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The Builder
CHAIRMAN, HAROLD MILLER
SPEAKER, MR. ARTHUR HARRIS

SUBJECT: MISSION TO YALTA AND MECCA
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In those days we didn't know Russia as we know her now. The President the whole American people, entertained at least some degree of good faith in the Soviets. Well intended diplomacy then seems to be untenable now. Who could foresee the Russia of modern time? More than once able statesmen have been deceived by an unscrupulous nation. On the historical visit to Russia we'll get Mr. Harris' version to day.

Again our country faces a political campaign. Again we point out the dangers in partizan politics in any non-political service club. Our members are of different political faiths. Let's keep clear.

How delightful! That musical by the high school songsters. To intersperse such program with the customary elocuting kind is most acceptable now and then.

We congratulate Messrs. Farris, McCaffrey and Galeazzi as our new Kiwanians. Inducting these into the mysteries of our order that three point ceremony "took" nicely. Come and see the Secretary, boys; he has some business with you.

Directors meet this very Tuesday night, at 105 Fitch, SEVEN THIRTY. The domicile is bounded on the North by Harold Miller's right bower; Art Atkinson; on the East by Past President Earl Osborn and Councilman Joe McEachern; on the South by Bulky Billy Stine; and on the West by a pack of barking canines. Any neighbor will tell you lives here.



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CHAIRMAN, MR. F.M. PASSALACQUA

SPEAKER, MR. LEONARD THOMAS

SUBJECT, EXPERIENCES IN JAPAN

That story by Mr. Harris last week was different than we had fancied. We jumped at the conclusion it would be something on International politics, seriously discussed. Instead, it was a refreshing account of the journey of President Roosevelt and party to Mecca & Malta. Thanks to Harold Miller for such an interesting program.

The usual gang of a score or more reported for the regular directors' meeting - this time with the Secretary. Plenty of business, followed by a "no peeky" and "no baseball" session, all to the delight of the host, and to the "Professor's" exchequer. One time Walt Wright didn't have a good time at all.

Yes, we made April for the century attendance alright. Thanks to the maker-uppers. Four years ago this April we started our 100 % record. Shows we're not only "has beens" but we can come back.

Friday night Kiwanian Al's boxing boys made it most interesting for a full house, and another huge success. A substantial achievement for Youth Activities by our club. But, even in the burlesque bout, it was sad to see big Al as he lay prostrate and covered with lillies all by the hands of giant knocker-outer Sid Schwab.

That much desired Key Club is now a genuine reality, with organization perfected and Art McCaffrey as supervisor. Hick gave 'em a nice talk at their Friday meeting.



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"COPS & ROBBERS"- Hot title, we should say. Mr. Arthur Duane, speaker. By way of introduction Chairman Russ says "Give 'em the works." Our pleasure. Art is some keen Kiwanian. Past President of a flock of clubs in his perambulations. He puts over a good speel, too. at times, funny. He and Russ first sported together and Kiwanised together in Santa Rosa - years ago. To open, no pair of Jacks can beat this combination. The twain constitute the finest specimens of manhood who ever put powder in a safe. Hence, the above subject title - Cops and Robbers. Plutocrats, both. The one, prexy of American Trust (bank). The other, brains of a BIG Lumber Trust. We must trust they'll put across a good show to day.

CITIZENS CELEBRATION WEEK. Service clubs are expected to pay some observance, giving thanks for privilege of living and working in these United States of America, pausing for a few moments and listening to appropriate comments combatting Communism and other Anti-American Doctrines. Who shall the speaker be ?

Counter Intelligence Service was interestingly handled last session by Mr. Leonard Thomas, particularly as employed in the Japanese War. While a candidate for office, Leonard, of course made no political speech; yet, he looked the part of a good Democrat, and by virtue of sound logic he must be a good man.

Our Chaplain will be missing to day - gone to Seattle for three weeks. Jack, we'll miss you. In the cleric's stead we suggest that Jack Lewis pronounce the benediction. Just a thought.

For a few weeks also Bill Edwards is recreating in No Man's Land. Ant our Division Governor "By" Gibbs this week will be making his official visits to the four clubs North.



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Club's first gong ringer is Joe Miller. He wields again this day. His speaker is Elmer (The Bud) Christensen. And his subject:

"WHAT IS THE STRENGTH OF AMERICA"

Arthur Duane knows his banking, plus his bankers' troubles. He tells some of the latter entertainingly and with great facility of expression. Equally glib of tongue, Al Huddart supplemented on Good Citizenship, in observance of Citizens Celebration Week - 5 minutes.

Another nice little program number: At the hands of Floyd Darby, Keith Walker, President of the new Key Club, seemed most happy to receive a classy looking gavel - relic traveling down through the Deeson generations. Thanks to Eddie.

In a neat speech Steve Yeager, Santa Rosa (by absorption) presented a renewed Boy Scouts Charter, annual affair, to our own Scout Leader. Knowing well this obstreperous bunch in Healdsburg Steve thought it best to bring a pair of body guards from his club.

Time not far away when we celebrate our Twenty Fifth Anniversary. All Past Presidents now in the club constitute the committee, with Joe Miller as chairman. Behold this galaxy of monarchs of the past: Besson, Comstock, Cooley, Darby, Frisch, Gibbs, Haloy, Latimer, J. Miller, H. Miller, Osborn, Quinn, Schwab, Stevens, plus our present proxy, Irandsen.

Joe has the coming big event in hand and will whip into line the above named as his "wrecking crew" de luxe.

Two weeks more, and our great big day entertaining these high school grads, with all the pomp and ceremony attached thereto. Floyd is on his toes with the program of the day. Don't miss this glad event.



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FIRST DAY OF JUNE, '48

UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION POLICY - subject for discussion at this meeting and debated by members of the U.S. History class. A novel type of program. Should be, will be, interesting. "Bud", Chairman.

The same Elmer (Bud) Christensen gave us an exhaustive treatise on present and future school requirements. Widespread publicity of his convincing argument might not have been amiss prior to the recent election on tax increase ceiling.

Directors meet at the home of Tom Ludcke, #24 Piper Street, this Tuesday evening, 7-30.

Off to the Convention in a few days the following: Byron C. Gibbs, unattached; couples, Stevens, Frandsen, Wright, Darby, Barbieri, Edwards. L.A. Will know Healdsburg is there.

Those "telegrams" as read at last meet unmistakably indicated that "The Professor" really visited the northern clubs; also, that said Envoy Plenipotentiary impressed the assemblages in manner quite extraordinary. And yet, the Arcata club bulletin speaks of him as "Our IB. Governor from Healdsburg, Byron Gibbs, that grand guy." That "By" left his imprint in Humboldt and Del Norte is awful easy to understand.

Time now to plan for those two weeks of blessed recreation when we are about to hie to the High Sierras, or No Man's Land, to take on "win, wigor and wild ways"; when it's necessary to hike o'er the summit for the dashing creek below; when we must attune lungs and legs to the steep climb thru the thin air of high altitudes; when we're out for a radical change. But don't forget to remember to protect your attendance. Make up "fore and aft" Good time; good luck.