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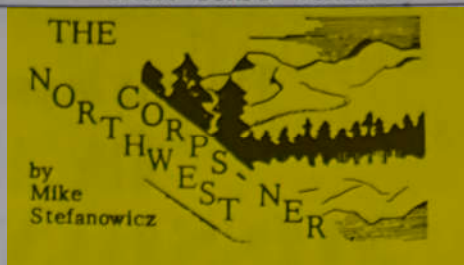
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NOTES FROM BADGERLAND

"Spring Serenade", the annual Badgerland-sponsored contest, will be held in Milwaukee on June 23rd. Plans include competition for C-Class Badgerland units, as well as the usual Open contest. The event will be staged at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Athletic Field . . . On June 22nd, the Wisconsin Rapids Tournament of Champions will be held under the direction of Bob Suerth, director of the Royal Guard of that city . . . A brand new contest, scheduled on June 29th at Oshkosh, Wis., is being held in conjunction with the Miss Wisconsin Pageant. Sponsored by one of Badgerland's newest member units, the Oshkosh K-Y Warriors, it is expected that the newly-crowned Miss Wisconsin will present awards to the competing units as her first official act. A gala parade will take place in the afternoon with an evening contest . . . The Cedarburg, Wis. Festival of Music - the 16th annual - takes place the next day, June 30th. Sponsored by the Cedarburg Volunteer Fire Dept., the contest will be directed again by Wm. Loebel, director of the Mercury Thunderbolts, and Commander of the Badgerland Association. Competition for bands as well as drum and bugle corps will be held. An addition to the Cedarburg Festival this year will be a five-corps C-Class contest prior to the open competition. Band competition takes place early in the day - real early - about 7:45 A.M. Cedarburg people have no chance to oversleep on Festival day! . . . The Hamm's Indians report a good 36 man horn line this year. Looks like our Indians will be topping their own excellent record in '63 . . . The Royal Emperors, a corps only two years old, will come in for its share of awards and recognition this year, from all indications. Really an up-and-coming unit! The Royal Emperors are planning a Standstill contest on May 18th. The Garfield Theatre, Milwaukee has been retained for it . . . Our Militaires of Milwaukee had an especially enjoyable duty to perform recently, when they heralded the arrival of Frankie "Crazy" Fontaine at General Mitchell Field. Mr. Fontaine expressed much appreciation for the greeting he received from the corps . . . Recent history: The Kilties did it again! Not in competition this time - but in the staging of the Kiltie Kapers, a variety show which is an annual event in Racine. The Venetian Theatre was jammed to the rafters - and the audience was most receptive to the fine talent displayed. The "Kiltie Kuties" brought down the house. Now THERE was a chorus line if ever there was one! Tremendous show! Seems like the Kilties carry a high G.E. into everything they do! . . . The Starlites and the Imperials of St. Patrick corps will both be sporting brand new uniforms this year. The uniforms will be viewed for the first time in the Arlington Heights, Ill. Memorial Day Parade. Both corps, and the Royal Emperors will appear in that parade, as will our Continental Youth Band, which is an Associate member of Badgerland . . . The Imperials of St. Patrick is directed by Roman Blenski, Jr., a long-time member of the Norwood Park Imperials . . . The annual Racine Scouts Standstill was the



Very short this month, bronchial problems giving me bad time.

Latest V.F.W. Natl. news . . . The Champs, CAVALIERS, have arranged for their reservations in Seattle . . . the PRESIDENTS of Greenville, Tenn. also making arrangements. The BLUE KNIGHTS of Denver, Colorado are also going to show. The CORPS OF THE NORTH will fly to Seattle for the Convention. DAVE SHAW asked for housing help and FRANK SOUSA of the Seattle BLUE ANGELS is searching for a hall, sleeping bags, etc. The THUNDERBIRDS also offered help and they also will

most recent contest sponsored by a Badgerland unit. Contest scores were as follows:

C-Class - Wagner Chordaliers (Milwaukee), 63.8; Kiltie Kadets (Racine), 63.7; Imperials of St. Patrick (Milw.), 58.4; St. Matthias Preps (Milw.), 58.3.

Open Class - Kilties (Racine), 88.0; Madison Scouts (Madison), 87.8; St. Matthias Cadets (Milw.), 82.2; Starlites (Milw.), 81.1.

Exhibitions were performed for an appreciative audience by the Racine Elks Band, the Kingsmen of Kenosha, the Boys of '76, the Racine Junior Scouts, and the host corps, the Racine Scouts . . . LATEST: A brand new contest is to be held at Muskogee Beach, Wis. on June 16th, Badgerland-directed. More about that in a future edition!

More news from Badgerland next month!
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give housing to the WYOMING TROOPERS. The SHAMROCKS offer help and they are helping on housing for the SENORITAS of Calif. The BUCCANEERS of Reading, Penna., present Natl. senior champs, are sending individuals and quartets.

TONY SCHLECHTA will select judges, from various parts of the country. JOHN DOWLAN indicated interest in judging drums providing it doesn't cost him too much to make the trip. We sincerely hope John will make it. Last figure I read in a letter of Tony's is \$10,000.00 prize money. ADRIAN GROBSMITH, Natl. Conv. chairman, coming to Seattle May 1st to talk many details.

Northwest Championships were a huge success, even made little money. Outstanding competitors included MIKE DUFFY, bugle, from Portland Leathernecks; TONI PAUL, drum, from the Spokane Percussionists; fine precision work of the very small Columbians from Pasco. I apologize to the Columbians for saying that they may disband without the services of EARL HALVERSON. Their parents say that the corps belongs to the boys and there will be no quitting.

DEL BLAKE of Spokane returned from the ARCHER-EPLER National Invitational Open with the big First for junior individual drumming. Congratulations to a hard-working and very fine drummer.

Hope to see many, many of you in Seattle this year. (Back to my pills) Best to everyone.

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