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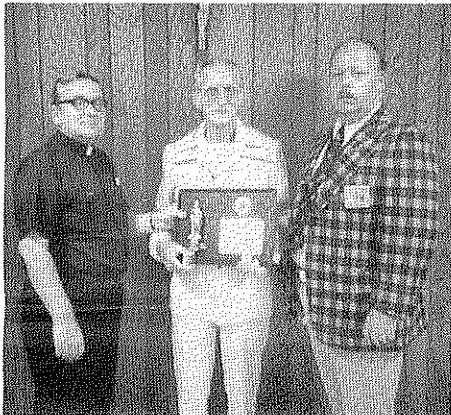
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## Graduation Bond Winners

Union Council #4504 is pleased to announce that the recipients of the Annual Eighth Grade Graduation Savings Bonds, as selected by the faculty of each school, are as follows: Holy Spirit — Arlena Filipowicz and Richard Simone. St. Michael — James McKnight and Therese Chapman. Congratulations to these students.

## Calendar of Events

PLEASE KEEP INSERT OF  
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FOR THE SUMMER



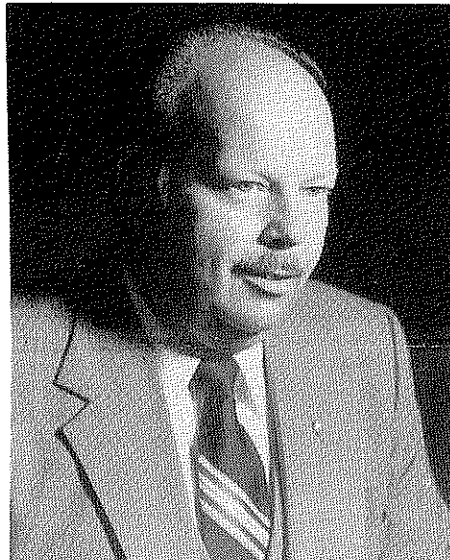
Making presentation at Awards Dinner are left to right: Fr. Ed Swierzbinski Chaplain, Art Weber recipient and D.G.K. Julius Kiss.

## Arthur F. Weber Knight of the Year

Union Council #4504 is happy to welcome Arthur F. Weber into the special group of honored brothers who have been Knight of the Year.

Art has done a tremendous job during the past two years as Church Activities Director. He has also served his church in the Holy Name Society and this Council as an officer in the past. His wife Ethel, and their daughters Faith and Hope, can be proud of the contribution he has made to our brotherhood.

The Officers and Members congratulate our Knight of the Year, 1979, Arthur F. Weber.



## Grand Knight's Installation Address

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic Family Fraternity. Being Catholic first, it is most appropriate that we have our Installation ceremonial here in the sight of God and request His blessings.

This year I am dedicating my administration to, and placing it under the protection of the Holy Family. Therefore, I am placing emphasis on the Council as a Family, and on each of your families as part of our Brotherhood.

The men who have assumed the commitment of service tonight, need the support and understanding of their loved ones.

My gratitude to my wife and children for their patience, understanding and encouragement goes as deep as my love for them.

I ask you to please include in your private prayers a request to the Holy Family to bless our Council, its members and their families during the coming year.

## SPECIAL NOTICE

**Columbian Club Election  
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## Mariner Shield Awards Presented

Each year our council presents two awards to people who have given outstanding service to our community.

This year's Mariner Award goes to Dr. Wm. Brucker. Dr. Brucker has resided in Union for thirty years and has practiced dentistry in his Morris Avenue office since 1946. He has been a member and officer of the Kiwanis Club participating in many community service projects. From 1954-74 he served as Drama and Music Critic for the Union Leader. For seven years he has been a member of the Juvenile Conference Board, helping in the rehabilitation of juveniles in trouble. But perhaps Dr. Brucker is best noted for his chairmanship of the Union 1976 American Bicentennial Celebration, where he was responsible for the culmination of the many patriotic activities in which our community participated that year. In 1980 we can look forward to more of the same, since Dr. Brucker is Union's chairman of the Springfield-Connecticut Farms Celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the Revolutionary War Battles Committee whereby Springfield and Union will commemorate the 200th anniversary of the Battle of Springfield.

Therefore, we recognize Dr. Brucker's patriotic influence in our community with the presentation of the Mariner Award.

Our second award, the Shield Award, is given to publicly honor a policeman or fireman who has given outstanding service to our community. This year's recipient is Deputy Chief John Truhe.

Deputy Chief Truhe has served with the Union Police Department since March, 1951, and now, as Deputy Chief, has command over all uniformed personnel. He heads up the Internal Affairs Division composed of both uniformed and plain clothes officers and is designated as Acting Chief during any absence by the Chief of Police. Probably his most demanding assignment to date has been as on-site coordinator for the recent 1.6 million dollar addition to our Police Headquarters. His perseverance to insure that the work was done properly consumed many hours of inspections and meetings. Those who have had the opportunity to visit the new and modern facility can attest to a job well done.

Thank you and congratulations to Dr. Brucker and Deputy Chief John Truhe.

Carmine Venes  
Civic & Cultural

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## MONTHLY MEETINGS

1st Mon. .... Council Officers  
 2nd & 4th Mon. .... Regular Meetings  
 3rd Mon. .... Swim Club  
 1st Wed. .... 4th Degree Officers  
 2nd Wed. .... 4th Degree Color Corps  
 3rd Wed. .... 4th Degree Regular  
 4th Wed. .... Council Committees  
 1st Thurs. .... Expansion Committee  
 4th Thurs. .... Columbian Club

## NOTICE

### TO ALL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERS:

You do not have to be a swim club member to enjoy the patio and picnic area. The patio and picnic area will be open daily from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. during the months of July and August.

## Thanks

Now that my term, as your Columbian Club President, has terminated, I would feel negligent if I did not extend my thanks to those members, who behind the scene, play such an important part in the maintenance of our club facilities. My reference is not merely to the Columbian Club Officers and Directors, who are assigned duties upon their election, but to those members who year after year take care of the major renovation, repairs, and additional chores necessary to operate our Council Home. I refer to such members as Eugene Le Compte, John Myronowski and James Ruane, for their maintenance of our Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Equipment. Jim Hackney and Walter Wasowski for their maintenance of our Electrical Equipment. Arthur Reinhard for his efforts in maintaining our Sound System. Walter Guthreau, Dominick and Carmen Quagliato for the many building projects, Robert Blake for the many hours spent in auditing our books and for his assistance to William Vath, in maintaining our financial reports. Frank Cosenza whose supervision, maintains the efficiency of the pool.

I have projected these members, who with the exception of Walter Wasowski and William Vath, are not Officers or Directors, of the Columbian Club, yet, almost unknown to many of our members, are the Ole Reliables of the Council stand-bys ready to serve our needs upon call.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Roy Trupiano, Past Grand Knight and Jack Kilian, Swim Club President for their assistance and understanding, during my term. It was a good and educational experience.

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I am putting together a tentative schedule of events which I think the council in general will be interested in attending. These include fishing trips, baseball games, football, soccer, basketball, hockey as well as the varied events at Madison Square Garden. I would like some response from the brothers on which is the more preferable. If there are any specific events which would be of interest I'd like to know about them. I also would appreciate any volunteers to help coordinate different trips. A waiting list will be kept for upcoming fishing trips; I can be reached at 763-0613 or 643-2222.

Lonny Pannucci  
 Athletics Chairman

## Grand Knights Column

Julius Kiss



As we cross the threshold of a new Columbian year, I would like to thank everyone for electing me Grand Knight. It is an honor and privilege to be able to serve in this capacity in a Council that has become a leader in the state. We have a full and active year planned, and your support in all areas will be needed and appreciated.

In addition to the spiritual programs that have enriched the lives of those who participated in them in the past, and the various social and children's activities, Union Council #4504 will host the Annual Eastern Division Tournament of the Knights of Columbus National Bowling Association.

This year, I wish to place emphasis on a greater family participation, such as a Family Communion Breakfast and the March for Life in January. A new Committee is being established this year. The Fraternal Assistance Committee. This committee will be chaired by PGK Bob Armstrong. The other members of the Committee are our Chaplain, Father Edward Swierzbinski, PGK Barney Capriglione, and PGK Harold Maus, F.I.C. The primary function of this committee will be to provide advice and assistance, when requested, to the widows and/or dependent children of departed brothers. Further details will be provided by the committee in a subsequent issue.

I expect to work closely with all my officers and chairmen. The guidelines for my decisions will be to act in a manner which will be beneficial to the entire membership. In order that this Council may continue to grow, as it has in the past, each of you is asked to give your time, enthusiasm and individual talents in a Fraternal spirit which will be an exemplification of a true Knight.

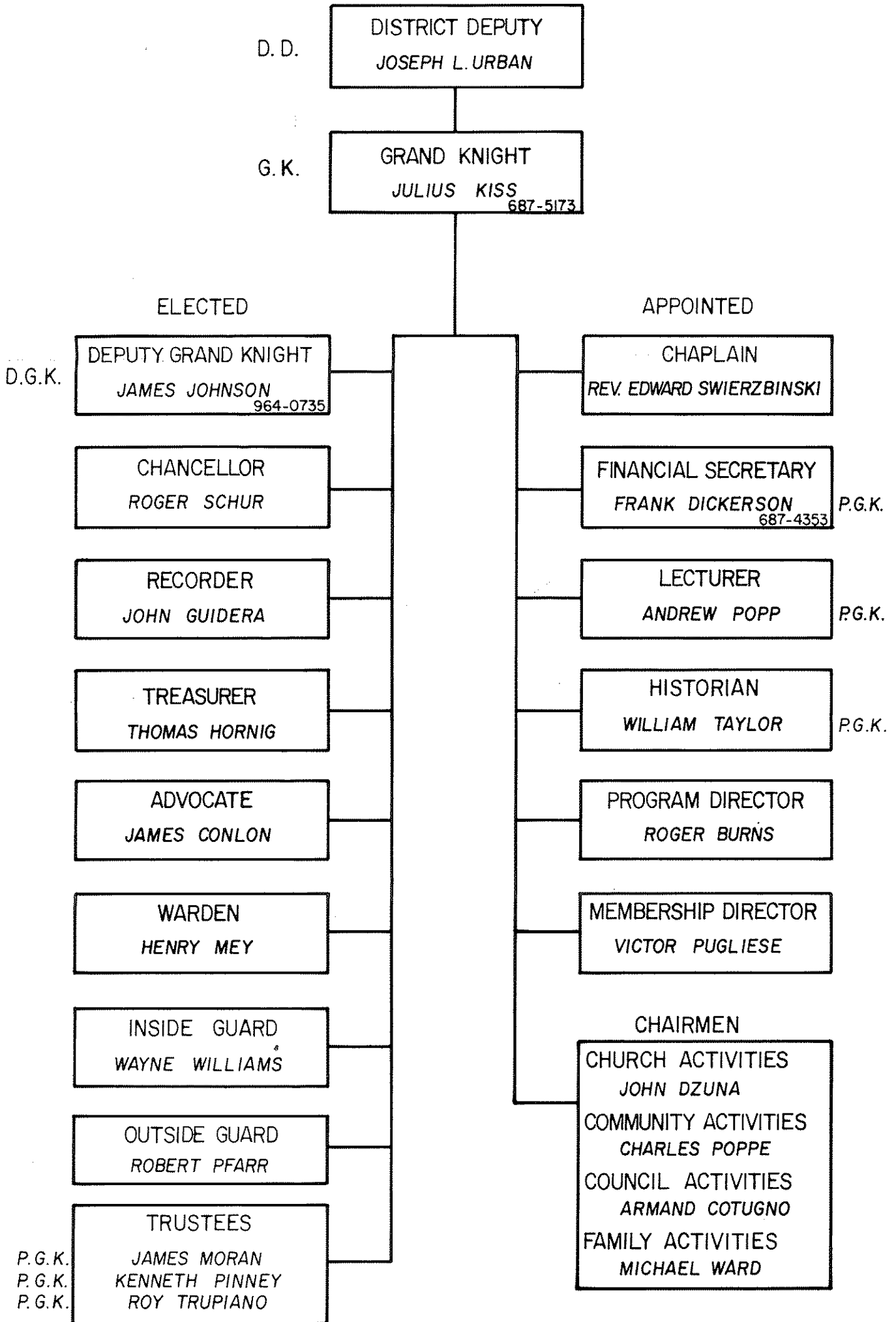
My sincere thanks to my Installation Chairman, P.G.K. Barney Capriglione, and those who assisted him with the Installation of Officers ceremony and reception. They provided a truly memorable occasion. Our appreciation is extended to State Deputy Hugh DeFazio and Past State Deputy Joseph Luciano for the honor of their presence. To our District Deputy Joseph Urban and his Warden, Francis Melando, goes an acknowledgment of their fine efforts in conducting the installation. To Father Ed, our Chaplain, my gratitude for once again providing the spiritual basis for the ceremony and to Rev. Salvatore J. Palumbo of St. Michael's for celebrating the Installation Mass.

May the Holy Family bless each of us and this Council during this coming year.

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1979-1980**



# AUGUST '79

Union Council 4504

Planning Calendar

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SUN.	MON.	TUE.	WED.	THU.	FRI.	SAT.
PRAY FOR VOCATIONS  PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS			1	2	3	4 MONMOUTH RACE TRACK (JULES PRUSZKOWSKI)
5	6 Officers Mtg. 8:00	7	8	9	10	11 PATIO GONG SHOW
12	13 Council Mtg. 8:15	14	15 Pool Council Day  FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION	16	17	18 (RACING RAIMONDO) BEER & HOT DOGS 2.50/PERSON
19	20	21	22	23 Col. Club Mtg. 8:00	24	25 GIANTS STADIUM (JACK KILLIAN)
26	27 Council Mtg. 8:15  (CORN FESTIVAL)	28	29	30	31	<u>1ST OF SEPT.</u> IRISH NIGHT & CANDLELITE BOWLING \$6 <sup>00</sup> / PERSON



# Chaplain's Corner

Rev. Ed Swierzbinski

## Love Good — Avoid Evil

Several times I was asked about "conscience." Especially these days when we are urged "to do our own thing." Vatican II says: "In the depths of his conscience, man detects a law which he does not impose on himself, but which holds him to obedience. ALWAYS SUMMONING HIM TO LOVE GOOD AND AVOID EVIL, The voice of conscience can when necessary speak to his heart more specifically: do this, shun that. For man has in his heart a law written by God. To obey it is the very dignity of man: ACCORDING TO IT HE WILL BE JUDGED. Conscience is the most secret core and sanctuary of man. There he is alone with God, whose voice echoes in his heart."

We are all morally bound to follow our conscience. But THIS DOES NOT MEAN THAT WHAT OUR CONSCIENCE TELLS US IS INFALLIBLY CORRECT. As Vatican II says, "Conscience frequently errs from invincible ignorance" — that is, from ignorance for which a person is not morally responsible. But seeking a correct conscience is part of our dignity and responsibility.

Speaking of a correct conscience, Vatican II states: "Hence the more that a correct conscience holds away, the more persons and groups turn aside from blind choice and STRIVE TO BE GUIDED BY OBJECTIVE NORMS OF MORALITY."

Regarding the crucial matter of how to develop a right conscience, the council says: "In the formation of their consciences, the Christian faithful ought carefully to attend to the sacred and certain doctrine of the church. THE CHURCH, IS BY THE WILL OF CHRIST, THE TEACHER OF THE TRUTH. It is her duty to give utterance to, and authoritatively to teach, that truth which is Christ Himself, and also to declare and confirm by her authority those principles of the moral order which have their origin in human nature itself."

Thus in personal matters it is not "do your own thing" but Vatican II says, "carefully attend to the sacred and certain doctrine of the Church." Learn those principles of moral order which have their origin in human nature itself" and are taught by our Church. Love good — avoid evil.

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## Telephone Committee

An estimated total of well over 5000 telephone calls were made by your committee since last June. The unfortunate passing of nine of our brothers accounted for the bulk of these calls. We also used the committee for the blood drive in March 1979. We have been able to maintain the committee at 81 Captains and 10 Group Leaders mainly because the deletions balanced off the additions. Over 275 changes, corrections and deletions occurred during the Council year and every effort has been made to keep all members up-to-date. We are very much concerned about the many deletions which occur as the result of brothers who change address, within the calling area, and fail to give us a telephone number. It is too costly and time consuming to correspond with these members so, in the interest of economy they are dropped from the lists. If any brother wishes to be reinstated or, if you have not been on the list in the past and want to be included, please call at 688-7269. We welcome the following brothers who have joined the Committee since last June: Joe Rooney, Lou Slinsky, Steve Celusak, Tom O'Malley, Sal Scarlotta, Bill Patania, Peter Louie and Diego Martello. At present we have no names in reserve to fill Captain vacancies. We would welcome volunteers to participate in this very important function of your Council. If you are interested please call 688-7269. Finally, we extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to all the Captains and Group Leaders for their work during the past year.

Art Weber

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## Random Thoughts

Lord, when we are wrong, make us willing to change. And when we are right make us easy to live with . . . Some people are so used to using credit cards that when they buy something for cash, they sign the dollar bills . . . Do you know how the dictionary got started? One night Mr. and Mrs. Webster got into an argument and one word led to another . . . The person who gets ahead is the one who does more than is necessary — and keeps on doing it . . . The development of a new product is a three step process: first, An American firm announces an invention; second, the Russians claim they made the same discovery twenty years ago; third, the Japanese start exporting it . . . Of all the people you know in a lifetime, you are the only one you will never leave or lose. To the question of your life, you are the only answer. To the problems of your life, you are the only solution . . . A good leader is someone who takes a little more than his share of the blame and a little less than his share of the credit . . . Woman to husband at the fur shop, "I don't think you feel sorry for the little brown animals, I think your sympathy lies with the little green dollars . . . You never get a second chance to make a good first impression . . . There are few, if any, jobs in which ability alone is sufficient. Needed also are loyalty, sincerity, enthusiasm, and cooperation . . . The good of criticism is to leave the person with the feeling that he or she has been helped . . . News Bulletin: "Two freighters, one carrying purple paint and the other carrying red paint, collided in the Atlantic Ocean today. It is believed both crews are marooned" . . . People can be divided into three groups: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen and those who wonder what happened . . . Sign in an office "Caution — be sure brain is engaged before putting mouth in gear" . . . People on diets are trying to follow the path of feist resistance . . . Wisdom doesn't automatically come with old age. Nothing does — except wrinkles. It's true, some wines improve with age. But only if the grapes were good in the first place.

Jim Moran P.G.K.



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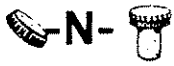
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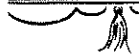
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