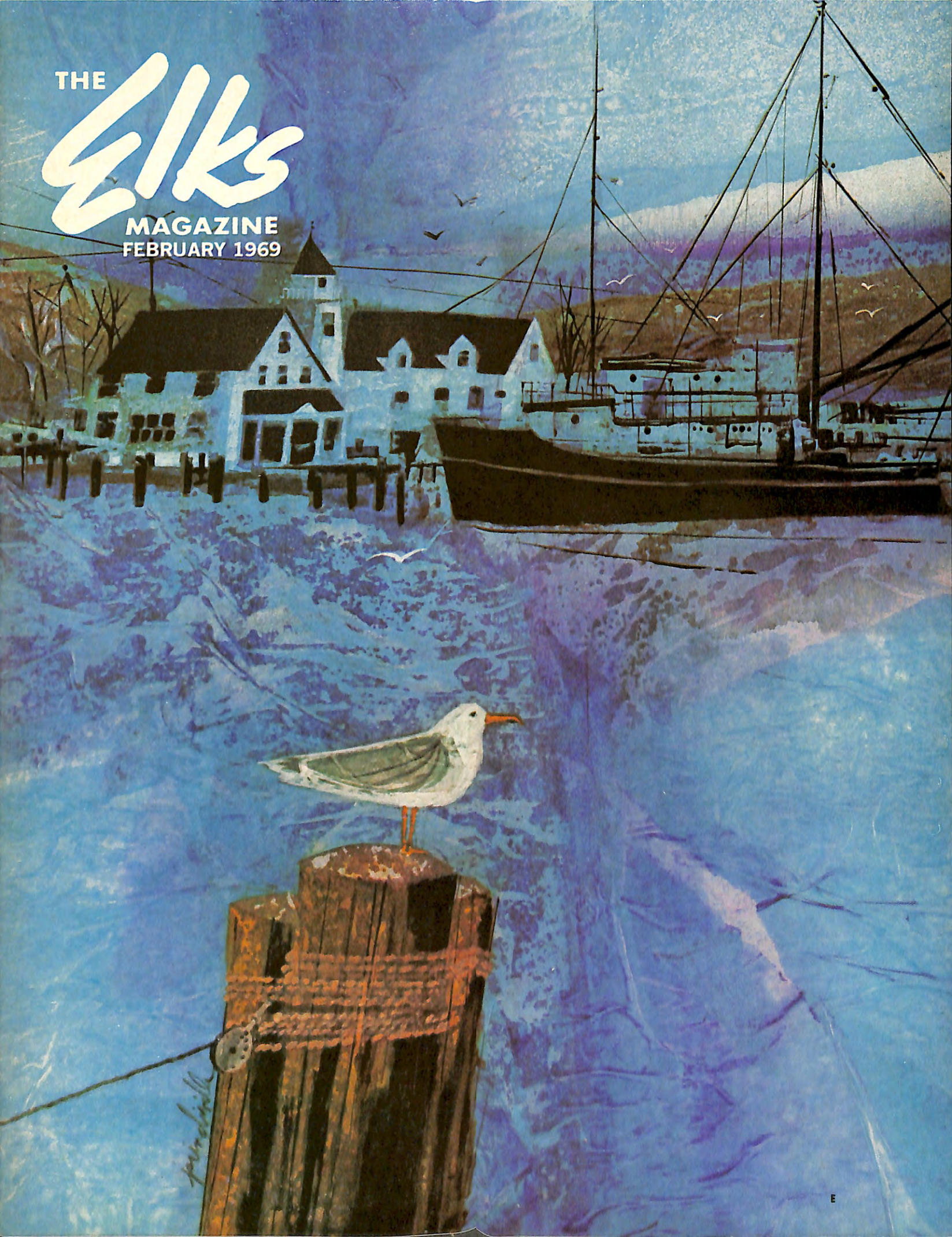


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The following day a bus from the Veterans Hospital drove up to the main gate of the fairgrounds. In a matter of minutes, after being assisted into their wheelchairs and onto crutches by nurses and attendants along with Augustus Fitch, Jr., Chairman of the South Carolina Elks Veterans Hospital Committee, the group was being guided through the 99th Annual State Fair.

There was gaiety everywhere as the clowns paraded through the grounds bringing fun and laughter wherever they appeared. The air was filled with the aroma of food cooking on the grills, cotton candy and candied apples.

There were many exhibits to take them through such as cattle barns, poultry and swine, and other farm animals plus painting exhibits, and of course all those home baked goodies from the ladies department.

Lunch was served to the vets and afterwards they were taken on a tour of the midway.

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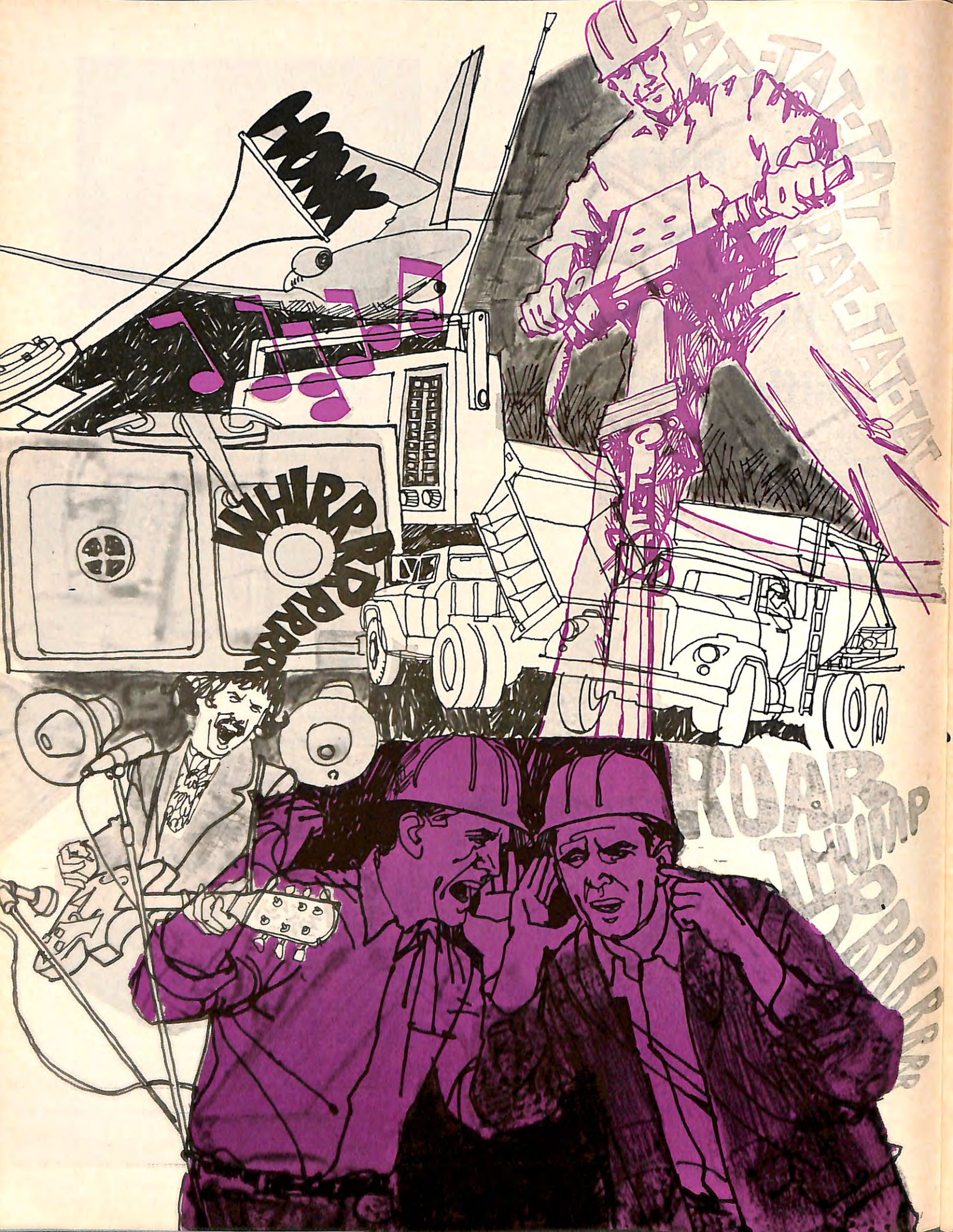
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# THE GROWING DIN AROUND US

By Victor Block

In New York City, a construction worker uses ear plugs to drown out the blast of a pneumatic drill.

In San Francisco, medical investigators report that the sound level in a rock-and-roll discotheque equals the roar of a jet engine, while a Gainesville, Fla., physician equates it with the noise of a Saturn V moon rocket, measured from the press site at Cape Kennedy.

Other researchers say the noise in a modern kitchen often exceeds that in many factories. According to one expert, it is "just below that of the cockpit of an old DC-3."

In Bedfordshire, England, the owner of an estate sets aside 90 acres of woodland as a sanctuary for people seeking a temporary respite from the noises of London. Most visitors cite the sounds of traffic, typewriters, and especially portable radios as those they most wish to escape.

In large city and small town, throughout the United States and other countries alike, a growing number of people—from medical experts and acoustical engineers to average citizens—are pausing to listen. Most don't like what they hear. And more and more of them are trying to do something about the growing din that is invading our world.

The best definition of noise, experts agree, is "unwanted sound." In this regard it is, to some extent, a subjective thing. A sound that annoys one person may soothe another.

To differentiate, engineers refer to desirable sounds as "white noise" or "acoustical perfume." While perhaps unfamiliar with these terms, those benefiting from this type of sound include the person who turns on an air conditioner or has a fountain installed in his garden to drown out the sounds of nearby traffic. Thus, doctors at the Rhode Island Hospital in Providence had engineers raise the sound level of window air conditioning units to muffle street and hospital noise, and a hushed Roman Catholic Church in Massachusetts installed a type of white noise generator to preserve the secrets of its confessionals.

Even noise annoyance levels vary considerably from person to person. Yet despite such variance, there is widespread and growing agreement today on one thing: The variety and pitch of unwanted sounds has increased to such an extent that "noise pollution" has taken its place, along with air and water pollution, as a major problem of our society.

The World Health Organization warns that "mental pollution" threatens to become more injurious than either air or water pollution, and points out that noise is a significant factor in this undermining of mental well-being. And one expert predicts that if the noise level in the United States continued to rise at its present rate, by the end of the century it will be as deadly in some cities as the ancient Chinese noise torture.

Just how bad is the din around us? One answer, offered by acoustical experts, is given in terms of the decibel—the scientists' method of measuring noise levels. Decibel levels are a measure of the intensity of sound waves coming from a vibrating body, such as the larynx, a loudspeaker, or a motorcycle.



Individual hearing loss as a result of noise cannot be predicted, since some ears are more prone to hearing impairment than others. However, certain decibel levels generally are recognized as a threat to hearing. Long-term exposure to decibel readings over about 80, scientists say, can cause hearing loss. (The U.S. Air Force recommends use of ear protectors for long-term exposure to any sound of 85 decibels or above.) Temporary deafness may be caused by short exposure to levels between 100 and 125. Listening becomes painful at between 125 and 140. Beyond that, at 150, the ear can be damaged enough, even by short exposure, to suffer permanent hearing loss.

To translate these figures into familiar sounds, breathing has a decibel reading of about 10; a whisper, 20. Low street noise reaches 40 to 50 decibels, and normal conversation 60 to 70. Rush-hour traffic at a busy intersection approaches the danger point, if sustained, of 80 decibels. A food blender emits almost as much noise—93 decibels—as a pneumatic jackhammer—94. A loud power mower reaches 107 decibels; a motorcycle, 110; and a jet plane at take-off, 150.

The U.S. supersonic transport, scheduled to make its first test flight in 1972, will greatly complicate the challenge to those seeking to make the world a quieter place. As it flies overhead, the SST will be followed by a sonic boom that extends along a 50-mile-wide band in the plane's wake and is rated at about 130 decibels.

It becomes clear from this sampling that potentially damaging noises are not restricted to the airport or big city. The kitchen, the construction job in a small town, even the lawn of a suburban home on Sunday afternoon can become noisy places.

Another way of examining the extent of noise pollution in our environment is by considering its effects on people. Dr. Murray Brown of the U.S. Public Health Service estimates that as many as seven million Americans work at jobs so noisy that their hearing will be impaired unless preventive steps are taken. In Colorado alone, that State's Hearing Society says, one in four residents—nearly half a million people—are exposed to noise levels both on and off the job that are great enough to damage hearing. Of this number, the Society predicts, some 71,000 will even-

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tually suffer some degree of hearing loss. As startling as these statistics may be, hearing loss is by no means the only medical problem associated with noise pollution. Dr. Lee E. Farr, a University of Texas professor of environmental medicine, warns that excessive noise can become an "unsuspected triggering agent" for such ailments as ulcers and allergies, as well as mental illness. He explains that noise contributes to health problems "by an erosion of emotional well-being," which can lead to such "somatic manifestations" as stomach trouble, including ulcers, and allergies, such as hives.

This warning is echoed by Dr. Samuel Rosen of Columbia University, whose research on ear ailments has been cited by the American Medical Association and several foreign governments, among others. Dr. Rosen says the reflex effect of the attempt to shut out excess noise causes contraction of blood vessels and can affect both blood pressure and the heart. Eventually, he adds, excessive noise can "disturb every bodily function."

Still another medical consequence of unwanted sound is pinpointed by another New York physician, Dr. Julius Buchwald of New York Medical Center. He testified before the State Assembly's Mental Hygiene Committee about dream studies which indicate that "dreams are very necessary to mental health." If dreams are continuously interrupted by intruding sounds, he said, a person may suffer any of several mental consequences, ranging from nightmarish dreams to suicidal or homicidal impulses.

With warnings like these becoming increasingly frequent, concerned citizens, industry, and the government are acting to alleviate the noise pollution problem before it can grow much worse. Much of the impetus for action in New York City has come from the Citizens for a Quieter City, created in 1967 to stress the need and means to control city noises, and to stimulate research on the effects of noise on humans. Typical activities of this group include demonstrations of the noise made by American-made air compressors and other construction equipment, compared with some quieter foreign designs, and unveiling, with appropriate ceremony, a "quiet" felt-and-rubber-padded metal garbage can which recently went on sale in the city.

Another citizens group, the New York State Thruway Noise Abatement Committee, has hired an acoustical consultant to bolster its attack on truck noises.

Industry, too, is coming to realize that it has more to gain than lose in noise abatement and protection efforts. This realization is traced in part to a precedent-setting 1948 lawsuit in which

the New York Court of Appeals awarded \$1,661.25 in compensation to a partially deafened factory employee. Claims by workers for hearing loss resulting from exposure to excessive noise now total some \$2 million annually, and Dr. Tom Summar, head of a group of physicians, acoustical engineers, and others waging an attack on industrial noise, estimates that 4.5 million Americans have suffered some hearing loss on the job. If only one in 10 of these people were to file for compensation and receive an average settlement of \$1,000, the total bill would be a staggering \$450 million.

With an eye to such arithmetic, most companies engaged in noisy work have introduced noise-control measures, as well as regular tests of workers' hearing. But it's not the financial and physical consequences of hearing loss alone that have spurred industry. Of equal importance are studies indicating the effects of excessive sound on the efficiency of employees.

An insurance company has reported the results of a study showing that following a 15 percent reduction in background noise in an office, the number of typing errors was reduced by 30 percent and over-all worker efficiency increased by more than 8 percent. According to another study, factory production rose 12 percent merely because a whining ventilation fan was quieted. And when an assembly line located next to a boiler plant was moved, production on the line shot up an amazing 37 percent.

With estimates of the cost of excessive noise to industry—in terms of health and efficiency—rising to as high as \$4 billion annually, the added expenses of quieting the din do not seem excessive. For example, for no more than \$200, a "residential quality silencer" may be attached to air compressor units to greatly reduce the effects of noise on workers and bystanders alike. Even quieter are sonic jackhammers and pile drivers which can do in minutes a job it would take hours to complete with standard equipment, yet can hardly be heard.

A New York skyscraper completed in 1966 by the Diesel Construction Company stands as a monument to the quiet efficiency with which buildings can be constructed. Broadway neighbors of the 52-story office building claim the power lawn mowers they use around their suburban homes are more disturbing than was the construction job. Among techniques used to muffle noise: steel mesh blankets, spread over blast sites by cranes, to absorb most of the sound of explosions, and silently welded steel joints which eliminated the shattering racket of conventional riveting.

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# the tough part isn't the work



by H. N. Ferguson

What amazes me about this wonderful land of ours is how anything ever gets accomplished—in the business world, that is. To dramatize my premise, I made a few notations at the office yesterday—a typical day—and the conclusion is obvious.

8:30. I arrive at my desk eager to get the Andrews account whipped into shape. I buzz for Miss McQuiddy before realizing she doesn't come in until 9:00. So I think I'll just have a look at the Andrews file while I'm waiting. The cabinet is locked.

9:15. Miss McQuiddy arrives breathless but radiant. She greets me cheerily and apologizes for missing her bus.

9:20. Miss McQuiddy goes into the daily ritual of removing hat, gloves, galoshes, coat, fixing hair, putting on fresh make-up.

9:30. We assume our places and I start to dictate. "Dear Mr. Andrews. . . ." The phone rings.

9:30-9:45. Miss McQuiddy, with many "oh's" and "ah's" receives a complete running account of her girl friend's date the previous evening.

9:45. Miss McQuiddy takes purse from drawer and departs for coffee break. Stops at door to inquire if she can bring me a container of coffee. I refuse in my best martyred manner.

10:15. Miss McQuiddy finally returns. Has handful of tickets on a raffle being conducted to buy equipment for the company's bowling team. I buy a couple. She will be right back as soon as she gives the money to the treasurer. I clear my throat menacingly and she reminds me of company policy not to leave money in desk.

11:00. Miss McQuiddy finds her way back with a choice bit of news. Peggy in Accounts Payable is going to have a baby. This will require a little extra time during lunch to buy a shower present. Her tone indicates what I will be if I don't permit it. I consider risking such a fate but before I can decide, she is on the phone calling her mother. And there's no use complaining. If she doesn't call her mother every day at this time her mother will call her.

11:30. We start dictation again just as Miss Devers of Billing comes in to

discuss details of Peggy's shower. More throat clearing on my part and Miss Devers flounces out with a sympathetic glance at Miss McQuiddy.

11:45. Miss McQuiddy goes to lunch. I phone the restaurant for a sandwich to be sent up and settle down to study the Andrews file. The boss buzzes me to see how I'm coming along with said case. I compose a memo in longhand.

1:30. Miss McQuiddy returns with a package done up in a delicate shade of blue with a pink bow. Immediately phones three other girls on the floor to see what they bought for the shower.

1:45. I give Miss McQuiddy my handwritten memo. She complains she cannot read my handwriting. I ask her to get Mr. Andrews on the phone.

1:50. Miss McQuiddy goes over details of baby shower with switchboard operator for ten minutes, then places my call. I outline the entire deal to Mr. Andrews, then discover he is the wrong Andrews.

2:30. Break off conversation, determined to lay down the law to Miss McQuiddy. Can't—she's on coffee break.

3:00. Decide to go see Andrews personally since his office is close by. He's playing golf.

4:00. Return to office. Note on my desk advises that Miss McQuiddy is attending company training course on "How To Be a Perfect Secretary."

4:30. A representative from the "Good Ideas" committee arrives to present Miss McQuiddy with a \$10 award for the best suggestion of the month. She had suggested that secretaries could get more work done if carbon paper was available on an endless roll.

4:45. We finally get out a memo to Mr. Andrews, finishing just as the phone rings. It's the boss again, sarcastically inquiring about the Andrews case.

4:50. Miss McQuiddy goes to powder room to put on fresh make-up, coat, galoshes, hat, and gloves.

4:55. Personnel calls with a reminder that Miss McQuiddy is now eligible for a raise. This news is reinforced with a subtle hint that "good secretaries are hard to come by."

4:59½. Miss McQuiddy waves a cheery goodnight as she goes out the door.

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The housing industry is gathering evidence that the public wants, and is willing to pay for, quiet in their homes as well. When the National Association of Home Builders assisted a builder in Birmingham, Ala., to "sound condition" 11 houses, those homes sold more quickly than others without the anti-noise features, despite prices from \$600 to \$800 higher. Among special equipment included in the sound-proofed houses is a "super-quiet toilet," sound-proofed air conditioning and heating units, and sound-absorbing tiling. A survey of 10,000 homeowners in 17 cities, conducted for the Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corporation, reveals that two-thirds of the persons interviewed want quiet built into their next homes, and half are willing to spend up to \$300 extra to get it.

Along with concerned individuals and businessmen, the government is taking a growing role in efforts to determine how much noise is harmful, and to decrease the rising level of buzzing, pounding, roaring, throbbing, honking, and booming that is pervading our lives. On the state level, California, Washington, and Oregon have enacted laws limiting noise pollution. New York City approved a new building code which is believed to be the first in the nation to contain comprehensive noise-control provisions. Under the code, floors, walls, and partitions of buildings must meet noise-resistance standards, and noise from elevators and air conditioners must be at acceptable levels.

On the national scene, the battle is led by New York Congressman Theodore R. Kupferman. He is pushing (unsuccessfully to date) one bill to establish an Office of Noise Control, which would provide grants to states and local governments to research methods of preventing and controlling noise, and another to give the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration power to regulate aircraft noise.

The U.S. Public Health Service took its first step in a war on noise last June, bringing experts from across the nation and several foreign countries to Washington, D.C., for a National Conference on Noise as a Public Health Hazard. The purpose of the meeting was to identify the health perils of noise, outline research needs and recommend an action program.

In mobilizing for an all-out attack, the federal government is lagging behind its counterparts in some other nations. Several years ago, England adopted a stringent noise reduction code that permits police to hale a Britisher into court for nothing more than shouting at an acquaintance. In Geneva, Switzerland, it's an offense to slam a car door too loudly. In France, auto-

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# The Trial Lincoln Swayed

**Three years after Lincoln's death an unusual trial occurred involving a criminal lawyer and friend of Lincoln who also bore a remarkable likeness to the late President**

by Irwin Ross

Abraham Lincoln had been dead for three years when there began to unfold in Chicago a series of events that were virtually to bring him back from his grave.

Shortly before noon on April 2, 1868, Eleanor Comstock, a pretty girl of 22, was quietly occupied preparing lunch for her father, a city policeman. She was thinking of a day, some two months ahead, when she would become the bride of young Joseph Moss.

There was a knock on the front door and the girl answered. A woman dressed in black, wearing a heavy veil, stood at the threshold. "Your friend Jennie Hart has been badly hurt," said the caller, who was a stranger. "Come with me."

Miss Comstock quickly set out with the woman, who seemed oddly silent. When the pair reached a desolate spot, outside the city limits, the veiled woman suddenly pulled a butcher's mallet from under her shawl and beat her companion into unconsciousness.

At this moment a horse trainer named James Rockey rode into the scene. The assailant told him there had been an accident and asked him to drive her to summon assistance. Rockey correctly surmised what happened, and planned to take the woman to the nearest police station, but he had covered only a short distance when the veiled woman jumped off the wagon and disappeared before Rockey could pursue her. In the meantime, passers-by had discovered Miss Comstock and taken her to her home.

Chicago had not had such a mysterious crime for a long time, and the newspapers were full of the affair. Within 24 hours, while physicians fought to

save Miss Comstock's life, the city buzzed with excitement. Detective Sergeant Craney was put in charge of the case. Impressed by the fury of an attack which didn't involve robbery, he concluded that the crime had been committed by a jealous woman.

Sergeant Craney sought out young Mr. Moss, the victim's fiancé, and asked him if, by chance, any feminine acquaintance of his would have reason to be jealous of the pretty school teacher. It developed that Moss, prior to becoming engaged to Miss Comstock, had been quite friendly with a widow named Samantha Grier.

The horse trainer Rockey accompanied Sergeant Craney to where the

widow lived. After taking one look at Mrs. Grier, Rockey whispered to Craney, "That's the woman. Even if I did not remember all her features, I would know her by her nose."

The widow's nose, which was unattractively retroussé, was her outstanding characteristic. Rockey had obtained a good look at it when the woman had removed her veil during the ride.

Mrs. Grier, a brunette about 35, denied any knowledge of the crime. But Craney, convinced he had found the right person, arrested her. Subsequently, she was formally charged with the brutal assault.

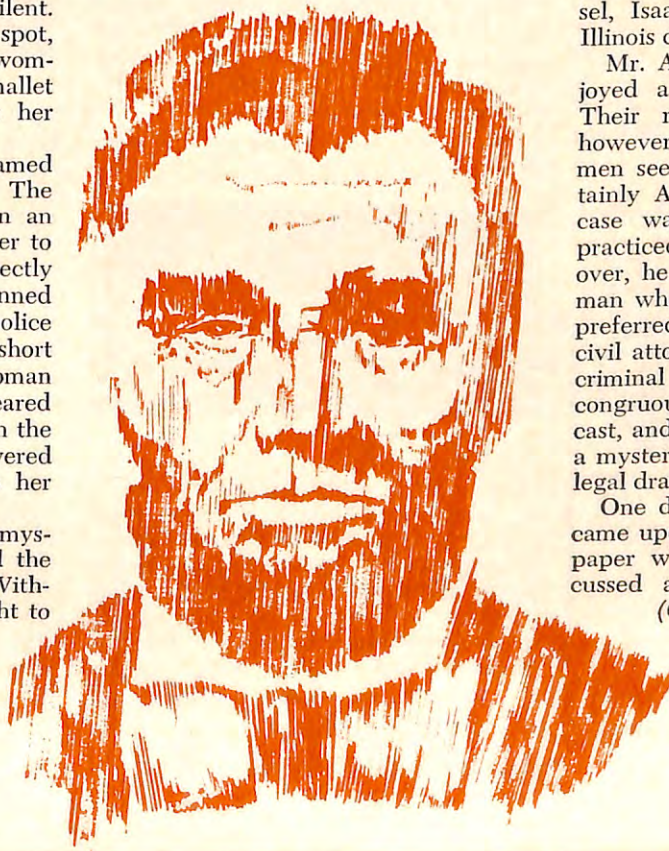
Mrs. Grier engaged as her counsel a man who had been one of Abraham Lincoln's most intimate friends—Leonard Swett. Mr. Swett, who was in his early forties, had won fame as a high-priced criminal lawyer of extraordinary resourcefulness. The most remarkable thing about him, though, was that he bore a resemblance to Abraham Lincoln which was no less than startling. Moreover, he had, either naturally or by design, acquired many of the late President's mannerisms and habits.

During Lincoln's incumbency of the White House, Swett had executed many confidential missions for the President. For many years after the President's death, pedestrians on the streets stopped dead in their tracks at his approach, convinced they were seeing a ghost.

The newspapers, which were doing their best to keep the case alive during the months before the trial, were assisted by the natural course of events. Miss Comstock recovered, miraculously, and married Mr. Moss. Then the Lincolnesque Mr. Swett announced that he had called in, as associate counsel, Isaac I. Arnold, an aging former Illinois congressman.

Mr. Arnold, like Mr. Swett, had enjoyed a long intimacy with Lincoln. Their relationship to the President, however, was the only thing the two men seemed to have in common. Certainly Arnold's retention in a criminal case was puzzling. Arnold had not practiced law for many years; moreover, he was a quiet, scholarly type of man who, when he had practiced law, preferred the cloistered study of the civil attorney to the hippodrome of the criminal courtroom. He was a most incongruous character in the Grier case cast, and the incongruity was to remain a mystery until the denouement in this legal drama.

One day the redoubtable Mr. Swett came upon an item in a Chicago newspaper which compared the much-discussed and unattractive nose of his  
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MIDDLE EAST CRISIS looms as one of the biggest problems facing the Nixon administration. There is a feeling that former Pennsylvania Gov. William W. Scranton may have reported to Mr. Nixon in December some things on his Mid-East trip which were not made public. Nixon in his campaign favored Israel, and the Arab nations are strengthening their alliance with Russia. The situation is a powder keg, newspaper writers say.

LABOR LIKES SHULTZ, new Secretary of Labor in the Nixon cabinet. Announcement of his selection brought a rush of approval and congratulations from unions throughout the country. In fact his rating is higher than that of Ivory soap, 99.44 percent. George P. Shultz, an economic conservative, believes in a strong labor movement and in effective bargaining.



BOOKS, BOOKS, BOOKS. Seems like all who have something to write about in the outgoing Johnson administration are busy. They include not only cabinet members and politicians but also secretaries. Chief interest will be on what President Johnson has to say about his many years in Congress and his five years as Chief Executive. Reports are the contracts for such a book will run as high as \$1 million.

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CONVICT GETS PAROLE after 32 years in prison and it brings back memories to FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover. The notorious outlaw, Alvin Karpis, was the first criminal ever arrested personally by Mr. Hoover, whom he had vowed to kill. He was caught in New Orleans' French Quarter in 1936 and got life for conspiracy in a \$100,000

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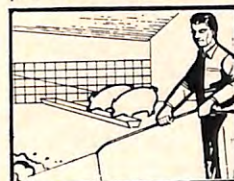
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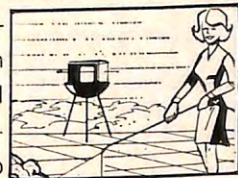


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mobiles that repeat noise violations may be confiscated, fire and ambulance sirens have been replaced by gongs or trumpets, and transistor radios have been outlawed in public places.

Some West German towns block all vehicular traffic in designated areas by lowering steel barriers across roads at 11 each night and raising them at 6 the following morning. They also appoint "noise wardens" who may fine offenders of excess-noise statutes on the spot. And in Tokyo, signs over busy intersections pick up and measure the noise level, flash the figure in blinking lights, and ask motorists for quiet.

If some of these methods of noise reduction seem either too severe or ineffective, proponents of a quieter way of life have put forth suggestions that would not create serious hardships, yet would do much to lower the decibel level. Among their ideas: adjustable police and ambulance sirens that could be subdued at night or other times when the full volume is not required; a close look at laws permitting unlimited construction noise as early as 7 a.m. and as late as 6 p.m. in many towns and cities; and the use of more shrubbery and other noise deflectors along superhighways and expressways.

Even with such suggestions being put forth, there is, at the present time, little the average person can do to reduce the sound level outdoors in his neighborhood. But there is something you can do to keep noise outside your home.

For example, make sure your windows are tight-fitting, and apply weather stripping where they're not. Install anti-rattle hardware in windows, and thicker glass to eliminate more outside noises.

Indoor noise, too, may be reduced with a little thought and expenditure. Carpeting, throw rugs, upholstered furniture, and drapes help to soften sound-reflecting surfaces, and can absorb more than half the airborne noise in a room. Family rooms, kitchens, and other parts of the house where noise is unavoidable may be quieted by the use of acoustical ceiling tiles or panels, which can absorb up to 75 percent of the excess noise energy that strikes them. Vacuum cleaners, garbage disposals, ventilating fans, plumbing fixtures, and other appliances which contribute to the melee of sound in the home should be maintained in top-notch operating condition to keep their noise output as low as possible.

There are many more things you can do to reduce the din around you. And as the nation mobilizes for an all-out war on noise, there will be more that can be done in your town or city, and on the national front as well.

Are you ready to join the war on noise? (Please, don't all shout at once!) ■





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**ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION NIGHT** at the midyear conference of the California-Hawaii Elks Association in Sacramento brings together: SP Norman S. Lien, of Watsonville Lodge; PGER R. Leonard Bush; Howard Esplund, of Palo Alto, state Foundation chairman; PGER Horace R. Wisely, a Foundation trustee, and Nelson E. W. Stuart, of Cleveland Lodge, executive director of the Foundation. During the evening, Brother Esplund received \$68,074 for the Foundation—making a total of \$134,708, or \$.77 per member, contributed so far by California and Hawaii lodges for the 1968-1969 term. Another banquet highlight was the presentation of \$21,000 from the Foundation for the association's major project.

**POSTERS URGING AID TO CRIPPLED CHILDREN** are displayed by young artists—winners of Point Pleasant, N.J., Lodge's poster contest, held in conjunction with the state association's campaign fund drive to benefit crippled children. The winners are: first prize, John Jansen; second prize and honorable mention (two entries), Sue Woodward; and third prize, Mary Van Schoick—all Point Pleasant Beach High School students; honorable mention: Sue Mac Fadyen, Manasquan High School; Ann Di Corcia, Point Pleasant Boro High School, and Robert Carpenter, Point Pleasant Beach High School. With them are lodge members: Ed Reilly, chairman; William Unstadter, crippled children chairman; Arthur Penrose, co-chairman, and PERs Thomas McLaughlin and Walter Meseroll.



**GRAND EXALTED RULER Edward W. McCabe** and other Elks leaders participate in the recent dedication of Gatlinburg, Tenn., Lodge's new \$177,000 home. Brother McCabe, himself a Tennessee Elk, had attended the institution of Gatlinburg Lodge in 1954. Pictured with him are: SP William D. Stanfill, Columbia; state Secy. John M. Smith, Oak Ridge; DDGER William R. Banks, Knoxville; PDD W. J. Neese, Paris, a Past State President; PDD Cecil H. White, Bristol, a Past State President; PER James C. Powers, Bristol, and PDD Clyde B. Webb, Athens. Approximately 150 members and their guests attended the memorable dedication ceremonies, which were followed by a banquet and dance.





**LITTLE LEAGUE CHAMPIONS**—members of the team sponsored by the Elks National Home, Bedford, Va.—observe as Buck Stanley, Bedford County recreational director, presents the trophy to team sponsor C. M. Stevens. Also taking part in the event are PGER John L. Walker, Coach Jack Toms, of Lancaster, Pa., PER Frank Stahl, a Home resident, and Virginia VP Doral E. Irvin, superintendent of the National Home.



**NEW YORK STATE PRESIDENT**—Dr. Leonard J. Bristol (standing, right), of Saranac Lake—and Mrs. Bristol (seated, third from right) receive a warm welcome at Cortland Lodge. Pictured with them at a party in their honor are (seated) DDGER and Mrs. Frank R. Blauvelt, Binghamton; Mrs. Ernest E. Southworth, and Secy. and Mrs. Joseph R. McGuire, and (standing) ER Ernest E. Southworth Jr; Miss Sally Howell, and Brother Charles Mullen, presiding justice of the subordinate forum of Cortland Lodge. The party preceded a dinner-dance hosted by the lodge to honor their distinguished guests.



**GRAND EXALTED RULER** Edward W. McCabe is welcomed to Sioux Falls, S.D., by distinguished South Dakota Elks: PGER Raymond C. Dobson; Sioux Falls ER Peter M. Purdy; the Rev. F. J. Andrews, Minot, a Special Deputy and former Grand Chaplain, and Grand Trustee Francis M. Smith, who is a member of Sioux Falls Lodge.



**OFFICIATING** at Livonia, Mich., Lodge's dedication of a bronze plaque and 40-ft. flag pole in honor of all Livonians killed in the Korean and Viet Nam conflicts are (from left) Brig. Gen. F. W. Radike, commanding general of Michigan's Emergency Operations Headquarters; Mayor Harvey W. Moelke; VP Harvey Dow Tunis Jr., a Livonia PER, and ER William J. Yates. Three youngsters look on.

**MIDDLEBORO, Massachusetts,** Elks get ready to enjoy a feast of real "beanhole beans." Pictured around the barbecue pit at the crucial moment of exhuming two large kettles of beans to feed the more than 150 persons gathered for the lodge's costume "Bangor Blast" are: Brothers John Jurgens, John Norris, Arthur Corrie, Edgar "Buck" Wilbur, and Exalted Ruler William MacLeod.



The happy recipients of Santa Maria, Calif., Lodge's 1968 rodeo funds—with PGER Horace R. Wisely, who was on hand for the annual presentations—display their checks.

worthwhile youth programs—quite a record for any lodge!

The rodeo idea was originated by one of the lodge's now deceased Past Exalted Rulers, Brother Russ Griffith, who persuaded the Elks to hold the first rodeo in 1944. To their delight, and surprise, the event, which had been planned for a loss, yielded a \$1,200 profit.

With that successful introduction, the project was launched. Today it grosses more than \$120,000 annually, enabling the lodge to contribute the substantial amount it does to youth programs in the Santa Maria area—between \$40,000 and \$50,000 each year, the record amount being \$53,000 in 1961.

In January of 1952 the Elks Recreation Foundation was incorporated to handle the project. The entire rodeo program has been expanded into a three-day event featuring a queen contest, "Beard-O-Reno" contest, booster buttons, dances, barbecues, and a parade.

Santa Maria Elks have good reason to be proud of their exceptionally fine role in aiding youth programs.

## Quite a Record!

SANTA MARIA, California, Elks recently distributed a total of \$50,819.20 to various youth and recreation programs in Santa Maria and surrounding communities. PGER Horace R. Wisely

was on hand for the presentation of the donations at the lodge's annual awards dinner—the culmination of the activities of the 25th Annual Elks Rodeo, sponsored by the Santa Maria Elks Recreation Foundation, Inc.

In 25 years Santa Maria Elks distributed funds totaling \$625,909 for various



**GARFIELD, New Jersey**, teenagers—winners of the local lodge's poster contest to aid the Elks' crippled children fund drive—display their work. Looking on are Garfield Lodge's Walter Sannik, chairman, and ER Albert Rymkewicz, and (far right) Miss Mary Provissiero, art instructor at Wallington High School. The winners, selected from among 35 contestants, are: Marcella La Corta, Garfield High School, second place; George Janowicz, Wallington High School, third place, and Linda Konefal, Wallington High School, first place. All posters submitted in the contest were put on display at local business establishments.



**REPRESENTATIVES** of the Pennsylvania Elks Association confer with GER Edward W. McCabe at the association offices in Mount Pleasant. Shown with Brother McCabe are Mrs. Irene Balazek, office secretary, and state Secy. and PSP Homer Huhn Jr., Mount Pleasant, PGER Lee A. Donaldson; and PSPs and PDDs James P. Ebersberger, Latrobe, administrator of the state major project; A. Lewis Heisey, Middletown, major project chairman, and Harry T. Kleeen, Oil City, the Pennsylvania Elks' major project director.



**MIDLAND, Michigan**, Elks complete a successful blood drive: 125 pints of blood were donated by lodge members and their wives. Shown with ER James F. Hampton and Dr. J. Owen Clarke, the Elks' Blood Bank chairman, are members of Midland Hospital staff, Ernie Wallace Memorial Blood Bank, and Diana Society, who all worked together to coordinate the drive.

**PAST DISTRICT DEPUTIES**, members of Waterville, Maine, Lodge, get together to honor the current District Deputy—Raymond R. Caouette, also a lodge member. The PDDs are Arthur J. Cratty, Ernest C. Simpson, Samuel Hillson, and Howard B. Ragsdale.





**WAKEFIELD, Massachusetts,** Lodge's Esq. Paul Barrasso and PSP Arthur D. Kochakian, Haverhill, smile for the camera as 30 blind students get ready to navigate, using Braille instructions, for sports car drivers in an annual rally sponsored by Wakefield Lodge in cooperation with Perkins Institute for the Blind and the Awanapowitt Sports Car Association.



**TENAFLY, New Jersey,** Lodge member—state Chap. George C. Frick, a PDD (second from left)—was honored by more than 150 Elks and their guests at a recent lodge testimonial dinner. Shown with Brother Frick are PGER William J. Jernick, ER E. Harry Kuntz, and PER Thomas B. Walsh.



**THE FORTY-NINE MEMBERS** of the largest class of initiates in the 70-year history of Alaska Elks' "Mother Lodge"—Juneau—get together for a photograph with the lodge officials. Seated next to ER Richard J. Jas is Alaska Secretary of State Keith H. Miller, a lodge member, who was speaker for the memorable initiation ceremony at Juneau Lodge.



**GREENVILLE, South Carolina,** Secy. C. John Collins (left) accepts the Grand Exalted Ruler's New Century Special Citation for furthering the growth of the Order, presented to him by ER Arch Wallace Jr. Offering congratulations is SP Henry F. Garvin Jr. (center), Charleston, in whose honor Greenville Lodge initiated a class of candidates.



**BERWICK, Pennsylvania,** Elks marked the 60th anniversary of their lodge with the initiation of this 16-member anniversary class, pictured with other lodge members. DDGER Harold B. Daubert, of Pottsville, was present.



**EPHRATA, Pennsylvania,** Lodge's float depicting the "Our Flag—Love it or Leave" theme, initiated by the GL Americanism Committee, inspired approximately 100,000 spectators in four area parades. The Elks of Ephrata were gratified by the heartwarming response.

## LODGE NOTES

**MADISON, S.D.** Lodge members worked long and hard to ensure a merry Christmas for lonely servicemen.

The Elks ran newspaper advertisements requesting names and addresses, as well as cards and gifts, for persons currently serving in the American armed forces—and offered to pay all postage costs for mailing cards and gifts donated. In addition, the lodge mailed a fruit cake to each of the 100 servicemen whose names and addresses were received.

**MONROVIA, Calif.** Members of the lodge believe that one of their Brothers, John N. Pecanic, may be the Order's youngest 28-year Elk. Brother Pecanic is now 49, having been initiated at the age of 21. Monrovia Elks would appreciate knowing if any other lodge can match or top this distinction.

**SANDUSKY, Ohio.** A special celebration at the lodge honored the appointment of Brother Daniel E. Hartung as North Central District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler.

Brother Hartung received his jewels of office from PDD James E. Ekleberry, Delaware, in the course of an evening which included dinner and dancing.

Guest speaker was PSP Carleton Riddle, Willard. A large number of Elks and their ladies from neighboring lodges were also in attendance.

**NEWARK, N.Y.** A junior bowling league—the John Heise Memorial Junior Bowling League—has been organized by the lodge for youths between the ages of 14 and 18. More than 50 boys participate in the eight-team league, which takes to the lanes on Saturday mornings.

**DALLAS, Tex.** A seven-year-old Farmersville boy—Richard Mark Herrin, who has never taken a step—has become one of the most recent recipients of the lodge's generosity. He has been admitted, under Dallas Lodge sponsorship, to the Texas Crippled Children's Hospital at Ottine, the state major project.

More than 1,000 young patients sponsored by lodges throughout the state have been treated at the hospital free of charge.

**BORDENTOWN, N.J.** Hardworking lodge members and their ladies devoted many hours to constructing a fine parade float honoring the Order.

Their efforts were repaid when the float was awarded first prize at the New Jersey association's convention, as well as first prize in the state's Southwest District for being the most original entry.

**PETERSBURG, Va.** A new elk's head will grace the lodge building, thanks to the efforts of Brother Ray Gould, who recently shot down a 971-lb. elk in Rio Arriba County, N.M.

The mounted elk's head will temporarily replace another, presented to the lodge in 1907, which was seriously damaged some time ago in a parade. The damaged original is slated to be restored and eventually returned to its former home.

**OTTAWA, Kan.** Exalted Ruler Millard R. Lewis recently had the pleasure of initiating his son James into the Order.

Brother Lewis had previously witnessed the initiation of another son, Robert, while serving as the lodge's Esteemed Lecturing Knight.

**WILLIMANTIC, Conn.** A special guest—GER Edward W. McCabe—joined lodge members in a recent tour of the Newington Children's Hospital, Connecticut Elks' major project.

The party was met and escorted throughout the hospital and its new addition, now under construction, by Surgeon-in-Chief Dr. Burr H. Curtis. Luncheon at the hospital concluded the Grand Exalted Ruler's visit.

**MASSILLON, Ohio.** Elks of Massillon and Altoona, Pa., Lodges were honored during half-time ceremonies at a recent high school football contest between the Massillon Tigers and Altoona Mountain Lions. Massillon High School's swing band spelled out "Elks" in giant letters while several musical selections were played.

**SAVANNAH, Ga.** The lodge reports many sightings about town of the "Our Flag—Love It or Leave" decal, designed by the GL Americanism Committee and distributed through the office of the Grand Secretary.

**SANFORD, Fla.** Brother Harold Kastner, a 39-year member of the lodge, recently presented Past District Deputy jewels to the lodge's three PDDs: F. E. Holmes, Al Coe, and Leo Butner.

**LYNBROOK, N.Y.** The lodge's charitable contributions throughout the years have now passed the \$300,000 mark, it was reported. In addition, the Elks have made special contributions of heart monitoring and pacemaker equipment to their city's three main hospitals—Mercy, South Nassau Communities, and St. Joseph's.



**HOLYOKE, Massachusetts,** Elks' observance of the 100th anniversary of the Order is attended by: (first row) Harold J. Field, Chief Justice of the Grand Forum, of Brookline Lodge, who was the guest speaker; Matthew T. Doherty, the oldest member present; SP Henry T. Flaherty, Clinton, and (second row) Dr. Joseph E. Cauley and Dr. Raymond E. Goddu, both PERs; ER John F. Mielke; Brother Maurice A. Donahue, president of the Massachusetts State Senate, and Holyoke Mayor William S. Taupier.



**BRIDGEPORT, Connecticut,** Lodge member—PDD Joseph Keller watches as handicapped children unable to walk work out during one of the lodge-sponsored swim meets. Transportation for the weekly sessions is provided by the Elks, headed by Brother Andrew Kratz, lodge youth activities chairman.



**THE 50th ANNIVERSARY** of Rockville, Conn., Lodge is highlighted by the initiation of this class of candidates, pictured with lodge officers and visiting Elks. Among them are (first row) ER Robert M. Moyer (fifth from left), flanked by DDGER James Bombaci, of Westbrook Lodge, and Grand Treasurer Edwin J. Maley, of New Haven Lodge; PSP Harrison Berube (left), and State Trustee Robert S. Lewis (right), both of New Haven.



**ILLINOIS ELKS'** Secy. Jack F. Sullivan, a PDD, is shown addressing a gathering of Elks and guests at a testimonial dinner given in his honor by his home Joliet Lodge. Among the notables present were Grand Est. Lead. Kt. Melville J. Junion, SP Robert T. Flynn of Sterling Lodge, and PSP John Meckles, Litchfield, the principal speaker for the evening affair.



**HOCKEY STICKS** are autographed for Pawtucket, R.I., area newspaperboys by several professional hockey players who entertained the more than 150 young carriers attending a National Newspaperboy Day celebration hosted by the local lodge. Shown with some of the boys and players is Pawtucket ER Albert P. Vaslet.



**MOUNT KISCO, New York**, ER Salvatore A. Adorno (background, right) looks on as two young sons of members—Jimmy Landry, 10, and Billy Fletcher, 12—try their hand at boxing on former world champion Carmen Basilio. Cheering them on is Steve Evanoff, coach of the U.S. Olympic wrestling team. The practice session took place at the lodge's Father and Son Dinner.

**GER EDWARD W. McCABE** and PGER William J. Jernick flank Atlantic City, N.J., ER F. Frederick Perone following the initiation of 100 new members into the lodge.



**SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico**, Elks greet SDGER Robert B. Cameron (second from left), of Holiday Isles, Fla., Lodge, upon his arrival at San Juan Lodge. They are PDD M. Murray Orinstein, Secy. and PER Rafael Bird Sr., and PDD Willis C. McDonald, New Orleans.



**VAN WERT, Ohio**, ER Ronald G. Sherer (center) and Trustees Chairman William E. Soldner turn over \$2,500 to Merl Knittle, president of the Van Wert Elks Cerebral Palsy Treatment Center Board. The center, operated by the lodge at Van Wert County Hospital, provides free treatment for cerebral palsy patients. Part of the money—\$1,100—was contributed by the Ohio Elks Association; the rest represents the proceeds of a dinner-dance.



**DOING HIS SHARE** in contributing to the growth of the Order is Waltham, Mass., Est. Loyal Kt. Anthony J. Mazzarini (background, right), who sponsored these new Elks: (front row) Richard Roy, Warren Judd, Harvey Chambers, Ronald Brown, Fred Scammon, and Charles Mansfield. With them are ER Daniel J. Cotton, DDGER Patrick J. Connolly, of Weymouth Lodge, and Esq. Alfred L. Kamp.  
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## The Trial

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client to that of a prizefighter. He thereupon made a motion for a change of venue on the ground that his client could not receive a fair trial in Cook County, where the press gave currency to such biased remarks about her. The motion was granted and the case transferred for trial to Waukegan, the seat of neighboring Lake County.

The town of Waukegan, Leonard Swett well knew, bowed to no community in the land in its reverence for Abraham Lincoln. Many of the residents had known Lincoln personally, and all had loved him. Consequently, the Messrs. Swett and Arnold were the objects of widespread hero-worship in Waukegan when they arrived there for the trial in February of 1869.

The evidence which the prosecutor, Charles H. Reed, presented against Mrs. Grier was simple and crushing. Rockey, the horse trainer, positively recognized the defendant, and the victim, now Mrs. Moss, identified Mrs. Grier by her voice and manner of walking, and by an oddly shaped ring the assailant had worn and which subsequently had been found in Mrs. Grier's possession.

In the meantime, the police had also traced to Mrs. Grier the ownership of a butcher's mallet such as the one which had been used as the weapon of attack. The motive of jealousy was established without much difficulty. Law students in attendance at the trial could see nothing in sight but a quick verdict of *guilty*.

The defense, which had been curiously quiet, began with what appeared to be a half-hearted attempt on Swett's part to establish an alibi for his client. Swett produced several witnesses who testified that during the hours preceding, during, and after the crime, Mrs. Grier had never been out of their company. The whole alibi story became something less than convincing, however, when upon cross-examination all the alibi witnesses were found to be close relatives of the accused woman.

The assistant prosecutor, D. D. Driscoll, summing up for the state, skipped briefly over the evidence and then plunged into an attack on the defense for bringing a parade of perjurers to the witness stand. Mr. Swett sat with his shaggy head bowed as he heard the harsh terms of his opponent's denouncement. But behind his mask of penitence he was anything but downcast.

Swett's associate, the benign Arnold, who had scarcely opened his mouth thus far, began the argument for the defense. As he stood before the jurors, he seemed to be gripped not by worry over the fate of Mrs. Grier but by con-

cern over his colleague, who was still sitting with his head bowed.

The faint outlines of what was in the offing began to show when Mr. Arnold sighed sadly and mentioned how sorry he was that the prosecution had seen fit to attack Mr. Swett. "The indirect reflection on myself," he said, "counts for naught, gentlemen. I have been hurt, yes, but I am an old man and I have not too long to live. What really pains me deep in my heart is that the reputation of that great man, Leonard Swett, that trusted servant of another great and exalted man, Abraham Lincoln, has been foully besmirched."

When Arnold finished his eulogy of Swett, during which he fought the Civil War over again, the jurors followed his gaze as he turned to contemplate his associate counsel. The sight of Mr. Swett, frozen in Lincolnesque sadness, was too much for Mr. Arnold to bear. He made an apologetic gesture to the court for being unable to go on, and slumped into a chair.

If ever a jury was visibly shaken by a plea that bore not the slightest relationship to the issue at hand, it was the jury in that crowded Waukegan courtroom.

Now it was Leonard Swett's turn to address the jury. He arose from his seat, clasped his hands Lincoln-wise behind his back, and walked slowly with lowered head toward the jury box. Swett's resemblance to Lincoln had never been more startling than it was this day. Here, apparently, stood a man far above mortal things and with nothing but compassion in his heart.

Swett remained with bowed head in front of the jurors for a dramatic interval. Then he looked up at them gravely. He wished to thank Mr. Arnold, he said, for his kind remarks—remarks, he feared, of which he was unworthy. Mr. Arnold it was, Mr. Swett pointed out, who truly represented the great Lincoln. "The man I am privileged to call my friend," said Mr. Swett, pointing to Mr. Arnold, "represents, more than any man living or dead, the mind and soul of our martyred President.

"When the prosecution casts suspicion on my colleague by casting suspicion on me," Mr. Swett said, "it casts suspicion on the memory of our murdered President. And to connect Abraham Lincoln with perjury is nothing short of blasphemy—blasphemy, gentlemen, *blasphemy*."

Mr. Swett went over the state witnesses, tearing them all apart, piece by piece, under the guise of outward charity. Then he began to speak of Mrs. Grier. Whatever thoughts the jurors might have had about the defendant underwent a decided change when her counsel was through eulogizing her. There was perhaps some con-

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by Lael J. Litke

Mother always said she understood horses better than Dad did, despite the fact that she had been a city girl most of her life and Dad had been born on the farm. She said the reason Old Dammit acted as he did was that Dad didn't love him.

"Love him," Dad yelled. "Who the hell says I have to love him?"

"Fred," admonished Mother, "watch your language." She nodded toward us children.

Dad waved his arms. "You'd think I mistreat my animals, the way you talk. I feed them and take care of them. Even Old Dammit. Who says I have to love them?"

"Feed them, he says," said Mother, addressing the geranium on the window sill, and Tom, Tootie, and I craned our necks to see to whom she was speaking. "He feeds them and thinks that's all it takes." She shook her head and turned to Dad. "You didn't even feed Old Dammit."

Dad's face was getting red. "That

was months ago," he yelled. "I've fed him ever since. Three meals a day. My best hay. Maybe you think I should stand and personally hand him each leaf?"

Mother merely compressed her lips and Dad stomped out of the house.

Mother knew Dad felt a little guilty about not having fed Old Dammit the afternoon he bought him. It was in the middle of haying time and Dad needed every horse he had. He owned three teams, but Queen, who worked with Roosevelt (named by Mother, who was a Republican) was demanding a maternity leave. When Volney Baker, the horse dealer, drove into the yard with a big bay horse in his truck, Dad bought him. He was a large, rather ugly animal, but he looked strong.

"He hasn't had a bite to eat since early this morning," said Volney before he drove off. "You'd better feed him before you hitch him up."

Dad was under pressure to get his hay in, since it looked like rain. "I'll feed him when we finish tonight," he said.

He unharnessed Queen and hitched

the new horse in her place. The big bay permitted himself to be harnessed, all the while gazing hungrily at the haystack just a few yards away.

Dad climbed into the hayrack and slapped the reins on the horses' backs. "Git up," he said.

Roosevelt, who had lunched on fresh hay at noontime, started off. Not so the bay. He bunched himself together and wouldn't move an inch. Roosevelt stopped, bewildered. Again he started forward. The bay backed up, stepping over a trace and grazing a shank.

Fuming, Dad got down, undid the trace, and shoved the horse back in place. When he bent down to hook up the trace, the big horse flicked his tail, slapping Dad right in the face.

"Dammit," yelled Dad. He possessed a very forceful vocabulary, developed over years of handling animals. Glaring at the bay horse, he used most of the words he knew.

The horse was impressed. When Dad returned to his perch on the hayrack and finished up with a fiery "Git up, dammit," the horse moved.

Of course it was inevitable that the name "Dammit" should stick. A few days later, when Aunt Marilla commented on the inappropriateness of such a name around children, Mother merely shrugged and said that she was relieved it wasn't one of his stronger words.

Old Dammit worked without further trouble that first afternoon, but from that day forward he seemed to hold a grudge. Hardly a day passed that he and Dad didn't come to blows. Dammit liked to take a big mouthful of water when he drank and then sneeze it in Dad's face. Sometimes he acted like an absolute imbecile, backing into his stall and then making a regular production of turning around in the narrow space. One of his favorite tricks was to wait until Dad was in his stall to harness or unharness him and then lean on him, pressing Dad against the slats dividing the stalls. Or he would suddenly pick up a big hoof and put it down on Dad's toe. He was tricky about it, though. If anyone was around watching, he would stand docile as a lamb, a benign look on his long, homely face. This infuriated Dad more than his misbehavior.

"He stands there as holy as the Angel Gabriel himself," Dad would say. "You'd never know he tried to kill me this morning." Dad threatened regularly to sell the horse, but he was an exceptionally good worker, when he could be persuaded to work, and Dad needed him.

It wasn't long after the day Mother told Dad he should love Old Dammit that she had a chance to prove her point. One morning Alvin Condie, who hauled the local milk into the city, backed his milk truck into a ditch in our yard and couldn't get it out. Dad told him he had a team that could pull the truck out without unloading all the cans of milk. He hitched Old Dammit and Roosevelt to the truck, and with a resounding "Hyah!" and "Ho, there!" urged them forward.

Old Dammit craned his long neck around, peered at the enormous truck, and went on strike.

"Hyah!" Dad roared. "Git up, Dammit."

Old Dammit didn't 'git up.' He sat down. In doing so he got a back leg tangled in Roosevelt's traces causing that conscientious and harassed horse to dance with fright when he found three legs where only two should be.

Dad and Alvin Condie filled the summer air with compelling words. Mother,

alarmed by the commotion, came running out of the house.

"No wonder he won't pull," she said. "You've scared him half to death. Poor soul." She walked up and patted Old Dammit on the nose. "Nice big horsey," she said.

"Watch out," Dad said. "The old buzzard will probably stomp you to death."

"Ha!" scoffed Mother. "He wouldn't hurt a fly." She reached up and rubbed the top of his head.

Old Dammit pricked his ears forward and looked at her. She stroked his face and patted his beefy chest. "Such a handsome horsey," she cooed.

Dad watched in fascination. "She doesn't talk to me like that," he told Alvin.

"Nice Old Dammit," Mother said. She frowned. "I'm going to call him Dudley. It hurts his feelings to be called Dammit."

Alvin flicked a thumb at Mother. "She's been workin' in the sun too long?" "No," said Dad. "That's just the way she is."

"Oh," Alvin said sympathetically.

"Now, Dudley," Mother said, holding the horse's face between her hands and looking straight into his right eye. "You know you can pull that truck out. All you have to do is try."

Old Dammit looked around at the truck and groaned softly.

"Of course you can," Mother said. "Look at those wonderful muscles." She

ran her hands along his neck and down his legs.

Old Dammit moved a step forward. Tootie, who was standing with Tom and me, began to cry. "Is he going to stomp her to death?" she whispered.

"I don't think so," Tom said, without certainty.

Old Dammit just wanted to get closer to Mother so he could lay his head on her shoulder. He whickered softly, deep in his chest.

Mother stepped over to pat Roosevelt and assure him that he was handsome, too, then took hold of the bridles of both horses.

"Come on, now," she said. "Pull." Gently she pulled on the bridles. The two horses settled into their collars and pulled. The truck's back wheels came out of the muddy ditch with a sucking sound.

"Wonderful," praised Mother. "Whoa."

The horses, full of pride in their accomplishment, didn't want to stop. They demonstrated their strength to Mother by pulling the truck all over the yard before she got them stopped. Puffing from his exertion, Old Dammit laid his head against Mother's shoulder and gazed at her face.

Dad removed his battered hat and scratched his head. "How about that?" he said. "Maybe she's right." He scratched roughly at his ear. "Nice Old Dammit," he said gruffly.

Old Dammit removed his head from Mother's shoulder, bared his teeth, and nipped Dad's arm. At the same time he planted a big hoof on Dad's toe.

Dad swore until the air vibrated. "I'll get the best of him yet," he roared. "You just wait and see."

Things were even worse after that. Old Dammit had fallen madly in love with Mother and became even more stubborn with Dad. He refused to pass the house on his way to or from the field without seeing Mother. If she didn't come to the window or door and call or wave to him, he stopped short and wouldn't move, no matter what boiling stream of invective Dad poured upon him. Dad was not a man who believed in beating animals, but he finally took to using a willow switch on Old Dammit's back. Even that couldn't make the horse move. He would flinch, but stand firm, all the while conveying his love for Mother by soft nickers and whinnies.

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## Lodge Visits of Edward W. McCabe



GER Edward W. McCabe greets ER Don Wilfong of Angola Indiana Lodge at the Annual Fall Meeting held in Indianapolis last fall. Looking on are Charles P. Bender, former member of the ritualistic committee, and PGER Fred L. Bohn.



Conneaut, Ohio Lodge was honored by a visit from GER and Mrs. Edward W. McCabe in honor of the lodges 75th Anniversary. Enjoying a brief pause during the festivities with the Grand Exalted Ruler and his wife are: ER and Mrs. Donald W. Peterson.

In an informative and inspiring address following a banquet given in his honor by Point Pleasant, N.J. Lodge GER Edward W. McCabe commented on the past role, objectives, programs and growth of Elkdom; and it's current and future plans.



Ephrata, Pa., entertained GER Edward W. McCabe and his traveling companions during their recent tour through the Pennsylvania Dutch Country. Pausing here are lodge officers and their guests; Tiler Jacob L. Mowrey, Esq., Stanley A. Radzay, Trustee Walter B. Demmy, ER J. Harold Summers, Est. Lead. Kt., Alfred W. Kurtz, PSP Earl W. Kunsman, Brother McCabe, SP Nicholas P. Chacona, PGER Lee A. Donaldson, and PER John A. Jackson.



Littleton, N.H. Lodge held a reception followed by dinner in honor of GER Edward W. McCabe's visit and attended by approximately 200 persons including representatives of all 17 Elks Lodges in New Hampshire. Welcoming Brother McCabe in the photo above are, SP John Hughes of Concord, PGER John Fenton of Lawrence, Mass., ER Richard Streeter, DDGER Robert L. Topping, and SDGER Edward A. Spry. Following dinner Brother McCabe brought the group up to date on Elks activities and programs that he has planned for the year.

A class of 66 candidates was initiated in honor of GER Edward W. McCabe's recent visit to Nutley, N.J., Lodge. Seated in the foreground are PGER William J. Jermick, Brother McCabe, and ER Joseph Addio. Circled around the class in the background are visiting Grand and State Lodge officers. The initiation followed a dinner presented for the group.



The above photograph was taken during GER Edward W. McCabe's visit to the Pulaski, Va., Lodge. Enjoying the informal gathering above are, PGER John L. Walker, ER William B. Sanders, Tiler C. C. Owens, GL Judiciary Committeeman Alex M. Hamman, Brother McCabe, and Est. Loyal Kt. John M. Faddis.



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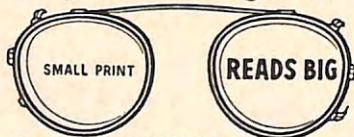
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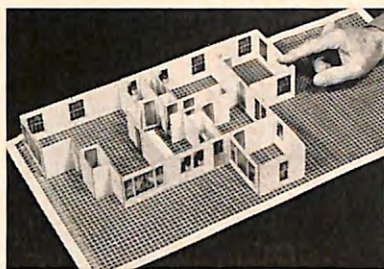
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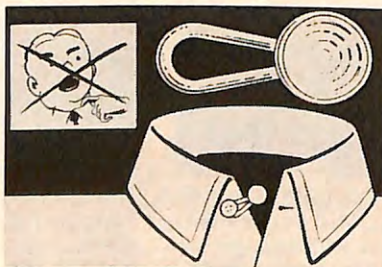
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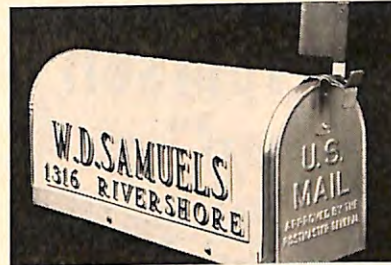


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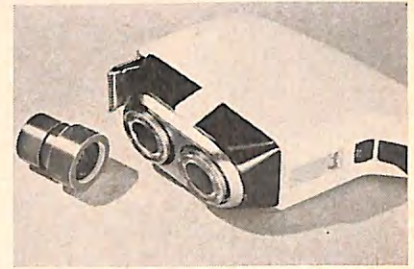
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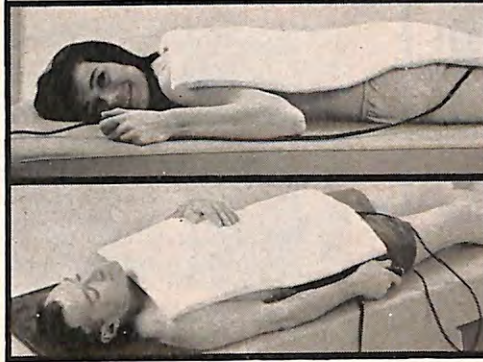
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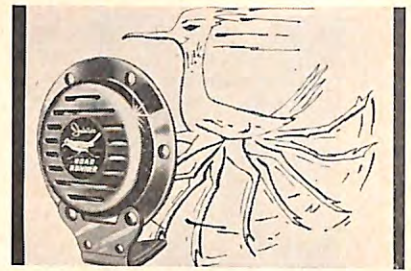
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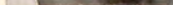
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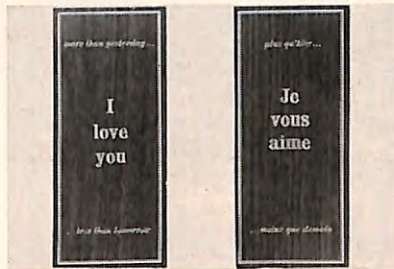
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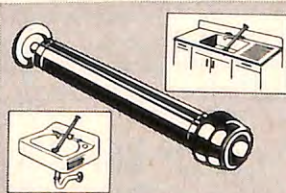
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The concept of "growth-oriented management" is definitely one big-business idea that can effectively be applied by small businesses. While GM did not start out as a small business, plenty of others have. Ling-Temco-Vought, Inc., is a multi-billion-dollar enterprise today, but its founder, James Ling, started in business in 1946 as an electrical contractor with only \$3,000 in capital. And just after World War II, the big Japanese firm, Sony, was launched with what was the U.S. equivalent of only \$500. In 1958, five California men put together \$25,000 in capital and opened a pancake restaurant. In the mid-1960's, thanks largely to some heavy growth-financing by one of America's largest insurance companies, that original one-location pancake-restaurant business had grown into a large franchising operation, with each new location costing about \$200,000 to set up.

You may ask—"Aren't all businesses growth oriented? We all want to increase sales." First, sales and growth aren't always synonymous. Second, some small businessmen want to stay small. "I'm happy just making a living" . . . "I don't want to get any bigger—too many headaches" . . . "Sure, I could probably make my business at least twice the size it is now, but then I'd end up sitting behind a desk." Growth-oriented business-management is not for every small businessman.

But it can have tremendous advantages for those who do. First is *safety*. A business that's steadily growing in the right way gets stronger and stronger. Contrast that with the many small businesses that year after year exist precari-

ously—leaving their owners and their families insecure. Why take the risk?

It's clear too that the status, the personal net worth, and the freedom that growth-oriented businessmen can expect to achieve will exceed that of the owner of a "start-small-and-stay-small" company. It's true that the successful growth-oriented businessman usually doesn't *want* to retire comfortably long before most men do—but he's likely to be *able* to, and his realization of that can give him a sense of freedom that the typical less successful small businessman never enjoys.

As for those who want it, what is the strategy of business growth? First is clarity of goals. Asked what business he's in, one man will say, "The retail-furniture business," another will say, "The restaurant business." But the men who manage both successful large companies and prosperous small ones take this view: "We're in the money-making business."

From a financial point of view, a "business" boils down to two things—profits and assets. That's all there is, there isn't any more. In a giant company like Sears, thousands of salesmen quite naturally think wholly in terms of making sales and of getting their commissions, but at the top the huge figures that represent "sales income" each year also represent a huge amount of solid accounts receivable, potential business-expansion capital, and investment capital. Back in the 1930s, Sears decided to invest a small amount of money in a new line. So it started up its "Department 709"—which happens to be Allstate Insurance Company (a wholly owned Sears subsidiary). Few more productive financial investments have ever been made.

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*Emphasize Employee Training and Incentive.* Even in many large companies employee training is astoundingly poor, and the blame for this lies squarely on management. And what about employee incentive? Profit-sharing programs have often worked well. Why not consult professional personnel specialists on this?

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## For Elks Who Travel



# VIENNA

By JERRY HULSE

**SOMEBODY** once described Vienna as bittersweet, and so it is—a gilt-edged wedding cake almost too rich to digest. You're not quite sure whether to laugh or cry, for it inspires both emotions: happiness and a certain melancholy. Like a beautiful woman, it's all richly complex.

Once the home of Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert, Brahms, and Strauss, it's mainly a city of music, with melodies gay and others sober. After you're hooked it makes little difference. When the city broods, as it does on occasion, it is due perhaps to the closeness of the Iron Curtain. Budapest is but 175 miles to the east. Prague is 200 miles to the north. Sometimes tourists go to these places, but they hurry back to Vienna. It is the difference between defeat, hopelessness, and faith, and during the years Vienna has known all of these.

Twice it was attacked by the Turks and twice occupied by the French. Napoleon hung his hat at Schönbrunn during the early 1800s and Hitler came in 1938. During the war Vienna was bombed 53 times.

At the turn of the century Vienna was alive and gay—a gaiety smothered by the Nazis and restored upon their departure. The Viennese know the sweetness of happiness and the bitterness of tragedy. Mozart wrote his own requiem there while dying at 35. Music halls are filled with Schubert's melancholy melodies. Between wars Vienna comes excitingly alive. It lives for the moment at hand because—who knows?—there may be few such moments left.

For 10 years after the war, occupation troops remained. The U.S., the British, the Russians, and the French.

Every coffeehouse was patronized by a James Bond. Vienna was spy-ridden and terribly exciting. There were Czech spies and Hungarian spies, Russian spies and American spies, not to mention the agents of the British and French. Practically everyone spied on somebody. There were more trench coats on the streets of Vienna than umbrellas in a London rainstorm. Official estimates placed paid agents at around 10,000 James Bond types. A nightclub which the Nazis had haunted became unofficial headquarters of the Russians. There were both performers and informers. A pretty girl was like a melody—a Russian refrain, that is.

Occupation troops filled the historical homes and palaces of the Hapsburg emperors. They set up headquarters in the great hotels of Vienna. The one where I stayed recently, the Im-

perial—the former palace of the archduke of Württemberg—housed the Russians. Hitler and Mussolini came during the war and afterward Khrushchev went there to meet with J.F.K. Long before this, Richard Wagner lived at the Imperial. The Russians left it a shambles, but Vienna dies hard. Today the Imperial is the city's finest hotel and possibly the finest in all of Europe, the service impeccable. A night's lodging ranges from \$18 to \$100 and is worth every penny.

Opposite the State Opera House stands the elegant old Sacher, the setting both of novels and films, a hotel second only to the Imperial. It is a living museum that contains more than 1,500 paintings, sculptures by Donatello and the famous tablecloth on which Madame Sacher embroidered the autographs of more than 450 guests, among them Franz Josef, emperor of Austria. Archdukes who disdained publicity rendezvoused with their courtesans in small, intimate dining rooms at the Sacher. Madame Anna Sacher puffed away on her cigar and turned her head, promising everyone utter privacy. These snug rooms with their flocked walls are still available at the dinner hour. One, a one-table affair, will set the erstwhile Romeo back only the price of dinner—about \$10 plus the wine. Crystal chandeliers glitter overhead and candles flicker at the table. If someone doesn't get romantic here, not even Mozart could help. In case you stay the night, the cheapest single goes for \$16, a double for \$22. Old Madame Sacher looks down sternly from a portrait behind the Red Bar at richly-gowned ladies sipping Campari. It is fashionable to take an aper-

itif at the Sacher before curtain time at the State Opera House across the street. A kiosk in the lobby lists the concerts and operas.

For the tourist seeking a palace rather than a hotel, there is Hotel Palais Schwarzenberg. A palace it is, built in the 17th century and now a national monument. There is a countess for a landlady, Countess Johanna Khuen, who offers lodging from \$12 single and \$16 double, including breakfast. Outside, the garden is filled with statues, while inside, guests gather of an evening before a huge fireplace. The countess has apartments at \$32 a day, or if you choose to stay the month the rent runs \$480. As for Countess Johanna, she was born in Prague, reared in Yugoslavia and found herself destitute at the end of World War II, the family fortune gone. After this she traded her title for a mop to become a modern day Cinderella working as a chambermaid in Salzburg and later scrubbing floors in Lausanne. Now, naturally, all Cinderellas have a dream. Hers is not of a prince or another palace. Not at all. Her greatest hope is someday to own her own hotel. She's tired of scrubbing the palace.

These days the Viennese aren't waltzing so much. To tell the truth it's nearly impossible to find even a zither player, although one strums Strauss in the Sacher Hotel. But she plays only in a small, intimate dining room with only three tables. It's expensive, but worth it. The trouble with the Viennese is that they're too busy for such pleasures anymore. A sign of the times is what's happening to that wonderful old emporium, the coffeehouse. The old-fashioned coffeehouse with its great high ceilings,

gilded mirrors, and marble-topped tables may be headed for oblivion. It is being replaced everywhere by fast espresso bars.

It's a pity. Time was when students studied, writers wrote, lawyers even conducted business at their favorite coffeehouse. The coffeehouse was founded originally in 1683, soon after Vienna was sacked by the Turks. For more than two centuries much of the social life revolved around a cup of mud. Families met in the evenings to play chess. Guests were entertained. Indeed, even marriages and births were celebrated in these mahogany-encrusted emporiums. You paid rather dearly for your first coffee *mit schlagg*. But for what you got it was cheap. After this you could spend the rest of the day or evening at your table, reading newspapers which were provided free, playing chess, meeting friends. One writer gave his address as "Vienna 1, Cafe Central." He used it as a personal mail pickup. Old-timers point sadly to the Cafe Louvre. During the late '20s and early '30s it was haunted by newspapermen from around the world.

While Vienna remains the city of music, it's not all Schubert and Strauss. Just the other night I took a table in Vienna's oldest restaurant, the 400-year-old Griechenbeisl. I had expected maybe the Viennese waltz? Ridiculous. The gent at the piano was playing "Hello, Dolly" instead. If that seems shameful, what of the rock melodies coming from Cafe Mozart? It is likely that the bistros are playing for the tourists while the longhairs play for the Viennese. They dig Beethoven and Brahms, Mozart, Schubert and Strauss, those sons



Left, the gardens of Schoenbrunn Castle, in Vienna. Below, a local Fräulein views the beautiful Belvedere Castle.





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of old Vienna. In the fall and winter the Viennese turn their attention to concerts and opera. As witness their devotion, dozens more statues of fiddle players than of soldiers serve as pigeon roosts along Vienna's graceful avenues. This time of year everybody slips off to the opera. If you can't afford a seat you buy standing room. Sometimes a particularly long opera gets started at five o'clock in the afternoon. By the last curtain those standing may have fallen arches.

Vienna's opera house is five tiers of gilt and glitter, the first major building rebuilt after the war. Attending the formal reopening was Wolfgang Wagner, grandson of the famous composer. Viennese queued up for standing-room tickets days ahead. Every seat was reserved weeks before this. The best was bid at \$200. It was a reincarnation from the rubble of war. On a foggy night an American flier mistook the opera house for a railroad station. It was a \$10 million error, the cost of its reconstruction. Even with the huge audiences, though, the four government-subsidized concert and opera halls operate at a loss. A loss? It's a financial migraine. Their total loss on an average night is \$40,000. This while playing to packed houses. When I asked why, the man from the tourist office merely shrugged and pointed to a payroll numbering 2,000 employees. It makes the Austrian State Theatre Administration the world's biggest stage enterprise. It's also the country's biggest financial boondoggle.

Like the Opera House, St. Stephen's Cathedral was shelled in World War II, its bell, the historic old "Boomer," crashing from the Cathedral's flaming steeple. A new bell, created of the remains, tolls again while reconstruction continues these 23 years later. Meanwhile, inside the 700-year-old church, the clergy, tired of answering all the questions, have traced its history with telephone recordings. Some wag with us dubbed it "Dial-a-Prayer". Along with services at St. Stephen's, the Sunday rubberneck ritual includes a Sabbath concert by the Vienna Boys Choir and a gallery seat at the 400-year-old Spanish Riding School. If Rover deserves a bone for leaping through a hoop, what of the white stallions tiptoeing in the ballet? It is the world's snootiest horse opera, performed in an auditorium complete with chandeliers and orchestra. It makes the show at Santa Anita dreary beyond words. The formal name is the *Haute Ecole de Equitation*, which simply means a school where horses pirouette and perform and capriole. This is a neat trick in which the nag leaps entirely off the ground, kicking out his hind legs in a snappy salute. Are you ready for that, Rover?

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DDGER James Price of Mahwah, N.J. Lodge presents a Century Club certificate to ER Warren Wolfanger of Park Ridge, N.J., Lodge during the recent initiation of 16 new members to the lodge. Other members present were Est. Lect. Kt. John Nordham, Est. Lead. Kt. Bernard Nicolosi, Esq. William Holland, PDD Norman Stalter, Brothers Price and Wolfanger, Secy. Albert Skoglund, and Brother James Sappah.



Est. Loyal Kt. Thurman M. Evans of Delaware, Ohio Lodge presents a check in the amount of \$1,500 to Miss Mary Frances Focke director-therapist of the Delaware Speech and Hearing Center. The check is being given to the center to expand its services to persons affected by cerebral palsy. Brother Evans is representing the Elks Cerebral Palsy Training Board in Columbus.



Brother Henry Mintz, second from the left, of Brooklyn, N.Y. Lodge presents a check for \$1,000 to the National Foundation. Accepting the check on behalf of the Foundation from Brother Mintz is Brother Charles Dardis. Also present are Secy. Brother Vincent J. Giganti, and ER Frank T. Geoly.



# THEY NEVER HAD IT SO GOOD

Typical of the carefree residents at the Smithsonian Institution's National Zoological Park, Washington, D.C., are orangutan Jennie and her young son Aljen.



Two eager young explorers study one of many directional maps outlining the park's numerous exhibits. The plexiglas-mounted maps have proved invaluable to zoo visitors for traversing the more than eight miles of walks which lead to the attractions.

NOBODY'S SURE HOW NOAH managed his remarkable menagerie on the Ark but his care-and-feeding problems had to be formidable. Perhaps those housekeeping posers deterred the zoological movement. At any rate, it wasn't until 1804, when *Jardin des Plantes* was opened in Paris, that man assembled a large-scale collection of live, wild animals for the public.

That first permanent exhibit launched the modern zoo. Today's city child may never see any creature but an alley cat in its natural habitat but he can sense the dangers of the African jungle or visualize the white wastes of the Arctic by visiting a large zoo, especially the National Zoological Park in Washington, D.C.

Housekeeping problems, always present, have been multiplied by an influx of rare specimens never before kept in captivity. And they are further increased by the growing number of visitors, now enjoying more leisure than ever before.

Safety is a constant challenge. Animals must be protected from visitors, visitors from animals. Animals must further be protected from other animals. First aid stations and police patrols, essential zoo adjuncts, bespeak the human element.

Sensitivity to the individual needs of each zoo creature extends to diet, sanitation, health, recreation, and, with newcomers, conditioning them to seeing large numbers of human beings. Results are noteworthy: zoo animals outlive and often outproduce "free" animals which must combat weather, hunger, beasts of prey and hunters. It is a matter of record that most zoo animals that escape ultimately make their way back to their own cages, voluntarily.

The National Zoo, part of the Smithsonian Institution, typifies the best in intelligent management. The photographs were made through the courtesy and cooperation of the director, Dr. Theodore H. Reed.





A wary jaguar, largest and most ferocious cat in the Western Hemisphere, waits for his daily 10 to 15 pounds of meat. Jaguars are suspicious of visitors at mealtime and resent their presence, according to zookeepers.

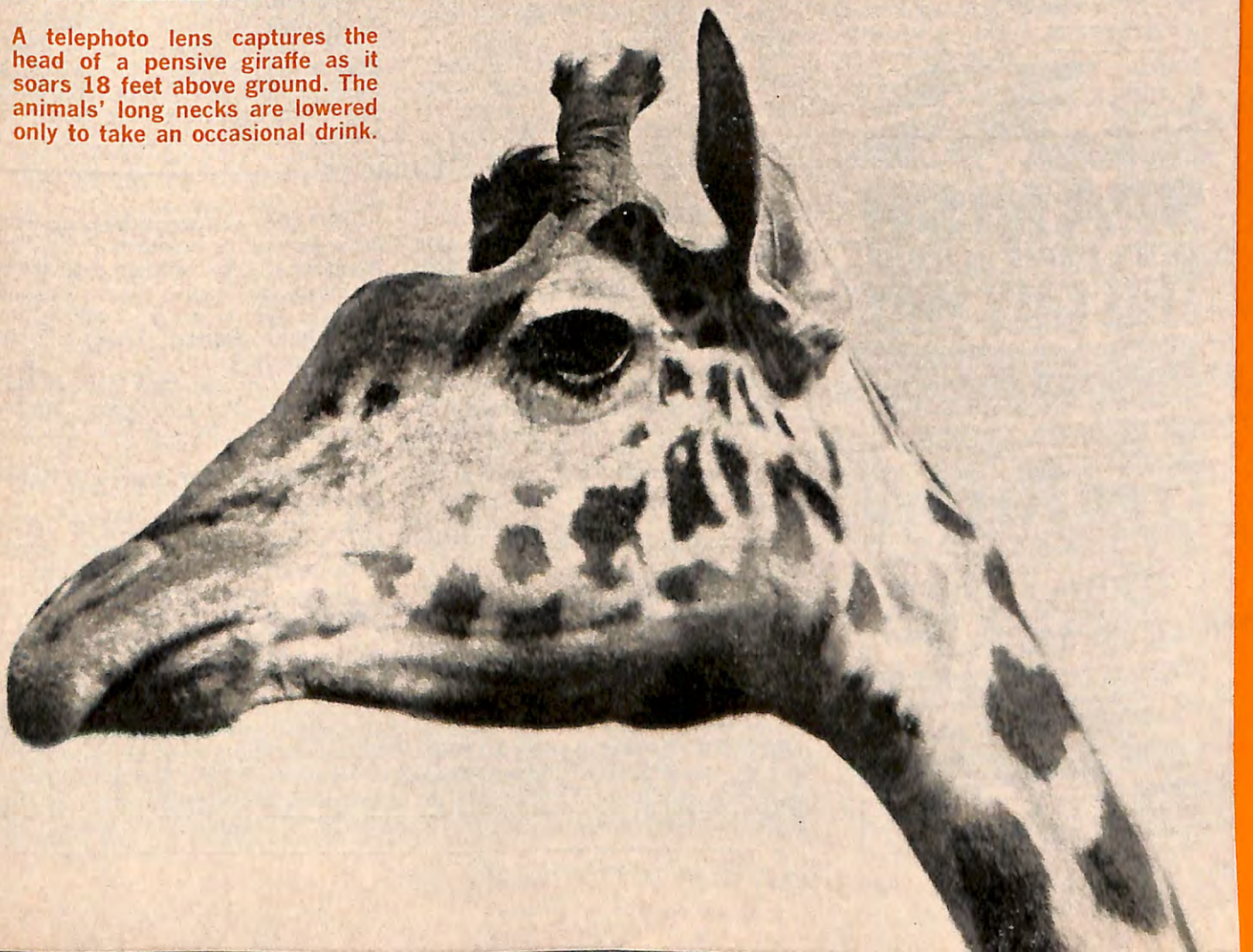


An American eagle views the park from a lofty perch in one of several flight cages. This fine specimen has been saved from the extinction that threatens its brothers—many hunters have unknowingly shot young birds whose heads had not yet turned their characteristic white.



A "master beggar"—one of the National Zoo's perennially popular bears—assumes a confident but watchful pose while waiting for the goodies that are sure to come. Bears typically possess great showmanship, and enjoy performing.

A telephoto lens captures the head of a pensive giraffe as it soars 18 feet above ground. The animals' long necks are lowered only to take an occasional drink.



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## Old Dammit

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The feud between Dad and Old Dammit came to a climax on a day in early May. Dad had been trying to plow the field next to the house and Old Dammit had aggravated him all day by stopping at the end of each furrow to whinny for Mother. Since Mother could hardly stand by the window waving all day, Dad found he was spending more time cursing the horse than in actual plowing. Roosevelt, too, was becoming demoralized all the time Dad decided he'd have to replace Old Dammit with Queen, who now had a frisky colt.

We saw Dad head the horses toward the barn, and the next thing we knew he came stomping into the kitchen fairly trembling with rage. He marched to the telephone and shouted, "Gimme the fox farm" to the startled operator.

Mother came running. "Fred, what's the matter? Is one of the horses sick?"

"Hullo, Dave?" Dad yelled into the phone. "This is Fred Clawson. I got a worthless horse you can have for fox meat if you'll come get him right now." He banged down the receiver.

Mother grabbed his arm. "What's the matter, Fred?"

"What's the matter?" hollered Dad. "That damn horse is the matter, that's what's the matter."

"Now calm down," Mother said. "What did he do that's so bad?"

"What did he do that's so bad?" yelled Dad. "I'll tell you what he did that's so bad."

In a voice that trembled, he told her. "I was unharnessing him, see? The strap under his belly got tangled up and I was crawling underneath to fix it when he—when he . . ." Words failed Dad. Speechless he displayed to Mother a very damp shoulder.

"That's what he did that's so bad," Dad finished weakly.

"You were just there at an inopportune moment," Mother said. "He didn't mean it."

"Didn't mean it?" yelled Dad. "You can't tell me he didn't mean it." He turned toward the woodbox in the corner. "She thinks he didn't mean it," he said.

"Well, you can't just sell him for fox meat," Mother said.

"She says I can't sell him for fox meat," Dad told the woodbox. "But I can. And I will."

None of us thought he would really do it until Dave Harmon's truck drove into our yard and Dad brought Old Dammit.

Tom looked pale, and Tootie and I started wailing, which brought Aunt Marilla's kids, Ralph and Utahna, and the Curtis kids from up the road. All of us stood there and wept, even the Curtis kids' cousin Eldon who didn't even know Old Dammit.

"You can't just load him up in front of all the kids," Mother said.

Dad just kept yanking Old Dammit up the ramp of the fox farm truck.

Old Dammit was not going like a lamb to his slaughter. He balked, he whinnied, and he rolled his eyes in ter-

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## Obituaries

A **DISTINGUISHED CAREER** in the Grand Lodge came to a close with the death on Nov. 11 of Brother John C. Cochran, a PER of Toledo, Ohio, Lodge.

Brother Cochran began his many years of Grand Lodge service as a member of the GL Lodge Activities Committee for 1938-1939. He next served as a member of the GL Judiciary Committee for 1947-1952 inclusive, and as committee chairman for 1952-1953. His most recent post, that of Chief Justice of the Grand Forum for 1958-1959, followed four terms as a member of the Grand Forum, for the lodge years from 1954 to 1958.

**PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY** William Woods Milks, a member of Bradford, Pa., Lodge, died Oct. 17.

Brother Milks joined the Order June 12, 1940, as a member of Bradford Lodge, and served as Exalted Ruler for 1952-1953. He was appointed District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of Pennsylvania's Northwest District for the 1954-1955 lodge year.

PDD Milks also served his home lodge for many years as president of the PERs Association, Elks National Foundation chairman, and finance committee chairman for the lodge scholarship fund, which he inaugurated during his reign as Exalted Ruler.

Survivors include his widow, Irene; a son, William Jr.; a daughter, Martha; three grandsons; two sisters, and an aunt.

**PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY** Andrew J. Kessinger, 90, died Dec. 3.

A charter member of Silver Spring, Md., Lodge, Brother Kessinger served as the lodge's second Exalted Ruler.

He was appointed District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of Maryland, Delaware, and the District of Columbia for the 1950-1951 lodge year.

Long active in youth activities, he organized the popular Elks Boys and Girls Band, which won many honors throughout the state of Maryland.

Members of Silver Spring Lodge conferred an Honorary Membership upon Brother Kessinger in 1957.



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There's camping and there's camping. Personally, my favorite kind involves camping as a means to an end—and that end is usually fishing. And my favorite place for a unique kind of camping-fishing is the Canada-Minnesota border wilderness area that includes the Quetico and Superior National Forests.

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Best fishing in this region is for walleyes, smallmouth bass and northerns. My personal favorite for sport is the smallmouth. These great fighters were artificially stocked in some of the border lakes about 50 years ago and they took to the region like rabbits took to Australia! I've taken quite a few over five pounds from this area and Basswood Lake on the border is my favorite spot. (To pinpoint it further, there's a place called Back Bay that really produces some lunker smallmouth.)

For eating, of course, you can't beat the walleye. We usually catch

enough each morning when canoe camping in the area to provide us with a delicious shore lunch at mid-day. The northern is another great game fish—too often ignored or put down by anglers who call him "snake," "jack" or "hammer handle." This is a great sport fish—especially when taken on light tackle or fly equipment. Northern abounds in the border lakes and rivers and some really big monsters are taken every year—over 20 pounds.

I might mention my favorite canoe country lures for the various species. For smallmouth, best of all in rocky bottom areas is the common bucktail leadhead jig, in red and white. Or use a gold spoon. For walleyes, yellow bucktail jigs or gold spinner lures. For northerns, the ever popular red-and-white spoon or a gold one. For extra fun try northerns on topwater plugs or poppers, and use a frog finish.

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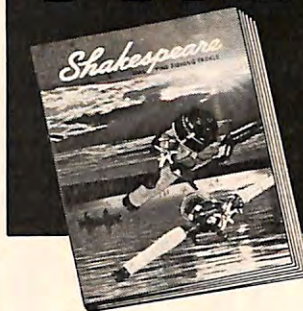
3. Keep your equipment to a comfortable minimum. Canoes will hold a lot of gear but don't overload. Take just one or two fishing outfits and a modest size tackle box, for example.

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ror. He looked pleadingly at Mother.

Mother was overcome. "You can't do this," she yelled. "Fred Clawson, if you send that horse off, you can send me, too."

Dad was sweating with the effort of moving Old Dammit. "Get up in the truck then," he said.

"No, Ma, no," wept Tootie.

Mother put her arm around Tootie. "I won't," she said soothingly.

As the truck drove away, Old Dammit thrust his head over the tailgate and gave a final, agonized whinny.

"I hope he's proud of himself," Mother said, addressing the weeping willow tree nearby. "Letting a poor dumb animal get the best of him."

She turned to Dad. "I hope you never forget the look on his face," she said before walking swiftly into the house.

Dad watched her go, and then looked down at our accusing, tear-streaked faces. He looked at the rapidly disappearing truck and then back at the house. Suddenly he ran to our old Ford, jumped in, gunned the motor and sped off down the road. It wasn't long until he returned, driving slowly, with Old Dammit tied to the rear of the Ford.

We yelled to Mother, who came out to welcome them home.

"Dudley," she cried, throwing her arms around Old Dammit's neck.

The horse trembled and rolled his eyes.

Dad climbed out of the Ford and came back to untie the horse. "I hope you're satisfied," he said. "I had to give back the ten dollars and pay Dave an extra five for making the trip."

"I'm so glad you brought him back," Mother said. "Look at him. He'll be sweet as a kitten from now on."

Dad scratched Old Dammit's neck. "I'm not going to let any horse get the best of me," he muttered. "We're friends now, eh Dammit?"

The big horse stopped shaking as Dad touched him. With an almost imperceptible movement he lifted a big foot and planted it firmly on Dad's toe.

Dad's face got red as he built up steam.

Mother kicked Old Dammit's ankle until he removed his hoof from Dad's foot. He nickered softly to her.

Dad took a deep breath.

"Now Fred," cautioned Mother. "You're not going to let a horse get the best of you."

Dad released his breath in a whooshing explosion. "All right, all right," he yelled. He yanked Old Dammit's bridle. "Come on, Old . . ."

Mother interrupted. "Dudley," she said.

Dad sighed. "Dudley," he repeated meekly, leading the big bay off toward the barn.



**DOING THE HONORS** at groundbreaking ceremonies for New Milford, N.J., Elks' future lodge building is Past Grand Trustee Joseph F. Bader, a member of Lyndhurst, N.J., Lodge. Observing Brother Bader's technique are ER Frank J. Violante (left) and Brother Rafael Ortiz, the lodge's building committee chairman.



**A DREAM COMES TRUE** for 11-year-old Johnny Gosper, as Arlington, Mass., ER John "Rab" Riley (left) presents plane tickets and reservations for a week's visit to California and especially to Disneyland for Johnny and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gosper Sr. Also shown with Johnny, who is suffering from a very rare and incurable blood disease, are his aunt, Mrs. Arthur Bent; Brother James Coffey; his mother, and sisters Carol and Patricia.

**ONE ELK'S FAMILY** holds a "reunion" for the camera, as Brother Albert G. Gauvin (second from right), a life member of Pawtucket, R.I., Lodge, poses with his three sons—Henry, Richard, and Raymond Gauvin. Henry and Raymond are Pawtucket Elks; Richard is a member of Long Beach, Calif., Lodge.



**PLANTATION, Florida**, Elks recently initiated this class of candidates, the largest in the lodge's history. The class was named in honor of DDGER James P. Murphy, a member of Delray Beach Lodge, upon the occasion of his official visit.



**ENJOYING THE FESTIVITIES** at Hillside, N.J., Lodge's recent masquerade party-dance are some of the 150 Elks and their guests who attended the affair. Refreshments were served and prizes awarded for the funniest and most original costumes. Chap. Henry Goldhor served as committee chairman for the event.



**200 NEWSPAPERBOYS** of the greater Pittston, Pa., area enjoy an evening of fun at Pittston Lodge. Many parents attended the gathering in honor of the young carriers; circulation managers and editors of seven area newspapers were also on hand.



**FOUR NEW EAGLE SCOUTS** display flags and certificates of merit presented to them in a recent district Court of Honor hosted by Kinston, N.C., Lodge. With the scouts after the ceremony: Brother A. J. Crane, GL Americanism committee member and a member of Kinston Lodge, and C. T. Randolph, lodge Americanism chairman who made the certificate presentations.



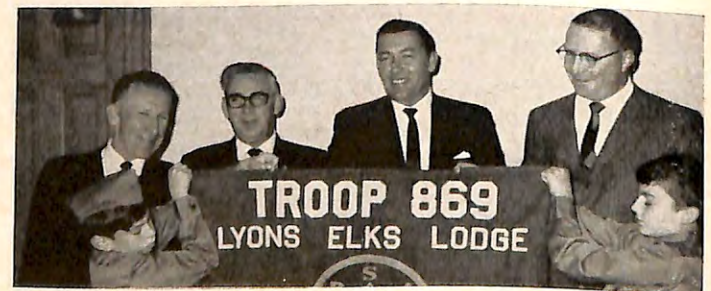
**RIVIERA BEACH, Florida**, ER Carl Vaughn (center) presents one of the Grand Lodge's "Our Flag—Love It Or Leave" decals to Brother E. F. Van Kessel, chairman of the Board of Palm Beach County Commissioners, as Jerry McArthur, Americanism chairman, points out a decal already affixed to the rear of an auto. More than 1,000 of the patriotic decals have been distributed locally by the members of Riviera Beach Lodge.



**NORWOOD, Massachusetts**, Elks recently presented a check for \$700 to Dick Williams, manager of the Boston Red Sox baseball team, for the Jimmy Fund. Shown at the presentation are ER Edward F. Dooley (right); Brothers John Dimock and Rodger Woods; Mr. Williams; Everett Henderson, dance chairman, and a young fan—Kevin Dimock. The check represented proceeds of a lodge-sponsored dance held recently.



**SECOND IN THE STATE** of Pennsylvania for contributions to home-treatment of cerebral palsy patients, the state major project, is this team of Elks from Sayre Lodge: Theodore Chacona, brother of SP Nicholas P. Chacona; Kenneth Marshall; Vito Cocco; Edward B. Woodruff, CP chairman; PER Philip R. Franklin, and Alvin Owen. The group raised \$3,000 for the major project through a series of rummage sales, the 500 Club, and family dinners.



**TWO BOY SCOUTS** of Troop 869, sponsored Lyons, N.Y., Elks, display a new troop banner presented on behalf of the lodge by ER Harold Humbert (left), Est. Lead. Kt. H. Burt Williams, Esq. Albert Wilkes, and Est. Lect. Kt. Harlan Barber. Members of the newly organized troop also received an American flag which had flown over the state capitol at Albany.

**LOCK HAVEN, Pennsylvania**, Elks played host to PERs and their ladies from 12 lodges in the state's North Central District for the fifth annual district Past Exalted Rulers Dinner. Shown enjoying the proceedings are some of the Elks on hand for the event.



**CHARLESTON, West Virginia,** Elks entered this float—which bears a large facsimile of the Grand Lodge “Our Flag—Love It Or Leave” decal—in their city’s recent patriotic parade. The float’s theme was conceived and executed by Past Exalted Rulers John W. Bowling, R. Jack Walker, Robert L. King, and Shelton C. Harrison.



**ANNAPOLIS, Maryland,** ER J. Patrick Henry (center) receives assistance from Est. Lead. Kt. Earl W. Schellman and Est. Loyal Kt. Reginald O. Faust in burning the lodge’s paid-up mortgage. The burning ceremony climaxed three days of celebration, including ball games, a South Sea Island dance, and lobster feast.



**NORTH ARLINGTON, New Jersey,** ER Lawrence McKeown (second from right) awards prizes and trophies to the best-costumed children in their city’s annual costume parade. Also on hand to assist with the awards are William Ferguson, youth activities committeeman and parade chairman, and Est. Lead. Kt. Nicholas Golucci, who holds some goodies.



**UNION CITY, New Jersey,** ER Kenneth Ross presents a diamond ring—representing first prize in a recent Fife and Drum Corps contest—to 13-year-old Linda Pivano, a student at Emerson High School, Union City. Miss Pivano in turn shared her good fortune by donating \$430 to the lodge’s crippled children’s fund.



**A GROUP OF “OLD-TIMERS”** honored recently by Schenectady, N.Y., Lodge are shown as they assembled for a group pose with ER Amedeo H. Volpe (left, rear). The Elks are (seated): Fred Neubauer, a member for 50 years; Jim Pierson, 52 years; David Cassler, 51 years; and Charles P. Mueller, 50 years, and (standing) Fred Diehl, 55 years; Samuel Currie, 52 years, and PDD and Dr. William R. Eger, chairman of the event.



**A CLASS OF 34 CANDIDATES** initiated recently into Hornell, N.Y., Lodge included five sons of PERs. Shown after the ritual are the initiating officers, all PERs: PDD J. Gerald Griffin; PER Rollin E. Bartell; PER Frank L. Jacobs; PER Paul S. Strobel Sr.; PER Sherman B. Shults, and PDD Thomas F. Kinney Sr., and the initiates who are sons of PERs: Stoner Horey, Larry F. Jacobs, Paul S. Strobel Jr., David A. Shults, and Thomas F. Kinney Jr.

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As new programs are developed, and old ones improved, they should be reported to the Image of Elkdom section of the GL Activities Committee. Full details of this program were given in the November 1968 GL Newsletter. GER McCabe will award a certificate of recognition to reporting lodges.

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## ELKDOM STRIDES AHEAD

AS THE ORDER OF ELKS enters its 102nd year this month, the progress which increasingly has been its distinguishing characteristic, continues without abatement. As Grand Exalted Ruler McCabe aptly puts it: "Elkdom's future depends on you." It seems that Elkdom is in good hands.

During this current year, the number of Elks lodges will be increased by 20 or more. In the past five years we have added more than 100 lodges, an increase of 5 percent, in more than 30 States. Elkdom is growing in every section of the country, although the greatest gains are coming from those areas showing the greatest population growth.

### MEMBERSHIP INCREASE

As to membership, here also a substantial increase will be recorded when the books are closed on March 31. Whether it will be as large as last year's gain of 34,752 or exceeds it, as it might, it will mark the 30th consecutive year in which the Order's membership has shown a gain, an unbroken period of growth since 1939.

Progress is the keynote, also, of our benevolence and our youth and patriotic programs. The sums spent by Subordinate Lodges for these purposes is now approaching \$9 million yearly. To this must be added the expenditures of the National Foundation, the National Service Commission and our State Associations. The total of Elk benefactions will easily exceed \$11 million yearly, nearly twice what it was a decade ago.

An extremely happy note is the record contributions to the Elks National Foundation that are being piled up this year. These are expected to approach \$2 million. Much of the credit for this impressive increase goes to a handsome bequest by the widow of a long-time member of Jackson, Tenn., Lodge, but not to be overlooked are the generous contributions of thousands of Elks and lodges and State Associations.

These generous contributions offer real assurance for Elkdom's future. They will mean that the Elks National Foundation will have some \$100,000 more to use next year—and every year thereafter—to help people who need help and with no concern for Elk membership or color or creed or race.

### ELKDOM VITALITY

Another indication of the vitality of Elkdom is the building activity of our lodges. The building boom that began in the late Fifties goes on unabated. In 10 years, Elks lodges have spent more than \$134 million for new homes, including purchase of land and buildings, alterations and additions, new construction and furnishings. In 1967-68 alone these expenditures totalled \$15,715,000, a figure exceeded only by the \$16,470,000 for 1964 and the all-time record of \$18,358,000 in 1966.

While building activity has been heavier in some areas than in others, the entire Order is pretty well represented. In 1967-68, for example, some 200 lodges in 44 States submitted building applications to the Board of Grand Trustees for approval. For such approval, a building application must show that the project is soundly financed, with lodges required to have an equity of at least 60 per cent. Thanks to these and other safeguards, and to the careful scrutiny of the Board of Grand Trustees, the Elks building boom has avoided becoming a binge with all its attendant perils.

### ELKDOM CONTRIBUTES TO PROGRESS

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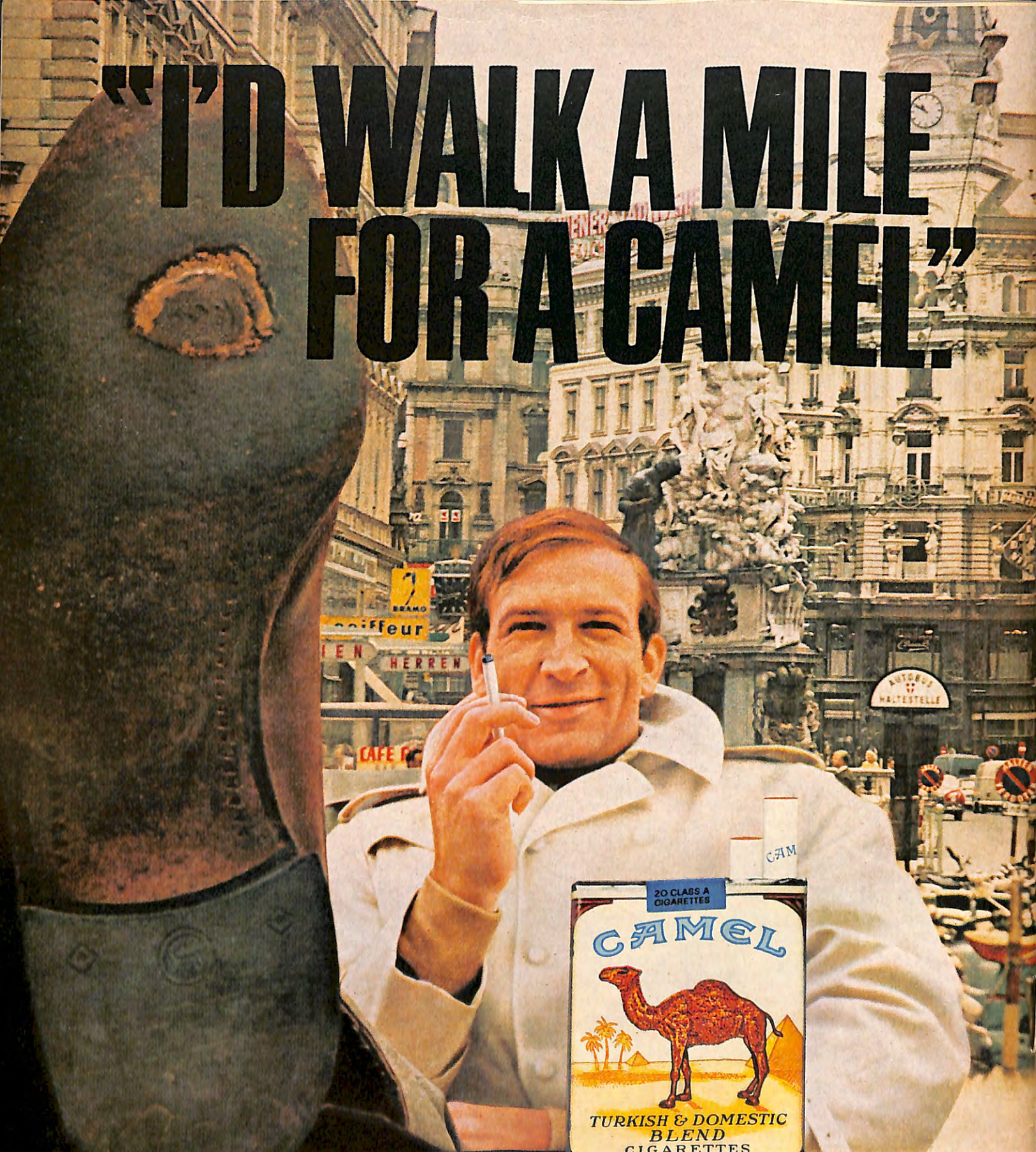
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