



# The Builder

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"Legislative Trends" - subject for discussion - by Mr. Bob Moir - State Chamber of Commerce - Al Huddart, Chairman. "Bob" needs no ballyhooing with our group. He's all wool and a couple of yards wide as protagonist in any old public movement.

Now comes into our fold the fifth representative of Clan Rosenberg, Ira by name. and Ira the Second, it so happens. Most welcome, Ira, and we'll know you are to take ~~off~~<sup>over</sup> where the old boys left off.

Any Kiwanis club not having a Key Club under its wing misses something. Inspirer, organizer, stabilizer, Byron Gibbs, should feel a sense of pride in the development of his pet juvenile organization of five years ago.

While the program of last week was heard by all, yet, because of its impressiveness, and for purposes of the record, we are disposed to review, in substance, the account which Norm Schwieter kindly furnished us:

About 25 members of the Healdsburg High School Key Club were the guests of Kiwanis last week, May 26. Paul Gilbert, Bill Christensen, and Adalbert Cornelsen spoke on the general topic of Key Club activities; being introduced by Byron Gibbs.

Thereupon the new officers were installed (via Walt Wright), for the school term of 1953-54. For President, Tom Frakes; Vice-President, Ed Holmes; Secretary-Treasurer, Bill Auradou; Sergeant at Arms, Jim Zobel; Junior Representative, Eddie Micheli; Carl Petersen, Senior Representative.

And who claims the Lieutenant Governorship but Healdsburg's Paul Gilbert - this for Division Eight - a signal honor.

Norm Schwieter, faculty advisor, and Garry Rosenberg, Kiwanis Chairman of the Key Club Committee, were presented with tie clasps from the Key Clubbers in appreciation for "services rendered" during the year.

All in all, a significant occasion for the senior and junior clubs.





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Chairman John Sciarra announces for this day "Fabulous Five Hundred and Other Items of Interest"- including those recent thrilling auto races at Indianapolis. Color(ful) pictures.

Just as it ought to be - playing to a full house each week, therefore spelling good membership attendance, so to speak.

In status quo - meaning same men, same table, same chairs; and ironically including, same guy who's preferring this charge. Possibly a steam shovel might lift from their anchorage the human cargoes and deposit same amongst unaccustomed bedfellows for a change. But could these travelers withstand the rigors of strange environment? Seems, however, they prefer to invoke the law of "squatters rights" for the privilege of staying put.

One week hence and again the High School graduates shall be our guests. Keep this date open for the "annual" we never miss.

'Twont be long now before our delegate Sid Grove, together with wife and daughter, shall be speeding for the International Convention in New York. A real PRIVILEGE, this.

Pursuant to his stewardship on a very important committee, meeting of late in Chicago, our Past District Governor favors us with the following contribution :

"Regarding International Resolutions, we haven't one on Ireland for Ed Quinn, but will appreciate your support on the ones on Citizenship and Admission of Hawaii as a State - both of which I wrote when in Chicago at the Resolutions Committee meeting. Please overlook the split infinitives and spelling. Russ Stevens."

Many thanks, Russ. Sorry can't find too many blunders in spelling. And, as for the split infinitives - no more "split" than in the perfect make-up and closely-knitted Democratic Party.





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The Sixteenth Day of June  
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CONGRATS, THE CLASS OF FIFTY THREE - HAPPY THIS DAY, WITH YOU, AND WE.  
This, a momentous day for 90 girls and boys of the High School graduating class. A day looked forward to by them for their scholastic years. A day for sociability, sentiment, anxiety, happiness.

Each month of June upwards of a hundred youths come to us - invited by us - to commingle with matured men; to dine and sing; to laugh and chat; to exchange pleasantries; and to participate in a program made to order for the occasion.

It is a day, too, for the lucky and deserving boy or girl - the Johnnie Doe, or Jennie Roe, to receive at our hands that coveted Kiwanis Plaque. Also, to be invested with our annually proffered scholarship.

But this is not all, says Chairman Walter Wright. Remember Mr. Phil Robbins of a few years ago? Again he'll be on hand with such entertainment as will captivate our young American Guests. Call it "The Beauty and the Science of Harmony", if you will. But we'll let the gentleman's "offerings" speak for itself.

Yes, this is the day when the dull and the drab shall be shattered in true atomic bomb fashion, as in keeping with what boys and girls "just let loose from school" will want, and just what they're going to get. So, on with the rejoicing doings set for this day.

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But this is something else. Hand it to John Sciarra for gathering in the coin. John, you know, was chairman for his first time last week. And how he did financially function! As Bill Reynolds observed: "John doesn't mess around." A quarter here, four bits there; a full buck more often than otherwise, whether guilty or otherwise. They all looked alike to John. It was the down payment he was after, and believe you me, he got it. Six months hence, when same financier is again at his post of duty, just come prepared to dig down.





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As one by-product of our "annual" for the High School graduates, June 16, Betty Robbins and Jean Sonnikson "graduated" into a pair of pretty happy girls. For each was blest with such wealth of attainments as to cop the Kiwanis Plaque and Kiwanis Scholarship, respectively. Prizes our club yearly is pleased to grant, and ~~they~~ <sup>students</sup> to joyfully receive.

For each month of June during these many years, in point of entertainment, nothing excelled the doings of Tuesday last. The program was pregnant with just about <sup>everything</sup> to fit the occasion.

While on his feet, and that was for quite some time, President "Ivy" was at his best - his very best. What is more to be desired than the leader, happy in his every expression? It is just that, calculated to liven up a party. And that's what largely spelt success when last we met.

Then, too, the "offerings" of Walt Wright, the logical MC of the meet, his contributions were not to be sneezed at! We all know this guy of old - what and how he says things. As a matter of fact, the entire Division Eight got his number when he was performing in the capacity of Lieutenant Governor.

And one of the best things he ever did was to capture and capitalize one Phil Robbins, featuring this same "phenom" in his side-splitting monologue and musical(?) rendition on that much extolled "sweet potato" of his. How he pumped levity and thrill into the hearts of ninety one teen age girls and boys! Would that there were more Phil Robbins to warm the cockles of the heart; to set youngsters, and oldsters too, into spells of hysterics as did Mr. Phil on that day. Phil is the "cat's whiskers" entertainingwise.

At last, at last, and after due diligent and devious efforts, "Passy" has landed the man of his choice. Chaplain of Sonoma State Home, Father Geary, is coming to tell us about worthwhile accomplishments in that institution. Interesting speaker is this divine.





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LAST DAY OF JUNE, '53

This good old summertime, in some respects, not so good after all. NOT SO GOOD for club members to take off into the wilds for vacation without concern for a "make-up" in the nearest Kiwanis town.

NOT SO GOOD to return without a story of the beach or mountains.

NOT SO GOOD for Kiwanians and all "laymen" to visit forbidden or dangerous places.

NOT SO GOOD, particularly, to ignore the following

## WARNING

" Stay on the Beach. 21 persons have been swept away from rocks and ledges around this headland. No bodies were ever recovered. Anyone within 25 feet of ocean level is in danger all the time/ Heed this warning. Order State Park Commission."

In the vicinity of Wright's Beach, and long before DEATH ROCK was so named, fishing on the treacherous boulder, the writer was suddenly swept into the sea. Miraculous ! still alive to tell this tale. You might not be so lucky.

NOT SO GOOD for citizens to take chances with fire.

To day Fire Officer Tom Frakes, via discourse and pictures, will stress existing fuel for fire, particularly in the vicinity of Geyserville. Lee Sayre, Chairman.

That quartette of a week ago! Possibly Ivy's selection of talent was the available best. We're not saying. However, with Tom Beahn's surprising contribution as basso profundo, plus those lyric tenors - Steve, Al and Elvin - Working on the Railroad was worked to a fare ye well, Never heard such interpretation before. One kind thought: Those encores might have been left unsung; for the original rendition seemed sufficient unto itself. However you interpret this.