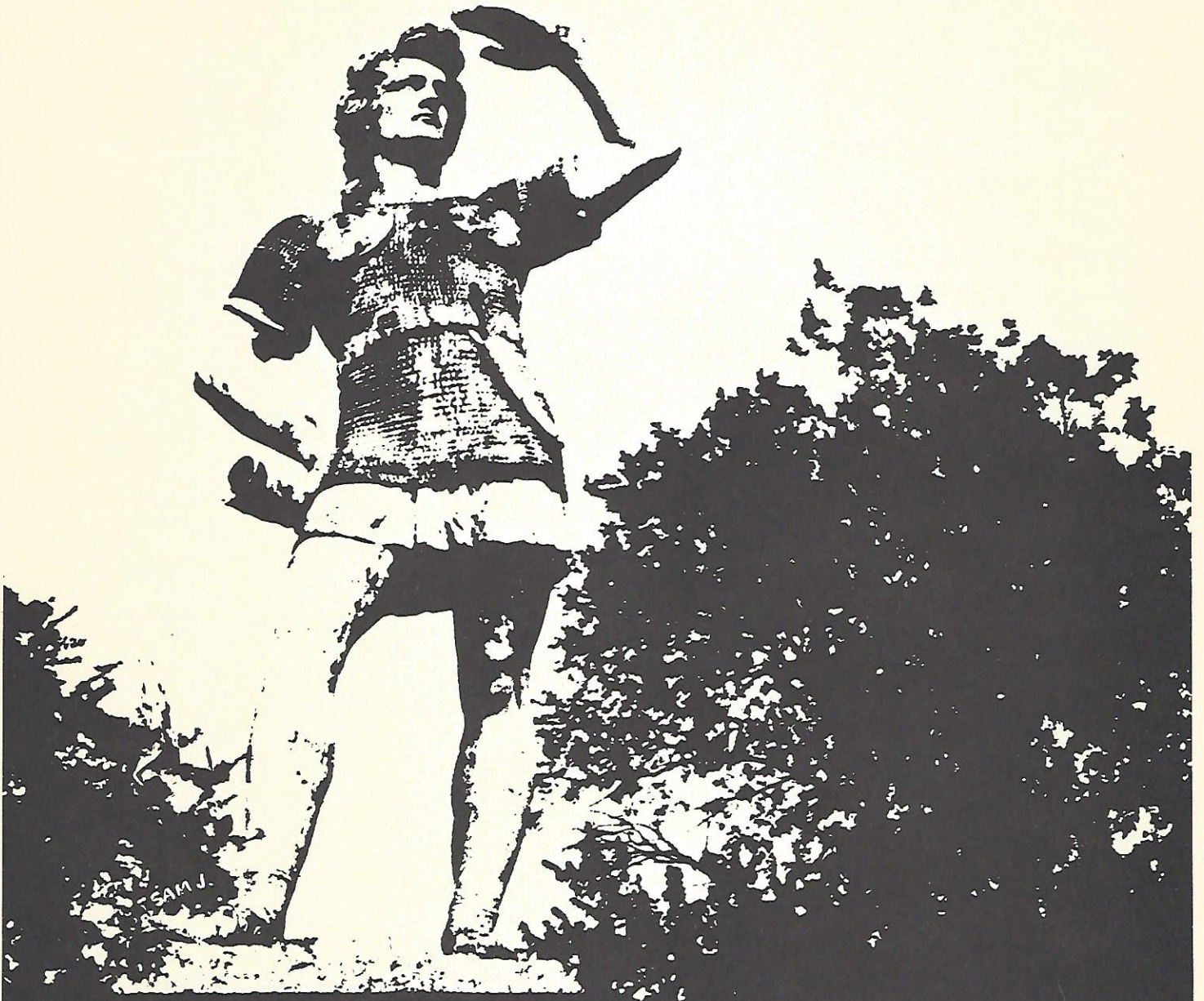
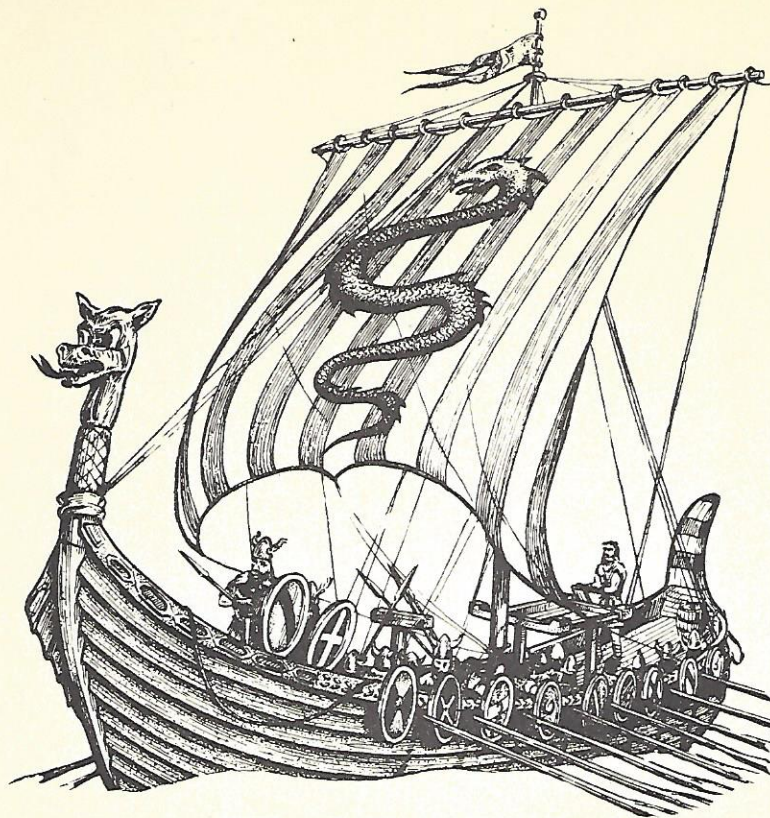


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HAILING FRIENDS BEYOND THE SEA!
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Smoke from Eric

Over the past few weeks the V.M.C. has had a few resignations, which is not an unusual occurrence in any club and nothing for anyone to get concerned about. We have had other resignations during our history, and in spite of them we still continue to grow strong. I am always sorry to see any brother resign, but I am certain that each one has had his own personal reason.

There will be new members coming along in the months ahead to replace our Viking brothers who have left, and thereby we shall grow to greater heights. We have proved this in the past, not only to ourselves, but to other clubs too. Examples of this would be W-4 and especially Kebek '72; need I say more?

Our own Leif Erikson '72 is fast approaching, and with fewer members we are all going to have to pitch in and work that much harder. We have a lot of work still ahead of us to make Leif Erikson '72 as big a success as it has been in the past, but all of us should keep in mind that we shall strive to make this year's run not better than ... was, but only as good as ... was.

Every club we know has its own particular talents and abilities, each different from one another. Our own club and each member in it possess special talents and abilities, and we should capitalize on these and utilize them to the fullest. Keeping this in mind, we can and will put on a very successful run this year, as we have done in the past. With each one of us doing what he knows best and what he has been assigned to do, the effort and work involved for Leif Erikson '72 will not be so big a burden. Each and every one of us will enjoy it that much more knowing how big a success it will be.

Skip C., V.M.C. President

Doubleyew IV



Since our calamitous bus trip to and from W-4 has been covered in an other article, this one will begin with the Vikings' arrival at the campsite at 1:45 Sunday morning when we were met with a fantastic sit-down dinner consisting of coq au vin. A hungrier group you have never seen before. Dawn arrived, and we were treated to a beautiful campsite nestled in the hills of southern Pennsylvania. The day was given over to a poker run and several very interesting bike events. One of these events was a buddy-rider pie-eating contest, which provided the photographers in our group with a few choice shots. Special thanks to Gary F. of Wheels M.C. for taking so many of us as buddy riders. That evening we were treated to a real man-sized roast-beef dinner and then the show, Marry Merry Mary. Comment: Wow. When the show concluded, that howling, applauding, foot-stomping audience would have meant a sure-fire success had the show been presented on Broadway. As it was, it was a sure-fire success in York, Pennsylvania. Where do you begin the accolades

when there so many superlatives? Will we ever forget Lee's Little Mary, or Roy's Madame Ernestine, or any of the other greats - Captain Jim, Sergeant Billy, the General, and the memorable Mata Hari. The entire cast was superb, and once again Wheels M.C. has pulled off the entertainment coup of the year. Monday arrived too soon; and after breakfast, or was it before, the Druids hosted a morning cocktail party; Entre Nous had given one the previous day at the proper time. After a few of those purple concoctions we were ready to start the run all over again. Unfortunately it was time for final awards (no double entendres intended) and good-byes. Our own Sam J. won the buddy-rider award, and Entre Nous won the best participation award. We also had the dubious distinction of once again winning the Torrid Tuber Trophy and bringing it back to Boston. Don't worry; it won't stay here long. All in all it was a spectacular weekend, and we extend our sincere appreciation to all the members of Wheels M.C.

David Ev., V.M.C. Road Captain

Kebek '72

No one knew the Vikings were there! It all began when the Vikings' compound was located directly across from the run headquarters. Then those arriving by longship set up a sun shelter and brought out lawn chairs, chaise, tables, and pink flamingoes (you've got to be kidding)! This became the hospitality center, second only to Kemo's in this direction. The fact that all three tents had V.M.C. banners added to the anonymity of the group. Speaking of banners, kudos to Skip, Marshall and Al for the handsomest run poster yet devised by M.C.s anywhere. This was made of felt; yet absolutely magnificent. Then the Vikings went on to quietly garner the prize for the longest chain of beer tabs (thanks to the tireless efforts of David D.), first place in the limbo contest (again thanks to David D.), best-dressed-man award to Marshall B. - and who could have deserved it more in his completely handmade Indian costume that was fantastic; and to top it all off the grand prize of them all - the participation trophy.

But their real claim to anonymity came Saturday night when the entire club introduced their handsome new uniforms. There were cheers, congratulations galore, even tears of pride when the Vikings marched in. Another colossal achievement well done! Does anyone realize how much time and effort were expended by Skip, Al and Marshall so that the uniforms could be ready for Kebek? It's too bad that no one knew the Vikings were there! Then there was the run itself. Those Kemos come closest to being perfectionists as a group of guys can be. Not a stone was left unturned; not a courtesy neglected. Good and unique food, excellent timing of events, a superb show, and the most comfortable accommodations imaginable - what a perfect campsite - dormitories, two mess halls an unbelievable kitchen, ample showers with hot and cold water, a swimming pool, and even a river flowing by. They even have connections up there as witnessed by the most fantastic display of northern lights that can only be appreciated when seen. Who is ever going to top that spectacle? "It's not nice to fool Mother Nature," but Mother N. surely came through for Kemo. Weather was made to order. Well, what more can one say, and to think that this was their first outdoor run!

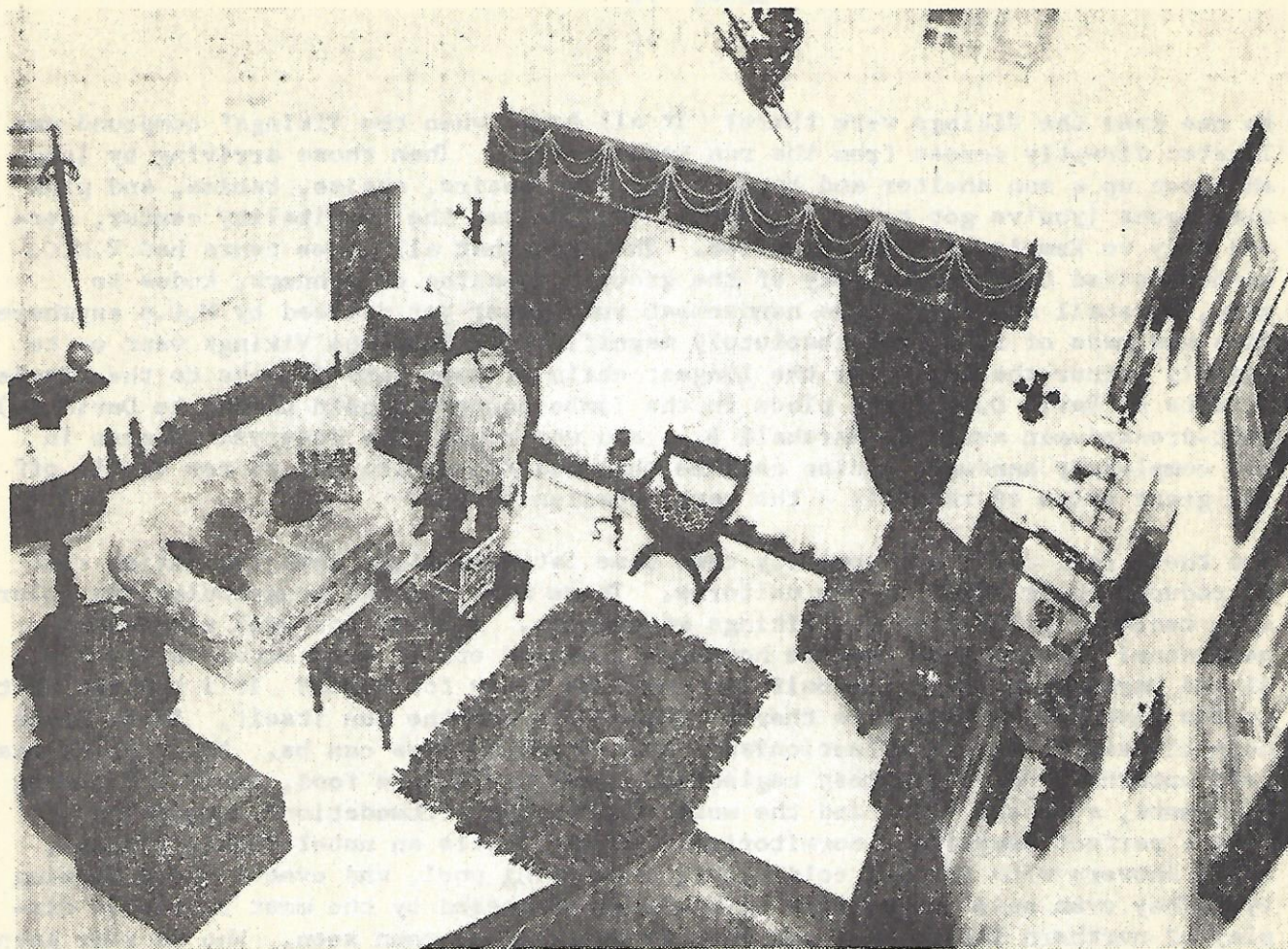
The V.M.C. presented its first Brotherhood Award, a handsome trophy with a Viking atop, and its banner to the M.C. Kemo, who deserve so much. One cannot come away from an experience such as this without appreciating what the movement is all about: that guys can come together from so many clubs and from so many parts of the United States and Canada and blend together so beautifully to cement brotherly relations. That is what it is all about, and a run such as Kebek'72 really exemplifies what is right about the whole movement.

Woody B.

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Boston Evening Globe Friday, May 12, 1972



What's black and white and red all over is Stratford Carter's Mediterranean house in the South End.

It's in marked contrast to the oozing plush Mediterranean reproduction decor that Stratford Carter chose for his Lawrence Street home.

Carter, a handlebar-moustached vice president of sales for Purnell Publishing Company, chose a thick red, black and white color scheme for his house. The only mistake he admits to is the white tile floor. "It's a bummer," says the 43-year-old who collects and restores leather-bound, old books when he isn't washing the white floor, or winning motorcycle trophies.

Carter claims that his house was never an elegant one, but built in 1862 as servants' quarters for the local help, before becoming a roominghouse.

Marvin Koritz's house on Appleton street, a former disaster is now a combination of ancient Greece and modern electronics. Koritz, an interior designer, has a kind of Tom Swift operation now. A button, a dial or some kind of control motivates everything in the house from stereo speakers in every room to an air purification system

to plain old temperature.

"These houses were built five in a row," says Koritz. "When you go through a wall to renovate you can see the arch where they went through one building to the next while they were doing the construction."

Koritz's decor takes more from columns than arches, however. All over the house are Greek and

neo-Greek statues. The tiny garden is a mini-Greek with more than four statues and one water-nymph fountain.

One wonders what Mr. Apley would have thought of a water-nymph next door.

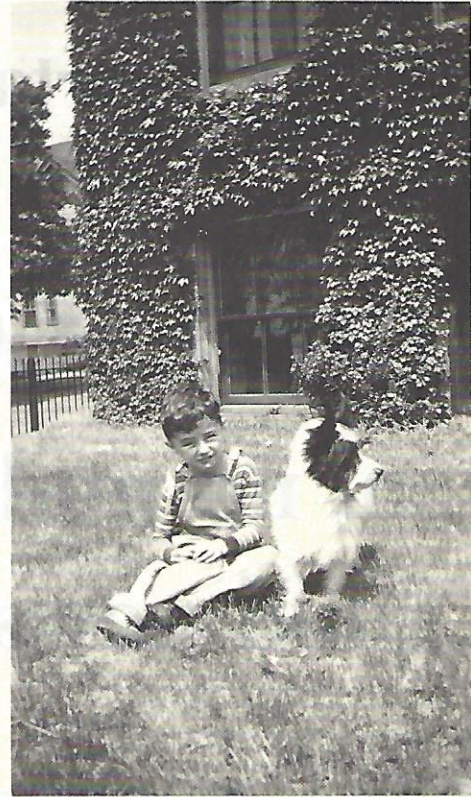
Those interested in seeing the late George's new neighbors on the 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. tour can call 266-1291 for tickets.



Guess Who

The Pretty Baby

Vikings Are?



JUNE 1944

Answers to last issue's "Guess Who the Pretty Baby Viking Is?": The gorgeous blonde in the bathing suit is your own V.M.C. Secretary, and the lovely baby in hot pants is none other than Ted H.

Beef prices too high? Buy chicken.

Mother shouldn't stress
toilet training too early

Public spanking good

Rear end collision
a flowery affair

Associated Press

No Butts About It

GROWING THINGS

Delicate gardenias
react like Spartans

By Thalassa Cruso
Gardener, Ch. 2

Dikes fail, more
cities inundated

I'll take

Vienna

Zoom. Zoom.

Meathead

Men, no nudes
is good news

Archie Bunker Now in Print

A cruise to Provincetown

Shiny trophy

Camping in Europe
different from US

for Most Popular Vegetable

Boston meeting shows Manning No. 1 for elders

BOY HAVE WE GOT IT TOUGH

ARE YOU LONGING FOR THE
G O O D O L D D A Y S ?

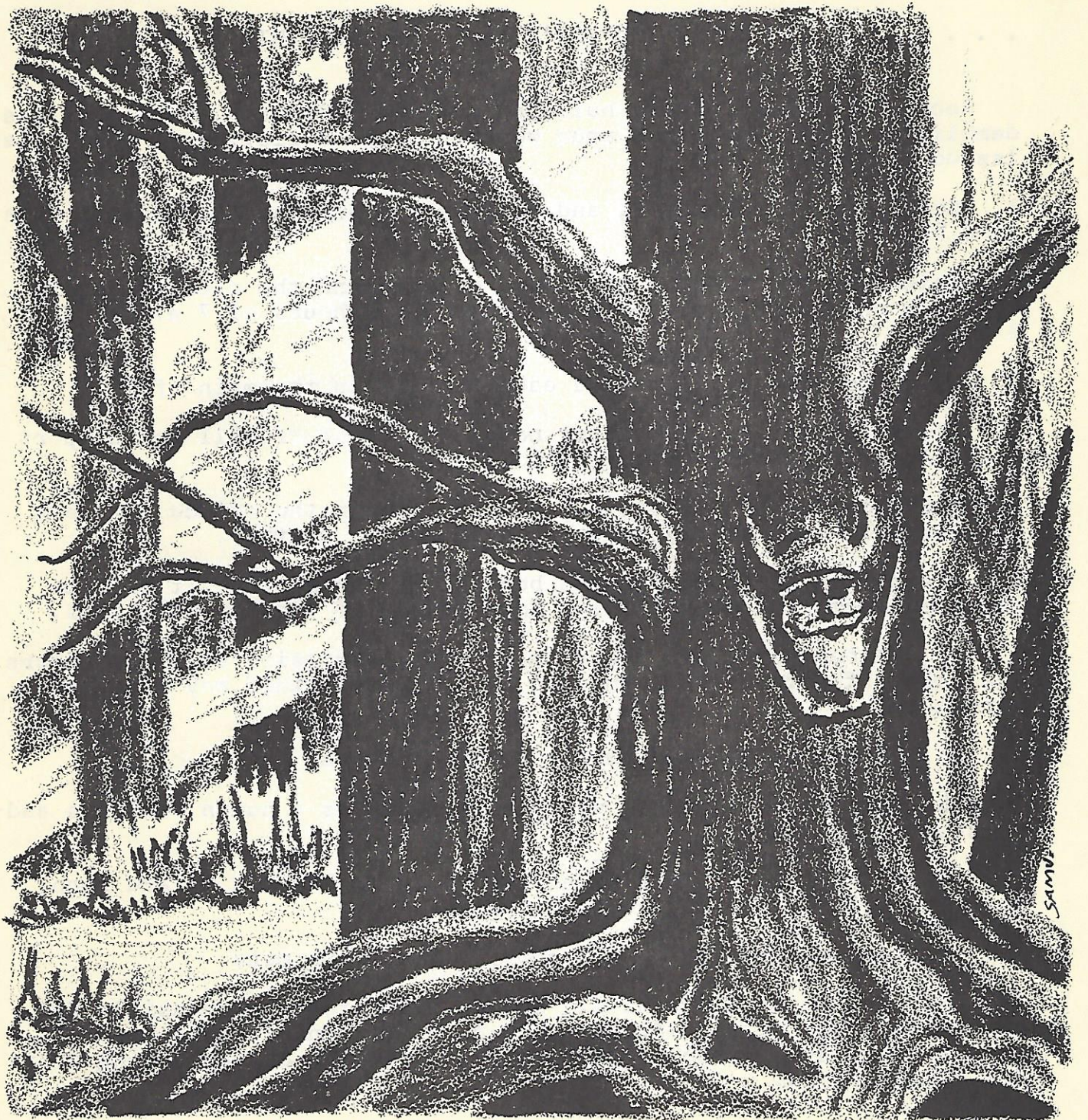
. MAYBE YOU WON'T AFTER READING THIS

Recently an old factory building outside Edinburgh, Scotland, was demolished. In the office area workmen found a listing of work rules issued in 1852:

1. Godliness, cleanliness, and punctuality are the necessities of a good business.
2. This firm has reduced the hours of work and the clerical staff will now only have to be present between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.
3. Daily prayers will be held each morning in the main office.
4. Clothing must be of a sober nature. The staff will not disport themselves in raiment of bright colors.
5. Overshoes and top coats may not be worn in the office but neck scarves and headwear may be worn in inclement weather.
6. A stove is provided for the benefit of the staff. It is recommended that each member bring four pounds of coal on cold days.
7. No member may leave the room without permission from Mr. Rogers. The calls of nature are permitted and clerical staff may use the garden.
8. No talking is allowed during business hours.
9. The craving of tobacco, wines or spirits is a human weakness and as such is forbidden.
10. The partaking of food is allowed between 11:30 a.m. and noon, but work will not on any account cease.
11. Members of the staff will provide their own pens.
12. Mr. Rogers will nominate a senior clerk to be responsible for the cleanliness of the office. All boys and juniors will report to him 40 minutes before prayers and will remain after closing hours for similar work.

The owners recognize the generosity of the new Labor Laws, but will expect a great rise in output of work to compensate for these near Utopian conditions.

VIKINGS M.C. Initiation, July 9, 1972



Jean F Sean O Joe S Bob C
Jim W Fred K Rusty H

The Survivors
or
The Day They Separated the Men from the Boys

On the weekend of July 7th the Vikings M.C. had its test of what it means to be a true Viking. Yours truly is having some trouble writing this article because of a few injuries. After all, healing of bodily wounds does take time; so please bear with me.

We arrived at Bill G.'s parents' home on Saturday afternoon and were greeted by the Vikings who had arrived the previous night. We then proceeded to have lunch prepared by Carl and Sam. We initiatees were told to eat heartily, as it might be our last meal. Wouldn't you know they called upon Thor to add to our troubles. He sent rain, rain, and more rain.

Later in the day Skip announced that the initiation had been cancelled due to the rain. All those to be initiated gave three cheers, but, alas, our rejoicing was short lived, for Skip's next statement was, "Your ordeal is postponed until tomorrow." (How rude!) After the tensions of the rescheduled meeting had subsided, we were treated to a delicious barbacue. I think they were trying to tell us something.

Sunday morning, after pulling myself together (because of a hangover), getting Sean out of bed, and getting Fred off the couch, we sat down to a cup of coffee and tried to figure out what would be in store for us. Little did we know at the time that our conjectures were much less severe than the actual ordeal. Again we were told to eat heartily, since that breakfast might be our last. That did it! Several of us, myself included, completely lost our appetites and couldn't eat anything.

Finally it was time for the initiation, and we were lined up in the order in which we had been brought into the Club. (Thank God, I wasn't first.) The order was follows: Jean, Sean, myself, Bob, Fred, and, last but not least, our newest member - Rusty. Boy, did I feel sorry for him! We were led through the woods in single file, and my mind was racing a mile a minute wondering what was to happen. As we approached the sacrificial altar at the foot of the Viking Tree, we were blindfolded, and that only made matters worse. The Executive Board then called upon Thor to send hordes of mosquitoes; the fact that he did not send them suggested that its power was somewhat limited. (We suspected that all along.) Then the horror really began. It began by (censored), continued with (censored), and ended with the worst thing of all - the (censored).

After the initiation had been completed, and the ceremony was almost over, Carl B., much to his surprise, was made President Emeritus. He was speechless for one of the few times since I have known him. Carl was congratulated by all, and we began our trek back to the house where the first-aid station was all set up for the injured. You wouldn't believe that first-aid station or that stretcher!

Our farewell brunch was served. Boy, did I eat! It was then time for our departure; so Ken and I (oh, don't let me forget Lady Ellen, the expectant mother,) prepared to depart so that I could medicate my many (censored).

The Survivors concl.

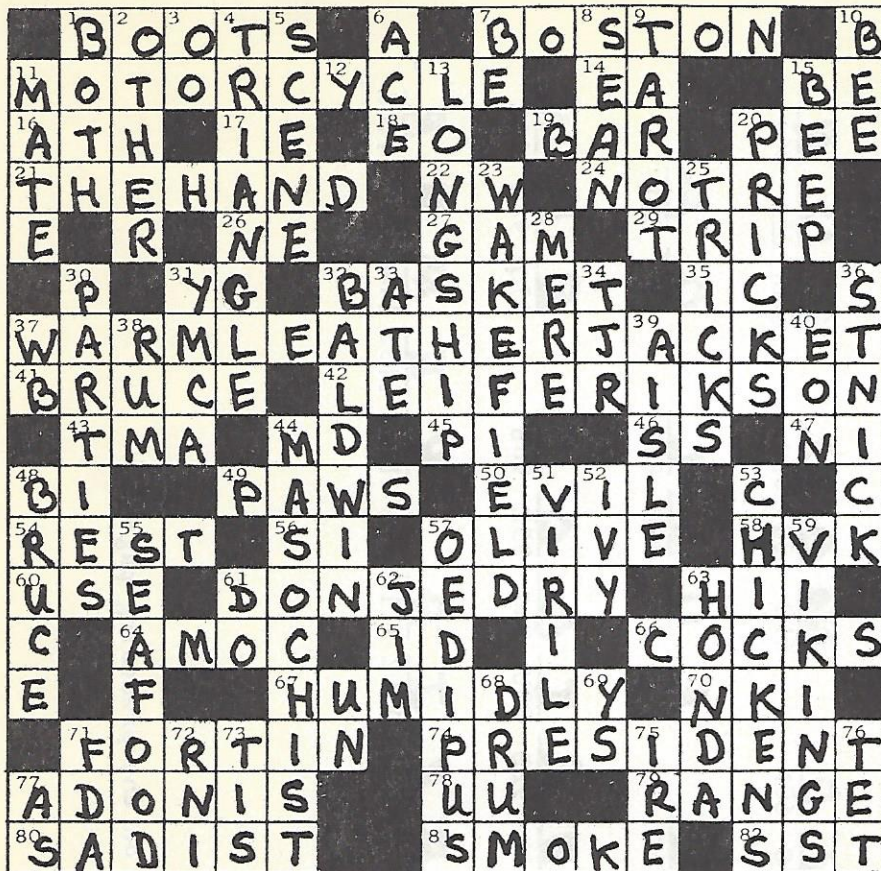
All members who had been previously initiated were our hosts, and I might add that they did their job as if it were a major event. One could not ask for more. The initiations are a serious matter, and these were carried out with dignity and honor. So, to our President we who survived say thank you and that we are proud to be real Vikings.

Joe S. (alias Big E.)

Editor's note: A special thank you is to be extended to Sam J. for spending a good part of the weekend in the kitchen preparing all those meals. They were delicious. Our thanks go to Carl for his culinary efforts, and our congratulations go to him for his being awarded the title emeritus. By the way, Lady Ellen had six puppies, and five of them are hale and hearty.

V. M. C. PUZZLER

By Ted H.



The author of this Puzzler gratefully acknowledges the inspiration of Carl B's Puzzler in the previous issue of the Longship.

DOWN

- 1 All two
- 2 Boston watering spot seldom favored by Vikings (1st wd.)
- 3 Draw a pair of rings
- 4 We used to go here more than we do now
- 5 A 44 down can have one with an 80 across
- 6 An — in the hole
- 7 Exist
- 8 1st two words in the name of a Boston restaurant; also 1st 2 words in the name of a brand of suntan lotion
- 9 Fortune-telling cards
- 10 Busy as a —
- 11 Most of us would like one
- 13 A most distinguished journal
- 15 Frequently heard from 23 down
- 20 Pierces slightly with something pointed (see 66 across)
- 23 Mass. town, north of Stoneham, known for its baked goods
- 25 Can sometimes be found in 19 acr.
- 28 Nothing more than
- 30 We like to give & go to these
- 31 Another place to find 25 down
- 32 Apple; piano; associate of 8 down
- 33 Consumed
- 34 Tom's son Tom (abbr.)
- 36 Patron saint of the Shed (2 wds)
- 37 Warner Bros.
- 38 Max, Pat & Vern put it in Coke
- 39 All in the Viking Family had 'em rolling in this at 80-2
- 40 Age
- 44 If you weren't one, you wouldn't be trying to do this puzzle!
- 48 Wheels member — Bauer
- 51 Vikings are — !
- 52 Found on walls of university buildings
- 53 Young things can be tasty
- 55 This is always delicious
- 57 Was a real pal to Mom
- 59 What we all are
- 61 This is something one may do to 55 down
- 62 First name of several Vikings
- 63 A type of 11 across
- 68 When you're all alone & have nothing to do, beat this
- 69 These places are very popular with some Vikings
- 71 A Federal agency (initials)
- 72 Registered Nurse, indeed!
- 73 On a telephone dial: first "8", last ~~first~~ "4", last "7"
- 75 Anger
- 76 — offensive
- 77 White — Peasant! (abbr.)

ACROSS

- 1 These are made for walkin'
- 7 Home of 59 down
- 11 One way to go on a 29 across
- 14 Each (abbr.)
- 15 Exist
- 16 Last 3 letters of a four-letter word describing Regency
- 17 That is (abbr.)
- 18 5th and 15th letters of Greek alphabet
- 19 Some Vikings spend more time here than they should
- 20 What Vikings do when they've spent too much time at 19 across
- 21 Bird in — (2 words)
- 22 A point of the compass
- 24 When in Montreal we visited this (1st word of name)
- 26 Point of the compass
- 27 Leg (obsolete term)
- 29 Vikings often go on a — of one kind or another
- 31 First cosmonaut (initials)
- 32 A tisket, a tasket, a — !
- 35 Defunct Boston organization (1st two initials)
- 37 Happiness is a — (3 wds)
- 41 Past President AMCC
- 42 Annual high point of Hub social season
- 43 (.verbba) tnuomA
- 44 Fixes you when you need fixing
- 45 3.14159265
- 46 Hitler's boys
- 47 Country presently suffering religious war (initials)
- 48 AC/DC
- 49 Grapes
- 50 What not to see, hear, speak
- 54 For some, a favorite room; for others, a favorite stop
- 56 Oui (Sp.)
- 57 Better than a lemon twist?
- 58 3 letters that follow G, C, and J on typewriter keyboard
- 60 Employ
- 61 Successor to 23 down
- 63 Hi, Irving (abbr.)
- 64 ytilbisnesni fo etatS
- 65 There once was a time when we resented being asked to show one!
- 66 Male fowls (they're nice)
- 67 Moistly
- 70 14th, 11th, 9th
- 71 A bilingual Viking
- 74 Erik is, Thor and Odin were
- 77 Aphrodite's boy friend (also name of an old fizeek mag)
- 78 Draw a pair of horseshoes here
- 79 Cowboys (and some of us) are quite at home on one
- 80 Every 44 down needs one
- 81 Another way to go on a 29 acr.
- 82 Faster than sound!

The Viking Scrambler

W E 2Y A R E 5P R T 7G R E S T 11J F I V E 15V
M I L E S 20H B E H I N D 26F T H E 29W F R O 32A
N T 34R Y E S T E R D A Y 43J W E 45G W E R E 49N
R E L I E Y E D 57S A N D 60N N O W 63H O U R 66J
B E L L I F S 73V R R E 76C F U L L 80B O F 82T
B E E F 86F R N D 89J H A R R I C O T 96B B E A 99E
N S 101K E R I C H 106C R E M A R 116X
Q U E 119Q

The directions for the Viking Scrambler appear on the preceding page.

SCRAMBLER CLUES

- A. $\frac{Q}{117} \frac{U}{65} \frac{O}{32} \frac{R}{50} \frac{U}{118} \frac{M}{16}$ Something necessary at a meeting.
- B. $\frac{S}{10} \frac{T}{27} \frac{R}{3} \frac{L}{80} \frac{W}{108} \frac{A}{92} \frac{R}{96} \frac{I}{96}$ What every Viking must be.
- C. $\frac{A}{115} \frac{N}{59} \frac{T}{38} \frac{H}{106} \frac{E}{76} \frac{M}{107}$ The VMC is the only club that has one.
- D. $\frac{W}{46} \frac{O}{64} \frac{O}{81}$ Half a Viking's nickname, or to court.
- E. $\frac{O}{95} \frac{V}{14} \frac{E}{9} \frac{R}{112} \frac{L}{18} \frac{A}{99} \frac{Y}{35}$ An article of apparel.
- F. $\frac{F}{86} \frac{E}{84} \frac{E}{56} \frac{D}{26}$ Something the VMC does well.
- G. $\frac{C}{94} \frac{A}{91} \frac{M}{114} \frac{E}{45} \frac{L}{69} \frac{O}{62} \frac{T}{7}$ A scene redolent of Leif Erikson '69-'71.
- H. $\frac{A}{42} \frac{W}{63} \frac{A}{74} \frac{B}{109} \frac{D}{41} \frac{S}{20}$ The Vikings give these too.
- J. $\frac{T}{11} \frac{R}{66} \frac{U}{78} \frac{D}{89} \frac{Y}{43}$ A type of tire pattern.
- K. $\frac{S}{101} \frac{H}{23} \frac{H}{90}$ An onomatopoeitic expression of a desire for quietude.
- M. $\frac{W}{44} \frac{E}{98} \frac{E}{102}$ ~~Small~~, or half a euphemism for micturation.
- N. $\frac{F}{30} \frac{I}{53} \frac{R}{31} \frac{E}{49} \frac{I}{71} \frac{S}{37} \frac{L}{79} \frac{A}{87} \frac{N}{100} \frac{D}{60}$ A fun place to be, especially in the summertime.

P. $\frac{E}{5} \frac{R}{48} \frac{E}{85}$ Before (poetical).

Q. $\frac{B}{97} \frac{E}{119} \frac{E}{36} \frac{R}{40}$ Vikings' mead.

R. $\frac{E}{47} \frac{R}{4} \frac{E}{51} \frac{C}{105} \frac{T}{34}$ A fun thing to do, and it's constructive too!

S. $\frac{D}{57} \frac{E}{113} \frac{N}{61}$ A watering hole or lair.

T. $\frac{B}{83} \frac{R}{8} \frac{A}{58} \frac{N}{25} \frac{I}{104} \frac{F}{82} \frac{F}{12}$ A western airline.

U. $\frac{B}{67} \frac{I}{93} \frac{B}{21} \frac{L}{52} \frac{E}{72}$ Supposed to be a good book.

V. $\frac{S}{73} \frac{E}{68} \frac{R}{75} \frac{E}{39} \frac{N}{33} \frac{E}{15}$ Calm.

W. $\frac{H}{28} \frac{E}{54} \frac{R}{103} \frac{E}{29}$ In these environs.

X. $\frac{F}{77} \frac{A}{111} \frac{E}{22} \frac{R}{116} \frac{I}{17} \frac{E}{19}$ Half of a Spenserian title i.e. The ... Queene (arch.).

Y. $\frac{N}{88} \frac{A}{6} \frac{V}{55} \frac{E}{2} \frac{L}{70}$ A type of button sometimes seen on runs.

Z. $\frac{I}{13} \frac{I}{24} \frac{I}{110}$ A numeral applied to a crowd.

Have fun. Frank D.

