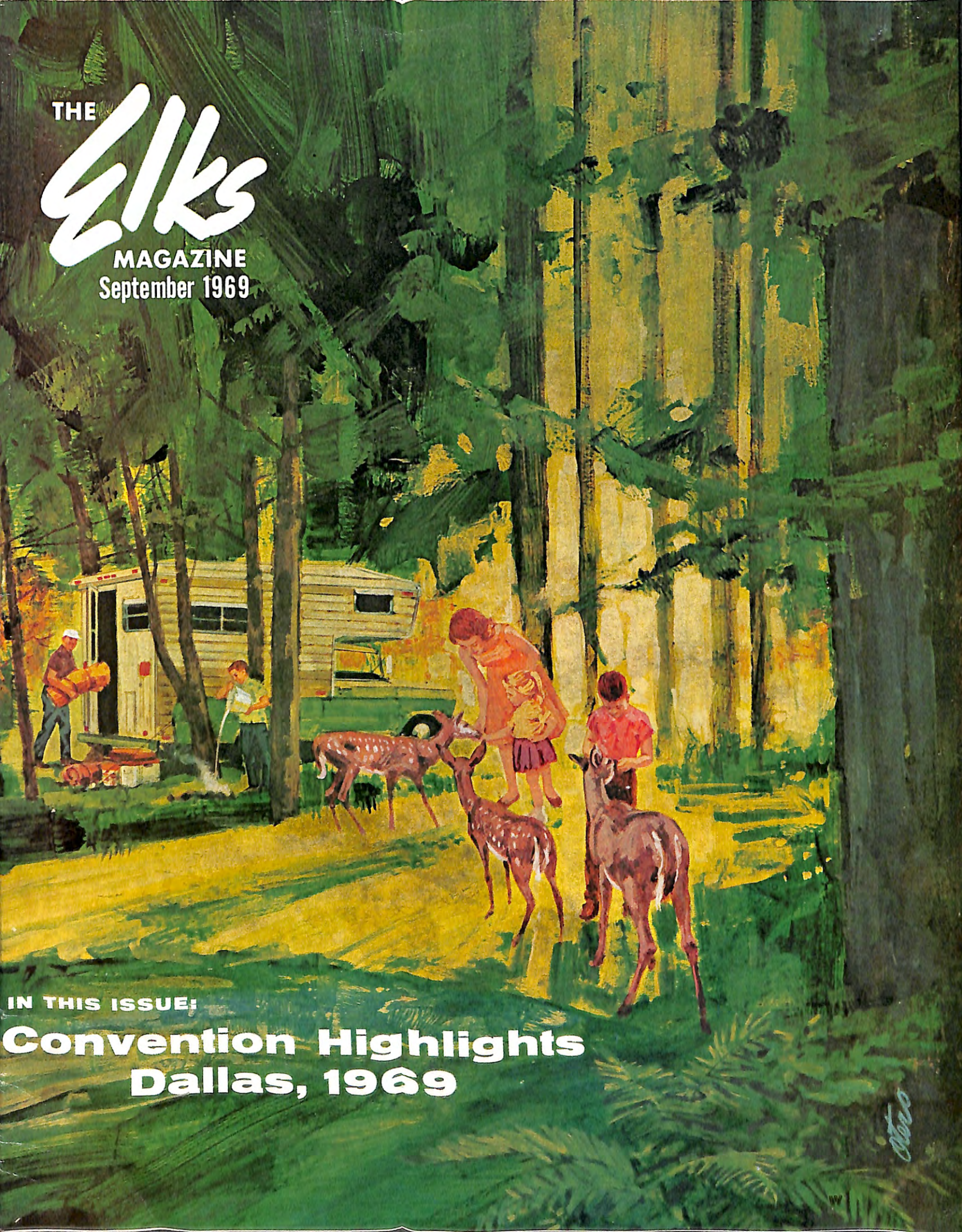


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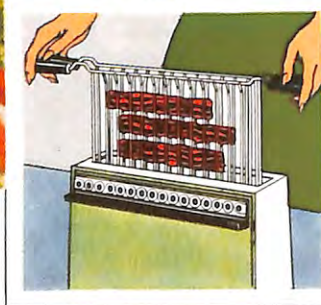
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A Message from the Grand Exalted Ruler

THE CHALLENGE



To hear the high, piercing bugle of the great wapiti, or American elk, through the cold mists of an early morning is an unforgettable experience, so wild, so untamed is this challenge of the ruler of the realm.

Our founders named our fraternity after this magnificent creature because its characteristics commanded their respect. The elk is not aggressive, but gentle, yet it is quick and valiant in defense of its own.

As Grand Exalted Ruler, I have sworn to give my best efforts to advance the interests and the welfare of Elkdom, and I challenge you—not just the officers of our lodges, but every member—to rally to the defense of our country and of our Order against attacks of those who seek their destruction.

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We are proud to pay homage to our country's flag, to pledge allegiance to it and to our United States of America. We are privileged to pray to God in public, in our homes, in our lodges. Let us do all in our power to keep this a nation under God, one people loyal to our beloved Republic.

More than ever before your lodge needs your participation. Your State Association needs your support. Our Grand Lodge agencies need your enthusiastic help. Elkdom's programs are far-reaching in scope and vital to the well-being of our Order and to our country. They deserve every support that it is in your power to give.

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Janice M. Csokmay, 18, of Warren, Ohio and Rodney E. Donaldson, 18, of San Antonio, Texas each received a \$2500 scholarship to the college or university of their choice from PGER John L. Walker, Chairman of the National Foundation.

There were 295 winners of state contests who competed for national awards of \$800 to \$2500. The awards totalled \$181,000. Boys and girls compete separately for identical awards.

Following is a complete listing of this year's winners by states.

ALABAMA: Sheila Joy Marcum, Tuscaloosa No. 393, \$800.
ARIZONA: Margaret Kay Lohr, Casa Grande Valley No. 1957, \$1,750; Christine
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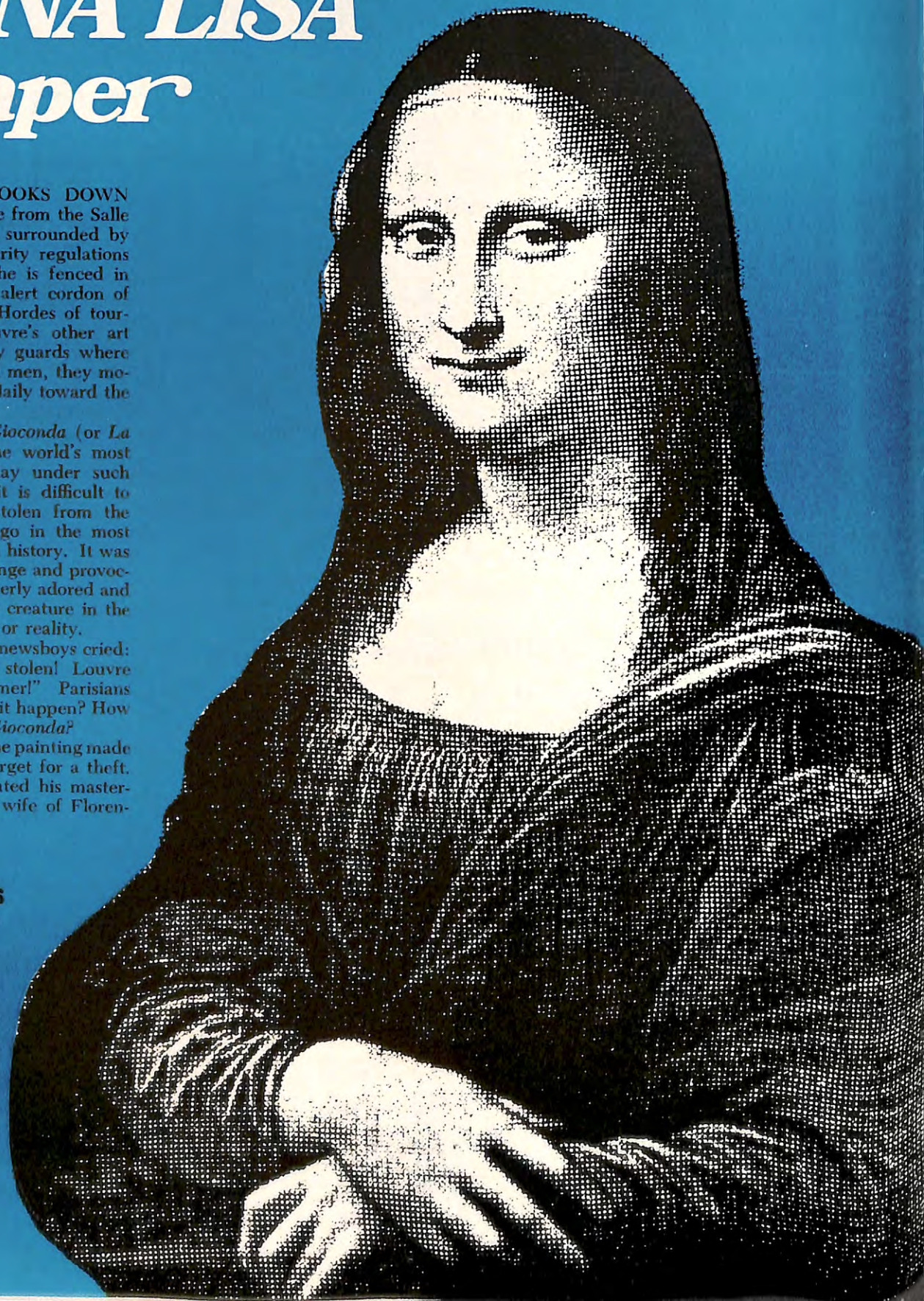
THE MONA LISA LOOKS DOWN with her legendary smile from the Salle Carré in Paris' Louvre, surrounded by the most stringent security regulations in the world of art. She is fenced in with velvet ropes. An alert cordon of guards stands nearby. Hordes of tourists whisk by the Louvre's other art treasures and ask weary guards where "it" is. Like mechanical men, they motion hundreds of times daily toward the Salle Carré.

Often known as *La Gioconda* (or *La Joconde* in France), the world's most famous painting is today under such constant scrutiny that it is difficult to believe that she was stolen from the Louvre just 57 years ago in the most daring single art theft in history. It was the highlight of her strange and provocative life as the most utterly adored and completely untouchable creature in the realms of either canvas or reality.

On August 22, 1911, newsboys cried: "Extra! The *Mona Lisa* stolen! Louvre is closed for the summer!" Parisians were stunned. How did it happen? How could anyone steal *La Gioconda*?

The sheer weight of the painting made it a most improbable target for a theft. Leonardo da Vinci created his masterpiece, a portrait of the wife of Floren-

BY TED J. RAKSTIS



The mystery of the Mona Lisa — or, how does she keep smiling through it all? The tragic, comic story of what can happen to a rich and famous painting while hanging in the Louvre, for over 400 years.

tine merchant Zanobi del Giocondo, in 1503. He painted it not on canvas but on a wooden panel made of three slabs of close-grained Italian walnut, an inch-and-a-half thick. To protect it from warping, the painting is encased in a 110-pound cradle of seasoned ebony. Including its frame and shadow box, the *Mona Lisa* weighs 220 pounds.

For many years, fanciful theories circulated over the theft of *La Gioconda*, most of them completely overlooking the painting's massive bulk. As one tale goes, the thief became so enamored of the maddening smile that he deftly cut the picture from its frame and either wrapped it around his body or rolled it into a cylinder and threw it from the window to a collaborator waiting below.

Still another fable maintains that the *Mona Lisa* "speaks" whenever she feels she is not getting sufficient attention. This supposedly first occurred shortly after King Francis I of France put her in the Louvre in 1541. At that time, she reputedly caused the background in the painting to change to a duller color, making her stand out more prominently. In 1956, a mild-mannered South American shocked a Sunday crowd at the Louvre when he took a rock from his pocket and threw it at the picture. He could not explain his action, but mystics claimed that *La Gioconda* was "speaking" again, just as she did once more in 1963 when Parisians raised an outcry over her tour of the United States. The 1911 theft? Merely another of her pranks.

But the truth about the *Mona Lisa*'s disappearance finally came to light when it was published in an American magazine in 1932. The man behind the theft had revealed the story to a writer in Casablanca in 1913, with the stipulation that it not be told until after his death. His confession showed that the *Mona Lisa* had, indeed, been stolen for love, the love of money. Her theft was the culmination of three years of careful planning that led to a multi-million dollar caper.

The head man was a Spaniard of high birth whose real name has never been divulged. He used half a dozen aliases but was most commonly known as the Marques de Valfierno, or "Marquis of the Vale of Hell." The Marquis had for years been cleaning up in Argentina through the sale of perfect reproductions of Murillos, which he sold as the real thing. In Buenos Aires, he maintained an art assembly line. He employed a small, fragile French artist named Yves Chaudron, who had found picture falsification to be far more profitable than his legitimate trade, restoration.

In his own right, Chaudron was a genius. He could not only make a perfect copy of any painting but also was able to convey the impression of age through some ingenious devices.

Chaudron had no trouble gaining access to the original art that he later duplicated. In nearly every European art museum, students may copy masterpieces, providing they are not of the same size as the original. Chaudron simply joined other copyists and made a miniature. Later, he converted it into a full-sized reproduction at his studio.

When Chaudron had made his copies, the Marquis would find a "mark." He would present his prospect with fake but authentic-looking museum credentials, supposedly stolen, testifying that the painting had been taken and a copy substituted by museum authorities to avoid scandal.

The Marquis had discovered a ripe market for allegedly stolen masterpieces, a phenomenon that can be explained only by the innate desire to obtain the unobtainable. Even if they could never show it to another person, unscrupulous millionaires lusted to own priceless art that they could savor in secrecy. But Murillos, as valuable as they were, did not represent the pinnacle in the art crime business. The Marquis looked to Paris as a new vista. He decided to start on a small scale and then build up to his *pièce de résistance*, the sale of a *Mona Lisa* copy.

For three years, the Marquis and Chaudron used their old technique in Paris to sell "stolen" Louvre treasures. They were developing a clientele that they felt would eventually provide a ready market for a fake *Mona Lisa*. To aid him in the enterprise, the Marquis hired three expert con men, an Englishman, a Frenchman and an American. The Yankee, with many Social Register connections, was the key man.

After considerable ground work, they approached a multimillionaire art collector and told him they could get him the *Mona Lisa*. He eagerly agreed and soon had an impeccable Chaudron copy, along with the accompanying fraudulent documents. But the buyer talked too much, and word soon spread that the *Mona Lisa* had been stolen. Museum officials hastily assured the world that *La Gioconda* still was in her customary niche in the Louvre.

With his professional reputation damaged, the Marquis was forced to develop another plan. A wild and improbable idea struck him. Why not actually steal the *Mona Lisa* and capitalize on the publicity? Any number of copies could thus be sold. When the market was exhausted, the Marquis reasoned,

the real painting could be returned quietly to the Louvre. The gang agreed that under no circumstances would they attempt to sell the real portrait.

Chaudron remained in France to prepare the copies, while the Marquis and his American associate went to the U.S. to drum up business. Although they could have found any number of takers, they stopped with six larcenous art connoisseurs. Each prospect knew that nobody could ever see the painting and that it must remain hidden at all times. It was this fact alone that made possible the plan to sell multiple copies.

As soon as the Marquis and his partner received an order, they cabled Chaudron in Paris. The forgeries passed U.S. customs officials without a second glance, since copies were commonplace and the original was still enshrined in the Louvre. With the six copies safely locked up in America, the conspirators returned to France and prepared for the actual theft.

Stealing the picture turned out to be the easiest part of the entire scheme. Success rested upon the simple premise that a workman wearing a white blouse in the Louvre is completely above suspicion. It was at this point that the Marquis recruited Vincenzo Perugia, an Italian who had once worked in the Louvre's cleaning and restoration department.

The gang chose Monday, August 21, as the day for the theft. On Monday, the Louvre was closed and the public
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barred while workmen cleaned up the museum. Perugia knew that workers carted paintings all over the Louvre on Mondays and never were stopped for questioning.

On Sunday afternoon, Perugia and two confederates came to the Louvre as visitors. When the museum closed at 4 p.m., they hid in a narrow room with a secret doorway between the Galerie d'Apollon and the Salle Duchatel. This room was used for storing easels and chairs of copyists. Since no copying was permitted on Sunday because of the large crowds, they knew they would not be discovered there.

At 6:30 Monday morning, the museum was filled with workers. Perugia and the other two men put on the traditional Louvre white blouses and became lost in the crowd. They went into the Salle Carré, the salon that was the home of the *Mona Lisa*, and pretended to be busy at work. When M. Picquet, the head workman, was out of sight, they struggled with the picture for five minutes but finally removed it from the wall.

They carried it from the Salle Carré into the Grande Galerie and then into the Salle de Sept Mètres. Here, they entered a small stairway, used only by Louvre workers, which led to the floor below. They removed the painting's

frame and shadow box. Then a clumsy blunder nearly wrecked the entire operation. A duplicate key for the door at the foot of the stairs had not been tested in advance and failed to work. Desperately, Perugia tried to pry off the lock with a screwdriver. And then, an unwitting fourth conspirator suddenly appeared. It was the Louvre's official plumber, a man named Sauvet. Perugia hid the 20-by-30-inch painting behind him and covered it with his blouse. When he complained loudly that the lock did not work, Sauvet obligingly opened the door.

The three thieves scrambled through three lower floor galleries and finally neared the door leading to the street from the Cour Visconti, the final obstacle. A guard normally was stationed there, and they were prepared to kill him if necessary. But here they were aided by another stroke of dumb luck. The guard had gone off for a bucket of water to wash a nearby vestibule, leaving the door to the street unlocked. They jumped into a waiting automobile and sped to the gang's Left Bank hide-out.

The head workman strolled through the Salle Carré at 8:35 that morning and noticed that the *Mona Lisa* was gone. However, in the casual Louvre atmosphere of a half century ago, it was common for paintings to be missing

from their usual places. Picquet merely assumed that it was in the museum studio being photographed.

It was not until the next day that the theft was discovered. Three American tourists hurried to the Salle Carré for what they hoped would be the highlight of their European trip, a glimpse of *La Gioconda*. When they saw only a blank wall where Leonardo's masterpiece should have been, they questioned a guide, who assured them that it must be in the museum studio. The guide checked with the studio. Other officials were consulted, and concern soon grew into panic. Within half an hour, the staid museum was in a turmoil. Soon all of Paris learned the shocking news. Their beloved *Mona Lisa* was gone. Louvre officials grimly announced that the museum would be closed for the remainder of the summer.

While police worked on the ludicrous theory that the theft had been a bold one-man operation, Perugia fled from France and the Marquis left for the U.S. There, he removed the bogus *La Giocondas* from storage and concluded the greatest financial deal in the history of art crime. With this accomplished, the organization disbanded. Chaudron retired to a country place near Paris and never was bothered by the law. The Marquis' three principal partners and half a dozen minor figures all disappeared. It was never learned exactly how much money they had taken in.

This left Perugia, the one weak link in the chain. Although he had been paid well for his work, Perugia stole the original *Mona Lisa* from its hiding place. The others knew that, sooner or later, he might be arrested and tell the entire story. But they feared they would expose themselves to police attention if they tried to catch him and recover the real painting. Reluctantly, they let him go.

By December, 1913, Perugia had squandered all his money on plush living on the French Riviera. All this time, he had been carrying the real *La Gioconda* in the trunk of his car. He finally decided it was time to negotiate a sale. In a letter to an art dealer in Florence named Geri, he wrote: "The work of Leonardo da Vinci is in my possession. It is my dream to restore the masterpiece to the land whence it came and the spot which inspired it." Perugia signed the letter, "Vincenzo Leonard."

Geri answered the letter and arranged to meet Perugia two weeks later in Florence. When Perugia showed up and proudly removed the genuine *Mona Lisa* from his trunk, he was arrested by waiting policemen. In court, Perugia stubbornly contended that he had committed the theft as an act of patriotism. Although he had a previous criminal

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WILL YOU SMOKE MY NEW KIND OF PIPE 30 Days at My Risk?

By E. A. CAREY

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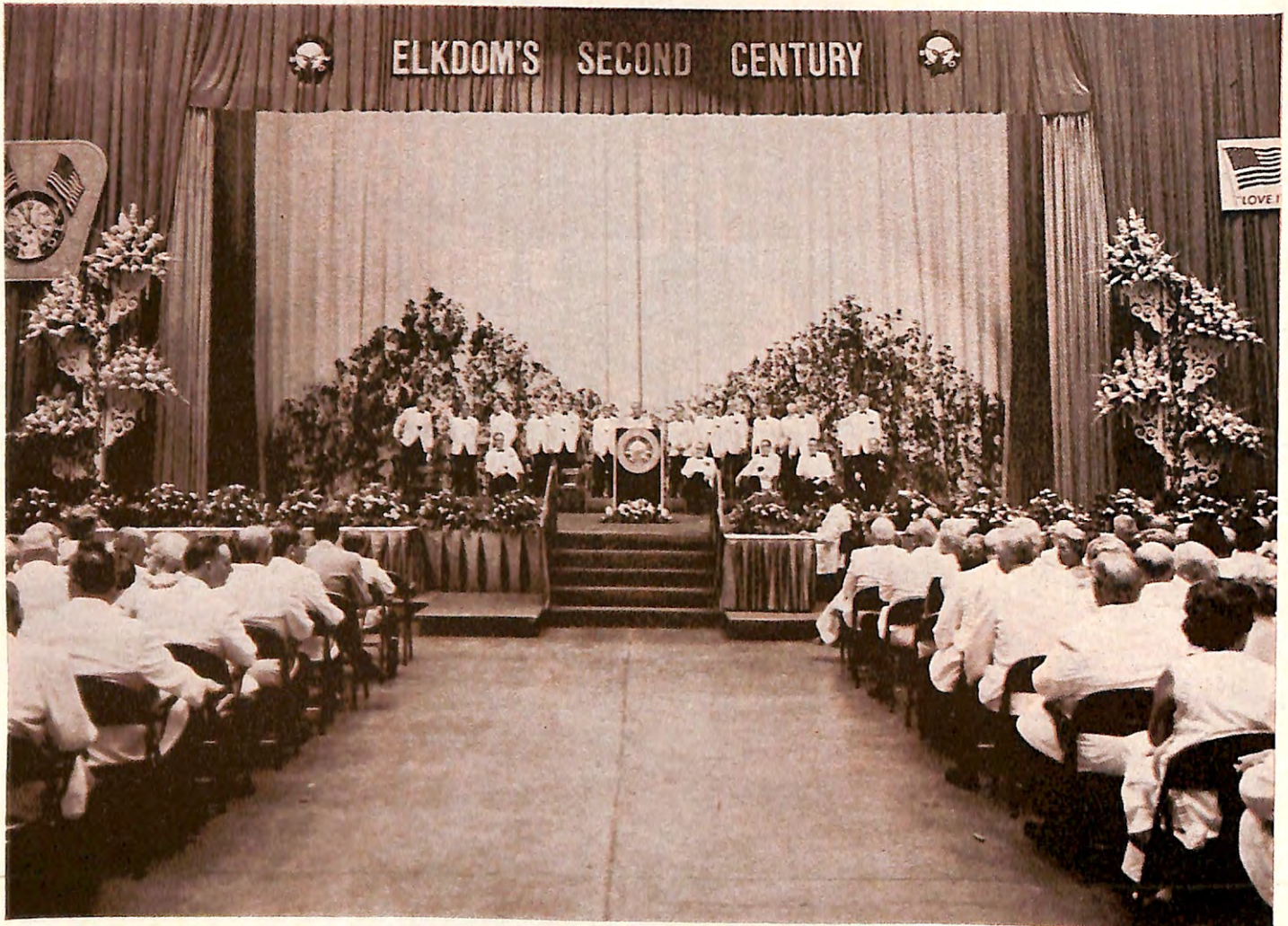
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Convention Highlights Dallas, 1969



The accomplishments of the first year of Elkdom's second century were reported at the Order's 105th GL Session held in Dallas, Tex. Thousands were in attendance for the Sunday evening opening meeting where PGER George I. Hall, GL convention chairman, introduced his fellow Past Grand Exalted Rulers.

*Highlights of
The 105th Grand Lodge Session
Held in Dallas, Texas
July 13-17, 1969*

FOR THE THIRD TIME in this decade, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks met in Dallas, Tex., for their annual convention. Previous conclaves were held in "Big D" in 1960 and 1966.

The 105th Grand Lodge Session, July 13-17, 1969, officially began with public ceremonies Sunday evening in the huge Dallas Memorial Auditorium.

Texas PSP Alex A. McKnight, general chairman of the Dallas Convention committee, opened the proceedings with a dramatic tableau on the nation's heritage. PGER George I. Hall, GL Convention Committee Chairman, welcomed the delegates and guests and introduced members of the Advisory Committee (all Past Grand Exalted Rulers).



Minnesota PSP L. E. Moening, member of the GL Credentials Committee, (left) assists PGER Raymond C. Dobson, Past Grand Tiler Cliff Reed (center) and PGER Earl E. James (right) in registering. They are part of the more than 15,000 Elks and their families attending the annual conclave.



Above left: Frank Hise was given his jewel of office as Grand Exalted Ruler by PGER Horace R. Wisely, right, who conducted the installation ceremony. Above: Edward W. McCabe joined the ranks of Past Grand Exalted Rulers when he received his PGER's pin from PGER John L. Walker.



Handicapped Girl Scout Shirley Carroll presented a special award to the Elks for the Order's active participation and sponsorship in the Scouting program. GER McCabe and Youth Chairman Michael J. McNamara, right, received the award. Other citations were presented by representatives of the International Circulation Managers Association for participation in Newspaper Carriers Week; Boys' Clubs of America; the Camp Fire Girls and the Girls Clubs.

Delegates learned that records were broken during the first year of Elksdom's second century when GER Edward W. McCabe presented the keynote address.

Membership increased 28,225 during the past year and is at an all-time high of 1,480,412. This is the 30th successive year for an increase.

Total contributions to the Elks National Foundation from all sources reached an unequalled \$2,348,690. This is more than one-sixth of all contributions for the previous 40 years, GER McCabe reported.

A goal of \$1 million from lodges, members and state associations was surpassed and reached a total of \$1,073,169.70, the greatest amount ever received from these sources.

In addition, through the efforts of Hugh Hicks, Past Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, Mrs. Leah Baum of Jackson, Tenn., bequeathed the residue of her estate to the Foundation. So far, this has amounted to \$1,164,501.66 with approximately \$90,000 more to come.

Other bequests totalled \$11,018.64 and the Foundation realized \$100,000 from the Jim Beam Centennial bottle.

GER McCabe stressed the dangers to the nation from the current wave of lawlessness and urged Elks to give their unqualified support to law, order, and justice.

"I am deeply enraged with many of the events that are taking place in this great country of ours," he asserted.

In a stirring speech, he rapped the hippies, beatniks, draft dodgers, and athletes who refuse to stand when the National Anthem is played, and individuals who profess to be men of God using their cloth as a shield to preach hate, dissension and lawlessness. "On every hand, there are signs that the moral strength of our nation is decreasing alarmingly," GER McCabe warned.

"The freedoms our forefathers fought and died to obtain are now being used to weaken and divide this great republic of ours . . . It seems to me that what used to be called treason is today being accepted as freedom of speech and what used to be called rioting and insurrection is now called freedom of assembly.

"Legitimate, peaceful dissent deserves to be encouraged, not restricted, but illegitimate dissent, that which is accompanied by violence or other illegal acts, cannot be tolerated in an orderly society. The doctrine of civil disobedience, even of a non-violent nature, has no place in a society of free and law-abiding men who have access to the ballot box."

Illegitimate welfare cases also came under the Grand Exalted Ruler's fire when he said, "I'm fed up with supporting those perennial bums whose families have not known any source of



Dallas area Exalted Rulers shared in hosting delegates at their various lodges. From the left, are: Henry V. Alford, Dallas; Wayne M. Jones, Grand Prairie; Jacob T. Chamberlain, Irving; Charles R. Newby, Garland; Jon C. Sunthimer, Dallas Northwest, and Jose C. Garcia, Arlington, and not present, but no less a host, was ER Forest E. Murley of Mesquite, Texas.



Serving as Grand Esquire for the 105th GL Session was Marvin Hamilton of Kingsville, Tex.



A football, autographed by members of the Dallas Cowboys, was presented to GER McCabe by one of the convention greeters, Shirley Greenwell of Grand Prairie. GER McCabe, in turn, also autographed the ball and gave it to Texas PSP Floyd B. Ford for the Texas Elks Crippled Children's Hospital. Mrs. McCabe, second from right, received a bouquet of yellow Texas roses from PSP Alex A. McKnight of Dallas. Left, is PGER Hall, GL convention chairman.

income other than government relief checks for the past three generations . . . Have you ever heard of a person burning his welfare card?"

"It is our commission," he urged Elks, "to strengthen our faith in the spirit of America, to reaffirm our belief in God's will and guidance and to make our reliance on the firm principles of freedom and justice reverberate to the ends of the earth."

Convention greetings were extended by U.S. Rep. Earle Cabell, Harry N. Phelps, President of the Texas Elks Association, and Chief Deputy Sherriff Allan Sweatt.

Eagle Scout William B. Sebastian of Dallas led the Pledge of Allegiance and vocal selections were by the Westminster Youth Choir of the Oak Cliff Presbyterian Church in Dallas, under the direction of William C. Everitt. Grand Chaplain, the Rev. Fr. Francis P. Fenton, O.S.A. gave the invocation and benediction.

Monday Highlights

In his Sunday night address, GER McCabe called for the Order to adopt a strong, militant resolution dedicated to law, order and justice.

William J. Windecker of Orange, N.J., chairman of the GL Americanism Committee, presented such a resolution at the Monday business session.



The GL Americanism Committee assisted in opening the first business session Monday. State flags, symbolic of the 50 stars in Old Glory, were carried to the stage by representatives of the 50 states.



PGER Wade Kepner, right, vice-chairman of the Memorial and Publication Commission, presented the Grand Lodge with a check for \$105,000 representing surplus earnings from *The Elks Magazine*. The check was received by GER McCabe.

Delegates, while favoring intelligent dissent, gave enthusiastic approval to the action which demanded expulsion from schools of those participating in violent demonstrations, riots or the disruption of classes. Revocation of scholarships or other public monetary aids extended to those participating in such acts was also demanded.

Full text of the resolution appears elsewhere in this issue of *The Elks Magazine*.

AMERICANISM CONTEST WINNERS

Lodges with less than 300 members:

1. Southbridge, Mass.
2. St. Augustine, Fla.

Lodges with 301 to 600 members:

1. Fulton, N.Y.
2. Concord, N.H.
3. Sanford, Fla.

Lodges with 601 to 1,000 members:
No lodge participated in a complete program in this category.

Lodges with 1,001 to 2,000 members:

1. Arlington-Fairfax, Va.
2. Chicopee, Mass.

Lodges with over 2,000 members:

1. Phoenix, Ariz.
2. Long Beach, Calif.
3. Boise, Idaho

PGER Pruitt, secretary of the Centennial Committee, made the final report on the observance of Elksdom's 100th anniversary. The report was made as a



Above; Tucson, Ariz., Lodge copped the national ritualistic crown. From the left, are Esq. Kenneth "Zipper" Scofield, Chaplain Lester T. Kyle, Est. Lead. Kt. Max E. Pensinger, Inner Guard E. William Belton, ER Michael J. Deir, Est. Lect. Kt. Lloyd Mendenhall, Est. Loyal Kt. William D. Reeder, Candidate Earl Wilford and Coach John D. Frakes. At last year's convention, Brother Frakes arranged for the annual presentation of the Frakes' award for coaches. By strange coincidence, he was the first to win his own award.

The PGER Raymond Benjamin Trophy for ritualistic excellence went to Tucson, Ariz., Lodge. From the left, are ER LeRoy C. Chesnott of Napa, Calif., who made the presentation; C. Wallace Ericson, of Glendale, Calif., GL Ritual Chairman; GER McCabe, and Michael J. Deir, who served as Tucson ER in the contest.



tribute to the late PGER Emmett T. Anderson, who headed the committee.

PGER Pruitt outlined the successful accomplishments of the various projects undertaken to mark the centennial of the Order.

GER McCabe, in amending his printed report, noted that a total of \$4,000 had been expended for relief of Minot, N.D. flood victims.

Delegates concurred in sending a telegram to astronauts Neil Armstrong, Michael Collins, and Edwin Aldrin wishing them a safe landing on the moon and return home.

Frank Hise of Corvallis, Oreg., Lodge was unanimously elected Grand Exalted Ruler.

The nomination was made by Grand Forum Justice John T. Raftis of Colville, Wash. SDGER Arthur J. Roy, of Wilimantic, Conn. seconded the nomination. The acceptance speech of Brother Hise appears elsewhere in this issue.

Other new officers named were: Chelsie Senerchia of Miami, Fla., Grand Est. Lead. Kt.; Judge Maurice W. Lee of Chicago, (South) Ill., Grand Est. Loyal Kt.; William J. Windecker of Orange, N.J., Grand Est. Lect. Kt., and Franklin J. Fitzpatrick of Lynbrook, N.Y. Grand Secy. (8th term).

Also, Edwin J. Maley of New Haven, Conn., Grand Treasurer (2nd term); C. A. Thomas of Scottsbluff, Neb.,

Grand Inner Guard; A. A. Pielemeir of Vincennes, Ind., Grand Tiler; Rev. Fr. Francis P. Fenton, O.S.A., of Flint, Mich., Grand Chaplain, and Marvin M. Lewis of Brawley, Calif., Grand Esquire.

Elected to four-year terms on the Board of Grand Trustees were E. Gene Fournace of Newark, Ohio, and John B. Morey of Palo Alto, Calif.

Appointed to serve as secretary to GER-Elect Hise was William F. Raw of Corvallis, Oreg.

Assembled delegates approved the following appointments:

—PGER Raymond C. Dobson to a five-year term on the Elks Memorial and Publication Commission. He succeeds the late PGER James T. Hallinan.

—PGER R. Leonard Bush to a four-year unexpired term on the same commission created by the death of PGER Emmett T. Anderson.

—PGER John L. Walker to a seven-year term as a trustee of the Elks National Foundation.

—PGER George I. Hall to a five-year term on the GL Convention Committee.

—PGER Robert G. Pruitt to a two-year unexpired term on the Convention Committee replacing PGER John S. McClelland, who resigned from this committee.

—PGER Robert E. Boney to a three-year unexpired term on the same committee created by the resignation of



SP Bob Clark, left, delighted the audience when he told new GER Hise that he was presenting him the keys to a used Volkswagen from the Oregon State Elks Association. In reality the keys were for a new Cadillac. Looking on are John Raftis, Colville, Wash., Grand Forum member who nominated Brother Hise and, right, SDGER Arthur J. Roy of Willimantic, Conn.

Some of the officials from across the nation attending the 105th GL Session included, left to right, PGER Horace R. Wisely from California; John B. Morey, also of California and one of the newly-elected Grand Trustees; PGER Ronald J. Dunn of New York; PGER William A. Wall of Florida, and PGER R. Leonard Bush of California.

PGER Bush to serve on the Memorial and Publication Commission.

—Bernard Lawler of Redondo Beach, Calif., to a five-year term as a justice on the Grand Forum.

—John J. O'Brien of Whitehall, N.Y., to a one-year unexpired term and Willis McDonald of New Orleans, La., to a four-year unexpired term on the Grand Forum. Both appointments were due to resignations.

Texas SP Harry Phelps welcomed delegates to the convention.

Tuesday Highlights

PGER Wade H. Kepner, Vice-Chairman of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission made a report supplementing the Commission's annual printed report. During Brother Kepner's report he presented a check in the amount of \$105,000 to GER McCabe for the Grand Lodge from surplus earnings from the Elks Magazine.

PGER Kepner added that the Elks Magazine is continuing its efforts on the

important stray Elk program, begun under the administration of PGER Wisely, to help reduce lapsation.

Chairman of the New Lodge Committee, Alex McKnight of Dallas, Texas Lodge announced that during the past year dispensations for 26 new lodges were obtained. Brother McKnight reported that possibly the greatest accomplishment in new Lodge history was the institution of Gateway, Ore., Lodge with the amazing total of 3,309 members.

George Carver of Live Oak, Fla., Lodge, chairman of the Auditing and Accounting Committee outlined procedures and efforts of the committee and urged the use of the accounting manual and the establishment of a lodge budget.

PGER John L. Walker, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Elks National Foundation presented the first part of a supplement to the trustees printed report.

Brother Walker reported that the Foundation received donations in the amount of \$2,348,690 which is the largest total in the history of the Foundation.

PGER Walker announced that next year the Foundation will grant 538 Most Valuable Student and State allocated scholarships in the amount of \$397,600. The number of the \$600 allocated scholarships will be increased in 1970 to 338 as against 295 in 1969. In addition to an allocated scholarship a special award of \$100 will be made to a student who is entered in our national competition but does not win at that level.

In a preliminary report, Ritualistic Committee Chairman C. Wallace Ericson, Glendale, Calif., Lodge announced the winners in the western and eastern divisions. First place in the western division was Tucson, Ariz., Lodge and second place was awarded to Colorado Springs, Colo. In the eastern division first place was awarded to Anderson, S.C., Lodge and second place went to Kingsport, Tenn.

Also presented were the awards for the All-American eastern and western teams. The eastern division team consists of Exalted Ruler Walter O. Wadley, Kingsport, Tenn., Lodge; Leading



Some of the members of the GL Convention Committee gathered to discuss various arrangements with Byran J. McKeogh, convention director (seated). From left, are, William S. Hawkins, George I. Hall, Lee Donaldson, Robert G. Pruitt, and R. Leonard Bush, all PGERs.



From the left, PGERs John S. McClelland, William S. Hawkins, H. L. Blackledge, Wade H. Kepner and Robert G. Pruitt took time out for a photograph during busy convention activities.

Knight George L. Timbert, Decatur, Ga.; Loyal Knight Rudy W. Frey, Huntington, N.Y.; Lecturing Knight Bob Patterson, Kingsport, Tenn.; Esquire William P. Beacham, Anderson, S.C.; Chaplain Clifford A. Burnham, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Inner Guard Donald Kennedy, Dover, Ohio.

Members of the western team are: Exalted Ruler Michael J. Deir, Tucson, Ariz.; Leading Knight Max E. Pensinger, Tucson, Ariz.; Loyal Knight William D. Reeder, Tucson, Ariz.; Lecturing Knight Art Roberts, San Rafael, Calif.; Esquire Joseph Sousa, San Rafael, Calif.; Chaplain Lester T. Kyle, Tucson, Ariz.; and Inner Guard Don C. Hampton, Colorado Springs, Colo.

PGER H. L. Blackledge, chairman of the Advisory Committee's subcommittee on ritual, presented various changes in the ritual which delegates approved. This included one major change. The Grand Secretary's office is furnishing each lodge with new rituals incorporating the revisions.

Use of the new ritual is optional until Jan. 1, 1970 when the changes become mandatory.

Lodge Activities Chairman, Brooks Bicknell of Alva, Okla., Lodge reported that in sponsoring numerous contests, recognition, and promotions, the committee solicited lodge officers to make a special effort in building membership, provide better communications, recognize the individual Elk, and contribute more decisively to the Elks National Foundation.

In the Christmas Charities program, Brother Bicknell reported that 566 lodges responded showing that 31,776 families were served or entertained during this important season. Total expenditures reported for 1968 Christmas Charities came to \$724,050.49.

Project awards were presented some of which were previously reported in The Elks Magazine.

George J. Balbach of Queens Borough, N.Y. reported on the accomplishments of the State Associations Committee. Projects included: lodge membership in State Associations, use of Red Heart Seals to promote the Elks National Foundation, State Association nights, proper conduct of state conventions, major projects, and publication of a Grand Lodge Directory.

Awards were announced in the State Association Bulletin Contest. The winning states were: Division one (issued more than four times annually): First, California-Hawaii; second, Illinois; third, Ohio. Those states receiving honorable mention were: Texas, North Dakota, Colorado, Utah, and Massachusetts.

Division two (issued four times annually): First, Florida, second, Pennsylvania, third, New Jersey. Those receiving honorable mention were, Ok-



Elkdom's new first family are shown above. Seated with granddaughters, Kelsey, 18 months, left, and Donya, 4½, are GER Frank and Jerry Hise. Standing, from the left, are daughter, Jeri, a student at the University of Oregon; son-in-law, Martin L. Boehme, and daughter, Mrs. Carlene Boehme of San Carlos, Calif.



New Grand Lodge officers are, seated, (left to right) Chelsie Senerchia of Miami, Fla., Grand Esteemed Leading Knight; Maurice W. Lee of Chicago South, Ill., Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight; Frank Hise of Corvallis, Ore., Grand Exalted Ruler; William J. Windecker of Orange, N.J., Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight, and Franklin J. Fitzpatrick of Lynbrook, N.Y., Grand Secretary. Standing, from the left, are: Marvin M. Lewis of Brawley, Calif., Grand Esquire; C. A. Thomas of Scottsbluff, Neb., Grand Inner Guard; A. A. Pielemeier of Vincennes, Ind., Grand Tiler; Edwin J. Maley of New Haven, Conn., Grand Treasurer; E. Gene Fournace of Newark, Ohio, and John B. Morey of Palo Alto, Calif., Grand Trustees. The Rev. Fr. Francis P. Fenton of Flint, Mich., Grand Chaplain, was absent when the photo was taken.



A hearty howdy welcomed those arriving for the 105th annual GL Session in Dallas, Tex. From the left are PGER Hall, GL convention chairman; PER Gene Norton of Grand Prairie, Tex., Lodge, reception committee chairman; GER and Mrs. McCabe; Earl Broden, secretary to the GER, and the Grand Prairie Range Riders.



It was a proud moment for the Elks as well as Michael Sean Collins of Augusta, Ga., and Annalyn Martha Swan of Biloxi, Miss., when first place Youth Leadership Contest awards were presented to them. Left to right are: Michael J. McNamara of Brockton, Mass., GL Youth Activities Chairman; PGER Robert C. Pruitt; Mr. Collins; GER McCabe; Miss Swan; William A. Wall of Florida, and Committeeman Gerald L. Powell of Peru, Ind., who conducted the contest.



Scholarship certificates were presented to Most Valuable Student first place winners Janice Marlene Csokmay of Warren, Ohio, and Rodney Earl Donaldson of San Antonio, Tex., by PGER Walker, center. By coincidence and for the first time in history, Rodney was also second place national winner in the Youth Leadership Contest. Other members of the National Foundation Trustees, from the left, are: PGERs Donaldson, Wisely, Blackledge and Wall. Not present for the photo were PGERs Edward J. McCormick and John E. Fenton, also members of the trustees.



lahoma, Georgia, Kentucky, and Vermont.

Division three (less than four times annually): First, South Dakota, second, Arizona, and third, North Carolina.

Awards for the best major project display at the convention went to: First, Massachusetts, second, California, and third, Colorado.

The report of the committee on distribution was made by Francis G. Adams, of New London, Conn., Lodge, a member of the committee.

Wednesday Highlights

Elks served more than 1,780,000 youngsters at a cost of approximately \$3 million, GL Youth Activities Chairman Michael J. McNamara of Brockton, Mass., reported to the convention. The Wednesday session was open to the public.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES WINNERS For Year-Around Programs

Lodges with less than 300 members:

1. Dunkirk, Ind.
2. Tenafly, N.J.
3. Apache Junction, Ariz.

Lodges with 301 to 600 members:

1. Fulton, N.Y.
2. Palatka, Fla.
3. Ainsworth, Neb.

Lodges with 601 to 1,000 members:

1. Nashua, N.H.
2. Bedford, Pa.
3. Iilon, N.Y.

Lodges with 1,001 to 2,000 members:

1. North Platte, Neb.
2. Hillsboro, Ore.
3. Midland, Mich.

Lodges with over 2,000 members:

1. Longview, Wash.
2. Lincoln, Neb.
3. Corvallis, Ore.

State Associations:

1. Nebraska
2. New York
3. Wisconsin

Honorable Mention:

- California-Hawaii
- Georgia
- Ohio

Elkdom's 50-year partnership with the Boy Scouts of America was noted and figures indicate that the Order increased sponsorship of Scout units to a new high of 1,264 troops. In addition there are now 361 Girl Scout Troops, 1,573 baseball teams, and 946 teen parties sponsored by the Elks. There are also 36 Scout troops for handicapped children backed by the Order.

When PGER Walker reported on the Elks National Foundation, delegates responded by parading to the podium to present gifts totaling more than \$21,000. An increase in the number of scholarship grants was announced for the coming year.



A model of the Texas Elks Crippled Children's Hospital, which was on display at the convention, is pointed out by U. S. Rep. Earle Cabell, center, to PGER Hall and GER McCabe, right. The congressman welcomed delegates at the opening session. Dallas County Chief Criminal Deputy Allan Sweatt made Brothers Hall and McCabe honorary deputies.



The election of Frank Hise as Grand Exalted Ruler for the coming year signaled a colorful demonstration which included the Baker, Oreg., Explorer Scouts Drum and Bugle Corps. Officially escorting Brother Hise into the convention was a delegation consisting of PGERs Wisely, James, Blackledge, Wall, Donaldson, Bush, Dobson and Boney, Past Est. Loyal Kt. Fred H. Kelley, Oregon PSP Elmo M. Angele, Oregon SP Robert H. Clark, and Corvallis ER Fred Raw.

Delegates gave a standing ovation to Michael Sean Collins of Augusta, Ga., and Annalyn Martha Swan of Biloxi, Miss., first place boy and girl winners in the Youth Leadership Contest conducted by Committeeman Gerald L. Powell of Peru, Ind. Each was presented a \$2,000 savings bond from National Foundation funds by GER McCabe.

State Youth Activities Chairmen receiving special recognition for their efforts were: Richard H. Bartels, California; Warren Stewart, Georgia; Leslie

L. Fowler, Idaho; Viril H. Mallonee, tri states; James L. Colbert, Massachusetts; Robert J. Greene, Montana; N. K. Rynearson, Nebraska; John F. Quinn Jr., New York; A. A. Williams, Jr., North Carolina; Verdine D. Rice, North Dakota; Bill Terrell, Texas; Landon Frei, Utah; William H. Rosen, West Virginia; Leon Rondou, Wisconsin.

Recognition awards for states having 100 percent participation in youth activities were: Alaska, Arizona, California, Idaho, Maryland, Delaware, District of Columbia, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oregon, South Carolina, Texas, Utah, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

North Dakota, Rhode Island, and South Dakota also received awards for

100 percent participation in the Youth Leadership Contest.

Special recognition also was made to Panama Canal Zone (Balboa) Lodge for active participation in the youth programs.

Brother McNamara presented GER McCabe with a plaque on behalf of the Youth Activities Committee in appreciation of his cooperation, guidance, and outstanding leadership.

The Girl Scouts of America, the International Circulation of Managers Association, the Boys Clubs of America, the National Council of Camp Fire Girls, and the Girls Clubs of America, on behalf of the Youth Activities Committee, presented GER McCabe as leader of the Elks with awards proclaiming their appreciation for the committees' efforts in these areas.



A special citation was prepared and presented to former Grand Trustee Hugh Hicks for his assistance to the Elks National Foundation. Brother Hicks was instrumental in arranging for the estate of Mrs. Leah J. Baum to be bequeathed to the Foundation. The entire estate is expected to amount to more than \$1.2 million. The presentation was made by PGER John L. Walker, right, chairman of the Foundation Board of Trustees. Left is GER McCabe.



The arrival of PGER George I. Hall, GL convention chairman, coincided with the Halls' 52nd wedding anniversary. The event signaled a red-hot welcome in an ancient fire truck. The Halls are shown in front, while PGER William J. Jernick and other Elks are in the back of the truck.



Among the several groups entertaining during the convention was Johnny "Scat" Davis. At the drums is 8-year-old Jimmy Pappas.



Little four-year-old Mary Ola Gray giggled when she went to greet GER and Mrs. McCabe. Mary is a member of the Grand Prairie, Tex., Range Riders, a group of about 25 adults and youngsters wearing colorful red, white and blue costumes. The Range Riders assisted in greeting Elks arriving at the airport for the convention.



Many Exalted Rulers attending the convention sought out their counterparts from cities of the same name. ER Donald Egbert of Albany, Oreg., left, greets ER Gaeton R. Barbagallo of Albany, N.Y.

ELKS NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK

Lodges with less than 300 members:

1. Dunkirk, Ind.
2. Maumee, Ohio
3. Coventry-West Greenwich, R.I.

Lodges with 301 to 600 members:

1. Fulton, N.Y.
2. Herkimer, N.Y.
3. Slidell, La.

Lodges with 601 to 1,000 members:

1. Nashua, N.H.
2. Hudson, N.Y.
3. Red Bank, N.J.

Lodges with 1,001 to 2,000 members:

1. Falls City, Neb.
2. Richmond, Calif.
3. Appleton, Wisc.

Lodges with over 2,000 members:

1. Phoenix, Ariz.
2. Tulsa, Okla.
3. Kelso, Wash.

State Associations:

1. California-Hawaii
2. Pennsylvania
3. Ohio

The first place winner in the boys division was Rodney Earl Donaldson, who was sponsored by San Antonio, Texas, Lodge. Mr. Donaldson received a standing ovation by the delegates at the 105th Grand Lodge Session after closing his address to the Wednesday session by asking all present to recite, along with him, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The entire list of the scholarship winners appears elsewhere in this issue of *The Elks Magazine*.

Thursday Highlights

Glenn L. Miller of Logansport, Ind., Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, in his final report presented a number of changes to the GL Statutes for the delegates' consideration.

Emphatically turned down was a proposal to keep clubrooms open during lodge meetings.

An amendment fixing the terms and number of members of the Elks National Service Commission was approved.

GER McCabe immediately appointed the following PGERs to the commission: Robert G. Pruitt, one year; Robert E. Boney, two years; Ronald G. Dunn, three years; William A. Wall, four years; John L. Walker, five years; William J. Jernick, six years, and George I. Hall,

seven years. One reappointment for a seven year term is to be made annually.

Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees Vincent H. Grocott, of Santa Barbara, Calif., presented the final report of the Board, and the delegates approved the budget for the coming year.

ATTENDANCE—As reported by the Committee on Credentials

Grand Exalted Ruler	1
Past Grand Exalted Rulers	16
Grand Lodge Officers	21
Grand Lodge Committeemen	66
District Deputies Designate	213
Special Deputies	18
Representatives	1,833
Alternate Representatives	31
Members of the Grand Lodge	661
Total	2,860

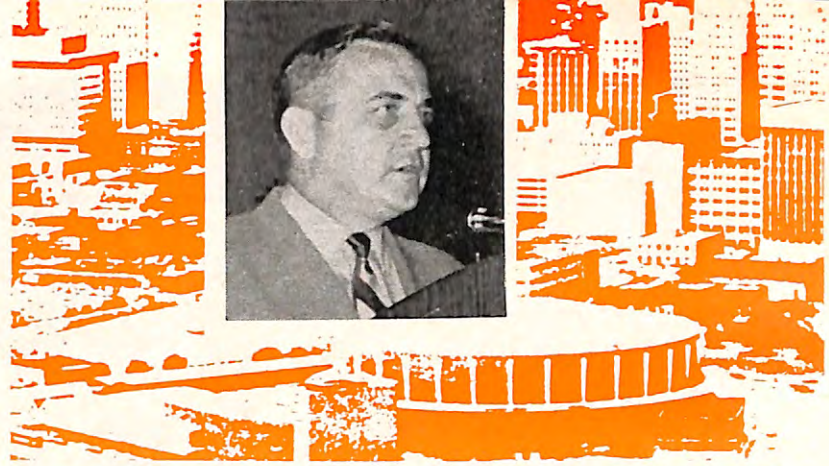
Chairman C. Wallace Ericson completed the report of the Ritualistic Committee by presenting awards to the four teams competing in the contest finals. Tucson, Ariz., took first place with a score of 94.641. In second place was Anderson, S.C., 94.123; third place went
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PCGER John L. Walker, in his second report for the Elks National Foundation, presented the two top winners in the Most Valuable Student Contest.

The first place winner in the girls division was Janice Marlene Csokmay, who was sponsored by Warren, Ohio Lodge. Miss Csokmay received rousing applause to her remarks.

Harry N. Phelps
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Judiciary

Dallas Highlights

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to Kingsport, Tenn., 94,097, and fourth place honors went to Colorado Springs, Colo., with a score of 93,376.

The R. Leonard Bush trophy, a new award this year, was presented to Michael J. Deir, Exalted Ruler of Tucson, Ariz., Lodge.

ER Leroy Chesnott of Napa, Calif., Lodge presented the PGER Raymond Benjamin trophy to the Tucson, Ariz., team.

Unanimous approval was also given resolutions commending and honoring GER McCabe and Vincent H. Grocott, retiring Chairman of the Board of Grand Trustees, for their outstanding service to the Order.

Approval was also given a resolution by Willis McDonald of New Orleans, a member of the Committee on Resolutions, lauding the Convention Committee and all participants for a successful session.

PGER Wisely installed the new Grand Lodge Officers to close the conclave. Assisting in the ceremony was the Pottstown, Pa., Drill Team. The 1970 GL Session is scheduled for July 12 to 16 in San Francisco, California. ■



Mrs. Maggie McCabe, center, selected winners of Hawaiian vacations at a special party for the ladies. Winning the free trips were Mrs. Maud Smith of Del Rio, Tex., left, and Mrs. Ruby Smith of Fairmont, W. Va.

M. V. S. Winners

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Estelle Bunney, Globe No. 489, \$900; Cathy Hom, Safford No. 1607, \$900; Roxanne Edith Marrs, Tucson No. 385, \$900; Wanda Yee, Mesa No. 1781, \$900; Mark Thomas Bowers, Globe No. 489, \$800; David Alan Bruce, Casa Grande Valley No. 1957, \$800; Ann Evelyn Kappel, Phoenix No. 335, \$800; Roger Don Wong, Phoenix No. 335, \$800.

ARKANSAS: Henry Lee Woods, Jr., Hot Springs, No. 380, \$900.

CALIFORNIA: Timothy Wallace Noonan, Palo Alto No. 1471, \$1,750; Alison Martin, Long Beach No. 888, \$1,500; Inese Birziaks, Pomona No. 789, \$1,000; William Kent Davis, Torrance No. 1948, \$1,000;

Barbara Kay Frey, Oceanside No. 1561, \$1,000; Dale Lynn Ikeda, Fresno No. 439, \$1,000; Jeanette Marie McGarva, Red Bluff No. 1250, \$1,000; Jonathan Gregory Draper, El Cajon No. 1812, \$900; Kim Michael Howell, Monterey No. 1285, \$900; Sandra Kay Lund, Riverside No. 643, \$900; Julia Ann Moore, San Bernardino No. 836, \$900; Christine Pavkov, San Jose No. 522, \$900; Ronald David Sanches, Merced No. 1240, \$900; Robert Frederick Seaman, Jr., Culver City No. 1917, \$900; Thomas Glendon Bayly, El Cajon No. 1812, \$800; Charles Edward Chandler, Vista No. 1968, \$800; Lynn Ethel Epperson, El Cajon No. 1812, \$800; Ernest Del Gutter, Torrance No. 1948, \$800; Steven Glenn Johnson, Oxnard No. 1443, \$800; Diane Roberta Joice, Stockton No. 218, \$800; Michael Kim McCall, Whittier No. 1258, \$800; Dorothy J. McNoble, Stockton No. 218, \$800; Esther Mendenhall, Vista No. 1968, \$800; Jerry Edward Power, Richmond No. 1251, \$800; Lynn Yasuko Sakai, Pasadena, No. 672, \$800; Leonard Schein, Los Angeles No. 99, \$800; Marilyn Edna Slater, Glendora No. 2038, \$800; Martha Louise Starcher, Fremont No. 2121, \$800; Kim Woishnis, San Leandro No. 2241, \$800.

COLORADO: James Louis Rudolph, Fort Collins No. 804, \$2,000; William Nobel Friend, Salida No. 808, \$900; Wayne Leroy Pretti, Florence No. 611, \$900; Stanley Ernest Whitcomb, Englewood No. 2122, \$900; Jerilyn Kay Holder, Hotchkiss No. 1807, \$800; Gordon Eric Uno, Brighton No. 1586, \$800;

CONNECTICUT: Kathleen Marie Turner, West Haven No. 1537, \$1,000;

FLORIDA: Ralph Phillip Layton, Winter Haven No. 1672, \$900; Ralph Michael Rusin, St. Petersburg No. 1224, \$900; John Harold Jones, Palatka No. 1232, \$800.

GEORGIA: Paul Stephen Beier, Augusta No. 205, \$800; Cornelia Anne Sullins, Griffin No. 1207, \$800.

HAWAII: Eileen Oi Ling Chong, Honolulu No. 616, \$1,000.

IDAHO: Kent Raymond Henscheid, Pocatello No. 674, \$800.

ILLINOIS: Therese Ann Linden, Chicago (South) No. 1596, \$2,250; Martha Jo Litherland, Lawrenceville No. 1208, \$1,000; Claire Ann Gosnell, Lawrenceville No. 1208, \$900; Dana Glenn Meier, Mt. Carmel No. 715, \$900; Richard Allen Palmer, Sterling No. 1218, \$900; Susan Louis Swanson, Dixon No. 779, \$900; George Daugird, Chicago (South) No. 1596, \$800; Jana L. Frazer, Chester No. 1629, \$800; David

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Mona Lisa

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record and was found to have a list of American art collectors, the sympathetic court let Perugia off with only a three-year jail sentence.

La Gioconda's smile seemed more radiant than ever when she was returned to a jubilant Paris. She has remained in the Salle Carré ever since, except for periods during World War I and World War II when she was placed in storage for safekeeping, and again in 1963 when she was put on exhibit in several American museums.

Including the six forgeries painted by Chaudron, there are now an estimated 30 copies of the *Mona Lisa*. Leonardo himself did another, which hangs in a museum in Isleworth, England.

And is the Louvre version the real one? An anonymous painter once claimed that he stole the *Mona Lisa* in 1910, a year before the Marquis' successful attempt, and substituted a forgery that could be so identified by two spots of green paint that he had accidentally splashed in one corner. In Nice, an art collector contends that he owns the real *La Gioconda* and that the Louvre has a second-rate copy done by Renaissance art students. Several important European art critics have supported his story. And Dr. Thomas Judson, curator of the Vatican art collection, has stated that an earlier *Mona Lisa* owned by a New Hampshire minister is undoubtedly a true Leonardo.

The truth about the mysterious *Mona Lisa* may never be known. Many secrets lie locked behind that enigmatic smile in the Salle Carré. Is she real or is she a fraud? The lady keeps on smiling, but she isn't talking.

Ritual Changes

For the first time since 1963 several changes in the opening, initiation, and closing rituals were adopted at the Grand Lodge Session at Dallas. The Pledge of Allegiance will be transferred from the closing to the opening ceremonies and God Bless America may be sung as an optional substitute for the Opening Ode. The major change, not in the ritual language but in its placement, will be to have the Esquire's instructions on the procedures given immediately following the first altar ceremonies and thus permitting the initiation to be closed with the tribute to and the presentation of the flag.

Several other changes were also adopted and it is expected that the reprinted rituals will be distributed in September. Use of the new rituals will be optional until January 1 and mandatory thereafter.



Tom Wrigley

WRITES FROM WASHINGTON

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EMBASSY PROTECTION is needed in Washington but just how to provide it has the government and local administration confused. In 1955 there were only 34 embassy thefts, robberies, bombings, picketings and other demonstrations but in the first six months of this year there have been 261 such incidents. Up to now protection is under the Metropolitan Police, but it may be placed under the White House Secret Service.



PITCHFORK ROBBERY chalked up a new holdup method in the Nation's Capital. A tourist from Cedarville, O., Robert A. Penn, told police he was held up by a man wearing sandals who brandished a pitchfork. With the man was a woman who helped rob Mr. Penn of \$112.

NOW THE "MAILGRAM". The P. O. Dept. and Western Union have opened a six months experiment to test the mailgram service to give overnight delivery of written messages transmitted over Western Union lines. They are written out at the postoffice in the town for which they are destined, sealed, and then delivered by regular mail.

BUMPER COTTON CROP of 11,961,000 acres is reported by the U. S. Agriculture Dept. It is 10 percent bigger than last year. Every acre will produce a bale of cotton weighing about 500 lbs. That means there will be no shortage of cotton for mini-skirts although they possibly will be shorter.

HOMICIDES INCREASED 40 percent thus far in Washington over last year. More than that, those who killed are going unpunished more frequently. Homicide Squad Lt. Patrick L. Burke

said the trend is much higher this year. Murder here with increasing frequency is committed during street robberies or store holdups and police have few leads to the killers. Police blame the increase partially on the availability of guns.

EGYPT'S RECORD BUDGET for arms is causing some apprehension in official circles. As the ambassadors of the Big Four nations endeavor to find a peace formula to end the Mid-East fighting, Egypt has a half billion dollar defense appropriation to reinforce its defenses. An additional \$391 million is allocated for civil defense, internal security, and aid to refugees from the Suez Canal area.

NEW BURGLARY RACKET was squelched here by police after a number of clever anonymous phone calls. Apartment dwellers were called, presumably from D.C. General Hospital, saying a relative had been admitted and asking them to come immediately to identify the person. Soon as they left the apartment it was entered and robbed.



NEWEST COCKTAIL is that served on the British liner Queen Elizabeth II, now in service. Invented by the bartenders and called the QE2 it has 1½ ounces Cognac, ½ ounce orange Curacao, dash of grenadine and lemon juice. They say that after the third cocktail you feel like abandoning ship.

FLAGPOLES OR RICE, which would be better for the natives in the poverty areas around Long Bienh, South Vietnam? Sen. Stephen M. Young, Ohio, reports that Army officers wanted flagpoles at their headquarters there so

they ordered two of stainless steel. They gave the poles proper fittings with bronze plaques and the total cost was \$45,000. Sen. Young observes that eventually our officers will move but the Vietnamese "will have something to remember us by".

SAVE THE HOT DOG, and President Nixon did just that. It seems there was a movement in the meat industry to raise the fat content of federally inspected hot dogs to 33 per cent instead of the present 30 per cent limit required by the Defense Dept. and the Veterans Adm. Mrs. Virginia Knauer, consumer adviser, stoutly opposed any such increase. President Nixon upheld her position.



MOTOR FUEL TAXES have been hiked this year in 14 states, the National Highway Users Conference reports. In most states the increase was from 7 to 8 cents per gallon beginning July 1. Meantime the nation's highway users in 1968 paid more than \$8.6 billion in State motor fuel taxes, the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads reports. Wow!

SEPTEMBER CHIPS. If you want free plans for a nice barbecue pit write your local USDA extension agent (listed in the phone book under county government). . . . High speed Metroliner Service between New York and Washington now includes stops in Newark, N.J. . . . The government is testing a new drug which may prevent rejection of organ transplants. . . . Japanese are marketing canned flowers. Put them in water and sunshine and they bloom. . . . Ambulances in service in the U. S. now total 23,355 with production last year totaling 2504. . . .



Newly-elected GER Frank Hise waves to a cheering audience as he is presented for his acceptance speech by GER McCabe, right.

The acceptance speech of *Frank Hise*

Presented at the Grand Lodge Convention in Dallas following his election to office on July 14

Grand Exalted Ruler, Past Grand Exalted Rulers, Father Fenton, Members of the Grand Lodge, my Brothers:

Little did I realize thirty years ago when I was initiated into the Order of Elks that I would be standing here today addressing you as your Grand Exalted Ruler-Elect. I can say to you now, I am deeply grateful to all of you and to many not present here today, whom God has seen fit to call to greater service. We have had, as Grand Exalted Rulers in the past, men of great intellect, fine orators, men of wealth and prominence; men who have dedicated their lives to our beloved Order. While I cannot claim to measure up to these high standards I pledge to each of you that I will do my best to fulfill the duties of this office with all the capabilities bestowed on me by my Creator.

My sincere thanks go to all Past Grand Exalted Rulers for their support and guidance since 1939. Their continued interest will aid tremendously in achieving another great year for our Order.

In the beginning I owed a great deal to Past Grand Exalted Ruler Frank Lonergan for his friendship and advice. When Frank left us we were placed under the sponsorship of Emmett T. Anderson.

I had known and worked with Emmett since 1941, back in the days of the World War Commission. He was my dearest friend and admirer. It was a great blow to lose him in March of this year. Though he is gone I feel strongly

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that he is here, sustaining and guiding me as always.

My father died when I was very young but had he lived I would have wanted him to have been just like Emmett. All people, everywhere, were friends of Emmett. He was always kind, generous and gracious, one of the true gentlemen of our Order. The gleam in his eye, the clasp of his hand, his cheery greeting are no more. Yet they will never be forgotten.

To John Raftis, my nominator, a true friend of many years, my sincere thanks. He is one of the finest men I have ever known.

I am grateful to my friend, Arthur Roy, with whom I worked on the Board

of Grand Trustees, for seconding my nomination.

It is an unusual but happy circumstance that here today are all of the chair officers who served during the administration of Grand Exalted Ruler Earl James in 1953-54. They are: Grand Esteemed Leading Knight, Lee Donaldson; Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight, William A. Wall; I was Grand Esteemed Lecturing Knight and the Grand Esquire was Leonard Bush. All now have been elected to the highest office of this Order.

It is noteworthy also that present here are Elmo Angele, Past President of the Oregon State Elks Association; Fred Kelley of Salina, Kansas, Past Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight; Past Grand Exalted Ruler William A. Wall, and our present Grand Exalted Ruler, Ed McCabe, as well as Arthur Roy, Past Grand Trustee, who so ably seconded my nomination. We served together on the Grand Lodge Ritualistic Committee over twenty years ago.

Grand Secretary Fitzpatrick and I, as well as several others in attendance, served as District Deputies under the leadership of George I. Hall in 1948-49.

I would be remiss if I did not publicly thank Grand Secretary Fitzpatrick for his wonderful cooperation and friendship. Nowhere is there a man so well versed in all the facets of this Order and nowhere will you find one so ready to help on any problem. Our grand, Grand Secretary is one of my favorite Elks. My deep appreciation also goes to Otho DeVilbiss, our Public

Relations Director, for a job well done.

I owe much to my own Lodge, Corvallis, Oregon No. 1413, as well as the Oregon State Elks Association.

I thank God that the members of my family have given me their encouragement and blessing through all my years of service in the Order of Elks. Whatever success comes to me will be equally shared with them.

Grand Exalted Ruler McCabe and I have worked together in Grand Lodge since 1949. We shall continue to work together throughout the years to come. I am proud to follow this great leader of our Order. His fine record makes greater success difficult to achieve.

Nevertheless, we are going to strive for it, and with the help of you, the Exalted Rulers, we shall succeed. We shall succeed so well, I hope, that you will be remembered for years to come for your accomplishments.

Now, my Brothers, I promise you, our chosen leaders, that you will have my unswerving devotion to the task of furthering the progress of our Order. Are you willing to promise me, as Elks, that you will devote this year to a concentrated effort for the betterment of your Lodge and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks? If you are, I now ask you to stand to signify your intention to do just that.

I thank you, my Brothers, for this expression of your support and cooperation. With your willingness to work with me, and in full knowledge of the tremendous task ahead, I accept the office of Grand Exalted Ruler. We will strive together to make this a signal year for all Elkdom.

Our program for the year will be presented in detail at the Exalted Rulers' luncheon tomorrow. I expect you to attend.

The meeting will be kept short and to the point with an early adjournment at 4 P.M. so that all can attend other functions.

For the present, let me say that we are going to stress increased lodge attendance and a net gain in membership of five per cent with less than two per cent lapsation. These are goals that all can achieve with reasonable planning and effort.

The Grand Lodge programs that have been so outstanding over the past will be continued—Americanism, youth activities, veterans programs, promotion of the Elks National Foundation. Of these programs we can say that "we have just reached the foothills—the mountains are still before us."

We must give added emphasis to our youth programs with the aim of encouraging in our young people a love of country and respect for its institutions so that, if need be, they will be ready to pledge again and again, "Our lives, our fortunes and our sacred honor."

My Brothers, many years ago a little boy sold newspapers on the streets of Marshalltown, Iowa. There were many times when he was cold and hungry. Almost every morning a nattily dressed man, carrying a cane, would come by. Frequently he would match the little boy for hot rolls or doughnuts and somehow the little boy never lost. One day the boy noticed a fob hanging from the man's watch chain, and inquired what it was.

"My son," the man replied, "that is an elk's tooth. It shows that I am a member of the Order of Elks and someday when you grow up I want you to become an Elk."

My Brothers, the snows of many winters have whitened the grave of Bill Strickler, but I have never ceased to feel the influence he had on my life. And just as his influence was important in guiding my destiny, everyone of us has the opportunity to exercise a similar influence on the lives of young people today. We must never fail to set the example of patriotism, of charity and brotherly love. The very future of our country depends on it.

I feel it is my duty, as we look to the years ahead, to discuss a matter that will ultimately affect the well-being of our nation and that bears directly and immediately on the welfare of our Order. I refer to the agitation in several sections of the country which has taken various forms including legal actions, some of which are still in litigation, so I shall not comment upon them specifically.

In general, however, I think it should be made clear that, for the most part, the agitation is organized and led by extremists whose motivation is not to promote the generous and praiseworthy goals of brotherly love, social amity and the common welfare, but to compel others to conform to their own special and narrow ideological views on social, political and economic reform.

This effort at compulsion cannot succeed without destroying one of the most precious and one of the oldest freedoms in our American heritage—the freedom of private association. Eight years ago, this fraternity adopted "A Declaration of American Principles." In it we declared that "Freedom has made America. Not just political freedom, but the whole environment of freedom is responsible for the tremendous progress of our Nation since its revolutionary birth in 1776."

My Brothers, I believe that the time has come for us to stand up calmly and firmly in defense of the precious right to private association. I hope that this Grand Lodge will take appropriate action to make our position unmistakably clear: That we are not motivated by hatred of anyone; that we deny no one any natural or legal right for the

simple reason that no one has a right to be an Elk, membership being a privilege; and that we ask only to be judged by our record of generous charity to all, regardless of race or color or creed or membership in the Elks.

Just as you have, I have long been concerned about the well-being of our Nation. We must always be alert to the dangers that beset us on every side. My Brothers, one of the most challenging of the mountains that face us is the attempt to destroy the soul of America's youth. And as concerned Americans, we must be prepared to act to defeat that attempt.

For fifty years, the Communist Party of the U. S. A. has faithfully followed the international conspiracy's rules for revolution. Destroy the people's religious faith. Attack traditional moral values of right conduct, decency, honesty. Corrupt the young and alienate them from their families and from society. Stir up controversy and create distrust. Divide the people into hostile groups. Promote civil disorders. Break down confidence in our institutions and create such tensions and stresses that they will collapse, thus paving the way for the communists to seize power in the ensuing chaos.

Do we have to look further to see where the erosion of our society started?

Does anyone still think that the riots, the looting and arson, the draft card burnings and the student violence on our campuses are isolated, unconnected happenstances?

No—not everyone caught up in these events is a communist, but communists—whether of the old left or new left—are the prime movers behind them.

It is now abundantly clear that these are all parts of a master plan to bring America to her knees. America is at war, not by our choice. We are under attack by an enemy who has promised to bury us. It is this war that is basically responsible for the social ruin that threatens us. Lawlessness spreads while our law enforcement agencies are restricted by laws which make arrest and conviction of the criminal difficult.

Drug addiction and other anti-social conduct grow among our youth who are being encouraged by these agitators to reject the virtues of honesty, integrity, thrift and hard work. Our public officials and our institutions are ridiculed and held up to contempt by those who wish not to strengthen our society but to destroy it.

The campaign for the control of our youth must be met head-on and defeated. A good place to start is with those few teachers who misuse academic freedom. Academic freedom is necessary, but it does not give the right to incite or participate in student riots, or

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to spread alien propaganda in text books or classroom.

Public universities, colleges and schools belong to the people, not the students or even the faculties. If school administrators insist on discipline and law and order, thus bringing peace into the schools, it will free them to do the educational job for which they are being paid. It will also hasten the defeat of the effort to subvert our youth as an instrument of social destruction.

There is one thing that all of us should remember well. The origin of social problems involving our youth does not lie with them. The great majority of them are fine, clean, morally upright young men and women, with a sense of responsibility and an appreciation of their opportunities and privileges. And it is well that they are, because our situation would be hopeless otherwise.

The fault, my Brothers, lies mostly with us. We are mainly responsible, because we have not responded with the determined action demanded by

the dangers that threaten. As with our youth, most adults are decent and law abiding. But too many of us are so absorbed, so content with the good life that we are reluctant to become involved.

We can no longer be hesitant to act when the destruction of our way of life is happening before our very eyes. Now is the time to speak up. I hope that every Elk will become deeply involved in support of law and order and justice, and personally concerned with the defeat of those evil forces of discord and violent revolution.

Write the President your views. Write your Senator, your Congressman, your Governor, your state legislators and your municipal officials. Tell your school boards, your law enforcement officers where you stand.

Be sure to write the editors of your local papers and the editors of the magazines you read. Drop a note to the radio and television stations. When you see, hear or read something destructive, condemn it; but be just as quick to commend the constructive things.

When we leave our school problems to the radicals who want to turn our society upside down, we have no one to blame but ourselves. Let's attend the school board meetings, the P.T.A. meetings. In every community there are groups and organizations actively en-

gaged in opposing the extremists who want to destroy our democratic society and substitute a socialist dictatorship. To these groups and organizations that are fighting the battle for freedom and genuine progress, let us give our active, vocal support.

I am proud that here this morning the Grand Lodge has gone on record as demanding the enforcement of the laws necessary for the maintenance of public order, regardless of who the lawbreakers are or their excuse for defying the law. How can we expect our law enforcement officers, our school administrators, our responsible public officials—the men and women who are bearing the brunt of the battle—how can we expect them to stand firm against the forces of organized violence if we are afraid, weak, uncertain?

This is not a political issue. At stake is the future of all groups of citizens and all sections of our country. This is an issue that demands strong, unified action by all Americans of good will and loyalty to their country. I hope that our Order will continue to lead in creating that strong, unified action, putting the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks forcefully and unequivocally on record. This is where we belong.

John Raftis, the good friend who nominated me, has said: "Let us cease trying to solve our problems and escape our responsibilities by passing laws and appropriating money. Human problems must be solved by human beings, not by government. Our country will remain free as long as it wants to remain free."

Truer words have never been uttered.

The late President Dwight D. Eisenhower quoted: "There is nothing wrong with America that the faith, love of freedom, intelligence and energy of her citizens cannot cure."

We Elks have a special responsibility for leadership, a responsibility that rests even more heavily upon you, as Exalted Rulers. We must, and I repeat, must help to halt the social rot spread by communism no matter where we find it. Do something for your country now. It needs us now.

The spirits of those who have given their lives in defense of this nation are watching to see whether we respond. We Elks will not fail them. We will carry forward the torch of freedom proudly, teaching and exemplifying love and respect for our country, proclaiming our belief in God and our love for our fellow man. Yes, we will carry on. We would carry on even though we stood alone. But we do not stand alone. Most of America's millions march with us, sure of the course and with faith in the future.

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by A. R. Roalman

IT WAS TO BE A GREAT DAY in the life of the Michigan town. A kind-hearted rich man had donated several million dollars for the construction of one of the handsomest planetaria in the United States. It was a sight to behold. An educational adjunct in which the entire area could take great pride.

People in the medium-sized town where the planetarium was housed looked forward to the building's opening with deserved anticipation. It would help children learn about the heavens and the stars that populated it. It would attract thoughtful people from as far away as Chicago and Detroit, Cleveland and Dayton.

Oh, what a beautiful night it was when the first group of school children, on a special after-hours tour, visited the attraction.

The children, as you might imagine, were excited by the sights they saw. In fact, officials soon learned that many of the 250 children in the first visiting group were excited by the sights and descriptions they saw and heard in the planetarium. And that, also, is when they learned that the architects, who had designed the building that would allow mortal men to look at the wide

and exciting skies, had not had their feet on the ground. That's when they discovered, as a large percentage of the 250 or so young visitors inquired about toilet facilities, that there were no toilet facilities. Talk about your big boffs, your gigantic mistakes. This one was it. It seems inconceivable that anyone would design and build a building for large groups of children without also considering that maybe at least one rest room might be needed. The architects of this building did. And, if that isn't enough, the architects also somehow forgot to include office space for the planetarium staff or a ticket booth.

But Michigan architects and builders aren't the only ones who think very hard and produce some magnificently big boners. Take the Chicago contractor who delivered the air-conditioning fins for a 22-story office building in Chicago's Loop area. He brought the fins in, piece by piece, and watched one of his sub-contractors install them. Each piece was nicely slapped in place as it was delivered.

But, oh! oh! oh! what a mistake they made. The fins weren't supposed to be installed as they were delivered. They were supposed to be installed in numer-

ical sequence, one, two, three, four, five, etc.

It wasn't until the sun was percolating down on Chicago's concrete and glass that someone discovered the error. As residents in the building sat and cooked to a discomforting stew, the air-conditioning workers frantically ripped out all of the fins in the building and, while the building's owners screamed and yelped and hollered in the loudest voices possible, one big boff got taken apart and put back together again. The second time, you can be sure, they did it properly.

But big boffs aren't limited to numbskull happenings in the United States. Witness the sequence of events in Russia, where what might have been the affiliate of the company that produced the rest-room-less planetarium built a gorgeous hotel. It really was. Splendid. Russians were proud of it as it rose high into the sky and gave people for miles around a happy symbol of progress in the "worker's paradise."

How proud the Russians were. That is, they were proud until someone started to install the necessary elevator cars. That is when that someone dis-

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covered that the cars were just a little too wide for the shafts. For good cause, the Russians really were red (faced) after that one.

How big are the legions that follow the slogan "If you're going to make a mistake, make a big one"? Maybe the numbers are not as big as some might expect. It takes a certain amount of courage to go for broke and really make a big boner. Or a monumental amount of stupidity. Not everyone has the required amount of stupidity or courage to kick a big one. How many people, for example, would be stupid enough or brave enough to fell a diseased elm tree and, when it crashed right through the living room roof of his home, look up at his enraged wife and say, casually, "Well, if you're going to make a mistake, make a big one." Most husbands, unlike the Cleveland man who did, in fact, dump a sick elm on his living room sofa and hand his wife the "big mistake" line, would throw themselves under the tree as it tumbled. Or take an axe to their skull and pray that all the town's doctors were vacationing.

But it isn't only individuals who really kick the big gong. Massive institutions do it, too. For example, the awesomely accurate *Encyclopedia Britannica* pulled a nifty boo-boo a few years back. Seeking to convince the

world of physicists that it knew the most modern in abstruse formula, it dug up one of the latest available. With a rightful air of superiority, it printed the formula and, several editions and years later, discovered that it was upside down.

Want to hear about one that is just a little farther away from home? (It doesn't make a man feel too comfortable to hear about such gigantic errors happening to an American institution, such as the non-British *Britannica*.) Okay, let's go across the seas to jolly old England, land of the veddy veddy proper English gentleman, precision-minded mechanics, dull cooks and carefully thatched roofs.

It was in that carefully operating country that a shipbuilder announced to the marine world that he was about to launch a wonderful, big sea-going ship. Ta ra ta ta. People by the thousands flocked to the shipyards for the gala day of the launching. Ta rara ta ra.

It was a bright and sunny day. Everybody was in a gay, pleasant mood. The tedious job of building a ship was done, and now all that remained was the pleasant task of the cracking of a champagne bottle across the bow, the sliding down the ways, and the bands playing as the boat and its skeleton crew floated like a giant toy on the water. Ta rara ta ra.

A distinguished lady was chosen to crack the bottle on the bow. And crack the bottle she did. All very properly.

The bands played. The ship started down the way. And kept on going until it hit the water. Then, with only the slightest pause, and as thousands of dumb-founded people stared in utter disbelief, the ship kept right on going, only this time it went straight down until, so help me, it disappeared beneath the waves. The distinguished lady with the broken champagne bottle probably still is standing there, frozen to the spot where the biggest boff of her lifetime took place.

Or, if you're still interested in foreign boffs, journey with us to sunny Italy. Ah, wonderful, beautiful Italy, where all mistakes are little ones. Life there is so carefree. Who could consider anything less likely to be the scene of a giant mistake?

Well, stop in Venice for a while. That's where they have those wonderful canals that attract all of those tourists who leave behind millions of American dollars, Swiss francs, German marks, English pounds and French gold.

But, 50 years ago, a leading and rich resident of Venice called the town's citizens' attention to the fact that few Venetians were rich. They could be rich, he claimed, if the town instead

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Left; An inspirational setting, dominated by large simulated stained-glass windows, created the reverent, hushed mood for the annual GL Memorial Service. The dominant centerpiece represented the Clock of Elkdome.

Above; Participating in the service, from the left, were: PGER Robert E. Boney, chairman; Clyde Wells, Grand Trustee E. Gene Fournace, New Mexico SP T. J. Williams, PGER George I. Hall, Judiciary Committeeman Robert A. Yothers, Grand Trustee Francis M. Smith, Mrs. Iris Smith, and Grand Chaplain Rev. Fr. Francis P. Fenton.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL RITES, JULY 16, 1969

Grand Lodge Memorial Service

"At this moment the great heart of Elkdome swells and throbs with the memory of those who have gone on before," the Rev. Fr. Francis P. Fenton, O.S.A., Grand Chaplain, said in the invocation at the annual GL Memorial Service.

Elks paused during the 105th GL Session to pay tribute to their departed brothers. The stage of the huge Dallas Memorial Auditorium was transformed into a solemn and sacred setting for the traditional hour of remembrance.

PGER Robert E. Boney, chairman, opened the service by saying, "During this last year some of our brothers have crossed the bridge from this mortal life to immortality. Though their physical presence is missed we are most aware of the service they gave during their lifetime to make our Order stronger and our world better."

Grand Trustee Francis M. Smith of Sioux Falls, S. D., who presented the general eulogy, referred to the moment as opening the book of memories. "This is a solemn but not a sad occasion," he said. "In our hearts there is the smile of recollection . . . Yes, there are many

pages awaiting the authors' pen. Our book is not complete—it never will be. But we are writing a page today," he concluded.

The Order lost three Past Grand Exalted Rulers during the year, James T. Hallinan, Emmett T. Anderson and Fred L. Bohn.

PGER George I. Hall presented the special eulogy for PGER Hallinan. "Heaven received a distinguished patriot and an eminent Elk when God called him on the Fourth of July this year," he said. PGER Hall noted that Judge Hallinan instituted the Elks National Service Commission during World War II and served as its chairman until his death.

In the special eulogy for PGER Anderson, Robert A. Yothers of Seattle, Wash., GL Judiciary Committeeman, said, "His memory we carry in our hearts . . . His city, state and nation have lost a great and noble citizen and the Order of Elks—a beloved and stalwart leader."

Brother Yothers pointed out that under PGER Anderson's leadership the Order surpassed one million members

for the first time in its history and that the first GL Youth Activities Committee was established.

Grand Trustee E. Gene Fournace of Newark, Ohio, eulogized PGER Fred L. Bohn. "His sudden passing just 40 days ago was a great shock to all who knew him and a grievous loss to our Order," he said.

During Brother Bohn's term as Grand Exalted Ruler he inaugurated the highly successful promotion of "juvenile decency" as opposed to juvenile delinquency.

Grand Trustee Fournace quoted an editorial in the Zanesville newspaper which concluded by stating: "His death at 67 . . . left a vacuum in the community. Fred L. Bohn will long be remembered by this community." He will long be remembered by us—his brothers."

T. J. Williams, President of the New Mexico Elks Association, gave the 11 o'clock toast and solo vocal selections were provided by Mrs. Iris Smith and Mr. Clyde Wells with Mrs. John L. Kuhn at the organ.

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8. May I apply if I am over 65? Yes, you may. Folks any age are welcome to apply—there is no age limit!



NEWS

OF THE

LODGES



A RED CARPET WELCOME is extended to PGER William A. Wall upon his arrival in Natchez, Miss., for Mississippi Elks' recent annual convention, together with a certificate of citizenship presented to him by Natchez Mayor Tony Byrne, an Elk. Also shown with PGER Wall are (from left) Brother John W. Brown, PER William F. Manning, ER John C. Wilson, SP Raphael A. Franco of Vicksburg Lodge, Stewardess Karen Ellis, Secy. Earl A. Jaquith, Brother Warren Farmer, and Est. Lect. Kt. Henry A. LeBlanc.



PGER RAYMOND C. DOBSON looks on as Special Deputy the Rev. F. J. Andrews, Minot, N.D., a former Grand Chaplain, hands over \$4,000 in Grand Lodge emergency funds to Minot Lodge's Halvor Halvorson. The amount was slated for assistance to Minot Elks and their families suffering extreme hardships resulting from the disastrous floods that hit the area last spring. The floods caused millions of dollars in property damage and the evacuation of approximately 12,000 persons, among them several hundred Elks.



FOUR DECADES OF PROGRESS are marked at Huntington, N.Y., Lodge's recent 40th anniversary gala dinner-dance. Dignitaries (from left) New York SP George J. Balbach, a Queens Borough (Elmhurst) Elk and former chairman of the GL State Associations Committee; New York State Supreme Court Justice Fred J. Munder, Sr., lodge trustee for 25 consecutive years; Brother Bruno Leone of the New York State Court of Appeals, a Queens Borough (Elmhurst) Lodge member and a Past State President; PDD and lodge chairman, and Huntington Township Supervisor Jerome A. Ambro.

TAKING TIME OUT for a photograph during the institution ceremonies of Hoxie, Kan., Lodge No. 2415 on June 21, 1969, are dignitaries present for the eventful day: (from left) state Secy. Glenn E. Edwards, Wellington; newly elected Hoxie ER Haden Hobbs; PGER H. L. Blackledge, principal speaker; Deputy SP A. H. Lorentz, Beloit, and SP Virgil B. Howey, a Galena Elk. DDGER Robert L. Earnest, Russell, officiated at the ceremonies. Kansas' Past State Presidents made up the institution and installation teams, while Russell Lodge officers initiated the 177 Hoxie charter members.



PGER Edward W. McCabe becomes an honorary citizen of Greenville, S.C., as Greenville ER L. Norris Foster (right) and Secy. C. John Collins present him with the Elks' recent annual convention in Charleston.





GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONIES for Westbrook, Conn., Lodge's new home commence as one of the 20-year-old lodge's original founders and its first Exalted Ruler, Brother Anthony Gasparini (right), and his son, immediate PER Clifford R. Gasparini, wield the shovel. Trustees Chairman Sylvester Dente looks on. Among the Elks dignitaries attending the ceremonies was Grand Treas. Edwin J. Maley, of New Haven Lodge, who addressed the gathering.



TWO DELIGHTED young baseball players sport the brand new helmets they received from Kane, Pa., Elks. The lodge purchased a dozen such helmets for young area sportsmen. Participating in the presentation are (from left) Clyde Vanstraten, lodge youth activities committeeman; Eugene Espin, youth chairman; ER George J. Lamberson; John Santilli, baseball manager; PER Robert E. Weborg, and Angello Zaffino, youth committeeman.

AT SALISBURY, Maryland, Lodge, PGER William J. Jernick takes time out to pose for the camera with a 56-member class of candidates initiated in his honor. Salisbury Elks hosted a dinner and meeting for Past Grand Exalted Ruler Jernick, who marked his 40th year as an Elk this year.



IT'S OFFICIAL and these Elks' keglers smile for the camera to prove it: the Van Wert, Ohio, team is the Elks' national bowling champion. The team members, who won first place at the Elks National Bowling Tournament in Milwaukee, Wis., are Marvin Myers, Merl Knittle, Dean Knittle, Ellsworth Osenbaugh, and Leo Murphy.



AN OUTSTANDING MEMBER of Greensboro, N.C. Lodge—PDD and PSP Jonathan D. Woodell (left)—realized a long cherished desire when he initiated his son, Melvin (right), into the Order, in the first such ceremony in lodge history. Sharing a post-ritual photo with the happy pair is immediate PER John R. Barrett Jr. A two-time Exalted Ruler and Lodge Secretary for 12 years, PDD Woodell has been an active Elk since his own initiation on his 21st birthday in 1937; he was voted Honorary Life Member in 1955. Last year he was chairman of the state Board of Trustees. Elkdom is a family tradition for the Woodells; Melvin's grandfather, E. A. Woodell, also was a devoted member.



BREVARD, North Carolina, Lodge's charter members get together for a photograph marking the 20th anniversary of the granting of the Brevard Elks charter. Among them is the only living member of the lodge's organization committee—Brother Edell Fraser (seated, third from right), who has been an Elk for 61 years.

A LONGTIME MEMBER of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Lodge—Brother Jerry L. Lynch—displays a maple plaque denoting his 72 years of membership in the Order. The tribute to Brother Lynch took place recently in San Diego, Calif., with San Diego Elks—PER and Secy. John D. McIntosh (left) and ER George E. Otto—acting on behalf of Sault Ste. Marie Lodge. In addition to the plaque, Brother Lynch received an Elks life membership pin, a color portable television set, and a watch, all gifts from his home lodge.



MASSACHUSETTS ELKS' \$1,000 gift to the Clarke School for the Deaf in Northampton, Mass., is presented by 1968-1969 SP Henry T. Flaherty (third from right), Clinton, to Mr. Bill G. Blevins, assistant to the president at the Clarke School. Observing the check presentation are (from left) Northampton ER Robert Cloutier, Miss Lee-lavathy Patrick, a student teacher, and PDD and VP Edward J. O'Brien, a Springfield Lodge member.



AN ILLUSIVE WORLD OF "KISMET" passes before the eyes of throngs of spectators viewing this year's Elks Krewe of Orleanians parade, sponsored by New Orleans, La., Lodge. This spectacular Nutcracker Carnival Club's "Kismet" ensemble emerged grand prize winner from among 180 floats and some 9,000 costumed and masked participants. The event has enjoyed increasing popularity since the first parade in 1935 with 56 entries.



◀ A VERY SPECIAL OCCASION for Webster, Mass., Elks—the 1,000th lodge meeting—is marked with the initiation of the 86-years-young Brother William Mapleson (seated, center). Gathered around Brother Mapleson for a post-initiation photograph are other members of the class.



SEVEN YOUNG HEROES HONORED—In recent East Hartford, Conn., Lodge ceremonies, ER Sidney Rubinstein reads a citation recognizing these youths for their bravery in rescuing a man whose car plunged into the Hockanum River. The boys, East Hartford High School students, had been playing ball in the school field nearby when they saw the accident. They dashed across the street, dove in, pulled the driver out safely, and towed him to shore. The young men are Steve Farrington, Tom Kershaw, Mike Lata, Richard Rammondetta, Richard Carlson, Peter Paradise, and Andre Major. The lodge presented them with special plaques and suitably engraved watches, courtesy of Brother Bill Savitt, a Hartford jeweler.

TALLEST ELK? Middletown, Pa., Lodge's newly elected Trustee Robert Turner—who, at 6 feet 11.5 inches, may be the tallest officer in Elkdom—is being introduced at the lodge by Esq. Roger G. Haynes. Brother Turner comes to Middletown from Pampa, Tex., where he was a member of the local lodge.

LODGE NOTES

ELMIRA, N.Y. In this age of inflation, a nickel isn't worth very much—except to a 10-year-old ice cream lover.

Mark Ballard, the 10-year-old son of Elmira Brother Robert Ballard, recently sacrificed his daily lunchtime treat at school in order to contribute his nickel a day to victims of cerebral palsy. Soon the coffers were overflowing with nickels and dimes donated by his classmates—at the loss of their ice cream—to aid less fortunate children.

Teachers at Ridgebury Elementary School, which Mark attends, cooperated in the fund-raising effort, with proceeds slated for the New York Elks Association's cerebral palsy program.

Mark and his young classmates are to be commended for their unselfish acts to aid such a worthy cause.

HUDSON, Mass. A large gathering of lodge members, state officers, and Grand Lodge dignitaries were on hand recently to pay tribute to Brother Thomas B. Myrick, longtime steward of Hudson Lodge, upon his retirement. The long list of speakers present for the occasion included Massachusetts PSP Henry T. Flaherty, Clinton, and GL Youth Activities Chairman Michael J. McNamara, Brockton.

Presented to the honoree were an engraved plaque from the lodge, extolling his many years of service, and several cash gifts. Master of ceremonies for the sentimental event was PDD and PER Philip J. Donovan.

CARBONDALE, Ill. Lodge members are proud of their oldest living member, Brother Albert B. Vancil, who, at the ripe old age of "89 years and 23 months" is also the lodge's only living charter member. Brother Vancil joined Carbondale Lodge in 1911, and was presented with a 50-year membership pin by the lodge in 1961.

STUART-JENSEN, Fla. Brother Kenneth Stimmell recently drafted a resolution, passed and adopted by the lodge, "making it illegal for the organization known as SDS to exist in the state of Florida," and calling for penalties to be enforced against persons found to be members of that organization.

Copies of the resolution were mailed to the Speaker of the Florida House and Senate, all news media, and U.S. Congressman Paul G. Rogers, of West Palm Beach.

WHITING, Ind. A group of 19 veteran Elks were recently honored by lodge members with election to life membership in the Order. The honorees, whose collective membership totals 799 years, are PDD James S. McCarthy; PER John F. Regan; PER Jess E. Abraham; PER Herbert E. J. Brown; John Ciesar Jr.; Edison Dressen; Harry Gold Jr.; William Lynch; John I. McNamara; Abe Mills; John Narta; John Nolan; Charles O'Drobinak; Dr. J. W. Stanton; John Surd; John Wargo; William Wehmeyer; Edward Winkleried, and John Pohl.

NASHUA, N.H. The Elks' "first one hundred"—the lodge's oldest old-timers, in terms of seniority, were special guests of honor at a recent dinner honoring longtime members. Among the honorees were PER Henry A. Twichell, whose 59 years of membership make him the lodge's "oldest"; Joseph J. Davis, a 52-year member; William Boisvert, a 50-year member, and Arthur Laliberte, a 57-year member.

WINSTED, Conn. A class of candidates was initiated recently into the lodge during the visit of DDGER Angelo A. Rubbo, a member of Waterbury Lodge.

The class was named in honor of one of its members, Steve Blass, who plays professional baseball with the Pittsburgh Pirates.

IRON RIVER, Mich. Men's Commercial Bowling League championship honors for 1968-1969 went to the W. B. Thompson Co. team, composed of Iron River Elks.

The team members who turned in this fine performance are Brothers Bill Parviainen, Ted A. Brey, Len Holmes, Marv Westerdahl, and Doug Tippet.

POINT PLEASANT, N.J. The lodge's own Fine Arts Thespians recently presented a three-act play, *The Ponder Heart*, to benefit the community welfare fund.

The lodge was filled to capacity with Elks and their guests for the play's two evening performances.



NORTHAMPTON, Massachusetts, ER Robert Cloutier (right) pauses for refreshments during a recent lodge-sponsored State Police Day, when some 400 interested citizens joined the local Elks in festivities at Troop B Headquarters in Northampton. Pictured with him are Youth Chairman Charles W. Dragon; State Police Staff Sgt. Richard C. Spofford, a Past Exalted Ruler of Athol-Orange, Mass., Lodge; Capt. Roy Anderson, commanding officer of Troop B, and state Rep. Louis J. Morini, a lodge member. Also enjoying refreshments are two young guests at left.

AT CLARK AIR FORCE BASE in the Philippine Islands, Elks' Little Leaguers boast first-place standing in their division. Lined up with the young ballplayers, as they take a quick break to pose for the camera, is their coach, Sgt. Cindy S. Schepp, whose father is Brother William Schepp of Venice-Nokomis, Fla., Lodge.



A PROMINENT Green Bay, Wisconsin, Elk—1968-1969 Grand Est. Lead, Kt. Melville J. Junion (seated) is the featured speaker at a youth luncheon at the recent Ohio annual convention in Columbus. He is being welcomed by Columbus Mayor M. E. Sensenbrenner, Grand Trustee E. Gene Fournace, of Newark, Ohio, Lodge, and SDGER Leslie G. Scrimger, a Columbus Elk.



PROMISING YOUNG ORATORS—winners of the recent Somerville, Mass., Lodge-sponsored oratorical contest—display their trophies. First-place winner Michael Callagher, of Arlington Catholic High School, is flanked by lodge Youth Activities Chairman John Cameron and ER Gerard P. Donahoe, while second-place winner Enid Krunin stands at right and third-place winner Dianne Murphy at left—both are Somerville High School students.



LOCK HAVEN, Pennsylvania, Lodge's Vuocolo family of Elks assembles at the lodge to congratulate the new Exalted Ruler—also a member of the family—as he begins his term of service in the lodge's highest office. Pictured is ER Gerard S. Vuocolo sharing a handshake with his father, Samuel A. Vuocolo, while his brothers—Francis, Leo, Louis, and Anthony—await their turn.

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It's Your Business!

LET'S TALK ABOUT SELLING!

In 1957 William C. Bachman, a successful sales manager, decided to go into business for himself. He had a bright idea, and it worked so well that his Chicago-based company, the Sales Follow-Up Corporation, went public in 1966 and just this year acquired a New York firm in return for about \$3 million worth of Sales Follow-Up stock.

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Bachman, who is president and the main owner of Sales Follow-Up Corporation, started out by offering his service to auto dealers, and they continue to be his primary market. Even the lowest price new automobile is a big-ticket, and for big-ticket selling the expense of carrying out a lot of follow-up activity is well worth the price. But it's a lot easier to use a computer to do that chore than for salesmen to do it themselves. For one thing, even the best salesman can forget things, but a computer just doesn't forget anything! And too, there's the well-known fact that salesmen in general dislike paper work. Plenty of companies have trouble enough getting salesmen to fill out the various sales reports and other company forms their job involves, to say nothing of trying to get them to set up and operate a really efficient customer follow-up routine.

At last report, Sales Follow-Up was expanding its activities vigorously, so it may soon be too big for a column on small-business. But Bachman's success holds valuable lessons for every really ambitious small businessman.

What was Bachman's magic secret? Like so many other successful entrepreneurs he really didn't have any such secret. What he did have was a sound

and marketable idea, excellent organizational and managerial ability, and far above average sales experience and ability! (We hear that he had six-figure income as a sales manager before he started his own business.)

Bachman knows the value of selling. But in today's business climate selling is sometimes taken for granted. A company that's been doing quite well, as so many have, can easily drift into a "Things will always be good!" attitude and become so relaxed about its selling that before long there's a dismaying decline in the firm's sales income.

This never happens, we can tell you, in a large firm we know pretty well. In each of the last twelve years that company's sales income has been the biggest in the firm's history! And yet, as soon as the figures are released each year, the company's top management puts in an "austerity and retrenchment program" and practically wails to its sales-force, "We're going to end up in the poorhouse if you don't get out there this year and really sell!"

A major need in every business is good sales management. What can you do to improve sales management in your company? We'll offer some suggestions in our hopper of . . .

MANAGEMENT MEMOS:

What is sales management? In large companies it's quite usual to have a marketing planning department and a sales department. In a small company it's more customary simply to have a sales department and to have the marketing planning activities carried out as one of the main functions of the company's top-management team, including the sales department's management group. But let's take the term sales management to embrace *all* of the activities that are necessary for the planning and execution of sales operations. And one of the first questions that arises is . . .

How's your sales goal planning? Some years ago we saw the details of the sales plan that Sears had worked out for sales of its small boat accessories line, water-skis, tow ropes, safety equipment, etc. They'd worked out an overall sales goal for that product line for the then-forthcoming year. They then broke that goal

down into a whole set of sales goals for the individual Sears stores. And they did this for *each product-category* in that product line! It must have cost them a tidy five figure sum just to *develop* that elaborate and extremely detailed sales goal plan, there were a lot of charts and figures in it. But the setting of realistic and highly specific sales goals is one of the chief magic secrets of the success of the outstanding large companies. Obviously a very small business can't employ that technique on the same scale on which the big companies use it, but it can employ it in an effective way on its own scale. Unfortunately, too many small businesses don't employ that technique on *any* scale!

Do you keep your salesmen informed?

We still remember a conversation we had with the president of a certain small company, several of whose salesmen had shown themselves seriously weak in knowledge of the company's products. We mentioned this matter to him. "Well, they're supposed to know about the products," he replied impatiently. We got the impression that he was just about to add—"and if they don't, then that's just their tough luck." Big companies spend a lot of money making *sure* that their salesmen are well informed about the company's products and services.

Is your sales compensation plan modern? In large companies, the compensation plans for salesmen, and those for sales management individuals, are often quite complicated simply because no simple plan will be adequate. Perhaps your own business is large enough to make it worthwhile to obtain some professional consultation in reviewing your sales compensation arrangements.

Do you have a sales paper work problem? Perhaps you have it without knowing it. In large companies (that is, in the *smart* large companies) a good deal of effort is put into developing *efficient systems* for dealing with the paperwork aspect of sales operations. Good salesmen would rather be *selling* than spending time filling out reports and other forms. A certain amount of salesman-level paperwork is unavoidable, but good systems planning can substantially reduce that load. ■

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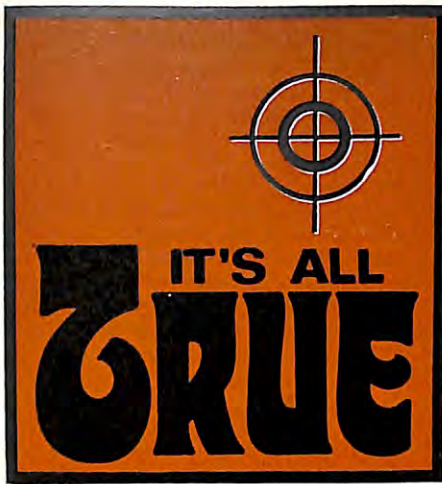
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of concentrating on tourism, began an industrial development that would allow industry to be there, right alongside the tourist attractions.

Think there couldn't be any more big boffs? Think that that's about all one world could stand during recent days? You're wrong, because they exist by the dozens in other places.

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BY BILL TRUE

World Professional Casting Champion

Mixed Bag in Manitoba

Last fall, Dick Wilson and I were treated to an assortment of fishing and hunting possibilities that I would like to share with you.

There aren't too many places where you can fish for northerns and walleyes, hunt mallards and bluebills and stalk moose and bear all in the same four-day period. But that's just what we did up near Flin Flon, Manitoba.

Dick's good friend, Cap Anderson, who runs a lodge on the Cranberry Lake Chain near Cranberry Portage, Manitoba, called Dick with news that a big black bear was coming in to a moose carcass that Cap had discovered in the woods about five miles by water from his camp. Dick, a noted bowhunter, didn't need any more urging than that and soon the two of us were on our way.

What really whetted Dick's appetite was Anderson's downing of a really big black bear the spring before. Cap shot the big black near town with one arrow at about 40 yards. The bear scaled over 500 pounds and was a near record with bow and arrow.

Cap had prepared a tree blind for us by nailing crosspieces to three poplar trees growing close together about 25 yards from the ripe moose carcass. We inspected the setup, then left for some fishing until early evening when the bear usually came in to feed.

Dick and I caught a good bunch of walleyes and northerns that morning on jigs and red and white spoons. We also laid plans for an early morning duck shoot on another nearby lake.

We did a real careful job of sneaking back to the bear blind that evening. I carried a rifle to back Dick up, should the bear appear and give us any trouble with the

bow and arrow. But the hunting fates were against us and even though we both thought we heard some brush crackle about dark, the big bruin didn't show.

The next dawn found us hidden in the reeds and hunkered down as flights of bluebills sped back and forth on either side of us. Then seven peeled off and buzzed directly toward us.

Dick and I rose together and dropped four birds from the flock. As we paddled to retrieve the downed ducks we both remarked that while the ducks weren't bluebills we couldn't be sure in the early light just what they were. They were, we soon found out, the lowly regarded mergansers, or fish ducks.

Here's a case where we had no business shooting until we could identify the birds for sure. But we did limit out in a short while on the bluebills which were in great supply this mid-October as they gathered for their fall migration.

After another fruitless wait in the bear blind that evening we decided to hunt moose with rifles the next morning using a canoe. With Cap as our guide we paddled quickly around the shorelines and up the connecting streams on the Cranberry lakes, spots where moose were likely to be seen. Along one heavily wooded bank Dick spotted a young bull just as the moose saw our canoe. The big fellow melted into the trees before Dick could even get his rifle to his shoulder. We spotted still another moose later, but from too far away to get a shot. With any kind of luck we could have scored on either one of them.

At noon we stopped for lunch then tried some jump shooting for mallards up a winding stream that connected two of the Cranberry lakes. Dick and I knocked down two greenheads in a short time.

We were not to get our bear with a bow on this trip though. After one more evening in the blind, our last night at Cap's place, we checked the surrounding area and found that, sure enough, the big bruin had been getting our scent from quite a distance away as he made his way to the moose carcass. We found his big tracks several hundred yards from where we had been hidden.

But Dick and I made a date with Cap the next morning as we drove to catch a plane at Flin Flon to return again soon to this great fishing and hunting area of Manitoba, where fishing and hunting variety is the big attraction.

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News of the State Associations



Commencing leadership of the Ohio Elks Association for the coming year are officers elected during the group's recent annual convention in Columbus: (seated, from left) SP E. Paul Howard, Alliance; 1st VP M. B. Letzelter, Steubenville; Trustee Chairman Earl E. Sloan, Elyria, and Trustee L. L. McBee, New Lexington, and (standing, from left) Trustee Secy. F. H. Niswonger, Dayton; 2nd VP Sam Fitzsimmons, Van Wert; 3rd VP Irving W. Davies, Lakewood; Sgt.-at-Arms James A. Ryan, Euclid; Rev. William J. O'Neil, Warren, chaplain; In. Gd. Robert J. Kennedy, Dover; Tiler Floyd Shambaugh, North Canton, and PSP N. A. Bartram, Youngstown, interim board member. Not present for the photo was Secy.-Treas. Frank D. O'Connell, Marietta.



The gavel passes during Texas Elks' annual convention in El Paso, ushering in the reign of newly elected SP Harry N. Phelps (second from left), Arlington, who accepts the sign of office from his immediate predecessor, PSP Edward M. Schlieter of Kerrville. Viewing the proceedings are President-elect J. D. Biffle, currently Exalted Ruler of Galveston Lodge, and PSP Charlie T. Wood, El Paso, who was recently named Honorary Life President of the association.



OHIO ELKS' philanthropic contributions soared to \$215,000 last year, delegates representing 58,000 members in 96 lodges learned at the association's 71st annual convention May 1 through 4 in Columbus. That amount, an increase of some \$20,000 over the previous year, includes nearly \$165,000 for community welfare projects and about \$40,000 in cerebral palsy grants. Also, grants totaling \$20,250 for treatment of CP victims—the state major project—were approved.

A high point on the convention agenda was a luncheon honoring the state's top students and youth leaders, who received Most Valuable Student and Youth Leadership awards valued at more than \$13,000. Featured speaker was Dr. Melville J. Junion of Green Bay, Wis., Grand Esteemed Leading Knight.

Janice M. Csokmay of Warren was named first-place national MVS winner of a \$2,500 scholarship.

A Sunbury girl, Estelle E. Hunter, received a total of \$2,250 as third-place national and first-place state Youth Leadership winner in the girls' division. In the boys' division, first-place state winner of \$850 was Ronald A. Dieckmann, Cincinnati, who also won a scholarship in the MVS contest.

The approximately 1,000 convention-goers paused in their activities for the traditional Memorial Service. GL Chaplain the Rev. Francis P. Fenton, O.S.A., of Flint, Mich., Lodge, delivered the address.

In other events, Dover Lodge won the ritualistic contest, Columbus Mayor M. E. Sensenbrenner was named to the Elks Hall of Fame, and Van Wert's Carl S. Jackson received the Elk of the Year award.

Indiana PSP Thomas E. Burke (left), Lafayette, state major project chairman, presents a \$45,000 check, slated for cancer research, to Dr. Glenn D. Irwin Jr., Dean of Indiana University Medical Center. An additional \$20,000 went to Purdue University. The presentations, the highlight events of Indiana Elks' recent annual convention in French Lick, bring the association's total contributions for cancer research to \$843,600 to IU and \$332,250 to Purdue.

Chosen to head the association for the 1969-1970 term were: SP E. Paul Howard, Alliance; VPs M. B. Letzelter, Steubenville, Sam Fitzsimmons, Van Wert, and Irving W. Davies, Lakewood; Secy.-Treas. Frank D. O'Connell, Marietta; Trustee F. H. Niswonger, Dayton; Sgt.-at-Arms James A. Ryan, Euclid; In. Gd. Robert J. Kennedy, Dover; Tiler Floyd Shambaugh, North Canton; Interim Board Member N. A. Bartram, Youngstown, and the Rev. William J. O'Neil, Warren, chaplain. Holdover Trustees are Chairman Earl E. Sloan, Elyria, and L. L. McBee, New Lexington.

Elected to the Elks Cerebral Palsy Treatment Center Board for a seven-year term was former GL Committeeman Walter G. Penry, Delaware. Dr. Edward J. McCormick Jr., Toledo, longtime Grand Forum member, was named to a five-year term on the Scholarship Loan Fund Committee. Chosen president of the state PERs Assn. was Willard N. Miller of Troy.

Ohio Elks will return to Columbus for their next annual convention, slated for April 30 through May 3, 1970.

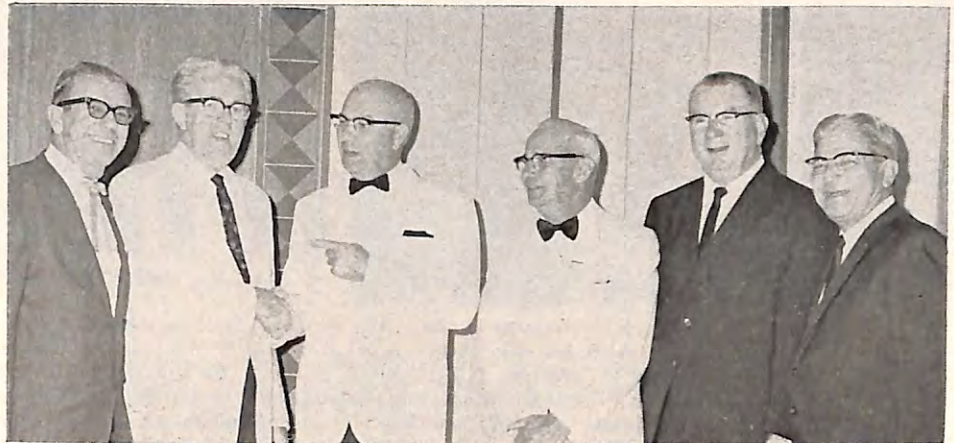
A RESOLUTION offering encouragement to law enforcement officials and calling for a return to law and order underscored the strong Americanism theme of Texas Elks' 44th annual convention, held June 11 through 14 in El Paso.

The four-day meeting attracted more than 640 Elks and their guests, including a host of distinguished visitors: PGERs Edward W. McCabe, Robert E. Boney, and George I. Hall, accompanied by their wives; Grand Secy. Franklin J. Fitzpatrick, of Lynbrook, N.Y., Lodge; GL New Lodge Committee Chairman Alex A. McKnight, Dallas; New Mexico SP T. J. Williams Jr., Albuquerque, and New Mexico PSPs Jerry A. Gorman, Las Cruces, and Fred H. Dilley Jr., Roswell.

The opening sessions' activities included an NRA Junior Rifle Tournament, and the 11 O'Clock Toast and Ritual Contests. A new feature of the convention—the Tribute to the Flag Contest—was open to PERs who had served more than 10 years ago. This contest was won by Baytown PER J. R. Bell, with 11 O'Clock Toast honors going to Paul Kelly of Harlingen Lodge. The team from Mainland Lodge emerged winner of the ritualistic contest, with Baytown and Harlingen Lodges' teams garnering second and third places, respectively.

Three new lodges—Alvin, Mesquite, and Gonzalez—were welcomed into the state association, having been organized during the past lodge year.

A budget calling for an expenditure of \$146,616 was approved for the Texas Elks Crippled Children's Hospi-



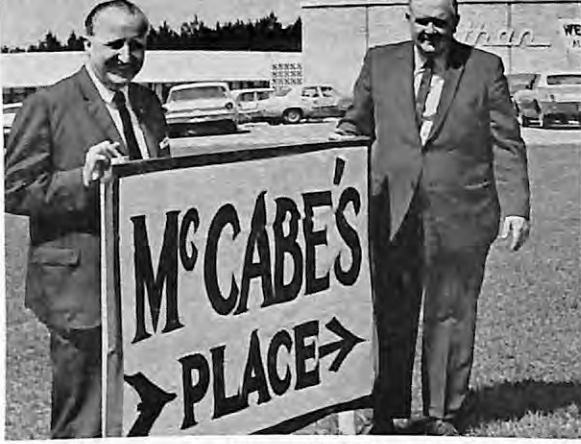
Florida SP Lamar Johnston (third from left) extends a warm welcome to a special guest—Clare McCord, a PER of Long Beach, Calif., lodge and editor of the California-Hawaii Elk—during Florida Elks' recent convention in Miami. Smiling their approval are a quartet of convention-goers: (from left) Kissimmee PER Bodo Kirchhoff, editor of the Florida Elks News; immediate PSP Julian C. Smith, Tallahassee; PDD and former GL Judiciary Committeeman Willis C. McDonald, New Orleans, La., and PGER William A. Wall.



North Dakota Elks dignitaries welcome Grand Trustee and Mrs. Francis M. Smith (foreground, center), of Sioux Falls, S.D., upon their arrival in Bismarck for the recent 49th annual North Dakota convention. Extending the greetings are (from left) Sgt.-at-Arms Carl F. Elliott, Bismarck; Treas. and PDD Everett E. Palmer, Williston; Trustee and Bismarck Secy. Franklin F. Roberts; retiring SP Robert W. Moran, Williston; Bismarck ER Paul Bibelheimer; DDGER Alford K. Simpson, Fargo, and Bismarck PER B. J. Olson, general chairman of the convention.



Oregon Elks new State President—Robert H. Clark (left), a member of Bend Lodge—addresses the more than 2,300 delegates attending the state association's annual convention in Klamath Falls. At his side is PSP Elmo M. Angele of Lakeview Lodge, who was his installing officer.



Signs tell the story at Dothan, Ala., Lodge—"McCabe's Place" for the 47th annual convention of the Alabama Elks Assn., June 5 through 8. The smiling host pictured with then-GER Edward W. McCabe is ER Richard Burke Jr. RIGHT PHOTO: Brother McCabe and PGER Robert G. Pruitt flank incoming Alabama SP Howard Hannah (behind podium), Bessemer, in a group photo with the association's new official family. Others shown are (from left) PDD Roy C. Varner, Bessemer, secretary-treasurer; Cullman ER Robert C. Grant, executive vice-president; immediate PSP W. H. Stewart, Montgomery, Alabama Elks Memorial Center trustee; Tuscaloosa PER Garland Tanner, ritualistic chairman; Auburn-Opelika PER Ronald Creel, Memorial Center secretary-treasurer; PER L. B. Stack, trustee; Dr. Bluit Landers, Memorial Center trustee; Homewood PER Ray C. Balthrop, GL committeeman; Mobile ER and VP Wilbur Sanders; Sheffield PER Gilbert Mayer, Alabama Elks Foundation treasurer.

tal at Ottine, the state's major project. This figure compares with last year's total of \$134,200.

The conventioners passed a resolution naming PSP Charlie T. Wood an honorary life president of the association. Brother Wood, an Honorary Life Member of El Paso Lodge, served as transportation chairman for the convention.

The association's new hierarchy includes SP Harry N. Phelps, Arlington; President-elect J. D. "Bob" Biffle, Galveston; VPs Clenton Fowler, Laredo, Jack Turner, Liberty, Robert N. Province, El Paso, Charles W. Oldburg, San Antonio, Arnold G. Muehlenthal, Dallas, Wooten Young, Austin, Jim Edwards, Fort Worth, Ralph A. Marz, Houston, and Don Elmore, Perryton; Secy. E. L. McMullen, Houston; Treas. James F. Ferrel, Baytown; Chap. W. M. Shirey, Arlington; Sgt.-at-Arms H. S. Bryson, Dallas, and Tiler Cloyd J. Chambers, Arlington. Trustees include PDD George Russell, McAllen; Charles Tuer, Liberty; Ray C. Strom, El Paso; Charles H. Matthies, Seguin; F. D. Patterson, Dallas; Joe B. Nelson, Temple; Harold H. Loper, Fort Worth; E. C. Ables, Houston, and Bryant Flowers, Pampa, both PDDs.

Wichita Falls will host the association's fall meeting, with McAllen slated as the site of the 1970 convention.

INDIANA ELKS gathered for their 69th annual convention, held June 5 through 8 in French Lick, witnessed presentations amounting to nearly \$70,000 in philanthropic contributions. The meeting drew an attendance of more than 1,000, including the featured banquet speaker PGER John L. Walker, GL Judiciary Chairman Glenn L. Miller of Logansport, Ind., and Ohio SP E. Paul Howard of Alliance Lodge.

As in previous years, the bulk of the money went for cancer research, part of the state major project: \$45,000 to Indiana University Medical Center and \$20,000 to Purdue University, boosting the association's contributions over the last 22 years to nearly \$1.3 million.

A \$1,145 check went to the Florence Crittenton Home, Terre Haute. This makes a seven years' total of \$6,669 expended by the association for the support of the Home.

In addition, the Florence Crittenton Home received \$2,500—and a promise of another \$1,000—raised through the sale of elk head scatter pins in conjunction with the "Sweetheart Project" of the Indiana Elks' ladies.

The state ritualistic title went to Wabash Lodge.

Dr. William H. Collisson, Linton, will head the association for the coming year as State President. The slate of officers also includes: VPs Clyde M. Martin,

Bloomington, James St. Myers, Union City, George Stutzman, Elkhart, J. Robert Peterson, Greenfield, and Stanley F. Kocur, East Chicago; Secy. C. L. "Speed" Shideler, Terre Haute; Treas. J. L. J. Miller, East Chicago; Chap. J. W. Hastedt, Seymour; Tiler J. Clayton Hughes, Plainfield; Sgt.-at-Arms Robert Little, Wabash, and In. Gd. Thomas J. McMahan, Anderson.

Named as Trustees were: Herbert Brautzsch, Fort Wayne, chairman; Paul Mayfield, Kokomo, vice-chairman; Joe O. Stevens, Indianapolis, secretary, Edward W. Eurley, Hammond; William W. Lynch Jr., Vandalia, and Karl F. Walker, Greensburg.

Indiana Elks will return to French Lick for their next annual convention, June 4-7, 1970. Indianapolis is the site of the fall meeting, Sept. 20-21, and of the midwinter meeting, Jan. 17-18 (tentatively).

ANNOUNCEMENT of a tremendously successful year for the Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Hospital at Umatilla brightened Florida Elks' annual convention May 23 and 24 at Miami.

One hundred and twenty-one boys and girls were discharged from the hospital, fully recuperated, at a cost of \$365,000. In addition, seven home therapy service units continued their program: at a cost of \$61,000, these therapists made over 10,000 visits to the homes of 1,300 children. Finally, the six outpatient clinics operating in central Florida, together with the outpatient clinics at Miami and Jacksonville, gave treatments to more than 375 children, at a cost of \$26,000. The total expenditures for the three-part program came to \$453,000, with more than 1,800 children receiving care through the various agencies.



Illinois Elks' officers gather around newly elected SP Roland J. DeMarco (center), Mount Carmel, during the association's recent annual convention in Moline: (from left) 2nd VP Harry Richards, Carmi; Treas. Wendell Smith, Macomb; Secy. Jack F. Sullivan, Joliet, and 1st VP Robert J. Campbell, Blue Island. All are PDDs.

The growth of the Harry-Anna Trust Fund set new records: donations from Elks and the general public during the past year reached the sum of \$213,000. The nominal value of the trust fund is now close to three million dollars; interest on its invested capital provides part of the hospital's operating expenses.

In other business, the more than 1,000 delegates and their guests heard an address by PGER William A. Wall.

State ritualistic honors went to the team from Orlando Lodge.

Dr. R. Lamar Johnston of Vero Beach, a PDD, will head the association for the coming year, with assistance from VPs Robert C. Gonzalez, Warrington; Robert L. Spinks, Jacksonville Beach; Earl Bethune, Ormond Beach; Jimmy Neal, Winter Park; Ed Lynch, St. Petersburg; Doyle G. Sweeney, Sebring; Carl J. Hartman, North Palm Beach; Donald A. Scheurer, Pompano Beach, and Harry F. Knight, Key West. Frank J. Holt, Miami, a former member of the GL Committee on Credentials, was re-elected Treasurer; PDD William Lieberman, Leesburg, will continue as Secretary. PSP and PDD Russell L. Saxon was elected to a five-year term as Director, with L. M. Strickland Jr., Tallahassee, Lamar Hutchinson, Orlando, Arthur H. Cushing, Pinellas Park, PDDs Almer I. Tedder, West Palm Beach, and Fuller Richardson, Fort Lauderdale, elected to two-year directorships.

Officers appointed by SP Johnston include Chaplain, PDD Norman P. O'Brien, South Miami; Organist, Everett E. Ware, Daytona Beach, and Sergeant-at-Arms, Gordon Johnston, Vero Beach. PDD L. M. Strickland Sr., Tallahassee, and Gerald P. Wilson, Jacksonville, were named state Historian and state Tiler, respectively.

The association's fall conferences will be held at Umatilla and Leesburg, with Jacksonville Lodge set to host the 64th annual convention in May of 1970.

A NEW PROGRAM of financial aid to students majoring in physical therapy, sponsored by the Illinois Elks Crippled Children's Commission, was disclosed during the association's annual convention May 16 through 18 in Moline.

The Commission reported the program will aid four college students in the 1969-1970 school term. Scholarships will be renewed for the second year for Janice Meyer and Cheryl Gardner, sponsored by Carbondale and Chester Lodges, respectively. First-year assistance goes to Mary A. Diedrich and Mariann White, sponsored by Wheaton-Glen Ellyn and Arlington Elks, respectively. Future plans call for the addition of two students each year.

Youth was in the focus again as convention-goers learned that out of the state's 20 entries in the Most Valuable

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A Resolution

WHEREAS, the members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, numbering a million and a half American gentlemen who believe in God and revere our Country's flag and realize the necessity to preserve the Constitution of the United States of America and the Bill of Rights, which have served to establish the finest system of government in the world, and

WHEREAS, we deplore the presence of crime in our streets, violence and disorder on our campuses, and lack of respect by a minority of our people for our Country's flag and the rights of others, and

WHEREAS, we abhor the anarchy and chaos in our schools and communities with a continuance of riots, demonstrations, and disorders which bring about malicious destruction of property and danger to the personal safety of our people, and

WHEREAS, we and all other loyal Americans, having displayed much patience and forbearance, are angered, dismayed and disgusted with the illegal acts of radicals, extremists, trained agitators and militants, and

WHEREAS, we desire to express our concern for the future of our society and particularly our youth, the majority of whom are decent and law-abiding,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that we stand for discipline of those who defy our laws, with the knowledge that public order is essential to achieve a solution to our domestic problems;

that we call for the full support of our membership for our law enforcement agencies and courts, and full cooperation in the enforcement of their duties in the prosecution of those who have caused, instigated or aided violations of our laws and disorders in our schools and communities;

that we favor intelligent dissent, properly used and presented, but not as an excuse for violence or destruction;

that we demand the arrest and prosecution of those dissidents, radicals and militants who engage in criminal acts of riot, disorder and rebellion against the laws of our Country;

that we demand the expulsion from school of those participating in violent demonstrations, riots or the disruption of classes and the operation of schools, colleges or universities, public or private, whether on or near the school premises, and we demand the revocation of scholarships, grants or other monetary aids of a public nature extended to those participating in such acts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be distributed to all lodges of our Order where it is to be read on the floor of the lodge at an appropriate session, posted in a prominent place in the lodge quarters, reproduced in the lodge bulletin and given publicity through the local media so that not only the members of our Order but also the citizens of our Country will know that the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America respects the laws of our land and supports those charged with their enforcement.

Adopted in Convention assembled
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Student contest, 14 emerged national winners—including Chicago (South) Lodge-sponsored Therese Linden, who captured second-place honors.

Some 760 Elks and ladies attended the three-day session. Guests of honor were Grand Secy. Franklin J. Fitzpatrick, speaker at the President's Banquet, and PGER Lee A. Donaldson, who hosted a District Deputy clinic.

Banquet highlights included the distribution of various awards. For the second consecutive year Pekin Lodge emerged state ritualistic champion, followed by Tuscola and Cairo Lodges in second and third places, respectively. Lodge publication contest winners were: Springfield, first place; Belleville, second place, and Lawrenceville, third

place. The state Lapsation Committee recognized Tuscola, Cairo, and Mendota Lodges for their outstanding records and gave honorable mentions to Carlinville, Princeton, and Lawrenceville.

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Peoria will host the next annual convention May 15 through 17, 1970. The fall meeting, Sept. 12 through 14, will be held in Quincy; the midwinter meeting, Jan. 30 through Feb. 1, in Campaign.

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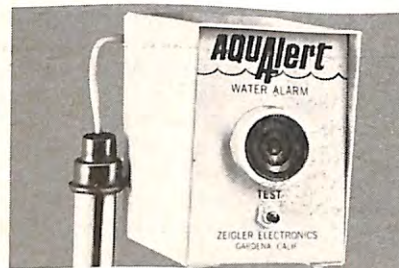


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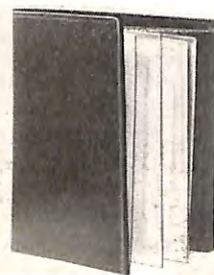


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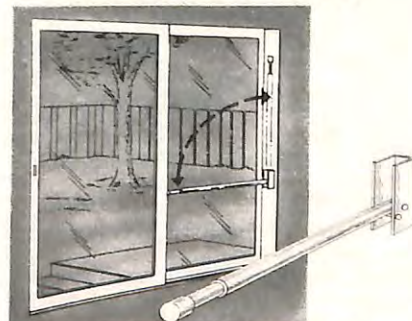
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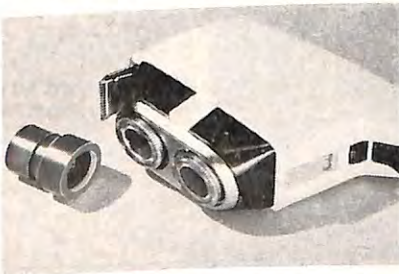
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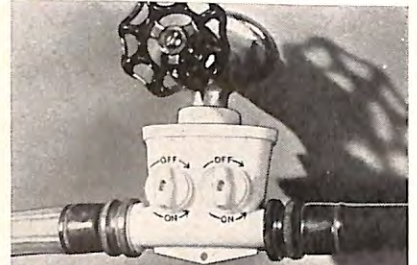
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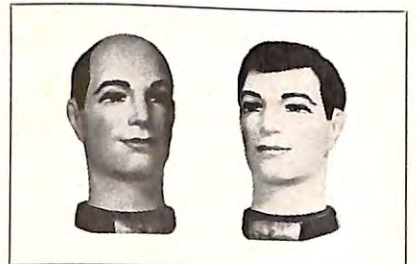
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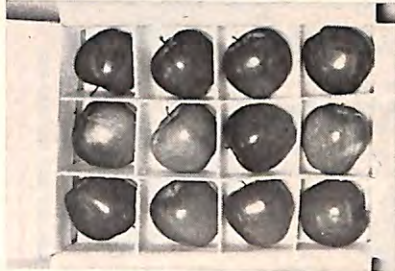
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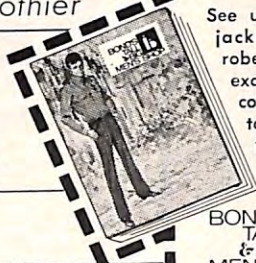
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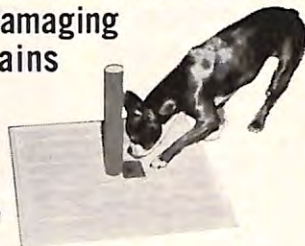
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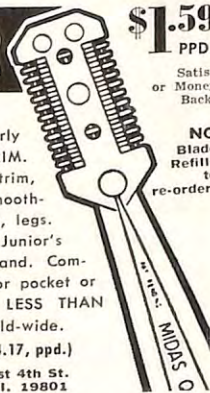


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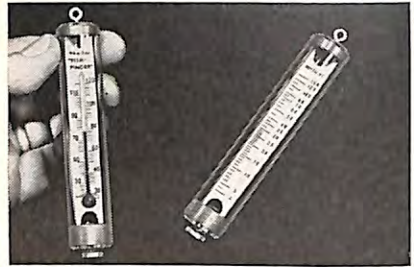
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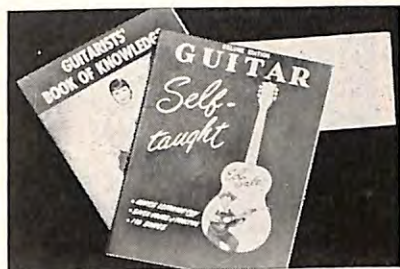


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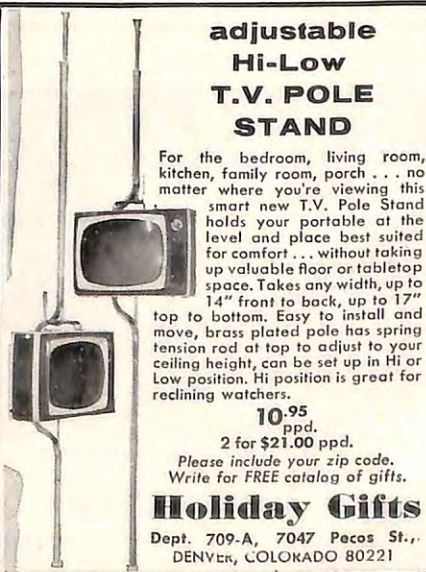
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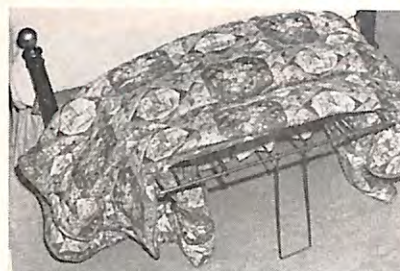
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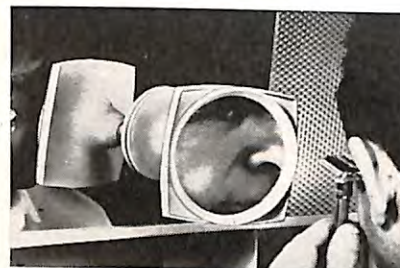
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TOKYO

IT WAS A RAINY NIGHT in Tokyo. The streets mirrored the lights of the rush-hour traffic hurrying past the Palace Hotel. In the rooftop bar I was sipping a Scotch, studying the evening scene of taxis, busses, and ordinary cars with people hurrying home. Inside it was snug and warm, and somewhere a piano was playing a ballad—a long ago tune that reminded me of somebody, but I couldn't remember the name. Outside, the traffic and the city lights were blurred, an out-of-focus scene in the continuing rain.

It had changed since I was here the last time, this town with the neon face. With the coffee shops and the freeways and the startling new skyscrapers it was a little like Los Angeles, or even Chicago or maybe Manhattan. Besides growing up, the town was growing down, too. While the skyline is gathering new skyscrapers, constantly there's a stir below ground as well. Down in subterranean colonies Tokyoites work and shop in offices and stores (there's even a *down under* hotel) as well as res-

By **JERRY HULSE**

taurants and nightclubs. It all began with soaring real estate prices. Because Tokyo is the world's most populous city, and because of the land boom and this population explosion, the Japanese decided to dig in. So well did they dig the job that subterranean colonies cover an estimated 50 square miles beneath the 784-square mile megalopolis.

Still, enough of the old atmosphere remains to give the city a certain Oriental flavor. While the department stores may resemble ours in a certain way, in Tokyo the escalators are tended by Japanese girls who bow politely to the customers. Even the Hilton tries. There is a tea room on the lobby level which looks out on a Japanese garden and a pool swimming with carp. Waitresses in kimonos arrive with cups and steaming pots, bowing as they pour—and soon you forget the crowds, both above and be-

low ground. As crowded, though, as Tokyo is today, the excitement will be even greater next year. On March 15 the first world exposition ever held in Asia opens in Japan—Expo-70. While this world's fair will be staged in Osaka, Tokyo will play an important role, hosting visitors from around the world. They'll be lodged in huge modern hotels as well as humble Japanese inns—which brings up this question: You can take the guest out of the Hilton, but can you take the Hilton out of the guest? Madame Akira Fukudaya wonders. She is the grand landlady of Tokyo's slickest ryokan—ryokan meaning Japanese inn. The Fukudaya Inn stands in the shadow of the 17-story Hotel New Otani, putting an end to the myth that a tourist must leave Tokyo to live like the Japanese do. At the Fukudaya Inn you'd never know you were anywhere near Tokyo. Or even near the New Otani, for that matter. Guests bathe in wooden tubs, snooze on tatami mats, stroll in a peaceful garden and stuff themselves on such Japanese snacks as sashimi, shinko,



Tokyo at night is a blaze of neon along her busy streets. The Ginza Strip is one of the most glittering in the world.

scallops, soy bean paste, rice, fish chowder, and seaweed salad. Madame Fukudaya's original inn was bombed out of business during the war. At the same time, Prince Fushimi, the emperor's brother, also lost his home. It stood on the site of Hotel New Otani. He moved into the inn which later was operated by Mme. Fukudaya.

While tourists in such places as the Hilton and the Okura are having breakfast in bed, Mme. Fukudaya's guests are awakened with pots of steaming tea. After this the mama-san prepares a steaming bath. You get all steamed up at the Fukudaya Inn. Later when the bathing ritual is over, the mama-san returns with breakfast. Although guests sleep on the floor, there are thick pads and comforters for softness. When it is cold they sit at a *kiri-kotatsun*. It is a box that is recessed in the floor and into which you place your feet and legs. They are warmed by a charcoal or electric heater. One thing to remember, al-

ways, in a ryokan, though: you leave your modesty at the door. You will be dressed, undressed and bathed like a baby.

Today, incense burns in a corner of my room. There is a window which looks out on the garden with bonsai trees and stone lanterns, the ground carpeted with pine needles. In the garden there is also a country cottage which is 700 years old and which was moved here from Nara. It is just for atmosphere and not to be lived in. For most tourists, one night in a ryokan is enough. Then they go back to the Hilton. But Mme. Fukudaya's is another world. Here you have the best of an inn and a Hilton. The mama-san will even bring you a scotch or a dry martini should you ask for one. The cost of living like Marlon Brando in this "Sayonara" setting ranges from \$8 and \$12 single to \$16.50 and \$18 double, plus 10% tax. Meals are extra. So are the cocktails. A five-course dinner comes to \$5.50. For

breakfast you are served soy bean soup, raw fish, boiled vegetables, and seaweed salad. But you may also have ham and eggs. It is what I mean about a wedding of a Hilton and a Japanese inn. The mama-san apologizes, though. No American hot dogs. You may have a massage, though, for \$1.95.

Five minutes by car is another ryokan, the Kyoine. It has 14 guest rooms, each with TV, and six banquet rooms. The tab is \$6.95 minimum per night. Breakfast is \$1.95 and dinner \$3.90. Lunch is not served. If both Fukudaya and the Kyoine are full up you may hang your kimono at Shin Komatsu—\$4.17 and up per guest. It is not as classy a ryokan as the Fukudaya is. There are rugs instead of tatami mats and you are not required to remove your shoes (they must come off at the door in the other ryokans). It costs more to eat than to sleep at Shin Komatsu. Dinners are nearly \$7, lunch is \$2.25 and breakfast is \$1.65.

Spread across Japan are more than 70,000 inns. Guests are dressed in *yukatas*—a cotton kimono—and a *tanzan*, which is an outer robe. When you arrive or leave there is much bowing and scraping. Everyone feels famous. After all the attention, the return to reality can be a trifle disconcerting. While the adventurous tourist sleeps it up in Tokyo's ryokans, others bed down in the upholstered luxury of the Okura, the Palace, Mr. Hilton's inn, the New Otani, the Tokyo Prince, and the grand old Imperial, which is well on its way to becoming the new Imperial. A postwar wing of 600 rooms still stands. The old building is being replaced, though, by a 1,000-room skyscraper. The cost for putting together the new Imperial is a startling \$55 million. Besides being Asia's biggest hotel (a total of 1,600 rooms) at \$55 million it also will be Asia's most expensive hotel, with eight restaurants, five bars, and 2,000 employees. The Peacock Room alone will be big enough to accommodate 5,000 persons at a single cocktail party. Another \$3.5 million is being spent on a high-rise garage which will hold 900 cars. Parking is a problem in Tokyo.

The Imperial's management boasts that guests will see Japan without stepping outside the Imperial—what with Japanese restaurants, Japanese rooms, Japanese gardens, and myriad shops. Everything will be ready by springtime 1970—target date for Japan's world fair. Meanwhile, the lobby of the old Imperial is being rebuilt at Meiji village in Nagoya, a shrine to the memory of the late Frank Lloyd Wright, who was the Imperial's architect.

Tokyo's nightclubs as well as the hotels are preparing for the world's fair tourists. Take the Mikado: Poor Butterfly, she's got a bee in her bra. That is,

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it's a transistor radio which buzzes like a bee. It is how the management pages hostesses at the world's biggest cabaret. It used to be chaotic. What with 1,000 hostesses flitting around the place, the loudspeaker was a nightmare. Now when a hostess is wanted they merely buzz her. It is a little disconcerting to be dancing with a girl whose bra keeps going off like an alarm clock. The Mikado rises like some ornate pagoda just down the street from the New Japan Hotel. The Mikado is three levels of din and delight, featuring hundreds of Japan's prettiest butterflies. Alas, though, nothing comes cheap. There is a cover charge at the outset of 1,300 yen, which is \$3.60. After this it costs 1,000 yen for the company of the girl and 500 yen for an ordinary glass of beer (scotch is 700 yen). The butterfly sharing your company sips fruit juice at 400 yen. Altogether, the erstwhile Romeo will spend \$10, at least, the first hour alone. So long as you bring along your credit card you may remain till closing time. The sign over the cash register says the Mikado will accept BankAmericard, Diner's Club and American Express. All the time your little Japanese cupcake is fluttering her pretty eyelids, a stageful of go-go dancers keep kicking up a fuss.

In a town with 25,000 gin mills and 100,000 hostesses, it is foolish to put all your yen in one outstretched palm. There is, for instance, the Albion, a swinging psychedelic discotheque in the Nichigeki Theater building. Unlike the Mikado, the dolls here are forbidden to sit with customers. Instead, they stand before them undulating like some Oriental dream. The girls are all gowned in micro-mini dresses with slits up the side, lace stockings and silver pumps. Whenever someone enters the Albion everyone choruses "Irasahai-mase," which means welcome. The boss is a dwarf named Sumio Makui ("Everyone calls me 'Shorty'") who makes certain there's no hanky panky. Girl-san isn't allowed to date boy-san. All you can do is look. Shorty's title is "grand manager" and what a grand job it is, indeed! The Albion calls itself a tea room. You can get tea, but you can also order ice cream, which is \$1, scotch which is \$3 or brandy which is \$3.30. There is also a \$1 cover charge. I was served tea by a tasty little dish named Rumiko. Later she twitched for me. She explained that she was twitching at the Albion to support a sick mother. Whether it is true or not is of no importance. Without her the Albion would lose no small amount of glitter.

Something shiny kept flashing from Rumiko's bra. Another transistor radio, perhaps? But no, it was just a cigaret lighter. I was tempted to start smoking again. Rumiko and the other young ladies put in an eight-hour day, 3 p.m.

to 11 o'clock, seven days a week. That's a great deal of twitching, Rumiko admitted. When it is time to leave each customer gets a gift. It is a chocolate cake done up in a box with a ribbon. It is a peace offering for the wayward Japanese husband to give to mama-san.

Japanese businessmen live the expense account life. When they aren't entertaining visiting firemen they entertain one another. Put it on the expense tab. That's the old fight song in Tokyo. Another of the favorite haunts is Caesar's Palace, which is even splashier than its Las Vegas namesake. At Caesar's Palace, girls in mini-togas exchange pleasantries with the customers. While they're smiling and snuggling a combo plays rock tunes. It costs \$5.50 for the girl in the mini-toga plus a \$3 cover charge. You have to pay for all the glitter and giggles.

There is a legend on the cocktail napkin. It says "Drink up, Brutus." Or as the Japanese say, Kampai—bottoms up. Meanwhile, go-go girls in peek-a-boo dresses perform in the basement of Caesar's at a place called the Mugen. The room is supposed to resemble the Electric Circus in New York. Only it's noisier. Tell the taxi driver 3-15 Akasaka, Minato-ku. Not far away, other butterflies flutter around Popo's, singing to the customers. This is their bag, the song bit. At another bistro, the Tivoli, a breath-taking creature swings overhead while the customers gulp. Tokyo is a town where a young man wishes desperately he could remain young forever and those of us who are older wish, wistfully, we could be young again. Just for one night, at least. Imagine—dancing with a girl with a buzzing bra!

TRAVEL TIP—

Like Hong Kong, Tokyo is a shopper's city.

A tip for you Elks: All of Tokyo's major hotels have their own shopping arcades. Whatever you buy can be charged, in most cases, to your hotel bill. This is a worry saver when you face the customs man back in the U.S. Your purchases and the prices will be printed on your bill.

There is one drawback to hotel shopping: usually you pay more for the convenience. On the other hand, whatever you buy in a hotel is of a high quality.

If you're not rushed for time, then go exploring. Tokyo has hundreds of small shops and big department stores. If you're looking for something specific ask at the information desk in your hotel. The friendly girls on duty will point out on a map the store you're looking for. Ask them to write the directions in Japanese for your taxi driver.

Again, though, remember to ask the girls at the information desk in your hotel for directions and information on the various stores. You can trust their advice. ■



THE RECENT INITIATION of Brother Herbert M. Peck (center) into Petaluma, Calif., Lodge was a distinct "first"; the new Elk joined his grandfather, Dr. Herbert P. Peck, lodge organist, and his father, Herbert A. Peck, a lodge Trustee, to form the first three-generation family group in the history of the lodge. The senior Brother Peck has served as organist for more than 50 years.



CULVER CITY, California, Brother Richard Teela (center) receives a life membership card from ER Donald P. Jackson, as Brother Hugh Moore, a dance committee chairman, looks on. The honoree, 93 years young, has been a member of the Order for 55 years. He affiliated with Culver City Lodge in 1954, and was until recently a very active member of the lodge's bowling team.



COOS BAY, Oregon, ER Cecil Koberstein (right) presents a Life Membership award, on behalf of the lodge, to longtime Brother Tom Cruickshank. The award was presented in conjunction with Brother Cruickshank's 85th birthday; he has been a member of the Order since 1911.



A PROUD GRANDFATHER—Eugene, Oreg., Brother Andy Jensen (right) presents a membership pin to his grandson, Brother Harvey Jensen, of Springfield, Oreg., Lodge, following his initiation into the Order. The new Brother Jensen, who received the membership pin that had been worn by his father, is a fifth-generation Elk; his great-great-grandfather, Chris C. Jensen, started the family tradition of membership when he joined Omaha Lodge many years ago.



WALLA WALLA, Washington, ER Arthur A. Schoessler (right) presents an Elks trophy to Cadet Major Val Hein during the annual Junior R.O.T.C. Review held recently at Walla Walla High School. The perpetual trophy is presented annually to the cadet staff officer in the high school's R.O.T.C. program who demonstrates the highest standards of initiative, dependability, and loyalty. Walla Walla has one of the only two such Junior R.O.T.C. programs in the state of Washington.



YOUNG WRESTLING ENTHUSIASTS—a portion of the more than 200 boys between the ages of 4 and 12 who participate in Tillamook, Oreg., Lodge's wrestling program for youngsters—pose for the camera during a time-out. The program begins the first week in January and is climaxed by a state match at Oregon State Gill Coliseum in Corvallis, with approximately 2,000 boys participating. The boys are grouped into twenty weight divisions, and wrestle ten opponents each during the course of the season; ribbons indicating their win-loss record are presented at the end of the program, which is now in its eighth year.



A RECENT patriotic ceremony at the U.S. Coast Guard Base in Alameda, Calif., finds Alameda ER Donald L. Landreth (standing, right) and his fellow lodge officers posing for a group photo with several of the dignitaries who were in attendance, all Alameda Elks: (seated, from left) PER and PSP Donald K. Quayle; William McCall, master of ceremonies; Capt. Walter Curwen Jr., base commandant, and Alameda Mayor Terry Y. LaCroix Jr.



A \$50 CHECK is presented to Boy Scout Van Ajemian (center) by Montebello, Calif., Est. Lead. Kt. Larry Musci, as ER Albert L. Sassoe, Mrs. Haruton Ajemian, Van's mother, and VP J. T. "Ted" Bair, Downey, look on. Young Ajemian was honored by the lodge for having singlehandedly initiated a drive in Montebello to collect items for servicemen stationed in Vietnam.



KLAMATH FALLS, Oregon, ER David F. Show (left) accepts from Brother Warren G. "Doc" Noggle a beautiful pictorial record of the life of Ernest L. Paddock, a charter member of the lodge, who died May 7, 1969, at the age of 80. The handsome volume will be on display in the lodge's quarters.

A HEARTY HANDSHAKE from Milwaukie, Oreg., ER Harvey Sargent (right) welcomes Auburn, Wash., ER George M. Martin and his party of Elks to an overnight stay in Portland, complete with a prime rib and champagne dinner at Milwaukie Lodge. Milwaukie Elks met their guests at the end of their 160-mile train trip with a 75-piece drum and bugle corps, which marched the guests to their hotel in a lively parade. The visiting Elks and their ladies danced far into the night following dinner, and returned to Auburn by train the next afternoon—with box lunches prepared by their thoughtful Milwaukie hosts.

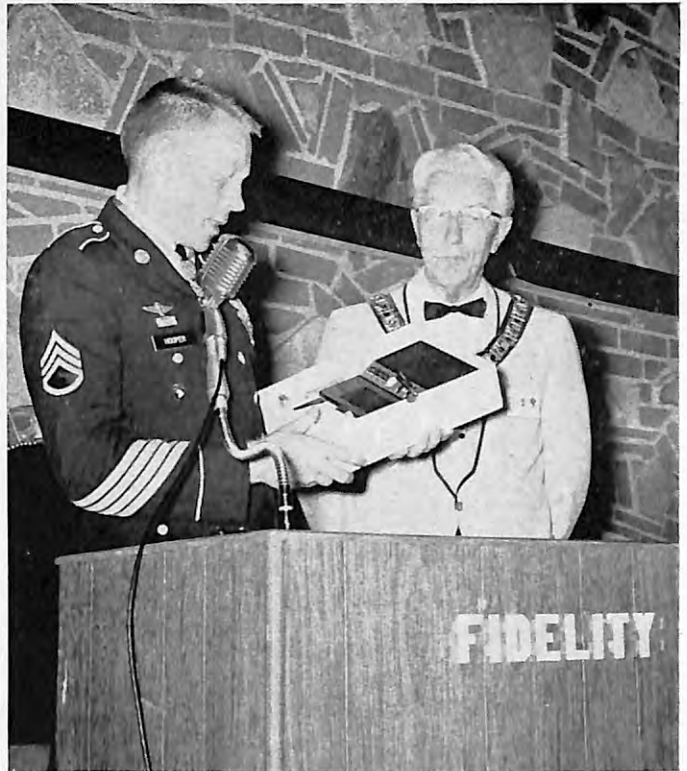


A HANDSOME TROPHY is presented by Lakewood, Calif., ER George J. Keeney (right) to In. Gd. Jerry Wanger, who, as youth activities chairman, developed the lodge's youth programs to prize-winning form. The lodge was awarded the trophy at the California-Hawaii Elks' convention in Palm Springs for winning first place in the state association's youth activities program contest.

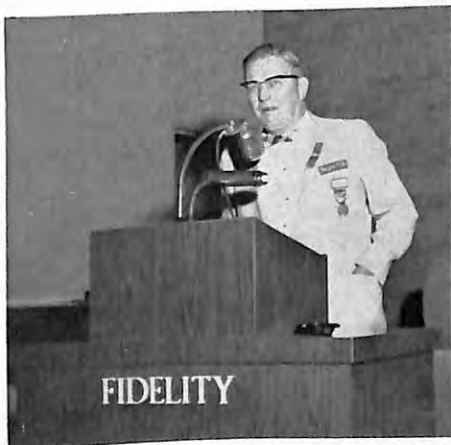




THE OLDEST living Past Exalted Ruler of Salem, Oreg., Lodge—Brother H. W. Wenderoth (left)—receives a plaque noting the fact from PER W. E. Stewart Jr., as ER James Nightengale looks on. Brother Wenderoth, who was initiated into Salem Lodge nearly 59 years ago, served as the lodge's Exalted Ruler from 1919-1920, just 50 years ago, and substituted recently for ER Nightengale while the lodge's officers were attending the state convention.



A TAPE RECORDER is presented by Fullerton, Calif., ER Clarence F. B. Koons to S/Sgt. Joe R. Hooper, during a recent patriotic observance at the lodge. Sergeant Hooper, who received the Congressional Medal of Honor from President Nixon in March of this year for heroism in Vietnam, was guest speaker for the evening affair at Fullerton Lodge.



A MOST DISTINGUISHED ELK—SDGER Frank Hise, a member of Corvallis, Oreg., Lodge is shown as he addressed the delegates attending Oregon Elks' annual convention, held May 15 through 17 in Klamath Falls. Two short months later Brother Hise attended the GL Convention in Dallas, where he was elected to Elkdom's highest office.



TEAMWORK and organization pay off for Santa Monica, Calif., ER Norman Lopez (seated, third from left) and his dedicated group of officers and committeemen, shown as they assembled recently to plan a highly successful lodge affair.

A CLASS of candidates was initiated recently into Merced, Calif., Lodge in honor of PER John J. McNamara (center, foreground), who holds a plaque presented to him upon the occasion, bearing the names of the new initiates. Shown with Brother McNamara and the candidates are Merced ER W. G. "Dub" Davenport, wearing his jewels of office, and PER J. Thomas McNamara, the son of the honoree.



FRANK HISE OF OREGON

The election of Frank Hise as Grand Exalted Ruler by the Dallas convention was a recognition merited not only by him but also by the Elks of Oregon, where Elkdom is making some of its greatest achievements.

A member of Corvallis, Ore., Lodge for 30 years, Brother Hise has prepared for Elkdom's highest office by serving his lodge, state association and the Grand Lodge in a wide variety of posts. In none of them was he merely filling an office, but in all of them he served ably, knowledgeably and conscientiously. No better measure of his devotion can be cited than Grand Exalted Ruler Hise's role in the establishment and direction of the magnificent eye-care program of the Oregon Elks Association. One of its founders, Brother Hise served on the Association's Committee 14 years and headed the Association's EYES Trust (for Elks Youth Eye Service) from its beginning in 1961 to 1969.

Illustrative of how a little deed can have a profound effect on another's life, Brother Hise's interest in the Elks stems in great part from the help and friendship extended to him when he was a newspaperboy by a kindly and thoughtful member of the Order. He did not forget.

There were two photographers among the 15 original Jolly Corks, but Brother Hise is the first photographer to head the Order. That is not the only first to his credit. He is also the first licensed river guide to serve as Grand Exalted Ruler, and that tells a great deal about him.

Frank Hise is an outdoorsman, who loves the rugged life on the trail, hunting and fishing. He is also representative of that breed of outdoorsmen emerging in growing numbers in our country—sportsmen who are conservation and preservation minded.

Brother Hise is the second Oregon Elk to be elected Grand Exalted Ruler, the other being the late Frank J. Lonergan of Portland. As we pointed out, his choice is a deserved tribute to Oregon Elkdom, which is really on the march. Oregon's Elk membership has grown by 44 per cent in 10 years, against 20 per cent for the Order. Just recently, Gateway Lodge No. 2411 was instituted in the Portland area with a membership of 3,500, the largest lodge ever instituted. Oregon Elks increased their benevolent expenditure 60 per cent in the same decade, and they have increased their contributions to the Elks National Foundation by 181 per cent.

It is this background of fraternal achievement which Brother Hise brings to the Grand Exalted Rulership, a background reflected in his slogan, "Good Elks—Proud Americans." All Elkdom will eagerly accept it.

AN HONORED LEADER PASSES

With the death of Past Grand Exalted Ruler James T. Hallinan, the Order lost one of its most distinguished leaders, whose service to Elkdom covered a period of nearly 60 years.

As a prime mover in many programs that contributed some of the brightest passages in Elkdom's annals, and possessed of a vigorous body and a keen and active mind, Judge Hallinan long was an influential figure in the national affairs of the Order as well as an honored public official and a distinguished citizen.

Judge Hallinan became a Brother in Elkdom a few days after his 23rd birthday in 1912, when he was initiated in Bronx Lodge in his native New York City. Although he transferred his membership to Queens Borough Lodge four years later, Brother Hallinan maintained an affectionate attachment to Bronx Lodge and a close interest in its affairs during all his active years.

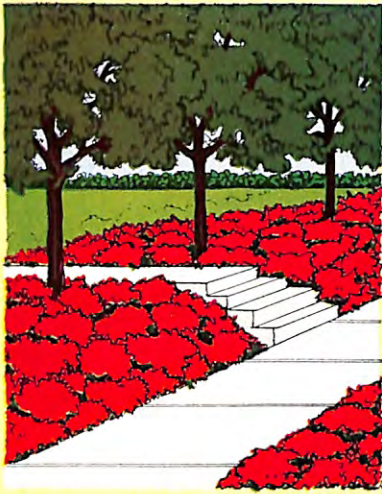
But Judge Hallinan was proud of Queens Borough Lodge and the leading role it plays in the civic life of its community, despite the problems typical of a great city. The dynamic leadership of Judge Hallinan was a major factor in this achievement.

As a member of the Elks War Commission, Judge Hallinan played a leading role in planning and executing the many programs through which the Order of Elks rendered such magnificent support to our Armed Forces in World War II. As Chairman of our National Service Commission he labored from war's end, until his health failed, to give hospitalized veterans every help that was within our Order's power.

As Treasurer of the Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission since 1947, Brother Hallinan contributed greatly to the publication of this Magazine, to the direction of Grand Lodge public relations and the administration of the National Memorial Building.

To make these contributions Brother Hallinan was able to draw upon a wealth of experience acquired from a broad background of associations in many fields. He was a successful lawyer, then District Attorney. With the support of both major parties he was elected to two 14-year terms to New York's Supreme Court, where his distinguished service brought him appointment to the Appellate Division. Little known were his years of service as a trustee of several colleges and schools, a hospital and a child care society, his quiet devotion to his Church and the Dominican Order.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Hallinan has made for himself a deservedly honored place in the ranks of Elkdom's great leaders.



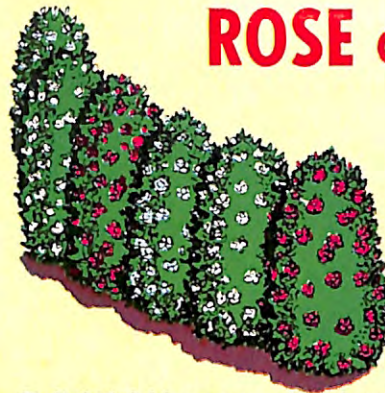
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