



The Builder

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Home grown, home schooled, home interested Kiwanis citizens to day - Al Barbieri, Chairman. Slim Price, Speaker.

Subject, "Proposed Bond Issue on Sewer System and Water Supply."

When the Mayor gets this off his chest every last Kiwanian, wife, relative and friend should have nothing to do except vote for and work for this movement of great moment and expediency.

A discourse of as high order as ever heard in this club since its inception was the motif of last meeting program. That speech of Commodore Russell Ihrig will linger long in the memory of those who were present and a source of regret by the absentees. A Navy man of high degree, the speaker stressed ships of all sorts - ships in time of peace; ships in times of trouble; ships for international commerce; seacraft of every sort and service. And not overlooking the Natal Day of George Washington, the Commodore stressed Character and Brotherhood - characteristics of our first President. Many thanks to Chairman Perry Beeson for such an exceptional program.

Rehearsals for the coming program at Benicia, March 8th necessarily postponed for this week due to the absence of song leader Jess Ratchford. Further announcement to day. A real time in the offing.

The Key Club has its Charter now. The 23d was the big night for the boys. Twenty Kiwanians and wives witnessed our President Walt present the Charter to Bill Beebie, now President.

Last Tuesday again. Not the least was that little gem of a talk by Jack Thomas, in consideration of Washington Day. It was a dandy.



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"Guide Dogs for the Blind" - This story to be revealed this day. Chairman "By" Gibbs is not certain of the speaker's name, but he will be on hand to guide us just how those dogs can do it.

If we are to have sanitary conditions and plenty of water in this fair city, then go to the polls and vote for such necessities of life when the time comes. Such appeal was made by Mayor "Slim" Price in his all-convincing talk last week. Slim surely knows his community needs. And did he hold his audience !

All Aboard - for Benicia, this very Tuesday, at FIVE, P.M. Embarkation port to be announced to day. A "voyage" that probably shall become historical. Forty gaudily chapeaued excursionists, all bent on "one of those times" should be photographed and fingerprinted for future reference. Going and coming, things are bound to happen amongst this bus load of two score citizens out on their own. En route, law and order are likely to take a sound beating; But while in session the gang must be a bunch of saints. Healdsburg reputation, at the crossroads, shall not be defiled. Nor should the God-given privilege for fun be curtailed. Benicia, we'll be there. Never mind a program. We'll take care of that.

Once back home, an enlarged degree of social activity is just ahead, as forecasted at our recent directors meeting. Committee, Al, Huddart in the lead, has ideas. And fruit they're going to bear - so say we all of us.

A dozen maker-uppers sat in that said directors meet. Which won't mar our attendance per centage one wee bit. 98 plus for the month.



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Beware the Ides of March, and be good to day.

With baseball season here again, what could be more appropriate than a program devoted to our national passtime ? Chairman Arthur James McCaffrey, U.S. PF will introduce Jane King and Joe Abren, owner and manager of the newly organized Santa Rosa pro-baseball team, as the speakers to day.

(Co-editors Osborn & Quinn concocting this sheet)

One of the most interesting and as well as educational programs we have had, as several members expressed themselves after last Tuesday's session. Earl Reinke, representing Guide Dogs for the Blind, gave a fine picture of the work being done by this organization in rehabilitating blind persons through the assistance of specially trained dogs. A most worthwhile work.

The Benicia inter-club meeting is history now. The forty men who made the trip will no doubt talk over the event for many a day to come.

We shall all remember:

1. Chairman Lloyd doing his usual fine job as master of ceremonies.
 2. "Stormy Weather" and that 'cold' cold in North Dakota.
 3. President Walt getting the meeting off to a good start with his well chosen remarks.
 4. Our numerous song leaders on the bus.
 5. Dan McGrew getting shot without a pistol.
 6. Doc Campbell's humorous talk.
 7. That trip from the front to the rear of the bus.
 8. Louie ~~wx~~ losing money by winning "time of arrival pool."
 9. Chuck, worrying about the bus arrival.
- What a night ! No, not silent night. Nor holy; but wholesome.

All committees have held meetings and mapped out the year's activities. It should be a banner year - this 1949.

Al Barbieri glorified himself in putting over his best Boys' Club boxing contest. What a success the big boy has made! "Donkey Basketball" game this Thursday - 7-30, High School Gym.



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As we near the Club-House turn at the end of the first quarter of our 1949 Kiwanis mile, I am very happy and proud of what I consider a fine start. All committees are working hard and are showing splendid interest and progress. Many fine programs and worthy projects will undoubtedly result. Let's all keep in stride so that we may continue on to a great finish. -----President Walt

The program for today was still somewhat indefinite as this bulletin was being thrown together. However, we haven't had a program failure in several years and I'm sure we will come up with another good program today.

It would appear that pro-baseball is in good hands for the 1949 season in Santa Rosa. Owner Jan King and Manager Joe Abreu seem to know their way around when it comes to the promotion of our national pastime. They also do o.k. when it comes to public relations. We wish them luck in their venture.

A group of ten (Kiwanians and wives) represented Healdsburg at the Division meeting at Napa last Friday evening. They had the pleasure of hearing a talk by our Governor H. Park Arnold of Glendale who was making his first official visit to Division Eight. Lieutenant Governor, Herb Quaintance was the presiding officer for the affair.

Beginning today, we will hear a series of weekly reports by Committee Chairmen, explaining the work now under way and what they have planned for the future. Tom Ludcke will talk on Boys and Girls work as number one on the list.

Chairman of the inter-club committee, "Chuck" Campbell, reports that the next inter-club meeting is planned for some time in April and is to be with Ukiah.

Al Barbieri entertained the members of the boxing teams from the Healdsburg Boys Club and Lytton Home at a dinner held in the Plaza Hotel last Wednesday night. Kiwanis members Walt Wright, Lawrence Smith, and Clint Robinson were among the guests. A check for \$80.00 was presented to the Lytton Home by Al.

Attendance chairman Ernie would like very much to have another 100% attendance month in March. We had 100% attendance in January but fell down a bit last month.

Gossip says "Lieu" Hall made a "Bit of a mistake" on the boat at Benecia. "Lieu" really should know the difference between men and ladies.

Does anyone know what happened to the "horn that blew" at Benecia?

Amid laughs, thrills, spills, and bruises, the Kiwanis Club lost a close "Donkey Basketball" game to the Rotary Club last Friday night. The Kiwanians were a bit off in their shooting but played an excellent floor game. Hats off to Cotton, Leo, Bill, Garry, and Howard--a group of fine sports. Also, thanks to Bill Wolking and his committee for a good job of promoting the event.

We are glad to hear that Secretary Ed is up and around again after being on the inactive list for the past two weeks.

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE IN THE MUNICIPAL BOND ELECTION TODAY.



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CHAIRMAN, BILL REYNOLDS

SPEAKER, ROBERT H. BUTLER

"TWENTY YEARS OF BURGLARIES"

Aside from Commander Allen's talk on Electronic Warfare Program, and his pictures of the battle of Okinawa, last meeting was considerable of a report affair, to wit:

By Tom Ludeke - much about boys and girls, Scouts, Camp Fire Girls.

By President Walt - reporting five members and wives attending the inter-club meeting at Napa; Governor Park Arnold, guest speaker ; announcement of winning Achievement Contest by Healdsburg.

By "Slim" - current city voting for improvement bonds.

By Byron - Key Club attendance. Sid, next representative.

Now, that the Bonds went over swimmingly; now, that that \$20,000 was subscribed for lighting the ball park, our club scored major hits towards 1949 achievements, for Kiwanians led the parade. Good start to repeat record of '48.

FINES. Had it not been for those many "contributions" of the lowly dime and the high prized dollar we should not have done so much for the youngsters of our community. This, we think, an important factor in the scoring of Achievement reports. Henceforth, as in the past, who shall hesitate to dig down when stung for a fine?

We must thank heartily Earl for looking after the bulletin so efficiently while we were kept out of circulation for a couple of weeks. Nice service, old workhorse that you are.

Shall we list as an achievement as promotor of that now historical Donkey Basketball acrobatic stunt by Leo, doing the "asinine" on and principally OFF the ass, jackass, donkey or what have you ?

FLASH! Sad news has just come of the passing of Col. W. G. White, our former member beloved "Bill".