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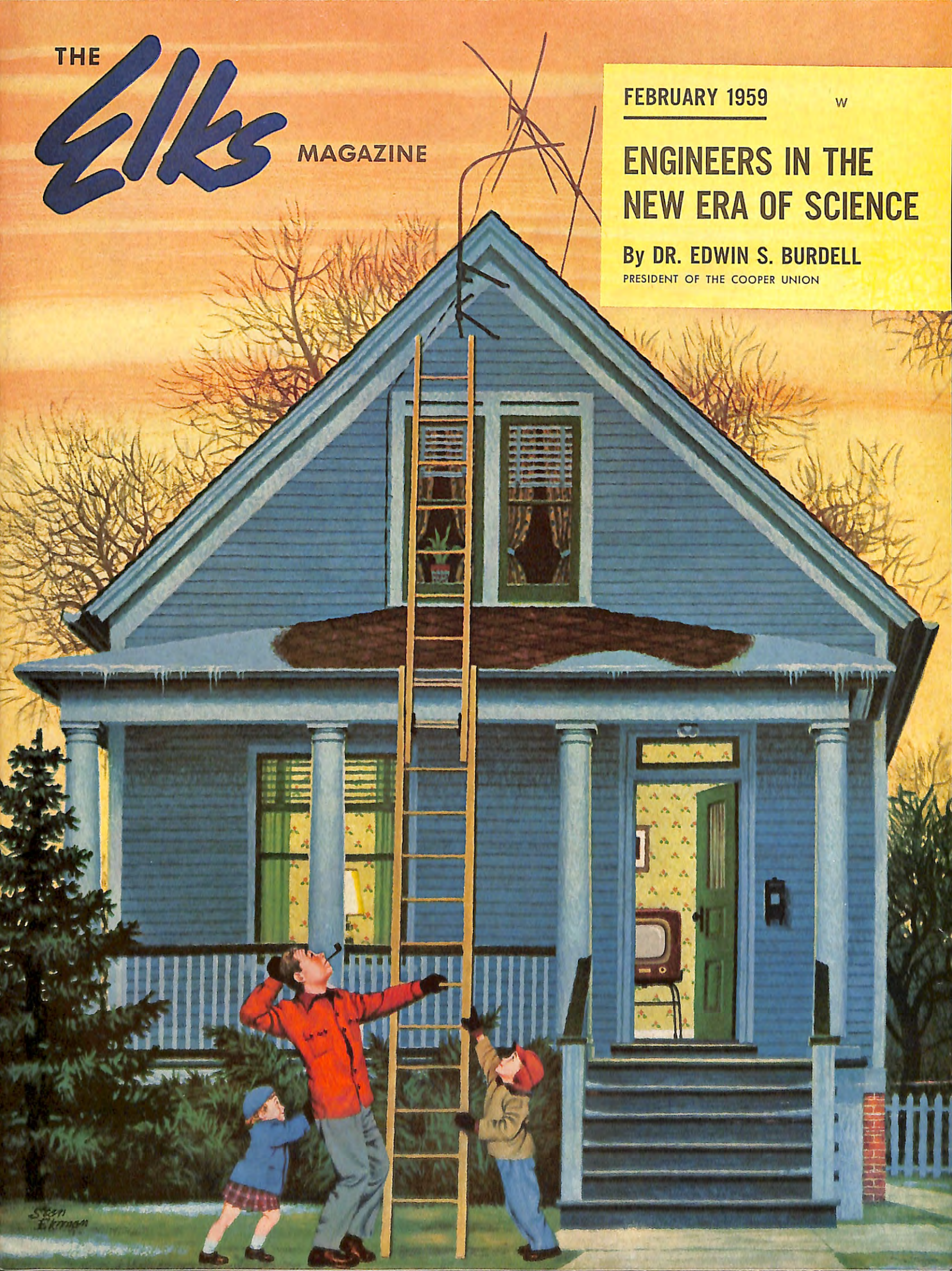
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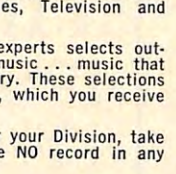
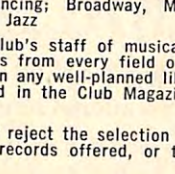
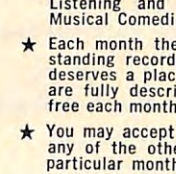
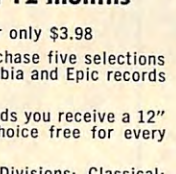
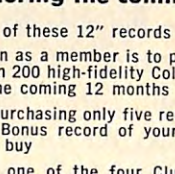
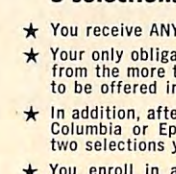
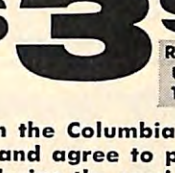
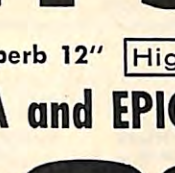
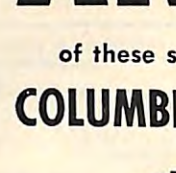
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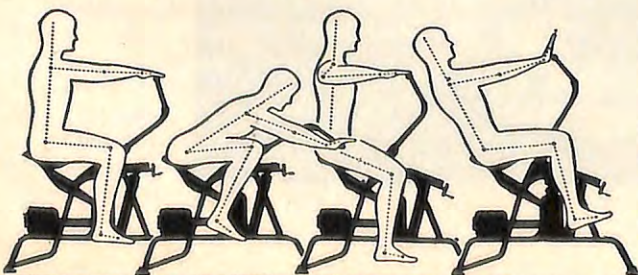
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# ENGINEERS

## *In the New Era of Science*

Let's not enter into a pointless race with the Soviets to determine who can graduate the most engineers. The race between the United States and Russia is not to see who reaches the moon first, but whose philosophy of society prevails.

By DR. EDWIN S. BURDELL  
PRESIDENT OF THE COOPER UNION

*As told to Eugene Rachlis*



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IT IS NO SECRET that the United States does not have all the skilled engineers it needs. Look at the Help Wanted columns of any newspaper any day, or for that matter, at display advertisements in many national magazines. Or visit a college campus in the spring as recruiting men from industry make their offers in person to the senior class. The salaries are high, the extra benefits are many; seemingly they should tempt many bright young men into choosing engineering as a profession. Yet, in a newspaper the other day which carried page after page of high-salaried job openings in pleasant climates, near golf courses, swimming pools and child-care centers, there was also a headline which made its point with wonderful conciseness: New Engineer Shortage Due. And the figures which followed made these depressing points: freshman enrollment in engineering has dropped in some institutions by as much as twelve per cent since last year; total undergraduate enrollment is down five per cent. Next June, about 39,000 new engineers are expected to be graduated throughout the United States. And the government's estimate of our need at that time is for 50,000 new engineers. Nor is the outlook for the years ahead an optimistic one. Dr. Henry C. Armsby, Chief for Engineering Education of the United States Office of Education, puts it this way: "I don't think the engineering shortage will be solved within ten years. There will be a continuing shortage averaging about 8,000 a year. But this does not mean that at the end of ten years there will be an accumulated shortage of 80,000. It means that each year we just won't do the things we want to do because the personnel is not available."

Not doing the "things we want to do" in national defense can be risky; not doing them in private industry can retard our national growth and affect our well-being.

Now these are disturbing prospects for a nation which has always had pride in its leadership in all fields of human endeavour. And, naturally enough, a number of thoughtful people have applied themselves to finding ways and means to get us out of this predicament. But thinking in terms of the figures alone, depressing though they may be, can be as dangerous as not doing the things we want to do.

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DR. EDWIN S. BURDELL is one of America's outstanding educators, greatly respected by industry and government as well as his own profession for his contributions to the development of education for engineers. He was Chairman of the committee of the American Society for Engineering Education which reported on "General Education in Engineering" and he has been associated with all the major studies in the field. In 1934, he established the first Division of Humanities at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Since 1938, he has been president of The Cooper Union, which this year completes 100 years of academic leadership in science and art, and whose School of Engineering is ranked among the best in the nation.

As Dr. James R. Killian, Jr., Special Assistant to President Eisenhower, has said, "We must not engage in a numbers game with the Russian engineering schools." Too many people have already indulged in this practice, almost as if they were mesmerized by the Russians' turning out 80,000 and more engineering graduates a year. But quantity will not solve our engineering difficulties; quality will. And somewhere out of the American soul-searching which began on October 4, 1957, when we learned that a Russian rocket had launched a 184-pound sphere into orbit, must come a new appraisal of the kind of education *all* our young men and women are to get. What we must never forget is that we have a well rounded education system which Russia obviously lacks, and we must be careful to maintain that balance. In doing so, we will go a longer way toward solving our engineering and science crisis than we will by wringing our hands over total enrollment and graduation figures.

Already there are indications that Americans believe that eggheads are better than blockheads. That is fine, but we must also make sure we do not put all our eggheads in one basket. We want doctors, lawyers, ministers, artists and musicians as well as scientists. Most of all we have to give back to learning the prestige it had in the earlier—and less affluent—days of the nation's history. From Colonial Days to beyond the Civil War, Americans had a high regard for education, perhaps because it was available to so few. Today, when we are faced with the education of the many, there is a general unwillingness to do the things necessary to make it possible.

There seems to be a dragging of feet when school bonds are up for local decision; state aid for education is low and Federal aid seems to be shelved indefinitely. Teachers' salaries remain the lowest among the professions, and teachers still find themselves ridiculed as impractical crackpots. Attacks on academic freedom have not helped either. Is it any surprise, then, that less than 3,000 college graduates last year were planning to make mathematics a career as opposed to 4,600 who did so in 1950? Or that last year only 5,000 men and women were planning to teach science as against 9,000 in 1950?

If the post-Sputnik reflection changes our attitudes toward teaching as a dignified profession which should be properly rewarded it will be a noteworthy achievement. But higher salaries and better facilities are not the only solution. High schools must gear themselves for earlier detection of talented youth, and for counseling them toward professional careers. It is estimated that 200,000 talented youths capable of college level work never reach college, or fail to graduate because of poor preparation or lack of funds. Had there been better counseling methods in our high schools, many of these able young men and women would have been encouraged to continue their education, they would have received the proper (Continued on page 38)

# Our **BIRTHDAY** — and **Pride of Membership**

On February 16, 1959, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks will celebrate its 91st birthday. Every member should know the fascinating story of the founding of our Order and of its enviable growth in number of lodges and members. Every member also should know of the splendid record which our Order has written in the fields of charity and benevolence and which has placed it on the highest plane of public respect and opinion. But more importantly, every Elk should know of the excellent charitable, benevolent, patriotic, and community service programs NOW BEING CARRIED ON throughout our country by the Grand Lodge and all of its subordinate lodges.

Why is it important for every Elk to know of all these things? Because through this knowledge there is developed in each member a deep and lasting pride of membership in the Order; an impulse to join with his fellow members in participating in these worthwhile programs; a desire to share with other Elks the happiness and satisfaction of the soul created by this application of the Golden Rule. Yes, it is important to YOU to know of our good works and to help with them —to have PRIDE in your membership!



So, as we approach the Order's birthday and as we look forward to the challenge presented in the next year, let us refresh our knowledge of the history and accomplishments of the Order and resolve to participate in the great programs now being carried on for the benefit of our fellowman. Elkdom's fascinating story of achievement is told in "History of the Order of Elks", compiled by Past Grand Exalted Ruler James R. Nicholson and published by the National Memorial and Publication Commission. It is authentic and interesting and should be read by every Elk. You will find it in your lodge's library or the Secretary should obtain a copy for the lodge. The benevolent and community strength of our Order is daily evident in the splendid work of the Elks National Foundation, the Elks National Service Commission, the Elks National Home, the many state major projects for the aid of cerebral palsied and other physically handicapped children, and the many subordinate lodge programs, such as scouting, Little League baseball, summer camps, and aid for the needy and underprivileged, which are legion in our Order.

We are taught to "Do unto others as we would they should do unto us". It is only through knowledge of the history and past accomplishments of our Order and through participation in the great patriotic, community and benevolent programs of the present that we can understand and fulfill this truly Elk precept. It is only then that we are able to hear the chorus rising from the throats of thousands who receive and appreciate our benefactions, "Congratulations", "God Bless the Elks", "HAPPY BIRTHDAY".

*Horace R. Wisely*

HORACE R. WISELY, *Grand Exalted Ruler*



# Tom Wrigley writes from Washington



THE BATTLE of the budget and the fight against inflation have opened on Capitol Hill before a political backdrop. There is an honest effort to balance the budget, which the recession threw out of whack; and, at the same time, a powerful move by liberals for increased spending with or without higher taxes has gained strength. The opening moves of leaders of both parties clearly show practically all of the legislative program in Congress will be tuned to the 1960 presidential elections. The 1960 campaign, in fact, has already begun. Senator Harry F. Byrd, (Dem.) of Virginia, of the Senate Finance Committee, warns that Federal fiscal recovery must start at once with a cut in Federal expenses, a balanced budget and moves to halt crippling inflation. Chairman Meade Alcorn of the G. O. P. National Committee agrees that the time for economy is now. President Eisenhower insists every effort be made to balance the budget. On the other side, however, are the advocates of increased spending for national defense and for the expansion of the national economy.

**REMODEL LINCOLN HOUSE.** The house on 10th Street, N. W., in which Lincoln died, will be closed until March in the interests of historical accuracy. Two rooms are being torn down because they were added 34 years after Lincoln died. The entrance also will be restored to its original appearance. There will be many changes but the bed in the room in which Lincoln died will remain. It is of the same style and age as the original bed.

**STATUE WEARS BLANKETS.** A heroic statue of George Washington now stands on the south side of Washington Cathedral. When it was uncrated, peo-

ple passing by were amazed to see the big bronze horse covered by three heavy horse blankets. The blankets were not to warm the horse but to protect the statue from being damaged.

**LOANS FROM UNCLE SAM.** Community Facilities Administration is doing right well making loans to various applicants. It approved a Federal loan of \$500,000 to the Misericordia Hospital in New York City; \$43,875 to the City of Bayonne, N. J., for preparation of plans for a municipal building; \$276,800 to prepare plans for a water project in central Mississippi, and \$16,450 to help seven communities in the state of Washington to prepare plans for their development. All of these loans are under the Housing Act of 1954, as amended. They are interest-free.

**BIGGER PENSION CHECKS.** In a few days, the new increased Social Security checks will reach pensioners. Top monthly checks for a retired worker are \$116; for worker and wife, \$174; widow, child or parent, \$87; widow and two children, \$232.

**IKE'S GRANDCHILDREN.** President and Mrs. Eisenhower's four grandchildren are having a wonderful winter at their home near Alexandria, at the White House and at the Eisenhowers' Gettysburg farm. They romp and play and turn things upside down and scarcely realize the careful but unobtrusive protection they are constantly under. It is secret protection of the very finest. Major and Mrs. John Eisenhower want the kids to lead normal lives and they do.

**VERMONT DEMOCRAT.** Visitors to the Capitol are having a big time pointing out Senators Bartlett and Gruening

of the new state of Alaska. Senator Muskie of Maine is another center of attraction. But the man getting the most attention is Rep. William H. Meyer of Vermont. He is the first Democrat to be elected to Congress from that state in 106 years. He is forty-three years old, a forester, and comes from the little town of Rupert.

**DEPENDENT POLLY.** With income tax time approaching, stories about the troubles of tax collectors are beginning to go the rounds. There is one about a dependent living in a family for over thirty years, who couldn't get a job to support herself because she couldn't talk very well. Her name was Polly. The income tax collector finally found out Polly was a parrot.

**DISTRICT DEBRIS.** California and New York registered greatest motor car registrations last year, while Washington took a loss of about one per cent. . . . The Washington Monument, with its new high-speed elevator, will re-open to visitors on February 22, but a lot of folks will still climb the stairs just to prove they can. . . . The Cigar Institute of America says cigar smoking is gaining four per cent a year. . . . New Senate Office Building houses 42 Senators in five-room suites. . . . American Trucking Assn. will build a \$2 million headquarters building, to be ready in 1960. . . . New Federal Duck stamps will show a Labrador retriever carrying a mallard drake. . . . The uncompleted battleship *Kentucky*, on which \$55 million was spent, was sold for scrapping for \$1,176,766.66. . . . World's biggest flying bird, a South American condor from the Andes, is in the Washington Zoo, where spectators can see it stretching its 8-foot wings.

# Baseball: Better Then or Now?

By AL STUMP

Some celebrated players who have followed baseball for thirty or more years take a close look at the game as played today in contrast to when they were active.

NO SOONER had Red Schoendienst's drive reached for the fence and been pocketed by a scrambling Mickey Mantle, for the final put-out of last fall's World Series, than the stage was occupied by another well-known American: Gus G. (for garrulous) Phan. He has been a busy gent in recent months. What kind of a winter was it in 1958? Because of the Series—the most torrid cold spell on record!

"Never saw people so het up," remarked Willie Mays the other day. "Some of these Hot Stove Leaguers I've been meeting get so steamed you'd expect they've been in the fiery furnace."

The author of this report and commentary can vouch for Willie's accuracy. In December, outside a baseball fans' bar-and-grill near the Los Angeles Coliseum, we came upon two lads, enthusiastically occupied in walloping each other. The argument: Dazzy Vance of the 1922-32 Dodgers could—or couldn't—pitch with more speed than the modern-day Big Bob Turley of the Yankees. When pulled apart, the battlers turned out to be brothers.

So once again the great controversy flames. Were the old-time big-leaguers, with all the lyric legend spun around

them, the equal of today's pros? For comparative horsepower, don't they belong in an antique collection along with the Reo, the Maxwell and the Apperson Jackrabbit? Or, from the opposite viewpoint of those who remember the Age of Alexander and Hornsby, of Sisler and Johnson—does any fan have the right to mention the current crop of ball-chasers in the same breath with the hairy-chested nonpareils of 25 and more years ago?

You can blame the revival of this delicate subject on the 1958 Series. To make their point, veterans of an epoch bounded by the 1920 disappearance of the spitball (legal version) and Dizzy Dean in his prime need only to rise and point to last year's classic of bad ball-playing—which, you can bet, they're doing in number.

"We were guilty of plenty in my time," says Harry Hooper, of the celebrated 1910-1915 Boston Red Sox outfield of Hooper-Duffy Lewis-Tris Speaker, "but at least we didn't let the pressure get us. We weren't sloppy when the big money was on the line. And we didn't stop *thinking* when all hell was popping around us. But last October, the Yankees and Braves ac-

tually embarrassed me with their play. If they were the best in two leagues, what did the rest look like?"

"I have to think," comments John (Beans) Reardon, ex-National League umpire, who goes back 40 years as an expert observer, "that Rabbit Maranville or Pepper Martin would have run wild against the defensive play I saw last season."

As millions watched the Series, they saw Milwaukee's Andy Pafko make a senseless dash for home plate, and be thrown out by 20 feet. They saw the Yanks' Hank Bauer fall down chasing an ordinary outfield bouncer. They witnessed Norm Siebern of the Yanks, playing a revolving-door center field, fail to find an escape from his own confusion, and lose two routine fly balls with damaging results. There was the Braves' Frank Torre, with two wild throws in one inning. And the Yanks' Tony Kubek, not playing a ground ball, but seeking to beat it into submission, and losing it for a critical error. And the defending world-champions' catcher, Del Crandall, a .250 hitter in a position requiring power, striking out 10 times. And there was Eddie Mathews. By biting at bad balls with inflexible zeal, the Braves'



Still considered by many the best balanced outfield of baseball, the 1910-15 Red Sox—Harry Hooper, Tris Speaker and Duffy Lewis.



In the World Series of 1931, the great Philadelphia Athletics met a one-man ball club in Cardinal rookie Pepper Martin, who batted .500.

third baseman set an all-time Series record for strikeouts with 11. All told, baseball's showcase seven games produced 10 errors, five wild-pitches, three overthrows, 15 pinch-hitters whose total production was zero bases gained, 98 runners left on base and the same total of hitters who went down on strikes.

Had Little Napoleon McGraw been on either bench, one thing is certain: the dugout would have needed a new roof, water cooler and batrack when the last shot was mis-fired.

Yet one Series hardly evaluates the whole situation, then and now. We must look deeper. Physiologists tell us that modern big-timers have a substantial edge in size over those of the Wilson-to-Hoover administration—approximately three inches and 20 pounds. And informal but extensive social studies show that 1959ers consume less alcohol than did the merry macemen of yore. "About ten times less," estimates Floyd (Babe) Herman, a slugging Dodger of the prohibition era. "We were desperate men in those days. What with the needled beer and rubbing liniment, guys would turn up at the plate so blind they might as well have been umpires. You don't think we were under a handicap? Why, in 1931, Hack Wilson was so thirsty he drew \$6,000 in fines for breaking training. Whole ball clubs don't draw a rap like that any more."

Nineteen-thirty may be considered a season offering a fair basis for comparison: it isn't lost in antiquity, yet it embraces the arid late days of Volsteadism.



Babe Herman's RBI in 1930 was 153, and with Hack Wilson at 190, he wasn't even close. Ernie Banks won in '58 with 130.



Joe Tinker



TO Johnny Evers



TO Frank Chance



The split-second timing of Nellie Fox and Luis Aparicio in this double-play would have amazed the celebrated Cubs infield of Tinker, Evers and Chance.

If we skip back there, as Babe Herman suggests, what do we find?

Well, that summer they were reciting a ballad in Chicago:

"Here lies the body of Spike McGlunk,

A brother of our lodge;

Hack Wilson hit one back at him,

And Spike forgot to dodge."

The ditty paid homage to a man designed like a beer keg, 5-feet-5½-inch, 230-pound Lewis (Hack) Wilson, of the Cubs, who despite his speakeasy-strolling, knocked 56 home runs in 1930—which still is the National League record. Hack once was shown a glass of water and a worm by Manager Joe McCarthy. Dunked in the water, the worm only wiggled about vigorously. But dropped into a second glass, containing 1930 whiskey, it twitched once and slid to the bottom, dead. "Now, Wilson," said McCarthy, with quiet triumph, "what do you learn from this?"

"That if I keep on drinkin' corn," returned Hack, "I won't never be bothered with no worms."

"Pitching today wouldn't bother Hack

much, either," goes on Herman. "He had something I don't see today—ability to hit any ball he could reach to any field with equal power. Everything's pull-hitting nowadays—down the foul lines the short way to fences pulled in as close as 250 feet. Hack's shots went 380 to 400 feet, on the average. And he sprayed them so's the outfield never could get set."

Wilson also drove in 190 runs that season, the highest recorded, before or since, in the majors. In 1958 Willie Mays of the Giants and Stan Musial of the Cardinals didn't collect within 30 of Hack's total *between* them. The staggering difference is worth further study. The RBI total is the game's most significant statistic, the factor on which all pennants hang, the performance item the least affected by three decades of change in strategy, equipment and park conformation.

"Nobody ever has topped Hack for power," analyzes Babe Herman, "but he wasn't the only one who plated runs

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Managing Editor of *The Arizona Republic*, Orien W. Fifer, accepts a plaque in recognition of community service, through vigilant and comprehensive news coverage, from Program Co-chairmen Mark Early and Robert Speakman at Phoenix Lodge.

# The Elks The Press and Freedom

Lodges throughout the Order salute the newspapers for their part in guarding our liberty.

"FROM THE QUALITY of the entries and the tremendous effort placed on the observance of National Newspaper Week I am confident that Elksdom acquired some very favorable publicity." That statement, by Lorin A. Winn of the Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Activities, attests to the vigor and the success of observances held by subordinate lodges during Newspaper Week, Oct. 1-8, 1958. The Committee has termed the contest response excellent.

For the purposes of judging, entries were divided into two groups: those submitted by lodges with 750 members or less, and those of more than 750 members. The carefully considered decisions of the Committee are presented here.

In the category of lodges with membership of over 750, First, Second and Third places were won, respectively, by Phoenix, Ariz.; Woonsocket, R. I.; and Santa Maria, Calif. Honorable Mention went to Greensboro, N. C., and Scranton, Pa.

Among the lodges with 750 members or less, First, Second and Third places were won, respectively, by Chester, Ill.; Chippewa Falls, Wis.; and Fulton, N. Y., with Honorable Mention going to Ambridge, Pa., and Farmington, N. M. Here is an account of the efforts which won top honors.

In accord with this year's Newspaper

Week theme—"Your Newspaper Guards Your Freedoms"—First Place winner Phoenix, Ariz., issued a commendation to 25 Arizona newspapers for maintaining and guarding our freedoms of speech, assemblage and worship. In answer to the lodge's request, Governor Ernest W. McFarland and Mayor Jack Williams issued proclamations to publicize Newspaper Week, and the press published many releases supplied by the Elks to call attention to the observances. Among the activities were the placing of window displays, radio and television messages and an award banquet at which the Program's Co-chairmen Mark Early and Robert Speakman presented to Orien W. Fifer, Managing Editor of *The Arizona Republic*, a plaque in appreciation of his publication's daily vigilant and comprehensive coverage of current events. An outstanding feature of the banquet was a talk by newspaper cartoonist Walt Ditzen, during which he demonstrated the art which has won him syndication in over 200 newspapers throughout the country.

The activities that won First Place for Chester, Ill., among the lodges with less than 750 members, included advance publicity to all papers and radio stations, a newsboys' paper-throwing contest and party, a radio round-table discussion of newspaper people, a display in the lodge

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Chester, Ill., Lodge honored newsmen—and newsboys—at a banquet featuring as guest speaker (standing) Dr. Howard R. Long, Chairman of the Journalism Department at Southern Illinois Uni-

versity. Other guests (from left) are Brother Ross V. Randolph, Warden of the State Penitentiary; Mrs. Long; Past Exalted Ruler Garrett C. Berry, Program Chairman, and Mrs. Berry.



Among the activities of Fulton, N. Y., Lodge were an essay contest for high school students and a Favorite Newsboy Contest. With Exalted Ruler Robert Quade (left) and Past Exalted Ruler James B. Hanlon, Chairman of State Committee on Youth Activities, are the winners, essayist Carole Rowland and favorite newsboy Everett Gantley.



At a Newspaper Week dinner given by Chippewa Falls, Wis., Lodge, Exalted Ruler Forrest H. Froberg (right) presents a Certificate of Recognition to Milo E. Nickel, Publisher of the *Chippewa Herald-Telegram*, for leadership and service, for fair and unbiased reporting, and for carrying on the highest traditions of journalism.



The Outstanding Newspaper Carrier of Woonsocket, R.I., George H. Buteau, Jr., accepts his award plaque from Exalted Ruler Lewis A. Andrews, Jr., during an observance at the lodge. It is interesting to note that George Buteau, along with his brother and sister, is carrying on a three-generation family tradition of prompt delivery of the *Woonsocket Call*.



In the Canary Islands, the natives still use camels to till the soil.

# Four Warm Hideaways

By **HORACE SUTTON**

Any one of these vacation spots would be a colorful and comfortable spot to escape the winter cold

WHEN the furnace flickers and fades, the wind whistles and wheedles and threads its way through the pores of the topcoat, the chill of the concrete creeps up through the soles of the shoes, it's small comfort to know that somewhere in the world somebody is warm. The somebody, of course, could be why-oh-yew, the only things needed being a bundle of booty, heaps of time and a spirit of get up and go.

I have chosen a number of places where I have, too briefly it is true, weathered the storm. Although they are spread to heaven and gone across the wide, wide face of a world map, and you would have a devilish time making them all in the course of a single voyage, any one of them would make a gorgeous hideaway along about now.

**A**LTHOUGH it means "River of January", when it is January in Rio de Janeiro the weather is like June everywhere else. The season's been reversed below the Equator and South America is at present basking in the summer sun. There is to my mind no better place to bask in it than Rio, which is sort of half a commercial city and half a playground, rather like Miami and Miami Beach and the equal parts of Nice, in Southern France.

Right in the center of the play part of town is the tremendous expanse of Copacabana Beach, which is a favorite—almost too hot a place—for sunbathing, for flying kites, for playing beach ball and volleyball, and for watching the water skiers as they zoom over the blue of the South Atlantic. Lovely white apartment houses fringe the edges of Copacabana beach and it is a pleasant if somewhat eyerolling endeavor to view them while walking along the twirling-patterned mosaic sidewalks for which Rio is famous.

At night there are bars and svelte supper clubs all along the seaside strand. Not the least of the supper clubs and restaurants are in the Copacabana Palace, a giant oceanside hotel in the grand European tradition.

The most startling means of transportation in Rio is automobile, for the drivers drive as if the world were about to end, and a pedestrian has to be nimble. Brazilian law says that a pedestrian who gets hit by a car is liable to be sued. Nor does it help the state of law and order when, according to the statutes, a hit and run driver not caught the first day is thereafter protected from further suit and arrest. One might well take refuge in the trolley cars, which cost slightly more than a penny a ride. Most

of them are open-air, and bring back memories of childhood days in New York when both Third Avenue and Broadway were traversed by open-air cars.

Anyway, an open-air trolley car will take you to the edge of Sugar Loaf, whence you can ride to the top on a two-stage cable car, swinging out over the blue of the sea and the white of the city. Said Mrs. Bob Considine, wife of the columnist, caught at the first landing by a defective cable that would have taken her to the top, "Oh well, half a loaf is better than none." A cog railway goes up Corcovado, a 2,300-foot mountain topped by a 128-foot high statue of Christ. It is illuminated every night.

**W**ASHED by the same Atlantic Ocean, but far to the north and on the opposite side of that sea, are the Canary Islands, one of the few places of real winter warmth to which Europe can turn. Although they are owned and administered by Spain, they are in truth off the coast of Africa and in many ways have strong African accents. There are warm beaches and bananas, palm trees and cactus plants, and on one island, Lanzarote, the natives are still tilling the soil with camels. There is also a welter

of history: Columbus stopped here on his way to discover America, and Horatio Nelson lost an arm while engaged in combat, trying to win the Canaries for England. But long centuries before, the Romans called the Canaries The Fortunate Isles, and they have similarly been called the Elysian Fields and the Blessed Isles.

They are indeed a blessed relief for anyone shivering through the northwinds that blow across the British Isles and the Continent, sending a cosmopolitan welter of tourists flocking to hotels like the luxurious Santa Catalina, a Canary hotel built a few years ago with 145 rooms, decorated with handsome carved Canary balconies. It has a pool, and a garden that grows with night-blooming flowers and bougainvillea. Alongside it is the replica of a Canary Island village fitted out with shops that sell wild canaries and magnificent lace-work that varies from island to island. An hour's ride out there is a five-mile beach with scarcely anything on it beyond a few chance huts and a small tavern. And for bolder excursionists there are trips into the mountains or trips across to Lanzarote, an island pock-marked with extinct volcanoes and all but covered with volcanic ash in which the local farmers manage to grow the most curious crops. Both in Las Palmas and Tenerife, the visitor benefits from the lack of taxes; and free-port prices make it possible to buy a tailor-made suit for under \$35, or a highball at the best hotel for fifty cents.

ALSO warmed by African winds is the colorful island of Sicily, which is a scant two miles from Italy on one side and 100 miles from Africa on the other.

While Sicily has gained some prominence as the alleged seat of the Mafia, and although, like Corsica, it has a reputation for home-grown bandits, it is also the winter seat of cosmopolitan society which likes to sit out the frigid days sequestered in Taormina. Winter is the best season for Sicily, which broils in summer; Taormina, made popular long ago by Kaiser Wilhelm II, is its best resort. Perched 400 feet above the sea, it looks off, as well, to the great view of Mount Etna snow-capped and frequently smoking. Among its two-score hotels, large and small, is the San Domenico Palace which was once a convent, but now offers a life that while dignified is hardly monastic. For the evenings there are spectacles in an open-air Greco-Roman theater. From the seats you can see not only the stage, but Etna as well. There are bus trips around Sicily, with visits to the beautiful Greek temples at Agrigento where the almond trees flower in February, to Syracuse with its brightly painted boats and its own Greek theater, not to mention its handsome hotels that lie in lush gardens growing with cactus plants and lemon trees.

TAHITI—what stirs the imagination more? What conjures more romantic thoughts? What beckoned to more romanticists like Gauguin, Nordhoff and Hall, Loti, and that latter day chronicler, Michener. Far down in the South Pacific, roughly across from the top of Australia, roughly opposite the coast of Peru—it is only a question of time until Tahiti will fill in some offshore lagoon and build its own airstrip. Until then you can zoom in by flying boat from  
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# Universities Extoll

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... Please express to the officers of the Elks National Foundation not only my deep personal thanks but the thanks of the University of Washington for the generous help the Foundation is giving to an outstanding young woman who is preparing herself to serve in the field of nursing. I am certain that the Elks National Foundation Scholarship Program has made it possible for many young people to continue their educational programs who otherwise might have been unable to do so. Congratulations on your splendid work.

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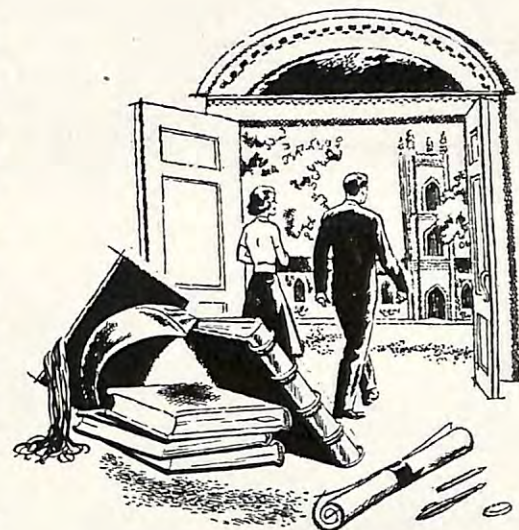
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... We would like to say that we are most appreciative of the interest you have shown in higher education. The Elks National Foundation is certainly a wonderful example of what can be done to assist worthy students. We do hope that this young man will be a credit to you and to us.

BROTHER S. ALBERT, F.S.C.  
PRESIDENT

# Greeted by Hundreds



In Racine, Wis., for a visit to that city's lodge on Sept. 16, the Grand Exalted Ruler was guided through the plant of the Johnson Wax Company. Gathered before the famous Johnson globe and tower are (left to right) Brothers Herbert P. Soens, Exalted Ruler Robert J. Toeppe, Raymond A. Krause, Past Grand Exalted Ruler

Judge Floyd E. Thompson, Mr. Wisely, Grand Forum Member Alfred E. LaFrance, Harry A. Linsey, Grand Lodge Activities Coordinator Bert A. Thompson, Grand Lodge Credentials Committee Chairman Frank T. Lynde, Past Exalted Ruler Eugene N. Korzilius and the Johnson Company's Public Information Administrator, William R. Gerler.

WITHIN SIX MONTHS after he took office, Grand Exalted Ruler Horace R. Wisely visited subordinate lodges or State Associations in 70 per cent of the states. As Mr. Wisely's administration progresses, his itinerary is maintaining its vigor, the number of visits continues to mount, and the number of Elks—often hundreds—who turn out to greet him during these visits is impressive.

**OKLAHOMA.** The weekend of Oct. 31 to Nov. 2, Mr. Wisely spent in Oklahoma, in order to attend the State Convention for which more than 300 Elks gathered in Claremore (the Convention itself was reported fully in January's News of the State Associations). Mr. Wisely was met at Tulsa on Friday afternoon, Oct. 31, and escorted by motorcade to Claremore for the opening of the Convention. Present for this annual fall gathering were Past Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Earl E. James, and State Pres. Clarence H. Dietz. The Grand Exalted Ruler returned to Tulsa in time for a luncheon meeting on Nov. 2, after which he attended a reception in the new, ultra-modern home of the lodge. Following the reception, Mr. Wisely dedicated the new drum-shaped structure and grounds, which cost a quarter-million dollars and feature a large dance floor, a twenty-foot high fireplace, soft lights in the dome over the massive ballroom, a picnic area and a large swimming pool. The building is air-conditioned. Exalted Ruler Carl L. Britton was host at the dedication ceremonies.

**NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARK.** Accompanied by Past Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Earl E. James and Grand Lodge Auditing Committeeman Bert Wysor, Mr. and Mrs. Wisely visited North Little Rock, Ark., Lodge on Nov. 3. They were greeted by Grand Lodge Credentials Committeeman Charles F. Lilly, Special  
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At Belleville, Ill., Lodge on Nov. 19, admiring a Ritualistic trophy which was won by the lodge are (from left to right) Past Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees Dr. Nick H. Feder, Exalted Ruler Hansel V. Johnson, Grand Exalted Ruler Horace R. Wisely, District Deputy R. E. Costello, Jr., and Past Grand Exalted Ruler Joseph B. Kyle.



Photographed after a banquet at Shreveport, La., Lodge on Nov. 22 are (front row, from left) Brothers A. C. Straughan, John W. Haygood, W. P. Pearce, Jr., Exalted Ruler Roland J. Achee, Mr. Wisely, District Deputy Edward W. Ortego, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Earl E. James and Louis E. Moossy. Rear row: Miles J. Byrne, J. P. Ketteringham, L. H. Austin, Hubert Hill, Jr., Wayne Bateman, David Mitchell and Lodge Secretary A. B. Culliton.



Grouped around the altar at Beckley, W. Va., Lodge during the Grand Exalted Ruler's visit on Nov. 5 are (from left to right) lodge officers George Springer, John C. Ashworth, Exalted Ruler W. E. Hedrick, Earl Riner, Mr. Wisely, John Saunders, Warner Stanley, Robert E. Roderick and Chaplain Edward L. Canterbury.



At North Little Rock, Ark., on Nov. 3, Mr. Wisely congratulates Past Exalted Ruler Henry O. Topf as they examine a plaque commemorating Mr. Topf's outstanding service in rebuilding the lodge home after disastrous fires. Looking on are Past Grand Exalted Ruler Earl E. James (right) and Exalted Ruler Dale Price.

# "Knowing Your America" with



**NEW YORK, New York,** Lodge's Past Exalted Ruler Robert F. Wagner, as Mayor of the City of New York, proclaimed November 23rd to the 29th as "Know Your America" Week. Exalted Ruler Raymond Tese, left, was on hand when television actress Julia Meade accepted the proclamation from Deputy Mayor Paul T. O'Keefe at a City Hall ceremony.



**HOLLYWOOD, Florida,** Lodge's celebration included a multitude of appropriate events, climaxed by a tremendous outdoor rally in which all local patriotic, fraternal and civic organizations participated. A feature of this program was the awarding of U. S. Bonds to winners in the Elks' patriotic essay and poster contests for school children.

**TAKING THE LEAD** in many communities across the Nation, the Order of Elks put its patriotic heart into the effort to make 1958 the most outstanding in the eight years of observing "Know Your America" Week.

Under the aegis of the All-American Conference to Combat Communism, a group of 55 organizations of more than 50,000,000 citizens, interest in this annual event has grown deeper and more enthusiastic with each passing year. As a member of the Conference, Elkdom has, in a large part, been responsible for this increased interest.

In Riviera Beach, Fla., under the leadership of the recently instituted Elks Lodge No. 2069, 30 civic clubs and other organizations rallied in support of the program for which Talmage Wilcher was General Chairman. The outdoor program at Municipal Park was the high point in the ceremonies, with State Senator Fred O. Dickinson, Jr., as the principal speaker and climaxed by the impressive pageant on the "History of the Flags of America" narrated by Exalted Ruler John L. Remsen before an audience of over 4,000. This observance included an essay contest for school children on "My Responsibility as an American".

Patriotic essay contests were a popular integer in many Elk programs this year. Hillsdale, Mich., Lodge, for instance, invited students of ten schools to write on the subject of "Combatting Communism in the U.S.A."

Another Florida Lodge to sponsor "Know Your America" Week in top-notch fashion was Hollywood No. 1732. Chairman Wm. B. Hoffheimes and his Committee worked diligently to insure the success of their effort, with the hearty cooperation of all patriotic, civic, fraternal and religious groups of their community. This lodge not only conducted an essay contest in the schools, but a patriotic poster contest as well. Kick-off of the Hollywood Elks' Week was a blood-bank drive at their home, when 122 citizens made their donations. This observance culminated in a giant rally at the Young Circle Amphitheater.

Speaking of another Hollywood, a popular movie and TV star, Raymond Burr, took part in the program sponsored by the Elks of Los Angeles, Calif. The actor was one of the speakers when the city's KYA Committee awards were presented at the lodge home by Exalted Ruler Dr. George W. Campbell and LA County Sheriff-Elect Peter J. Pitchess, General Chairman for the Elks' cere-

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mony at which Mayor Norris Poulson, Honorary Chairman of the Week, was a speaker.

New York, N. Y., Lodge's Exalted Ruler Raymond Tese appointed Frank D. X. Finnegan as Chairman to spearhead its drive against the red menace during "Know Your America" Week. Mayor Robert F. Wagner, a Past Exalted Ruler of the lodge, in signing the proclamation for the observance, urged his fellow citizens to support the program which stressed the cultural freedom our country enjoys.

Showing their awareness of the importance of our future citizens to the welfare of the U.S.A., many lodges conducted their observances during school assemblies. Exalted Ruler Vincent J. Grilli of Herkimer, N. Y., Lodge was guest speaker at the L. W. Bills School when student council members assisted in making the diversified patriotic meeting an unqualified success.

In Nebraska, Stanley Danekas, who toured Russia as a member of a United States marksmanship team and is Vice-President of the Nebraska Elks Assn., was the principal speaker at Scottsbluff Lodge's program when he showed films taken during his travels behind the Iron Curtain.

In submitting a portfolio of exhibits of the Galveston, Texas, observance to the Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge, Chairman M. M. Mihovil made mention of the fact that in 1954, the initial effort of his city's participation in this observance consisted of a single event—a community-wide meeting in the City Auditorium, when the "Ritual of the Flag" was presented by the local Elks.

Phoenix, Ariz., Lodge's Exalted Ruler R. R. Olson appointed M. E. Smith and G. W. Saville, Sr., Co-Chairmen of that program whose success was no doubt the result of the 1,500 hours they, and their assistants, spent in planning the event. All schools, churches, courts, service clubs, radio and television stations were covered, with a maximum of cooperation from all. At various meetings held by the lodge throughout the Week, speakers included Rev. Father Francis O'Sullivan, a former Chinese prisoner of war; Walfried Meyer, a Hungarian refugee from behind the Iron Curtain, and Rev. Major Cloma Huffman, a former Chaplain at West Point who recently returned from a year's duty in South Korea. All had much of importance to reveal to their audiences as to the oppressions of the communist influence.



**DETROIT (Northwest), Michigan,** Lodge's institution had such distinguished participants as, left to right, seated, the lodge's first E.R. Donald C. Maloney, Grand Lodge Committeeman John K. Burch, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Edward J. McCormick and E.R. R. B. Helm of Detroit Lodge No. 34; standing are State Pres. V. W. Rouse, D.D. A. A. Vernon, Benjamin F. Watson of the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee and Past Grand Tiler Irvine J. Unger.

**KENTUCKY'S** newest branch of the Order is Elizabethtown Lodge No. 2093. Instituted by Special Deputy Joseph G. Kraemer, the lodge welcomed 75 initiates and ten on transfer dimit. Assisting were officials of the sponsoring Louisville Lodge No. 8. Among these dignitaries was Past Grand Est. Leading Knight Arnold Westermann.

The event took place at the home of the Louisville Elks whose officers conducted the initiation. State Trustee Ernest J. DeSoto addressed the members of the new lodge who elected Frank E. Miller as their first Exalted Ruler. He and his panel were installed by District Deputy Val E. Smith.

Guest of honor was Past Grand Exalted Ruler Wade H. Kepner who was the principal speaker at the banquet and dance held by the Kentucky Elks Assn. following the ceremonies. Other speakers included Grand Lodge Committeeman B. T. Gresham, State President Wm. C. Wilson, Mr. Kraemer, District Deputies Smith and A. E. Funk, Jr., Elizabethtown Lodge's Exalted Ruler Miller and Chaplain Leonard T. Bean who is Mayor of the city, and Louisville Exalted Ruler F. Wilbur Fitzner.

Mr. Kraemer, Chairman of the Organization Committee for the new lodge, reports that it secured an \$18,000 home as its headquarters.



**NEGAUNEE, Michigan,** Elkdom's 50th Anniversary honored three living Charter Members at a well-attended banquet. Here, P.E.R. W. R. Davey, standing at left, presents a 50-year pin and Life Membership to P.E.R. Philip Hogan. Other Charter Members honored were M. F. Kelly and P.E.R. A. F. Willman. In the foreground are Mrs. Robert A. Burns and Past State Pres. Burns who was the principal speaker and accepted from host E.R. F. E. Dompierre his lodge's \$300 gift for the Michigan Elks Association's Major Project.



**MISSISSIPPI** Elks held their Fall Meeting at Vicksburg when State and Grand Lodge officials were pictured with the Ritualistic Team from Vicksburg, Biloxi and Hattiesburg Lodges which conducted an initiatory ceremony.



**MISSOULA (Hellgate), Montana,** E.R. L. W. Livingston, right, looks on as therapist Mrs. Peggy Kenna works with a child at the Montana State Univ. Speech and Hearing Clinic. Her appointment was made possible through the lodge's \$1,500 grant. Others in the picture at left are, left to right, University officials Dr. R. Y. McGinnis, Speech Dept.; Clinic Director Dr. C. D. Parker, and Acting Pres. Dr. G. B. Castle.

**ASTORIA, Oregon,** Lodge's State Elk champion billiard players are pictured above with the trophies they won in Portland with a score of 396 over the host lodge's 386. Archie Wirkkula, left, won the individual title and A. H. Hubbell, right, was runner-up. Second from left is Bill Welch, third from left is Bill Moore, to complete the team which won four trophies, including team championship, perpetual team trophy and two individual cups.

## LODGE NOTES

District Deputy D. Earl McCroskey, accompanied by State Vice-Pres. Clair E. Hill, enjoyed a very pleasant visit with the Elks of Hugo, Okla., in their fine new home. This lodge, Mr. McCroskey reports, is definitely the center of the community's activities, particularly for the young people. One of the youth activities Hugo Elkdom sponsors is the Junior Rifle Club, which meets weekly for expert adult instruction in the care and handling of firearms and is open to all boys and girls between the ages of 12 and 19.

Warrensburg, Mo., Lodge is particularly fortunate in having among its membership a man who has Elkdom's interests uppermost in his heart. He is Salem Ford Belt, who joined the Order 17 years ago when he retired from the business of farming and moved to Warrensburg to live. A widower, with no children, he is now 94

years old. Not long ago, Mr. Belt presented to his lodge a gift of \$2,500 which is to be used in the lodge's best interests by a special committee set up by Exalted Ruler Hugh A. Reynolds. As an expression of gratitude his lodge voted him a Life Membership.

We have just heard from Past Grand Exalted Ruler Henry C. Warner that one of the outstanding law firms in northern Illinois is composed of four Past Exalted Rulers of Rockford Lodge. They are L. C. Miller, Charles A. Thomas, Francis E. Hickey and William E. Collins.

One of the most successful affairs conducted by El Reno, Okla., Lodge in recent months was a Thanksgiving Dance for local high school students. Exalted Ruler Joe W. Maxey and his Brother Elks welcomed more than 400 young people who thoroughly enjoyed

the music of Floyd Rice, his trumpet and orchestra.

Captain Hilton Michel, commander of Company B, Louisiana National Guard, has acknowledged with gratitude the new American Flag presented to the Company by Morgan City Lodge. The presentation was made by Exalted Ruler Frank J. Husband, Jr.

Est. Loyal Knight Peter Di Leo of Bergenfield, N. J., Lodge, reports that the fourth-grade pupils he teaches at Waldwick Elementary School are doing their part in his lodge's Service Commission program at the East Orange VA Hospital. The youngsters have donated books, magazines, games, cigars and cigarettes to help lighten the hours of veterans hospitalized there. Exalted Ruler Fred D. Dannenfesler and Past Exalted Ruler John L. Gorman, who, with Mr. Di Leo are Co-Chairmen of



**PITTSBURG, California,** Lodge welcomed the fifth DiMaggio brother into the Order when D.D. Granville Burke visited there. The five Enea brothers having been initiated some time ago, the DiMaggios are the second Pittsburg Elk family quintet. The DiMaggios, Barney, James, Neno, Salvatore and Tonno, are pictured with D.D. Burke and E.R. Dick Patriquin.



**MIDDLETOWN, New York,** Elk Youth Chairman R. J. Salvati is pictured, right foreground, when the Elk-sponsored Boy Scout Troop at the N. Y. State Training School Annex was chartered. Others include, left to right, Dist. Scout Exec. Henry Donohue, Troop Committee Chairman J. R. Deihle, E.R. C. C. Van Fleet, School Supt. Ernest Tilford and Scoutmaster Carleton Gillette.



**SAGINAW, Michigan,** Elk Phil Richards' annual Spring ritual is planting flowers around the lodge's downtown home. Last year he also put in tomato plants and members paid from \$1 up for each tomato taken from them. Proceeds from the sale of the Choice Citified Downtown Tomatoes went to the Michigan Elks' Handicapped Children's Fund.



**BALBOA, Panama Canal Zone,** 35-year-Elk Roy S. Mosher, left, receives a diamond 50-year-membership pin from Past Grand Est. Lect. Knight H. J. Zierten at a banquet honoring Mr. Mosher who was originally affiliated with Santa Cruz, Calif., Lodge which he joined in October, 1908.



**MASSACHUSETTS** Elkdom's first prize in the drawing which gave \$32,000 to charity, is presented to Bruce Mills by Gardner P.E.R. Edward Chitow, Chairman. Looking on, left to right, are Past State Pres. Dr. Louis Dubin; Committee Vice-Chairman M. J. De-George and C. B. Burgess, Newton P.E.R.'s; Clinton P.E.R. H. T. Flaherty; M. R. Taymore of Chelsea; F. J. DeVries of Wakefield, and Past State Pres. Dr. W. F. Maguire.

the Committee, have sent the class a letter commending them for their charitable spirit.

When Stanley E. Boquest returned from Cascade Sanitarium in Redding, Calif., after two months' treatment there, the occasion was celebrated by all his fellow Paradise, Calif., Elks, but by four close friends in particular. They were George P. Moseley, William Kirchner, Carl Frey and J. J. O'Leary, who responded to the request of Stan Boquest that interested men attend a meeting at his home to launch the campaign for the organization of a lodge in Paradise. They received the advice of Basil Gillett, a Past Exalted Ruler of Chico Elkdom, and Paradise Lodge's first leader. For some time, the Boquest home was the meeting place for these men until the institution in March, 1957, of what is today the large and enthusiastic Paradise Lodge.

Among the hundreds of lodge bulletins we receive, we frequently find something unusual in their contents. A most interesting, as well as gratifying, insert we have noticed recently is contained in Lancaster, Calif., Lodge's "Desert Elk." Leonard Cosgrove, editor of this fine bulletin which has won several Grand Lodge Awards in the annual Bulletin Contest, has asked various officers and other members of his lodge to act as contributing editors to the *Elks Need Facts* column carried in its pages. Each of these men, prominent in his own field of law, education and so on, has taken his subject matter from a section of the "History of the Order of Elks", published by the National Memorial and Publication Commission. Every one of these columns makes it apparent that the contributing editors have put a great deal of thought into what they select as being most interesting to the "Desert Elk" readers.



**RICHMOND, California,** Lodge's State Championship Ritualistic Team is pictured with its awards, including the "Harry Hoffman Memorial Trophy", center, foreground. Team members are, left to right, Inner Guard George Gribbin, Coach J. A. Dyer, P.E.R., Est. Lect. Knight Charles Wright, Est. Loyal Knight J. W. Moss, Candidate R. A. Whaley, USMC, E.R. H. C. Fanning, Est. Lead. Knight Burns Campbell, Esq. L. H. Martin, Coach Cale Ramey, P.E.R., and Chaplain Donald Luce.



**OCONTO, Wisconsin,** Lodge's youth program includes an annual football banquet. Photographed at the initial event were, left to right E.R. Joe Sylvester, Jim Eckes who received the Elks' plaque as the most valuable player, and Coach Don Hermann, who also is a member of the Elks' Youth Activities Committee.



**LIBERTY, New York,** Lodge's banquet for their championship P.A.L. baseball players saw some of the young diamond stars seated at the main table with, left to right, E.R. Philip Sabloff, team Manager Thomas A. Canty, Elston Howard, star player for the World Championship Yankees, his son Elston, Jr., Youth Activities Chairman Morris Gerber, Coach Buddy Pollack, Pete Sheperd of the P.A.L. and Asst. Coach Tom Monzo.

**DR. EDWARD J. McCORMICK,** Past Grand Exalted Ruler, delivered a deeply inspiring address when Detroit (Northwest), Mich., Lodge, No. 2097, was instituted. Stressing the necessity of the Elks lodge as an integral part of the civic life of the community, Dr. McCormick called upon the members of the new lodge to keep the importance of service uppermost in their activities.

The impressive ceremonies, held at the home of the sponsoring Detroit Lodge No. 34, climaxed a year of planning and work by immediate Past District Deputy Robert M. Owen and his successor, Albert A. Vernon.

A corps of Exalted Rulers from various lodges of the Southeast District, led by Chairman Ray Creith of the State Assn.'s Committee on New Lodges, conducted the installation of Exalted Ruler Donald C. Maloney and his fellow officers who were elected by the new lodge's membership following its initiation by Exalted Ruler Howard Emerson and the officers of Jackson Lodge No. 113.

In addition to Dr. McCormick, other speakers on the program included Hugh L. Hartley of the Grand Lodge Membership and New Lodge Committee, Benjamin F. Watson of the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee, former Grand Tiler Irvine J. Unger and State Assn. President V. W. Rouse. In his capacity as Chairman of the Michigan Elks Assn.'s Elks National Foundation Committee, Mr. Watson accepted from the new lodge's Exalted Ruler the first \$100 toward an Honorary Founders Certificate, the purchase of which is a long-established Michigan tradition with the institution of each new lodge.

Among the dignitaries in attendance were John K. Burch of the Grand Lodge Pension Committee, Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committeeman Edwin P. Breen and Ohio Elks Assn. Inner Guard Edwin A. Clay who was in Dr. McCormick's party.

**THANKS TO WATERTOWN, S. D.,** Lodge, No. 838, the famed U. S. Marine Band played two concerts in the City Auditorium recently. One was given for 1,600 school children, including 23 youngsters and their nurses from the Crippled Children's Home in Sioux Falls, and bus loads of students from all over the area as well as western Minnesota.

The evening performance was also an outstanding musical event and was played to a capacity audience welcomed by Past Grand Exalted Ruler James G. McFarland, Gov. Joe Foss, Past State Pres. Ross E. Case and Exalted Ruler Theodore J. Wrage, Sr. Funds realized through this concert will be given by the lodge to the Sioux Falls Crippled Children's Fund and Home.

**MISSISSIPPI ELKS** met at Vicksburg in November for a two-day meeting when a State-wide initiation ceremony was conducted by a team from Biloxi, Hattiesburg and Vicksburg Lodges.

A reception and banquet, followed by a dance, took place November 8th with delegates and their wives in attendance from seven branches of the Order. Among the dignitaries present were A. Clyde Moss of the Grand Lodge Committee on Credentials, President H. L. McCarley of Clarksdale and District Deputy Charles A. Reedy. Dr.

Walter Johnston was the speaker on this occasion, introduced by James Nichols who, with Victor Jacobs and Dave Dogan, handled the arrangements.

In addition to President McCarley, other current officials of the Mississippi organization are Vice-Presidents W. G. Walker of Yazoo City and John Scott of Hattiesburg, Secretary Dr. F. C. Fant of Clarksdale and Treasurer W. W. Tobias of Natchez.

**THE GRAND OPENING** and dedication of the home of youthful Winner, S. D., Lodge, No. 2084, was a well-planned and very enjoyable two-day affair.

Exalted Ruler Marvin S. Talbott and his officers initiated a class of 37 as a tribute to Past District Deputy Fred Green, in recognition of his outstanding service in helping to organize the lodge which was instituted last May. Handling the initiation ceremony were the officers of Ainsworth, Neb., Lodge, No. 1790, headed by Exalted Ruler M. L. Devilbiss.

State Assn. President Harold F. Ricketts was the featured speaker at the dedication program, and District Deputy Richard W. Hanten spoke briefly.

Over 400 members and guests enjoyed the formal ceremony and the social events which celebrated the opening.

**ELMIRA, N. Y.,** Lodge, No. 62, is mourning the passing of Past Exalted Ruler William Hanson. Known as "Mr. Sunshine" to thousands of Elmiraans, he had devoted most of his time during the past 20 years to visiting ailing members of his lodge and their families.





**CLARKSBURG, West Virginia,** Lodge's State Champion Bowlers are, left to right, Stanley Yochym, Bill McKee, Capt. C. F. Wilson, Truman Wyant and Harry Gardner.

**NEWPORT HARBOR, California,** Lodge welcomed its senior P.E.R. Frank M. Linnell following his election as President of the Calif. Elks Assn. Pictured at left are, left to right, Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis who was "one of the boys—Fry Cook Division" at the buffet supper, P.E.R. A. H. Matthews, Mr. Linnell and E.R. Dr. George W. Campbell of Los Angeles Lodge.

Although he was in his 80's at the time of his death, Mr. Hanson was Esquire of his lodge and attended all its meetings. He was the personification of Elksdom's highest principles, and it was therefore fitting that he died as he had lived. At the lodge, as usual, he took his place in his chair, folded his hands in his lap and died peacefully of a heart attack.

**A BOWLING QUINTET** from Clarksburg, W. Va., Lodge, No. 482, won the State Elks' Bowling Tournament held recently at Charleston by scoring a total of 2,981 in a three-game set. Fifty teams participated in the 7th Annual Contest, in which Clarksburg entered five. This is the second time the Clarksburg Elks' No. 2 team has taken the State title; the first time was the 1952 competition.

Members of the championship group are Captain C. F. Wilson who came in with the highest single game with a 258 tally in the singles event, Truman Wyant, Harry Gardner, Bill McKee and Stanley Yochym.

**CRIPPLED CHILDREN VISITED.** A recent Sunday afternoon found a group of 61 children, their parents and other guests at the Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Home in Umatilla being entertained by DeLand, Fla., Lodge, No. 1463.

The Sheriff's Dept. of Lake and Volusia Counties provided an escort for the motorcade. Henry C. Ebeling, an Elk who was formerly with the Westchester County Recreation Commission in New York, served as MC for the program which included acts of magic by "The Great Volta" assisted by

his company among which was Miss Nanette Hanson who opened the program with a jungle dance. Robert Wenz, former pianist for Paul Whiteman, played several solo numbers as well as providing the background music for Volta Hull's magic.

**LAST OCTOBER** 28th, Carl A. Reed, a half-century member of Augusta, Maine, Lodge, No. 964, and an Intercollegiate Football Official, was cited at the lodge's annual Old Timers' Night program. Eleven days later, Mr. Reed passed away suddenly at his home in Leonia, N. J. He is survived by his wife, Emeline S. Reed.

Honored along with Mr. Reed, who received a 50-year membership pin from Exalted Ruler John H. Colford and reviewed his experiences in Elksdom in an entertaining talk, were a number of Elks who have been affiliated with the Order for over 20 years.

**MIDDLETOWN, N. Y.,** Lodge, No. 1097, which spent 1958 celebrating its 50th Anniversary with various special programs, has a most commendable Youth Activities program. Under the Chairmanship of Ralph J. Salvati, the lodge's Youth Committee has made many outstanding efforts to keep the young people of the community constructively active. The team the Elks sponsor in the Inter-State Baseball League won the championship, the youthful golfers they handle are growing more proficient with every game and the lodge had three winners in the N. Y. State Golf Tournament at Binghamton. Other projects of the lodge include swim meets, ice skating contests, dances and boxing

programs. In addition to their own activities, these Elks give generous financial assistance to outside youth programs in their own and nearby communities.

One of the most constructive and worthwhile undertakings of No. 1097 is its sponsorship of a Boy Scout Troop at the N. Y. State Training School Annex for boys at New Hampton, an institution for delinquent and emotionally disturbed youngsters.

Chairman Salvati devotes almost all his spare time to young people. An expugilist and Army boxing instructor better known as Mike Sullivan, he has been teaching boxing to boys for over 30 years. His efforts to combat juvenile delinquency have received wide recognition; he has been voted Middletown's outstanding citizen, which is only one of many honors bestowed on him in recognition of his work.

**SEVERAL STATE** Association officials were guests of Opelousas, La., Lodge, No. 1048, when an initiatory ceremony took place and Special Deputy Herbert L. Boudreaux, replacing District Deputy Edward W. Ortego who was ill, was welcomed on an inspection tour. Other dignitaries present included State Association President Jacob Clausen, Vice-President W. B. Johnson, Secretary Eugene F. Heller, Sr., whose son was one of the initiates, and Tiler E. F. Rodriguez, Sr., as well as Exalted Ruler Dr. G. P. Aycock, Sr., and Secy. E. C. Metts, Jr., of Franklin Lodge.

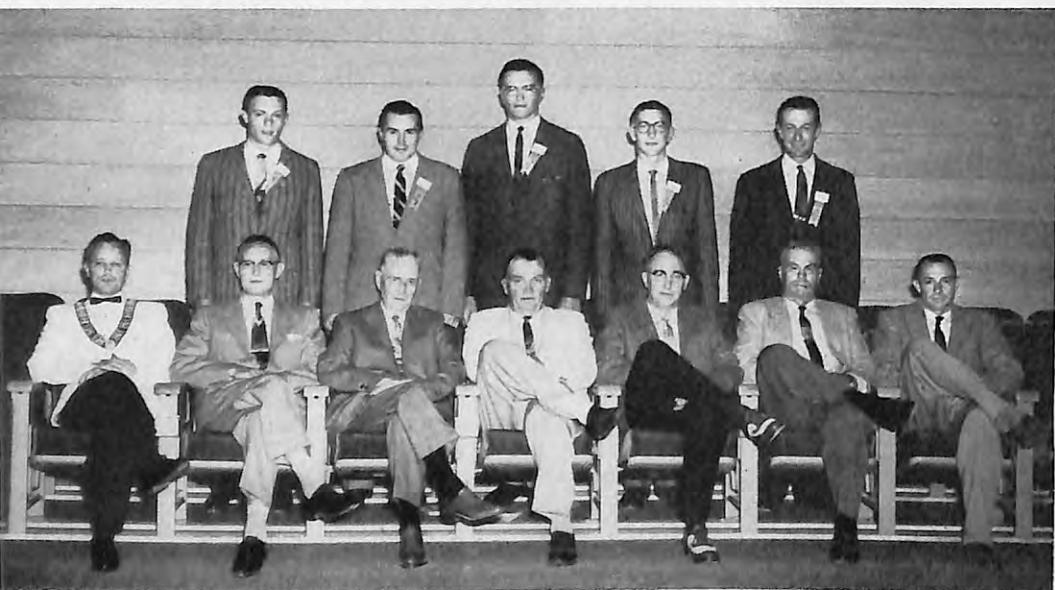
The program was well attended and Mr. Boudreaux gave high praise to the officers on their handling of the ritual. Following the session, Elks and their guests enjoyed a duck dinner.



**PRICE, Utah,** Lodge's Western Boys Baseball Team came in second in the second half of 1958 play, managed by Paul Dupin, left, foreground, who is the son of Past State Pres. Antone Dupin and is the youngest manager in the Western Boys' American League history. Assisting are John Poloni, right, foreground, and Rex Guymon, background, who has two sons on the team and a third serving his apprenticeship as batboy.



**PASADENA, California,** Elk-sponsored Don Sunukjian, right, receives an \$800 National Foundation Award from J. Robert Paine, State Assn. Dist. Chairman. The student also won lodge and State Assn. scholarships.



**GREELEY, Colorado,** Lodge's "Class of Sons" photograph includes E.R. J. H. Shelton, G. A. Carbaugh and his father, A. W. Carbaugh; J. D. Farr, son of Elk W. D. Farr, and his grandfather, H. W. Farr; D. A. Benton and his father, P.E.R. W. R. Benton; D. A. Parks and his father G. M. Parks; P. J. Burmeister and his father-in-law, Wm. A. Miller, and visiting E.R. E. T. Reiser of Fort Collins Lodge.



**PHOENIX, Arizona,** Lodge welcomed its own D.D. L. Cedric Austin and initiated a large class in his honor. Left to right are Organist Jack C. Miller, Mr. Austin and Exalted Ruler Roswell R. Olson.



**SANTA CRUZ, California,** P.E.R. Edwin L. Andersen, left, presents his lodge's \$300 scholarship award to Kathleen Ryan as her high school principal, Lee T. Sims, looks on.

**BLYTHE, California,** Lodge entertains the Palo Verde Junior College football team with a dinner prior to the game the boys took from Coalinga.



# Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Lodge Presents WM. S. HAWKINS *For Grand Exalted Ruler*

**COEUR D'ALENE LODGE NO. 1254**, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, on the 15th day of October, 1958, unanimously resolved that it would respectfully present to the Grand Lodge the name of its outstanding member, Wm. S. Hawkins, for the office of Grand Exalted Ruler.

**WM. S. HAWKINS** was born in August, 1910, and became a member of the Order on January 17, 1934. His lodge quickly recognized his leadership qualifications and he was appointed Esquire on June 6 of the same year. He was elevated to Exalted Ruler in 1935, and re-elected in 1936—the only member of this lodge to serve more than one term. He was elected a trustee in 1938 and has served in this position more than 20 years. During this time the membership of the lodge increased four-fold. The lodge, building, and club facilities have been greatly increased and the lodge is free of debt. In recognition of his outstanding services he has been voted an Honorary Life Membership, the only member of his lodge ever to be so honored.

**HE WAS** a District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for Idaho North in 1940-1941. He served in several offices of the Idaho State Elks Association and in 1949-1950 was State President. His efforts contributed greatly to the establishment and development of the Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Center at Boise. He gave the dedicatory address at the groundbreaking ceremonies and was Master of Ceremonies when the building was completed.

**IN 1950** Grand Exalted Ruler Joseph B. Kyle appointed him to the Grand Lodge Committee on Judiciary, where he served seven years, the last two as its Chairman, with great benefit to the Order and credit to himself.

**IN 1958**, he was appointed a Justice of the Grand Forum, the highest court of the Order.

**ACTIVE PARTICIPATION** in the Order has been a part of the Hawkins family heritage. Brother Hawkins' father, the late J. V. Hawkins, was a charter member of Coeur d'Alene Lodge No. 1254 and Exalted Ruler in 1913-1914. He later served as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler under Grand Exalted Ruler James R. Nicholson. Bill's son, Jim, became a third generation Elk when he was initiated in Coeur d'Alene Lodge No. 1254 shortly after his 21st birthday. His brother, Dr. J. W. Hawkins, has been a member of the Coeur d'Alene Lodge since 1948.

**BROTHER HAWKINS** was educated in the Coeur d'Alene schools and was graduated from the College of Law at the University of Idaho in 1932. He has practiced law in Coeur d'Alene since that time and is known throughout the state of Idaho as one of its most outstanding lawyers. He served as Prosecuting Attorney of his county from 1937 through 1943 and, after two years as a U. S. Naval Officer during World War II, was appointed District Judge of the Eighth Judicial District in 1945, a position from which he retired to return to private law practice. In addition to these activities he is one of the area's outstanding civic and fraternal leaders. He is a long-time member of the Methodist Church. Bill married his college sweetheart, Agnes Ramstedt of Moscow, Idaho, in 1934, whom he met while attending the University of Idaho. They have three children—James V., Ruthanna and Willa Mae.

**COEUR D'ALENE**, Idaho, Lodge No. 1254 proudly presents as its candidate for Grand Exalted Ruler WM. S. HAWKINS, a proven leader in Elksdom at local, state and national levels, with full confidence that with his seasoned experience and mature judgment he will lead our Order with efficiency and dignity.

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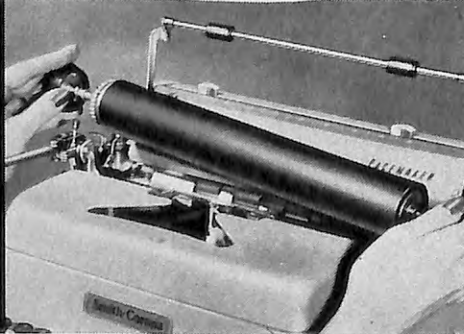
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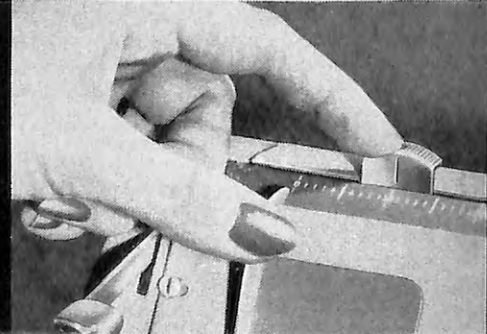
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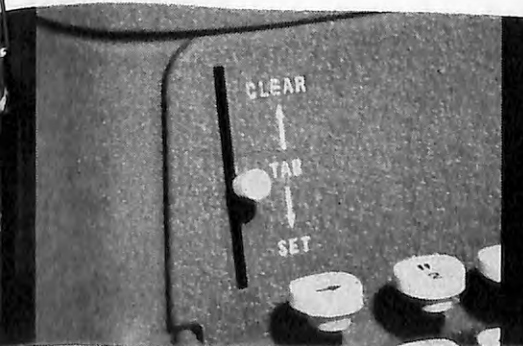
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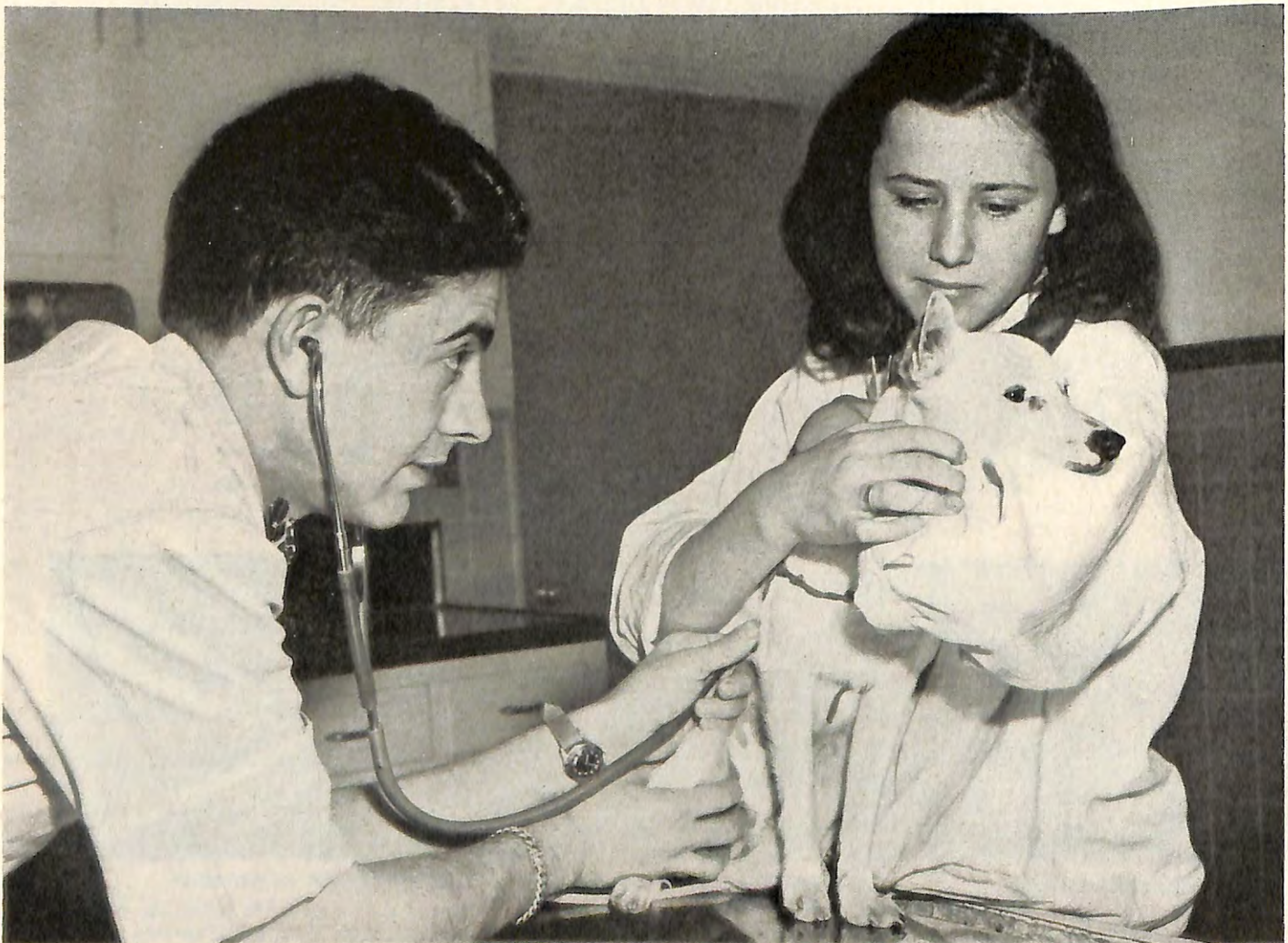
**I**N WHAT FOLLOWS you'll find no literary embroidery but a number (I hope not so many as to bore you) of facts about the care, feeding and training of your dog. They are here summarized for convenient reference. If you are new to owning a dog it is suggested that you save this article—at least until the newness wears off. If you are experienced in the affairs of Fido, in this you may find a reminder or two of things you already knew but perhaps have forgotten. So here goes for a lot of Do's and Don'ts, beginning with care.

Do have your dog inoculated for distemper and rabies. The vet's fee is modest and it may prevent serious sickness or the loss of your dog. Do have your dog licensed; it is your dog's

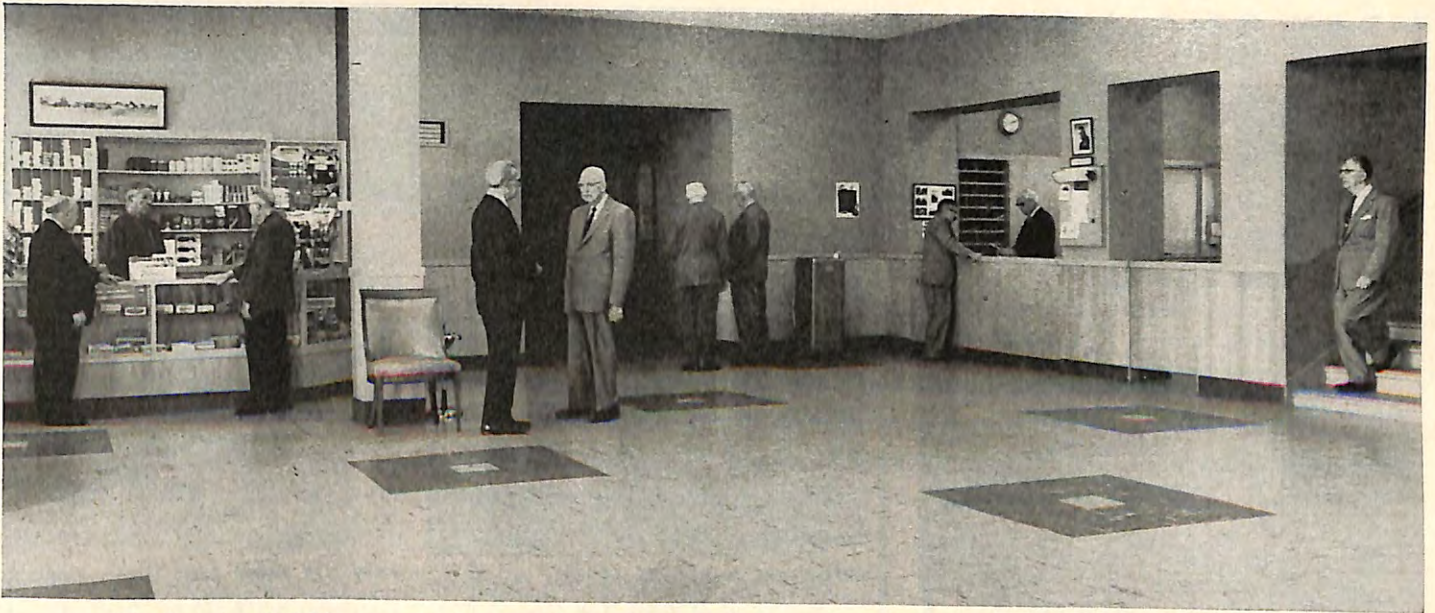
identification and it identifies you as owner. Besides, it's a legal requirement in many communities. Keep a collar on your dog at all times, with its tag attached. Should you have to control your dog, the collar is a big assist. Without it, restraining an excited dog is almost impossible. Set aside a definite sleeping place for your dog and don't change it from time to time. Dogs like to believe that certain parts of the house are theirs. See that the dog has a bed, a piece of carpet or a blanket of its own, and air this at least once a week. In summer the bedding need be no more than a thick layer of newspapers, the top portion of each to be destroyed each day for cleanliness. An under-bedding of newspapers is excel-

lent for winter use too; and be sure the sleeping place is draft-free. Let your dog exercise at least once a day by taking him for a walk or putting him in an outdoor runway of his own. When walking your dog always keep him on leash if there is any automobile traffic in the vicinity. The sight of a cat or another dog will sometimes cause the best trained dog, off leash, to forget his training and away he'll go. Try to make the exercise periods the same time and duration each day.

Don't over-bathe your dog. In summer a bath once a month is sufficient, in winter stretch this to six weeks. This is assuming that the dog does not accidentally or otherwise get unusually  
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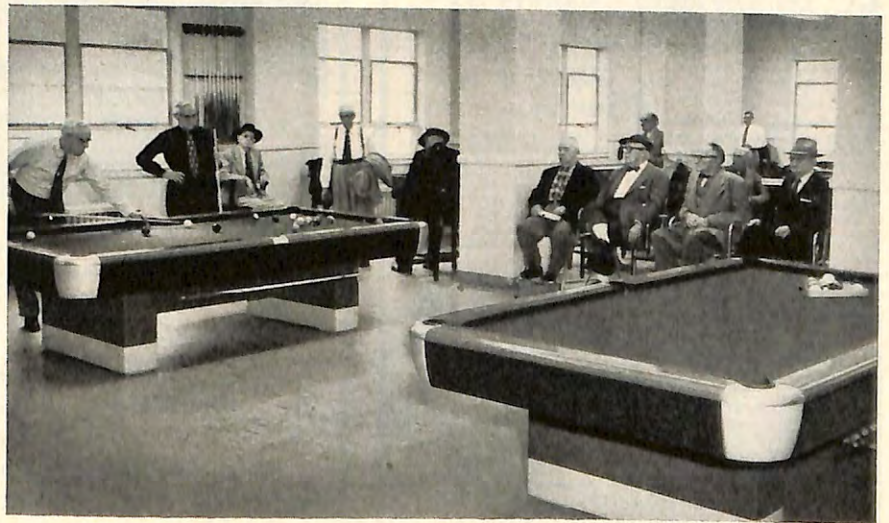
The lobby flooring was extended into the library and the recreation room. Here also new windows were installed and the room remodeled and redecorated. Two new pool tables, gifts of the Massachusetts Elks Association and Hackensack Lodge No. 658, and a new billiard table were added.

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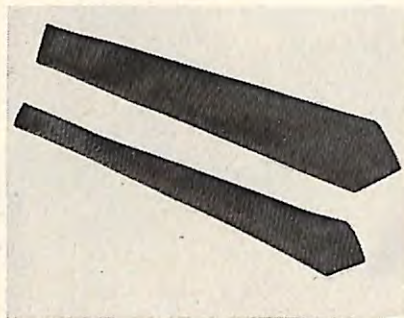
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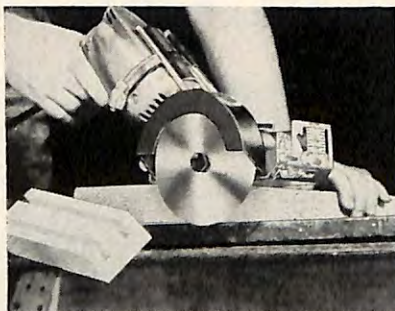
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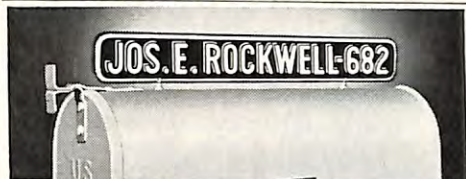


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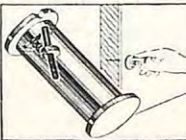


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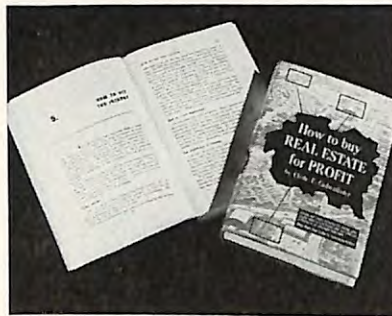


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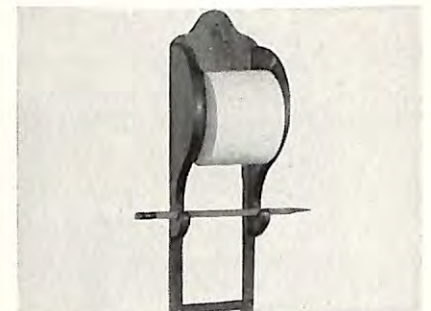
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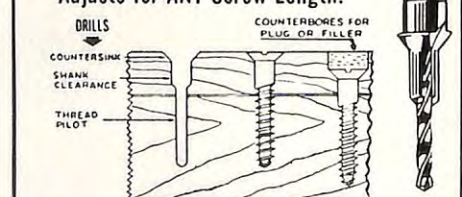
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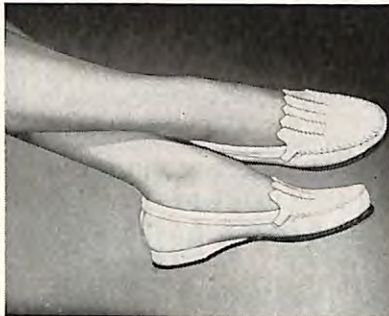


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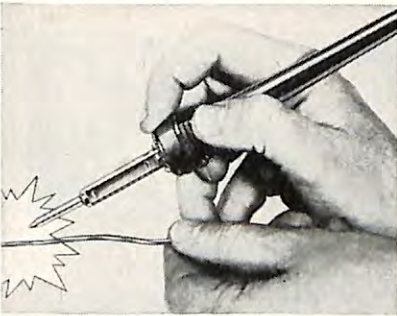
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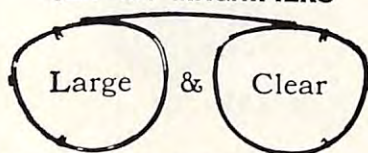
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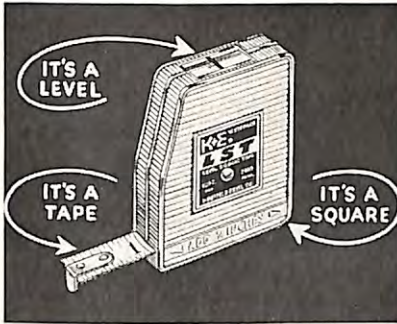
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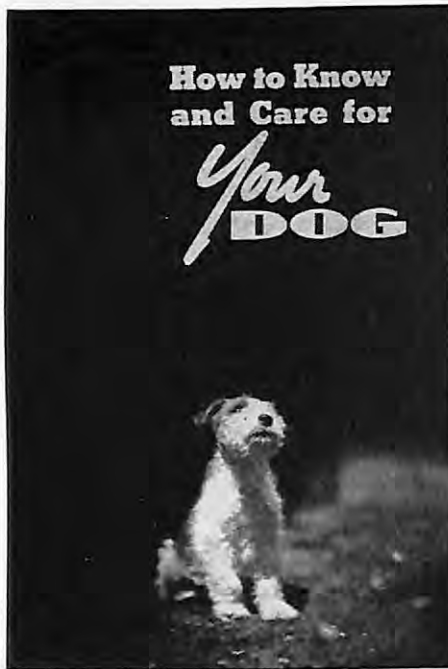
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Encourage your dog to romp and play after the bath as this induces blood circulation and hastens drying. Dry right down to the dog's skin. Above all—in this business of bathing *don't* lose your temper. *Don't* shout at the dog. After the bath and the play period don't permit the dog to lie around where there may be a draft as this invites a cold which may bring on serious sickness.

If you are keeping your dog outside, see that he stays there. Don't make him an in-and-outer. If you do bring him indoors occasionally don't keep him in for long periods unless the weather is unusually cold. If you keep the dog outside don't keep him chained to one place; give him a long chain or erect a dog trolley. The trolley is a do-it-yourself job of stringing a heavy wire between two posts or trees and running this through a loose metal ring to which the dog's chain can be attached. In this way he can get ample exercise and still be confined to your grounds. In summer see that he always has access to shade.

Don't permit your dog to be a roamer. Loose dogs are a nuisance as destroyers of property and spreaders of dog diseases. And don't, please, don't permit your dog to be a canine alarm clock sounding off at all hours for little or no reason. The persistent barker can drive a neighborhood daffy to the last man and woman.

Don't encourage your dog to be a fighter. He may not be as tough as he thinks he is. What's more, a fighting dog can give his owner a hard time with other dog owners. Why some dogs like to tangle with cats I don't know. But they do, and if you value your dog's eyesight discourage his cat-chasing enthusiasm. Tom or Tabby when cornered can practically ruin all but the largest dogs, and cat claws have blinded many a dog.

Don't encourage your dog to become over-friendly with people you don't know and don't permit neighbors to feed your dog or he may become the dog of anybody who feeds him. Don't tease a dog; it's a sure way to sour a dog's disposition. Don't call a dog to

you for punishment; the next time you call him he'll either refuse to come to you or be so reluctant that you'll feel like punishing him again. If a dog runs away from you and refuses to approach, don't waste time calling him. Run away from him and there's a good chance he'll follow you. It's instinctive for a dog to chase people or animals running from him.

Don't surprise a sleeping dog; you may get accidentally bitten. A surprised dog's immediate reaction is defense followed by attack. Don't approach a strange dog from the rear. Best of all don't handle a dog not known to you. If you must, don't make any sudden, quick movement toward him. Slowly extend your closed fist and let him smell it before petting him. In this way he has time to get acquainted with you. If he bites, the closed fist prevents his getting the grip on your hand that the open palm would afford.

Don't encourage a dog to exercise or play violently following a meal; it's bad for his digestion. To carry a dog don't pick it up by the scruff of the neck; put one hand under its chest, the other under its rear end.

If your dog's nose gets dry and hot don't worry about this unless the condition remains for more than a few days. In cases of prolonged nose dryness and feverish feeling consult your vet. Don't fail to take the dog to the veterinarian if you have any reason to suspect sickness. A few dollars for a fee may mean the difference between life and death for your dog or at the very least the difference between health and an extensive, expensive siege of sickness. Don't try to home-doctor your dog for anything other than internal or external parasites, and don't be ready to accept the advice of the person who "knows all about dogs." He's a relative of the person who has inside information about a mining stock or the third race at Hialeah (you name the day).

Once every week or so go over your dog thoroughly: look at his skin for any rash, examine his teeth and if tartar (a yellowish substance) is present scrape it off with a dull bladed knife. Brush his teeth occasionally with a paste dentifrice and a soft-bristled brush. Clean out his ears with a soft cloth after injecting a drop or two of warm olive oil.

Groom your dog every day or give him a good brushing at least once a week. For a short-haired dog use a brush with short, rather soft bristles. For the rough coated and long coated fellow use a brush with stiffer, longer bristles and a comb with coarse teeth. Don't try to comb out tangled hair; this will result in pulling out live hairs. Untangle these with your fingers.

Look to your dog's eyes; they should

be bright and the whites a clear white. If they are bleared or running use eye wash for a few days; this can be made with one pint of boiled water to which are added two teaspoonsful of boric acid plus six drops of spirits of camphor. (This is an excellent eye wash for human use, used by generations of Fausts). If eyes continue to be sore then take the dog to your vet.

Don't permit the dog to chew sticks or stones; he's only as old as his teeth and such objects can harm him. You can give him a large bone that is not easily splintered.

If you must travel with your dog and your journey is by auto, don't keep the dog in the trunk of your car. This is a cruelty sometimes practiced by thoughtless people. When traveling don't permit the dog to lean out of the car window; he can get hurt this way. If you have to keep the dog in the car while you leave it, be sure to lower one of the windows an inch or so. A dog in an airless car in summer can get heat prostration. If you have to go to a restaurant or busy store don't take the dog with you. Many store owners do not welcome dogs and many restaurants forbid

them. Should you plan a car trip with the dog, drop me a line and I'll tell you where you can get a most helpful booklet listing hotels and motels that accommodate dogs.

Make friends with your dog; give him more than the casual attention that some owners give. Talk to him. He won't of course understand all you say but he'll get the drift of your conversation by the tone of your voice. For some (odd) reason dogs like the sound of the human voice. While they don't understand many words, they do interpret sound or tone, whether endearment, encouragement, anger, sorrow, etc. Avoid baby talk with the dog and you may be surprised at the number of word sounds he'll correctly interpret. Many dogs recognize the sounds of the words *out*, *leash*, *dinner* and others that particularly pertain to them and their interests.

If at any time you have a problem relating to your dog feel free to write to me and I'll be glad to answer all questions other than medical ones. The latter should be submitted to your vet, who can examine the dog, diagnose the illness and prescribe treatment. • •

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The following excerpt from Larry McDermott's "Calling 'Em Straight" column in the Reading, Pa., *Eagle* should be of heart-warming interest to all Elks:

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the girl. This was a checkup after treatment.

"The doctor stepped off five or six paces. Turning, he fixed his gaze on the girl's face, and called:

"All right, Cheryl, come on. Walk over to me now."

"The little girl's head went up at the confident command, the light of almost unbelievable adventure came into her eyes, and a foot went out, planting on the floor like a light step intended to test thin ice—but it planted. Another step followed, and another, and another. Silence held the roomful of onlookers. It took a dozen faltering child's steps to cover the distance of those adult paces, but the little girl made it, her face showing a transport of joy at the realization that her once-crippled legs were advancing her body without need of support.

"The doctor caught the child up, hugged her to him in what might have been a gesture of congratulation on their joint victory, and carried her back to her mother.

"You can leave the braces off now," he told the mother. "She won't need them any more."

"The tears of happiness in the mother's eyes were understandable, of course. So, for that matter, I suppose, were the tears in the eyes of the men who were present—members of the Crippled Children's Committee of the Reading Lodge of Elks."

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"Greetings" at the entrance to the grounds, Santa Claus landing on the roof of one of the buildings (which were framed in light), a ten-foot star at the center of the administration building, and illuminated scenes depicting the shepherds and the angels. In paying tribute to the beauty of the Home's Christmas display, the *Roanoke Times* termed it the "biggest and brightest Christmas gift" to Bedford.

## Engineers in the New Era of Science

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preparation, and would have graduated from college with honors. An improved high school counseling system would almost guarantee more and more talent finding its way into higher education.

But we should not assume that every young man and woman in the country deserves—or needs—higher education. Playing the numbers game has given too many people the idea that every American must receive the benefit of higher education, whether they want to or not. Vice Admiral H. G. Rickover, the father of the atomic submarine, summed it up recently. He reported a university which offered courses in trailer manufacturing, dealership and trailer park operations. And he was properly scornful of doctorate degrees obtained by writing theses on subjects like "Optimum Window Area for a Classroom of Twenty-five Pupils in the Junior High Schools." This sort of thing carried to its logical conclusion, he said, would mean that "each American baby ought to be supplied at birth with a combination birth certificate, high school diploma, B.A. and Ph.D."

The argument that it is somehow "un-

democratic" not to provide four years of college for every American just does not stand up under scrutiny. Colleges and universities graduate less than half the students who enter. It seems obvious that for large numbers of high school graduates two years of college would be sufficient. There is no reason why the standards of these two-year colleges should be less rigorous, less inspired or less productive than the full four year programs of the liberal arts and engineering schools. The level of achievement should be consistent with the aims of the courses and should be set high enough to keep lazy, unambitious youths from lolling in a collegiate atmosphere for a few years beyond high school. These two year colleges—junior and community colleges—should also prepare students for the upper division of college, if warranted, as well as those students who will enter directly into business and sub-professional vocations.

I think Americans have been oversold on the value of the bachelor's degree. The junior and community college and, in the technical fields, the technical institutes, should go a long way toward

bringing us back to a more realistic appraisal of degrees. A definite need exists for the "in-between" group among technicians, for instance—between the craftsman who will never go beyond using his hands, however skillfully, and the man with the intellectual capacity to design and to do other professional work. The men and women who complete junior colleges and technical institutes are no less important to America than those who complete four years and more of college.

It is hard-headed realism, not intellectual snobbery, to say that our American educational system cannot afford the extravagance of offering higher education to a vast number of unqualified youth. On the other hand, our dynamic society requires urgently that those intellectually qualified but economically handicapped be given the opportunity to train for the professions. The cost of tuition is rapidly rising, and we shall have to face in the not-too-distant future even higher rates, perhaps in the form of full-cost tuition. Today, a student's tuition pays only part of what it costs to educate him. The remainder comes out of endowment or other funds. More and more, educators feel they will have to charge students for the full cost of their education in order for colleges to survive. To help the worthy student who lacks funds there will have to be loans and scholarships, both public and private. We now buy so many things on the instalment plan—homes, cars, clothes, restaurant meals and even vacations—it would seem that a logical step would be for an "education now—pay later" program.

Given this basis for an attitude toward education which is both realistic for modern life and yet in harmony with our traditions, how should we look at the education we give our engineers? How can we provide a quality which will more than make up what we lack in quantity? A few years ago I served on a committee of the American Society for Engineering Education which went deeply into this question. The conclusions we reached have been accepted, though not without a struggle, as the essential training to develop the kind of scientific and engineering minds America needs.

The program breaks down into four parts:

1. Instruction in the basic sciences and mathematics, which underlie the technical arts and which demonstrate fundamental changing principles, should occupy about one-fourth of the undergraduate program. The reasons for this are almost too obvious: new scientific knowledge about physical matter is the only sound basis for an evolving technology on which growing American industry and strong defense rests.

2. Another fourth of the program should be devoted to subjects which relate these scientific principles to engi-



neering problems. These include thermodynamics, electronics, nucleonics, aerodynamics, mechanics and properties of materials.

3. Still another fourth should consist of engineering analysis and design—the solution of problems in the field of the student's specialization, whether it be civil, mechanical, chemical or electrical engineering. This is where the student develops the competence to attack a situation which has never been studied before and for which there are no answers "in the back of the book."

4. And an increasingly important fourth of the curriculum should be given to the humanities and the social sciences. Here the whole world of ideas opens up for students, from the study of western civilization to reading literary classics, from psychology to anthropology. This is the part of the curriculum which puts all the engineering training into focus with the cultural and human values of the space age.

It is this last fourth of the program which many Americans, including leaders in the very industries which need engineers most, fail to understand. By playing the numbers game with engineering graduates, and ignoring the kind of education they get, we are doing them and ourselves a great disservice. The attitude that still exists about teaching the humanities to engineers is frequently held by the people who worry most about how far behind the Russians we are in numbers of engineers. There is no time for nonscientific courses, runs the argument. Engineering students, it is said, have to cram as it is for four intensive years; these social studies have nothing to do with their future careers and should be omitted. I have heard these arguments and variations on them for 25 years, long before the present urgency became a public issue. It is no more valid today than it was then.

If our colleges, universities and technical institutes are to turn out citizens instead of grease monkeys, the engineering graduates must be people who have a preparation for life as well as for earning a living. It is just as much a part of our obligation to prepare young men and women for participation in our democratic society as it is to train them in a particular technology.

You simply can't take for granted that our young citizens are going to find their way around in human relations in the shop, in the community, and in the home; that they are going to be familiar with the modern concepts of family life; that they are going to make intelligent choices of candidates for office; that they can exercise good judgment in accepting or rejecting proposals for community improvements, especially in matters of public schools or political organizations. Nor can you be sure that they can discriminate between good and bad leadership in trade unions and

social organizations, or be able to cope with situations that involve racial and religious difficulties. I am not saying that one-fourth of a college curriculum will solve all these problems for men and women starting their careers. But college will give them the tools for doing so, just as it gives them the tools for solving engineering or scientific problems.

The time can be found, as it has been found in a number of institutions, for teaching humanistic-social studies, integrated into the regular study program. More efficient ways of teaching the technical course will provide more extra hours than educators like to think exist. Repetitive drills can be reduced; a few problems based on scientific principles are just as effective as a large number for bright students. Perhaps some of the technical courses are altogether superfluous, and can be completely dropped; to their surprise, a number of colleges have found they could omit some courses without hurting their scientific standards at all.

The objections to exposing engineering students to the social studies are diminishing. When I established a Humanities Division at Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1934, I had to fit the social science courses in where I could, and found that the only free time was close to the lunch hour. One of the

science deans explained to me that this was perfectly logical since M.I.T. students worked hard on their science courses and it would be pleasant for them to relax at midday with social studies. Now, 25 years later, students at M.I.T. may attain a doctorate in the humanities.

Parts of industry, which used to scream as if struck because the teaching of the humanities was considered a wasteful addition to an engineer's training, have begun to understand its value. Recently, industry leaders, with few exceptions, agreed with the recommendations of the American Society for Engineering Education for an integrated program of humanistic studies. They agreed that emphasis should be placed on the basic sciences, on learning how to think creatively, on an ability to communicate through the spoken and written word, and on awareness of the social, economic and human problems of our American society.

More and more, industry has shown a willingness to accept its own responsibilities for supplying the specialized knowledge after the college has given its graduates basic knowledge, including the humanities. Recently, the Institute of Gas Technology established a fellowship program with full tuition fees plus a stipend for college graduates who wished to study for a Master's degree

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in gas technology. The assumption was that graduates with good basic training could get their specialization after graduation. Companies in the fuel, aviation and nucleonics field are also giving specialized training programs. It is working out well for all of them, and they are getting better engineers as a result.

Undergraduates used to be hard to convince that the social studies are important to their careers. Understandably, they were eager to get the hard scientific training they need for their jobs, and frequently found it difficult to understand what literature or the arts had to do with their chosen careers. In 1939, I established the Department of the Humanities at The Cooper Union. We had a senior that year who was top man in his class in electrical engineering. He was so indignant about having to take a course in social philosophy that he went to the head of the department and to the dean, and finally to me. The sum of his opposition was, "What a waste of time." My argument did not move him, but he had to take the course. At the end of the year, he was chosen class valedictorian as a testimony to his brilliance. And when he came to make his valedictory address, he did not choose his own specialty of electronics for his theme. Instead, his address was on "Utopias". He had found in one year of only two hours a week of study that engineers and architects were not the only people who drew blueprints. He found that philosophers also made plans for a better society. And the young man

wanted to share with his classmates the excitement and inspiration that he had received in that single course in social philosophy. Of course, it is sometimes difficult to measure the impact of the arts on an engineer. A few years ago a class of our students was being conducted through an art museum. Later, the curator of the museum asked one of them how he liked the trip. The young man looked up and said, "I think it is almost as good as the sewage disposal plant we visited last week."

Over the years the opposition to the social studies as part of the engineer's training has been broken down. Even teachers of these subjects, at first reluctant, are now enjoying the challenge offered by working with engineering students. The young professors of the humanities were usually more interested in the bypaths of their subjects and in their own research than in teaching students whose main interest was their own engineering speciality. Some were baffled and discouraged because frequently college deans insisted on their teaching "English for engineers" or "Economics for engineers" as if their students were a special breed. I suppose, if it were possible, some deans might have come up with "Music for engineers" or "Art for engineers". Fortunately, that attitude, too, has changed as deans have begun to understand that there is no more a brand of engineering economics than there is of engineering algebra.

Why does preparation for a career in

engineering require more than just the basic sciences? The answer is involved in the very fabric of American life. Engineers, like doctors and lawyers, do not work in a vacuum, but with other people. What they do affects all of us, not just their client of the moment. Engineering, even more than the other professions, is involved in the material things which are the basis of our civilization. The engineer deals with bridges and factories, with rare metals and abundant goods. What he does with them, how he handles them, affects more than the people who are paying his fee. For this reason, he has to have an awareness of all of American life. This sense—the ethics of his profession—can come only with the proper grounding in the arts and the social sciences. Physical sciences alone will not supply all the answers.

Engineers who understand this could not possibly behave the way one did in a situation not long ago which Vice Admiral Rickover called to the attention of a group of young engineering graduates. The engineer was in charge of a bridge construction across a body of sea water which contained some valuable oyster beds. "A small change of location would have saved the oysters," Rickover said. "When this was pointed out by a marine biologist, the engineer in charge of building this bridge rejected the advice out of hand with the contemptuous remark: 'What do you know about building bridges?' An irrelevant and rude reply. More to the point would it have been to ask the engineer: 'What do you know about building bridges in this particular locality?' In this instance the livelihood of a number of people not in any way involved with the bridge or with the hiring of the engineer was adversely affected."

The development of engineers who understand how their decisions involve the entire community must be a purpose of American engineering education. As we approach this goal, the comparative totals of United States and Russian engineering graduates will be shown to have less meaning than is assigned to them by calamity howlers. The race between the two nations is not to see which of us raises a space ship higher or reaches the moon first, but whose philosophy of society prevails.

We must not forget that the world we want to live in must be a world in which musicians, artists, writers, doctors, lawyers, ministers have just as important a place as the engineer and the industry he serves. In all fields, education must train men and women better than ever before, to cope with the increasing complications of a more and more mechanized society. And above all, education must inculcate wisdom in these young men and women so that the world of the future, revolutionized by science, may yet be a free world and a peaceful one. ● ●

## Devoted Vermont Elk Mourned

THE ELKS OF VERMONT are mourning the passing of Charles F. Mann, one of the State's most ardent Elks and a Charter Member of Brattleboro Lodge No. 1499. Death came at the age of 84, following several years of illness.

Initiated into the Order 34 years ago, Charles F. Mann served his lodge as Exalted Ruler in 1928 and acted as its Secretary from 1925 to 1928 and again from 1931 until 1934. Immediately following a term as President of his State Association, Mr. Mann was appointed District Deputy for Vermont in 1932, the year he was made an Honorary Life Member by his appreciative fellow Elks. In 1939-40, he served as a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Credentials.

One of his most remembered efforts while busy with various local, State and Grand Lodge Committees, was his devotion and service as Chairman of the Goshen Camp Committee which for many years was the principal charitable activity of the Elks of his State.

Flags were flown at half mast in Brattleboro as a tribute to Mr. Mann who had been appointed Postmaster by



the late President Roosevelt in 1936. When he retired in 1951, he had served 14 years as a director of the Vermont Postmasters' Association and was Past President of the Vermont Chapter, National Postmasters' Association.

He is survived by two daughters, four grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

## Baseball: Better Then Or Now?

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in '30. Chuck Klein had 170. Bill Terry, Charley Gehringer and Lou Gehrig had 154 each. Babe Ruth and yours truly each came up with 153 and right behind were Mel Ott with 148, Harry Heilmann with 142 and Lefty O'Doul with 140. The poor stiffed down around the 130 mark didn't even get a mention in the papers."

Yet last October, 130 RBIs would have won the big-league power title. Ernie Banks, of the Cubs, was able to top all baseball with 129. And only five other players managed to struggle past the 100-mark. An off-year, you say? Far from it. The 140-RBI man has become extinct in the post-World War II period. Why? The emphasis today on home run-bombardment, to the detriment of steady singles and doubles, is the standard reason advanced by those who live in the present.

"Then explain to me how come Jimmy Foxx hit 58 homers and Hack got 56 and Ruth got 59 and 60, and there were two or three big guys on every team compared to maybe one today," re-interrupts Herman. "How come their marks are still as safe as money in the bank?"

Echo asks again. . . . and hears no answer.

The above-mentioned Joseph Francis (Lefty) O'Doul, now professor of clout for the San Francisco Giants, regards the corollary modern-day drop in batting averages as sufficient added evidence to close down the argument and go home. "Too many artificial swings these days," lectures O'Doul, a .349 lifetime hitter. "We used to leave nature alone. Al Simmons hit with his foot in the bucket, Rog Hornsby stood almost out of the box and Ott kicked up his front leg like a ballet dancer. Now, a kid who does anything unorthodox is put in a cage with a batting tee, a rope around his waist and more critics than they have at the Met. When they're through, he looks good. But he'll be a .270-average man the rest of his life. They've taken away what God gave him—his natural style.

"Nuts to all the debate. The hitters of my time were the best."

A handy little chart goes with O'Doul's pronouncement, covering all batsmen who appeared in 100 or more games in 1930 and 1958:

	1930	1958
Total number .300 hitters....	76	31
Hitters over .330 average....	18	4
Hitters over .350 average....	11	1
Hitters over .370 average....	6	0

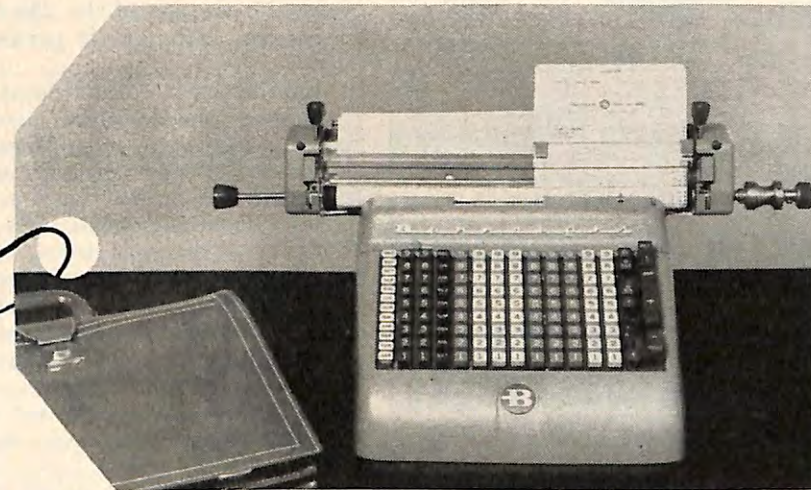
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O'Doul, socking at a .383 level—33 points better than Richie Ashburn, the Phillies' 1958 major league batting champion—and yet failing to get close to the title. Chuck Klein averaged .386, Babe Herman, 393 and Bill Terry (the champ) .401.

But why stick just to the greats? "Look at the over-all roster of players to get the full picture," suggests Clarence (Pants) Rowland, ex-White Sox manager with 50 years as an observer behind him. "The .300 hitter was as common as mud in the spitball days. But where is he now?" Of 254 batters whose marks were officially recorded in both majors last season, a mere 12 per cent—or 31—finished at .300 or better. More shamefully, 70 per cent of the 254 failed to reach even .275, and 48 per cent were under .250.

Viewing such credentials of highly-paid pros, who are laved in whirlpool baths, attended by Johns Hopkins surgeons and whisked about on air-conditioned flights, the old-timers can't conceal an undertone of bitterness. Jimmy Foxx, not long ago, stood behind a Florida batting cage and watched a \$75,000 bonus boy, regarded as an amazing hitting find, take his cuts. "Isn't his right foot in the wrong place?" some one questioned Foxx.

"I'll say it is," rasped Foxx, "and so's his left. They both ought to be in Peoria."

Foxx called it. The golden boy isn't even in Peoria this season. At last report he was in Agua Caliente, playing the ponies with his loot, and wondering if the Mexican League could use him. On the other hand, Foxx once drove in 149 runs, hit .356 and 48 homers, and was informed by Connie Mack that his "off-year" would necessitate a pay cut from \$16,500 to \$11,000!

Specialization is the doom of too many fine prospects today, points out Fred Haney, the Milwaukee Braves manager. Narrowly grooved in one department of play by their junior-league and prep-school coaches, they are lost when team expediency, or an injury, requires a bit extra of them. "George Sisler taught himself to play second and third base, the outfield, and even beat Walter Johnson, 2-1, in a pitching duel," recalls Haney. "If he'd never batted .420, he'd have had an assured career." Which reminds the dapper Braves boss of the remark of Stuttering Joe Frisco, the comedian, whose baseball knowledge was nil. Informed that a certain rookie was the greatest third-base prospect ever seen, Frisco retorted, "If he's so g-g-good—how come he isn't the greatest first baseman?"

Confused as he was, Frisco put his finger on a sore point. This 1957 youngster, signed for \$40,000, tried switching to first after failing at third; he never came close to making it.

At 26, as any veteran can tell you, the one and only Honus Wagner could

handle first base like Hal Chase—although he was on the Pittsburgh roster as a shortstop, as well as a pitcher, third-sacker, outfielder and second baseman. Bow-legged Hans saw to it he could play anything except the piccolo. Before he died, Wagner left this thought behind:

"What's the matter with letting the boys run a little?" Honus grumpily asked. "They'll all get busted legs, or something?"

No, but incentive to raise tamation on the base paths certainly has been stifled, and by this we just don't mean the near-extinction of base-stealing as an art form. As Red Corriden, seasoned Dodger scout, put it, "They've stifled initiative—the player's right to gamble when he has a hunch. On the Dodgers, if a man shoots for an extra base on a doubtful double, Walt Alston won't fine him if he gets cut down sliding. But on too many clubs it's all mechanics—the sign is passed on the bench to the coaching line to the runner, with always the chance it'll be countermanded at the last second. Can you imagine Pepper Martin putting up with that?"

Memory recaptures the Osage Wild Horse—Martin—when the gnarled extrovert was facing the Cubs defense one afternoon of 1935. In less than five minutes the Cubs had four chances to get him out. As follows:

Martin hit a skipper to Billy Herman, a strong-armed infielder, who had the play made—yet missed getting the rock-



The great Dazzy Vance, warming up to pitch for Brooklyn in 1929.

## Communists and the Written Word

PROPAGANDA can be a deadly weapon. All over the world communists are using it to draw people toward totalitarian government. To fight them we are therefore faced with the imperative task of keeping informed as to how the communists are using the written word. An example of words as weapons is contained in this month's excerpt from Freedom's Facts—monthly publication of the All-American Conference to Combat Communism. Dedicated to preserving peace and freedom, the Conference consists of fifty national organizations, including the B.P.O.E.

All of us spend hundreds, perhaps thousands, of hours a year reading or listening to words other people have written. It is upon what we read and hear and see that we form our picture of the world. It is upon these words that we make our political decisions. Communists know this. They make a major effort to gather together and influence writers. This is a basic tactic in pressing forward Communist conquest of the minds and properties of peoples.

A Soviet-sponsored gathering of Asian and African writers took place in Tashkent in October. Tashkent is the capital of Uzbekistan, an Asian "Republic" of the U.S.S.R. It is on the rail line connecting Central Asia with Western Russia, a perfect location to impress Afro-Asian writers with the Soviet Union's tie with Asian interests. Who attended the Communist writers' meeting? There were writers from the Orient, Near East, Russia and—believe it or not—from the United States.

The "guest" from the United States was Dr. W.E.B. Dubois, an "expert" on African affairs and former teacher in Communist Party schools in the U.S.



According to *Tass* (Oct. 10), Dr. Dubois told the assembled group that "this international gathering would give a tremendous impetus to new thoughts, and would enrich the writers' knowledge."

What did the Communists want the Afro-Asian writers to learn? Chou Yang, deputy leader of the Chinese Communist delegation, made it clear. He told these writers: "U.S. imperialism has become the most dangerous enemy to world peace and human progress. Chairman Mao Tse-tung said recently that to end aggression and oppression by imperialism, especially U.S. imperialism, is the task of the people of the world. The Chinese people are doing their utmost to carry out this task. Together with our people, we Chinese writers stand steadfastly in the forefront of the struggle against imperialism. We regard every victory gained by the Asian, African and Latin American peoples in their fight for national independence as our own."

Chou Yang concluded: "Let all writers who are devoted to their country and people unite and struggle jointly against aggression, for peace, against colonialism and all its survivals, for a new culture of their own nation and for the growth of cultural exchange among all nations."

Soviet Communist writers called the meeting a "Literary Bandung". Like the meeting of political leaders at Bandung in 1955, the October, 1958, meeting of writers in Tashkent is aimed at further cutting Western Europe and the U.S. off from markets and political support in Africa and Asia. It is aimed at pulling these countries closer into the Communist bloc. Obviously, peoples in these countries who read what writers at this meeting were told to write, will learn to hate and fear the United States and love the Soviet Union.

eting Pepper at first by a whisker. Next, a teammate grounded to second, and Martin was an easy force-out. But he kicked the ball from Billy Jurgens' hand into short center field. Unpausing, he was on his way to third, rounded the bag, and deliberately got caught in a run-down. Martin jockeyed back and forth until he got his back in the way of a throw, and dived safely back to third.

Cub nerves were at the twanging point when, with the infield pulled in to cut off Pepper at the plate, the batter hit sharply to shortstop. Martin was a dead duck all the way. Catcher

Ken O'Dea, a noted plate-blocker, was waiting for him with the ball. But then three things happened simultaneously. As he crashed in, Martin's upflung right forearm caught O'Dea's jaw, flinging back his head. Martin's right toe hooked the plate. Meanwhile, his swinging left leg knocked O'Dea's legs out from under him. Ball, mitt, mask and O'Dea flew in assorted directions—and the Wild Horse was in with the winning St. Louis run.

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Next day his whole squad limped around with screaming muscles. Stanky abandoned the idea and went looking for power hitters who could move runners around, en masse.

"Which is kind of sad, to see players in such poor shape," puts in Ben Chapman, onetime Philadelphia Phils manager. Chapman, in 1933, stole 61 bases—one of two "moderns" to top the 60 mark in a season. The other is George Case, who had 61 in 1943. Of the other 16 players in history who did it, all operated between 1903 and 1920. "The home run craze is supposed to have killed stealing," goes on Chapman, "but just as good a reason is the fact that it demands iron legs. We just don't grow them any more."

Pitching, then and now, is a vastly different proposition. "We kill off our pitchers early, by asking them to pitch on cold nights, with a lively ball and against a shrunken strike zone," observes Charley Dressen, the Los Angeles Dodgers' coach. "So it proves nothing to say that Cy Young won 511 games and Walter Johnson won 416 and Chisty Mathewson and Grover Alexander 373 each. Of course, that's twice as good as anyone like Bob Feller or Warren Spahn or Robin Roberts has been able to do. Young and those old boys hung around from 17 to 22 years, whereas a 10-year pitcher today is unusual. The one index I go by is *ability to get the ball over*. That's all pitching really is—consistent control.

"We have plenty of great control throwers today. I won't say they're better than the oldtimers. But I don't think they lose any by comparison."

Unfortunately, for the 1959 cheering section, the facts refute Dressen. The top active flingers are Bob Turley of the Yanks, who has walked as many as 188, 103 and 177 batters in a season; Billy Pierce of the White Sox, who averages close to 100 free-tickets per season; the Yanks' Whitey Ford, who averages 90; and Warren Spahn and Lew Burdette of the Braves, the sharpest of all with respective mean marks of 72 and 60.

A few years ago, the octogenarian Cy Young was asked how many men he put on base back around the century turn, when one season he won 33 games for the Boston Red Stockings. "Too damn many," growled Young, still perishing the thought.

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If control is the criterion on the mound, the Model-T era has it over the Automatic Shift age by as far as from here to Detroit.

Can nothing, then, be said in favor of the current crop? Quite a lot, as a matter of fact, if you tread carefully through established, irrefutable evidence and are selective in your statements.

"For sure," adds Charley Dressen, "the boys are healthier and better fed today. A gravy sandwich and greasy potatoes kept the old boys happy. These days the big-league food allowance is \$7.50 to \$10 a day. Diets are carefully balanced. Players are stuffed with multiple-vitamins."

On a filet mignon diet, the moderns plainly are more muscular than their ancestors in some departments. The double-play, for instance, which is infielding's highest art. "Take Tinker-to-Evers-to-Chance compared to the combinations today," says Dressen. "Fans

have been stuffed with a lot of nonsense about Chance and his pals. They're supposed to have been the greatest. The truth is they fought like alleycats all the time, and lost many a runner on account of it. In their combined four best years, Tinker, Evers and Chance pulled off only 54 double plays. As fielders, they couldn't get a job in minor-league ball now."

Dressen, this time, is correct. The Los Angeles Dodgers trio of Gil Hodges at first, Second Baseman Charley Neal and Shortstop Don Zimmer clicked off 99 twin-killings in 1958. The Chicago White Sox's Earl Torgeson, Nellie Fox and Luis Aparicio pulled 103. Other teams did similarly well. Wider range on ground balls and stronger arms seem definitely the advantage of present-day players.

More proof of it is that today we have more speed. Orlando Cepeda, a 200-pound outfielder of the San Francisco Giants, reaches first base on an infield hit in 3.5 seconds, and Cepeda is typical of big men taught to function like sprinters. Gazelles abound on every team. Rating 10.5 seconds as sizzling time for 100 yards, it was a rare old-timer who was clocked at that. Jackie Jensen, of the Red Sox, the Braves' Bill Burton and Eddie Mathews, Mickey Mantle and Willie Mays are only a few who could shine in a college track meet.

Hot Stove Leaguers may wrestle with this one, too—contributed by Bob Lemon, seven seasons a 20-game winning pitcher with Cleveland. "They talk about the versatility of the 1920 crowd as if we were all glued in one spot. Seems to me I started at third base and played center field with the Indians before I switched to pitching." (Author's note: one of the rarest feats ever accomplished, considering Lem's many 20-game performances). "And how about Billy Goodman of the White Sox, who's played every position except pitch and catch? Al Dark of the Cubs has starred at short, second, third, and left field and even pitched one year for Leo Durocher. Look at the experiment the Yanks got away with a while back—

catcher Yogi Berra at third, Mickey Mantle at second and first baseman Bill Skowron at short. The truth is, a good pro should be able to do any job asked of him. And there are still plenty of pros around—believe me."

There also remain thinking ballplayers, the '58 World Series notwithstanding. During a Cincinnati-St. Louis game, Umpire Dusty Boggess turned sternly on Roy McMillan of the Reds. "Hey, you've got ten men on the field! Tell your manager, for me, that only nine are permitted."

"That's what I count—nine," replied McMillan.

"Ten!" rasped Boggess; his temperature rising. "There's four outfielders out there."

"Yes, but if you'll kindly look around," smirked McMillan, "you'll see three infielders."

Boggess flushed. Neither he nor the fans had noticed McMillan daringly wave the second baseman to the outfield—in order to meet the threat of Stan Musial, at bat for the Cards. The outfield-packing innovation worked, when Musial lined to the fourth gardener.

All the brains in baseball weren't passed out 25 years ago.

But despite gains in size, weight, infield acuity, general health and speed, it seems the balance of evidence rests in favor of the John McGraw, rather than the Casey Stengel, era. Try as you will, you can't escape it.

Stengel not long ago, after a Yankee defeat, counted more TV producers, stockbrokers and ballplayers' agents around the park than he did players. Endorsements, contracts and investments flew about—the game forgotten.

"What's Santa Fe quoted at right now?" Case asked one of his slumping employes. The lad replied that stock was one commodity he hadn't yet purchased.

"Well, ya better buy some quick," advised one modern manager who remembers how it used to be, his nostrils flaring, "on account of you and a lot of other guys might be ridin' that line to Albuquerque any minute now." ● ●

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New lodges, so vital to the growth of the Order, will find recommendations that have proved successful in various parts of the country, compiled in a valuable booklet—*Suggestions for Organization and Institution of New Lodges*—by the Grand Lodge Membership and New Lodge Committee under Chairman James A. Gunn.

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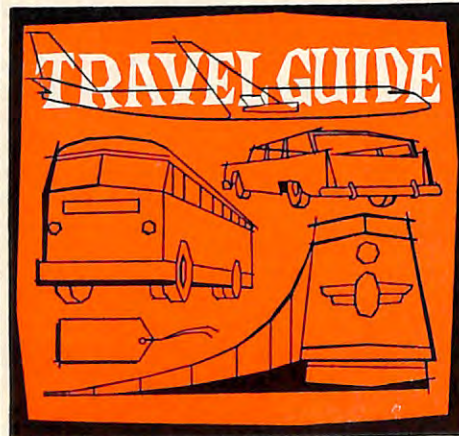
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Bora Bora, or from Fiji aboard the airline called Teal. But civilization as we know it is still quite far away, and Tahiti has no giant hotels in the grand Hawaiian manner. The best of them is Les Tropiques, sometimes also known as the Beachcomber's Blue Lagoon, which has thatched bungalows—every one with a private bath and a private patio. Another inn outside Papeete, the capital, is called the Royal Tahitian. There the bungalows are made of straw and topped with thatch. Walk out the door and you are on the black sand beach where "Mutiny on the Bounty" was filmed. You can buy French wines and French perfumes, and island straw hats with hatbands of shells. The wild music and the wicked drum beat of the Tahitians is heard at the world-famous bar called Quinn's, operated by a statesider called Eddie Lund. The best of all parties is a daylight tamaraa with the Tahitian maids frolicking in the spring-fed pools in their sarongs (called pareus), the fare a conglomeration of fish and coconut milk and taro root, all eaten with the fingers. And later the drums and the dancing. Out on the island there is one Chinese restaurant and general store where you can buy French wine and broiled fresh-water shrimp, but there are forests of flowers, waterfalls and soft grass.

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Residents of Kalamazoo, Michigan, will be happy to know that their city made a big hit at the September Industrial Fair held in Berlin. Some 25,000 European visitors flocked by to get a glimpse of "Life and Work in Kalamazoo, USA". The city was chosen by United States officials to be the typical American city in a presentation showing the changes that the past 50 years have brought to the American working man.

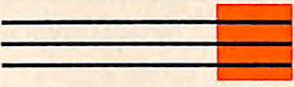
If you plan to visit Europe this year, and expect to be in West Germany, we are happy to announce that Mr. Conrad Hilton has opened his newest hotel, the Berlin Hilton. This fine hotel is in the heart of the Western Sector, at the hub of shops, theatres and restaurants.

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**DON'T FORGET** the big tour to the Hawaiian Islands, following the Convention in July. If you have mailed us a request for information and have not received it as yet, it is because all details and schedules have not been worked out. You will receive the folder in time to make reservations and plans.

At this time of year all Florida is bustling with activity because of the winter resort season and the millions of visitors it brings. In the Central Gulf Coast area around Pinellas County, twelve new motels are opening this winter, all in the luxury class. Also in this section, there is an entirely new resort city under construction. This will be known





## FROM OUR READERS

In the January issue of THE ELKS MAGAZINE there was an account of the annual meeting of the All-American Conference to Combat Communism. Your report of the address which I delivered at this meeting was a very fair and accurate analysis of what I said, and I was happy to have this statement published in THE ELKS MAGAZINE.

OLIVER J. CALDWELL  
Assistant Commissioner  
for International Education  
U.S. Office of Education

WASHINGTON, D.C.

We surely do appreciate Stanley Frank's timely and excellent article on libraries—"\$156,000,000 Is Not Enough"—in the October issue. We would like to quote it in our publicity campaign for a new library building.

MRS. LOUISE KJERA  
Reference Department  
Great Falls Public Library

GREAT FALLS, MONT.

THE ELKS MAGAZINE covers are always tops. And the January cover (snow plow scene painted by John McDermott) tops tops.

THOMAS C. MEE  
Past District Deputy  
WOONSOCKET, R.I.

The cover on your January, 1959, issue struck close to home. The problem of private driveways versus state snow plow operations is a familiar one to us. (The painting depicts the problem of a man who has just shoveled his driveway clear, as he watches a plow approaching to undo all his work.)

For several years the plight of the driveway owner has been high on our long list of "problems to be solved". This year we took the bull by the horns and produced, in handbill form, an outline of the problem as we see it and a suggestion that we believe has consid-

erable merit. We suggest in this handbill that people shovel snow in the direction of traffic and also make a clear pocket in the snow on the up-traffic side of the drive, so that snow accumulations on the plow will dump into that pocket and only a bare minimum will go into the driveway opening.

JOHN F. SUMMERS  
Assistant Director  
Bureau of Public Information  
State Highway Department  
TRENTON, N.J.

My husband and I enjoy Ed Faust's "In the Dog House" column, and we have learned many useful things from it—all to our cocker spaniel's benefit.

It occurs to us that perhaps we should ask you to mention some day this tip of our own, which may save the life of a reader's dog. When left alone in a car, dogs have sometimes choked to death because a choke-chain collar was left on them. The chain may catch on a door or window handle when the pooch jumps down from the seat.

BALBOA, C.Z. MRS. W. L. STEPHENS

The way in which the story about the Warrensburg memorial to the dog, Old Drum, by Ed Faust, was featured in the January issue of THE ELKS MAGAZINE was mighty fine. Our lodge officers and many others have expressed their appreciation and commendation of the presentation. I sent to Mr. Faust all the local newspaper clippings pertaining to the event, and he has given the Magazine a splendid story of the important happenings of the day.

WARRENSBURG, MO. CURTISS M. GOTT

We greatly appreciated the material your Travel Department sent us to help plan a trip to California. The information and routing were most useful to us.

MRS. LEON B. ANDREWS  
SPRINGFIELD, ILL.

## ELEVENTH ANNUAL SPRING FISHING ISSUE

Be sure to watch for the Spring Fishing Issue of THE ELKS MAGAZINE, appearing in April. Our Rod and Gun experts, Dan Holland and Ted Trueblood, will be writing special feature articles for this issue, of interest to every

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## The Elks, the Press and Freedom

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rooms and a banquet for all area newspaper personnel and their husbands or wives. The *Chester Herald-Tribune* provided a "banquet extra" edition and Newspaper Week tags for everyone attending. The guest speaker, Dr. Howard R. Long, Chairman of the Journalism Department at Southern Illinois University, based his talk on a recent nine-months' trip he made to study the press in the Far East. "What is happening or has happened there," he said, "will happen in America unless the people take enough interest in their own rights to freedom of information." This statement forcibly demonstrated the importance of Newspaper Week.

To win Second Place among lodges with more than 750 members, Woonsocket, R. I., Lodge secured a proclamation from the city's Mayor Jean-Paul Soucy, provided newspaper releases and window stickers, held a newspaper carrier contest and a banquet. The lodge obtained the cooperation not only of the newspapers but of the local council of the Boy Scouts of America, which joined in the tribute to outstanding newspaper carrier George H. Buteau, Jr., a Life Scout who delivers the *Woonsocket Call*. As Outstanding Carrier, he was presented with a plaque by Exalted Ruler Lewis A. Andrews, Jr. Local civic leaders and newspaper personnel were guests at the banquet, attended by State Assn. Pres. Edouard N. Decelles.

The other Second Place lodge, Chippewa Falls, Wis., held a dinner for local journalism students, awarded a cup to the outstanding newsboy, Bruce Greenwood, commended local papers and presented a Certificate of Recognition to the *Chippewa Herald-Telegram* and Publisher Milo E. Nickel for fair and un-

biased reporting in the best tradition of American journalism. Exalted Ruler Forrest H. Froberg made the presentation. In addition, various Elks supplied guest editorials for the local papers—which also published a congratulatory letter from Senator Alexander Wiley, a lodge member.

Santa Maria, Calif., Lodge—Third Place winner in the group of lodges with more than 750 members—installed in the lodge rooms a display of famous headlines taken from the *Santa Maria Times*. These dated back to April 22, 1882, when the first edition was published, and came up to date with current headlines, including one in the special Elks Rodeo Edition of May 28, 1958. Also included were a headline over a State of the Nation message from President McKinley, and the announcement of President Eisenhower's election in 1952. In addition to this display, the lodge raised a 30-foot banner publicizing the guest editorials written by Elks every publishing day of the week for the local paper.

In Third Place among lodges in the second group was Fulton, N. Y., which arranged a tour of newspaper plants for high school students, conducted an essay contest on our "Fourth Freedom" in Fulton High School, held a "Favorite Newsboy" contest, inserted advertisements in all papers to congratulate the press, set up a newspaper exhibit and tendered all newspaper personnel and their husbands or wives a cocktail hour and banquet. Past Exalted Ruler James B. Hanlon, who is Chairman of the State's Youth Activities Committee, and Exalted Ruler Robert Quade made the presentations to the winner of the essay contest, Miss Carole

## Prominent Michigan Elk Passes

**F**RANK A. SMALL, well known resident of St. Joseph, Mich., and prominent in Elk circles for many years, passed away in November. He would have been 71 years old on January 6th. Death came as the result of a heart attack suffered while Mr. Small, an ardent sportsman, was on a hunting trip thirty miles west of Iron River. Interment took place at Crystal Springs Cemetery in Benton Harbor.

A former Exalted Ruler of St. Joseph Lodge No. 541, Mr. Small served as District Deputy for Western Michigan in 1937 and as Spe-

cial Deputy the following year. In 1939, at the Grand Lodge Convention in St. Louis, Mo., he was elected Grand Inner Guard and from 1945 until 1947 he had been a member of the Grand Lodge State Associations Committee. He had also served a five-year term as a Trustee of the Michigan State Elks Association.

Mr. Small was elected Chairman of the Berrien County Board of Supervisors in 1953, and was affiliated with the Masonic and Lions organizations. He is survived by his wife, son, daughter, brother and nephew.

Rowland, and the Favorite Newsboy, Everett Gantley. Dr. Francis P. Hulme, Head of the Department of Literature at Oswego State Teachers' College, was the principal speaker at the dinner. Dr. Hulme cited the insistence of our nation's founders on a free press.

The Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Activities stresses the excellence of the many entries in the Newspaper Week contest. In addition to the hon-

ors of First, Second and Third Place, and Honorable Mention, Special Mention was awarded to the joint effort of San Benito and Harlingen, Texas, Lodges—which banded together for a double observance of the event. Although awards are given only to individual lodges, the Committee felt that the thorough joint observance and handsome brochure of Harlingen and San Benito merited Special Mention. • •

## Lodge Visits of Horace R. Wisely

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District Deputy Charles L. Carpenter, District Deputy Charles A. Bahil and Exalted Ruler Dale Price. That evening, at a reception, dinner and dance attended by Elks from all over the state, Mayor William F. Laman, a lodge member, presented Mr. Wisely with a certificate of honorary North Little Rock citizenship, and Governor's Aide Thomas Russell conferred upon him the title of Arkansas Traveler. Also present for the occasion were State Pres. James I. Malham, State Vice Presidents Victor Wilder and Ben Saltzman, and District Deputy Morris U. Allen. During the visit, Past Grand Exalted Ruler James presented the lodge's Ritualistic Team with a trophy won last spring in state competition. A plaque was also installed in honor of Past Exalted Ruler Henry O. Topf and the Brothers who worked with him in raising funds for a new fireproof lodge after a series of fires.

**BECKLEY, W. VA.** A class of 52 was initiated in honor of Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely when he visited Beckley, W. Va., Lodge, Nov. 5. Guests from all ten lodges in the state's Southern District were present, and a record 700 Beckley Elks turned out for the occasion. Mr. Wisely was welcomed at the airport by Grand Trustee Dewey E. S. Kuhns and Mayor A. K. Minter, a member of the lodge. A press conference was held by Mr. Wisely with reporters and broadcast from the airport. Past State Pres. Lawrence E. Pruett conducted Mr. Wisely on a tour of the city, with a stop at Elks Stadium, home of the Beckley Little League which is sponsored by the lodge. At a dinner that evening with Brother Kuhns and the Grand Exalted Ruler, District Deputy H. W. Ryan and Exalted Ruler W. E. Hedrick were also present.

**BELLEVILLE, ILL.** While on a visit to Belleville, Ill., Lodge, Nov. 19th, Mr. Wisely was escorted by Exalted Ruler Hansel V. Johnson on a tour of Scott Air Force Base, where he was welcomed by Base Commander, Col. W. C. Armstrong. Mr. Wisely was also presented with a key to the city by Mayor Jerome J. Munie. At a dinner attended by some 200, the Grand Exalted Ruler delivered an address in which he stressed pride of membership as an antidote to lapsation.



Participating in the dedication of Olympia, Wash., Lodge's new \$500,000 building on Oct. 23 (reported in the January issue), Mr. Wisely stands with Exalted Ruler Warren Pifer, exhibiting the cornerstone.

Among distinguished Elks present were Past Grand Exalted Ruler Joseph B. Kyle, Past Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees Dr. Nick H. Feder, State Pres. Stuart Strain, State Treasurer James Snelson, State Vice Pres. C. R. DeVault and District Deputy R. E. Costello, Jr.

**SHREVEPORT, LA.** A delegation of over fifty Elks, including Shreveport Mayor Clyde E. Fant, Bossier City Mayor J. W. Cameron, Congressman T. Overton Brooks and District Deputy H. L. Boudreau met Mr. Wisely at the airport and brought him to Shreveport, La., Lodge via motorcade on Nov. 21. That evening a class of 185 candidates—largest in the lodge's history—was initiated in Mr. Wisely's honor, and the next morning a parade was held, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Wisely. The Grand Exalted Ruler then laid the cornerstone and officially dedicated the new \$450,000 Shreveport Lodge and Club, and the event was celebrated with a champagne toast by members and their guests. In the evening a banquet was held, at which time Mr. Wisely received the key to the city of Shreveport and was made an honorary citizen of Bossier City. In attendance were Past Grand Exalted Ruler Earl E. James, State Pres. Jacob Clausen, State Secretary E. F. Heller, Sr., District Deputies Edward W. Ortego and Morris U. Allen, and Past District Deputies Willis C. McDonald and A. C. Mott. • •

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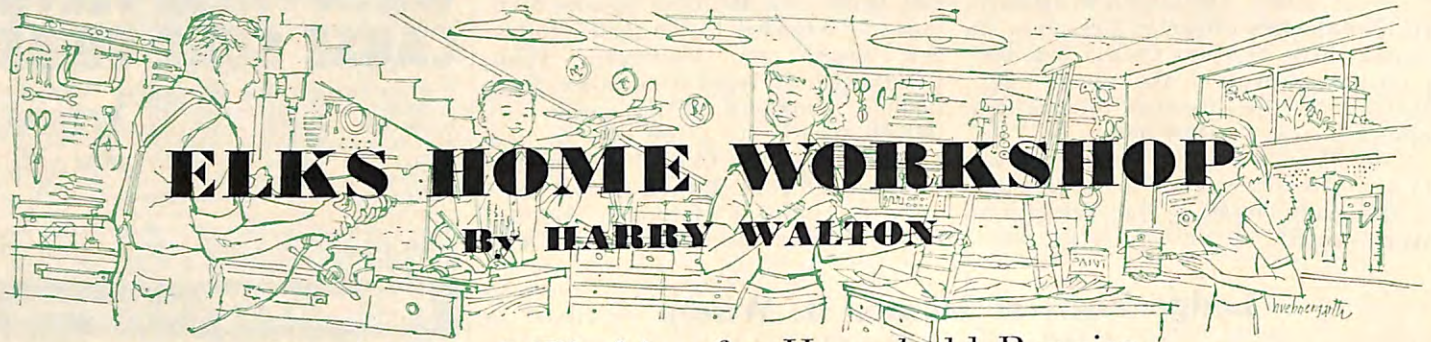


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## Simple Metal Working for Household Repairs

SOME home mechanics who gladly tackle any carpentry task will long hesitate to try one that involves working metal. Yet cutting, shaping and making holes in metal is no harder than working with wood, if the right tools and techniques are used.

In stoves, home appliances, toys, garden implements and other household accessories, machine screws may refuse to hold, riveted parts separate, rusted bolts or nuts need to be replaced. Newly purchased curtain rods, hinges, brackets and other hardware may have to be modified to fit properly.

The tools needed are few and can be bought separately as the need arises. For only occasional home use, they need not be of top quality. An inexpensive hacksaw frame, for example, will do, provided the blades are good ones. Low-priced carbon-steel twist drills will put holes through steel if aided by a flow of thin oil. Punches, chisels and screw taps are available even at five-and-ten-cent stores.

**DRILLING SMALL HOLES** is often necessary for joining parts and to provide properly spaced mounting holes when existing ones are unsuitable. On metal, unlike wood, the drill will skate around wildly unless you make a starting indentation for it. Hold a sharp center punch (Figure 1) exactly where the hole is to be, and rap it once with a hammer. The dimple so formed will hold the drill on course. Lubricate it when drilling steel or wrought iron; drill cast iron and brass without oil.

The drill will tend to grab as it breaks through the underside. With a power drill, let up pressure when this is about to occur. Be especially careful

when drilling sheet metal, in which snagging can produce a jagged hole or, at worst, tear the sheet loose and whirl it around. For drilling on a drill press or with an electric drill, all work should be clamped firmly in at least two places.

Even then a hole in thin stock may be misshapen. Pound the sheet gently on a flat surface and use a file or a tapered reamer (Figure 2) to round the hole. Such a reamer, turned clockwise with light pressure, is also useful for enlarging holes that are too small.

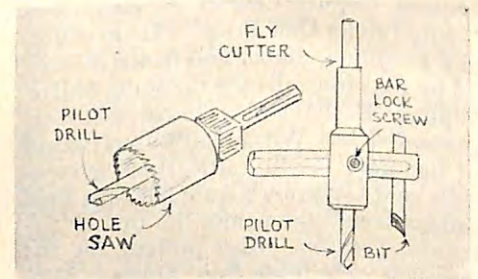
Sometimes holes can be made without a drill. To shorten the mounting legs of common curtain rods, for example, new holes can be made by filing across the flanged edges, as in Figure 3. The excess can be sawn off with a fine blade in the hacksaw, started on the flat outer surface.

**CUTTING A BIG HOLE** may be necessary to fit sheet metal around a pipe coming through the floor, or to pass a heater hose through the firewall of an automobile. Hole saws (Figure 4) come in various sizes. Rather costly for a single job, they are worth buying if you have several holes of one size to make.

Both cheaper and adjustable, so that it can make a range of hole sizes, is the fly-cutter type shown in Figure 5. This works more slowly and requires greater care in use than the hole saw. Tighten the bit and its carrying bar firmly, and check the setting for size by trying it on a piece of wood or scrap metal beforehand.

These two hole makers cannot be used in an ordinary geared hand drill, but must be chucked in a drill press, an electric drill or a carpenter's brace to apply the considerable torque or turning effort needed. If the tool is hand held, take care to keep it at 90 degrees to the work surface so that the bit does not dig in at one side more than at the other.

A simple though laborious way to cut an opening of any size and shape is shown in Figure 6. Use a sharp point to scribe the hole wanted and a line  $\frac{1}{16}$ " inside it. With dividers, mark off and then center-punch points  $\frac{3}{16}$ " apart along the inner line. Drill  $\frac{1}{8}$ " holes on the marks. Then, with a small cold



Figures 4 and 5

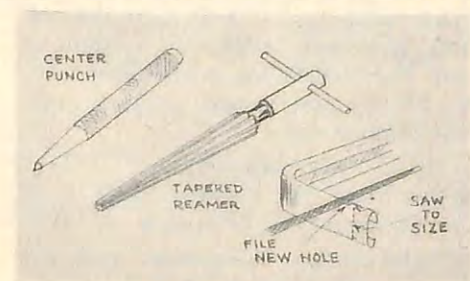
chisel, cut from one hole to the next. Remove the center part. With a half-round file, smooth the jagged edge back to the outer line.

**TO CUT SHEET METAL**, useful for closing holes around plumbing pipes, lining plant boxes and repairing home gutters, you need tin snips. Buy the duckbill type if you get only one pair; this kind (Figure 7) will cut curves or, with a little extra care, reasonably straight lines. The snips shown cut toward the left. For right-hand curves, turn the work over, cut from the opposite edge, or cut clockwise after lifting the metal on the left side of the cut so that it slides over the upper jaw.

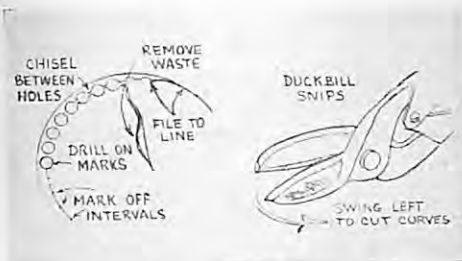
Keep the guide line in sight just to the left of the upper jaw. Close the jaws almost all the way when cutting to make full use of the edges. To take the next "bite" move the open jaws to the very end of the previous cut. Take pains not to start the new cut behind it, for this leaves needle-sharp slivers along the edge. File off such slivers if they occur.

**TO SAW THICKER METAL** such as a piece of pipe, an iron bracket or a piece of counter molding, it is important to use the right blade. For metal thicker than  $\frac{1}{4}$ ", use one with 18 teeth to the inch. (The tooth count is usually shown on the container, if not on the blade itself.) For pipe, angle stock, molding and other material with walls  $\frac{1}{8}$ " to  $\frac{1}{4}$ " thick, the blade should have 24 teeth per inch. Stock thinner than  $\frac{1}{8}$ " calls for 32 teeth per inch.

Be sure to mount the blade in the saw frame with the teeth pointing for-



Figures 1, 2 and 3



Figures 6 and 7

ward. For deep cuts, the blade can be fixed at right angles to the handle. Tension the blade by tightening the wing nut, and retighten it after a minute of sawing, for a new blade will stretch.

Clamp down or hold the work in a vise, in such a position that you can start cutting across a wide rather than a narrow or sharp surface. Holding your thumb on the work to guide the blade, start the cut with a short stroke (on thin edges, it may be necessary to start by drawing the blade backwards).

When the cut is deep enough to guide the blade, grip the front of the saw frame with one hand. Saw slowly; experts take about 50 strokes per minute. Press down firmly but not heavily on forward strokes. Lift pressure on the back stroke.

**FILES ARE INDISPENSABLE** in metal work, but you need only a few of the double-cut or machinist's type for smoothing rough edges and bringing work to size. A 10" flat, an 8" round, a 10" half-round and an 8" triangular file are a good assortment. For smoothing, add a 10" mill file. Be sure to put on handles; an unhandled file is dangerous.

Flat files are useful for smoothing sawed edges, filing to a line, and sharpening an axe or hoe. With the round file you can enlarge holes or smooth the inside of small curves. The half-round file is for either inside or outside curves. The triangular one will file into corners; it's the one, for example, to use for enlarging the hole in a lock strike plate.

Grip the file handle in the palm of one hand. Hook the fingers of the other hand under the front end of the file, the ball of the hand on top exerting pressure. Bear down on the forward stroke to make the file cut well; too little pressure will dull the teeth, too much clog them. Lift off all pressure on the return stroke. Avoid a see-saw action; letting the file rock will produce a convex surface. On narrow work edges, use a diagonal stroke, filing along as well as across the narrow surface.

Clean files with a wire brush or, if soft metal such as aluminum clogs the teeth, by running a sharp point along them. Never lubricate a file.

**TO SEPARATE RIVETED PARTS**, file off the rivet end (if it projects) or drill it off, using a drill slightly bigger than the rivet shank. Once an end is re-

moved, drive out the rivet (Figure 8).

To join parts with solid rivets, which may be of aluminum or iron, select a size that closely fits the holes (or, in new work, drill holes the rivets will fit without looseness). Cut the rivet to length if necessary; the end to be hammered over should project a distance equal to the diameter of the shank (Figure 8). If the old rivet hole has been enlarged, put a close-fitting washer on the shank before hammering it over.

Rest the rivet head solidly on a metal block (the sole plate of an old electric iron makes a good one). Then head the end over, using a ball-peen hammer if you have one.

For fastening parts to sheet metal, or accessories such as mirrors to auto bodies, self-tapping screws are often used. They resemble wood screws in having a coarse tapered thread. The hole in which they are to be tightened must be small enough to afford the threads a grip. The right drill size to use is commonly marked on the box the screws come in.

**WHEN A BOLT WON'T TIGHTEN** because its threads are damaged, a new bolt of the same size will probably hold. If it is too long, turn a nut up on it, hacksaw the bolt to length, and file the cut end smooth. As you unscrew the nut, it will straighten any threads damaged by the saw.

If the threads inside the hole are stripped, it may be possible to drill them completely out, put a bolt through, and tighten a nut on the other side. When this cannot be done, as in

Figure 8

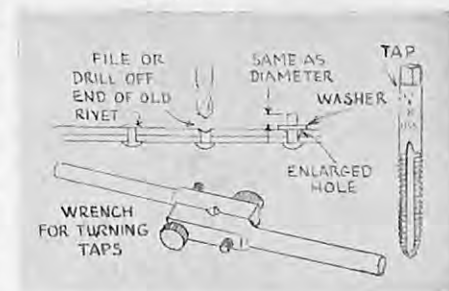


Figure 9

a blind hole, the part may have to be rethreaded. Buy a new bolt one size larger, a tap to match it (Figure 9), a tap wrench, and the tap drill required.

Run the tap drill into the stripped hole. Then turn the tap in carefully with the wrench, taking care to hold it in line with the hole. Back it out a trifle after each half turn. If the hole is deep, remove the tap entirely from time to time to get the chips out. Lubricate steel or wrought iron with thin oil.

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## *Ninety-One Years of Age*

The ninety-first year of the life of the Order of Elks will be concluded on the 16th of this month of February.

There is a natural urge for one who has some responsibility for the editorials appearing in THE ELKS MAGAZINE to review, at this time, the growth and accomplishments of the Order during the long period of its existence.

However, an editorial appearing in our January issue bearing the title "Responsibilities of an Elk" emphasizes the growth of the Order and its benevolent, charitable, educational and patriotic activities.

And so, in this birthday month of the Order we will content ourselves with some facts about the Order that were not covered in the editorial of last month.

On February 16, 1868, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was founded by 15 men connected with the theatre or entertainment world.

Today the Order has a membership of 1,240,000 and is composed of men in all walks of life, largely business and professional men. A national report, recently made, showed that over 93 per cent are married and 77 per cent own their own homes.

For the first 20 years of the life of the Order, Elks lodges were found only in the large cities throughout the country.

Today 80 per cent of the membership of the Order is found in cities and towns having a population of less than 100,000.

A large percentage of the members of the Order occupy important positions in public life.

In the last United States Congress nearly one-half of the members of the House of Representatives were Elks and over one-half of the members of the Senate were members of the Order.

At the present time there are 1,852 lodges of Elks located throughout the country with assets totaling \$300,000,000.

Ten years ago there were 1,510 lodges and so in the last ten years there have been instituted 342 new lodges.

In that period the membership in the Order has increased from 965,000 to 1,240,000, an increase of 275,000.

This is a striking indication of the continued vitality and growth of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at the present time.

In the first year of the history of the Order in which any record of expenditures for charitable, welfare and patriotic work was kept (1868) such expenditures amounted to \$4,440.84.

In the intervening years that annual figure has risen from that amount to \$7,000,000.

On its ninety-first birthday the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks stands out as a leading American fraternity in membership, strength and vitality and in contributions to the welfare of our people and the strength of our local and national governments.

There is every reason to believe that even greater achievements will be reached and more important services rendered in the nine years at the end of which our Order will become a century old.

Probably, as our Grand Exalted Ruler would say:—"And Then Some."

### **Stray Elks Round-Up Month**

In his November Message in THE ELKS MAGAZINE, Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely dealt with the important problem of the Stray Elks, and told of the plan of cooperation with THE ELKS MAGAZINE to keep subordinate lodges advised relative to Stray Elks moving into their jurisdiction. The lead editorial in the same issue stressed the interest of THE ELKS MAGAZINE in the commitment of this program.

In November the Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Activities designated the month of February as:

"Stray Elks Round-Up Month", and appealed to all lodges to promote Stray Elk Nights during the month. The Committee also sent to each lodge a striking poster to use in connection with this Program.

THE ELKS MAGAZINE broadened out

and stepped up this work of advising lodges of Stray Elks moving into their territory, and is informing them also of all Stray Elks already located in their jurisdiction.

It is a certainty that all lodges will give this movement full support. Now if the Stray Elks themselves do their part and accept the invitations and participate in the celebrations in their recognition, the result will be an uprising of the Elk spirit throughout the Order never reached in any other month in the history of our Fraternity.

We are confident that the Stray Elks will do their part also.

### **An Accurate Blueprint**

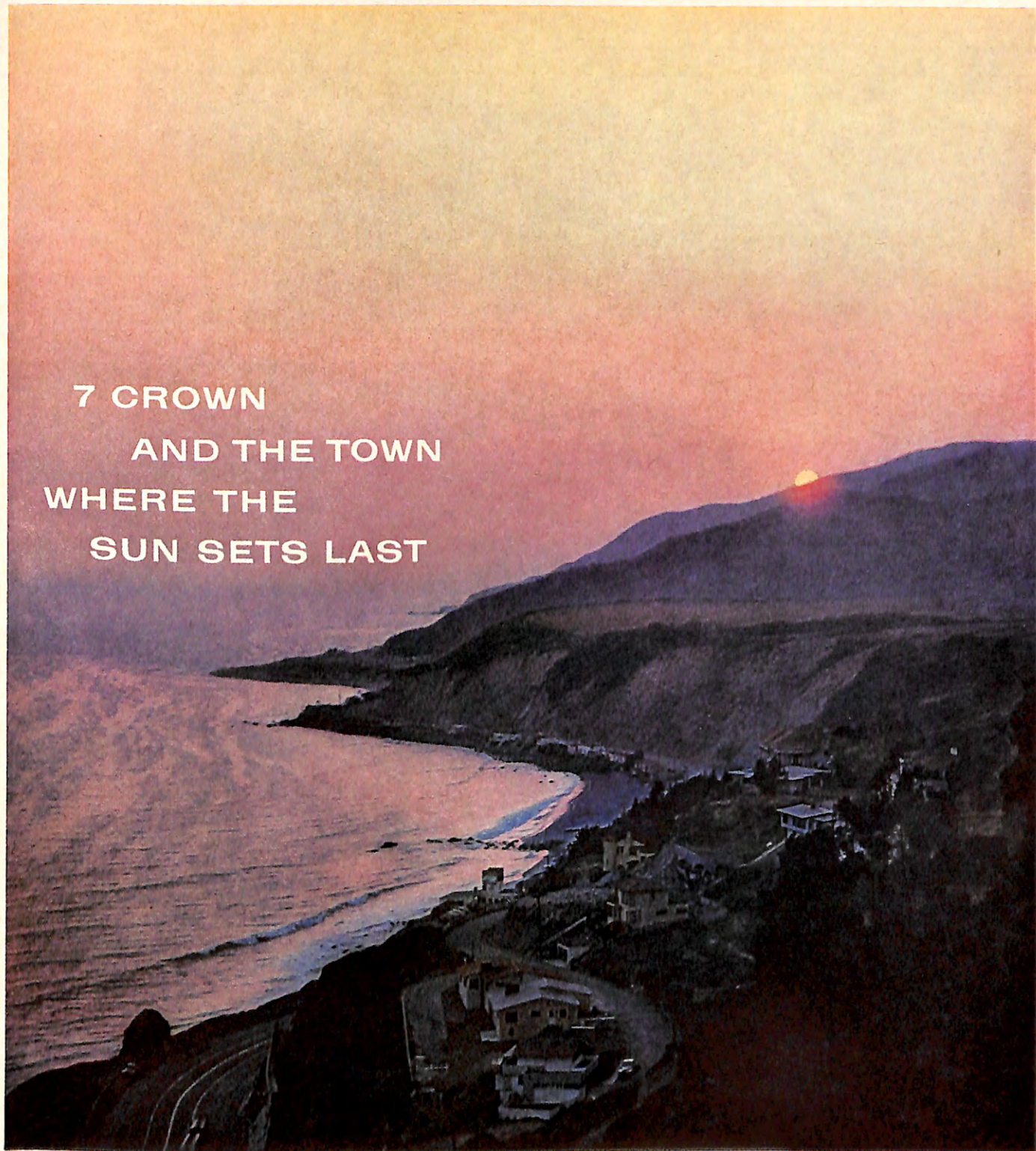
In July, 1949, THE ELKS MAGAZINE ran an article by Louis J. Alber carrying the title of "Kremlin Blueprint".

The recent attempt of Premier Khrushchev to break up the agreement among the four World War II powers relative to the German problem is an indication of Mr. Alber's ability to trace a correct Kremlin blueprint nine years ago, for in his article he said:

"Their immediate aim is to capture Germany. Nothing has so greatly disappointed the Politburo as the failure to take over all Germany through a stooge government. Germany's industrial power could soon be revived to 75 per cent of past top output and would shortly put Russia in a spot where she might venture a war. She now has Czechoslovakia's plants and workers; with the German added she would be a formidable antagonist indeed. Without Germany the Kremlin is not likely to give the signal for war.

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