



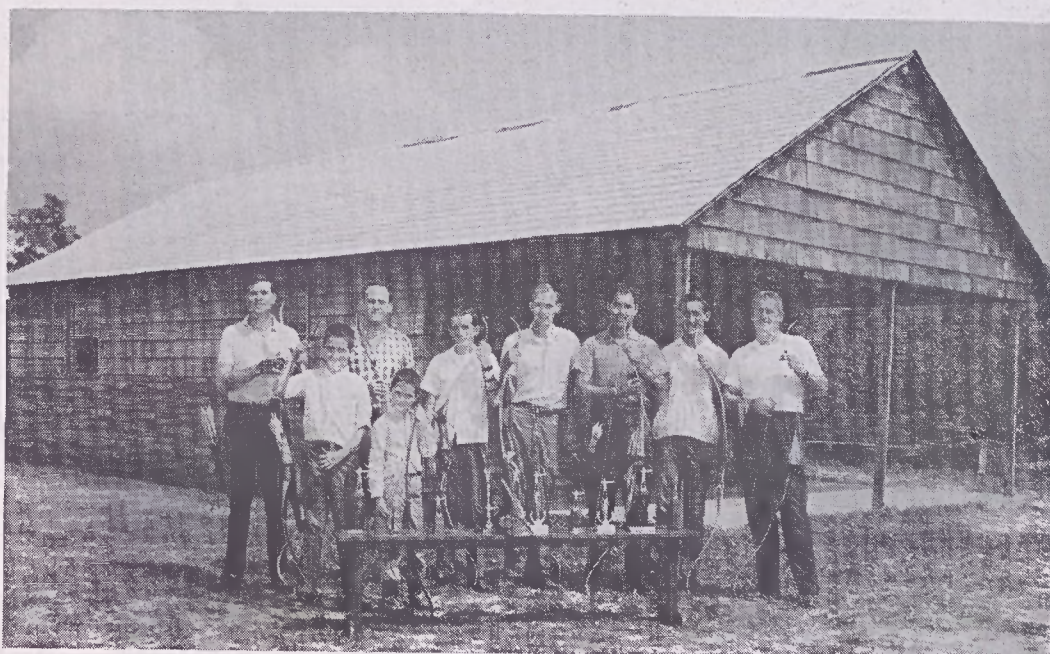
Beaver Creek Bowmen Association, left to right, are Harold Hale, president; Russell Dyer, secretary and treasurer; and



Men shown here as they line up to shoot are James Turner, Cletis Utt, Harold Hale and Russell Dyer. The boys are David Turner, 7, and Vernon Turner, 11, who are beginners.



ing arrows are strictly regulated. Here, Harold Hale and James check tips on special arrows.



Shown in front of Bowmen Association's clubhouse on Henry Road are Vernon and David Turner (on front row) and, from left to right on back row, Harold Hale, Cebert Stone, Cletis Utt, Edward Stone, Russell Dyer, Bobby Eanes, James Turner.

Towel Mill Men Find Archery Exciting

A group of Towel Mill employees are finding pleasure and adventure in the ancient sport of archery, although it is doubtful if the sport as now engaged in could be called ancient in any sense.

The Fieldale men are members of the Beaver Creek Bowmen Association and they have a regulation range and clubhouse on the Henry Road a short distance off of Highway 220. There, on weekends and at every opportunity they gather to practice their shooting.

Evidence of their skill is shown by the trophies and medals won by the club and by the individual members. Harold

Hale, of the Towel Mill Weave Room, has won a boxful of individual awards. Bobby Eanes, another member, has won awards in two state tournaments.

As hunters, their record is just as impressive. Virtually every member has killed a deer with his bow and arrow and one year there were five Weave Room bow men who had killed deer.

Although they are avid hunters, the archers are much interested in conservation. Members of the association are required to abide by hunting laws to remain a member of the club. If any member is convicted of a hunting law viola-

tion, he loses his membership.

Aside from hunting, archery is encouraged as a family sport. Wives and children eight years old and up often take part. Safety regulations are strict and, as far as the local archers know, no one has been hurt on an archery range.

The Fieldale group is affiliated with the National Field Archers Association and the Virginia Bow Hunters Association. They have competed in shoots at many places in Virginia and nearby states and are now looking forward to the state tournament in Richmond on Labor Day.