

### ALONG NATURE'S TRAIL by KEN McLEOD

On this Farmer-Sportsman problem we might jump up into Illinois and see what Ed Taylor, another of our Outdoor Writers and a columnist in that state has to say. A hunting incident set Ed to thinking about this particular situation, in company with a sportsman friend Ed went hunting pheasant on the farm of a friend who told them where the birds would be found.

"As we climbed over a barbed wire fence Joe (the farmer friend) gave us one parting shot," Ed writes: "I'm sticking right close to the place. Any city joker that shows up around here is going to get run off, pronto."

Ed pondered over this particular statement as he walked down the hedge row and so he writes: "I have thought of it numerous times during that day and I have thought of it many times since. Among our landed gentry exists some very strong and highly volatile emotions that come to the surface at a time coincidental to the opening of the hunting season. The man from town is the usual recipient of this highly inflammable situation. He finds that the countryside is literally plastered with 'No Hunting' signs. He finds that the landed gentry is very firm in its refusal to permit him to hunt on posted property.

"The situation is a bewildering one to the man who spends but a day or two in the field every year. He finds that the coolness that exists between the farmer and himself is almost in direct ratio to the distance the farm is located from the larger metropolitan areas."

What Ed has said about city sportsmen back in Illinois has its direct parallel in the expressed attitude of local people toward "Hollywood" sportsmen, yet here in the West we have not begun to feel hunting pressures as they exist in the densely populated East.

Ted Kesting of the magazine "Sports Afield" states that in his opinion this problem of Farmer-Sportsman relations constitutes the biggest problem now confronting the nimrods of the nation. Ted has been interested in how local sportsmen groups have been meeting the problem and solving the difficulty. The Drake Rod and Gun Club of Chicago has been one group that has been able to resolve the problem in a satisfactory manner for its membership and has succeeded in gaining hunt-



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Valentine says this: "The habitat in our locality (central Illinois) has not decreased much but it has changed due to soil conservation practices. My farm produces only two coveys of quail each year and about 40 rabbits. It just cannot support any more. The number of hunters has increased many times. Ten years ago maybe half a dozen hunters visited my place during the open season. On the opening day of the 1951 season 33 came to hunt. Nobody got hurt as they came at different times."

**PIRATING**  
PAITA, Peru (AP)—The Peruvian navy claimed Tuesday it had caught five of Aristotle Socrates Onassis' 700-ton whalers "pirating" in Peru-claimed waters. Two of the ships were escorted to this north Peru port by destroyers.

**ARRIVAL**  
RABAT, Morocco (AP)—Adm. Arthur W. Radford, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, arrived Tuesday by plane from Athens.

### Misfortunes Hit Family

LANSING, Mich. (AP)—Things are looking up for the family of Kenneth R. Little — nothing bad has happened for the past two weeks. If you think you have troubles, consider the misfortunes which have hit the Lansing bank teller recently.

On July 15, acting as pallbearer at the funeral of his uncle, Little felt something snap in his back. Driving home, he tried to stop his car and found he couldn't move his legs. He spent three weeks paralyzed in a Flint hospital.

After he returned home, his wife Shirley drove their car into a tree. Their 5-month-old daughter was killed. Mrs. Little suffered torn shoulder ligaments and her teeth were knocked out.

In September, fire burned a barn on a neighbor's farm where Little

stored his tractor. The tractor had to be rebuilt.

Oct. 27, attending a relative's birthday party at St. Johns, Little got word his home had burned down.

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