



THE BUILDER

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Referring to The Builder of two weeks ago, "VOX KIWANI".

You read Ed. Norton's "eulogy". It sounds like some bard just he. That rhymeful "beautiful Rainbow plea", ascribed to ye editor (meaning me) was of his poetic brilliancy. Now, if your scribe does boast of fish, too long to fit in a great big dish, and only catches mere minnows instead, then one big liar is Rainbow Ed. But now that the size of that "dorsal fin" was seen by the optics of Edward N. - "Those Lassen trout when on the scales", says he: "Minnows" for Quinn; to me they're WHALES".

All of which acquits the lowly fishmonger of gross exaggeration, and incidentally hints at his being back in the Kiwanis sanctum again.

Many thanks, Ed. for so sublimely subbing in the editor's absence. A bunch of mountain lillies to your charming secretary and a great big sugar pine cone for your bouquet - imported from Lassen's primeval forests. And if John Condit happened to touch an inspiring key, John, we'll tell you where to get the limit.

Great success was the Kiwanis Picnic. Division clubs were there - men women and youngsters - in good representation. Chairman Harold put his might into the "get-together" function; all committees performed in perfect fashion. Swimming, boating, splashing, golfing, EATING ! What else could mortals mourn for ?

Clyde Edmonson's talk last week was a corker. Clyde told us more in thirty minutes about roadways and tourist possibilities than we hav gotten from all other sources. Thanks, "Redwood Empire Clyde".

Another one of Rev. C. E. Kennedy's fine discourses to day. Always a treat to hear this outstanding Kivanian and cleric. Art Meese, Chmn.



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Well, here we are again stenciling out a weekly letter, not altogether calculated to keep you fellows away, but rather, that you may see your way clear to be on hand. Just wondering why it is that our attendance has dropped from the 90 to the 80 bracket. Are our announcements on the coming meetings at fault? Are these even read? Does the waste basket have the first call, and last, as well? Do we not put on many "exquisite" programs? Answer, ye who may.

Observe, if you will, that in order to learn just what is on the card for this meeting, it will be necessary to really search for the announcement and scan a few paragraphs in this issue, painful as it be,

MOST REFRESHING TO HAVE A VISIT FROM OUR OLD PAL, RAY KRUG.

Harking back to the picnic of recent past, The Builder is constrained to make mention of the generous space given in other club bulletins advertising the affair in advance together with very nice comments on the function. Special thanks are due to Ray Grinstead and Jack O'Grady, respective editors of the ~~Sonoma~~ and Benicia weekly letters. Thanks, boys, you are fine boosters.

Kiwanian Father Kennedy was at his usual "best" in his wonderful talk on The Youths of Our Country last week. The absentees just overlooked another treat.

By recent action of the Board of Directors our club is going to give its might to the coming Harvest Festival, sponsored by the Eagles, and so encouraged, as it seems, by the entire community.

Now we come to the point. Hick Cooley is chairman to day, and Mr. John Peters of Petaluma will speak on a subject "touchin' on and appertain' to Agriculture. Might bring a farmer guest, if you please.



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We are to be favored to day with Bill Shuhaw's report on the International Convention held in Indianapolis, Ind. Bill, as you know, consented to represent our club at the big meet. Supplementing his report the speaker has promised "movies", taken en route to the convention. The program promises to be of great interest. John Condit will act in the capacity of Chairman of the Day.

That talk by Mr. John Peters last week on transportation as applied to agriculture was just another message of information, such as we are getting all the while from speakers who know their stuff.

The Harvest Festival is but two weeks off. By our promised participation in a whole souled fashion let this function smack of Kiwanis calibre and color.

September 17, 1937 - the 150th anniversary of the adoption of the American Constitution. Program Committee, be on the "qui vive" for appropriate exercises for this occasion. All-Kiwanis is going to pay suitable recognition.

Notice the delectable summer luncheons we are being served these torrid Tuesday noons ? Yes, Legion Ladies, we all appreciate those cool ice teas and refreshing dishes.

Eddie Byrn, past Healdsburg Kiwanian, every now and then seems to drop in suddenly - from somewhere - and just as quickly is "gone with the wind".

Hats off to the man who makes up every absence - WHAT A MAN !



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'Twill seem more like a Lions' than a Kiwanis program to day. Fact is that Frank (Doc) Sohler is going to show those ferocious beasts in real action, movies, if you please. The "Doc" says you will almost hear the lions roar, so realistic are those pictures. And Frank will appear all decked out in his Africa traveling suit. Just how Mrs. Sohler may be togged up for the occasion we cannot broadcast at this moment - but she'll be there - possibly in the role of stage manager, maybe lion tamer, or leading lady in the Beauty and the Beast.

Chairman John Condit will pinch hit for Baldy Haley, who has fled the State to escape the Kangaroo Court and for his whiskerless defiance of a Harvest Festival decree.

While on the subject of Harvest Festival, with its attendant open air "court", it seems that many of our Kiwanians already are participating, not alone as prisoners at the bar, but, believe it or not, a certain one of our fold sitting as a non-whiskerino judge ! At least, those fully expected bristles not visible to the naked eye. Now, The Builder always advocates fair play. Just visualize, if you will; imposing fines on beardless unfortunates, and by a magistrate, himself of the bald face gang ! Consistency, O where art thou ? And such fines ! "One Dollar and Ten Cents". Presumably \$1.00 for the "kitty", and 10 cents as rake-off for "hizzonor". With such a set-up as this The Builder heartily recommends packing this "court" with at least two more justices with facial qualifications to sit. Slogan: WE WANT JUSTICE.

Congratulations, thanks (or, as Jack O'Grady of Benicia would say) orchids to Lt. Governor Bill Shuhaw for those pictures and fine report on the International Convention. When there is a mission to perform - let Bill do it. And he did it last week for us.



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DISAPPOINTED ! There was to be an innovation in local Kiwanis journalism to day. But we have assurance that it will materialize next week. In the meantime the editor has been advised not to "stretch his neck" - probably meaning not to spill the beans. And so, gentle reader, just be patient, hold your horses, let your curiosity run rampant until the next issue of The Builder.

We may as well confess that this is the second attempt to turn out a bulletin for this occasion. Copy was already set up, the "devil" had done the inking, proof reading carefully executed and all in readiness to go to print when FLASH ! The belated and unexpected message came over the wire to "kill" what already had been done and wait for developments on September 7th.

Okey, you enterprising and conniving schemers; we cheerfully do your bidding, and let come what may. Ye Editor senses the situation and has a hunch that some diabolical controversy is in the making - which may lead to consternation, even bitterness within the ranks. Go to it, you sourballs, even tho' REVENGE may be your guide.

Now, that our valuable space is nearly exhausted with the above explanatory observations, we find room only to state, Firstly, That Paul Crabb is to be the chairman to day, and that Father Coghlan will address us on a subject of his own choosing. Secondly, We saw those lions Tuesday last, in "movies" rare to see. We saw them in their tug o' war; we spied them up a tree. And creatures countless - many sorts -projected from the reel; the king of beasts as banquet guest while zebra served the meal. Thanks to Sohlers' Traveling Troupe.