

THE HOBBY DIRECTORY

"Who's Who in Hobbies?"

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Opens the door
to new friends,
to stimulating ideas,
to an enriched living.

**A NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
HOBBYISTS FOR MEN AND BOYS**

FOREWORD

THE HOBBY DIRECTORY, like other children born into this world, has arrived with considerable difficulty. Again like a baby, it is, at the first issue, not very big; but it is healthy, and "just watch us grow".

And now that we have accomplished Issue No. 1, we pause to thank the members who, along with us, have had the faith to pioneer in this new project. We trust, too, that you will all have the fortitude and imagination to visualize with us the possibilities of such a publication when we grow, as is our ambition, to an association of 10,000 members. This goal, of course, will take years of plugging by us and friendly cooperation from our members to achieve. Although to date the project has cost us many times the cash returns from the present members, we consider The Directory a long-term investment in hobby friendships for us all; and we feel sure each succeeding issue will add many new members to our pages.

It will be noted that the write-ups are arranged according to states, regardless of hobbies indicated. However, it is planned in subsequent issues, when the number of members warrants, to classify the write-ups according to types of hobbies.

While our next issue is scheduled for December 17th, we plan to publish to the members this year an inter-issue supplement (to fit loose-leaf into this issue) about September 25th. This supplement will cover members joining in the intervening period.

Members will be interested to note that, although we accept no paid advertising, we are listing in the back of The Directory proper, those hobby shop dealers across the country who have recently agreed to cooperate with us in promoting The Directory in their respective localities. Accordingly, we recommend to our members a friendly consideration of these dealers who have taken active interest in The Directory.

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Moreover, with the initial publication completed, several new promotional channels are opened; and they will be utilized.

The purpose of THE HOBBY DIRECTORY is to facilitate mutual friendships among hobbyists throughout the United States (and abroad). We want you to show it to your friends, but we ask you not to release it to commercial firms for advertising mailing lists. This privilege we grant to our cooperating hobby shop dealers for themselves only. We believe this policy will avoid unnecessary annoyance to our members.

It is assumed that each member will scan the pages of The Directory in search of others whose write-ups especially appeal to him, and then that he will communicate with those members. Similarly, we trust that members receiving such communications will respond promptly and enthusiastically. In this manner, we believe that all will receive new ideas, new inspirations, and a broader general outlook. No doubt, too, members will engage in swapping collectors' items, special materials, tools, equipment, as well as plans and experiences. Naturally, the editors of The Directory will be pleased to hear of any especially interesting developments that result from "introductions" through The Directory. And in all instances, we hope that this sharing of one another's hobby experiences will yield to every member a full measure of pleasant adventure and a happy interchange of friendship.

THE EDITORS.

THE DIRECTORY

(Arranged alphabetically by states and last names)

CALIFORNIA

No. 103. Harold A. Black, 8560 Lemon Ave., La Mesa. Age 56. Married, 3 children. B.S. degree in M.E. A.E.F. World War I. H.S. teacher. Vacations in state and national parks. Collector for 40 years of puzzles, tricks and games made from selected woods, wire, paper and string—these arranged in a special cabinet and card-indexed—500 now. Sponsor of boys' stamp club.

No. 202*. West central Calif. Age 41. Spent youth on Montana sheep ranch. College education. Teacher in Montana formerly, and now in California. Desires correspondence with ranch men and factory workers with liberal views, or other men who are sincere and sensible pen-pals.

No. 503. Walter W. Taggart, 1522 No. Cahuenga Blvd., Hollywood. Age 28. Married. Electrician (union). H.S. grad with special studies in electronics. Visits Yosemite Park, west coast localities, far western states, Canada and Mexico. Hobby: model trains, all gauges. Working on 1/2" live steam model. Glad to "help railroaders get together" and correspond with other hobby shop dealers.

CONNECTICUT

No. 108. Lee Beaujon, Barlow St., Canaan. Age 17. H.S. Sr. Summers, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture field work. Collects pictures, timetables, tickets and similar items related to railroads, especially New Haven, Central New England, and Boston and Maine. Visits eastern N. Y. and southern New England. Desires contact with other railroaders particularly in his section.

ILLINOIS

No. 113. Raymond L. Domagall, 1810 Pike St., Peru, Ill. Age 32. Married, one son. H.S. grad. Salesman. Interested in trading, buying,

*For Plan "B" members, names and addresses are intentionally omitted. Any member desiring to contact these members should address letters to Member No. . . . , c/o Hobby Directory, Box 91, So. Orange, N. J. Such letters will be properly forwarded immediately. Plan "B" members receiving these forwarded letters should reply directly, or mark "Not interested" and return promptly to The Hobby Directory for re-mailing to sender.

or selling U. S. and foreign guns, pistols, rifles, ammunition, and World War II relics. Also in English correspondence with people abroad, especially in France, Belgium, Germany and Italy. Desired contacts: traders, soldiers, and other pen-pals.

IOWA

No. 106. Anthony Kurriger, 951 Lucas St., Muscatine. Age 18. H.S. grad. Office worker. Visits Chicago occasionally. Interested in writing verse, studying and writing on scientific and political subjects; also classical music. Desires contacts with others interested in these subjects.

MASSACHUSETTS

No. 404*. Central Mass. Age 23. Single. H.S. grad. Visits Lake Winnepesaukee and Wolfeboro in N. H. In Navy 2 years. Interested in photography, underwater diving, steam cars, stage plays, music, camping, swimming, and dairy farming. Desired contacts: fellows of all ages with any of these interests.

MICHIGAN

No. 402*. Eastern Mich. Age 36. Single. In army, Navy, and Marines total of 5 years—50,000 miles of travel. Postage stamp and post card collector; short wave listener; also interested in baseball and golf. Desires correspondents sincerely interested in discussing current topics, the arts and sciences.

MINNESOTA

No. 107. Tony Lonien, Box 674, Milaca. Often visits states immediately east or west of Minn. Collector of post cards, snap-shots, and souvenirs.

NEW JERSEY

No. 403*. Northern N. J. Age 55. Married. A supervisor, mfg. concern. Visits Georgian Bay, Canada, Florida, New Orleans; Ohio, and Sea Island, Ga. O.S. U. grad. In army, World War I. Collector of coins and stamps, specializing in U. S. cents and U. S. stamps, including M & M and B.N.A. Other interests: cards, golf, good restaurants, and literature. Desired contacts: people of similar interests.

No. 116. Warren E. Braisted, 814 Hudson Ave., Secaucus. Age 22. Single. Office worker. Interests: photography (still and motion), with

color a specialty. Also music,—plays trombone in band. Invites contacts with those similarly interested.

No. 118. Robert Canham, 31 Hilton St., East Orange. Age 15. Goes to Camp Ken-Etiwa-Pec (Newton, N. J.) and Belmar, N. J. occasionally. Student, St. Benedict's Prep. School, Newark. Hobbies: camping, photography, and collecting Lincoln head pennies. Favorite sports: swimming and fencing. Desired contacts: fellows of about his own age.

No. 114. S. C. Cawthon, 1009 Putnam Ave., Plainfield. Age "45+". B.S. degree in E.E. Cable development engr. Visits occasionally in Texas, Miss., Ill. and Vt. Hobby: photography, especially landscapes and portraits. Desired contacts: other landscape and portrait photographers.

No. 111. Maurice L. Ewing, 409 Summer Ave., Newark 4. Age 23. Single. H.S. grad; accounting clerk. Occasionally visits Warm Springs, Ga. Interested in writing verse and collecting interesting clippings and pictures for assembly into scrapbooks. Contacts desired: interesting pen-pals, especially those physically handicapped with polio, etc.

No. 110. Charles Kuhl, 385 Princeton Ave., Jersey City 5. Age 18. interested in rifle shooting. Member N. J. State Guard. President of a rifle club, which uses .22, .38 and .45 calibre pistols and .22, 30-06 rifles. Would like to contact those interested in this activity.

No. 112. E. E. McKeige, 14 Frazer Pl., Cranford. Age 40. Married, two children. E.E. degree U. of Md. '26. Often visits Long Island, N. Y. Model railroader, "O" gauge; interested in electric R.R. prototypes, especially MU cars; also in automatic signalling and control schemes. Railroad layout under development.

No. 115. Charles B. Sinnock, 570 Upper Montclair Ave., Montclair. Married; one son. B.S. degree. Telephone engineer. Interested in mechanical tinkering, especially with liquid fuel cooking stoves. Takes auto trips to west coast occasionally.

No. 117. Theodore Taylor, Jr., 95 So. Burnett St., East Orange. Age 16. H.S. student. Hobby: "O" gauge model trains.

No. 203*. Northern N. J. Age 50. Married, 2 children. B.S. degree. In army, World War I. Camping, electrical gadgets, and photography, especially composition of landscapes, action and misc. shots of boys in physical activities such as gymnastics and outdoor sports. Desired

contacts: young fellows interested in these activities and suited for modelling in such photographs, especially in N. Y. metropolitan area.

NEW YORK

No. 109. George Marshall, 420 W. 56th St., New York City, 19. Age 38. Single. College storekeeper. H.S. grad. Interests: basketball, wrestling matches, and good music. Invites correspondence with all fellows,—pen-pals.

No. 501. H. E. Plantier, P.O. Box 133, Cohoes. Printing and mail order novelty business. Hobby: model ship building. Has built "Mayflower", "Half Moon", "Great Bear of Oakland", "Old Ironsides", "The Constellation", "The Great Republic", and "Santa Maria", "Flying Cloud". Will help anyone making these models.

No. 104. Bernard Schneiderman, 43-23 42nd St., Sunnyside 4, Long Island City. Age 19. Student N.Y.U. Visits Lake George, Rockland and Congers Lakes, Lake Ronkonkonia, Yaphank and Mastic on L. I. Also Putnam Lake. Member N. Y. State Guard. Hobby interests: fresh water fishing (summers) and hunting (winters). Desired contacts: fellows of same interests within a few years of my age.

OHIO

No. 101. Warren Sartwell, R.F.D. #1, Galena. Age 24. Single; factory worker. Interested in music and photography; will exchange snap-shots with anyone.

PENNSYLVANIA

No. 102. S. George Shuster, 25 North Harrison Ave., Pittsburgh 2. Age 21. College student. Travels sometimes to Ohio, Florida, New York, W. Va., N. C., Va., and Canada. Two years in Navy (recently released). Interested in swimming, horse-back riding, boating, camping, and reading. Contacts desired: fellows with similar interests around 25 in college or recently graduated.

TENNESSEE

No. 502. C. E. Lynn, Crossville. Age 53. Married. Five children. Accountant and cabinet maker. College education. Travels occasionally to Florida and Penna. Interests: making toys, gifts, novelties, mottoes, models, wooden filing cabinets, desks, etc. and instructing others in handicraft through publishing "National Homecraft Magazine". Desired contacts: those interested in handicrafts or in learning thereof.

VERMONT

No. 201*. Southern Vt. Age 27. Single. Collects misc. oddities. Fond of all forms of music. Frequently travels, including to N. Y. City, Chicago, Omaha, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Washington, D. C. and likes to visit unusual night spots. Would like to correspond with and meet (on trips) interesting men of his age or younger. Will exchange photos.

VIRGINIA

No. 401*. Southwestern Va. Age 22. Single H.S. grad. Sign painter. Travels sometimes to Virginia Beach, Va., Baltimore, and Wash., D. C. Three years in air corps and infantry. Interests: arts and literature. Won an art scholarship. Contacts desired: Fellows interested in art and in misc. other hobbies.

OUTSIDE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES

No. 105. Quaimind Pon, 242 3rd Ave., Benoni, Transvaal, South Africa. Age 16. Stamp collector since age 12. Says: "I wish to correspond with others having the same hobby." (Corresponds in English.) More information in next issue.

COOPERATING HOBBY SHOP DEALERS

(Agents for THE HOBBY DIRECTORY)

CALIFORNIA

HOLLYWOOD: Hollywood Hobby & Electric Shop, 1522 No. Cahuenga Blvd.

OAKLAND: Jack Collier's, "Toys for Men", 3669 Grand Ave. "Your fun is my business."

VAN NUYS: Fernando Valley Shops, 14406 Tiara St.

INDIANA

INDIANAPOLIS: Les' Repair Service, 1724 Central Ave.

ILLINOIS

BERWYN: Airplane Supply Shop, 2210 So. Lombard Ave. Complete stock of hobbies and model building kits, supplies and tools for planes, boats, and railroads. "Model Builder's Haven." Tel. Stanley 4427.

CHICAGO 5: West Town Hobby Shop, 5808 W. Chicago Ave.

OHIO

COLUMBUS 1: Columbus Hobby Shop, 1616 No. High St.

CLEVELAND 5: Sparks Hobby Shop, 6405 Union Ave.

OKLAHOMA

TULSA: L. R. Babb Model and Toy Shop, 305 East 4th St.

PENNSYLVANIA

PHILADELPHIA: The Electric & Hobbycraft Stores. "If it's advertised in a model magazine, it's 100 to 1 that it's on our shelves." 324 W. Chelton Ave. (Phil. 44); and 5101 N. Broad St. (Phil. 41).

Raymond K. Haring Hobby Shop, 3420 No. 6th St. (Phil. 40).

TENNESSEE

CROSSVILLE: Lynn Homecraft Service, manufacturers of woodcraft kits, toys, gifts, novelties, and publishers of handicraft folios and "National Homecraft Magazine".

WISCONSIN

MILWAUKEE: Hobby Center, 3949 No. Oakland Ave.

OTHER COOPERATING DEALERS

Don's Service, 620 Main St., Cincinnati 2, Ohio.

Model Aircraft Co., 418 No. Charles St., Baltimore 1, Maryland.

E. R. Johnson Hobby Shop, 3826 Minnesota Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Bantley Hardware Co., 701 Van Lunen St., Johnstown, Penna.

Prospective members can register through any of the above dealers as well as directly through headquarters, Box 91, So. Orange, N. J.

TO PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS:

THE Directory is issued twice a year (next issue Dec. 17, 1946) and becomes the member's reference list of friends far and near. To make up the Directory each member contributes his write-up.

IN addition to giving his name and address, each member will indicate his age, describe briefly the details of his particular hobby, and state what type or group of his fellow members he would especially like to contact. Each member is allotted 60 words for his write-up. However, if the member prefers, he may write us for a member information form for him to complete and from this we will prepare the write-up for him.

IN order that the Directory may adapt itself to the wishes and needs of as many as possible, we offer two plans of registration:

Plan "A" provides the listing of the member's name and address (and phone number if desired). Any other member may contact him directly.

Plan "B" lists the member by code number and general geographic locality. This limits incoming contacts by clearing initial correspondence through Directory headquarters. Names and addresses are released only with the member's consent on each request.

WHILE The Directory can not possibly yield any profit for at least two years, we are determined to conduct it upon a high level of utility and service to the members, believing that ultimately we shall all be very proud of its wide-spread acceptance. Accordingly, the annual membership dues (\$1.00 for Plan "A", and \$2.00 for Plan "B") have purposely been made nominal. Men and boys joining in 1946 will be designated in all future issues as CHARTER MEMBERS.

THEREFORE, a prospective member should prepare a write-up (or fill in the information form) and mail it together with his remittance immediately.

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