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How much do you really know about Diet and Exercise?

Answering the most repeated questions on Circulation, Metabolism and Weight Control

What constitutes exercise?

Exercise is *sustained* muscular activity which increases the conversion of food and oxygen into energy *over and above the point* reached while sitting, standing, walking, doing minor household chores, office duties or shop work, or while engaged in mild sports such as golf, bowling, billiards, croquet, and so on.

What is so important about exercise?

Exercise stimulates sluggish circulation which in turn speeds the delivery of nutrients and oxygen to the tissues, glands and organs that perform the vital body functions. It helps the body to convert a greater amount of food and oxygen into energy. It helps the processes of elimination and the removal of wastes. It constitutes Nature's principal way of keeping the body healthy.

What is the relationship between diet, exercise and vitality?

Diet is the amount of minerals, vitamins, protein, carbohydrates and fat consumed each day, in other words, it's the amount of gasoline that goes into the tank. *Exercise* is the accelerator that helps convert a greater amount of your daily diet into energy than you ordinarily convert while sitting, standing, walking, doing light household, gardening, office, or shop work, or while playing mild games such as golf, bowling, and so on. *The conversion of more food and oxygen into energy by exercise is what builds up your vitality.*

Is mental activity exercise?

No! Mental activity stimulates the mind but not the circulation. That's why the person who is engaged in mental concentration usually feels pooped at the end of the day. Exercise acts as an antidote to mental fatigue.

What is meant by muscle tone?

The *tonus* of muscle tissue rates its ability to contract and expand when you want to perform any physical task. The more you exercise your muscles, the stronger, firmer and more flexible they become. This is what is meant by muscle tone. You move, eat, talk and express yourself with the help of muscles. They activate the heart, arteries, capillaries and veins. They manipulate the bones. All body cells depend on muscle power for food, oxygen and the elimination of waste. *It's impossible to remain in a top-notch physical condition without good muscle tone.*

Will exercise help the normal heart?

Here are some medical facts known to all practicing physicians: Exercise is one of the important factors contributing to total fitness. The contributions of exercise to fitness include the development and maintenance of strength, speed, agility, endurance and skill in persons who are physiologically sound. Games and sports involving extended running, vigorous swimming and dancing, and other sorts of forceful efforts serve this purpose. The normal heart and circulatory system become more efficient in moving blood to active regions when repeatedly required to do so. Coincident to this development, improved pulmonary ventilation also results. The demand for increased circulation and pulmonary ventilation incident to protracted

exercise is reflected primarily in an improved and more economical pumping action of the heart. Prolonged inactivity, on the other hand, is marked by a decline in circulatory and pulmonary efficiency.

Does exercise help the nervous system?

Yes! The beneficial effects of daily exercise on the nervous system and the psyche are acknowledged by medical authorities.

What form of exercise is best?

For healthy people, *ALL-OUT* exercise! This means any sustained activity that exercises most of the major upper and lower body muscles in unison, *and at a rapid clip*, such as running, vigorous swimming, a fast game of handball or tennis, and so on. *ALL-OUT* exercise circulates a greater amount of blood, converts a greater amount of food and oxygen into energy, and builds up a greater amount of vitality. *ALL-OUT exercise is the fountain from which more youthfulness flows!*



How long should ALL-OUT exercise continue?

A healthy person doing sedentary work in the home, office, shop or factory should do *ALL-OUT* exercise for 30 minutes or longer, each day.

What is the difference between strenuous and vigorous exercise?

When body muscles are forced to perform in a manner to which they are not accustomed, stress, strain and pain results. This can, at times, have serious consequences for the sedentary individual who suddenly decides to throw his body weight around as if it were not there. But exercise, in order to be beneficial, need not be strenuous. For although it is true that vigorous exercise means many muscles moving simultaneously and at a rapid clip, it does not mean that you have to move these muscles yourself. An instrument such as the Electric Exercycle can move them for you far more efficiently than you can move them yourself and with the same physiological benefits accruing to the body as a whole.



I'm out of condition! How can I do ALL-OUT exercises?

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How much strength does it take to ride the Electric Exercycle?

An Exercycle ride requires little physical effort because the rider is propelled by the motor of this device. This makes it possible for the sedentary individual to follow a physiological conditioning program which would be practically impossible were he to depend solely upon his own energy supply. An Exercycle ride is fast and it can be continued in comfort for 30 minutes and longer. An Exercycle ride moves virtually all of the major body muscles at one and the same time, thus distributing the workload so that increased blood circulation is not denied to any one part of the system. So we find that an Exercycle ride differs from ordinary exercise in these respects: (1) an individual requires only a moderate amount of strength to ride an Exercycle; (2) he can exercise his entire body simultaneously, and for at least half an hour at a stretch.

Do doctors ever recommend the Exercycle?

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Tom Wrigley writes from Washington

DEMOCRATS ARE GRABBING for seat reservations for the National Convention in Los Angeles even though the big powwow is still a year away. Problems on arrangements are piling up for Chairman Paul Butler and his associates at National Democratic Committee headquarters. The 1960 conclave under the banner of the Donkey, at which the battle for nominations for President and Vice-President will take place, shapes up as one of the greatest. No Democratic National Convention since 1932 has had such makings for excitement. The new Memorial Sports Arena where the Convention will be held has 20,000 seats. It looks like requests, or rather demands, for tickets will soar to 50,000. Of the 8,000 seats on the main floor, half will go to delegates and the other half to press, TV, radio, photographers, columnists, feature writers, etc. There are 12,000 gallery or spectator seats for the conclave.

THIS MAGAZINE travels all over the world. Chief Engineer Raymond McNally of the Ilbrandtson Line's round-the-world ship *Yankee Trader* sends word that when in port at Beirut, Syria, a bunch of magazines was brought aboard for the crew. There was THE

ELKS MAGAZINE and "we read it from cover to cover" writes McNally, who hails from Albany, New York.

POLICE WRIST RADIOS may yet be worn by Washington cops, but not right away. The Dick Tracy type of radios cost \$500 each, and 600 would be needed here to equip the force. New York police are testing them.

FIVE MILLION KIDS are going to camp this summer, the American Camping Association estimates. That's 11 per cent of all grammar and high school students. The list of organized camps in the U.S. now totals over 13,000. Most of them feature outdoor programs, swimming, woodcraft, nature study, water sports and athletic programs for the youngsters.

WASHINGTON'S LIVING COSTS are the third highest in the nation, topped only by San Francisco and Los Angeles, Board of Trade reports. A family of four here needs \$4,275 a year to live "decently" the board says.

D.C. TAX EXEMPTIONS are in line for 78 government officials under a new regulation. They are heads of in-

dependent federal agencies. Members of Congress and over 175 cabinet and agency officials whose tenure of office is at the pleasure of the President now have tax exemptions. Independent agency heads, appointed for fixed terms, didn't qualify.

TOURISTS SPEND BIG MONEY in Washington, more than a million dollars a day, and it is "new money", brought into the District from outside. The visitors' spend-roll is next to the Federal pay-roll in size, a whopping \$367,000,000 annually. The Greater National Capital Committee, through donations from business firms, promotes the tourism. This year a fund of \$250,000 is being raised to bring more people to the Nation's Capital.

WHITE HOUSE MENUS are dolled up with fancy French names but once in a while a distinguished guest can figure out what he's going to get without squinting an eye. This gem appeared on the menu at a most elaborate formal dinner—"Betty Brune De Pommes, Hard Sauce." There it was, just good old "Brown Betty"—nothing but bread crumbs, brown sugar, apples and spices but looking as important as all get out.

HOT WEATHER MISERY is now tabulated by the Weather Bureau. It is a "Discomfort Index" which combines temperature, humidity and other factors. Under the complicated formula when D.I. registers 70, ten per cent of Washingtonians will feel uncomfortable. At 75, half will be affected and at 79 the whole population will be suffering. There are no D.I. forecasts from the Weather Bureau, however.

POTOMAC PRETZELS. Atomic fallout is now being checked by six government agencies at 447 stations all over the world . . . District Minimum Wage Board has been advised to raise wages of workers in manufacturing plants here from the \$30 rate to \$44 a week . . . Agriculture Department order against meat imports from hoof and mouth disease-infested countries will cut shipments from Latin American countries 115 million pounds . . . National Airport traffic, at an all-time high, handles 25,000 planes a month, carrying nearly a half million passengers . . . the Interior Secretary Fred A. Seaton says the granite monument on Riverside Drive, New York, known as Grant's Tomb, is not Grant's Tomb at all, but officially is "The General Grant Memorial" . . . U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service reports 20,177,605 fishing licenses issued in the U.S. last year and the total this year will be much higher . . . Firecrackers are banned in Washington, but our politicians are loaded to the muzzle with oratory, all set to be exploded on July 4th.



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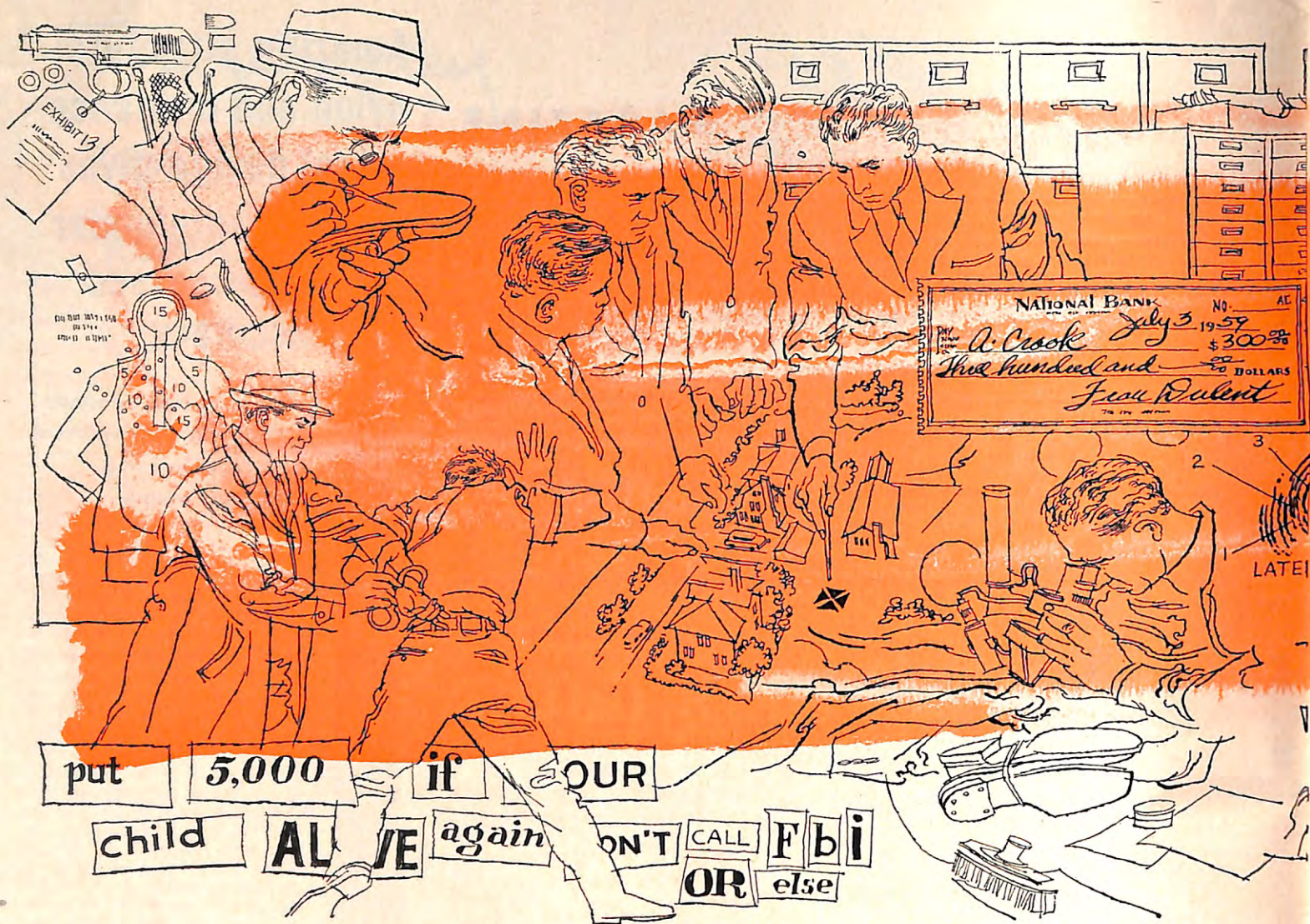
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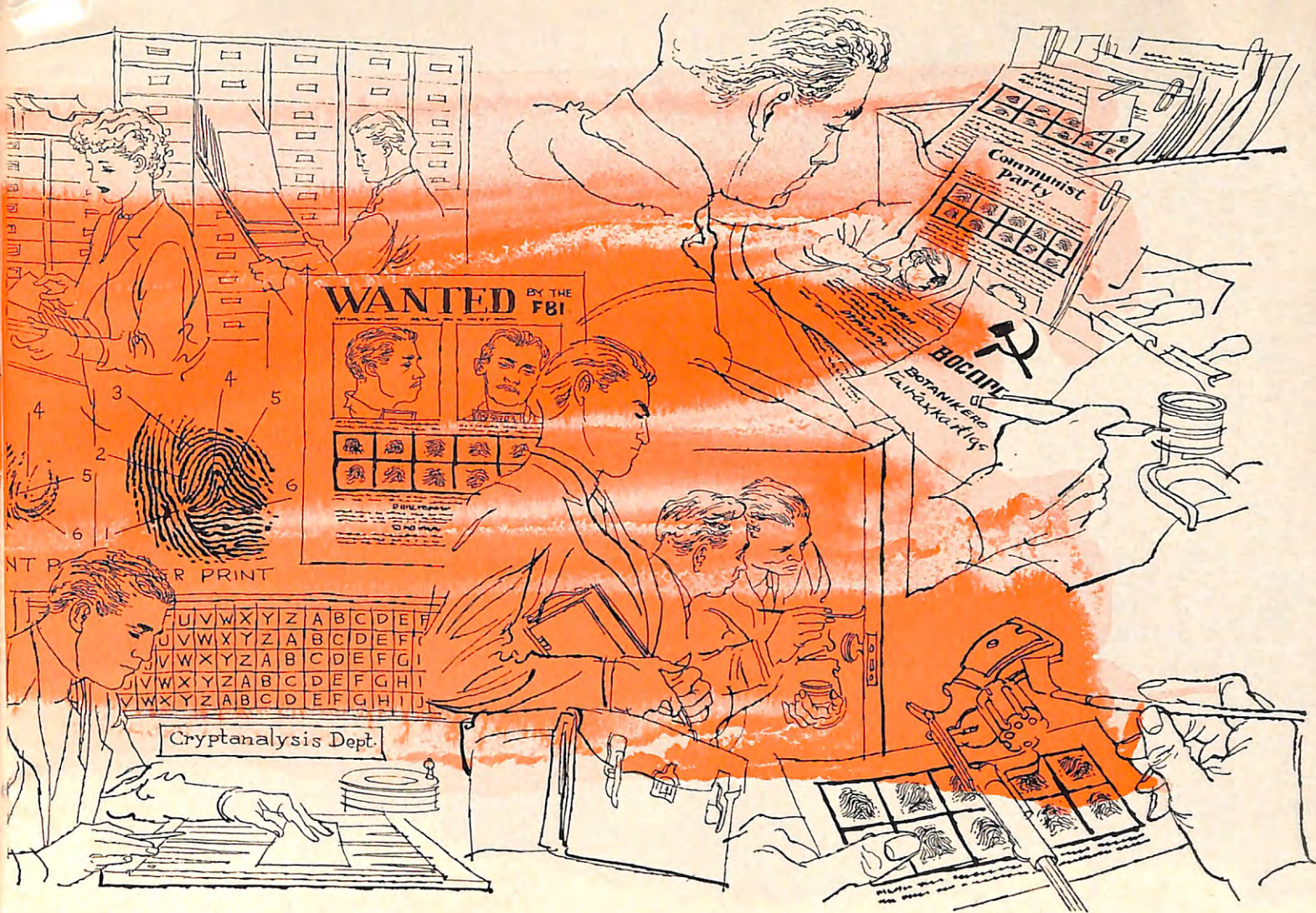


Author Bruno Shaw greeted by J. Edgar Hoover in his office at FBI headquarters.

IF YOU EVER get the notion that you'd like to hold up a bank whose deposits are insured by the Federal Government, or indulge in a kidnaping in order to acquire a fast buck, or shoot it out with an FBI Special Agent in a back alley—don't hesitate for a moment. Just take a tour of FBI headquarters in Washington, D.C. (thousands of visitors from all over the country do it every week in the year) and see what happens to most of those who try.

But don't let what you see there discourage you. Remember, if you decide to shoot it out with an FBI Agent, your family has the legal right to claim your body. And if you make a careful study of the slipshod way those who got caught made their mistakes, and take precautions to avoid every one of their errors, you, in turn, may earn the distinction of becoming known as the man who invented the new mistake of 1959, except for which the FBI might never have gotten you. And that in itself, those who pit their wits and brawn against the FBI seem to imagine, is glory enough.

At least as much criticism has been leveled at the Federal Bureau of Investigation as at any other agency of our government. It has been denounced as a band



The FBI at Work By BRUNO SHAW

of Cossacks, and criticized as an un-American Federal police force. It has been charged with unwarranted snooping into other people's private affairs, and it has been called the American equivalent of the MVD.

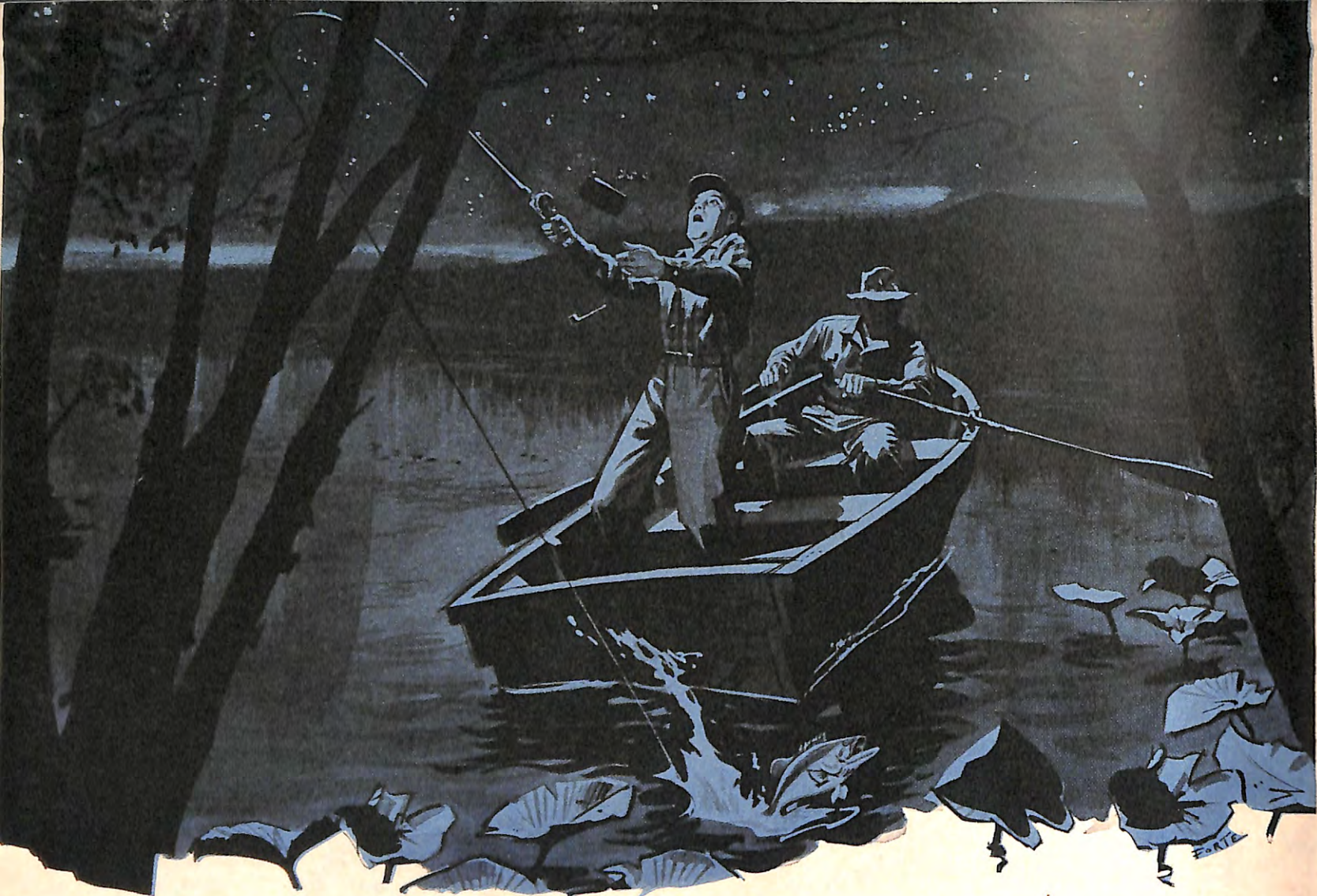
One consistent thread runs through most accusations of this sort: they are made by people who have something unpleasant to hide; by people who, placed in the witness chair of a grand jury or Congressional hearing, plead the Fifth. The rest of us, though sometimes intrigued by a visit from an inquiring FBI Special Agent, as I have been, hardly feel the need to tremble with anxiety or worry about being exiled to a salt mine.

Perhaps as good a way as any to judge the character of the FBI is to examine its components. Who are they, what do they do, and what kind of man directs them? The answers to these questions should tell us a great deal about whether we need to stay awake nights worrying that the FBI is a threat to freedoms Americans cherish as more precious than life itself, or whether we may rest more easily because of the efforts of that agency to preserve our freedoms for us.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is the investigative arm of the United States Department of Justice,

headed by the Attorney General, a member of the President's Cabinet. The Bureau is primarily a fact-gathering agency. It is also authorized to track down and apprehend criminal suspects, within limits set down by Federal law. Headquarters of the FBI are in the Department of Justice building in the nation's capital, and in the granite block over the Pennsylvania Avenue entrance this carved legend caught my eye: THE PLACE OF JUSTICE IS A HALLOWED PLACE.

The Director of the FBI, J. Edgar Hoover, is one of the most uncomplicated men I have ever met. It would surprise me very much indeed if, when confronted with wrong-doing or a wrong-doer, he has ever said to himself: ". . . well, on the other hand." Mr. Hoover, so far as I can judge, knows only one hand. An action is either right or wrong, legal or illegal, principled or unprincipled. I am quite sure that in his lexicon there is no partly right, semi-legal, or somewhat principled. This accounts, I think, for the manner in which the Bureau conducts itself, the morale of its people, the clearness of its objectives, and its total freedom from involvement in politics, favoritism, nepotism, or other shenanigans found all too (Continued on page 38)



Your hands are full of pipe and pouch, but not for long. There's no telling where he will jump next, or why. Your line pulls in one direction and the splash comes from another.

BLACKEST BASS

At night, the biggest one always sounds as if he were somewhere else. That's when the bass feed, and there are more mysteries deep in a lake than anyone has solved—and bigger fish than anyone has caught

By DAN HOLLAND

ILLUSTRATED BY JOSEPH FORTE

A BLACK BASS is a tough customer. His undershot jaw and his turned-in eye make him look tough, and this is no disguise. When he hits a plug, he hits like he's mad; when he jumps, he jumps like he's mad; and, if he could get a word across to us fishermen, he would cuss us out like he was mad.

Maybe it's the start he gets in life.

The very beginning is serene. A male bass is a parent in every sense of the word. Many fish react to the spawning urge helter-skelter, then flip along their sundry ways to let the eggs and fry shift for themselves, but not so bass. After they pair off, build a nest and spawn their roe, the female takes off on a wild feeding spree to rebuild her energy; but papa bass stands guard over the nest, finning constantly to keep it clean and to provide circulation for the developing eggs. Even after the brood is hatched, he herds the infant family day and night, protecting it against all intruders. If another fish is possessed with an overpowering craving to dine on bass fry, or if he just carelessly happens to come idling by too close, the old boy will haul off and knock him cross-eyed and bow-finned.

So far all is fine. The small fry have
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Goal, Gain and Gratitude

Lodge betterment through improved administration and increased pride of membership has been our GOAL. We have directed our efforts particularly at the important fundamental problems of securing new members, indoctrination of members, collection of membership dues and lapsation—in a *businesslike* way! Manuals of suggested procedures have been given to each subordinate lodge, so that its executive head, the Exalted Ruler, has had guidance and direction from the “head office”, the Grand Lodge. Subordinate lodge betterment has been encouraged through increased pride of membership—through better administration and through better knowledge of all the great programs of our Order, such as the Elks National Foundation, veterans’ service, youth activities, the Elks National Home, statewide benevolent major projects, fine physical lodge facilities, local charitable and civic programs, and many other such prideful programs that stir the hearts of real men. Yes, the GOAL is worth achieving!

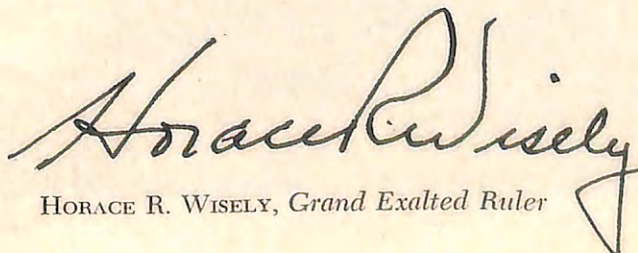
And what of the GAIN? Well, gains are measured in different ways. As an accountant and practical businessman, I like to measure the gain in figures—in profit. I approached this year with the determination to stop the declining curve of net increase in membership. I regret that I cannot say we did this. Several factors entered into our failure to do so. Many times, however, gains are reaped in future years on groundwork laid earlier, and I predict that if our lodges continue to operate on the procedures suggested in my business program, fruitful membership rewards will result in generous measure. If we have been able to awaken subordinate lodge officers to their administrative responsibilities and to the value of applying good business procedures in lodge operations, then certainly our Order has gained and our program has succeeded. Noticeable gains have been made in developing pride of membership. Many lodges have built new buildings or remodeled, added to, or redecored their present quarters to make them more attractive and useful to members, their families and friends. The members’ knowledge, participation and pride in Grand Lodge, State Association and local projects for the benefit of others less fortunate than we are, is measurably greater. An outstanding example is afforded



by the support given our great Elks National Foundation this year through contributions by both lodges and *individual* members. The total contribution made this year is the largest in the 30-year history of the Foundation! Yes, our Order has gained—has achieved enhanced national stature and public prestige—through improved administration and increased pride of membership!

I approach the completion of my term of office with mixed personal emotions—of GRATITUDE for good health which has permitted me to carry on my arduous duties and heavy travel; for the assistance of my wife, Kay; for many good friends made; for splendid cooperation in accomplishing our objectives; and for rich and rewarding experiences. Vivid memories of the year will forever enchant me. I am grateful for our success and humble in the knowledge that it was possible only through a wonderful “team” effort. I am proud of our record and thank each member who aided in writing it.

My devotion and dedication to the Order of Elks will not stop with the end of my administration. I shall continue to serve it always. I invite all who were a part of my “team” to join with me in this pledge of allegiance and continued service to the Order.


HORACE R. WISELY, *Grand Exalted Ruler*

CENTENNIAL TIME

The State of Colorado is staging one of the largest state-wide celebrations ever held, in observance of the hundredth birthday of the Rush to the Rockies—when gold was discovered in Cherry Creek on the site where Denver now stands

GOLD IN THE ROCKIES was the cry, and soon the lure of the yellow stuff had set off one of the largest movements of man in the history of this continent. The year was 1859, and the place was Cherry Creek, where Denver was yet to be founded. By late spring of 1859, the fortune hunters were arriving at the rate of 5,000 a week and by fall of the same year, some 100,000 pioneers had arrived to pan the streams in this "backbone of the nation".

Now, 100 years after the original "Rush to the Rockies", Colorado is staging one of the largest state-wide celebrations ever produced to attract and invite another 4,000,000 visitors above the average 4,000,000 who yearly spend their vacations in the rugged and colorful mountains of Colorado. Because of the almost continuous series of Western, national and international events being held in the various communities of this state, the Elks of Colorado, anticipating their greatest

influx of visitors, issue this invitation to their Brothers everywhere: "Visit our lodges when you visit our state."

Residents of the mountain state are quick to announce that their Centennial is unique in concept. Colorado Governor Steve McNichols points out that the Centennial has no midways, no world's fair atmosphere, no central carnival grounds. This celebration is being staged by every community in the state and is offered daily by means of activities which reflect community living and the remarkable advances the state has made during the past century in the fields of industry, agriculture, government, education, religious advantages and the arts. But flowing through the activities is pure entertainment, a spirit of fun backed by Western hospitality and welcome at its finest.

The Centennial opened New Year's Eve with a fireworks display atop 14,100-foot Pikes Peak and throughout the spring months there were continuous events. For the mid-summer and early fall vacationers the Centennial will present a panorama of outstanding programs calculated to please the entire family.

Through September, visitors will enjoy a "Journey into Yesterday" during daily roundtrip tours on the famous narrow-gauge railroad that runs from Durango to Silverton. Youth will particularly want to visit "Magic Mountain" near Denver, where a Western fairy land will offer stagecoach rides, a trip through "Centennial City" and exciting Indian raids, among hundreds of attractions.

In July, golf fans will want to attend the National Public Links tournament at Denver. A state-wide tour of "horseless carriages" will offer visitors a view of a by-gone era as hundreds of old-time vehicles gather from across the nation to salute Colorado and the anniversary celebration. An international sports car race up Pikes Peak will match champion foreign drivers against U.S. competitors. The Koshares summer ceremonies in La Junta offer Indian ritual dances each Saturday during July and August. There will be a Fine Arts Festival in Greeley and "Gold Rush Week" in Leadville. Ft. Davey Crockett in Craig will be the scene of a rodeo in July.

August 1st marks Colorado Day and unusual celebrations throughout the state. In Denver there will be a "Centennial Fiesta", in Boulder a "Centennial Music Camp" and in Fort Morgan a "Diamond Jubilee" celebration, using the pioneer theme. The events will continue through the fall, including the National Amateur Golf Tournament at Colorado Springs in September, and this is to suggest only a few of the thousands of Centennial attractions that Colorado will have available in the months to come.

Selections of the All-American band, a pageant and marching spectacular, are included in the Colorado Centennial summer music camp in Gunnison during August. The world's highest (Continued on page 49)



Past glories are seen in windows of St. Elmo, a ghost town.

In The High Country

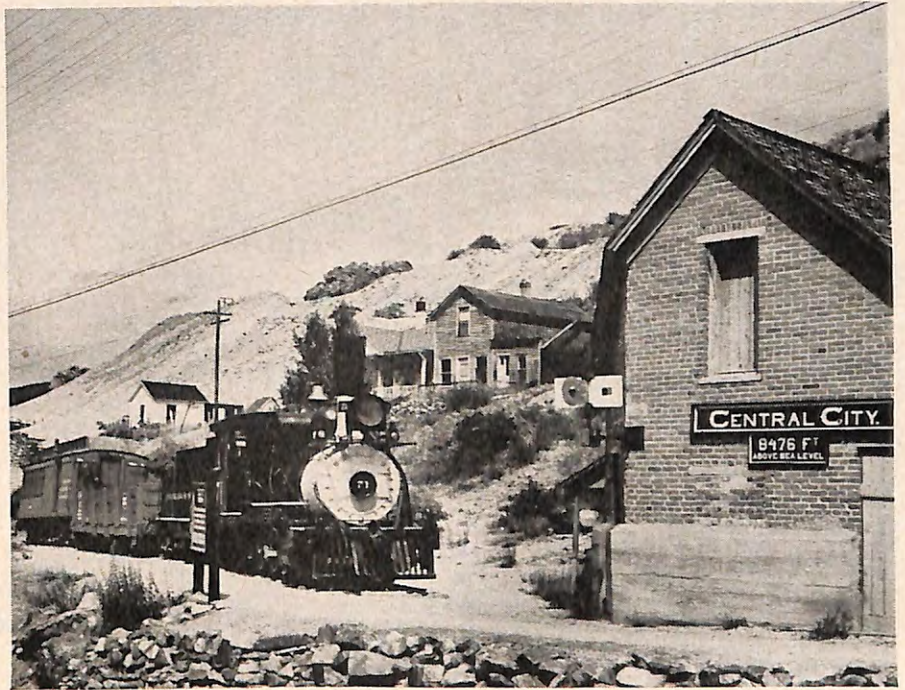


By RICHARD L. TATMAN

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Central City's old Opera House today draws an audience for summer theatre.



This narrow gauge engine, now on permanent exhibit, once hauled passengers and ore through "the richest square mile on earth."



Echo Lake, crystal clear and formed by melting snows, is almost in the shadow of 14,260-foot Mount Evans, near Denver.



T. S. Swanwick



One Hero Enough

By WILLIAM M. HARDY

IN THE FAINT reddish glow that emanated from the hatch, Commander Alan Worsham saw the swarthy features of Steward's Mate Enrique Morales.

"Permission to come to the bridge?"

"Granted."

A moment later he took the steaming mug of coffee from the Filipino in one beefy hand and grinned.

"Bribing the old man for a breath of this nice fresh air, Rico?"

"It is very nice, Captain." Morales breathed deeply, stretching his arms high above his head. "Also, I know you will want coffee. Good deal all around."

The skipper of the *U.S.S. Lamprey* sipped at the coffee, his eyes watering as he swallowed the scalding liquid. Bending forward, he pressed the key on the bridge speaker.

"Bridge to maneuvering. How's the charge coming? I want to be ready to dive as soon as we leave the rendezvous point."

He never heard the answer. The stillness of the night erupted suddenly and violently into a deafening roar. Worsham was hurled against the bridge cowling, and his own voice was lost in a cacophony of sound that seemed to swallow him. Frantically he groped for something solid. There was nothing.

It was not until he felt a hand clutching at his shirt that he realized he was in the water. For a terrible, silent moment he struggled. Then a voice was screaming in his ear.

"Who—who is it? Captain?"

"Yes", he managed to say.

It was Morales. "Thank God! What happened, Captain?"

"Don't know. Maybe a mine. Don't know."

They were clinging together, treading water desperately. Suddenly Worsham's hand struck something.

"Here, Rico—something to hang onto."

The Filipino's voice was cheerful. "Good, Captain. It floats."

For a moment they clung gratefully to whatever it was that remained to them of the *Lamprey*. Worsham tried to remember what had happened. If the *Lamprey* had struck a floating mine— (Continued on page 42)

The minutes dragged by. Only the faint glow of the flashlight revealed the man on deck.

Draw of the Far East

AT A COSTUME PARTY in New York recently, there was a complement of toreadors, and a Bavarian or two in lederhosen, but nothing was so noticeable as the fact that no fewer than eight ladies came as Japanese, with a handful of Chinese- and Indian-clad Occidentals on the side. It seemed clear to me that in the view of Westerners, the most exotic thing around is an Easterner.

I'm not exactly sure which came first, the public interest or the actual fact, but one has only to reflect on the tremendous influence the Orientals have had on our interior decoration, on our theater—Broadway's two most heralded hits this year both have Eastern motifs—and such books into movies as "Sayonara" and "A Many Splendored Thing".

Europe is sometimes more comfortable and the Caribbean has better climate and broader beaches, but there is no getting away from the seductive draw of the Far East. Looking back on my recent swing through these parts, it seems to me that no place seemed farther away from the world we know than Bangkok. It wasn't always the most comfortable corner in the world, but if one could get past the rough edges, the glamor was fascinating. For instance, we spent an afternoon, through the courtesy of an American friend who had taught there, at a Buddhist university. Classes were being conducted in comparative religions and the students, all of them robed in brilliant saffron, sat at their desks ingesting the basic tenets of Mohammedanism, Judaism, Catholicism, and Protestantism. As a matter of fact a Catholic priest in white cassock was on the podium when we looked in. Among other courses at the university is instruction on falling into absolute trances. We watched with not a little awe while novitiates tried walking with slow measured step to get in sort of an amenable rhythm, then beheld others who sat on a lawn, their brilliant robes clashing with the bright grass, maintaining a position of absolute immobility. Later we were received by the abbot, a clean-shaven leader possessed of a ready smile who made nimble movements to get out of the way of a frolicking girl child in our party. It is a mortal sin for Buddhist priests in Bangkok to touch a woman.

There is, to be sure, a tourist Bangkok

too, and we beheld it on one steaming morning in winter when, in shirt and tie and jacket, we invaded the king's palace to look at the incredible treasures, the thrones with many-tiered canopies, the place where Anna had sat when she was first presented to the King of Siam, and finally the overpowering temples, turrets, flanges, figures that stared out, brilliant and gold and many-colored mosaic, from every angle of the compass. It was almost too much for the mind to comprehend, for mortal eye to encompass and for camera to record. We made a valiant try.

The tourist's Bangkok also includes a look at the barges of the Royal Navy, which are immense open ships used for ceremonial occasions such as a Declaration of War, the 2,500th anniversary of Buddha, or, in the case of the late enterprising Mike Todd, for the filming of

"Around the World in Eighty Days". The sequence cost \$20,000 for the refitting and hire of the boat alone, but money was no object when spectacle was concerned, and the barges of Siam are quite a spectacle.

The tourist's-eye view of Bangkok includes a water journey down the klongs, which are the canals that run, not exactly Venice-style, between the bordering houses. The stone villas of Venice are merely frame huts here, many of them on bamboo stilts. But like Venice, the activity is all waterborne and the lottery salesman, the coffee man, the hardware merchant all come to the door by boat. There seems to me to be no more dignified scene than a village maiden paddling straight-backed along the klongs, her head shielded from the sun by an enormous hat that looks like a Siamese pagoda.

Finally there are the things that



The Royal Compound in Bangkok is a maze of fantastic, painted statues, pagodas and tall, thin, sharply pointed spires.

Whether you're looking at the pagodas and royal barges of Bangkok or the bazaars of Singapore or Hong Kong, the Orient is another world

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await in the shops. After the war, an American named Jim Thompson, enamored of Thailand where he had labored during the war, stayed on in the country and revived the magnificent process of dying and weaving what we know today as Thai silk. It comes in incredible color combinations, almost all of which are dyed by betel-nut chewing Thai ladies of ancient vintage on some backwater klong. The results are splendid and the goods, which are really prohibitive in the States (\$35 a yard), cost about \$3.50 a yard and it is a favorite practice to take bolts along with you to Hong Kong, the home of the tailors.

For all the glamor that Bangkok possesses, Djakarta, capital of Indonesia, has squalor. More than that, while the Indonesians try to promote it, the truth is there are simply no available hotel rooms, no guarantee that advance reser-

vations will be honored, and frequently no space on the airplanes over from Singapore, the gateway. Trips to Bogor, one of the summer capitals of Sukarno, are interesting and the views of the rice paddies and Sukarno's own magnificent estate, and the silver trimmed horse carts running past, are all pleasant enough. As for Bali, those who get there can scarcely say enough for it, but getting there has been well-nigh impossible because of the sparse air service and the frequent shuttling of troops quelling outcroppings of revolutions against Sukarno's rule.

Singapore, despite the glamor of its name, is a big port city, and strange to say, is beginning to sprout huge glass-coated towers that house commercial interests. The surrounding countryside up to the Malayan border is a bit of a bore, but the Chinese streets of Singapore do hold a fascination.

The Chinese restaurants are splendid indeed, and there is a tremendous variety, preparing food according to all the sectional ways of China. The old Raffles Hotel is a landmark, and although it perhaps lacks a bit of the sinister attitudes which Somerset Maugham attributed to it, still it is a place of interest and comfort. The rooms are large and most of them have been air-conditioned, the fan palms grow majestic on the lawns and the fans still spin in the ceiling of the restaurant.

The place that never fails to please is Hong Kong, which is a many-faceted thing—a stupendous place to look at, an incredible bazaar, a splendid resort, a teeming Oriental port. Take your pick. Most visitors pick the bazaar part first—and who can blame them? The place, as you must have heard, is honey-combed with tailors, all of whom are only too eager to run up a suit for you in a few days and a few fittings, for less than forty dollars. They also make overcoats, tuxedos, sport clothes—you name it, at similar prices, and they are good on cut and style. As much goes, in the men's category, for shirts, and if you want to bother, with underwear. The shirts are well cut, cost about \$3.50 tailor-made of good Oxford cloth or broadcloth, or what you will. Ladies' tailors abound too, as well as artisans who turn out ladies' shoes in a day or two at about \$9 the pair, handmade. Besides leather, you can have them run up in Thai silk, or matching brocades. The brocade problem is a little tricky here, since you must show U. S. Customs proof, when arriving home, that the goods were not manufactured in Communist China. Certificates of origin are issued by the merchants but they take a few days to obtain. I should also mention that watches, cameras and such hard goods are all on hand, and most of them are for sale at prices lower than in the country of manufacture.

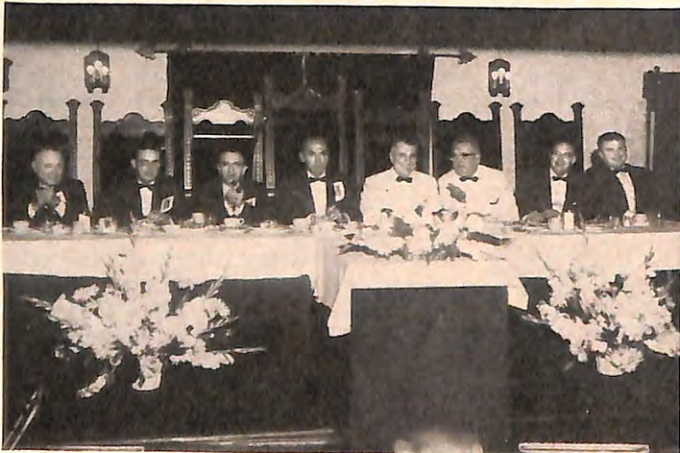
For those who want merely to relax for a few days while on the Oriental circuit, the Repulse Bay Hotel is a big and rather old-fashioned European-type resort hotel, overlooking the water. What with an Italian maitre d'hôtel on hand, and the lovely view from the broad terrace, it is easy to imagine oneself at the edge of an Italian lake. All told, there are some ninety rooms, almost all with bath, and they rent for
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In the Hong Kong harbor, the water is literally covered with commercial Oriental craft of every description.



The Grand Exalted Ruler visited Roanoke, Va., Lodge on May 6. Pictured here (from left to right, seated) are State Pres. P. R. Grabes, Exalted Ruler S. F. Parham, Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely, Past Grand Exalted Ruler John L. Walker and Chairman William A. Wall of the Board of Grand Trustees. Standing are Past Grand Lodge State Associations Committeeman Charles D. Fox, Elks National Home Superintendent Thomas J. Brady, Past Grand Trustee Ronald Dunn, Grand Trustee Edward A. Spry, Past State Pres. L. H. Hoover and State Vice Pres. P. S. Johnson.



Shown at Santa Barbara, Calif., Lodge on May 12 are (left to right) Past State Pres. John B. Morey, Chairman Vincent H. Grocott of the Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Activities, Rabbi M. H. Kert, who is a member of the lodge, District Deputy Carl Dwire, Jr., Mr. Wisely, Exalted Ruler M. B. Isbell, Oxnard Exalted Ruler J. L. Kerrick and Ventura Exalted Ruler H. S. Blackstock.



Points West And East

ELKDOM'S INTEREST in disabled veterans—and in all handicapped persons—prompted a special and very appropriate visit by Grand Exalted Ruler Horace R. Wisely on March 13. Taking time out that day from his regular visits to subordinate lodges, Mr. Wisely toured the United States Navy Construction Battalion Center at Port Hueneme, Calif., which carries on an extensive program of hiring handicapped civilians, many of whom are wounded veterans. Over 10 per cent of the people at the Center are handicapped, and they perform in a wide range of jobs. The program has now spread to the Naval Missile Center and Oxnard Air Force Base, where disabled persons work in many capacities. Private industry in the locality has also benefited from the program, by studying the ways in which handicapped employees may be profitably utilized.

The tour was arranged and conducted by Oxnard Elks S. C. Pavao, Purchase Branch Manager at the Center, and Marcus McMillin, Inspector in the Public Works Department, in conjunction with the Center's Industrial Relations Director, Norman S. Hill, and the Executive Officer, Captain C. E. Spellman. Accompanying Mr. Wisely were Past Grand Esquire R. Leonard Bush, Chairman Vincent H. Grocott of the Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Activities, District Deputy Carl Dwire, Jr., Past District Deputy George E. Hutchinson and Oxnard Past Exalted Ruler August L. Thiel.

CALIFORNIA. The Grand Exalted Ruler was on hand at Fresno Lodge on March 25, for an initiation of 130 candidates in honor of Lodge Secretary Ned L. Brown. Accompanying Mr. Wisely were State Pres. Frank M. Linnell and District Deputy W. C. Hanawalt, who introduced the Grand Exalted Ruler to the lodge and to representatives of the other lodges in the East Central District. Among others present were Exalted Ruler Durward M. Linder and Exalted Ruler Elect Frank E. Leino. Mr. Wisely congratulated Fresno on its building program and described the lodge's new home as the forward look in Elks buildings. In addition to newspaper coverage of his visit, Mr. Wisely was interviewed over Radio Station KMJ while in Fresno.

Visiting his home lodge in Salinas, April 1, Mr. Wisely officiated at the installation of new officers, including Exalted Ruler Byron L. Scott. Assisting at the installation were a number of Past Exalted Rulers, and guests included many Elks from Hollister, Monterey and Palo Alto.

Accompanied by Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis and District Deputy Frank Luttig, (Continued on page 50)

On March 13, Mr. Wisely toured the U. S. Navy Construction Battalion Center at Port Hueneme, Calif., where a number of disabled persons are employed (insert shows veteran—who was injured by land mine—repairing carburetors). Pictured from left to right are Center's Industrial Relations Director N. S. Hill, Past District Deputy G. E. Hutchinson, Oxnard Past Exalted Ruler A. L. Thiel, the Grand Exalted Ruler, Center's Executive Officer Capt. C. E. Spellman, District Deputy Carl Dwire, Jr., S. C. Pavao, of Oxnard Lodge, Past Grand Esquire R. Leonard Bush and Chairman Vincent H. Grocott of the Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Activities.



Gathered at Hawthorne, Nev., Lodge on April 27 (seated from left to right) are Exalted Ruler Gil Craft, State Pres. Jack Smith, Grand Exalted Ruler Horace R. Wisely and District Deputy J. M. Billings. Shown standing are lodge officers Howard Baker, Charles Milk, Boyd Owen, PER Earl LeBeau, C. K. Morgan, Tom Nelson, Richard Harrington.



During the recent tour of the Grand Exalted Ruler through Florida, the party stopped while this group picture was taken, showing (from left to right) District Deputy John Flood (and his young son), Florida Elks News Publicity Chairman and Mrs. Bodo Kirchhoff, State Chaplain Francis X. Carroll, B. C. Hart, Kissimmee Past Exalted Ruler George Mansfield, Past District Deputy Charles I. Campbell, Mrs. Mansfield, Mrs. Campbell, District Deputy Russell L. Saxon, Mrs. Almer I. Tedder and District Deputy Tedder, State Pres. Willis V. McCall, Mrs. William A. Wall, Mr. and Mrs. Wisely, Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees William A. Wall and Mrs. Carroll.



While visiting Fresno, Calif., Lodge on March 25, Mr. Wisely enjoys a chat with State Pres. Frank M. Linnell (pictured at left) and Exalted Ruler Durward M. Linder. Lodge initiated 130 candidates that evening.



Grouped at the speakers' table in Chico, Calif., Lodge on April 15 are (from left) Past State Pres. John A. Raffetto, Past District Deputy Paul Wimple, District Deputy Robert Brooks, Past District Deputies Robert Grant, Dr. C. C. DeMarais and Rawlins Coffman, Mr. Wisely, State Vice Pres. Herbert Kittredge, Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis, Exalted Ruler Jack Vanella and Past District Deputy F. D. Aisthorpe.



Formally attired for festivities at Marysville, Calif., Lodge, April 14, are (from left) District Deputy Frank Luttig, Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis, Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely and Exalted Ruler W. V. Thompson.



At installation of officers in Mr. Wisely's home lodge—Salinas, Calif.—on April 1 are (first row, from left) Chaplain Paul Rorabaugh, Mr. Wisely, Exalted Ruler B. L. Scott, Leading Knight Herbert Fleming, Organist Harold Nonneman. In rear: Trustee Arthur Atteridge, Tiler G. T. Graves, Loyal Knight Robert Gainger, Lecturing Knight Elmer Lanini, Secretary A. N. Tisher, Esquire William Resch, Treasurer Guy Pedroni.

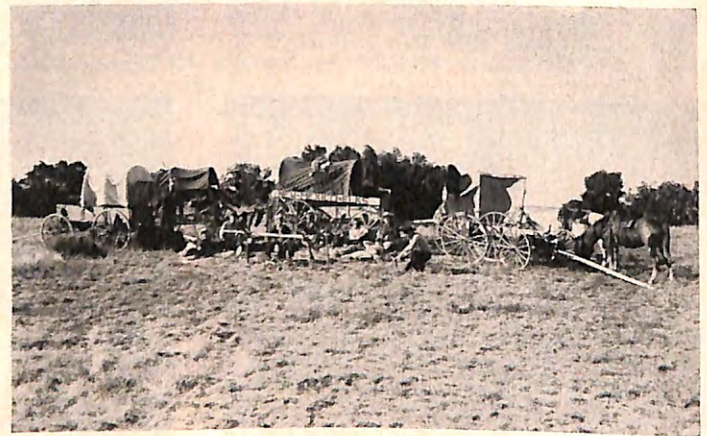
Hobbies- Therapy- Rewards



In the lobby of San Francisco, Calif., Lodge home is this showcase displaying articles made by veterans at Fort Miley VA Hospital, Letterman Army Hospital and the U. S. Health Hospital. The material for the articles is furnished by the lodge. At left is Chaplain Frank Courtney, Chairman of the lodge's Veterans Service Committee, at right is Jr. P.E.R. H. J. Lawlor.



The only citation awarded to an Elks lodge by the Disabled American Veterans went to Downey, Calif., Elksdom in appreciation of its aid in rehabilitating disabled veterans. Downey's members have spent 123 hours in visiting VA Hospitals; they have aided in widows' pensions, compensations, educational benefits and many other material ways to help the veteran toward rehabilitation. Chairman Clarence Murphy and his Committee deserve tremendous credit. Left to right are Chairman Murphy, Rehabilitation Director Manny Val who made the presentation, Jr. P.E.R. A. B. Meyer and E.R. George Maughan.



Old timers of the New Mexico Elks Assn. collected deer hides during the last hunting season, with the assistance of the entire U.S. Air Force Reserve in New Mexico. The hides are traded for tanned and dyed cowhides on a 3-to-1 basis and then distributed to the State's VA Hospitals' therapy departments. Among those working from this wagon train were S/Sgt. A. D. Cowling, USAF, who is a Santa Fe Elk, John Oglevie, Santa Fe's 1958-59 E.R. Phil Pomonis, Ben Ortega, O. R. Jones, 1959-60 E.R. Merle Harms, Fred Martinez, Dr. E. J. Smith, Delmas Brunk and P.E.R. O. H. Emblem, Chairman of the State Assn.'s Hides Committee.



Forty pounds of leather for the occupational therapy program at the nearby VA Hospital, contributed by the Elks through Big Spring, Texas, Lodge, are inspected by, left to right, seated, J. T. Connor and C. H. Bryson, and, standing, hospital aide Richie L. Arnold, therapist Esther T. Dowd, P.E.R. Oliver Cofer, Chairman of the lodge's Veterans Committee, and P.D.D. W. C. Ragsdale.



Two aquariums for John Moses Veterans Hospital were donated by the Minot, N. D., Elks' National Service Committee. Left to right are Chris Mostad, local Chairman Gisli Johannson, Dr. A. B. Halliday, Chief of Prof. Services at the hospital, Donald Williams, Special Service Officer, State Elks Chaplain Rev. Fr. Felix Andrews and County Veterans Service Representative Ernie Pierson.

MAKING MAY DAY AMERICAN

THE ELKS of this nation have helped to turn the celebration of May Day from a communist propaganda program into a patriotic American salute to youth. On May 1, Elks National Youth Day, lodges throughout the country held observances to honor our youth for their achievements and for their loyalty to American ideals. In line with the slogan *Let's Make It American*, the patriotic nature of the day was stressed in the many reports of observances submitted to the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee, under the Chairmanship of Charles C. Bowie.

Committeeman Leo B. Carey was in charge of this year's contest, in which awards were made to lodges in three categories—Group I consisting of those with a membership of over 1,000, Group II with a membership of 500 to 1,000, and Group III with a membership of less than 500. In addition, awards went to those State Associations which submitted the most outstanding entries.

In Group I, First, Second and Third Places went to Richmond, Calif.; Williamsport, Pa., and Milwaukee, Wis., respectively. In Group II, these honors went to Scottsbluff, Nebr.; Redbank, N.J., and Zanesville, Ohio. Top winners in Group III were Fulton, N.Y.; Wellsburg, W.Va., and Rocky Mount, N.C.

Among the State Associations, the programs and brochures of New York and Ohio were both so outstanding that the judges were unanimous in their opinion that two First Place awards must be made. Second and Third Place were earned by Pennsylvania and Rhode Island.

A student government program is an important feature of Youth Day in many cities, and this was one of the activities which helped win First Place for Richmond, Calif., in Group I. Exalted Ruler Burns Campbell and the lodge's Youth Day Committee, under Chairman Richard Whaley, arranged for local high school students to move into City Hall and take over the duties of city officials for the weekend, in order to give young people a better understanding of how democratic government works. In addition, the lodge held a luncheon for delegates of the Northern California Youth Council Planning Conference, which met in Richmond to map worthwhile ac-

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Rev. Gary Demarest, of Fellowship of Christian Athletes, meets PER Purl Gibbs at Scottsbluff, Nebr., where he and Rev. Bob Richards, Olympic star, were main speakers.



Richmond, Calif., City Manager Ed Howell (left) and Exalted Ruler Burns Campbell install local high school students in City Hall offices for student government program.



Fulton, N.Y., Exalted Ruler Floyd Hallenbeck presents winning trophy to the Phoenix Baton Twirlers for their outstanding performance in the lodge's Youth Day parade.

News of the Lodges



CHICAGO (SOUTH), Illinois, Lodge's expanded charitable program realized over \$15,000 in 1958, \$6,300 of which bought and equipped the State Assn.'s Cerebral Palsy Program's first mobile unit as the lodge had promised a year ago. Pictured when the unit was presented to the Commission were, left to right, P.D.D. Dr.

Frank A. Farrell and Chairman J. H. Vogel, both members of the lodge's Charity Commission; P.D.D. George T. Hickey, Chairman of the State Assn.'s C/P Program; Wm. P. Hennessy; Miss Erminio Juliano, therapist, and P.E.R. Peter P. Thomas and Harry W. Berndt, also members of the lodge's Charity Commission.

A Unit Rolls in Illinois

A PROUD RECORD is reported by Secretary John Frampton of Chippewa Falls, Wis., Lodge, No. 1326, which boasts a completely paid-up membership this year.

This record is the climax of several years of hard work on the part of the lodge officers and Lapsation Committee. Eight years ago, this lodge's delinquent members outnumbered the others; of the 396 on its rolls, 199 were behind in their dues. The lodge now has 320 fully paid-up members and none on the delinquent list—this, in spite of the increase in dues from \$18 in 1951 to \$30 in 1959.

The reason for this accomplishment is placed by the lodge on its adoption of a policy of publishing lists of the members' records as far as their dues were concerned. After a few of these were issued most of the delinquents wasted no

time in putting their names on the black side of the ledger.

During this same period, No. 1326 constructed a new clubhouse. In 1951 its country club and clubhouse were valued at \$12,000; today they are worth \$116,000.

DISTRICT CLINIC HELD. A very successful clinic was held at the home of Sidney, Mont., Lodge, No. 1782, recently, when delegates were on hand from Glendive, Miles City, Billings, Lewistown and Bozeman Lodges. With District Deputy Philip L. Hagan presiding, mutual problems in club and lodge operation were discussed, and considerable attention was given to the Speech and Hearing Clinics which are sponsored by Montana's lodges.

Following the meeting, a luncheon was enjoyed by the



WOONSOCKET, Rhode Island, Lodge's Youth Chairman G. J. Gaulin, right, and P.E.R. L. A. Andrews, Jr., center, learn from State Youth Chairman T. J. Pendergast that their lodge's over-all program of youth activities for the year had won the State award.



HORNELL, New York, Lodge's P.E.R. A. Lee Blades, right, presents a "Doctor of Manly Arts" diploma to Carmen Basilio, world's former welterweight boxing champion. The event was a highlight of the Elk-sponsored Tri-County Sports Night Dinner.

visitors and their ladies. Exalted Ruler W. A. Turner introduced Mr. Hagan who installed Past District Deputy W. C. Johnson as District Trustee. Later, Mr. Turner presented an Honorary Life Membership to Mr. Johnson, the first ever awarded by Sidney Lodge.

TWO TOP FIGURES OF THE SPORTS WORLD received standing ovations when they appeared before a capacity crowd of over 350 at the home of Hornell, N. Y., Lodge, No. 364. They were Carmen Basilio, one of the great champions of boxing, and Jim McLane, director of Athletics at Alfred University; the occasion was the second annual Tri-County Sports Night Dinner sponsored by the local Elks.

McLane, honored as "Sports Figure of the Year", received his tribute from Exalted Ruler A. P. Watkins who gave admiring recognition to the leadership of the athletic director who holds a high place in intercollegiate circles, both as a track coach and a director.

Basilio won 350 ardent fans with his pleasant manner and willingness to reply to hundreds of questions fired at him. Before the evening was over he had received the key to the city from Mayor Frank Wolfanger and a diploma as "Doctor of Manly Arts" from Past Exalted Ruler A. Lee Blades.

Several other guests were singled out for special introductions for "top performances of the year in sports" at this program which had Johnny Nelson of the *Hornell Evening Tribune* and radio station WWHG as Toastmaster.

SANTA BARBARA, CALIF., Lodge, No. 613, played host to the 7th Annual "President's Bowling Classic" in which 140 men's teams, 40 women's teams and a total of 526 single bowlers participated. President Frank M. Linnell of the California Elks Assn. rolled the first ball to start the competition in which Van Nuys captured the team title with 3170; the host lodge entry was one point behind.

Bill Earl of Huntington Park walked off with top honors in the singles, rolling a 754 series in the high handicap division; Fred Evans of Santa Monica Lodge took the high scratch crown with 661.

The Huntington Park Elks' ladies were successful in their team event, with Inglewood in second place, Fairmount in third and Santa Barbara, fourth.

A RECORD ENTRY of 173 teams, 404 doubles, 807 singles and 493 men for the All-Events feature was recorded in Grand Island for the Nebraska Elks' 19th Annual Bowling Tournament held on three consecutive weekends. All 23 lodges of the State were represented, with the host lodge entering 27 teams.

Bowling 3,025 for top money, the Farmers National Bank group from Grant, representing Ogallala Lodge, took the team trophy, while Bernard Smolczyk and Leighton A. Skinner of Ogallala paired off as top doubles with 1,304. His 711 score was a lucky one for George Brown of Alliance, the new singles champion, while Lincoln Elk Ward E. Zimmerman rolled 1,861 for the All-Events title; his 694 scratch score in the singles was one of the best in the Tournament's history. Another Ogallala Elk, Melvin M. Jacobson, scored 279, with only one pin preventing him from bowling a perfect game.

A FEW YEARS AGO, Past Exalted Ruler James A. MacDonald, Sr., of Trona, Calif., Lodge, No. 1975, was hurt in an automobile accident; a heart injury resulted.

Last April, Mr. MacDonald conducted the installation of Ridgecrest Lodge's new officers and a week later, when Ridgecrest officials took care of this ceremony for Trona Lodge, he received a Past Exalted Ruler's pin from visiting Past Exalted Ruler Paul P. Mitchell. Later everyone enjoyed dancing and dinner, the food for which was provided by Mr. MacDonald and his wife.

The very next day, Jim MacDonald suffered a fatal heart attack and Trona Lodge lost one of its founders and a loyal and devoted Elk.



MEDFORD, Massachusetts, Lodge's Fathers and Sons Night found little Jimmy Santolucito receiving the first-prize football from John Dell Isola, line coach of the N. Y. Giants pro gridiron team. Looking on, left to right, are Chairman David Porcaro, Jacob Yagjian and P.E.R. Earl F. Ballou.



MASSACHUSETTS. On behalf of the Mass. Elks Assn., Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, right, presents a \$1,000 check to Mrs. D. R. Harrington, administrator-treasurer of Camp Sea Haven for children afflicted with polio. At left is D.D. A. Harold Little. The camp, founded by Mrs. Harrington's late husband in 1947, will admit cerebral-palsied children for the first time this year.



LIVERMORE-PLEASANTON, California, Lodge was instituted recently when Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis was photographed with most of its Charter Officers. Mr. Lewis appears second from right, foreground, with E.R. B. C. Tari on his left.



ALEXANDRIA, Louisiana, Lodge presented this aluminum canoe and two training kits to the Attakapas Council Boy Scouts to be used by Explorer Troops at their camp. Pictured, left to right, are E.R. David A. Sheffield, Eagle Scout Mickey Holmes, Elk D. T. Methvin, Jr., P.E.R. C. F. Gravel, Jr., and Secy. Ross Brunson, Sr.



KEENE, New Hampshire, Lodge officials who paid a Mother's Day visit to 91-year-old Mrs. Arthur Quinn included, left to right, E.R. Nicholas L. Kolivas, P.D.D. Benjamin P. Hopkins and Tiler Joseph Guyette.



MUSKOGEE, Oklahoma, Lodge has completely furnished a room at the New General Hospital. The presentation of the check for this gift was rather unusual in that the hospital's Administrator, A. M. Donnell, had just been admitted as a patient. Making the presentation to him are, left to right, Secy. E. J. Grace, E.R. W. D. Fillman and Social and Community Welfare Committee Chairman William Reynolds.



RIDGEWOOD, New Jersey, Elkdom was host at a dinner honoring Rev. Edwin S. Carson when 200 persons joined in the tribute. An Elk for 30 years, Mr. Carson has participated in all but one of his lodge's Memorial Services, as well as in many other programs. Photographed at this event were, left to right, seated, Rev. C. L. H. Hall of Ohio, guest speaker; Mr. Carson; Msgr. J. K. Kelley, and Chairman C. W. Clare; standing: Rev. Johan Mulder; former Mayor A. J. Faber, Toastmaster, and Rev. Dr. C. A. Platt.

LODGE NOTES

W. H. Biggs, as Secretary of Juneau, Alaska, Lodge invites any Elks planning to attend Alaska's 4th of July Statehood Celebration in Juneau to contact him immediately, in order to assure housing accommodations.

When Providence, R. I., Lodge held its observance of Mother's Day, it was honored with the presence of Mrs. John Langdon, Rhode Island's "Mother of the Year". Mrs. Langdon is Executive Director of the State Society for Crippled Children and Adults. Exalted Ruler William Walsh appointed Russell Boyle as Chairman of the Mother's Day Committee which planned the program.

Instituted 14 years ago with 113 members, Oakmont, Pa., Lodge has over 500 active Elks now and during the past year, more than 40 new subscriptions to the Elks National Foundation were acquired. Not long ago, one of the lodge's Past Exalted Rulers, Wm. A. Houston, had the pleasure of initiating his son, J. Robert Houston, into the lodge as a member of a Past Exalted Rulers' Night Class.

Al Gaetano was honored by his fellow West Haven, Conn., Elks as this year's "Elk of the Year". Among those present were his brothers, Michael and Louis Gaetano, District Deputy R. C. Hannan, former Deputy E. J. Maley, West Haven Selectman A. J. Kelly and many others. G. J. Montano was Chairman for the Dinner at which Past Exalted Ruler F. J. Vellali was Toastmaster.

Highlight of the recent Charity Party given by the ladies of Detroit, Mich.,

Lodge occurred when Past Exalted Ruler A. F. Wauldron, the lodge's Chairman for the State Assn.'s Major Project Commission, introduced a smiling two-year-old to the guests on hand. The youngster proudly displayed orthopedic shoes and leg braces furnished by the Commission, in addition to a special standing-table and exercise bars.

Joshua N. Southard has retired as Secretary of Rockland, Me., Lodge after serving for 26 years. Mr. Southard is 79 years old, and during his tenure he missed only one regular lodge session. James L. Burns is his successor.

When District Deputy Lin G. Casey made his official call on the Elks of Omak, Wash., he saw Past Exalted Ruler Byron E. Harris initiate his son into the lodge. Others on hand included State Vice-Pres. P. W. Poffenroth and Past District Deputy Barney Moran.

Secretary George W. Cameron proudly reports that Sebring, Fla., Lodge has had no delinquent members for two consecutive years.

When Corry, Pa., Elkdom welcomed a class on Past Exalted Ruler's Night, Alfred Morrison, Sr., one of the lodge's former leaders, returned to take the chair of office from his son, Alfred, Jr., the lodge's 1958-59 Exalted Ruler.

Secretary J. M. Barry reports that Brattleboro, Vt., Lodge has voted to donate \$1,000 to the Elks National Foundation, payable at \$100 a year.

From the Idaho Elks Rehabilitation Center in Boise, through the good offices of Exalted Ruler John R. Burns of Grangeville Lodge, comes news that Mrs. Ethel B. Wilson is able to walk again after 14 years of paralysis as the result of a polio infection. The successful operation performed at the Elks' Center resulted in Mrs. Wilson's recovery.

A recent Washington, D. C., event brought great pride to Bluffton, Ind., Lodge. It occurred when President Eisenhower presented the Young American Medal of Bravery to 18-year-old William Steury, son of Bluffton Lodge's Exalted Ruler Amos R. Steury. The Medal, awarded by the Justice Department, was given in recognition of the young man's heroic rescue of 64-year-old Rev. Wayne Piety from the icy waters of a Bluffton lake in February, 1957. For 30 minutes young Steury lay on the ice holding the minister out of the water with a tree branch and rope until State Trooper Victor Biberstine arrived to help him, and for another 50 minutes until firemen came to rescue all three.



TERRE HAUTE, Indiana, Lodge's capable Secretary, D.D. C. L. Shideler, is pictured, left foreground, with E.R. R. F. Fischer on his left, and the class of 41 candidates initiated in honor of Mr. Shideler who is also Secretary of the Indiana Elks Assn.



INDIANA, Pennsylvania, Lodge welcomed 48 initiates as a tribute to Roy S. Stephens who has retired as Secy. after 32 years in that office. The group was also the first class to be initiated in the lodge's fine new home. Mr. Stephens is pictured, fifth from left, second row, with E.R. James E. Sadler on his left.



WOODLAWN (Aliquippa), Pennsylvania, Elk officials are pictured with the 30 men initiated in honor of Harry F. Drake, fifth from left, foreground, when he began his 20th term as Secy. E.R. D. G. Brown appears center, foreground.



DEL RIO, Texas, Lodge was host to the clinic conducted by D.D. Edwin C. Graf in cooperation with State Vice-Pres. James L. Norris. Later, a Western barbecue was enjoyed.



TAUNTON, Massachusetts

... Pictured when TAUNTON, MASS., Lodge presented a \$350 check to the Elks National Foundation were, left to right, Grand Trustee E. A. Spry, D.D. J. S. Nolan, State Pres. W. H. Shaw, Taunton Esq. and Foundation Committee Chairman E. D. Duffy, Foundation Trustees Chairman John F. Malley, Chairman John E. Fenton of the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee, Taunton E.R. E. A. Chamberland and State Vice-Pres. W. E. Quinlan.



BEVERLY, Massachusetts

... National Gold Star Mothers who were guests of BEVERLY, MASS., Lodge on Mother's Day are pictured in the foreground with some of their hosts and guest speaker. Standing, left to right, N. K. Bushey, Angelo Themes, P.E.R. Sam Snyder, Board of Alderman Pres. Daniel Parent, Thomas Attinello, State Rep. C. S. Wilkinson, E.R. G. A. Gosbee, Police Captain F. W. Stackpole, Wilfred Craffan, C. W. Hardison, Charles Berry and Louis Pennino.



WATERTOWN, New York

... The class initiated in honor of Secy. Fred C. Horne, of WATERTOWN, N. Y., Lodge included a Catholic priest, an Episcopal minister, a rabbi and a Brigadier General of the Salvation Army.

... Edward McCarthy, right, accepts from P.E.R. Stanley J. Bielenda, a special plaque at ceremonies held by BAYONNE, N. J., Lodge when he was named Honorary Life Member, in recognition of his heroic efforts in saving 11 passengers during the September 15th trainwreck in Bayonne which claimed 48 lives. Looking on is P.E.R. John S. Devlin, Sr.



BAYONNE, New Jersey



LEOMINSTER, Massachusetts

... LEOMINSTER, MASS., Elks not only honored the undefeated local high school swimming team at a banquet but prepared and served the dinner themselves. Pictured at that time were, left to right, seated, Mayor L. J. Cormier, P.E.R.; William College swimming coach Robert Muir, and E.R. E. T. Killelea; standing, Everett Burnap, President of the Booster Club which sponsors the team; J. H. Crain, Exec. Secy. of the Recreation Center who was M.C.; high school swimming coach Robert Gross and P.E.R. D. P. Dululio, Chairman.



KISSIMMEE, Florida



NEWTON, New Jersey

... KISSIMMEE, FLA., Lodge's 18-man Secretary's Class with, background, left to right, wearing white coats, retiring Treas. H. J. Perkins, P.E.R. George Mansfield and Secy. Bodo Kirchhoff.

... Joseph J. Bigg, right, receives the Pop Warner Little Scholars, Inc., Distinguished Achievement Award from E.R. D. E. Woods of NEWTON, N. J., Lodge, in recognition of his outstanding service to youth. Present were State Vice-Pres. Alphonse DeFiore and Past State Vice-Pres. A. S. Hawthorne.

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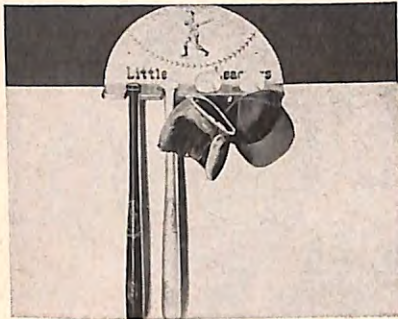


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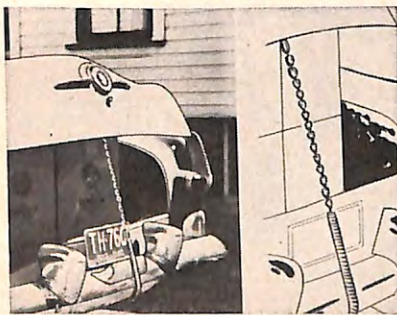


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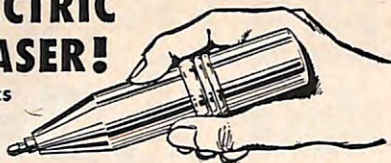


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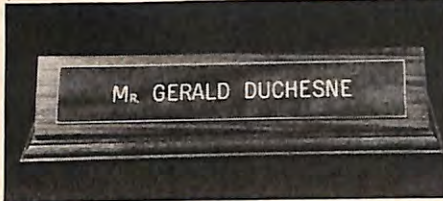
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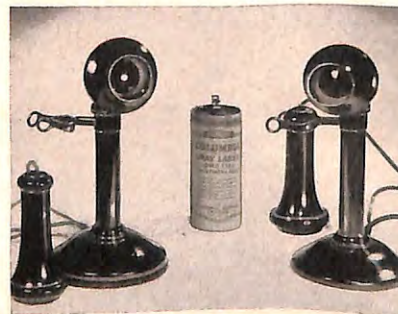
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about \$15 a day for two. While Repulse Bay is on Hong Kong Island, over on the China mainland, but still within the Colony of Hong Kong, the Shatin Heights Hotel, much newer, offers approximately the same kind of ease, less the bathing.

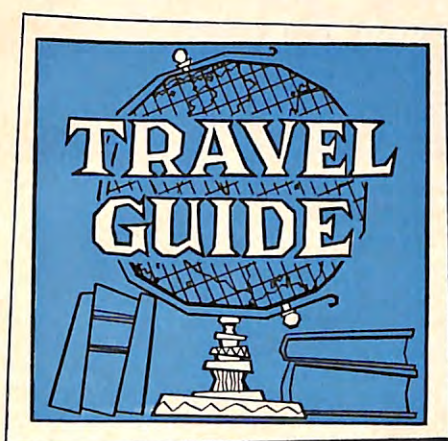
Especially for Western tastes there are floating restaurants in the fishing village with the rather strange (for this part of the world) name of Aberdeen. Double-decker houseboats of great bulk, the restaurants are festooned from bow to stern with neon lights and fluorescent stripping, and each has a corps of boat handlers that will take you to the water-surrounded door in a sampan. You

choose your own fish—from a tank drawn alongside the main boat—and floating therein you will find abalone, blue lobster, conchs, parrot fish, sea crab, and nobody knows what else.

On Hong Kong Island, reachable from the mainland of Kowloon by a ferry that weaves among the junks and the wisps of fog, double-decker trolleys roll down the avenue, merchants who peddle to the local trade offer such wares as sea horses which can be boiled to make a potion that is efficient in curing rheumatism, giant tangerines, peach tree branches to be contemplated, and—blackmarket only—chow dog puppies, a favorite of the Chinese kitchen.

Snake is available on the open market and is a favored delicacy. Rickshaws still function, although they are more expensive than gas-powered taxis. For mounting a few hills in town you can still hire a sedan chair and be carted uphill in medieval splendor. Pigs are trundled off to market in straw cages suspended from bamboo poles, the tangerines are as big as shot-puts, and you can even buy an orange stamped *Sunkist* and imported from the U.S.A.

It's rather a different world all right, and I would recommend it all without reservation to those who have seen Europe, and whose pennies have begun again to overflow the piggy bank. • •



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New York State is celebrating its 350th Birthday this year. Back in 1609, Henry Hudson sailed up the river which now bears his name, reaching the vicinity of what is now Albany. Washington called New York the State of Empire. This

year the Empire State is planning many activities in all parts of its vast area. A free 1959 Year-of-History Calendar of Events may be obtained from the New York State Commission on Historic Observances, Room 416, Senate Chamber, Albany 1, New York.

Mississippi and the Gulf Coast offer many vacation opportunities and attractions. There are many modern motels from Mobile to New Orleans, and also the largest Dude Ranch by customer-count in the nation, and the heaviest concentration of restaurants in the South, featuring the renowned Creole and seafood dishes.

United Air Lines is increasing the service between California and Hawaii to provide 30 weekly round-trip flights. United will operate daily first-class DC-7 "Red Carpet" flights from Los Angeles, and five first-class flights weekly from San Francisco. DC-6B air-coaches will make 18 trips weekly—nine each from Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Canada has planned many exhibitions in various areas for 1959. Winnipeg starts things going with a Red River Exhibition recalling Pioneer Days, then the selection of Miss Manitoba. On July 2nd, Queen Elizabeth and Crown Prince Philip will be guests at the Stratford Festival showing of "As You Like It". This Shakespeare Festival runs through September 18th. A mammoth Regatta will be held on the St. John River in New Brunswick. Yachts and racing vessels participating in the Atlantic Competition from Marble Head, Mass., will be included in the flotilla and a full program of aquatic sports has been lined up. Then a jazz festival, featuring the Four Freshman, will be held in Toronto late in July. For your Calendar of Events for 1959, write to the Canadian Government Travel Bureau, Ottawa, Canada. • •

About Several Spring Sessions



Dignitaries and their wives who were guests at the banquet held by the Kansas Elks Association included, reading left to right, Past Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. H. L. Blackledge, Past Grand

Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Henry C. Warner, Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Horace R. Wisely and State Pres. and Mrs. Glenn E. Edwards. Mr. Warner is wearing the Stetson he'd just received.

AT CARLSBAD, 380 New Mexico Elks and their wives welcomed Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Horace R. Wisely to their 1959 Convention April 23rd, 24th and 25th. Retiring Pres. Hampton Martin reported that the State had enjoyed a net increase of 551 members during the past year.

A new Cerebral Palsy budget totaling \$29,500 was adopted for the new term, with two full-time therapists on the road, caring for 460 cerebral-palsied children of the State.

Farmington Lodge's Ritualistic Team was successful in that competition, with the host lodge's entry taking second place and Silver City third. Judy Holmes of Farmington and Walter Fisher of Roswell received the State's \$500 scholarships at the banquet held in honor of the Order's leader. Always a forceful speaker, Mr. Wisely stressed the importance of the Stray Elk program in his talk applauded by a huge crowd. Two dances and a western barbecue attended by 600 persons were highlights of the social calendar during the meeting.

Officers elected at the Carlsbad conclave include Le Roy Ramirez of Santa Fe as President; W. T. Schmidt, Las Cruces, Vice-Pres.-at-Large; Walter Gerrells, Carlsbad, and William J. Todus, Raton, Vice-Presidents; E. H. Jahraus, Albuquerque, Treas., and Tony Chavez, Santa Fe, Secy. Trustees are Joe Purdy, Roswell; R. E. Menapace, Gallup; W. T. Haldeman, Artesia; J. E. Box, Hobbs, and Ira D. Cato, Grants. Appointees are Sgt.-at-Arms A. G. Sianz, Albuquerque; Chaplain J. L. Pierce, Alamogordo, and Tiler Art L. Ward, Jr., Tucumcari.

Next Spring, the Association will meet at the recently dedicated \$300,000 home of Farmington Lodge.

JOSEPH B. KYLE, our Past Grand Exalted Ruler from Indiana, was the distinguished guest of the Missouri Elks Assn. at its May 15th, 16th and 17th session in Kansas City. Speaking on the work of the Elks National Foundation, Mr. Kyle pointed out the many benefits being derived through the Foundation by the youth of our country.

Another vital speaker before the 550 persons in attendance at this meeting was Judge Richard M. Duncan of the

Western District of Missouri U. S. Court. Judge Duncan, a former President of the Assn., lashed out against the legal secrecy which protects young criminals, declaring that the public should have all the facts about any crime committed against society.

Turning their attention to the various welfare problems of the State, the delegates heard retiring Pres. Clyde J. Ellis announce the decision of the Assn. to found a camp for underprivileged boys during the coming year, a venture which would cost in the neighborhood of \$50,000.

Joplin Lodge not only won the Ritualistic Title, but four of its young people received the State's Most Valuable Student and Youth Leadership Awards. They are Dan Routledge, Martin Brown, Miss Judy Griffis and Miss Carroll Heckmaster.

Elected to head the Association until the Sedalia meeting next June were Pres. R. S. Johnson, Sedalia; Vice-Pres.-at-Large Robert McIlrath, Farmington; District Vice-Presidents Robert J. Bernard, Clayton, Wayne A. Swanson, Maryville, Lyndon Sturgis, Springfield, and Elmer J. Berding, Washington; Trustees Richard Heiser, Hannibal, Leonard A. Coskey, Grandview, Walter L. Schweikert, Joplin, and Judge D. B. Tammany, St. Louis; Treas. R. Max Frye, St. Joseph, and Secy. Don Richardson, Sedalia. Layton Roberts of Brookfield is Marshal; Arthur Durbin, St. Louis, Chaplain; J. G. Leavitt, Sr., Kansas City, Inner Guard, and Galen Marr, Warrensburg, Tiler.

THE OHIO ELKS ASSOCIATION Convention opened in Columbus on April 30th, when 800 Elks and their wives were registered and meetings were held by the Association officers, its Advisory Council and various committees. Grand Exalted Ruler Horace R. Wisely and his wife were special guests on this occasion, and among the dignitaries of the State who welcomed them were Past Grand Exalted Rulers Dr. Edward J. McCormick and Fred L. Bohn, Grand Inner Guard James W. Plummer, Chief Justice John C. Cochrane of the Grand Forum and Grand Lodge Committeemen Nelson E. W. Stuart and E. Gene Fournace.

On May 1st, following the opening business session at which President Arthur E. Socin presided, Ohio's more than 200 Youth Leaders and Scholarship winners were luncheon guests of the State organization. While another brief business meeting took place that afternoon, from three o'clock on, the day was devoted to the Ohio Elks' outstanding Youth Day observance which, as a first-place State winner, is described elsewhere in this issue.

The following day, the Order's leader took over the duty of installing the Association's new officers who had been elected that morning prior to the annual Memorial Service. They are Pres. Dr. D. S. Goldschmidt, Circleville; Vice-Presidents J. D. Quinn, Sidney; C. L. Riddle, Willard, and C. R. Cline, Chillicothe; Secy. L. E. Strong, Canton, and Treas. C. S. Cowie, Cincinnati, both reelected; Trustees M. W. Feigert, Van Wert, Chairman; L. R. Derry, Barnesville, Secy.; and N. A. Bartram, Youngstown; Chaplain Rev. Charles Herring, Tiffin; Sgt.-at-Arms J. L. Yost, Circleville; Inner Guard E. A. Wight, Troy; and Tiler E. E. Sloan, Elyria. Another feature of that day's program was the introduction of a group of cerebral-palsy victims by members of the Association's C/P Committee. Over \$13,000 in checks was presented for this very worthwhile project at that time.

A reception preceded the Association's 61st Annual Banquet that evening at which Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely, as the principal speaker, was introduced by Mr. Bohn.

The Convention closed on the 3rd with the Exalted Rulers' Brunch at which time the members of the State Championship Ritualistic Team from Lima Lodge were introduced. Among the other events of the session was a most successful clinic for Club Managers and Secretaries.

SUCCEEDING L. P. PATTERSON, Abe Pizitz of Huntsville was elected President of the Alabama Elks Assn. at its Convention in Tuscaloosa. Over 500 delegates were welcomed by host Exalted Ruler Thomas H. Wallace to the three-day meeting which opened on May 15th. Other officers are Executive Vice-Pres. J. Gordon Bennett, Florence, and Secretary-Treasurer Ed. B. English, Fairfield, and Trustee Earl Shelton, Montgomery, both reelected. They were installed by Past State Pres. Harry Marks.

Bessemer Lodge took first place in the Ritualistic Contest, with Fairfield Lodge in second place and Birmingham in third. Grand Treasurer Robert G. Pruitt of Georgia who introduced Henry M. Rosenthal, a former President of the Georgia Elks Assn., as principal speaker at the State Banquet, was one of the judges in this competition.

Tuscaloosa Elkdom was honored by sponsoring the two State winners in the Youth Leadership Contest—Miss Linda Campbell and Robert Roberts, an announcement made at the opening session. A highlight of the business meeting was the presentation of a Major Project for State adoption.

Next year's Meeting will take place at Montgomery.

NEW YORK CITY welcomed 1,700 Elks and their guests to the 47th Annual Convention of the New York Elks Assn. May 14th, 15th and 16th, when Past Grand Exalted Ruler George I. Hall was on hand to install the incoming officers. Led by Thomas F. Dougherty of Freeport Lodge as President, they are Secy. Wm. R. L. Cook, of Queens Borough Lodge, who was reelected along with Treas. Claude Y. Cushman, Binghamton; Vice-Presidents M. L. Lane, Utica, Wm. J. Collins, White Plains, W. N. Calyer, Newburgh, L. S. Benson, Saranac Lake, M. D. Trambly, Fulton, D. J. Boylan, Hoosick Falls, L. J. Nettle, Corning, P. A. Erwin, Sr., Southampton, Theodore Babinski, Cheektowaga, and L. W. Kiesewetter, Canandaigua. Two-year Trustees are F. E. Crisp, Mamaroneck, G. R. Weigand, Elmira, Wm. R. Goerke, Lynbrook, and A. G. Kreiss, Newark.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler James T. Hallinan presided at ceremonies honoring 52 students as recipients of a total of \$21,620 in State Association Scholarships, following a luncheon for these young people and their parents. The delegates heard from their Chairmen that new records had



Prominent New York Elks photographed when they attended their annual Meeting included, left to right, Past Grand Exalted Rulers James T. Hallinan and George I. Hall, John F. Scileppi of the Grand Forum and former Postmaster General James A. Farley.



Photographed at the Ohio Convention were, left to right, standing, State Chaplain Rev. Charles Herring, Grand Inner Guard James W. Plummer, retiring Pres. Arthur E. Socin, Grand Exalted Ruler Horace R. Wisely and Past Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn. Seated are Mrs. Plummer, Mrs. Socin, Mrs. Wisely and Mrs. Bohn.



Past Grand Exalted Rulers L. A. Lewis, left, and Earl E. James, center, arrive at Ardmore for the Oklahoma session. Pictured with them is P.E.R. Ernest M. Mitchell of the host lodge.



Missouri officials talk matters over with an experienced Indiana Elk, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Joseph B. Kyle, during their Convention. Left to right are Mr. Kyle, Pres. Clyde J. Ellis, Secy. R. W. Boyle and Grand Lodge Committeeman Ben Hanis.



The Order's leader is pictured with Arizona's incoming President Arthur Welch on his right, and retiring Pres. W. T. Choisser on his left, during the recent Yuma Convention.

been set in Elks National Foundation contributions from the State's lodges which totaled \$17,334.34, and in Youth Activity, through which 50,000 youngsters had benefited.

Grand Lodge Committee Chairman James A. Gunn, Chairman of the State's New Lodges Committee, reported the acquisition of four new lodges for the Empire State since the last Convention, with a membership gain of over 1,000.

Norwich Lodge won the title in the Ritualistic Contest, followed by Rome and Jamestown. Rochester will be host to the 1960 Meeting May 19th, 20th and 21st.

The Convention closed with a testimonial luncheon at which 1,000 persons honored John F. Scilleppi, a member of the Grand Forum. As Toastmaster, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Hall introduced Judge Hallinan, Past Grand Exalted Rulers James R. Nicholson and Wm. J. Jernick, Grand Esteemed Leading Knight R. H. Smith, former State President James A. Farley, Grand Lodge Convention Director Franklin J. Fitzpatrick, Mr. Gunn, retiring President Theodore R. Beales and President-elect Dougherty.

MEETING IN WICHITA, about 825 Elks and their ladies attending the Kansas Elks Assn. Convention had the pleasure of welcoming a number of leading figures of our Fraternity. Not only were Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Horace R. Wisely on hand, but two of his predecessors, Henry C. Warner and H. L. Blackledge, were special guests with their wives. Pres. and Mrs. Graden Rathbun of the Nebraska Elks Assn. and Floyd Brown, Special Elks National Service Commission Representative, were other out-of-State visitors to the meeting also attended by Grand Chaplain Rev. F. W. Zimkosky of Kansas.

A total of 19 scholarships were awarded, including two to physically handicapped students, six to Youth Leaders and 11 to Elks National Foundation contest winners. The Association turned over to the Institute of Lodopedics the \$1,800 collected from the lodges of the State for that purpose, and voted a contribution to the Elks National Foundation. Ottawa Elkdom was successful in the 16-team Ritualistic Competition for the second year, and Wichita was again selected as the Convention site for May 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th, 1960.

Social highlight of the 1959 four-day meeting which closed on May 10th was the State banquet at which Mr. Wisely's address was warmly received by more than 800 guests.

Officers elected at this meeting are Pres. Lloyd Chapman, El Dorado; Vice-President Blaine H. Barritt, Hutchinson; Trustee Dean Tweedy, Iola; Treas. F. E. Link, Pratt, and Secy. Fred H. Kelly, Salina. Grand Chaplain Zimkosky of Goodland Lodge will again serve his Association in that capacity.

OKLAHOMA'S BEST-ATTENDED CONVENTION took place in Ardmore May 8th, 9th and 10th. Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis was the guest of honor and principal speaker at the annual banquet, and was accompanied to the meeting by Past Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Earl E. James of Oklahoma City. State Sen. Tom Tipps and Exalted Ruler Harry Jenkins extended Ardmore's welcome to the guests at this dinner during which Pres. Clarence Dietz was Toastmaster. Grand Lodge Committeeman Bert Wysor was another of the speakers.

The session took place at Lake Murray State Park where the varied recreational facilities were thoroughly enjoyed by the 528 Elks, as well as by their wives. Stillwater Lodge's team won top Ritualistic honors, Ardmore captured the Bowling Meet and Claremore took the award for having made the highest per capita investment in the Elks National Foundation, receiving this tribute from State Chairman Floyd Hyer. Claremore has won the Floyd R. Hyer trophy for the last four years as a result of its cooperation with the work of the Elks National Foundation. At this meeting Mr. Hyer also presented to Exalted Ruler C. E. Payne the first Permanent Benefactor's Certificate in the Foundation ever issued to an Oklahoma Lodge. Lawton's Elks were honored for their Youth Day Program and the two Youth Leaders of the State brought great credit to Shawnee Lodge which sponsored both of them.

During the Convention it was voted to establish a State publication, and new officers of the Oklahoma Elks Youth Camp were elected with Earl Cole of Shawnee as President.

Brooks H. Bicknell of Alva took over as Association President succeeding C. H. Dietz of Sapulpa who was named as a Trustee. Other Trustees include H. J. Salz, Woodward, W. B. Leet, Tulsa, C. R. Horton, El Reno, and H. I. Aston, McAlester. Vice-Presidents are Clair E. Hill, Shawnee, Roy Gonders, Midwest City, and Ernie Smart, Claremore. Re-elected are Secy. John W. Coons, Enid, and Treas. Ernest Bussart, Tulsa. Sam L. Pangburn of Alva is Chaplain; Harry Jenkins, Ardmore, is Tiler; Al Overton, Bartlesville, Sgt.-at-Arms, and Wayne Maynard, Midwest City, Outer Guard.

OVER 900 PERSONS attended the 44th Annual Convention of the Arizona Elks Assn. in Yuma May 13th to the 16th when many distinguished visitors were welcomed. They included Grand Exalted Ruler Horace R. Wisely, and a number of Californians headed by Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis; among them were Chairman Vincent H. Grocott, of the Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Activities, Oscar W. Stutheit of the Grand Lodge Membership and New

Lodge Committee, former Grand Tiler John P. Martin, State President Frank M. Linnell, Past State Presidents John B. Morey and John J. Cabot, former State Vice-Presidents Wm. D. Brunner and C. W. Ericson, and Tom Reese. From Nevada, Arizona's guests were Past District Deputies Joe Lappin and Carl Merrill.

Phoenix Elkdom again captured the State Ritualistic title over 17 other teams and Winslow was selected as next year's Convention site. Until that time, the organization's official family is composed of President Arthur L. Welch, Miami; Vice-Presidents J. E. Blair, Flagstaff, and Howard Karman, Casa Grande Valley; Secretary E. F. Erb, Miami; Treasurer Alex W. Crane, Phoenix; Trustees H. W. Ratliff, Yuma, Paul McIntosh, Tucson, and Rudy Hoehn, Glendale; Chaplain J. C. Warter, Globe; Sgt.-at-Arms F. W. Steinke, Miami, and Tiler Mulford Winsor IV, Gila Bend.

A highlight of the Convention included the impressive Memorial Service with Past President E. G. Lawler in charge and Mr. Grocott delivering the address. Yuma Past Exalted Ruler M. R. Stahl offered the Eleven O'Clock Toast, and the Union High School Concert Choir of his city carried the musical part of the program.

The Annual Banquet closed the Convention, with Mr. Wisely and Mr. Lewis delivering inspiring talks.

TWO LEADING ELKS, Past Grand Exalted Ruler John L. Walker and Grand Secretary Lee A. Donaldson, were given a royal welcome by the 200 delegates and guests of the North Carolina Elks Assn. at Greensboro, May 14th, 15th and 16th. Invited to speak at the Lodge Secretaries Clinic held during the session, Mr. Donaldson found not only the Secretaries, but every Convention delegate in his audience. His informed and well-phrased talk was greeted with tremendous enthusiasm and an instantaneous invitation for a return engagement.

As always, Mr. Walker was an entertaining and inspired speaker at the annual banquet, and handled the installation of the following officials: Dr. John R. Kernodle, Burlington, President; E. A. Williams, Goldsboro, Vice-Pres.-at-Large; H. L. McPherson, Wilmington, N. M. Coleman, Asheboro, and J. A. Phillips, Waynesville, Vice-Presidents; G. C. Killian,

Gastonia, Treasurer, and A. A. Ruffin, Sr., Wilson, Secretary.

The Association's outstanding veterans and youth work, primarily its Boys Camp where over 600 youngsters are entertained each year, were the main topics under discussion. Over \$40,000 was spent in the past year in renovations, erecting new buildings, adding lakes and wells, to make the Camp one of the finest of its kind. As one of his first official acts, Pres. Kernodle instructed the State Youth Committee to investigate areas in the eastern part of the State for another site to be purchased by the Association for Elk-sponsored youth activity. With a generous \$15,000 contributed to the Elks National Foundation during the past year, to bring the total to \$80,000, the delegates determined to make 1959-60 an even greater year for this important program.

Further discussion of these matters will take place when the Association meets at Hendersonville in October, and at the May, 1960, Convention in Durham.



State Vice-Pres. W. E. Quinlan presents a Massachusetts Elks Assn. check for \$500 to Bishop James L. Connolly of the Fall River Diocese as Sister M. Damien, Supervisor of Rose Hawthorne Lathrop Cancer Home, and Fall River's Est. Lead. Knight Leo V. Gaffney look on. The gift will aid the cancer research program which is in progress at the Home.



Mrs. Wisely looks on smilingly at left as her husband, wearing the holster given him by New Mexico's Elks, waves the gun that went with it. In the background is E.R. Robert J. Boyd of Carlsbad Lodge where the Convention took place.



Abe Pizitz, third from left, was installed as President of the Alabama Elks Assn. at its 1959 Meeting. Pictured with him, left to right, are Secy.-Treas. Ed. B. English, Executive Vice-Pres. J. C. Bennett and retiring President L. P. Patterson.

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SUBMITTED TO THE GRAND LODGE AT CHICAGO 1959

◀ GRAND EXALTED RULER ▶

Grand Exalted Ruler Horace R. Wisely opened his Report to the Grand Lodge Convention in Chicago by stating, "I adopted as the motto of my year 'AND THEN SOME!' to indicate the need for all of us to give the extra, super effort which gains success over mediocrity or failure. I am pleased at its widespread acceptance, but more pleased that it inspired the extra effort to accomplish, in some measure at least, the objectives of our program." However, he expressed the opinion that the Order must be more businesslike in all its membership phases—securing new members, indoctrination of members, Stray Elks, collection of dues and lapsations. "The time is fast approaching when unless we apply the principles of good business administration—and really see that they are used by our subordinate lodges—the Order will regress. . . . With the exception of one, we have had a declining net gain each year for the last decade, and any businessman knows that such a 'profit' trend can only lead to an ultimate net loss," the Grand Exalted Ruler stated.

The Grand Exalted Ruler was particularly pleased with the initial works of the Stray Elk Program this year, and said, "I am most pleased to report that since November, when the new Stray Elks notification system started, and as a result of our February Stray Elk promotion, many Stray Elks retained their memberships by paying their dues. On the basis of the record in about 500 lodges reporting, one out of every six Stray Elks accepted the invitation to attend a subordinate lodge "Stray Elk Night," and of those who attended one out of four applied for transfer. From the reports, it was quite evident that lodges which tried to make the program work by good planning and promotion benefited greatly and were extremely pleased with the results."

Charters

Two lodges, Belfast, Maine, Lodge No. 2012, and Montgomery, West Virginia, Lodge No. 1932, voted voluntarily to surrender their charters. While the Grand Exalted Ruler's Report was prepared too early to have a complete rec-

ord of all of the new lodges formed this year, 35 dispensations have been granted, 37 lodges have already been instituted, 5 are yet to be instituted and many more are in the process of organization. "I am proud of the fine record made by my home state, California, which leads in new lodges, having instituted six, with two to be instituted in the next few weeks," the Grand Exalted Ruler said.

Membership

"For the 20th consecutive year, the Order has shown a substantial gain in membership. For the year ending March 31st, our net gain was 17,844, and our total membership was 1,232,007 members," the Grand Exalted Ruler reported.

On the other hand, Mr. Wisely said, "I regret that I did not achieve my goal of reversing the downward trend of net increase in membership in our Order. . . . The fact of the matter is that subordinate lodges did not generally carry on the selective membership program advocated and explained in the Membership Manual. . . . When the 'tools' are available to us, it is inexcusable not to use them. . . ."

Thanks

In his Report, Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely paid tribute to the loyal support he had received from the Past Grand Exalted Rulers, and said he was particularly grateful to his sponsor and friend, Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis, for his unswerving loyalty and his ever-ready counsel.

"All Grand Lodge officers and committeemen have my grateful appreciation, for they have performed their duties with sincerity of purpose and efficiency. My particular thanks go to Vincent H. Grocott, Chairman of the Lodge Activities Committee; Charles C. Bowie, Chairman of the Youth Activities Committee; John E. Fenton, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary; James A. Gunn, Chairman of the Membership and New Lodge Committee; Joseph F. Bader, Chairman of the State Association Committee; and all of their committeemen.

Mr. Wisely then expressed his appreciation of the outstanding work of his District Deputies and expressed regret that one District Deputy, Brian M. Jewett of Main, West, passed away during the year. "My District Deputies caught the 'AND THEN SOME!' spirit and completed their assignments with promptness, efficiency and enthusiasm," the Grand Exalted Ruler said.

He then thanked Grand Secretary Lee Donaldson and his staff for their assistance in furthering the program of the Grand Lodge.

"Grand Secretary Lee A. Donaldson and his staff in our Chicago headquarters office have aided me greatly and given every assistance in preparing and promoting the program of the Grand Lodge. Grand Secretary Donaldson's advice, especially with regard to handling mechanical, financial and statistical problems, has been invaluable and is gratefully acknowledged.

"THE ELKS MAGAZINE has played a most important part in my administration. My sincere thanks go to Past Grand Exalted Ruler James R. Nicholson, General Manager, for I have leaned heavily upon his advice. Mr. John Schmitt, Circulation Manager, and Mr. Otho DeVilbiss, Director of Public Relations, have been most helpful and I am especially indebted to them. Our great fraternal magazine and all its staff have given excellent publicity to our program and the most helpful assistance to me, for which I am grateful," Mr. Wisely said.

During his year in office, Richard J. Wallace was Secretary to the Grand Exalted Ruler, and Mr. Wisely expressed his gratitude for the help contributed by Brother Wallace, and also for his excellent secretarial staff, Kay Nelson and Alice Johnson. Mr. Wisely thanked Bert A. Thompson, Grand Lodge Activities Coordinator for his excellent work.

Necrology

"During the year, 82 members of the Grand Lodge passed away. Unfortunately, we lost, by death, the valuable services of Brother Guy A. Rich of Littleton, N. H., Lodge No. 1831, as a member of the State Associations Committee. Brother Edward Govangeli of Keene, N. H., Lodge No. 927 was appointed to fill this vacancy.

"Our Order suffered the loss this year of a great leader and philanthropist when Past Grand Exalted Ruler Dr. Robert South Barrett passed away at the Elks National Home on February 24, 1959. Dr. Barrett served as Grand Exalted Ruler during the year 1944-45. Until forced to resign on account of failing health, Dr. Barrett served for many years as Vice Chairman of the Elks National Foundation, a benevolence he supported with important contributions of money as well as time and talent. The Order will miss the services of this great humanitarian," the Grand Exalted Ruler said.

Summary

"Accomplishment would be small if we did not set goals—goals high enough to be possible of achievement and yet

high enough to require our devoted effort, always reaching upward. . . . Kay and I have traveled far and wide and have been rewarded by the opportunity to view Elkdom in action throughout our Order and to make lifelong friends. No one could have this great experience as the leader of our beloved Order and not feel an intense pride in the privilege of serving and in the stature, strength and accomplishments of Elkdom."

Recommendations

1. That the Membership, Indoctrination and Lapsation Manuals continue to be used as standard operating procedures for subordinate lodges and that these manuals be revised periodically by the Grand Secretary.
2. That the Stray Elk program be con-

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◁ BOARD OF GRAND TRUSTEES ▷

FOLLOWING the close of the 1958 Grand Lodge Convention and the installation of officers in New York on July 10th, the Board of Grand Trustees met and organized by electing W. A. Wall as Chairman, Dewey E. S. Kuhns as Vice Chairman and Approving Member, Edward A. Spry as Home Member, Jacob L. Sherman as Building Applications Member and Edwin J. Alexander as Secretary.

In accordance with the direction of the Grand Lodge at the Convention, the Board of Grand Trustees procured suitable testimonials to retiring Grand Exalted Ruler H. L. Blackledge and retiring members of the Board of Grand Trustees, Arthur M. Umlandt and Horace R. Wisely.

The Board of Grand Trustees held three meetings prior to the Convention, as follows: Elks National Home in Bedford, Virginia, in November; Hotel Commodore in New York, in February; Elks National Home in Bedford, in May. The final meeting of the Board will be held in Chicago during the Convention.

Building Applications

During the year the Board of Grand Trustees received 195 applications from subordinate lodges, requesting approval to purchase, sell, erect new buildings, make alterations or additions to present buildings and to mortgage property. As a result, authorization was granted to the lodges making application, by the Board of Grand Trustees, and concurred in by Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely, for purchase of property, alteration or additions to buildings, construction of new homes, including expenditures for furnishings and equipment, in the amount of \$9,700,613.53. The Board of Grand Trustees also approved the sale or exchange or leasing of property in the amount of \$1,857,557.

Elks National Home

The Elks National Home, a haven of rest and contentment impressively situated in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains on 169 acres of the finest farm land in Virginia, is under the management of the Board of Grand Trustees.

At the Home, each resident has his own room. There is a modern and fully equipped hospital under the direction of Dr. O. B. Darden, Jr., who, with his staff of registered nurses and orderlies, provides the best of medical care.

As the Board pointed out in its Annual Report to the Grand Lodge, "The Home, in reality, compares with a coun-

try club or fine resort hotel. The facilities provide every possible convenience. Truly a 'Home away from Home'—and those who qualify find it a place of peace and contentment. A value in excess of \$3,000,000 is represented in the Home, farm, hospital, equipment and improvements." As reported in our February issue, there were extensive improvements accomplished at the Home during the year.

In their Report, the members of the Board of Grand Trustees particularly complimented Brother Thomas J. Brady, Superintendent of the Home. "Brother Brady and Mrs. Brady live on the premises and take personal interest in the welfare and comfort of the guests. Prior to assuming the responsibilities of Superintendent, Brother Brady was a member of the Board of Grand Trustees and served as the Board's Chairman. With his background, he is well qualified to assume his present position. Under his supervision, the Home has not only become the pride and joy of all the residents, but the citizens of the town of Bedford, city officials and civic groups likewise have taken a great interest in the Home, and are regular and constant visitors."

There were 264 residents at the Home at the close of the fiscal year, and these Brothers represent 210 lodges in 41 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the Philippine Islands. During the year, 52 new Brothers took up residence at the Home, and 45 passed away. Eight residents resigned from the Home.

The average cost per resident at the Home for the year was \$1,064.90, and the net operating cost of the Home for the year was \$170,414.57.

◁ GRAND SECRETARY ▷

IN HIS Annual Report to the Grand Lodge, Lee A. Donaldson, Grand Secretary, stated that during the fiscal year 88,328 members were initiated, 13,769 were added by dimit and 8,400 members were reinstated. During this period 51,157 were dropped for non-payment of dues, and 41,496 were lost through deaths, dimits and expulsions, with the result that total membership increase for the year was 17,844.

Continuing his Report, the Grand Secretary said: "This year's net gain, while substantial, was less than last year's and again a goodly portion of it was accounted for by the new lodges instituted. During the year 40 new lodges were instituted, adding 6,183 new members at institution and initiating 2,532 candidates since institution. These 8,715 new members represent almost half of the year's net gain. We closed the year with 1,866 lodges.

"Our smaller net gain was no doubt partially due to the business recession

but, as Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely pointed out in his Report, it was also due to the failure of the lodges to take advantage of their membership possibilities. There are many eligible, prospective members in the jurisdiction of every lodge, whose applications could be secured through a well planned, selective membership effort.

"I urge all the Exalted Rulers to appoint a live membership committee and follow the plan outlined in the Membership Manual in an endeavor to secure new members. I also urge all the lodge Secretaries to keep up to date and to use their Lapsation Manuals to try to keep all their members fully paid up and to improve their membership record this year. Finally, I suggest that each member initiated be given the booklet entitled 'What It Means To Be An Elk' and that the Indoctrination Manual be used to tell the story of Elkdom to the new member."

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MEMBERSHIP—1959

STATE	MEMBERSHIP	STATE	MEMBERSHIP
Ala.	7,762	Nebr.	17,354
Alaska	7,656	Nev.	4,152
Ariz.	18,095	N. H.	6,211
Ark.	3,140	N. J.	38,756
Calif.	135,128	N. M.	9,258
C. Z.	1,183	N. Y.	75,997
Colo.	30,253	N. C.	12,722
Conn.	21,835	N. D.	14,363
Fla.	34,486	Ohio	58,798
Ga.	19,724	Okla.	10,647
Guam	273	Ore.	49,983
Hawaii	1,683	Pa.	88,762
Ida.	20,286	P. I.	446
Ill.	66,140	P. R.	723
Ind.	47,983	R. I.	7,646
Ia.	30,025	S. C.	7,236
Kan.	23,711	S. D.	10,609
Ky.	7,565	Tenn.	11,395
La.	3,745	Tex.	23,352
Me.	5,762	Utah	5,000
Md., Del., D.C.	10,818	Vt.	6,056
Mass.	39,270	Va.	12,965
Mich.	51,508	Wash.	60,039
Minn.	15,015	W. Va.	20,464
Miss.	3,007	Wis.	26,967
Mo.	12,441	Wyo.	11,810
Mont.	21,102		
Total	1,232,007		

Membership Gains and Losses—1958-59

STATE	GAIN	LOSS	STATE	GAIN	LOSS
Ala.	4		Nebr.	540	
Alaska		222	Nev.		179
Ariz.	915		N. H.	323	
Ark.	143		N. J.	735	
Calif.	4,528		N. M.	538	
C. Z.		22	N. Y.	1,071	
Colo.	37		N. C.	198	
Conn.	595		N. D.	549	
Fla.	1,206		Ohio		573
Ga.	228		Okla.	1,544	
Guam		2	Ore.	641	
Hawaii		64	Pa.		756
Ida.	342		P. I.		18
Ill.	147		P. R.		32
Ind.	268		P. R.		90
Ia.	966		R. I.		37
Kan.	320		S. C.		
Ky.	193		S. D.	403	
La.	644		Tenn.	148	
Me.	47		Tex.	889	
Md., Del., D.C.	1		Utah	254	
Mass.	254		Vt.	151	
Mich.		263	Va.		172
Minn.	93		Wash.	1,007	
Miss.	24		W. Va.	115	
Mo.	95		Wis.		108
Mont.		58	Wyo.	284	
Gain, 41,518		Loss, 23,674	Net Gain, 17,844		

SPECIAL NOTE: At the time the 1958 Annual Report of the Grand Secretary went to press, we had not received formal report of the institution of five lodges for which dispensations had been granted by Grand Exalted Ruler H. L. Blackledge. Dates of institution of these lodges were as follows:

Alice, Texas, No. 2082	5-25-58
Los Alamos, N.M., No. 2083	6-8-58
Winner, S.D., No. 2084	5-25-58
Bordentown, N.J., No. 2085	6-15-58
Ruidoso, N.M., No. 2086	6-16-58

BENEVOLENT ACTIVITIES

Below is a list of Charitable, Welfare and Patriotic activities in which subordinate lodges are engaged, together with total moneys expended for the same during the Lodge year from April 1, 1958 through March 31, 1959:

ACTIVITIES	AMOUNT
Relief of Members, Widows, Orphans, Dependents, Burials, etc.	\$ 673,226.24
Summer Outings, Camps and Health Resorts	276,240.98
Cerebral Palsy	567,282.15
Crippled Children	833,885.79
Medical Aid and Hospitals	445,160.22
Care of Needy Families, including Thanksgiving and Christmas Baskets	1,109,777.03
Elks National Foundation	229,663.77
Youth Work (except for scholarships, free textbooks, etc.)	1,010,453.22
Scholarships, Free Textbooks, etc.	352,085.24
Red Cross, Salvation Army, etc.	307,439.05
Veterans' Relief	189,538.36
Miscellaneous	700,226.18
Flag Day, Constitution Day, Fourth of July, etc.	215,563.00
Total	\$6,910,541.23

Securities

The Grand Lodge holds in its various funds United States Government and other Securities in the following amounts, at cost:

In the General Fund.....\$248,970
 In the Reserve Fund..... 669,960
 In the Home Fund..... 120,685

Grand Lodge Finances

Current assets of the Grand Lodge are \$2,204,687.91; fixed assets are \$1,209,384.98, making the total assets of Grand Lodge, \$3,414,072.89.

At the New York Session of the Grand Lodge, the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission turned over to the Grand Lodge, from the surplus earnings of THE ELKS MAGAZINE, the sum of \$100,000, which amount was placed in the General Fund of the Grand Lodge and proved of material assistance to the Board of Grand Trustees in making up the final budget.

DISPENSATIONS

Granted by Grand Exalted Ruler H. L. Blackledge

DISPENSATION GRANTED	NAME AND NUMBER OF LODGE	INSTITUTED
6-10-58	Skokie Valley, Ill., No. 2087	6-30-58
6-12-58	Grandview-Hickman Mills, Mo., No. 2088	6-28-58
6-23-58	Gila Bend, Ariz., No. 2089	9-19-58
6-23-58	Show Low, Ariz., No. 2090	9-20-58
6-23-58	South San Francisco, Cal., No. 2091	9-9-58

6-26-58	St. Marys County, Md., No. 2092	9-21-58
7-1-58	Elizabethtown, Ky., No. 2093	11-15-58
7-6-58	Lake Tahoe, Cal., No. 2094	9-13-58
7-6-58	La Habra, Cal., No. 2095	9-4-58
7-6-58	Bryan, Texas, No. 2096	8-9-58

Granted by Grand Exalted Ruler H. R. Wisely

8-29-58	Detroit (Northwest), Mich., No. 2097	11-21-58
9-12-58	Sunland-Tujunga, Cal., No. 2098	10-30-58
11-4-58	Lebanon, N.H., No. 2099	11-23-58
11-10-58	Saugus, Mass., No. 2100	1-4-59
11-20-58	Brewster, N.Y., No. 2101	12-14-58
12-29-58	Lake George, N.Y., No. 2102	2-8-59
1-23-59	Carmichael, Cal., No. 2103	2-26-59
1-26-59	Enid, Okla., No. 2104	2-14-59
2-5-59	Newport, Ore., No. 2105	2-21-59
2-9-59	Rupert, Idaho, No. 2106	3-31-59
2-9-59	New Hyde Park, N.Y., No. 2107	4-19-59
2-17-59	Warrington, Fla., No. 2108	4-19-59
2-19-59	Lake Hopatcong, N.J., No. 2109	2-28-59
3-6-59	Brockport, N.Y., No. 2110	3-15-59
3-9-59	Passaic Valley, N.J., No. 2111	4-12-59
3-16-59	Lower Yakima Valley, Wash., No. 2112	3-22-59
3-16-59	Titusville, Fla., No. 2113	4-3-59
3-17-59	Arlington, Texas, No. 2114	4-27-59
3-18-59	Norman, Okla., No. 2115	4-18-59
3-18-59	Woodbridge, N.J., No. 2116	5-2-59
3-26-59	Livermore-Pleasanton, Cal., No. 2117	4-5-59
3-27-59	Auburn, Mass., No. 2118	5-4-59
3-31-59	Manville, N.J., No. 2119	4-12-59
4-7-59	Rochester, Ind., No. 2120	4-12-59
4-8-59	Fremont, Cal., No. 2121	6-3-59
4-10-59	Englewood, Colo., No. 2122	5-2-59
4-10-59	Roebuck, Ala., No. 2123	5-8-59
4-16-59	Mount Clemens, Mich., No. 2124	5-22-59
4-24-59	Chickasha, Okla., No. 2125	5-16-59
4-30-59	Fort Lee, N.J., No. 2126	5-24-59
4-30-59	Homer, Alaska, No. 2127	late May
4-30-59	Sunnyvale, Cal., No. 2128	6-6-59
5-15-59	Princeton, N.J., No. 2129	5-23-59
5-19-59	Randolph, Mass., No. 2130	6-7-59
5-20-59	Willcox, Ariz., No. 2131	6-20-59

The following table shows the amount expended in Charitable and Welfare work by each State and Special Jurisdiction, during the period from April 1, 1958 to March 31, 1959:

STATE	AMOUNT	STATE	AMOUNT
Ala.	\$ 46,435.87	Nebr.	\$ 69,507.61
Alaska	75,546.92	Nev.	35,065.73
Ariz.	121,754.02	N. H.	20,593.38
Ark.	20,904.79	N. J.	391,045.17
Calif.	968,587.70	N. M.	75,071.68
C. Z.	5,614.84	N. Y.	407,052.72
Colo.	231,779.17	N. C.	135,063.34
Conn.	102,092.14	N. D.	64,903.16
Fla.	252,954.89	Ohio	194,319.94
Ga.	267,752.55	Okla.	66,915.85
Guam	1,804.50	Ore.	244,538.56
Hawaii	5,107.63	Pa.	348,433.78
Ida.	108,739.27	P. I.	1,975.03
Ill.	329,895.88	P. R.	456.90
Ind.	170,955.95	R. I.	53,702.74
Ia.	86,147.06	S. C.	51,719.87
Kan.	91,853.69	S. D.	43,820.43
Ky.	33,134.41	Tenn.	71,924.22
La.	21,799.67	Tex.	193,915.39
Me.	30,699.95	Utah	81,855.54
Md., Del., D.C.	81,507.46	Vt.	24,984.30
Mass.	292,636.10	Va.	74,690.32
Mich.	169,059.47	Wash.	244,170.75
Minn.	65,393.29	W. Va.	102,429.09
Miss.	14,138.57	Wis.	112,279.39
Mo.	71,191.49	Wyo.	37,058.79
Mont.	95,560.27	Total	\$6,910,541.23

Making May Day American

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tivities for young people. There were over 200 delegates, and many Brothers opened their homes to them overnight. Other activities included a city-wide teen-dance, a parade, formal recognition of local Science Fair winners who were guests of honor at the observance, and a field show which included athletic, band and marching exhibitions.

Activities which won First Place in Group II for Scottsbluff, Nebr., included a scholarship banquet at which winners received their awards from State Youth Activities Committee Chairman Bernard Dougherty and Lodge Secretary Glen Avery. Exalted Ruler C. A. Thomas and Committee Chairman George Read arranged a meeting of the area's youth at which the principal speakers were Rev. Bob Richards, Olympic pole vault champion, and Rev. Gary Demarest, a leader of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Both of these distinguished guests delivered inspiring talks to the young people, and Rev. Richards also gave a pole vault exhibition. Proclamations from the offices of the Governor and Mayor announced the celebration, which included a parade and a special Youth Day Edition of the *Scottsbluff Star-Herald*. The Elks helped the newsboys to deliver the papers and then treated them to breakfast.

Some 5,100 youths participated in the program held by Fulton, N.Y., Lodge—winner of First Place in Group III. Like many of the most active lodges, Fulton planned activities for as large a number of young Americans as possible, and on more than one day. By continuing the program for five days, the lodge found ample time to hold a Youth Day parade, an athletic field day, a Junior Rifle Club shoot, an amateur talent show, a junior high school dance, kindergarten parties and a party for retarded children. Exalted Ruler Floyd Hallenbeck presented awards to the Phoenix Baton Twirlers and other winners of Youth Day contests and drawings. Committee Chairman David Tindall reports that the enthusiasm of local youth was evident from the fact that 300 attended the dance and more than 60 girls and boys entered the shooting competition alone. The program also included talks to the area's young people by State Youth Committee Chairman James B. Hanlon and Mayor John Johnson, both broadcast over Radio Station WOSC.

The New York State Association, which tied for First Place with the Ohio State Association, began planning for Youth Day early in March by sending out instructions and releases to all Exalted Rulers and local committee chairmen in the state, in order to help individual lodges prepare. Releases were also sent to District Chairmen, suggesting such activities as athletic competitions and teen-age dances, amateur tal-

ent shows, poster contests, soap-box derbies, hobby clubs, bands, and programs in cooperation with the Boy Scouts of America. As a result of this long-range planning, some 28,000 youths took part in the activities this year. It is also significant that in a large number of cities and counties, local students performed the duties of all government offices. Participating in the programs were 72 New York lodges, reports State Youth Activities Committee Chairman James B. Hanlon.

The Youth Day celebration which won First Place for Ohio coincided with the State Association Convention in Columbus, and was officially announced by proclamations of Governor Michael V. DiSalle and Mayor M. E. Sensenbrenner. To alert local lodges to the necessity of planning, a proclamation and suggestions were also sent to District Chairmen and local lodges, and releases were sent to the newspapers, by State President A. E. Socin and State Youth Activities Committee Chairman H. M. Scott. Youth Committees were also aided by a manual prepared at a

Youth Clinic held last summer at Cedar Point. The program in Columbus included a luncheon for the state's Youth Leadership and scholarship winners. This meeting was addressed by Grand Exalted Ruler Horace R. Wisely, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Edward J. McCormick, Mr. Socin and Thomas J. Urban, State Chairman of the Most Valuable Student Contest, sponsored by the Elks National Foundation. The luncheon was followed by a parade to the steps of the Capital Building, where the guests and assembled young people heard addresses by Governor DiSalle and Mayor Sensenbrenner. Also present were Past Grand Exalted Ruler Fred L. Bohn, Grand Inner Guard James W. Plummer, and Grand Lodge Committeemen John C. Cochrane, Nelson E. W. Stuart and E. Gene Furnace. The Invocation was delivered by Rev. Father Richard J. Connelly, former Grand Chaplain. Past State Pres. Leslie M. Scrimger was Master of Ceremonies. The program continued into the evening with a dinner for visiting youth organizations. ● ●



Youth organizations parade in one of 72 New York State observances.



At Ohio Youth Day celebration (from left): Mr. Wisely, State Youth Leadership Winner Sue Ann Guillerey, Governor M. V. DiSalle, State Youth Leadership Winner Robert T. Warren and State Elks Pres. A. E. Socin.

Guardians of Security

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often in many other law enforcement agencies.

As far as I could discern in my talk with Mr. Hoover in his office in Washington a few weeks ago, there are no shades of gray in the blacks and whites in which he views human behavior. Since he is a sincerely religious man who, at the age of eighteen considered studying for the clergy before he decided to enter law school, he believes that justice should be tempered with mercy. But he has just as strong convictions that justice must not be tempered with featherbrainedness or by a pseudo-philosophic notion that vicious, incorrigible criminals, young or old, are merely the unfortunate victims of their environment and should, therefore, be treated with loving care. Because of this maudlin attitude on the part of too many judges and parole boards, he

says, all too many dangerous public enemies who ought to be in prison continue to roam the streets.

When Mr. Hoover was appointed Director of the FBI on May 10, 1924 he was only 29 years of age, but he had already served as a Special Assistant to the Attorney General and as Assistant Director of the Bureau. The wretched conduct and deservedly poor reputation of those Federal agencies at that time would hardly have earned him endorsement as a good moral risk, except for one thing—that he was at loggerheads with the rascals who ran and infested them, and Attorney General Harlan F. Stone, who became a U.S. Supreme Court Justice the next year, knew this when he named Mr. Hoover FBI Director.

The FBI was organized in 1908. By 1924 it had a staff of 441 Agents, all of them untrained, and most of them in-

competent in their jobs, and 216 clerks. Today there are 6,020 highly trained Special Agents, and 6,987 clerks (clerks are office people in all categories other than Special Agent). In addition to its national headquarters in Washington, the FBI maintains fifty-three field division offices throughout the country. Its budget for the present fiscal year, from July 1, 1958 to June 30, 1959 is a little over a hundred million dollars.

The FBI engages in three spheres of operations:

(1) It conducts investigations into Federal bank robberies, embezzlements, violations of civil rights, interstate crimes (involving transportation of stolen property across state lines), white slavery, kidnaping, extortion, labor and management racketeering, bribery and other crimes against government personnel and property, and it checks on Federal employees in our national security program.

(2) It investigates espionage, subversion (particularly the Communist Party, U.S.A.), Communist front organizations, or any subversive activities.

(3) It conducts cooperative services for state and local law enforcement agencies throughout the nation. It maintains current files of fingerprints and forged check signatures in the hundred millions, research laboratories equipped with the finest devices that modern science has to offer, all of which are constantly at the service of local law enforcement agencies to help them solve crimes in their home areas.

As a postscript to what the FBI does, it might be well to mention what it does not do. The FBI does not make any judgments. It acts neither as judge nor jury. It investigates, and gives the results of its investigations, favorable or unfavorable, to the authorities on whose behalf an inquiry is made. If a Federal offense is involved, the findings are turned over to the Attorney General who decides whether to proceed further or not. The same procedure is followed with state and local law enforcement authorities.

In 1935 there was established the FBI National Academy, a school for law enforcement officers. Its courses are patterned after the basic training of the FBI's own Special Agents, with emphasis on problems peculiar to local agencies. Slightly less than two hundred men a year are accepted by the National Academy for training, and these are enrolled in two separate groups several months apart, each undergoing twelve weeks of intensive training.

Only one man from any law enforcement agency can be accepted in any 12-week session, and he must be recommended for the appointment by his local police chief or other senior law

FREEDOM'S FACTS

Baiting U.S. Tourists in Russia

JOHN MILTON once said, "Who ever knew truth put to the worse in a free and open encounter?" Truth is our most effective weapon against the propaganda of communism which bombards American travelers (the unofficial diplomats of our nation) when they enter Russia. The importance of keeping well informed—is demonstrated in this month's excerpt from Freedom's Facts, monthly publication of the All-American Conference to Combat Communism. The Conference consists of fifty national patriotic organizations, including the B.P.O.E.

Moscow and other tourist meccas in the Soviet Union are getting all prettied up for an expected flood of visitors from the United States and elsewhere this summer. More hotel rooms are being built, travel facilities are being improved; architectural and historical monuments are being restored; passports, visas, customs and frontier formalities are being simplified; and advertising in U.S. newspapers and magazines for American tourist business is going up.

Last year, 5,000 Americans visited the Soviet Union. This year, Communist travel experts hope that this figure will hit 10,000.

Many naïve United States tourists who do reach Red Square may have an unusual treat in store for themselves. The newest Communist tactic is to use

glib, English-speaking agitators to bait American tourists on Moscow streets. They hurl questions on why we don't stop atomic tests, on race relations, on unemployment, on U.S. overseas military bases.

The aim is to confuse and embarrass U.S. citizens in front of Russian crowds, persuading the Russian onlookers that the U.S. position in many areas is indefensible. They may even succeed in raising doubts in the minds of some politically uninformed Americans.

You recognize this as the brainwashing technique that the Chinese Reds used against prisoners of war in Korea. The difference is that Russian Communists are now using the tactic against some of our tourists on the open streets of Moscow.

The net result: a propaganda gain for the Communists. They persuade their own people how inferior the U.S. system is to the Communist system. They may even turn the American tourist into a propagandist for some Communist policies when he or she gets back home. And, to top it off, the Reds are raking in U.S. tourist dollars. That's a combination hard to beat.

If American tourists are well trained in persuasion and informed about Communism and the American way of life, they can reverse this process. World public opinion wields great power in the struggle between Communism and democracy.



enforcement official. In addition, the FBI makes its own check on the character, reputation and standing in his community of each student applicant for training to be sure of the fitness of those it accepts.

The facilities of the FBI's fingerprint, check signature, and other files, and the services of its research laboratories and technicians, its training school and instructors and pistol ranges, are all made available to law enforcement agencies entirely without charge. Those who are expertly trained at the FBI National Academy become instructors of their own police force teams on their return home, and this has multiplied by many thousands the abilities of the 3,600 local law enforcement officers who have been trained at the Academy in the twenty-four years it has been in operation.

In addition to training local law enforcement officers at its own National Academy, the FBI assists any police department, sheriff's office, or state police organization that requests help in organizing a police training program of its own fitted to the needs of each group of students. Qualified FBI instructors are provided to teach any specific subject wherever their services are requested. As with the National Academy, there are no tuition charges and no laboratory or registration fees. Funds which would otherwise have been expended by police departments in such training are available for improvement of their own salaries, pensions and equipment.

An FBI man is usually no more ambidextrous than the rest of us. But on his pistol ranges in the basement of the Department of Justice building in Washington, and in the open air at Quantico, Virginia, he is taught to shoot with almost as great dexterity with his left hand as with his right. An FBI man in a tight spot has that much edge over his opponent. In addition, he can, with reasonable assurance, bring down a running target at 60 yards with a .38 calibre revolver, his standard weapon. That, by any gauge, is champion shooting.

Even though intensive training prepares him to be alert to the hazards of his trade, the G-Man leads a far from charmed life. In Mr. Hoover's office is a bronze plaque bearing the names of 19 Special Agents who were killed in performance of their duty since 1925. Fourteen were slain in gun battles, twelve of them killed by criminals who had been paroled, placed on probation, or had received some type of lenient consideration from the courts. The Special Agent killers were, for the most part, ruthless thugs of the stripe of "Baby Face" Nelson, John Dillinger, "Pretty Boy" Floyd, and similar evil characters who eventually terminated their own useless lives on the receiving end of bullets from the guns of other Special Agents.

The minimum requirements of an ap-

plicant for employment as a Special Agent are far higher than those of any police force in the nation. They must be citizens of the United States who are graduates of accredited law schools, and who have at least an Associate of Arts degree or its equivalent, from a resident college. They must be at least 25 years of age and not older than 41. There are thousands of other jobs in the FBI for which the qualifications are quite different, and much less demanding, but the Special Agent, in addition to possessing proven integrity, must be a well educated and well rounded person as a whole. This is one more reason why you never hear of a "shake up" in FBI ranks. G-Men are not the "shook up" kind.

Typical of the kind of integrity required by the Bureau is that demonstrated by what we might call "The case of the FBI versus the City of New York police department." Among the many publications issued by the FBI is its annual *Uniform Crime Reports* which lists by category crimes committed in United States cities over 25,000 in population. For many years, until 1952, New York's statistics did not appear in this volume because the FBI's advisory committee on uniform crime records charged that the police department of the greatest city in the nation maintained its records in a manner that failed to disclose actual facts. This resulted in the gilding of a not particularly lovely lily. No amount of pressure, complaint or persuasion could alter the Bureau's stand. Only when the police department of New York adopted procedures in line with the FBI's requirements for completely honest crime reporting was that city again included, as it is today.

A statistical bird's-eye view of what the FBI accomplishes in the course of a year looks something like this. During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958, there were 11,457 convictions resulting in cases handled by the FBI. These convictions were followed by the imposition of prison sentences totalling 30,251 years, and fines amounting to \$1,666,015. During that same twelve-month period, 9,354 fugitives being sought by the FBI were apprehended. In this same time, savings and recoveries affected in cases investigated by the FBI amounted to \$131,040,083. Renegotiation Act claims investigated by the FBI and settled in the government's favor amounted, in addition, to \$5,086,131.

A record total of 1,021 fugitives were located under the Fugitive Felon Act. In this one year 289,950 motor vehicles, valued at \$250,000,000, were stolen, and in those cases involving interstate operations which brought in the FBI, 5,157 Federal convictions were returned, an all-time high. Interstate transporters of stolen property, 488 of them, all fugitives from justice, were arrested, and more than \$35,700,000 in stolen valuables was recovered. Hi-

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jacked goods valued at more than \$1,000,000 were recovered, and 675 hijackers were convicted. The FBI's entry into kidnaping investigations resulted in 36 convictions, which included four life sentences. Typical of FBI handling of a kidnap case was that of an 11-week-old girl a few days before Christmas. A woman kidnaper obtained custody of the infant under a pretext of entering her in a baby contest. Special Agents succeeded in locating the child, and arrested her abductor hundreds of miles from the kidnap scene four months later.

Thefts of government property brought 542 convictions with fines, savings and recoveries of more than \$460,000. Investigation of crimes on Indian and Government reservations—including such vicious offenses as murder, rape, robbery and assault with intent to murder—resulted in 929 convictions, a considerable increase over previous years.

These numbers of people and dollars (and they constitute only a partial list), while important in gauging the value of the FBI to the country in terms of searching out evil-doers and recovering Federal and private monies in the process, present a rather somber picture of what the FBI is and what it does. There is another side to its operations that is equally deserving of mention.

Among the FBI's diversified, far-flung responsibilities are, for example, investigations into civil rights cases, of which, during that same twelve-month period, there were 1,269. These investigations are made whenever allegations are received that individuals have been deprived of rights or privileges guaranteed under the U. S. Constitution and laws.

While the FBI takes pride in bringing about the downfall of espionage conspirators or a bank-robber gang, it reports with equal satisfaction that "FBI laboratory findings free woman of murder charge," and "Handwriting frees arrested man and identifies guilty person." An idea of the volume of work handled for law enforcement agencies and branches of the Federal Government may be had when you learn, for example, that 20,000 fingerprints alone are received daily for examination, classification and possible identification.

J. Edgar Hoover was very young when he took command of a Federal agency and transformed it from a small, bumbling bureaucracy into a magnificently efficient bulwark against the nation's enemies from within and without. He has earned (with inconsequential exceptions) the implicit confidence of the executive, administrative and judicial branches of our government. Since he is an acknowledged authority on matters of internal security, I asked him whether he believed that any one of his Bureau's manifold services was more important than another.

"All of our services are equally important," he said. "Nothing, for example, could possibly be more important than

our crime laboratory where a heelprint, a toolmark, an altered document, a microscopic chip of paint, provides the essential bit of evidence linking a criminal to his crime—or, every bit as important, removes the frightening pall of suspicion from an innocent person who has been charged with a crime. Our fingerprint identification is equally as important, and for the same reasons.

"I consider, too," continued Mr. Hoover, "that our investigative cooperation with local law enforcement authorities, such as that of the case of the bombing of the synagogue in Atlanta, is just as essential. All our facilities and people are like a team—like a medical team, for example—who give the country the best they have to make it a better place in which to live. I don't think we could say that any one of these three, for instance—the apprehending of the Weinberger baby kidnaper, the securing of evidence that convicted and sent the Rosenbergs to the electric chair for Communist espionage, or the six-year unremitting hunt and eventual capture of the men who robbed the Brinks armored truck firm headquarters—was any more important than any one of the others. The effect of each one of them helped to renew confidence in the safety of the home and the community, and for that reason it would be difficult to place more value on one than upon another."

If it were not for the FBI, Communist sabotage would have done far more damage to us than it has. During and after World War II, the FBI uncovered many nests of foreign spies and native conspirators, who, for a variety of reasons, had sold out to our enemies. Though it would not be possible for an outsider to ascertain the actual number of Special Agents assigned to keep an eye on Communist doings, it is my guess

that it would be a top priority figure. Such a guess would be supported by the FBI's own statement that: "Working in myriad fields the Communists have sought to infiltrate schools and colleges, labor unions, social organizations, and even churches. Through the use of informants within the Party ranks and through meticulous investigation the FBI has kept abreast of the Communists' every move."

The American branch of the Communist world conspiracy, according to Mr. Hoover, is now more under pro-Soviet leadership than ever before, and it is beginning to emerge from underground with an intensified drive to recruit young people and workers in vital industries. While still retaining their underground apparatus, he warns, the Communists are more openly trying to infiltrate into labor organizations and other areas where their influence can be felt. Their aim, he says, "is to eat into our economic life and our freedom," by means of what the U.S. Senate Internal Security subcommittee recently assailed as a "veiled revival of the Communist International, world-wide network, which Moscow supposedly dissolved in 1943."

A constant awareness by the American people of what the Communists are up to is essential for our nation's defense, cautions Mr. Hoover. An understanding of Communist motives and actions is a basic requirement, he says, if we are to create any program that will enable us to defeat, let alone survive, Communist implementation of threats such as that delivered to us by the Soviet Union's Nikita S. Khrushchev when, at a reception for a Polish delegation held in the Kremlin in Moscow on November 17, 1956, he told an American newsman: "History is on our side. We will bury you." ● ●

ELKS NATIONAL HOME AND ARMED FORCES DAY



A large group of the residents at the Elks National Home observed Armed Forces Day, May 16, by making a tour of nearby Bedford Air Force Base Radar Station (649th Radar Squadron). Photo shows the group as they prepared to board special bus to the Air Force Base.



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The Emergency Educational Fund was established by resolution adopted at the Grand Lodge Session in Chicago in 1944, on recommendation of then Grand Exalted Ruler-Elect Robert S. Barrett.

Although the original resolution has been changed by successive amendments to broaden its scope, Article V of the Grand Lodge Constitution states (in part) that the Emergency Educational Fund shall be used by the Elks National Foundation Trustees to provide for the education beyond high school of any child under the age of twenty-three, of a member of the Order who has lost his life or been incapacitated while a member in good standing, and if there is need of financial assistance.

To benefit from this fund, application may be filed by the student with the Secretary of the parent's lodge.

The first such scholarship awarded in the State of Oregon was won by David E. Joyal,



of Fossil, Ore., (photo) at a ceremony held at Condon Lodge. At his side are P.D.D. G. B. Urlie (left), and Exalted Ruler William Flatt. Since its institution by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Frank J. Lonergan, Condon Lodge has attained a record of 100 per cent per capita contribution to the Foundation.



For three consecutive years, Cascade (Atlanta) Ga., Lodge has sponsored State and/or National winners in the Foundation's "Most Valuable Student" contest. At their Third quarterly meeting, held at Thomasville, Ga., this spring, the Georgia Elks Association announced two Cascade winners in the State Contests for 1958-59. Pictured left to right are Exalted Ruler Leonard Wheelus; Nancy Louise Crowe, Third Place Winner, Girls' Division; Howell Allen Hammond, Third Place, Boys' Division; and Homer W. Forrer, State "M.V.S." Committeeman.



As part of its Youth Activity Program, Breckenridge, Texas, Lodge presented three high school senior students with awards for their outstanding work in school activity. Exalted Ruler D. C. Morrison (far right) presents \$50 bond to Burke Musgrove, as winner of the "Most Valuable Student Award." Miss Ida Jo Waller, left, received \$50 bond for winning the Youth Leadership contest, and Miss Dixie Anerson was recipient of scholarship to Ranger Junior College.

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and the waters of the East China Sea off the coast of Kyushu were full of these horned killers—then it was doubtful that there were any more survivors. The lookouts had been secured because of the darkness of the night. The Officer of the Deck had been in the conning tower on the radar.

"I—I think we're the only ones, Rico."

There was a long pause, punctuated only by the heavy breathing of the two.

"And the others, Captain?"

Worsham did not answer. The others were gone. More than eighty officers and men who had lived and fought with him—whose lives had been intimately bound to his . . .

"Any hope for us, Captain?" The question was asked without fear.

"Maybe, Rico. We were supposed to rendezvous with another boat in an hour." He shifted his grip on the piece of wreckage. It would not be light for another four hours. There was a chance that the *Hagfish* might find them—only a chance. Knowing who commanded the *Hagfish*, he decided the chance was a slim one.

"Can you hang on, Rico?"

Morales chattered, "Y-y-yes, Captain."

Silently then the two men settled themselves to the ordeal of survival—each with his own thoughts. Worsham thought mostly of a shattered sub and a crew of gallant men . . .

HE HAD BEEN on the bridge for three hours as the *Hagfish* cruised back and forth near the rendezvous point. Finally, at three-thirty, Lt. Commander Blair Cooper went below. He sat in the wardroom drinking a cup of coffee and trying to decide his next course of action. He had been ordered to meet the *Lamprey* to receive its electric decoding machine before the other sub made its way into the shallow waters of the Yellow Sea. No submarine was allowed to take its ECM into waters where a Japanese salvage crew might be able to recover the machine from a sunken boat. There was only one thing to do, he decided. He must get a message off to Pearl reporting *Lamprey's* failure to make the rendezvous. He still had a patrol area of his own to cover—unproductive as it had proven so far.

One thought had persisted for the past hour. What if the *Lamprey* had been lost? Since receiving orders for the rendezvous he had dreaded the meeting—even in the darkness with the night and the sea between them—with Worsham. There were memories of Worsham for him, Cooper thought—bitter memories. Now Worsham and his boat might be gone. He studied the

PAGEANT MAGAZINE Features Elks

A feature of the August issue of *Pageant Magazine* will be an article on the Order. In "Life Among the Elks" author Howard Cohn describes many of the fine service programs carried on by Elks, and pays tribute to the men who make them possible. The magazine will be on the newsstands on July 9.

mug of coffee on the table, his lean, aesthetic face a mask. How should he feel if Worsham were dead . . .

"Captain to the bridge! Captain to the bridge!"

Cooper bolted the last of his coffee and hurried to the control room, up the ladder to the conning tower, and then to the bridge. The O. D., a tall gangling Georgian named Bob Davenport, greeted him excitedly.

"Captain, there's something out there in the water." He pointed a long finger just off the port bow of the *Hagfish*. Cooper trained his binoculars on the faintly visible black speck that bobbed up and down on the slate gray water.

"What d'you make it out to be, Bob?"

"Don't know, Captain. Could be a mine. There's lots of 'em floating around here, but . . ."

"Wait a minute!" Cooper studied the object carefully, then swore softly under his breath.

"What is it, Captain?"

"I could swear I saw something—or someone moving out there." Cooper checked the bearing of the object, and called down to the conning tower. "Left to two eight zero. All ahead full."

Davenport's slow drawl was tinged

CORRECTION

Brother Edward J. Reynolds, member of Chicago North No. 1666, and Assistant General Manager of the famous Edgewater Beach Hotel, calls our attention to an error in the article about Chicago that Horace Sutton contributed to our June issue in connection with the Grand Lodge Convention. Mr. Sutton made the statement that the Edgewater Beach is a resort hotel, which closes in the winter season. Brother Reynolds advises that the hotel was opened in 1916, and hasn't been closed a day since. In fact, it is not actually a resort hotel, he points out, but "maintains a country-club atmosphere without losing any of the conveniences of a metropolitan hotel."

with urgency. "Captain—you don't reckon that could be a trap?"

Cooper had been thinking the same thing, remembering the countless warnings at Command School in New London from experienced skippers about tricks used by the enemy to lure subs into traps. The floating object toward which he was taking the *Hagfish* might conceal a mine, or there might be a Japanese sub lurking nearby, waiting for the *Hagfish* to become a sitting duck for its torpedoes. He glanced back at the two lookouts in their perches.

"Keep a sharp eye out all around. There could be a sub out there!"

Now he swung back to watch the thing in the water. The slim forward deck of the *Hagfish* was pointing directly at it, cutting through the water cleanly and swiftly. Suddenly Davenport gave a cry.

"It's men, Captain! Looks like two!"

Cooper saw them too. If this were a trap, it had human bait, he thought grimly. He could see one of the men waving, and he pressed the key of the bridge speaker.

"Rescue party on deck. Prepare to receive survivors! On the double!"

Half an hour later the two survivors of the *Lamprey* were safely on board and below decks. Blair Cooper had remained on the bridge during the rescue operation. He recognized Worsham immediately as he was hauled on deck, but made no move to go down to greet him. These were not safe waters for an American sub during daylight hours. There were too many enemy aircraft flying patrols from Kyushu. As soon as the rescue party and the survivors were below, Cooper ordered sharply, "Clear the bridge!"

As the lookouts scrambled past him, followed by Bob Davenport, Cooper yelled into the speaker.

"Dive! Dive!"

At the same time, his hand hit the diving alarm, and then he swung himself down through the hatch, grabbing the wire hatch lanyard and pulling the hatch home with a sharp click. Swiftly he whirled the steel wheel in the center of the hatch, dogging it securely.

In the conning tower he turned the boat back to Davenport with instructions to level off at periscope depth.

The *Hagfish's* executive officer, Lt. Mike Harris, greeted Cooper in the control room.

"They're in the crew's mess, Captain. Pretty beat, but they're okay." He paused, then added in a hushed voice. "One of them is Worsham. The *Lamprey* hit a mine or something." He shook his head. "I never thought we'd meet."

Cooper nodded. "Yes, I recognized Commander Worsham."

He hesitated before entering the

crew's mess, his own thought confused. He had good reason to recognize the commander. Eight months ago he had seen enough of that beefy red face, watching him, tormenting him at every turn. Worsham had been on his board of examining officers at Command School in New London, and Cooper knew that "he" had been the one man who had recommended that he not be qualified for command. He knew the reason too. Worsham was an Academy man, and Cooper was a Reserve. Annapolis men, Worsham in particular, believed the command berths on fleet subs belonged exclusively to them. A submarine command was a regular officer's plum, a stepping stone to a successful career. He knew Worsham's thinking—why waste such a job on a man who is going back to civilian life after the war? He knew also that Worsham's objection to him went deeper than that. The other officer did not believe Cooper had the ability to command a fleet sub. Now Worsham was on the *Hagfish*—the boat Cooper commanded in spite of Worsham . . .

When Cooper entered the crew's mess, big Elic Tucker, the *Hagfish's* Chief Pharmacist's Mate, was bending over a man who was seated on the edge of one of the tables.

"Well, well. If it isn't Captain Cooper."

Worsham's huge bulk was draped with a blanket. He was drinking something from a mug, and Cooper's nose detected the unmistakable smell of alcohol. The medicinal brandy, he thought, and, irrationally, he disapproved. The unpleasant emphasis Worsham had given the word *Captain* was inescapable.

He controlled his voice carefully. "Hello, Commander. What happened out there?"

Worsham's face was ugly with anger. "I don't know. Must have been a mine. One minute we were on the bridge. Then we were treading water." He cursed loudly and expertly. "The best boat that ever put to sea, Cooper. The best boat and the best crew."

"I'm sorry."

It seemed so inadequate. How would he feel if the *Hagfish* and her crew were gone, and he alone remained? This was his first command, his first patrol aboard the *Hagfish*, but already the boat was a part of him. Worsham had been skipper of the *Lamprey* for six patrols. The *Lamprey* had become a legend in the Pacific, a legend told in the exploits of her commanding officer. For an instant he felt drawn toward Worsham, but only for an instant.

"It looks like I'm stuck with you, Cooper. I'll want some decent quarters for myself. My Steward's Mate here, Morales, will see to my needs. He's been trained for that."

There was no hint of gratitude in Worsham's tone. He was giving orders,

and Cooper knew that he would take those orders. The experience at New London had been too vivid, and the habit was too strong to break. He could feel the stir from members of his crew who were standing by. They were watching him, and they were watching Worsham.

He nodded and muttered, "I'll see that you're made comfortable, Commander."

"Good." Worsham glanced around at the sailors in the compartment. "If you guys want this mess space cleared, then I'll be getting forward to officers' country." He flashed a grin at them, and, instinctively, Cooper knew that they were warming to this man. It was the kind of warmth he would never be able to draw from them. Worsham's legend was based on more than his record of ships sunk. The men who had served under him spoke of him with awe and love. Cooper had heard them.

Worsham was ignoring him now. He chatted easily with the crew. Cooper stood apart and watched, then turned and left the compartment. The *Hagfish's* Steward's Mate, a slight, good-natured Negro named Elroy Robinson, followed.

"Robbie, I want you to move my things out of the stateroom and into the wardroom."

Robinson's eyes widened, but he said nothing.

"The commander will take over my quarters." He grinned bleakly. "And I'll leave it up to you to take care of the other man, Robbie."

"That boy named Morales?"

"Yes."

"He's a Steward's Mate like me, ain't he, Captain?"

Cooper nodded.

Robinson flashed a smile. "I'll take care of him, Captain."

Half an hour later, Worsham appeared in the wardroom. He had found a set of khakis to fit him, probably Ensign Tony Parker's. Parker was a big boy, first string tackle on the 1941 Navy team, and Cooper could well imagine how anxious the boy would be to share his clothing with a man who had written records on the football field at Annapolis as well as in the waters of the Pacific.

Worsham drew the curtains behind him and stood for a moment regarding Cooper with a smile. Then he sat down opposite the *Hagfish's* skipper.

"So you got your command after all, Cooper? In spite of me?"

"Yes."

Worsham grunted. "They get so desperate when there's a war on that they take what they can get."

It was strange, Cooper thought, but there was no real malice in the other man's words. He was stating a matter of fact. This was the thing that hurt. Worsham honestly believed that Cooper was not qualified for command.

Worsham went on, seemingly obli-

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ous to the effect his words had on Cooper.

"To lose your boat—the way I did last night—it's not like anything I've ever known. It's like having your family and your country taken away—with only you left. Then you ask yourself the question—why me? Why was I the one left alive?" He regarded Cooper across the table with eyes that glittered. "That's the question I have to answer, Cooper. As a Reserve in this man's Navy, I doubt if you can understand, but I've got to find the answer."

Looking up, Cooper saw Tony Parker standing just outside in the passageway. He wondered how much the kid had heard.

Worsham glanced around at the tiny compartment that served the *Hagfish's* officers as a wardroom.

"They gave you a new boat too. Damned shame."

Before Cooper could reply, the other man got up and left. The *Hagfish's* skipper fought back an insane urge to run after him, to tell him that he was not the only breed of man who could love a ship and a crew—that four years at Annapolis and a ring were not prerequisites for a man to feel a oneness with his command. Blair Cooper was not a colorful man. Words were not easy for him.

Tony Parker entered the wardroom and seated himself without a word. Cooper knew all too well what the silence meant. Hastily he got up and headed for the conning tower.

The *Hagfish* was running at sixty-two feet, periscope depth. This area of the East China Sea was poor hunting ground for American subs now. With the awful punishment from the under-sea craft having taken its toll, most of the Japanese shipping hugged the coastline, slipping around the coast of China and Korea, through the Yellow Sea and up through the Sea of Japan. Cooper's sub had been on station for almost two weeks without sighting a single target.

Worsham was in the conning tower watching Davenport make a sweep with the periscope as Cooper climbed up the ladder.

"Down 'scope." Davenport saw Cooper. "Usual menu, Captain. Lots of water and sky and not a dadgummed ship anywhere." He grinned. "Wish we could take over *Lamprey's* area. There's still some shipping up in the Yellow Sea. Guess they figured someone like Commander Worsham here could get 'em better'n anybody else."

Cooper's glance caught the glint of triumph in Worsham's eyes.

There was a change in the atmosphere here in the conning tower. Cooper could sense it. The men were somehow more alert. He had heard Worsham's name whispered by someone below in the control room. A legend was with the *Hagfish* now, and the crew and officers were keenly aware of

that fact. Cooper, who was anything but a legend would be increasingly on the defensive.

Davenport turned to Worsham. "I talked with a fellow who served under you on the *Lamprey* for a couple of patrols. He said watching you make an approach was like watching Rembrandt paint a picture."

Cooper's voice was harsh. "Keep on this pattern, Bob, for another hour. Then we'll move up to the second area and run our pattern for four hours. I'll be in the wardroom."

The remainder of the day was uneventful. Cooper kept to himself as much as possible, partly from choice, partly because of the way things were going aboard the *Hagfish*.

Late in the afternoon he had seen Worsham making his way forward toward the torpedo room. A little later Cooper went there himself. The torpedo gang was busy working on the hoists. Worsham lounged on a bunk watching. As Cooper entered the compartment, Chief Torpedoman Steve Smisko came over, his face wreathed in a smile.

"Got a little something new worked up, Captain. Commander Worsham here is showing us how they worked their reloads on the *Lamprey*. All we have to do is change the anchor point of our hoists about six inches, and he says we can cut two or three minutes off reload time."

It continued that way. Cooper overheard Worsham explaining to Mike Harris how the *Lamprey* had been able to dive and get off its first torpedo at a target in less than ninety seconds. Word came back from the engine room that the *Hagfish* should be able to squeeze out at least three more knots surface speed if they would emulate some innovations developed by the *Lamprey*.

The final episode came late that night. The *Hagfish* was surfaced, charging batteries. Cooper had retired to a darkened wardroom and was stretched out on an improvised bunk. He heard low voices coming from the galley that adjoined the wardroom.

"Look, Robinson, I got to set you

straight on one thing, man." Cooper recognized the voice of the *Lamprey's* other survivor, Enrique Morales. "When you fix the steak tonight, I watch you very careful. You season all wrong. I will tell you how we did it on the *Lamprey* . . ."

Elroy Robinson's voice rose in shrill indignation.

"Listen here, buddy. I ben hearin' nothin' but *Lamprey* all day long. Seems to me like we gonna have to change the name of this here boat to *Lamprey* if this keeps up. Now you get this through your hard head, buddy, and keep it in mind. This here submarine is named *Hagfish*, and this here submarine's Captain is named Cooper, and this here submarine's number one Steward's Mate is named Elroy Robinson!"

There was a long silence. Cooper sat up on his bunk and listened as footsteps retreated down the passageway. He grinned as he heard Robinson still muttering to himself. It took his Steward's Mate to set him straight, he thought. Robinson had just said what Cooper should have said hours ago. Settling himself back on the bunk, he closed his eyes. Tomorrow he would get the things said. Tomorrow . . .

Ooga! Ooga! "Dive! Dive!"

Cooper lurched to his feet as he felt the *Hagfish* take a sharp down angle. A sudden dive in the middle of a battery charge could mean only one thing. Frantically he made his way toward the control room, brushing past Worsham in the passageway.

Tony Parker was in the control room, handling the dive. Cooper asked what had happened.

The boy did not take his eyes away from the depth gauges.

"Plane, Captain. It was flying too low for our radar to pick it up, but it must have been homing right in on us. Hadn't been for the moonlight, we would never have seen it."

Cooper scrambled up the ladder to the conning tower. Bob Davenport greeted him excitedly.

"Close one, Captain. If he'd had a bomb, we'd be dead ducks right now.

A Devoted Texas Elk

EARL C. HILL, one of the most active and loyal Elks of Texas, passed away recently at the age of 53. He had been ill for four months.

Born in Arkansas, he took up residence in San Benito, Texas, in 1931. When San Benito Lodge No. 1661 was instituted, he was one of its Charter Members and became its first Secretary, an office he held until his death, with the exception of the 1951-52 term when he served as Exalted Ruler. In addition to his splendid committee work for his own lodge, Mr. Hill had helped to institute six lodges of his

State and had served on several Committees of the Texas Elks Association.

As editor of his lodge publication, "The San Benito Elks News", he had won national recognition for his lodge; since 1952 that publication placed in every Grand Lodge Bulletin Contest, taking the top award for lodges of less than 750 members for the past four years. The day before his death, Mr. Hill received the news that his bulletin had won first-place honors again this year.

His wife, son, daughter, father, four brothers and four sisters survive.

He was zeroed in on us like a hound dog on a rabbit."

Before Cooper could reply, the intercom speaker crackled, "Forward room to Captain."

He pressed down the handle and answered. "This is the Captain."

"Captain, this is Smisko. Just after we pulled the cork, something hit us. Sounded like it landed topside just over the forward room."

Cooper frowned. "What did it sound like, Chief?"

The voice that came over the intercom was flat and emotionless. "Nearest thing I can remember, Captain, was once at Key West when the fly boys were making dummy runs on us with depth bombs. One of them landed right on our deck. That's what this sounded like."

There was a deadly silence in the conning tower. It made sense, Cooper thought grimly. That plane wouldn't be flying anti-sub patrol without teeth, and there were plenty of cases where a bomb had failed to detonate. He saw the commander coming through the hatch from below. Quickly Cooper turned away.

"Stand by to surface."

Davenport's voice was shocked. "You going up, Captain?"

"If there's a bomb topside I think we'd better know about it, don't you, Bob?"

MINUTES later he was on the bridge, Bob Davenport beside him, and their binoculars could pick up no sign of a plane in the bright moonlight. Flying low, though, a plane could still be on them before they knew it.

Now there was something else to look for. The *Hagfish's* bow was plunging through the water, slicing a brilliant phosphorescent wake. Cooper thought he saw something on deck, just forward of the five-inch gun mount, but it was not clear . . .

"All stopped!"

Slowly, the *Hagfish* settled to a stop. "Can you see it, Bob?"

"There's sure something, Captain. Want me to have a look?"

"Just a minute, Bob." Cooper leaned over the bridge speaker and snapped, "Lookouts to the bridge." As soon as the two lookouts were in their places, he turned to Davenport. "Okay, Bob. Don't touch anything. Just see what it is, and get back up here on the double. If a plane shows, we're going to have to pull the plug in a hurry."

The Georgian grinned bleakly. "I'm a poor swimmer, Captain, but I can run pretty good." With that he was gone. Cooper watched him making his way forward. Without taking his eyes from the man down on deck, he called to the lookouts.

"Keep a sharp eye out up there!"

He saw Davenport stop just forward of the deck gun, stoop over for a mo-

ment, then straighten and turn back toward the conning tower. A moment later he was back on the bridge, his face set, grim and white in the pale moonlight.

"It's a bomb all right, Captain. Looks like about a five hundred pounder. Wedged in the plating just forward of the mount. I—I don't think it could be pried loose without knocking it around a lot."

Cooper couldn't run the risk of jarring the thing any more than was absolutely necessary. The bomb must be unarmed by a man who knew what he was doing, and even then the slightest mistake might set it off.

"All ahead one third." He turned to Davenport. "Bob, I'm going below for some tools. You have the deck. If you see a plane, dive." He added softly, "And pray."

In the dim red light of the conning tower, anxious faces peered at him as he came down the ladder from the bridge. Mike Harris, the exec, was there. So was Worsham.

"What is it, Captain?" Harris' voice was husky.

"It's a bomb. Wedged tight just forward of the five-inch gun." He paused, then turned to the quartermaster. "Get me a set of small wrenches and a light from below."

"What are you going to do, Cooper?" Worsham pushed his way past Harris. His face was shining with perspiration.

"I'm going down there and try to remove the detonator on that bomb, Commander."

Worsham's voice was hoarse and raw. "You fool! You're the commanding officer of this boat. Send someone else!"

Cooper could feel the men stirring around him. He recalled Robinson's challenge to Morales.

"This here submarine's Captain is named Cooper . . ."

The war was running out on him, he thought, and he must make the rest of the crew accept him as Robinson had. There might never be a chance like this again. The *Hagfish* was his boat, and he was the man to save it.

He met Worsham's eyes coolly. "I know more about bombs than any man on board, Commander. You know as well as I do how they drilled it into us at Command School. We were supposed to be able to handle any emergency. What would you do if it were your boat?"

"Here you are, Captain." The quartermaster was coming up from below, a small kit in his hand. Cooper took the tools and the flashlight and put them in his hip pocket.

Turning to Mike Harris, he nodded. "Okay, Mike. If they spot a plane up there, I'm telling Bob to dive, no matter what. Rig the boat for collision. If that baby goes off, you still might be able to save her. I want all the forward compartments cleared." He hesitated, then

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added, "If anything happens, Mike, you're in command."

The exec nodded. "Aye, aye, Captain. Good luck."

Cooper looked around briefly at the men in the conning tower. He had them now, he thought happily. They knew he was their skipper. He stopped suddenly as his glance fell on Worsham. The big man was shaking visibly, his eyes wild and his mouth working spasmodically. How many times had he thought he would give anything to see his tormentor like that, Cooper thought. Turning away from Worsham, he started for the ladder.

"Cooper!"

As he whirled to face Worsham again, another voice broke in. It was the radar operator.

"We got a plane contact, Captain. Bearing one five zero. Range about six miles!"

Cooper nodded curtly, his eyes still on Worsham. There was a plea in Worsham's eyes, a plea for help. Cooper stared at him, his own mind a turmoil.

Suddenly, almost savagely, he moved over to Worsham.

"You know as much as I do about bombs, don't you, Commander?"

Worsham stared at him blankly, then, with a great effort, nodded.

"Think you can pull the teeth of that baby up there?"

"I think so." Worsham's voice shook slightly.

Harshly, Cooper thrust the tools and light at the other man. "Okay, let's see you do it, Commander. I'll be on the bridge."

Worsham started to speak, then took the tools and jerked his head in mute consent. He moved over to the ladder and scrambled up it. Cooper did not look at the men now. Their silence told him all he needed to know. The chance was gone. One hero on a boat was enough. Why try to make another? He

turned abruptly and followed Worsham.

The other man was already down on deck, making his way toward the spot where the bomb was lodged. His huge bulk passed the gun mount and bent over the bomb. Cooper gripped the cowling on the bridge and watched.

The minutes dragged by. He could barely make out Worsham now. A cloud had covered the moon, and only the faint glow of the flashlight revealed the man on deck. Suddenly the harsh crackle of the speaker broke the quiet.

"Plane contact now bearing one eight zero. Range five miles!"

The plane hadn't picked them up yet. It was passing astern. It might miss them!

Why had he done it? Why wasn't he down there, doing what was by rights his job. He knew the answer, but he also knew that everyone else on the *Hagfish* had another answer. *Coward!*

"Bearing two zero five! Range three miles! Bearing is constant. Range closing!"

He gripped the cowling as the report continued.

"Range two miles. Closing fast!"

The plane had them now! He saw Worsham straighten suddenly, then turn and start for the bridge. Desperately, Cooper screamed at him.

"Hurry!"

Worsham climbed up to the bridge, and Cooper grabbed him by the shirt, pulling him over the cowling and shoving him in the direction of the hatch. He could see the plane now. It was coming in low off the port stern. His hand slammed down the diving alarm.

"Dive! Dive!"

The next few moments were chaos. Cooper practically rode Worsham's shoulders down the ladder. Together the two men stood in the conning tower as the boat slowly took a down angle. For what seemed like hours, they stood

there. No words were spoken except for the terse orders to the diving officer below in the control room.

When the *Hagfish* finally leveled off at two hundred feet, Cooper heaved a deep sigh and turned to Worsham.

"What about the bomb?"

Worsham nodded heavily, his chest heaving with exertion. "It'll affect your trim a little bit until you can get it pried loose, but it's harmless as a baby."

"Nice work, Commander." The hate he had felt for Worsham was gone. It didn't matter how his crew felt about him now. The *Hagfish* was safe, and Worsham had his answer.

Worsham looked at him closely for a moment, started to say something, then turned abruptly and went below. There was a heavy silence in the conning tower, broken finally by Mike Harris' deep sigh of relief.

"Thank God. Now maybe we can get on with the war."

Cooper stared at him. The exec wore a broad grin. The other men were smiling too. The tension, the strained atmosphere Cooper had felt earlier were gone.

Bob Davenport's drawl answered.

"Captain, you finally did what we've been trying to do all day. That poor fella's been charging around tryin' to prove what a big man he is. We've done everything but pin a medal on him, tryin' to calm him down, but now he'll be okay."

"Yeah." Cooper understood now. He understood a lot of things—things about Worsham, about himself, and, most of all, his crew. *His crew!*

A little later, Blair Cooper and Worsham had time to discuss a lot of things over coffee in the wardroom. It was probably the best cup of coffee Cooper had ever drunk, and Worsham insisted that Elroy Robinson give Morales some tips on making the brew.

After a brief moment of thought on the matter, Robinson agreed. ● ●

Grand Exalted Ruler's Report

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tinued and expanded in recognition of our fraternal obligations and as a means of reducing lapsations.

3. That greater emphasis be placed on requiring officers of subordinate lodges to know the provisions of the Statutes of the Grand Lodge and to adhere to them.

4. That the study of audit procedures for subordinate lodges be continued, to the end that greater protection will be afforded the financial management of subordinate lodges through proper auditing requirements.

5. That the Grand Lodge pursue the study of the possibility of adopting standardized accounting for subordinate lodges.

6. That the Order prepare and publish a "Secretary's Manual" for the use of

the subordinate lodge Secretaries.

7. That the new type of lodge building with facilities for family participation and adequate space for parking be encouraged as an aid to the growth of membership and activities in subordinate lodges.

8. That study be made of the advisability of amending Sec. 179 of the Grand Lodge Statutes to make it mandatory upon all subordinate lodges to drop, prior to the time dues for the next period shall become due, all members delinquent one year in dues.

9. That, through the Advisory Committee, a review and evaluation of our present and past Grand Lodge programs shall be made and that guidance and approval of future Grand Lodge programs shall be given henceforth by

this Committee. Such a plan will assure proper emphasis on important continuing and new programs. More accurate budget estimates can be made to provide for the accomplishment of the year's objectives.

Conclusion

"My sincere thanks go to all of you who have given me the opportunity to serve Elkdom. I have been very proud to represent you. My grateful appreciation is expressed to all of the thousands who have served with me and who have contributed to our success by such a generous use of their time, talents and resources on behalf of our beloved Order," Grand Exalted Ruler Horace R. Wisely said in concluding his report. ● ●

FROM OUR READERS

The May issue of THE ELKS MAGAZINE has just arrived on my desk and I was delighted to see "The Girl Scouts Thank Mr. Wisely" on page 37—acknowledging recognition of youth's achievements, in the Youth Day Proclamation. We greatly appreciate your sharing the letter from Mrs. Malcolm S. Edgar, First Vice President of the Girl Scouts, with your members.

I always read the Magazine with interest since its content is so valuable. The activities of your lodges in community projects are certainly great, and it is so fine to know about them. I enjoy your feature articles, since the subjects always seem to be selected for appeal to the majority of readers; and being a dog owner, "In the Dog House" interests me too.

I must admit there was another reason for my liking the May issue: my father, Edward J. Riley, is a member of the group from Salem, Mass., Lodge pictured in the fraternal news section.

MRS. DOROTHY ANN HALEY
Adviser on Civic, Service
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I always read Tom Wrigley's page first each month. I would also like to say that in the June issue the article by Horace Sutton about Chicago and the one by Harold Rosenthal on the Pittsburgh Pirates are among the best written and most interesting I have ever read in any magazine. The description of this year's convention city touched many a nostalgic nerve. I lived near there (South Bend) off and on from my third year until I was 40, and I was taken to the 1893 Chicago World's Fair when I was four years old.

MENLO PARK, CALIF. L. L. PORTER

We have received from your Travel Department the maps and information which we requested for our summer trip to California. We would like to thank you once again for your wonderful help in connection with the trip.

HUDSON, MASS. W. D. WHIGHAM

The articles you have been publishing about the many facets of small business are clear and concise, and help to clear

up a number of points for the small businessman. If possible, please keep them coming.

PHOENIX, ARIZ. K. K. FREEMAN

The articles in your small business series are very valuable to the small business man, who would not be able to keep up on his own with the topics covered in these articles.

OAK RIDGE, TENN. THEODORE GENS

I so enjoyed the cover on your June issue, especially as my son Robert was involved in a similar incident. He and a friend parked their two small sports cars in one parking space and inserted a coin in the single meter. When four policemen and Benton Harbor City Clerk Earl Tidey failed to find any law against such parking, it was declared legal and the story ran in the local newspapers.

ST. JOSEPH, MICH. W. E. SIEWERT

Your cover painting by Robert Berran for the June issue of THE ELKS MAGAZINE brought back to my family and me some memories and a lot of laughs. As you can see by the photograph, I faced the same problem—what to do about two very small cars parked overtime in the same parking space—when I was working for the Traffic Division of the Santa Monica Police Department.

This happened about twelve years ago, when the small cars were first beginning to appear on the highways. I retired in 1950 after 26 years with the police force. I have been a member of the Elks for 34 years.

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Rod and Gun

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been tended with care and protected unselfishly through their infancy by a doting parent. This is a scene of domestic bliss and devotion. But then a day comes when the old man can't stand the swish of little fins any longer. The time has arrived for his growing family of several thousand to receive their education and be sent into the wide waters. The school term is brief, lasting about one minute. Satisfying the urges of appetite at the same time, papa bass backs off and blasts through his flock, mouth open and eyes burning. He means business. If any of the remaining ones dally, he takes another pass at them. The young ones take the hint and scatter in every direction as fast as their fins will carry them, as though they had exploded, and hide. They are wise in the ways of the world and mad, fighting mad. From then on they keep a weather eye out for Pa, or anything that resembles him. If they spot anything their size or smaller, they emulate the old man by knocking it silly.

Some say that the female comes back to lend a mouth in the education of the family. I've never seen this and don't believe it. For one thing, the male bass would likely greet her the same as any other intruder and bend her out of shape; for another, once the old man has bombed the young ones, she would find sparse pickings.

Several states have opened the fishing season during the bass spawning period, which generally is in June. I disapprove. A bass is a dead cinch when he is on his spawning bed. He'll smack anything that looks like trouble, anything that comes too close to eggs or fry. Anything which is dragged across the bottom toward the nest, like an egg-eating crawfish, will be dispatched; anything which settles onto the nest, like a piece of debris, will be picked up and removed; anything which looks like a minnow about to snatch an egg will likewise be removed, permanently. A bass stands guard faithfully.

To take advantage of this characteristic seems to me something less than sport. There are plenty of other times in the year to catch bass, and plenty of ways to do it. When he is in the mood, a bass will hit almost anything, from a clothespin to a piece of red flannel on a bare hook. Proof is in the limitless assortment of bass-catching devices on the market. There is only one limitation to a bass's appetite. He is not a scavenger, no mud-sucking carp. His food must be served up alive and kicking, to all appearances at least. Within this range anything goes; and some strange methods are effective.

Probably the strangest method of all was developed at Keuka Lake in the Finger Lakes region of New York.

Fishermen are known for their ingenuity, but the man who invented this system was more than ingenious; he was either desperate or off balance.

In brief, the Keuka Lake idea is to troll deep with a black fly on a black night. The time for results is during the dark of the moon, and the sky should be overcast at that. Even starlight, or the glow of orbiting satellites, is frowned upon. No concession whatsoever is accepted. The fly and the night must be black as a stove's inside.

Specifically, the rig consists first of an enormous black fly, the blacker the better, up to four inches in length and nondescript in outline. This is tied to a 12-foot leader, and where the leader joins the line is attached a three-foot dropper line with a one-ounce sinker. This outfit is trolled slowly in about

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Montana	Great Falls	July 23-24-25-26
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Colorado	Fort Collins	Sept. 10-11-12
Nevada	Ely	Sept. 17-18-19
Tennessee	Knoxville	Sept. 18-19

20 feet of water some 75 to 100 feet behind the boat, slowly enough that the sinker reaches bottom, the fly therefore being just off the bottom.

And, the oddest part of all, Finger Lakes fishermen catch bass this way.

This is so unusual a method that it must be considered an oddity; yet there is a profitable rule in it. A bass is a night rover, and it never gets so dark that he can't see what he's doing.

There are more mysteries deep in a lake than any of us can solve, and there are bigger fish down there than anyone has caught. Maybe we never will solve them all, or catch the biggest one, but it's fun trying. That's what makes us fishermen.

And that is one of the things I like most about bass. They are night feeders, and the black of night adds all the more to the mystery of fishing.

Give me a calm night and a bass lake and I'm happy. If the wind is howling and the waves slapping, it's no fun. The fun of night fishing depends on the ears. If it's dead calm, the fish can be heard splashing and feeding. There's no telling how big they are, or just where they are, but some of them make a splash that sounds like a dog jumping in the water. It's enough to get me wound up for hours.

And not only bass. Everything else seems to come to life on a soft summer night. Crickets and katydids play their violins; the tree frogs sing and the bull-

frogs send their voices booming across the water; a night heron squawks, and maybe a fox lets loose with his raspy bark up on the hillside; then, when the eerie hoot of a great-horned owl penetrates the darkness, a beaver slaps his tail with a resounding whack, and all is silent for a moment—all except the bass. They keep splashing, and the biggest one always sounds as though he were somewhere else. You can't run him down.

A calm night is full of magic. The jagged reflection of the tree-lined shore follows the boat out into the lake and recedes back toward shore on the return, always just out of reach. The flat surface of the water mirrors the stars, making the lake appear as deep as the sky.

This is the kind of night when I like to fish for bass. Since so much depends on sound, I especially like to fish with a surface lure—the old-fashioned windmill type plug that plops along like a miniature river boat. Cast it out and give it a short jerk, enough to make a commotion. Then let it lie still. Don't be afraid to keep it absolutely motionless. Any bass within range came racing when it first landed and kicked up the fuss. And he sees it. He doesn't know what it is, but he knows it bears watching. Wear out his patience as well as your own. Then twitch it. Twitch it just enough to let him know it is alive. If that doesn't bring him, rest it awhile longer; then give it another tempting twitch or two, barely enough that you can hear the propeller blades flop over a few times. If he doesn't hit then, reel in and try somewhere else. There's no bass around.

Possibly more are caught trolling deep, à la Keuka Lake, but I'll take the thrill of one surface strike to 20 caught trolling. Just at the moment when you least expect it—when attempting to stuff tobacco in your pipe, for instance, you move the rod tip unintentionally—he smashes the plug. And when a bass hits a top-water lure, you know something has happened. A bass doesn't nibble. He doesn't mess around. When he hits, he hits like a tarpon. You almost upset the boat setting the hook, and you do succeed in dumping all the tobacco out of the pouch.

Then the fun begins. There's no telling where he will jump next, or why. Your line pulls one direction and the splash comes from another. He may even come up on the other side of the boat. Your hands are full of pipe and pouch, but not for long. Soon they're sloshing around the bottom of the boat. By the time you get yourself organized, the fish is alongside. Then come the flashlight and the net and more confusion. First there are a few eager near-

misses; then the net catches a dangling hook, the bass gives his head one more violent shake and is gone. Undoubtedly he swims away mad, telling himself what he will do to that ornery little critter the next time he meets him.

There may not be any bass in the boat when it's all over, but at least a fellow knows he has been fishing. And his peaceful, starlit summer night is a shambles.

It's time to head home, but you hear a monster fish splash in the next cove. He must have taken a muskrat by the sound. You have to give him a try. You hook him, and he makes enough noise for a 10-pounder as he thrashes around. This time the flashlight won't even turn on. You plead with your partner for help, and blame him when the line gets tangled around an oarlock. Somehow you land this one. You don't know just how, but the man in the other end of the boat is holding him up in the net. He doesn't weigh 10 pounds, just two and one-half, but that's a lot of bass.

Then you do start home and try to

find the dock in the dark. You bang into a rock when you think you're still 50 yards out from shore, then backpeddle and try again. A little screech owl mocks you with an insane laugh, and a whippoorwill across the lake pleads incessantly and mercilessly.

Back at the car away from the lake, the wild sounds are dim. Only a farm dog down the road yaps into the darkness to keep all the evils of night at bay.

Bass fishing is good in the daytime, too, but the lake looks like any other little lake, and a two-pounder is obviously only a two-pounder. When a bullfrog jumps off a log into the water, you don't get excited. It doesn't sound like a four-pound bass rising; it sounds like a bullfrog jumping off a log into the water. And when you hook a fish, you are confident in your element, sunlight, and the bass is not at his raring best as he is in the dark. You hook, play and land him coolly, not with surprise. I can fish all day every day, unless it's bass fishing; then I can fish all night too. • •

Centennial Time in the High Country

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regatta, held at Grant Lake, will interest sports fans. Denver will be host for the Western Regional Water Ski tournament in August.

Beyond the Centennial attractions there is the setting of the rugged ranges and the grandeur of nature in Colorado that Teddy Roosevelt described as, "scenery that bankrupts the vocabulary." Visitors come, like the miners of a century past, to Denver, mile-high queen city of the foothills which has nearly half the state's total population of 1,500,000 in its metropolitan area. And then, at the first turn in the canyon, the vacationer disappears in the magic of the mountains, finding at every new bend in the wide, smooth highways views of rugged beauty and color. In the cool mountain streams there is the finest of fishing through October.

West of Denver there is Mt. Evans, with the world's highest road to its summit, and Central City, with its famed Opera House that presents the nation's top operas and plays during the summer months. There is Berthoud Pass over the Continental Divide and into northwestern Colorado; there is Loveland Pass over the Divide to Leadville, center of the great silver rush, and the central western part of the state. In 1879 Charles A. Vivian, English comic singer and "Founder of the Elks", came to Tabor's Opera House in Leadville and sang there with great success until his untimely death March 20, 1880, at the age of 34. In 1903 the Leadville Elks bought Tabor Opera House and it was their home until recent years.

To the south of Denver there is Colorado Springs with nearby Pikes

Peak and Garden of the Gods. Further south is Canon City with its Royal Gorge and world's highest bridge. Pueblo, where the Colorado State Fair and Rodeo will be held in August, is only a short drive to the east of Canon City.

In the southwestern part of Colorado there is Mesa Verde National Park with its world-famous cliff dwellings, marvelously preserved remains of a Colorado civilization that disappeared about 700 years ago. Farther north, near Grand Junction, there is Colorado National Monument with its odd rock formations.

In the northern part of the state, noted for its magnificent scenery, Rocky Mountain National Park is situated. This park is one of the most frequently visited in the nation and is renowned for its rugged mountain ranges forming the great Divide. Over the top of the Divide, rising about 12,000 feet, threads the nation's highest transcontinental highway. Everywhere, in a constantly changing spectacle of color as the visitor to Colorado travels mountain highways that are miracles of engineering, he is constantly aware that this is the "nation's backbone". It is being discovered today, as it has been for a hundred years and more, by those who come to marvel, see and still find it difficult to believe.

As the Elks and their families of the country turn to Colorado this Centennial year, perhaps they are hearing the words of Kipling:

Something hidden. Go and find it.

Go and look behind the ranges—

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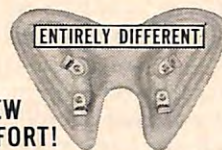
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Lodge Visits of Horace R. Wisely

(Continued from page 14)

Mr. Wisely visited Marysville, Calif., Lodge, where he was welcomed by Exalted Ruler W. V. Thompson, on April 14. The following day Mr. Wisely attended a reception and dinner at Chico Lodge (a visit covered in the June issue).

HAWTHORNE, NEV. Mr. and Mrs. Wisely were guests of Hawthorne, Nev., Lodge for luncheon on April 27, and again at a banquet and dance that evening, attended by over 200. Mr. Wisely had the pleasure of opening the area's Little League season by throwing the first ball at a game played by the team which the lodge sponsored. With Mr. Wisely during the visit were State Pres. Jack Smith, District Deputy John M. Billings, Past District Deputy Sidney W. Robinson, Exalted Ruler Gil Craft and Secretary Earl LeBeau, who is a Past Exalted Ruler.

NATIONAL HOME. The Grand Exalted Ruler attended a regular meeting of the Elks National Home Lodge at Bedford, Va., on May 4. Mr. Wisely was escorted to the lodge room by a committee consisting of Esteemed Leading Knight W. J. Sullivan, Esteemed Loyal Knight Floyd Hayward and Esteemed Lecturing Knight R. N. Artman. He was officially received and introduced by Esquire H. B. Cobb, and was welcomed to the meeting by Exalted Ruler Burwell Thornton, who delivered a short introductory address. The attendance of the Grand Exalted Ruler at the meeting was described by a number of the Brothers as an outstanding occasion that will be long remembered.

ROANOKE, VA. From the Home, Mr. and Mrs. Wisely proceeded to Roanoke Lodge for a reception in their honor on May 6. They were accompanied by

Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees and Mrs. William A. Wall, Grand Trustee Edward A. Spry, Past Grand Trustee Ronald Dunn, and Elks National Home Superintendent and Mrs. Thomas J. Brady. Upon arrival they were greeted by Past Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. John L. Walker, Past Grand Lodge State Associations Committeeman and Mrs. Charles D. Fox, State Pres. Porter R. Grabes, State Vice Pres. Paul S. Johnson, Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Sidney F. Parham and a large delegation of lodge members. Also present at the reception were Past State Presidents Lawrence H. Hoover and K. V. Brugh, District Deputy James W. Steger, Past District Deputy R. C. Wood, and F. L. May, President of the Virginia Elks Boys' Camp. At the reception, three winners of scholarships awarded by the Virginia Elks, in cooperation with the Elks National Foundation, were presented to Mr. Wisely. The three winners had been sponsored by Roanoke Lodge.

SANTA BARBARA, CALIF. Three lodges—Oxnard, Santa Barbara and Ventura—were host to Mr. Wisely at the Santa Barbara, Calif., Lodge rooms on May 12. Among more than 250 present at a banquet for the Grand Exalted Ruler, were Chairman Vincent H. Grocott of the Grand Lodge Committee on Lodge Activities, Past State Pres. John B. Morey, District Deputy Carl Dwire, Jr., Oxnard Exalted Ruler J. L. Kerrick, Santa Barbara Exalted Ruler M. B. Isbell and Ventura Exalted Ruler H. S. Blackstock. Mr. Dwire was Master of Ceremonies, and Rabbi M. H. Kert of Santa Barbara Lodge delivered the Invocation and Benediction. A high point of the evening was the contribution by the participating lodges of \$750 to establish the Horace R. Wisely Scholar-

ship. The fund will be used to train physiotherapists in the treatment of children with cerebral palsy and other crippling diseases. Aid to such victims is the State's Major Project.

NEBRASKA. Arriving in Kearney, Nebr., on the night of May 20, Mr. and Mrs. Wisely were met at the train, despite the lateness of the hour, by a delegation of local Elks, and were escorted to the lodge, where they were welcomed by Past Grand Exalted Ruler H. L. Blackledge and a number of Kearney Lodge Officers. The next morning, Mr. and Mrs. Blackledge drove Mr. and Mrs. Wisely to Grand Island Lodge for a luncheon meeting, arranged by Exalted Ruler Lloyd W. Kelly, Jr. Among Elk dignitaries present were State Pres. Elect Stanley Danekas, Past State Pres. F. L. Harrison (the state's senior Past Pres.), District Deputy E. T. Butzirus and Mayor Del Ryder, who is a member of the lodge.

From Grand Island, the Grand Exalted Ruler's party proceeded to York Lodge, where they were welcomed by a delegation including Past State Presidents T. C. Lord and Dr. V. J. Morgan. State Pres. and Mrs. Graden Rathbun, District Deputy and Mrs. F. L. Peterson, and Lincoln Exalted Ruler and Mrs. George Klein also joined the group at York and continued with them to Lincoln Lodge on May 22 for the State Convention.

Among those attending this convention was Grand Secretary Lee A. Donaldson. After a luncheon with a number of Past State Presidents, the Grand Exalted Ruler, Mr. Blackledge and Mr. Donaldson went to the Nebraska State House, where they were received by the Governor's Administrative Assistant, Robert Conrad, a member of Columbus Lodge. Unfortunately, Governor Ralph Brooks, of McCook Lodge, could not be present himself, because of illness. During the visit, Mr. Conrad commissioned Mr. Wisely and Mr. Donaldson Admirals in the Nebraska Navy. The group was then introduced to the State Legislature, which was in session, by the Speaker of the Legislature, Harry Pizer, a member of North Platte Lodge, and Mr. Wisely then addressed the Legislature. Upon the party's return to Lincoln Lodge, the Grand Exalted Ruler was presented with a live steer to commemorate his visit. So that he would not have to transport the steer home, however, Mr. Wisely was informed that the gift would be shipped to him—in the form of 50 choice Nebraska steaks. That evening, the Lincoln Elks honored Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely and his party with a smorgasbord dinner, reception and dance, which were very well attended.



At Grand Island, Nebr., Lodge on May 21, greetings are extended by (from left) District Deputy E. T. Butzirus, Past Grand Exalted Ruler H. L. Blackledge, Mrs. Butzirus, Mrs. Blackledge, Mrs. Wisely, Past Exalted Ruler J. A. Moslander, Jr., Mr. Wisely, Lodge Secretary R. G. Sprague, Mrs. L. W. Kelly, Jr., Exalted Ruler Kelly, and Brothers Robert Peterson and Ben Somer.

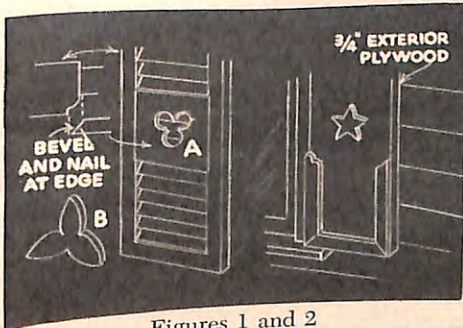
Shutters for Your Home

By HARRY WALTON

AN OTHERWISE handsome house may have a bare-walled, almost unfinished look if its windows are left plain. Shutters will make them look larger, and break up dull wall areas. The right shutters can add charm and individuality.

These window closures have, of course, a practical value in coastal and hurricane regions, where householders shut them for protection against heavy weather. But in most parts of the country they are purely decorative. For easy installation, they can therefore be fastened solidly, with only token hinges or none at all (although special hardware is often used for decorative effect).

READY MADE in several sizes, the popular louver style shutters are available at lumber yards and by mail order. They are probably the most inexpensive ready-mades, a common size such as 16" by 47" selling at about eight dollars per pair. Panelled styles cost more.



Figures 1 and 2

The open-work type of louvered shutter, with individual slats mortised into a frame, is preferable to a solid panel if it is to be mounted close to the wall, as it lets air circulate and does not trap water behind it. Shutters with solid panels are best mounted so as to stand off the wall two inches or more.

A WAY TO INDIVIDUALIZE the common slat shutter is shown in Figure 1. It consists of nailing a small panel of $\frac{1}{4}$ " thick outdoor grade (waterproof) plywood between the vertical rails, in the middle as shown, or at the top or the bottom. Bevel the side edges of the panel so that it fits well against the rounded corners of the rails.

A further distinctive touch can be added by cutting a design out of the panel as at A in Figure 1, or by nailing a separate cutout to it as at B and in Figure 2. Simple geometric and floral shapes are attractive.

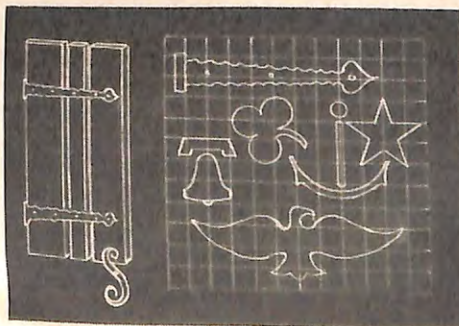
SHUTTERS YOU CAN MAKE include several simple and attractive kinds. The louvered type is too difficult for home construction, but solid panels and board-and-batten styles are easy.

Let your own good taste guide you as to the design and proportions. To cover the window, each shutter would have to be half the window width. But nowadays standard 14" and 16" wide shutters are mounted outside very wide modern windows. Impractical though these are for the purposes our forefathers intended—shutting out cold, storm and hostile Indians—they nicely achieve the purpose of decoration.

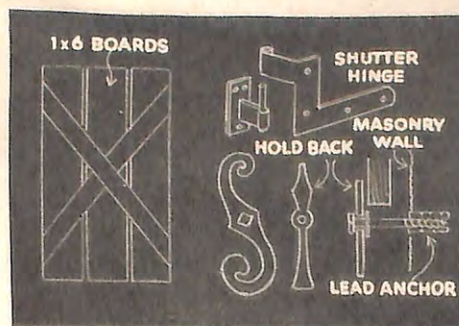
SOLID PANEL SHUTTERS can look well against the horizontal lines of wall siding (Figure 2). Make them of $\frac{3}{4}$ " exterior grade plywood.

A simulated framed-panel effect is easily achieved by nailing thin wooden lattice strips (about $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick by 1 $\frac{3}{8}$ " wide) around the edges as shown in part in Figure 2. The star shown, or some other cutout design, is nailed to the panel surface.

JOIN PLAIN BOARDS to make the shutters shown in Figures 3 and 5. Slanting battens like those in Figure 5 can be on the exposed side as part of the designs. Or you might join the boards by plain cross battens nailed



Figures 3 and 4



Figures 5 and 6



to the back, and lighten the shutter with a cutout sawed into the middle.

To do this, lay the boards side by side, draw or trace the design on them, and cut it in each piece separately by sawing in from the edge.

Alternating wide and narrow boards as in Figure 3, or even boards of uneven, random widths, make pleasing shutters. Keep the open joints uniform in width by temporarily placing strips of wood in them while you nail on the cross battens. Where a cutout design is used, make the gap $\frac{1}{4}$ " or $\frac{3}{8}$ ".

Without a cutout, the gap may be as large as $\frac{3}{4}$ ", the shutter in Figure 3 being a good example. This also shows strap hinges joining the boards. Such hinges could be cut out of waterproof plywood and painted black. For extra strength, battens should be nailed across the back as well.

MOUNTING THE SHUTTERS. One advantage of hanging them on hinges of the kind shown in Figure 6 is that the shutters are easily taken down for painting. Such offset hinges hold the shutters well off the wall when open, but let them close flush with the trim. Each pair of hinges consists of a right and a left-hand unit. The pin section must of course be mounted with the pin up. Use rust-resistant screws.

If you dispense with hinges, screw the shutters fast to the window casing trim, but put 1" thick blocks between to hold the shutters off the wall. Where strong winds are common, it may be wise to fasten the shutter at the outer edge as well.

An accessory dating from pioneer days is the wrought-iron holdback shown in Figures 3 and 6. This ornamental fitting serves a functional purpose in preventing hinged shutters from flapping in the wind.

Some are provided with backing plates that must be fastened to the wall. Others are to be mounted with long lag screws. In wooden walls, bore starting holes and turn in the lag screws like wood screws. In masonry walls (stucco, brick or concrete block) you can drill a hole with a masonry bit, drive in a lead anchor, and turn the lag screw into this, as shown in Figure 6.

“AND THEN SOME” *A Pledge That Has Been Kept*

When Horace Wisely, whose service as Grand Exalted Ruler will close a few days after this issue of THE ELKS MAGAZINE is in the mail, accepted his election to that position he made a solemn pledge in these words:

“I expect to discharge my duties as your leader with every thought and every ounce of strength I can muster—And Then Some.”

He has kept that pledge. He has put every bit of effort of which he is capable into the leadership of the Order which for so many years he has loved so deeply and has served so well—And Then Some.

Not only has he kept his pledge, but he has created among the million and a quarter members of our Order a determination to follow his example and his appeal to do the best in carrying forward the principles of Elkdom—And Then Some.

Down through the years that lie ahead this example and this appeal of Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely will continue to make their contribution to the increased strength and standing of the Order of Elks.

He promised a business administration and that he has given.

In all of his messages and speeches he has emphasized the importance of a business administration of the subordinate lodges as well as of the Grand Lodge, not in generalities, but in specific detail.

This emphasis upon detail is exemplified by the Lapsation and Indoctrination Manuals which were supplied to every Lodge. These Manuals give step-by-step ac-

tion plans to improve collection of dues on the one hand, and, on the other, to make lasting Elks out of new members by showing them what Elkdom is.

Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely has really done something about the problem of Stray Elks. His Stray Elk Notification Plan—based on the principle that “Elkdom follows the Elk”—has pointed the way to strengthening the fraternal ties between the Stray Elk and the Lodge within the jurisdiction of which he has moved. The problem of the Stray Elk cannot be solved in a day or a year, but if this splendid program is carried on in future years, we are confident that lapsation among Stray Elks will be greatly reduced, and the whole Order will be the better for it.

Brother Wisely did not regard his responsibility as ended with the appointment of the Grand Lodge Committees, but instead, all through the year, he kept in closest touch with them and guided them with his sound advice and stimulated them with his enthusiasm and determination. The result has been an efficient and successful administration of their affairs.

On his visits to State Association Conventions and to subordinate lodges, Grand Exalted Ruler Wisely has made a very fine impression and has won the affection and loyalty of the thousands of Elks he has met throughout the country. The Order should be grateful, also, to his charming wife Kay, who braved the vicissitudes of travel and by her presence added materially to the success of his visits and his administration.

Communist Communes

Once again it has been demonstrated that there is a limit to which human beings can be enslaved, herded and driven like cattle.

As far back as Lenin's day this was made evident.

Lenin is quoted as believing that free trade between farmers and industrial workers “invariably brings division into capitalists and workers.”

As the result of that belief there was issued in 1918 a decree of the “All Russian Central Executive Committee” setting up “Committees of Poverty” for all settlements or districts to supervise peasants and to see that all grain not needed for their own consumption be delivered to the government at fixed prices. There ensued a number of peasant uprisings which became alarming by 1921, and at the Party Congress in

March of that year Lenin called for the lifting of his own food levy and free trade was again permitted.

This was labeled the New Economic Policy or “NEP”. It represented a lesson that was learned by Lenin.

The Red China leaders have now, through their experiments with communes, also learned something about the limitations of dictatorship.

In the issue of THE ELKS MAGAZINE of last December, we confidently predicted that the radical move of the Chinese Red government in building communes which would break up families and treat men, women and children like animals might well result in the revolt of the people affected. The probability expressed by us at that time has, in the less than six months that have passed, become an actuality.

This is true to the extent that the people have rebelled sufficiently so that

their attempted masters have been obliged to amend their slavery plan, by permitting increased freedom of activity and reduction of interference with family ties.

These drastic changes are reported to be the major concessions given by the Chinese Communist government in a desire and an effort to create a better atmosphere in the communes.

Food allotments have been increased.

A system of crop retention by the worker's representatives has been established to take the place of the system which did not work.

The breaking up of families in the name of working efficiency is reported to have been discontinued.

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