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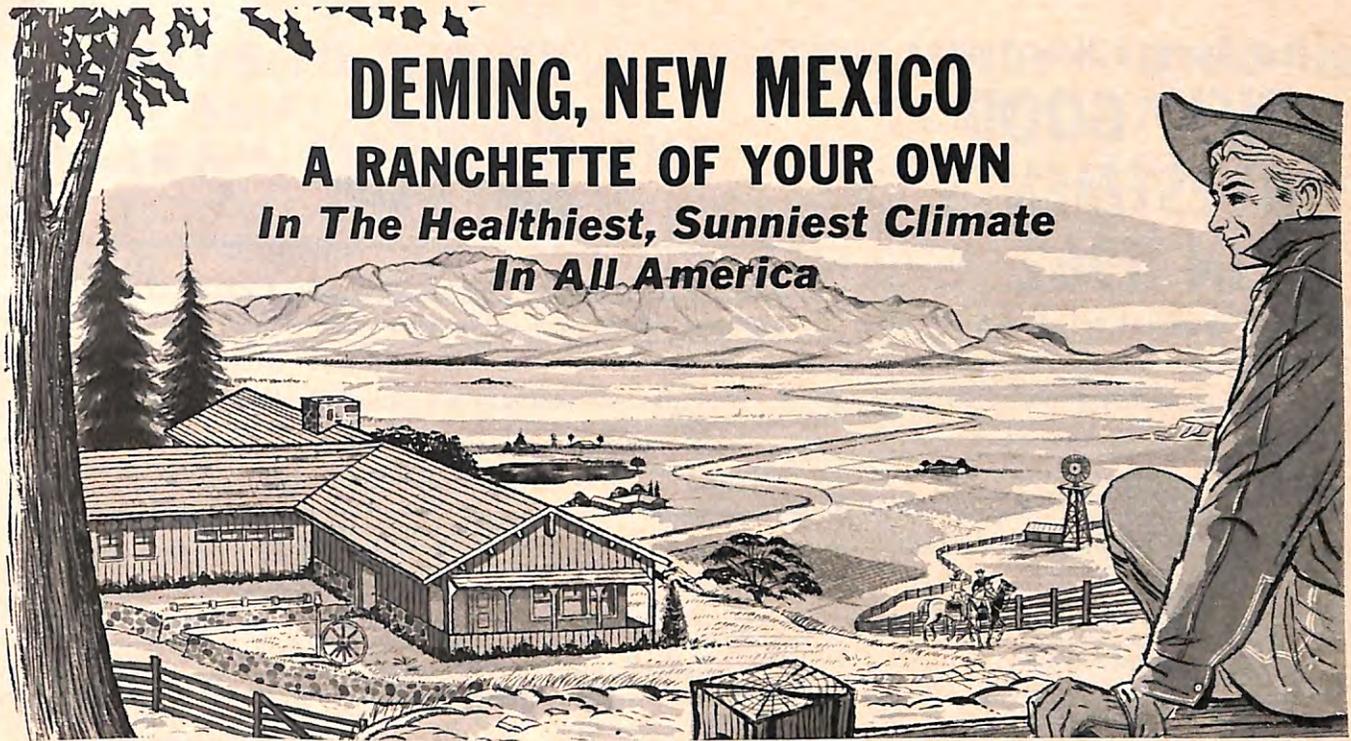
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I want to make a suggestion that is especially appropriate here at the beginning of the New Year. I suggest that you go over in your mind the men of your acquaintance and make up a list of those who ought to be participating with you in the work of our Order. Start first with your own family, then your neighbors, your business associates, those you meet socially. When was the last time you sponsored a candidate for membership in our Order? Don't you think that now is a good time for you to bring into your lodge, to share in its good fellowship, to join in its good works, those fine men you know? Don't you owe it to them as well as to your lodge?

We have a right to be proud of the Order of Elks, and that pride should make us eager to have our good friends and neighbors working with us on our youth programs, our help for the physically handicapped children, our programs of aid to our hospitalized veterans, our campaign to quicken the spirit of American patriotism by preaching, teaching, and living the great principles of true Americanism.

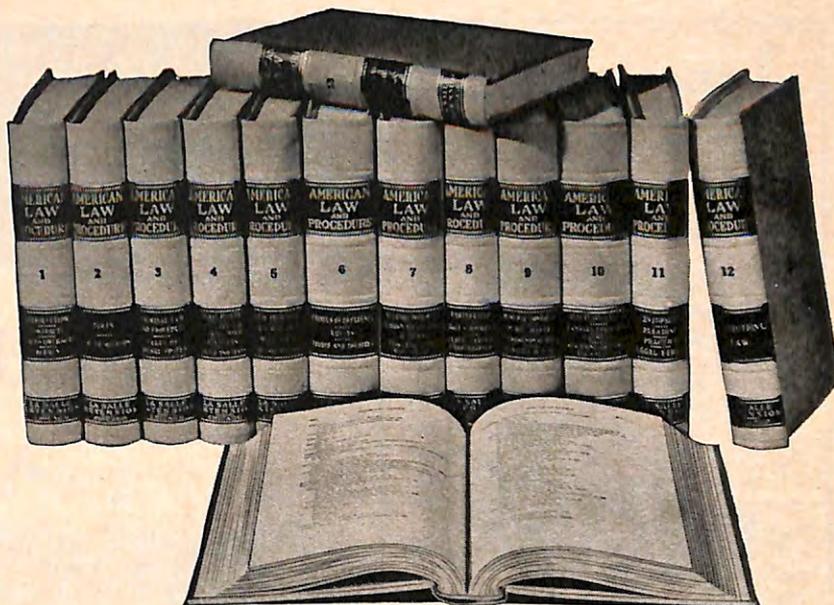
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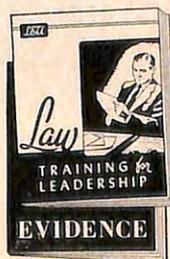
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The smiling young man is Jay G. Hollingsworth, 21, of Brigham City, Utah, and he has a good reason for smiling. He was awarded a \$1,000 grant by the Elks National Foundation for two years of study in physical therapy at the U. of Southern California. At left is Arthur J. LaFleur, E.R. of Brigham City Lodge, which sponsored the application.



Mrs. Winifred R. Leahy is shown working with a handicapped child at the Cerebral Palsy Center, Greeley, Colorado. Mrs. Leahy added to her education for this work by taking a course at Colorado State College with the aid of a Foundation grant of \$414. She is a resident of West Union, Iowa, and her application was endorsed by Oelwein, Iowa, Lodge.

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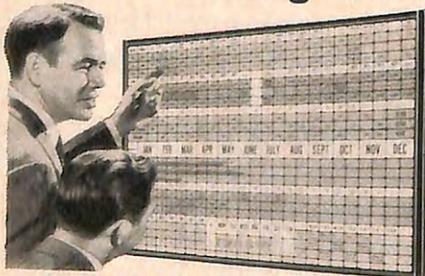
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Thomas E. Reeves, shown working with a cerebral palsied youngster, is a busy man. He serves as a counselor for the Plattsburg and Lathrop, Missouri, Public Schools, is staff psychologist for the Crippled Children's Center in Sedalia, Missouri, and is Clinton County Chairman for United Cerebral Palsy. Recently he also finished work for his master's degree in education, for which he was aided by a tuition grant of \$115 from the Foundation. His application was endorsed by Springfield, Mo., Lodge.

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In his just-published book, **CALORIES DON'T COUNT**, Dr. Herman Taller explains the principles behind this new understanding of the body's chemistry — and tells you in full detail:

1. How to eat three full meals a day and lose weight in the safest way possible
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**"There have been no failures."
The story back of Dr. Taller's radical new method for losing inches without starvation**

Dr. Herman Taller is a gynecologist and obstetrician who became interested in theories of obesity for personal reasons when he himself weighed 265 pounds. After hungry years of unsuccessful experimenting with standard calorie-counting diets he happened to take part in an anti-cholesterol experiment which involved *adding* a specific kind of fat to his diet. To the astonishment of Dr. Taller and the researchers involved, he found himself fastening his belt on a tighter notch, discovered that his clothes were becoming too big. *He found himself adding calories and losing weight.* Was this some fluke? Would it work for others?

With mounting excitement Dr. Taller began spending all his spare time in the medical libraries, reading everything that existed on obesity and metabolism. He discovered no clues, until one day he came upon an article by the late Dr. Alfred W. Pennington which contained the first glimmer, the first specific evidence to explain what was happening to him. He determined to proceed from Dr. Pennington's beginnings to work out a program that would solve the "diet problem" once and for all.

After painstaking research he put his program into practice on a group of 93 problem dieters with extraordinary success. Today patients from all over the country come to Dr. Taller for treatment. And his principles have won ever widening interest in the medical field. In the preface to his book he writes:

"The concept this book advances is revolutionary. Perhaps all I need say in support of my new nutrition principle is that it works. It has been tested in medical laboratories and among large numbers of patients. There have been no failures, nor can there be any when the principle is properly applied. For it is based on new knowledge — a medical breakthrough. I think it is wise to warn you that this breakthrough is so dramatic that it will probably invalidate all you know, or think you know, about the causes of obesity."

Eat steak, french fried potatoes, and lose weight safely

Revolutionary indeed. Following Dr. Taller's 14-point plan, you will be free from the discouragement — to say nothing of the danger — of the endless chain of diet-gain-diet-gain. And you will be free from the crash diets that more often than not result in a gaunt face (easier for the *calorie-starved* body to break down vital tissue than hard long-stored excess fat) while unaesthetic bulges remain.

With Dr. Taller's new plan — specifically directed at breaking down and burning *excess fat*, you eat well (even piecrust and french fried potatoes) — never know the pangs of hunger, and lose *not just pounds* but, specifically, the bulges you want to lose in order to be pleased with your image in the mirror and the fit of your clothes. And you stay slim.

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DR. HERMAN TALLER

Dr. Taller is a noted New York gynecologist and obstetrician. His patients — many of them famous names in the entertainment world — come from all over the country, and even South America for his treatment. He became interested in reducing for personal reasons. After years of unsuccessful experimentation with standard diets he prescribed one of his own — *and lost 65 pounds in eight months.* His nutrition principles have since gained medical recognition and national attention.

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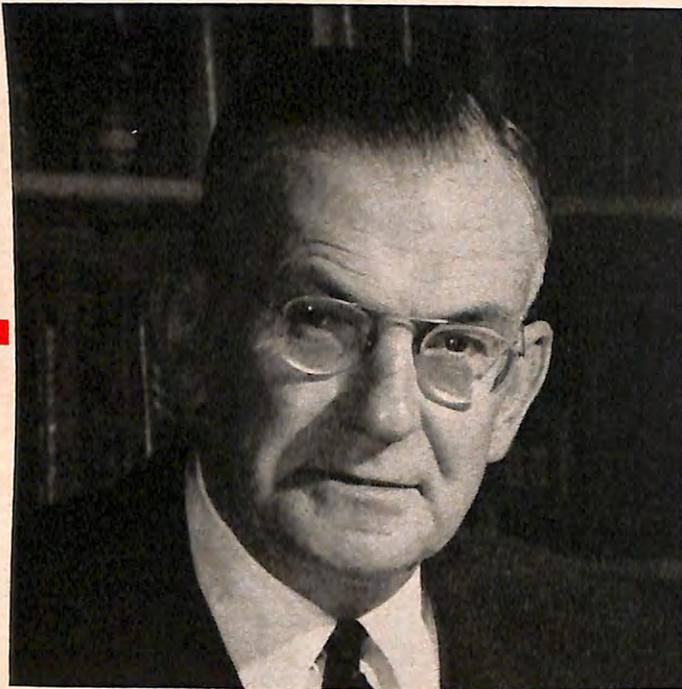
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The Outlook for



Dr. Marcus Nadler has been writing an annual business forecast for THE ELKS MAGAZINE every January since 1949. During 1961 he also began to contribute quarterly forecasts in the April, July, and October issues. One of the nation's foremost economists, he is Professor of Banking and Finance at New York University and consulting economist for the Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company, which, due to a recent merger, is one of the largest banking firms in the U.S.

IN AN ARTICLE on the business outlook in the April, 1961, issue of THE ELKS MAGAZINE the author reached the following conclusions:

The present recession should reach its low point during the first quarter of the year. By the second quarter, business should level off or increase moderately.

As a result of the measures outlined to rectify the balance of payments deficits, the outflow of gold should be materially reduced before many months come to an end. The upturn in business in the second half of the year will be only a moderate one. A boom under present conditions is not indicated.

In spite of the uncertainties that confronted the economy of the U.S., resulting from increased international political tensions and measures and proposals adopted by the new Administration, these predictions, on the whole, proved accurate. Business activity reached its low point in February, 1961, when the Federal Reserve index of industrial activity was 102 (with 1957 = 100), and then rose uninterruptedly until August, when the index reached 113. In September, because of strikes and unseasonable weather, the index declined to 112.

The recent economic indicators are somewhat mixed. During the past year the index of wholesale prices has remained almost unchanged at about 119 (1947-49 = 100). The consumer index has, however, continued to rise slowly, primarily because of the constant increase in the cost of services. Unemployment has remained a problem, and in October, in spite of the increase in the total number of gainfully-employed people, the seasonally adjusted ratio of unemployed to the civilian labor force was still 6.8 per cent. On the other hand, the outflow of gold has been materially reduced and confidence in the dollar has been restored.

THE OUTLOOK—Business activity in the U.S. during 1962 will, to a considerable extent, be influenced by international political developments and by financial condi-

tions prevailing in leading foreign centers. The former will exercise a powerful influence on defense expenditures as well as on the psychology of the consumer and of management. The latter will be an important factor in the credit policies of the Federal Reserve authorities, in particular as regards short-term rates of interest in the United States.

It is, of course, impossible to predict what the international political situation will be during the months ahead. There are trouble spots all over the world in which the United States has a vital interest. Not only the Berlin crisis and the general question of Germany but also developments in the Far East and Latin America will have an important bearing on conditions in the United States. The conclusions reached in this article are based on the assumptions that a major war will not take place, that the cold war, in one form or another, will continue, and that international political conditions will at times materially influence the U.S. economy in general and the security markets in particular.

The Business Pattern—During 1962 the business pattern in all likelihood will assume the following characteristics: (1) The recovery will continue, perhaps at a slower rate than during the second quarter of 1961. A boom, however, is not in the making. Gross National Product, disposable personal income, employment, and consumption expenditures should be on a higher level than during the second half of 1961.

(2) Although the forces of inflation are strong, due primarily to the rather large Federal deficit and the constant increase in business costs, notably wages, they will be kept in check. Only minor changes are to be expected in the index of wholesale prices, but the consumer index will continue to rise.

(3) In spite of the continued deficit in the U.S. balance of payments and the rising volume of foreign-owned, short-term dollar assets, the integrity of the dollar will remain intact. An increase in the official price of gold is out of the question.

BUSINESS: 1962

Dr. Nadler digs into his extraordinary background in finance and economics, applies the current indicators, and produces his prognostication for business this year

By **DR. MARCUS NADLER**

(4) While the number of unemployed will decrease, unemployment will continue to remain a problem.

(5) The volume of retail trade should be moderately higher than during 1961. However, a greater percentage of disposable personal income will be spent on services.

(6) A moderate increase in short-term interest rates is to be expected, but money rates in the U.S. will be influenced not only by domestic but also by international considerations.

CHARACTER OF THE RECOVERY—The forecast that the recovery will continue in 1962 is based on the following considerations:

The trend of all major components of the Gross National Product is pointing upward. Federal government expenditures are rising, with indications that during the present fiscal year the Treasury will operate with a deficit of \$7 billion. Whenever the Treasury pays out more to the public than it receives, it creates additional purchasing power and a new demand for goods and services. State and local government expenditures have increased steadily since the end of the war, and the end is not yet in sight. The Government sector, therefore, will contribute to the recovery in business activity.

Personal consumption expenditures have risen appreciably during the past year to an annual rate of \$341 billion during the third quarter of 1961 as compared with \$330 billion during the same period a year earlier, both seasonally adjusted. Consumption expenditures depend to a large extent on income, which has risen steadily. In October, 1961, the latest month for which figures are available at the time of writing, personal income amounted to \$425 billion as compared with \$406 billion in October 1960, on an annual basis, seasonally adjusted. As disposable income rises, consumption expenditures tend to increase, even though at certain times individuals are inclined to save more than at other times.

Gross domestic investment will also increase. Inventories are rising, and this trend will continue on a moderate scale. Similarly, it was recently estimated that capital expenditures by corporations during 1962 will amount to \$35.8 billion as compared with \$34.5 billion during 1961, an increase of 4 per cent. Under certain conditions, capital expenditures may turn out to be even larger than the recent estimates. Thus, most of the basic economic indicators point upward.

Why no boom? Although the recovery will continue at a fairly satisfactory rate, a boom is not in the mak-

ing. In the first place, housing starts, in all likelihood, will increase only moderately, perhaps between 2 per cent and 4 per cent, since the great pent-up demand for housing has already been largely met and there is no general shortage. Moreover, family formation is at a low level at the present time and the cost of housing has risen very materially.

A boom in plant and equipment expenditures by corporations is also not likely. Manufacturing industry is today operating at about 85 per cent of rated capacity. Thus, there is an excess of productive facilities over the present effective demand. Furthermore, competition is quite keen, and the cost of doing business, notably wage costs, is rising. This situation has put a squeeze on profit margins. Although profits in the second quarter of 1961 were materially higher than during the first quarter, data compiled by the First National City Bank of New York indicate that profits of 791 corporations during the third quarter were 2 per cent smaller than during the second quarter. It is therefore likely that the increase in capital expenditures by corporations will be rather small.

Similarly, while it is fairly certain that consumption expenditures for durable goods (notably automobiles), non-durable goods, and services will rise, the increase will also be moderate. In spite of the material increase in disposable personal income, consumers have not gone on a spending spree. In part this is because the international political situation has had an adverse psychological effect on consumers. Since in the U.S. more than 40 per cent of total consumer purchases are optional in character, the outlook of the consumer plays an important part in his spending habits.

From the above indications it would appear that the recovery will be steady and healthy, but that it will not develop into a boom.

THE FORCES OF INFLATION—Although the fears of inflation still persist, the forces of inflation will be kept in check during the period ahead. The principal reasons why the fears of inflation persist are as follows: The Federal government is operating with a large deficit. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1961, it amounted to nearly \$4 billion, and during the current year it has been estimated by the Treasury at nearly \$7 billion—and there is a possibility it may be even larger. Furthermore, the deficit has been financed almost exclusively through the sale of short-term Treasury obligations, which increase the liquidity of the banks as well as of business in general. A sharp rise in liquidity beyond the require- (Continued on page 27)

He came from where all the badmen came from. He was

THE MAN FROM SUDDEN

By Robert Edmond Alter

ILLUSTRATED BY FLOYD M. DAVIS

YOU NEVER HEARD of Sudden? Why, that's where all the badmen came from. I guess nobody mentions it much nowadays, but then there aren't any badmen—*real* badmen, I mean—around any more. Sure, you've got those dudish fellas on TV, but I can recall the real article; I can remember Bad Bill Batten and Colonel Hanky fighting it out right here on the street of Stall Town, and Bill was from Sudden.

I must have been about nine when Bill first rode down from the hills. In some ways Stall Town looked better then than it does now. It wasn't large and didn't have all your modern doodads—kind of crude and raw—but it had a freshness, a hacked-out-of-the-wilderness, don't-give-a-damn-if-you-stay-or-not attitude about it. It was homey.

Well, Bill moseyed up Front Street on a sorry old nag that you wouldn't offer two bits for. In fact, at first glance you wouldn't offer two bits for Bill either. Bill took some getting used to. He and the sorry nag came clip-plodding past Ma Pep's Bakery and Bill said "Scool!" to Tank Taylor's old sow and her grunting litter.

That was Bill all over. He didn't give a hoot if Tank's hog thought she owned Front Street or not. I've seen men back up and step around when that old sow was having a wallowing good time in the mud in the middle of the street. But not Bill. He said "Scool!" in that mean tone of his, and that porker and her tads scooted.

I was on my way to school, coming along the boardwalk past the Payout Saloon, when Bill edged the nag up to the hitch-rail. He growled "Whoa!"—

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WHICH WATERS DO YOU FISH?

No one boat or motor is right for all situations

By **TED TRUEBLOOD**

PHOTOS BY THE AUTHOR



Boats of this type, with a high bow and lots of flare, are used on rough rivers of the Northwest.



Rubber boats such as this are widely used on the big trout streams of the Rocky Mountain states.



The john boat, sometimes twice as long as this one, is used in floating the South's gentle streams.



The 20-foot freight canoe is ideal on northern Canada's white-water rivers or wind-swept lakes.

THE SECOND national survey of fishing and hunting in the United States was conducted last year by the Bureau of the Census for the Fish and Wildlife Service. The results were released recently, and some of the figures are startling. About 45 million Americans fished at least once during 1960, for example.

This total, of course, includes a lot of folks who soaked a worm for a few hours on a picnic, or maybe for a day or two on an annual vacation. The tabulators classified them as "incidental participants." But there were also more

than 25 million "substantial anglers"—the kind I call serious fishermen.

Among this group who fish at every opportunity—and who undoubtedly catch most of the fish, although the survey didn't say so—boats and motors are important. In fact, 28 per cent of all money spent for fishing, including tackle, transportation, food, lodging, and incidentals, went for boats and motors—a staggering total of \$759,627,000. This simmers down to something like \$30 per year when prorated over all the serious fishermen. (The 2,460,000 who actually bought new boats or

motors during 1960 spent an average of \$308 apiece.)

In this light, the choice of a boat and motor for fishing is a pretty serious matter. You can buy an excellent fly-fishing, bait-casting, or spinning outfit for \$50. The survey showed that your boat and motor would cost six times as much. Actually, if you fish a big lake or reservoir and select an adequate motor, boat, and a trailer on which to haul it, you'll be lucky to get by for \$1,000, and you are more likely than not to go over this figure.

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Elks National Service Commission

New Orleans, La., Lodge's Hospital Committee recently donated a 23-inch television set to the VA Hospital in that city for the enjoyment of the patients. Pictured with the set were, left to right, W. J. McComb, Asst. Mgr. of the Hospital; P.D.D. James H. Aitken, Chairman of the Elks' Committee; P.E.R. George J. Lupo, and E.R. Francis J. Demarest.



The Veterans Service Committee of Tucson, Ariz., Lodge sponsored a performance of "Mac's Hawaiian Revue," a live show, for its Veterans Hospital. It was so well received that the Committee hopes to repeat this type of entertainment regularly. Pictured with some of the patients who saw the show are Mrs. Joseph E. Petullo, left, wife of the lodge's Committee Chairman, and Mrs. Mary Haugen, acting Supt. of the Elks Hospital in Tucson.



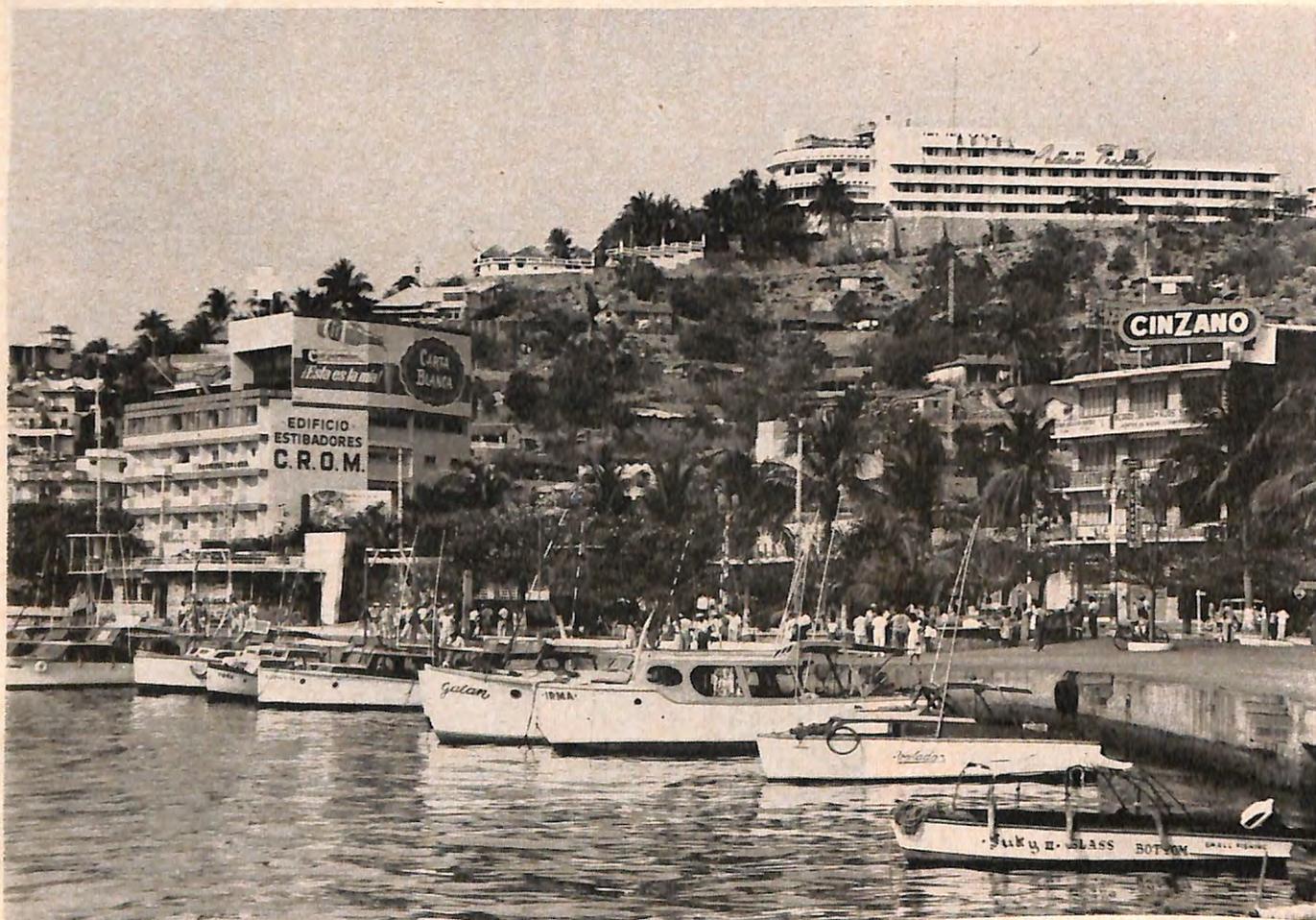
L. E. Strong, Chairman of the Ohio Elks Assn.'s Veterans Hospital Committee, left, shows a display of ceramics made by veterans under Elk supervision to Southwest District Chairman Ed Turner. This display is available for showing at all Elk district meetings throughout the state.



MEXICO

Discovering a couple of scarcely-known places and rediscovering some of the best-known

By BARNETT D. LASCHEVER



HAMILTON WRIGHT

Pleasure craft line the harbor's edge at Acapulco, Mexico's best-known playground. It's still a good place to visit.

THE TRAVELING ELK with a flair for adventure and a hankering to discover tomorrow's paradise today would do well to hasten south of the border to two Mexican towns that even now can feel the hot breath of mass tourism on their necks.

We shall discourse on these somewhat, and then, in a complete about face, also suggest that two of Mexico's most popular places, Taxco and Acapulco, are not enjoyed to the fullest by *norteamericano* visitors.

For the young in heart, Zihuatanejo, 148 miles northwest of Acapulco, holds all the promise of a remote South Seas isle. To start with, it's difficult to reach. There are two daily second-class buses

from Acapulco, but it's a rough, hot ride. The last 23 miles are so bad that the road is not recommended for modern passenger cars. Air service is provided by Aeronaves de Mexico from Mexico City. Or you may fly in by charter or private plane.

Is it worth all the trouble? Its charms are myriad, and devotees say that Zihuatanejo, today a small primitive Indian fishing village on one of Mexico's most picturesque bays, will be the Acapulco of tomorrow.

Hunting and deep-sea fishing are better here than at Acapulco, the mountains nearby abounding in deer, wild boar, and some big cats. The Balsas River, reached by boat, has otter and

crocodiles. And some of the off-shore islands are swarming with birds.

One of these islands, Ixtapa, is rimmed with lovely sandy beaches. Two other superb beaches are on the mainland, and the better of the two is located below the Hotel Catalina, the only hotel suitable for foreign tourists. On a cliff overlooking the bay a few miles from the village, the Catalina operates a small funicular to the beach.

Owner-manager of the Catalina is Sr. Armando Acosta, an avid sportsman who is likely to accompany you on your hunting expedition if business at the small hotel is slack. Rates at the hotel, which incidentally sets a fine table, are about \$14 double, and reser-

vations are absolutely necessary. If you plan to visit Zihuatanejo, make certain your business affairs are in order: there's no telephone service, and the telegraph wires are open only during certain hours of the day.

Not quite as remote but almost as hard to reach is Puerto Vallarta, a Pacific coast resort that already has a following among a small coterie of knowledgeable Americans. Like Zihuatanejo, it is best reached by air, unless you care to go in by bus or mule pack train. A new road is under construction, and as time passes it inches closer and closer to the ocean. Our advice: go now before the road pokes its way down to the beaches. And lovely beaches they are, too.

Best is Los Muertos, located south of the town and continuing on down the coast for miles. Los Tules, on the north side of the village, swings around to the tip of the Bay of Banderas.

Most of the hotels are situated on the waterfront while the village is built up the hill behind overlooking the bay. Summer reportedly is too uncomfortable here, so best time for a Puerto Vallarta vacation is the period from October through April.

In addition to its scenic beauty, lovely beaches, and relatively low prices, the area also offers excellent fishing and hunting. Deer, big cats, wild boar, and birds gambol in the thickets of the Sierras behind the village, and local hunters practically guarantee you'll come back from safari with a trophy or two. Charter fishing boats are available at about \$50 a day for a 32-foot cruiser which can carry a party of six. Smaller boats rent for from \$2 to \$5 an hour.

There are five recommended hotels, most of which mount an appetizing table at rates starting at \$10, double, per day.

Mexico is a land of great beauty and charm. There are numerous other small villages with lovely unspoiled beaches that travelers are certain to stumble upon in years to come. But enough of the off-beat: Regardless of next year's discovery, two Mexican towns are certain to remain for a long time prime goals for visitors from the United States.

The first is Taxco, a perfect jewel of a town that is often called "a little corner of Old Spain," and, in our opinion, treated shamefully by visitors. How?

In their haste to push on to Acapulco, too many tourists check into a Taxco hotel for one night, eat a quick breakfast the next morning, and then sprint
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An open-air market in Cuernavaca, which is considered one of Mexico's most charming cities. It lies near Mexico City on the highway that takes you to the seaside resort of Acapulco.



A street scene in Taxco, a lovely, unspoiled Mexican city.



**Lodge Visits of
WILLIAM A. WALL**

**EARLY
AUTUMN
TRAVELS**



The men seated at the head table at Boonton, N.J., Lodge are, from the left, D.D. Paul Bowden, Grand Exalted Ruler Wall, and Past Grand Exalted Ruler William J. Jernick. Among those standing are Grand Lodge Youth Activities Chm. Joseph F. Bader, E.R. Michael Modrako, and State Pres. Charles A. Hotaling (third, fourth, fifth from the left).



At Long Branch, N.J., Lodge's 60th anniversary, Mr. Wall posed with this group: (from the left) E.R. Harry D. Hicks, D.D. Thomas Lewis, P.E.R. Joseph Schwark, Past Grand Exalted Ruler William J. Jernick, and D.D. Frank Garriel, Jr.



The Grand Exalted Ruler chats at Newport, R.I., Lodge with, from the left, E.R. Daniel D. Donovan, D.D. Thomas R. Doherty, and, at the right, State President Albert J. Hallock.



At Willimantic, Conn., Lodge, Mr. Wall was presented a shotgun by State Vice-Pres. Jack P. Windt. To the left and right, respectively, of Mr. Wall are Past Grand Exalted Rulers John E. Fenton and John F. Malley. In the rear are E.R. Arnold Bocash, State Pres. Robert Hullivan, and (extreme right) Arthur Roy, Chairman of the Grand Lodge New Lodge Committee.

AS SUMMER ENDED, leaves began to turn to scarlet, gold, and brown, and as topcoats were retrieved from a summer's repose in the back of the closet, Grand Exalted Ruler William A. Wall continued a steady pace in his travels through Elksdom. Some of his visits were to State Association Fall Meetings, and thus to host lodges and neighboring lodges. Others were to lodges in several New England states and in New Jersey.

INDIANA. September 16, with summer not yet ended, found the Grand Exalted Ruler in Indianapolis for the Indiana Elks Association's Fall Meeting. The highlight of the visit was a luncheon at the Indiana University Medical Center, where the delegation were guests of Dr. John D. Van Nuys, Dean of the Center and a member of Indianapolis Lodge. Among those accompanying Mr. Wall were State President Paul Manship and Past President Thomas E. Burke, who is chairman of the committee that administers the Association's cancer research program. Dr. Van Nuys and others on the Center's staff explained the use to which Indiana Elks' contributions for cancer research have been put. Cancer research has been supported by Indiana Elks for 14 years, and nearly \$758,000 has been collected and distributed in that time. \$489,800 of that has gone to the I.U. Medical Center.

RUTLAND, VERMONT. All of Vermont—that is, representatives from every lodge in the state—turned out to welcome the Grand Exalted Ruler when he visited Rutland Lodge Oc-



The Grand Exalted Ruler visited Muskegon, Mich., Lodge during the State Association's Fall Meeting at nearby Grand Rapids. There he was presented a live tree, to which he is shown affixing a plaque. The presentation was made by Exalted Ruler J. D. McMillan, who is at the far left of the group. John K. Burch, Grand Lodge Pension Committeeman, is the tall man.



When the Grand Exalted Ruler and Mrs. Wall arrived at Grand Rapids, Mich., for the State Assn. Fall Meeting, they were met by a delegation headed by Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight

S. Glen Converse, Grand Lodge Pension Committeeman John K. Burch, and State Pres. Fritz Copens. Mayor Stanley Davis (with raincoat over arm) presented Mr. Wall with a key to the city.

tober 8. They came bearing gifts too, inspiring Grand Lodge Committeeman Raymond J. Quesnel to comment: "It sure looked like Christmas in Vermont in October." Among the other dignitaries attending were Past Grand Exalted Ruler John E. Fenton, Grand Trustees Chairman Edward A. Spry, Grand Lodge State Associations Committee Chairman William F. Maguire, Elks National Home Superintendent Thomas J. Brady, and State President Raymond L. Murray.

RHODE ISLAND. On October 10, Grand Exalted Ruler Wall was welcomed to the nation's smallest state by the Rhode Island Elks Association. After being met at the state line by a delegation of Elks, Mr. Wall was given a police escort to Newport for a reception at the city hall, where Mayor James L. Maher presented a certificate of honorary citizenship. That evening a reception and dinner were given at Newport Lodge, with more than 200 attending. Governor John A. Notte, Jr., was a speaker as well as the Grand Exalted Ruler.

The following day, after touring Newport's famous Ocean Drive with its elegant estates, Mr. Wall's party journeyed to South Kingstown Lodge and attended a reception. Included in the party were Judge Fenton, Mr. Spry, Dr. Maguire, and Mr. Brady, all of whom were with Mr. Wall in Vermont, plus Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley, Grand Lodge Committeeman Fred S. Quattromani, and State President Albert J. Hallock.

The party moved on to Westerly (Continued on page 46)



Grand Exalted Ruler Wall and Past State Pres. Paul Johnson present a trophy to Norfolk, Va., E.R. William Shapero (light suit), whose team won the Virginia Association's 1961 Ritualistic Contest. Members of the winning team surround the three men.



Mr. Wall and others attending the Indiana Fall Meeting visited the Indiana University Medical Center in Indianapolis, where Assn. funds are spent for cancer research. In the photo, left to right, are Past State Pres. Thomas Burke; State Pres. Paul Manship; the Grand Exalted Ruler; Dr. John Van Nuys, Dean of the Medical Center; and State Secy. C. L. Shideler.



Shown at Rutland, Vt., Lodge are: (seated, left to right) Chm. of Grand Trustees Edward A. Spry, Mr. Wall, Rutland E.R. William Patnode, and Past Grand Exalted Ruler John E. Fenton; (standing, from left) State Pres. Raymond Murray, D.D. Henry Ryan, Elks National Home Supt. Thomas Brady, and Grand Lodge Committeemen Raymond J. Quesnel and Wm. F. Maguire.

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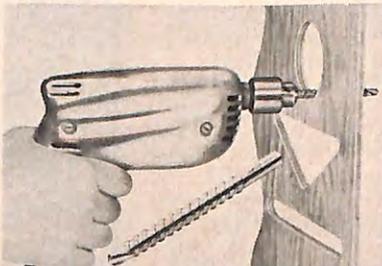
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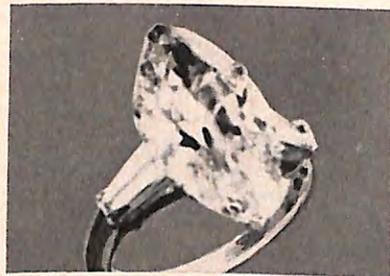


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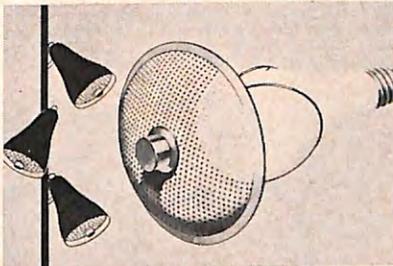
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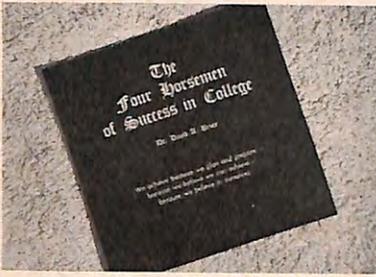
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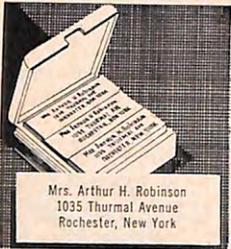
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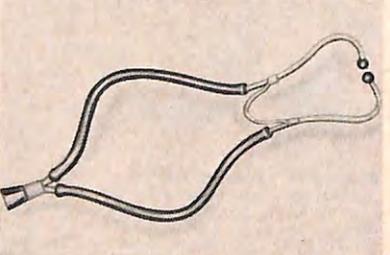
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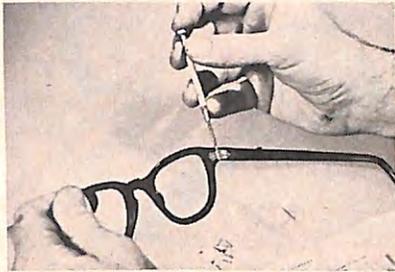
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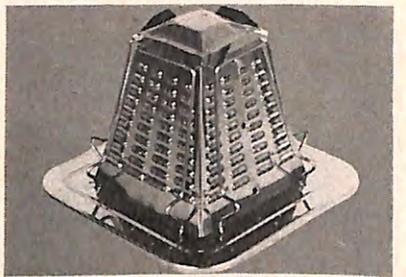
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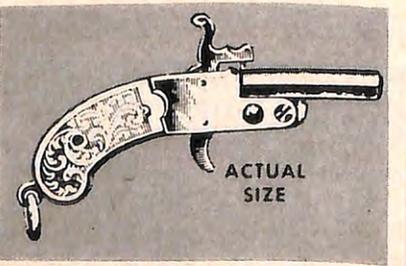
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Watchdog Or Guardian

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Almost any dog can be trained to be a good watchdog—and the bulldog has a countenance that goes well with the job.

VARIED are the uses of dogs, with the most widespread one being their services as house pets valued in thousands of homes throughout the world for their companionship and devotion. If this were the only use that men have for dogs we could let it go at that, but among those thousands of owners are a good many who attach extra importance to Fido as a hunter—pointing, flushing, and retrieving game—or as a destroyer of animals that are parasitic or dangerous.

Still others hold the dog as an invaluable assistant for herding cattle and other livestock, and the dog's usefulness to the armed forces on the battlefield to locate unseen wounded or as messenger, sentry, or guardian of supplies has been demonstrated over and over again. So well did the dog function as watchman or guardian that today he's relied upon as protector of many factories, warehouses, and other business establishments.

Now you may have noticed a distinction here between watchman and guardian, and the difference between them is very real. For example, a man might be an excellent, alert watchman but a total loss as a guardian. Or he may be a valiant guardian with little perception of oncoming danger. So it is with dogs. Almost any fairly alert dog is or can be made a good watchdog, regardless of size, and as such is about all the average home requires. But the dog as a guardian is a different animal.

To begin with, he must be a big dog or one of the more powerful and aggressive medium-size dogs. Few unarmed men can successfully resist the attack of an aggressive dog of this sort.

But to keep an animal such as this in the average home is a danger to every stranger visiting it, whether a friend of the family or not. Guard dogs are best suited to establishments where valuable property is kept and are occupied by people only at stated intervals—factories, warehouses, stores, etc. Some large, private estates have use for such dogs, but largely for nighttime duty patrolling within walled areas.

Guard dogs for commercial establishments are used with or without accompanying watchmen. R. H. Macy's in New York City, one of the largest department stores in the world, uses dogs to patrol the store at night with its watchmen. The store maintains its own kennel of Doberman pinschers. It reports the saving of thousands of dollars worth of merchandise that otherwise would have been stolen by thieves hiding in the store after closing hours. The superior senses of scent and hearing enable the dogs to detect the plunderers long before they would be known to their human companions. Macy's is just one example; other large stores also depend upon dogs to detect, rout out, and hold hidden scallywags.

The fact that a dog is vicious does not make it a good guard dog. The fellow with a permanent chip on his

shoulder, distrustful, prompt to bite has no place anywhere, and the sooner liquidated the better. Fortunately, few dogs are like that. It's the normally-aggressive, fearless dog that trainers select for guard work. By systematic schooling, such dogs are taught to regard strangers as enemies, to discriminate between the enemy and the favored few with whom it will come in contact. In addition to being big enough to overcome an adult person, they must have good scenting power and hearing ability. They must be able to move quickly; the slow, cumbersome fellow would be at a disadvantage against a nimble marauder. And the dog must be drilled to obey implicitly the commands of his master.

This is particularly true if the dog is used to accompany a watchman who is prepared to capture the culprit. The dog must cease its attack instantly on command. Dogs employed to guard places unaccompanied by a human guard, of course, may go the limit, which may be very unfortunate for the persons who have no right to be in such places.

When not on duty, guard dogs are usually strictly confined, more often chained. This, to keep them from unauthorized people and to help curb any tendency to become friendly with strangers. It is a point that should be noted by the owner of a house pet. Chaining a dog will often sour that

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Tom Wrigley writes from Washington

THERE'LL BE SOME CHANGES in the House of Representatives this second session of the 87th Congress, now that Speaker Sam Rayburn will return no more. Rep. John W. McCormack of Massachusetts, scheduled to succeed Speaker Rayburn, is an outstanding leader who has been in the House since 1928. With Mr. Sam gone, some of the House sessions may be televised this winter. Committee hearings may also be on TV. Speaker Rayburn was adamant against TV. The sessions will be lively, with members thinking of the Congressional election next November.

"LEAN LOOK" IN GOVERNMENT is the program for 1962, Civil Service Commission Chairman John W. Macy, Jr. says. All Government departments have been carrying out President Kennedy's call for better management, better personnel, and a tight hold on employment. First to respond to the 1962 call was Secretary Abraham Ribicoff of Health Education and Welfare. He has reduced HEW expenditures for medical research this year by \$60 million.

VEEP PICKLES AND JAMS are gifts prized by guests who attend social functions at the recently-acquired mansion of Vice-President and Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson. They live at the former residence of Perle Mesta, the "hostess

with the mostest." Its French name—*Les Ormes*—has been changed to "The Elms." Ladybird Johnson likes to cook, and she puts up many jars of pickles, jams, jellies, and other preserves, all from the famous LBJ Ranch in Texas.

BLIND PERSONS CAN READ with a new machine just demonstrated by the Veterans Administration. They listen to the sounds of letters or a special musical alphabet, and once they know the sounds they can "read" easily. Students have been taught to read as fast as 15 words a minute.

TO HELP MIGRANT WORKERS, Administration and Congressional leaders will push legislation in Congress this session to improve working and living conditions. In many areas, investigations show, the migratory groups harvesting crops during the summer are poorly housed and poorly paid with their children forced to work long hours in the fields. Laws compelling labor contractors to obtain federal licenses and operate under strict regulations are sought.

CULTURAL CENTER PLANS for Washington are a step nearer, due to the special programs in the White House which have won wide attention. For years there has been talk about a

cultural center but no action. About the only place available has been the DAR's Constitution Hall. The project now underway is for a \$30 million structure. Roger L. Stevens, Broadway producer and a recent White House guest, proposes a nationwide closed-circuit TV broadcast to raise \$17 million. President and Mrs. Kennedy, enthusiastically behind the project, have had Pablo Casals, noted cellist, and other great stars at White House performances.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT'S MEMORIAL to be erected on Roosevelt Island in the Potomac here at long last has cleared all objections. A new design has been approved by the former President's children, the Fine Arts Commission, and the National Park Service. It will cost \$886,000 and will rise on a 240 by 264 foot plaza near the center of the island. On the plaza will be a bronze statue 17 feet high, facing south and backed by a granite block 30 feet high with two 20-foot blocks of stone on each side engraved with famous words of TR.

SALE OF CANNED WATER mentioned in this page brought many inquiries. Families which have built fallout shelters want to be assured of a supply of pure water. The Office of Civil Defense reports that "water may be stored for indefinite periods of time without spoilage if simple precautions are taken." It recommends jugs, bottles, jars, or other containers of glass or heavy plastic with tight-fitting caps. For a two-week period each person should have seven gallons of water for drinking and food preparation.

WASHINGTON'S NEW AIRPORT near Chantilly, Va., may be open before the end of 1962. The partially-completed terminal building is ultra modern and will look more like an oriental temple than a waiting room.

CAPITAL CHILLS . . . Pentagon gossip is that next year's budget for defense will be around \$50 billion, compared with this year's \$46.6 billion. . . . One of the Army's electric brains went haywire and ordered \$7.4 million of unneeded equipment for our forces in Europe. . . . Philippine cigars at popular prices will be sold in the United States, the Manila Tobacco Board announces. . . . Steel industry expects a boom early in 1962. . . . Municipal Court Judges here voted not to boost the present \$3 parking ticket. . . . The coming session of Congress will be asked by the District Public Utility Commission to lift the ban on District taxicab meters which now operate on zone regulations. . . . Maps to aid tourists are being put up on street corners,



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ments of the economy tends to be inflationary.

In addition, as previously pointed out, the cost of doing business is still increasing. In all major contracts negotiated during the past few months wages were increased, and not in all cases was the rise accompanied by a corresponding increase in productivity. Thus, the "demand-pull" force emanating from the deficit of the Federal government and the "cost-push" force emanating from the constant increase in wages in excess of the rise in productivity continue to operate in the economy.

In spite of these trends, there are valid reasons to conclude that the forces of inflation will be kept in check. These reasons, briefly summarized, are as follows:

Productive capacity is greater than the present effective demand. It has been estimated that American industry is today operating at between 80 and 85 per cent of capacity. There is also an oversupply of labor. Despite the material improvement in production, the number of unemployed in October, 1961, aggregated 4,831,000, representing 6.8 per cent of the labor force. Unemployment will continue to be heavy in the immediate future because of the rapid increase in the number of persons entering the labor force. Similarly, the movement from the farm to the city continues, and there is also some technological unemployment.

Competition, domestically and internationally, is very keen and has even brought about a decline in prices of industrial products, in marked contrast to other recovery periods when industrial prices moved upward. Competition from abroad is becoming stronger every day. Industrial countries throughout the world have installed modern labor-saving devices, and manufacturing wages in these countries are substantially lower than in the United States. With the boom in Western Europe slowing down and the recovery continuing here, one may expect an expanded influx of foreign merchandise.

The Federal government is keenly aware of the vital importance of preventing a renewal of the wage-price spiral, since this would endanger the integrity of the dollar at home and abroad. Although the balance of payments deficit was substantially reduced during 1961 it is still considerable and may amount to \$2 billion during 1962. Foreign-owned short-term dollar assets now exceed \$22 billion. Under these circumstances it is of the utmost importance that the U.S. increase exports, which can be done only if American goods remain competitive. If, however,

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the wage-price spiral should be renewed, it could lead to a decrease in exports and an increase in imports, as well as a large-scale outflow of short-term funds. These trends would aggravate the balance of payments and undermine the international standing of the dollar. The Federal government is bound to take all measures at its disposal to prevent this.

In the months immediately ahead, therefore, the forces of inflation will be kept in check. The real danger, however, will arise in the second or third quarter of 1962, when the increased defense expenditures will coincide with the expanded demand for goods and services by the private sector of the economy.

RETAIL TRADE—The volume of retail trade will increase in 1962, reflecting the general upturn in business activity and the rise in personal income. However, it should be noted that a considerable change in the character of consumption expenditures is taking place in that the amount of money spent for services continues to increase more rapidly than that spent for goods. Thus, during the third quarter of 1961, consumption expenditures on services were at a seasonally-adjusted annual rate of \$142.4 billion as against \$132 billion for all of 1960 and \$123 billion for 1959. As ex-

pensitures on services rise, consumers tend to economize on other expenditures. However, one may expect that consumption expenditures on non-durable goods will rise, reflecting the increase in income and population and rising living standards. The outlook for the sale of automobiles is also favorable. The number of cars sold in 1962 will exceed materially the 1961 volume.

Retailing is in a period of transition. Altogether too many shopping centers are being opened, and the competition between discount houses and regular retail outlets has become exceedingly intense. This situation has squeezed profit margins of many retailers and is partly responsible for the large number of failures among small concerns.

THE OUTLOOK FOR INTEREST RATES—The movement of both short-term and long-term interest rates during the past year has differed from previous postwar cycles. Short-term rates did not decrease during the recent recession nearly as sharply as during the recession of 1957-58. Moreover, in contrast to the recovery of 1959, short-term rates have remained low, even though business activity in November was at an all-time peak. Long-term rates have also fluctuated only moderately.

The different behavior of interest rates during the recent recession and

Reds Plot Against Farmers

All loyal Americans agree that communism is our greatest menace. Our individual liberty is at stake; our collective security and way of life are being challenged. We cannot meet that challenge effectively without first being informed about the adversary's motives and methods. Toward that purpose, THE ELKS MAGAZINE presents excerpts from Freedom's Facts, monthly publication of the All-American Conference to Combat Communism.

THERE IS evidence that communists will try harder to incite class warfare on the farm as a key part of their overall anti-monopoly coalition. They are looking for guidance to Lenin's *Alliance of the Working Class and the Peasantry* published in Moscow in 1959. This book details how communists exploited the peasantry of Russia to gain victory in the revolution of 1917 and to consolidate communist tyranny afterwards.

The main elements of Lenin's view on agriculture are these: (1) Farmers (peasants) are divided into small farmers, middle farmers, and big farmers.

(2) The first principle is to strengthen the ties between the urban proletariat and the small farmers. However . . .

(3) Prior to the 1917 revolution, communists allied themselves with peasantry as a whole in the effort to end semi-feudal conditions on Russian farms of that day. Once the revolution was won, the semi-feudal landlords' holdings were expropriated and the land was distributed to the peasants. Communists used the poorest peasants in warfare to destroy the rich peasants.

(4) The middle peasants upon whom final success of the revolution depended then did not want to trade their freedom and ownership of their own farms for Soviet socialist agriculture. Unable to defeat the middle peasant outright, Lenin decided to "neutralize" him through concessions and assistance.

(5) Here again communists in the cities exploited the support of the rural poor to keep pressure on the middle peasants. Bit-by-bit—and sometimes through the use of engineered famines which killed millions of middle farmers—communists gained a dominant position in the countryside.

Now Erik Burt, writing in the U.S. Communist Party theoretical journal *Political Affairs*, suggests that United States Reds study Lenin's agricultural doctrines as a guide to their

operations among farmers in the United States. Burt indicates that the main communist drive will be among the small farmers, the farm wage earners, and especially the poorest farm workers. This possibility points up need for solving a problem which many leaders in U.S. agriculture now recognize: providing opportunities for farm people to make a living on or off the farm and accomplish this within the framework of our free society.

Burt's remarks underscore, too, the fact that communists are out to incite class against class, to foment crisis after crisis, and, ultimately, to destroy our free society from within.

Efforts to build unity among all our people on the principles of our Constitution and the traditions of our free way of life appear to be called for now in greater measure than ever before.



STRAWS IN THE RED WIND

COLOMBIA — Communist meetings aimed at subverting public order are being held in remote areas of Colombia, according to reports reaching here. Some of the leaders are said to be people trained in guerrilla warfare in Red China and in other communist-bloc countries.

MEXICO — Do-it-yourself guerrilla warfare kits are the latest communist gifts to teenagers visiting Moscow. An 18-year-old girl returning from a World Youth Forum in Moscow was caught with the do-it-yourself guerrilla warfare kit, reams of anti-U.S. propaganda, plus instructions on how to turn groups of juvenile delinquents into revolutionary units.

CUBA—Castro Cubans are now calling for Puerto Rican independence from the U.S. and solidarity with Cuba. Castro's propagandists claim that U.S. "occupation" of Puerto Rico is "illegal." The fact is that Puerto Ricans have voted to continue their association with the U.S. While a few want independence, many others seek to make Puerto Rico the U.S.'s 51st state.

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upswing is due primarily to the increased influence of international financial developments on the American money market and on the credit policies of the Federal Reserve authorities. Short-term money rates have been prevented from falling sharply in order to discourage a large outflow of short-term funds to foreign centers. Although the differential between interest rates here and in London is still considerable, the outflow of short-term funds has been kept down by the high cost of hedging future sterling.

A moderate increase in short-term money rates is to be expected in the early part of 1962. The expanded volume of business, the rise in inventories, and the constant growing cost of doing business will increase business loans of commercial banks. Growing sales of durable consumer goods, notably automobiles, will lead to an increase in consumer credit. Because construction is at a fairly high level, one may also expect a rise in construction loans.

It is also likely that the Federal Reserve authorities will modify their credit policy from one of active ease to one of neutrality and later, if need be, to one of moderate restraint. This will be particularly the case if money rates in the financial centers of Europe should be substantially higher than in the U.S., thus leading to an outflow of funds from this country. Although steps have been taken by the International Monetary Fund and by the U.S. in cooperation with leading Western European central banks to combat any sharp run on the dollar or on the pound, it is evident that money rates in the leading centers will have to be closer together than was the case prior to 1959, when most foreign currencies were still surrounded by exchange restrictions.

The commercial banks are in a strong position to meet all the legitimate credit requirements of industry and trade. The volume of member bank free reserves has remained large, and in recent months the banks have acquired large amounts of short-term Treasury obligations which they can sell without loss to help meet the demands of their customers. Any increase in short-term interest rates will be only moderate, and a return to tight money market conditions such as prevailed toward the end of 1959 and the early part of 1960 is not to be expected. The changes in long-term rates will also be moderate since savings are large and the supply and demand of long-term funds are in fairly good balance.

CONCLUSIONS—In the months ahead the economy of the United States will be strongly influenced by international political developments which, in all probability, will lead to an increase in defense expenditures as well as large outlays for

civilian defense, particularly fallout shelters. One must assume, however, that a major war will not break out, and while the cold war will continue, an easing of international tensions in 1962 is quite possible.

The business recovery will continue in 1962, possibly at a slower rate than during the second quarter of 1961. The year will witness new high levels in Gross National Product, industrial activity, disposable personal income, and consumption expenditures. All segments of the economy will share in this recovery. However, a boom, which would strain the productive facilities of the country and the labor force, is not likely to develop. The forces operating in the economy indicate a satisfactory sustainable rate of growth, perhaps higher than during the past few years.

Although employment will continue to rise, unemployment will remain a problem since it will not be easy to absorb the rapidly-rising labor force as well as the technologically unemployed. One may expect special efforts on the part of the Administration to solve this problem.

The inflationary forces will remain strong, emanating mainly from the large federal deficit and the constant rise in wages not always accompanied by a corresponding increase in productivity.

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The anti-inflationary forces, however, at least during the first half of 1962, will prove even stronger and will keep the inflationary pressures in check. Manufacturing industries are operating substantially below capacity and there are no serious shortages of any commodities. Domestic competition is keen, and competition from abroad is growing. Moreover, if inflationary forces should develop, the Federal government is certain to take measures to combat them in order to maintain confidence in the integrity of the dollar both here and abroad.

The volume of retail trade will rise, reflecting the growth of income and population and the rise in living standards. Retail trade is, however, under-

going some basic changes and is confronted with serious problems. Competition will become even stronger, pressing on the margin of profits.

A moderate increase in short-term rates of interest is to be expected. As during the past two years, the money market will be strongly influenced by international financial developments. Despite the growing deficit in the U.S. balance of payments, a dollar crisis of major proportions is not to be expected, and a devaluation of the dollar is out of the question.

The recovery thus far has been solid and substantial, indicating that the economy is healthy. However, a number of unresolved economic problems still remain. The federal budget deficit is large, the balance of payments continues to show large deficits, and unemployment is still considerable. The country is confronted with the task of negotiating new reciprocal trade agreements which will lay a foundation for meeting both the challenge and the opportunities arising from the European Common Market.

Great as these problems are, they can be met. A strong and growing American economy will be a powerful force in helping solve the serious international political problems that now confront the free world.

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New Venture in Scholarships



MASSACHUSETTS Elk dignitaries are pictured with the three students in whose scientific education at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology the Elks of that State are financially interested. In the foreground, the young men are, left to right, Robert E. Greenwood, Ernest G. Henrichon and Paul J. Berger. In the background are M.I.T. Director of Student Aid T. P. Pitre, Past Grand Exalted Rulers John F. Malley and John E. Fenton, and Grand Trustees Chairman Edward A. Spry.

CONSIDERING the varied worthwhile projects being undertaken throughout the Order, particularly in the field of education, it would seem impossible that there could be anything new to adopt; yet the members in Massachusetts have managed to come up with something quite out of the ordinary.

In view of the tremendous interest in, and need for, science and research students, the Trustees of the Massachusetts Elks Association adopted the suggestion offered by Past Grand Exalted Ruler John F. Malley that the Association appropriate the sum of \$2,500 annually for a science scholarship at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

T. P. Pitre, Director of Student Aid for M.I.T., selects the Massachusetts boy who is to benefit by the scholarship during his freshman year. If the young man makes good, the Institute takes care of his education for the succeeding three years, and a new student is selected as the recipient of the Massachusetts Elks' \$2,500 freshman science scholarship.

This plan has proved most satisfactory and at this writing the Elks of the Bay State are interested in three scholars at the Mass. Institute of Technology, since this program is now in its third year. The young men are Paul J. Berger, '63, who was first in a class of 115 graduating from St. John's Prep. He plans to major in the fields of physics and in the area of the "solid state". Ernest G. Henrichon, class of '64, was first of the 320 graduates of Needham High School. He is planning to major in Electrical Engineering. The latest "Elk student scientist" is Robert E. Greenwood who will graduate from M.I.T. in 1965. This young man ranked first among 146 Dedham High School graduates.

Thus the Elks of Massachusetts are aiding our country in its fight for supremacy in the all-important field of science in this, the space-age.



TUSCALOOSA, Alabama, Lodge welcomed D.D. Palmer S. Maxwell on his official visit when he was photographed, sixth from left, discussing the Order with several initiates.



ENCINITAS, California, Lodge's first officers are pictured with D.D. Carmine Adesso, in white coat, center foreground, and P.D.D. Edward F. Peterson, right foreground. At left is Charter E.R. Arthur H. Meyer. The photograph was taken at the lodge's institution.



A BANNER DAY for the San Dieguito Area of California was October 11th, when, with the ceremonies in the capable hands of District Deputy Carmine Adesso, Encinitas Lodge No. 2243 was instituted.

Oceanside Elklodm was the sponsoring lodge for this new branch of the Order, which came into being through the efforts of such Oceanside affiliates as R. R. McDonald, Past District Deputy Edward F. Peterson, Past Exalted Ruler Eugene L. Geil and A. M. Brown.

Mr. Adesso conducted the program, with the assistance of an instituting corps of officials from San Diego and Orange Counties. Arthur H. Myers, a Past Exalted Ruler of Orange Lodge and Encinitas' first Exalted Ruler, accepted the Charter when 107 members were welcomed on dimit, Oceanside officers also initiated 163 Charter Members who saw State President Paul J. Wemple present the official State flag to the new lodge, and heard an inspiring address by Past Grand Exalted Ruler L. A. Lewis.

INSTITUTION of Austell, Ga., Lodge, No. 2244, was marked by the initiation of 74 Charter Members including some of the community's finest business and professional men.

The Degree Team of Atlanta Lodge assisted by Special Deputy Roderick McDuffie and State President Edward M. Hester conducted the ceremony. Both men were keynote speakers on the program. Honorary Life Member Dr. Rayford Tharpe of Atlanta Lodge served as Chairman of the Organization Committee at the request of Past Grand Exalted Ruler John S. McClelland.

THE GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY celebration of Mandan, N.D., Lodge, No. 1256, was probably the most memorable in the history of the county, according to all reports.

NILES, Michigan, Lodge honored Secy. R. E. Weimer with the initiation of this class of 51 candidates. This is one group of 180 new members initiated within a 90-day period by E.R. L. L. Hamilton, Jr., and his fellow officers.



ELKS INVITATIONAL BOWLING TOURNAMENT delegates photographed at the 6th annual event in Lakewood, Colo., included, left to right, foreground, Past Pres. Sil Vogle, Iowa; Pres. George Thomas, Ill.; Past Pres. Ralph Connell, Neb.; Secy.-Treas. Kenneth Malmberg, Ill.; Vice-Presidents Mike Tripp, Colo., and Bob Best, Iowa. Others are Past Pres. Dr. Knute Hanson, Frank Note, Sgt.-at-Arms E. S. Wadsworth, all of Illinois; Louis Reimenschneider, Bob Wells, Minn.; Harry Johns, Don Eagle, Ralph Bishop, Colo.; Vice-Pres. Bernie Kossek, Neb.; Geo. Tracy, Kans.; Dr. Dick Thue, So. Dak.; Geo. Robeson, Ia.

The three-day affair began with an indoctrination program for the 81 candidates who were initiated as the Anniversary Class in the presence of Charter Member E. J. Conrad; 45-year Elk John Kennelly, a Past District Deputy; Iver Larson, an Elk for 48 years, and current Deputy Lawton E. Osborn who had much to say in commendation of the members of this progressive branch of Elklodm.

On the following day a buffet luncheon opened social festivities climaxed by the Elks' famous shrimp dinner served to more than 300 persons. The celebration concluded with a roast beef dinner at which Grand Chaplain Rev. Felix Andrews was an honored guest and principal speaker.

THROUGH THE EFFORTS of Secretary Elmer A. E. Richards, Hyannis, Mass., Lodge, No. 1549, is the owner of 50 flags representing every State in the Union.

Mr. Richards started the project last January, and now, after considerable correspondence between Mr. Richards and the Secretaries of the 50 States, some of whom sent the wrong sizes—others none at all, the collection of 50 4 x 8-inch flags is complete.

The small flags are now on display in the lodge home, surrounding an autographed photograph of President John F. Kennedy, a summer resident of that community and a member of Boston Lodge. With the display is a guest book which, Mr. Richards tells us, has been signed by visitors from 39 States who have come in to see the flags.

Mr. Richards is now in the process of getting a large flag from each State, which he plans to display outside the lodge home during the time that the President is in town. He is making this request of various lodge Secretaries throughout the country; to date, he has received 18.



WATKINS GLEN, New York, Lodge's P.E.R. Medio Simiele, State Vice-Pres., right, is local Fire Chief. As part of his lodge's Youth Program he arranged to have 900 elementary school children get a first-hand view of fire apparatus in action when three pieces of equipment were rushed to the school during a fire drill, with the building emptied in record time. The reassuring program not only demonstrated how quickly water could be poured on a fire, but the youngsters even enjoyed rides on the trucks.



OSWEGO, New York, Lodge's Little Leaguers captured the over-all 1961 crown and were honored at a dinner given by their sponsors. Pictured with the young diamond stars were, left to right, foreground, Coach James AuClair, Mgr. Steve Taormina, Chairman James B. Hanlon of the State Elks Youth Committee, E.R. W. B. Batchelor, Coach Alex Von Holtz and Walter E. Tucker.



AUSTELL, Georgia, Lodge, No. 2244, was instituted with 74 Charter Members who elected these officers headed by E.R. William M. Jones, center foreground.



PENNSYLVANIA'S NORTH CENTRAL District Scholarship is presented to Miss Janet Malicki by Est. Lead. Knight Louis Jacobson of Philipsburg Lodge, Chairman of its Youth Activities Committee.

LODGE NOTES

Montebello, Calif., Lodge's Trustees J. O. Mulcahy, Chairman, and Mike Addante, Commissioner of Parks and Recreation, welcomed Japanese Consul Masao Tsukamoto and his wife to a dinner held in honor of Montebello's sister city, Ashiya, Japan. Ashiya will participate in the annual Rose Bowl Festival Parade on New Year's Day and is going all out to help Montebello with its own float for that pageant. The

lodge is a charter member of the Rose Bowl Float Association.

Nicholas Abdallah, a member of Norwood, Mass., Lodge since 1908, died recently. A former Tiler and House Committee Chairman of his lodge, Mr. Abdallah became an Honorary Life Member in 1919 and later served as Trustee, receiving his 50-year-membership pin last February. His son, Selectman John A. Abdallah, is a 30-year-member of the same lodge.

J. W. Peterson, Secretary of Galesburg, Ill., Lodge for the past 46 years, has been honored by his fellow Elks. Exalted Ruler John Jebb and his officers from Monmouth Lodge initiated a class of 25 as a tribute to Mr. Peterson who has missed neither a regular nor a special meeting of the lodge since he took office. Mr. Peterson has been a member of the Order since 1909.

F. C. Simon, Past District Deputy and Editor of the Piqua, Ohio, Elks' "Echoes", received his 50-year-membership card and lapel button not long ago. Mr. Simon served three terms as Exalted Ruler, ten years as Treasurer, five as Trustee, one year as Secretary and has edited the "Echoes" since 1940.

It has just come to our attention that Charles G. Scowcroft was installed as the new President of the Passaic County (N. J.) Elks Crippled Children's Committee by Past District Deputy Joseph Wallace. Denis A. Lyons acted as Master of Ceremonies on this occasion.

When Morris Rosenblum of Teaneck, N. J., Lodge was installed as District Deputy, six of his predecessors conducted the ceremony. They were James Dolan, Thomas Murphy, J. L. Irwin, Joseph Smith, Morris Rosenblum and Harry Wolfe. Incidentally, this lodge held a "Christmas in July" party for the children from St. Joseph of Rockleigh, N. Y., this year. The youngsters were taken to a local bowling alley in the morning where they bowled three games, and then returned to the lodge home for a cook-out and dinner, when Santa, in all his December trappings, gave each child a gift.

Charles Goldstein, a member of Juneau, Alaska, Lodge for 57 years, passed away a short time ago at the age of 92. A Life Member since 1909, Mr. Goldstein had served on many important committees of his lodge since its earliest days.

At special ceremonies not long ago, President George E. Murray of the Missouri State Elks Assn. presented a \$1,000 State Association award to Youth Leader Marie Elaine May. Miss

May's parents were on hand, as well as Anthony J. Beckmann of the Grand Lodge Credentials Committee, State Secretary R. Shad Bennett and, of course, Exalted Ruler Jack McMorris and Youth Committee Chairman M. F. Casey of Washington, Mo., Lodge which sponsored Miss May. Over 300 Elks, their ladies and guests enjoyed the smorgasbord and dance which marked this occasion.

Fredericksburg, Va., Lodge's Exalted Ruler Wm. J. Rittner writes to us with pride concerning the fact that the lodge's Junior League Baseball Team won the 1961 City Championship under the able management of Everett Farmer and Coach Irwin Brown.

Acting for Robinson, Ill., Lodge Exalted Ruler James W. Lane has presented a \$1,000 check to Crawford Hospital. The check, the first payment on a pledge of \$1,500 to furnish and equip a hospital room, was accepted by Board Treasurer James Reedy.

During the Bradford County Firemen's Convention in Sayre, Pa., a parade was held in which the local lodge entered a float. The entry, dedicated to the Youth of Today, won one of the prizes offered.

Another successful Elk float, and one also dedicated to youth, was the one entered by Chickasha, Okla., Lodge in the 22nd Annual Rodeo parade. It took second prize in the pageant.

Lewistown, Pa., Lodge is proud of student Nan Clifford who has won a \$600 Elks National Foundation award annually for the past three years.

The Orphans' Committee of Union, N. J., Lodge was host to 37 children and ten nuns from St. Peter's Orphanage of Newark at an all-day picnic and swimming party at the home of Past Exalted Ruler Ferd Dombrowsky.

Melrose, Mass., Lodge has a great deal of interest in Cub Scout Troop 10 of the Lincoln School in that community. Recently the Elks entertained the youngsters at their lodge home when they presented a 50-star Flag to the Troop which is under the guidance of Elks Robert Gillerest and Clayton Martin.

Stoneham, Mass., Lodge has taken over the sponsorship of a Boy Scout Troop with Youth Activities Committeeman Robert Taylor in charge.

The Elks of Downey, Calif., paid all expenses incurred by the American Cancer Society for its display at the World's Largest County Fair held annually at Pomona. Elk Albert Moyer de-



PIQUA, Ohio, Lodge sponsored a successful repeat of its Fourth of July "Coffee Break" program over the Labor Day weekend, when once again thousands of cups of coffee and doughnuts were served to all-night holiday drivers by committee members headed by Roy Terrell and Don Ruffner, pictured here with a group of grateful travelers.



TAMPA, Florida, Lodge's downtown home lost its 50-year landmark when this handsome 125-pound brass elk was lowered for transference to the lodge's beautiful new home dedicated over a three-day period when more than 5,000 Elks and their families enjoyed the new facilities. Among the guests at this gala was State Pres. George C. Nichols. Seven P.E.R.'s watched the lowering ceremony, including 92-year-old Ernest Berger, second from left, background, one of the 60-year-old lodge's two surviving Charter Members.

signed and built the display which will be used at other exhibitions throughout the State.

E. T. Snider, Sr., a member of Winchester, Va., Lodge for more than 40 years, passed away recently after a short illness. A Past Exalted Ruler and Honorary Life Member, Mr. Snider had served his lodge as Secretary for the past 30 years, a post he held at the time of his death. He had also served as District Deputy in 1948-49.



TOWSON, Maryland, Lodge, through the good offices of P.E.R. John E. Raine, Jr., left, presented an Honorary Life Membership and a plaque from the P.E.R.'s Assn. to P.E.R. Joseph P. O'Connor at a testimonial attended by 200 persons. Mr. O'Connor, Register of Wills in Baltimore County for over 30 years, has retired.



CHICO, California



PALO ALTO, California

... This is the class of 120 candidates initiated into CHICO, CALIF., Lodge as the result of a drive put on in conjunction with the State Assn.'s Membership Contest held from April through September. A total of 151 men became Chico Elks, bringing to it the gold plaque for the North District given at the State Convention to E.R. Stan Marshall.



COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho

... A class of 14 was initiated into PALO ALTO, CALIF., Lodge in honor of D.D. Norman S. Lien.

... Photographed during the 50th Anniversary celebration of COEUR D'ALENE, IDA., Lodge were, left to right, Grand Lodge Committeeman John T. Raftis, Grand Trustee Edwin J. Alexander, Past Grand Exalted Ruler William S. Hawkins, E.R. James T. Knudson, Grand Lodge Committeeman J. A. McArthur and D.D. Stanley May.



BERKELEY, California

ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico

... This team, sponsored by BERKELEY, CALIF., Lodge, won its own (National) League title and went on to take the All-Berkeley Youth League championship with three straight wins and a record 11-3 for the season, under the coaching of Charles Dallas.



... These are the 45 Indian children who were guests of ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Lodge at the Ringling Brothers Circus at the State Fair Grounds. With them are, background, P.E.R. A. F. Belmonte, Secy. R. T. Coleman and Trustee A. G. Sianz who handled the affair.



BELLFLOWER, California

... Cecil N. Green, E.R. of BELLFLOWER, CALIF., Lodge, congratulates his father, James V. Green, following his initiation into the Order.

... MIAMI, ARIZ., Lodge presented a bed to the State Elks Assn. Hospital on its 30th birthday. Pictured at the presentation were, left to right, Wes Heiman, Miami; E.R. P. A. Mench of Phoenix; E.R. Max Klinger of Tucson; Hosp. Exec. Board Member R. C. Russell; Honorary Board Member M. H. Starkweather; Board Member Elman Pace; Medical Dir. Dr. W. B. Steen; Acting Hosp. Supt. Mary C. Haugen; Exec. Committee Secy. E. P. Bollman; E.R. C. K. Luthy, P.E.R. J. P. Hill, Hosp. Committee Chairman Les Walker and P.E.R. Jerry Rowe, all of Miami Lodge. In the foreground is Hosp. Exec. Committee Treas. E. J. Bizik.

... During a recent initiation at ANACORTES, WASH., Lodge, Fred March III, center, became an Elk in the presence of his grandfather, P.E.R. Fred March, Sr., left, and his father, Fred March, Jr. Following the ceremony, P.E.R. March presented a \$100 Elks National Foundation Certificate to his grandson.

... Photographed at the ceremonies dedicating the home of SONORA, CALIF., Lodge were, left to right, State Pres. Guy Daniels, E.R. Pete Franco and Past Grand Exalted Rulers Horace R. Wisely and L. A. Lewis.

... The first graphic demonstration of anti-submarine warfare was previewed at LONG BEACH, CALIF., Lodge with tremendous success. The Navy show was brought from its San Diego School to show the public and Elks how the Navy's hunter-killer teams operate. Pictured are Rear Adm. J. W. Cooper, Cmdr. of the Pacific Fleet Training School, his officers and Program Chairman Edwin Hyka and E.R. Lloyd Baum, second and fifth from left.



MIAMI, Arizona



ANACORTES, Washington



SONORA, California

LONG BEACH, California





HARTFORD, Vermont

... HARTFORD, VT., Elks and local Legionnaires sponsored an all-day program for the benefit of the Jimmy Fund, the Children's Cancer Research Foundation of Boston. Pictured are the Elks, Legionnaires and Elks' Little Leaguers who assisted.



WEST VIRGINIA Elks

... Furthering the Grand Exalted Ruler's "Americanism" program, the WEST VIRGINIA Elks Assn. is conducting a program in which a flag which has flown over the Nation's Capitol will be presented to each of the 25 lodges of the State for display outside the lodge homes daily. Pictured when the first flag was presented were, left to right, State Pres. Ray Malone, Wellsburg Lodge's E.R. Russell Irvin, Morgantown E.R. Rex Wolfe, State Sgt.-at-Arms Ralph Barnes and Vice-Pres. Edwin Kimble.



SOUTH RIVER, New Jersey

... Scholarship and Youth Leadership winners of SOUTH RIVER, N. J., Lodge receive their awards. Left to right are P.E.R. Salvatore Marvuglio, John Kulpa, Mary L. Sivess, Harrison Barnes of Plainfield Lodge, Mary A. Weis, David Pollard and E.R. Warren K. Booraem.



LEOMINSTER, Massachusetts

... The home of LEOMINSTER, MASS., Lodge was the scene of the presentation of a \$600 Elks National Foundation Scholarship to William P. O'Toole, pictured, center, as he received his award from State Committeeman R. F. Poland. At left, foreground, are the young man's parents; at right, D.D. Bernard D. Ward. In the background, left to right, are P.D.D. G. H. Mackie, State Trustee Felix B. Seliga, State Rep. J. Robert Mahan and E.R. David L. Ciprotti.



WEST HAVEN, Connecticut

WINDSOR, Connecticut

... When Major Carroll E. Shaw paid his official D.D. call on WEST HAVEN, CONN., Lodge, he was photographed, fourth from left, with his honor guard, left to right, Robert Chapel, Peter Knudsen, Kenneth Hall, James Dibble, Frank Sharry and Robert Stalsburg.



... This class of 26 was initiated into WINDSOR, CONN., Lodge recently following a dinner. Later, a reception and dance were enjoyed by the candidates, and other members of the lodge and their wives.



NEW YORK, New York

... The Third Annual Fishing Contest held "up in Central Park" by NEW YORK, N. Y., Lodge, was an unqualified success with over 800 children participating in the record-breaking event. Over 100 prizes were offered throughout the two-week contest. Pictured with the Grand Prize winners were, left to right, background, Committee-men Thomas J. Smith, Vice-Chairman; P.E.R.'s Dr. Jules V. Gilman and Eugene G. Heffernan, Secy., and Co-Chairman Donald T. Kellaheer. The boy fishing wonders are, left to right, Bruce Bulhak, Robert Donath and Abraham Hernandez.



PEEKSKILL, New York



HAZLETON, Pennsylvania

... Photographed as they cut the cake during the gala three-day celebration of the 60th Anniversary of PEEKSKILL, N. Y., Lodge were, left to right, foreground, 59-year-Elk Edward Lockwood, P.E.R. Charles H. Yellott, a member for 53 years, and Henry F. Ryan, Sr., a 52-year affiliate.



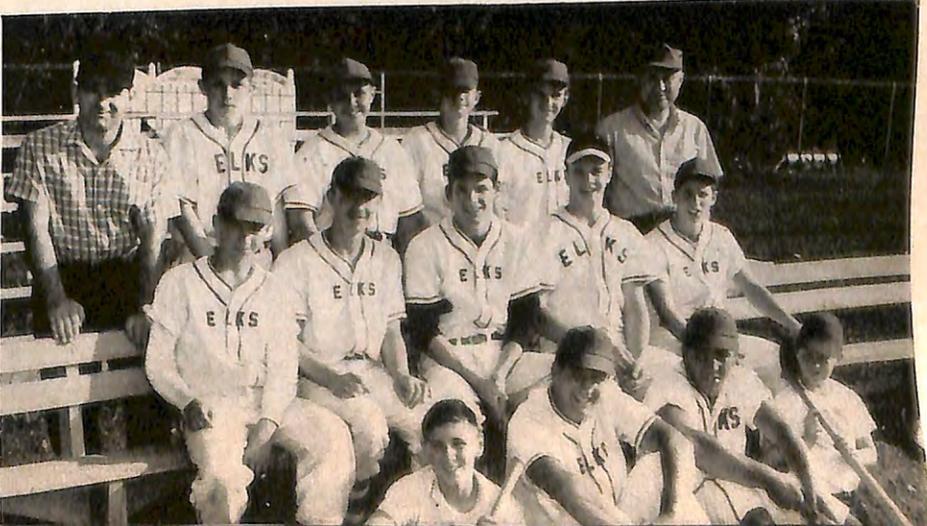
LEVITTOWN-HICKSVILLE, New York

ONEIDA, New York

... HAZLETON, PA., E.R. Donald A. Reese presents a \$900 Elks National Foundation Award to Richard T. Swank while Youth Committeeman Wm. E. Schneider presents a \$200 scholarship to Frederick Neff.

... E.R. James J. Miles of LEVITTOWN-HICKSVILLE, N. Y., Lodge, left, presents the charter for the new Elk-sponsored Explorer Post of the Boy Scouts to Leader-Advisor Ed Kelgus. Looking on are Scouts Ed Kelgus, Jr., Philip Weimer and Joseph Frino.

... ONEIDA, N. Y., Lodge sponsors the diamond champions of the local Youth Bureau PAL. The boys are pictured with Coaches Amos Woodhouse, left background, and John Shannon, right background.





TOLEDO, Ohio

... These men were some of the 87 who were present at a meeting paying tribute to 135 Elks whose total years of affiliation with TOLEDO, OHIO, Lodge is 5,340. Senior P.E.R. Albert Weber was General Chairman for this program when the guests of honor received Honorary Life Memberships.



MANDAN, North Dakota

... Photographed during the dinner celebrating the 50th Anniversary of MANDAN, N. D., Lodge were, left to right, Charter Member E. J. Conrad, Grand Chaplain Rev. Felix Andrews, Charles Jordan, Vern Harms and Al Weinhandl, P.E.R. and former Secy.



DAVENPORT, Iowa

... E.R. John R. Schloesser, background, is pictured with John P. Fennelly, center foreground, and four of his five sons, all members of DAVENPORT, IA., Lodge. Left to right, they are James P., John M., Thomas J. and William B. Fennelly. Thomas, John M., James and a fifth son, Michael, were initiated during the visit of D.D. Lewis E. Whitney.



SULLIVAN—TERRE HAUTE, Indiana

WHITING, Indiana

... Est. Lead. Knight Wm. J. Donnelly of SULLIVAN, IND., Lodge, center foreground, presents the traveling gavel to E.R. F. W. Reid of TERRE HAUTE Lodge, second from right. Second from left, foreground, is P.D.D. Roland Campbell, and at extreme right is State Secy. C. L. Shideler, P.D.D. Others are P.E.R.'s, officers and members of Sullivan Lodge.



... The Elks of WHITING, IND., Lodge are proud of their Little Leaguers who won the championship for the 1961 season with 15 wins, 3 defeats. At top left is Mgr. D. O'Keefe; at right, Coach V. Bishop. The Whiting Elks also have a 16-inch softball team which won its League title, too, recording 14 wins and 2 defeats. Jim Hunt is that team's manager.

For Elks Who Travel

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through the silver shops before leaving for the shore.

More's the pity. For Taxco is truly one of the most attractive towns in the world. Nestled on the side of a mountain and dominated by the pink stone towers of the Santa Prisca church, Taxco is the very picture of a fairy-tale town.

Its narrow streets climb steeply to and from the *zocalo*, the main square that is the only flat space in the town. Houses and buildings are set one against the other in a zig-zag jumble, which viewed from a distance is both orderly and artistic. Colorful flowers wind up and around the balconies, and on every hand there's a view that keeps you reaching for your camera, or even makes you wish you were an artist.

Indeed, many artists come to Taxco and spend happy days capturing on canvas its immutable charms. For Taxco will never change. In 1928 the entire town was made a national monument, and all work on the exteriors must be in keeping with prevailing design.

Instead of rushing through Taxco, we propose that the tourist plan to spend at least three days, even a week, to fully savor its charms, to walk quietly up and down its quaint streets, to sit at Paco's Bar overlooking the *zocalo* and watch the movement of men and animals below.

Time is needed to shop intelligently for the attractive articles on sale in the many shops. Ask the proprietor at Castillos or Pinedas and you will be taken into their factories where you can watch artisans fashioning beautiful bracelets, pins, and other jewelry out of silver.

It was silver that gave birth to Taxco—and then years later gave it a rebirth after the town had sunk into the doldrums. The town was founded when silver was discovered in the neighboring mountains. When the mines became difficult to work, output declined. Taxco languished for many years in the shadow of its past glories.

Then in 1931 an American from Indiana by the name of William Spratling stumbled upon Taxco and fell in love with it. He set up a small shop and started working in silver from his own designs. The shop flourished, was enlarged, became a factory. The artisans who worked under Spratling left and started their own shops, and the revival was on.

Today, former pupils of Spratling operate beautiful shops in Taxco, selling their own designs and also jewelry still made by the *Maestro*, one of those rare men who become a legend in their own time.

LETTERS FROM OUR READERS

Please add to your list of distinguished members from Martins Ferry Lodge No. 895 serving their country the name of Congressman Wayne L. Hays.

HAYDN E. SAMUEL, *Secretary*
MARTINS FERRY, OHIO

A list of "Elks in Congress" was published in the October, 1961, issue, with additions and corrections in the December issue.

I have always read and tremendously enjoyed "In the Dog House" in THE ELKS MAGAZINE. Especially your article about the poodle (August, 1961, issue). All your facts were extremely accurate and exactly up-to-date.

WILLIAM B. STUART
MONTGOMERY, N.Y.

May I add my enthusiastic approval of the "Declaration of American Principles," your excellent editorial supporting it, and also the Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler (November issue). No doubt you have received many com-

pliments, but I couldn't resist adding mine and know I speak for many brothers here in Lodge No. 731.

CLARENCE C. SMITH
WAYNESBORO, PA.

I wish to express my enthusiasm for the "Declaration of American Principles" appearing in your November issue. I am grateful as an Elk, as an American citizen, and as a citizen of the free world.

Also, I note with interest the item called "Freedom's Facts." I have written for a subscription and will look forward to reading and passing on my copies.

JOHN P. TIMMERMAN
LIMA, OHIO

I must heartily commend you for the strong anti-communist articles and editorials you have recently printed.

The time appears to be short—the need for education imperative!

JAMES A. MOORE
OCEANSIDE, CALIF.

We visited Mr. Spratling at his *hacienda* and shop, nine miles from Taxco on the road toward Acapulco. The high walls of his living room are bedecked with exciting examples of pre-Columbian art, principally statuary. His display cases, where his latest designs are exhibited, are artfully lit by natural light.

Spratling's faith in Taxco is still unbounded, but like many others he is upset by the unscrupulous local guides who take visitors only to those shops where they are guaranteed a kickback. Fact is, a guide is not needed in Taxco, although you may arrive at the town with your own guide from Mexico City. The town is small enough for you to discover all its attractions for yourself.

For the best view, but only average food, La Borda Hotel overlooking the town is a good choice. For a fine view and excellent food both, try the charming Posada de la Mission. Its outdoor swimming pool is backed by a wall containing a huge mosaic mural executed by Juan O'Gorman, one of Mexico's leading artists. It's almost like swimming in a museum.

The second popular Mexican town we feel is due for a rediscovery is Acapulco itself. In recent years it has lost some of its allure because of reports that prices were too high and that it had become overbuilt.

As to prices, admittedly they are high—but only in comparison with the

rest of Mexico, where they are deliciously low. But match an Acapulco vacation with a stay at any of the glossy Caribbean Island resorts, and you'll find you've hit a bargain. And, in all fairness, Acapulco, with its supremely beautiful bay, its modern resort hotels, skin-diving, sailing, snorkeling, and other recreation facilities, compares with the best this hemisphere offers.

Sailing has become an increasingly popular activity, and visitors may now rent family-size Lido boats at the fashionable Yacht Club.

Most talked-about place at Acapulco these days, however, is the unique Las Brisas Hilton Hotel, a collection of pink bungalows located on a serpentine road that winds up the side of a mountain. Pink jeeps are used at Las Brisas the way ordinary hotels operate elevators. Best of all, a guest may rent a jeep for only \$8 a day, a steal compared with the charges exacted by the taxi drivers.

Half of the Las Brisas bungalows share or have their own "cocktail-size" swimming pools, and it's no strain at all to plop into the pool for an eye-opening swim before breakfast.

Each room has a refrigerator stocked with a variety of soft drinks and mixers, while on a shelf overhead a selection of more heady brews awaits your pleasure.

There's nothing quite like Las Brisas anywhere. And it's only one of several fine hotels at Acapulco.

Rod and Gun

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Now, you obviously can fish from anything that will keep you on top of the water and give you some degree of maneuverability. I've done about as well on a remote lake using a raft that I nailed together on the shore as I could have with the finest boat. But the lake was small and all I wanted to do was to drift with the breeze and cast to rising trout. On big water, where you have to travel to your fishing, using such a contraption would be about as hopeless as shoveling snow with a pitchfork.

Strangely—or maybe not so strangely, if you've paused to think about it—there is no best boat for fishing. Nor is there such a thing as a best motor, either. The water you fish dictates what you need. There are, however, a lot of boats and motors available today that are poorly adapted to any kind of fishing, anywhere.

During the last decade or so, there has been a tremendous increase in the popularity of boating generally. People water ski. Other people engage in an activity called "pleasure boating," which is completely baffling to me because I could never see any justification for

setting foot in a boat at all unless I expected to catch a fish or shoot a duck. Nevertheless, a great many boats and motors have been designed primarily for these purposes. Almost without exception, they are not good boats and motors for fishing.

What are the requirements of a good fishing boat? First, it should be a safe boat, considering the water on which it will be used. Second, it should be completely utilitarian. Gadgets on a fishing boat perform two disservices: First, they are forever in the way when you're fishing. Second, they add weight. Fishing boats are frequently launched and landed in difficult spots where every extra pound of unnecessary weight is an added handicap.

Part of the greatly increased use of boats and motors by fishermen stems from the construction of dams in areas of the country that previously were without big bodies of water. This also resulted in a different conception of what a fishing boat should be. The flat-bottomed skiff and 2½-horsepower motor that were virtually standard for many years are out of place on a big reservoir.

I fish one of these reservoirs a great deal. It is 52 miles long and we frequently travel 50 miles (halfway up the lake and back) for a day's fishing. My boat and motor have served me well for about ten years, and since I have no desire to trade them off they must not be too far from right. With this for justification, I'll describe them.

The boat is aluminum, 14 feet long, 60 inches wide amidships, and 27 inches deep just forward of the middle seat. It is rounded fairly well back, which makes it good in rough water but not so fast as a similar boat with more flat planing surface. It has no deck, no remote steering, no windshield, no gadgets of any kind to trip your feet or catch your line. With my bass-fishing buddy on the front seat and me on the rear one, with our tackle boxes and lunch on the middle seat and the gas tank in the back, it is as clean and uncluttered as any boat could be. We sit far enough apart so that we can't possibly interfere with each other's fishing, and neither of us could hit the other with a plug if he tried.

This boat is rugged and has taken a lot of hard use—and hard knocks—without damage. Yet it is light enough so that two of us could pick it up and set it on the trailer in the few instances when that was necessary.

The motor is an eighteen which I bought under the mistaken impression that it would push the boat slowly enough to plug the shoreline for bass. It wouldn't. Fortunately, I have a three that I use with my canoe (more on it later), and I mounted a bracket for the little motor on one corner of the stern. Now, we do our traveling with the eighteen and fish with the three. The big motor planes the boat nicely at between 20 and 25 miles per hour, depending on load, and the little one inches it along so we can do a first-class job of fishing.

Actually, I should have bought a 25-horsepower motor in the first place, and I would do it now if anybody made one that weighed less than 100 pounds. Since they don't, I'll continue to get along with the eighteen, which is still doing a satisfactory job.

I mentioned the canoe. I couldn't get along without it. If I had to part with one or the other, I would let the boat go and keep the canoe. The reason? It is light enough so I can handle it alone. It is aluminum, 17 feet long, and weighs 68 pounds. I've had it 15 years, used it at least 30 days annually, and it is still in perfect condition except for the paint. I can carry it up the steepest bank and put it on the car singlehanded or launch it where



"It takes about two or three days every month for George to get over the fuel bill."

nobody could possibly get a bigger, heavier boat into the water.

I use it for duck hunting and for fishing on ponds, sloughs, and streams. Most of the time, I use the three-horse motor on it, but not infrequently we paddle. I seldom put it on big lakes or rough streams, but a canoe can be used anywhere with caution.

This brings us again to the most important aspect of fishing boats: The problem of matching them to the water. If you fish a big lake or reservoir where the hot spots may be 20 miles from the dock, you need a seaworthy boat with a motor that will take you to the fishing in good time. If you fish ponds, creeks, and small lakes, where getting to the water often is a problem, a big boat and motor are a hopeless handicap. You need something you can pick up and carry without breaking your back. If you fish both kinds of water, you need two complete outfits.

I have solved the problem with a boat, a canoe, and two motors. Several friends have answered it with a sizeable boat and a light skiff. The only other alternative, if you fish both kinds of places, has to be a compromise—a boat big enough and fast enough to use on large bodies of water and yet light enough to carry 100 yards when necessary or to drag over the riffles on a shallow stream. Needless to say, no compromise is completely satisfactory. You can't have everything.

The solution is easier for the man who fishes only one kind of water. Then one boat and one motor are all he needs. In this case, it pays to look closely at the equipment favored by local anglers. Ignore the flossy new boats with pretty motors.

Instead, pay keen attention to the old, beat-up boats, preferably occupied by old men with battered tackle boxes, and probably propelled by well-scarred motors. These are the men who catch fish and they have, through long experience, learned what equipment works best on the local water.

In most areas, boat designs have developed with the country. Some of them might look odd to a visitor from another state, but they are extremely practical and well adapted to local conditions. The long john boats of the South are a good example of this. So are the longer poling boats still used on some of the swift, shallow rivers in Alaska.

In northern Canada, the big, 20-foot freight canoes are unexcelled for the combination of wind-swept lakes and white-water rivers where they are used. The famous McKenzie River boats, developed on that Oregon stream, probably approach perfection for running the boulder-strewn rapids of the big western rivers.

Somewhat dory-like in appearance,

with high, pointed bow and stern, high sides and a lot of rake and flare, they are dogs on a rough river but they are smooth on the smooth water of a lake. Since the use of motors has become so widespread, some builders have adapted McKenzie River boats to mechanical propulsion with a wider stern and a flat planing surface toward the rear. Even these are rough-water river boats, however, and are seldom seen elsewhere.

There are many examples of boats that gradually evolved to suit particular conditions. Others were adapted simply because they happened to be available. A lot of western anglers use rubber boats, mostly war surplus, to float the big trout streams in the Rocky Mountain states. And they're good for this job—unsinkable, virtually foolproof, undamaged by banging into rocks. They're miserable anywhere else, however, and rowing one across a lake in a wind is an experience never to be forgotten.

Portability is always a serious consideration. A trailer is a nuisance, both in traffic and on rough roads. Furthermore, you must have a place to park the trailer at home, and that can present a problem. We put up with trailers only because we want boats so big and heavy that car-topping them is not practical.

A boat weighing in the neighborhood of 100 pounds is about as heavy as one man should attempt to handle, either to put on top of his car or to carry to the water. Such a boat, if made of aluminum and well-designed, can be 12 or 13 feet long, wide enough to be stable, and yet handle well with a small motor.

It is, admittedly, a compromise—the very thing that I deplored only a few paragraphs ago. It is heavier than my canoe and not so seaworthy nor fast as a bigger boat that would take a bigger motor. But it has the advantage of portability, plus reasonable speed, safety, and stability.

Let the man with such a boat on top of his car and a five-horse motor in the trunk make a cross-country tour or take a winter vacation in the South, and I'll bet you this: He will get in a lot more fishing, and catch a lot more fish, than another angler with a big, heavy boat on a trailer. There will be no place where the car-topper can't get his boat into the water, whether an improved launching site is available or not.

Everywhere he goes, he'll see specialized boats, built or purchased to meet local conditions, that are better than his boat in that particular spot. But wherever he might wander, from Florida to Alaska, there will be places he can fish and fish he can catch. • •

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In the Dog House

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pup's outlook on life. The guard dog I have described here is the sort trained by professionals for that kind of work. Such are certain of the dogs in the armed forces and those used for police duty.

It is my hope that this answers those who have been influenced by the stories of the remarkable achievements of army or police dogs and have been smitten with the idea of owning one. From time to time I have received letters asking where such dogs can be bought. Unless these come from readers who have more important reasons than pride of ownership to harbor a dog of this sort, I always advise against it. Such dogs are not for the average home and most certainly not where there are children.

As a matter of fact, dogs that were volunteered for use with the armed forces after being trained had to be de-trained before they were considered safe to return to civilian life. Some had become so fixed in their hostility toward all but their keepers that they could not be sent back to their owners and, sad to relate, had to be destroyed. Today, the army wisely breeds and trains its own dogs.

Now, what I've written here about police dogs does not apply to those used for tracking—our friend the bloodhound, for example. The sole duty of those dogs is to locate lost persons or those wanted for other reasons by law enforcement officers. Such dogs are not trained to attack. If they were, they could never be used to track down lost children or innocent persons, who, as many have done, wandered away from home. Or those unfortunates who have been kidnapped or made victims of other criminal action. As I've often mentioned in these articles, that four-footed policeman, the bloodhound, is one of the most affable and gentle pups you could meet, although he's often a Sherlock Holmes on the trail and a most persistent warder when he finds the person he's tracked.

While the average house dog on his own is often an excellent watchman, or if not can be trained to be, he may also be a pretty good guardian, depending upon how well his bump of possessiveness is developed. Some dogs have this to a greater or lesser degree. Some never have; they are wholly indifferent or so affable as to be worthless for ordinary guarding the average home requires. Others may develop a protective manner dangerous to all but members of the family.

Many dogs will adopt a member of the household and permit nothing faintly resembling a physical threat to that

person. I had a dog such as this at one time, and he became a problem. If the object of the dog's affection is a child, that's fine. What parent wouldn't want the dog to safeguard a youngster of the family? But if the pooch becomes fanatic about this, he can become a liability and a dangerous one to his owner. He may shepherd the child so closely as to permit no other children to play with him. That sort of guardianship will be discouraged, of course.

Among dogs, there are certain breeds that have special traits that have been intensified by generations of breeding. The sporting dogs—spaniels, setters, pointers, retrievers—are examples of those bred for the hunting field. The same can be said for the hounds. The working dogs were developed to work, to herd other animals and to do what dogs are able to do to help their masters. It is from this group of working dogs we get those that come from a long line of ancestors that were employed to guard as well as herd.

In his beautifully-illustrated book *Gallery of American Dogs*, Harry Miller lists his selection of those regarded as guard dogs. All that he names are pure-breeds recognized by the American Ken-

nel Club. Some of them you may recognize, others are less familiar on the American scene. In fact, some are seldom seen outside the larger dog shows, but enough of them are bred each year to warrant official recognition. There's the Bernese mountain dog, a huge, black and white fellow a trifle smaller than the well-known German shepherd (miscalled police dog). He's a native of Switzerland with an ancient Roman ancestry. The often-seen boxer, a German dog, is another fine guard dog, particularly good with children. The bull-mastiff is listed. He's an English product, a cross between the bulldog and the mastiff and a formidable-looking fellow created to make life miserable for poachers.

One of the more popular breeds listed is the Doberman pinscher. Most people have either seen these dogs or pictures of them. The Dobe is one of the best of guard dogs, rarely friendly to strangers and not recommended for rough handling. He's a one-man dog. You won't meet a giant schnauzer unless you frequent large dog shows or through accident. He's a German dog standing 25½ inches at the shoulder. He's a tough fighter and good guard. He has two

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smaller brothers—one a standard, the other a miniature—both terriers, both good watchdogs.

Next on the list is the great Dane, another German despite the name. He's another good dog with children if you have the room for him, as he's one of the largest of all dogs. His appearance is enough to command the respect of any but the most determined wrongdoer.

A lesser-known guard dog is the kuvaz, a dog of disputed nativity. Some claim he's a Turk, others, a Hungarian; but he's big, brave, and intelligent and is either all white or all black.

No list of guard dogs would be complete without the mastiff, a dog with

an ancestry that goes back through European civilization to Asia and is perhaps the oldest breed known. In Victorian days this fellow was seen more often than he is today. He's a favorite for guarding large estates or anything else he's assigned to defend. A very large, good-natured dog, but no bargain for an intruder. Another once-popular dog is the Newfoundland, a fine guard famous as a life-saver. He, too, is one of the best for children, being enormously tolerant with them as I know from my experience with those on grandfather's farm where I was the household blight. The Newf is a born protector.

The St. Bernard is a pooch very much

like the Newfoundland in temperament and with a life-saving record second to no dog. On my own I could add a number of breeds that, while not in the guard group, are big enough, smart enough, and aggressive enough to rate with any of the guard dogs. These would include the German and Belgian shepherds, the Airedale, the bullterrier (medium size but a terror on housebreakers), the Kerry blue terrier, and the chow chow.

I'll close this by restating a principle of guard dog training, and that is keeping the dog away from strangers. It's a good rule for any owner who wants his dog to be *his* dog, not anybody's or everybody's dog. • •

Lodge Visits of William A. Wall

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Lodge for a buffet luncheon on October 11. There Mr. Quattromani served as master of ceremonies, and an additional dignitary was present: Arthur J. Roy, Chairman of the Grand Lodge New Lodge Committee. Mr. Wall spoke to the group before journeying on for another visit in another state.

CONNECTICUT. Again, every lodge in the state was represented when Grand Exalted Ruler Wall visited Connecticut,

with Willimantic Lodge the site of the dinner program. The motorcade bearing the party to the lodge home was accompanied by a VFW color guard, a delegation of Explorer Scouts, a school band, and a police escort. Past Grand Exalted Rulers Fenton and Malley as well as Mr. Spry, Dr. Maguire, Mr. Roy, Mr. Quattromani, Mr. Brady, and others remained in the official party. State President Robert C. Hullivan served as toastmaster. Among gifts

given to Mr. Wall was a portrait of himself presented by Arnold Bocash, Exalted Ruler of Willimantic Lodge.

MICHIGAN. The 75th Diamond Jubilee of Grand Rapids Lodge was held in conjunction with the Michigan Elks Association's Fall Meeting, and was highlighted by a banquet October 14 in honor of Grand Exalted Ruler Wall. Benjamin F. Watson, Chairman of the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee, served as toastmaster, and Mr. Wall was introduced by Grand Lodge Pension Committeeman John K. Burch.

A side trip was made to Muskegon Lodge, 40 miles away, where Mr. Wall was presented a living tree. He nailed a bronze star that commemorates the occasion to the tree, and was given a duplicate plaque as a memento.

BOONTON, N.J. On October 19 the Grand Exalted Ruler was honored at Boonton Lodge with a reception and dinner-dance. He was accompanied by Past Grand Exalted Ruler William J. Jernick. Among other dignitaries present were Joseph F. Bader, Chairman of the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee, and State President Charles A. Hotaling.

LONG BRANCH, N. J. Long Branch Lodge was celebrating its 60th anniversary when Mr. Wall visited on October 21, making it a doubly memorable occasion. Some 300 Elks and ladies attended the evening event. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Jernick remained with Mr. Wall and shared in the celebration. A class of 14 men were initiated in honor of the Grand Exalted Ruler, including three brothers who all are physicians and two of the city's councilmen. During his visit Mr. Wall presented a resuscitator in behalf of the lodge to the children's ward of Monmouth Medical Center. He also visited nearby Fort Monmouth and spent two hours with the commanding general. • •

GRAND EXALTED RULER WALL AT SCOUT HEADQUARTERS



Grand Exalted Ruler William A. Wall was invited to the headquarters of Boy Scouts of America recently to represent the Order in receiving BSA's appreciation for the assistance given to Scouting by Elks lodges in 1961. He was accompanied by Past Grand Exalted Ruler William J. Jernick and other Elks from New Jersey.

Joseph A. Brunton, Jr., Chief Scout Executive, presented Mr. Wall with a desk barometer-thermometer bearing a bronze official Boy Scout statuette and a plaque commemorating the visit.

Left to right in the photograph are Steven Bercik, Mayor of Elizabeth; Harry Bower, Elizabeth Lodge; Peter Siemons, P.E.R., South River Lodge;

Marvin Katz, E.R. of Elizabeth Lodge; Mr. Jernick; Mr. Wall; Mr. Brunton; Joseph F. Bader, Chairman of the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee; Dr. Chester B. Ralph, Dist. Dep.; Louis Blanchard, Perth Amboy Lodge; and Elmaar Bakken of Scout Headquarters.

Grand Exalted Ruler Wall remarked: "In my opinion, this is the outstanding youth activity in America today, building and training our young men mentally, morally, and physically. I assure you that our partnership and relationship with the Boy Scout movement will continue, and that our Order will do everything possible to promote the welfare of the Boy Scouts of America."

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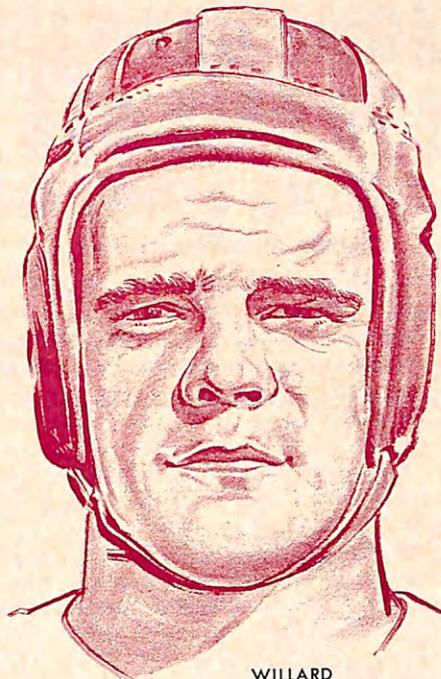
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FRANK REAGAN was the finest college prospect I ever scouted who eventually wound up playing for us. He was a pre-World War II All-American at the University of Pennsylvania. I saw him in his greatest college game, a 22-20 thriller, in which he scored all three touchdowns against a favored Cornell team that had several All-Americans. It was Reagan's 1940 wind-up to a distinguished varsity career.

I was one of almost 80,000 Thanksgiving Day spectators in Philadelphia's Franklin Field the day Reagan put on his greatest performance. It looked like a quick runaway, with Cornell punching out 13 points in the first seven minutes, but Reagan led Pennsylvania back into the fight and then proceeded to play an uninterrupted 60 minutes. No other player that day managed to make it without some kind of a rest. Remember, the Penn-Cornell games of today are only faint carbon copies of what they were a couple of decades ago.

Reagan was, of course, a great punter, and on any exchange of kicks Pennsylvania simply had to get the best of it. He was a pretty good passer, more than adequate for a single-wing tailback, and a superb runner. In this last respect he posed a double threat—great speed and ability to cut sharply. He was an instinctive runner who rarely cut the wrong way and got the maximum out of his blockers by setting up their blocks for them.

Frank scored three times, but there were two plays in particular that sold me on him. On one, trying an end run, it looked as though the try had fizzled. He was being chased at full speed and was headed directly toward the side-



WILLARD
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line. He simply had to be forced out of bounds. At the last instant, still moving at top speed, he cut down the line for a sizable gain.

The other play was just a two-yarder, either goal to go or fourth and two. Pennsylvania called for the off-tackle play, and when Reagan cut back into the hole there just wasn't any. He simply piled on speed, lowered his head a little more and smashed into the churning mass. He actually disappeared, and it was something of a shock to see that whole tangle of players literally bulge at the other end, with Reagan's helmet finally emerging.

He scored that day on runs of one, eleven, and sixteen yards. On the eleven-yarder he made it by hitting the line five straight times. I can also remember several occasions when he was the only man between a Cornell runner and a touchdown. Each time he nailed the ball carrier.

We drafted Reagan for the 1941 season, and he played six games before leaving for service with the Marines. His last game, against the Brooklyn Dodgers in Ebbets Field, was his best. Our players gave him a plaque as a going-away present, something rather rare for a rookie.

When he returned from three years of service he had lost a little of the drive that had made him a great runner. Although he had some good games offensively, his most important contributions to us, and later to the Philadelphia Eagles, came as a defensive back.

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Even today there are millions who prefer pinochle, though surveys show that now the most popular games are contract bridge and various rummy-type games such as canasta and gin.

It is not easy to write about pinochle because the game is played in so many different forms in various parts of the country. This month I am going to discuss the original three-handed form of pinochle, called auction pinochle, which is probably still the best and most scientific form of the game.

In auction pinochle there may be three, four or five players, although only three actually play at one time. If there are four in the game, the dealer stays out. If there are five in the game, the dealer and the second player to his left stay out. The players who stay out still pay or collect from the bidder, depending on whether he makes his bid or goes down (usually called "going bete," pronounced "bate").

As auction pinochle players know, each player has a fifteen-card hand and there is a three-card widow, which the player who gets the bid may use to improve his hand. Then he must lay away three cards before he starts to play.

A most valuable hint here: All good pinochle players, just before they start to play, always pick up their three discarded cards and look at them again, not only to fix in memory what they are, which of course can be very important in the play, but also to be absolutely sure that exactly three cards have been laid away and that none of them are cards that were melded. The penalty for laying away too few or too many cards, or a card of a meld he has shown, is that the bidder is automatically bete and must pay everyone just as if he had played the hand out and gone down.

Right here I want to clear up a very important rule of the game, about which I have received several letters from ELKS MAGAZINE readers. It is *not*

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illegal to bury a trump or an ace, and you do not have to announce the fact when you do so.

DON'T BE OVER-OPTIMISTIC

This game of auction pinochle, as I have observed it around the country, is a wild and woolly affair. The average player is just too optimistic about what he will find in the widow. Here is the best single piece of advice I can give you:

Seldom depend on the widow for melds, but do depend on it for 20 to 30 points in playing strength.

Bidding in hope of finding your trump jack or your fourth ace or some other specific card in the widow is one of the average player's biggest faults. "Places open" are tempting, and in certain situations if you have enough places open you must take a chance. But be sure you have the percentages on your side. Here is a chart that shows the odds on finding just the card you want in the widow:

PLACES OPEN	ODDS
1	5 to 1 against
2	2 to 1 against
3	even
4	3 to 2 in favor
5	2 to 1 in favor

Every pinochle player knows, I hope, that you never bid on just one opening. But how often have you heard a player say, "Oh, I had two wonderful openings and couldn't draw a thing!" As you see, the odds are two to one against your filling either one. You can't buck such odds and win. Even if one of your two chances is in spades—which pay double in nearly all games—you still should not bid. Occasionally, when both openings would give you a cinch spade hand, though conservative players still wouldn't bid, I wouldn't criticize taking a chance in a liberal game. And you should do it in any game if you are boosting an opposing bidder.

Most experts do not bid on a three-place opening unless at least one of them gives the bidder a spade hand. However, any three-place buy hand is worth a risk to push another bidder higher. Hands that have four, five or more places open are well worth gambling on, as they are mathematically sound and over a period of time you will draw a card you need more often than not.

"MIRAGE" HANDS

In counting your places open, be very careful not to fall into the trap of

bidding on a "mirage" hand—a hand with which you may draw a card you need and still find yourself unable to make your bid in the play. Here is an example.



You meld 190 with hearts trumps. I'm afraid you would bid 300 without a moment's hesitation.

If you buy either the heart ten or the spade ace you don't even have to play the hand. You might also draw the club jack for forty jack, or the club or diamond queen for an extra marriage. This looks like a hand with five places open, one that should most certainly be bid. Actually the whole hand is a mirage.

It is true that the heart ten or the spade ace wins the hand easily. In fact, either card gives you a 350 hand.

However, finding one of the missing queens or the club jack in the widow just isn't enough. The club or diamond queen gives you a meld of 210. The club jack gives you a meld of 230. In the first case you need 90 in the play, which just can't be made. In the second case you need only 70, but you won't even make this most of the time. Every pinochle player knows that a hand full of kings, queens and jacks won't gather in many points in the play.

It is true that you might find another trump in the widow, or double one of your aces, in addition to finding the club jack or one of your queens. Then you might make 70 or even 90 in the play. But even a beginner knows that bidding to buy two right cards is a

Chance of buying at least one card of a given suit

NUMBER OF CARDS YOU HOLD	ODDS
5	19 to 13 in favor
6	6 to 5 in favor
7	3 to 2 against

Chance of buying a card in either of two suits

NUMBER OF CARDS YOU HOLD IN BOTH SUITS	ODDS
9	7 to 1 in favor
10	6 to 1 in favor
11	5 to 1 in favor
12	4 to 1 in favor

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shortcut to the poorhouse. So the hand boils down to just a "two places open" hand. The odds are two to one against you, so you must stay out of the bidding.

A hand that will make with a little extra playing strength is an entirely different matter. It is rare that the widow won't increase your playing strength by at least 20 or 30 points. At left are two tables that show the chances of buying cards to your long suit or suits, which will allow you to put away in the widow cards that would have been losing tricks.

The second table is the most important. On most hands that are bid-dable, you have length in two suits, and the odds in favor of drawing at least one card to one of your long suits are very great. Here is an example:



This hand melds 190:150 in spades and a pinochle. You start the bidding at 350, which is laydown no matter what you draw in the widow, unless you get an unexpectedly bad break in diamonds. If an opponent pushes you by bidding 360 you should go on to 370.

It is true that if you find only losing clubs and hearts in the widow you can't even play it, but the odds are four to one in your favor to pick up a spade or a diamond, which will give you a fine play to make the 180 that you need in cards.

So, to repeat my number-one piece of advice: Count on the widow to improve your playing hand by 20 to 30 points. Seldom depend on the widow for melds.

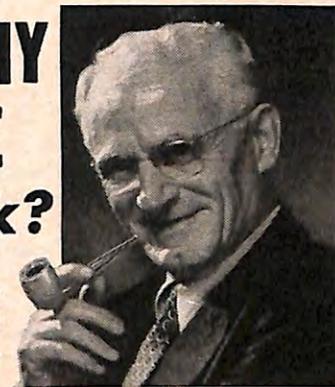
Here are a few other pointers to improve your game:

- Be bold in pushing if your weakest suit (or only unstopped suit) is spades.
- Don't risk a sure 300 for a 350, or a sure 350 for 400, unless it's three to one in your favor.
- Play a spade hand if there is an even chance you'll make it, any other hand if it isn't more than two to one against you.
- The queen is a better lead from a flush than the king.
- The ace of trumps is usually a bad lead unless your next lead will also be a trump.
- The opponents should try to play so as to lead through the bidder.
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The Man from Sudden

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which didn't seem necessary, because the nag looked like it had already gone dead on its feet—and cocked a hard eye on me.

"Boy," he called, "how would you take to earnin' a nickel?"

I said I'd take to it fine, sir, and Bill gave a nod and hauled himself clear of the saddle. He was a big man, not tall so much as broad, with thick little bandy legs which he stuffed in an old pair of boots. His hat looked like maybe he slept on top of it so nobody would be tempted to steal it, and his shirt—taking a guess—had probably been white once. Bill did himself proud when it came to his stomach. *You* might say it looked like a Lister bag, but I put him down for a man who enjoyed a good meal. Under that stomach was a belt to hold up his pants, and over that was his gumbelt. He carried a heavy Colt on either side of him. His rusty Prince Albert coat was shoved back at the hips so that the gunbutts were handy, and both butts had once been painted red.

Bill clumped up the boards and put a hand to his beefy face to give the dust and sweat a good polish, then wiped the hand across the front of his shirt. It didn't leave any visible trace, but then you couldn't hurt *that* shirt. "What you got there, boy?" he asked, peering.

"My rithmetic book, sir," I told him.

He smiled and put out a hand for the book. Bill was like that: he thought the world of kids. "That's the pay," he said, opening my book and bringing it close to his nose. "I was a stoo-dent once myself. Let's see now . . . two-an'-two-is-four. . ."

I thought he must have been a crack-erjack student, the way he could figure those sums upside down, and I was going to ask him could he read words that way as well, when he snapped the book shut.

"If you still want to earn that nickel," he said, "you just trot into the bar an' tell 'em that Bad Bill Batten from Sudden is here."

Well, if Jesse James himself rode into town and told me to announce him, I couldn't have been more spooked. Bill Batten was the most famous gunslinger in the territory. Everyone had heard of Bill. Why, I remember when I was seven or eight and my aunt was taking care of me one night, and she told me if I didn't behave Bad Bill would come down from the hills and get me. And there was a rumor going that Bill was a road agent, though nobody could ever make the charge stick, but all us kids were always ready to believe it because everybody knew that Bill was just *bad*.

I was so taken I even forgot to claim my nickel. I just turned and bolted through the swinging doors. "Two-Tone" Haley—he owned the Payout—was there, and maybe eight or nine of his early morning regulars: old Doc Means, "Rich Billy" Hobbs the banker, Yorky Rome, who had rode with Quantrell, a couple of buffalo skinnners, a cowpoke from the Double-Hang, and two or three others I didn't know.

"*Bad Bill Batten!*" I gasped. "Bad Bill is standin' right now out on your porch!"

Well, they looked at me, at each other, then at me again, and finally at the swing-doors. Nobody said anything for a dead spell 'til Doc Means chuckled. "Tommy, you scamper on to school now. We don't want your tricks in here. What would your Pa say if he heard you was in the Payout?"

I hadn't thought of that. If Pa heard I was in a saloon I'd have to sleep stomach-down for a week. I began backing off. Trouble was, they were grinning at me, and you know how easy it is to rile a ten-year-old by not believing him—especially if he's telling the truth.

"Well, it's so!" I cried. "He's standin' right out there!" But they kept on grinning and shaking their fool heads, and got me so prodded I turned and shouted, "Mr. Batten! They won't believe it's you!"

There was a pause . . . then those doors kicked open like a Hotchkiss shell had come through them and Bad Bill Batten stood there. He ignored me and blinked his mean little eyes all over those other fellas, sort of like they were still full of sun-glare.

"Who don't believe it?" he demanded. "Who's so stoo-py-fied sick of livin' that he don't believe it?"

Well, if there was still a man present who *didn't* believe, he surely didn't have the pepper to own up. They just stared and swallowed, as Bill came up to the bar and placed a thick hand on it, flat.

"I'm *Bad Bill Batten* from Sudden." He said it just like that: *Bad Bill*—like

he meant to print it in our minds that he really was bad.

Yorky Rome cleared his throat and edged a trifle nearer to him.

"Sudden, Mr. Batten? I never heard of Sudden. Where's it at?"

Bill was put out. He shoved his head between his burly shoulders and gave Yorky a close look. "Sudden?" he said. "That's where all the badmen come from. Where things happen sudden-like, an' a temper-trigger is the only kind of trigger to have. You get my drift?"

I guess they all did, because even I caught on that Sudden wasn't so much a place as it was a warning.

"Well," Bill said peevishly, "if you fellas think I come in here just for you to stare at me—you're dead wrong. I come for a drink!"

Haley nearly tripped over his own feet trying to fetch Bill a shot glass. But he made a mistake. After he'd served the gunman he held out his hand for payment.

Bill blinked at the moist palm.

"What's that for?" he snapped. "I don't want to shake it."

I don't suppose Haley liked it, but he didn't fuss. I guess maybe he was leery of prodding Bill into a "temper-trigger." He snatched back his hand like Bill had just blown off a finger for him.

Bill finished that drink and then he looked "Rich Billy" Hobbs square in the eye and said, "Tarnation! Don't you men never *drink* in this town?" "Rich Billy" bought the second round.

By the time they arrived at the cowpoke's round, Bill was half leaning on the bar and looking mighty magnanimous. "Yessir," he said, "I've took a shine to this town. Reckon I'll stay a spell. 'Course, there's one thing we got to get straight right now. I fought for the North . . . an' if there's a thing I can't stand it's a mealy-mouthed Reb whinin' around about how the South won the war. The point I'm fixin' on is—I don't want to hear *nothin'* about the war from no Reb!"

Yorky Rome put his nose in his beer, and none of us looked his way.

At that time I was still built close to the floor, so by standing next to Bill I could nearly look his lefthand Colt right on the trigger.

"Why are the gunbutts painted red, Bill?" I asked him.

Bill smiled and drew his guns, laid them on the bar where they could all see. "'Cause red is the color of blood. An' when any fool comes against these pals of mine, *that's just what he's gonna see!*"

The regulars inspected the guns without offering to touch them.

"Bill," Haley said, "why is it you got

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eight notches on the right butt and only five on the left?"

Bill looked disgusted. "Because I'm right-handed, naturally."

Well, within two hours the Payout was packed. Word went through Stall Town like a summer fire, and every man who had the price to buy Bill a drink came to see his guns. Once when someone suggested I should be getting on to school, Bill said, "Now hold on," and laid a paw on my head that made a ruin of my hat and felt like a grain wagon had halted there. But I loved it.

"I've took a shine to this boy," Bill declared. He leaned to me: it was a trick he had—that looking at everybody smack in the eye. "Tom, how'd you like to earn a nickel a day doin' me little errands?"

I told him there was nothing I'd rather do, but when I reminded him that he already owed me one nickel, he brushed it off like it was a pesky fly and told me to "tally" with him at the end of the week.

It's true that Bill didn't buy one drink that day—or any day, far as that goes—but he was generous to a fault. He told Haley he'd decided to put up at his place as a favor to him. Then that darn fool Haley said, "Why sure, Bill. And it'll only cost you two dollars a week."

Right then a stone-wall silence fell into the room, because by now most of us had learned that Bill considered any mention of money an insult to his honor. He let out a heavy sigh and wiped at his face as if trying desperately to hold back on his "temper-trigger."

"Haley," he said finally, "I guess you ain't much of a businessman, else you'd know that if I decided to stay at another place you'd lose all this trade I brung you. Are you so simple you can't see I'm an attraction?"

We all nodded our heads wisely, and not one of us had the heart to tell Bill that there *wasn't* another place to stay in Stall Town.

Well, I had a grand time going home. Had more than a dozen school friends following me. I told them how I'd been in the Payout with all those men, how I was Bad Bill's personal sidekick, and all about the Colts with the red butts and the notches, and how Bill was partial to a righthand-draw but that he could still bring down a man with one shot from the left if he felt inclined. Oh, it was grand.

Trouble was, my Pa didn't think it was grand at all. He didn't say anything when I came home, but I could tell he knew just from the way he took me by the hand and led me out to the woodshed.

Now Colonel Hanky was one of Stall Town's founders. He'd fought under Hood in the war, and maybe it was the fact that he'd been a Reb that rankled

the cowpokes and lowlife in our town. They had it going that he never had been a colonel but only a lieutenant. But most of us admired the Colonel and we scorned this rumor. North or South—he was the only officer we had from the war and we were right proud of him. And besides, he *looked* more like a colonel than a lieutenant.

He was a tall, spare man, fiftyish, with eyes as warm and friendly—yet stately—as a summer moonrise. And he was quiet, almost to the point of being shy, and as polite as a Chinese laundryman opening a new shop. Yet he was a proud man; it was in his eyes and in the slant of his mouth—what you could catch of it under his trimmed handlebars. He was the type of man you *had* to respect, whether you liked him or not.

He wasn't what you call a drinking man, no. But he did have a weakness for a glass of beer every night. So, along about seven in the evening, it was the Colonel's habit to drop in at the Payout for that one glass. And out of deference to his character, rank, and history there was a table near the door that Haley held clear and had dubbed "The Colonel's Table."

In he'd march each night, like his Maker had given him a bayonet in place of a backbone, and take a chair at his table. The cowpokes would give each

other sly winks and nudges, but men like Haley, Yorky, and Doc Mears would nod and smile and say "Evenin', Colonel," "Lo, Colonel," and Haley would fetch him the glass of beer. After a half hour the Colonel would wipe his mouth with an infantry bandana and leave for home. He was as regular as Mrs. Poke's ginger cat with her litters.

Well, that night—Bill's first night in town—I slipped back to the Payout. I was supposed to be in the shed chopping wood against the morning meal, but how can you expect a nine-year-old to stay away from a real badman like Bill Batten? It goes against nature.

So there I was again, cramped in among all those men with my shoulder to Bill's lefthand Colt. The seat of my pants was still warm, and when I mentioned to Bill that I'd have to see him on the sly because of Pa's dislike for badmen, he pursed up his lips, squinted his eyes, and pushed it around in his head for a while.

Finally he suggested that he mosey out to my place and "put Pa straight." But I was afraid Bill would have a "temper-trigger," because Pa could be gosh-awful stubborn at times, and I told him never mind, that I'd fix it somehow. And Bill—he always was good to kids—agreed not to "correct Pa this time."

About then it was near seven and Colonel Hanky came in. Some of the

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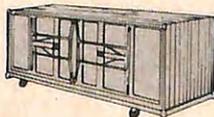
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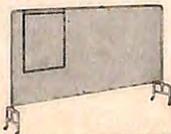
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regulars turned from Bill and his Reb-killing was stories to say, "Evenin', Colonel," and I could see Bill didn't like it much. He leaned his head out to give the Colonel a hard stare.

Bill's mouth didn't slow down while the Colonel was there, but he seemed to be sizing him up on the side, and the more he sized the meaner his little eyes became. After the Colonel left, Bill demanded:

"Who's that stuck-up old coot? An' what's he colonel of?"

They told him, and then a cowpoke, who had put too much between his bandana and gunbelt, said, "He's a big man in town, Bill. What you think of that?"

"Huh!" Bill grunted. And that's all he would say.

I missed the clash between Bill and Colonel Hanky the next night. I was in the woodshed again. Not chopping wood; I was with Pa. But the following

day the story was all over town and I pieced it together first, second, and third-hand. There was going to be a showdown on Front Street a month from that morning.

Now those cowpokes that used to hang around the Payout were a rangy crowd—hard as horseshoe nails with the ends cinched over, always looking for some poor devil to hurrah, and what they called sport the rest of us would call downright mean. Well, they got it in their heads that it would be fun to sic Bill on the Colonel, and so they tricked him into sitting at the Colonel's table.

"How about a hand of stud, Bill?" one of them suggested, at five minutes to seven. "Rory, you rustle up some cards, I'll get some drinks here, and, Bill . . . just make yourself to home at that table by the door."

So Bill, not knowing any better, went over to the Colonel's table and sat down to wait for the cowpokes to join him.

And of course they stalled around on one excuse or another until the Colonel marched in smack at seven.

Well, the Colonel was standing there staring at Bill, and Bill was sitting there staring right back, and Haley and the regulars were all eyes and ears and not saying a word, so Bill said it.

"Well, what's pesterin' you, Reb?" he wanted to know.

"Sir," Colonel Hanky replied stiffly, "that's my table."

I've thought it over many times since and I don't see how Bill—being the kind of man he was—could take any other course but the one he did. After all, he had a reputation to worry about.

"Ain't that a shame?" he offered. "Here I was thinkin' it was *my* table. In fact, I just went an' staked a claim on her."

"Sir," Colonel Hanky said, cool as beef on ice, "I listened to you talking to these men in here last night. I determined that you are a bully and a braggart. Perhaps you can intimidate them with your suggested violence, but you cannot pull it over me."

Bill squinted his way through that one. Then he said:

"I don't like Rebs, an' like Reb officers less. An' I can't stand a Johnny that sits off in a corner by hisself like he was Lord Almighty on His throne an' refuses to buy a man a drink!"

"That," Colonel Hanky replied smartly, "is because you lack the intelligence to like anything except your disgusting self."

He might as well have hit Bill in the face. Bill hooked his right Colt from the holster quicker than the Colonel could blink—and his voice was grim as a grave. "Reb, you just spoke your death words!"

They say the Colonel was startled some—and who wouldn't be? But he didn't cawfish. He lifted his coattails, showing his belt.

"I'm not armed," he said levelly. "And if I were, you'd still have the advantage of me. I haven't fired a pistol since the war."

Bill seemed satisfied with that. He said, "Well, you best ramble then, Reb. Afore I put holes in you."

The cowpokes thought Bill was really something. They figured he'd put the Colonel to shame once and for all. Everyone seemed to think it was settled and over: even Bill smiled and lowered his gun. But Colonel Hanky held his shaky ground.

"I'm a peaceful man," he said. "But I'm honor-bound to stand against your attitude."

Bill blinked. "You mean you really *want* to fight me? *Me?* Why, you ain't even got a gun."

"I have one at home."

Those cowpokes were starting to get their money's worth now. They had

been supporting Bill for two days and they were spoiling to see a fight. "Go on, Bill," they urged him. "Send him for his gun. You ain't just gonna sit there an' do nothin', are you? He's callin' you out."

Bill was staring hard at the Colonel, as if trying to hang a meaning to the man's foolhardiness. "All right," he said at last. "But I don't want nobody sayin' I took advantage of you. You go home and get in practice. Take a—take a month. Then meet me out front. We'll see who owns this here table."

Everyone in town thought that Colonel Hanky had done the right thing—seeing that he'd been an officer and still was a gentleman. Trouble was, he wasn't any kind of gunslinger. Oh, he tried . . . tried harder than any man I ever knew, but he just didn't have it. Yorky Rome finally took pity on him and volunteered to teach him the art of "hook-and-draw." I used to stop off on my way home from school and watch.

First off, Yorky placed the Colonel fifty feet from the broadside of the barn. "After you've whipped this, Colonel," Yorky said, "we'll take the barn *endways*, then cut it down to the barn-door itself."

"Now," he explained. "Stand with your feet eighteen inches apart, hands at sides. When the action starts . . . sag your knees, lettin' your body follow into the crouch, an' hook that shooter outa the holster! Cock her on the up-swing, an' when she's hip-level . . . *let her fly!* That's how all the badmen fight. Ready? Then—DRAW!"

Colonel Hanky's feet were planted right, his knees sagged, his body drooped—and he hooked that gun out like a girl throws a ball underhand. That's just what it looked like too, as the gun went spinning off in the air, butt-over-barrel, and plopped into the dirt fifteen feet away. And there's the Colonel standing all crouched with his hand hanging out empty and a silly look in his face.

"Lord A'mighty, Colonel!" Yorky wailed. "You ain't supposed to *throw it*

at him, you know! You got to *shoot him with it!*"

The Colonel colored a bit and nodded. "All right, Yorky," he promised. "We'll get it yet."

And he did too. By the end of the week he could hook the pistol out and hang on to it. He could get it cocked too, and when it was hip-level he'd whack out a shot. As far as the specifications were concerned the Colonel was letter perfect. Trouble was, he couldn't hit the barn. Plenty of sky and earth, yes, but barn, no. Oh, I suppose he nicked it a few times, but you couldn't honestly say he was doing it any real harm.

"I don't understand, Yorky," he complained patiently, "why I have to fire with my body all bent double and with the gun way down by my knees. Wouldn't it be better if I just stood up and aimed?"

Yorky was thunderstruck at the Colonel's ignorance. "Red fire, Colonel! You ain't got the *time* for all that! You got to spit lead *right now!* You don't think Bill Batten's going to be standin' around waitin' for you to go through the manual of arms, do you?"

Well, that's how it went, and it looked mighty bad for Colonel Hanky. Bill, on the other hand, scorned gun practice. He spent his time in the Pay-out, drinking, yarning, playing poker. He was always interested, though, when the cowpokes would bring him a report on the Colonel's gun ability.

"He only hit the barn eight times today? Out of how many shots?"

And then when they'd name some fantastic figure and vow that the Colonel would never show at the gunfight, Bill would nod and smile.

I don't think that anyone except Yorky and me really believed that he *would* go through with it. And it bothered me so much that I even tried to talk Bill out of the fight, because the Colonel had always been one of my boyhood idols. But Bill was deaf-mule stubborn.

"Can't do it, Tom. If I backed off now, folks would run me out of town." Then he gave me his close look. "You see—as long as folks are afraid of me, I can live here like a cattle baron."

"Well," I said, there's other towns, Bill."

But he shook his head, slow. "Not many of 'em left for me, boy," he said. And that didn't make any sense to me at all.

Haley also had an interest in the showdown. "Tom," he said, "I wish that by some miracle the Colonel *could* win. If Bill stays here much longer he's gonna eat me broke, that's a fact. But Bill's honest, I'll say that. He puts a goose to shame when it comes to honesty. A goose, when it sees something it wants, takes off a-flappin' and

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a-screamin' 'Harf-harf-harf!' But when it gets there it forgets about the *half* and takes *all*. Now Bill, he don't even yell 'Harf!'

I didn't go out to the Colonel's much during that last week. It just made me sick to see him blazing away all that ammo and getting so little in return for his investment. But near the last couple of days when I did show, he didn't seem too downcast.

"Look, Tommy," he said, and there was a dab of pride in his voice. "I've graduated to the end of the barn."

Then I saw that Yorky had hopefully painted a bull's-eye about the size of a cartwheel on the barn door; but when I went for a close inspection the only hole I could find was one a woodpecker had drilled.

It happened on Saturday morning. And a good thing it was Saturday too, else the schoolmaster would have had to chase himself all over town looking for us boys. I'd slipped into Stall Town right at dawn. By leaving the house early that way I didn't give Pa a chance to tell me I couldn't go watch the fight.

I put myself behind a horse trough, smack across the street from the Pay-out. I figured that if one of the Colonel's bullets came my way it would have to pass through two one-inch boards and two feet of water before it reached me. All the early-comers had to wait three hours, and it was kind of funny when you think of it: people behind rain-barrels, behind corners, peeking out of windows, over the edge of roofs . . . like we expected an Indian attack or something.

At 8:59 Bill pushed the Payout's doors open and waddled out on the porch. He stood there a bit, blinking his little eyes, then he clumped on down the steps and took a stand in the middle of the street. I could see where the tails of his coat were pushed back over those red gunbutts. After a while he pulled a watch from his pocket and held it close to his face. He was smiling when he put it away, and I knew what he was thinking. We were all thinking it.

Yorky came sliding along the street and crouched down behind the trough with me. "I don't think he's gonna show, Tommy," he whispered hopefully, putting the thought into words.

And just then someone gave a shout from a rooftop:

"Here he comes! *It's the Colonel!*"

"Looky there!" Yorky grabbed my arm. "He's wearin' his uniform!"

Well, when I looked and saw the Colonel it brought a lump in my throat. Not so much because he was coming to the showdown in the uniform he knew Bill hated, but because he was coming to his death an honest and proud man. You see, that old Reb uniform of his wasn't a colonel's, not even a lieutenant's . . . it had *chevrons* on the sleeves.

Our Colonel Hanky had been a sergeant in the Confederate Army.

He kept right on coming with a long military stride, head high, back bayonet-stiff, eyes right on Bill. Came up even with the corner of the bakery and stopped.

"Look at him!" Yorky hissed. "Just like I taught him on the barn. If that ain't fifty foot from Bill, I'll kiss you!"

Maybe so, but when I remembered just how little damage the Colonel had done to the barn, I couldn't see that it was going to help him any.

"Here I am, Mr. Batten," Colonel Hanky called.

"But not for long, hey, Bill?" some cowpoke shouted.

Bill rubbed at his eyes as if he couldn't believe what he saw.

"So you be," he said finally. "But I sure didn't expect you."

Then he made a disarming gesture with his hands and spoke conversationally. "Well, if you're so all-fired set on gettin' yourself killed . . . *DRAW! Barn-buster!*"

I've seen badmen in my time, and I've seen gunfights and gunslingers, but I've never seen a man who could slap leather like Bill. Now the Colonel—he went through all that bosh of the spread legs and sagging knees, but he got his gun only half out . . . while



Bill's hands barely moved before they were full of iron and he was on his way.

For a long Hell's-exploded moment none of us knew what to think; *couldn't* think for the noise Bill's Colts were making in the street. Listen—it was a *lead storm!* Yorky said later that Ma Pep had a dishpan hung alongside her porch, near the Colonel, and that when Bill was through with it you couldn't have used it to carry rocks in. But Yorky always did exaggerate some. And say, didn't Tank Taylor's sow and her litter ramble!

I've heard a few say that the Colonel got a shot in there somewhere—jerked it off on the upswing so that it struck the ground twenty feet in front of him. But as far as I could see he just stood there with his gun hanging at his side, gaping at Bill. But not for long.

All of a sudden the Colonel got himself in hand. He brought his legs together, turned his body sideways, and brought his gun up to a smooth, deliberate, straight-from-the-shoulder aim. And fired.

It was the old army bead; I suppose the way the Confederates had taught him twenty-some years before: and it did the trick. Bill whipped half around and went down, hitting the dirt like a bag of nails.

I was one of the first to reach him.

"Bill!" I cried. "Are you dead, Bill?"

Bill pushed at the ground with his right hand, then gave it up and just laid there, staring at the sky. "My left side is numb," he grumbled. "What was that darn fool firin'—horseshoes?"

He had caught the slug high in the left shoulder, but it had passed through without chipping bone. He demanded whisky: three shots—one for each hole on the outside of him and one for inside.

Colonel Hanky came over with a puzzled look and said, "I hope I haven't injured you bad?"

Bill looked at him for a bit, then shook his head. "No, it ain't the bullet hole that hurts. I guess you understand that, Colonel."

Colonel Hanky nodded slowly. "I think I do, Mr. Batten." Then he walked away from us; wouldn't even stop to be congratulated by Haley and his regulars, though they followed him right down the street. And don't think for a minute that any of them referred to him as "Sergeant." No, sir. They *Colonel'd* him every step of the way.

BILL WAS in Stall Town a week long—er, staying in his room to rest up his wound. Haley would have kicked him out if it hadn't been that Colonel Hanky was footing the bill. Nobody would have anything to do with Bill after the fight, so I was the only visitor he had. I'd go see him once a day, even though Pa tanned me for it. I'd sit on the edge of the bed and try to get Bill to talk

about the war. But mostly he'd just lay there and stare at the window.

One day he said, "I didn't want to fight the Colonel, Tom. And I sure didn't think he'd want to fight me. But after them saddle tramps roped me in that night—what could I do? I couldn't just sit there an' crawfish, now could I?"

"Well, if you didn't want to fight, Bill, you could have left town any time during the last month."

Bill gave a bone-weary sigh, and said:

"I'm runnin' out of towns, boy. You see, I've pulled this badman trick in every town in the territory. And if I lost this one . . . well, I just didn't know where I could go next. So that's why I gave the Colonel a month to think about it. Most any man will fight at the spur of the moment, but you give him time to mull it over and he grows cold." He shook his head wonderingly.

"I just never thought for a minute, Tom, that the Colonel would stay up there on that honor-horse of his. Why, you could have knocked me dead when I seen him come down the street Saturday . . . and I guess he near did!"

"But, Bill," I said, "I thought you were the best gunslinger in the world."

Bill grunted and said, "You seen me fightin' Hanky. That's the only way I ever won a fight in my life—scatter shootin'. Oh, I'm fast on draw, you can't ask for faster, but I have nothin' for aim. It didn't used to be so bad, but lately here my luck's gone sour. Why, last year a cross-eyed cowboy run me out of Stark City after I'd emptied *both* guns on him. Tom . . . you'd think a man could hit somethin' with two guns, now wouldn't you?"

"Well," I said helpfully, "I think you just need glasses."

Bill blinked at me. "You think so?" But then he shook his head. "Naw, that's no good . . . I just can't picture me goin' down the street to a gunfight wearin' glasses. Somebody might laugh."

I was the only one who saw him off. It was early Sunday morning and I dodged my chores to do it. Bill sat way up on his sorry old nag and he was sort of quiet. Once he looked back at the sleepy town and said:

"I had a good thing goin' here. Well, I think I'll go out to the Coast—find a nice little California town and start talkin' up a new reputation for myself. Takes time, though."

Then he perked up and leaned a hand down to me. "Tom, I ain't forgot all them nickels I owe you. But right now I'm a trifle shy."

I told him it was all right. "Well," he said confidently, "I'll be back this way someday, boy. I'll square with you then. 'Bye, Tom.'"

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Such major projects, state-wide in their coverage, arouse enthusiasm, interest, and support among the Elks. They also develop leadership material because major projects need leadership to succeed. For all of these reasons a State Elks Association that unites its lodges and their members behind a major project becomes a stronger Association capable of rendering more and greater service.

To encourage State Associations in this direction, the Elks National Foundation has for many years made

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It goes without saying, of course, that any major project undertaken must be the result of careful study and planning and be directed at a real need. This is certainly true of the new program on which the Alabama Elks have embarked. There is a project to train handicapped people who in turn will teach other handicapped people to become self-supporting. What an admirable undertaking!

For this purpose, the Alabama Elks Association has purchased a building in Montgomery and dedicated it as the Elks Memorial Center. There, the handicapped not only will receive training in trades and other fields but also will be given rehabilitation treatment to help them to overcome their disabilities so far as medical science makes possible.

We congratulate our Alabama Brothers for the decision they have taken. We wish them all success with their new program and commend their forward step to the attention of the Elks of those few remaining states where there is no major project.

Castro Next

The United States, acting in concert with her neighbors through the Organization of American States, succeeded in ousting the Trujillo dictatorship in the Dominican Republic, and, by threat of armed intervention, frustrated an attempt by the Trujillo faction to return to power.

Splendid! Now, how about using the same medicine to get rid of the Castro dictatorship in Cuba?

The Castro dictatorship is guilty of every charge that was leveled against the Trujillo regime, and then some. If the OAS was justified, as we believe it was, in acting against Trujillo on the ground that his regime was "a threat to the peace," then similar action most certainly is justified against the Castro dictatorship on the same grounds. For, at its evil worst, the Trujillo dictatorship was never allied with an international conspiracy to dominate the world by force as Castro's dictatorship is allied with communism. Trujillo never said that he was going to export his brand of dictatorship to other countries, but Castro has.

Yet, not only right here in this country but also in some of our neighbors to the south, there is a strange reluctance to take any action that might disturb

Dictator Castro. More than a reluctance, there is powerful opposition to any steps whatever against Castro. Why the double standard on dictators? Is it because Castro is a communist and the Trujillos aren't?

Whatever the answers to those questions, allowing Castro a privileged sanctuary is a mortal danger to this country and to the whole free world. The United States and the other American nations should now use against Castro the same weapons they used to end the 30-year dictatorship of Trujillo—break off diplomatic relations, impose political and economic sanctions, and be prepared to use force, if necessary, to restore democratic, constitutional government in a Cuba free of communism. Tomorrow may be too late.

Happy New Year

A not-very-extensive research yields the conclusion that there is no scientific reason why we begin the year on January 1. It appears that it would be just as satisfactory to start the year on, say, July 1, or any other point on the earth's orbit of the sun.

During the course of history, various days have served various people as the first day of the year. The ancient Persians and other peoples observed the

autumnal equinox on September 21 as the first day of the year. The early Greeks celebrated New Year's Day on December 21, the winter solstice.

The Romans went along with the Greeks on this practice until Julius Caesar took a look at the mess that the calendar was in and directed that the empire would begin the year on the first day of January. We don't know whether there was any objection to this on the part of the Romans, but the Jews went right on celebrating the New Year in the fall, as they do today, and so did the Chinese, who had learned a thing or two about calendars long before Caesar got into the business.

Following the disappearance of the Roman Empire, during the medieval ages, March 25 was widely accepted as the first day of the year among Christian peoples. By the Sixteenth Century, the Julian Calendar that Caesar had instituted was several days behind the times because of its inaccuracies. Pope Gregory XIII ordered the calendar revised to conform to more careful calculations, and decreed that January 1 be New Year's Day. It is the Gregorian Calendar that is accepted throughout most of the world today.

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