

Call to Colors Makes Inroads on Guest List of Elks' 33rd Thanksgiving Day Dinner for News Vendors

The crowd was smaller this year than ever before for the Thanksgiving Day turkey dinner given by the Fort Worth Elks Lodge for news vendors but the appetites present were hearty to the tune of second helpings.

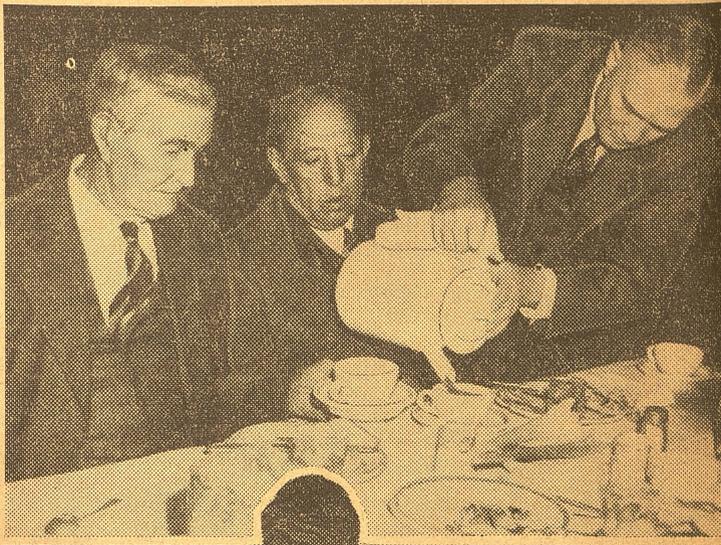
It was the 33rd year for the event, but many were missing, some having answered the call of their country with the armed forces, others of the older news vendors taken by death or kept away by illness.

A tribute was paid to the memory of Jeff Shook, claimed by death after 23 years of selling papers. F. W. Hughes, 72, injured recently when struck by an automobile, also was remembered, members of the Elks committee taking heaping plates of turkey and the trimmings to Hughes and his wife at 715 W. Peach.

Besides the feast, each "newsie" also received a silver dollar as a gift from Amon Carter, who was present to pass them out as is his custom. In addition to the silver dollars, each news vendor received a crisp new dollar bill as a present from Lt. Amon G. Carter Jr. for "old time's sake." Lieutenant Carter, now a prisoner of war in a German camp in Poland, sold papers on the street with the group for several years about 12 years ago.

Among the veteran news vendors present were Monroe Odom, familiar headline caller in front of the Worth Hotel and Worth Theater, who boasts nearly 25 years as a newsboy; G. M. Cummins, 77, who has been selling papers 16 years, and Mrs. Nancy Crouse, blind news vendor, who has sold papers 19 years.

Greetings to the news vendors were brought by Paul Trippet, exalted ruler of the Elks Lodge; Don E. Weaver, editor of the Fort Worth Press; County Judge Kraft and Carter. Judge Walter L. Morris again presided. Rev. C. G. Fox, chaplain of the Elks Lodge, gave the invocation, and Ernest Weston provided music.



It was drumstick time again at the Elks Club Thursday at the Fort Worth Elks Lodge played hosts to Fort Worth news vendors. Top photo, E. B. Trimble, right, serving coffee to G. M. Cummins, left, and William Fralick. Bottom photo, at left, J. K. Looker, center, passing drumsticks to Monroe Odom, left, and J. O. Smith. Bottom, right, C. L. Barnhart, the lodge's leading knight, greeting Mrs. Nancy Crouse, blind news vendor.

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Fort Worth Major Who 'Never Quit' Gave Life Trying to Save Crewmen

BY ROBERT WEAR.

In dying as one of the nation's war great, heedless of himself while trying to save crew members

she sat in the sunshine on the lawn in front of his parents' white frame cottage, watching her 22-month-old son, Robert Ede Carswell, playing on the grass and wanting to run

the country, which is the worst there is, make up for it."

Little Bobby—called "Butchie" by his father—toddled up to his mother's knee and tried to