

Von Parsons of Golden, Colo., writes: "I enjoyed very much your article about your trip overseas and visit with so many outstanding pigeon fanciers."

Charles R. Harms of Eureka, Calif., sends his renewal for three years with this comment: "Have been receiving your wonderful Pigeon Journal for over 50 years and hope to read it for 50 more years."

George Kelm of St. Paul, Minn., writes: "I was more than happy for the work which is being done to put out an excellent magazine as I have seen in the sample copies sent to me. I look forward to my first issue. Keep up the good work."

Rufus N. Burns of Dallas, Tex., writes: "I have my King loft where it can be seen from the street, so therefore I get a few youngsters from the area stopping in and asking questions. I drag out my APJ and AKC Journal and tell them what I can. Then suggest that they join a club of their choice and take a subscription to the APJ. I feel this is good advice for youngster or old hand."

W. R. Brown of Des Moines, Iowa, writes: "Enclosed find check for one year's subscription to the APJ. I have read back issues of your Journal and like them enough to subscribe. I found some fellows right in my own town who raise birds that I didn't know about until I saw their names in the Journal. I enjoy the pictures of birds and also of the different lofts. All tips on breeding and keeping of pigeons are very helpful."

O. J. Willis of Croydon Park, South Australia, writes: "I am the President of the South Australia Canary and Pigeon Society and this year we will be holding our 75th annual show on July 31st and August 1st when we hope to pen in excess of 2000 birds. I have been a regular subscriber to the American Pigeon Journal for 15 years and to me it is like an oasis in the desert to receive it monthly. Wish the Journal every success for the future and in particular the Show Racer issue."

James R. Frees of Traverse City, Mich., writes: "I wish to tell you how wonderful it is, what a good job your Tumbler writers are doing for the Tumbler fancy by the excellent articles they are writing. I have written back and forth a lot and even called Al Westling, Al Grace and Jim Fonseca. These men are truly outstanding men and a great boost to us all. I also think your Journal is getting better and better all the time and wish to thank you for the fine job you are doing. I hope we can have a Tumbler Special soon, as I am sure there are enough breeders to support it."

Roland F. Voeltz of Mayville, Wis., writes: "About 20 years ago I had to dispose of all my pigeons to have major surgery. Ten years later because of a misfortune I again had to give them up. Another period of hospitalization which left me a partial paraplegic. Last year because of a highway improvement project they had to be disposed of again. This time the breeding coop went. Now I am settled again and have just finished erecting a combination workshop and pigeon loft. Because I wanted some birds so badly I stocked it with a few pair of commies, just to tide me over until I can locate some good squabbing White Giant Homers."

D. B. Sanders of Old Toongabbie, N.S.W., Australia, Secretary of the Pigeon Fanciers Society of N.S.W., writes: "At our recent club meeting all members agreed that the evening we all spent together was an outstanding success, as it brought together for the first time members of the pigeon world from far and wide, and now we feel that as we know each other better we can move forward together on a united front. That small meeting we had out at the Showground will I think be a milestone as far as we in Australia are concerned. For this we are greatly indebted to you for sowing the seed of progress, and I trust that we may see that seed grow in the near future. The members of this club are in full support of a Grand National Pigeon Association and Darcy Cook and myself have been nominated as delegates to represent them. Naturally it will take time but I am confident that if we put into practice your ideas then we will progress satisfactorily."

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