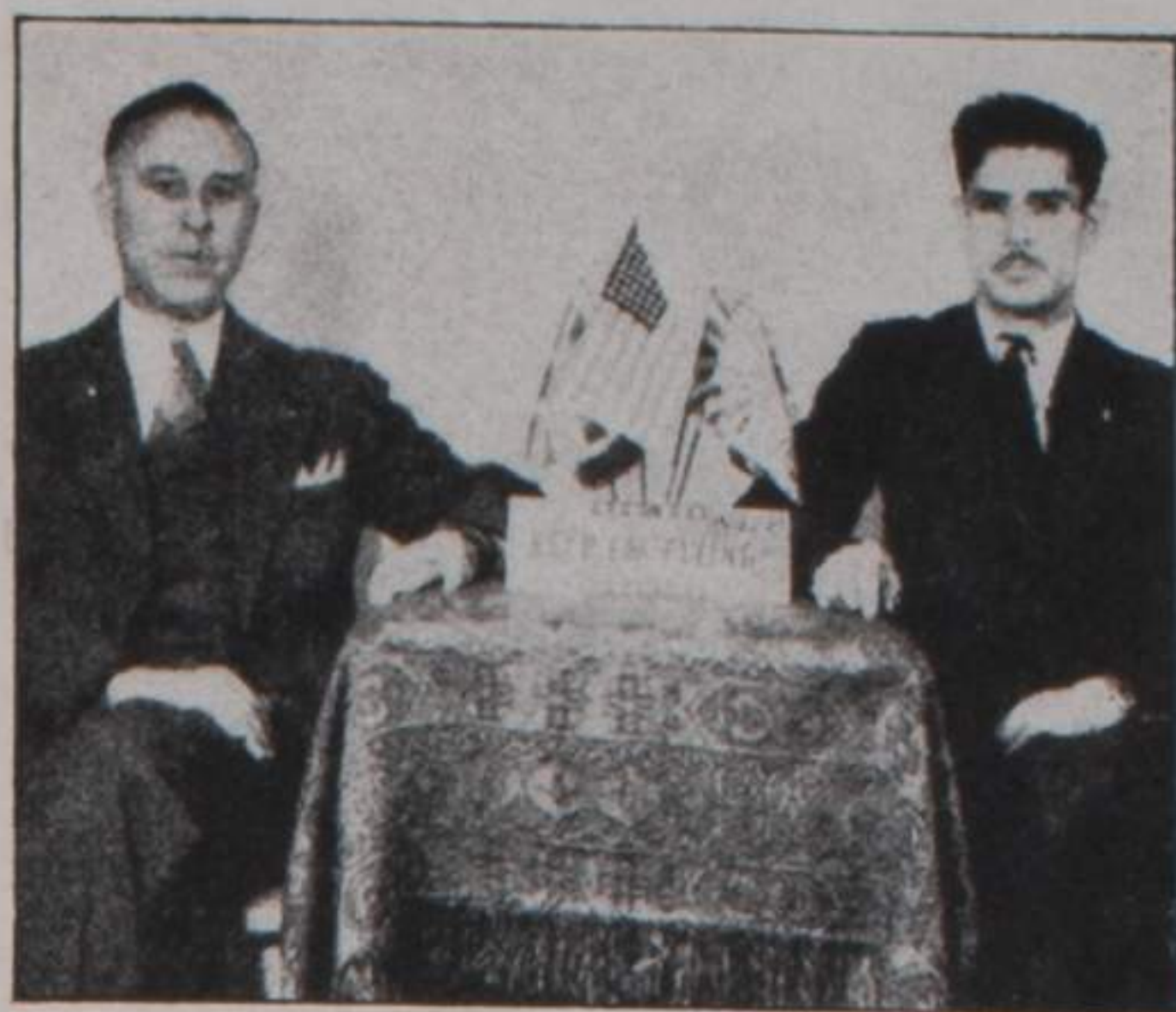


### Las Vegas Camp Officers Boost Woodcraft



Vincent Montoya  
Financial Secretary

Cosme D. Herrera  
Consul Commander

Las Vegas, N. M.—Las Vegas Camp No. 190, in its recent annual election, re-elected Sovereign Cosme D. Herrera as its Consul Commander for 1943. Sovereign Herrera is an ardent booster and the Camp's most enthusiastic member. His motto is: "If you are not a Woodman, you should be one." The Camp was also pleased to confirm the reappointment of Sovereign Vincent Montoya as its Financial Secretary. In addition to serving as the Camp's recorder, Sovereign Montoya is a Field Representative, and his untiring efforts have made Camp No. 190 one of the best in the state of New Mexico. The Las Vegas Camp, under the direction of its capable Consul Commander, its efficient Secretary and the other able officers, plans to make 1943 one of the best years in the Camp's history.

### Victory Meeting Sponsored by Cleveland Camps

Cleveland, Ohio.—The Cleveland Woodmen Camps recently held an enthusiastic joint public installation and Victory gathering in honor of their members who are in the nation's service. National Director William Ruess of Omaha, Neb., was an honored guest and delivered an inspiring address on "Fraternalism." Other distinguished Woodmen present were Head Consul Harry M. Yokum of Columbus and State Manager J. D. Sellers. Each spoke briefly on "Woodcraft." Many Head Camp officers of the Woodmen and the Woodmen Circle were also present.

Head Consul Harry M. Yokum installed the newly-elected officers of the various Camps with appropriate ceremonies. The Cleveland regiment, under the command of Colonel M. L. Tirohn, put on a splendid demonstration of intricate drills.

Dancing and refreshments featured the latter portion of the evening's entertainment. The committee in charge of arranging this rally deserves much credit for its outstanding success.

—Buy U. S. Bonds—

### Widow Appreciates Woodmen Benefits and Services

Mr. De E. Bradshaw, President.  
Dear Sir: I wish to extend my thanks to you for the prompt payment of the benefits on the certificate held by my late husband, John Thomas Jesson, for so many years with the Woodmen. I can speak highly of your organization, and am grateful to your officers and to Financial Secretary J. J. Lamb and the members of Gate City Camp No. 102, Coffeyville, Kans. Thanking you kindly, I am,

Yours truly,

MRS. J. T. JESSON.

Caney, Kans.

### 1943 Sovereign, Head Camp Meetings Postponed


Our Society's 25 Head Camp conventions and the Sovereign Camp meeting scheduled to be held this year have been cancelled by President De Emmett Bradshaw, due to transportation difficulties. The formal announcement of the President's action was contained in a letter sent by National Secretary Newberry, under date of January 5, to all officers and members of the Sovereign Camp, Head Camp officers, and Consul Commanders and Financial Secretaries of Camps.

The letter also called attention to the recent nearly unanimous vote of the Sovereign Camp, which authorized certain amendments to our Society's Constitution, Laws and By-Laws. Among the amendments, Section 28 (a) and Section 139 (a) were changed so that if requested by the government to postpone Head Camp and Sovereign Camp conventions, these meetings could be deferred for not more than two years.


Secretary Newberry's letter also contained a portion of a letter recently received by President Bradshaw from Mr. A. E. Baylis, Executive Assistant to the Director of Traffic Movement. The following is taken from Mr. Baylis' letter, which tells of the increased travel volume due to rapidly increasing military movements and essential business travel:

"It would be helpful in this program if your Society would arrange to cancel its Head Camp meetings as well as its Sovereign Camp meeting during the coming year, handling such essential business as would normally be presented at these meetings by mail. Such action on your part would be a fine contribution to our war transportation task, and I hope that we can look to you for full cooperation."

In spite of some clogged channels and bottlenecks, the rate of American production continued to climb in 1942 until it was more than four times greater than it had been a year before.



## Valentine Greetings



**PAST AND PRESENT**

"Wilt thou be my Valentine?"  
Was great-grandpa's usual line.  
When great-grandson writes today,  
This is what He has to say:

"Won't you be my Sugar Bowl,  
Minus war's strict ration dole?  
And I'll be your Coffee Cup—  
Good, my girl, to the last sup."

—Aletha M. Bonner.

### Georgia Sovereign's Family Is 100 Per Cent Woodcraft



SOVEREIGN S. P. THOMAS AND FAMILY  
Reading from left to right are Sovereign Dossil Thomas, Mrs. S. P. Thomas and Sovereign S. P. Thomas. In foreground is Junior Jackie Thomas.

One of the most enthusiastic groups of Woodmen boosters in the state of Georgia is the 100 per cent Woodcraft family of Sovereign Sam Thomas, a member of Camp No. 1180, Cumming, Ga. The father, who is 41 years of age, has been a Woodman for 10 years. His wife, age 35, has been a Woodman for four years. The two sons—Dossil, age 18, and Jackie, age 10, have been members of our Society for four years.

### Mobile's "Fighting 5th" Accepted 33 Applications for Membership

Mobile, Ala.—Maple Camp No. 5 recently balloted on and accepted 33 applications for membership and three transfer cards. The annual election of officers was also held. The following Sovereigns were chosen as the 1943 staff: G. Hugh Lee, Consul Commander; James A. Burt, Adviser Lieutenant; Milton Denmark, Banker; Walter P. Ludvigsen, Escort; Jasper M. Harper, Watchman; Frank E. Summer, Sr., Sentry, and Greg L. Kenny, Auditor. Examining physicians are Drs. M. A. Cowden, H. R. Cogburn, S. F. Hale, John C. Hope and J. Tunstall Inge. The officers for the ensuing year were installed in January at a public ceremony.

Following a long-established custom, Maple Camp made sizable contributions in 1942 to the Salvation Army, Christmas Tree Fund, Red Cross and the Tubercular and Health Association. Attendance at its meetings is consistently large and enthusiastic, even during bad weather and under the difficult transportation conditions.

### New York Sovereign Named Asst. Attorney General

New York, N. Y.—Colonial Camp No. 249 is proud of its Past Consul Commander, Samson Z. Sorkin, who was recently honored with an appointment as Assistant Attorney General of the state of New York. Sovereign Sorkin is a loyal Woodman and takes an active interest in many civic enterprises.

The following officers, to serve during the year 1943, were elected by Colonial Camp: Consul Commander, Max Arnold; Adviser Lieutenant, Ernest L. Singer; Banker, Gus Frohmann; Escort, Bernie Adler; Watchman and Sentry, Joseph Weiser; Auditors, Joseph Rost, H. W. Bender and M. Grossman. Sovereign Paul Rosenthal is the Financial Secretary.

Colonial Camp sent a Christmas gift to each of the following members, who are in the services: Major C. H. Reader, Sergeant F. O. Rost, Privates B. Marx, A. E. Berger, H. Glasser and F. L. Basha, and Seaman M. J. Janoff.