folders assured us, live in our memories forever. In the face of all this, I could hardly object to having spent a paltry three hundred and one dollars.

When the big day arrived, Martha and I were quite well prepared, to say the least. In fact, we were so well prepared that my expenses were increased by two dollars at the airline counter for overweight baggage.

In Miami, the big steamer that was to take us to Bimini was quite impressive. It rested at the pier like a sleeping giant as gentle puffs of white smoke spilled over the sides of the two big smokestacks. The crowd already on board was quite festive, and there was a lot of music and laughter. Martha and I took up a position near the rail so that we could observe the proceedings as the ship left the dock. I was beginning to feel quite debonair until we were approached by a skinny young man dressed in a gleaming white jacket. He was carrying a tray of small paper cups filled with water and a plate that contained a number of little white pills. "Have you had your seasick pills yet?" he asked. "Only ten cents."

"Oh, we won't be needing them," I said, suavely.

His mien darkened visibly. "I'd suggest you reconsider, sir. The water is unusually rough today."

I was adamant. "We have our own pills."

"Ah ha!" he snickered. "But you don't have water."

Martha grabbed my arm. "For heaven's sake," she said. "Give him the twenty cents. Everyone is staring at us."

Reluctantly, I gave him the money

and took our water and pills. As he approached his next victim I was seized with the impulse to trip him. It would be very funny to see water spraying in every direction with little white pills rolling gaily across the deck. I reconsidered, however, since we were now under way and I had no desire to be incarcerated for mutiny, or whatever you call it.

After we had been out for about an hour, Martha asked me to get her a sandwich from the snack bar. Dutifully, I made the long walk to the other end of the boat. Since both hands were free to grab railings, I negotiated quite well. On the return trip, however, I had a paper cup full of beer in each hand, a ham salad sandwich tucked under each arm, and a few odd cents in change clenched firmly between my teeth.

I should mention that the snack bar was located behind a little stage upon which a five-piece orchestra was gyrating wildly to the tune of "Alice Blue Gown Cha-Cha-Cha." In front of the stage were rows of benches with an aisle up the center. As I made my precarious way around the stage toward the aisle, my foot caught in a long cord, one end of which was attached to an electric guitar which in turn was being held by a somewhat rapid-looking musician who was pranc-

ing wildly on his toes. As my foot jerked the cord, the musician was caught off balance and he stumbled backwards off the stage. Disaster seemed imminent as he headed for the railing at high speed. However, at the last second, he managed a spectacular right turn and plunged headfirst into the ladies rest room. In the meantime, I was unceremoniously propelled up the center aisle. While I did manage to stay on my feet, I kicked three men and an elderly lady in the shins, spilled beer on two bald heads, and stepped on one of my ham salad sandwiches. Furthermore, I think I swallowed a nickel, but I can't be sure since I hadn't counted my change.

After a while, things got back to normal except that the orchestra played the same Strauss waltz over and over for the rest of the trip.

When we arrived in Bimini, we were disappointed to learn that the *Calypso* was not there to meet us. Being an authentic sailing vessel, we were informed, it had been delayed due to the lack of sufficient wind. This did give us time to investigate the island. Martha headed for the souvenir shops while I decided to get acquainted with the natives.

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displayed on one of the souvenir stands. It was an authentic bongo drum, obviously hand-carved. I knew I had to have it.

I eyed the proprietor skeptically. Being a shrewd businessman myself, I decided to make use of all my bargaining acumen. "How much?" I said, pointing to the drum.

The proprietor smiled—to gain my confidence, no doubt. "Thirty-seven fifty," he said.

"Outrageous," I countered. "I'll give you ten dollars."

"Thirty," he said, still smiling.

"I might go as high as fifteen."

He patted the drum affectionately. "I made it myself," he said. "I'll lose money, but I'll take twenty-two dollars."

"Eighteen."

"You're a shrewd businessman," he admitted. "Make it an even twenty dollars."

I reached for my wallet nonchalantly. "Nineteen is my top price."

He looked dejected. "Sold," he said, softly.

I hated to take advantage of him; but, after all, in business it's dog-eat-dog.

Later, when I met Martha, I was horrified to see a drum just like mine sticking out of her well-packed shopping bag. Martha doesn't have my head for business and I was certain that she had been fleeced. "How much did you pay for it?" I asked fearfully. "Three dollars and ninety-five cents," she said.

Frankly, I was relieved that she didn't bother to ask me the same question.

Considering the two bongo drums and the forty-five dollars that Martha spent on other souvenirs, my expenses were now approaching the four hundred dollar mark. It occurred to me that this was a considerable sum to spend on an all-expense-paid trip; especially since we had yet to lay eyes on the good ship *Calypso*.

Back at the dock, we learned that the *Calypso's* arrival was not expected for another three hours. This seemed to me to be an ideal opportunity to seek a brief respite from the midday heat. This we accomplished in an establishment called Captain something-or-other's lounge. It was a very colorful place with bamboo strip curtains in the doorways and dried palm leaves sticking out at us from every corner. It was here that I first became acquainted with a sensational concoction known as "Planter's Punch."

While I'm not sure of the exact formula for mixing the drink, I can assure you that although it contains fruit juice, it is entirely unsuitable for church socials or children's birthday parties.

By the time the word was circulated that the *Calypso* was at anchor in the harbor, some three hours later, I had consumed an unknown number of Planter's Punches while comfortably ensconced in a friendly wicker chair.

The motor launch, we were told, was now waiting to take us out to the ship. As we made our way toward the launch, the dock turned out to be just about a foot shorter than it appeared to me at the time. As a result, my last step was quite spectacular. Fortunately, the water wasn't very deep at that point and I was not hurt—except for the fact that my hundred dollar waterproof, shockproof wristwatch promptly stopped ticking. That wouldn't have been quite so bad had it not been for the ultimate humiliation of being rescued by two nine-year-old native boys.

The *Calypso* was everything the travel folders had said: long, sleek, and breathtaking, with masts that reached 130 feet toward the sky. As we climbed aboard, I was feeling like Ishmael, Captain Bligh, and Sterling Hayden, all rolled into one.

On board, all forty passengers were assembled and addressed by the captain. "This will be a very informal cruise," he told us. "You needn't be concerned with technical matters. All you need to know is that the pointed end of the ship is the front; and the blunt end is the rear." With that, the captain disappeared below deck and we were ushered to our sleeping quarters.

The next morning found us under full sail and I soon became intrigued with the young deckhand who was apparently steering the ship by means of a huge wheel at the back (blunt) end. It occurred to me that it was utterly impossible for him to see where he was going from that end of the ship.

"We just steer by compass," he said, pointing to a round dial with numbers on it.

"But what if you run into something?" I said.

"We never have yet," was his casual answer.

"Any chance of allowing me to steer for awhile?"

"Sure," he said, cheerfully. "Just keep the needle pointing to 150. That's our course, 150 degrees." "With that, the young sailor disappeared.

The next few minutes proved to be quite terrifying. The needle refused to behave. It drifted down to 140 and when I turned the wheel to correct it, it shot up to 180. Once it plunged to 105 and I had visions of the ship pulling into New York harbor, or worse, being shot at as we approached Havana.

The needle, I noted triumphantly, was right on 150 when the young man returned. "Everything under control?" he asked.

"Certainly," I said. "Nothing to it."

The next few days were very exciting. There was a new and colorful island to explore each day and romantic, moonlit nights to enjoy aboard the ship. The native members of the crew broke out their musical instruments every evening after dark and played what is known as "goombay" music.

One evening, as I sat sipping rum swizzles and watching the other passengers doing the Limbo (an absurdly physical type dance in which the idea is to slither under a horizontal bar), I decided to take a crack at it myself. It wasn't until I was in line approaching the horizontal bar that I realized that the teakwood deck was quite wet and I had forgotten to remove my shoes. As I approached the bar, I practiced the movements I had observed by flailing my arms and shuffling my feet. Suddenly, the bar was in front of me and everyone was shouting, "go-go-go!"

I threw my head back, arched my spine, and headed under the bar. Just at that moment, the ship lurched. My feet flew out from under me and I shot under the bar on the seat of my new deck pants. I slid at astonishing speed in this rather undignified position toward the rear end of the ship. The deckhand at the wheel gave me an incredulous look as I passed by, but he gallantly helped me to my feet as

I came to rest against a huge coil of rope.

I was somewhat dismayed when I remembered the new compact that I had bought in Nassau as a surprise for Martha. I had been carrying it in my hip pocket. I furtively threw what was left of it overboard and mourned in silence for my twenty-two fifty while the rest of the party formed a conga line on the boat deck.

When we finally struck out for home, I entertained thoughts of opening up our own souvenir business to help recoup some of the expenses incurred during our all-expense-paid trip. I had spent, as close as I could figure, over six hundred dollars. This, of course, doesn't take into account the letter from Mr. Higgins that was waiting for me when we arrived home. It seems that the fair market value of the trip is taxable income as far as Uncle Sam is concerned and would, therefore, be included as part of my taxable earnings for the year.

In recounting our experiences on this dream vacation, I may have given some the impression that tropical cruises are best avoided. Quite to the contrary, Martha and I thoroughly enjoyed our trip. In fact, we hope to be able to go again. The next time, though, we'll pay our own expenses. I think it will be cheaper that way. • •

Get Ready for the Hunt

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one, meals are cooked and eaten, the hunters play cards, and post mortems are held. The other quarter is for sleeping alone. That way part of the party can retire at any time and be undisturbed by activities of the others. Before passing on from camping, I should add that nowadays a number of good, safe tent heaters are on the market. Such small items as these also can be the difference between comfort and ordeal on many a hunt.

Every outdoor editor is consulted frequently on where to go hunting, and I'm no exception. But unfortunately, too many of the requests come too late to give proper advice. In other words, you should start planning your hunt now, if you haven't already.

That is particularly true if yours is a big-game hunt and you plan to travel very far. Guides and outfitters should be selected with care. Before actually going with anyone, you should ask for references and then check them out thoroughly. You should know (by inquiring of the state's conservation department in the state capital) if the guide is located in good hunting territory, and if he provides the type of service you expect.

Remember that planning the hunt

also means arranging for other accommodations—such as the plane and hotel or motel—as well as getting hunting licenses and permits. Often it's necessary to obtain permits (especially in some Western states, Canada, and Mexico) far in advance. It's even necessary to make reservations to hunt on many of the commercial shooting preserves in the eastern part of the United States.

Maybe it seems unusual to have talked so long about being a better hunter without mentioning guns and shooting. But there's a reason for it. No hunter can be more successful than his ability to shoot will permit; that's why I've saved this subject for last.

It's impossible to state how many hunting trips have proved disappointing because of the nimrod's inability to hit his target. But the number must be tremendous. This is doubly sad because accurate shooting is not a gift. It's true that some men find it easier than others to become skillful marksmen, but with practice and application *any* man with average coordination can be a good—at least a passable—shot.

Let's assume that you plan several weekends of wingshooting—ducks, geese, quail, pheasants, grouse, or any of the fine American game birds. The

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simple secret or shortcut to success is to burn ammo before you go afield.

The greatest possible device for practice is available to any wingshooter—and that is the clay pigeon. Go to any gun club for a couple of rounds of trap or skeet whenever you can spare a little time. Even if you're very busy, squeeze it in somehow. Besides being excellent practice, it's good relaxation from the stresses and pressures of everyday life. One neurosurgeon friend and neighbor considers it the best way of all to unwind after a tiring day at the hospital.

The trap or skeet range is also an excellent place to correct simple shooting faults. Ordinarily there are always a number of skilled, experienced shooters on hand, and the shooting fraternity is such that they are always willing to point out mistakes and lend a hand.

Many hunters, and I'm included, believe it's even better practice to buy a hand trap and to go afield with one or two friends for a shooting session. While one tosses pigeons with the trap, the others shoot. The hand trap makes it possible to throw targets in all directions and thereby to better imitate the swift, erratic flight of wild birds. The more accurate the shooters become, the more difficult are the targets thrown.

If the practice is for grouse or woodland shooting, go into a brushy woodlot and throw the pigeons so that the shoot-

er has all the hazards and problems of a genuine grouse hunt. If the practice is for waterfowl, throw crossing targets which best imitate a duck zooming downwind. A quail or pheasant hunter will want the thrower to toss fast straightaway targets that duplicate the sudden flush of a wild bird.

To big-game hunters, the advice is the same: practice; burn ammo. Last year one of the greatest big-game guides I've ever known said that more failures (among hunters coming to his camp) are caused by unfamiliarity with the rifle than anything else. Many hunters, he reported, arrive at the hunt without ever sighting in their rifles—and perhaps without ever having fired them.

The first step is to know what any rifle can do—it's killing range, trajectory, and other characteristics. Next, sight it in. That means to adjust the sights until the rifle shoots exactly where you aim it. If you have trouble accomplishing this, call in an expert or ask the advice of a local gunsmith. Once the rifle is sighted in, practice, practice, practice.

Your practice should consist of firing the rifle at various ranges—say from 50 to 200 yards—until you can hit with regularity the target you aim at. All the while, concentrate on correct shooting technique (look in any manual or book on shooting) until it eventually becomes involuntary. That's all there is to bringing home the bacon—or venison—instead of a hard-luck story.

You, or anyone, can be a better hunter on opening day. But the time to start working on it is now. • •

For Elks Who Travel

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apartments rising in the suburbs and the skeletons of new office buildings slashing the hitherto low-level Paris skyline. And anticipating supersonic jets, a new airport—Paris-Nord—is to be built north of the city in Roissy-en-France, while construction has already begun on the eight-mile, east-west expressway to cross Paris on the lower quay of the Seine.

Taking leave of Paris for an afternoon, we drove out 28 miles west of the city to L'Auberge de la Moutière, a venerable 18th-century home that's been converted into an inn.

Situated in the hamlet of Montfort-L'Amaury, the inn is operated by Maurice Carrère, manager of Maxim's, and affords such advertised pleasures as "lunch, tea, dinner, and sleep"—in that order.

Apéritifs are sipped by the fireplace; in summer you can experience the delight of dining in the garden, surrounded by pear trees and roses acclimb a whitewashed trellis. Meals are expensive, but rooms are fairly reasonable—about \$12 a night.

There's romance in the air here—no doubt about it—and the Auberge's typically Gallic promise is: "If you are not in love on Friday, you will be by Sunday night!"

But we didn't hang around that long. It was back to Paris for us to prepare for the trip south to Provence and the sunny Riviera. We were going to take a gourmet tour—along the Route de Bonheur ("Happiness Road"). It should also be known as Avenue du Poundage! If you decide to follow in our footsteps, leave your calorie counter at home and forget your doctor's admonition about too much alcohol, for soon you'll be passing through Burgundy. This means wine—whether you like the grape or not.

For those who haven't seen European highways for a number of years, or those who never have and may be apprehensive about conditions, let me point out that prosperity has produced remarkable changes. Roads are good and well-marked; traffic is heavier than ever. While cruising on a French highway a passenger can close his eyes and forget he ever left home—which is why he should keep his eyes open.

We made our first noontime stop 200 kilometers from Paris in Avallon at a charming 18th-century coach-stop inn—Hôtellerie de la Poste. The restaurant rates an enviable three stars in *Guide Michelin*—the famous French travel guide.

Specialties are crayfish bisque, burgundy snails, pâté of pike, sweetbreads, and poultry. Just about everything is *flambé* (served flaming as a result of ignited brandy or liqueur), and I dare say the chef burned up more fuel preparing our luncheon than we had burned up coming from Paris. Even the dessert was a three-alarm masterpiece. It was the first time I ever got giddy on one shot of cake.

Proprietor René Hure is also proud of his stuffed trout soaked in Meursault, gooseliver *ballotine*, ham stewed in rare chablis, curried chicken with cream, chicken in chambertine, duck à l'orange, woodcock *flambé à la riche*, pan cakes *flambé* (three liqueurs). Not to mention Dolce Borghese—a five-layer cake which if squeezed would fill a quart bottle with booze, I'm sure.

In addition to feeding tourists, M. Hure also rents rooms. Napoleon himself once overnights at the Hôtellerie, as have the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, former Presidents Eisenhower and Kennedy, the latter when he was a boy. Rooms, which have four-poster beds and marble fireplaces, rent for \$14 a night.

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The hillsides surrounding Beaune are terraced with vineyards, and its souvenir shops overflow with wine accessories—wooden kegs converted into liquor cabinets and corkscrews fashioned from vine roots. Nearby is a wine museum, and at Hôtel Dieu, the Order of St. Martha produces some of the best burgundy in the region.

Later our travels took us to the 11th-century village of Pérouges, once a Roman fort, near Lyon. We broke bread with Mayor Francisque Hibaut, in the dining room of the *Hôtellerie du Vieux Pérouges*, a 700-year-old establishment operated by him. Ivy hangs from the ceiling of the ancient inn, and outside there is a linden tree, planted in 1789—the year of the French Revolution.

Below the walled city, verdant meadows and flowering orchards can be seen nearly all the way to Lyon, 15 miles away. Beamed-ceiling rooms in the mayor's manor rent for \$6-12, complete with antiques and canopied beds.

After saying *au revoir* to Mayor Hibaut, we turned south again on the Route de Bonheur, spending our next night at another inn—La Cardinale—in the Rhône village of Baix.

Proprietor Marcel Rilloy, who could double for de Gaulle, is an ex-Montmartre-*chanteur*. His wife, Nelly Nell, performs so magnificently herself in the kitchen that the *Guide Michelin* people tacked a lovely shining star over the inn's door. Incidentally, we learned during the course of our dinner that Madame Nell is another kitchen arsonist. When we had finished the main part of our meal, she inquired if we wanted dessert. My answer: "No, I never drink before going to bed!"

Later we drove through Avignon into a flat, sterile land with sand dunes hidden by dikes from the sea that sometimes washes its shores with fury. It's known as Camargue. In the summertime the sun sears the earth, glinting off marshes, blindingly. And all that the sullen land holds forth are the trunks of a few tamarisk trees. The Mistral blows south down the valley of the Rhône—a furious howl at times, a lethargic whine at others. This moody wind makes reeds bow in the marshes like cane fields caught in a tropical breeze.

We had been prepared for the beauty of Burgundy and the pastel loveliness of Provence, but not for this vast

stretch of lonely wilderness lying south of Nîmes and Arles and west of Marseille, between the branches of the Great and Little Rhône Rivers.

The prairie and marshland known as the Camargue house the cry of the wild bird as well as the Mistral. It's a place where the French go in search of solitude, and it doesn't matter that its serenity is to be found in the shadow of desolation. The overriding desolation is belied by the lilies, daisies, and other wildflowers that bloom on the banks of the great Vaccarès marsh.

As we drove into the small Camargue village of Les Saintes-Maries-de-la-Mer, a bell was tolling in the tower of an ancient church. Whitewashed, thatched-roof bungalows were silhouetted against the sky, rounded on the windward side like the bow of a ship.

In the seaside village's souvenir shops, pictures of bulls and bullfighters are sold. For this is the "bullfighting" region of France. In the French variety, the bull is not killed. The matador, or *razeteur* as he's called here, displays his skill by trying to snatch a tassled cockade from between the bull's horn with a tined hook.

From this village we drove in an afternoon to the great port of Marseille for some *bouillabaisse*—that unique Provençal fish-soup—before the short flight to Corsica, birthplace of Napoleon.

After slumbering for centuries in the warm Mediterranean sun, Corsica has been awakened—to an extent—by its discovery by the jet set. It's just a 30-minute hop due south from the Riviera and only eight miles from the Italian island of Sardinia.

Corsica has become a popular spot because of its plentiful beaches, snowy peaks, verdant valleys, and timbered hinterlands—and its bargain prices.

Air France will jet you roundtrip from Nice for \$22, and the line also serves the island from Paris and Marseille. Or you can take the overnight boat from Nice for as little as \$4 (\$6 from Marseille).

The incidence of heart attacks among Corsicans isn't very high. Men retire at 40, while real workhorses have been known to keep going until 45. After retiring, a man in the capital city of Ajaccio, for instance, spends lazy days at sidewalk cafés, sipping coffee the color of dark mud, and dosing beneath the palms in the main square down by the waterfront.

At night everyone in Ajaccio goes to Au Son des Guitares—a smoky *cave* near Napoleon's birthplace. Proprietor Antoine Bonelli is the No. 1 guitarist on the island. Like a buddha, he sits—fat and unsmiling—playing music that alternately soothes and causes the blood to boil. Eyes flash and patrons pound tables, their voices raised in a Napoleonic rallying song.

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The only thing that distinguishes Au Son des Guitares from its Parisian counterparts is better illumination. Fishnets hang from a wall, and Bonelli is obscured yet accented by the cigarette smoke that's suspended in the place like a yellow fog.

Anyone can sing, and the amateur performers divide the tips of the patrons. One gambler is known to sing only when he's broke. Always a lament, reflecting, I suppose, his bad luck. On my night there, he sang a duet with a radiator salesman.

Then there is Marco, a barrel-chested, red-faced fisherman who's given up the sea to sing for bread and wine. Although he's had offers from Paris, Marco prefers singing for tips at night and soaking up the warm Corsican sun during the day.

Is that so bad?

Elsewhere on the island, former Foreign Legionnaires sing Napoleonic songs with the Corsicans in another dimly lighted cave—Chez Tao—which is crouched within the ancient walls of a hillside citadel at Calvi. The White Russian proprietor, Tao, slugs vodka by the glassful and is bound to relate to you how he came to Corsica on a holiday in 1925 with the slayer of Rasputin. Before this he was a dancer.

"I even danced in Bro-ooo-oklyn," he told me between gulps of vodka. By the light of a medieval lamp, Tao boasts how his pub was headquarters for the commandos that participated in the invasion of southern France two months after D-Day.

Rooms at his inn, meals included, come to \$7 a day; his stories, of course, are gratis. Nightly, Tao stands huge behind the bar as patrons roar songs in tribute to the island's favorite son and France's greatest warrior. Everyone was in step the night I was there, save a lone legionnaire who persisted in singing "My Darlin' Clementine."

From Corsica, we flew back to France—to Nice, where we learned the Riviera—once the undisputed realm of the royal and rich—is catering more and more to the average tourist.

For instance, 27 new hotels have risen recently along that fabulous strip of seaside real estate.

During our last visit to the Riviera, nearly three years ago, workmen, armed with jackhammers and sledges, were widening the Boulevard de la Croisette in Cannes. Now all that's finished. The result? The traffic jams are bigger than ever during the height of the season.

C'est la vie, n'est-ce pas? • •

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Section 54 was amended by striking the words "five members" and inserting the words "eight members" of the Board of Grand Trustees.

Section 56 was amended by striking therefrom the words "and for the use of the Activities Coordinator." The previous functions of such Coordinator have been taken over by the office of the Grand Secretary.

Section 70—Designation of Chief Justice of Grand Forum: As Previously enacted, Section 70 provided that the Grand Justice whose term shall next expire shall be Chief Justice, except in case of incapacity to act. The amendment as adopted reads: "The Grand Exalted Ruler shall designate the Grand Justice who shall be the presiding officer and Chief Justice of the Grand Forum."

Section 192—Residence requirements

Amendments

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for affiliation with another lodge: Section 192 formerly provided for a transfer dimit to where a member presently resides. Also, it permitted a special dispensation to join a lodge other than the lodge of present lodge residence. Section 192, however, made no provision where a member of Lodge A resides in the jurisdiction of Lodge B and desires to affiliate with Lodge C.

The amendment passed provides that a member may join such Lodge C irrespective of present residence by making application to the Grand Exalted Ruler and giving written notice thereof to his member lodge and/or lodge of residence, with opportunity for such lodges to be heard. The Grand Exalted Ruler is given discretion and power to grant such dispensation, and his decision is final.

Section 115—Limiting the number of consecutive terms or years during which

a member may hold the same office: Section 115 deals with nomination and election of subordinate lodge officers. Heretofore, a lodge could not prevent a member from running for reelection for as many consecutive terms or years he or his lodge wished. Section 115 was amended by adding the following: "A subordinate lodge may, by its by-laws, limit either the number of consecutive terms or the number of consecutive years during which a member of such lodge may hold the same office."

Section 194—Equal privileges and immunities of members: Section 194, as previously enacted, read: "A member shall be termed an Elk. An Elk in good standing shall have the same and equal privileges and immunities with every other member of his lodge."

In view of the amendment to Section 115, limiting the number of consecutive terms or years during which a member may hold office, Section 194 was amended by adding thereto the words: "except as otherwise provided by Grand Lodge Statute." ● ●

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Following the devastating Alaska earthquake last March, Grand Exalted Ruler Dunn called for establishment of an Elks Disaster Fund to aid stricken lodges. It is a permanent fund, to be used whenever and wherever disaster may strike in the

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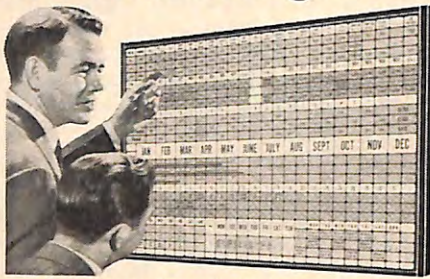
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Total, individuals	265.00
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Mt. Carmel	25.00
Elgin	50.00
Dixon	100.00
Galena	20.00
Olney	25.00
Rock Island	25.00
Beardstown	20.00
Macomb	10.00
Woodstock	100.00
Evanston	25.00
Princeton	50.00
Elmhurst	25.00
Chicago (South)	1,025.00
Salem	35.00
Watska	100.00
Park Forest-Chicago Heights	20.00
Skokie Valley	25.00
Wheaton	10.00
Total, lodges	1,915.00
Total, individuals	25.00
Total for State	\$ 1,940.00

Indiana

Logansport	\$ 100.00
Lafayette	100.00
Fort Wayne	100.00
South Bend	50.00
Muncie	50.00
Jeffersonville	50.00
Elkhart	101.00
Ligonier	25.00
Wabash	20.00
Crawfordsville	75.00
Valparaiso	25.00
Frankfort	50.00
Hartford City	35.00
Richmond	25.00
Bluffton	50.00
Sullivan	75.00
East Chicago	100.00
Tipton	10.00
Boonville	25.00
Whiting	25.00
Columbia City	10.00
Garret	25.00
Dunkirk	25.00
Lawrenceburg	25.00
Total, lodges	1,176.00
Total, individuals	100.00
Total for State	\$ 1,276.00

Iowa

Des Moines	\$ 56.00
Clinton	75.00
Muscatine	50.00
Fort Dodge	125.00
Fort Madison	10.00
Charles City	10.00
Atlantic	50.00
Boone	126.00
Oelwein	25.00
Shenandoah	25.00
Fairfield	50.00
Red Oak	50.00
Storm Lake	31.72
Total for State	\$ 683.72

Kansas

Topeka	\$ 250.00
Wichita	25.00
McPherson	100.00
Concordia	50.00
Atchison	20.00
Leavenworth	50.00
Galena	25.00
Salina	100.00
Winfield	50.00
Ottawa	100.00
Osawatomie	50.00
Great Bend	100.00
Wellington	377.50
Manhattan	100.00
Garden City	100.00
Dodge City	50.00
El Dorado	100.00
Augusta	100.00
Abilene	50.00

Russell	25.00
Beloit	100.00
Phillipsburg	100.00
Liberal	100.00
Hays	100.00
Belleville	50.00
Clay Center	25.00
Total, lodges	2,297.50
Total, individuals	250.00
Total for State	2,547.50

Kentucky	
Louisville	\$ 100.00
Paducah	100.00
Covington	20.00
Ashland	50.00
Richmond	50.00
Total for State	\$ 320.00

Louisiana	
Morgan City	\$ 25.00
Plaquemine	93.25
Total for State	\$ 118.25

Maine	
Portland	\$ 50.00
Rumford	25.00
Total for State	\$ 75.00

Massachusetts	
Springfield	\$ 200.00
New Bedford	25.00
Lowell	100.00
Brockton	25.00
Worcester	5.00
Milford	100.00
Everett	50.00
Cambridge	50.00
Fitchburg	100.00
Woburn	25.00
Newburyport	50.00
Medford	100.00
Somerville	100.00
Quincy	100.00
Malden	100.00
North Attleboro	100.00
Winthrop	100.00
Middleboro	100.00
Wakefield	15.00
Greenfield	100.00
Newton	15.00
Natick	10.00
Arlington	10.00
Watertown	100.00
Chicopee	5.00
Littleton-Westford	10.00
Tewksbury-Wilmington	25.00
Randolph	1,745.00
Total, lodges	200.00
Total, individuals	1,945.00
Total for State	\$ 1,945.00

Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia	
Cumberland, Md.	\$ 200.00
Wilmington, Del.	200.00
Frederick, Md.	100.00
Salisbury, Md.	25.00
Cambridge, Md.	200.00
Havre de Grace, Md.	150.00
Easton, Md.	505.00
Silver Spring, Md.	150.00
Prince Georges County, Md.	35.00
Essex, Md. (Baltimore)	102.00
St. Marys County, Md.	50.00
Glen Burnie, Md.	67.00
Laurel, Md.	50.00
Rockville, Md.	1,859.00
Total for Area	\$ 1,859.00

Michigan	
Jackson	\$ 50.00
Flint	125.00
Traverse City	25.00
Port Huron	17.51
Petoskey	500.00
Manistique	5.00
Ludington	100.00
Big Rapids	25.00
Negaunee	10.00
Three Rivers	10.00
Niles	50.00
Alma	50.00
Midland	50.00
Iron River	15.00
Otsego	15.00
Menominee	10.00
Plymouth	25.00
Hastings	50.00
Howell	75.00

Clawson-Troy	100.00
Total for State	\$ 1,307.51

Minnesota	
Crookston	\$ 25.00
St. Cloud	100.00
Brainerd	100.00
Albert Lea	25.00
Rochester	50.00
Fergus Falls	25.00
Faribault	50.00
Detroit Lakes	100.00
Total for State	\$ 475.00

Mississippi	
Greenville	\$ 25.00
Columbus	50.00
Hattiesburg	102.61
Total for State	\$ 177.61

Missouri	
Sedalia	\$ 25.00
Joplin	25.00
De Soto	10.00
St. Charles	25.00
Maryville	25.00
Trenton	25.00
Brookfield	100.00
Washington	100.00
Chaffee	25.00
Clayton	221.00
Total for State	\$ 581.00

Montana	
Butte	\$ 50.00
Livingston	100.00
Virginia City	25.00
Red Lodge ("Beartooth")	100.00
Kalispell	100.00
Cut Bank	100.00
Polson	250.00
Wolf Point	100.00
Glasgow	250.00
Total for State	\$ 1,075.00

Nebraska	
Hastings	\$ 100.00
Fremont	100.00
Norfolk	10.00
Kearney	100.00
Nebraska City	25.00
Fairbury	100.00
Scottsbluff	100.00
Broken Bow	178.60
Sidney	50.00
Holdrege	25.00
Total for State	\$ 788.60

Nevada	
Tonopah	\$ 223.00
Goldfield	25.00
Las Vegas	1,678.00
Ely	200.00
Hawthorne	50.00
Henderson	27.00
Carson City	58.00
Total for State	\$ 2,261.00

New Hampshire	
Nashua	\$ 200.00
Keene	100.00
Franklin	300.00
Rochester	25.00
Littleton	25.00
Lebanon	25.00
Total, lodges	675.00
Total, individuals	200.00
Total for State	\$ 875.00

New Jersey	
Paterson	\$ 100.00
Trenton	25.00
Orange	25.00
Elizabeth	200.00
New Brunswick	25.00
Passaic	50.00
Phillipsburg	25.00
Bayonne	25.00
Hackensack	100.00
Dover	100.00
Kearney	100.00
South Orange	50.00
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Brick	5.00
Oakland	50.00
Park Ridge	100.00
Cedar Grove	10.00
Tenafly	100.00
Sussex	50.00
New Milford	28.00
Total, lodges	2,943.00
Total, individuals	2.00
Total for State	\$ 2,945.00

New Mexico	
Santa Fe	\$ 125.00
Roswell	250.00
Las Cruces	50.00
Clovis	105.60
Gallup	189.45
Carlsbad	250.00
Ruidoso	25.00
Total for State	\$ 995.05

New York	
New York	\$ 200.00
Brooklyn	50.00
Rochester	200.00
Lockport	50.00
Little Falls	25.00
Port Jervis	25.00
Peekskill	10.00
New Rochelle	100.00
Oneida	100.00
Staten Island	61.00
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North Tonawanda	25.00
Bronx	100.00
Dunkirk	10.00
Batavia	25.00
Albion	50.00
Coming	100.00
Middletown	100.00
Newark	50.00
Patchogue	300.00
Catskill	25.00
Herkimer	200.00
Mamaroneck	100.00
Hempstead	412.00
Ossining	10.00
Beacon	25.00
Watervliet	350.00
Saranac Lake	100.00
Lynbrook	300.00
Liberty	50.00
Watkins Glen	100.00
Mount Kisco	100.00
Massena	50.00
Penn Yan	200.00
Wolcott	50.00
Canandaigua	100.00
Levittown-Hicksville	100.00
Endicott	100.00
Greece	10.00
Gouverneur	25.00
Cobleskill	25.00
Pearl River	25.00
Irondequoit	25.00
Greenwood Lake	25.00
Rensselaer	10.00
Massapequa	100.00
Colonie	25.00
Total, lodges	4,329.00
Total, individuals	155.00
Total for State	\$ 4,484.00

North Carolina	
Kinston	\$ 50.00
Hendersonville	50.00
Greenville	200.00
Henderson	25.00
Shelby	50.00
Brevard	50.00
Total for State	\$ 425.00

North Dakota	
Fargo	\$ 500.00
Minot	500.00
Bismarck	121.00
Williston	25.00
Total for State	\$ 1,146.00

Ohio	
Lima	\$ 169.50
Youngstown	200.00
Canton	50.00
Findlay	25.00
Upper Sandusky	25.00
Tiffin	25.00
Bellefontaine	25.00
Portsmouth	65.00
Kenton	25.00
Ironton	150.00
Steubenville	100.00
East Liverpool	100.00
Warren	55.00
Salem	25.00
Akron	25.00
Coshocton	50.00
Bellaire	50.00
Massillon	25.00
Logan	10.00
Bowling Green	10.00
Martins Ferry	50.00
Napoleon	15.00
Barberton	35.00
Wellsville	5.00
Ravenna	25.00
Wapakoneta	25.00
Newcomerstown	50.00
Barnesville	5.00
Maumee	25.00
Cuyahoga Falls	25.00
Parma	25.00
Total, lodges	1,494.50
Total, individuals	41.00
Total for State	\$ 1,535.50

Oklahoma	
Oklahoma City	\$ 56.00
Muskogee	89.20
Shawnee	100.00
Tulsa	500.00
Mangum	100.00
Claremore	20.00
Blackwell	10.00
Woodward	50.00
Duncan	100.00
Midwest City	25.00
Total, lodges	1,050.20
Total, individuals	12.00
Total for State	\$ 1,062.20

Oregon	
Portland	\$ 1,500.00
Salem	202.15
Baker	530.00
Eugene	252.00
Coos Bay	153.20
McMinnville	100.00
Corvallis	150.00
Hood River	100.00
Lebanon	100.00
Burns	50.00
Ontario	100.00
Seaside	67.00
Cresham	100.00
Enterprise	25.00
Hermiston	25.00
Condon	25.00
Oceanlake	100.00
Brookings	50.00
Coquille Valley	10.00
Independence	25.00
Madras	25.00
Milwaukie	100.00
Springfield	25.00
Milton-Freewater	50.00
Total, lodges	3,864.35
Total, individuals	100.00
Total for State	\$ 3,964.35

Pennsylvania	
Philadelphia	\$ 25.00
Erie	25.00
Wilkes-Barre	75.00
Franklin	150.00
Reading	8.00
McKeesport	100.00
Johnstown	100.00
Bethlehem	75.00
Tyrone	25.00
York	100.00
Warren	100.00
Oil City	75.00
Beaver Falls	100.00
Jeannette	50.00
Wilksburg	100.00
Tamaqua	100.00
Waynesboro	25.00
Monessen	25.00
Washington	25.00
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Etna	100.00
Gettysburg	25.00
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Sayre	50.00
Aliquippa	25.00
Lansford	50.00
Oakmont	100.00
Del-Mont	15.00
Meyersdale	25.00
Northampton	25.00
Warrendale	10.00
Total, lodges	1,823.00
Total, individuals	2.00
Total for State	\$ 1,825.00

Philippine Islands	
Manila	\$25,000.00
Total	\$25,000.00

Rhode Island	
Westerly	\$ 100.00
Total for State	\$ 100.00

South Carolina	
Orangeburg	\$ 150.00
Total for State	\$ 150.00

South Dakota	
Sioux Falls	\$ 100.00
Deadwood	50.00
Watertown	25.00
Mitchell	1,059.00
Rapid City	100.00
Madison	200.00
Hot Springs	50.00
Pierre	25.00
Winner	10.00
Total for State	\$ 1,619.00

Tennessee	
Memphis	\$ 100.00
Nashville	100.00
Oak Ridge	50.00
Kingsport	350.00
Gatlinburg	50.00
Erwin	25.00
Kingston	25.00
Total for State	\$ 700.00

Texas	
Fort Worth	\$ 500.00
Galveston	50.00
Houston	153.50
Waco	25.00
El Paso	250.00
San Antonio	62.00
Victoria	50.00
Del Rio	50.00
Wichita Falls	62.00
Seguin	5.00
Lubbock	381.00
Borger	10.00
Corpus Christi	25.00
San Benito	100.00
Crockett	25.00
Pasadena	50.00
San Angelo	54.00
Harlingen	50.00
Grand Prairie	25.00
Kingsville	38.00
Garland	50.00
Pecos	25.00
Kerrville	20.00
Bryan	25.00
Total, lodges	2,085.50
Total, individuals	200.00
Total for State	\$ 2,285.50

Utah	
Eureka ("Tintic")	\$ 100.00
Price	200.00
Tooele	40.00
Moab	100.00
Total for State	\$ 440.00

Vermont	
Rutland	\$ 50.00
Montpelier	100.00
St. Johnsbury	100.00
Barre	50.00
Hartford	25.00
Springfield	100.00
Bellows Falls	75.00
Newport	50.00
Total for State	\$ 550.00

Virginia	
Richmond	\$ 25.00
Portsmouth	50.00
Roanoke	10.00
Lynchburg	25.00
Staunton	35.00
Harrisonburg	200.00
Alexandria	25.00
Clifton Forge	50.00
Pulaski	50.00
Arlington-Fairfax	100.00
Waynesboro	100.00
Total for State	\$ 670.00

Washington	
Tacoma	\$ 1,100.00
Yakima	500.00
Everett	1,000.00
Ballard (Seattle)	358.69
Mt. Adams	57.00
Burien	500.00
Lynnwood	152.94
Total, lodges	3,668.63
Total, individuals	150.00
Total for State	\$ 3,818.63

West Virginia	
Wheeling	\$ 200.00
Charleston	100.00
Bluefield	50.00
Grafton	25.00
Huntington	100.00
Mannington	10.00
Martinsburg	50.00
Beckley	53.00
Princeton	100.00
Lewisburg	50.00
Weirton	100.00
Total, lodges	838.00
Total, individuals	36.00
Total for State	\$ 874.00

Wisconsin	
Wausau	\$ 25.00
Janesville	100.00
Sheboygan	100.00
Appleton	50.00
Waukesha	25.00
Madison	190.60
Hudson	25.00
Stevens Point	25.00
Watertown	100.00
Neenah-Menasha	75.00
Baraboo	20.00
Kenosha	50.00
Oconto	10.00
Beaver Dam	20.00
Sturgeon Bay	20.00
Total, lodges	835.60
Total, individuals	25.00
Total for State	\$ 860.60

Wyoming	
Rock Springs	\$ 100.00
Casper	200.00
Greybull	50.00
Riverton	100.00
Jackson	100.00
Thermopolis	100.00
Total, lodges	650.00
Total, individuals	100.00
Total for State	\$ 750.00

Total: lodges, individuals, and State Associations		\$107,369.40
Elks National Foundation		10,000.00
Elks National Memorial & Publication Commission		20,000.00
Total received by Grand Secretary		\$137,369.40

Contributions sent direct to lodges in Alaska, by states:	
Arizona	\$ 82.00
California	2,060.36
Connecticut	100.00
Florida	25.00
Idaho	550.00
North Carolina	100.00
Oklahoma	75.00
Oregon	500.00
Texas	5.00
Washington	1,000.00
Individuals	396.50
Total	\$ 4,893.86
Grand Total, as of June 30	\$142,263.26

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In Bob Pruitt, Georgia's Elks have given the Order a leader whose enthusiasm for Elkdom is matched by few men and exceeded by none. When he says that it's great to be an Elk, he means it, literally—so much so that he cannot understand why anyone has to be reminded to pay his dues. Such unabashed enthusiasm is refreshing and stimulating.

To Brother Pruitt, generosity finds its highest expression in the ranks of Elkdom, and he does not speak without some knowledge. This opinion no doubt is based in part on his experience as President of Elks Aidmore, Inc., for the past 16 years. Thanks to the generous support of Georgia Elks and their families, this splendid convalescent hospital, located in Atlanta, has provided treatment for more than 13,000 crippled children. Why do the Elks of

Georgia, and the Elks of other states, carry on such programs? Grand Exalted Ruler Pruitt believes that it is in response to an "inner urge to give some portion of their energy and substance to help those who are less fortunate. The Order of Elks provides a perfect vehicle for a man to associate himself with others of like intent and transform his desires into wonderful deeds."

These are the words of an executive of one of America's great industries. They reveal a spirit of humanity that is deep and warm, as well as a practical understanding so necessary to give humanitarian instincts successful expression. They also echo the feelings of thousands of Grand Exalted Ruler Pruitt's Brothers. We believe that they accurately sum up a principal reason for the existence of the Order of Elks.

It is a tribute to our fraternity that it continues to attract to its membership gentlemen of such high standards and ideals as those exemplified by Robert C. Pruitt, and summons them to positions of leadership. So long as that continues to be the case, it will truly be great to be an Elk.

Elks Disaster Fund

The establishment by the Grand Lodge during the recent New York City Convention of the Elks Disaster Fund was a forward-looking measure that was long overdue; and it should have widespread and enthusiastic support.

Over the years, the Order has responded to many emergency calls for help and relief following such disasters as the San Francisco earthquake and fire, the Johnstown flood, hurricanes in Florida, floods in Kansas. In some cases the circumstances were such that Elkdom was able to move promptly to the aid of our lodges and members in the afflicted areas, as well as to contribute to the relief of the population generally. Too often, however, our Order's assistance has come tardily, for the very good reason that it first was necessary to ask our lodges for contributions before we could dispense relief.

This unsatisfactory situation was never more obvious than during the days following the disastrous earth-

quake and tidal waves that struck Alaska last spring. It was clear to Grand Exalted Ruler Dunn at an early hour that damage to Elk lodges had been severe and that help on a large scale would be needed and promptly, but the funds with which to act simply did not exist.

Thus, it was necessary for him to issue an appeal to our lodges for contributions, and wait until money was received before Elkdom's generosity could be effectively brought to bear on behalf of the victims. It was this frustrating delay that impelled Grand Exalted Ruler Dunn to propose that a permanent disaster fund be established, to which it would be possible to turn immediately in case of any future emergency. The nucleus of the Elks Disaster Fund will be any unexpended portion of the funds contributed for relief of the victims of the Alaska earthquake. Elsewhere in this issue is a compilation of the contributions made to this fund through the Grand Secretary and the totals contributed as of June 30. In addition, other lodges and many indi-

viduals had previously made contributions directly to Alaska (which are included in the listing, by states, to the extent that they are known). The total received from all sources at that date was \$142,263.

The number of lodges that made contributions came to nearly 800. That is about 40 percent of our lodges, and we think that it is a pretty good showing for a single appeal.

But those lodges that did not contribute now have further opportunity to do so, with the creation of the permanent Elks Disaster Fund. It is to be remembered that Alaska's Elks expect to repay the assistance that has been given them, and these repayments will go into the Disaster Fund, along with contributions from those lodges that have not already responded.

Creation of a permanent Elks Disaster Fund was a wise move. It will remove a handicap from Elkdom's relief capability, enabling us to give aid when it is most needed, as it is needed. It deserves, and we are confident it will have, enthusiastic total support.

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