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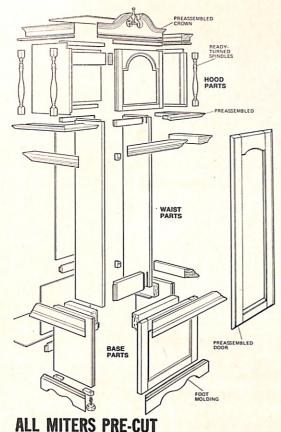
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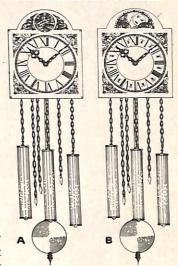
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A Message From the Grand Exalted Ruler

## FREEMEN OR SLAVES

In this month, February, two of the greatest figures in the history of our nation were born, George Washington in 1732, and Abraham Lincoln in 1809. It may be well for us, during this year, to think about some of the things they said, and to examine the philosophies by which they lived.

On August 27, 1776, in his address to the Continental Army before the battle of Long Island, George Washington said:

"The time is now near at hand which must probably determine whether Americans are to be freemen or slaves; whether they are to have any property they can call their own; whether their houses and farms are to be pillaged and destroyed, and themselves consigned to a state of wretchedness from which no human efforts will deliver them. The fate of unborn millions will now depend, under God, on the courage and conduct of this army. Our cruel and unrelenting enemy leaves us only the choice of brave resistance, or the most abject submission. We have, therefore, to resolve to conquer or die."

In 1790, after the struggle had been won, and when the young nation seemed to be in no immediate danger of failing, Washington's words were:

"Happily the Government of the United States, which gives to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance, requires only that they who live under its protection should demean themselves as good citizens in giving it on all occasions their effectual support."

The unselfish patriotism of this great American should be reviewed by all of us with the resolve to do those things which are required for the preservation of our nation. The requirements of today are certainly less onerous than they were when liberty had to be paid for with lives.

In 1838, at another crisis in our country's past, almost prophetically, Abraham Lincoln said:

"If destruction be our lot we must ourselves be its author and finisher. As a nation of freemen we must live through all time, or die by suicide."

In a speech at Independence Hall in Philadelphia, on February 22, 1861, Lincoln offered these sentiments:

"I have never had a feeling, politically, that did not spring from the sentiments embodied in the Declaration of Independence.... I have often inquired of myself what great principle or idea it was that kept this Confederacy so long together. It was not the mere matter of separation of the colonies from the motherland, but that sentiment in the Declaration of Independence which gave liberty not alone to the people of this country, but hope to all the world, for all future time. It was that which gave promise that in due time the weights would be lifted from the shoulders of all men, and that all would have an equal chance. This is the sentiment embodied in the Declaration of Independence.... I would rather be assassinated on this spot than surrender it."

As members of the Order of Elks we have joined our fate with the fate of this nation. Without its liberties guaranteed to us as its citizens, there would probably be no possibility of an organization such as ours.

It seems that it would therefore be relevant for us to examine our responsibilities and obligations and to resolve to give support to those things which we believe to be right and just and to call attention to those which we deem to be unworthy.

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Although the Order is strictly American, it has extended a helping hand outside our national borders on more than one occasion. A good example is the contribution of \$10,000 from the Elks War Relief Commission to the European Relief Council shortly after World War One. The Council Chairman was Herbert Hoover. Funds were for the relief of starving and destitute children.

The Order of Elks took on a major portion of the Salvation Army's fundraising activities during World War One. In acknowledgement of the service rendered, Commander Evangeline Booth addressed the Grand Lodge convention in 1919, one of the few women ever to address an Elks convention. She said, "Our organization could not have achieved its exceptional success in this war but for the splendid, practical, tangible aid that was rendered to us by the Elks."

☆ ☆ ☆ One of the nation's most honored military men, General John J. ("Black Jack") Pershing, was a member of the Order of Elks. The man who commanded the American Expeditionary Forces in Europe returned to the United States after the victory and was given a reception at the birthplace of Elkdom, New York Lodge Number One. It was on this occasion that he made his first public address after returning home. Among his remarks, he said: "We who were fortunate enough to be sent to the battlefields of Europe to represent our people, felt that we had a unified nation behind us; and I know of no organization or body of men whose patriotism, whose loyalty and whose benevolence have contributed in greater degree to making that a possibility."

The Order of Elks helped in the recruitment of hundreds of nurses to work in Veteran's Administration hospitals during World War Two. Many of these nurses remained in the service long after hostilities ended.

 Isn't it a coincidence that Mr. Aukofer's family thinks that he is the best popcorn popper on the East coast. Amazingly, my family thinks that I am. Since he was formerly the best popcorn popper in the Midwest, he must have taken my title when I left Minnesota in 1965.

My kids are upset! There can't be two champs on the East Coast. "Challenge him, Dad, challenge him!" What do you say Mr. Aukofer? Do you accept? Have an old kettle-will travel. Name the place.

Lloyd N. Eide Rensselaer, NY

 As a former Philadelphian, this is just too much: "El Perth's Alley and Independence Hall are two of Philadelphia's most popular Bicentennial visitor attractions' ["Philadelphia Freedom," December, 1975].

Sounds as though you just turned a rather famous landmark into a hideout for gay muggers of Spanish origin. Still enjoy the magazine!

> jack Dorr Mansfield, OH

Whoops, you're right. It's Elfreth's Alley.

 Jerry Hulse's statement about Grace Kelly being the most famous resident of Philadelphia since Franklin was surely facetious. There are so many more. For example: what about "The Great Profile" —John Barrymore, and his brother Lionel and sister Ethel? Then there is the great world-famous singer Marian Anderson and Jeanette McDonald, Mario Lanza, Jacqueline Susann, Eddie Fisher, the great W. C. Fields, and Joey Bishop.

You owe it to your thousands of readers who know nothing about Philadelphia to correct your inference that Grace Kelly is the only successful native in 200

years.

Irene Caulfield High Point, NC

 I am disappointed in having seen no letters concerning the fine article "How Much Wood?" in the June, 1975, issue. As stated in the index, it truly was an in-depth look at a very complex industry.

I disagree, however, with author Mike LeFan in one respect. He states: "the Forest Service is about the only branch of the federal government which shows an annual profit." I suppose this statement stems from the fact that timber sales income exceeds the cost of operating the Forest Service. But can one call that operating at a profit? If so, one can also say that the Forest Service could be miserably inefficient and still operate at a profit.

From my experience, the Forest Service operates as efficiently as most agencies, both private and governmental, and more efficiently than some. But, couldn't we also say that the Internal Revenue Service operates at a profit? It takes in much more money than the cost of operating the service.

> Leroy A. Anderson Bend, OR

# THE NIGHT THE DEWY SPRINGS ELKS CLUB STARTED GOING PLACES.



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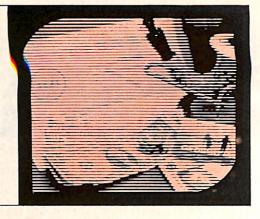
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# YOU AND RETIREMENT

by G. W. Weinstein



#### JOB OPPORTUNITIES

If you've decided to go back to work after retirement, you have several options: full-time employment, part-time work, a seasonal or temporary job, a business of your own. Before you can decide which is most appropriate, you should evaluate both your interests and your physical stamina.

What are your interests? And what kind of match can you make between interests and job opportunities? The U.S. Department of Labor suggests some parallels: An interest in dealing with people might lead to work as a receptionist or salesperson, travel agent or information clerk. An eye for detail and an interest in figures might lead to a position as a cashier or a bookkeeper or a proofreader. Love of the outdoors points to anything from messenger to doorman to farm or garden assistant.

Stamina comes into play at this point too. Both doormen and salespeople spend long hours on their feet. So do messengers, but the opportunity to move around, with occasional sit-down breaks, relieves the strain. Proofreading might be hard on eyes which do better at a distance. And a farm assistant might need some physical strength to lift bags of lime.

Full-time jobs open to the over-65 run a wide gamut, from accountant to weather observer. (Uncle Sam uses community residents to record weather data; write to The National Weather Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. U.S. Dept. of Commerce, Silver Spring, MD 20910.) While large corporations may have mandatory retirement ages, many small businesses and government departments welcome reliable, competent employees of any age.

Some full-time jobs stem directly from your previous occupation: If you've been a bookkeeper, for example, or a piano tuner, you can put your skill to use in retirement with, if you like, a reduced work schedule. Some jobs relate to avocations: An interest in art can lead to a job as a museum guide, a facility with foreign language to a post as a translator. Other jobs require no particular skill; retired people of any background make excellent receptionists and census takers. hospital and school aides.

If you are among the many men who go into retirement dreaming of a small business of your own, think carefully. Know that the eight-hour day of a regular

full-time job can look like nothing next to the endless hours often needed to get a new small business under way. If you are sure that you have the know-how, the start-up money, and the endurance to make a go of it, consult the Small Business Administration; their publications and services can be of enormous help.

Successful small businesses fill a need: If the fishermen crowding the banks of your nearby stream have no place to buy fishing tackle, you may have a natural. If there is no one in your community who can repair small household appliances and handyman tools, and you have the skill, you may find business flocking to your door. If you've done a bang-up job at landscaping your property, to the envy of your neighbors, you might start a nice small business as a landscape consultant. If books and magazines overflow your home, you might try a secondhand book shop. A new variation on this line is the book swap shop, with a small charge imposed on each transaction to cover overhead costs. The unifying link to all these successful post-retirement ventures is that they provide a service. And they can start small, often from a man's own home; no major investment in time or equipment is necessary. It's the elaborate, expensive ventures—the fullystocked antique shop or ice cream parlor -that can run into problems.

Part-time work offers many advantages to the retired—and some disadvantages. The work day or week may be shorter but the hours may not be convenient. You may have to forego fringe benefits; when you want a vacation, it often comes without pay. Nevertheless, part-time work is very attractive to many retirees, who want to enjoy both the stimulation of work and the relaxation of leisure.

The best place to look for part-time work is in businesses that are open for long hours, too long to be staffed by a single shift of full-time employees. Hospitals and restaurants, libraries and retail stores are excellent examples. Another fertile field is in businesses with seasonal peaks, whether selling for the Christmas rush (or playing Santa Claus) or helping in a garden shop. Another possibility, if you're good with young people, is camp and playground work in the summer, afternoon recreation programs during the school year.

Temporary employment services offer

excellent opportunities for older workers and, unlike employment agencies, do not charge the applicant a fee. While most jobs are full-time in regular business hours, filling in for ill or vacationing regular employees at various companies, the jobs are also usually temporary, giving you the flexibility of choosing when and how often you want to work. You could, for example, choose to work only two or three days a week, or you could elect to work steadily one month and not at all the next (a good idea for social security recipients). You also enjoy the variety of working at different jobs in different locations—although some "temps" stay on a single job for years.

There are national chains of temporary employments services, such as Manpower and Kelly Services and Western Temporary Services. And there are a flock of smaller but equally reputable local firms; check your telephone directory yellow pages and newspaper classified ads.

One temporary service that specializes in placing older workers is Mature Temps, Inc., founded in 1969 with the cooperation of the American Association of Retired Persons and the National Retired Teachers Association. Age is never a barrier at Mature Temps, with its offices in eleven cities from New York to Los Angeles. In fact, a spokesman told me, "If you can walk in, we can place you." Most available jobs are clerical—filing, keypunching, typing—and every potential employee is tested for skills. But a great many jobs require no skills at all-market research and product demonstrations, answering telephones and stuffing envelopes. One 79-year-old New York man was recently placed as a messenger on Wall Street, with the responsibility of delivering stock certificates.

A temporary employment service may be the easiest route to post-retirement employment. But you may well prefer a regular job, whether part-time or full-time. If so, write a new resume and brush up your interview skills.

The resume should be organized to highlight your experience and what you have to offer a new employer. At this stage of the game you need not stick to the standard format; instead of just listing your previous positions by dates and titles, use a descriptive format which will show how much responsibility you held and what you actually did. Say, for example, how many men you supervised.

Plan ahead for the personal interview by finding out as much as you can about the company and what it does; the knowledge will give you confidence and will also help you show just what contribution you can make. Get some information, if you can, about the salary range in your area for the job you are seeking; you may be told what a job will pay, but you may be asked what salary you expect.

At the interview itself, stress what you can do for the company, the positive aspects of your age and experience. Do not be defensive about your age and do not, ever, emphasize your need for a job. The point, of course, whatever you want to do, is to stress your assets, not your limitations.

# A 67-year-old man talks about how age becomes an advantage once you reach 55.

"It wasn't until I turned 55 that I became eligible to make one of the best investments I've ever made. Two dollars for a membership in AARP.

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What's AARP?

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Anybody can belong to AARP. You don't even have to be retired. What you do have to be, is past your 55th birthday.

Then one AARP membership of \$2 per year entitles both you and your spouse to all AARP's benefits and privileges.

#### The Services:

AARP has more than 2250 local chapters around the country. You can use them to meet new friends, to get involved in community activities or to take advantage of a wide range of educational materials on subjects of special importance to older people.

As an AARP member, you'll automatically receive two publications that deal with special interests of people over 55. "Modern Maturity," and the monthly AARP News Bulletin.

And thanks to Mature Temps, an

Mr. Peter McNulty

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For People 55 And Over.



#### A four-billion-dollar a year plague vandalism leaves no part of the community untouched.

☐ Vandalism is not a social phenomenon of recent origin, as we can read about it in the writings of some Egyptian priests 4000 years ago. They complained about the youth of their day, too. Socrates lamented the fact that the boys and girls of his time were destructive, and so did Hesiod, the Greek poet, who referred to the damage done all about him by "willful youth seemingly under no discipline." And so it was in every generation, on up through the years, to the present day. But at no time in the past since the Vandals, an East Germanic tribe who sacked Rome in the 5th Century, has vandalism been as rampant as it is today.

"Five Indiana Riders Hurt When Youths Stone 7 Express Trains."

"Bullet Ripped Through Side of Train, Killing One And Injuring Another."

"Vandals Drop Rocks From Overpass: Two Truck Drivers Killed."

"Train Derailing Charged To 10-Year-Old Girl."

"38 Die In Vandal Set Blaze."

These newspaper-reported incidents, representing only a tiny fraction of the problem, serve to dramatize the seriousness of vandalism throughout the United States. In 1970 alone the Federal Railroad Administration reported that 167 train accidents were caused by vandalism.

In addition to the cost in terms of human life and personal injury, vandalism results in tremendous amounts of property damage. For example, a survey conducted by the Baltimore, Maryland, public schools of 39 cities across the country found that in 1968-69 these cities reported vandalism losses of over \$12,000,000. In a 1971 report prepared by Education U.S.A. and the National School Public Relations Association, it was estimated that vandalism was costing \$200 million annually. Barely two years later Dr. Norman Scharer, President of the Association of School Security Directors, stated: "A conservative estimate of the cost of vandalism, thefts and arson to schools in this country this year will reportedly be over a half billion dollars. I say conservative because out of the almost 15,000 school systems the top five account for \$15-20 million dollars of this cost."

Unfortunately, Dr. Scharer's gloomy prediction was realized. Senator Birch Bayh, chairman of the subcommittee to investigate juvenile delinquency, in an April, 1975, speech before congress reported: "These (school) hallways and playgrounds of fear and terror also accounts for an estimated \$500,000,-000 annual bill for vandalism. This astonishing sum, which is actually a surtax on the cost of education, is comparable to the entire investment for textbooks for our nation's schools in 1972. In fact, today, more dollars are annually diverted from education pursuits to school vandalism costs, than the combined Federal, State, and local expenditures for the entire elementary and secondary public education system

But schools are by no means the only targets for vandalism. Virtually every sector of the community is plagued by vandalism. The Small Business Administration estimates that business loss due to vandalism totals \$813 million annually (27% of all business losses), an offense second only to burglary in crimes against business. A 1965 survey of 48 major cities conducted by the President's Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Justice determined that the annual cost of vandalism done to public buildings and equipment averaged \$200,000 per city. San Francisco's losses to vandals run close to one million dollars annually, while cities like New York and Los Angeles are in excess of \$10 million each year and

Communication systems, transit systems, highway networks, recreation facilities, national parks and forests—and even museums and libraries are under attack by vandals.

It costs Bell Telephone an estimated \$10 million a year just to repair vandalized coin telephones. The New York Transit Authority experiences about ten major incidents of destructive vandalism every day, and pays out over \$250,000 a year just to remove the graffiti from stations, train cars,

and buses. State and national parks and recreational areas throughout the United States are experiencing a heavy toll in vandalism expenses. In 1974 the Northern Region of the U. S. Forest Service reported \$411,731 in vandalism damage, while the Rocky Mountain Region had a loss of \$259,700 for the same period. And these are only two of ten national forest regions. In addition there are the 297 national park sites spread throughout the nation, as well as the thousands of state parks being vandalized.

In several of the western states vandals destroy roadside parks so fast that it is necessary to rebuild each park every two to three years. Tables, benches, fireplaces are ripped apart or carried away, even those made of concrete slabs. Steel grates set in concrete are wrenched out and even bronze-markers dedicating parks are stolen. The parks must be policed three or four times a week to clean up garbage and bottles strewn at random.

Museums and libraries have been hit so hard by vandalism that many of them across the United States have had to add guards and detection systems. The mutilation and theft of books from the huge Brooklyn, N. Y., public library costs a half million dollars annually. This sum could purchase more books than many public libraries ever acquire. When the depredations of vandals in libraries across the nation are totaled up, the sum would be enough to equip thirty libraries in medium-sized communities.

Experts estimate that the yearly national loss from vandalism to public and private institutions and individuals is over four billion dollars. This wave of destruction by vandals is hurting property owners and businessmen, increasing the cost of government, pushing up taxes and insurance rates, and adding significantly to the already too high cost of living. But the most devastating aspect of vandalism is that tens of thousands of young people who are assaulting our society from within are in the process of destroying themselves.

Who Are the Vandals? On the whole youngsters are the crisis factor in the

surging vandalism problem. Police statistics indicate that male teenagers are responsible for most of today's vandalism. The Federal Bureau of Investigation reports that of the 111,-622 vandalism arrests in 1973 (latest figures available), 69% were under 18 years of age and 42% were under 15. Males accounted for 92.2% of the arrests while only 7.8% were female.

There may be a slight bias against youth in arrest records, though, since adults are harder to catch than teenagers because of mobility, sheer physical agility or cunning. Further, once caught, the adult is more skilled in "talking his way out" of a conviction than is his younger counterpart.

Although nationally there is a greater percentage of whites than Negroes arrested for vandalism there appears to be an interesting interaction between age and race among vandals. The F.B.I. reports that 80% of the under 18-year-old vandals are white, while only 18% are Negro. Among the over 18-year-old vandals only 70% are

white whereas 27% are Negro. It seems that vandals tend to be the younger whites and older Negroes.

The intellectual ability of vandals as reported in a survey conducted by the Denver Welfare Council, "A Study in Vandalism," indicates that 53% of the vandals studied were behind by one year in school. Seventy-one percent were distinctly below average in academic aptitude and 85% were below average in academic achievement. These latter two findings were based on standardized test scores. Keep in mind, however, that this data may be biased in part in that smart vandals may be less likely to be caught!

Based on personality characteristic ratings of vandals by teachers, the behavior pattern of young vandals appears to be one of being "unsocial and negative, lacking in a sense of responsibility and becoming increasingly rebellious against authority."

In terms of self-concept the vandal does not think of himself as a criminal or delinquent but rather as a "prank-

ster." The fact that usually nothing is stolen in the act of vandalism further reinforces this belief.

Dr. John M. Martin, professor of sociology at Fordham University, made an intensive investigation of vandals, including psychiatric examinations and information from schools, friends and family. Based on this research he lists and describes three types of vandals:

Disturbed Vandals. The distinguishing characteristic of this class of vandals is some form of mental disorder, for example, schizophrenia. Vandalism, for the disturbed vandal, is only one facet of the "massively disordered delinquent." He lives largely isolated from family, school, and sometimes even friends. He is more likely to come from underprivileged neighborhoods. Among this class of vandal there is a high rate of recidivism.

Law-Abiding Vandals. These vandals generally come from good neighborhoods with satisfactory parental relations. They tend to be of lower intelligence and seem to fail in school, so they seek friends on the street. The vandalism is committed in groups, is episodic, and is more vindictive or malicious in nature. The law-abiding vandal has no serious psychological disturbances and recidivism is almost non-existent. Dr. Martin feels these youngsters can be deterred by stable and resourceful parents who prevent the youth from participating in gangs. He also believes that recreation may deter vandalism in this group.

Subcultural Vandals. Vandals of this type usually come from homes marked by parent-child tensions and conflict, with ineffectual attempts by the parents to regulate the behavior of their children. Inevitably, these vandals are members of street gangs. Their delinquency is not so much a symptom of maladjustment, as it is of adjustment to a sub-culture which, itself, is in conflict with the culture of the community as a whole. Vandalism is only one part of the general delinquent behavior of the subcultural vandal and is usually done for economic gain. Recidivism is the highest for this group of vandals.

What Are the Underlying Causes of Vandalism? There is a misconception shared by a large segment of the general public that vandalism is "senseless and meaningless." But vandalism is not as senseless or meaningless as it may seem. It has a shape both in terms of the type of property that is damaged—more often public than private, more often shabby and rundown than well kept—and in the batch of different meanings

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#### The GER with President Ford



The Everett McKinley Dirksen Congressional Research Center in Pekin, Ill., was dedicated August 19 by President Gerald R. Ford. The President addressed a group of people which included GER Willis McDonald, PGER Glenn Miller, and Illinois SP Richard Stropes, who together presented a plaque to Mr. Ford after the ceremony. President Ford is a member of Grand Rapids, Mich., Lodge.





Welcomed to Pekin Lodge for an official visit, Brother McDonald (center) and Elizabeth (third from left) were greeted by (from left) Helen Stropes, Phyllis Birkmeier, City Commissioner Willard Birkmeier, PGER Glenn Miller, and SP Richard Stropes. Guests at the reception were from Springfield, Moline, Peoria, Lincoln, Decatur, Canton, Kewanee, Beardstown, Galesburg, Jacksonsonville, Macomb, and Monmouth Lodges.

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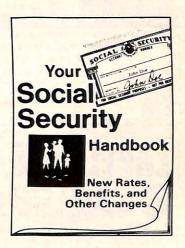
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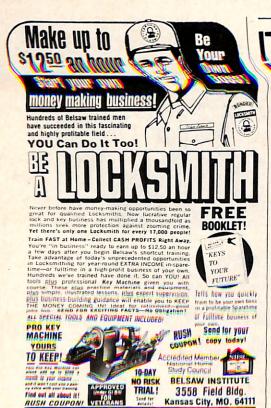
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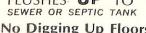
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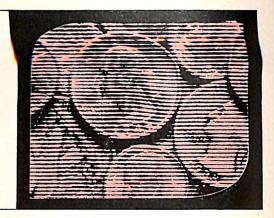
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#### THE NEW PRICE-PRESSURE ON SMALL BUSINESS

The federal government—and now also some state and local governments-are determined to instigate increased pricecompetition in order to combat the powerful and dangerous inflationary trend in the U.S. economy.

And today this governmental pressure is being exerted not only against the big-business sector but also against small businesses-and even against the various fields of professional practice such as law, medicine, engineering, and accounting.

There is no "palatable" way to cure the disease of severe inflation. One way is to bring about a really deep recession -such as the Big Depression. Another way is to impose an economic-controls dictatorship-which is likely to mean an overall dictatorship. This is, in fact, what has been done in a number of countries.

The American public, of course, doesn't want either of those "tough" measures for dealing with inflation. But the American nation, economically speaking, has become like a very fat individual who wants to stop gaining weight but doesn't want to cut down on his calorie intake and also doesn't want to engage in vigorous weight-reducing exercises.

There is no easy and pleasant way to stop severe inflation. The hard fact is that just about all the "good" things about the American lifestyle have become inflationary in their overall effect.

We don't know how the U.S. economy will be going in the years just ahead. but the present governmental economic regulatory policies include the aim of trying to counter inflation by forcing more vigorous price competition into the economy.

And the protest "But I'm a small-businessman!" or "But I am a professional man!" isn't going to carry the weight it has had for so long now.

In fact, even the traditional distinctions between "businesses" and other kinds of economic enterprises are undergoing some erosion in America. The point is relevant to our general topic so we'll take a quick look at it.

A Blurring of Old Lines

The distinction between a "business" and a "profession" and the distinction between, say, "non-profit educational institutions" and "proprietary educational institutions" are not differences which-like the difference between coal and copper

—have their basis in fundamental physical realities. They are, in essence, legally constructed distinctions.

Under sufficient socio-economic pressure, well-established laws and traditions can and do change. And today in America there indeed is strong pressure to force price-competition upon the legal, medical, and other professions.

Naturally enough, this development has brought protests and warnings from some professional-practice quarters. In his letter to Business Week (in the December 8 issue), Mr. Paul H. Robbins, Executive Director of the National Society of Professional Engineers warned of what he saw as dangers resulting from price-competition pressure in the engineering profes-

Nevertheless, the U.S. Supreme Court and the economic regulatory forces both of the federal government and of some state and local governments have shown clearly that they are determined to generate increased price-competition in the various fields of professional practice.

This means that professional individuals and firms, however much they may dislike the fact, will have to make more and better use of "business management" methods than in general they have been accustomed to doing.

#### A New Era for Small Business

The 1960's are likely to be looked back on, some years from now, as having been "the sunset era of amateurism in American small business." A combination of domestic and world economic pressures is going to be moving like a grim reaper across the terrain of small economic enterprises in general, whether they be "businesses" or anything else. This does not mean that all small economic enterprises will be disappearing or that the opportunities for starting up new ones will be gone. It does mean that a great many will disappear and that it will not be as easy as it used to be to start up new ones.

#### "Should I Try to Have My Own Business?"

Worries about the greatly changed economic climate in the U.S. have caused many a would-be small-businessman to have second thoughts about going into business for himself. So in some of our future articles, we'll be including some business-management suggestions intended to be helpful to professional-practice firms and individuals.

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#### FRESH FOR EASTER

If you'd like to bring fresh blooms inside to decorate your table this coming Easter, you're in luck—if you live in some part of the country where spring comes early and if you remembered to plant your crocus, narcissus, and daffodil bulbs last fall.

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The technique is simple. Take your bulb (white and yellow narcissus, daffodil, crocus, tulip, and amaryllis are favorites of mine) and insert it into one of the growing media suggested. I find it best to use a clear glass container, preferably a decorative one which will later grace the Holiday table. Then add water until it touches the base of the bulb.

Next, place the container and bulb in a cool, dark place to stimulate root growth (similar to conditions the bulb would experience in the ground during spring). A dark basement or unheated closet or attic registering about 60 degrees is ideal.

When the spikes from the top of the bulb reach several inches in height, the container can be brought out into daylight. It should receive bright light, but avoid direct sun, which will stunt blooms, once the flowers appear. The best time to bring the bulb out of the dark depends upon the type of bulb as well as the condition of the bulb at the time of planting. Some need only a couple of weeks' coaxing before getting ready to bloom; others need two or three times that amount. Experience is the best guide.

As a rule, narcissus produce abundant, fragrant buds in just six to seven weeks. Your garden supply dealer can give you a rough idea of other bulbs' forcing periods.

If you'd rather not mess with any rooting medium when forcing your bulbs, specially designed forcing vases (shaped something like old-fashioned egg timers) are available. The vase holds the bulb suspended a few inches from the bottom. Just add water to the base of the bulb—and keep the level at that height while rooting—then let Mother Nature do the rest.

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#### A National Dilemma (Continued from page 14)

and motives attributed to it by the vandal. There are three clear types of vandalism distinguished by Dr. Martin.

Predatory Vandalism, Property damage for material or utilitarian gain. Such acts as breaking open telephone coin boxes for money, or stripping copper wire and fixtures from vacant buildings, would fall into this category. A grizzly tale of predatory vandalism can be illustrated by the incident in which two 10-year-old boys placed obstructions on a railroad track to derail a train in the hopes of removing the wallets and purses from the dead and injured, Some experts feel that predatory vandalism perhaps should not be even classified as vandalism since the damage is only a means to the ultimate goal of theft. Often, however, the damage is disproportionate to the possible gain and the public confuses the issue by habitually referring to such destructive acts as "damage for its own sake."

Vindictive Vandalism. Here the chief motivation appears to be the desire to express antagonism and hatred toward an individual, group, or insti-

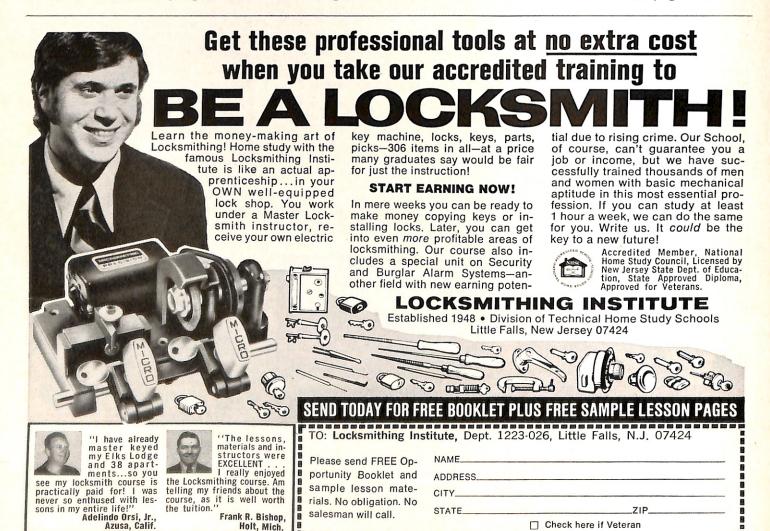
tution. For example, windows of a roller-skating rink or school are broken to settle a grudge against the owner or principal. This is a type of vandalism we can understand, because the vandals have reasons, real or fancied, for destroying property. The destruction is deliberate, planned-for, considered in advance, and it is with evil intent. It is born of the fact that the vandal thinks he has a grievance, desires revenge, or wishes to hit out against someone, something, or some situation. Or it might be born of fear or envy or hate of someone or something. In such a spirit a 12-year-old boy set fire to a vacant warehouse because of being scolded and run out of the building by the watchman. The warehouse collapsed onto an adjoining tenement with the resulting loss of 38 lives. In other situations religious prejudice and hate has been the basis for the defacement of statues, churches, synagogues and similar symbols.

Wanton Vandalism. In this catchall category, Dr. Martin sees a continuum of wanton vandalism from simple play activity of young children such as "who can break the window first," to spontaneous wild destruction

by individuals or groups who are "mad at the world." The main motive is fun and excitement. This may, or may not, seem to be an acceptable motive-but motive it is. By way of illustration, an elementary school in St. Louis, Missouri, suffered over \$7,000 worth of damage caused by the school's pupils. In a single wave of destruction these youngsters threw more than 100 desks out of windows, smashed several filing cabinets and pushed the school piano down a flight of stairs. When it was all over and the culprits were asked why they did it, not one of them could give an intelligent reply except to say that "they didn't know, it just seemed like fun while they were doing it." This does not mean, however, that the act was without motive. It only means that the vandals could not, or would not, verbalize it.

Several experts in the behavioral sciences point out that these acts may not be as wanton as the label implies. They see it as an expression of rage or frustration, often directed at symbolic middle-class property. This is the type of vandalism which is on the surface vicious and senseless, and which people find so difficult to understand. Many types of juvenile vandalism have the ele-

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☐ The Yellow River trickles across the Barron county hills like a tear on an old cheek. Its valley punches through glacial moraines, sprawls across alder swamps and meanders through pastures where big-eared cows move like sailing ships on a green sea.

The river is born in the shadows of a marsh edge where the clear, cold water oozes up from the black muck. The stream crawls through the hummocks, as timid as a garter snake, and it grows to become a vein and then an artery of the valley. Beneath its banks bullet-nosed brook trout fan their white-tipped fins against the flow of the water.

The river rubs its cold belly over the sand and the black peat of the marshes, and it murmurs its pleasure like an old dog when its ears are scratched. In the spring, great chunks of ice grind and grate in the river, headed south to their destruction. Skunk cabbage shoots a pink spear up through the muck, and lethargic frogs emerge to blink and provide easy dinners for the newly arrived herons.

In the summer, nettles and meadow rue grow higher than a man's head beside the river, and the valley throbs with endless life. When the frosts come, brilliant-hued wood ducks search among the soggy leaves for acorns that have fallen into the water. The frosts tease the river with lacy icing along its edges, and then the nights become longer and the ice grips the river tighter. Finally, winter stomps in like the chairman of the board, and the long, cold season begins.

It was when the river lay lean and lazy in the lap of winter that we came to its valley for the great fox hunts.

The great hunts were planned in the one-room country school where we hunters were torturously learning the multiplication tables, world geography and poetry that rhymed. Behind the black-jacketed stove where we hung our mittens and socks to dry, and where Walter Hagen once got slapped for snapping Leila Spooner's garter, here we plotted the hunts in all of the detail permitted by Mrs. Shranz who had a remarkable tolerance for the business of boys. By the end of the school week the plans were firm and fraught with menace for the local fox families.

In the Saturday morning darkness when we followed the flickering yellow lantern down to the barn for milking and chores, the conditions for the hunt were assessed. If a fresh snow had fallen during the night it would be much easier for us to keep on the trail of a fox; if the snow crunched beneath our feet we knew that it was going to be a cold hunt and we should wear an extra sweater.

The morning chores seemed endless. Pulling the milk out of the cows and removing their manure and then dragging heaps of silage and grain and hay before the bovine machines so that they could make more milk and more manure was never more frustrating than on these Saturday mornings. We hunters labored in the barns of our fathers with resignation and with flashes of anger at any delay.

It was customary that we meet at a cousin's farm for two reasons: there were more boys on this farm and it was closest to the river valley where we hunted. The farm was perched on a high bank of Engle Creek, a tiny jewel of a trout stream that staggers around the swamp and then relaxes in "the dead waters" before spilling into the Yellow River.

The farm of my cousins was three miles from my home farm by road and much less, of course, as the crow flies.

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The crow and I shared the same general route—across our back pasture, through Upsahl's woods, past Fankhauser's pond and across the Engle Creek footbridge and up the hill to the Anderson farm.

With a .22 bolt action Winchester clip repeater that my grandfather had given me, I either walked or skied the route, depending on the snow depth.

Sometimes when I arrived there would be a neighbor boy or two on hand to join me and one, two, or three cousins for the hunt. We filled Aunt Hulda's kitchen, and it was not in us to refuse her offerings of sandwiches -home-made bread, of course-and cookies. Uncle Earl frequently threatened to come along with us on the hunt, but always backed out at the last minute with an alibi of "work to do." (Uncle Earl and I have maintained the finest of uncle-nephew relationships despite the fact that once when I had just received a new jackknife, as a favor to him and unbeknownst to him, of course, I very carefully scraped all of the tobacco residue out of one of his favorite pipes and one that he had obviously spent considerable time breaking in to his satisfaction.)

With .22's in hand we frequently followed the high bank of Engle Creek down toward the Yellow River, unless someone knew about a fresh fox track. In this case we, of course, took up the track immediately.

Without a track, we headed for the confluence of Engle Creek and the Yellow River, where we knew that we would find fresh sign on the hogsback that humped up between the two streams. We crossed the creek on Harold Becker's bridge of popple poles, and then assaulted the hill of the hogsback like a patrol of Marines.

Invariably the cry came: "FRESH TRACK HERE!"

We gathered to inspect and debate at considerable length on the age of the track, and to speculate on the whereabouts of its maker.

"He's going toward Kallenbachs and he'll probably cross the river like he did last time," one of us volunteered. "Naw, I'll bet he'll go around the

"Naw, I'll bet he'll go around the hogsback and swim the dead waters again."

"Who's gonna take the track?"

"I'll take it."
"No you took the last o

"No, you took the last one. I'll take it."

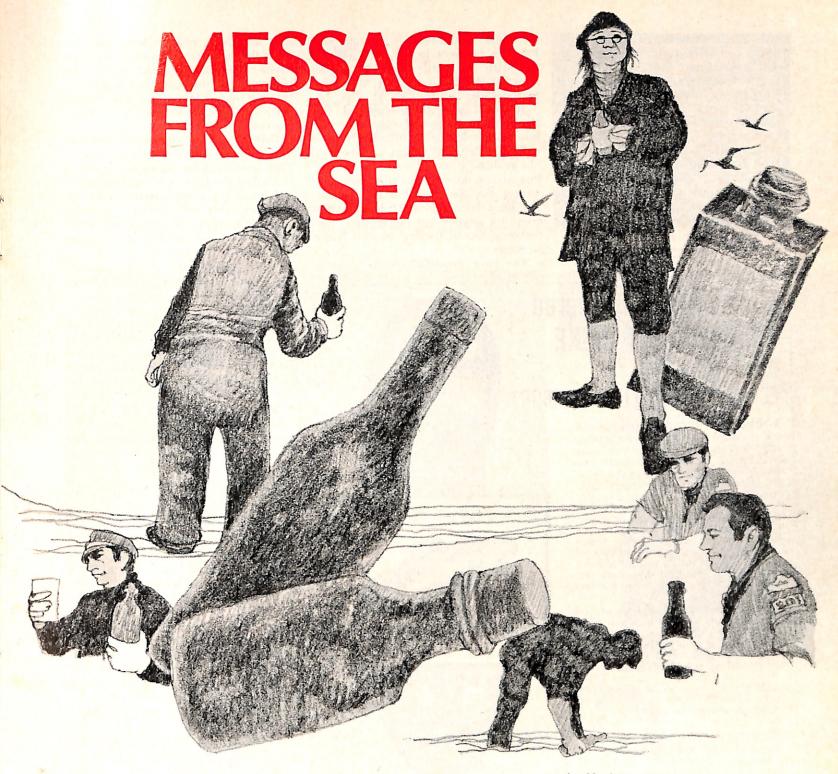
"OK. I'm goin' up and stand by the big pine."

"I'm goin' down where the tree

crosses the river."

"Someone should be by the corner

of Kallenbach's field."
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☐ The voyage started back in June, 1962, when a group of Explorer Scouts put a note with their names into a glass bottle, corked it and tossed it out to sea off Wassaw Island near Savannah, Georgia.

Seven years later the trip on the high seas finally came to an end when Don B. Howard found the bottle on a Ft. Myers, Florida, beach.

Howard asked the oceanographers at the U.S. Commerce Department's Environmental Science Services Administration what circuitous route the bottle could have taken as it drifted from Savannah to the Florida beach on the Gulf of Mexico, 830 miles away.

Though oceanographers at ESSA's Atlantic oceanographic and meteorological laboratories in Miami said it was impossible to track the exact route the bottle took, or estimate the number of miles it might have traveled in its seven year voyage, they gave several possible solutions.

Once the bottle moved off the shore at Savannah, it undoubtedly was picked up by the Gulf Stream and carried into the North Atlantic. From there to its final resting place it could have traveled a number of routes which eventually must have taken it between Cuba

#### by Muriel Lederer

and the Yucatan Peninsula of Mexico into the Gulf.

There was also the possibility that the bottle lay trapped in the rushes of the Georgia coastal swamps for a considerable time until high tides or strong offshore winds freed it, and caused it to drift far enough from shore to be picked up by the Gulf Stream.

This seven year swim by a message bottle is just another chapter in the ancient and honorable history of drifting bottles.

The idea of a bottle with a message in it being tossed about on the seas until it's washed up onto some far distant shore brings thoughts of mystery. romance, and adventure. Where did the bottle come from? Who sent it? What dire circumstances caused it to be cast adrift? What mysterious river in the ocean carried it to the beach?

Bottle messengers have been going to sea for over 2,200 years. Some contain farewells from shipwrecked sailors. Others hold religious sermons or letters to be mailed. Many go on scientific voyages—and one even carried a secret message in code!

This particular bottle was picked up over 400 years ago, in 1560, when Elizabeth I was Queen of England. A fisherman on the beach at Dover opened the bottle and found a strange note. Puzzled, he went to the local authorities with the bottle and its peculiar message. After a hasty look, they sped to the Queen.

It was a good thing they did. For the bottle message contained top secret information sent by a British spy from a passing ship. The Queen was alarmed. She realized it would never do to have just anyone open bottles and learn state secrets. So, she passed a law (which has since been repealed) making it a crime for anyone but the official "Uncorker of Ocean Bottles" to read bottle messages.

The most important bottle messen-

gers are those sent to help scientists chart the currents and drifts of the seas. These were first recorded many years before Christ was born by Theophrastus, a Greek philosopher. He floated bottles in the Mediterranean to study currents.

Centuries later, Benjamin Franklin threw bottles into the Atlantic Ocean. They contained his name and address, and asked the finders to tell him where and when the bottles were found. By gathering this information, Franklin was able to chart the speed and direction of the Gulf Stream. His original chart is little changed today.

In the late 1800's, the British and U.S. navies began issuing printed forms for ships' officers to drop overboard in bottles. The forms gave the name of the ship and the location and date of dropping. Finders were asked to fill in the place and date of recovery, and return the forms. In this way most of the currents of the seven seas were eventually charted.

Why were bottles used?

You might think bottles are too fragile to be reliable sea messengers, but actually a well-sealed bottle is quite able to survive the fury of a sea churned by hurricanes, waves, and winds.

Though most bottles are found not too far from where they're launched, a few travel great distances. The world's long-distance swimming champion is a glass beer bottle with a return postcard sealed inside. It recently completed a 10,000 mile trip in the Pacific. The bottle, set adrift in Hawaii, was washed ashore in Oregon after more than seven years at sea.

The route a bottle takes isn't totally predictable. Two bottles launched at the same spot may even travel in opposite directions, if the current in the area is split and the bottles happen to hit it just right.

Bottles travel at different speeds. One may drift only a mile in a month; another caught in a swift current can race along at 100 miles a day. But on the average the speed of a bottle in the water is half-a-mile an hour.

Studies made using drift or message bottles can tell us many things. For fishermen, exact knowledge of currents can be almost literally pure gold because of the increase in fishing hauls. American scientists, for example, use bottles to tip off New England fishermen as to where and when they can find cod and haddock. The eggs of these fish float on the surface, and bottles are cast among them as telltale floating markers. If the bottles move far out to sea, then presumably the eggs do, too.

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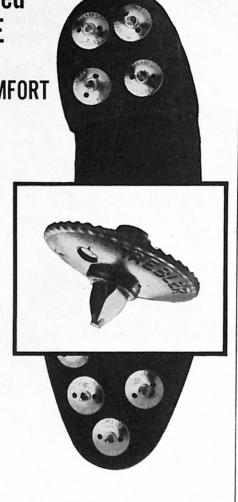
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SOFTBALL PLAYERS from Hillside, N. J., (seated, from left) Joanne Dordoni, Olivia Deo, Suzy Butfilowski, Judy Brooks, and Shelley Spielholz were awarded trophies at a dinner sponsored by the lodge. Congratulating the young women were (standing, from left) Youth Chm. George MacDonald, Phillipsburg High School Softball Coach Ruth Gibbs, Recreation Commissioner Joan Ladines, and Trustee Bud Foley.

**NEWS MEDIA NIGHT** at Palm Springs, Calif., Lodge was attended by representatives of local newspapers; radio, and television stations. The principal speaker, Don Smith, area press club president and newspaper editor, was introduced by Public Relations Chm. Walt Smuske (center), who organized the event. ER Fran McKeough looked on.





PAMELA ROBINSON of Holdrege, Neb., was honored for her part in saving the life of Rick Clark, 16, also of Holdrege, who broke his neck diving into shallow water this past summer. Nebraska SP James Anderson (left) and SDGER Vincent Collura presented Pam with a distinguished citizenship award at the recent dedication of Holdrege Lodge's remodeled facilities. Rick, son of Brother Dan Clark, is now recovered and back in school due largely to Pam's quick action in giving him mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.



A DINNER on behalf of David Grimes (center), who had an accident which left him blind for life, helped provide the youth with some extra financial support. Mrs. Grimes (left) and David thanked ER Normand Sauve of New Bedford, Mass., Lodge for this small compensation.



AMERICAN FLAGS in historic sequence were displayed to approximately 5,000 people in Porterville, Calif., by the Boy Scout troop sponsored by the lodge. The troop led the town's Veterans Day parade with this presentation.

SANTA CRUZ, California, Lodge remembers the stopover made by one of *The Elks Magazine*'s Studebaker Roadsters driven across the country on the trip from New York City to Los Angeles for the 1930 Elks convention. Brother Gus Sgarlato, Santa Cruz's Studebaker dealer at the time, took a turn at the wheel.



MAKING A CONTRIBUTION to the cause of cerebral palsy research and treatment was Mrs. Samuel Braybrook, widow of the member of Freeland, Pa., Lodge in whose honor a class of ten was recently initiated. ER Raymond Bradish (left) and membership Chm. Nick Bellezza thanked Mrs. Braybrook for her generosity.





**RESIDENTS** of this nursing home joined in for a sing-along to celebrate the dedication of a piano donated to the home by Washington Court House, Ohio, Lodge. Mrs. Dorothy Everhart played for the participants while ER Howard Mann represented the lodge at the gathering.



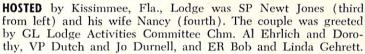
A HIKING AND BIKE TRAIL which interconnects the parks of Bartlesville, Okla., was funded by the lodge as the Pathfinder Parkway project. ER Krider Van Deusen (second from right) and Trustee Ed Toups (left) presented a check for \$1,000 to Ernie Sewell and Miss Kris Miller for the project which is the city's main Bicentennial effort.



CONTINUING this year at Hudson, N.Y., Lodge is the well-organized vets program in which the members have donated large amounts of clothing and recreational goods to Albany VA Hospital. A guitar was presented by John Taylor (left) and Chm. Gerald Shook to Claude Ferron (center), chief of building services, at the same time that a shipment of leather was made.

THE HISTORY of the Bennington Battle Flag, the first known flag carrying thirteen stars and stripes, was researched by SDGER Ray Quesnel. The original flag, which appeared at the famous Revolutionary War battle, is owned by the Bennington Historical Society in Vermont. A replica of this flag is owned by Bennington Lodge, and was displayed by (from left) PDD Robert Cummings, ER Albert Elwell, and PDDs John Ahearn, Michael Fraher Jr., and Henry Ryan.









THE FREEDOM TRAIN visited the city of Ogden, Utah, and the lodge was one of the principal welcoming organizations. Some of those involved were Est. Loyal Kt. Richard Lessey, Est. Lead. Kt. Duke Trotta, ER Byron Hillstrom, and Americanism Chm. George Van Drimmelein. Local high schools were represented by Jeff Hales, Brad Favero, Greg Flinders, Steve Brown, Marion Gibbs, Marcus Hunt, and Tom Develin.

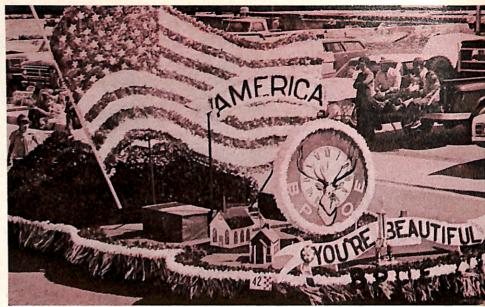




MOST VALUABLE PLAYER is the award given annually by Yonkers, N.Y., Lodge to a deserving member of each of the town's two major high school football squads. Brother Tom Meier congratulated one of this year's winners.



NEW EAGLE SCOUTS Bart Rasmussen (left) and John Madson (right) received congratulations from ER Lynn Gernand on achieving the highest rank in Scouting. The Elks Awards of Merit were presented to the young men at recent ceremonies held in their honor at Hutchinson, Minn., Lodge.



**THE THEME** of the float entered in six parades by Milton-Freewater, Ore., Lodge this past summer was "America, You're Beautiful." An estimated 50,000 people viewed the float, which sought to depict this country as a land comprised of a variety of lifestyles.

### LODGE NOTES

METUCHEN, N. J. A reception was held at the lodge for the participants in the Eastern Regional Little League finals.

BROKEN BOW, Neb. The Elks Band Wagon participated in the Custer County Fair Parade, which featured a Bicentennial theme. Since its formation one year ago, the band has appeared 18 times in various activities.

HAMILTON, N. J. "Hoop Shoot" winners received trophies and jackets from Hamilton Township Mayor John Marion, the featured speaker, during a patriotic observance at the lodge.

**ENGLEWOOD, Fla.** The lodge's donation of \$2,500 to the building fund of the Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Hospital was presented by ER William Wolfe Jr. to VP Frank Spadafora.

**FULTON, N. Y.** Lodge members recently sponsored a party at the VA Hospital in Syracuse, providing entertainment and refreshments for the patients. The party was part of the Central District lodges' program of rotating visits to the hospital.

**FALMOUTH, Mass.** The soccer team and the Babe Ruth team sponsored by the lodge took top honors in their respective leagues. The soccer team recently engaged in a match with players from the Russian research ship *Belogorsk*.

**ASTORIA, Ore.** A Chair of Honor, a station of respect and reverence, has been established at the lodge and dedicated to the memory of departed brothers.

**WAKEFIELD, Mass.** The lodge was a cosponsor of a road rally for students from Perkins School for the Blind in Watertown, Mass.

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J. Breakfast and movies at the lodge were on the agenda on a recent Saturday for 20 children from the local cerebral palsy center, compliments of the lodge's Crippled Children's Committee.

**PAINESVILLE, Ohio.** A wall hanging designed and made by 26-year member R. C. Amiott was presented to the lodge by PER Thomas Johnson, who financed the materials for the project.

**COLONIE, N. Y.** The lodge sponsored over 100 children from St. Coleman's Home for a trip to Storytown, N. Y.

**TACOMA, Wash.** PGER Robert Yothers was present at the lodge for the initiation of a 75-member class of candidates sponsored by PER Norbert Grove.

**WEST NEW YORK, N. J.** A picnic, complete with food, games, a band, and a magic show, was sponsored by lodge members for the crippled and retarded youngsters at Elks Camp Moore.

**DECATUR, III.** Tennis player Bobby Riggs, in town for a charity show appearance, was beaten in a 9-hole golf match by Brother Orlando Kuhle, a 78-year-old lawyer.

**HOWELL, N. J.** The lodge's recent blood drive proved successful, with a total of 87 pints collected.

santa Maria, Calif. A commendatory telegram from President Gerald Ford was part of the tribute paid to law enforcement and fire protection personnel during the lodge's annual appreciation night in their honor. A total of 425 officers and members from 16 agencies were the lodge's guests.

POINT PLEASANT, N. J. Amy Wardell, Thomas Hight, and Lisa Hall, who won first, second, and third place respectively for their essays "What the American Flag Means to Me," were recently honored by the lodge. Brother Robert Hickethier served as chairman for the contest.

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. Congratulations were extended by ER R. M. Rauch to charter members Lamar Thistlethwaite and Julian Goodwin during the lodge's golden anniversary party. Dignitaries participating included Grand Trustee Robert Grafton and SP C. Newt Jones.

**ST. JOSEPH, Mich.** A recent dinner-dance marked the 75th anniversary of the lodge's institution into the order.

WATERTOWN, Mass. Among the Elks officials helping the lodge to celebrate its 50th anniversary were SDGER W. Edward Wilson, SP Harry Sarfaty, and DDGER Robert Shell.

**ST. LOUIS, Mo.** During a patriotic observance at the lodge, a flag was presented to Mayor John Poelker for the first completed building of the convention center under construction in downtown St. Louis.





THE AMOUNT of \$1,000 was the gift of Tempe, Ariz., Lodge to the Child Development Center at the Arizona Children's Hospital. The money, which will be used to purchase wheelchairs and other necessary equipment, will benefit 55 retarded young people. PER Bill Jacques (left), major project chairman, ER Jack Lane (right), and Est. Lect. Kt. Mickey Ambrosino, co-chairman, presented the check to Darleen Agin, Center administrator, and Hospital Administrator Gene Joublanc.

A BRAND NEW WHEELCHAIR was the gift of Jerseyville, Ill., Lodge to Ricky Barber, who is a resident of the town's Care Center. ER Charles Johnston (left) and Est. Lead. Kt. Ed Caspar visited with Ricky.



**WELCOMED** to Carlisle, Pa., Lodge was DDGER H. Leo Goulden (second from left), who was greeted by (from left) State Youth Chm. Julius Swope, ER Ron Sheaffer, and Brother Russell Mummert.

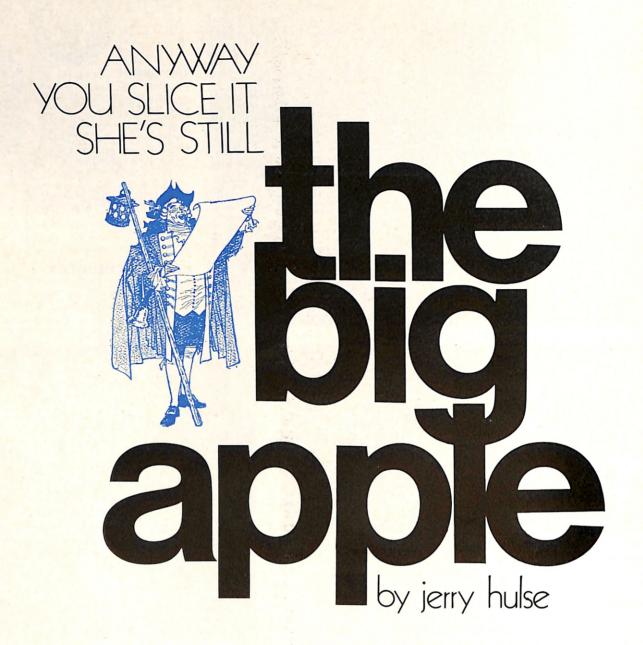
A COMMENDATION was received by Troy, N.Y., Lodge for its outstanding aid to the residents of the Albany, VA hospital. (From left) PER John Danahy, John Smith, patient, ER William Madsen, and PER William Carley looked over the honorary award, which the lodge received by sponsoring a variety show as well as various activities and games.







**OLD TIMERS** who belong to Uhrichsville, Ohio, Lodge were honored with an evening's program recently. Congratulated by ER Tom Stanley was 91-year-old Brother Garfield Roby, who has been an Elk for 57 years. Looking on were old timers C. H. Lint, John Browning, and George Haskins, as well as a number of the lodge's Past Exalted Rulers.



☐ It is entirely possible that millions of Americans may tire of hearing about the Bicentennial before the year is out. After all, everyone (well, nearly everyone) jumped the gun almost a year early. We've been bombarded with Bicentennial news since way last spring, Still, this is the Bicentennial year and nobody's going to let us forget it, least of all New York City. Battles were fought here, the town brewed its own tea party in New York harbor and Washington took the oath as first President in New York. Never mind that a modern building occupies Washington's old digs at No. 1 Cherry St. A plaque marks the spot where his residence stood. That sets the record straight.

To get into the heart of history, though, one must travel down to Lower Manhattan. To get in step with the ghosts of Revolutionary figures, visitors start their tour at Federal Hall, where Washington took the oath of office when he became President. His inaugural clothing is displayed inside and his statue faces the House of Morgan and the New York Stock Exchange outside. Beyond, framed by skyscrapers, stands St. Paul's Chapel where Washington worshiped regularly following his inauguration until the Capitol was moved to Philadelphia in 1790. His empty pew is a curiosity among visitors, illuminated by more than a dozen matched Waterford chandeliers.

Within walking distance of St. Paul's, Washington bid his troops farewell at Fraunces Tavern, New York's oldest building, which served as a meeting place for British officers during the War of Independence. Its one-time propri-

etor, Samuel Fraunces, made his way from the West Indies to New York where he served Washington in the Revolution. His tavern continues to do a lively business. Bicentennial snoopers can rest the frame in a snug corner at Fraunces where spirits are poured and the Wall St. gang gathers for lunch. Floors overhead are given over to a museum spotlighting the Revolutionary period.

Leaving Fraunces to the imbibers, sightseers catch the ferry to the Statue of Liberty and the American Museum of Immigration. The museum at the foot of the statue is new, honoring the millions who left the Old World to resettle in the new. Generations of Americans are depicted making their way across the sea, crowded together in ships smaller than the ferry that serves

the Statue of Liberty. They were Irish, African, German, Italian, Russian, English and Norwegian. In their struggle to survive they occupied the wretched slums on the Lower East Side. They roamed the streets with pushcarts and operated one-room bakeries and sold clothing. Bicentennial wanderers also take in Washington Square where Sanford White's huge Marble Arch commemorates the 100th anniversary of Washington's inaugural. Afterward visitors make their way to City Hall Park where patriots gathered after the signing of the Declaration of Independence to knock over the statue of King George III. Others roam through Castle Garden where millions of immigrants first set foot on U.S. soil. Created originally as a fortress, Castle Garden welcomed new arrivals from the mid-1850's until nearly the turn of the century. Turning back to Wall St., there's Trinity Church whose ancient churchyard contains the remains of Secretaries of State Alex-

# To get in step with the ghosts of Revolutionary figures, start at Federal Hall...

ander Hamilton and Albert Gallatin, as well as steamboat inventor Robert Fulton

Leaving Wall St., Battery Park and other attractions of Lower Manhattan. the Bicentennial crowd makes its way uptown to Harlem and the Jumel Mansion, which was where Washington hung his cape during the skirmishes with the British. A couple of black Americans, Penelope and Claude Ruffin, lead tours to Harlem's Bicentennial sites from the Penny Sightseeing Co. at 303 W. 42nd St. Their buses roll uptown to another world and another page in Manhattan's Bicentennial scrapbook of scenes. Other tours turn to the Bronx where residents present an annual reenactment of Revolutionary skirmishes. During the War of Independence the Bronx became a battleground for two major engagements, one at Throgs Neck and the other at Pell's Point. In one, the British were temporarily turned aside while pursuing General Washington.

New York's hijinks got under way

# \*\* Framed by skyscrapers, stands St. Paul's Chapel where Washington worshiped regularly...\*\*

last May with a parade up Broadway from the Battery to City Hall. As Mayor Abraham Beame kicked off the long celebration, church bells pealed across the city in a ding-dong salute to the Bicentennial. The date coincided with the 200th anniversary of the meeting of the New York Provincial Congress. The city's celebration will end next November on the day Ft. Washington fell. During the interim, visitor centers will operate throughout the city, airports, hotels, the World Trade Center and the New York Convention & Visitors Bureau. New York's Culture Bus circuit is adding a number of stops between the Battery and the Bronx.

The big daddy of the Bicentennial tour operators is Bernard Tractman. whose "76 Adventures Inc." is concentrating on historic sites from Virginia to Lexington and Concord. Tractman's tours take in Philadelphia, Boston, Williamsburg, Yorktown, Washington and other East coast historical points. These are not the ordinary rubberneck tours. Tractman's flocks visit the grave of the Unknown Soldier of the Revolutionary War, the house where Washington was born, the church where he took Martha as his bride and West Point, and where Benedict Arnold is buried in an unmarked grave. Altogether Tractman has created 76 basic tours, with an emphasis on the Bicentennial. His buses deliver passengers to Brandywine, Valley Forge and a house that was shelled in 1776. Current rates are \$44 for a three-day, twonight package that includes hotel for two nights (double occupancy), plus sightseeing. A nine-day tour that extends from northern Massachusetts to Virginia is priced at \$170. Besides hotels and sightseeing, the \$170 package includes free souvenirs of Revolutionary leaflets, newspapers and a reproduction of the Declaration of Independence on parchment. For a brochure, drop a card to 76 Adventures, P.O. Box 1776, New York, NY 10023. After that it's on to Lexington and Concord.

First, though, a word about inexpensive accommodations in Manhattan.

Just behind the Plaza, I discovered the charming little (by New York standards) Wyndham at 42 W. 58th St. Located a block off Central Park (and a few doors off the Avenue of the Americas), the Wyndham is a delightful, intimate and unassuming little hotel with a small cheerful lobby along with the freshly scrubbed look of Elizabeth's chambers at Buckingham. Indeed, the Wyndham simply sparkles. Not only is it spotless, but the rates are reasonable, its singles about \$30 a night, doubles under \$40.

Equally charming is the quiet and relaxed old Gramercy Park Hotel where singles start at \$30 a day and doubles at \$38. There is an excellent dining room which exudes a certain subdued elegance. Tables in the cozy bar offer a front row view of life out on the street. Choice rooms face Gramercy Park, that peaceful oasis in lower Manhattan around which several marvelous old brownstones survive, the oldest dating from 1893. At No.'s 14 and 15 Gramercy Park South, the National Arts Club holds forth in the former townhouse of Samuel Tilden, once the governor of New York. Names on its membership roster include those of three late U.S. Presidents: Theodore Roosevelt, Woodrow Wilson Dwight D. Eisenhower. And only a couple of doors away the Players Club conducts its affairs in similar surroundings. Balconies clinging to the old brownstones are laced with wrought iron and amber lamps glow at the entrances. With all this, it makes for

# To During the War of Independence the Bronx was a battleground for major engagements. . . . 77

pleasant atmosphere at the Gramercy Park Hotel (address: 52 Gramercy Park North).

Tramping around New York on a sunny Sunday afternoon, I discovered another hotel, the Elysee (between Park and Madison on 54th St.) this is the old hangout of actress Tallulah Bankhead and the headquarters of Tennessee Williams and Harold Robbins whenever they're in town. "Scaled to the human





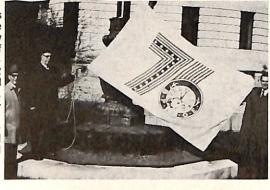


The new Archives Room in the Elks National Memorial Building will be open to the public during the Bicentennial year. At left, PGER Wade H. Kepner, and George T. Hickey, Director of Archives, inspect one of the mementoes that have been received from all parts of the country. The Archives Room will be of special interest for Elks visiting during the Grand Lodge Convention in Chicago in July, 1976.

Since the announcement of the Archives collection first appeared some months ago, Brother Hickey has received numerous items, some well over 100 years old, including the Jolly Cork Charter, original jewels, a 1903 Grand Lodge membership roll, and over 500 convention badges from nearly every lodge. Any item received and deemed exceptional enough for display in one of the new display cases will receive appropriate acknowledgment of the donor and the donor's lodge.

The Elks Bicentennial flag is raised for the first time over the Elks National Memorial Building by PGER Wade H. Kepner, Chairman of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Committee. Assisting PGER Kepner is Homer Huhn, Jr., Grand Secretary (left), and John R. Ryan, General Manager of The Elks Magazine (right).

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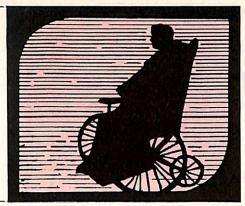
Each room is decorated differently. They're old and snug and clean. And in place of numbers there are names: the Harlequin, the Granada, the Sunset, the Amber and so forth. (There's a marvelous view from the Apollo of Bill's Gay 90's Cafe just across 54th St. Besides sheltering wayward performers and writers, the Elysee is also the home of New York's famous watering hole, the Monkey Bar, as well as a fine Italian restaurant, La Veranda. Its 94 rooms start at \$35 a day single and \$41 double, and there's no charge for children under 14 in the company of their parents.

For the sight-seer on a shoestring, New York offers the Hotel Tudor, Just a block from the United Nations (between 1st and 2nd Ave. on 42nd St.), it offers rooms starting at a reasonable \$18 single and \$20 double. "Guests can't believe the rates," said a bellman. "Not until they see the rooms." They're small. Still, if surcease from the daily toil is all that one requires-just a bed and a bath, period-then the Tudor does just nicely. At the Tudor guests are likely to run into U.N. representatives from the emerging nations. ("They come here because it's cheap," said the loquacious bellman.) A word of advice: Ask for Room 2017. It offers a splendid view of the East River in one direction and the city toward the west.

Facing Central Park in the snooty high rent district, the Barbizon Plaza offers surprisingly low rates considering the area: \$32 a night single and \$42 double. Sunday brunch is served in the hotel's garden restaurant, the Inn on the Park, and there's a slick discotheque (the "Library") where one may "dance, drink, or even read," the management notes with pride.

Finally there's the Algonquin, the famous landmark hotel at 59 W. 44th St. A favorite of writers, film makers and the theatrical crowd, the Algonquin provides 200 rooms and suites starting at \$27 single and \$31 double. Dozens of well known types have sought out grog and shelter at the Algonquin: Alexander Wollcott, O. O. McIntyre, Heywood Broun, Franklin P Adams, Dorothy Parker, Gertrude Stein Mary Pickford, Robert Benchley, Marc Connelly, Edna Ferber. These and many, many others. At the Algonquin little changes. There's a woolly comfort to the wonderful old lounge with its groupings of dated, overstuffed chairs and couches. The room is alive with good conversation and the booming clang of an old grandfather clock. Put it on your list.

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Florida Elks helped to organize an outdoor barbecue for the patients of the Miami VA Hospital. Participating were (from left) George Gavaghan, chief of recreational therapy, Richard Krellner, Bonnie Black, hospital employee, Robert Stefanick, Vets Chm. John Rosasco, and Noah Sarvis.





PGER R. Leonard Bush (left) and ER Sandy Sandt (second from right) greeted two patients of the Long Beach VA Hospital who attended the dinner held at Westminster, Calif., Lodge. This annual event brought 40 veterans.





Joseph Cox (center), district vets chairman, offered a check to Brother Lewis Wills, chief of voluntary services at the San Diego VA Hospital, for recreational use. State National Service Commission Chairman John Jordan, who was honored at Encinitas Lodge at its Veterans Day program, observed.



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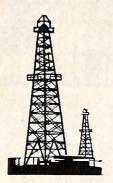
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"He won't go there."

"Well, he might. He did once. Ran right past the corner post so close a guy could have killed him with a stick."

"OK, let's get goin'. This track is hot."

Invariably, however, the track was a cold one, doubtless made during the fox's nocturnal hunting, at least a half dozen hours before we got onto it.

Ours were houndless hunts. Every farm had a dog, but they were for chasing cows and sometimes cars, but not fox. We were our own hounds. And so one of us took the track and the others dispersed to their chosen spots to watch and wait.

The hogsback fox must have been as close to trained as any totally free, wild animal could ever get. This fox had been chased by us so often that he must have known us by our first names and certainly by our individual

The hogsback fox was a sport, you'd have to admit that. He could have slipped into a hole in the hard frozen earth when a boy came dogging his tracks, but he did not. Almost without exception, the fox gave us a run.

As I recall those winters, I imagine the fox awakening from its midday snooze and listening to the crunch and swish of human footsteps coming his way, and in a fit of anthropomorphism, I have the fox thinking: "Ah yes, it must be Saturday; here they come again. Well, let me see, where shall I take them today?"

Sometimes we could tell when we had started the fox by the small round patch of flattened snow that was its bed and by the tracks that he made as he loped away to put a respectful distance between himself and his pursuer. At this point, of course, there was great excitement.

The boy on the track shouted, "I jumped him! He's just ahead. Watch it!"

The fox was "just ahead," usually by a half mile or so and always far enough so that only his tracks were left to sustain the excitement.

But now with a track that was known to be fresh, the hunt took on intensity. The tracker plunged heedlessly into the thick alder and the jungle of dogwood where the track led him. The tracker's jacket was flung open, no matter the temperature, and his body became damp with sweat. On he went, crashing and stumbling, panting like a dog in August, and flushed as red as a wintergreen berry.

Among the facts that stacked the deck in favor of the fox were these:

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Ladies of the Elks at Freehold, N.J., Lodge accepted certificates and membership hearts for joining the Elks National Foundation recently. ER Joe Beams (back row, center) made the presentations and congratulated the ladies.



Three officers and one trustee of Bozeman, Mont., Lodge were recent recipients of participating memberships in the Elks National Foundation. Chm. Lee Gardner (left) made the presentations to In. Gd. Kurtis Fremont, Esq. Francis Olsen, Est. Lect. Kt. Dave Cattrell, and Trustee Lloyd Raffety.

Oregon State Elks Association Foundation Chm. Bill Lehr (right) congratulated Al Bean of Bend, Ore., Lodge on his accomplishment of earning a \$1,000 honorary founder's certificate. On the same night Brother Bean was named a life member of his lodge.





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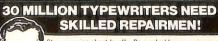


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#### A National Dilemma (Continued from page 20)

ments of both play and malice-defecating in elevators, urinating in telephone booths, spraying paint on parked cars, or breaking windows or street lights.

"Vandalism is rebellion with a cause," says Dr. Philip G. Zimbardo, professor of social psychology at Stanford University, who has conducted many studies on the subject. "To prevent it, we must combat the cause itself-social indifference, apathy, the loss of community, neighborhood and family values."

Numerous other background causes for vandalism have been suggested from all sectors of the social sciences. Causes have run the gambit from 'youthful exuberance and love for action and daring," to a Communist plot aimed at sabotaging U.S. industries. But Dr. Mark Sanders, research psychologist for the Navy Department, perhaps summed it up best when he said: "An allegorical picture of vandalism when pieced together might show natural high spirits of youth as the matches, boredom as a striking surface, and a peer group which sanctions vandalism as the powder keg. The upbringing of the group members, the attitude of the group members' families, and the general moral climate of society can be viewed as the key factors whether, or to what extent, the peer group sanctions vandalistic activities."

Today's youth are quite conscious of living in a highly stimulating emotional bath, an atmosphere of crime and delinquency, of violence and clashing interests. The tension in his own family life plus those in the neighborhood and those that are brought directly to him from all over the world, through television, radio, movies, newspaper scare headlines, the comics, and sex magazines. All of this creates the example of a world of violence and confusion. They feel and see and hear all about them and they learn what they see and they live what they learn.

Youngsters in the teens or pre-teen ages are quite conscious also of the moral tone of contemporary society. They hear and see all about them evidences of a questionable code of ethics, whether in politics, advertising, sports, or business. They are aware of corruption and graft, malfeasance in high office, dubious practices at home or in business among the adults around him plus all the smut. vice, crime and social irregularity that are featured on the TV screen or on the front pages of the daily newspaper. All of this inevitably teaches the youngster a diminishing respect for the authority of all adults

including, of course, his parents and his

teachers.

"Can we honestly blame the young vandals?" questions youth consultant and sociologist, Ben Solomon. "Is it surprising that many of the youngsters who come from very faulty homes, rich or poor, where parents have never taken on the important job of really being good parents-should we be surprised that these youngsters, who are bewildered and unskilled, who were born with two strikes against them, need and seek recognition in any way that they can get it? And where do they want that recognition most? Is it not within their own peer group, among their own playmates? Maybe that's why vandalism, the real wanton kind, is nearly always done in groups-seldom by an individual."

On top of this nearly all youngsters are more or less frustrated during the early teens and pre-teens and are especially resentful toward all controls in the person of parents, teachers, leaders. and adults in general. They seek and welcome opportunities to travel on their own, to let off steam, to strike out in new and untried directions.

Now add to all this the pressures of racial strife, of some mentalities not suited to academic work, a desire to have money in their pockets and no employment available to earn this monev. And maybe we can understand the hostility built up in these youngsters soon to break out in delinquency or vandalism.

How Can Vandalism Be Reduced? Bringing vandals back into society and keeping non-vandals from leaving it is a critically important venture that all of us should become involved in. Somehow we must break through to the consciences of tens of thousands of

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#### PRO BOWLERS TOUR

The greater Cleveland stop of the Pro Bowlers tour, Co-sponsored by The Ohio Elks Association, will be televised nationwide Saturday February 7th, 1976 at 3:30 to 5:00 P.M. E.S.T.

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## LODGE VISITS

#### GRAND EXALTED RULER WILLIS C. McDONALD



Grand Exalted Ruler Willis McDonald (third from left) was given tokens, emblems, and plaques symbolizing the forthcoming Elks Boy Scout Bicentennial Camper-All '76 on occasion of his visit to East Hartford, Conn., Lodge. Present were (from left) GL Youth Committeeman Edwin Maley, VP Francis Joyce, ER Francis Reinholz, SP Edward Szewczyk, VP Lawrence Volpe, and PSP Michael Kiro, the lodge's youth chairman.



On the arm of her husband, GER Willis McDonald (left), and of DDGER Jack Schwander was Elizabeth McDonald at a banquet the couple attended in their honor at Paramus, N.J., Lodge. Mrs. McDonald also accepted roses from Est. Lead. Kt. J. Giumara and a gift from the Elks' ladies, while the GER was given a key to the town of Paramus.



A parade of antique automobiles escorted the Grand Exalted Ruler and his lady down the flag-lined streets of Frackville, Pa., recently. In the Packard touring car with Willis and Elizabeth were Eddie Bulcavage, driver, and SP Paul Brubaker and his wife Edith.



The North Carolina State Elks Association's fall conference was held in Southern Pines, where Mrs. Nell Larsen (second from right) of Oakboro presented some of the delegates with special gifts. Receiving knitted Elks caps were (from left) PSP C. V. Thompson, VP E. J. Johnson, PGER John Walker, GER Willis McDonald, and SDGER Thad Eure. Mrs. Larsen designed and knitted the first of the caps, later originating a small mail-order business.



At the recent fall conference of the Michigan Elks Association hosted by Bay City Lodge, GER McDonald made an appearance, as did PGER E. Gene Fournace (fifth from left). Other delegates were (from left) ER Tom Stanton, State Treas. Howard Emerson, GL Committeeman Ralph Shoemaker, SDGER James Dompierre, SP Cal Bjorne, VP Neil Sheriff, Conference Chm. Don McCloy, and GL Committeemen Raymond Arnold and Albert Vernon.



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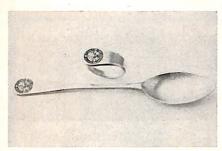
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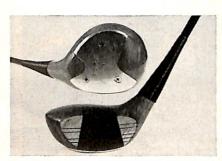
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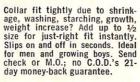
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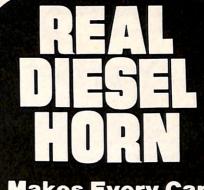
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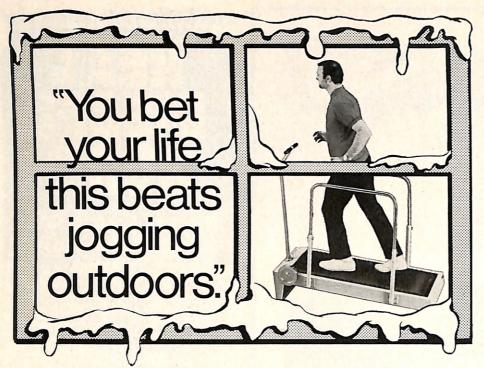


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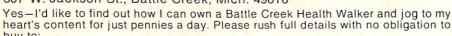
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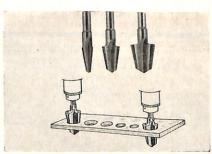
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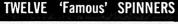
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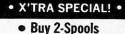


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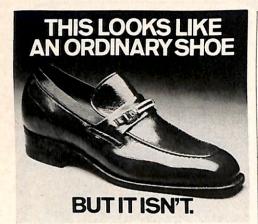
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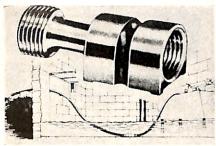
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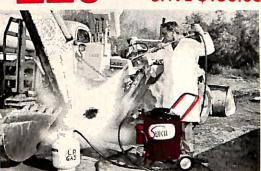
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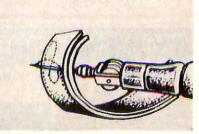
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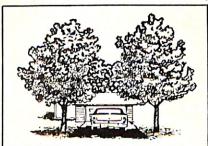
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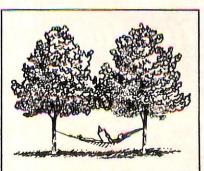
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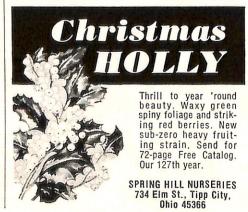
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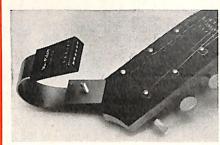
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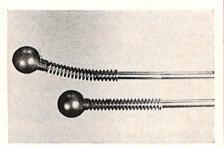
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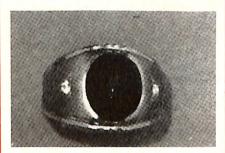
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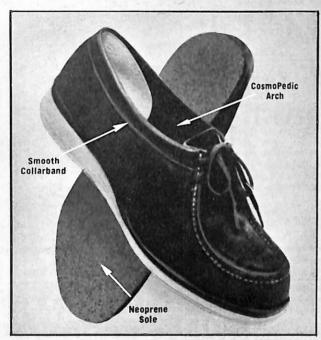
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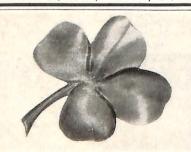
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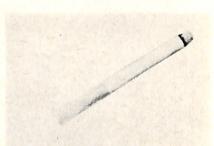
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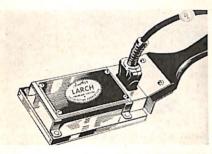
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#### A National Dilemma (Continued from page 36)

young people who are alienated and One broken window disillusioned. doesn't make a delinquent, but a career of breaking windows, destroying school property and wrecking vacant houses can make a criminal.

Iuvenile authorities and psychologists say there are warning symptoms that a youngster may be on the road to fullfledged vandalism unless steps are taken to dissolve his hostility and unhappiness. Among them:

-A sudden lack of interest in school work and resentment of home-

work assignments.

-Running with a new gang of kids and dropping old friends.

The U.S. Office of Education recently conducted a survey of 1,170 high school students and 387 teachers. They came up with the following five "signposts to vandalism" based on questions asked during interviews.

-Conflict among students, teachers, and parents, with no organizations enabling all groups to talk with each other about school problems.

-Too rapid and extensive changes in the school curriculum, faculty, or student body.

-Inept or authoritarian school administration and leadership.

-Poorly built and maintained suburbs, transient families, and neighborhood deterioration.

The survey concluded that the one condition most clearly related to high property damage from vandalism is alienation from, or lack of identification with, the school and the community. Good relationships among students, teachers, and parents were found more often in schools which suffered little from vandalism. Such schools generally had a strong democratic administration.

From the earliest years, children must be taught to respect the rights and property of others. They deserve more play space and recreational centers than they now have. Our cities with their freeways, high-rise buildings, and soaring populations are relentlessly devouring the parks and open spaces

which were once used to let off steam.

There are numerous youth organizations, but their leaders have a common complaint: "Too few adults are willing to spend time working with young people. Youth wants and needs adult friendship, guidance, and understanding. But the gulf between the generations is widening as people plead 'I'm too busy' or say, 'Let the professional youth workers take care of our problem."

In the end though, it is the parents who must assume responsibility for channeling their youngster's interests into useful and socially acceptable pursuits. When parents devote sufficient time, attention, understanding, and love to their children the problem of vandalism will begin to recede and youngsters will have a chance to become responsible men and women.

But as long as Americans disregard vandalism or view it with today's careless indifference and tolerance, just that long will it continue to cause injury, inconvenience, death-and a heavy bill for damaged property and personal tragedy.

#### Phituaries-



PAST DISTRICT DEP-UTY H. Glee Tarbell, a life member of Watertown, South Dakota, Lodge, died October 14, 1975.

In 1937-1938 Brother Tarbell served as a South

Dakota District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler.

PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY J. Franklin Callaway of Jeffersonville, Ind., Lodge died July 2, 1975.

In 1953 Brother Callaway was elected Jeffersonville Lodge's Exalted Ruler, and in 1956-1957 he was appointed to the Southeast District of Indiana as the District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler.

PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY Guy Taylor, an honorary life member of Centralia-Chehalis, Wash., Lodge, died November

Brother Taylor served two terms as Exalted Ruler of his lodge and was appointed the Southwest District's District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler in 1941-1942.

PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY Fred Green, a life member of Brookings, S.D., Lodge, died October 26, 1975

Brother Green held the office of Exalted Ruler in 1945-1946, and became District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler in 1957-1958.

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AN OPEN HOUSE held annually by the North District of New Jersey to acquaint the press and the public with the functions of the order was hosted this year by Mahwah Lodge. Present to greet those attending were (from left) PDD Edward Van Vooren, PGER William Jernick, SP Peter Greco, DDGER George Petrosky, and ER Richard Kidd.

## UL BRUBAKE PRESIDENT

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OVER 250 MEMBERS and ladies attended the recent Northeast District meeting hosted by Easton, Pa., Lodge. Secy. Edwin Reiss (right) and Est. Lead. Kt. Martin Barr (second from right) extended the lodge's official greetings to SP Paul Brubaker, who addressed the assembly, and Mrs. Brubaker.



A CHARITY BALL was held at Poughkeepsie, N.Y., Lodge to raise funds for the major project, cerebral palsy. Among the Elks officials welcoming special guests Tracy Cooper (in wheelchair) and her parents and poster boy Johnny Bennis and his father to the affair were ER Victor Scileppi (second from left) and SP Lucian Masur (kneeling).



ELKS OFFICIALS from throughout the state attended a testimonial dinner at Washington, Pa., Lodge honoring PDD Watkin Wilson (second from left), the lodge's secretary for the past 13 years. (From left) Grand Secy. Homer Huhn Jr., PSP Alex Brady, and State In. Gd. S. Carl Greenlee were among the speakers to pay tribute to Brother Wilson.



A GALLERY of Past Exalted Rulers of Uniontown, Pa., Lodge compiled by the Elks' ladies was recently dedicated to the memory of PER Wallace Teets Sr. Ladies' President Mary Ann Petruska (third from right) presented a plaque to Mrs. Arthur Beers, daughter of the late Brother Teets, as (from left) ER Connie Lipniskas, PER Arthur Beers, Edna Collins, past ladies' president and chairwoman of the project, and DDGER Paul Collins Jr. observed.



AS PART of his welcome to Westport, Conn., Lodge, DDGER Edward Zimmer (left) was presented with a cake by ER Robert Clark. Made by Mrs. Florence Vingo, Brother Clark's niece, the cake featured the official Elks emblem.



PRESENTING HIS GIFT of a Bicentennial flag to Delray Beach, Fla., Lodge was PER Robert Culhan (right). (From left) DDCER Benjamin Redding Jr. and ER Jack Decker accepted Brother Culhan's offering.



PSP CHARLES FOX JR. (seated, center), recently recovered from a serious illness, received a hearty welcome from PGERs John Walker and Edward McCabe along with 11 of the 18 past state presidents who attended the fall meeting of the Virginia Elks at Harrisonburg Lodge. At the meeting a National Foundation honorary founder's certificate was presented to PGER Walker as a token of appreciation from the Elks National Home and all the lodges in the state.



**CONGRATULATIONS** were extended by ER Anthony Poli (third from left) to charter member William Wolf Sr. (third from right), whose four sons joined Yorktown, N. Y., Lodge in a recent initiation. The new members included (from left) James, Roger, William Jr., and Steve Wolf, as well as ER Poli's son Bruce.



PROCEEDS from a recent dinner-dance at Lyndhurst, N. J., Lodge were earmarked for the South Bergen Mental Health Center. (From left) George Ahrens, president of the center, and Mrs. Barbara Guarino, head of the Mental Health Guild, accepted a check for \$1,000 from ER George Leonardis and Chm. Harold List.



MANAGERS AND COACHES for the Babe Ruth League were honored at a dinner held by Hillside, N. J., Lodge. Present were (from left) Youth Activities Co-chm. Anthony Naples, Michael Ladines and Irv Clark, who were awarded plaques for outstanding service, ER Jerry Padovano, and Youth Chm. George McDonald.



A BENEFIT for crippled children held at Red Bank, N. J., Lodge was chosen as the occasion to award a trophy to Kenneth MacKenzie (second from left), the gold medal winner sponsored by the lodge in the special international olympic games held in Michigan. Lodge Crippled Children's Chm. Leonard Salatino (third from left) made the presentation to the champion bowler as (from left) Est. Lead. Kt. Robert Bendon, State Chm. Leonard Hauselt, District Chm. Ernie Brautigan, and VP Joseph Magnotta observed.

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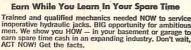


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And recently drift bottles were used in Long Island Sound by governmental agencies to study the circulation of coastal waters in order to determine where solid waste could be safely dumped. If the wrong spots are picked, the currents will bring the waste right back to pollute the shoreline.

All this information comes as a result of the help bottle finders provide by returning the messages they recover. For example, in a typical study done by the Coast and Geodetic Survey, U.S. Department of Commerce, a few years ago, each of the plain glass bottles released from the Survey ships in the Atlantic Ocean contained two cards. One card said, "Break this bottle" so the finder could easily remove the cards. The card went on to explain the purpose of the operation and added, "You can add to the knowledge of ocean currents by returning the addressed card with the requested information ... You will receive by return mail, information as to where this bottle was released. Your cooperation in giving accurate information will be of great assistance." The other card was a small postpaid form asking for the date and location of the bottle when found.

Though drift bottles have certainly served us well, they're gradually being replaced by newer, more predictable and more sophisticated tools. "Talking drift bottles" are now being developed by scientists at Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Woods Hole, Massachusetts. This is a part of an electronic system for tracking small drifting buoys from shore stations.

Though a new chapter in message bottle usefulness may be dawning, some people would say there was nothing wrong with the old uses. Apart from carrying government secrets, scientific reports, pen-pal letters or gospel messages, we could say that bottles can also catch mermaids rather efficiently. This proved to be true for Nick Burglin, a 24-year-old seaman from England, who threw a bottle message into the North Sea.

His message read: "Let's be hearing from you."

Within a relatively short time he married a mermaid named Janice Tipple. Janice found Nick's message on the shore not far from her seaside home

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a boy. The fox can cross a river on thin ice, or even swim the frigid water: a boy cannot, or at least he should not. A fox can see and hear and smell like God himself, and has an uncanny knack for knowing the plan of the hunt before the hunters know it. And, alas, it must be admitted that in his element, a country fox is just a cut above a country boy in basic intelligence.

Many of our hunts, though there was great excitement, ended without so much as a glimpse of the quarry. When we did get a look at the fox it was just a flash of red in the thick cover, or a speck of something jerking a big furry tail across a field way off in the distance. When the latter kind of a sighting occurred, those of us in a position to do so, sent .22 slugs popping off in the direction of the fox. It was like spitting into a blizzard. The odds against our hitting the fox were about the same as those faced by the proverbial snowball in hell. But we invariably fired .22 hollowpoints until we couldn't see the fox anymore, and almost without fail someone claimed to have scored a hit and swore that he had seen the fox falter and stumble. A check of the tracks, however, never bore out any of these claims. Not so much as a speck of blood was ever found and we were forced to admit that the fox had made a clean getaway.

Only once do I recall a fox making what would have to be called an error in judgement. On this occasion the fox emerged from beneath pine boughs very suddenly directly in front of me. He was so close I could see the whiskers on his black, pointed nose, and for just a second we looked each other in the eye. Fortunately for the fox, however, I had just taken a rather impressive tumble into the snow and I had broken my fall with the .22 rifle. The weapon was covered with snow, and I could neither aim nor shoot it until the fox had had time to correct its error and plunge out of sight.

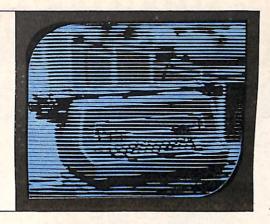
I did harvest something from that hunt, however: a striking picture of a majestic red fox trotting suddenly out into the bright sunlight from the shadows of the pine boughs. The picture remains handy and undimmed when I thumb through mental files.

The Saturday afternoons dissolved like puffs of smoke. They loomed in their coming as big as mountains; they rushed past like a stampede of mustangs; and we were left sweaty and exhausted, with the long winter night girding its loins in the shadowy thickets.

We made our way to our homes then, always late for chores, but so wrung out physically that we were not much use anyway. More than once on such Saturday nights, I dozed on a milk stool, with my head leaned into the flank of a Guernsey cow and my hands immobile on her teats.

The great fox hunts never produced a single fox, but that didn't diminish their greatness at the time and it certainly doesn't now.

## EDITORIALS



#### **Greater Efforts To Combat Crime**

Associate Justice Charles G. Douglas, III, of the New Hampshire Superior Court had some interesting things to say about crime in the U.S. when he delivered a speech last May. He brought the seriousness of the situation into sharp (and rather alarming) focus and we Elks would do well to ponder a few of the points he made:

"A hidden "tax" of \$100 per family is paid by all of of us based on the \$5.6-billion worth of merchandise shoplifted each year, according to the Department of Commerce. The total crime bill in America works out to \$420 for each and every man, woman and child in this nation."

"Last year 45 percent of all serious crimes in this country were by youngsters under the age of 18."

"Last year saw the sharpest increase in serious crime since 1960, and possibly since the Depression Year of 1930."

"The youth problem in the incidence of school crime is evident in the figure of \$500 million in school vandalism last year alone. To put that figure in perspective ...it equals all the money spent on school books in 1972!"

"A statistical shocker for any military veteran is the conclusion of 3 mathematicians at M.I.T. that an urban American boy born in 1974 is more likely to die by murder than was the World War Two risk of death in combat for an American G.I.!"

"We all know the familiar saying that "crime does not pay." That was more true 100 years ago than today. Nationally, out of every 100 serious crimes, only 21 percent lead to arrests and 5 percent lead to convictions. Believe it or not, there are today fewer persons in state and federal prisons in America than there were in 1960 . . . some 15 years ago! But we have 100,000 more police today than we did eight years ago, yet crime has grown dramatically."

"Official records show that almost two-thirds of all crimes in the U.S. are committed by repeaters or people with previous criminal involvement. Many get into further trouble while on bail awaiting trial. It is this element which should be dealt with differently than a first offender."

Judge Douglas had a lot more to say, but we have excerpted some of the items we feel will "grab you" and bring you a realization of the enormity of the problem we face.

As Elks, we assume an obligation of good citizenship and we expect every Brother to live up to that solemn oath. We must do whatever we can to make the United States a better nation in which to live...and we can think of no more important part of American life than to combat those who prey on their fellows through criminal acts. It is incumbent on each of us to exert whatever influence we can muster in fighting crime and criminals...not necessarily as law officers, but in the proper rearing of our children, influencing others to be good citizens by our thoughts, words and deeds, urging our elected representatives to do something definite in this war against crime, and by continuing and expanding our many Elks programs designed to help young people grow into better citizens.

Our slogan for this year sums it up well:

#### "BETTER ELKS—BETTER AMERICANS!"

#### Time To Nominate And Elect Officers

Just as a reminder, Grand Lodge statutes were amended at the Convention in Dallas last July, making February the month in which all subordinate lodges must nominate and elect officers.

This is a crucial time for all lodges. The men you elect will guide the destiny of your lodge for a full year. Think well before nominating a Brother...leave sentiment off to the side and concentrate on naming men whom you are convinced will get the job done! There's much too much at stake to entrust the well being of your lodge to a "Mr. Nice Guy," if a pleasant manner is his only qualification.

Here's a suggested check list you can think about when the nominations begin:

- 1. Is he interested in Elkdom to the point where he will work to build our lodge and the Order?
- 2. Is he willing and able to devote the necessary time and effort to the office?
- 3. Will he accept the duties and responsibilities of

office along with the title?

- 4. Is he a leader, well liked, intelligent and forceful enough to develop, and follow through, good programs for the lodge?
- 5. Will he have the consent of his family and employer?
- 6. Does he have the potential to become Exalted Ruler?

If you answer "Yes" to each of these questions about a candidate, by all means give him your support and vote. You'll help your lodge and the Order now...and for many years to come.

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