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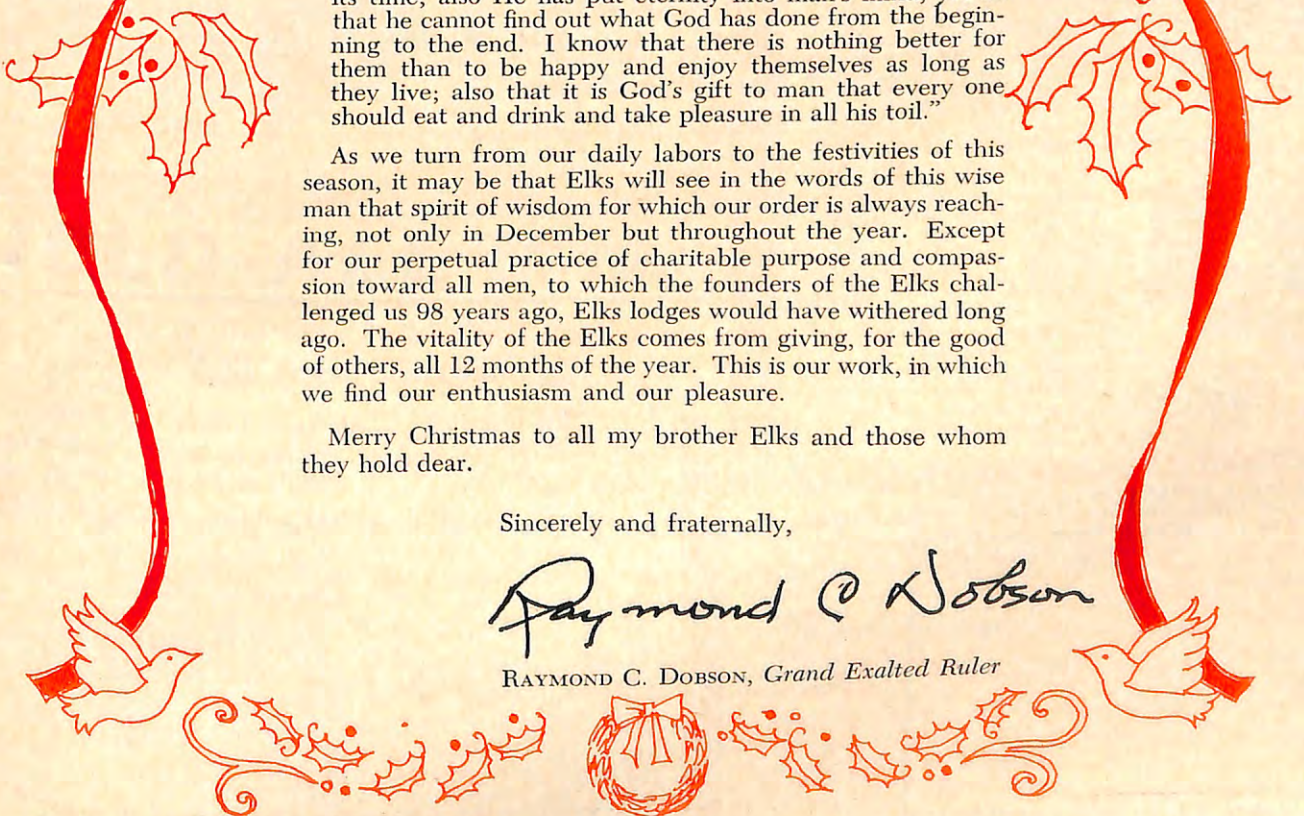
As we turn from our daily labors to the festivities of this season, it may be that Elks will see in the words of this wise man that spirit of wisdom for which our order is always reaching, not only in December but throughout the year. Except for our perpetual practice of charitable purpose and compassion toward all men, to which the founders of the Elks challenged us 98 years ago, Elks lodges would have withered long ago. The vitality of the Elks comes from giving, for the good of others, all 12 months of the year. This is our work, in which we find our enthusiasm and our pleasure.

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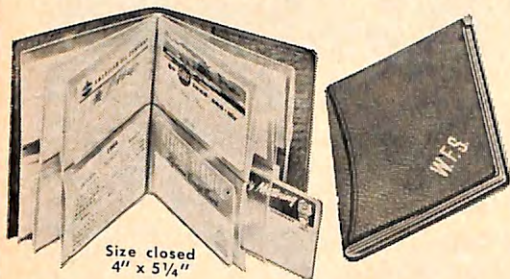


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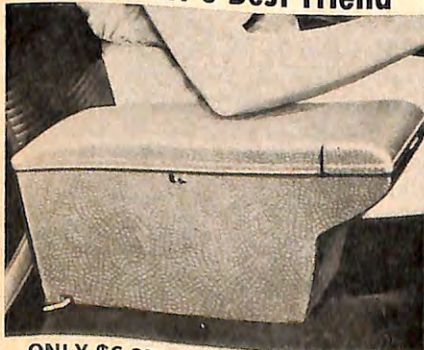
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# Tom Wrigley



## WRITES FROM WASHINGTON

NOW IS THE HOUR when they must say goodbye. Senators and Representatives retiring for one reason or another are leaving the Washington scene. Their names will be added to the list of over 200 former colleagues who now receive pensions totaling more than \$1,700,000 a year. Three of those retiring will collect the maximum \$24,000 pension. They are former House Speaker Joseph W. Martin, Jr. (Mass.), with 42 years of service; Rep. Howard W. Smith (Va.), with 36 years; and Sen. A. Willis Robertson (Va.), who is completing 34 years in Congress. The pensions are graduated according to service. After five years, the longer a member serves the more he gets at an earlier age.

NEW COMMUNIST STRATEGY in this country is for "mass agitation," FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover declares in the Bureau's *Law Enforcement Bulletin*. He said, "Hard-core Communist leaders sense a growing mood of radicalism in America, a time when they feel a bold offensive will meet little resistance. We can expect accelerated Communist influence this winter in racial matters, civil rights issues, and brutality charges against police." Director Hoover says the Communist efforts include enticement of restless young men and women into their ranks. College and university campuses will be targets for Communist speakers.

MORE FUNDS for the elderly: A new program calling for \$35 per month to anyone over 72 who is not part of another pension plan is now in effect. Eligible couples will receive \$52.50 per month. It is estimated some 370,000 persons not in Social Security or any other pension program will benefit and the cost to the Treasury is estimated at \$125,000,000 a year, a drop in the expense bucket.



RAGTIME IS COMING BACK and crowds visit taverns and restaurants to listen to Tin Pan Alley pianos. The piano player wears a pearl-gray derby, red suspenders, sleeve garters and a red ascot tie around a wing collar, the same as 70 years ago. Old ragtime tunes, such as "St. Louis Blues," "Maple Leaf Rag," "Hello, My Baby," and "Dark Town Strutters Ball," are popular. And they dance to the "Cubanola Glide," a wow back in 1909.

RADAR HELPS the blind. Harold Snyder of Georgetown University uses a small radar device which he says is "like having a 25-foot cane." On his belt is a small receiver powered by transistor batteries. He has an ear plug through which his little radar can warn him of objects 25 feet away. The variation in the reception of the blips gives Harold information on the size, shape, and distance. He was born blind, but with the radar, which costs about \$400, he hopes to become a foreign service officer after graduation.



SMART INDIANS are taking advantage of the tight money situation. The Navajos, for instance, had \$10,000,000 in tribal funds deposited in the U. S. Treasury. There it drew 4 percent interest. They asked to have the money transferred to regular banks which pay 5½ percent. A 1½ percent increase on \$10,000,000 is not peanuts. They also have \$9,000,000 in other commercial banks. The Senecas, Ozarks, and one Sioux tribe also have transferred their funds to commercial banks.



PRAISE FOR MEDICARE is coming from Health, Education and Welfare checkups. One new provision, however, will be closely watched to prevent possible fraud. Beginning January 1 under the Medicare program, patients may be admitted to nursing homes after being treated in a hospital for a minimum of three days. The government then will pay the patient's first 30 days in a nursing home and all cost exceeding \$5 per day for the next 80 days.

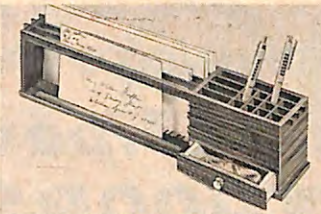
GOODBYE HORSE TROUGHS. Last September there were 15 street water troughs remaining in the District. The Sanitary Department ordered them out as obsolete and a menace to health. Now only four remain. All were owned by the Humane Society and are sold for \$50 each, you take them away. The Georgetown Citizens' Association protested the removal of a trough at 27 and N Streets that has been there for years. It sort of belongs there.

POTOMAC PANCAKES. Flying Cuban refugees to Florida will cost U. S. taxpayers about a million dollars each week next year. . . . The Air Force plans to train 2,700 fixed-wing pilots next year and the Navy will train 1,089. . . . Mrs. Jouett Shouse has offered her beautiful estate, Wolf Trap Farm, in Fairfax, Va., to the government as a national cultural park. . . . At the National Press Club bar, after a remark that inflation is the price of prosperity, a member said, "That's like suggesting plague as a means of population control". . . . Retiring Rep. Joe Martin (Mass.) may give his gavel, the largest in the world, made from a California redwood tree, to the Smithsonian Institution.





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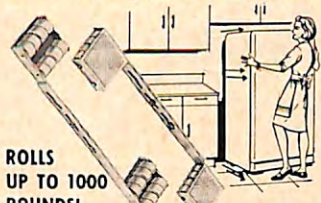


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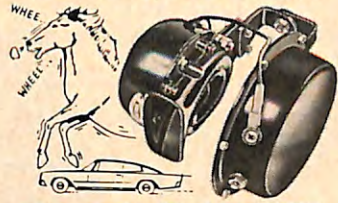
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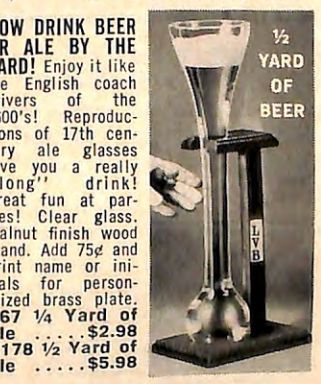
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MARK WOOD, Los Molinos, Calif.

Tarnish and stains can be removed from copper screens, etc., by wiping with a solution of salt and vinegar. Use lots of salt, but keep the solution thin enough to pour.

M. J. YOUNG, Redding, Calif.

A stout wading staff is excellent insurance when fording fast streams or fishing the surf. Make it of hardwood, 1½ inches in diameter and about 5 feet long. A leather lanyard (to circle your wrist) goes through one end and a sharp point (preferably metal) goes on the other.

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# THESE AMERICAN LANDMARKS ALREADY HAVE BEEN LOST TO THE AGES



Gone. The classic colonnades of New York's Penn Station, now rubble, reportedly are used for landfill in a New Jersey swamp.



Gone. General Ulysses S. Grant's summer home at Long Branch, N.J., typical of a plush period in American life, was reduced to rubble.



Gone. The famed William Becker home in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, an example of a period in history that will not come again.



Gone. The Stanton Theater in Baltimore, built in the 1920s in a typical blend of classical and rococo styles, was destroyed to make way for a parking lot.

Gone. The National Presbyterian Church in Washington, D.C., "one of the finest Romanesque Revival churches not only in Washington but in the United States," succumbs to the wreckers.



# The Fight to Preserve the Past

*Almost daily, America loses another landmark, more of its heritage—but efforts are being made to save historic buildings*

THE STORY had all the drama of an early western movie, but with the action shifted to Manhattan's elegant Park Avenue.

The "damsel in distress" was a trio of mansions, considered among the finest examples of early Federal architecture remaining in the United States. The "villain," a wrecking crew clearing the site for a modern high-rise apartment building. Workers had already put up scaffolding and were busy hacking up parquet floors and carting off antique marble mantelpieces.

Suddenly, the "hero" arrived. But instead of a gun-toting sheriff, it was a gentle little lady in her late 60s clutching a check for \$2,000,000. The mansions had been saved!

The benefactor who "rode out of the sunset" to rescue those houses turned out to be the Marquesa de Veuvas, a granddaughter of the late John D. Rockefeller. Unlike other New York residents and the city's Landmarks Commission, who had tried but failed to stop the demolition, she had the money to back up her respect for the past. But not all stories of such rescue attempts have happy endings. Every day, somewhere, the wrecker's ball destroys another link with the past.

Last January, representatives of federal, state, and local governments, and of leading preservation groups, issued a report titled "With Heritage So Rich," about the continuing battle to save historic sites.

In a foreword, Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson wrote: "Half of the 12,000 structures listed in the Historic American Buildings Survey of the National Park Service have already been destroyed." She could have added that many others added to the list during the past 30 years have been so drastically altered as to virtually ruin their historical value.

Newspaper accounts of losing efforts to preserve buildings and other landmarks have become familiar to us all:

—Despite the anguished protests of architects, citizens' groups and many just plain nostalgic persons, New York

City's Romanesque Pennsylvania Station was consigned to wreckers in 1964 to make way for a skyscraper. Across the East River in Brooklyn Heights, the building in which Walt Whitman set the type for his famous poem, "Leaves of Grass," was demolished for an urban renewal project.

—In Philadelphia, the spot where Thomas Jefferson drafted the Declaration of Independence is now occupied by a 24-hour snack bar.

—In Chicago, the elegant Garrick Theater gave way to a parking lot. One of the outstanding theaters remaining from gaslight and vaudeville days, the building had been an excellent example of the modern architectural style of the early 20th-century master, Louis Sullivan.

Nor has the despoilment been confined to the cities. Some of America's most revered historic sites have been encroached upon by dingy, neon-lighted examples of "progress."

In Gettysburg, Pa., for example, portions of the routes of Pickett's charge, Hood's advance, and Longstreet's march are occupied by motels, ice cream stands, souvenir shops, and even an automobile junkyard. This situation resulted because Congress, in creating Gettysburg National Battlefield Park, did not appropriate enough money to buy all the important areas.

Farther west, of the more than 1,000,000 sod-built houses that once dotted the treeless plains from Canada to Mexico, fewer than a dozen remain. This is the report of the Sons and Daughters of the Soddies, Inc., which bemoans the fact that many of those born in sod houses, or who attended school in them, have to turn to old family albums or historical society archives to study this type of prairie dwelling.

Encroachment on antiquity is by no

means confined to the United States. In London and Paris, magnificent 17th- and 18th-century mansions have been torn down to pave the way for new row houses. In Rome, some of civilization's most famous buildings and monuments are being crowded by flat, glass-faced facades.

But for the most part, the U.S. lags behind in efforts to meet the challenge. Britain, Italy, France, and other nations have long had laws to protect historic sites and buildings. The French, for example, began an inventory of national treasures soon after their revolution. And Britain's privately financed National Trust owns more than 1,000 ancient and medieval castles, churches, and other properties.

Part of the problem in the U.S. comes from its unique heritage. All nations face a similar population explosion, a proliferation of urban-renewal efforts, and the difficulty of protecting buildings occupying commercially strategic locations. But only in the United States are many people torn between what they feel should be proper reverence for the past and their fascination with what is new.

As if to illustrate this, the 1750 brownstone home of an early colonial settler in Hawthorne, N.J., was demolished last year because a developer said it would not fit in with 24 new "colonial-type" houses he planned to build in the area.

Furthermore, while historic preservation is an established government responsibility in many European countries, government support in the United States is generally wanting. For example, citation of a building or site as a registered National Historical Landmark by the Department of the Interior brings with it an honorary plaque, which serves to arouse public interest

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## OUR UBIQUITOUS LEADER



G.E.R. Raymond C. Dobson takes possession of a 1967 Lincoln Continental, a gift from the North Dakota Elks Association. Making the presentation to Brother and Mrs. Dobson is Norman W. Horstmann, State Association President. Announcement of the presentation was made at the national convention in Dallas.



District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, New York Central, Louis S. Cifarelli, was among those to welcome G.E.R. Raymond C. Dobson on his arrival at Oneida lodge. Brother Dobson's host at a testimonial dinner was Ronald J. Dunn, Past Grand Exalted Ruler and a member of Oneida lodge.

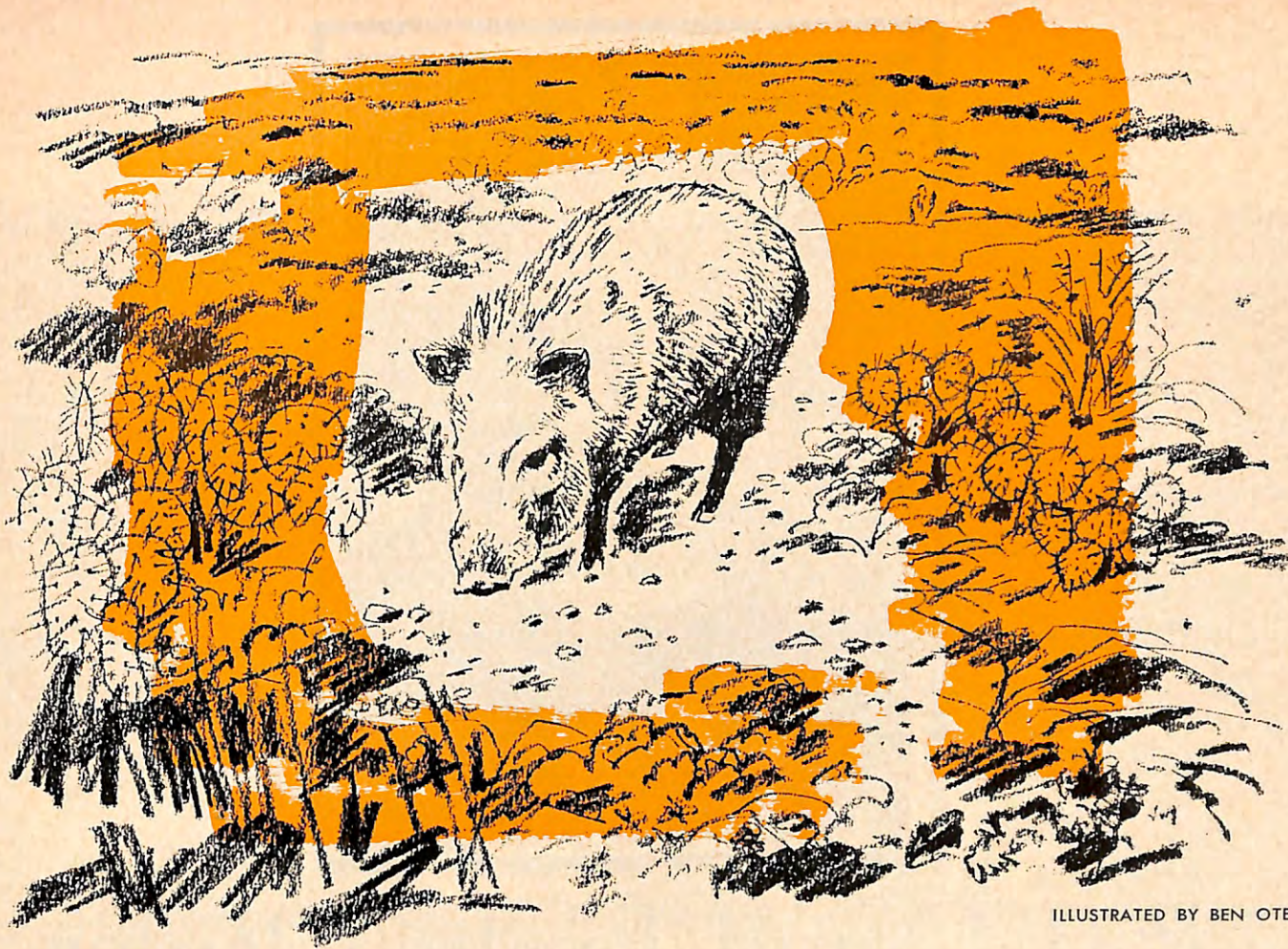


Grand Exalted Ruler Dobson discusses the progress of Auburn, Washington, lodge with local officers and the Grand Secretary. Pictured are Loyal Knight Lewis Hitchcock, Leading Knight Charles Gaines, Grand Secretary Franklin Fitzpatrick, Grand Exalted Ruler Dobson, Exalted Ruler Tom Melvin, and Lecturing Knight Harvey Jensen.

G.E.R. Raymond C. Dobson talks with Governor L. Rampton during a recent visit to Provo, Utah, lodge. Brother Dobson made stops at several Utah lodges and attended a State Association meeting in Provo. Shown are Brother Dobson, Utah Elks State Assn. President Ray Thompson, Governor Rampton, and Provo E.R. Charles L. Monson.







ILLUSTRATED BY BEN OTERO

## Hunting the Javelina

By BYRON W. DALRYMPLE

THE TANGLE of mesquite in which we were threading our way suddenly thinned and before us the more open valley, laced with cactus of several varieties, seemed to pour down between looming mountains. Among the prickly pear and cholla there were big round barrel cactus crouching in the long shadows of this late February afternoon on southern Arizona's desert. Then suddenly I was positive I had seen one of the most distant ones move. Instinctively I brought the rifle to my shoulder.

The creature I had mistaken for a cactus moved again, deeper into shadow. I moved, too, making a careful stalk. This was the moment I had come for. I was aware now that numerous dark forms were drifting and feeding through the thorny scrub. These were javelina, the little pig-like animals native to our Southwest and Mexico, the "musk hog" or "peccary" of the older books (the name is pronounced in the Spanish fashion—"hah-va-leena").

They are creatures about which horror tales of the Old West still go the rounds.

Had I believed some of those old tales, I'd probably have started looking for a tree to climb. The javelina, with its matched pairs of self-sharpening canine teeth, consorts in droves large or small. I estimated that there must be at least 20 in sight within 75 yards of me. When one of the drove is killed or wounded, so the old stories go, the rest begin popping their teeth and grunting, then surround the attacker and slash him to ribbons.

I was too excited just now, however, to be thinking about such dangers. And besides, I knew well that the stories were just that. The javelina is not a truly dangerous animal. It certainly could harm you, but it probably wouldn't. I got my eye on a big old boar and with the crack of the rifle racking across the valley concluded my hunt and collected one of the most interesting trophies of any of our North American big game—a trophy of what,

*Least-known of our game animals, the javelina of the Southwest makes fine hunting, an unusual trophy, and good eating*

to the majority of sportsmen, is without any doubt our least known big-game animal.

The reactions of the drove at my shot were interesting, and a bit startling. Every pig swirled into action. Long bristles thrown high, they charged off in every direction, grunting sharply at every jump, chomping their jaws so that the click and chatter of their teeth made a fearsome racket. Two were headed straight for me. Undoubtedly many a harrowing tale of being charged by javelina has arisen thus. The truth is, these desert pigs do not see well at all. They were simply getting out of there, fast. One came so close it almost brushed my

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# Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis

L. A. Lewis, a Past Grand Exalted Ruler who launched California's cerebral palsy program and fought both Communism and the Ku Klux Klan, died Oct. 16, 1966, in Flagstaff, Ariz., Community Hospital. He was 77.

The Whittier, Calif., attorney was in Flagstaff to attend the Arizona Elks Association's fall meeting.

In 1950, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Lewis launched the CP program in his state with one mobile unit. Today, the \$750,000 annual program uses a number of mobile units and employs about 38 therapists in the rehabilitation of approximately 2,000 children. The program reaches youngsters with other physical handicaps, including sight defects.

One of his first achievements as Grand Exalted Ruler in 1947 was to mobilize the country's 1,400 Elks lodges in support of the Freedom Train, which was being picketed by Communists and other left-wingers during its national tour to exhibit historic American documents. The tour was a success.

Brother Lewis was born Nov. 26, 1888, in Anaheim, Calif., graduated from the University of California at Berkeley in 1910, and admitted to the bar in 1911 after night law studies.

He joined Anaheim Lodge in 1919 and was elected Exalted Ruler in 1924. A year later, he was appointed a District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler.

When Brother Lewis discovered Ku Klux Klan influence

in his district in 1925, he obtained a local Klan membership list, read it to a special meeting of Elks lodges involved, and warned the Elks listed that he would publish their Klan affiliation if they didn't leave either the Elks or the Klan. Most chose to quit the Klan, and that group's power in the area thus was destroyed.

In 1936-1937, he served as President of the California Elks Association.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Lewis had served on the Grand Lodge Convention Committee, the Committee on Judiciary, and the Grand Forum. Since 1949, he had been a member of the Board of Trustees of the Elks National Foundation. Last July, he was named Chairman of the Board.

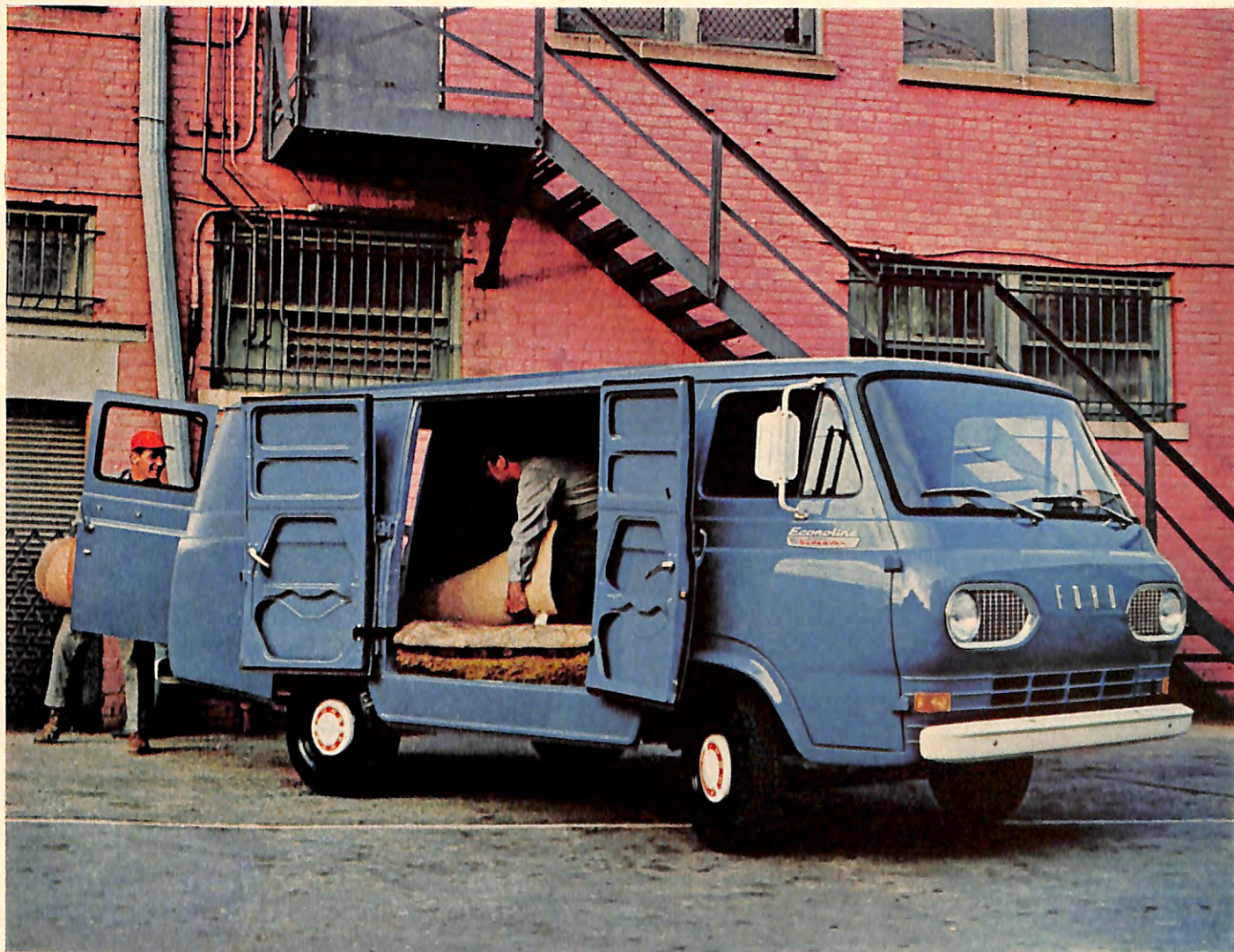
In the weeks just prior to his death, he had made three trips to Chicago to implement the Trustees' plans for the transfer of Foundation headquarters from Boston to the Elks National Memorial Headquarters Building in Chicago.

Services were attended by the Grand Exalted Ruler, nine Past Grand Exalted Rulers, the Grand Secretary, and three members of the Board of Grand Trustees. A most impressive eulogy was delivered by the Grand Chaplain, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. George M. Scott, San Pedro, Calif.

Survivors include Brother Lewis' wife, Rose, to whom he was married for 52 years; their sons, John, Stuart, and Richard; their daughter, Mrs. Mary Ellen Hastings; 17 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.



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# THE HUNGRY Yank

By H. R. WHITAKER



BY THE TIME he has slogged through his first campaign, the American field soldier has lost many illusions but few dreams. Of the dreams he hangs onto, probably the hardest and most persistent is the dream of good food. The fighting Yank has always had his own personal idea of what constitutes a good meal, and Army field rations have seldom qualified in this category. As far back as we can trace him in his disarmingly candid diaries, it has been his habit to accept good rations with indifference and bad rations with a wry, frequently bitter humor. In either case, having disposed of these rations in one way or another, he has cast a speculative eye over the neighboring terrain, checked his gun for ammunition, and set out in search of something to eat.

Poor foraging is one of the minor misfortunes that the Yank in Korea and Vietnam has had to bear up under. In almost every other war, up to and including World War II, the American soldier with nerve and creative imagination has been able to supplement a totally unexciting and sometimes austere diet in a manner that now and then has been downright handsome.

In July of 1943 a battery of American artillery, moving swiftly northward across the hills of Sicily, found it had stretched its supply lines too far. For five days and nights, the men had been subsisting on powdered eggs and "malted milk" tablets that refused to dissolve in the mouth, no matter how copious the salivation. By evening of the fifth day, the eggs were being dumped as fast as they were served, while the tablets were being used in games of pitch-and-toss.

Shortly after noon of the sixth day, the battery bivouacked in a field adjacent to a small but prosperous-looking farm. Sheep grazed on a nearby hillside. In a pen back of the farm-

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**U. S. Communist Party  
Is Very Much Alive**

IS THE U.S. Communist Party a bedraggled ghost or a vicious poltergeist? Are U.S. Reds tired old men or dynamic underground fighters who threaten us with clear and present danger?

The fact that these questions are still relevant was proved—if proof was needed—when the Party held its 18th Congress in New York City last summer. At the meeting, U. S. Reds directly challenged the democratic process. They want the right to participate openly and militantly in peace activities, civil rights, political action, and trade union activities.

On the presumption that they will win this right, the Communists already have begun to recruit more members. They have launched an effort to build a new, third political force, drawing support from the "New Left," the radical students, the protest movements, and the peace, anti-war, and civil rights groups.

Communist Party membership in the U. S. is estimated at 10,000 to 13,000. The actual membership, of course, is unknown, because members no longer carry cards and no central rosters are kept.

Those who depreciate Communist power in the U. S. argue that a group with so few members could not possibly wield any effective influence. But the reply to this is that Communist Parties have never depended upon mass membership. Their members are trained as leaders to infiltrate and influence large non-Communist groups.

Some writers have claimed that the Party in this country is a bedraggled ghost composed of tired, old people who pose a threat to no one. But Gus Hall, the Party's secretary-general, counters with the comment that last summer's Congress was "possibly the most youthful in Communist Party history." Of the 256 delegates and alternates, 91

were under 35 years of age. Over one-third of the newly elected Communist National Committee are young. And beyond this, 168 of the 422 observers at the convention were under 35, including representatives from the DuBois clubs, CORE, the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, Students for a Democratic Society, committees against war in Vietnam, and others.

During coming months the Party will reach out to many more young people with discussions of Marxist doctrine and Communist ideas. In the Party's view, many young people are struggling against established ideas and institutions and are ready to accept Communist-supplied alternatives.

The ultimate Communist aim, of course, is power, not for its sake alone but for the purpose of forcing Communist rule upon all the people of the world. By so doing, the Communists hope to prove they are a bit better than everyone else.

The threat posed by U. S. Communists can be judged only in terms of how effectively they assist in gaining the goals set for all Communists: namely, weakening opposition to Communist advances, modifying policies of countries such as the U. S. to favor the U.S.S.R., encouraging shipment of Western industrial goods to the Communist bloc, and the undermining of independent societies.

Progress has been recorded in all of these categories. Since we can assume that Communists are the only ones in this country who are united with the Soviets in purpose and policy, we can also assume that only Communists are dedicated to achieving these goals. As a vanguard party, Communists achieve their aims largely by exercising leadership; that is, by persuading others to accept their ideas.

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**WILMINGTON, Delaware**, Lodge celebrates its 70th year in Elldom with the dedication of its new lodge room and a dinner dance. On hand to mark the occasion were P.G.E.R. William J. Jernick (in white jacket) and Nathan Miller (third from left), the oldest living Wilmington Elk at 82 and a 53-year member. Others in the first row are P.E.R.s Sol Kessler and James P. Robbins Jr.; Dr. David Hirshout, the Exalted Ruler; P.E.R.s Samuel F. Keil, Millard V. Petticord, and Bernard V. McCready, and Brother M. O. Bader.

**News  
of the  
Lodges**

# A Potpourri of Activities



**FOR HIS 50th ANNIVERSARY** as a past president of the Washington State Elks Assn., P.D.D. Horace Griggs (second from left), Bellingham, is honored at a luncheon during the group's 65th annual convention in his hometown. Joining in the celebration with Brother Griggs are outgoing S.P. Frank Garland, Centralia; P.G.E.R. Emmett T. Anderson, and Grand Forum Justice John T. Raftis, Colville.



**WELCOMING ELKDOM'S LEADER**, Grand Exalted Ruler Raymond C. Dobson, to the Ohio Elks Association's 37th annual fall conference in Columbus are Grand Trustee Nelson E. W. Stuart (left), Cleveland; P.G.E.R. Edward J. McCormick; S.P. Walter C. Springmyer, Cleves; P.G.E.R. Fred L. Bohn, and E.R. John W. Kemple of Columbus Lodge.



**EUREKA, California**, P.E.R. John J. Sapara (second from right) receives a plaque from John Jordan, state veterans service vice-chairman, for the lodge's collection of 1,700 hides for veterans hospitals during 1965-1966. At the left are Otis Timmons and Frank Mills, co-chairmen of the hide collection drive.

**REDLANDS, California**, Lodge receives a framed print of Montana elk from the artist, Doug Van Howd (left), who recently became a lodge member. Accepting the work, entitled, "Mountain Monarch," is E.R. J. Brent Reedy (center). At the right is V.P. Vincent Amalfitano, Ontario, on an official visit to the lodge. Brother Van Howd, who has been termed a 20th-century Audubon, is one of America's leading wildlife artists.

**TWENTY MORE** bicycles go to the boys at Rainier School in Buckley, Wash., thanks to the "dream" of P.E.R. Thomas E. Dell (left), Ellensburg, Wash., of keeping the 1,800 boys equipped with bikes. Looking them over with Brother Dell are Glenda Cooke and Sgt. Don Hiner of the Ellensburg Police Department, which donates unclaimed bicycles. These comprise the bulk of about 500 bikes given the school since the project's start about eight years ago. Of a \$30,000 goal for a bicycle storage and maintenance building and 600 bikes, about \$375 has been obtained.







**OHIO'S STATE PRESIDENT**—Walter G. Springmyer of Cleves (third from left)—is presented with a pledge by the state's Northeast (South) District to buy a \$1,000 Elks National Foundation certificate in memory of D.D.C.E.R. Dale N. Jacobs, Munroe Falls, who died last Aug. 14. Also photographed during the district meeting in Warren recently were Frank Earley, Salem, the district presiding officer and state Americanism chairman; E.R. Donald L. Logue; Warren P.E.R. Nick M. Kovic, state scholarship chairman; P.D.D. and Warren P.E.R. F. M. Hettish, and state Trustee E. Paul Howard, Alliance. Proceeds from districtwide dances will make up the donation.



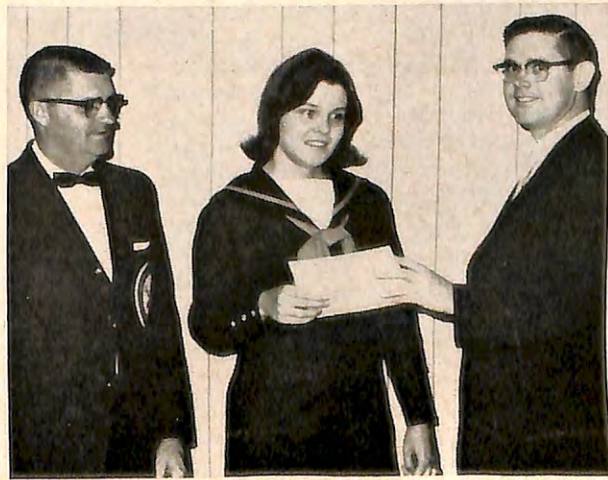
**ATTLEBORO, Massachusetts,** Lodge holds a free course on how to handle firearms safely. Joseph Hunchard (second from left), a Massachusetts Department of Natural Resources officer, is in the process of showing Paul Bandilli, Attleboro, and Richard Carr, North Attleboro, the proper way to carry firearms. Looking on is Brother Raymond A. Moreau, also in charge of the eight hours of lessons given to teen-agers. About 25 aspiring young hunters attended the firearms classes.



**THE NUMBER OF OHIO** lodges with 100 percent officer participation in the Elks National Foundation is now 19—up from 11. Lodges which received recognition plaques during the Ohio Elks Association's 37th annual fall conference in Columbus were Warren, Alliance, Salem, Girard, Chillicothe, Berea, Cuyahoga Falls, Sandusky, Massillon, Greenville, Van Wert, Willoughby, Columbus, North Canton, Lakewood, Bellevue, Canton, Elyria, and Lima.

**GASTONIA, North Carolina,** Elks are pleased as punch about the state association's award of a \$600 Elks National Foundation scholarship to pretty Jill Bumgarner of nearby Stanley. Standing with Jill are her mother, Mrs. J. S. Bumgarner; state Treasurer Guy C. Killian, lodge secretary; P.D.D. and P.S.P. Harvey Holmes, Gastonia; Mrs. T. A. Carter, Gaston County Schools guidance counselor, and E.R. Charles W. Martin Jr.

**COLORADO ELKS'** first Dr. George L. Nuckolls Scholarship Award—worth \$500 this year—is presented to Bonnie Berfield by Eugene Costello, Denver, state Second Vice-President, as E.R. Calvin D. Wright of Gunnison Lodge looks on. The late Reverend Doctor Nuckolls, of Gunnison, was a past Grand Chaplain.







## News of the Lodges

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**PITTSBURGH, Pennsylvania**, dignitaries pose for their photograph after laying the cornerstone of their new lodge building. They include P.E.R. Anthony Favata, Secy. Joseph J. Pupa, P.E.R.s Harry Brogna and Robert McNamara, Chap. and P.E.R. Peter Tabone, Esq. Philip Medico, Treasurer William Medico, E.R. James A. Burns,

Est. Loyal Kt. Carmen DeBiasi, Est. Lead. Kt. John Trammontana, Trustees Anthony Capitano and Frank Silva, Est. Lect. Kt. Andre Vanyo, Inner Guard Edward Schmidt, and the Board of Governors chairman, P.E.R. J. Earl Langan. The lodge was instituted in 1898. The new structure was dedicated Sept. 18.



**THE NOVEMBER "Lodge Notes"** included an item on Natick, Mass., Lodge's initiation of a 76-year-old man, termed possibly the "oldest-newest" Elk. However, one of these new members recently initiated by Groton, Conn., Lodge is 87-year-old Brother Harry Dunningham (right), whose son, George, also is an Elk. The other old-timers in the class of 22 initiated in honor of G.E.R. Raymond C. Dobson are Brother Lawrence Jordan (left), 72, and Mayor Clarence B. Sharp, 70.



**BINGHAMTON, New York**, E.R. John E. Costello (left) and Brother Edward L. Curry, golf chairman, smile with the winners of the New York State Junior Golf Tournament. The first- and second-place winners, respectively, are John Govern (third from right) and James Mrva (third from left), senior division, and Gary Oliver (second from right) and Michael Gersten, junior division.

## LODGE NOTES

For more than 44 years, the same man has opened the Chattanooga Lodge building each morning. And in all those years, he never has missed a day because of illness. That man is Brother Kenneth Stevenson, a 46-year Elk. Brother Stevenson started to work at Chattanooga Lodge 45 years ago as a buffet clerk. Seventeen years later, he took over as lodge Secretary, a position he has held ever since. Brother Stevenson is a former Treasurer of the Tennessee Elks Association. During his time as Secretary, Brother Stevenson has served under 29 Exalted Rulers.

Franklin, Mass., Lodge reports outstanding success with a program started last summer to provide children at two nearby day camps with extra entertainment. Thirty-six retarded children from the Bellingham and Whitinsville camps were treated to a Boston Red Sox baseball game. The children were bused to Boston and provided with box lunches and liquid refreshments. The boys and girls were chaperoned by camp personnel and George E. Conklin, chairman of the lodge Youth Activities Committee. Brother Conklin says he hopes to make the program an annual affair.

Members of Salamanca, N.Y., Lodge mourn the loss of E.R. Kenneth Scott, 46, who died this last summer. In addition to the Elks, Brother Scott was a member of the Loyal Order of Moose and a local veterans association and superintendent of the church school at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Survivors include Mrs. Scott, two sons, and a brother. Earlier last summer, Salamanca Lodge lost a Past Exalted Ruler, Allen Swanson.

Great Bend, Kan., Lodge has, for the first time, awarded two \$500 scholarships to senior student nurses at the Dominican School of Nursing in Great Bend. Donna Dwyer and Nancy Gore were presented the scholarships recently by Dr. George F. Kutina, chairman of the Scholarship Committee, and E. R. Robert P. Keenan. Doctor Kutina says the lodge plans to continue the practice on an annual basis.

Sapulpa, Okla., Lodge has initiated 21 members in honor of a 32-year member, P.E.R. and P.D.D. Clarence H. Dietz. E.R. Bob Basinger said that this is the first time a class has been named in honor of a member.

Sparta, N.J., Lodge recently raised more than \$500 for the crippled children's fund by sponsoring a football game between two area midget teams. The game was the first of the exhibi-

tion season in Sparta and the fund-raising achievement was one of the first for Sparta Lodge, which was instituted just six months ago.

Point Pleasant, N.J., Elks recently combined fun with fund-raising at an old-fashioned clambake and at the 5th annual Pop Warner Kickoff Dance. Profits from the clambake will aid the lodge's community service, scholarship, and youth activities programs. Proceeds from the dance will provide equipment and uniforms for the Golden Elks, the lodge-sponsored entry in the Pop Warner Football League.

Malden, Mass., Lodge has announced the winners of this year's Most Valuable Student competition. Scholarships worth \$500 have been awarded to Linda L. Messenger of Malden High School and William J. Cronin of Malden Catholic High School. The awards were presented by E.R. William C. Collins and Judge Maurice R. Flynn.

Greeley, Colo., Lodge has produced a long-playing record album of Christmas songs dedicated to the memory of Marvin E. George. Mr. George, a former director of the well-known Greeley Elks Chorus, died in May of 1965. The chorus is made up entirely of amateurs and for the past 15 years has averaged 25 programs a year. The album contains 20 numbers.



## Elks Scholar Wins Federal Praise



**A FORMER RECIPIENT** of Gettysburg, Pa., Lodge scholarships—Miss Donna J. Wicker—has made the headlines as a winner of a federal award for her work on an Army medical research team which achieved a breakthrough in the fight against malaria. The 1957 graduate of Gettysburg High School won five \$200 grants from Gettysburg Lodge which helped her receive training as a medical technologist.

A Gettysburg, Pa., Lodge scholarship winner has been cited by the federal government for “outstanding performance” as a medical technologist in the Army’s recent breakthrough in the battle against malaria.

Miss Donna J. Wicker received an “Outstanding and Sustained Superior Performance Award” recently for her work from Feb. 1, 1965, through Jan. 31, 1966, in the Department of Hematology of the Division of Medicine of Walter Reed Army Institute of Research at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D.C.

Gettysburg Elks began presenting Miss Wicker what became a series of five \$200 scholarships after her graduation in 1957 from Gettysburg High School. She studied for her profession at Pennsylvania State University.

“All moneys assisting Donna Wicker in her education were from our local lodge scholarship fund, to which we ask each member to contribute \$1 each year,” said E.R. Eugene R. Hartman. “As you can see, our lodge contributed \$1,000 toward this girl’s education, and it has certainly paid off.”

The award states that “Miss Wicker has demonstrated her capacity for as-

suming greater responsibility in increasingly complex research projects. In all her work, she has maintained high standards of skill and precision.”

The government said that during the last two years, malaria research at Walter Reed has grown more and more involved and that in the last 12 months, studies of carbohydrate and liquid metabolism have been started. A thorough knowledge of the use of radioactive isotopes and various specialized techniques in studying the effect of antimalarial drugs have been required.

“She (Miss Wicker) has accepted this increased responsibility with a continuing capacity for careful and precise work,” the citation read. “Miss Wicker has demonstrated outstanding ability to develop necessary techniques and to adapt complex procedures to problems of malaria research.

“In carrying out these projects, Miss Wicker has become increasingly independent to the point where she requires minimal supervision and assistance, thus allowing her supervisor to assume additional responsibilities.”

The government added that Miss Wicker has performed her work as cheerfully as she has carefully.

**A VETERAN PORTSMOUTH, New Hampshire, Elk**—P.E.R. Augustine Dondero (in white)—is visited by G.E.R. and Mrs. Raymond C. Dobson during their stop in the city. Also pictured are S.P. Ronald Simpson, Portsmouth, P.G.E.R. and Judge John Fenton, president of Suffolk University, Boston, and S.D.G.E.R. Edward Spry, Roxbury, Mass. Brother Dobson was honored at a banquet attended by more than 120 Elks from 11 lodges in New Hampshire.



**DANVILLE, Virginia, Elks’ Little Leaguers**—second-year winners of the Little League Piedmont League title, with a 15-0 record this year—get together for a picture with Mgr. Lewis Smith and Asst. Mgr. Bobby Hill. The team members are (front row): Danny Ferguson; Garry Hill; Buddy Smith; Jeff Isom, and Tommy Wilmouth; (second row): Robert Murphy; Ronnie Reynolds; Richard Grogan; James Simpson, and Robert Harris and (last row): James Hedrick; Sandy Thompson, and Billy Byrd.



**FREEPORT, New York, Elks** extend a warm welcome to S.P. John F. Schoonmaker (left), Goshen, of Port Jervis Lodge, with a special program and a gift of a punch-bowl set to mark his visit. Pictured with him are V.P. and P.E.R. George Rittman, Deer Park, of Babylon-Bayshore Lodge; D.D.G.E.R. and P.E.R. Pierre Bernier, New Hyde Park, of Hempstead Lodge, and Freeport E.R. George Bennett Smith. The program was arranged by P.V.P. and P.E.R. Howard Bateman, state youth activities chairman, and P.E.R. John Quinn Jr.





**News of the Lodges** CONTINUED



**GLEN COVE, New York, P.E.R.** Joseph W. Muldoon, the city's mayor, starts throwing out the first ball to launch the 1966-1967 season of the Glen Cove Elks Junior Bowling League.



**POINT PLEASANT, New Jersey,** Lodge's Golden Elks—the Brothers' entry in the Pop Warner Football League—pose for a picture, hoping to repeat their 1964 performance—the winning of the New Jersey Southern Division championship.



**THE WOODBRIDGE, New Jersey,** 1966 Little League National League Champions are Woodbridge Lodge's own "Giants," pictured here with Mgr. Charles Farr, an Elk. Also competing with 23 other teams in the Woodbridge Township Little League World Series, the team was just one game short of winning the championship.



**WHITE PLAINS, New York,** Lodge-sponsored keggers in the girls' division of the Elks Bowling League pose for a picture. White Plains Elks sponsor the group as part of their program to further sports for youngsters.



**TOMS RIVER, New Jersey,** Lodge's baseball team—winner of the 1966 Babe Ruth League pennant—poses happily with Coach Ed Potter (back row, fourth from left) and Mgr. Bill Ward (back row, center), who presents the sponsor's trophy to E.R. Nicholas Liguori. Winning all but one game, the team also placed five of its players on the Toms River All-Star Team. They are Bob Estelle, Bob Hawthorne, Bill Ward, John Reilly, and Ed Worth.



**LAKE WORTH, Florida,** Elks are proud of this graduating class from a 68-member Cub pack. Pictured with the boys are James Thomas, institutional representative, and Brother Harry Peisell, cubmaster. The lodge will continue to sponsor the class in a Boy Scout troop.





**MIAMI, Florida,** Elks welcome youngsters from the Miccosukee Indian Day School for an outdoor buffet on the lodge picnic grounds. The children have been invited also to the Miami Elks' Christmas party for youngsters.



**PROVIDENCE** Lodge officers place a wreath in honor of their departed Brothers. Pictured during the ceremony are Est. Loyal Kt. John M. Skeffington Jr. and E.R. Louis D. Depalma in the foreground and Esq. Robert N. Tellef and Chap. Charles Ashton in the rear.

**CLEARWATER, Florida,** Lodge coordinator of Operation Pen Pal Ecuador and Americanism committeeman George C. Marquardt (third from right) presents a \$25 U.S. Savings Bond and a plaque to Vicki Walter, first-prize winner in the pen pal contest at Oak Grove Junior High School. Finalists Suzanne Riley and Carol Hendrickson each receive a plaque. Looking on are Brother William C. Buck (second from right), committeeman for Florida Elks' Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Hospital at Umattilla, and Principal Joe C. Eidson, who also received a plaque.



**PORTLAND, Maine,** P.E.R. Francis A. McDonough serves lobster Newburg dinners to patients at Portland City Hospital. The Elks hold an outing for the patients every year, but chilly weather this year made it necessary to use the hospital dining room for the "lawn party." Also pictured are Mrs. Nancy Allen, a physical therapist, and Mrs. Matthew I. Barron, superintendent of nurses.



**LYNDHURST, New Jersey,** Elks give 125 children from four nearby orphanages a full day of food, fun, and games—the annual "Orphans' Picnic." Shown are E.R. James St. George (right) and Est. Lead. Kt. Willard Janes, chairman of the Charity Committee, which raises funds for the event. Each child also receives a gift.

**QUEENS BOROUGH (ELMHURST), New York,** Elks get ready to leave for the lodge's annual clambake in Pearl River. Pictured before boarding one of the buses are E.R. Francis J. McCormick and the event co-chairmen, Esq. Robert C. Breitfeld and Andrew Verdirame.



**BRICK, New Jersey,** P.E.R. Anthony Niedzwiecki accepts a nest egg of \$1,800 from Mrs. Isabelle Miller, representing the group of women which lends active support to Brick Elks. The lodge also received \$500 worth of equipment from the ladies.

**PEEKSKILL, New York,** Elks watch as local youngsters get ready to dive and race at an annual swim meet sponsored by the lodge and the city recreation commission. The event, with 171 participants, took place at the Veterans' Memorial Pool, in Depew Park. The Peekskill Elks donated the trophies and assisted at the meet by acting as judges and manning the official scoring tables.





**TIFFIN, Ohio**, Lodge takes top honors in the state community welfare contest. E.R. Basil Orians (seated, right) accepts a plaque for winning in the state and a certificate for winning in Tiffin's district from C. M. Burns, Fairview Park, state community welfare chairman. With them are other district winners: E.R. William H. Underhill of Cincinnati; P.D.D. and P.E.R. Dale L. Welling of Bucyrus; P.D.D. and P.E.R. M. B. Letzelter, Steubenville, for Wellsville Lodge; E.R. Myron S. Whinnery of Salem; E.R. Donald Colburn of Chillicothe, and E.R. Richard D. Laymon of Lakewood.



**A MARQUETTE, Michigan**, Lodge member—D.D.G.E.R. John Davey—receives the game ball from the football team co-captains of Northern Michigan University, Marquette. Looking on is Head Coach Rollie Dotsch. This climaxed the lodge-sponsored day for 125 boys who were treated to dinner and saw with their parents Northern Michigan defeat Bradley University, Peoria, Ill.



**MINNEAPOLIS** E.R. William R. Jensen (left) congratulates Brother Jim Newhouse, who became an Elk just nine days after his 21st birthday, as his father, P.E.R. and P.D.D. Bob Newhouse, looks on. Brother Bob, also a former member of the G.L. State Associations Committee and a past Secretary of the Minnesota State Elks Assn., initiated the current Exalted Ruler in 1955.



**PAST EXALTED RULER** Frank D. O'Connell (second from left) of Marietta, Ohio, accepts the Dr. Edward J. McCormick Past Grand Exalted Ruler Trophy for membership achievement for Ohio's Southeast District from Dr. McCormick (left). This is the third straight year the district has won the trophy, an authentic reproduction of a Paul Revere design, and it will keep it. Awards also go to E.R. David Miller (center), Massillon—one for the largest net gain and one for the largest percentage gain in lodge membership. On the right are P.E.R. C. Richard Smith, Canton, state membership chairman, and E.R. Woodrow Warner, Newcomerstown.



**OHIO's Northeast (South) District** is the first in the state to make a contribution to the Elks Christmas Gift Fund. District Treasurer Oscar Cover (left) presents the \$60 check. Shown with him are District Secy. Lloyd Hernley (seated) and (standing): Mal Eisenhard, district veterans chairman; Logan Burd, state veterans chairman, and P.S.P. N. A. Bartram. Brother Eisenhard reported that, among the district's veterans service activities, special shows honoring the late Leslie Strong of Canton, who served nearly 25 years as state veterans chairman, were presented at the East Cleveland and Brecksville Hospitals.

**PORTLAND, Indiana**, P.E.R. Hugh W. Ford (seventh from left) gives instructions to a class of candidates who were initiated recently by the former Exalted Rulers of Portland Lodge. The candidates are pictured with their fathers, all Elks, with four Past Exalted Rulers among them.



**NEW LONDON, Connecticut**, Lodge's team in the Waterford Babe Ruth League is pictured after winning this year's league championship. The players were honored recently with a lodge banquet, attended also by the Elks' New London Babe Ruth League and Little League teams. Shown are (kneeling): Eugene Fergione; Bruce McDonald; Thomas Bonano; Robert Payne, and Richard Granahan and (standing): Coach Hugh McDonald; Lee Johnson; James Dennison; Charles Greene; David Wilson; Thomas Grande; Peter Cascio, and Mgr. William Granahan.







**NEW PHILADELPHIA, Ohio,** Lodge's Little Leaguers pose for a photo at a dinner given them by the Elks, with Brother Dave Massarelli (third from right), who has been affiliated with the Pittsburgh Pirates and the Baltimore Orioles, as speaker. Also pictured are Dave Stemple, youth activities committeeman; P.E.R. Kenneth Weller; Mgr. John Rogers; Coach Art Mann; E.R. James Exley, and Est. Loyal Kt. Richard Musgrave. The team tied for first place in the league but was beaten in the play-off.



**CROOKSTON, Minnesota,** Elks' tee-ball team overcame some tough obstacles to win the league championship. The team played with as many as five players short and one boy, whose brother ran for him, has a hip impairment. With five Elks' sons among them, team members shown are (front row): Paul Iverson; Ricky Mercil, and Mike Ellingson and (back row): Steve Cochrane; Stuart Cochrane, and Jim Mulvaney.



**MILWAUKEE** Lodge recently initiated this class, numbering 107, in honor of the immediate Past Exalted Ruler, Lester J. Dencker (front row, eighth from right). To his right is Dr. William De Makes, membership chairman.



**AT THE FALL MEETING** of Ohio's Southwest District in Cincinnati, Brother George Wagner, Esquire to D.D.G.E.R. Harold Lawrence, Dayton, introduces Judge Ralph S. Kohnen of the Hamilton County Court of Common Pleas. Judge Kohnen welcomes the delegates to the city.



**VAN WERT, Ohio,** E.R. Jack E. Schaffner (center) and Brother Robert Stoller, a member of the Elks Cerebral Palsy Treatment Center Board, look on as Mrs. Leo Murphy, board secretary, counts reservations for an annual benefit dinner dance. Proceeds from the party help support the lodge's eight-year-old Cerebral Palsy Treatment Center at the Van Wert County Hospital.

**TOLEDO, Ohio,** Lodge recently initiated an outstanding clergyman, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. Jerome Schmitt, pictured here with his co-sponsors, Dr. Edward J. McCormick, Past Grand Exalted Ruler, and Brother Frank Schramm (left).







**MIAMI, Oklahoma,** Lodge-sponsored Little Leaguers pose happily after winning the season's pennant and 12 out of their 14 games. Shown here are (front row): Keiven Kerley; Ricky Smith; Hank Hecksher, and Marty Smith; (center row): Robert Katner; Johnny Mills; Mark Louise, and Bill Henry and (back row): Mgr. Ronnie Brumley; Allen Roberts; Terry Harlan; Jeff Dieabold, and Coach Bill Henry.



**LAKESWOOD, Ohio,** P.E.R. Irving W. Davies (right) presents a \$600 donation for the Lakewood Hospital Building Fund to Arthur A. Lepinot (center), hospital superintendent, as E.R. Richard D. Laymon looks on. Brother Davies is chairman of the fund-raising program. The money was raised at a recent benefit sponsored by the lodge.



**FERGUS FALLS, Minnesota,** Lodge recently initiated this class during the visit of three distinguished guests. Pictured in the front row, they are the state President, Dr. David C. Johnston (fourth from left), Red Wing; D.D.G.E.R. John L. Berglund (fifth from left), Willmar, and V.P. Everett Anderson (sixth from left), Brai-

nerd. The lodge officers are (front row): Secy. George Steen; Est. Lead. Kt. Russell Evjen; E.R. Carlton Knutson; Est. Lect. Kt. Carroll Anderson; Organist Orman Kielmeyer; Chap. Milton Brendecke, and Inner Guard Thomas Cole and (second row): Est. Loyal Kt. Harold Meyer (left) and Esq. Clayton Elliott (right).



**WILLISTON, North Dakota,** Lodge recently initiated its annual "Hunter's Class." Pictured with the eight new members and their sponsors are (front row): E.R. Jack LeDosquet; Est. Lead. Kt. Duane Liffbrig; Est. Loyal Kt. LaVern Neff, chairman of the state Lodge Activities Committee; Est. Lect. Kt. Robert Hoover; acting Esq. R. W. Moran, chairman of the state Youth Activities Committee; Chap. Arthur H. Garaas; Inner Guard Frank Foster, and Secy. L. A. Jorgenson.

**BARNESVILLE, Ohio,** Lodge, celebrating its 20th anniversary, recently initiated 32 members into the Order. Adding to the occasion was an official visit by D.D.G.E.R. Donald L. Brown (second row, extreme left), New Philadelphia, of Ohio's Southeast District. E.R. Dent Foreman is at the extreme right in the second row.







**PHOENIX** Lodge welcomes an official visitor—D.D.G.E.R. Manly L. Traylor of Globe, Ariz., Lodge. Pictured with a class of candidates, Brother Traylor is standing on the left of E.R. Wayne Gurley in the second row.



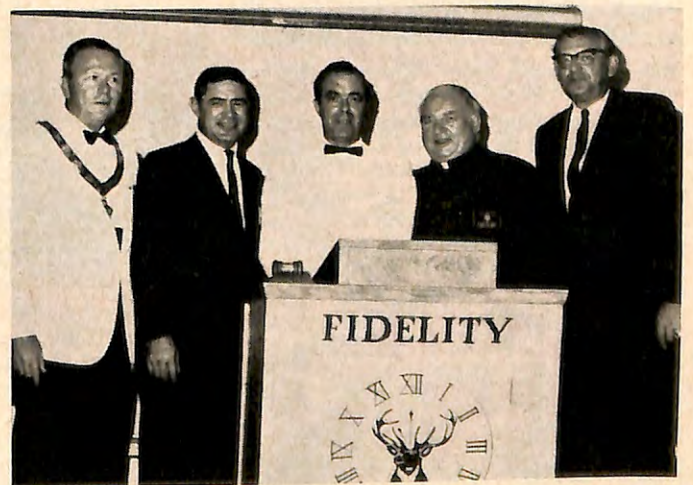
**BELLFLOWER, California**, E.R. Phillip L. Merchant (center) is happy to receive a Century Club plaque for the lodge's \$100 contribution to the Los Cerritos YMCA. Admiring the plaque with the Exalted Ruler are Chairman Paul Clearwater of the Youth Activities Committee and Brother Henry Moffett.



**OREGON STATE PRESIDENT** Al Beeler, McMinnville, recently initiated his two sons, Gary A. and William J., into the Order at a special meeting of the Oregon State Elks Assn. officers and committee chairmen in McMinnville. Both Gary and William are students at the University of Oregon Dental School, Eugene.



**A SAILOR SHOWS** the aircraft carrier U.S.S. *Enterprise* to this girl on a field trip for handicapped youngsters arranged by South San Francisco Lodge with the help of the Navy and the ship's crew. After a tour of the carrier which included a ride to the flight deck on the ship's enormous elevator, the youngsters were treated to hot dogs and soft drinks at the Elks' new lodge building. The lodge provides a regular program of such outings to augment California Elks' handicapped children's program.



**CANOGA PARK, California**, Lodge's recent speaker, V.P. and P.E.R. Dan Davis (center), Van Nuys, is welcomed by E.R. Frank W. Cramer (left) and P.E.R. Wilbur A. Marshall (second from left). Pictured also are two other distinguished guests, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. George M. Scott, San Pedro, Grand Chaplain, and D.D.G.E.R. and P.E.R. Ralph J. Susmark, Northridge, of Canoga Park Lodge.

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# Elks Back Santa in His Big Scene



Shh! Keith Kearce is getting acquainted with Santa Claus at Ocala, Fla., Lodge.

Elks set the Christmas 1965 scene with a bright array of gifts and kindnesses to those less fortunate in every corner of the United States.

The sponsoring lodges' holiday preparations were thoughtful and varied. While the pace got hectic at times, more than one Elk felt a pull at his heartstrings as he witnessed children's delight and oldsters' content. If his own tree had to wait 'til late Christmas Eve for its trimming—well, it was worth it.

The Elks' Christmas Charity Program involved aid and entertainment to 336,468 persons and a total expenditure of \$789,237 for the 1,152 lodges which reported to former Chairman Patrick H. King of the G.L. Lodge Activities Committee.

At the Columbus, Ohio, Elks' party for about 320 children, one small guest asked Santa if Elks are related to reindeer. Receiving a nod, the child added:

"Well, I guess Elks don't pull sleds . . . they're too busy fixin' for us kids."

About 550 persons were helped with Christmas baskets contributed by Lakewood, Colo., Lodge. In the fall, Lakewood Brothers had paid for an artificial leg, a television set, and some clothing for a 16-year-old hospital patient, who must have had a happier Christmas because of their generosity.

Thirty children from five families got the royal treatment from Owosso, Mich., members. The youngsters were clothed from head to toe at a local department store, taken to see Santa at the lodge, fed a turkey dinner, and given toys. Members visited sick youngsters at Owosso Memorial Hospital on Christmas Day and presented each with a toy.

A summer Christmas outing was held as usual by Homestead, Pa., Brothers, who took 73 orphans to an amusement park on Aug. 28, 1965.

About 90 food baskets were sent to the needy in the Bangor, Pa., area

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## Getting Ready . . .

Time: just before Christmas. Scene: same in hundreds of lodges—piles of baskets brimming with food and goodies, ready to make festive the holiday tables of needy families. In Portland, Maine, P.E.R. Donald Colello looks over some of the 100 baskets the Elks are preparing for delivery.



Behind-the-scene Santa Clauses, in this case Elks from Boise Lodge, load brightly wrapped packages to be delivered to 31 needy families in the area the day before Christmas. Each family received about \$130 worth of food and staples ranging from plums and turkeys to brooms and toothpaste. There were toys and clothing for each child in every family—180 in all.



In Worcester, Mass., P.E.R. John Kerbel and Brothers James P. Fahey, William M. Kane, and Joseph H. Pratte load some of the 60 baskets that will feed the needy in their community during the holidays.





## With Santa....



The best friend a child can have this time of year—Santa—and two Los Angeles Elks make Christmas a little merrier with a toy and a stocking for this hospitalized boy.

Another scene; the big moment—Old St. Nick arrives for hundreds of underprivileged children at Elks' lodges across the country. This boy is one of many youngsters visiting Eureka Springs, Ark., Lodge to see Santa. After treating 250 children to candy, nuts, and fruit, the lodge, which has only 176 members, had enough goodies left over to donate them to Eureka Springs Hospital and the Rotary Club for distribution.



Who will win the balloon-blowing contest at the Christmas party in Dover, Del.?



Magical memories of this Yuletide dance should linger in Grants Pass, Oreg.



It's fun to sing with TV and recording star Dorothy Shaw in Columbus, Ohio.

## At the Party....

It's almost time to say good-bye. The wonder in the eyes of this little girl at Home-wood Lodge, Birmingham, Ala., defies description. But it tells every Elk with an aching back and tired feet that all the effort and the long hours were worthwhile.



But for this boy in McMinnville, Oreg., just talking to Santa Claus is best.



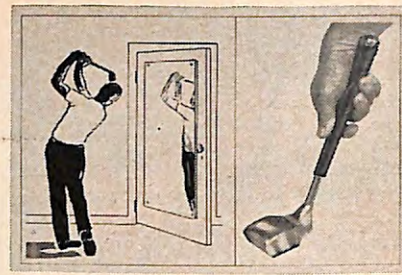


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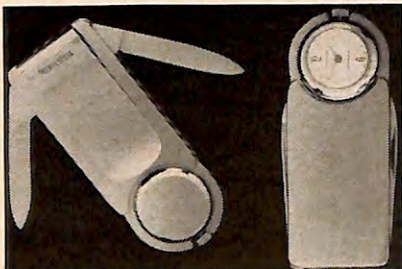
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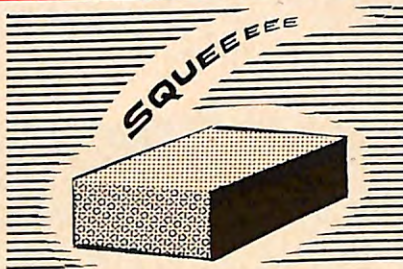
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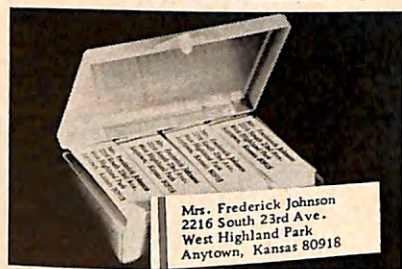
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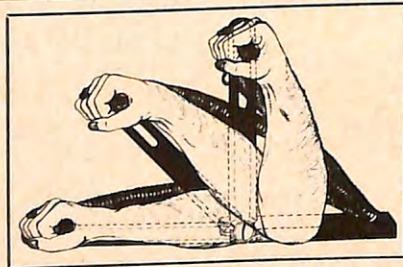
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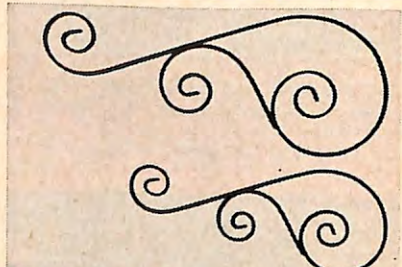
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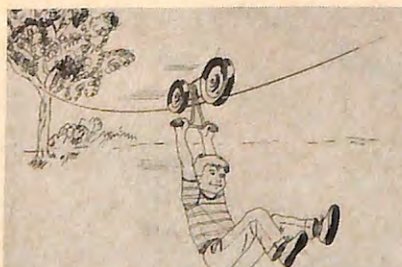
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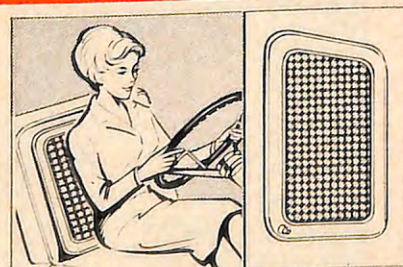
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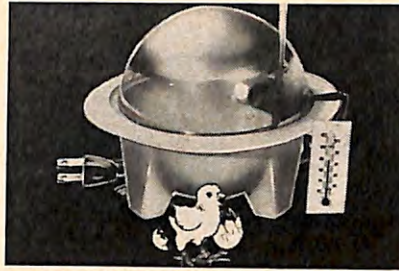
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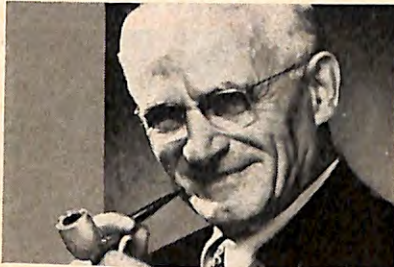
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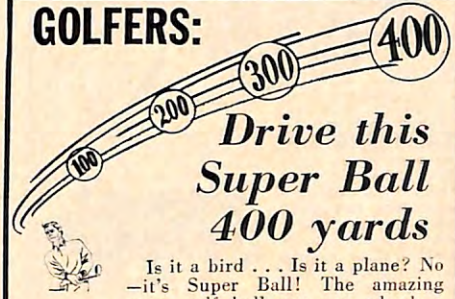


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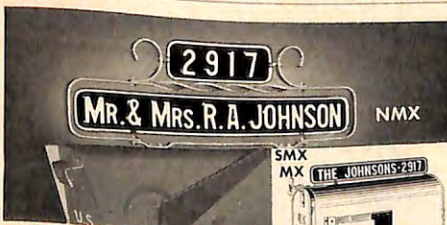
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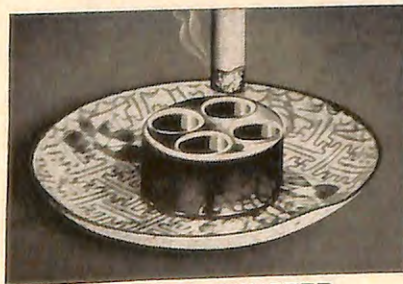
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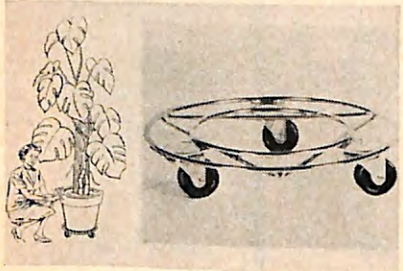
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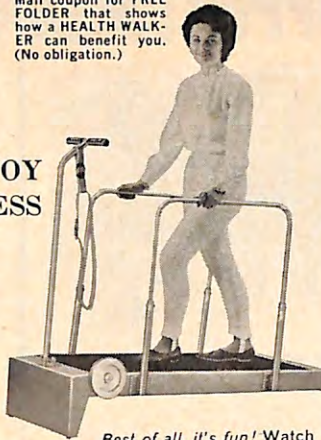
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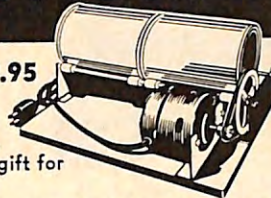
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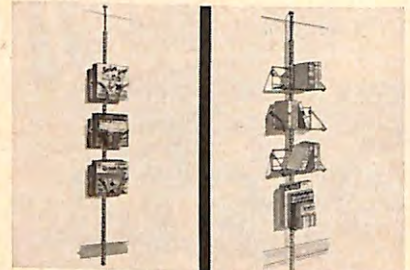
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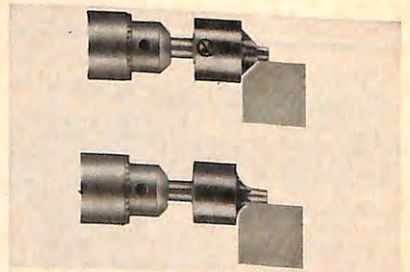
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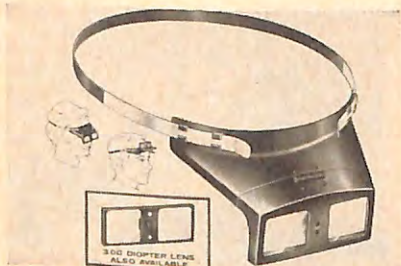
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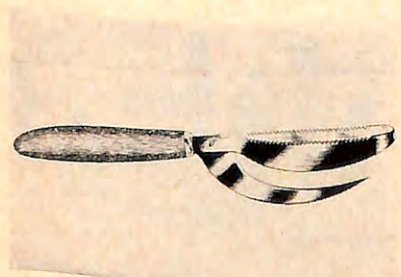
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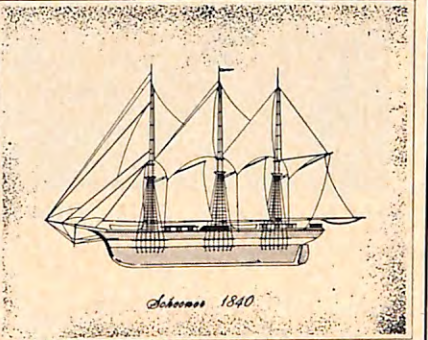
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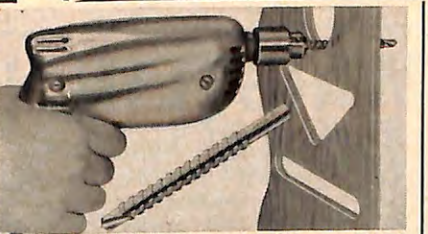
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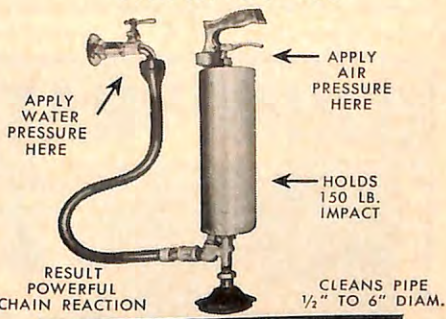
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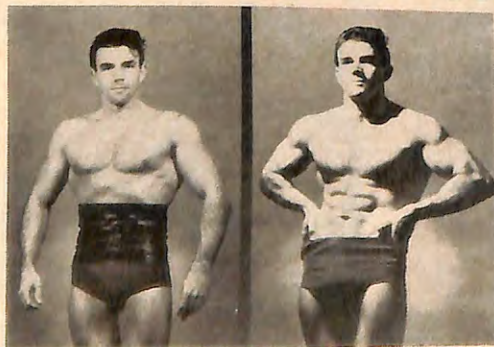


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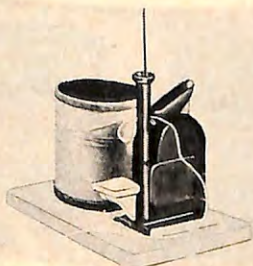
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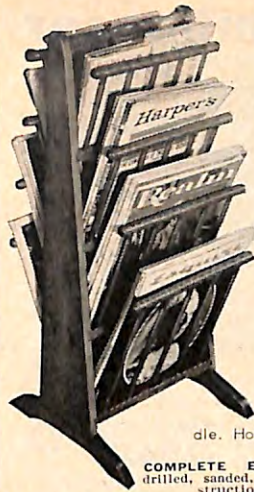
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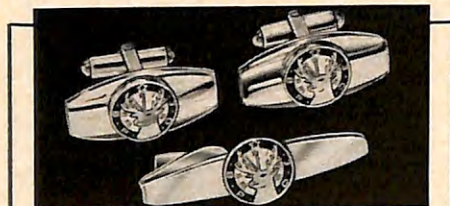
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but is of no practical protection against a bulldozer. (Among the buildings so honored: the White House; the U.S. Capitol; the first telephone exchange in New Haven, Conn.; the Danville, Ky., house that was the scene of the first successful abdominal operation, and "Ether Dome" at Massachusetts General Hospital, site of the first publicized use of ether in surgery.)

Despite the lack of strong government preservation activities in this country, a growing effort is under way by individual citizens and private groups to save sites and buildings with true historic meaning. They are continuing a tradition that dates at least as far back as Imperial Rome. Emperor Majorian, who ruled in A.D. 457-461, forbade the destruction of old public buildings without the approval of either himself or the senate, with amputation of both hands the punishment for violators.

In the United States, the battle dates back about a century, to the first restoration of historic house museums—mostly those where George Washington slept. Then the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Colonial Dames began to save and furnish former homes of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and preservation societies sprouted in New England and Virginia for the purpose of restoring sites of early English settlements.

From these roots have sprung hundreds of local and state preservation groups which have become the bane of developers, city planners, zoning officials, and others. While their number and diversification of interests often serve to undermine their own cause, they are sometimes able, in their zeal, to accomplish astounding results. Thus it is that admirers of Edgar Allen Poe may today visit memorials to their hero—three of them houses he occupied—in four major cities: Richmond, Baltimore, Philadelphia, and New York. This tabulation doesn't include the room at the University of Virginia campus that Poe occupied as a student in 1828. Nor does it take into account a memorial door at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, which reminds visitors that, however improbable it may seem, his fellow cadets of 1830-31 chipped in as subscribers to the first publication in book form of Poe's "To Helen" and "Israfel."

In spite of such successes, however, it is usually only when they are able to agree on priorities and band together that preservation-minded persons achieve real progress. That is the idea behind the Committee on Land-

marks in Washington, D.C., which lists buildings that "must" be preserved, those that should be saved "if possible," and others that it would like to protect "if practicable."


Serving as a catalyst for what is being done in cities and towns throughout the U.S. is the National Trust for Historic Preservation, a non-profit organization that was chartered by Congress in 1949. The Trust serves as a clearinghouse for information, arouses public opinion, and furnishes technical guidance to its nearly 400 member organizations in fighting zoning boards and formulating protective regulations. Due in part to these efforts, more than 45 states and territories have some form of historical preservation program, and over 70 cities and towns have ordinances protecting valued landmarks.

Congress also gets into the act through the introduction in a typical year of between 25 and 50 bills to provide federal custody for historical properties of varying value.

In Arizona, wooden, adobe, and brick structures in the town of Tombstone are being restored with funds raised by the Tombstone Restoration Commission. When completed, this work will enable visitors to relive vicariously the rooting-tooting days of "the town too tough to die." Founded in 1877, Tombstone within three years had a population of 7,000—mostly miners, gamblers, and gunmen—and a reputation as one of the most lawless and violent frontier towns. Among its leading citizens was Deputy Marshal Wyatt Earp, who strove to maintain some degree of order in the Bird Cage Burlesque and the Crystal Palace gambling casino, now scheduled for restoration.

Frequently, efforts to save old structures standing in the path of progress call for a display of remarkable, if sometimes unsuccessful, ingenuity. One unsatisfactory effort ended an attempt to move a 164-year-old log cabin 1½ miles to the Mercer, Pa., County Historical Society. Loaded onto a trailer for the journey, the cabin collapsed into a heap just 50 feet from the site it had sturdily occupied since 1798.

Shaking off such disheartening setbacks, those interested in preserving tangible links with the past are facing the future with renewed enthusiasm for their task. The most optimistic development is their realization that to be really effective, their activities must be coordinated and directed toward fewer objectives of primary value. Admitting the need to set priorities on what they hope to save, a spokesman for the National Trust for Historic Preservation says, "There has to be a valid reason for preservation. We don't want the country to be one desert of architectural monuments with velvet ropes across the doors." • •



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Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Raymond C. Dobson hear this child relate her progress under Alaska Elks' cerebral palsy treatment project during the state group's annual convention Sept. 21-24 in Sitka. Featured was a dramatic CP demonstration. Chairman Joe Campbell of the Cerebral Palsy Foundation Commission reported that \$37,624 was spent on the major project during the last fiscal year and that more than 2,890 treatments were given to 88 CP and 396 orthopedic cases.



Dignitaries take time out from Indiana Elks' annual fall meeting Sept. 17-18 in Indianapolis to look at the camera. Pictured are P.G.E.R. Fred L. Bohn; state Secy. C. L. (Speed) Shideler, Terre Haute, G.L. State Associations committeeman; Dr. Glenn W. Irwin, dean of Indiana University School of Medicine, and P.E.R. Doral E. Irvin of Lynchburg, Va., Lodge, superintendent of the Elks National Home, Bedford, Va., and a Vice-President of the Virginia State Elks Assn. Doctor Irwin thanked Indiana Elks for their support the last 19 years through cancer research, part of the state association's major project.

**News of the State Associations**

# Elks Hold State Sessions

**THE THIRTEEN ALASKA** lodges represented at the state association's annual convention Sept. 21 through 24 in Sitka turned a \$37,756.95 check over to retiring President Robert O. Faulkner of Juneau for the group's major project—treatment of cerebral palsy.

Grand Exalted Ruler Raymond C. Dobson was among those who saw a heartwarming cerebral palsy demonstration presided over by Nick Peters, the Elks' administrative therapist, and

therapist Margaret Piggot. Bob Lewis, Alaska Trust Fund chairman, indicated that the Elks have paid a third of a \$45,000 pledge in only four years.

A Grand Lodge party, led by Brother and Mrs. Dobson, visited lodges in Ketchikan, Wrangell, Petersburg, and Juneau before going to Sitka. In the party also were: P.G.E.R. Emmett T. Anderson, Vice-Chairman of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission, and Mrs. Anderson; Grand

Secy. Franklin J. and Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Chicago; Approving Grand Trustee Frank and Mrs. Hise, Corvallis, Ore.; G.L. Ritualistic Committeeman Robert A. and Mrs. Yothers, Seattle; G.L. New Lodge Committeeman and P.D.D. Frank and Mrs. Rinker, Gresham, Ore.; P.D.D. William F. and Mrs. Raw, Corvallis, Ore., and Oregon S.P. Al Beeler, McMinnville.

At Sitka, the party was joined by G. (Continued on page 41)



Tennessee Elks gather together at their midyear meeting Sept. 16-17. Shown are (first row): E.R. Laurence A. Schow of Cleveland Lodge; state Tiler Raymond French, Camden; William J. Neese, Paris, G.L. New Lodge committeeman; S.P. Charles Cate, Gatlinburg; P.S.P. Cecil White; Ed McCabe, past Grand Trustees chairman, and D.D.G.E.R.s Stanford Nave, Elizabethton, and Russell E. Offhaus, Asheville, N.C., and (second row): John Smith,

Oak Ridge, state Executive Secretary; state Trustee Sam Aaron, Nashville; state President-Elect William Rigell, Kingsport; P.D.D.s and P.S.P.s George H. Dykes, Oak Ridge, Maurice Conn, Bristol, and James W. Fesmire, Paris; state Sgt.-at-Arms William Haynes; V.P. and P.D.D. Ted Callicott, Paris; state Treasurer George Farr, Chattanooga, and D.D.G.E.R. William D. Stanfill, Columbia.



# The Hungry Yank

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house, a swarm of plump brown hens clucked and strutted. Between hill and farmhouse, the ripened yield of a large truck garden lay green and gold and russet in the hot sun.

As luck would have it, a pre-invasion directive had been sternly specific about violating the property of Silician noncombatants. Officially, the farm and its tantalizing bounty was off limits. But then the battery commander remembered something. Summoning his first sergeant, he produced a map that had been forwarded to him the day before. On the map, a red circle had been drawn around the site of this very farm, and at one side of the circle there was a notation.

After a brief conference, the captain and the sergeant, armed with carbines and forty-fives, crawled under the barbed-wire fence and sauntered over to the farmhouse. While the captain passed the time of day with the English-speaking farmer in the parlor of his house, the sergeant prowled the bushes outside. Within five minutes, he had come upon the tell-tale tracks of a German gun carrier, alongside which lay a dozen or more empty 88-mm. shell casings.

Meanwhile, his commanding officer had spotted and salvaged, from a box in the corner of his host's parlor, three crumpled wads of paper that had recently served as wrapping for chocolate bars made in Austria. Quietly and politely, the two confronted the farmer with their evidence. The rest was easy. That night the men of Uncle Sam's field artillery dined on roast lamb, roast chicken, and fresh garden vegetables.

And it was much the same in earlier days. During a lull in the fighting, a soldier of the American Revolution went goose-hunting with a slingshot, not far from camp. After several near-misses, he connected solidly with a particularly edible specimen. Just as he was picking up his prize, he saw the goose's enraged owner charging across the sward, armed with a pitchfork and some choice profanity. With the farmer in hot pursuit, he made it back to camp barely in time to loosen the head of his drum and insert the goose. While the farmer, escorted by a sober-faced lieutenant, turned the camp upside down searching for his property, the culprit sat calmly outside his tent, adjusting his drumhead.

The foraging Yank has naturally had to be both more industrious and more ingenious on the frequent occasions when his rations were poor or non-existent. And in every war we have fought, the quality of these rations has

been subject to a number of variables: the temperament of the commanding officer as well as of the mess sergeant; the efficiency of the Quartermaster Corps; the ethical susceptibilities of the suppliers; the relative length of supply lines; and the geographical origin of the personnel (the New Yorker in World Wars I and II would not be caught dead eating cornbread or grits or turnip greens, while such items as veal or asparagus or Brussels sprouts were anathema to the country-bred Southerner).

During the early years of the Civil War, each of these variables contributed to the hollow feeling in the stomach of the Union soldier, who may well have been the hungriest Yank of all. His chief staples of meat and hardtack were seldom edible. The hardtack usually arrived so full of worms that it had to be fried in hot grease before it could be eaten. Hardtack biscuits were commonly referred to as "worm castles," or, sometimes, "Lincoln pies." One soldier wrote home that they contained the only fresh meat he got. He was not exaggerating, if we are to believe his fellow diarists and letter-writers, who support him to a man. The of-

ficial meat ration was either spoiled on receipt, or spoiled within minutes after being opened. Furthermore, there was a strong suspicion that the meat was not beef at all, but plain horsemeat—and ancient horsemeat, at that. One company was so disgusted with its odoriferous meat ration that the men tossed the whole mess into a hardtack box, draped a length of harness over it, then conveyed box and harness to a nearby cemetery, to the slow beat of the "Dead March." There, the noisome remains were interred with full military honors "due those who have seen long service in the Army."

To keep from starving, these unfortunate Yanks were literally forced to take to the open road. To be sure, the sutler appeared once a month, around payday, offering his cakes, pies, apples, cheeses, and other delicacies; but his prices were too high for the average noncommissioned soldier. So long as he remained north of the Mason-Dixon Line, the Union soldier's foraging expeditions demanded stealth, and often outright thievery, since the Northern farmer seemed to have no more compunction about bleeding him than had the sutler.

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Once he had penetrated the South, however, his gustatory fortunes improved considerably. By walking a few yards away from his encampment, the Union soldier stationed in one of the Gulf States could usually purchase a whole dipperful of fresh oysters for a nickel. Continuing into the cotton-white countryside, he was almost certain, sooner or later, to encounter a Negro field hand who would invite him to his cabin "for a bite." The "bite" might turn out to be hoecake and sweet potatoes baked in hot coals, an iron pot full of turnip greens seasoned with "sow belly," and possibly a thick slice of possum meat. Few Union soldiers desperate enough to plunge into such an unexplored assortment of victuals ever forgot the savory taste, or failed to note the event in their diaries or in their letters home.

Since rules against pillaging were seldom enforced by Union generals, the Civil War Yank who was in a hurry took his food on the run. When he killed a Rebel pig, he customarily referred to it either as "wild hog" or as "slow deer." And whether or not he felt a pang of guilt now and then, he preferred to euphemize his actions. One Union soldier wrote home that he killed Rebel chickens "because they cackle at the Stars and Stripes"; while another explained to his family that he was forced to slay several Rebel geese "because they hissed my uniform."

All through the bitter winter of 1779-80, the arrival of rations at Colonial Army encampments became increasingly unpredictable, until General Washington was forced to appeal in person and in writing to the American farmer to help provision his troops. After the first generous response, enthusiasm flagged seriously. The farmers began charging prohibitive prices for milk and meat. Shocked and angered, General Washington ordered each regiment to detail men to commandeer a sufficient number of cattle to meet the troops' needs. While these orders were being implemented, the half-famished Colonial soldier was taking matters into his own hands.

Troops under General Israel Putnam showed especially commendable initiative. To circumvent their commanding general's proscription of pillaging, Putnam's Yanks began "finding" cattle that had "fallen" into ravines or off icy bridges, or that had otherwise injured themselves so grievously that a mercy shooting seemed the only humane solution. "I can't bear to see a dumb critter suffer," one private soldier gasped as he staggered into camp under a whole side of freshly killed beef. Usually, such an explanation sufficed. If not, there was an acceptable variation at hand: while on an off-duty ramble, the soldier in question had

just *happened* to encounter an old friend, who just *happened* to be dressing freshly slaughtered beef (or pork). Of course, for auld lang syne, this friend had pressed upon him a fare-well tidbit that might, and frequently did, weigh well over a hundred pounds. In the unlikely event that the foraging soldier's commanding officer took a dim view of either alibi, there was a ruse that seldom failed. The red-handed trooper simply slipped a conspirator's offering of meat under the officer's tent flap while he slept; by mid-morning of the following day, extenuating circumstances would be discovered, and charges dropped.

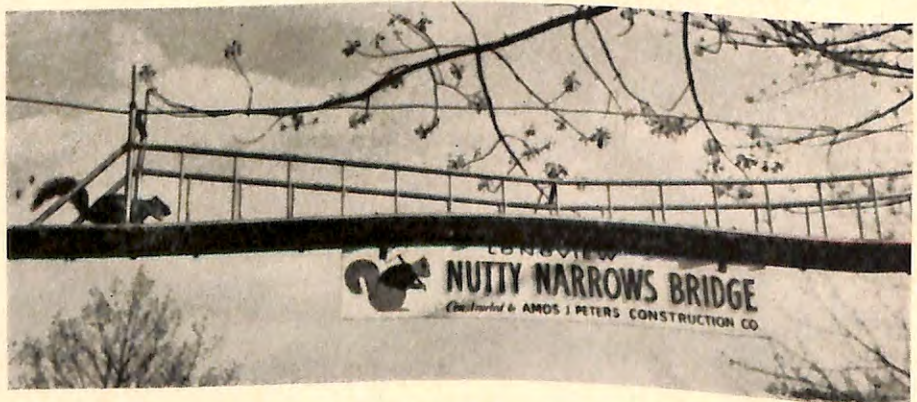
As for the cooks being miscast, there is a mountain of evidence supporting the theory, some of it tracing all the way back to Revolutionary days, when garrison soldiers were chosen by lot to cook for the groups with whom they were quartered. One such Colonial soldier wrote in his diary, with revealing candor: "Nothing remarkable this day, only I was chose cook for our room consisting of twelve men, and a hard game, too." Small wonder that our forefathers took after other peoples' geese with slingshots!

In at least one conflict, the fighting Yank has not had to work too hard at staving off the pangs of hunger. During World War I, the American doughboy, scouring the French countryside for the milk he craved, made the happy discovery that his bumbling ef-

forts to speak the native tongue had an irresistible appeal for his listeners. It got so that the French housewife, seeing a group of khaki-clad men headed her way, met them at the door with a pail of milk, while the rest of her family crowded in close behind her, waiting for the fun to begin. The worse the doughboys' French, the more milk they got. Often, when the pail had been drained, the men were asked to dine with the family—and to try out some more of their French. It is hard to say which party enjoyed the occasion most; but for a long time after they occurred, these exchanges were excellent public relations for both the U. S. Army and the people of France.

Whether he served as GI or Doughboy, Union or Rebel, the fighting Yank has seldom forgotten the tradition of plenty in which he was raised. To recall this abundance ever so briefly, he has begged and schemed and stolen. Yet, when we read of his exploits, just as he himself has written them down, it doesn't appear that his conscience has disturbed him too deeply, which is hardly surprising. The little comfort he has managed to salvage, from the chaos and misery of war, he has salvaged by skill and nerve and cunning—and occasionally by sheer naiveté and personal charm. Always, he has understood, and appreciated better than anyone else, the humane theory that the condemned man has at least one more good meal coming to him. • •

## This One's for the Squirrels



Squirrels use their own, safe "Nutty Narrows Bridge," which runs from one oak tree to another across a busy boulevard in Longview, Wash. Amos J. Peters, a Longview Elk and general contractor, built the bridge, complete with nut-laden feeding stations at the ends, several years ago. At the dedication ceremony, marching bands played and a ribbon across the span was duly cut. To coax the squirrels to cross the bridge, Peters

strung nuts the full length. Soon, mother squirrels were teaching their young to cross it. Traffic gets heavy, with as many as five of the little creatures on the bridge at once. At Christmastime, Peters has installed a small, nut-decorated fir tree on the center span of the gaily lit bridge. The structure has received worldwide publicity, and tourists wait up to an hour to capture a tiny traveler or so on film.



## Elks Hold State Sessions

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H. Gissberg, Juneau, G.L. Committee on Credentials member and state Secretary-Treasurer.

The delegates voted to continue on a permanent basis the association's new project, "Know Your State Government," in which youngsters who win lodge-sponsored contests visit Alaska's capital Juneau.

Juneau Lodge won the ritualistic trophy for lodges in the East District, while Kodiak Lodge won the West District trophy. Brother Yothers supervised a ritualistic clinic and Grand Secretary Fitzpatrick had charge of a clinic for secretaries.

Brother Dobson spoke at the President's Banquet.

The President's gavel was turned over to Harold J. Dunn of Palmer. Other new officers include: James G. Barry, Ketchikan, and T. Stanton Wilson, Anchorage, Vice-Presidents, and Richard W. Freer, Juneau, H. Russell Painter, Seward, and Joel Campbell, Sitka, all Trustees. Brother Gissberg was reelected Secretary-Treasurer.

Next year's convention will be held in Seward.

**PAST GRAND EXALTED RULER** Fred L. Bohn

was among the dignitaries at the Indiana Elks Association's annual fall meeting Sept. 17 and 18 in Indianapolis.

Other distinguished Elks at the session included: P.S.P. G. L. Miller, Logansport, chairman of the G.L. Committee on Judiciary; Hugh L. Hartley, Owosso, Mich., a G.L. New Lodge committeeman; P.E.R. Doral E. Irvin of Lynchburg, Va., Lodge, superintendent of the Elks National Home, Bedford, Va., and a Vice-President of the Virginia State Elks Assn., and state Secy. C. L. (Speed) Shideler, Terre Haute, G.L. State Associations committeeman.

S.P. Roy Rogers Jr., Goshen, presided at the meeting.

Dr. Glenn W. Irwin, dean of Indiana University School of Medicine, thanked the association for its support the last 19 years through cancer research, part of its major project. During this time, about \$700,600 has been contributed to Indiana University and about \$263,250 has been donated to Purdue University for such research.

The midwinter meeting will be held Jan. 14 and 15 in Indianapolis and the 1967 annual fall meeting will be held Sept. 23 and 24 in Indianapolis.

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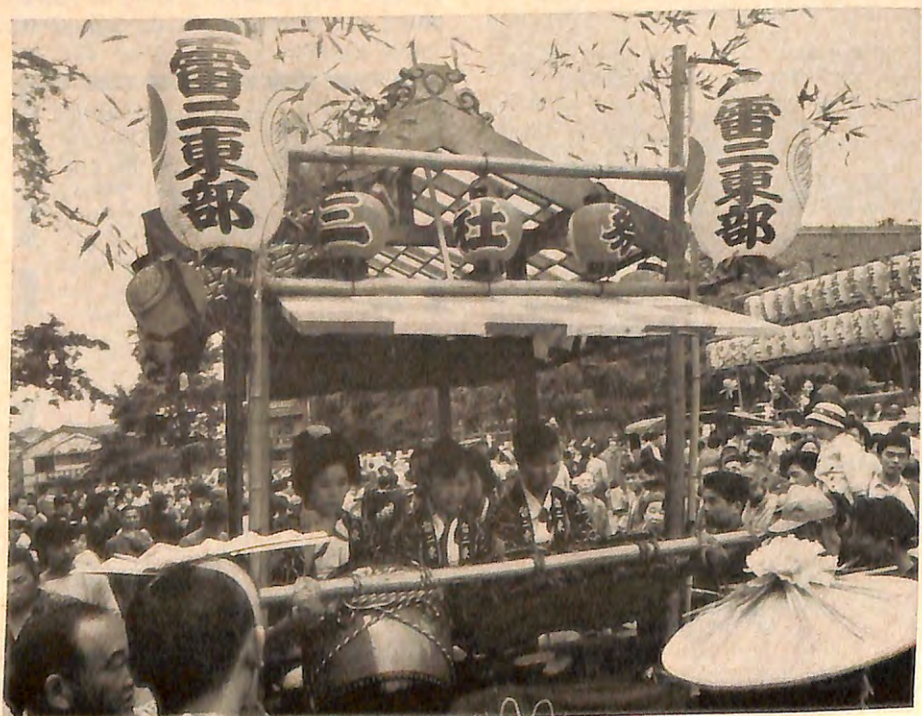


# JAPAN

By JERRY HULSE



Spectators in colorful dress (above) at the Firemen's Parade, held on January 6 in Tokyo. Another Tokyo event (below) is the Sanja Festival, held in the Asakusa amusement center.



MORNING CAME SOFTLY at the Inn of the East Mountain. Outside, the sun filtered through tall pines and spread itself among delicate flowers surrounding a rock garden. There was a *kobai* tree and a *sazanaka* tree, and moss turned to velvet the ground and rocks that lay beside the trees. At the door an old man watched so that no one entered without removing his shoes. He was wrinkled and he smiled frequently and kept a cigaret between his lips till it nearly burned them.

When dawn was gone and the day was well into sunlight the *mama-san* knocked softly and then pushed open the sliding paper door. She poured hot tea to wake up by. And before she left she turned on the hot water in the bathroom, so that the tub would be steaming when the tea was gone. Later the old woman, with her polite bow, returned with breakfast. She brought soybean paste and seaweed, a fried omelet with sugar, *sashimi*, *shinko*, scallops, abalone, and clams.

The only hazard in living at a Japanese inn is that you become spoiled for ordinary living. The Inn of the East Mountain charges only \$9 a day, including breakfast and dinner. The name of the inn in Japanese is *Higashi-yama*. It is north of Tokyo, in Saitama-Ken Prefecture. The town itself is Omiya, a place popular with tourists because of the *bonsai* forests—the dwarf trees of Japan. From the West Coast, Pan American will fly you to Tokyo, and from there it is only an hour by train to Omiya.



At the Inn of the East Mountain, as at all authentic Japanese inns, guests sleep on the floor. But it is comfortable, for there is a thick pad underneath and warm comforters over this. And besides, the *tatami* mats soften the floor. In cold weather there is also a *kiri-kotatsu*. It is a box that is recessed into the floor and into which guests place their feet and legs, for it is heated by charcoal, or sometimes by electricity.

When the room got warm I lifted off the heavy quilts and stumbled off to the bath the old woman had prepared. It was a tiled place with a sunken tub nearly the size of a swimming pool. So that you will know beforehand, if indeed you don't already know, one soaps and rinses before entering the tub. Soaking in the tub is a pleasant way to begin the day.

The *mama-san* poked her head through the door. "*Ohayo gozaimasu,*" she said.

She was telling me good morning.

"Your bath is warm?"

"*Arigato,*" I said.

She bowed politely and handed me a kimono. One cannot be self-conscious or shy in Japan.

Spread across the land are more than 70,000 inns, some belonging to the Japan Ryokan Association—these have special conveniences for tourists. They furnish *yukatas* for the guests to wear—a kimono made of cotton—and a *tanzen*, an outer garment that is worn over the kimono. I felt like Red Buttons in "*Sayonara.*" On my arrival at the inn there was much bowing as I left my shoes at the door and stepped inside onto the *tatami* mats. The *mama-san* brought tea and cakes while the maid prepared my bed on the floor. The old woman spoke no English, but her eyes bade me welcome.

One night we went for *tempura* in a small restaurant, a place with only two tables and a counter with four stools. The chef was an old man, so old his hair was mostly gone, but he cooked well, dipping pieces of shrimp and lobster and fish into the boiling oils. There was *sake* to drink and as each glass was filled someone would shout "*Kanpai!*" which means "Bottoms up." Down an alley Japanese lads were twisting with pretty girls at the New Odeon to music that's best described as sounding like the Beatles

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When night falls, the Ginza area (top), the focus of nighttime activities in Tokyo, is like a permanent fireworks display. World-famous Golden Pavilion in Kyoto (center) is a tourist "must." The Jidai Matsuri (Historical-Epoch Festival) in Kyoto features a unique procession of more than 2,000 people in costumes representing important periods in the city's history.







**SAN MATEO, California**, E.R. Cecil H. Wells (right) welcomes S.P. Gerald Strohm of Fresno on his official visit to the lodge. In his remarks to San Mateo Elks, Brother Strohm discussed his three-point program of patriotism, fellowship, and charity.



**TWIN FALLS, Idaho**, Lodge's supplies for the annual picnic in Filer have been carried for the last 20 years in this Ford Transfer & Storage Co. van. When he owned the company, Clarence Ford (right), a 26-year Elk, donated this service. Now his son, Wayne, a 14-year Elk, does the same. Neither has missed a picnic. The van, which Brother Clarence estimates has traveled more than 100,000 miles, is the original, although the tractor has been replaced three times.



**CRAIG, Colorado**, P.E.R. J. D. McClement (center) and Brother Paul L. McRoberts (right) display the life membership cards with which they were honored recently by E.R. Gerald K. Baird. Brother McClement made the trip from Denver, where he now lives, for the presentation. Another life membership card recipient, Brother William Cross, Mesa, Ariz., could not be present.



**LAS VEGAS, Nevada**, E.R. James W. Schofield (center) presents to Brother Roy Doig (right), bowling chairman, the first ball to be rolled in the 10th annual Frontier Bowling Classic Tournament. Also shown is Brother Bob Sullenberger, tournament director. By sponsoring this event, the lodge has been able to contribute an additional \$15,000 to the Nevada Elks' major project, a speech therapy program.



**Visiting RICHMOND, California**, Lodge in his official capacity as a state Vice-President, P.E.R. George F. Chambers (right) is welcomed by E.R. Donald Luce, state Organist and P.D.D. James Dyer, and state and lodge Secy. Edgar Dale, Honorary Past State President. All pictured are Richmond Lodge members.

**SAN PEDRO, California**, Lodge conducts an unusual presentation ceremony. Hospitalized after an auto accident, Brother B. B. Lippman is honored for his contributions to Elkdom during many of his 84 years. The Exalted Ruler, Dr. Theodore Benell (left), presents a plaque. At the right are P.E.R.s R. W. Decker, Roy J. Gordon, and John P. Martin Jr.





# JAPAN

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with a Far East beat. Occasionally they changed the tempo and played an old Glenn Miller piece, something melancholy that brought back memories of a long-ago time when the war was still to be fought and such music was strange to Japan.

Another close-to-Tokyo tourist haunt—and here I enrolled in another Japanese inn—is Atami, the biggest hot springs spa on the Izu Peninsula. The citizens of Atami have been soft-soaping the tourists for years. It's all gathered together like Miami on the half shell, with hundreds of hotels and inns all dedicated to one thought: getting everyone boiled. This is accomplished daily with an outpouring of 5,500,000 gallons of water from deep in the earth. Cliff-hanging by the sea, Atami is only an hour by train from downtown Tokyo. Imagine Miami's hotels crowded into Cannes, with Yellowstone's steamy pools bubbling close by, and you get a picture of Atami. Its latest skyscraper is the New Fujia, a concrete and glass pile equipped with escalators and a fussy bar where guests go to get boiled after getting boiled.

I enrolled instead at the Atami Shimura, a modest inn operated by Japanese for Japanese, and for any foreign tourist who can get by with sign language. They speak no English. It is so modest, in fact, that it's not even listed in the local hotel guide. At night I thought it was raining, but this was only a waterfall splashing into a pool, an ornamental one. The garden surrounding the Atami Shimura is tall with pine trees and on the roof of the bathhouse is a rock garden. Lanterns hang from trees, but rising incongruously from one corner of the inn is a TV aerial. Alas, each room comes equipped with one of the little picture boxes. Otherwise it is a typical Japanese inn: *shoji* screens, *tatami* mats—all impeccable, a scene out of James Michener.

Beyond the area of Atami—two hours by train aboard the 125 m.p.h. Tokaido Express, which passes on its way from Tokyo—is Japan's cultural capital, Kyoto, a favorite target of tourists, what with some 200 Shinto shrines and 1,500 Buddhist temples. Before 1868 Kyoto was also the home, for better than 1,000 years, of Japan's emperors. Tourists want to see the old Imperial Palace, Nijo Castle, the Imperial Villas, and the Gold Pavilion, which casts its reflection into a peaceful pond. Poplars and pine and lacy vines share the scene, and there are maples and Japanese cedar. Printed fortunes are sold in the park. If the

message tells of happiness, the owner keeps it. If it is a bad omen, it is placed on a tree, wrapped around a twig like a ribbon. The trees in the park are white with paper fortunes.

On the outskirts of town a new \$9,000,000 convention center is rising, fashioned after a Buddhist temple. The general assembly hall will accommodate 800 delegates, 200 observers, 800 visitors, and 200 interpreters and reporters. Kyoto hopes to become the convention capital of Japan. Already it is the geisha capital, with nearly 1,000 geishas entertaining nightly.

The geishas, if they are popular, go on to perform in Tokyo, a town which doubtless will never recover from the Olympic Games played there. New hotels opened. New night clubs were launched. The whole town got a sprucing up. The New Otani, a 17-story hotel, is crowned by a revolving bistro, the likes of which Seattle started spinning during its fair. It is called the Blue Sky Lounge and should you step inside they'll take 500 yen, please, which amounts to about \$1.40. This is because the tourists used to go there to sightsee and not drink. The \$1.40 is deducted from your bill, but with a plain Coke costing the same as Scotch and water, you'd best tipple slowly. The lounge makes a complete revolu-

tion once an hour and rubbernecks pass the time identifying landmarks etched against the horizon. On a clear day it's possible to make out the Shiba Driving Range where up to 20,000 golf balls are swatted daily from a three-level stand that's not unlike a baseball stadium.

Tourists pouring into Tokyo have a wide selection of Western-style hotels. The Okura, next door to the American Embassy, lists 10 restaurants and bars. There's also a Japanese tea-ceremony room and a spa with a Turkish bath. Among the 550 rooms are 11 in Japanese style. Waitresses in the better hotels wrap themselves in kimonos while serving everything from tea to *teriyaki*. You can sink in a chair or sink to the floor, depending on whether you are eating Japanese or Western style.

As the nightclub capital of the world, Tokyo swings with lavish shows. There's the glitter of the Ginza and the Manhattan sort of atmosphere of the Alaska, with clubs like the Copacabana, the New Latin Quarter and the Mikado. Orchestras play in open elevators rising and falling in three- and four-story cabarets while hundreds of hostesses make guests somewhat less lonely—for a price. If you've the yen, well, they'll smile and snuggle close. ••

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## Elks Back Santa

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through the cooperation of the Elks and other groups.

Something different was executed by Passaic, N.J., members, who usually hold a party for orphans of Immaculate Conception Home in Lodi. Last year, the Elks took about 50 of the youngsters to the New York World's Fair.

Santa, laden with Christmas stockings, accompanied Palmer, Alaska, Brothers, who took several carloads of groceries to needy families in the area.

Thirteen needy families in the Arlington-Fairfax area of Virginia received food baskets from the Elks.

Two pairs of eyeglasses and an eye examination were donated to needy individuals by West Palm Beach, Fla., Lodge, which sponsored a Christmas party for underprivileged children.

Berwick, Pa., members undertook a new project—the collection and repair of old vehicular toys, which then were distributed to needy children. More than 300 youngsters attended one of two parties and about 30 food baskets were distributed.

A toy repair and cleanup program was launched by Warrington, Fla., Lodge, which then distributed the

toys with 36 food baskets. An extra load of toys was saved for Easter shipment to the Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Hospital at Umatilla, part of Florida Elks' major project.

Checks were sent by Oneonta, N.Y., Elks to neighboring towns for needy persons, a children's party was held, and toys, clothing, and other items were donated for a second party for 80 children in Schenevus. Stockings and toys were distributed to young patients in the Oneonta hospital and the New York State Tuberculosis Hospital outside of town and a station wagonload of toys and clothing was donated to the Salvation Army.

Caroling at an old people's home and a party for 450 underprivileged children marked Nashville Elks' Christmas program. Members also provided Christmas allowances for children in foster homes so that they could buy gifts, gave a public address system to St. Luke's Community Center, and presented a check for sports equipment to a school.

A family of 13 was provided with a Christmas dinner and clothing by Macomb, Ill., Lodge. The members also assisted the Salvation Army with food baskets.

Indigent patients just discharged from some local hospitals received food baskets from Jackson, Miss., Lodge.

## MARTIN W. FEIGERT



**A PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY** and former state President—Martin W. Feigert—died Sept. 11 of a heart attack in his home in Van Wert, Ohio. The prominent realtor and insurance man had spent 34 of his 70 years in the Order and had risen from a one-room schoolteacher to city council president, mayor, and state representative.

Brother Feigert was born in Harrison Township June 21, 1896. At the age of 17, he began teaching in a tiny schoolhouse in Willshire Township. There, he started what is believed to be America's first hot lunch program in the public schools. He also organized 16 4-H Clubs.

About three years after his initiation into Van Wert Lodge in 1932, Brother Feigert became Exalted Ruler; he was reelected in 1936. He served as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler

of Ohio's Northwest District in 1944-1945.

Ohio Elks named him their state President for 1961-1962. At the time of his death, Brother Feigert was Treasurer of the Ohio Elks Cerebral Palsy Treatment Center Board—in the state association's major project.

Among his posts in public service were Van Wert County clerk of courts, Van Wert Board of Education member, City Council president, and mayor of Van Wert for two terms. The Democrat served three terms in Ohio's General Assembly, starting in 1958, before retiring.

Brother Feigert had been president of the county men's Democratic club and the county historical society.

Van Wert Lodge's Past Exalted Rulers conducted a memorial service Sept. 13.

Survivors include the widow, A. Elma; a daughter, Mrs. Beth Ann Martin, Van Wert; a son, Dr. M. W. Feigert, Findlay, and eight grandchildren.

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Lebanon, Oregon, lodge members display one of 405 hides collected as part of a state-wide program to raise funds for veterans' hospitals. Lebanon lodge was fifth in a field of 41. Shown here are Brothers Ed Courtney and Bill O'Brien, E.R. John Speasl, program Chairman Ulas Moss, and Brothers Bill Allen, Harry Wood, and Merle Ackert.

# Elks National Service Commission



Iowa Elks recently undertook a program of refreshments and good will for residents of veterans hospitals in the state. Paul W. Stump, a member of the Iowa Elks Service Commission, is shown here serving soft drinks to an outdoor work detail at the veterans hospital in Knoxville.



Members of the Ohio Elks Veterans Hospital Entertainment Committee admire a plaque presented to them in recognition of an outstanding achievement; the Ohio Elks have presented shows for the entertainment of patients at the Chillicothe Veterans Hospital every month since 1942. Shown are Edwin Turner of Dayton, Logan Burd of Canton, Fred Kessler of Cincinnati, and Francis Cupp of Chillicothe. Monthly shows are also presented at VA hospitals in Dayton, Brecksville, and Cincinnati.



Connie Brusa (center) of the Homestead, Florida, lodge and Brother Bill Koster present a \$50 check to Mrs. James Murphy to assist in supplying needed toilet articles and other items for a detachment of the Army's Green Berets, now in Viet Nam. Mrs. Murphy will purchase the items and ship them to her son, Sgt. Jack Murphy, who will distribute them among the men in his outfit.



# Hunting the Javelina

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pants leg as it ran past. The smell of their musk, which comes from a gland set high on the rump, and which is used for various signals among the drove, filled the air.

That particular experience in Arizona was one of my first hunts for this unusual trophy. Since then, for quite a number of years, I have spent a great deal of time in javelina range and have hunted them many times. On numerous deer and quail hunts and photo expeditions I have been close to them day after day. In my estimation they are one of the most interesting U.S. animals—not actually pigs but more correctly “pig-like,” the only representatives of the swine’s relatives, the peccaries, native to this hemisphere.

I can promise you that your first hunt will bring a lot of surprises. For one thing, you’ll find it difficult to believe that these odd-looking, primitive creatures are not a whole lot larger than they are. I’ve laughed a good many times at reactions to a pair of javelina heads I had mounted and hung on a glassed-in porch of a house where we used to live, in Michigan. People passing on the street would pause to stare, and numerous persons guessed that these vicious looking hogs would weigh 250 pounds or more. That was at least five times too much.

On a hunt a few years ago near Laredo, Texas, with the famed archer, Fred Bear, we had with us another hunter who was not familiar with the javelina. He finally got his chance. The pig was lying under some thorn brush by a small ranch pond. As we approached, it jumped up, ran a short distance, and stood broadside. Javelina are built very heavy in the front end. That is, the head is large for the rest of the animal, the shoulders too. The hams are small, slender, trim. The bristles all around the shoulders are extra long. A light-colored collar runs down across the neck and shoulders—from whence comes the book name, “collared peccary.”

This javelina threw all bristles high, as the animals invariably do when startled or frightened. It popped those mean-looking teeth together. I had told the gentleman about a case I knew where with one quick sidewise slash a javelina had put a gash in a child’s leg that required a dozen stitches. As this one stood, it looked large, I’ll admit. And those upended bristles added stature.

The hunter shot—he was using a rifle. The javelina dropped. He let out a howl of joy. “What a trophy!” he yelled. “I’ll bet it’s the biggest boar in the country!”

Later we weighed it, field dressed. It was not a boar, but a young sow. Either is legal. It weighed 29 pounds! The poor hunter was quite let down, and needless to say we didn’t let him forget it. Fred Bear killed a good one with his bow on that trip. It weighed 38 pounds field dressed. This would be probably about 48 on the hoof. Javelina do look much larger than they really are. Studies show an average live weight for adult boars of from 35 to 50 pounds. The high figure is unusual. A few have been weighed that will top 50, but this is rare.

Nonetheless, regardless of size, a javelina head on your wall is a real conversation piece. And the meat, contrary to what many have written about it, is very good. The meat of old boars may be strong, obviously, but specimens of either sex and of moderate size and age are fine. The musk gland is only a skin gland, easily removed. The smell as the animal is dressed is not altogether pleasant, but it has no bearing on the taste of the meat. My wife wraps the small hams in foil and roasts them. Sometimes we broil shoulders and loin over an open fire. The flesh is not at all like pork, and is in my estimation far better than venison.

Fortunately, even though the range of the javelina is rather restricted, hunting seasons in varied locations fall at times that make it quite possible for almost anyone to plan a hunt. As noted, that Arizona hunt took place in February some years ago. Arizona has continued to carry on these early-spring (or late-winter) seasons. For 1967 the season will fall in late February and early March. This is exactly the time when great numbers of sun-hungry Northerners are yearning for a trip to the Southwest, anyway. Also, it happens that the very best of the Arizona javelina range is over the southeastern quarter of the state. That puts the hunt within a short drive of Phoenix or Tucson, the big vacation centers.

Because Arizona has long had numerous winter visitors interested in this sport, a number of guides who specialize in javelina hunting have set up shop in both Tucson and Phoenix. You don’t have to have a guide, of course, but one can be helpful. There is no problem finding a place in Arizona to hunt, because a great share of the javelina range is in federal public lands. The license fee for non-residents is \$20 for the general hunting license, plus a \$1.00 javelina tag fee. If you are in the state earlier, while the quail season is still open, the general license can be used for such hunting, too.

A great deal of my javelina hunting has been done in Texas, where I now live. At one time the javelina ranged over most of the southwest and as far north as what is now Arkansas. But in early days a tremendous amount of hide hunting drastically reduced the droves and in fact eradicated them in all the northernmost portions of their range. Javelina hide is very tough and handsome, although difficult for leather workers, and especially for tanners, to handle. It scars easily. I have had items such as moccasins made of it. They wear endlessly and are attractive.

Years ago hides by the hundreds of thousands poured across the border at points like Laredo. The traffic was legally stopped long ago, but some of it still continues under cover. In Mexico the little pigs are hunted for both hides and food, and in portions of Texas, such as the Edwards Plateau region where sheep and goat ranching is a big industry, any stray javelina on this fringe of their range is killed on sight by ranchers, in season or not. They believe, erroneously, that the pigs will kill their young goats and lambs. The truth is, javelina live almost entirely on cactus pads, roots, and tubers grubbed from the ground, and on other desert plants such as lechuguilla.

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"brush country," south of San Antonio and centering on Laredo. Here over a number of counties there is no closed season. One can hunt at any time for the pigs. Some hunting is done with dogs. The brush and cactus are dense, and this is entirely deeded ranch land—no public lands. But many a rancher will allow javelina hunting, if you make your approach properly.

The other, and somewhat easier, hunting is across the Pecos, in west Texas. This terrain is more open. In many of the counties along the Rio Grande, however, hunting is seasonal, generally in the November-December period. The region north of Big Bend National Park is excellent. Some ranches there offer fee hunting for the javelina and it is excellent.

Thus, between Arizona and Texas, hunts can be planned actually at any time of year. But there's still another possibility. New Mexico, which for years had allowed no shooting of this species, launched javelina hunting several years ago. It is in the southwestern portion of the state, and so far has been quite successful. There is a one-week season set in February or March, the license (by drawing—only a limited number of permits are issued) costs a nonresident \$25, and the success ratio has been running a husky 35 percent.

The most difficult part of hunting javelina is locating a group. This stems from their gregarious nature. One time in south Texas several of us spent three hard days trying to locate pigs. The exasperating thing was, we were never out of sight of tracks, rooting, and freshly torn prickly pear. The pigs were there, all right, but where? During a deer hunt, one sees a deer here, another there, over a large range. A group of 20 javelina may be the complete population of the animals over several square miles. When you find one, you have found them all. But it often requires a lot of looking.

It once amused me, on an Arizona hunt, that a pair of javelina hunters who were working the same area in which a friend and I were calling coyotes happened to be—for two whole, hard days—just over the hill from a big band. This was on a low, open mountain with brushy draws, typical habitat for the pigs in that section. Spoor was everywhere, on both sides of the mountain. But the pigs were on one side only, and these hunters were on the other. Javelina are very touchy about weather, a fact that few hunters are aware of. They hate a biting north wind. In this case, the drove was on the lee side of the mountain. So were we, to get away from interference of wind with our project. I couldn't be a complete heel, so when we had finished and happened to see the pig hunters as we were going in, I told them where

they'd find the trophies they sought.

The chill wind that keeps javelina in a draw for comfort is no worse than a too-hot sun. They don't like that, either, and will invariably go up into rim rocks to bed down on the shady side during unusually warm weather. Or, in flat terrain they will seek cool shade near water holes and stay until late in the afternoon. In fact, just as in deer hunting, "early and late" is a good hunting rule to follow. In mid-day, you have to get into the bedding places and chase them out.

Don't waste time following javelina tracks, even though they may appear fresh. A newcomer to desert hunting must learn that tracks in most desert soils can look fresh and be days old. Also, javelina are great wanderers. Although they habitually follow creeks, draws, and natural brushy spots, they are not nearly as predictable as deer in their general movements. They may be just anywhere. If you hunt in an area that has dense prickly-pear flats, that is probably where the animals will feed most. This will be their staple food. Check the food supply first, and stick in likely spots—lechuguilla is a mainstay in some areas where prickly pear is less abundant. In ranch country, check in the vicinity of windmills,

where pigs may come for water. Work out the mountainside draws and the creek bottoms, and always carefully scan large slopes. Javelina are sometimes difficult to spot in their drab surroundings.

As I've noted, the animals have poor eyesight. A stalker doesn't have to worry unduly about being seen. If a javelina raises its head to stare, just stand still. They do, however, have keen ears and a good sense of smell, so hunting quietly into the wind is a must. Otherwise, they may just fade away in front of you. Incidentally, young javelina are born at any time of year. When you find a group, inspect them carefully before shooting, to make certain you don't kill the mother of a pair of piglets. At a distance, all adult javelina look alike.

You are certain to hear many of the "scare" tales about this animal. Sometimes locals tell these to hunters just as a gag. Surprisingly, quite a number of persons who've been around javelina all their lives still believe they are dangerous. Make no mistake, a cornered desert pig is a vicious fighter. A wounded pig, boxed in closely, might make a real stand for its life. Anyone should understand this. After all, a buck deer would do the same thing.

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## Doctor McCormick Receives Alumni Merit Award



Dr. Edward J. McCormick, a Past Grand Exalted Ruler, receives St. Louis University's Alumni Merit Award from Dr. Robert H. Felix (left), dean of the university's School of Medicine, and the Rev. Jerome J. Marchetti, S.J., the university's acting president. Doctor McCormick, who was graduated in 1915 from the School of Medicine, has practiced surgery for more than half a century. The Toledo, Ohio, resident is a former senior surgeon with the U.S. Public Health Service and a past president of the American Medical Assn. He was one of eight distinguished graduates to receive the award recently from the university, which noted his services to the Medical Alumni Assn., headed by him in 1948-1950.

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An old south-Texas friend of mine ran javelinas for years with dogs. He has had a number of dogs killed swiftly by cornered javelina. The pigs make a lightning sideways toss of the head, slashing with the sharp teeth. These are extremely effective weapons.

Nonetheless, it is difficult to pin down more than a few instances of humans being attacked by javelina. Most of these wind up not as unprovoked attacks at all. Some have been by tame peccaries. They tame very easily. A few have been by wounded javelina. And in some instances hunters or others have imagined themselves cornered when actually a group of pigs was only curious, or bluffing.

Not long ago I was shooting color photos of javelina and happened upon a band of about a dozen. One sow had a pair of piglets with her. They are really very naive little critters. These ran out toward me as I stood a few yards away with a telephoto camera. The sow followed. She saw and smelled me, raised her hackles, popped her teeth, grunted with hair-raising menace. She stopped at about 15 feet but continued to raise a fuss. I stood my ground, and after a bit she grunted once as if dismissing me, and left.

I have also on numerous occasions had javelina run at me. A group, or a loner, spots the intruder and doesn't really know what this is. A brief bluffing "charge" with hackles on end and teeth popping usually serves to put the intruder to flight. I have never yet seen such a "charge" pursued far. It is pure bluff. Conversely, there are many well-authenticated instances of javelina going after wild enemies seriously. Friends of mine have witnessed charges of angry javelina at bobcats and coyotes. The predators didn't wait around to argue.

I do not believe any hunter needs to fear this curious desert animal. Nonetheless, I think tyros at this sort of hunting should be aware that a javelina has the equipment to put up a most effective and severe fight. Wounded ones, or those inadvertently hemmed in against rock walls or other places, should be approached with at least some caution.

First-timers may wonder what gun to use. There is nothing complicated about a choice. If you are a deer hunter, just use the rifle you take deer hunting. You do not need any large magnum calibers. The .243, .270, etc., are good examples of adequate calibers. The .222 is excellent also. And, where it is legal to use the little .22 magnum and if you stick to short ranges, this one is fine. Be sure, however, to shoot for the rib cage if at all possible. This is not a large animal. Don't ruin your trophy.

Certainly the growing number of

archery enthusiasts should consider the javelina a prime trophy. One of the most exciting hunts I ever participated in was with a pair of bowmen. We were working an area of heavy thornbrush and prickly pear. It was late afternoon, and suddenly we could smell javelina near us. This is a hunting trick easily used in dense cover. With a breeze you can wind the game long before they wind you.

Two of us got a glimpse of one javelina feeding on a pear clump. We made our way carefully to within a few yards of it. Then suddenly there was a sharp warning grunt right behind us. At that, movement and crackling of brush was heard on both sides. We had got right into the middle of a band of pigs before either they or we were aware of it.

One of the archers got off a shot. His arrow made a good hit and he let out a shout. And that thicket just simply exploded. There were pigs literally everywhere. Two streaked right between the two of us who'd seen the first one. I saw one heading straight at me and impulsively leaped aside, right into the path of another. It veered, and sent my archer friend lurching into a cactus clump. It is difficult to say who made the most noise, the game or the hunters, but between both factions we just about leveled that thornbrush thicket. In such close quarters and furious action, I forgot to shoot. The first archer collected his trophy. We have since had a good many laughs about the incident, trying to dope out who had done the attacking and who the fleeing.


The javelina is, indeed, an excellent game animal. It does not get as much publicity or attention as it deserves. As our smallest and least known big game, it offers an unusual hunting trip easily available to the average sportsman, a unique trophy, and an experience to be talked about for years to come.

## CHRISTMAS 1966

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## A LEADER DEPARTS

The late Past Grand Exalted Ruler Lafayette Anaheim Lewis left an imprint on this Order that will long endure.

He was the embodiment of the high quality of leadership that is always sought but not always found, but which in him was never lacking from the time he took the obligation in 1919 to the hour he breathed his last in Flagstaff, Arizona, where he had gone to meet with the Elks of that state.

He loved this fraternity, and his constant desire was that it grow not just in size but in the greatness of its vision, of its achievement for America and for those who needed a bit of help along the way. His were the many contributions to that end, but he never paused to contemplate them, for there was always something more to do. Felled by a severe heart attack in 1962, Brother Lewis fought back, regained his dynamic strength and returned to give Elkdom four more years of devoted service without a thought of the strain on himself.

Brother Lewis' concept of Elkdom and his own complete devotion to the Order won the loyalty of many men of high quality who shared his dream and caught his spirit of service. The result was a team whose great achievements are difficult to measure, but are nevertheless there for all to see.

In just the past 10 years, the number of Elks lodges in California jumped from 120 to 161, an increase of one-third, and the membership from

117,000 to more than 160,000, a gain of 45 percent.

All Elkdom can be proud of the splendid mobile home-therapy program that California Elks launched through his vision and his leadership in 1950. A truly pioneering effort, it has proved a magnificent success that has inspired the Elks of several other states to go and do likewise, with the result that many thousands of cerebral palsied and other handicapped children have had all the healing care that modern medicine could provide.

As a Trustee of the Elks National Foundation since 1949, Vice-Chairman since 1958, and Chairman since last July, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Lewis was a devoted friend of the Foundation, to which he gave of his time and energy without limit.

There was general recognition of the serious need for a better education of new members in the background and achievements of Elkdom. It was Brother Lewis who largely provided the initiative and drive that produced the color slide indoctrination and Americanism programs which the Grand Lodge supplies to each Subordinate Lodge.

Looking always to the future, Brother Lewis sought constantly for better ways to do things, for better programs, for improved practices that would build and strengthen the Order of Elks. Whatever he undertook, his standard of achievement was excellence, nothing less, and that standard is mirrored in an imposing record of achievement.

### How To Get A New Member—Ask Him!

If all the men who want to become Elks were invited to join, our membership would quickly double or triple. The point we would like to make is that there is no dearth of desirable, eligible candidates for membership in this fraternity. The shortage is of another kind—members who will take the time to invite a friend or business associate to become an Elk.

Grand Exalted Ruler Dobson stressed this in his message to the membership last month.

It is the inspiration for the slogan that serves as the title of this editorial, a slogan that may have originated in California, we are not certain, but which has been put to good use not only there but elsewhere.

Elk membership is a privilege, and we should be careful upon whom we

confer it. But there is such a thing as being overly cautious if not downright selfish about sharing the fraternal bonds with others.

It is not, as Grand Exalted Ruler Dobson properly pointed out, a matter of necessity, for Elk membership is showing a healthy gain year after year. It is, rather, a matter of offering a friend or business associate an opportunity to become affiliated with the Order of Elks and to share in the contributions that it is making day after day to the betterment of our country, and to participate in the pleasures of our Elk family gatherings and other happy social and fraternal events.

As a matter of fact, the woods are full of men who are just waiting for someone to open up to him the opportunity of becoming a member of

the Elks. This is attested to by the common experience of discovering that someone with whom we have been in regular contact is not an Elk for the simple reason that no one has asked him. Most men are reluctant to take the initiative in such matters. They find it embarrassing to ask someone to sponsor their application, but would be pleased and honored to be invited to apply for membership.

As a New Year's suggestion, we propose taking a look at the list of those men in our social and business circles, checking those who are not now members of our Elks lodge, and then extending to them a cordial invitation to become a part of this benevolent, patriotic fraternity of men whose enjoyment of life is enhanced because they have ~~done~~ a little something for somebody else.

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