

On September 14, Grand Exalted Ruler Barrett was the guest of **WEEHAWKEN, N. J., LODGE, NO. 1456**. There he was joined by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Joseph G. Buch, who introduced him at the banquet given in his honor and attended by 300 Elks. Also a welcome guest was the Honorable James A. Farley, P.E.R. of Haverstraw Lodge and Past Pres. of the N. Y. State Elks Association. At the lodge meeting held later, a large number of Elks from nearby lodges, headed by District Deputy Joseph C. Melillo, of Lyndhurst Lodge, were present. The Grand Exalted Ruler spoke on "Patriotism".

A trip into North Carolina was made the following week. On September 21, the Grand Exalted Ruler dedicated the new home of **CHARLOTTE LODGE NO. 392** and attended the Fall meeting of the **NORTH CAROLINA STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION**. Past Grand Exalted Ruler Sholtz, District Deputy Boyce A. Whitmire, of Hendersonville, and State President W. A. Sams, of Asheville, were guests on both occasions. A barbecue followed the afternoon meeting held by the Association. Among the projects endorsed were the purchase of a 300-acre tract of land near Hendersonville for a summer camp for underprivileged children, and an intensive program for the veterans hospitalized in and around Asheville. It was stated that every lodge in North Carolina had named rehabilitation commissions. At the dedication services, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Sholtz introduced Dr. Barrett who took as his subject "The Value of a Home". A dance and reception followed.

The Grand Exalted Ruler was the guest of **WINSTON-SALEM LODGE NO. 449** on September 23. It was the first time this lodge had ever entertained a Grand Exalted Ruler and elaborate plans had been made. The banquet given in his honor was attended by prominent state, county and city officials. Dr. Barrett was introduced by Dr. Sams, State President.

On September 30, the Grand Exalted Ruler left for a trip into Indiana, Pennsylvania and West Virginia.