



# The Builder

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Only happens once in a life time with us - this notice of program several weeks in advance. Inconceivable ! Miraculous !

And yet, this warning, dated February 6, 1953 : "With a month's advance notice I will expect a Bulletin De Luxe. Russ."

Alas ! Artist Louie's picture came too late. Just a bit of honest forgetfulness. Consequently, forget the "de luxe."

But, can't we visualize our teen age Steve getting his start in life, filling orders of lumber - on a wheelbar - as this was his most economical method of transportation.

Those were the days when youthful enterprise was soaring high, when boyhood ambition was in flower. Days when a little extra sporting cash would come in handy very soon in Stanford.

Add to this, a business education for his life work. It is said that Russ, in college, majored in Redwood Lumber, plutocratic subject.

But while still distributing building materials via wheelbar, it is said that the vendor waxed philanthropic and unloaded many build-boards with destitute families of large numbers, badly in need of extra rooms. And this, free, gratis.

Right then and there our man first began catering to the Under-privileged Child ! Then he exemplified the true spirit of service to others. No wonder, later, his rapid rise in Kiwanis.

It is known that one Walter E. Bruns and our hero hobnobbed together down on the Farm. Buddies one and inseparable. And who would you think is to be our guest speaker to day ? None other than the same Mr. Bruns, now Vice President of Bank of America, San Francisco.

And his subject, "What About Money" They're "in the money" now. The two of 'em.

BE MINDFUL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET THIS TUESDAY NIGHT, AT RELZY AIKIN'S SUBURBAN HOME, ALEXANDER VALLEY.



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Elvin Jackson will be our program chairman today and will show a Standard Oil Company film for our enjoyment. If the pictures shown this year are as good as those in previous years, I'm sure we can look forward to a fine program.

Leave it to Russ Stevens to always come up with a very worthwhile program. Walter Bruns, Vice-president of the Bank of America in San Francisco, gave us a scholarly talk on our governmental money policies during the past few years and what we can expect in the future. We all probably learned many things about our money problems that we didn't know before the talk. We can use more programs of this type.

Your very reliable and efficient editor, Ed Quinn, has been ill for the past few days and not up to getting out the bulletin. If "The Builder" isn't up to "par" this week please bear with us and Ed will soon be back and get things under control again!

Although we have no late reports on our several fine members on the sick list, I know all of us wish Harry, Cotton, Ted, and Ed a speedy recovery and are looking forward to seeing that back at the club in the near future.

Remember March 18th and March 26th. March 18th should see at least 30 Kiwanians and wives journeying to Sonoma to meet our District Governor Irvin Chapman. Healdsburg has always made a good showing at these annual district meetings and this year should be no exception. The second inter-club meeting arranged by Chairman Chuck Campbell will take place on March 26th at the Healdsburg Country Club when Geyserville will be our guests. This is one affair that none will want to miss.

Another profitable and business-like director's meeting was held last Tuesday evening at the home of Relzy Aikin. To really keep up on the many Kiwanis activities one should try to attend a director's meeting once in awhile.

Waldo has had a number of fine committee reports at the last two director's meetings. It appears that our committees are beginning to function very well.

I was going to list some of the things that took place at the director's meeting, but I understand a brief resume will be given by a member today.



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## Saint Patrick's Day in the Morning

From all reports those pictures of Ireland must have served as a fitting prologue to somethings in evidence this day. In lieu of the scribe's absence that "dedication" by Elvin Jackson warmed the coggles of his heart.

That something will be done about the 17th day of March is axiomatic, a vital necessity in fact. But think of the irony in a speech on Lloyds of London when dublin is just across the drink - land of the Patron Saint !!!

However, Walt Marshall assures us that Mr.B.U.Brandt, in his dissertation on Insurance, will not pass up Saint Patrick in his observations, but intends to pitch in a few curves befitting the memory of Colleen Bawn and Kerry Gow.

For didn't our hero of Hibernia baptise those pagans with waters fresh and pure while immersing all those snakes in the salt,salt, sea - curtains for the hideous reptiles forever, ever more ?

And didn't Pat leave us that priceless heritage, that very institution, that day of celebration and a joy forever - The Wearing of the Green ?

And isn't he responsible for the cornbeef and cabbage we are to gormandize on to day ?

Yes, Mr.Brandt, we just know you will pay Patrick some reverential attention before dwelling on Lloyds of London - a short distance but a far cry from the Irish across the pond.

So, let us file in for the "chow" this day to the tune of what melody Bluer Sandborn, at the piano, hasin mind. Let us display the spirit of the day which would cause the Reverend Patrick to sit up and smile his appreciation after all those centuries of silence and somnolence.

Many thanks, Earl, for pinah hitting on the Bulletin last week. A job well done, too.



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Please take notice that: This weekly meeting will be of an intra-club affair this THURSDAY Eve., held at Tayman Park club house, with the Geyserville club, at SEVEN. Also note: Round table at noon Tuesday, the 24th. Legion Hall.

Be advised, too, that Harold Miller has the Thursday night program in hand, and when such is the case we can expect something out of all other presentations, certain to be par excellence in quality. So, let us be prepared for a treat. Leave it to Harold.

This bulletin is being mailed one day in advance that any and all who contemplate as blood donors in the interests of patient Harry Latimer may be advised that opportunity will be given at American Legion Hall, this Monday afternoon .

In this connection, due observance of the passing of our Harry will take place at our following meeting. Healdsburg Kiwanians did nobly, numerically speaking, in that large concourse of citizens, joining in the funeral ceremonies.

Happy to be able to report considerable progress in the unfortunate affliction in the case of Henry "Cotton" Williams. We're all quite hopeful now.

Through untimely deaths our club has suffered irreparable losses the past year; but like that brook which never run dry, we shall and must carry on , replenishing the ranks with other helpers, hopefully as valuable, but hardly of better quality than those already gone. These prized princes in Kiwanis. As the Latin expression goes - Requiescat in Pace.

March 18th, time of the District meet in Sonoma, and sponsored by the Vallejo Club. A dozen and half of our men and ladies took in that fine function and report an excellent time. At the hands of Past Governor Russ Stevens Zelva and Ernie Chapman, present District Governor, were presented with a handsome redwood bowl (salad) together with the usual accessories.



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Featuring an Easter program Chairman Herb Sainsbury has for his speaker Major Leonard Adams. Resurrection Day never, or should never, be forgotten in Kiwanis.

Let's hope the doin's Thursday night was not too tame for those visiting Geyserville boys - that intra-club meet, -that somewhat extraordinary meet, you know, when a dull moment didn't have any more chance than a valley in an avalanche. When men of flesh and blood were there. When the flag of listlessness and inaction was flown at half mast. When what smacked of dignified decorum rebelled against all the accepted rules of percentage. In short, when a couple of clubs were out for just such relaxation as befitting their sportive personnel.

And to effect something of a balanced "budget", or program, six talented entertainers, imported from abroad, performed in exquisite fashion, thanks to the resourcefulness and energy of our MC Harold Miller. Representatives of league baseball being on hand, one particular rendition "Take me out to the ball game" was out of keeping - not at all. Altogether, a memorable meet.

Now for chairmen of the future: April 7, Bill Ault; 14th, either Ed Beeson or Ern Biasotti; 21st, Chuck Campbell; and on the 28th, Elmer Christenson.

This space in respect to the passing of one of the very finest men of which Kiwanis can boast -

IN MEMORIUM - HARRY LATIMER

Due deference to his memory to day. Let's stand silently