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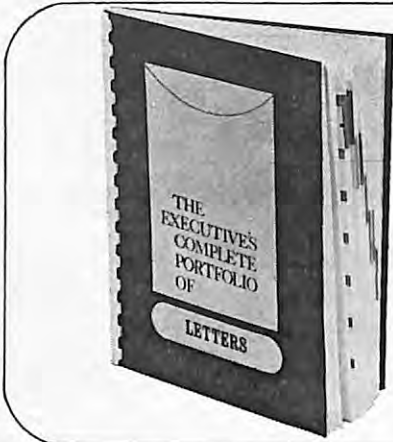
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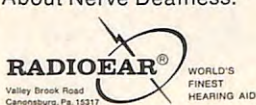
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A Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler

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The word "youth" is not an abstraction of sociology to an Elk. It means boys and girls he knows who are growing up. When boys and girls outgrow the apron strings of home and neighborhood, and in their normal development begin to find the freedoms of pre-adulthood, they have reached youth—the age of hope.

We as Elks are aware that the era in which we live is one of confusion and baffling alternatives for the young, and that the need is great for such assistance and guidance as we can give.

We can't prove it, but we sincerely believe that if the statistics could be assembled, they would show that the sons and daughters of Elks today are as a group less aberrant, and less alienated in their outlook on the adult world than American youth generally. But this does not lessen our concern that the causes of delinquency, and of student alienation, should be understood and counteracted.

A significant expression of our concern for our youth is our annual observance of Elks National Youth Week in the first week of May, as is our annual Elks National Youth Leadership Contest.

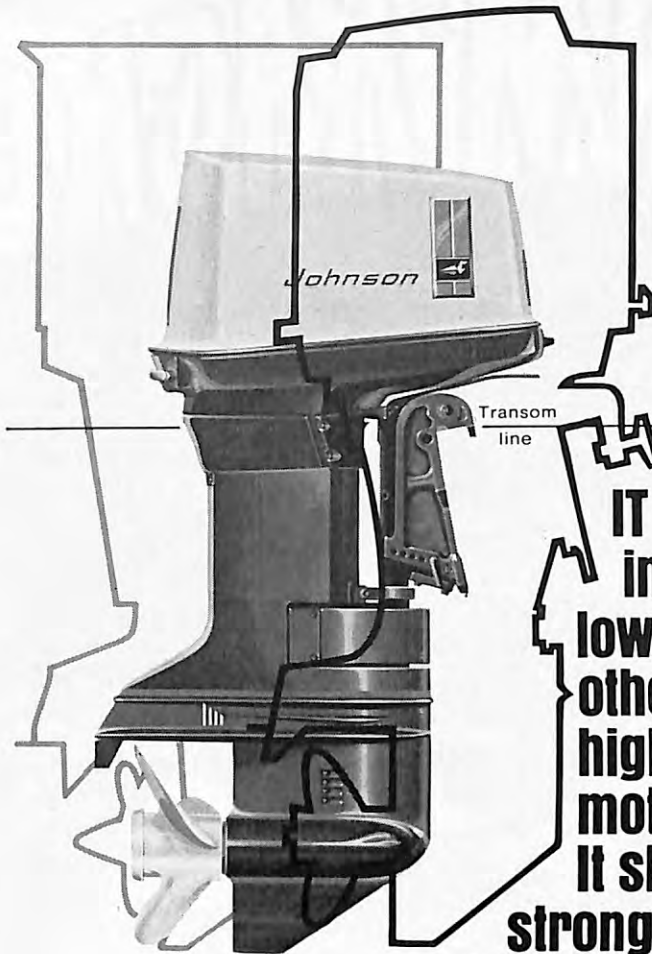
In concentrating our attention on youth, not only on the subordinate lodge level, but also in Grand Lodge which has available the bounty of earnings by the Elks National Foundation, we have helped uncounted thousands of youngsters with scholarships and other aid. One needs only to spot check to be assured that the investment is paying rich dividends in providing us with talented and well balanced young folks who are and will continue to make worthwhile contributions to our society.

So here's a verbal orchid to all the good Elks who serve on Youth Activities committees of the subordinate lodges. They, indeed, merit our appreciation.

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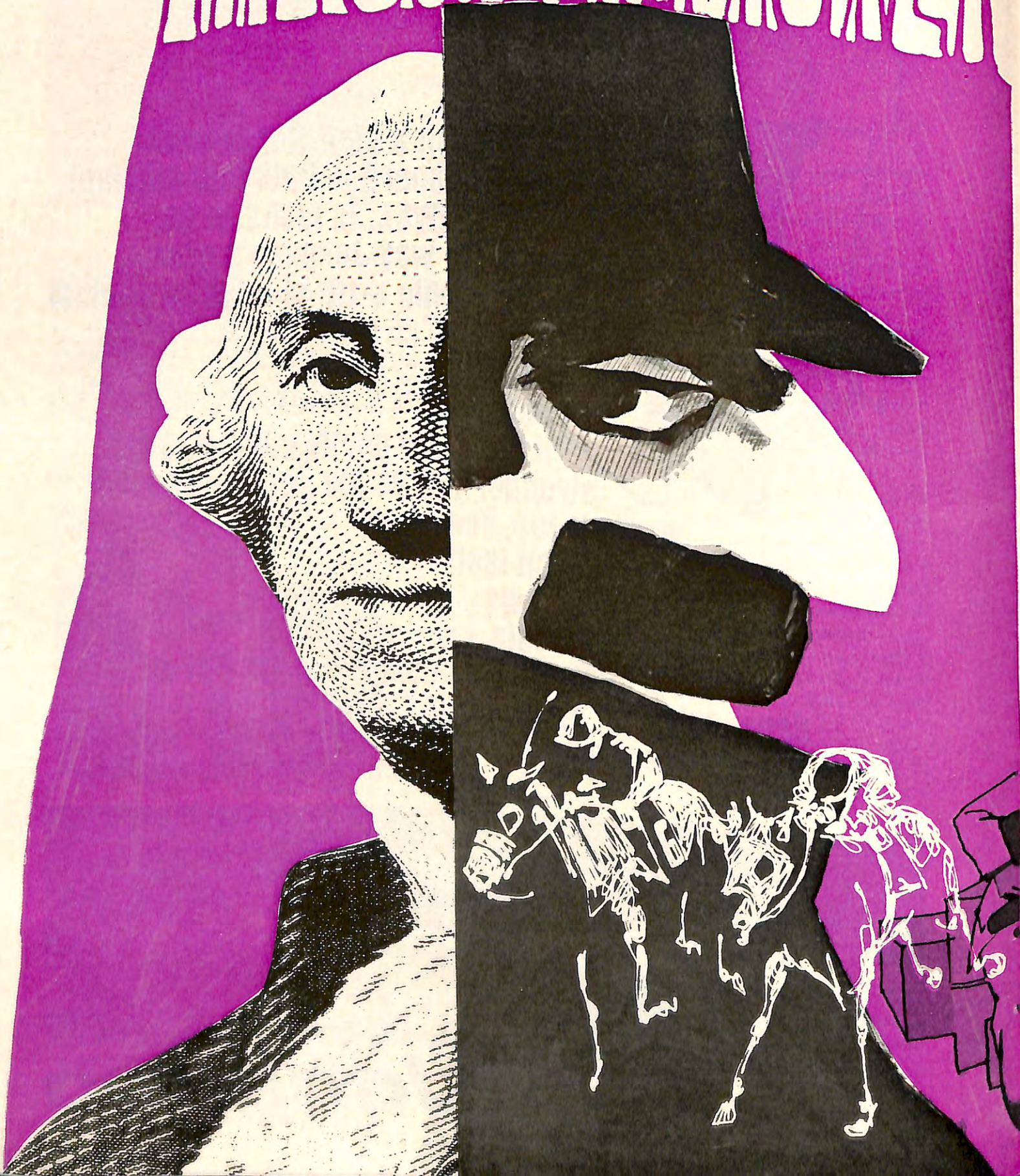
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THE "SCAM" RACKET



By Ted J. Rakstis

IN THE SUMMER OF 1963, the owner of a discount store in a small town sold his business to a group of men from Chicago. At first, it appeared to be a routine business transfer. The store had not been successful, and the Chicago men apparently were well capitalized. But, as the town's merchants discovered later, the Chicagoans were a most unique breed of businessmen.

The new owners took over in September and, within the next six weeks, ran up heavy credit purchases with local merchants, travel agencies, leasing, and transportation companies. The merchandise began to roll in—radios, television sets, appliances, automobile tires, building materials and jewelry. All of it disappeared the same day that it arrived. Employees were told that it had gone to "our new warehouse across the river."

In less than two months, merchandise valued at \$175,000 was bought either on credit or with post-dated checks, but no retail sales ever were made from the store. In November, 1963, angry creditors filed a bankruptcy petition, and, a month later, the courts declared the firm bankrupt. When the referee in bankruptcy was able to uncover only \$6,000 in assets for some 200 suppliers, the FBI moved in.

After nearly a year of investigation, indictments were returned against the owners charging them with mail fraud

and conspiracy to violate the federal bankruptcy laws. They were subsequently convicted and each was sentenced to five years in prison. Within hours, appeals were filed and all four men were released on bond. But early in 1968, the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reaffirmed the convictions.

The town's unsuspecting merchants had been victimized by "scam," an underworld term for bankruptcy fraud. In a "scam" swindle, a business is driven into the ground, the assets are concealed and the creditors left unpaid. J. Edgar Hoover, director of the FBI, describes one common technique: "The ideal 'scam' develops from the takeover of an established company which has a good credit rating. This enables the 'scam' artist to purchase huge stocks of various products which can be quickly turned into cash by resale at reduced prices or passed along to fellow conspirators who control legitimate outlets for the merchandise involved."

Planned bankruptcies have been thriving during the 1960's as a profitable venture for organized crime, but dishonest individual businessmen also have been getting into the act. Once primarily a big city racket, "scam" is now starting to show up in small communities, as well. Sheldon Davidson, assistant U.S. Attorney for the organized crime section of the U.S. Department of Justice, says: "Bankruptcy fraud still occurs most frequently in big cities, but small towns are not immune. There's a possibility that the crime syndicate may be selecting small cities as a means of disarming creditors who are accustomed to watching for 'scam' only in metropolitan areas. And we've also found cases—in cities of all sizes—of independent merchants who turn crooked and set up a bankruptcy."

Bankruptcy fraud is a by-product of the incredible rise in the number of legitimate bankruptcy petitions filed in the United States. As they increase, so too is there an almost proportionate growth of fraud. In the past 12 years, bankruptcy filings have more than tripled. From 59,404 in 1955, they soared to 197,811 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1968. Of this total, 181,986 were personal bankruptcies and 15,825 were among failed businesses.

Most bankruptcies, of course, are on the level and occur because an individual or business has been either un-

lucky or careless in the use of credit. Dun & Bradstreet has estimated that only 2 per cent of all business bankruptcies are fraudulent. Yet that small percentage involves big money. Elmer Sivertsen, director of fraud prevention for the National Association of Credit Management, observes: "I would say that planned bankruptcies amount to a \$2 million loss to creditors *every working day, or about \$500 million a year*. This means an increase in the price of consumer goods. Wholesalers cheated by the 'scam' operators have to pass the loss onto somebody, and usually it's the public."

If a merchant can prove that he lost his money through poor business management or even through gambling losses he can receive a discharge in bankruptcy court. (One manufacturer was declared legally bankrupt when he convinced the court that he had dropped \$200,000 at the race track.) To establish fraud, it must be proven that he concealed his assets or sent false statements through the mail. And, although it is illegal to falsify or destroy business records, no law is broken by the mere failure to keep records.

Where bankruptcy fraud is proven, a fine of \$5,000 and a sentence of up to five years in prison may be imposed. But it is not easy to catch the "scam" manipulator. In any typical year, U.S. attorneys may investigate some 600 cases in which there appears to be a possibility of bankruptcy fraud. The number of convictions remains predictably low—48 in the 1967 fiscal year, for example. Other phony bankrupts are nailed for mail fraud or tax evasion, but the total of convictions in all categories nowhere near approaches the true extent of the crime.

Although it does contain provisions for criminal prosecution, the National Bankruptcy Act of 1938 is primarily concerned with settlements to creditors and debtor rehabilitation. Under this statute, an individual may receive a bankruptcy discharge only once every six years. There is no limitation, however, on the number of times a business entrepreneur may go bankrupt. A foundering business often can survive following a partial settlement with creditors. But even if the company does go under, the businessman often shows up a short time later as the head

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Past Grand Exalted Ruler Emmett T. Anderson

■ EMMETT T. ANDERSON, Grand Exalted Ruler for 1949-1950, died March 20, 1969, in Tacoma, Wash., at the age of 79.

The Tacoma native was Vice-Chairman of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission, which publishes The Elks Magazine and administers the Order's National Memorial and Headquarters Building in Chicago.

He had served as Chairman of the GL Centennial Committee, having been appointed to that post in 1965 by then-Grand Exalted Ruler Robert G. Pruitt, and participated in the unveiling of a bronze tablet commemorating the founding of the Order, during the 1968 GL Centennial Convention in New York City.

He had also served as a member of the Elks War Commission, since 1942, with the exception of the year 1946-1947, when he was Grand Esteemed Leading Knight, and 1949-1950, when he was Grand Exalted Ruler. While serving in this capacity after World War II, he became active in organizing a series of receptions for American prisoners of war repatriated from the Philippines.

Initiated into Tacoma Lodge in 1917, Brother Anderson was the lodge's Exalted Ruler for 1927-1928. In 1929, he was appointed a District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, and was elected President of the Washington Elks Association the following year. From 1932 to 1934, he was a member of the GL Lodge Activities Committee.

Elected Grand Exalted Ruler at the 85th Grand Lodge session in Cleveland, he rallied his fellow Elks for a more effective fight against the communist menace, citing the need for preserving democracy at the grass roots level through the Order's benevolent and educational programs, and emphasizing the vital role of Elk youth activities in safeguarding the nation's future. Brother Anderson established the first GL Youth Activities Committee.

Long the president of the Anderson Printing Company, Tacoma, he remained in an executive capacity after the company merged with a larger firm. He was a director and onetime treasurer of the Tacoma Chamber of Commerce; a founder of the Jessie Dyslin Boys' Ranch, and a member of the Mount Rainier Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He was also a director of the Tacoma Boys' and Lions Clubs, a onetime director of the Salvation Army, and a former Vestryman of Christ Episcopal Church. Active in civic affairs, he served as Lieutenant Governor of the state of Washington from 1953 to 1957.

Brother Anderson is survived by his widow, Marge; a son, Burritt B. Anderson, who is a PER of Tacoma Lodge; a daughter, Lucile, the wife of Tacoma PER M. S. Finnigan; a stepson, Paul Thornquist, of Newark, N. J.; several grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.



The "Scam" Racket

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of a new firm, which conceivably might also wind up in bankruptcy.

There are two types of bankruptcy petitions, voluntary and involuntary. Fraudulent bankrupts almost never file of their own will and, normally, it requires three creditors to secure an involuntary petition. Cases are heard in federal bankruptcy courts by referees who have most of the powers of federal district judges. The referee appoints a trustee and an attorney for the trustee. Part of the trustee's job is to uncover as many of the bankrupt's assets as possible, and he works for a percentage of what he recovers. Honest bankrupts will list all their assets with the court; the fraud keeps his attachable property at a bare minimum.

If part of the assets are in the form of property or merchandise, they are auctioned off by the referee. After court fees are deducted, everything is divided among the creditors, but the return is always minimal. In a recent year, U.S. creditors received only 7.1 cents on the dollar in legitimate bankruptcies. When "scam" is involved, the return is virtually zero. Not long ago, 241 creditors were taken for \$291,308 in a Philadelphia fraud, and the court was able to recover assets valued at only \$529.

Criminal action generally occurs only if the referee suspects fraud. He then turns the case over to the U.S. Attorney's office for investigation and, possibly, eventual prosecution in the U.S. District Court. Only in rare cases will creditors hire a private investigator and present their evidence to the U.S. Attorney. "Most creditors just won't bother to take action," says James Imbrie, Jr., manager of the adjustment bureau of the Chicago-Midwest Credit Management Association. "It may cost \$3,000 or so to hire a private detective, not to mention the court costs. If they feel it's a 'scam,' they know they won't recover anything, and they won't take the trouble to prosecute. Bankruptcy fraud keeps growing because the creditors won't do anything about it."

Federal officials often cannot move in to stop a "scam," even if they know it is in progress, unless they can prove mail fraud. A violation of the bankruptcy law cannot be charged until the bankruptcy petition has been filed, although there is a provision to allege a "transfer or concealment in contemplation of bankruptcy." One eastern wholesaler, who suffered heavy losses from a bankruptcy ring, put it this way: "By the time the federal people can move in, there's nothing left."

Planned bankruptcies occur in a variety of forms. Where organized crime is behind the plan, "scam" is usually

the intent from the outset. "But it doesn't always work that way," remarks Sheldon Davidson, assistant U.S. Attorney. "More and more, the crime syndicate is moving into legitimate business. If the enterprise fails, then they'll strip it clean." In the case of independents with no links to the Mafia, the scheme most often evolves from faulty business management, according to credit official James Imbrie, Jr. "It's often difficult to tell where mismanagement ends and fraud begins," Imbrie says. "I think that only about 25 percent of bankruptcy frauds are planned from the start. Most occur when the owner starts robbing Peter to pay Paul, and then he robs the creditors to pay Peter."

Any type of merchandise may show up in a "scam," as long as it is easy to transport and difficult to trace. Seeking to obtain as many disposable goods as possible, the fraud operator will order anything.

In 1963, for example, a firm from a Chicago suburb went bankrupt with a loss of \$250,000 to creditors who supplied everything from color television sets to bulk steel and frozen steaks.

Typically, the bankruptcy gang buys an established business for its credit rating. Suppliers never are informed of the change in management. At one time the plan was to place small orders for two months, pay the bills promptly and then hit creditors hard in the third month. Today, the average "scam" begins and ends within a 30-day period. Immediately after taking over, huge credit orders are made with a variety of suppliers. To avoid mail fraud, some "scam" operators will order only by telephone or at trade shows. Others, more reckless, order promiscuously through the mail.

Almost nothing is sold over the counter. It is disposed of at once via an underworld network of "fences," often at prices 25 to 50 percent lower than those of the manufacturer. The goods arrive at the store, the labels are ripped off and everything is dispatched to the "fence" in a rented truck. The only merchandise kept in the store is strictly window dressing to maintain the pretense that a legitimate business is being run.

One variation of "scam" is what might be termed the "same name game." Let's say there is a well-established local firm with a good credit rating. The ring may move into the same city and open a company with a name that is similar yet different. Suppliers think it is a new branch of the respectable business and, before they can discover their mistake, they have been "scammed." Another common fraud occurs at Christmas, when many credit managers traditionally become lax, fearing

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BEAUTIFUL WASHINGTON is a blaze of color this Spring. The flowers were never prettier and the foliage never greener. Visitors love it. The Nation's Capital however, faces a serious year. Lights burn late in Senate and House offices and in government departments. The White House is a beehive of visitors and conferences. There are foreign problems, Viet Nam, the Mid East, domestic problems, taxes, national defense. Uppermost however among the people who live and work here is crime. Police report street robberies decreasing and also a tapering off in vandalism. However, shootings and murders continue day after day. Even mail carriers in some districts have police protection on days when they deliver Social Security checks. Buses accept only tokens. So it goes. There is one bright note. On July 1 government white collar workers will receive a substantial boost in pay averaging 9.1 percent.

TAXING THE RICH was given a new slant when John D. Rockefeller III, brother of Gov. Nelson Rockefeller of New York, told the House Ways and Means Committee the super rich should pay a minimum income tax of 10 or 15 percent. He gives away at least 90 percent of his income and he has "deliberately" paid 5 to 10 percent on

Tom Wrigley

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his adjusted gross income since 1961. Incidentally, the Treasury Dept. reports that last year 21 Americans who earned \$1 million or more paid no income tax.

GLUE SNIFFERS are warned they may be risking serious chromosome and liver damage. Research studies of 14 teenage boys who sniffed nail polish remover, lacquer thinner, cleaning fluids, ether or chloroform were found to have chromosome abnormalities. They are thread-like bodies which determine human characteristics and are believed to cause birth defects, if damaged.

ANOTHER POSTPONEMENT. Last week Washington's Procrastinators Club postponed its annual meeting. It was no surprise. It has postponed its annual meetings ever since it was organized.



WOMEN AIRLINE PILOTS before long will be in the cockpits of big American commercial planes. Thus far, although there are many expert American women fliers, the big airlines have not employed them. Reports however show many foreign airlines in Europe and South America have women pilots and they are doing an excellent job. KLM has a woman pilot and the Soviet Union has several.

HALF-FARE TICKETS used by students on some airlines are under investigation. They are "standby" tickets and if the plane has space it can be used by the holder. So, it seems some students call up, using fictitious names for full fare reservations and when no one appears they get aboard.

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SEN. JOHN J. WILLIAMS, 66, Del. plans to retire next year. Four other Senators will join him but their names are not yet announced. . . . Nixon Administration still has dozens of key posts to fill. . . . Natl Education Assn. announces a countrywide poll shows 78 percent of teachers are against busing students to achieve racial balance. . . . Pro-consumer crusader Ralph Nader says at least three patients are accidentally electrocuted every day in our hospitals largely by faulty equipment. . . . Heirs of King Saud of Arabia are still discussing how to split up the \$1.2 billion of his estate. . . . Chinatown is the quietest and most orderly spot in town.



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The "Scam" Racket

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that a time-consuming credit check might result in the loss of a big order. Christmas "scams" are especially hard to prove because so many legitimate companies do go bankrupt after the holidays through poor management.

Probably the most famous of all bankruptcy frauds was rigged in New York City by the crime syndicate. A wholesale produce firm faced a serious financial crisis. A salesman for a subsidiary offered a loan of \$8,500—at "juice" (interest) of 1 percent each week.

The loan compounded the parent company's problems to the point where the firm was forced to install the salesman as president. Now giant orders came in from a customer later found also to be controlled by the syndicate. Within a few weeks, almost a million dollars worth of produce was purchased from the company at prices below their costs.

The new president next transferred the company's bank account to the same bank that was handling the customer's funds and, in a matter of days, he withdrew \$750,000. When the parent company finally went into

bankruptcy, it owed more than \$2 million to some 100 creditors. In court, the president testified that he had used \$745,000 to pay off debts and had lost the rest gambling, but his defense was not successful. Subsequently the president and five conspirators were convicted on charges of violating the National Bankruptcy act.

Elmer Sivertsen, fraud prevention chief of the National Association of Credit Management, contends that the most active cities for planned bankruptcy are currently New York, Los Angeles and Miami, with a recent rash of new "scams" in smaller cities in Nevada and Arizona. Although the racket's tie to organized crime has been exposed, it continues at a record pace. Sivertsen says there is no way to determine its true extent in smaller cities where the U.S. Department of Justice is handicapped by lack of manpower. "The big city cases are the ones that are uncovered and publicized," Sivertsen explains. "But there's a great amount of undiscovered bankruptcy fraud throughout the nation, in cities large and small."

One small city merchant who was caught provided investigators with a case history of how an independent businessman rigs a "scam." It occurred in 1960 in a midwest state when the

owner of a fuel oil and gasoline station—call him Jim M.—ran up \$130,000 worth of credit with four major oil suppliers. When he could not pay, the creditors filed an involuntary bankruptcy petition. Later, it was learned that Jim had trucked all the oil across the state line and sold it below cost.

Wherever it occurs, "scam" continues because suppliers continue to grant credit far too easily and then, when stuck with the bill, decline to take criminal action. The Hon. Robert Ticken, bankruptcy referee for the northern district of Illinois, complains that creditors tend to view the U.S. Government only as one vast collection agency. "They don't want convictions, only a dollar return on their merchandise," Ticken declares. "Unless they think there's a financial gain in it, they won't bother to go to court."

The need for criminal prosecution is urgent, but the only real way to prevent "scam" is to be watchful from the start, making a bankruptcy petition unnecessary. Jim Imbrie, of the Chicago-Midwest Credit Management Association, lists these guidelines:

- ✓ Check the credit rating of any new customer thoroughly.
- ✓ Know all the principals in a company, and watch for any changes in management.
- ✓ If a company suddenly begins to double or triple its orders, find out why.
- ✓ Beware of fast talkers who demand immediate shipment of large orders.
- ✓ Avoid telephone orders as much as possible, and be careful of verbal orders placed at trade shows.
- ✓ Keep all statements, invoices and envelopes, and ask the customer for a financial statement.
- ✓ Be suspicious of stores that get into strange patterns of merchandise diversification, such as the appliance merchant who begins to order food.

✓ Participate in the activities of the local credit association, which knows the poor credit risks in any community.

If these rules were followed, credit men and government officials feel, "scam" could be reduced to a minimum. For unless caution is exerted, bankruptcy fraud will go on milking suppliers, raising the price of consumer goods and creating an increasingly shaky credit situation for legitimate businessmen. As J. Edgar Hoover warns:

"Members of the organized underworld will continue to take advantage of the honest citizens of this country through 'scams' so long as they find it easy to obtain huge amounts of valuable merchandise on credit. To stop these frauds, it is imperative that greater care be taken by suppliers and manufacturers in checking the identity and reliability of their customers."



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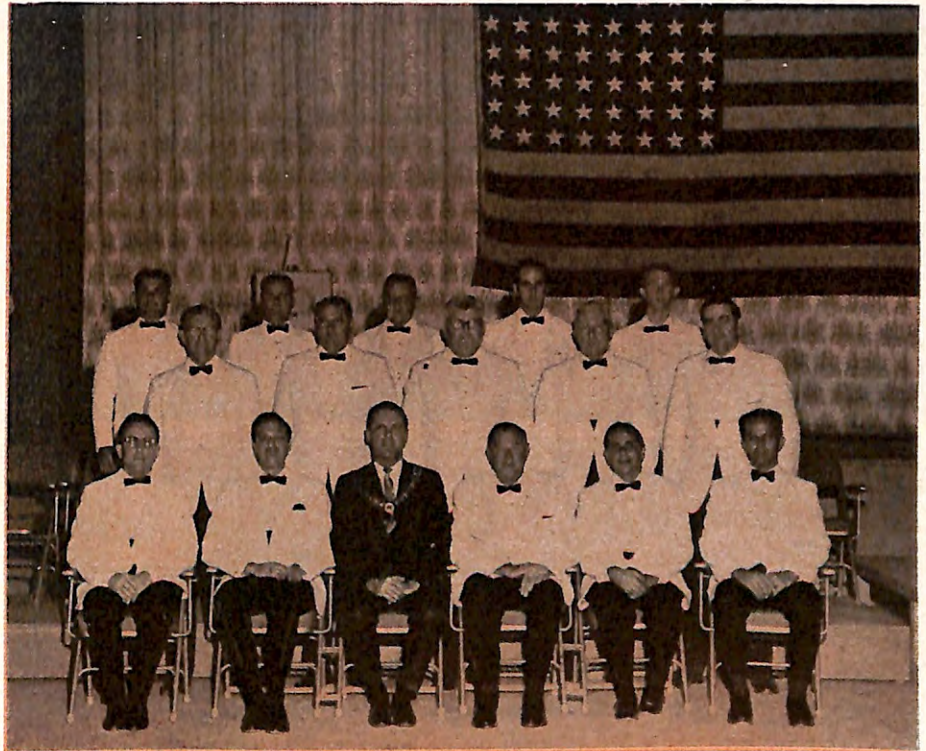
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THE CHARTER OFFICERS of Florida's "baby lodge"—North Lauderdale Lodge No. 2407—strike a formal pose with DDGER James P. Murphy (seated, third from left), a Delray Beach Elk, who presided at the recent institution ceremonies. ER Harry E. Alexander (seated, fourth from left) heads the new lodge. Also participating in the ceremonies were PGER William A. Wall, and PDD Clyde H. Brown, of Fort Lauderdale Lodge, and PDD Herbert Payne, a member of Pompano Beach Lodge. The new lodge has 473 members.



A VERY SPECIAL EVENT brings the Grand Exalted Ruler to Atlanta, Ga., Lodge—the initiation of his youngest son, Tim McCabe (back row, fifth from left). The new Elk accepts a congratulatory handshake from ER Palmer H. Ansley, as other lodge officers and members assemble for a group photo. Notable Georgia Elks present for the ceremony include DDGER John W. Brinsfield (back row, left), a lodge member, and, standing next to GER Edward W. McCabe, PGER Robert G. Pruitt, a member of Buckhead (Atlanta) Lodge.



THE CHAIRMAN of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission—PGER John S. McClelland (seated)—is greeted at his home Atlanta, Ga., Lodge. Welcoming Brother McClelland are GER Edward W. McCabe and, all members of the lodge, PER William H. Carlson, Est. Loyal Kt. Grady Mosley, DDGER John W. Brinsfield, and PDD J. O. Perry Jr. The Elks gathered at Atlanta Lodge for a reception and dinner honoring Brother McCabe, who was on hand to witness the initiation of his son Tim.



FIVE R.O.T.C. OFFICERS comprise an unusual group of initiates recently welcomed into Indiana, Pa., Lodge by ER Robert Harkleroad. Members of the Reserve Officers Training Corps faculty at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, the new Brothers are (from left): Capt. Robert Hamilton; Lt. Col. Robert Gingrich; Col. William Wiley, a professor of military science; Maj. William Miller, and Capt. Charles Cunis.



DURING ESSEX FELLS, New Jersey, Lodge's 15th anniversary celebration, Est. Lead. Kt. Henry Glista, DDGER Frank J. Seeley Sr. of Lake Hopatcong Lodge, PDD and Essex Fells PER Alvin H. Hoffman, and ER Louis T. Macalush examine the commemorative book published for the affair.



EAST PROVIDENCE, Rhode Island, ER Manuel Fontes accepts a check for \$1,606.74, slated for the lodge's building fund, from Mrs. Anthony Vincent, president of the Elks' women's group. Participating in the presentation are Chap. John Grant, building committee chairman, and Mrs. Helen Pratt and Mrs. Ann Quinn, who were in charge of a dance sponsored by the ladies for the benefit of the lodge's building fund.



ELKS GET TOGETHER AT SEA! Elks from 12 states enjoy an informal "reunion" aboard the M. S. *Bergensfjord* off the coast of Argentina, initiated by Red Hook-Rhinebeck, N.Y., PER and PVP Howard L. Laib (standing, third from left), one of 16 Elks on the nine-week carnival cruise. The Brothers and their wives also enjoyed a fine reception and dinner at Cristobal, C.Z., Lodge, thanks to the efforts of the local Elks, particularly Est. Lead. Kt. Joseph P. McDonald Jr. who made the arrangements.



PALO ALTO, California, ER Lester H. Anderson displays a photograph of President Richard M. Nixon, which accompanied a special commendation from the President for Palo Alto Lodge's "outstanding contribution to the youth of America." San Jose PER Richard H. Bartels (right), state youth chairman, presented the award as well as a plaque from the state association and, concluding the inter-lodge visit, read a congratulatory letter from SP Norman S. "Sig" Lien, a Watsonville Elk.

SOMETHING UNUSUAL in the field of Elks' activities—Huntington Park, Calif., Lodge's Motorcycle Stunt and Drill Team, which benefits the cerebral palsied, performed recently at the Riverside Motor Trend 500 automobile races. Now in its 18th year, the team has made more than 500 appearances, winning some 400 trophies. Expenses are met with appearance fees; and all proceeds go to the Huntington Elks' cerebral palsy fund. PER Stanley O. Jones is chairman and manager of the 20-member team.



THE VISIT of DDGER Edward J. Szewczyk (right) of Enfield, Conn., Lodge to East Hartford Lodge is highlighted by a very special initiation of an American serviceman just returned from duty in Vietnam—Brother John Shlatz, who is standing next to his father, Elery Shlatz, a lodge member. On hand for the occasion is Grand Treas. Edwin J. Maley, of New Haven Lodge.



LONGTIME MEMBERS of Fairmont, West Virginia, Lodge pose for this group shot during the annual lodge Old-Timers Night. Seated in the foreground are six 50-year Fairmont Elks: (beginning with second from left) J. Roy Wise; Raymond Haller, who is the senior member; R. Earl McCray; ER Carl A. Schimmel; Rollin F. Baird, and Paul V. Flemming. The lodge boasts 99 members with 40 or more years in Elksdom.



FLORIDA ELKS' Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Hospital, Umatilla, where the state association carries out its major project activities, is visited by Florida Gov. Claude R. Kirk Jr., pictured autographing a patient's cast. Governor Kirk's daughter and members of the hospital staff look on.



THE GUEST SPEAKER at a recent Lock Haven, Pa., Lodge-sponsored public meeting—Maj. Gen. Henry K. Fluck, of Harrisburg, commanding general of the U.S. Army Reserve—outlines George Washington's contribution in the creation of a democratic form of government in America. Sharing the platform with General Fluck are: (from left) the Rev. Newton L. Huffin; Rep. W. Max Bossert; State College PER Vincent Fudrow, state Americanism chairman; Program Chairman James Taylor; ER Thomas A. Ryan; Lock Haven Mayor J. Arlington Young; O. P. Gillock, Boy Scout executive, and the Rev. David Kovall, and (background) winners of the lodge's essay contest. Rainbow Girls' color guard added to the solemnity of the program.





A NASHVILLE, Tennessee, "Ambassador of Goodwill" medal—one of a very few of its kind—is accepted by GER Edward W. McCabe, a Nashville Lodge member, from Mayor C. Beverly Briley of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County. Mayor Briley is also an active member of Nashville Lodge.



A PROCLAMATION welcoming GER Edward W. McCabe to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts is signed by Gov. Francis W. Sargent during the state Elks association's annual reception and dinner for the Grand Exalted Ruler. Looking on are PDD and Quincy Secy. Edward A. Densmore (left), chairman of the affair, and SDGER Edward A. Spry (right), a Boston Lodge member and former chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees.



A NOVEL PRESENT from North Palm Beach, Fla., Elks—a live Florida alligator—delights GER Edward W. McCabe, as well as PGERs John L. Walker and William A. Wall, who accompanied Brother McCabe on the visit. The alligator will live in his natural habitat in the Florida Everglades where he was returned soon after the photo was taken. A genuine alligator wallet and purse presented to GER and Mrs. McCabe will serve as reminders of the visit with North Palm Beach Elks.



FOURTEEN STATES, including Indiana, are represented at Indianapolis, Ind., Lodge's recent "Stray Elk" night—the fifth annual party and dance for are far removed from their home lodges. The visiting Elks are invited to join the local members to Indianapolis Lodge if they wish, or simply to transfer their membership to Indianapolis Lodge if they wish, or simply to join the local members for an evening's get-together.

THE PRESENTATION OF A \$1,000 CHECK to the Elks National Foundation highlights the opening of the 49th annual Elks National Bowling Tournament, scheduled to run in Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 28 through May 11. Grand Est. Lead. Kt. Melville J. Junion, Green Bay, Wis., accepts the contribution from Arthur M. Mumma, Troy, Ohio, first vice-president of the Bowling Association. To the right from Brother Junion are Richard F. Sutton, Battle Creek, Mich., secretary-treasurer; Dr. Frank Magenheim, Milwaukee, third vice-president and tournament chairman, and Milwaukee ER Anthony N. Sanfilippo. Also present is SP J. G. "Jack" Chriske (first row, fourth from left), Green Bay. Among the entries were Elk keglers from as far away as Alaska.





Peering out of this 1913 Stanley Steamer automobile on display in the lobby of Sandpoint, Idaho, Lodge, GER Edward W. McCabe gets a glimpse of what traveling around town might have been like back in the "good old days." The antique auto, which serves as a reminder of Elksdom's more than 100-year history, was viewed by Idaho Elks attending the state association's three-day mid-winter meeting at Sandpoint Lodge. GER McCabe was a guest of honor.

LODGE NOTES

PHOENIX, Ariz. Lodge members and Elks throughout the state deeply mourn the loss of "Mr. Secretary," Brother Leo C. Gavagan, 66, who died Feb. 9.

Brother Gavagan, an Honorary Life Member of Phoenix Lodge, shared the administration of lodge affairs with 41 Exalted Rulers, starting with the post of assistant secretary in 1929. He served as lodge secretary from 1935 until mid-November of 1968, and was secretary of the Arizona Elks Association for five terms, a record for that office. Brother Gavagan also served on several state association committees, and was very active in many community and national civic and fraternal organizations.

He is survived by his widow, Vivian, his stepmother, and a cousin, the latter two of California.

Members of Phoenix Lodge have contributed more than \$100 toward the purchase of a plaque to honor the memory of their revered departed Brother.

WOBURN, Mass. Past Exalted Rulers of the lodge recently assembled for the annual PERs and Old-Timers Night, at the lodge's new quarters in East Woburn. The PERs conducted an initiation ceremony welcoming 22 new members, many of them sons or brothers of Elks, into the lodge.

The evening's activities also included the presentation of Life Memberships to Brothers T. Frank Brady and William E. Brady, and fifty-year pins to Brothers Thomas H. McGowan, William E. Casey, and Peter Hogan.

KELLOGG, Idaho. Attention all Elks scout troops! Kellogg Elks have issued an invitation to all Elks troops passing through their city on the way to the National Boy Scout Jamboree to stop and make use of the lodge's facilities. The Elks will be happy to assist with meals and sleeping quarters, if needed, and to be of service in any other way possible.

Kellogg is within 50 miles of Farragut, the site of the Jamboree. For further information regarding the location and arrangements, contact the lodge's secretary, Eric F. Nolan, Box 608, Kellogg, Idaho 83837.

ANNOUNCEMENT has been made of the annual reunion of the 25th "Tropic Lightning" Division. The reunion, now in its 20th year, will be held in Mount Pocono, Pa., July 25 through 27. Inquiries for more detailed information should be addressed to: Secretary, 25th Infantry Division, P.O. Box 101, Arlington, Va. 22210.

DONALDSONVILLE, La. Lodge members recently presented a basket of groceries, including a turkey, to a needy family in the area. PER R. N. Sims and Brother Dave Dubreuil made the presentation to the happy recipients.

ARLINGTON, Tex. \$100 U. S. Savings Bonds were presented recently to the lodge's two Youth Leadership winners, Shannon Neilson of Arlington High School, and Sonny Moyers of Sam Houston High School, Arlington.

GULFPORT, Miss. A "graduation ceremony" was held recently at the lodge for 20 persons who had completed the lodge's study course leading toward naturalization as U.S. citizens. Gulfport Elks provided an Immigration Department-approved instructor to conduct the 10-week, 60-hour course, which the lodge now plans to continue on a regular basis.

The graduation ceremony and formal dinner honored the program's first students, a number of whom have since been naturalized through the courts.

WOODBIDGE, Va. GER Edward W. McCabe and Mrs. McCabe were guests of honor at the lodge's recent groundbreaking ceremony. Following the ritual, the distinguished visitors attended a luncheon hosted by the Elks.

TROY, Ohio. Exalted Ruler Robert Ritter recently presented a \$288 check, on behalf of the lodge, to R. R. Bretland, school safety patrolman, for the purchase of safety patrol raingear.

The new raingear, which is being worn by all safety patrol youths in the Troy school system, is a bright fluorescent orange in color, and comes complete with matching hood and cape.

WEYMOUTH, Mass. A \$100 scholarship was presented recently by ER John Lammers Jr. to the lodge's Youth Leadership winner—Miss Barbara Franklin, a student at Sacred Heart School in Weymouth.

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This is part one of a two part series relating to incidents which occurred during the development of the Atomic Bomb

By Thorn Bacon

PROLOGUE: In the spring of 1943 an army of men, and later their families, from every corner of the United States began heading for the pastoral 7,300-foot-high Parajito Plateau of northern New Mexico. It was on this plateau, rimmed by the richly forested Jemez Mountains, that the U.S. Army had taken possession of the Los Alamos Ranch School and the 54,000 acres surrounding it for "a demolition range," it was explained. In this place a laboratory was built where a bizarre weapon was created, the world's first atomic bomb. Much has been written about the way the bomb was made, the morality of us-

ing it, the nuclear competition it opened between world powers, and the haunting threat of human annihilation. But in a world that cannot afford to relax, that has somewhere misplaced its sense of humor, the following is offered as a true account of some of the unbelievable, antic, and rib-tickling events that in perspective compose a chain reaction of laughter and throw the making of the bomb in a comic, rather than atomic light.

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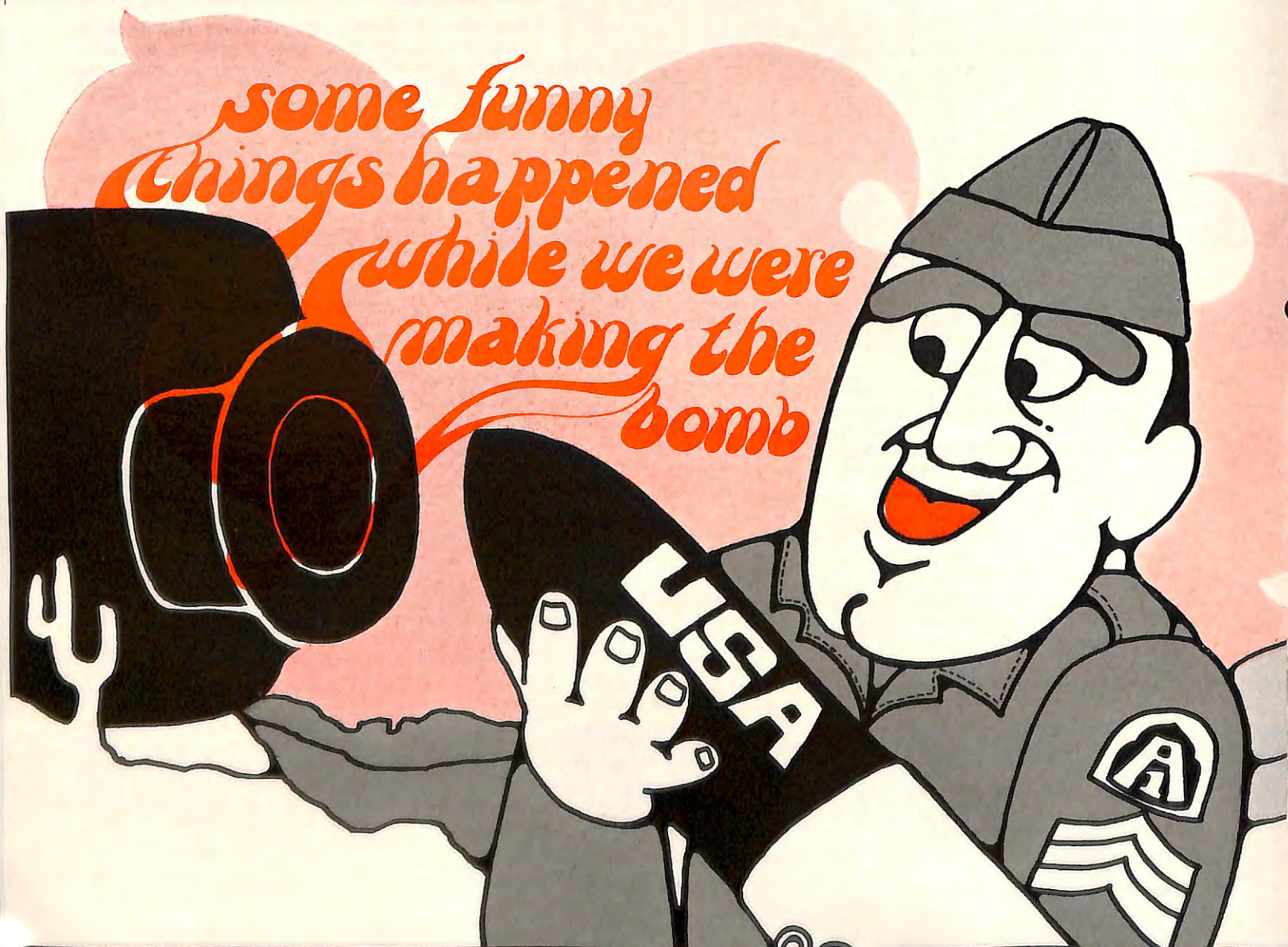
Last July 16 two men met at an Inn in the Atomic City of Los Alamos to reminisce about some of the funny things that happened before "we changed the sheets."

The day before they had visited a remote and historic part of Southern New Mexico's blistering desert. Each was occupied by his own thoughts as they viewed the remains of the sagging sunbleached barracks that once housed a strange assortment of dedicated men whose genius had spawned a monster called "Fat Man" which plummeted into the heart of Japan in 1945.

They had strolled by a strange onyx-black jug 25-feet long, 10-feet wide and 14-inches thick, which lay half-buried in the drifting sand, mute testimony to only one of the bizzare and expensive ideas that played an amazing part in America's mighty, frantic, supersecret, hilarious, and incredible effort to detonate the world's first atom bomb. Their nostalgic visit to that first bomb crater where chunks of emerald glass, called trinitite, fused by the heat of the explosion, still winked brightly in the scorching sun, was exactly 23 years after the word went out to "change the sheets."

This was the code message, an obscure line from a sonnet by Baudelaire, that Robert Oppenheimer, guiding genius of the bomb makers, had prearranged to send in a telegram to his wife if the first bomb test was successful.

The two men at the informal reunion in Los Alamos consisted of Dr. Payne Harris, a medical practitioner in nearby Santa Fe, with a dry sense of humor and an international reputation as a



nuclear radiation expert. His companion was Dr. Richard Durant of Honolulu, a tall affable man with a love for jazz, and a reputation as a raconteur, whose part in the drama ranged from the Eniwetok Atoll to the Nevada Proving Grounds.

Harris: "Dick, did you ever hear the real story behind 'the jug'?"

It had been decided at Los Alamos that plutonium was to be the subcritical nuclear mass that would explode the bomb. This chunk of nuclear metal would be surrounded with dynamite. Hopefully a nuclear blast would occur because shock waves from the dynamite wrapped around the nuclear core would converge inward on the plutonium setting off a chain reaction. The dynamite would implode and the plutonium would explode. The trouble was plutonium was scarcer than hen's teeth and nobody connected with the massive research project really knew whether the gadget would work at all. Major General Leslie Groves, head of the Manhattan Project, got the brilliant notion to have a metal jug built strong enough to contain the plutonium if it were only scattered by the dynamite, rather than chain reacting. The jug was to be used only as insurance, as a last resort to save the nuclear material if the exploding-imploding technique failed to create the "big boom."

A western firm was awarded an emergency contract. So urgent was the timetable that an XX designation was

given to the Jug. This was the super war time priority assigned by the White House to the gadget makers.

The manufacturer assigned the whole third floor of his plant to assemble the Jug, and put his people on a feverish work schedule.

Then, about three weeks before the Jug was due to be finished, the plant manager, working in his office late, felt a terrible shudder go through his building, followed by a thunderous crushing, crunching and tearing sound of breaking timbers.

"My God, we've been attacked," he thought, rushing out of his office. What he saw drained the blood from his face and he ran to a telephone. "You'd better get on a plane down here, quick!" he shouted at a Manhattan Project representative on the other end of the line.

Later, in the basement of the plant the awed official stood with the plant manager. Both men gazed silently at the 215,000 lb. Jug-shaped steel shell embedded in the crushed basement floor. The Manhattan Project man, shook his head sadly and said, finally, "The damn thing fell all the way through, didn't it!"

"But that's only part of the story," Harris said, "Orders were issued to seal the shell in cement. It's still there. The contractor got paid for his work and received a voucher for the cost of repairing the ruined floors.

"The other half of the comedy of errors occurred when a new contract for the Jug was awarded. This is what happened then . . ."

By dint of a round-the-clock work schedule the monster was finally constructed. The plan was for the Jug to house the plutonium bomb then being constructed at Los Alamos. Once the bomb was slipped inside the Jug, a steel cork would be socked into place at one end of the Jug, sealing the bomb tightly. However, no sooner had the finishing touches been put on the jug than the Ohio people discovered to their dismay that there was no truck in America large enough or strong enough to haul it. Worse, the slide rule boys of the Manhattan Project in New York gloomily reported that only a few bridges existed in the United States sturdy enough to withstand the tremendous load weight.

By now Groves was himself beginning to believe the whole Jug project was haunted by misfortune.

But General Groves was not a man easily discouraged. He ordered a special reinforced flatbed rail car built which would take the Jug to a decrepit, one-

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shack railroad siding at Pope, New Mexico.

In the meantime, a purchase order with a super-urgency rating went out from Los Alamos to speedily build the world's largest truck. It would travel piggyback on the same train that would deliver the Jug to a special unloading platform that was being installed at the lonely New Mexico siding. The order was staggering. The trailer was used for only one trip after it was unloaded, with the Jug. This was an 80-mile haul from the railroad siding.

"What a herculean effort, Payne," said Durant, "and it must have cost a bundle."

"Yes, at least five million dollars."

Suddenly, a curious expression crossed Durant's face. "That monstrous chunk of metal we saw in the desert, are you saying that was the Jug?"

"Yes," chortled Harris, "ironically, we never used it! That is we never used it for the purpose for which it was intended. However, it was tested years after the war was over. This is what finally happened . . ."

After the Trinity bomb had been successfully detonated, at a cost approaching 3 billion, it was only natural that the feverish activity at Los Alamos would slacken. The great ordeal was over. Money had been spent in many directions, which in retrospect may have seemed frivolous, even wasteful.

Particularly, some of the junior grade military people were anxious to prove the intrinsic value of what might appear on the books as blunders. The Jug had been one of the costliest unused schemes.

As a result, one day some Army ordnance people drove out to the Trinity Site to prove the Jug would indeed have worked if needed; its costly design and manufacture would have saved the government millions, precious time, and would have guaranteed the safe recovery of the indispensable plutonium at a moment in history when its value was incalculable.

The team on the New Mexico desert that day removed the steel cork from one end of the great black jug, which was lying on its side in the blistering sand.

Into the maw of the glistening jug, they inserted some large live shells which were to be destroyed anyway. Safely removed from the Jug, they detonated the shells, then inspected the results.

"My God," "The damn thing is a dud."

"Yes," said another awed officer, "one of the most expensive duds in history."

Lying on the sand a few feet from the huge jug was its weighty steel cork. The explosion, ridiculously feeble, compared to the blast pressures the jug had

been designed to withstand, had spit out the plug like a wad of used chewing gum.

"So," said Durant, "it was a multi-million dollar blunder, after all?"

"No," said Harris, "what those officers didn't understand was that the Jug had been so delicately designed that the bomb and the surrounding explosive charge were to be balanced precisely and delicately in the center of the Jug. It would have worked, but they didn't know it. 'Let's hide the damn thing,' they said. 'Nobody should ever know about this!' Consequently, they had a hole dug, buried the cork and shoved the Jug in after it. They left the scene swearing each other to a solemn oath of secrecy."

"I suppose," Harris mused, "when our planet has become nothing but a deserted ball in space, some galactic visitor, viewing the Jug's remains will conclude that it represented just another enormous failure."

"You know" said Durrant "one of the funniest things that happened at Los Alamos was the war on 'Bathtub Row.' I suppose you remember how impossibly crowded things were . . ."

By the spring of 1944 Los Alamos had expanded into a bustling community of 5,000 souls which resembled a

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Flag Day 1969

June 14, 1969, marks the anniversary of the birth of the American Flag—it will be 192 years old. With Elks, the observance of Flag Day is traditional and mandatory.

As Americans and Elks, we can and shall, by united effort, do much to strengthen and build sincere patriotism in the minds and hearts of our fellow Americans by setting a fine example. Let us fly our flag not just on Flag Day, but on every day of the year, and do all we can to have our government buildings, schools, places of business, and every home fly the flag on Flag Day particularly—and on all other days as well.

We must realize that the greatest menace to our freedom is ingratitude and lack of respect for constituted authority. Let us resolve on this Flag Day to rededicate our loyalty to and respect for the Stars and Stripes, and instill in our children this love and respect at their earliest age.

The report on your 1969 Flag Day program should be incorporated in your lodge's Americanism brochure, to be submitted for judging to Chairman William Windecker of the GL Americanism Committee at the Sheraton-Dallas Hotel, Southland Center, Dallas, Tex. 75201. All brochures must be sent to arrive not later than July 11, and must be picked up at the Americanism Committee Booth not later than July 16.

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LODGE VISITS of EDWARD W. McCABE



GER Edward W. McCabe and his wife attended the Tournament of Roses Parade and a gala New Year's Eve party at the Pasadena, Calif., Lodge. Shown at the party with GER and Mrs. McCabe are ER and Mrs. Edward Simpson, and Esquire and Mrs. S. Campbell.



On a recent visit to Illinois, GER and Mrs. Edward W. McCabe were welcomed by PER Arthur G. LeFebvre and Grand Trustee George Hickey of Chicago.



GER McCabe signs in as a visitor to Auburn, Wash., Lodge, while PGER William J. Jernick, Grand Trustee George T. Hickey, Chicago (North), Ill., and Grand Tiler J. Robert Brooke, Tacoma, Wash., look on.



A reception and banquet was held to honor the visit of GER Edward W. McCabe to Jacksonville, Fla. At the head table with the GER are: PGER and Mrs. William A. Wall, PGER and Mrs. John Walker, DDGER and Mrs. Abe M. Shashy, SD and Mrs. Robert Cameron, SP and Mrs. Julian Smith, PSP and Mrs. J. Pierce Smith, Past State Presidents Frank Thompson and Thomas E. Malle and Jay P. Byram; Leo E. Charles and James Byram, members of the Lodge, and ER Gerry Wilson.



Milwaukee, Wis., ER Anthony N. Sanfilippo and his wife are shown with GER Edward W. McCabe and his wife at a dinner dance at which 100 candidates were initiated.



GER Edward W. McCabe visited Rumford, Maine, Lodge and attended a dinner in his honor in the company of ER Augustine Capponi, PER Joseph J. Costanzo, PGER John Fenton, and Past Grand Trustee Edward Spry.



GER Edward W. McCabe attended a reception in his honor given at his home lodge, Nashville, Tenn. PER Frank Correll, Lieutenant Governor of the State, was master of ceremonies. Brother Beverly Briley, Mayor of Nashville, presented the GER with various honors. Also participating were Est. Lead. Kt. Burton G. Cloud, Chap. James Way, Trustee R. Verner Perkerson, ER C. Moody Carey, Est. Lect. Kt. C. Edward McCabe, and DDGER Harry Lester.

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mining camp, but with none of the conveniences. The housing shortage was impossible and the booming baby population was placing demands on frayed nerves. There was no gas for cooking and a particularly sooty brand of coal was hauled in from the coal mines of Madrid in the Ortiz Mountains near Albuquerque. Water in the reservoirs was scarce and continued to drop dangerously in direct relationship to the increasing number of inhabitants.

It was only natural that General Groves, who was forever popping up on the mesa to raise hell with his subordinates and poke around generally, should be the object of boiling tempers.

However, Groves was a frugal man. As boss of the Manhattan Project, he had foreseen only a temporary wartime installation for the atom bomb builders at Los Alamos.

Thus, when a scientific article came to his attention reporting that a hot bath before bedtime wanes a man's energy and makes him less fertile, Groves expressed passing interest in the suggestion of a subordinate that by installing bathtubs in the adobe houses, a number of problems could be solved:

- ... The wives would be happy.
- ... The men would be temporarily sterile.
- ... The birth rate would drop.
- ... The water shortage would not be as serious because there would be fewer diapers to wash.

Whether Groves actually took this argument seriously is of little consequence, for the wives who quickly heard about it certainly did. They gathered in groups, and like angry bees argued this new diabolical threat to the security and happiness of the nesting spirit.

"How was the bathtub row finally settled?" asked Harris.

Durant laughed. "Most of the gals thought the whole idea was ridiculous. But absurd as it was they weren't about to let the General think he was going to put something over on them. So temporarily at least, they quit grouching about bathtubs. I recall talking about the incident to a former Los Alamos wife a few years after she and her husband had left the Hill. She said to me, we just endured the showers out of spite. We knew the loss of fertility theory was nonsense—it was, wasn't it?" ■

GER Edward W. McCabe has appointed PGER R. Leonard Bush to the National Memorial and Publication Commission to fill the vacancy created by the recent death of PGER Emmett T. Anderson. The appointment covers the period of April 15 through July 14, 1969.

1969 YOUTH LEADERSHIP WINNERS



Annalyn Swan



Michael Collins

W. Collins, 17, of Fargo, N. D. They will receive \$1,250 bonds. Miss Hunter was sponsored by Delaware, Ohio, Lodge; Collins by Fargo Lodge.

Gerald L. Powell, Peru, Ind., was the GL Youth Activities committeeman in charge of the competition. Chairman of the committee is Michael J. McNamara, of Brockton, Mass., Lodge.

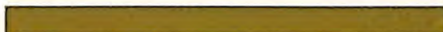
The three judges who selected the national winners were U.S. District Judge and former Congressman James F. Battin of Montana, chairman of the panel, and U.S. Reps. Joe D. Waggoner Jr. of Louisiana and Elford Cederberg of Michigan.

Remarking on the experience, Judge Battin said: "I had a very warm feeling about the type of young people that make up the majority in our country today, for they are the ones who receive no publicity, cause few problems, and enjoy building a better America for us, themselves, and future generations."

Annalyn, voted "Most Talented" in her school, is editor of the school paper and president of Quill and Scroll honorary journalism society, as well as an excellent pianist. She plans a double major in English and music at Loyola University, New Orleans, La. Annalyn is a National Honor Society officer and last summer was a delegate to Girls' State. She has been chosen as her school's recipient of the D.A.R. Good Citizen award and as Biloxi's 1969 Junior Miss.

Michael, one of America's Outstanding Teenagers for 1969, devotes much of his energies to the Catholic Youth Organization, of which he is state treasurer as well as a leader in district and local units. He is an honor student, and last year was chosen to participate in a summer science training program at Clemson (S. C.) University. At his school, Michael is National Honor Society president and a three-time class president.

Funds for the awards are provided by the Elks National Foundation.



Terry Wallace



Rodney Donaldson



Estelle Hunter



Paul Collins



Annalyn M. Swan, 18, of Biloxi, Miss., and Michael S. Collins, 17, of Augusta, Ga., are the winners of the 20th annual Elks National Youth Leadership Contest. Both were sponsored by their hometown lodges. Each will receive a \$2,000 U.S. Savings Bond award, to be presented during the Elks national convention in Dallas in July.

The winners of the nationwide competition among high school seniors were chosen for their outstanding records of leadership, citizenship, perseverance, resourcefulness, and sense of honor.

Second place winners of \$1,600 bonds are Terry L. Wallace, 17, of Clovis, N. M., and Rodney E. Donaldson, 18, of San Antonio, Tex. Both were sponsored by their hometown lodges.

Third place winners are Estelle E. Hunter, 18, of Sunbury, Ohio, and Paul

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PDD William Collins and PER Milton Lee hold a heart used to promote Century Club membership and honor National Foundation contributors from Hillsboro, Oreg., Lodge. Also pictured are PDD R. H. Gardner, DDGER Alfred Moreau, and the officers of the lodge.



Doctor Walter J. Barth, a member of Chicago (North) Lodge, and Grand Trustee George T. Hickey each received their third Permanent Benefactor's Certificate and PER Alex Birren, Jr., received an Honorary Founder's Certificate. GER Edward W. McCabe, PGER Lee A. Donaldson, and PER Arthur G. LeFebvre were also present.



The National Foundation made a strike when the Ohio State Association Bowling Tournament opened. PDD Earl Sloan of Elyria presents a \$100 check from his lodge in the name of the Elks Bowling Association to be applied toward a Permanent Benefactor's Certificate, to SP George B. Walker of Willoughby.



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A Message From The Girl Scouts

by Toby Wolfson

AROUND THE NATION TODAY there is scarcely a newspaper without a headline story of dissident youth rebellion, rising drug addiction, race riots, poverty in the restless ghettos, and an abysmal breakdown of morals. These accounts offer only the facts.

There is a way to help youth solve these problems, to help them circumvent them. To do this requires alertness, study, imagination, experimentation, receptivity, and often courage to initiate. Girl Scouts of the U. S. A., the largest organization in the world for girls, recognizes and applies these principles. The results are often amazingly successful projects. Here is a glimpse of one initiated three years ago which proved so constructive that its theme is still being carried on in many towns and cities throughout the country by Girl Scout troops, many of them sponsored by subordinate lodges of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the U. S. A.

Known officially as the 1967 National Senior Girl Scout Conference on Service in the Inner City, this project brought to the campus of Marion College, Indianapolis, Ind., girls and adults from all over the U. S.—affluent and poor, Catholic, Protestant, and Jew, Negro and white, Chinese, Mexican, and Puerto Rican. The conferees came in teams of three; each consisted generally of one adult and two girls from the inner and outer city.

On their arrival in Indianapolis, they



Standing proudly behind Senior, Junior, and Brownie Girl Scouts are Est. Lead. Kt. John Cullen, Mrs. Kurt Kwenzle, service team chairman, Brother Jack Lange, crippled children's committee chairman, Mrs. Greutert, Brownie consultant, and Est. Loyal Kt. A. Chiaviello.

had only one common bond—all were members of the Girl Scout movement. On their departure however, they took with them many common bonds, ideas, service projects—ways in which Girl Scouting could help bridge the opportunity gap. The message brought out by the conference was:

"Listen to us! We see the problems we have to tackle and we realize the enormity of the challenge. We know we need help from adults in our councils and communities. But we think we can

do the job and we want to try."

This was the message projected to the Girl Scout country-wide Senior Speakout held in November, 1968. During the first weekend, literally thousands of senior scouts met in their councils to take a sharp look at what they could do to break down the walls of prejudice and to cement understanding among all girls. Subsequently, representative participants were chosen from all six regional Speakouts to present summaries to the National Board

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Two Girl Scout Cadette Troop leaders who recently became Elks, Brothers Kurt Kuenzle and James Metropoulos, are shown in the company of ER Michael C. Lattoraca and Est. Loyal Kt. Anthony R. Chiaviello, associate chairman of Girl Scouts of Bergen County, N.J. Est. Lead. Kt. John Cullen and Bro. Frank Scelfo look on. (Below Right) Girls from the Bergen County, N.J. Girl Scout Council conduct an Inter-Group Girl Scout Speakout on today's problems.



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A Veteran's Administration official, Mr. Gingold, accepted the annual contribution of Bronx, N.Y., Lodge given by PER John Nolan. Shown with them are Secretary Eric B. Lee and ER Andrew Mantovani. This was one of many donations made to local organizations.



Lawrence Timber of the DAV presents a plaque to Auburn, Wash., PGER Emmett T. Anderson in recognition of the lodge's hospital program.



Dr. Albert Tomasulo, Director of the Miami VA Hospital, extends thanks to John Rosasco, South Fla. Hospital Chairman, for over \$1000 of golf equipment presented by the Elks National Service Commission.

Over 100 gift packages were sent to servicemen in Viet Nam by Peekskill, N.Y., Lodge members Brother Donald Martin, Est. Lead. Kt. Louis Morris, and Brother Jake Fetzer.





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Not long ago we were talking to a bright, aggressive young lawyer. At one point in our conversation, he made the following remarks to illustrate a point he was making:

"I have a certain client who's interested in buying a small building that has a couple of stores in it, some offices, and some small apartments. Well, the other day I went over to that building to look it over. I found the building superintendent and got friendly with him. I didn't tell him who I was; I let him think that I was making some sort of survey for some city department or something. Well, he took me through the place, and I checked it over pretty thoroughly. I checked on the condition of the heating plant and the visible wiring and so on. And I asked a lot of questions. I found out about the tenants, and I got some background facts about the guy that owned it, and so on. I decided that the place is pretty sound, and the price is about right, so I see no reason why my client shouldn't go ahead on the deal."

We couldn't help but think as he told this story that this man's client had a pretty good lawyer. But we've talked to enough lawyers, and clients, to know that this kind of service, while not to be depended upon, isn't unusual. We know a lawyer who has handled a number of divorce suits, and who makes a point of trying to save the marriages of his clients, and is successful in a surprising number of cases, rather than take them to court. This policy has cost him some fees, but it illustrates the point that lawyers can be helpful in a variety of ways.

This point is a good one for businessmen to remember, and a good reason for every businessman to consult a lawyer about his legal problems. At the same time, it is not offered as an excuse for remaining ignorant of the law. The average businessman knows pitifully little about legal matters, something that a few evenings with a textbook on business law could change for him. At the very least it might equip him to know when and how to use the services of a lawyer. For the more ambitious, an evening school or extension

course in business law would be even better. If you have several friends who are businessmen, you might even want to organize a "seminar" and invite lawyers to talk to your group on how they can serve small business.

It should be emphasized that there is no easy way to learn the essentials of American law. Ours is about the most complicated law system in the world, all the more reason for making use of the men who know most about it. But the person who knows nothing at all about the law is ill-equipped to avoid many basic mistakes that cause legal trouble. For example, an accurate knowledge about contracts and agency will help you to avoid certain pitfalls, even though it will not enable you to be your own lawyer. It will also help you to communicate effectively with your lawyer, which can save both your time and his and keep your legal expenses down.

One way a lawyer can help his client is simply by looking at his business. To the average person the differences between a hardware and a clothing store are obvious. A lawyer will see as well the basic legal similarities between them. Moreover, he is likely to have a hard-nosed practical understanding of business, as well as an expert understanding of the legal implications of the things an owner or manager may do . . . or fail to do.

The average businessman is quite likely to overlook the important fact that the ideas underlying such terms as "ownership," "assets," "income" and "profits" are first and foremost legal ideas. He can be pretty sure that his lawyer won't.

MANAGEMENT MEMOS

The Many Kinds of Lawyers. As in most professions, many lawyers are specialists. Some handle only personal-injury cases, others real-estate transactions, still others criminal cases. Some are known as teaching lawyers and do little or no fee-basis work. Because the legal problems that ordinarily arise in small-business ownership and management are seldom very unusual or com-

plex, the average lawyer for small business will engage in general-practice law.

Don't Look for Free Legal Advice! A lawyer is a professional man. He obtains his income by performing professional-caliber services for fees. To ask a lawyer to give free legal advice is equivalent to asking a retailer to give away the merchandise he sells.

Legal Fees and Expenses. A large company is likely to have both a staff of salaried lawyers on its payroll and a retainer relationship with an outside law-firm. The small businessman will only occasionally need legal services, and he can expect to pay for these on the following basis: (1) an *hourly-charge* basis for the lawyer's time; (2) payment for whatever special costs and expenses may be incurred in the performance of legal services (these can run from small routine expenses, such as those incurred in setting up a small corporation, to the substantial costs that sometimes arise in carrying a legal problem into court). The legal profession has a stringent code of professional ethics which emphasizes fairness to clients in charging for legal services. Most lawyers are fair in their charges.

Preventive Law-Work. It is sad but true that lawyers are often called to settle problems they might have been able to prevent had they been called upon at the proper time. For example, suppose three very good friends decide to go into a business-partnership together. They may say, "We're good friends, we trust one another completely. And we know just what we want to do in our business. And our operation is starting out in a very small way. So what do we need a lawyer for?" Well, they'd be very foolish indeed not to consult a lawyer before setting themselves up as a partnership.

Guidance in Obtaining Financing. Your lawyer is likely to be familiar with accountants, banks, investment firms, and other organizations who are either in or are closely related to the financial community. He may be helpful to you if you are thinking of looking for some kind of financing for your business, providing it is worth financing. ■



Palo Alto, California, Lodge Presents John B. Morey for Grand Trustee

At the regular meeting of Palo Alto, Calif., Lodge No. 1471, BPOE, held on February 13, 1969, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: WHEREAS: Brother John B. Morey has served Palo Alto Lodge unselfishly for the past 33 years; and WHEREAS, Brother John B. Morey has served the California Elks Association faithfully as its President in 1951-52, and as Vice-Chairman of its Major Project Committee for six years; and

WHEREAS, Brother John B. Morey has served the Grand Lodge as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of the West Central District of the California Elks Association, a member of the Ritualistic Committee, the Lodge Activities Committee, as Chairman of the Pension Committee, Grand Treasurer for three terms and as Grand Esteemed Leading Knight (1966-67); NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Palo Alto Lodge No.

1471, BPOE, is honored to present to the Grand Lodge Convention in Dallas, Texas, July 1969, the name of John B. Morey for Grand Trustee of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America.

LESTER H. ANDERSEN, *Exalted Ruler*
EDWARD B. CRADY, *Secretary*



Newark, Ohio, Lodge Presents E. Gene Fournace for Grand Trustee

At a regular meeting of Newark, Ohio, Lodge 391 held on the 18th day of February, 1969, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: WHEREAS, Brother E. Gene Fournace has unselfishly served Newark Lodge 391 for thirty-one years during which time he acquitted himself with dignity and efficiency as Exalted Ruler; that he served the Ohio Elks Association as Secretary and later as President; that for four years he served as Chairman of the major project of the Ohio Elks Association—the Cerebral Palsy Training Centers Board; that during his tenure as Chairman of this Board he formally opened the Association's first cerebral palsy treatment center in Canton, Ohio; that he served as a member of two special committees of the Grand

Lodge; and that he was a member of the Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee for seven years of which he was Chairman for three years; and presently is serving as a member of the Grand Lodge Board of Grand Trustees, having been elected to fill that vacancy created by the resignation of Nelson E. W. Stuart; and WHEREAS, in his business life as an electric utility executive, he has served or is serving as President and Trustee of the Ohio Public Expenditure Council; member of the Executive Committee of the Ohio Valley Improvement Association; a Director of the Mississippi Valley Association; and is Committee Chairman of the Ohio Chamber of Commerce; and WHEREAS, his civic contribution covered many phases of local endeavor in

Newark, Ohio, where he served many years as President of the United Fund and President of the Newark Hospital Trustees, and in Canton, Ohio, where he has been active in Chamber of Commerce work and is President of The Canton Club; all of which activities earned him the respect and gratitude of his fellow citizens; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Newark Lodge 391 is honored to present the name of E. Gene Fournace to the Grand Lodge Convention to be held at Dallas, Texas, in July, 1969, as a candidate for Grand Trustee of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America for a term of four years.

LEONARD NETHERS, *Exalted Ruler*
R. A. LORENZEN, *Secretary*

Girl Scouts

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of Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., at their January, 1969 meeting. The major findings of both events pointed up that young people want to put their intelligence, energy and enthusiasm to work on behalf of a troubled society. Adults must heed, then help the younger people to realize their ambitions.

In January, 1969, a Speakout took

place in the State of New Jersey, comprised of the members of three Girl Scout troops, all sponsored by lodges of the Order of Elks. This group of teenage and pre-teenage girls gathered in the quarters of Rutherford, N.J., Lodge No. 547 to discuss a variety of human wants and moral problems faced by them today, which they felt their parents hadn't had to face. Following are some of the topics discussed, together with a generalization of conclusions reached by the girls.

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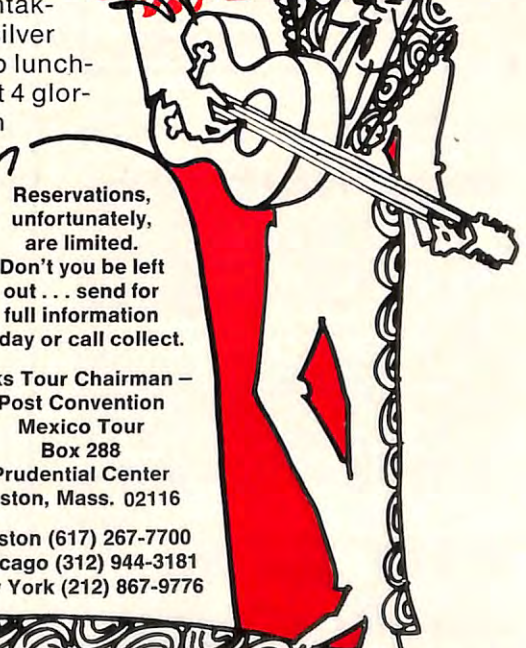
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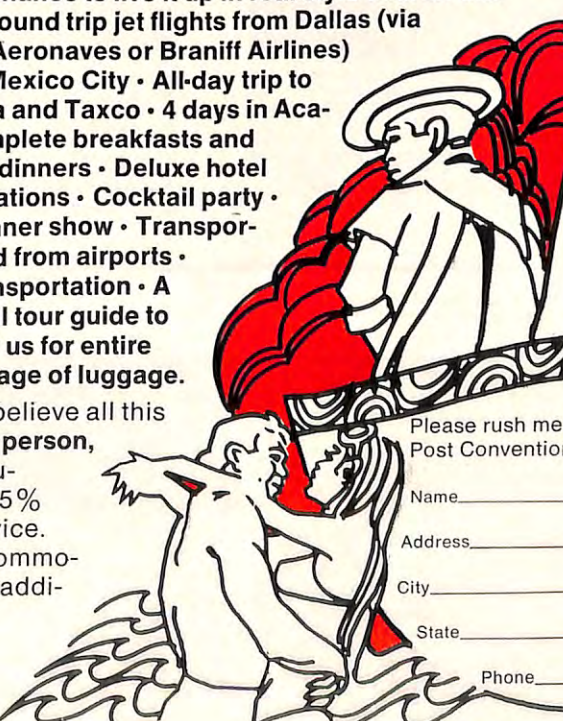
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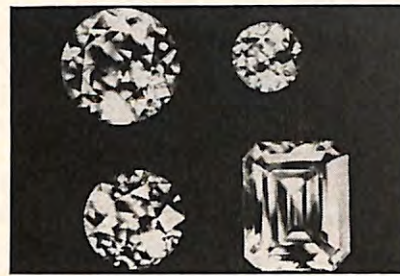
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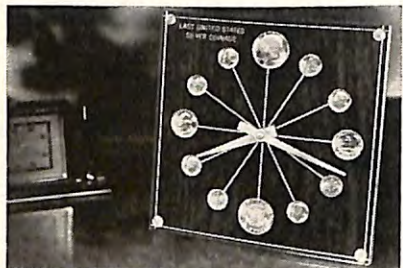


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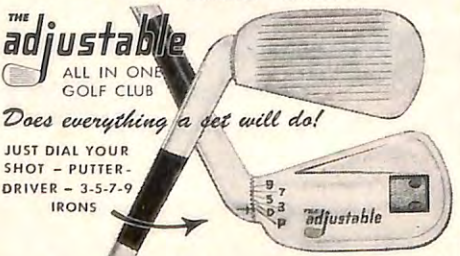
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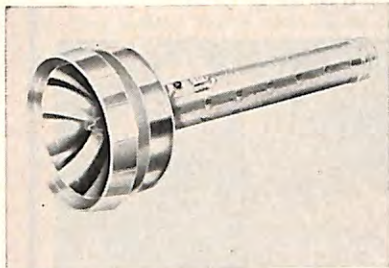
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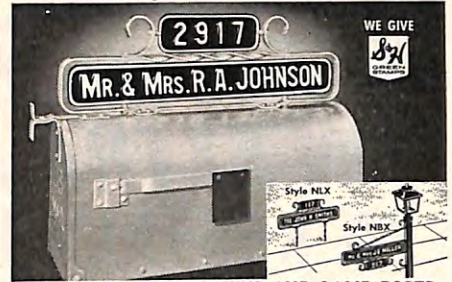
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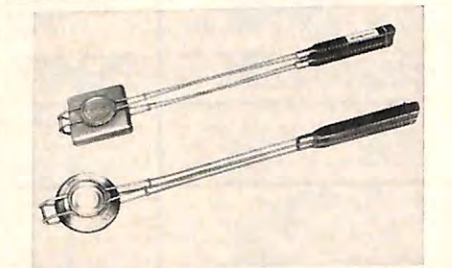
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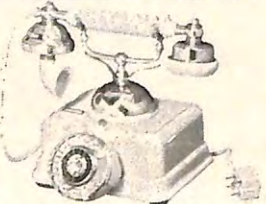


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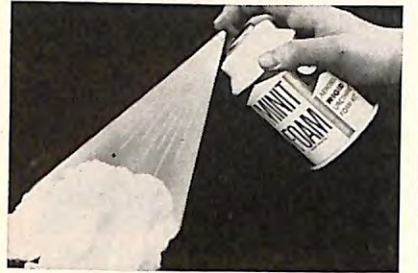
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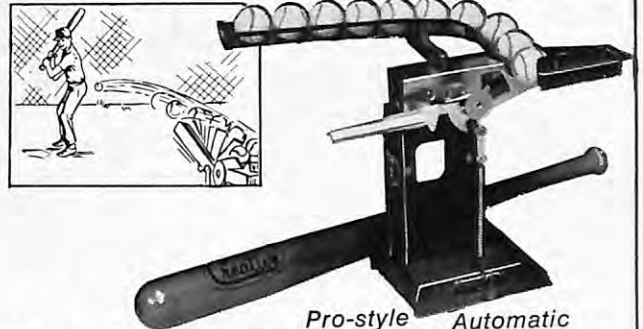
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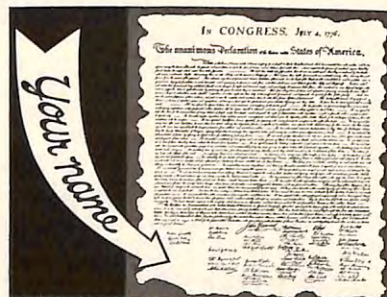
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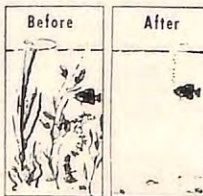
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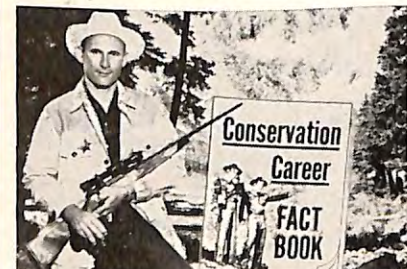
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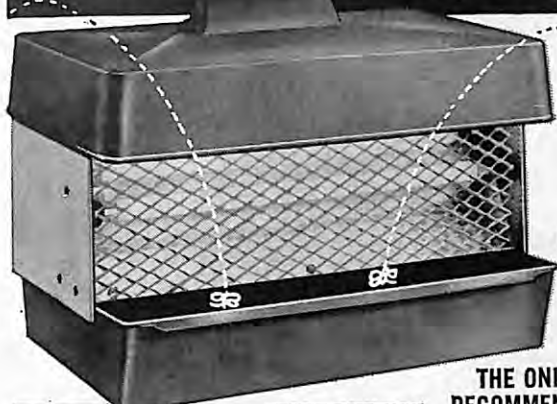


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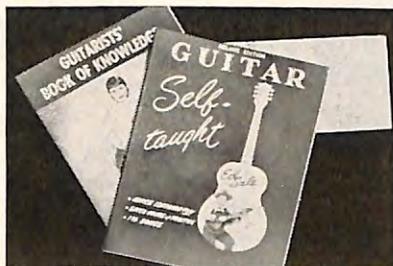
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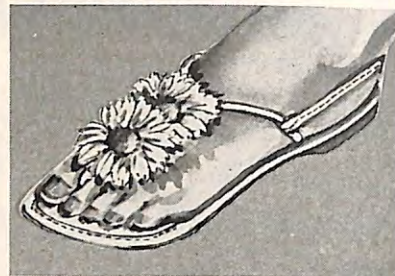
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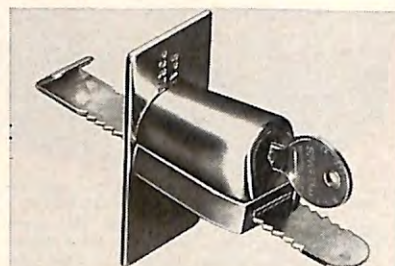
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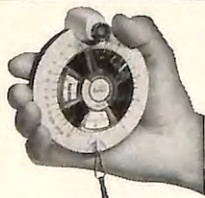
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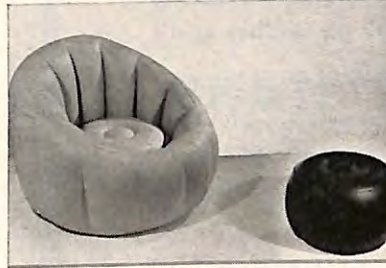
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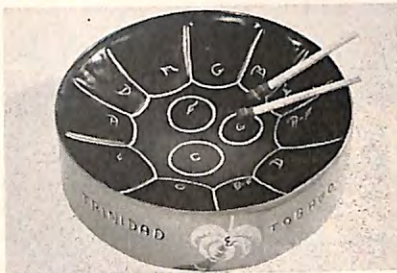


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By JERRY HULSE

How about it, is Tahiti done with? Will those searching for paradise bypass it and move on to lesser known islands? Say the Tuamotus, the Manihikis or the Marquesas? It may happen. I'm not sure. It has been only about two years since I was in Tahiti, before this time I mean, and it has changed considerably. Of course, in some ways it hasn't changed at all. The Tahitians still sing in that childish way of theirs. Young or old, they sing. I saw this old Tahitian woman in a deluxe hotel the other night, she was playing with a combo, scraping a popsicle stick along a soda pop bottle. She was the rhythm. A woman that old back in the U.S. would be knitting, but not in Tahiti. In Tahiti no one ever really grows old. They may look old, but they remain children, always.

This is what I mean about Tahiti being unchanged in some ways. Young girls, skirts billowing like blown-up parachutes, roar by on motorbikes, holding stubbornly to a live chicken or a loaf of French bread. No one gives a damn what is happening to the rest of the world. The whole thing could disappear; possibly they'd never know. You don't pick up a paper and read all the depressing news. Granted, there's a French paper, but no one reads it much. And the mimeographed sheet they put out for Americans is mostly filled with stock market reports and news about sports. No one in Tahiti, visitor or native alike, wants to get too serious. It's too much fun just living. I don't mean to imply that this really is paradise. It's just that it's about as near to being an uninhibited tropical Disneyland as there is. Anyone, though, who thinks he is going to find dark-skinned Liz Taylor types running freely around the island will be terribly disappointed. The Tahitian women aren't that good-looking. In fact, they aren't good-looking at



all, who with bad teeth and bodies that go flabby early in life. The French-Tahitians? *Mais oui!* This is another matter. Or those with Chinese blood—they, too, can be remarkably beautiful. In fact, some are quite spectacular.

But I wasn't talking about women. I was saying that Tahiti is changing. It is because of the tourists and the jets. Soon no place on earth will be safe from the jet. Nothing will remain undiscovered. Won't this be sad? In Tahiti, even with the jets, nothing was supposed to get taller than two-thirds of a coconut tree. The buildings, that is. Tahiti would never go the way of Waikiki. They had noble plans to keep

paradise pure, the French did. No high rises for this storied island. But the tourists kept arriving and land prices kept rising and, well, it has begun. Despite the campaign to keep buildings from rising along with prices, in April Tahiti will launch its first hotel. It will be nearly as tall as a coconut tree. It will be called the Maeva and it is being built in the middle of a coconut grove in the district of Punauia overlooking a lagoon, the island of Moorea silhouetted against the horizon. It is in a grove of the tallest coconut trees they could find, but not quite tall enough. The 7-story hotel is almost to the tops—and so ends Tahiti's legend. "two-

thirds of a coconut tree." They've broken the rule.

The new hotel is Tahiti with air-conditioning and workable plumbing. Original paintings hang in each of its 220 rooms, and in the Restaurant Gauguin are reproductions of Gauguin masterpieces. Besides Restaurant Gauguin there are the Cafe de Paris and Le Bougainville Snack Bar. Outside, a miniature Tahitian village is taking shape. It is to be an artsy craftsy place. Guests will watch Tahitians carving wood and shells. This is the plan. That is, if they can persuade them to work, which is questionable, since they'd prefer to be off somewhere dancing or fishing or just lazing in the shade some place.

From the outside, Hotel Maeva resembles an Aztec temple, mistakenly

transplanted in Tahiti. On the other hand, Hotel Tahara'a, operated by Intercontinental, the Pan Am affiliate, which is also brand new, appears as if it evolved, naturally, out of the hillside overlooking the bay where Capt. Bligh dropped anchor. It is an upside-down affair, with the lobby at the top and the rooms underneath. The 10 levels are stair-stepped down Tahara'a Hill so that it is not really a high rise at all. It is totally unoffensive to the surrounding countryside. If anything, it is an attraction. To get an idea of how it works, if you are, say, on the 10th floor and wish to go to the lobby you push the elevator "up" button. On the other hand if you are in the lobby and wish to go to the 10th floor you push the "down" button. It's confusing until you get used to the mix-up.

It cost \$6 million to turn out the Tahara'a's 200 rooms which are more Beverly Hills than Tahitian, no matter how the management argues to the contrary. Granted, Tahitian masks stare down from the walls. And tikis stare back from the gardens outside. But both the masks and tikis were carved, not in Polynesia, but California. Whittier to be exact. Off in the Capt. Cook Restaurant and Discovery Bar are figureheads from the H.M.S. Bounty and Discovery, glowering down at the diners. You can sip a rum drink and watch a torrid Tahitian hula while the old Tahitian lady scrapes the popsicle stick down the soda pop bottle. It's a little touristy, but the guests dig the beat and they're paying the bills: \$20 and \$26 single per room per night or \$26-\$32 double. The view from Hotel Tahara'a



A broad smile, like the one worn by the tiny lady above, is typical of Tahitian residents. Men dance as vigorously as the women at Tahitian feasts, called tamaraas.



is a Gauguin canvas. At sunset the sky ignites over Moorea and there is the sound of the sea sloshing in a cove below. It is perfectly white, the water, where it breaks against a startlingly black sand beach, the coastline a series of coves reaching into the sunset. Behind the hotel mountains rise up, wet and green, caught up in clouds that brought rain this day, the palm trees still dripping with the moisture which fell earlier. No wonder Gauguin was hypnotized by it all.

Living on the island is a modern Gauguin of sorts, Jean Jacques Laurent, who came to Tahiti on the first jet near

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Tahiti

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ly nine years ago and returned, three weeks later, unable to forget the sunsets and the flowers which grow so profusely in Tahiti's hothouse atmosphere. Unlike Gauguin, though, he brought his wife Yvonne, a striking brunet whom all tourists mistake for a Tahitian. Each year Jean Jacques sails off on a copra boat to remote islands, to New Guinea and the Solomons, the New Hebrides, the Carolines, the Tokalaus, Gilberts and Tonga, gathering rare artifacts

which he sells back in Tahiti. In the morning call him at Tahiti 322. He is home in the afternoon at Kilometer 16 in Punaauia. You may buy something for \$5 or something else for \$10,000, the latter a Marquesan war club. Some day Jean Jacques intends to move on from Tahiti. What he came to escape, too much civilization, is catching up. He doesn't get the same blast out of Tahiti anymore that De Gaulle did with his atomic tests in the distant outer islands. The tourists and the tests have changed Tahiti.

Across the Sea of the Moon, on the island of Moorea, it is much less changed than on Tahiti—although only 12 miles of water separate the two places. The other morning while a chicken clucked, Hugh Kelly smiled hugely. Another franc was dropping into the till. The chicken business was good and Kelly was happy, very happy, indeed, in this paradise of his, Moorea, an island of spectacular peaks and coconut palms and lazy lagoons. Besides Kelly, who is 41, there are Muk McCullum, 40, and Jay Carlisle, 37, all from Newport Beach. Three Rascals in Paradise. Kelly is the ex-Los Angeles attorney who got fed up with the freeways and smog and ran off to Moorea and launched himself in the hotel business. McCullum and Carlisle came la-

ter. They call the resort they built Bali Hai and the setting is every man's dream of the perfect escape. Since I wrote about it last, many of you Elks have visited it. This will bring you up to date.

Since the last time they've a new member, Keith Poehlmann, a chicken rancher from Petaluma, Calif. He came to Moorea to vacation in 1963 and got hooked on the place and came back four times until finally he returned for good. In Petaluma he'd been a successful businessman and was president of the Sonoma County Board of Education. He helped with the Little League and was involved in all the other things that make a young man grow old and frustrated and tired before his time, and anyway, Moorea was in his blood. What, though, was a chicken rancher to do on an island? What else but raise chickens, which is what he is doing. The other boys, Kelly and his pals, made a deal with the French Government. Why import eggs to Tahiti and the other islands, they asked, if they could be produced fresh on Moorea? The French said it sounded like a good idea and so the boys ordered 10,000 baby chicks flown by jet from the U.S. The only trouble was the French failed to protect them by shutting off egg imports, a promise made earlier. The boys were to be the exclusive suppliers for all the islands of French Polynesia.

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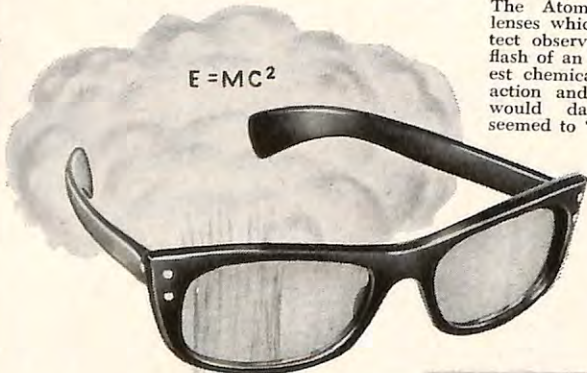
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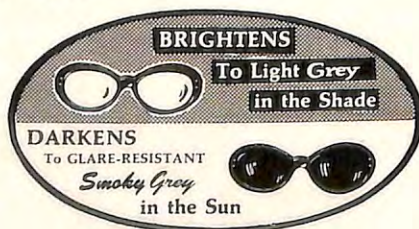


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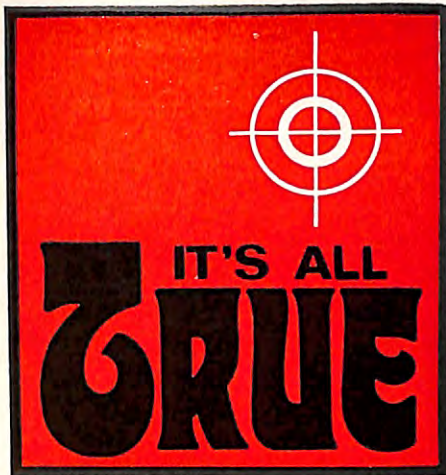
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TRUE TIP OF THE MONTH

Remember when buying your first set of clubs that the transaction is something like buying a car. That is, your clubs have a trade-in value when you buy a new set later—or you may want to pass your old set along to friends or relatives.

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Then there's the matter of swing-weight. Personally I think this aspect of rating golf clubs has been greatly over-emphasized. Have your golf salesman fit you with a set of clubs that feels right to you and don't worry about swing-weights. Most touring pros pick their clubs by feel too.

Should you get a full set? Many beginners think all they need is a wood or two and three irons and they're ready to tackle the course. But to really get into the game of golf you should start with at least the 1, 3 and 4 woods, 2 through 9 irons plus wedge and putter.

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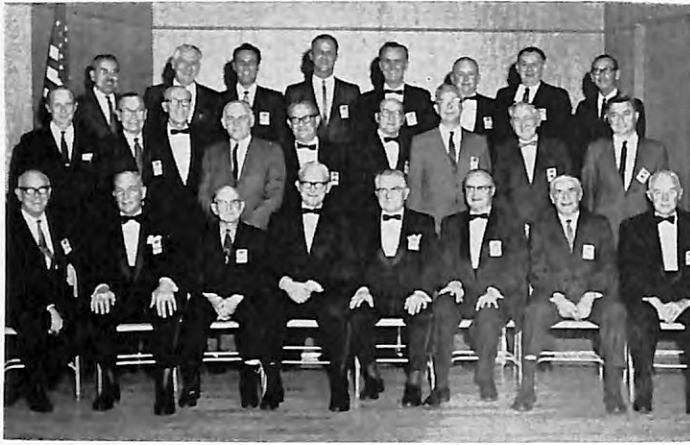
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News of the Lodges (Continued from page 17)



PAST EXALTED RULERS of Alameda, Calif., Lodge-25 of the lodge's 32 living PERs—assemble for a group portrait during the annual Past Exalted Rulers Night. Among those present were former State Supreme Court Justice Homer R. Spence (seated, far left), the senior PER in attendance, and PER Robert C. Strehlow Jr. (seated, second from left), who led a team of PERs in conducting the initiation of 13 new members, including his son.



LOS ALAMOS, New Mexico, PERs pose with ER Lawrence L. Hupke (fourth from left) and Mrs. Betty Masilun, widow of PER William J. Masilun, at a lodge-hosted party. The affair celebrated Mrs. Masilun's retirement from her job, and the memory of her husband, who died in March of 1966.



"100 CLUB" MEMBERS—Brothers of North Las Vegas, Nev., Lodge who have each donated \$100 to the lodge's building fund—pose with ER Pablo Arenaz (fourth from right) at a lodge certificate presentation ceremony. The Elks are Russel Knecht, James Carder, Mike Cordova, Clyde Jarman, Bill Warren, Cyrus Stewart, and Calvin Lombardi; all received recognition certificates.



TWO SONS of Cody, Wyo., Elks were recently initiated into the lodge. Shown after the ceremony, with ER Wilson LeBlanc (center) are Brother Jack Turner; his son Mike, who was on leave from the U.S. Navy at the time of the initiation; George R. Frank, a student at the University of Montana, Missoula, and his father, Brother George Frank—a happy two-family quartet.



AN INITIATION CLASS of 33 candidates was welcomed recently into Pocatello, Idaho, Lodge. The new Brothers—initiated in honor of GER Edward W. McCabe—are shown with the officers of the lodge as they assembled for a post-ritual portrait marking the happy occasion.



PALO ALTO, California, Elks recently honored one of their most dedicated members—Brother Oscar Holzhauser (kneeling, left), who had sponsored 14 new lodge members during the preceding year. Shown with Brother Holzhauser are some of the Elks he has sponsored.



A PLAQUE IS PRESENTED to La Junta, Colo., PER and Secy. Hoy G. Brosius (left) by PER and Judge Lawrence Thulemeyer. The presentation marked the retirement of Brother Brosius from his post as lodge secretary, after 28 years' service. PER Brosius' achievements during his 56-year membership in La Junta Lodge include his proposing more than 1,375 candidates for initiation into the Order.



SALINAS, California, Lodge's recent Past Exalted Rulers Night proved to be a real family affair for Brother Richard Thomas (second from left), who was initiated at that time. Taking part in the ritual were three members of his family—all PERs—his grandfather, Secy. Al N. Tisher; his father, Lee D. Thomas, and a cousin, Robert L. Thomas, whose smiles indicate their approval of the event.



CARMICHAEL, California, Elks recently initiated a class of 36 candidates in honor of DDGER Yubi G. Separovich, Sacramento. A special guest—SP Norman S. "Sig" Lien (seated, fourth from right), Watsonville—was on hand for the event. The ritual was an especially happy one for ER Anthony "John" Chubon, who welcomed his youngest son, Michael, into the Order; Michael joins his older brothers David and Richard as a member of Carmichael Lodge.



BOY SCOUTS attending a recent party at Whittier, Calif., Lodge—a portion of the 580 area scouts who were on hand—pause for a look at the camera. The annual affair, now in its thirtieth year, included a speech by Bobby Knopp, second baseman for the Los Angeles "Angels." Whittier Elks had previously entertained 420 area Girl Scouts for that organization's sixth annual party.



"SPECIAL" CUB SCOUTS—members of Hawthorne, Calif., Lodge's recently formed Cub Pack 167, which consists of boys from the McBride Elementary School for Handicapped Children—try out a salute with their cubmaster, Brother C. R. Gelvin (background, left), whose grandson Mike is one of the pack's charter members. Hawthorne Elks report this new program is proving to be very popular with the scouts, their families, and members of the lodge.

TWO HARDWORKING ELKS of Santa Monica, Calif., Lodge—Tom Scully (left) and Robert V. Reilly (right)—were honored recently by the lodge for their roles in a special project. These Brothers spearheaded a drive which sent 4,500 packs of cigarettes to servicemen in Vietnam, through the sale of GL "Our Flag—Love It or Leave" decals. Shown with the honorees at the lodge ceremony are ER Vincent A. Bruno, Esq. R. Paul Smith, and VP Robert McLain, an Arcadia Elk.

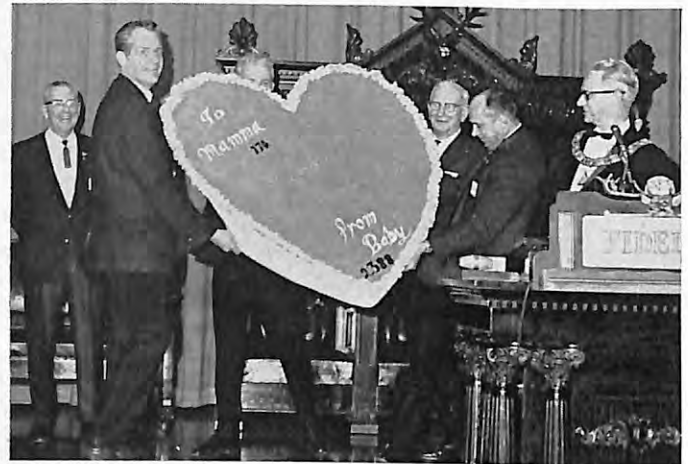


AN ANNUAL OUTING finds Aspen, Colo., ER Joseph H. Burgert (fifth from left) and other officers of the lodge poised for a bit of skiing high atop 10,700-foot Buttermilk Mountain, in Colorado's famed Rockies.

A VALENTINE GREETING is presented by Lakewood, Wash., Elks to Tacoma ER Herbert R. Hill (right) during a recent inter-lodge visit. The Lakewood officers are (from left) ER Carl M. Bush, Est. Loyal Kt. Clark Nielson, Est. Lect. Kt. Robert Brewer, Secy. Frank McFarland, and In. Gd. Fred Piersoni. The giant heart's message—"To Mamma from Baby"—refers to Tacoma Elks' sponsorship of Lakewood Lodge at its institution in June 1968.



AMERICAN FLAGS are displayed by 13 area Eagle Scouts at the close of a recent flag presentation ceremony at Mount Vernon, Wash., Lodge. Shown with the scouts are ER Lenert Alstrand (left) and Brother Jim Twitchell, a member of the U.S. Naval Reserve.



A COLOR GUARD representing R.O.T.C. units from five Southern California high schools—Lakewood, Jordan, Wilson, Millikan, and Polytechnic—perform during Long Beach, Calif., Elks' R.O.T.C. Field Day. The lodge asked Mayor Edwin Wade to issue a proclamation setting aside the last week in February in honor of the cadets; activities sponsored by the lodge during this week included Army-Navy drill competition, a R.O.T.C. military ball, and an awards banquet. Clifford F. Beyers, U.S. Army Major General (Ret.), and Lt. Col. John J. Gillespie, both Long Beach Elks, were in charge of the affair.



NEEDLES, California, ER J. P. McAndrews (foreground, second from left) shares a handshake with two distinguished visitors—PGERs R. Leonard Bush and Horace R. Wisely—upon their recent visit. Also assembled for a group photo marking the occasion are SP Norman S. "Sig" Lien, (second row, second from right), Watsonville, PSP Marvin M. Lewis, Brawley, and other officers of Needles Lodge who took part in welcoming the guests.

NEEDY YOUNGSTERS pining for a bicycle, tricycle, coaster, or almost anything else on wheels have only to contact Newport Harbor, Calif., Elks—as 11-year-old Tim Padillo has just learned. Tim receives a replacement for his own bike, which was stolen, from ER Harold Hohlman (left) and Stan Panek, chairman of the lodge's "Needed Wheels" committee. In the background are two of the "Elk elves" who collect and repair used vehicles for distribution to children who have been deprived of them through theft or poverty. The lodge's workshop has grown from a Christmas project to a year-around affair.



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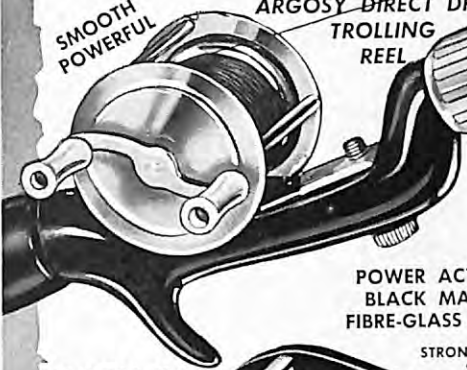
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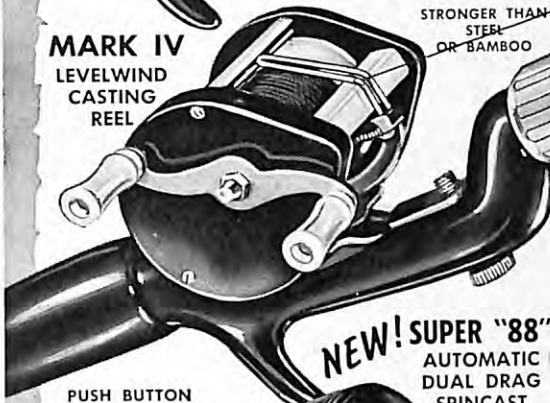
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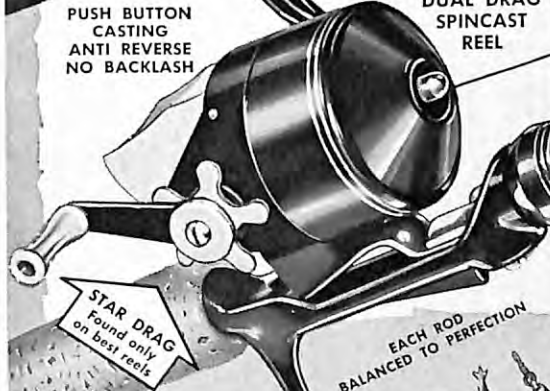
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locally they've brought the price down from \$1.25 to 90 cents a dozen. The result of their success is that they plan to increase their chicken population by 100 percent. The only trouble they face is getting caught up in the same infernal web they came to Moorea to escape. Pressure. They built Bali Hai, their thatched cottage hotel, with their bare hands. It has become a huge success. Instead of the original four cottages there are 30. They get \$40 a day double with meals and the tourists come by the boatload and the plane-load. Business was so good they built a second Bali Hai on the island of Raiatea, down near Bora Bora. And now they're in the egg business. They're making more money than they ever did in Los Angeles. Also they're working harder. They could sell out for at least \$1.5 million (they arrived practically penniless). While they have no desire to leave Moorea, not permanently, that is, they're thinking of selling stock in order to hire help to ease the pressure and maybe then they'll travel a little. As Muk puts it, "We're tired of plugged up toilets and blown out fuses."

They'd like to go off and explore other islands, especially those of Micronesia, and maybe drink a little rum and just enjoy life, taking it easy the way they'd intended to do in the first place. Mostly, though, they don't

want to return, ever, to the panic of Los Angeles. Big Hugh Kelly went back recently for the first time in five years. "I almost had a heart attack getting out of L.A. Airport," he said. "Then on the freeway I got a ticket for going too slow. Before, when I lived in Los Angeles, I got tickets for driving too fast." Kelly sent for a drunken Tahitian guitar player at Bali Hai, a character named Villi Valla. Villi Valla got off the plane in Los Angeles wearing a pair of sandals, blue jeans and a Pat Paulsen T-shirt. Kelly and some friends chartered a bus and went down to Los Angeles International Airport to meet Villi Valla and they carried him out of the terminal on their shoulders like a football hero. They bought him a set of teeth and a new suit and shoes. Later when Villi Valla returned to Tahiti no one recognized him. He was wearing his new teeth and his new suit and a tie and a homburg hat. He looked like a Mafia big shot. It's possible, though, that Kelly did Villi Valla no favor after all. While Kelly and his pals think Moorea is paradise, Villi Valla would like to go back to Los Angeles. He thinks L.A. is Bali Hai.

So you see, Tahiti is changing, the people and all, but even so it's still a lot different than Los Angeles or Chicago or New York, and maybe, just maybe, you'll never want to go home again. ■

Centennial Bottle Pays First Dividend



THE ELKS National Foundation becomes \$100,000 richer as Mr. Martin Lewin (second from left), president of the Regal China Company, Antioch, Ill., presents a check for that amount to Nelson E. W. Stuart, executive director of the Foundation. The check represented the first payment in an agreement between the Elks and the china company for the sale of the Jim Beam

special commemorative bottle honoring the Order's centennial, distributed by the Beam company through its regular marketing channels. Observing the check presentation are Grand Secy. Franklin J. Fitzpatrick, Lynbrook, N.Y., and Mr. Everett Kovler, president of the James B. Beam Distilling Company. The ceremony took place recently at the Beam corporate offices in Chicago.

Girl Scouts

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age of teenagers . . . the younger generation.

BREAKDOWN OF MORALS

The great concern of teenagers regarding morals is of a personal nature. Faith and trust on the part of parents is of tremendous importance in keeping a teenager from doing wrong. Membership in the Girl Scouts also helps. Says one senior, "We have discussions in the troop. We can and we do get together to talk things out at camp with other girls. You have no secrets—we talk about what's right and wrong. We attend dances with different boys. We work with them on community projects." All of this helps in learning how to be better citizens.

HUMAN NEEDS—ADULT COOPERATION

Girl Scouting, as a result of Service Aide Training, offers the opportunity to be of help to the physically handicapped. Through planned visits to hospitals and other institutions Girl Scouts have been able to work with a variety of physically handicapped persons. Often they volunteer their services to as-

sist in programs being conducted by community organization, such as the very worthwhile work being done with crippled and other handicapped youngsters by Elk State Associations across the nation.

COMMUNICATION

Communication concerns the entire family and is very important, especially between daughters and their mothers. Family communication has much to do with the way a person grows up. Many world problems are solved through proper communication. Girl Scouting teaches what a wonderful feeling it is to be able to communicate with people and to be open and sincere with one another.

Girl Scouting has been growing at a rapid pace and its recognition by, as well as association with responsible organizations is most desirable. The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has long been a supporter of Girl Scouting through the use of its club facilities as meeting places, as well as troop sponsorship. Last year through the adoption of an accelerated program which produced an increase of thirty-six new units the number of sponsored girl scout troops totaled more than 325. The Order's Grand Lodge Youth Activities Committee, through its Chair-

man, Michael J. McNamara, is asking the subordinate Lodges for a continued effort to expand their Girl Scout program so that girls seven through seventeen may achieve happier, healthier, and more secure lives. This effort is especially important now, for more of our growing daughters need the assistance offered through Girl Scouts of the U. S. A. to meet the ever increasing problems of this changing world. ■

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ELKDOM MOURNS the death of Past Grand Esteemed Leading Knight—Judge John P. Hartigan—who died Aug. 10, 1968, at the age of 80.

A member of Providence, R.I., Lodge since 1917, Brother Hartigan served as that lodge's Exalted Ruler for 1923-1924. He was appointed a District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for 1928-1929, and served as Grand Esteemed Leading Knight for the 1939-1940 lodge year.

A federal judge for 25 years until his retirement in 1965, Judge Hartigan had been Judge of the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island, and a member of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit in Boston. He also served as Attorney General of Rhode Island from 1933 to 1939.

DISTRICT DEPUTY Henry J. Moltzen, a charter member of Levittown-Hicksville Lodge, died recently.

Brother Moltzen served as the lodge's Exalted Ruler for the 1958-1959 lodge year. He next served as Vice-President of the New York Elks Association, and was appointed District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler by GER Edward W. McCabe at the 1968 Grand Lodge centennial convention in New York City. Levittown-Hicksville Elks conferred an Honorary Life Membership upon Brother Moltzen in 1961.

PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY Harold Colee, dean of Past Exalted Rulers of St. Augustine, Fla., Lodge, died recently.



A 50-year member of St. Augustine Lodge, Brother Colee was appointed a District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler for two terms including the lodge years 1926-1927, and 1928-1929. He also served as President of the Florida Elks Association for 1929-1930.

Brother Colee was also an active member of the Florida State Chamber of Commerce.

PAST DISTRICT DEPUTY Charles H. Kopetzke, a member of McAllen, Tex., Lodge, died suddenly Jan. 8.

Brother Kopetzke was initiated into the Order in November of 1945, as a member of Chicago (South) Lodge. He later dimitted to McAllen Lodge, and served as Exalted Ruler in 1952-1953.

He was appointed District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler of Texas' South District for 1953-1954, under GER Earl E. James, and served as a Vice-President of the Texas Elks Assn. for 1966-1967.

Members of McAllen Lodge conferred an Honorary Life Membership upon him in 1966; the Brothers also presented a Permanent Benefactor's Certificate in the Texas Elks Crippled Children's Hospital to the widow, in memory of Brother Kopetzke.



A NEW SIGN for the Elks National Memorial and Headquarters in Chicago, recently erected on the building's northeast lawn, is inspected by GER Edward W. McCabe and Mrs. McCabe, Grand Secy. Franklin J. Fitzpatrick, and Grand Trustee George T. Hickey. During the afternoon and evening hours the sign is illuminated—a bronze glow is cast upon the emblem, while the lettering as well as the numerals and hands on the clock, which are made of phosphorescent material, light up in white. With the new sign, the always welcome visitors easily will be able to identify the impressive Elks' landmark.



GIVE A DESERVING BOY A LIFT

The Order of Elks has historically preached the value of training youth to be self-reliant, and has practiced what it preached by strongly supporting youth programs that stressed good citizenship.

Especially commendable is the current project, launched jointly by the Elks and the Boy Scouts, to help disadvantaged boys earn the money to finance their attendance at the National Boy Scout Jamboree in Farragut Park, Idaho, July 16-22. The project was detailed in a letter to all Elks lodges and Scout Executives from Grand Exalted Ruler Edward W. McCabe and Chief Scout Executive Alden G. Barber.

The program is simple. It asks each Elks lodge to help one or more Boy Scouts from disadvantaged families to find employment that will provide the few dollars necessary to defray expenses to the Jamboree. Only if circumstances warrant should a lodge make a financial grant to supplement a boy's earnings in order to insure his attendance. On his return the boy will report to the lodge on his experiences in meeting and living with thousands of boys from all walks of life and all sections of the country.

It is gratifying, but not at all surprising, that this

project has met with such widespread response. Elks have been staunch supporters of the Boy Scout's almost since the organization's start in this country in 1910. The reasons for this long-standing "partnership" are not hard to find. For one thing, a great many Elks were Scouts when they were boys, and they have first-hand knowledge of the value of Scouting in building men. But the value of Scouting is well-known beyond the ranks of former Scouters.

Evidence of Scouting's relevancy to good citizenship is the fact, among many that could be cited, that of the first 54 astronauts chosen for our manned space program 46 had been Boy Scouts.

The truth of the matter is that Scouting pays off. It's an investment that yields tremendous returns, that is why Grand Exalted Ruler McCabe is so anxious that Scouting's benefits be shared by the boys who need them the most—the kids who are starting life with a couple of strikes against them.

Programs such as this are not self-operating. They require a great deal of hard work, time and often money. We say all praise and glory to the men who supply the ingredients that make them go.

LET'S GET EXERCISED

There is a wide difference of opinion on the merits of exercise as a contributor to better health. In fact, the conflict is so deep, the opinions so many and varied that it is a controversial subject wisely avoided as a topic of discussion certainly among strangers but generally even among friends.

This is one of the reasons why the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports has such a difficult task. The Council's goal is to improve the health of adult Americans, an objective which is not calculated to arouse wide or strong opposition. Not as much can be said, however, for the program adopted by the Council to achieve that goal. The Council is striving with commendable zeal to induce America's slack-muscled, bulging, oxygen-deficient citizens to change all that and become slim-line creatures vibrant with glowing good health through a program of regular exercise. To a large portion of adult Americans, exercise is a dirty word, and they can cite impressive references in support of their case against physical exertion.

Plato, for example, didn't think much of exercise,

judging by what he wrote in *The Republic*: "Bodily exercise, when compulsory, does no harm to the body. . ." At best, that is damning with faint praise.

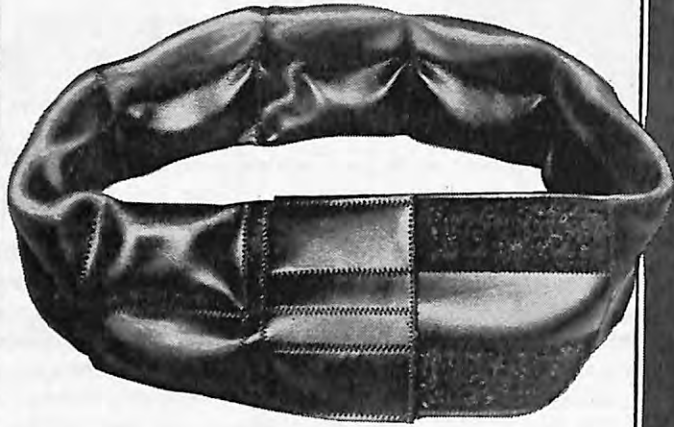
On the other hand, John Dryden, writing 2000 years later and perhaps, therefore, better informed, asserted that, "The wise for cure on exercise depend." This stand received strong support from a contemporary, Joseph Addison, who wrote in *The Spectator*: "Physick, for the most part, is nothing else but the substitute of exercise or temperance."

Never hesitating to take a stand on a controversial subject, we unhesitatingly endorse the President's Council's prescription of three to five 30-minute bouts of exercise per week—provided the doctor approves.

While standing with the Council, we offer this suggestion which we believe would make the program more successful, at least over the long run. Why not forget about the adults, especially those over 30, who are over the hill anyway, and concentrate on the high school and college-age youth. Make exercise the in thing and the youngsters will pile out of their cars and jog-ins will displace sit-ins.

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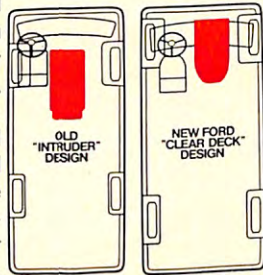


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