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March 23, 1963

Mr. Click Relander  
1212 North 32nd Ave.  
Yakima, Washington

Dear Click:

Thanks for promptly sending the story of the Yakima Indians survival against great odds. I enjoy reading these stories of the real natives of this great country of our--in fact, I like all historical stories. Reading these of yours are more enjoyable because of having known you--it makes me feel real good to hear of one of our own boys make good.

I was happy to hear you are going to make an effort to visit us here this summer. You will have a lot of fun meeting the old gang and I know they will be happy to see you--it shall be quite a treat since it has been so many years since we got together for a meeting. It should be real nice to talk over old times with you. I certainly hope you shall be able to come down and see all of us.

Around June 20th Mother and I leave for our annual fishing trip to Pend O'Reille Lake in Idaho. We have been going up there four or five years now. We like to go there--the fishing is very good and we always bring around 300 fish home for my gang here at the office. They certainly love those Kokamas trout we get up there.

Yesterday was my 72nd birthday and the girls at the office gave me a surprise birthday party at the office. They had cake and punch for me and the entire gang down here. It was very nice for them to do this for me.

Bub and Bea, my son and daughter are sure helping me out with keeping the business going. Things are going along fine. We are having some much needed rain today--so maybe this will make our farmers feel much better and of course this will help our business. Work has been fair--but if we don't get some more water back in the ground there won't be any to pump out--and this won't help our business.

Last fall we went back to Jackson Hole for our usual antelope hunt and the gang went out Saturday and all had our animals and was back in camp by two o'clock. I have a four wheel, six passanger, international pick-up to do my hunting with. I got darn tired of sitting out in the back of these pick-ups and freezing--I am getting to age where I want and need a little comfort when I do my hunting. Bub and I have taking the truck to Montana to hunt deer with and we certainly appreciated it up there--it was so cold--it was so bad up there this last fall that we didn't go hunting.



Page 2- Mr. Click Relander:-

Well thanks again for sending the book to me and also for telling me about your work with the Indians--I enjoyed getting your letter very much. When you come to Visalia I surely hope I get to see you and we will have a good time talking over the old times.

Sincerely your old friend,

*Chas. J. Hammer*  
Chas. J. Hammer

P. S. I am enclosing a couple clippings from the Times-Delta for you to read. We had a big shindig at the Moose the other night and this was the write-up about it.





**OLD FRIENDS MEET —**  
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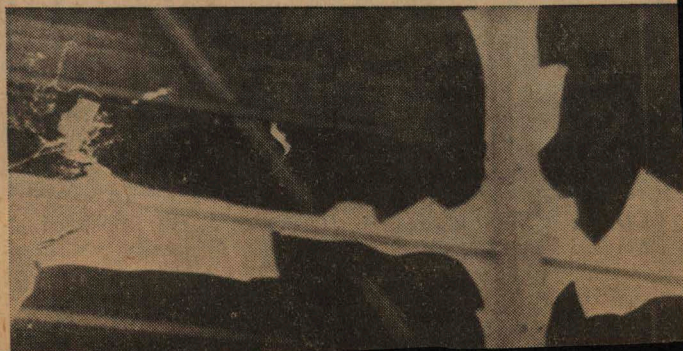
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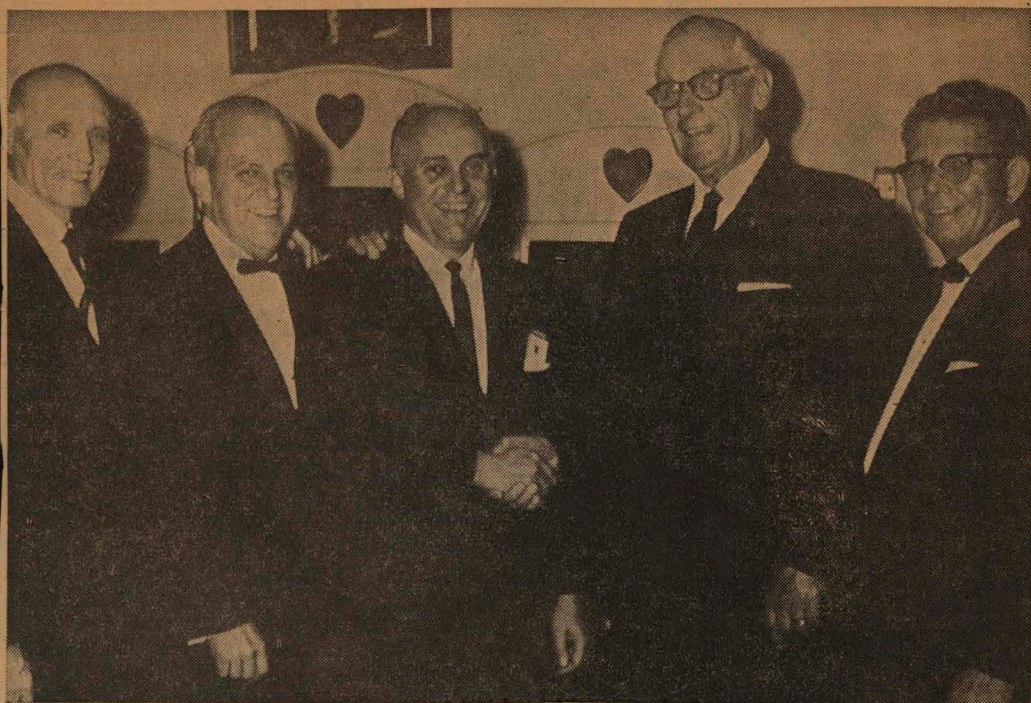
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**MOOSE VISITORS** — Visalia Moose members hosted two of the lodge's prominent officials last night at a dinner and special enroll-

ment. From left in photo are James B. West, regional director; local governor Ted Thompson, B. Lagelle Jeter Jr., who led the class of 86 candidates; Paul P.

Schmitz, Moose director general from Mooseheart, Ill., and Visalia lodge and California state Moose secretary Roy L. Sutton. — Times-Delta photo.

## Visalia Lodge Wins Plaudits From Top Officials Of Moose

Visalia's Moose Lodge was praised as one of the best in the nation last night by two top officials of the order.

One of them was Paul P. Schmitz, director general of the Loyal Order of Moose, in whose honor the local lodge

last night enrolled a class of 86 candidates.

The other was James B. West, regional director of the order, here from Los Angeles.

**ADDRESSING** the newly enrolled members, Mr.

Schmitz recalled he had been in Visalia several times before. He paid special tribute to Charles J. Hammer, a two-time former governor of Visalia Lodge, whom he met for the first time when Hammer was mayor of Visalia many years ago.

After citing the Visalia lodge for its many accomplishments, Mr. Schmitz outlined for the new members the operation of the Child City at Mooseheart, Ill., a complete city maintained by the order for widows and orphans of Moose members.

Mr. West told the group that every time he came to Visalia, it was just like "coming home," and he declared the Visalia lodge was among the best in the country.

**TONY GOMES**, a Visalia member, received a diamond-studded lapel pin and a gold ring from Mr. Schmitz for having sponsored 75 candidates in the order in the last few years. Mel Steinman was cited for having sponsored 25 candidates.

New members inducted last night are:

Albert E. Flint, Hubert I. Smith, Anthony Main, Frank Cavale, Joe W. Mayhew, Don R. Becker, Richard L. Rivers, Robert K. Blewster, Harold Goeringer.

Harry H. Billerman Jr., Bernard N. Clark, Carl Berry, Paul Bestwick, Jay W. Green, William A. Malick, J. F. Dowd Jr., James P. Coopman, Gerald R. (Gig) Ruddell.

Paul A. Enos, Wayne G. Shelly, Daniel D. Winston, Harold T. Hunt, Charles A. Strong, Bernard Lagelle Jeter Jr., John W. Morgan, Frank Katen, Dodd Yahnian, James Lee Andrews, Harold E. Keller, Gary Bodine, Henry R. Gagnon, Ellis B. Mikel.

**ERNIE S. Vierra**, Leonard S. Lima, George Brase, Carroll D. Alter, James L. Furrow, Dean C. Marshall, Richard Lee Smith, Paul Semchuk, Benjamin M. Sharp, T. Edward Thompson, Wilford Case.

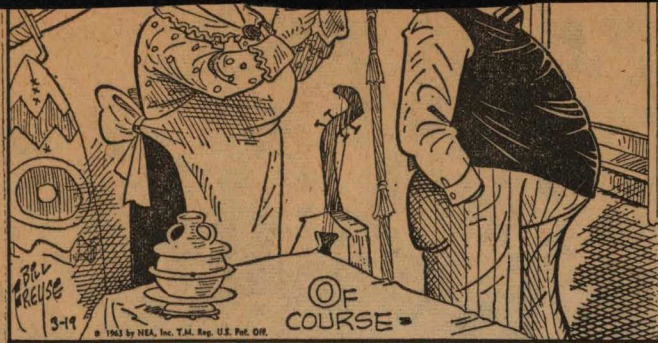
Charles B. Coker, Manuel E. Irvin, Gilbert L. Kessler, Herbert G. Sweeney, Ben Kennedy, Norman Correa, George Summers, George W. Reeves Jr., Chester E. Merritt, Robert E. Merritt, Kenneth E. Conn, Richard A. McCarty.

Kenneth R. Fleeman, Odis G. Thomason, Frank L. Borba, George T. Richardson, Joseph M. Molinari, Hank Borges, Cesare J. Bianchi, Calvin R. Womack, Bobby H. McCowan, James H. Wilcox, Gordon A. Steed, Jim Shaw.

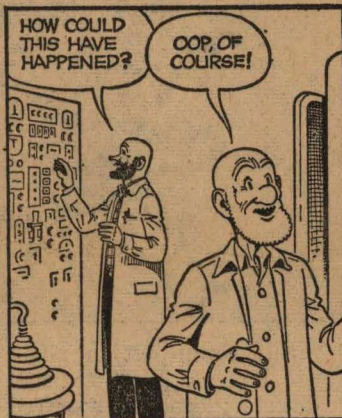
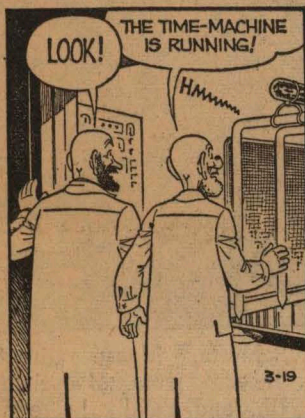
Ray E. Noble, Robert E. Gordon, David Terstegge, Francis Edward McGill, Max E. Williams, Charles W. Carey, Dave Rodrigues, C. B. Corwin, Allen Richard Reese.

Ted Skelton, Jerry Malone, Max West, Ray H. Ege, Lee Hettick, Jerry Lane, Anthony A. Flores, Al C. Silva, Jerome J. Gould, Lester P. Gordon.

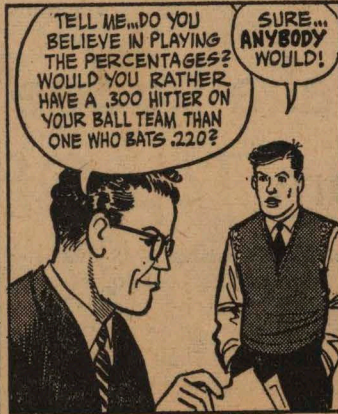




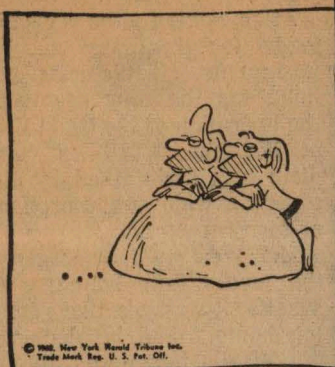
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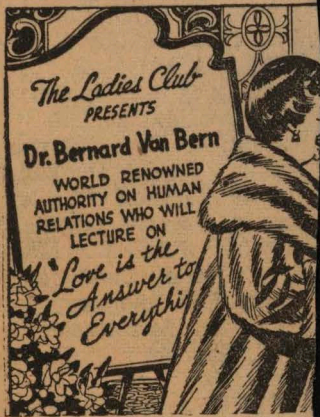


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