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BASEMENT-BOUND MOOSE GETS SLEEPING POTION: THEN EVICTED

City firemen are accustomed to extricating small boys and even cats and puppies from peculiar, embarrassing and difficult situations but it remained for staff members of the Department of the Interior's Fish and Wildlife Service at Anchorage, Alaska, to evict a bull moose from an unfinished basement.

The bull moose, considerably angered over the whole thing, especially his own clumsiness in falling into the basement, showed a tendency to wreak ruin on the group which had gathered on the rim of the excavation to ponder what to do. The matter was solved when Service employees arrived on the scene with an "anesthetic gun" and from a safe distance gave the moose a "shot" which put him into a restful slumber.

Eager hands powered a block and tackle; the moose was hauled out of the basement and carted to a safe place, where he slept off the sleeping potion, and then headed for the hills.

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