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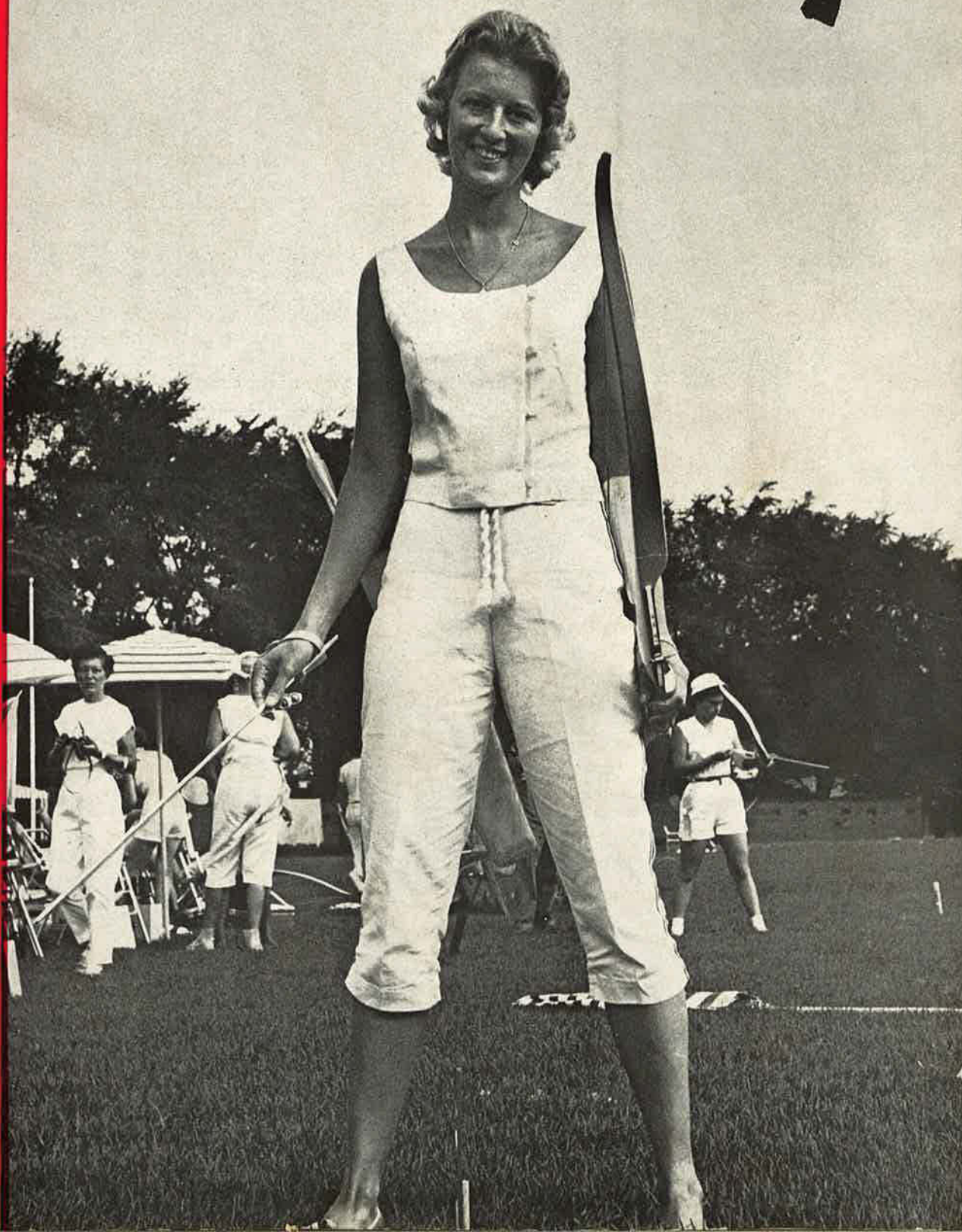
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Miss Nancy Vonderheide is 23, is from Cincinnati, is a lawyer's secretary. She's the World Champion, too, having won that title in a tough fight by six points at the FITA International, held in Oslo, Norway, recently. In our exclusive interview, Nancy tells you about the trip and about the tournament, in which our U.S. team won all four gold medals—men's and women's individual, men's and women's team. Photo by Bowhunting.



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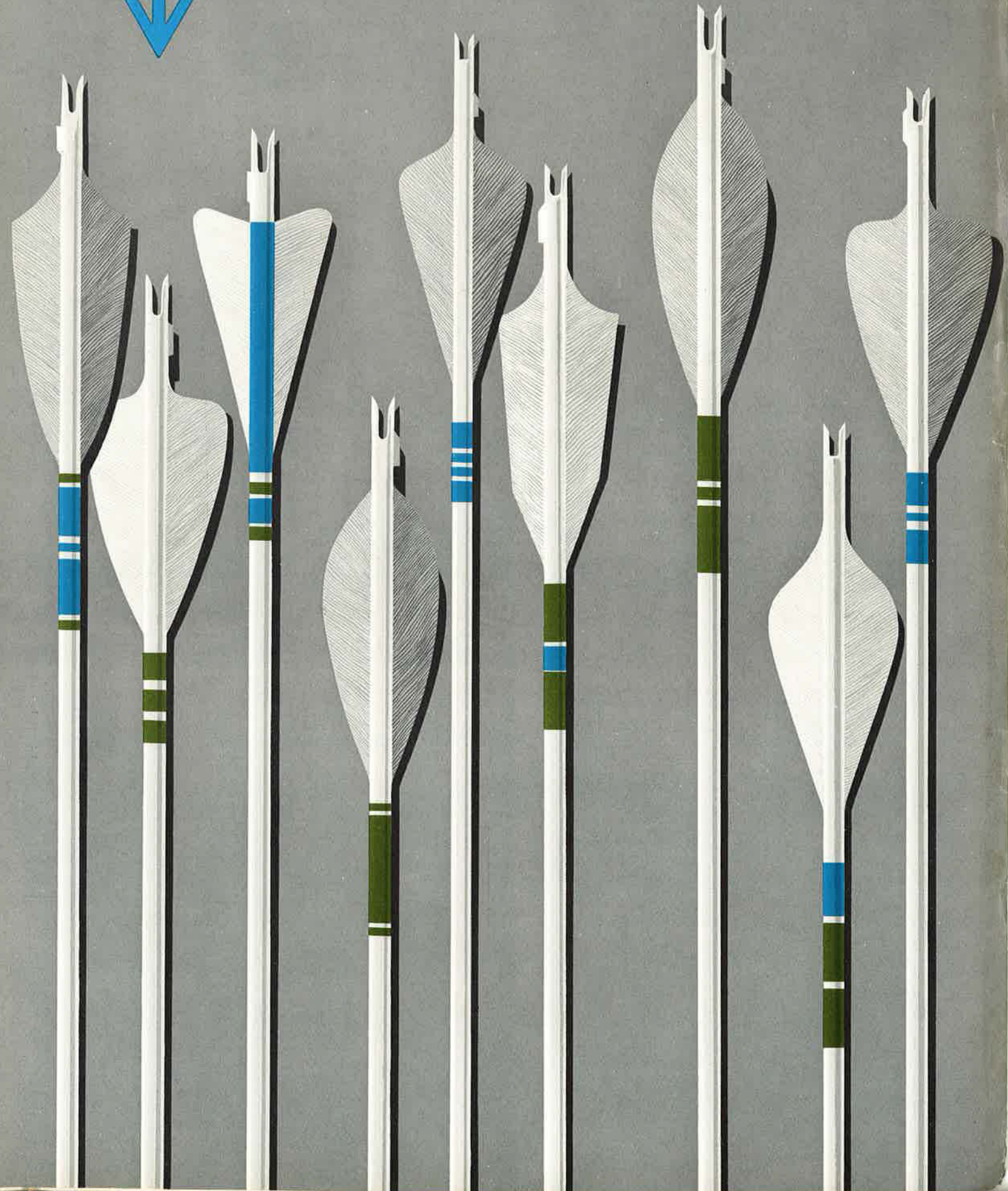
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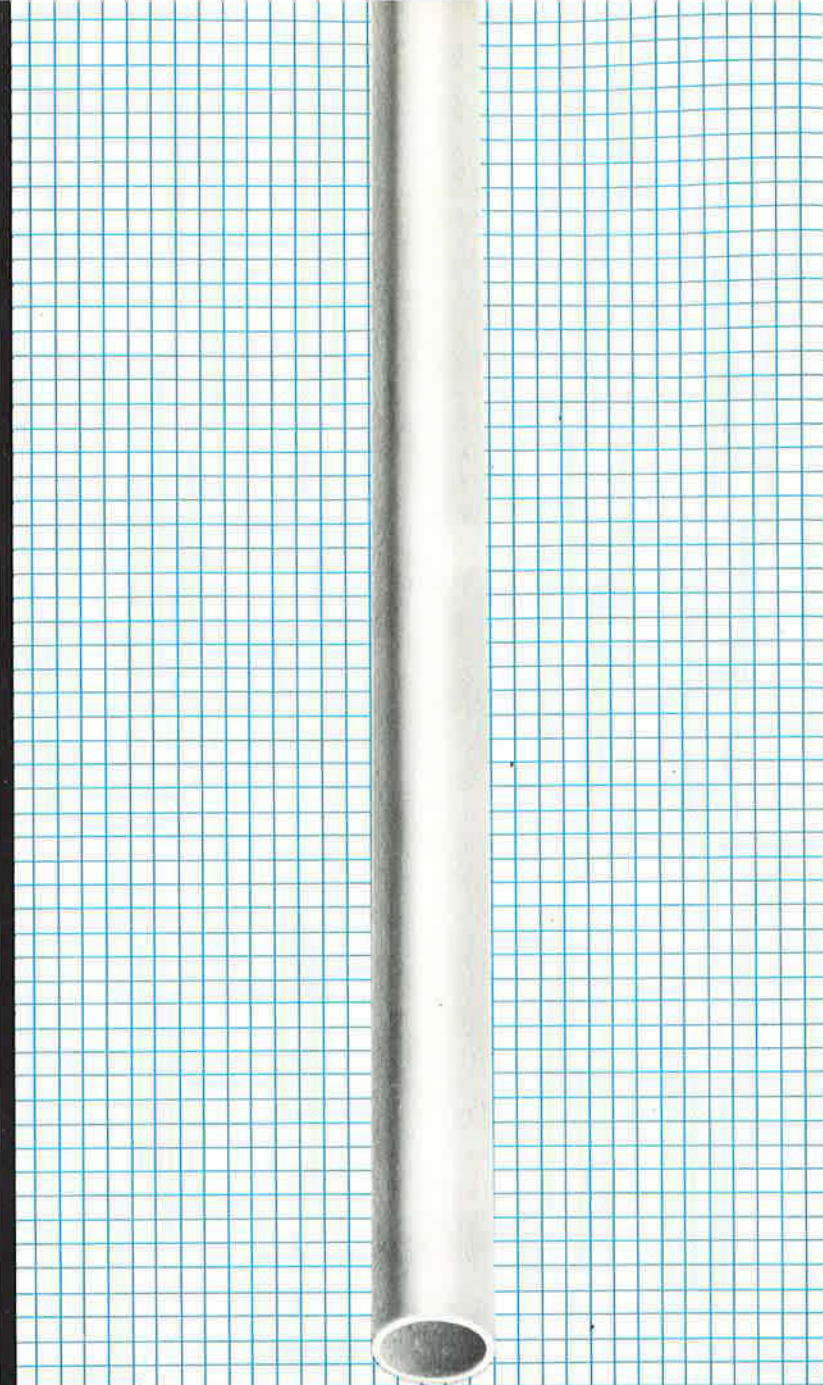
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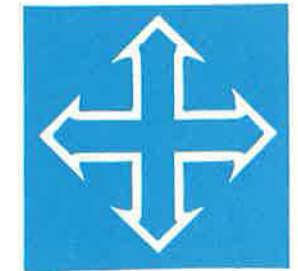
Target Arrows

Bow Weight at Draw Length	Draw Length										
	22"	23"	24"	25"	26"	27"	28"	29"	30"	31"	
20-25		0	0	0	1	1	2				
25-30		0	0	1	1	2	2				
30-35		0	1	1	2	2	3	4			
35-40		1	1	2	2	3	4	5	6		
40-45			2	2	3	4	5	6	7		
45-50			2	3	4	5	6	7	7	8	
50-55			3	4	5	6	7	7	8	8	
55-60			4	5	6	7	7	8	8	8	
60-65				6	7	7	8	8	8	9	
65-70				7	7	8	8	8	9	9	
70-75				7	8	8	8	9	9	9	
75-80				8	8	8	9	9	9	10	
80-85				8	8	9	9	9	10	10	
85-90				8	9	9	9	10	10		

Hunting Arrows

Bow Weight at Draw Length	Draw Length										
	22"	23"	24"	25"	26"	27"	28"	29"	30"	31"	
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25-30		1	1	2	2	3	4				
30-35		1	2	2	3	4	5	6			
35-40		2	2	3	4	5	6	7	7		
40-45			3	4	5	6	7	7	8		
45-50			4	5	6	7	7	8	8	8	
50-55			5	6	7	7	8	8	8	8	
55-60			6	7	7	8	8	8	9	9	
60-65				7	8	8	8	9	9	9	
65-70				8	8	8	9	9	9	10	
70-75				8	8	9	9	9	10	10	
75-80				8	9	9	9	10	10	10	
80-85				9	9	9	10	10	10		
85-90				9	9	10	10	10			

- Broadhead and field arrows are cut one inch longer than draw length.
- Extra-fast bows may require sizing the arrow to one inch longer draw length than actual.
- These charts are intended as an aid to sizing arrows and may not necessarily be valid for all applications.



Typical Micro-Flite Physical Data

Size	Out-side Diam. In.		Arrow Finished at Draw Length, In.									Nock Adapter Insert Weight Grains	Insert Target Point Weight Grains	Broad-Head Insert Adapter Weight Grains	Bare Shaft Weight Grains Per In.	NOCK SIZE
			23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31					
0	.253	wt. sp.	251 .640	259 .730	268 .830	277 .940	286 1.055					6	50	—	8.8	1/4
1	.263	wt. sp.		278 .640	287 .725	296 .820	305 .920	315 1.030				7	55	12	9.3	1/4
2	.273	wt. sp.		287 .560	296 .635	306 .720	315 .805	325 .905				8	55	14	9.6	1/4
3	.283	wt. sp.		296 .510	306 .580	316 .655	326 .735	335 .825	345 .920			8	60	15	9.8	3/32
4	.293	wt. sp.			324 .500	334 .565	345 .635	355 .710	366 .795			9	60	18	10.5	1/4
5	.303	wt. sp.			337 .455	348 .515	359 .580	370 .650	381 .725	391 .805		10	65	22	10.8	1/4
6	.313	wt. sp.			347 .405	358 .460	369 .515	380 .575	391 .645	403 .715		12	65	22	11.1	5/16
7	.323	wt. sp.			367 .360	379 .410	390 .460	402 .515	414 .575	426 .640	437 .705	12	70	24	11.7	5/16
8	.333	wt. sp.			373 .325	385 .370	397 .415	409 .465	421 .520	433 .575	445 .635	15	70	24	11.9	1/32
9	.343	wt. sp.					420 .375	432 .420	445 .470	458 .520	470 .575	16	70	30	12.7	1/32
10	.353	wt. sp.						460 .430	473 .480	486 .530		17	75	35	13.0	1/32

Arrow weight in grains consists of bare shaft, nock insert adapter, and insert target point assembled to draw length. Add 15-20 grains for nock, feathers, crest, adhesive. Spine in thousandths of an inch is deflection of center of shaft when loaded with a two lb. weight centered between supports placed 1" closer together than draw length.

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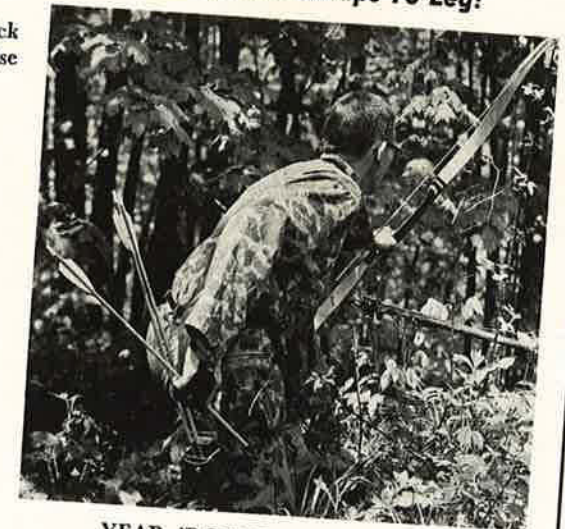


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"In general, conservation people are quite receptive to bowhunting and bowhunts today. Fears expressed during the early years seem to have been dissipated."



"We don't know the causes for a drop in the sales of archery hunting licenses. And fishing license sales are off. Economics, other sports may be the reasons."

How do game management men feel about hunting archery? For answers, we turned to Gerald Eddy, director of Michigan's crack Conservation Dept., and a bowhunter himself, for

A TALK WITH A TOP GAME OFFICIAL

In months past, we've interviewed a host of national and world champs, leaders of archery organizations and famous bowhunters. All you would consider experts on the bow sport.

Now, BOWHUNTING talks with yet another expert—but in a different field. His forte? Conservation and game management. And it's a topic vital to you, the hunting archer.

Gerald E. Eddy is director of Michigan's progressive Conservation Department; he's been the Wolverine state's chief since 1951. Mr. Eddy joined the department in 1933, became its geological survey division head in '46.

The Michigan department is ranked among the nation's best, so it follows that the opinions of its boss are highly regarded across the continent. Mr. Eddy is president of the Association of Midwest Fish and Game Commissioners and a member of their international organization; he's a fellow of the Geological Society of America, member of the American Forestry Association, among others, and technical adviser to the Great Lakes Fishery Commission.

Moreover—as you'll learn—Mr. Eddy has been an ar-

dent bowhunter for more than two decades.

Here are his frank answers to BOWHUNTING's questions, all related to our favorite sport—and his.

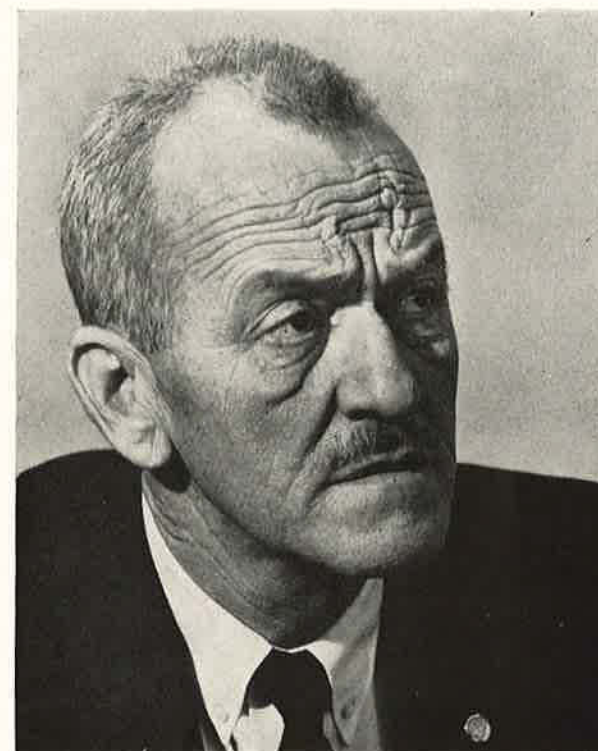
Q: How long have you hunted with a bow, Mr. Eddy, and how successful have you been? What equipment do you prefer?

A: I've stalked deer with bow and arrow every year since Michigan's first archery season, in 1937, with time out for the war. And I'm still looking for my first kill, although I have come close. My bow is a 49-pounder, and I make my own arrows, both broadheads and field. At first I built my bows, too, but modern versions are far superior to anything I was ever able to make.

Q: Have you tried other phases of archery, such as field or target competition? Or bowfishing?

A: Yes. When I started, I shot a lot of both field and target. Lately, except hunting, my archery has been confined to some informal field practice. I've been bowfishing for three years, enjoy it a lot and have been fairly successful.

Q: Mr. Eddy, you've participated in many regional



"From the biological point of view, seasons could be lengthened. But because public criticism might be a result, we feel it is not advisable to seek changes."



"I feel archery groups could do a better job selling sportsmanship to their members, and to bowhunting's fraternity. All in all, your 'public image' is good."

and national game management conferences. How do conservation people across the country feel about bowhunting and bowhunters today?

A: In general, they are quite receptive to bowhunting. Many of the fears expressed during early years seem to have been dissipated.

Q: How can bowhunters better improve their "public image?" That is, what would you advise them to do to win better acceptance among other hunters and non-hunters?

A: Considering the relatively short time archery organizations have existed, they have done a pretty good job. But in every group of several thousand state license buyers, you will have a certain percentage of hunters whose conduct reflects unfavorably upon the majority. I feel archery groups could do a little better job of selling sportsmanship, both to their members and the bowhunting fraternity as a whole.

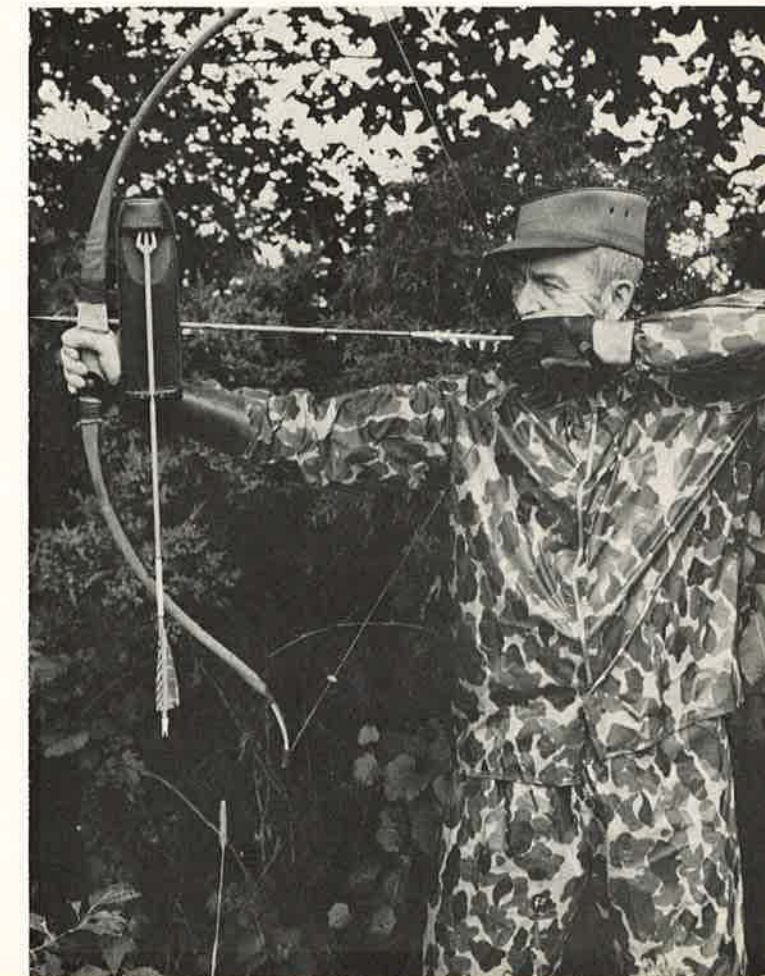
Q: Does much resentment still exist in your state over a separate deer hunt for archers?

A: A little, perhaps, but it is gradually diminishing. Those "pincushion deer" rumors of years ago are rarely heard today.

Q: Bowhunters are often charged with leaving many wounded and dead deer in the woods. Is this true? Are

archers responsible for more cripples—ratio-wise—than gun hunters?

A: Facts do not substantiate those allegations. And (Turn to page 16)



Gerald Eddy, counted as one of the nation's leading conservation officials, has bowhunted since 1937. Like most archers, he was "reluctant" to reveal his favorite hunting spots when asked during our interview. About 40 employees of the Michigan Conservation Dept. are bowhunters, too. Our photos were taken by a Department fotog.



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ARE YOU A HIGH-SCORE MOANER?

Scene: The headquarters area of Any Club, U.S.A. Time: Just after a 28-target field tournament. Characters: A 400 shooter and a 150-shooting semi-novice. The latter, overjoyed because he's just shot an astronomical 199, speaks to the 400 man. "How'd you do today?" The 400 shooter: "Don't ask. I did lousy. No excuse for it. Shot a stinking 379."

The semi-novice has nothing to say. Maybe his 199 didn't mean much after all . . .

We were discussing this situation with Larry Walsh, one of the nicest guys in archery—or anything else. Larry, who writes this magazine's *Why?* column, knows how archers think and feel just as well as he knows equipment and technique. High-score moaning, he feels, is one of the worst things you can inflict on a novice or an improving archer. It can shatter his morale, send him home depressed and disappointed—and maybe not so anxious to shoot in the next tournament.

"Of course it's only natural to moan when you shoot below what you know is your best," said Larry. "If a guy can shoot a 510 field round, anything under 500 can make him sore at himself. But we get so wrapped up in ourselves and our scores we forget about the new man. I've seen the faces of 175 archers when I've told them my 350 was a terrible score. And I could kick myself for having said it."

Let's look at the other side of the coin. We know a gal who shoots one of the best target scores in the East. She gets what seems to us an enormous amount of satisfaction from her archery and from travelling to tournaments with her husband. Indeed, she took up the sport because she didn't want to be left home. But when she started, she had trouble hitting that 48" face

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ONWARD AND UPWARD

Six months ago we were advised solemnly that the United States had absolutely no chance of winning either the individual or team world titles at this year's FITA International. Why? Because most of the men and women who would be logical team members on the basis of their records would be ineligible to compete. "It'll be years before we can make a FITA showing," one archer told us.

Our purpose here is not to rub it in. We merely would like to observe that the quality of archery in the United States is very, very high. And it's getting better all the time. The performances of Nancy Vonderheide, Joe Thornton and the other members of the team you helped send to Europe broke practically all the records; it might be pointed out, for example, that Ann Weber's 1959 winning world championship score would have placed her 16th this time.

As Mantle and Maris have proved so convincingly, records are made to be broken. Archery is a challenge—and more and more young Americans have the guts and ability to meet it. Look at the various state tournament scores reported in this issue. Worried about the future of American archery skill? Relax, brother, relax.

Interviews A-Comin'

Remember our September issue editorial in which, arguing for a national championship tournament for juniors and intermediates, we said that even the good young archers get very little attention? Well, next month you'll read our exclusive question and answer interview with Jim Leder, NAA and NFAA intermediate title-holder—and, we think, the most promising youngster in the nation.

Speaking of interviews, you'll see one every month from now on with top archers, and that includes bowhunters and field and target champs. And soon we'll be reporting on our Dream Club House survey, introduced in our August issue. Still time to submit ideas for it, too.

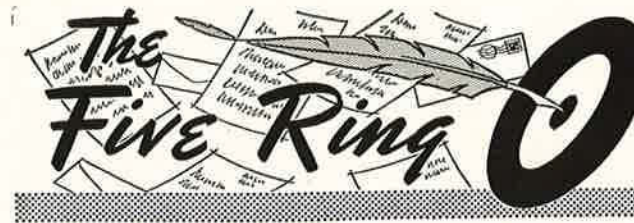
It's In Full Swing

What is? Our Fifth Annual Big Buck Contest, that's what. It's open to any archer who's a subscriber as of Oct. 1. The first prize is a handsome, name-engraved beer mug; second prize is a set of broadheads from Taylor Made Arrows of Flint, Mich.

How does it work? Well, the contest is a whitetail one. We judge on the basis of the total length of the buck's two main antlers, measured along the outside curve. If the left antler is 26" and the right one is 27", you get a total of 53". In entering, give those measurements—the length of each main antler and the total. Also, give us the greatest distance between the two antlers, because we use this in the event of a tie.

The second prize (you can't win both first and second) goes to the bowhunter turning in the heaviest

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An Enthusiastic Back-Yarder

. . . Your BOWHUNTING Magazine Back Yard Round really is fine, and I want you to know that I'm 100% in favor of your idea for a national back yard tournament employing the round; I shoot in my back yard by myself, and I'd like to compete with others in this manner.

In fact, I make custom bows, and when you get something going, I'll be happy to offer one of my bows as a prize.

HOWARD FRAZIER
Oak Ridge, Tenn.

(Ed. Note: We'll take you up on that offer, Howard. We're happily amazed at the reaction to the backyard round: you shoot from 20 yds., using two 6" field faces, shooting four arrows at each and entering the tallies on a field archery score card until you've shot either 14 or or 28. As for the BOWHUNTING-sponsored national tournament, we're planing one, probably for next spring so the event can serve as a warm-up for next summer's shooting.)

Amateurs And Eligibility

. . . I'd like to comment on the NFAA's statement on amateurism, which appeared in your August issue. I have a particular interest in the subject because the NAA Board of Governors recently named me chairman of the NAA Eligibility Committee. I might point out that my comments here, however, are presented as individual opinion.

I believe the statement, up to the examples given of what constitutes non-amateur, is an admirably clear exposition of the relationships of the various archery organizations and of the reasons underlying NAA's action in rules governing amateurism; I believe this part of the NFAA statement will be very helpful in clearing up a lot

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You know how much biz the firearms industry did in 1960? The figure was \$249,800,000. How much was the fishing tackle industry worth? \$157,535,000. But what about sleeping bags—we repeat, sleeping bags? Well, \$33,505,000 in sleeping bags were sold last year.

The archery industry? \$25,013,000. Or about eight million dollars less than the sleeping bag industry. These figures, which we print without comment, were reported by the Archery Institute.

Many states could take a cue from the Oregon Bow Hunters. This association prints, every year, a 16-page guide to bowhunting for its state. There are maps of the state-designated archery hunt areas, bowhunting regulations and so on. If your state association is interested, write to NFAA Executive Committee member Forrest Huntley, 2830 Harris, Eugene, Oregon. Of course most states don't have complicated geographical designations as Oregon. But it strikes us that bowhunting booklets with all the info for your area could, if distributed in such places as sporting goods stores, create new bowhunters—and new archers for your organization.

Detroit's Les Lawn (this has nothing to do with the story, but Lawn's nephew is Charlton Heston) has been working on a good idea which, we're happy to say, has the backing of NFAA—an NFAA Archery Library Service, designed to provide archery groups and non-archery organizations with books, films, slides, clippings or, in short, any information about archery. Costs would be defrayed by renting certain of the materials. Idea is to have the set-up administered by a capable, trained librarian.

Our personal shooting had better improve because our 11-year-old is the Camp Archery Association's national champ at 20 yards, the honor having been won this summer. This 11-year-old reports that the quality of camp archery instruction is pretty high these days. We believe him. We shoot every day at our house—alternating the BOWHUNTING Magazine Round with the Chicago and the American and, definitely not being in the Bob Kadlec class, have to fight for every point. The Camp Archery Assn., which we hope to do a feature about, awards kids medals and patches on the basis of their improvement during the camp year. The organization's been going great guns for many, many years, and it strikes us that the national archery associations could learn something from it when it comes to handling young archers.

Speaking of kids, a Wisconsin dealer told Chum Bohr that a year of brisk arrow sales to 12 and 13-year-old youngsters is a very good indication of what sales of grown-up archery tackle will be like five years later. In other words, the 13-year-olds who buy cheap arrows in '61 are going to be real archers of '66 or '67.

A BOWHUNTING prediction: By Oct. 1, 1962, we're betting that there'll be at least a dozen indoor archery lanes such as those described in our July issue. Everyday, it seems, we hear about plans for a new facility.

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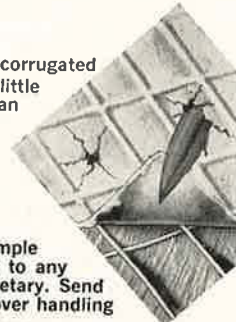
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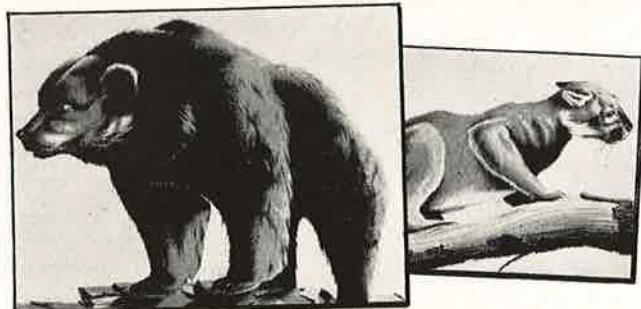
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By LARRY WALSH

The animal round scores turned in at this year's NFAA National were considerably lower than those of 1960; the reason, of course, was the way the field courses were laid out. For example, the Group 1 targets—the large animals—were from 40 to 70 yards. This set-up made the animal round a field archer's problem, which the round should be. That is, a premium was placed on the archers' ability to judge distances well.

The ability to judge distance can be improved to a high degree by practice. The sooner archers stop looking for holes in the ground near the shooting positions (I'm speaking of holes made when the field stakes are pulled up) and start looking at the target and the terrain, the sooner ability to judge yardages will improve.

How to judge distance? One way is the "ten yard" method; the archers look for some object ten yards from the stake, then another object ten yards farther on, then another and so on until he's on or near the target. This can be practiced anywhere—not necessarily on an archery course.

"How far is it to that left tail light of that '61 Chevy?" Ask yourself questions like that. Or say, "It's ten yards from me to the policeman on the corner, ten more yards from the cop to the fire hydrant, another ten yards to the doll waiting for the bus (don't stop now!), ten more to the mailbox and four more yards to the Chevy, That's 44 yards!"

Now pace it off. See if you'd have scored a kill shot or a miss. Practice this technique, and you'll judge distance by thinking in terms of the target and not of holes left in the ground when the last round's shooting stakes are removed. In other words, you'll be on your way to becoming a good *field* archer.

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By LEFTY KREH

Hunting deer with the bow from an elevated blind has become an extremely popular way to bag your trophy. Like anything else, there's a right and wrong way to do it.

A good blind should be easy to build, cheap, simple, inconspicuous, comfortable, easy to shoot from, have good visibility—and of course, be in the proper location.

Probably the simplest and most effective sort of blind, and qualifying for all the above specifications mentioned, is one made and used by a number of Maryland hunters. The entire materials for the blind, including tools, can be easily carried in one hand. All that is required are two pieces of 2x4 about four feet long, about eight spikes and a hammer.

Find two trees growing close together, or a tree with a wide, spreading fork along the path you expect the deer to come. Nail one of the boards about ten feet above ground (you can go as high as 20 feet) in a horizontal fashion to each of the limbs. About 18 inches above this board, nail the other one. This is the entire blind. The upper board serves as a seat and the lower one as a foot rest. In a pinch you can stand for a long time on the lower board and shots can be taken easily at a deer that



You need one or two trees in hot deer country, two 2x4 boards about four feet long, a hammer and eight sturdy nails to construct an effective tree perch. Author Lefty Kreh, outdoor writer and one of the best hunters and fishermen we know, is shown in these pix. He's bow-bagged a buck



is anywhere but directly behind you.

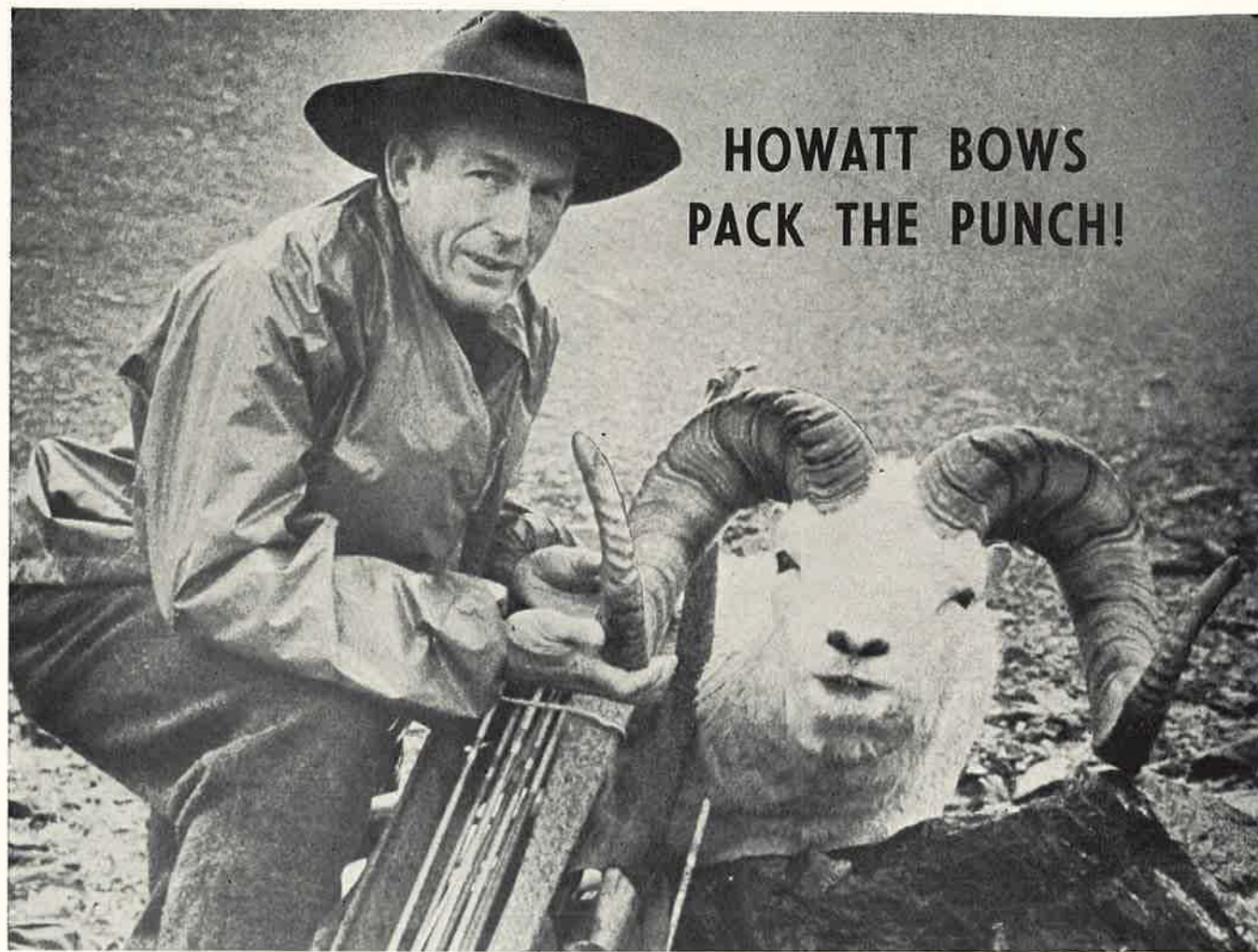
It helps if the boards are painted a dark color, or have been aged by the weather. A large spike driven into the tree will make a good place to hang your bow if you have to do something with your hands. You can hang field glasses on another nail if you like. Some bowmen even tack a small piece of rubber sponge to the upper board and really make things comfortable.

I've noticed in talking to many archers that quite a few accidents have occurred when they descend from a tree blind. Not only have the bowmen hurt themselves by falling or jumping, but equipment has suffered in the descent.

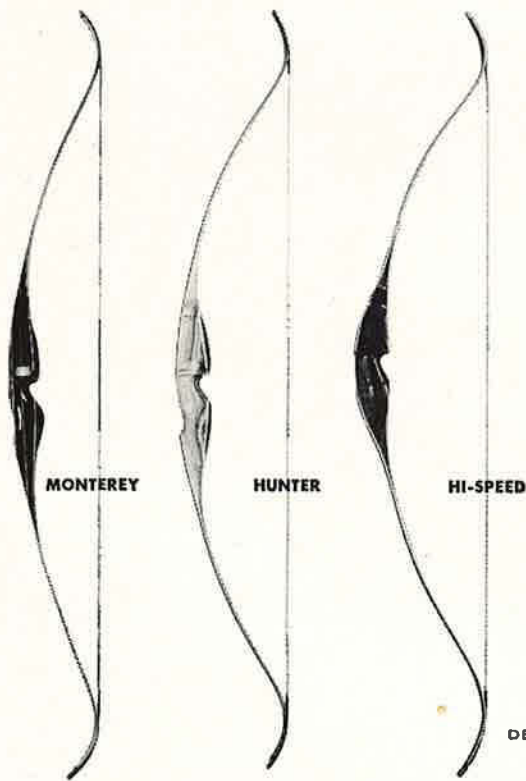
A piece of short, light but strong string can be used to lower the bow and quiver to the ground, and to haul it topside, too. This leaves the archer free to get just himself out of the tree.

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By GLENN ST. CHARLES

The 1960-1961 Pope & Young North American Big Game Competition is over, and we can announce that five new world records were posted in the barren ground caribou, Alaska brown bear, black bear, white sheep and Coues deer categories. And the existing whitetail record (John Polesky's) was tied by a huge buck taken in Minnesota by Gilbert Guttormson.

Mule deer led the number of entries with 35. A big Colorado muley bagged by Jack Kruckenbug, Grand Junction, Col., (score 180 4/8) topped the typical mule deer division; the animal is now in the number two spot on the Pope & Young world record list.

Fred Bear's Alaska brownie, taken on the Kenai Peninsula in the spring of '60, took over the number one spot from Martin Hanson's old record bear; Fred's bruin had a 28" skull measurement.

A 425 5/8-point Alaskan barren ground caribou, felled by Bill Brown, Seattle, beat out Fred Bear's old 417 pt. mark. A 162 3/8 white sheep, killed in Alaska by Dr. Russell S. Congden, Wenatchee, Wash., now holds first place in the records. A huge black bear with a skull measurement of 21" was listed by Dick Cooley, Palatine, Ill. It far outclassed the old record of 19 1/2" held by Michigan's Bob Sharpe. Cooley's (and Sharpe's) bear was killed in Canada. It's interesting to note that all three places in the blackie division this year were way above the old 19 1/2" record.

The top Coues deer is a new world record, too. Scoring 81 points, it was taken in New Mexico by Bob Brown, and it beat Jim Mercer's old mark by over eight inches.

In both the typical mule and the whitetail divisions, a strange thing happened. Wally Scott and Bob Lee each hit the same trophy mule deer simultaneously; the identical thing happened with a whitetail; Edgar Momeister and Yendell Bitzer, both from Indiana, hit it at the same moment! These deer will go into the record with credit to all concerned.

Plaques, medals and honorable mention certificates will be sent to the winners as soon as these awards are ready. And thus ends the most exciting competition in the history of our young organization. Competition was very keen; interest was very high among the entrants and the measurers. A major portion of the credit should go to the fine group of volunteer measurers throughout the country and, if space permitted, I'd list 'em all.

The new competition already is underway. However, at the next meeting of the organization's records committee, we'll study the possibility of turning the competition into a two-year affair. We'll take into consideration, too,



All of these mule deer meet the Pope & Young Club's minimum requirements—and then some! All the mules were dropped in Washington's Nason Creek bowhunting area. Left, under his deer, is G. H. Malinoski, then Glenn St. Charles and his world record animal; next are Bob Kelly and George Wells, Seattle; deer which you see at right was bagged by Les Eide, Bellvue, Washington, here we come!

the setting of new minimum standards for Polar bear, cougar, antelope and mule deer; there's the possibility that the minimum will be raised.

With the hunting seasons well underway, we'd like all bowhunters to check their kills for possible trophy registration. Records are made to be broken—and even though we don't expect every hunter to come up with a new world record, we want all animals that meet the minimum requirements (if they barely do so) listed. Any measurement over our minimum is a trophy class animal! Keep in mind, too, that the successful hunter rarely counts the points of a deer before he shoots. Loose that arrow first and count later—and good luck!

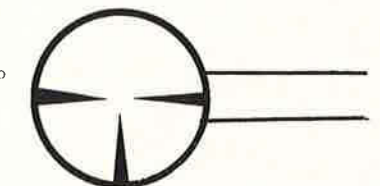
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Next month, we'll list all the entries in the 1960-1961 Competition.

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Our Talk With Gerald Eddy

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percentage-wise, I seriously doubt—although I can't offer exact figures—that archers leave more wounded animals than riflemen.

Q: The late Aldo Leopold, who pioneered modern game management concepts, was discussing several years ago, what he termed the lack of cultural value in outdoor sports today. Wrote Leopold: "Not all sports have degenerated to the same extent . . . Defenders of the American tradition still exist . . . Perhaps the bow and arrow movement and the revival of falconry mark the beginning of a reaction." Would you care to comment, Mr. Eddy?

A: I agree one-hundred percent with Aldo Leopold's statement; the popularity of bowhunting today—and the interest in falconry—are graphic proof. And hunting with a camera is another phase which we should not minimize.

Q: In Michigan, the recreational value of bowhunting—as compared with its limited effect on the deer herd—has been cited as the reason for liberal archery seasons. In view of this, do you feel the bow season could be lengthened in many areas of your state without harm?

A: Bowhunting does provide another type of recreation; and it has only slight effect on the deer. Biologically speaking—and I emphasize biologically—there is no reason why the archery season could not be appreciably lengthened. However, it is our feeling—and I believe it is shared by bowhunting organizations—that because of criticism which could result, it is not advisable to seek such changes at this time.

Q: Does bowhunting have any value as a game management tool?

A: No, unless an all-out effort were made to bring concentrations of archers to limited areas. For game control purposes, firearms are much more effective.

Q: Bowmen have, in recent years, turned their arrows on a lot of small game—rabbits, bobcats, pheasants, squirrels, even waterfowl. Is this good or bad?

A: More power to them. The wildlife certainly has the advantage; and the archer certainly gets a lot of sport.



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Q: Archery license sales have dropped, in very recent years, in several important states. Why?

A: We don't know. It may be partially due to an economic decline since the boom year of 1955. But our fishing license sales have dropped, too; we feel this is principally because of competition from other uses of the water. Perhaps there are other "new" types of recreation competing with bow and arrow hunting.

Q: Do you foresee a day when bowhunting will grow in popularity and crowd out—and perhaps replace—gun hunting, at least for deer?

A: No. It's very doubtful.

Q: Your state is the only one which does not regulate archers' hunting equipment—that is, restrict bow weight or cast, broadhead size or arrow material. Why?

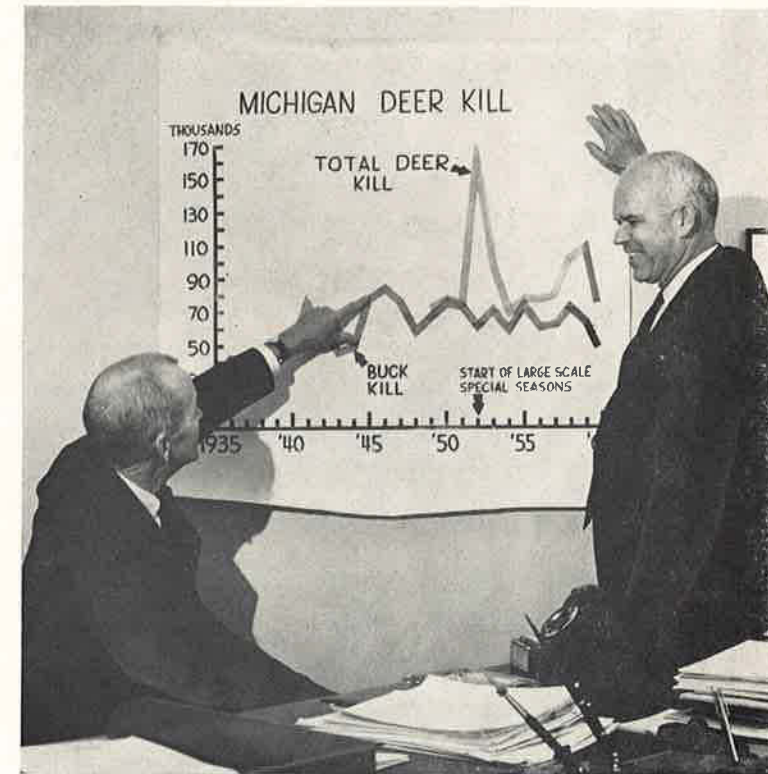
A: We have never deemed it necessary. There is enough restrictive legislation on the books now; and we are reluctant to add to that list unless there are pretty firm biological grounds or unless it is necessary to control a difficult law enforcement problem.

Q: There has been a lot of discussion of a Pittman-Robertson type tax on archery tackle. What is your view? What about a state archery stamp in lieu of a federal levy?

A: It is consistent to consider such an amendment to the P-R Act. Certainly if firearm hunters are to be taxed on their weapons and ammunition, archers should bear their share of responsibility. Funds Michigan and other states spend on game management under this program result in increased hunting opportunities for archers as well as others. With respect to a state stamp, our opinion here is not crystallized to a point where I would want to make a flat statement pro or con. As various times, all of us in the states have discussed the desirability of divorcing ourselves from the Pittman-Robertson program and entering into one which is entirely state supported. The opinions are mixed.

Q: Is bowhunting profitable to a state? We mean, from the monies which come to a conservation department?

A: Revenue to the Michigan department, while only something under \$200,000 annually, is still a welcome addition to our game and fish protection fund. And certainly money spent by archers on equipment and hunting trips contributes to local economy.



Eddy and Dr. George H. Bartlett, deer specialist for Michigan's Conservation Dept. Eddy says allegations that archers leave more dead and wounded deer in woods than gunners aren't substantiated. He feels that the bow won't replace the gun in popularity for deer hunting, that bowhunting has no value as a game management tool; its importance lies in the recreational value. Eddy feels archery hunters should be taxed in some way.

Q: Does bowhunting figure into the long-range conservation planning of any federal agencies?

A: Not to my knowledge; unless the expanded multiple-use concept in the management of national forests could be so regarded.

Q: One last one, Mr. Eddy. What are your own favorite bowhunting areas in Michigan?

A: I'm a bit reluctant to reveal this. Let's just say I hunt many places in Mecosta County, from my cabin. The Martiny and Haymarsh areas there are good spots. And I have been on Drummond Island the past two seasons.



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MBH Carp Contest Won By Archer Who Took Magazine's Trophy; Carp Is Biggest Ever Bow-Bagged In Michigan; Heinrich, Roberson, Delboy And Keaggy Sr. And Junior Win MAA State Field Tournament

BY LES LINE

(Bowhunting's MBH Correspondent)

That fantastic fish (48¾ lbs.) which won BOWHUNTING's Monster Carp Contest this year also copped, as you might expect, the big honors in the Michigan Bow Hunters' annual competition.

Dennis Rodebaugh, Schoolcraft, bagged the monster in Sugar Loaf Lake—which also produced our 1959 prize fish. It's the biggest carp ever recorded in the Wolverine state; and in the struggle, it broke Dennis' glass arrow just above the head. He needed a gaff to boat the giant.

Dennis' partner the night he nailed the huge fish was the '59 MBH carp champ, Jim Bell.

Amazing, too, is the size of the runnerup entry in the MBH event. Shot by Eugene Doppke of Hamtramck, it was just 12 ozs. lighter. Weighing an even 48 lbs., this one came from Lake St. Clair, was 37" long and 26" around.

Third place? Chester P. Avery, Dryden, with a 35½-lb. carp from Saginaw Bay. Next came Mike Toteff, Drayton Plains; his weighed 35-5 and was hauled from Otter Lake. Fifth went to Kenneth Engbretsen, Grand Rapids, with a 34-12 fish from the Kalamazoo River.

Among the ladies, tops was Louise Henson of Plainwell. She whammed a 22-lb. 8-oz. Kazoo River fish; and on the same night, her own carp bag totaled 252 lbs., good for another of the MBH cash awards.

For the juniors, Vernon York, Zeeland, led with a 24½-lb. carp.

At the Michigan Archers' Association field championship at Mecosta, high tally was registered by Dave Keaggy, Sr., of Drayton Plains, in the amateur freestyle division. He had a record since 1455 for 28 targets each of field, hunter and animal.

Best among non-am sighters were Frank Delboy (1437) and Dick Argue (1413), both of Detroit. In instinctive, Carl Heinrich won it with 1276; runnerup was Ted Spence, Ann Arbor, with 1219.

Cleo Roberson topped gal freestylers with 1130; and an intermediate sighter, Dave Keaggy, Jr., 14, shot the MAA meet's fourth highest score, 1360.

MAA, incidentally, has awarded the NFAA Medal of Merit to William Loomis of Newaygo. He's been



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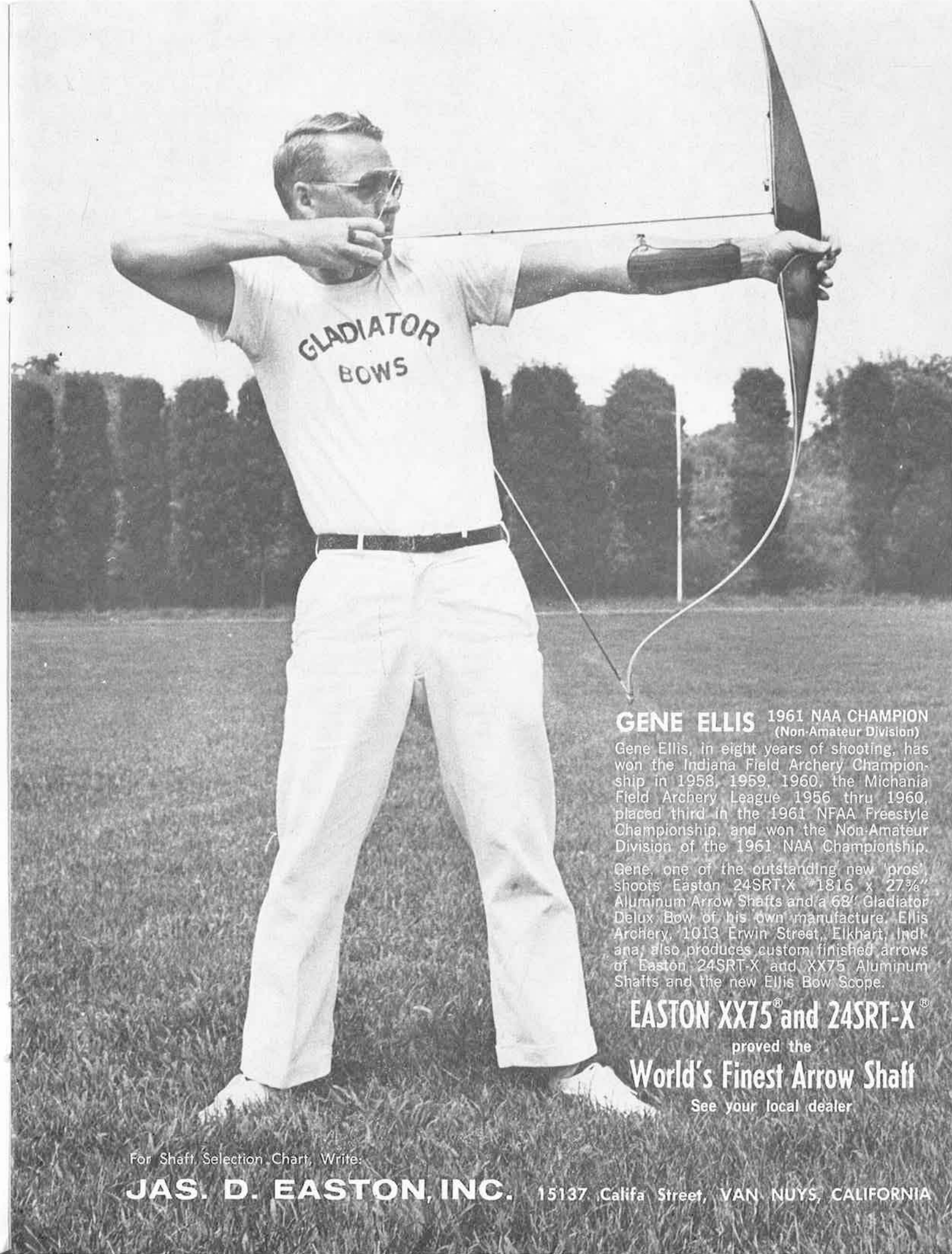
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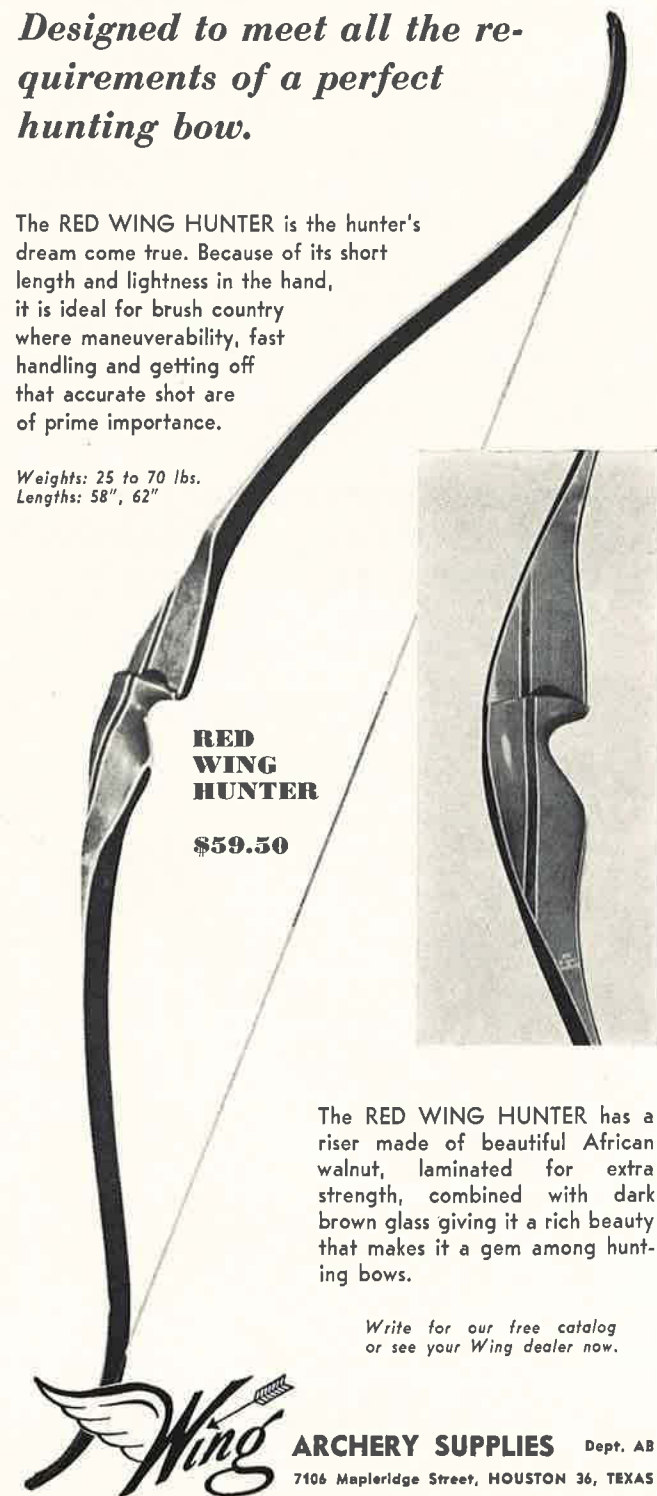
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MARYLAND

410 Compete In State Championships; Russ Collins, Mrs. Harriday Win Titles; Estella Appleby Is Honored

By JOSEPH D. THOMPSON, JR.
(President, AMBH)

The Association of Maryland Bow Hunters' 10th annual state championship tournament can be counted, I think, as a huge success. 410 archers competed in the instinctive event, which took place on the fine courses of the Tuscarora Archers near Frederick over the Labor Day week-end.

For the men, it was Russ Collins, Patapsco Bowmen; he shot a 404 field, 421 hunter, 460 broadhead. (In Maryland, we still shoot broadheads in the animal round.) For the women, it was Lillian Harriday, Mochican Bowmen, whose scores were 283/258/368 for 901.

Second for the guys was Trent Webb, Terrapin Bowmen; his 1275 agg. was just ten points behind Collins. Another Terrapin, Alton Smith, was third with a close 1273. Fourth was Bob Ashburn, Fork Fieldmen, 1201; Harold Wasmer, also of Fork, was fifth with 1182, and Harry Kirtley was next with 1170. Hot-shooting Jim Goins was forced to drop out due to an attack of the 24-hour virus—which laid low about a dozen archers!

Mrs. Harriday was followed by Jane Rusinek, Anne Arundel, who shot 889. Next was Lorraine Gori, Wing Bowmen, 885, followed by Loris Fennema, up and coming Anne Arundelite; Loris had an 849. Viola Jindra, Baltimore, had an 836, Marcia Main of Tuscarora a 799.

The Harford Bowmen's Mike Lama scored 975 to win for the intermediates; Lenny Lisenbee, Lanham, followed with 911. Top junior was Robert Roher, 809, and John Gori was runner-up with 782.

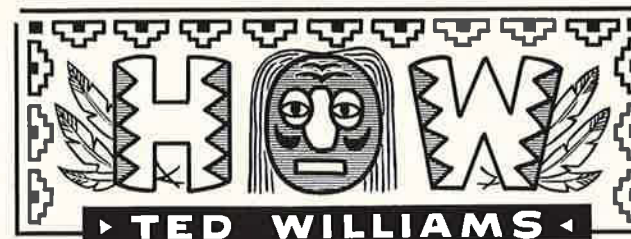
Patapsco Bowmen won the men's team title with 4647; women's ditto went to Anne Arundel. Lanham field the best junior team, and Loris and John Fennema copped the hubby-wife trophy.

Estella Appleby, the pretty and capable AMBH exec secretary, won the AMBH's coveted Bowman of the Year award. The tournament queen (she won the title in a field of extremely pretty entrants) was Pat Brown, Patapsco.

AMBH notes: Last spring's Charity Shoot was won by Wayne Bumbaugh, Creek Waltonian Archers, whose 447, incidentally, was the best field round shot in the championship shoot . . . the proposal which would have limited awards to pins and medals at AMBH registered open tournaments was defeated.

The AMBH By-Laws Committee has brought in an interesting report which we'll write about next issue. By-laws would reorganize administration of AMBH.

As for me, I'm thinking about hunting—which begins this month. The season dates again: Oct. 17-Nov. 10 in deer-heavy Dorchester, Wicomico, Worcester, Somerset and St. Mary's counties; Oct. 16-Nov. 14 in all the rest—except for Garrett, Alleghany and Washington, where the dates are Oct. 27-Nov. 14. Remember that, in addition to your \$5.25 state hunting license, you need a \$2 bowhunting stamp.



(Here's the second "How" column by Ted Williams, whose address is 2202 River Rd., Niagara Falls, N. Y. The column will be concerned with almost any question pertaining to our sport, so if you have some particularly vexing problem—short of needing money, that is—write to Ted.)

Q: Do you know of a good way to remove an arrow imbedded in a tree?

A: If it's deeply imbedded, have a buddy grab the shaft tightly near the feathers; tell him to exert a hard, even pull. While he's doing this, wrap your fist loosely around the shaft. Slide it up the shaft, rapping sharply against your buddy's hand. (I might add that some buddies need a warning before you start rapping.) Very often you can remove the arrow yourself, using your left hand to grip the shaft and your right hand to rap with.

Q: What causes string servings to loosen?

A: This happens when you twist the string the wrong way. If you're trying to shorten the string, twist it in the direction that will tighten rather than loosen the serving. In fact, you can tighten a loose serving by so twisting the string. But if you do this, recheck the position of your nocking point; it may be changed slightly.

Q: I've heard you mention a "rear sight." What do you mean?

A: A rear sight is merely something, usually tape, attached to the bowstring at eye level, which can be looked over or under or through and lined up with your front sight.

Q: Do you recommend that I try a rear sight?

A: We all like to try something different and it isn't likely that I could stop you. The least I can do is warn you of a few things. By experimenting, you may come up with something better than the standard procedure of wrapping black tape on your string at eye level and sighting over or under this cylindrical object. I'm sure my use of it can be improved on, but here it is. I use a side-of-the-face anchor, drawing the string and sight well back and close to my eye. Actual facial contact point of the draw hand varies some with the distances and I refer to this as a "floating anchor." It may not feel natural, hence the warning. Another thing, since I sight along the left side of the string itself (and below the ball of tape), any blurring forces my line of vision farther to the left (to the edge of the blur) for a clearer look at my regular front sight and the target. I must warn you here that you will have to learn to compensate for this because your arrow will hit the left side in this situation. These two disadvantages have caused some archers to abandon them. I like the rear sight but it is only a method of aiming and definitely not a cure-all for freestylers.

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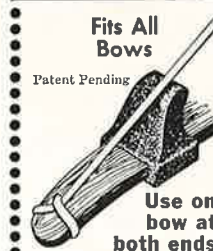


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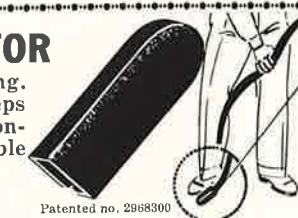
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SHE'S THE WORLD CHAMPION!

She's Nancy Vonderheide and, with Joe Thornton, she led a fine U.S. team to victory at the FITA International in Norway. Here's an exclusive interview

(When we met Nancy Vonderheide at the NAA National we were impressed by her sense of purpose and her determination to do a good job for her country at the FITA International at Oslo. Whether she'd win or not we, of course, didn't know. We were certain that she'd give a good account of herself—and that she'd represent the United States in the best possible light before the nations of the world. She's a fine girl—intelligent, thoughtful, very American in the best sense of the word. That's why we suggested this interview. We knew Nancy would provide us—and you—with the best account of the dramatic World Championship event.)

Q: Nancy, tell us about the trip to Oslo.

A: Well, on August 5, all of us flew to New York's Idlewild International Airport from our homes and gathered in the Scandanavian Airways System waiting room. All of us were excited; we'd worked hard to make

the team, and we felt a sense of responsibility to the thousands of archers whose contributions were sending us to Europe.

On hand were Joe Thornton; you know he placed fourth in the tryouts, and the people of Oklahoma raised money so he could be a part of the team. Then there was Clayt Sherman, and Allan Muller, and Bill Bednar—who got in the wrong waiting room and thus missed our pre-flight dinner. The girls were Grace Frye and Vicki Cook and me. And, of course, our team captain and his wife—Clayt and Peggy Shenk. In just a few hours, these people became a solid, one-for-all, all-for-one entity. I can't stress that too highly. You really felt part of a team whose sole purpose was a team victory for our country.

It was twilight when the 707 roared down the runway, carrying me to the greatest adventure of my life. 6½ hours later we arrived in Oslo; the day was dark, foggy. Grace and I retired to our room and to bed; exhausted from the flight.

Q: What was your impression of Norway and its people?

A: It's a beautiful country, where the mountains meet the sea—affording spectacular views for a mid-west girl. The days were glorious and the nights romantic. The ocean, I admit, is somewhat larger than the Ohio River in Cincinnati. The Norwegians are warm people; they were always friendly and were gracious hosts. Everyone, from the Norwegian Archery Association's Mr. Arild Honne, to the spectators in the stadium, made you feel they were glad to have you in their country.

Q: Tell us about the archers from the other countries, Nancy—what they were like, what sort of equipment they used.

A: There were 16 countries represented. In the days preceding the shooting, we got to know many archers from many lands. The Japanese team—men only—were extremely inquisitive about our archery. They photographed almost everyone so they could study form; they minutely examined everyone's tackle. This thoroughness is going to make them tough competitors in the years to come. A Mr. Toshio placed 35th, Mr. Keiji was 66th and Mr. Takashi was 70th.

One of the Japanese archers, someone said, was a dead ringer for Clayt Shenk. Or Clayton for him!

Naturally we had the most communication with the English and the South Africans because we have the same language. Many other archers spoke English, though, and we all liked Jorma Sandelin, who finished third behind Joe and Clayton. Belgium, Poland and the Czechs field strong teams; I shot with Katarzyna Wisniowska, the '55 world champion.

As for the equipment, well, if you walked down the line at an NAA National, you'd see just about the same thing. If the bows weren't U.S. made, they were very similar. The strings, arrows and fletchings were very similar to ours.

You can't underestimate the archers of the other nations. This is obvious from the scores. I think Mr. Shenk has told you how seriously archery is taken in Europe. They were tough and determined and as thoroughly familiar with techniques and theory as any archers you know. And they're wonderful sportsmen.

Q: Where was the tournament held? Can you describe the various ceremonies that took place there?

A: A handsome, modern stadium was the site; it's mainly a football stadium, I believe. The target butts were some kind of thin composition board. As you know, you shoot two International rounds—your magazine has given the distances many times over the past

The proudest moment of Joe Thornton's and Nancy Vonderheide's lives came when, stepping to the top of the victory podium, they heard the Star Spangled Banner ring out over the huge, hushed stadium. You're seeing Joe as he stepped amid cheers from his homecoming plane in Tulsa. As you know by now, he's a 42-year-old TV technician and a Cherokee Indian

few months, so I won't describe them here—meaning that, in the four days, you'd shoot two of the distances each day.

The diversity of the contestants is one of the big thrills of the world championship event. The opening ceremony highlighted this. On opening day the contestants looking splendid in their countries' uniforms, paraded into the stadium behind the flags of their nations.

With our heads high, hearts pounding, we proudly entered to the cadence of march music. The parade ended in front of the speakers' rostrum, where the FITA and Norwegian greetings were extended. It was a sight I'll long remember.

The closing ceremonies were in three stages. All were beautiful and impressive. When the shooting ended, and the scores were being verified, Joe and I were interviewed by TV—the tournament went all over

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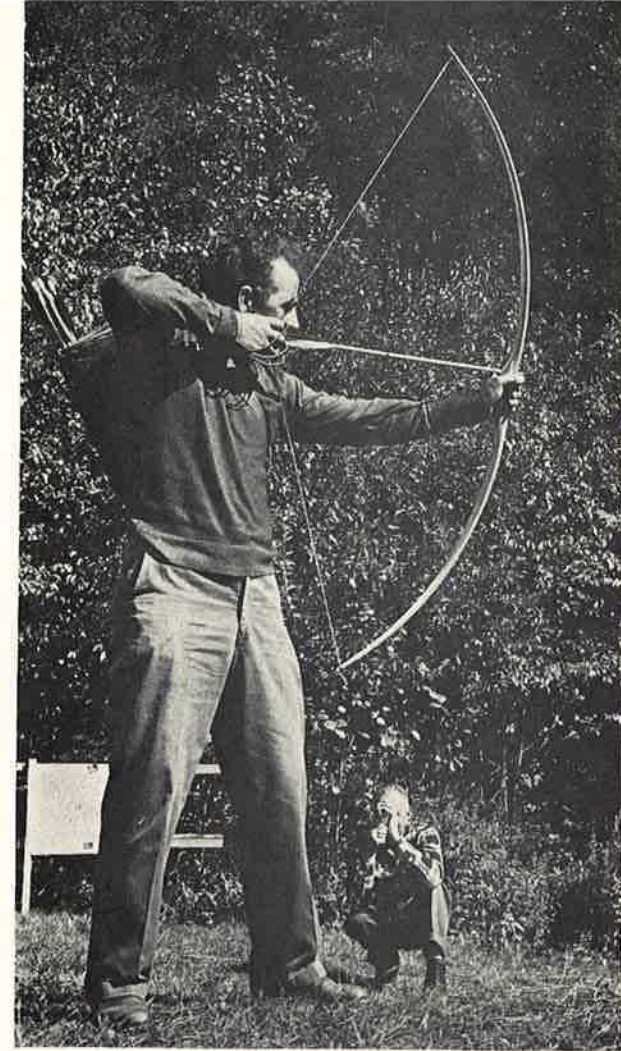
Dates for this year's festival are Nov. 6-12, with most of the organized activities taking place on the last two days. Hill, due to arrive Nov. 10, will show a film and put on a demonstration in the gym of the local high school Saturday evening, Nov. 11. And there'll be a Hill matinee that afternoon for townspeople and those who don't register for the various other activities. Howard will be hunting, too!

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There'll be cash prizes for big deer. There'll be evening activities and dances at the hotels. On Sunday, Nov. 12, there'll be a free venison barbecue; BOWHUNTING has attended this, guarantees that it's worth the trip to southwestern New York. In fact the entire Sullivan Co. event is hard to match *anywhere* for archery fun—especially since it gives you an opportunity to bag a big deer and socialize with bowhunters from half a dozen states.

In addition, Howard Hill will be very much on hand to answer questions and give you tips. See you there!



Howard Hill, who you can meet at the Sullivan County, N.Y., Deer Hunt and Archery Meet, can shoot with the rapidity of a machine gunner. We took the picture at a Pennsy event. Hill will hunt during the N.Y. event

Don't Be A "High Score Moaner"

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from 30 yds. She'd spray arrows all over the place. Her husband and his friends actually *congratulated* her: "You're getting closer!" they'd say. "You're really improving!" And when she finally began to smack the paper, they were wildly enthusiastic. And she took heart.

Our New England column recently cited the example of a Massachusetts club which says, in effect, "Who cares about scores? It's the fellowship and the fun that counts!" And we agree. Nothing annoys us more than some sneering bore who looks down his nose at someone else's 116 field round. He, happily, is reasonably rare. But the high-score moaner Larry Walsh describes is very much with us. He means no harm; he's just being thoughtless. So don't be a high-score moaner, even if you're bursting with anger at what for *you* is a poor day. You're actually hurting archery.

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Letter To The Five Ring:

Head Of NAA Eligibility Committee Urges Archers To Submit Questions Concerning Amateurism To His Group

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of confusion about these points. I think it very helpful that so much emphasis was placed on the protection of the status of school and college students, since failure to recognize this problem could result in the undesired disqualification from amateur athletics of a growing number of youthful archers. Also, I'm glad that the relationship of amateur status in one sport to eligibility in other sports was recognized, since this part of the overall problem seems not to have been well recognized by many archers.

I'm somewhat surprised, however, at the examples of non-amateurism. I do not think it reasonable to comment at length on each example, but I would like to suggest that the way to settle these questions is to write to the Eligibility Committee, John Hibbard, 2015 Colonial Rd., Harrisburg, Pa., with a complete statement of the facts of the particular case, and ask for a ruling. Under the operating procedures of this committee, the facts and question will be submitted to the seven members of the committee and a vote taken on the matter. Failing to get a decisive vote, a further investigation will be made, with a second vote.

In several of the cases listed in the NFAA statement, not enough information is provided to enable me to say definitely that the archer would be a non-amateur. This is particularly true of examples 4, 9 and 10. In some of the other examples, there is more question about the application of the rules than the statement indicates.

Which brings me to a point which I wish to emphasize. It has been the surprising experience of this committee so far that many archers are not submitting their questions regarding amateur status to the committee, but are making hasty judgments as to what the rules mean; or, even worse, are not even reading the rules, but are listening to some friend's opinion as to what the rules mean. Unfortunately, some people have made mistakes as a result of this approach to the matter. It appears that a great part of the problem lies in the failure of many individuals to read the rules carefully. Most of the questions we have been asked can be answered fairly easily by reading the rules. There are, of course, cases which

require interpretation, and I only wish that they would be sent to us.

I don't personally feel that the last part of NFAA's statement gives enough credit to the benefits of "simon-pure" amateurism in archery. I feel that there is more to be gained for the future of archery by establishing a set of qualifications than simply to become eligible for participation in the Olympics. The basic purpose of making the distinction between amateurs and others is to provide for organized equal competition among persons who do not engage in the sport for personal gain—on the traditional assumption that those who seek personal gain from an activity generally display a greater proficiency and expertness than those who take part simply for pleasure and personal satisfaction. I think it has been well shown over the years in many sports that the motivation of personal gain is detrimental to sportsmanship, which has been considered a basic value of amateur competition.

While competition is normal in most sports, it is commonly recognized that the emphasis in amateur sports is upon excellent performance and good sportsmanship—fair play—while in professional sports the emphasis is upon how to win, without much regard for the merit or morality of the methods used. While it has not been common, we must admit that this latter approach has been evident in recent years at some major tournaments, and that it has lessened the pleasure and satisfaction which a number of archers have felt at those tournaments. The amateur approach produces more pleasant tournaments.

One other point: a great deal of the responsibility for protecting the status of those who wish to be amateurs falls on tournament officials. The basic problem is answered if separate competitive divisions are provided, and if the archers who shoot in the amateur division are required to sign a certificate that they have read and understand the rules and are amateurs under the rules. Failure to take those two steps will lead to the disqualification of archers who don't know anything about the problem, which is certainly to be avoided if possible. Primarily because of the young archers, I have regretted the decision of some clubs and associations to become 100% non-amateur. I urge all club and association officers to permit the amateur archer to remain amateur, and to do all they can to make the rules well known and clearly understood.

JOHN B. HIBBARD
Harrisburg, Pa.

(Ed. Note: We've received numerous letters about the amateur-non-am situation in recent months; Mr.



Jack Penfold, a Foreign Service officer now stationed at Tia Juana on the Mexican border (we mention it for the benefit of our British readers who shot with Jack when he was posted in England) sent us this photo: it shows Louis, the guard at our Embassy at Bangui; that city is in French Equatorial Africa and, according to the Department of State Newsletter, "must be the only American post guarded by a man with a bow and arrow." Probably true

Hibbard's, written from the vantage point of the chairman of the NAA Eligibility Committee, is the most valuable that's come our way. As you may know, the NFAA's president, Dick Freeman, thinks that NAA should be the organization which determines whether or not an archer is amateur or non-amateur, which is even more reason for carefully reading Hibbard's letter—and filing it away for future use.)

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How To Build A Tree Blind

(Continued from page 13)

little bearing on whether deer see you. They say deer see things in shades of gray—much as we do a black and white photograph.

If this is true, deer would notice a sharp distinction between colors, even though they can't distinguish the specific coloration. Camouflage clothing is effective because the many patterns are so run together, so to speak, that it looks like a part of the many shades of gray in the woods.

I think this is probably why the old-time rifle hunters liked the checkered shirts and pants. The deer didn't see the sharp outline of the man: he saw the many tiny globs of gray rather than a solid color silhouette of a human. Anyhow, I use camouflage and it bolsters my confidence.

The selection of a tree blind is roughly determined by the habits of the deer in your locality. But, there are some determining factors that apply anywhere in the country.

If there are several runways that lead from an area and you have trouble selecting one, try an old market hunting trick of some duck gunners. Hang some clothing that has human scent at the entrances of several of the trails you don't want the deer to travel and you often channel the deer right past your blind.

Most of the successful archers I know have certain procedures they follow when hunting deer from a tree blind. With a sharp knife or axe they usually trim away any brush that might interfere with the arrow's flight. For those who have a tough time estimating distance, or those

using sights, it's a good idea to mark yardage to points where a shot might occur. A simple way to do this is to put a small blaze on a tree that is 10 yards away, two blazes for 20 yards, three for 30 yards, etc.

One of the slickest tricks I've heard of in years is one performed by a violator in Pennsylvania who took five deer with the bow in a very short time—illegally, of course.

His gimmick, after studying the deer's habit to a T, was to get the deer to stop at a pre-determined place near his tree blind, thus insuring an easy and deadly shot. He took several apples, a favorite food of deer, crushed them and pushed them under the leaves along the path.

Most bowmen who have killed several deer and had a good chance to observe the animal's reactions say the deer will nearly always hunch downward a little at the twang of the bowstring when the arrow is released. They insist that it is advisable to aim a few inches lower than you intend on hitting to compensate for the animal's reactions. Perhaps this is yet another reason so many bowmen tell of the arrow "that just went over the deer's back."

Anise oil is another gimmick. I had a conservative archer (a fellow I only catch stretching the truth once in a while) tell me that on several occasions after applying a few drops of the oil to his boots, the deer would walk toward him in his tree blind with their nostrils flared, evidently highly interested in the attractive odor. Two game wardens have claimed the same thing. It may be worth a try.

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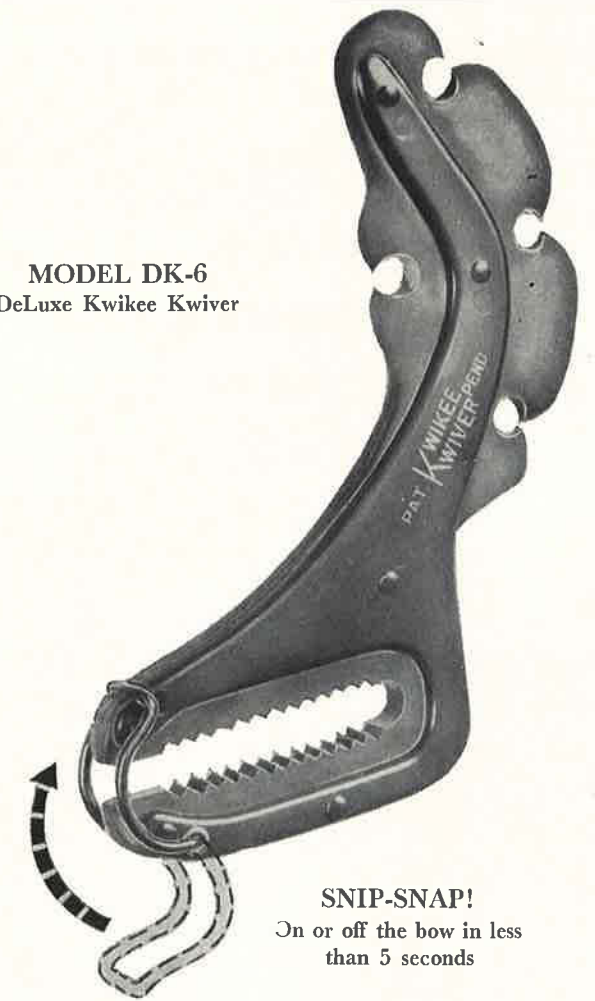
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Lars Edburg, Celia Walters Win Overall State Champ Titles, Take Target Crowns, Too; Field Won By John Heilman, Patti Bailey, Inst., Mrs. Walters And Jack Sherman, FS

By CLAYTON B. SHENK
(Secretary, PSAA)

Pennsylvania's overall archery champions—meaning that they had the highest combined target and field scores from the two PSAA state tournaments—are a 19-year-old student and a 48-year-old grandma.

The student is Lars Edburg, Berwick. He carded a 758/742 Americans with a 957 York to win the target championships, shot over the Labor Day week-end at State College. Then the next week he scored 482/505/468 to place second in the state field, held on the Bloomsburg Archer's course in northeast Pennsylvania.

The PSAA ladies champ is Celia Walter, Selinsgrove. She won field freestyle honors with 392/388/408, took target with 2520.

380 attended the field tournament. The field champs, meaning instinctive, are: Men: John Heilman, Bethlehem, who shot 435/460/454 for 1349. Dick Barr was next with 1245, followed by Marlin R. Fox. Women: 19-year-old Patti Bailey, Meadville, whose 339/363/282 for a 984 beat the 915 of Eleanor Hummel, Stowe.

The top men's freestyler was Jack Sherman, New

Castle, who turned in a 488/476/504 (agg. 1468) to beat young Edburg and third spot Randall Buckley, whose total was 1415. In the ladies' freestyle, Irene Hook, Bloomsburg, was runner up to Celia Walters. Dan Rauch was the top instinctive intermediate boy, 1015, while Danny Schatzer, Chambersburg, took freestyle inter boy with a sensational 457/455/464. Johnny Fehr, of Telford (you've seen his name often in this column, will see it a lot more, I'll bet) was second with 1158. Ed Lawton was best in junior instinctive (721) with Lewis Walter II ditto freestyle.

In the Labor Day target tournament (many who competed had never shot target before!) Betsy Hibbard was runner-up to Celia, and George Slinzer, Luzerne, came next to Edburg. Danny Schatzer won for the intermediates and Andrea Maikut was winning junior girl; she's under 12, by the way, and shot a 260 clout. Speaking of that event, John Hibbard scored a 304 out of a possible 324, and Carole Meinhardt did fantastically well, too. At the target event, Jane Waite, Tyrone, was the top non-am for the gals and Jay Peake won for the men.

The 1962 field championship tournament is set for Greencastle, on the courses of the Conococheague Archers . . . we've got a state indoor team championship shoot slated for April at State College.

So much for that. Like some 65,000 to 75,000 Keystone Staters, I'm forgetting about scores and going hunting. As just about every PSAA member knows by now, our season commences on Monday, Oct. 2, and runs through Friday, Oct. 27, no Sunday hunting. Because we're the biggest bowhunting state, the entire nation will be watching us. So let's do a good job!

The Road Ahead:

NFAA Executive Secretary, Who'll Write Us A Column Every Month, Reports On Association Projects

By JIM CAVANAUGH
(Executive Secretary, NFAA)

The editor of BOWHUNTING has asked me to prepare a short monthly column for his magazine. I'm happy to oblige. The column will consist of thumbnail sketches of what's going on in NFAA headquarters, a bustling place these days. One of our prime goals is a well-informed membership. I might add that I welcome your letters of suggestion, and we at national HQ want to know what you're thinking and what your problems are.

Headquarters is engaged currently in a series of projects:

1. In cooperation with the Boy Scouts of America, we're re-writing the archery merit badge pamphlet.

2. NFAA and the National Rifle Assn. currently are working on a Bowhunter Safety Program. Details are scheduled for release about the first of the year. NRA says that it asked NFAA for help on this over three years ago. The way organized archery has been sitting on its thumbs, it's no wonder our sport has stagnated. We all seem to be waiting for someone else to do what has to be done.

3. A camp program for youngsters is being developed. (BOWHUNTING's editorial on programs for juniors didn't fall on deaf ears.) Our whole junior program is being studied. It doesn't offer the youngster much recognition in its present form. We've been so wrapped up in ourselves that we've relegated the juniors to second-class status. This is poor. The strength of our sport tomorrow lies in today's youngsters.

4. Although NFAA has for years pioneered archery instruction, the present program is inadequate. But we now have a really fine group working on the instruction question. It is headed by Dave Keaggy, Mich., and it is turning in top quality work.

5. The second edition of the Hunting Manual will be ready for the printer in Dec. It will have little resemblance to the first edition. Its intent: information and education, attractively presented.

6. A Bowhunter's Jamboree is being studied as a possibility. This would mark the return of the broadhead to competition, and is intended to be a fun affair for ye olde average archers. Nothing firmed up on this as yet. I'd welcome ideas for such an event.



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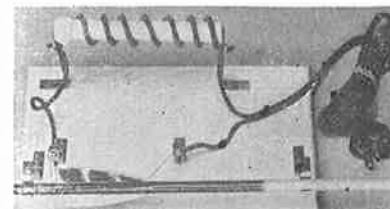
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By BOB OETTING

(Bowhunting's Minnesota Correspondent)

Weather which alternated from the hot and muggy to the wet and cold—it was 50 degrees the second day—didn't seem to hurt the top archers at the Minnesota Archery Association's championship tournament, shot over the Labor Day week-end on the Cedar River Archers' course at Austin.

It's a toughie at best, what with 28 each of field, hunter and animal—plus an International and an American.

A lot of the excitement centered on the gal's freestyle field fight. It was won by Joan Bollum—in spite of the fact that *Pat Krause shot a 528 animal!* But Joan, down 9 pts. after the field and animal, had a hot hunter round and won with 1383. She shot an 1819 target to win MSAA freestyle honors with 3202.

Bob Kadlec, shooting as a pro, had 1007 after the field and hunter—and turned in a 532 animal. He had an 1880 target for a final 3419 agg. Top freestyle amateur man's field score was that of Iowa's Orion Seebach, whose aggregate was 1508. But the MSAA title went to Haven Rinehart, who had a 1494 field and, like Kadlec, an 1880 target. His International beat Bob's—even though he sent two arrows over the target because he forgot to change his sight setting.

Floyd Ragen, Redwood Falls, set three field marks as he won instinctive honors; his combined field and target was 3442. Top non-sighter gal was Dode Sackett, Owatonna. Though placing second in field and target, her overall score (2339) was good enough.

After the field and hunter, Bob Sevey was ahead of Kadlec by two points with 1009 . . . a lot of tension and grimness at the shoot . . . little time for laughter . . . fantastic pressure . . . don't forget, the general level of competitive archery in the Gopher State is about the highest anywhere. If you get to be a champ in Minnesota, you've passed all the tests.

Deer season underway until Oct. 31. Bob Kadlec hunting antelope in S.D. and 20 Coon Rapid members after mulies in Montana. More on hunting next month!

WISCONSIN

**Clayt Sherman Proves His Skill At
Field Archery In State Championships;
495 In West Allis Merchandise Shoot**

By CHUM BOHR

(Bowhunting's Wisconsin Correspondent)

The 14th annual Wisconsin Field Archery Assn. championship tournament, shot on the courses of the Marshall Bluff Bowhunters of Monticello, proved that Madison's Clayt Sherman, runner-up at the FITA world championship event, is just as much at home in field as in target.

Clayt shot a 909 to win in the freestyle division, and Richard Mason, Beloit, was top instincor with 806. Top non-am man was Racine's Jim Meyers, 871.

For the gals, it was Pat Skiera in the bare-bow division and Marsha Riley in freestyle. The best non-am gal was Esther Paczkowski. Elling Haugen and Marge Johnson were tops in Heavy Tackle; Dennis Hulbert's 744 copped intermediate honors for the boys, and Nancy Weiss won for the girls. Glenn Schultz was top intermediate boy sighter; Pat Sanders and Joan Schumacher were junior girls' winners.

The preparation for this tournament was outstanding; courses were imaginatively laid out, and the practice headquarters and camping areas left nothing to be desired.

Interesting guests at the tournament . . . one was Bob Zimmerman, Wisconsin's Secretary of State; Mr. Zimmerman had read about the shoot in the *Madison State Journal* and drove down to have a look. Ten minutes after his arrival, he had everyone calling him Bob. I had the honor of showing him around and, the Tuesday after the tournament, I received a note expressing his appreciation of the shoot. He enclosed a clipping; the next day, he sent another one. I can't think of a better way to promote our sport than to invite state officials to important archery events.

Crawford Booth, of Wing Archery, came all the way from Texas for the shoot; he told me that his company is represented at every tournament, no matter how big or how small, in Texas. At Monticello, Crawford made plenty of friends. Paul Clanin, Bear Archery representative, was on hand, and I won a beer from him during our first round. Lost one the second round.

Dan Brey and I made out and distributed a questionnaire to find out what is *right* with archery, what keeps archers interested, etc. We got a 90% return. These results will be printed in a later issue. Just scanning 'em, we realize we're in for some surprising conclusions.

495 archers attended the West Allis Merchandise Shoot over Labor Day. The club is Wisconsin's largest—and one of the largest in the country. There's immense pride in the fine facilities. And members present themselves with the same pride, neat and clean, just the way archers should appear in public. At the event, competitors shot the club's North American Big Game Round. Archers shot 14 field targets, then 14 animal targets from the field stakes with field scoring. These targets were big, and scores were from 50 to 100 points higher. These scores sent the archers home happy—and with pleasant thoughts of the big event.



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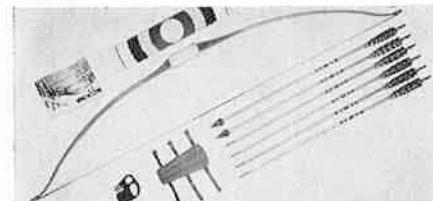
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**TFAA's Sutton Working
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By CHIA WOODS
(Bowhunting's Texas Corr.)

Glenn Sutton, chairman of the Texas Field Archery Assn. Heavy Tackle Committee, is working to interest the nation's archers in preserving and improving the NFAA Heavy Tackle Division.

Sutton, division runner-up at '61's National, aware that NFAA plans a January vote on whether or not the division will continue, feels that heavy tackle shooting should remain a part of the National tournament and be promoted for hunting practice and "fine competition."

He proposes that NFAA members "talk up" the division; that a "simplified" classification system be created (there is none now) with 0-199, 200-374 and 375 up being the classes; that minimum bow weights be 50 lbs. for men, 35 lbs. for women; that arrows be wood only with the existing minimum weights, 4 1/2" min. fletch, and field points.

Sutton cites the lack of classification within the division as the reason for the tiny Heavy Tackle registration at Crystal Springs.

And he is anxious to enlist the support of all NFAA archers in his quest to make Heavy Tackle a meaningful part of the NFAA program. Sutton's address is 511 Cordell, Houston 9.

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**Nancy Describes The Emotion-Filled
Victory Ceremony In Norwegian City**

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Scandinavia and parts of Europe to an extent undreamed of in the U.S.—and by the press. When the scores were official, the podium was set up on the field, and we donned our uniform jackets with the proud red, white and blue shield.

I was escorted to the top step of the podium by Mr. Honne and given a huge bouquet of red, white and blue carnations. Mr. Oscar Kessels, the former FITA president, pinned the gold medal on me.

Then, from a silent stadium, came the strains of the Star Spangled Banner. It never has sounded so beautiful to me. The ceremony was repeated for Joe Thornton who, I'm sure, had the same emotions. The other individual winners and the teams mounted the podium.

That night a dinner-dance was held for all contestants. It was a lovely affair—made all the more enjoyable because the terrific tension was gone. Cinderella never had a better time than Grace Frye and I did. The dance was unusual in that, in Norway, it's daylight until quite midnight.

Interestingly, the music was furnished by a quartet of Norwegian rock and rollers, repleat with sideburns. Crazy, man, crazy!

The following night the official banquet was held and the awards were made; the place was a glamorous restaurant overlooking the sea. It was nothing short of spectacular. With all the lights out the waiters carried in trays topped by burning candles.

Q: Tell us something about the scores, Nancy.

A: Joe set a new world record with his 2310, beating out the old one, 2247, set in '59 by Jim Caspers. He also cracked Jim's 90 mtr. record (509 to 462) and O. K. Smathers' 50 mtr. mark. The men's team (Thornton, Sherman, Bednar) set a new record of 6601.

My score was 2173, and it broke my friend Carole Meinhart's old mark of 2120. I also set a record for both the single and double 50 metres. Our team (me, Frye, Cook) set a new record with 6376.

Clayt Sherman was second for the men with 2188, and Jorma Sandelin was just three points behind him. My 2173 beat England's Laurie Fowler by just seven points! The competition was awfully close and awfully tough because you knew you were shooting for your country. And, unlike tournaments at home, there were

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hundreds and hundreds of people watching, not to mention those thousands of TV viewers. It's very hard to convey this.

Q: Can you sort of sum up, Nancy, and tell us about your homecoming?

A: A brief summing up is impossible! On the way home, I left the team at Copenhagen for a ten-day trip through Europe; I went to Geneva, Paris and London. I saw many wonderful sights and visited some of the archers I'd met. In London, I was entertained by Larry and Laurie Fowler—the gal who, but for seven points, would be the world champion! The Fowlers are among the nicest people I've ever met.

My arrival in Cincinnati, my home town, was—well, a dream-come-true story.

And I'd like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the NAA. The team was great, and I have memories I'll cherish forever. Being a part of something so big and so wonderful is something that is hard to express.

Many factors make for a winning team. Clayton Shenk contributed immensely to our team, your team. A great deal of my success was due to Clayton and Peggy Shenk. As the team leader, he stood four-square behind us all, worked for us, encouraged us. He was wonderful, and I can't stress enough how much our success was due to his kindness. The cuff links which the team presented him were but a small token of our appreciation for his "six gold" leadership.

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"No, I hunt instinctively. I love the thrill of hunting without a sight. When I see a scorecard, I want to fill the card with the highest scores I possibly can; that's why I shoot a sight in competition. But deer hunting? Strictly instinctive for me!" ▼

Jerry Amster
San Diego, Cal.



George Crissman
Milroy, Pa.

▲ "I changed to a sight for hunting because I found I could place my shots better—and that's what counts, isn't it? I've killed one deer each way. I sit down, measure off the distances to a crossing or a particular tree and set the sight. I use a field anchor."

Willard Wood
Watertown, N. Y.



"Yes, I do. I have two pin sights, one fixed at 20 yards, the other at 40. I bracket for the in-between distances. I'm a member of the Black River Valley Archers, and many of the members hunt with sights. And they get deer, too!"

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Max Hamilton
Flagstaff, Ariz.



James Caspers
Racine, Wisc.

▲ "Yep, and I shoot carp with a sight, too, setting it at point blank, which is good up to 15 yards. As for deer, my sight is set at 33 yards, which is a good compromise. I work from that. Success? I've killed one deer. I've lost count of the carp."

Raymond Luehmann
Mason City, Iowa



"No. I can shoot instinctively, and I feel that a sight would slow me down in the hunting field and make things too complicated. I shoot a field course with sights to help me zero in on the longer targets—in other words, to keep my score up. For bowhunting, I don't need it."

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Jason Moore
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Bill Holland
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▲ "No, I never have, although I've used a sight for field and target about a year and a half. However, I think I'll try a fixed sight, setting about 40 yards, this year. I'll use my old instinctive field anchor."

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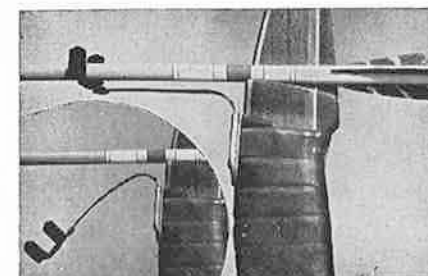
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Guess Who Won The State Field Titles? You're So Right—Copensky And Weber!

By BOB DEGENHARDT
(Bowhunting's New Jersey Correspondent)

It's getting to be traditional. Every year, in BOWHUNTING's September issue, we report that the Garden State's field championship tournament, sponsored by SFAA-NJ, has been won by Wally Copensky and Ann Weber.

Well, they won it again, in late August at the Musconetcong Bowmen's course near Phillipsburg.

Only this year, Wally almost got bounced by a youngster who's been an archer just a year—Bob Akin, of Piscataway Township.

Wally shot a 457 field, 425 hunter, 458 animal, agg. 1340. Akin was only eight points behind him at the finish. The lad's field was 424, his hunter only 398. In fact, they put him, just before the last round, in fourth place, behind Charles Hocknell and Mike Drozdek.

But Akin's animal round was a sensation—a 510, which included 25 out of a possible 28 first arrow hits and 17 twenties and set a new state record and second place. Hocknell and Drozdek placed third and fourth.

Ann Weber had a 398 field, 346 animal, 357 hunter, agg. 1101. That put her 73 points ahead of 18-year-old Carol Hastic. Third was Betty Eckman, Fieldboro (952), and fourth was Carol's 14-year-old sister, Eileen, with 829.

Jack Godwin, Milltown, tallied an 1146 to lead intermediate boys; Mary Ann Zipf, North Bergen, led the inter girls and Lester Cole, Oxford, won for the junior boys.

Jersey Notes: The Ridgewood Archers announce that their Nov. 12 open field shoot *will not* be a money event; they report that the "Loot Shoot" designation on the schedule card is a misprint . . . proceeds of the Bill Peters Memorial Shoot, held on the Musconetcong course by a group of the late archer's friends, totaled \$530. The money was turned over to Mrs. Peters.

An annual archery trophy, sponsored by L. Bamberger & Co., the big

Las Vegas Hotel And NFAA Plan A Big Money Tournament For March

Here's some fantastic news: Las Vegas' Hotel Sahara, in conjunction with the NFAA, is planning a money shoot with March 16-18 as the tentative dates.

The proposed purse will be at least \$6000, perhaps \$10,000. The hotel will handle all the publicity—which may include TV coverage. NFAA will run the shoot, tentatively scheduled to be a field-type event to be held in a huge auditorium.

That auditorium is the Las Vegas Convention Center, and it has 90,000 square feet of floor space. We hear that some sort of indoor field round will be created for the tournament. The Center (we've seen a brochure) is unbelievable.

Name of the tourney is the Sahara National Open. BOWHUNTING will keep you informed.

That Big Buck Contest

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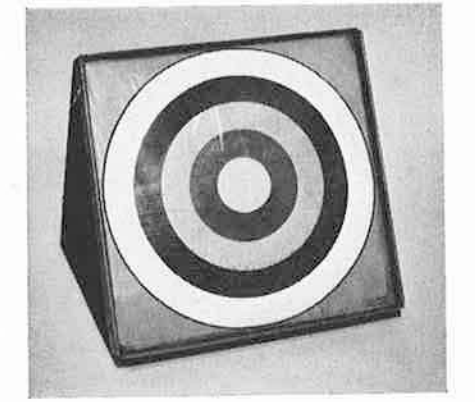
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or two such spots, on it. On approaching the target it became obvious that lines had been drawn on it, and the single yellow spot became a man carrying a lantern or the two yellow spots turned out to be the headlights of a car.

One of the hottest days this year did not daunt Saskatchewan archers from turning out in force to their Provincial Field Championships at Humbolt. The 1961 champions are Lorne Walker of Humbolt with a score of 294. Ladies division was won by Eileen Walsh of Saskatoon and Jim McMillan of Regina topped the juniors.

At the 3rd Canadian Boy Scouts Jamboree held at Ottawa, Ontario, hundreds of kids learned a great deal about the fascinating sport of archery. They were given not less than one hours instruction in shooting and safety by members of the Ottawa Bowmen Inc. on the Connaught range in the Capital City. Two groups of about one hundred scouts shot a Jr. American Round.

In the Province of Saskatchewan bowhunters have been awarded a 27 day season on deer this year, extending from October 2-28. Almost all of the province is open, including the Crystal Beach Game Preserve, located approximately 60 miles south-west of Saskatoon.

Resident archers may also hunt, and take, a second deer in Game Zones 2 and 18 to 35 incl. during the open season for archers, or the regular season, upon the purchase of a second deer seal. Last year the archers there enjoyed a 10% success during the archery season.

A word of warning to archers who live south of the border and plan to hunt in Canada. Some U.S. states have restrictions on the amount of game that may be taken home and visiting Americans should check these with their state authorities. A U.S. customs declaration for the entry of game, animals and birds (Form 3315) must accompany all shipments of game entering the U.S. from Canada. These forms should be procured at their customs when entering Canada.

On the social calendar for Ontario we find that the Hunting & Field Archers of Ontario are holding their Annual Banquet at the Palm Grove Motel in East London on #2 highway on 14th & 15th October. Registration opens at noon and is followed by a Bow-ing Round. In the evening there will be the crowning of the king and queen of Ontario Archery (winners of the afternoon shoot) plus a dance and buffet supper. On Sunday morning there will be a club representatives meeting followed by the banquet and presentation of trophies. The cost will be: Adults \$5.00 for both days or \$2.50 for Sunday only. Juniors under 12, \$2.50 for both days and \$1.25 for Sunday only.

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By TOM BLAKE

(155 Roxbury St., Keene, New Hampshire)

Vincent Kacerguis of Woodbury, Conn., and Mrs. Carol Balkus of North Scituate, R. I., won senior championship titles in the 10th New England Field Archery Championship Tournament.

An official registration of 831 archers from the six-state region met at Belnap Recreation Area, Gilford, N. H., for the 56-target event on Labor Day weekend.

Copping Intermediate division titles were Dorothy Johnson of Westfield, Mass., and Harry Cafrella of Columbia, Conn. The Junior division experts were Alwin Hasse of Lunenburg, Mass., and Doris Cloutier of Lebanon, N. H.

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The Connecticut State Field Archery Assn. grabbed the men's team award for its third straight victory while the Massachusetts Field Archery Assn.'s women's team was tops on the distaff side.

Kacerguis, a dairy and poultry farmer with an expert knowledge of archery, grabbed the elusive prize after five years of trying. He was runnerup in 1959 and '60.

Using a bow of his own design and make ("Beauty by Kacerguis"—70", 37 lbs.), Vin shot a 440 field round on opening day then came back with a 430 animal score for 870-point total. He blanked one animal target.

Placing second was '57 champ Bob Ferris of Cos Cob, Conn., with scores of 424 field and 422 animal for 846. Incidentally, Bob was also using a Kacerguis bow. He blanked two animal targets in the final 14 after a shakening experience of nearly being hit by a stray shaft.

In third place was defending titlist Chick Ward, Keene, N. H., shooting a 400 field score and 440 animal for an 840 total. He zipped the first target in the animal round.

Carol Balkus went back to shooting a 36 lb. Howatt Mamba bow with which she won the tournament in '59 to post the top women's score. She had the best field round—297, and paired it with a 324 animal round for 621 points.

Second place went to Susan Mitchell of Worcester, Mass., 249 field—346 animal for 595. In third was Kathleen Brown of North Grafton, Mass., 283 field—208 animal for 551.

Mrs. Corrine Enos of Waterford, Conn., defending champ, hit a 259 field score, but was off form in the animal, carding only 234.

Intermediate Harry Cafrella shot 321 field—328 animal for 649, while Dorothy Johnson, a repeat champ, hit 262 field—300 animal for 562, both nice scores.

Twelve-year-old Alwin Hasse carded 355 field—448 animal for 804 points, and Doris Cloutier, also 12, hit 121 field—276 animal for 397. For Alwin it was his second N. E. win.

Nearly a thousand spectators watched as the Conn. state team posted a one-arrow win over Massachusetts 1760-1742. N. H. was third, 1636, followed by Me., 1632, R. I., 1616 and Vt., 1510. Shooting for Conn. was Bill Dufresne, Bob Ferris, Vin Kacerguis, and Irving Bryant.

Mass. women won the team contest easily, 1422-1288, over Conn. Third was Maine, 1218, followed by R. I., 1164, N. H., 1103, and Vt., 866. On the winning unit were Rita LeTourneau, Kathleen Brown, Terry Bourne, and Eileen Jones.

Mayor J. Oliva Huot of Laconia presented the Mayor's trophy for the best husband-wife score to Chuck and Gloria Sanders of the Narragansett (R. I.) Bowhunters. They're the '61 state senior champions of Rhody.

In a meeting of the N. E. Field Archery Council, headed by Jim Whiteaker, president, it was voted to hold the 1962 tourney at Gardner, Mass. The Massachusetts association and the Cherokee Bowmen of Gardner will be co-hosts.

Tourney color: N. E. archers are justly proud of the 831 tourney registration figure, highest in history, and point out that it surpassed this year's national . . . six courses handled the crowd and, with exception of the gal's course there was little congestion. The women were so provoked with the tie-ups however, that they circulated a petition for better shooting conditions. . . . Whitey Edson, NFAA executive committeeman for New England, presented championship certificates . . . Vin Kacerguis is a bowhunter too—five deer kills . . . Bob Condon, the Mass. state champ carded the best animal round, 456 . . . Four of five members of the Richard Donovan family, Agawam, Mass., took trophies in the N. E. event, the Agawam Bowmen Club had eight winners, largest of any club . . . reps of both the N. H. Bowmen Inc., and the Belnap Bowmen received plaudits for their fine running of the tourney.



Here's Vince Kacerguis, Bethlehem, Conn., winner of the big New England Regional. He shoots a 70" bow of his own design. He's several times his state's champ

Here's The Word On Bowhunting In The Northeastern States; Most Seasons Scheduled For October

By TOM BLAKE

"First catch your deer . . ." is the admonition given in an old-time New England recipe for venison stew.

Armed with bows and broadheads many a hunter will try this fall to "catch" a deer. Bowhunting is lawful in all six of the northeastern states.

Maine:

Maine is proud of the outstanding hunting records which have been established in the Pine Tree State over the years.

Bucks weighing more than 400 lbs. live weight have been taken here. Last season was the 13th in a row in which the deer harvest topped 35,000 animals. The harvest in '60 was 37,774.

Eight years ago, for the first time, two counties in Maine were granted a special bowhunting season for deer. Now the area has been extended to include the entire state.

The pre-season dates for Zone 1, southern Maine, extend from Oct. 1-31; Zone 2, eastern Maine, Oct. 1-26; and Zone 3, northern Maine, Oct. 1-14.

The resident archery license is \$4.25, and the non-resident tag \$10.25 available from Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Game, Augusta, Me.

Parents are reminded that no youngster 16 years of age or under may hunt in Maine unless accompanied at all times by parent or guardian or an adult approved by parent or guardian.

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There possibly could be a light tracking snow in some of the northern parts of Maine during the bow season, as early as it comes in the Fall.

In an effort to stop jacking of deer, Maine has made it illegal to illuminate deer after dark from Oct. 1 to Dec. 5.

Vermont:

Bowhunting for both buck and doe in the Green Mountain State begins at 6 a.m. on Oct. 14 for 16 consecutive days.

Bowmen will note that the shooting hours, 6 a.m. to 5 p.m., are relative to Eastern Standard Time and not Daylight Saving Time as in past season.

Since daylight saving time is still in effect here in October actually the hunter can begin the stalk at 7 a.m. with a 6 p.m. deadline.

Alden Jackman of West Brattleboro, a charter member of the Vermont Bowmen Inc., was instrumental in fighting for the standard time rule. Its big advantage is that hunters may be afield in the dusk period when deer



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A new state mark of 260 deer taken by bowhunters was set last fall. The total whitetail harvest was 11,164, the third highest on record. The kill of more than 11,000 antlered deer over a 16 day gun-16 day archery season indicates a large deer herd.

Windsor, Rutland, Orange and Windham counties were tops in the harvest figures. Norwich in Windsor County was the top producing township. Others in the top ten were Newbury, Thetford, Strafford, (all in Orange), Castleton, Benson, (Rutland), Chester, Sharon, Bethel, and Hartford, all in Windsor County.

Non-resident license fees have been increased to \$22 for the hunting tag and \$3.50 for the archery tag. Resident fees remain at \$2.25 for hunting and \$1.00 for the archery license.

Licenses may be bought at any town clerk's office or from the Fish & Game Service, Montpelier, Vt.

New Hampshire:

Pre-season bowhunting in my home state is open Oct. 12 through 31 in the Northern Zone, and from Nov. 11 to 30 in the Southern Zone. In Bear Brook State Park the bow dates are Oct. 31 to Nov. 30.

The new Northern Zone deer line begins at a point just above Haverhill on the Connecticut River and roughly follows the Appalachian Trail through the White Mts. to emerge above North Chatham at the Maine border. Maps of the zone boundary are available from the F. & G. Dept. Concord.

Hunting pressure is certainly light in New Hampshire. License sales to archers in 1958 totaled 1218, in '59 there were 997 sold and in '60 only 902 bought the tag. Less than a dozen to 15 animals have been taken yearly.

Resident hunting license fees are \$3.50, and the pre-season bow tag \$3.00. Non-resident is \$25.25 for hunting and \$4.00 for archery. A non-res. may buy a special tag to hunt pre-season only for \$10. Available from Fish & Game Dept., Bridge St., Concord.

Bowmen are required to notify a conservation officer within 24 hours of their deer kill.

An extensive study of the Cheshire County deer herd was made during the winter by F & G biologists. They estimated the deer population to be in excess of 1400 and they believe sportsmen should be able to harvest 700 deer this fall.

Effective Oct. 1 to Dec. 10 is an open season on black bear. A law has just been passed protecting the bruin at other times of the year.

Coos and Grafton counties are the best bear hunting spots and November the most productive time. A state record of 137 bear was set last fall.

If you plan to hunt the north country in the October pre-season for deer the township of Pittsburg usually ranks high in kill figures. It's located near the Connecticut Lakes.

Rhode Island:

This state's season runs Oct. 1-31—and Jan. 5-25. All state reservations except park areas are open to bowhunters and, in general, any of the rest of the state with permission of the particular landowner.

A bowhunting permit in addition to a hunting license is required. Resident fee is \$5, non-res. \$20. Licenses are \$3.25 for resident, \$10.25 non-res. Last year, six deer were taken, 261 permits issued.

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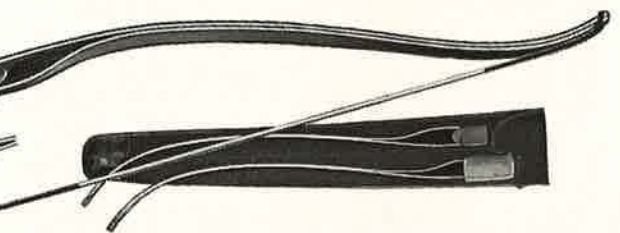
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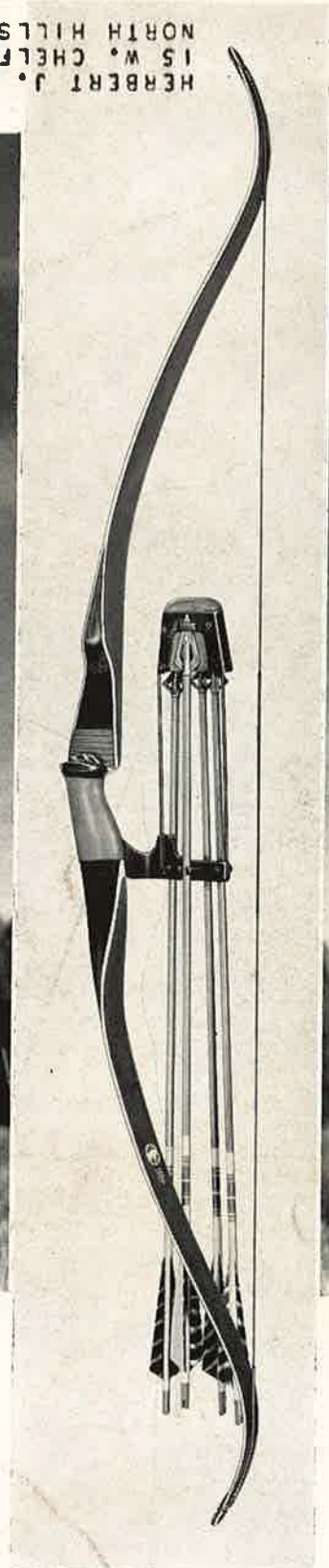
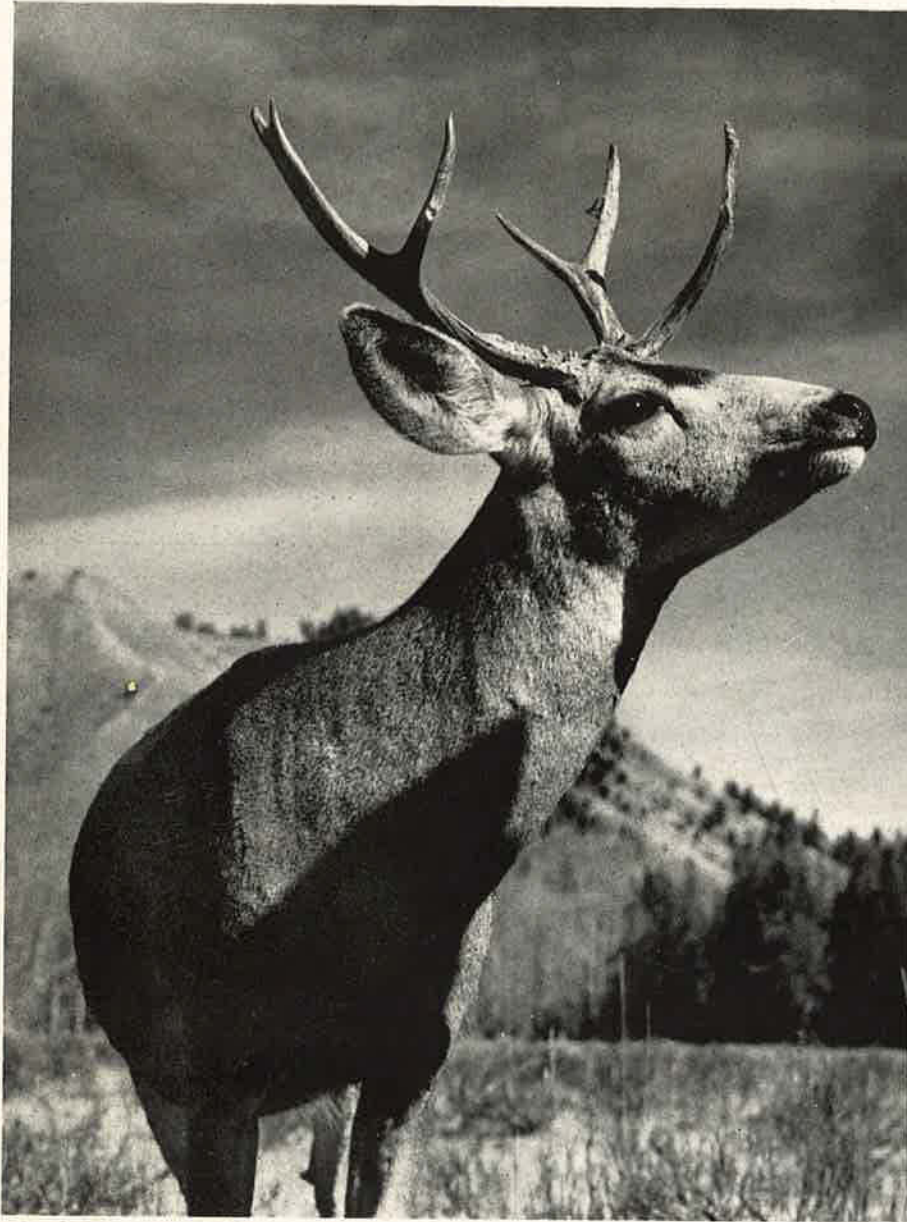
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