

David M. Powell of Coropolis, Pa., writes: "After reading your APJ for the past year and comparing it to volumes of 1950, you really have a great deal to be proud of and the Fancy should appreciate your publications."

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald F. Champ of San Diego, Calif., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, June 14, and on the following day Mr. Champ was taken to the hospital suffering from a "heart seizure." According to a letter from C. H. Harper of North Hollywood, Calif., we understand that he is out of the hospital and back home recovering from his illness. All fanciers wish for him a speedy recovery. Mr. Champ is without doubt the best known Fantail fancier in the Free World and also one of the best known judges of Fantails.

Thomas C. Conway of Anaheim, Calif., writes: "Some of your readers might be interested to know that Mark Munger of the United States Marine Corps is now in Viet Nam. Many fanciers from out Missouri will remember him as a Modena breeder and since he has been stationed here in California, many fanciers of all breeds have come to know him and realize that he is a young fancier who really has an eye for all varieties of pigeons, and will be a valuable asset to the Fancy when he is released from active duty with the Marines."

Alex L. Phillips of East Cannington, West Australia, writes: "Your magazine is a credit to you as it covers all aspects of pigeon keeping, raising, and showing, so what more could a pigeon fancier require. Over the last two years several fellow fanciers who have browsed through the APJ at my home, have requested the address of your magazine which I have readily supplied. I am a breeder of mainly Show Pen Racers and Modenas. However, recently I have started to dabble also in Archangels, Helmets, L.F. English Beards, Suabians and Starlings. I wish you with your Journal and all pigeon fanciers in the USA all the very best."

Cal Breadhoff of Grandville, Mich., writes: "I must say I have enjoyed the APJ in the last few years. I wouldn't want to miss a single issue. Your Journals of today are reminiscent of some of the issues I received back around 1940 and 1941, when a series of articles written by Dr. L. E. Hummel got me interested in breeding Swallows. I have bred Swallows continuously ever since. Now, with the series of Special issues on different breeds, I'm sure that many fanciers have taken to these breeds because of the very fine articles that have been written by the many devoted fanciers in the Journal. Keep up the good work. Yours is without a doubt the finest pigeon publication in the country. I do hope that some day we might have at least a partial Special on Swallows."

John P. Cazacu of New Westminster, B.C., Canada, writes: "This letter is directed to your readers who answer advertisements, requesting information, and do not enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. After all, this is a hobby, not a business. I remember a few months ago, some articles were written — 'It's no use advertising something for sale if you do not intend to reply and answer the letters'. I am sure I answer all letters I receive providing they contain a stamped envelope, but the ones without this envelope I disregard. I figure it can't be too important to them if they did not consider how the answer would come back to them. As you see, it is not always the advertiser's fault that letters and requests are not answered."

In a letter from the United Swallow Club written by Alex Lacy, of Ashland, Oregon, Secretary-Treasurer, we quote the following: "Today (July 1) marks the second year of the United Swallow Club. On behalf of all of our club members, I wish to thank the APJ and Mr. Hollmann for the efforts made to promote all breeds of pigeons. I'm sure that without the APJ we could never have gotten such a good club going for Swallow fanciers. As I read the present issue of the Journal I can truly see that most of the pigeon fanciers desire unity in the sport. We are moving toward that goal and I am sure that we can reach it in the near future. Again, we the members of the United Swallow Club give you our blessings and hope that the APJ will continue as the leader in years to come." Calvin Breadhoff of Grandville, Mich. is President of the club.

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