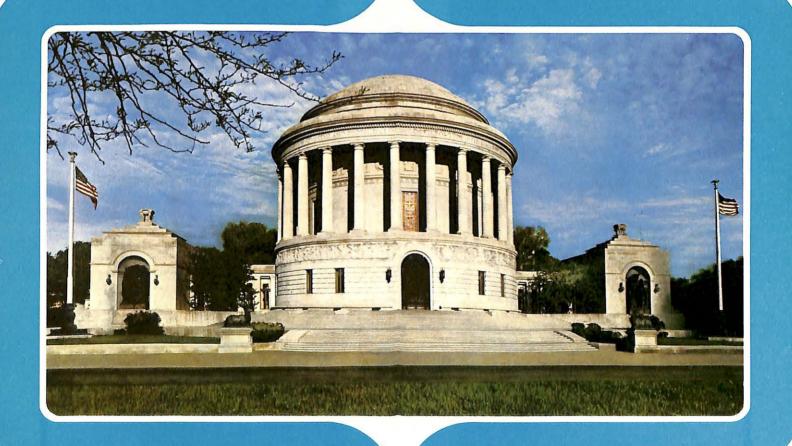


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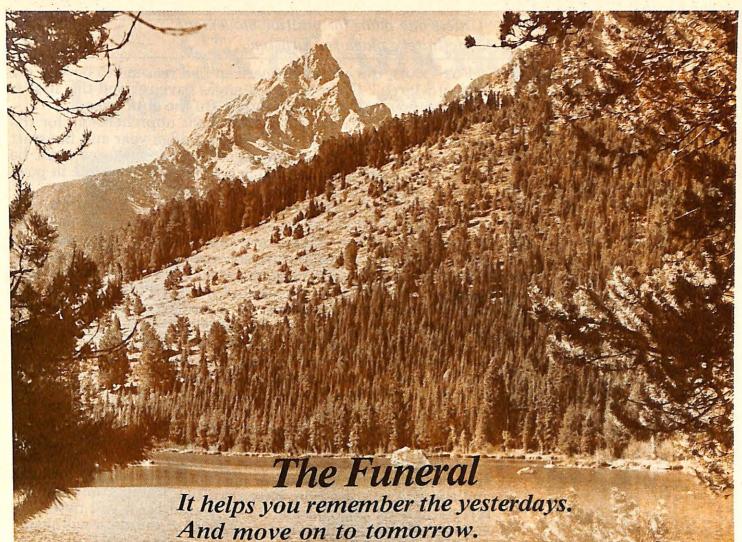
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WE ELKS STILL have some reason for apprehension, for the Ides of March signals the end of one Lodge year and the start of a new one. At the beginning of next month, we must be ready with a new Exalted Ruler and a slate of people in positions of importance and authority in our Lodges.

ALTHOUGH THE EXALTED RULER will come in with his officers already established, he still has an important job to do. It is necessary that he take every precaution in his position to insure his Lodge a prosperous, successful, and happy year.

One of his first considerations is that he must realize that he is the leader of the Lodge and must devote the time and energy necessary to show that he is just that. All too frequently, leadership is confused with dictatorship. The former implies warm, close, personal relationships and assures cooperation, understanding, and success. The latter demands narrow, single-minded operation and begets confusion, distrust, and, at best, a static or retrogressive condition. This we cannot afford; and in order to avoid it, the Exalted Ruler must exercise the greatest caution in his first and most important assignment, selecting those members who will form the various committees.

In this task he would do well to remember that he cannot sit down and arbitrarily fill in any name that comes to mind and assign it to a position. Every position is important and deserves thought and consideration. Round holes will never accommodate square pegs, and a haphazard selection will result

in just such a condition.

In selecting his committees, the Exalted Ruler might invoke the chief principle of leadership, which is close personal contact. Each member being considered for such a position should be contacted personally and be made aware of all the responsibilities involved. He should know the duties, purposes, and objectives. Approached in this way, he will remember that he joined the Order to serve and not to be served. As a good Elk, he will do everything in his power to help manage the affairs of the Lodge. Truly, he is one of the group "running things." The group really turns out to be a large, well-represented segment of the Lodge rather than a small "clique." The Exalted Ruler would do well to study his membership and enlist the aid of the new and inexperienced members as well as the aid of the more mature and knowledgeable people.

THE PROCEDURE sounds complicated and, indeed, it is. But the position of Exalted Ruler is not, nor is it intended to be, a glittering, empty honor. It is a position of great responsibility and should be recognized as such. It requires great care, un-

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the loneliest man

Rudolf Hess, Hitler's former Deputy Fuehrer and the only prisoner in Spandau Prison, sits alone in his shadowy cell, howling like a wolf.

by Frank Thistle

Thirty-two years ago seven men stepped from a van in the red brick courtyard of Berlin's Spandau Prison and were led to separate cells. They were the senior survivors of 22 Nazis brought to trial at Nuremberg for major war crimes. Their compatriots in crime—among them Luftwaffe Boss Hermann Goering and Wehrmacht Chief Wilhelm Keitel—escaped imprisonment by suicide or hanging.

Today, only one prisoner remains in Spandau, the world's strangest, most expensive, most secretive, and most closely-guarded prison. He is Rudolf Hess, Adolf Hitler's former Deputy Fuehrer. At 84, Hess is a haggard, hollow-eyed remnant of the saturnine Nazi fanatic that Hitler named as his successor after Goering. Despite his physical deterioration, Hess has lost none of his air of mystery. To his jailors, he remains an enigma, a strange one, carrying behind his dark, brooding eyes answers to questions that still tease historians.

On the night of May 10, 1941—as Hitler's triumphant armies stood poised on the French coast looking toward England—Hess astounded the world by parachuting into Scotland. Allied leaders found the visitation no less mystifying than did the Scottish farmer who rounded up Hess in his meadow.

According to the official British version, Hess claimed he had come over on a "mission of humanity." He wanted to convince the British they had lost the war and should make peace immediately. Hess said Hitler favored peace without "oppressive demands" on Britain. But if his terms were rejected, he intended to lay waste and subjugate the island nation. Among Hitler's conditions were no negotiations with Prime Minister Winston Churchill.

Churchill was enjoying a Marx brothers movie when told of Hess' descent on Britain. Reluctantly, the Prime Minister switched attention to what he regarded as another farce. Churchill accepted Hess' statement that he made the flight on his own initiative. He wrote of it later as an "escapade" of no importance to the course of the war.

Josef Stalin disagreed. The Russian dictator declared that Hitler was trying to rally the United States and Britain against Russia and that Hess was sent to England as part of the plot. German officials discounted reports that Hess went to Britain on Der Fuehrer's secret orders. Hitler seemed enraged by the episode. He ordered the name of Rudolf Hess, once his inseparable confidant, blotted from the public record.

Explained the German Foreign Office: "The Deputy Fuehrer became "the victim of hallucinations," one with "the fixed idea that he was a sort of messiah who, by a spectacular individual gesture, could bring about the termination of hostilities."

In October 1946, Hess' "mission of mercy" did not deter the Allied War Crimes Tribunal at Nuremberg from sentencing him to life imprisonment for "plotting against peace and planning, inciting and carrying through aggressive war." A prison psychologist told the court: "There is no indication that Hess was insane at the time of the activities for which he has been indicted. Hess is not insane but suffers from hysterical amnesia."

Rudolf Hess was born in Alexandria, Egypt, on April 26, 1894, the son of a German wholesale merchant. He attended school there and his lessons were supplemented by a tutor. He was a "wanted" child and his relationship with his parents was always good. The Hesses were a well-off family, enjoying a distinguished position in a large German community. At 12, he was sent to Germany to attend school at Godesberg am Rheim. At 17, he enrolled in a business school in Switzerland. After

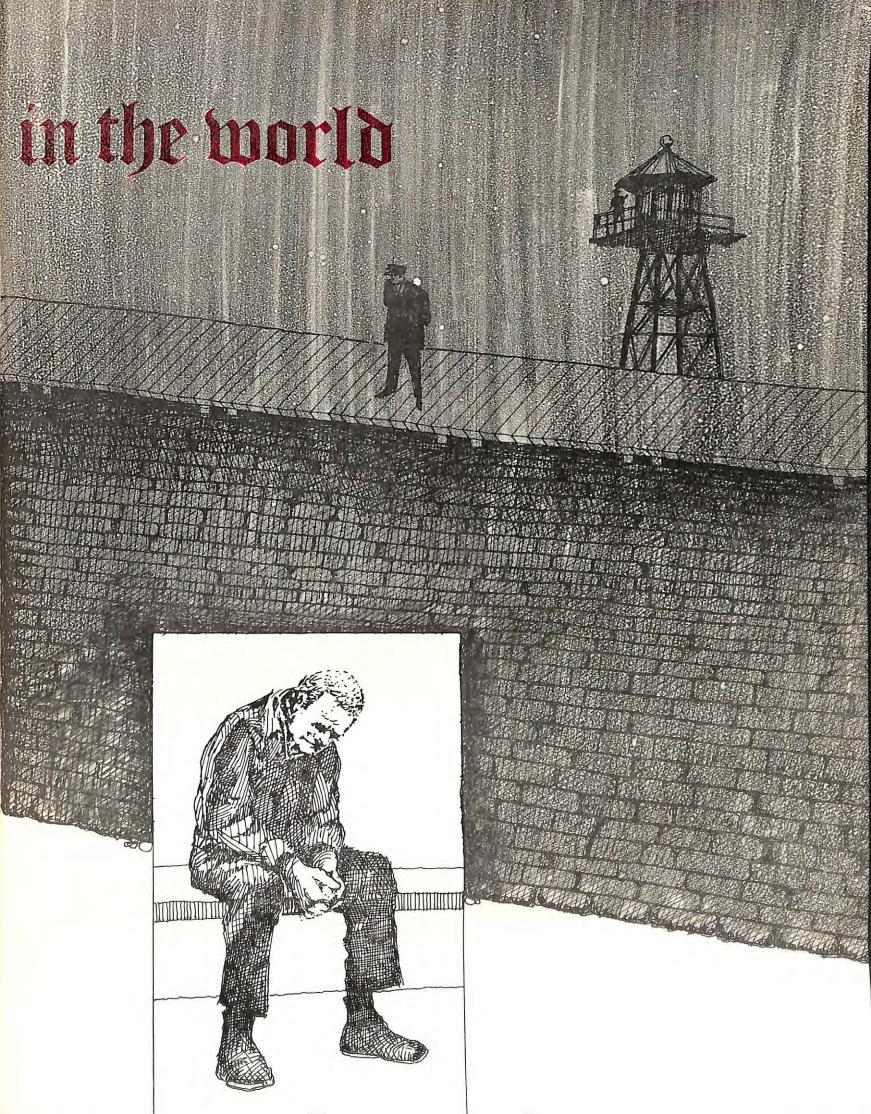
a year, he went to Hamburg to join an export house and serve his apprenticeship for his planned third-generation Hess role as an importer-exporter.

In 1914, when the war broke out, he saw his chance to break away. He volunteered and was accepted in the 1st Bavarian Regiment. During fighting on the Western Front he sustained the first of three war wounds, none of them serious. He was commissioned as a lieutenant and in the first year of the war transferred to the Air Corps where he got his first taste of flying.

At the end of the war, Hess entered Munich University and studied history, economics, political science and geopolitics, the study of the effect of geographical position on a nation's life. His geo-politics professor often peppered his lectures with references to the influences of astrology and the supernatural on Germany's history. They had a profound effect on Hess. The 24-year-old Hess felt keenly about the position in which Germany found herself after the war. He was angry about the poverty and the apparent injustice. He dreamed of Germany becoming great once more.

He mixed eagerly in the political life of the university. He distributed anti-Semitic pamphlets and brawled in the beerhalls with various armed bands he linked up with. In 1920 he went to a meeting of the Nazi party, heard its fiery Hitler speak, and was enthralled. Captivated by what the shouting, gesticulating man said, Hess joined the Nazi party. It was only a short time before Hitler's attention was drawn to new member Hess. The university student had written a thesis outlining the type of man who must lead Germany back to power. When Hess' thesis was shown to Hitler he preened and congratulated Hess on his insight.

Hess gave Hitler his loyalty and followed him with a dog-like devotion.



the loneliest man in the world

His first big chance to show his loyalty was in the Munich beer-cellar putsch on November 8, 1923. After its failure, both he and Hitler were tried. Hitler was jailed for five years. Hess got 18 months, and the two found themselves in the Landsberg prison. Here Hitler started Mein Kampf and Hess agreed to help edit his manuscript.

When Hess and Hitler were released just before the end of 1924, having served only a few months of their sentences. Hess had become, in effect, Hitler's private secretary. On July 20, 1929 he was appointed personal adjutant to Adolf Hitler. In 1932 Hitler appointed his adjutant head of the Party's central political commission where he supervised the political activities of the Nazi factions in the State Assembly and helped determine questions of general political strategy.

On April 21, 1933 came a still higher honor: "I hereby name to be my deputy, the leader of the central political commission, Party member Rudolf Hess, and give him all the powers of attorney in all questions of decision of the Party leadership to be decided in my name"-Adolf Hitler. Hess was dominating Party control of universities, schools and religious societies. He was busy organizing the labor front, and in 1935 he put his name to the ominous Jewish legislation that was to play such a terrible part in Hitler's dictatorship. Three years later he moved into Hitler's Secret Cabinet Council that was busy planning foreign aggression.

Today, within Spandau's secretive walls, a prison source who observes Hess nearly every day says the former Nazi leader lives in a morose dream world.

"He no longer takes an interest in politics. I believe he wants to forget the past. He won't read newspapers or books, except those on astrology, which he reads avidly."

Until 1969, Hess declined visits by his wife, son or other relatives. Prison rules allow him one 30-minute visit a month by a relative.

"My family shall see me again only under normal circumstances," Hess once told a guard. However, he does not conceal his longing to rejoin his family when he writes letters which are censored by prison officials.

Hess lives in one of Spandau's four cell blocks designed to house 660 inmates. More than 100 guards and other attendants watch his movements day and night. Frequently, in the middle of the night, Hess bursts into wild outcries, usually complaining of abdominal pains or the light which prison rules require be flashed on in his cell every two hours to guard against suicide attempts. Once he tried to commit suicide by swallowing garden insecticide. When he is roused at 6 a.m., Hess sometimes doubles over complaining of stomach pains and refuses to get out of bcd.

"He takes a special pleasure in worrying the warden," says a prison guard. "One never knows whether he is really ill or just pretending. By 8 o'clock he is supposed to be working in the vegetable garden. But he usually refuses to work"

Control of the prison rotates month to month among the United States, Britain, France and Russia. When the western forces are in control, they wink at Hess' antics and let him go pretty much his own way. But the Russians insist Hess do his gardening. If he throws a tantrum, the Russians lock him up in his cell.

Hess came back into the public eye not long ago when he called his lawyer and made his will. His lawyer claims Hess is not insane. Psychiatrists disagree on this point. Some say he is perfectly normal. Others insist he is psychotic.

Laymen also disagree. Guards say he sometimes seems sane and at other times he appears to be under a hallucinatory spell. There is no doubt that he is a hypochondriac and suffers from half a dozen imagined ailments. He is also eccentric and mean in petty ways.

Hess has alienated the Spandau staff for many years by begging new guards for a smoke—which he is not supposed to do—and then calling the warden to exhibit the butt while gleefully relating that the guard has broken the rules. He sings Nazi songs in his cell, goes on brief hunger strikes, and still praises the greatness of Hitler.

His mental state has not improved with the years. Some nights he howls

Frank Thistle recently won five first-place awards at the 18th annual awards competition of the San Fernando Valley Press Club, setting a record for the number of first-place awards won by an individual. Two of Mr. Thistle's winning entries appeared in **The Elks Magazine:** Best In-Depth Reporting, "Lone-liness: America's Newest Killer" (June, 1978) and Best Feature Story, "Irving Lazar: The Peerless Prince of Pitch" (May, 1978).

like a wolf in his cell. Soldiers on guard can hear him plainly and sometimes they get so fed up with it that they howl back at him.

Allied intelligence agents are constantly picking up rumors that Nazi dichards plan to free Hess in an escape plot. But Spandau is as escape-proof as a prison can possibly be. The Teutons who built the fortress ringed the inside with a row of walls, which were later redesigned into cell blocks. The inner block, where Hess is incarcerated, is sealed off from the other blocks. Cell windows are barred and are high above reach.

Spandau has no side or back exits and its only entry to the outside is through the front gate. Atop the massive outer wall are electrically charged barbed-wire barriers that kill upon touch. Guards armed with machine guns are stationed in the lookout towers. Every 15 minutes a report comes from each lookout post to the central prison office. Guards constantly scour the area around the prison for signs of activity.

The prison is one of the last operations to be jointly managed by the countries that fought Germany in World War II—the U.S., the Soviet Union, Great Britain and France. Each of these powers take monthly turns supplying guard troops. In addition, Spandau has a staff of about 300, including permanent jailers, administrative personnel, cooks, laundry workers and medical personnel who operate a fully-equipped lab and hospital. With this small army guarding him, Hess has little chance of getting away with anything.

Hess is not called by name but by number. When he came to Spandau and was told he would be given a number, he demanded to be called "Number One." To deflate him, he was given the last number, "Number Seven." He has never forgiven his captors for this insult.

Although Hess delights in irritating his guards through petty mischief, he is careful not to act overbearing toward his jailers. Normally, he ignores them by his sieges of amnesia and his spells of "deafness." He is often punished for disobedience by being deprived of writing and visiting privileges. But such punishments don't disturb him. He often doesn't even bother to write the one monthly letter he is permitted to send out.

Mrs. Ilse Hess, who runs a lodge in a mountain area south of Munich, says she keeps in touch with her husband by "telepathy." This telepathy has been going on supposedly since 1941, when her husband was in British confinement.

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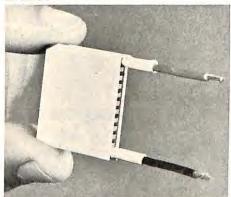
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• I remember when I joined the Elks in Yakima, WA, back in 1922. I'll never forget the initiation. They asked all of us who wanted to donate \$100 for the new Elks dining room to stand up. Of course, we stood up—our seats were wired!

By the way, many of us wondered what happened to the 3 million men who served in the Civilian Conservation Corps from 1933 to 1942. . . so last summer, some 500 former members of the CCC from 39 states met in West Sacramento, CA. We organized the National Association of Civilian Conservation Corps Alumni (NACCCA). We are trying to locate the ex-CCC boys who did so much for their country in the Great Depression. We have found over 10,000 of them, but still have over 2 million to locate.

Anyone who served in the CCC, in any capacity, is eligible to join NACCA. For details, please write me.

Jack Vincent 1709 Michigan West Sacramento, CA 95691

• The article on mushrooms, "For the Love of Fungus," (January, 1979) by John Grossmann, not only interested me, but may interest many others.

A point I'd like to make is that there are over 38,000 known species of mush-rooms, a large portion of which are poisonous. The amanitas, for instance, are widespread and contain several very poisonous species. Readers should be cautioned that only skilled persons can tell which mushrooms are safe and which contain a deadly poison.

Dennis M. McLaughlin Lynchburg, VA

• Regarding the letter that appeared in the "Letters" column (January, 1979) from Thomas E. Biggert—he didn't mention the newly-formed Elks Collectors Club, of which he is a member.

Brother Richard J. S. Hale, a member of the Oceanside, CA, Lodge, has formed a club for those who collect B.P.O.E. memorabilia. Our first Memorabilia Newsletter was in the Christmas mail.

Among the informative and interesting articles was the true story of how and where "Hello Bill" was derived.

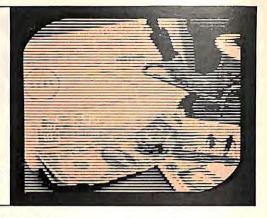
This could develop into a very large and exciting club. Besides the California members, we are also from lowa, Texas, Kansas, and Nebraska. Anyone who would like information about joining us, please write: Richard J. S. Hale, 3401 Rollsreach Dr., San Diego, CA 92111.

Mr. & Mrs. Wesley Norton Muscatine, IA

Letters must be signed and may be edited. Address to: Letter Editor, The Elks Magazine, 425 West Diversey, Chicago, Illinois 60614.

YOU AND RETIREMENT

by Grace W. Weinstein



DENTURES

The percentage of Americans wearing dentures is dropping dramatically, according to new data just released by the American Dental Association, largely because of advances in preventive and restorative dentistry. But significant numbers of older Americans are wearing dentures or should be wearing them. The Federal Trade Commission recently issued a report noting that 40% of America's older population has ill-fitting or incomplete dentures, and that 25% of all Americans over 65 need to have complete upper or lower dentures but are unable to get them because they cost so much.

Missing teeth definitely need to be replaced. If even a single gap is left in your mouth, other teeth may shift and loosen, food may get caught, and disease may develop. A single missing tooth may be replaced by a bridge. When large numbers of natural teeth are past saving, an adequate diet becomes almost impossible, and partial or complete dentures may be the only answer.

Traditionally, only dentists have been legally permitted to work in the mouth. Cost-conscious consumers, however, among them older adults desperate for new teeth, have sought other alternatives. One such alternative is having dentures fitted, often illegally, by a denturist or dental technician.

Now, amidst considerable controversy, open war has erupted between dentists and denturists. An Oregon law, passed in November, 1978, permits denturists to fit dentures in a patient's mouth. Previously, denturists did the laboratory work but were not allowed to make the impressions or do the actual fitting. Senior citizen advocates, who pushed very hard for the new Oregon legislation. claimed that dentists paid the laboratory approximately \$120 for a set of dentures and then charged the patient about \$600. The new legislation, proponents say, will put false teeth within financial reach of the people who need them.

But Oregon dentists do not agree. Neither do dentists in other states, and the war is far from over. The issue, according to the denturists (who have organized in the National Denturists Association, based in Denver), is simple: patients can get less-costly dentures from a denturist, and they can get dentures made and fitted by a specialist, someone

who does nothing else. The issue, according to the American Dental Association, is one of training and of complete patient care. Training to make dentures is not training to fit them in the human mouth, says the ADA, any more than pharmaceutical training to fill prescriptions is training to diagnose and prescribe. After-care, furthermore, is very important; tissues continue to change and dentures must be adjusted, while overall oral health must be evaluated.

If you don't want to use a denturist or, more likely at this writing, don't have access to one, there are still some other cost-saving options. The American Dental Association, in an effort to combat charges that prices are far too high, has established referral services in a number of states. Your local or state dental society can tell you if it has a list of dentists who will provide dentures at lowerthan-usual costs. Some dental school clinics also offer dentures, along with other dental services, on a sliding scale fee basis. One, the New Jersey College of Medicine and Dentistry, has just opened the first no-cost denture center for low-income people who are not eligible for Medicaid. And group dental practices, sometimes specializing in dentures, offer another alternative to high prices, one without income limitations. One such group, the New York-based (but expanding) Denture Center, has an on-site laboratory and offers single-session fitting.

It's important to keep costs down. It's also important to guard your health. It is possible to fit dentures in a single sitting, but follow-up visits may still be necessary; such visits may be difficult to arrange with an out-of-town or one-stop clinic. It is possible to have "immediate" dentures, but you should know the advantages and disadvantages.

Immediate dentures, fitted to the mouth right after extraction of the natural teeth, do offer some plus factors. You will never, for one thing, have to appear without teeth. The form, size and arrangement of your natural teeth can more easily be duplicated while some of your own teeth remain in your mouth. There is less discomfort with immediate dentures because they act as a bandage, reducing bleeding and cushioning the extraction sites from food. Speech patterns and eating habits do not have to be relearned.

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The Elks National Memorial Building

The Elks National Memorial and Headquarters Building is visited by thousands of people each year, and it has become a Chicago landmark since its dedication on July 14, 1926. This awe-inspiring structure, with its beauty and grandeur, is considered by many experts to be the finest of its kind in the world.

Originally erected in memory and tribute to Brother Elks who sacrificed their lives for our country in World War I, it was rededicated on September 8, 1946, in honor of those who served and died in World War II. The address of rededication was delivered by United States Senator Alben W. Barkley of Paducah, Kentucky, Lodge No. 217.

Then on July 4, 1976, a ceremony was held to commemorate America's Bicentennial and the rededication of the Elks National Memorial Building (in its Golden Anniversary year), recognizing those who served and died in the Korean and Vietnam conflicts.

The cornerstone of the Elks National Memorial Building was laid on June 7, 1924, with ceremonies fitting the occasion.

The Elks National Memorial and Publication Commission had invited seven of the most distinguished architects in the United States to participate in a competition to be held under the rules of the American Institute of Architects. After careful consideration, the design submitted by Egerton Swarthout of New York was unanimously selected as the most beautiful and appropriate.

The central unit of the structure is circular and massive in proportions, with a flattened dome 115 feet above the main level. Entered by a single great arched doorway, entirely encircled by a stately colonnade, just below which is a belting frieze carved in high relief, this central building constitutes the distinctively memorial feature of the edifice.

On the north and south of this circular unit, and connected with it by gracefully columned passageways, are wings containing two levels of offices for administrative use. In the front end





Highlights of The Elks National Memorial Building (above) include the bronze group sculpture entitled, Patriotism (top), the magnificent Memorial Rotunda (right), and the beautiful Reception Room (far right).



of each wing stands a statuary group of heroic proportions.

An important and interesting part of the visitor's tour through the Memorial Building is the Archives Room, containing Elks memorabilia of all kinds, some dating back 100 years. Included in this collection is a complete display of State and National Convention badges, as well as other outstanding relics and mementos of the history of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Outside, the approach to the main entrance is made between massive stone pedestals, each of which supports a life-sized reclining elk in bronze. Facing each other in postures of dignified repose, these representations of the gentle and graceful animal from which the Order derives its name are strikingly faithful to the living models used, and symbolically indicate the fraternal significance of the shrine. This fitting introduction to the Memorial is the work of Laura Gardin Fraser, who was then widely acclaimed as America's foremost artist of animal sculpture. It was awarded first prize at the 1928 Exhibition of the National Arts Club in New York as the best work of art by a woman in either painting or sculpture produced in 1927.

The terraced flights of steps are flanked by grassy lawns, in the centers of which rise graceful flagstaffs that spring from elaborate bronze fasces. From these twin staffs the American flag waves emblematic of the loyal patriotism of the Order's membership.

Within the niches of the facade of the administrative pavilion are the heroic bronze groups of Adolph A. Weinman. Without a superior then among the world's living sculptors, Mr. Weinman is seen at his best in these groups, which are entitled, respectively, Patriotism and Fraternity.

The arched doorway and great bronze doors afford the only access to the building from the front. The design is elaborately ornate, cast in duplicate with heavy plate glass between, thus presenting the same finished appearance of open work from within and without; yet the essential effect is that of strength. These doors, in striking contrast to the plain stone facing in which they are set, constitute one of the outstanding art features of the Memorial Building. They are the product of the Gorham Studios and have been accorded recognition as among the finest examples of portal architecture.

In every direction there is marble. The interior facing of the main walls and corridors, the great floor, the 24 huge columns forming an interior colonnade 27 feet above the floor, the 44 columns marking the corners of the arcades leading to other sections of the building, the graceful balustrades protecting the stairways to the rooms below, the stairways themselves, the contrasting entablature and molding around the walls—all are of marble.

Varying from darkest green and richest chocolate brown to the most delicately tinted light blues and lavenders, exquisitely carved and perfectly polished, the marble is a feast to the eye.

Uniformly spaced about the circular hall are four niches. In each, elevated upon an altar-like pedestal, stands a statue of gilded bronze. These symbolize the four cardinal virtues of the Order: Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love, and Fidelity. These significant figures, of heroic size, are the work of James Earle Fraser, one of America's foremost sculptors. Admirably conceived to express their meaning and executed with

perfect skill, they would find a welcome place in any of the world's great art galleries.

Between each pair of the upper columns is a tall window of art glass, designed and colored to harmonize with the whole, while furnishing a softly filtered light to the interior of the Memorial Hall.

Alternating with the windows are 12 large panels containing a series of allegorical mural paintings from the hand of Eugene Savage. The number and size of these paintings presented a gigantic task upon which Mr. Savage was engaged for several years. Additional mural paintings were created by Edwin H. Blashfield.

North and south, leading from the main hall into the passageways to the administrative pavilions, are short corridors marked at each corner by twin columns of tinted marble. Flowing arched portals and ceilings blend nicely with the general design of the rotunda. These effectively frame vistas of rare architectural charm and beauty.

Through the west arcade, directly opposite the main entrance of the building, one passes into the great reception room. It is second only to the Memorial Hall in impressiveness; and, despite its size, possesses a charming atmosphere of warmth and luxury.

The specially designed furniture, which contributes to the effect, includes two massive walnut tables of exquisite grain and finish, matching high-backed chairs, and tall lighting standards in wood and bronze. Large Oriental rugs in beautiful patterns and colors adorn the floor.

A touch of brilliance is added by four chandeliers of crystal and bronze, proportioned to the spaciousness of the room and providing adequate night illumination.

Three large windows of art glass, designed and tinted to sustain the general effect, are set deep in the west wall. They provide the soft daylighting of the whole interior. Contrasting with the dark woodwork all around, they are striking features of this unusual room.

The most distinctive part of the reception room is the arched ceiling which is divided into deep panels of varying sizes and shapes. Here again, Eugene Savage excelled artistically with a generous use of gold leaf and rich colors to create a fine harmony with the dark woodwork.

A special invitation is extended to all Elks and members of their families to visit this magnificent structure. Uniformed guides conduct tours from 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., seven days a week (closed Christmas and New Year's Day only). Special arrangements can be made for large groups by calling 312-528-4500.







North Palm Beach, Florida, Lodge No. 2069 Presents Robert Grafton For Grand Exalted Ruler

North Palm Beach, Florida, Lodge No. 2069 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, at its regular session on December 18th, 1978, unanimously resolved to respectfully present the name of its distinguished member, Robert Grafton, for the office of Grand Exalted Ruler for the year 1979-1980.

Brother Grafton was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on March 5, 1927. When he was 4 years of age, the family moved to Florida, and that has been his permanent residence. He attended school in West Palm Beach, Florida, graduating from St. Ann's High School in 1944. He attended Palm Beach Junior College and the University of Florida, College of Law, graduating in 1950 with a Bachelor of Laws degree from the latter institution, and is admitted to the practice of law before all Florida Courts and the Federal District and Circuit Courts of Appeal.

From 1950 to 1956 he practiced law in West Palm Beach and, during this period, served as City Prosecutor and Municipal Judge of that city.

Early in 1956 he became Attorney for the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District (now known as South Florida Water Management District), a special district formed for the purpose of water management in the central and southern part of Florida. The area encompassed by the District comprises 17,400 square miles, a land area about the size of the States of Connecticut and New Jersey combined. In 1959 he became District Counsel for the District and has continued in that capacity to the present time. His respon-

sibilities have included complete legal representation and a land acquisition program involving the expenditure of approximately 50 million dollars. Several Governors of Florida have appointed him a member of special water resources study committees initiating and reviewing Florida water resource laws. In 1968 he was elected Chairman of the Southern Water Resources Conference, an organization of administrators involved in water resource activities.

Brother Grafton has served his community by coaching a little league baseball team for 9 years; served 5 years (2 as Chairman) on the Planning Board of the City of Riviera Beach, Florida, and 10 years as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals of Riviera Beach.

His official affiliation with our Order began with his initiation in July of 1948 into West Palm Beach, Florida, Lodge No. 1352, but his father and grandfather were members and he had been a member of the Antlers organization.

Upon return to West Palm Beach from college, he became active in the West Palm Beach Lodge and, after serving in 5 Officer's chairs, became Exalted Ruler in 1957. During that year his Lodge was judged best in the state in Youth Activities, as well as State Ritualistic Contest winners and finished 5th amongst 38 teams in the National Contest in New York City. He became a certified ritualistic judge in 1958 and coached his lodge team to the position of second in the Eastern Division in both 1959 and 1960.

During the latter part of his term as Exalted Ruler, he participated in the institution of a new lodge in an adjoining community. That lodge is North Palm Beach Lodge No. 2069, to which he demitted in 1961 and for which he served as Exalted Ruler in 1962-63.

The Florida State Elks Association has been the beneficiary of his service in many capacities, including that of President, and presently he is a member of the Operating Board of its major project, Harry-Anna Crippled Children's Hospital.

He served as District Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler, Special Deputy Grand Exalted Ruler and 4 years as a member of the Grand Lodge Judiciary Committee. In 1974 he was elected to a 4-year term on the Board of Grand Trustees, serving as Home and Pension Member, as well as Chairman. He presently is a member of the Grand Forum.

He is a member of the Palm Beach County, Florida State and American Bar Associations, the American Judicature Society, American Legion and the Sierra Club.

Brother Grafton and the former Patricia Anne Weiland were married in 1952, and have 3 children, Elizabeth 24, Mary 19, and John 16. They are members of St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church in Riviera Beach, Florida.

Wherefore, North Palm Beach Lodge No. 2069 is extremely pleased to offer Brother Robert Grafton as a candidate for Grand Exalted Ruler, secure in the knowledge that his experience and leadership have fully prepared him to do an outstanding job in that office.

William K. Beyea, Exalted Ruler Robert J. Gee, Secretary

NEWS OF THE LODGES

A benefit dinner-dance was held by Deer Lodge, MT, Lodge recently. The proceeds from the event helped defray the hospital expenses facing Brother and Mrs. Al Lowery, whose eldest son was injured in a motor bike accident. Many civic organizations, businesses, and individuals within the community joined the Elks in raising \$4,022.24.

More than 1,200 new citizens received their naturalization papers recently and were congratulated by their hosts, the Brothers of Bellflower, Downey, Huntington Park, Lakewood, Long Beach, Montebello, Norwalk, Paramount, San Pedro, and Whittier, CA, Lodges. The featured speakers for the event were Nathan Shapill, a naturalized citizen who survived a concentration camp, and Francis Dale, publisher of the Los Angeles Herald Examiner. Past GL Committeeman Bernard Mc-Cune, master of ceremonies, and Chm. Nick Capalia joined the California Brothers in presenting the new citizens with certificates of welcome and American flag pins.

A check for \$350 was contributed to Chenango Memorial Hospital by the Brothers of Norwich, NY, Lodge recently. Richard Riley, chief hospital administrator, thanked Chm. Frank Giltner, who presented the check on behalf of the lodge. The donation will be used to purchase equipment for the occupational therapy department.

Varsity basketball players from Stanford University judged a "Hoop Shoot" contest sponsored by Palo Alto, CA, Lodge recently. Chap. Joe Leitner (front, left) and "Hoop Shoot" Chm. Bill Donoghue (right) got some pointers from the experts (back, standing from left) Doug Marty, Jeff Ryan, Doug Barnes, and Steve Crandell.

A check for \$2,331, two color television sets, and 2,600 books and magazines were donated by Millinocket, ME, Lodge to the veterans hospital in Togus, ME. Additional books will be bought with the check. The 800 patients of the hospital thanked the Brothers for the gifts.

A class of new members was recently welcomed to **Flemington**, **NJ**, **Lodge**. The initiation took place in honor of PGER William Jernick, who, along with

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	NE	5/18 thru 5/20	Ogallala
	NV	6/21 thru 6/23	Las Vegas
	NH	6/1 thru 6/3	West Lebanon
	LN	6/7 thru 6/10	Wildwood
	NM	4/19 thru 4/21	Albuquerque
	NY	5/3 thru 5/6	Kiamesha Lake
	NC	5/18 thru 5/19	Winston-Salem
	OH	4/26 thru 4/29	Columbus
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	SD	6/7 thru 6/9	Aberdeen
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SP James St. George, was on hand to congratulate one of the largest classes of Flemington Elks.

Brothers recruiting Stanford University players to judge "Hoop Shoot" contest





Preparing hides for veterans

Preparing about 100 skins collected by Woodland, CA, Lodge was hard work for the Brothers. The salted hides are sent to a tannery in San Francisco before they are distributed to the VA hospitals. Brother Jim Trucker (above) was among those who rolled the skins gathered for the project.

Tribute was paid to long-time and dedicated members of Elkdom recently. Rumford, ME, Lodge honored their Brothers who have been members in good standing for 25 or more years. PDD George Skinner of Kinston, NC, Lodge received a state distinguished service award. Brother Skinner was instrumental in the institution of his lodge. Decatur, IN, Lodge honored Brother Charlie Weber, who has been an Elk for 66 years.

The proceeds from a white elephant sale held by Chanute, KS, Lodge were contributed to the Kansas Elks Training Center for the Handicapped, the state major project. June Campbell, director of development at the center, accepted the \$2,116 check and explained that the money will help pay for the expansion of the Training Center's woodworking facilities.

Three hundred permanent-type bingo cards were contributed by Cobleskill, NY, Lodge to the veterans hospital in Albany, NY, recently. Robert Boyd, hospital management analyst, thanked Elks' ladies Rose Armlin and Mary Calderone, ER John Calbo, Cochm. Bogdon Demetrowitz, Brother Merrell Armlin, and Chm. Paul Calderone for delivering the gift.

Brothers from the New York Capitol District gathered at Saratoga Springs raceway for a fund-raising event recently. The proceeds from the affair augmented the district major projects fund.



NORWOOD, Massachusetts, Lodge was the recent host to a group of Elks dignitaries who were present in honor of DDGER Peter Stupak (center). ER Wolfred Morganstern (second from left) joined (from left) VP James Consolmagno, GL Committeeman Arthur Kochakian, and PSP Donald Podgurski in welcoming Brother Stupak to his home lodge.



A DINNER-DANCE was sponsored by Harrisburg, PA, Brothers in a gesture of support of the Elks' commitment to veterans. A copy of the Elks' official proclamation written about their dedication to the country's veterans was displayed by (from left) Brother Clarence Baker, DDGER Fred Moeslein, and Americanism Chm. Herodotos Sophocleous (right) for Joshua Lock, county public defender. Mr. Lock was the guest speaker at the event.





LEATHER was presented to Oklahoma City VA Medical Center by the local lodge vets committee. Thanks were offered to the Brothers by Frank Caldwell (center), hospital director, and Leland Bowles (second from right), occupational therapy chief. Oklahoma City, OK, Elks (from left) S. R. Hutcheson, vets chairman, State Vets Cochm. Wayne Moore, and ER Victor Isakson delivered the hides on behalf of the vets committee.



A YOUTH awards dinner held by Palm Springs, CA, Lodge paid tribute to students Rick Gill (second from left), Lorena Alonso (third), and Craig Murrell (fourth) for their accomplishments. Youth Chm. Willison Schaefer (left) and ER Charles Malin were on hand to offer the lodge Brothers' congratulations to the youngsters.



ARTHUR MORGAN (second from right) and Robert Gorham (second from left) were congratulated by DDGER F. Reginald Fuller (right) and ER Phillip Demers upon their election to life membership. The DDGER and the ER presented new cards to the two honored gentlemen in a ceremony at Concord, NH, Lodge during Brother Fuller's official visit.

At the Elks National Home in Bedford, VA, PGER Raymond Dobson (right) performed the holiday ritual of lighting the Christmas display by throwing the master switch. In mid-December, Brother Dobson was joined by Russell Otey, Bedford mayor, Grand Trustee Alex Harman, Virginia SP

Robert Pannell, Maryland, Delaware and District of Columbia SP Marland Deen, DDGER Robert Stevens, South Carolina SP Arch Wallace, North Carolina SP William Goodwyn, Grand Chap. Rev. John Moeder, PGER John Walker, Grand Trustee A. Lewis Heisey, Grand Trustees Chm. H. Foster Sears, Pennsylvania SP Carlon O'Malley, and Illinois SP Fred Sheehan at the evening ceremony. By the end of the holidays, people in 18,050 vehicles had passed through the grounds of the National Home viewing the "festival of lights."





A THREE-WHEELER was purchased by the Brothers of Chula Vista, CA, Lodge as a replacement for the foot-powered three-wheeler stolen from Don McBride recently. The battery-powered cycle was presented to McBride, who has cerebral palsy, by ER W. L. Goodmanson, while the two owners of a local motorbike agency gave Don instructions on the use of his new vehicle. The lodge voted to use over \$850 from its local charity fund for the purchase.





DDGER EDGAR Armstrong (left) received a National Foundation participating member's certificate and a Harry-Anna Hospital contributor's certificate. The presentation was made by ER William Beyea of North Palm Beach, FL, Lodge.

IN CELEBRATION of their 20th anniversary, the Elks of Port Jefferson, NY, Lodge shared their earnings with the state association's major project and the Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Telethon. During the lodge's annual charity ball, ER William Wohlars (second from left) presented a \$1,500 check for the major project, the treatment of cerebal palsy, to VP James Caroleo (second from right), while DDGER James Fountain (left) and PER Wallace Weaver observed.





A FOURTH \$1,000 donation to the National Foundation was made by PER Louis Ernster (second from right) of St. Paul, MN, Lodge recently. State Chm. Clarence Oster (second from left) accepted the check on behalf of the Foundation. PGER Francis Smith (right) and ER Winton Ramstrom observed the contribution and thanked Brother Ernster for his additional presentation of \$1,000 to the Elks State Youth Camp.



THE FIRST Ohio Elks Day at an NFL football game at the Cleveland Stadium was organized by Parma Lodge. The electronic scoreboard welcomed over 700 Elks from 21 Ohio lodges. Parma Brothers hosted postgame activities, which included the appearance of Brother Doug Dicken, Cleveland Browns offensive tackle. The event was so successful that plans are underway for an NFL Elks Day next year.



A FIVE-FOOT tall Mickey Mouse doll was donated to the United Hospital, a crippled children's hospital in Newark, NJ, by PER Anthony DiViccaro (right) of Newark, NJ, Lodge recently. Presenting the gift during a party held at the hospital were PER and Chm. George Knott Jr. (second from left) and Co-chm. William Holland (left).





AMBULANCE squads from Colonie, NY, were honored by the local lodge at the annual George Bricker Memorial Ambulance Night. Among those in attendance were (seated, from left) Edward Potyrala, captain, Chm. Frank Taft, Linday Fahey, lieutenant, ER Michael Hoblock Jr., Ron Baker, captain, and (standing) Chm. Ron Olson, MC Al Litster, Mark Beattie, Art Fischer, and Charles Rappazzo, captain. Proceeds from the event were distributed to the town's ambulance squads by the Colonie Brothers.

A BOY SCOUT night was sponsored by Pearl River, NY, Lodge recently. Scoutmaster Edwin Ward (left) presented an Eagle Scout pin to Albert Sedlacek (second from left) and a Life Scout award to John Stedge. Mr. and Mrs. Sedlacek were present to congratulate the boys.



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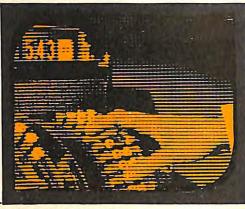
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KEOGH PLAN: A SOUND DEDUCTIBLE

One of the things that always bothers me about this time of year is finding out about deductions I could have taken . . . if I had remembered or known about them. It never fails. Either I didn't declare at the right time or I overlooked it when my accountant and I put the figures together.

The Keogh Plan is a good example.

While it's one of the most practical steps self-employed proprietors and professionals in the \$10,000 to \$50,000 income bracket can take, accountants tell me, a number of businessmen apparently overlook it.

The much-publicized Keogh Act, which Congress has tuned and retuned since its inception in the early 1960s, is a business retirement program that can give you the satisfaction of knowing that a portion of those hard-earned profits won't be absorbed by taxes . . . at least for the present.

Accountants, architects, some doctors and dentists, owners and co-owners of unincorporated businesses and even those who work at one place and moonlight elsewhere among others, can be eligible to participate. The latitude of the Keogh gives those with irregular kinds of income-for example, an author who publishes a book—an opportunity to shelter up to \$7500 or 15 percent of income in one year without guaranteeing similar amounts in the years that follow.
The regulations and the "legal boiler-

plate," some contend, have made conventional Keogh contracts at banks, insurance companies and brokerages more complicated. The difficulty, most agree, is trying to retain flexibility and understand the restrictions found in some custodian agreements. The dilemma is that many seeking such plans know little about the mechanics, and those who administer them aren't always up-to-date on the changes and interpretations that govern such accounts.

For example, there is disagreement over the withdrawal procedures described in many Keogh accounts. Some interpret the IRS guidelines to mean that the funds can be withdrawn between the age of 59½ and 70½, no earlier and no later without penalty. Others interpret the guidelines more narrowly.

Another problem is how the account can be used. Accountants and bankers insist it cannot be used as collateral. Yet

the agreements don't clarify the issue.

Generally, everyone agrees about the basic benefits, though. One: the selfemployed person gets a deduction for amounts he pays into such a plan. The deduction may not exceed \$7500 or 15 percent of his self-employed income, whichever is less. Two: earnings on retirement fund investments are not taxable until the funds are distributed, usually at retirement or death. Three: lump sum distributions of deducted contributions and investment earnings qualify for reduced taxation in the form of tax averaging.

It's possible for a self-employed person to establish his own program but it's more likely he will join some form of existing agreement, say those familiar with Keoghs. A practitioner, for example, might find it much easier and more beneficial to join a trade or professional association plan. At the same time, a business owner might want to arrange a bank, investment brokerage or insurance company program, or he may want to invest in US Treasury Retirement bonds.

The advantage of dealing with a bank, a CPA explains, is the interest the money earns without risk. The banks, he points out, are the safest place to merely put money aside and not really be involved until retirement. On the other hand, such arrangements could be a disadvantage to others. Such plans have a fixed rate for the money invested and the agreement may stipulate tight controls. For example, a bank may determine the manner and circumstances in which the fund can be withdrawn, and it may also declare itself owner of the account as custodian.

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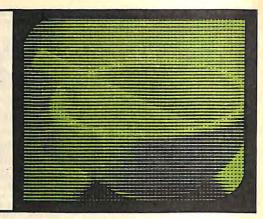
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DIABETES: THE OVERLOOKED KILLER

Diabetes is third on the list of killer diseases, outranked only by cardiovascular diseases and cancer. Yet when a recent Gallup poll asked Americans which diseases they feared most, diabetes did not even make the top ten.

Diabetes is a slow and quiet killer. It infrequently makes the headlines although uncontrolled diabetes kills.

In a study made by the National Commission on Diabetes, some startling realities were made which clearly document a health problem of the greatest magnitude. The study revealed:

 Between 1965 and 1973 the prevalence of diabetes increased by more than 50 percent in the United States.

In 1974 alone more than 600,000 new cases of diabetes were diagnosed and the rate of diabetes appears to be increasing by six percent a year.

 Diabetics are 5 times more prone to blindness than non-diabetics, 17 times more prone to kidney disease, five times more prone to gangrene-often leading to amputation-and twice as prone to heart disease. The life expectancy among people with diabetes is approximately one third less than that of the general population.

@ 38,000 deaths in the United States in 1974 were directly linked to diabetes. Further evidence indicates that diabetes and its complications are responsible for more than 300,000 deaths annually, putting it into the third ranking category on the list of killer diseases.

 Efforts to cope with diabetes have failed to prevent the disease from increasing. Few substantial improvements in therapy have occurred since the discovery of insulin more than 50 years ago. Despite considerable research in diabetes and metabolism, the biochemical basis of the disease remains unknown.

Women are 50 percent more likely than men to have diabetes, non-whites are one fifth more likely than whites to have it, and poor persons (income less than \$5,000 per year) are three times as likely as middle-income and wealthy individuals to have the disorder.

 During pregnancy, diabetes increases the chances of premature delivery and death of the baby.

 Diabetes is the third major chronic ailment of children, as well as the most common endocrine disorder among young About half of the children with diabetes now living will die of kidney failure within an average of 25 years after the diagnosis of diabetes. The National Commission on Diabetes estimates there are currently 86,000 children facing the prospect of blindness and death from kidney failure prior to the age of 40.

Added to the physical problems of the diabetic, the Commission declares, are the psychological and economic effects on the diabetic patient and his family. Of the diabetic population, 14 percent are bedridden for an average of one and one-half months per year.

Diabetes can develop at any age. The highest incidence occurs between the ages of 40 and 60, whereas the percentage of cases in infants and children is comparatively small. Diabetes can develop after the age of 70; however, the incidence is much lower among the elderly than in the middle-aged group.

Diabetes is caused by the body being unable to use food properly. It is a hereditary-related disease caused by an insufficient supply of insulin in the body.

Insulin, a hormone produced by a gland in the abdomen called the pancreas, is released into the bloodstream to regulate the rate at which the body cells use and store sugar. This sugar, which is derived from the food we eat, supplies the energy that the body cells need to sustain life and keep the body functioning in a normal manner.

Because the symptoms of diabetes are not always obvious, it's sometimes called the "hidden disease." Many people, especially in the older age groups, may develop diabetes but have no visible symptoms to warn them. They may just not feel well. In such persons the disease is detected through a blood sugar test. Some signs to watch for and to report to your physician include: undue fatigue, unusually frequent urination, rapid weight loss, vaginal itching, sores that don't heal and headaches accompanied by dizziness and nausea

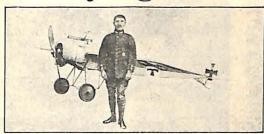
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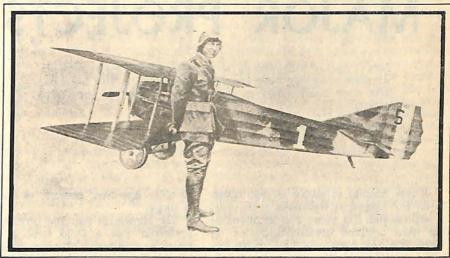
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MAJOR PROJECTS

This is part of a continuing series on the state major projects. All state chairmen have been contacted by The Elks Magazine and have been asked to forward information for upcoming articles.

A very special schedule is distributed to all the lodges in Nebraska each year. It enumerates the dates and locations of the area crippled children's clinics. In 1978, the first clinic was held at Norfolk Lodge on January 28 and provided general diagnostic screening and service for those with cerebral palsy, heart conditions, and asthma. Between January and December 9, 23 clinics were held at various locations throughout the state. The August Schneider Crippled Children Commission, Nebraska Elks Association's major project, joined with the Services for Crippled Children, a program administered by the State Department of Public Welfare, to conduct those clinics along with three other types of services for afflicted children.

As partners in caring for Nebraska's crippled children, SCC (Services for Crippled Children) and the Elks deal with a wide range of problems, which includes orthopedic conditions, cerebral palsy, oral handicaps (cleft lip and palate), heart disease, systic fibrosis, eye conditions amenable to surgery, neurological defects, hearing loss, and neoplasms (leukemia and lymphoma). In the consideration of these conditions the SCC emphasizes that children ought to have the chance to overcome or mitigate the difficulty of being handicapped. Embraced by the program is the belief that rehabilitation of a handicapped child contributes to the richness of the future for the state and for the child.

Complementing the expanse of afflictions dealt with by the SCC is a gamut of services available to children. In addition to the area clinics, there are permanent clinics in Lincoln and Omaha. Doctors in Scottsbluff, North Platte, Kearney, Norfolk, Hastings, Grand Island, and Lincoln participate in the program on a contract basis. Treatment and follow-up care are provided by the doctors involved in the program. Paramedical services, including physical, occupational, and speech therapy and the provision of drugs and appliances (braces, hearing aids), inpatient and outpatient hospital services, mental health and social services, home health care, transportation assistance, and nutritional guidance are all part of the major project program. In the event that a child's needs cannot be met through the program, every effort to refer a child

to other agencies, doctors, or therapists is made.

For admission into the program, it is preferred that a child have a referral from a physician, because information provided by a doctor is usually more accurate and complete than that given by a parent or social service. Children are accepted into the program on the basis of certain medical conditions the family cannot combat due to their financial situation. All children, however, can receive the free diagnostic screening. A first visit to a clinic or program staff member may be for consultation only, for treatment, or for a diagnostic screening. Emergency situations are handled by the SCC branch in Lincoln.

At one time the major concern of the Nebraska Brothers did not include involvement in area clinics, but only, around the turn of the century, support of an orthopedic hospital in Lincoln. It was in 1929 that the Brothers recognized the need for area clinics. With the passage of the Federal Social Security Act in 1935 came official governmental concern for crippled children. In October of that year the Nebraska state legislature passed the State Assistance Act, which created SCC under the state's Child Welfare Bureau.

The availability of federal and state funds for the care of crippled children met the Nebraska Elks' goal "to interest government in improving and expanding services for crippled children." Working together, the SCC and the Elks continued to help handicapped children, and in 1954 a written document solidifying their partnership in this endeavor was composed.

The Brothers' involvement in the major project takes different forms. Monetarily, they allotted \$57,655.42 for 1978-1979. The workings of an exemplary area clinic reveal the Brothers' and Elks' ladies' direct involvement with the program.

An area clinic was held in Norfolk on July 29, 1978, at the Elks lodge. Among those scheduled for the services offered there were 15 patients for the cerebral palsy clinic, 25 for the heart clinic, and one for the screening. Although prior appointments were suggested, they were not mandatory. Twenty-one doctors and medical professionals arrived at the lodge to run the clinic. The specialties of the



Fitting a leg brace is one of the many services provided by the Nebraska major project; helping those in need who can be helped is one of the project's precepts.

medical staff ranged from pediatrics and orthopedics to psychology and sociology and from physical therapy to cardiology and EKG technology.

The Elks' ladies worked on the voluntary, non-medical staff serving the clinic, which was open at 7:30 AM and included a free lunch for the children and their families. The state chairman and his wife attend all the area clinics and transport the equipment necessary to set up and conduct the examinations and treatment services.

The effectiveness of clinics like the one in Norfolk is evidenced by the success of ensuing therapy and medical programs. In March of 1978 a screening, hearing, cerebral palsy, and heart clinic was held at Kearney Lodge. One of the patients, 8-year-old Kellie, was examined by four heart specialists and a pediatrician. She was admitted to the University Hospital in Omaha the following week and underwent tests and a heart catherization. The results of the tests indicated the need for intestinal surgery, which was a total success. Heart surgery was scheduled for June and complete health was within reach for Kellie.

Behind the services offered at the various clinics and through the other branches of medical attention there must be a continuous source of funds. The Nebraskan Brothers join the SCC in providing the financial backing. Of the per capita dues for membership, 50¢ goes to the major project fund. Interest on invested stocks and bonds, money raised by the annual Exalted Rulers' March,

memorials, and miscellaneous donations are sources of income for the support of the project.

It is more than funding that keeps the Nebraska major project running. The dedication of the administration and staff in all phases of the program is fundamental to the working of the project. The spirit of confidence that conditions which may prevent a child from realizing his or her potential can be overcome increases the strength of that dedication.

The history of the **Ohio** Elks major project began with the establishment of a cerebral palsy treatment center in 1951. Since then, the program has been altered several times. The Elks CP Training Board, as administrator of the project, ensures that those changes in the CP program do not interfere with its growth and that it continues to serve people as effectively as possible.

The original treatment center was fully equipped and staffed by professional therapists. All expenses were paid by the Ohio Brothers. By 1954, though, they began to think that more people would benefit from a mobile unit division which could reach areas where there were no treatment facilities. After it had received several years of support from the Elks, the treatment center was transferred to a county branch of United Cerebral Palsy.

When it began operation, the mobile therapy unit was well received by the

people and families it served. In fact, the Elks had not anticipated the extent of the need for such a therapy program, but they responded to that need with the addition of a second unit. The new unit supplied the services of both an occupational therapist and a physical therapist. Children who benefitted from therapy were treated in the mobile unit program, which worked from designated care centers. Elks' lodges, churches, and hospitals were among the institutions that volunteered to be centers where the youngsters could visit the units.

Until 1975, the mobile unit program continued with the backing of Ohio Elks. At that time the CP Training Board met and decided that they could best aid the cerebral palsied by pointing their project in a new direction. Established CP centers throughout the state were requesting the Elks' financial aid. The expense of conducting the mobile units had increased greatly; traveling therapists were less necessary and less available.

The Board moved to help fund established treatment centers. Seventeen of the centers received \$91,600 in 1977 from the Elks. With the CP Board acting as the governing body, the money raised from member donations, the National Foundation; and events sponsored by the Elks' ladies and Brothers is distributed to the centers across the state. The only specific donation requested of the Elks is an annual one dollar per member.

Among the projects which receive Elks funding is a Family Living Institute

Program. Conducted by the Ohio Easter Seal Society, the program has been deemed a success. Last year about 33 adults and 37 children attended the Institute, where they were able to discuss, examine, and learn about their interactions as families affected by handicaps.

An administrator of the Ohio Elks major project CP Board saw the significance of the program in terms of a young man he met at Elks conventions. The youth, a victim of cerebral palsy, made his first appearance at a conclave of Elks when he was a child. The boy and the therapist who accompanied him demonstrated the effectiveness of his therapy program. He appeared at a number of Elks conventions over the years, each time presenting the Brothers an illustration of his accomplishments after treatment that included physical and occupational therapy. The thoughtfulness of the young boy, in taking time to show the Elks the value of their contributions, is a vivid memory for that administrator and, probably, for many other Elks who met him. A college graduate, married and employed now, the young man no longer needs the therapy program which had an effect on his life.

The Ohio Elks hope that through their funding, they will guarantee effective programs for other people with cerebral palsy. The accomplishments of people with cerebral palsy who have received treatment is a dividend for the Elks. Throughout the history of their project, they have continued to search for the best way they can serve the people of their state.

You and Retirement

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And your facial appearance will not change.

Immediate dentures are not advisable for every patient. Even where they can be used, moreover, they have some disadvantages. More office visits will probably be required in the long run, as the shape of your mouth changes and the dentures must be adjusted. Sometimes, in fact, tissues change so much that new dentures must be made after a few months. In the areas where the last remaining teeth will be removed, immediate dentures will not always fit quite as accurately as conventional dentures made at a later date, after the gums have healed and hardened.

"Modular" dentures, like conventional ones and unlike the immediate variety, are fitted after all teeth are out and the gums have healed. They are less expensive than conventional dentures, however, because no attempt is made to replicate the irregularities or shadings of the natural teeth. Instead, a choice is made among a limited number of sizes and shades.

Learning to live with dentures, wherever you get them and whatever type they are, is not easy. You must learn to eat and speak with an unfamiliar object in your mouth, and this takes both time and patience. The American Dental Asso-

ciation offers some pertinent advice:

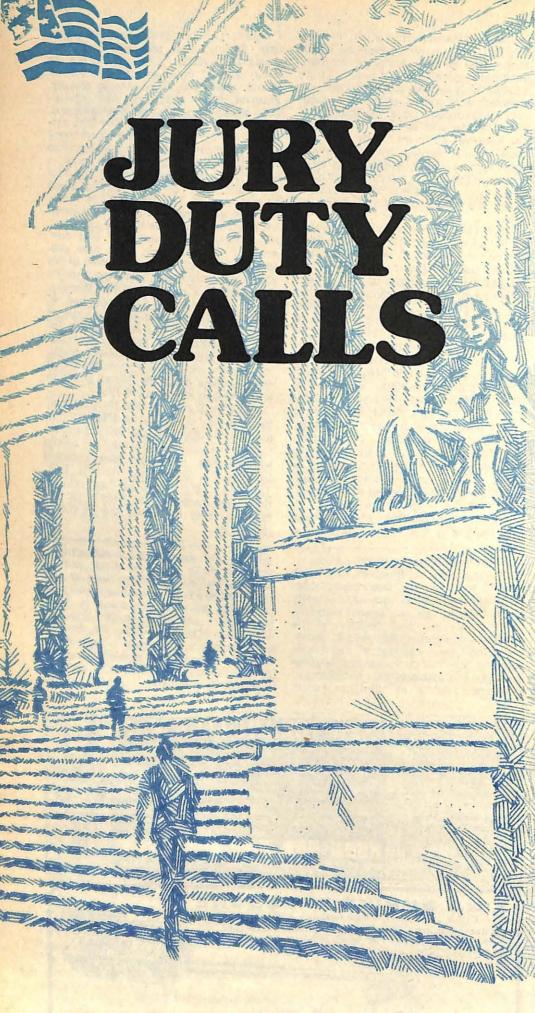
Don't expect dentures to make you look 20 years younger. Don't expect them to function as well as your natural teeth.
 Continue to visit your dentist regularly, so that general oral health can be checked and dentures adjusted as necessary. Continuous changes in the mouth can alter the fit of dentures, and ill-fitting dentures can cause serious problems.

O Do not attempt to adjust or repair

your denture yourself. If you reline them, you can make them too tight, putting pressure on the supporting ridge. If you repair them, you may unwittingly use glue containing solvents dangerous to both the denture and your mouth. You are more than likely to align the broken parts incorrectly. Breakage while eating, furthermore, is often a sign of change in fit, and the entire denture may need to be adjusted or remade.







You may be among those fortunate few who haven't received a jury questionnaire or a call to jury service in recent years. In fact, you may be among an even more select group who have never been summoned to serve. But the chances are increasing each year that your turn in the courthouse is closer than you think.

True, that warning has been sounded repeatedly over the years. There has always been a sharp outcry of public indignation every time a celebrated crime case ends in a hung jury or when an underworld personality draws a light sentence. Jurors and jurists frequently share the criticism leveled at the courts for the justice dispensed...or the lack of it.

Today, however, there is a growing demand for juries of real peer groups instead of panels of primarily unemployed and retired, as well as other stereotypes. The increase in litigation at the local, state and federal levels and the overabundance of attorneys—a dilemma the president of the American Bar Association lamented at the ABA's national convention—have irritated citizens and caused community leaders to urge reform of the court administration to ensure its credibility.

But the system, some believe, won't

yield easily to change.

The public goal of most jurists, jury commissioners and attorneys is to create a jury service plan that provides random, impartial selection, efficient use of court time and the least disruption possible for the prospective juror. "It is probably more important to the system to have the juries ready, willing and able to come into the courtroom and go to work than actually participate in the trial process. This type of benefit is probably impossible to communicate to the general public and especially to those persons who are inconvenienced by having to appear as a potential juror," a court official recently observed. "Frankly, we must make that our goal because the credibility of the system is shot to hell in some sections of the country," an exasperated attorney added.

A talk with some jurors about their experiences in court can produce angry tirades about delays, low pay and frustration at the hours of boredom.

"I had to serve twice in one year simply because of the inefficient selection process and the politics of the system. Several of my friends found ways out of it. Whether I'm in contempt or

by John C. Behrens

not, I simply won't be around the next time a notice comes," said an irate New York juror.

Such a comment isn't infrequent in a county or state where, officials concede, ineptness, legislative indifference or even political bungling have interfered with proper administration.

Says Geoffrey C. Hazard Jr., a Yale Law School professor and a reporter to the ABA Commission on Standards of Judicial Administration, "I am sure many systems still select on a non-random basis, and thus impose uneven burdens of service. On the other hand, I suspect some respondents to such a question tend to think of an unfair burden only if they themselves have suffered it. Jury commissions prefer to select from among those who will serve and hence may recall those who don't

decline. There is a conflict here between efficiency from the point of view of the system and fairness from the viewpoint of those summoned."

Jury commissioners in many states, for example, are required by law to select persons who are qualified electors. As a matter of convenience, these officials start with those who appear on the various poll books which each Board of Elections is required to keep.

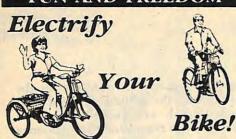
In 1975, Prof. Hazard and others on the ABA standards commission drafted a report on management of the jury system and called for an overhaul. The report said, in part: "Each state should have a single jury selection statute applicable to all courts, governing all aspects of juror selection for all classes of cases...the only qualifications for service should relate to a minimum age, U.S. citizenship, residency in the jurisdiction, the ability to read and speak English and exclusion of those who have not completed their sentence for conviction of a felony." Equally important, the committee continued, were the grounds for exemption.

"No citizen should be exempt from his obligation for jury service; the concept of exempting certain classes (occupational or other) of citizens should be abandoned. Necessary elimination of individuals should occur either through disqualification or excuse," the report stated.

Prof. Hazard believes the document has brought progress. "I think the changes will indeed actually increase the number of eligible jurors—they already have in Colorado and Texas and several other places. Of course, it hap-



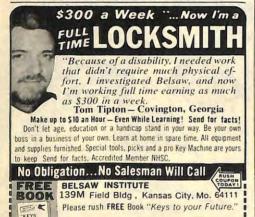
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pens all the time that reforms are recommended but not adopted, or adopted nominally but not in substance. That makes reform frustrating but not necessarily futile.

Most frustrating are major statessuch as Ohio and New York-which sift and sort changes but balk at sweeping reform. In New York, for example, the state legislature made slight alterations in 1978. For years, New York exempted women from jury duty simply because they were mothers and housewives. Empire state legislators changed the exclusion in 1975. Three years later, the state took airline pilots and newspaper editors and reporters off the exempt list. But the attorney-dominated legislature, similar to those in other states, refused to end exemptions. In fact, it added several more.

What bothered New Yorkers more, however, was the change in the law that required those who served less than five days to be subject to a recall to serve a minimum time. Before the change, a juror could serve two or three days, depending upon the length of the case, and not have to serve again for two years.

"We've got people who served in February who were called in again the first of March," Onondaga County, New York, Commissioner of Jurors Victor F. DelGiorno explained. "We don't want to call these people but we have to follow the law."

Generally, when jurors complain they usually criticize the discrimination and

unfairness of exemptions, jury commission officials say. "Many used to be able to understand why people involved with life and death jobs—doctors, firemen, and police for example—should be exempted. Now when they know their doctor doesn't make house calls and has as much vacation time as they do in some instances, they don't see why he's exempted. They don't understand why morticians, clergymen, lawyers, and dentists can get exemptions and they cannot," an attorney noted.

"The reasons lawyers are exempted," Prof. Hazard suggested, "is not the importance of their work but because it is thought that as 'experts' in law, they will have disproportionate influence in the jury deliberations. This may be a baseless supposition, in which event lawyers should not be excused, nor should doctors."

Some judges agree. John M. Kistler of the Court of Common Pleas, Miami County, Troy, Ohio, believes Ohio is already moving in that direction.

While some charge politics has prevented the establishment of effective jury systems in many states, Judge Kistler believes there are more basic reasons. "I practically never hear the charge in this county at least. Many people utilize every reason and excuse imaginable to try to get out of jury duty, though. This is a very human reaction and I probably would do the same thing; however, once they get involved, practically all agree that it was a worthwhile experience. Yet I am sure that specific areas are very political. This certainly should be stopped. But any generalization that the jury system is political is simply contrary to my experience.'

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Best Lodge Youth Program

Subordinate lodge youth activities chairmen should now be assembling their Best Youth Program brochures. The deadline for submitting brochures to the state youth activities chairman for judging is March 23, 1979.

The state winners in all membership categories will be declared by the state association youth activities chairman by April 6, 1979.

The state association youth chairman is to have selected a winner in each of five (5) membership groups and also to have selected a single state overall winner for the Best Youth Program and mailed them to me for consideration in the national Best Lodge Youth Program Contest by April 20, 1979.

If you have planned and carried through a well-balanced, year-round Youth Program you will have touched the lives of youths of all ages and helped them meet the challenges of tomorrow.

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LODGE VISITS

GRAND EXALTED RULER LEONARD J. BRISTOL



The Grand Exalted Ruler, a guest for the 75th anniversary celebration of Queens Borough (Elmhurst), NY, Lodge, joined his fellow New Yorkers in enjoying the festivities. General Anniversary Chm. and PER Joseph Mansi (left) and Anniversary Ball Chm. Carl Sciortino (right) discussed the history of Queens Borough (Elmhurst) Lodge with GER Leonard Bristol (center).



Woonsocket, RI, Brothers were honored by the presence of GER Leonard Bristol (second from right) for their 75th anniversary banquet. State Elks officials who greeted the GER were (from left) ER Lewis Andrews, SP Antonio Cabral, and SDGER Fred Quattromani.



A reception and a dinner were held at Ambridge, PA, Lodge for GER Leonard Bristol (third from right) and his wife Virginia. Pennsylvania dignitaries who were present included state sponsor PGER Homer Huhn, Jr. (fourth from left) and (from left) PDD Raymond Strickler, ER Raymond Pross, PSP Donald Oesterling, Grand Trustee A. Lewis Heisey, SP Carlon O'Malley, and DDGER E. Roger Zallon. The Bristols were escorted from the airport by a delegation of Pennsylvania Elks to Ambridge, where they were met by the mayor, Walter Panek, and given a tour of the town. During the Elks' reception the Bristols received a number of gifts from the ladies and the Brothers.



SEAUEED:

The Miracle Plant Of The 21st Century

by Doreen Buscemi

The storm had passed, leaving the waters of the Pacific calm once again. Sixty feet below the surface, just a short distance off the California coast, two divers were swimming slowly among the beds of giant kelp, a type of brown seaweed that can reach 200 feet in length. The massive fronds of the kelp waved gently over the divers' heads as they inspected the damage to the seaweed beds. As part of an experimental program to cultivate and harvest seaweed, these two divers, like good farmers everywhere, were concerned about the harm done to their crop by the violent storm.

Seaweed farming is no longer science fiction. In an effort to ease the energy crisis, seaweed is being cultivated to harvest the methane gas produced by the algae. In addition, aquaculture projects are beginning that include the harvesting of sea vegetables (seaweed, of course) to help feed the people of the world.

There are a myriad of other uses for seaweed. Chemicals gleaned from various seaweeds may soon be used to treat-and perhaps cure-everything from ulcers to malignant tumors. On the lighter side, seaweed extracts are being used to thicken jams and sauces, coat writing paper, add permanency to ink, and even put a head on beer. Seaweeds, those plentiful and often taken-for-granted plants of the oceans, may one day be one of the most valuable plants mankind has ever known.

In the hushed, sterile atmosphere of the operating theatre, Dr. Sannomyra Massanbu, of Kyushu University in Japan, was completing a delicate abdominal operation. There was something different about this operation, however. In place of blood plasma, Dr. Massanbu was using alginon, a gelatinlike extract from a species of brown seaweed. Alginon prevents the blood pressure from dropping too low and lessens the surgical risks.

Today, research laboratories across the United States and throughout the world are bustling with white-coated scientists busily uncovering countless medical uses for seaweed. One of the most dramatic possibilities is a treatment for cancer

While researchers are quick to point out that there is no "cure for cancer," what they are patiently searching for is a substance that will slow down or possibly stop the growth of cancerous cells. When they find such a chemical, they know it might be possible to develop it into an anti-cancer drug.

In a number of experiments, various chemicals have been isolated from seaweed and then tested in tumors in vitro and in laboratory animals that have had malignant tumors grafted onto them. In some cases, the seaweed extracts have completely stopped the growth of malignant cells. Although it is a long road from laboratory animals to people, the hope persists and the research continues.

"Extracts of seaweed are also beneficial...in cancer therapy," reports Dr. George Ruggieri, a noted authority on marine medicine. Perhaps the worst aspects of cancer therapy today are the painful side effects that frequently occur. However, two physicians in Naples, Italy, conducted experiments in which patients suffering from bone cancer were treated with an algal compound after surgery or X-ray therapy. "The treated patients," continued Dr. Ruggieri, "were free of nausea, had improved appetites, and less painful symptoms than those normally associated with this form of

Somewhat less dramatic, but also very important, is that seaweed is a likely source of new antibiotic drugs. In recent years, some strains of bacteria have become resistant to penicillin and our other powerful antibiotics. New antibiotics are needed and Sargassum, a type of brown seaweed that gives the Sargasso Sea its name, has yielded a strong antibiotic that appears to kill resistant bacteria. Some seaweed, including giant kelp, also appear to inhibit viruses.

The Chinese were the first to recognize the remarkable medicinal properties of seaweed. Centuries ago, they used seaweed to treat stomach disorders, abscesses, and even cancer. This isn't too surprising, however, since seaweed has always been an important part of Oriental cultures.

In the Orient, also, farmers have long farmed the edge of the sea. Here in the Western World, however, it took the energy crunch to get us seriously interested in seaweed farming. Today, everybody from General Electric to the U.S.

Navy is getting into the act. Probably there is not enough free-growing kelp. the most ambitious endeavor to date is the Ocean Food and Energy Farm Project implemented by the Navy in San Diego.

The main thrust of this program is the production of methane gas from giant kelp. Methane gas is produced from seaweed by a very simple process. The harvested kelp is placed in large vats along with certain types of bacteria. The bacteria consume the seaweed and produce the methane gas as a by-product. Methane gas, of course, can be interchanged with natural gas for modern appliances.

In order to have a steady, reliable supply of kelp for methane production, it must be cultivated artificially since ity isn't there today," concedes Dr. Wil-

The seaweed farms envisioned by Dr. Howard Wilcox, head of the Ocean Farm Project, will consist of large artificial reefs located about 40 feet below the surface of the water. The kelp plants will grow on polypropylene lines and will be tended by skin-diving marine biologists.

According to Dr. Wilcox, a cultivated area that encompasses the same length as the distance between San Diego and San Francisco could provide enough energy to equal all of the natural gas presently consumed in the United States every year. But are prices competitive to energy produced by more conventional means? "The economic feasibil-

cox. "We can't compete with a flowing oil well. When the oil dries up, then hopefully the project will come into

At the moment, four experimental farms are in use. The next phase of the program calls for the establishment of two large demonstration farms-one in the Atlantic and one in the Pacific. By 1990, Dr. Wilcox hopes that the project will be out of the experimental stage and that industry will be able to take over the seaweed farms.

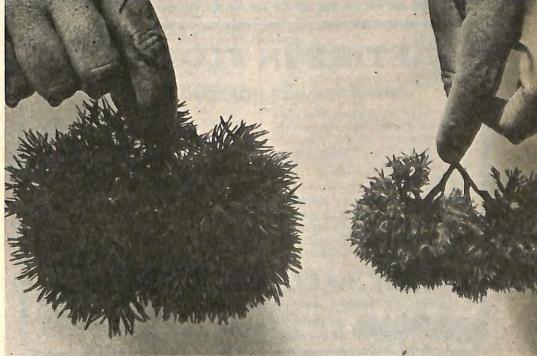
Not far from Dr. Wilcox's seaweed farms, the harvesting of the natural kelp beds is moving along in full swing. The Kelco Company of San Diego, established in 1929, is the largest harvester of kelp in the country. The company





A harvester boat (left) returns home with a load of kelp, which is then processed to obtain algin (above). In the future, seaweed farms will be tended by skin diving marine biologists (below). All types of marine life live in kelp beds (right).





Seaweed

does not process the kelp for methane gas but rather for algin, a very important industrial product.

Moving slowly, stern first through the strands of kelp, the submerged cutters of the harvester boat *Kelmer* mow a

20-foot swath, three feet down, through the kelp. The conveyor belts of the boat catch the seaweed and move it up into a holding bin. After about six hours of harvesting, the *Kelmer* sails back to San Diego with a full load of three to four hundred tons of wet kelp.

Once back on shore, each ton of kelp is refined down to 50 or 60 pounds of finished algin. Algin is used throughout the world as a stabilizer in fruit drinks, marshmallows, and ice cream and as a thickening agent in a variety of things ranging from jams and jellies to certain medical products.

On the other side of the continent, the commercial harvesting of a type of seaweed known as Irish moss is big business along the shores of New England and Eastern Canada. This particular type of seaweed is so valuable because it yields carrageenan, an extract that, like algin, is widely used in industry as a thickener and stabilizer. Carrageenan may also have medicinal applications. The throats of soldiers who had been gassed during World War I were often soothed by carrageenan. It has also been used for years to keep medicines from settling; and now, recent scientific finds show that carrageenan may soon be useful in the treatment of a wide variety of illnesses -ranging from stomach ulcers to the flu. There is no synthetic substitute for car-

In the face of all these exotic uses for seaweed, however, it should still be remembered that seaweed may be the "miracle plant" of the next century simply by its ability to feed the world's people. Seaweeds are very nutritious plants that are much higher in protein than land vegetables. They are also good sources of iodine (a vital trace element) and the vitamins A, B₂, B₁₂,

Although seaweed has always been a part of the daily diet in the Philippines, Japan, China, and the Hawaiian Islands, most Americans turn green at the thought of eating these vegetables from the sea. Yet Judith Cooper Madlener, author of The Sea Vegetable Book, writes that seaweeds "are not salty or fishy, as might be expected; some might be described as beanlike, nutlike, or similar to celery, parsley, or even grapes." And while she allows that a taste for seaweed must be acquired, she believes that it is no different from acquiring a taste for some of the stronger-tasting land vegetables such as cabbage or brussels sprouts.

Some westerners are already eating seaweeds and enjoying it. Pub-goers in the Canadian Maritimes eat dulse, a variety of red seaweed, instead of potato chips. And laver bread, made from another seaweed, is considered a breakfast treat in the British Isles. As scientists continue their research on the isolation of flavor enzymes, we may one day be eating seaweed that has been changed to taste like the finest cut of steak.

So, whether seaweed is feeding us, healing us when we're sick, or providing gas to keep us warm in the winter, seaweed is going to be a plant to be reckoned with in the coming century.

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Jury Duty Calls

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The charge may have emanated erroneously, some jury commissioners believe, because the commissions have to change their procedures to meet legislative and court requirements. Oneida County, New York, Commissioner of Jurors Kenneth Cook says he has been challenged by attorneys and minority groups for not having enough women and minorities serving on juries. He points out that juror cards are not marked as to color or race, so such information simply isn't available.

He also faces criticism that there aren't enough young people among those serving on juries. "We have made a diligent effort. We even went to a local community college to get names and had the election bureau send us names of new voters in an attempt to get young voters. But many of those we got either went on to colleges elsewhere or moved out of the county to work. At least we tried. We've done everything we can to build the list of women, and we've more than doubled our figure." At the same time, he noted, the exemption of nurses could be another setback.

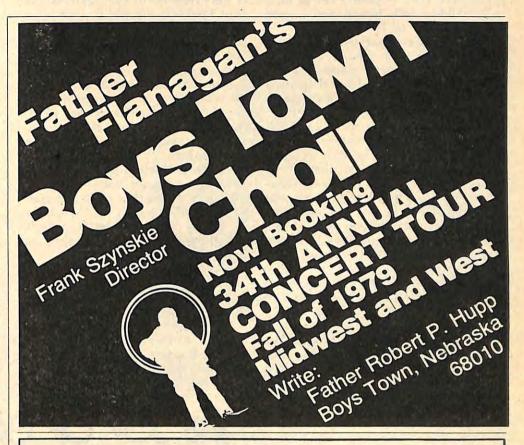
The same problem exists in other counties, too. According to reporter Michael Connor who wrote about jury duty in Rensselaer County in eastern New York, white collar workers normally dominate jury panels. Said Connor of one jury term: "Only 10 or 5.2 per cent of the 192 panel members were in their 20s; 17 were between 30 and 35. The average age of the jury panel was 48.8-the median age of the county in 1970 was 28.8. In short, the usual jury panel member in Rensselaer County is a middle-aged man working in an office...the usual defendant is likely to be under 35 and a man."

And what about pay? Oneida County jurors receive \$8 a day and 8 cents a mile. In Rensselaer County, a juror is paid \$5 a day. On the other hand, Wayne County, Michigan, paid its jurors \$15 a day and mileage in recent years and Miami County, Ohio, residents receive \$10 a day to serve as a juror. Rate discrepancies, though, occur throughout the country and, furthermore, an employer does not have to compensate an employee if the employee elects to accept the court fee. The ABA believes that a minimum of \$20 a day should be paid, plus roundtrip mileage and the daily cost of parking if the court does not provide a parking lot.

The public, Cook suggests, doesn't understand the effort most commissioners make to maintain representative

lists of prospective jurors. "People ask why we don't go to one of the predominantly black housing projects to get names of minorities. One man asked why we didn't take his father-in-law instead of him, but that would be hand-picking jurors which is against

the law." Each year, one commission office assistant said, the process seems more difficult. Of approximately 5,000 persons screened "we're lucky if we get 2.300 out of that number to serve. You'd be surprised how indispensible people (Continued on page 39)



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Loneliest Man

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She says she understands why Hess refused until 1969 to permit her or their only child—a tall, blonde son named Wolf—to come to Spandau.

"He couldn't stand us to see him living like a caged animal," she says.

Except for exercise periods, when he marches listlessly about the prison yard in a black overcoat with a white numeral seven stenciled on its back, Hess generally lies on the floor of his 7-by-10-foot cell and practices yoga.

Since he is now the only prisoner in a deteriorating prison that is exceedingly expensive to maintain, Western officials are wondering what to do with him. Hess' lawyer has asked for his release on the ground that no law makes preparing or engaging in an aggressive war a crime. He also contends that Hess in 1946 was suffering from latent schizophrenia and should never have been tried at Nuremberg because of his illness.

But chances of Hess' release appear very slim. All four powers would have to approve it and the Russians have indicated they would never consent. The Russians feel anything that keeps alive the memory of the Nazi regime serves a useful propaganda purpose in the Cold War.

If Hess remains in detention, some Western officials would like him transferred from Spandau. The total upkeep of the prison for its sole inmate is more than \$300,000 annually.

The question of Hess' mental state is still undetermined. One Western official who has seen the reports of his periodic psychiatric checkups says: "For a man who has been in jail for over 30 years, Hess is not mentally unbalanced." Another official claims Hess is mentally alert although he never talks about anything but his health, food and the weather.

The three Western nations do not believe Hess is legally insane. If he must remain in prison they want to transfer him to other quarters. Nonetheless, Hess may well remain in Spandau and continue to be the loneliest man in the world.

Annually for several years, the United States, Great Britain and France have formally requested that Hess be permitted to spend his remaining years with his wife, Ilse, now 78, and son, Wolf, a 40-year-old Munich engineer. But the Russians adamantly refuse. Soviet representatives keep using their veto power to reject the proposal. Why?

"He would become a symbol for all the Nazi groups still active in Germany," a Soviet journalist commented.

Hess, according to the few witnesses who know his mental state, has never regretted his early allegiance as chief deputy to Adolf Hitler. He was convicted of conspiring with Hitler and other Nazis to start a war of aggression and to break world peace. Of the seven Nuremberg defendants sent to Spandau, three had life sentences, but only Hess remains.

"If they ever let him out, he will prove to have risen above his ordeal," Albert Speer, a Nuremberg defendant who left Spandau 12 years ago, said not long ago.

In addition, many Western experts believe that Hess has never fully explained, at least publicly, the reasons for the mysterious solo flight he took to England in a Messerschmitt fighter plane in May, 1941, just over a month before the Nazi army invaded the Soviet Union.

Hess has always claimed he had undertaken "a peace mission" and wanted to prevent further war between Great Britain and Germany. Soviet experts believe his purpose was to tell the British about the planned Nazi attack on Moscow and to arrange a deal so

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A recognition night was held at Sebring, FL, Lodge recently in honor of contributors to the National Foundation. Participating members (from right) Floyd Schumacher, John Austin, and Ed Eckert accepted their certificates from Chm. and Est. Lead. Kt. Jesse Melanson.







On behalf of the National Foundation, PER and Chm. John Golden thanked Brother Robert Howard for his contribution of \$1,000. Among those on hand to congratulate the donator was ER Birkby Leip of Bordentown, NJ, Lodge.

Chap. Donald Dewar (center) of Wakefield, MA, Lodge received his honorary founder's certificate from Chm. and PDD Frederick DeVries (second from right). Also present to congratulate the \$1,000 donor were (from left) DDGER Amable Morin, PER Robert Miller, and ER William Rice



The Paradores of Spain

by Jerry Hulse

Gulls wheel against the gray Spanish sky and far out to sea a single fishing boat rocks on heavy swells. Waves roll toward the rocky, twisting coastline of Bayona and the lone fisherman becomes lost in the growing darkness. Black clouds gather on the horizon and soon the sky and the sea are one and the same. Total darkness is only moments away; and now in the twilight hours the village of Bayona is at peace with the world. It is particularly restful at Conde de Gondomar, a magnificent Spanish parador occupying a prominent

position on the peninsula of Monte Real, with steep cliffs and private grounds and striking, manicured gardens only a few miles from the Portuguese border.

During the day, guests hike to beaches nearby to sunbathe and listen to the melody of the surf and to play among the tide pools. In all of Spain, few paradores compare with Conde de Gondomar, a special place set along the Atlantic with the privacy of a royal estate near the fishing village of Vigo. Honeymooners find it particularly romantic. Indeed, there is a wedding chapel where couples are united; afterward, they need only stroll the few yards to the privacy of the parador.

The 45-acre peninsula on which the parador rests is surrounded by castellated walls, with access to a modern yacht basin, a swimming pool and tennis courts. Constructed on the site of a palace, it features Renaissance furniture, antique clocks and suits of armor. One half-expects some swashbuckling knight to come ambling down a hall, or else to encounter Douglas Fairbanks leaping from a staircase to a chande-

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lier, sword in hand, lashing out at the enemy in the remake of some halfforgotten film. Julius Caesar fought nearby.

More importantly, it was from one of the battlements at Bayona that inhabitants glimpsed the first of Columbus' three caravels returning home from the New World. Later, Sir Francis Drake was repulsed by defenders at Bayona and pirates sought refuge along its craggy coastline. Now, though, only visitors invade Bayona and Parador Conde de Gondomar, whose rooms in the low season are offered at pre-inflation prices of \$7.50 a day single and \$10 double. In summertime, the rates are hiked to \$14.85 and \$18.60, tax and service included. (For an extra \$11.75 they'll provide all three meals.)

Throughout Spain the parador (as well as the more modest albergue) continues to be Iberia's finest bargain, with shelter provided for as little as \$3.50 a night. During the high season, one may remain up to 10 days in a parador and 48 hours at an albergue.

While the albergue often resembles a modern motel, the paradores generally occupy an old palace, a convent or monastery that has been renovated or reconstructed.

One of Spain's popular paradores, the San Francisco, adjoins the Alhambra and the gardens of the Generalite at Granada. Originally, the San Francisco was an Arabian palace and after this a convent. Reservations should be made six months in advance. Some travelers I know book a year ahead, which gives you some idea of the popularity of this

gem of a parador.

Another worthy of mention is Parador de Los Condes de Villalba near Lugo. With a dungeon-like dining room, great stone walls and impressive murals, it is reached by drawbridge. Again, one expects some knight to come rattling through the great doorway, sword drawn and ready to do battle. While researching Iberia, author James Michener was a frequent visitor to the Spanish paradores. To travel through Spain in such a manner, Michener confessed, "is to travel at its best and most reasonable." Spain's paradores are government-operated, featuring first-rate plumbing, immaculate kitchens and generally cozy guest rooms such as those provided in Bayona at Conde de Gondomar.

During '79, travelers will be seeking bargains as never before, and particularly so if Europe is on their itineraries, which from all indications it will be. Thus the parador, that European bargain of bargains, will be high on the popularity poll. It will, indeed, be a hedge against inflation. And in addition to giving the traveler a true taste of Spain, it offers shelter at rock bottom rates.

While many hotels across the continent project a certain sameness, the parador is something else. One night you may sleep in a castle, the next night in a monastery. For roughly half a century Spain has been restoring its paradores and creating others until presently nearly 100 of these bargain basement establishments operate across Iberia.

They are found near the big cities, the seaside, inland valleys, the Basque country and high in the Pyrenees—nearly everywhere a traveler chooses to go. In Cordoba I looked in on one (La Arruzafa) that offers trails for riding, pools for sunbathing and rooms with private baths and air-conditioning. All this for under \$15 a night.

And then there is the Gibralfaro overlooking Malaga and the Costa del Sol from a dizzying niche hundreds of feet above the Mediterranean. A total of 12 rooms are up for grabs at the Gibralfaro, but be forewarned: they are

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NEWS OF THE LODGES

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BIRTHDAY CANDLES were blown out by Cecelia Salter (center) on her 100th birthday recently. Delivering the cake and birthday wishes were Manistique, MI, Lodge's ER Vernon Annelin (right) and Est. Loyal Kt. Ernie Tweedie. Brother Tweedie is chairman of a lodge committee which provides birthday cakes for a local medicare facility.



FOUR WHEELCHAIRS, three commodes, and two walkers were contributed to St. Francis Hospital by Litchfield, IL, Lodge recently. On hand for the presentation were (from left) Est. Lead. Kt. Nick Wineburner, Sarah Krukoski, director of nursing services, Past GL Committeeman John Meckles, Robert Steinhour, director of the Elks Crippled Children's Commission, Frank Davis, Sister Hugh Holtmann, hospital administrator, Lonnie Nickles, Nina Millett, director of social services, PER Glenn Martin, and Marcia Eden, director of home health.



AN ALUMINUM can drive was organized by Grand Island, NE, Lodge recently. The proceeds of the endeavor totalled \$284.48 and were donated to the local veterans hospital. ER Bernell Shum (second from left) presented the check to Dr. Robert Munch (left), while vets Chm. Rudy Krueger (right) and Margaret Peterson, chief of voluntary services, observed.

A HOMECOMING celebration was held for the Texas Elks Crippled Children's Hospital recently. Celebrants from Clear Lake (Kemah), TX, Lodge included (front row, from left) Est. Lead. Kt. George Griggs, Margie Wood, Betty Forsythe, Gloria Griggs, PER Robert Nicol and (second row) John Cannon, Terry and Martin Starnes, Est. Lect. Kt. Paul Beck, Wanda King, Garland Wood, Dorothy and PDD Harlan Starnes, VP Dwayne Forsythe, Vi Nicol, and Est. Loyal Kt. Les Schnidt.



THE SIXTH annual entertainment day was held by Baraboo, WI, Lodge for the patients of the veterans hospital in Tomah, WI, recently. The event included a tour of the Circus World Museum and the presentation of 42 deer hides. Participating in the occasion were (foreground, from left) Willard Munsell, ER Herbert Messer, Dale Williams, museum representative, John Gray, Chm. John Scharnke and (back) Jan Prell, hospital representative, Brother Morey Pierce, Joe German, and Mable Olson and Mary Ellen Wilson, hospital representatives.



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constantly in demand. One should write ahead for reservations several months in advance. Get busy this instant if you don't wish to be disappointed this summer.

Although the setting is less spectacular, I was impressed with the Parador de Nerja on the sea, 25 miles or so to the west of Malaga. Besides a pool and nearby beach, there are gardens, recreation rooms and a bar. It is also within short driving distance of Gibraltar and a number of excellent golf courses.

In all of Spain, though, no parador could possibly compare with Hostal de los Reyes Catolico, in Spain's spiritual capital of Santiago de Campostela, 60odd miles north of Bayona. A five-star hotel, it was built originally as a pilgrim's hospital by Ferdinand and Isabella in the 15th century. It is operated by the Entursa Hotel chain and is unique in all of Spain. Although a hotel, it is more a museum, with 159 tastefully furnished guest rooms, including an immense suite once occupied by Generalissimo Franco. Gargoyles peer from the walls, and fountains play in the patios. The Franco suite demands \$62.50 a night, while ordinary rooms

are priced from \$18.75 to \$34.50. (The management threatens, however, to increase its rates by 25 percent.) Rising in the heart of the old city, the hotel faces the ancient square and the cathedral at Santiago de Campostela where, during the Middle Ages, pilgrims from every corner of Europe came to pay homage at the tomb of St. James the Apostle. Santiago de Campostela (the Jerusalem of the West) is ranked second only to Rome as a destination of the devout. All of this is tucked away in Spain's northwestern region. It is called Galicia and it has been discovered by few Americans. Mostly the tourist travels south to Seville and Granada or east to Valencia and Barcelona.

Unlike Madrid, Seville is old Iberia. Narrow alleys and whitewashed houses crowd the Moorish sections, surrounding courtyards with their musical fountains and bougainvillea. For those who become lost in the maze of streets, there are gentle souls who, for a few pesetas, will lead them back to the sun-washed area of the Cathedral of Seville. From there it is only a five-minute stroll down tree-lined boulevards to the Hotel Alfonso XIII, where countless crowned heads have spent the night.

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Preparations for the shipping of hides to a tannery were undertaken by (from left) Jack Lewis, manager, ER Theodore Taylor, and PER Orville Figgs. The three Elks and their Brothers at Red Bluff, CA, Lodge collected the hides for the use of veterans, who will receive the leather after it has been cured and tanned.

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Jury Duty Calls

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become when they are called to serve on a jury.'

Unfortunately, some former jurors believe they have very good reasons for avoiding the bureaucracy they found and for criticizing the system. "I was looking forward to jury duty, that's the irony of it," one said. "I sat in the jury room waiting for hours while judges and attorneys had coffee breaks and alleged legal discussions. Then I actually sat on one case that was dismissed after we waited for two more hours to find if, in fact, there was a case. You better believe I will be a reluctant juror the next time," she added, her voice rising with anger.

"I had to give up several days of work to travel some distance for court duty and both days were simply wasted. We met and sat, and I would have probably been there for the rest of the week at \$8 a day had I not been able to get out of it," another complained.

Although neither instance occurred in Ohio, Judge Kistler admits there is a serious problem in the use of court time. "I have to plead guilty to this charge. We do have inefficient court administration, and it is a matter we are constantly working on to improve. Jurors have a legitimate gripe in the number and length of unexpected delays in court proceedings. I have been reluctant to explain a lot of the delays in my cases because of the fear of what I would tell them might prejudice them in their decision in the particular case they are trying, or perhaps in a case they would have to sit on in the future.

"I think that I have been wrong because I really don't think jurors feel that they are required or entitled to know the actual reasons and details of the particular delays, but they are more interested in simply knowing something and having some idea of what is required of them and would be satisfied with just some indication as to how long the delays will be. Some delays in a trial are unavoidable, however. My experience would indicate that a substantial number of delays, perhaps 50 per cent, could be avoided by better preparation by everyone."

In its report, the ABA commission on standards stressed the need for efficient court administration throughout the country. "The judges of the court have the responsibility to see that jurors at court are utilized efficiently."

Meanwhile, don't get overly optimistic about the fact that you haven't voted in recent years; your name can pop up among a growing number of lists on your jury commissioner's desk.

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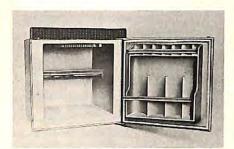




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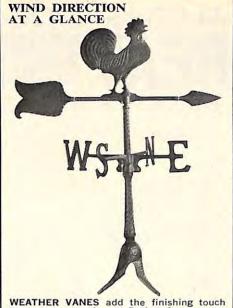
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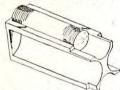
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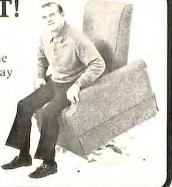
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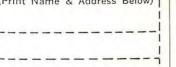
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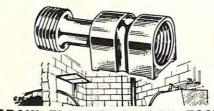
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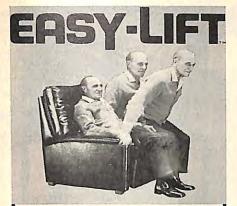
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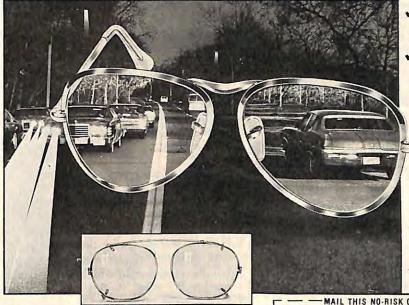
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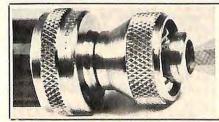


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In conversations seven years ago with former Lt. Col. Eugene K. Bird, former U.S. commander at Spandau, Hess admitted that he knew of the planning for Operation Barbarossa, the attack on Russia, but did not say if he had told the British about it.

Official Soviet histories claim the "second front" invasion of occupied France by Allied troops was delayed until 1944 after it had become clear that the Soviet army could defeat the Nazis. This deep suspicion has clouded all East-West relations in the postwar

While Hess has been described as the "loneliest man in the world," and the "most examined man in history," interest in his case waned until three years ago. Then Speer, who had been Hitler's architect and then director of war production, published his second volume of memoirs, which concentrated on his 20 years in Spandau, and interest grew anew. And it is likely to increase even more after the publication of a new American biography on Hitler.

German interest in Hess is probably less than in surrounding countries and the United States. It is illegal in West Germany to promulgate Nazi propaganda or for a political party to call itself "National Socialist"—Nazi.

The small group of individuals promoting Hess' release call themselves the "Citizens Initiative." The few former party members who hold reunions to wallow in the glory of the old Nazi days are mostly elderly pensioners with little following. While other middleaged Germans harbor nostalgic feelings for the old days, they rarely express themselves publicly about such sensitive issues as the confinement of Hess. Two neo-Nazi agitators, Manfred Roeder and Otmar Ganz, were arrested outside Spandau four years ago for distributing leaflets claiming Hess was being harassed to death. They were fined \$1,200.

So it appears that the No. 2 man of Nazi Germany will die in Spandau Prison. But Rudolf Hess doesn't think

In a recent letter to his wife he wrote: "I would never again put a bird in a cage. Only now do I fully understand why the Chinese and Japanese, when fate is especially kind to them, go to the market, buy a bird, open the door of the cage and let it fly away. One day I will do this too."



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