

Dear Rotary Ann:

The Sojourners (winter visitors) of the Pasadena Rotary Club have planned a very interesting program to be presented on March 6th by the Pomona Glee Club in honor of our Rotary Anns. We sincerely hope you will find it possible to join us for another of these happy Ladies Day luncheons. In the event your Rotary husband has not told you - we meet at the Masonic Temple on Wednesday, 12:15 o'clock.

Looking forward to the pleasure of seeing you on next Wednesday, March 6th, we are

Sincerely yours,

Austin N. Kimmis

Austin N. Kimmis, Chairman Sojourners Group Lyle G. Craig, M.D., Chairman, Rotary Ann Committee

Lyle G. Craig

WORTH WHILE

by Austin N. Kimmis

A Rotarian since 1913, member of a Rotary Club in Michigan, was spending the winter in Pasadena, Calif. and was regularly attending the meetings of Rotary Club of Pasadena. Having for many years participated in the activities of his home Club he was irked by the lack of opportunity to participate in Rotary activity which had long been for him a source of much pleasure. He wondered if it were possible for himself and other Rotarians similarly situated to become more closely associated with Pasadena Rotary Club; to be advanced to a status more intimate than that of visitor; to be permitted in some slight degree to share in its activities; to be relieved of the necessity of repeating self introduction which had become embarrassing.

Finding several other visiting Rotarians holding like aspirations, he presented the matter to the officers of the Club. The proposition met with approval and thus was born The Sojourners' Group of Pasadena Rotary Club. From that beginning has evolved the organization as it exists today, unique at its inception; unique today.

Ten Rotarians, coming from as many sections of the United States, constituted its first membership. Since that time its roster has included Rotarians from twenty-eight states and the District of Columbia; from Alaska and the Canadian Provinces of British Columbia; Alberta and Ontario; from The Netherlands, from Siam and from China. The average number enrolled each winter is about twenty-four; the highest number thus far thirty-two.

Application for membership gives name and nickname of applicant, his home Club, classification, Pasadena address, telephone number etc. He is given a card attesting his membership in the Sojourner's Group, bearing on its reverse side a brief statement of his privileges and duties. A distinctive badge or button is provided for his use when attending meetings of the Rotary Club. He does not sign the visitors register nor announce himself as a visitor. Pasadena Rotary Club admits him to all the privileges of membership in the Club except that of voting.

Each year one meeting is given over to the Sojourners. They provide the program in its entirety. These programs, always enjoyable, are often outstanding in educational and inspirational value.

The Sojourners' Group is self governing. The Rotary Club does not attempt to direct, but would doubtless exercise a veto if such action seemed advisable. There has been no occasion for its use.

Is the Sojourners' Group of Pasadena Rotary Club worth while? Ask any member of the Rotary Club; ask any member of the Group. What it has accomplished may not be evaluated. Intangibles are not easily appraised. But this is true. Without this organization many Rotarians would have visited Pasadena, attended meetings of its Rotary Club and have gone away unimpressed. Pasadena would have lost the broadening influence of their continued presence. Many of these Sojourners come back year after year. Why? Because there have been formed here friendships so warm, so sincere, so abiding that their pull is hard to resist. Can you evaluate those friendships?

These Rotarians who have come from far and near are not men of ordinary stature. At home they were leaders in business. That they are financially able to come here for long vacations proves them to have been successful. Financial success is not all, indeed is not the highest objective, but business success is indicative of intellectual ability and it also indicates, as we are coming more and more to appreciate, possession of traits of character which make men desirable in civic, social and religious life.

Pasadena citizens, Rotarians and others, sense the value to this community of these sojourning Rotarians. They do not attempt to evaluate it. Yes the Sojourners' Group is worth while.

The Club welcomes Waldo Thompson, Oscar H. Lewis, G. D. Duntley, and Griswold into the Sojourner's Group.



PLUGS

Louis objected so strenuously to the publicity of last week's MELLETTIE ISSUE OF SPOKES that any reference to the promulgator of another grand stag party is fictitious, irrelevant and inconsequential. Be that as it may, the party held last Tuesday deserves a real plug for the good time enjoyed by all who attended. In the afternoon's pasture pool, Harry Hunt left amateurs far behind with a Low Gross 78, Art Quesnell pressing him but little if any with 89. "Bernie" Primeaux of So. Pasadena captured Low Net with a 68, battling it out with his co-club member, Al Shureen, who had a 69. Elmer Beckman and Cliff Bekins picked off the blind bogeys. A few of the boys that they had won something at bridge, until President Bert adroitly transferred their winnings to the "wooden-shoe" much to the fiendish glee of Church Clark, who did most of the original contributing.

Bob Peddicord says that lack of a rooting section is responsible for his rolling only one "strike" in three games last week. Barney says he didn't roll any. Blake and Oscar and Hank say they're tired of having to bowl their heads off to stay in first place because of Bob's let-down when there's no grandstand and support. SPOKES says the entire bowling team deserves the wholehearted support of the entire club. They roll 'em Thursday evenings at 9:00 o'clock, 970 East Colorado.

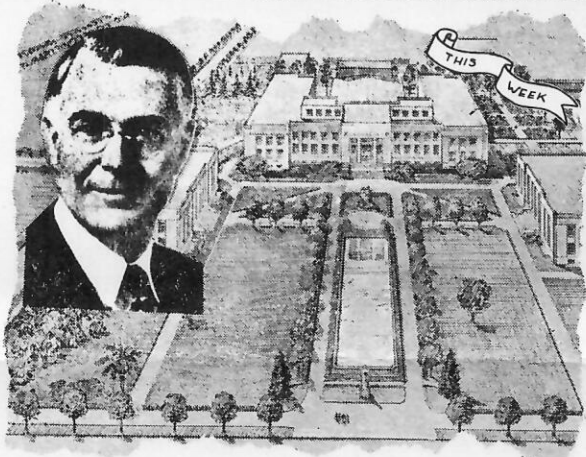
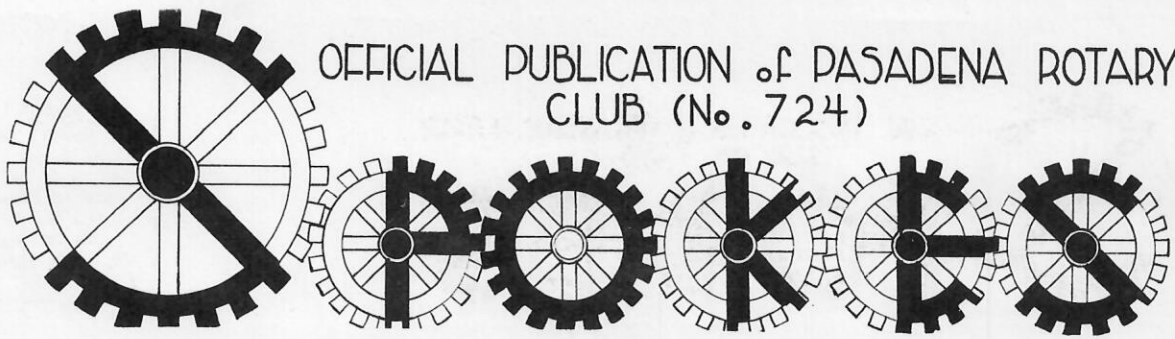
April 14-15-16! Know what? That's your "unbreakage date with Rotary" - at Las Vegas and Boulder City.

Open Classifications that should be filled. (1) Avocado Growing; (2) Grape Growing; (3) Lemon Growing; (4) Orange Growing.



SPOKES SPEAKS

It is a compliment to the Club, as well as a genuine personal tribute to Jimmie Ingham, that his service to Rotary, his personality, his integrity, his ability, be acknowledged by popular nomination for the esteemed position of District Governor. We know Jimmie! The Clubs unanimous acclamation which have characterized the long list of his outstanding civic and Rotarian achievements. Despite the fact that Jimmie's reputation as a "doer" inspired neighboring clubs to recommend his nomination, we cannot assume the "deep south" attitude that nomination is tantamount to election. We want Jimmie Ingham, Past President of the Pasadena Club, to be elected as District Governor because we know he can do the job and do it well. Then, well might each of us appoint ourselves as delegates at large to acquaint neighboring clubs where we visit, with Jimmie and his capabilities. Well might each of us express by action as well as by words, the deserved and whole-hearted support which Jimmie has from his home club, by having the largest possible delegation at the Las Vegas-Boulder City District Conference. "Jimmie, we're with you to a man!"



The Reception Committee so ably chairmanned by LES LIEBERG will present our own JOHN HARBESON, just back from the annual convention of the American Association of Junior Colleges. John's broad and intimate knowledge of "Trends in Education", as exemplified by his outstanding presentation at the recent Inter-City Meeting in Monrovia, has made his place on this week's program one of popular request.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF GLENDALE

Considers it an honor and a privilege to present the name of

JAMES K. INGHAM

Member of the Pasadena Rotary Club

for

Governor of the
107th District



"Jimmie" Ingham

1940  1941

"1301 West Bay Ave - Newport Beach, Calif.

Mr. Elmer E. Beckman, Secretary
340 East Green Street
Pasadena, Calif.

My dear Mr. Beckman:

Charlie wants me to thank you for the Honorary card which you so kindly sent him. He was as delighted as one could be and kept it on a little chair beside his big reading chair, but, alas! when he was tearing off the wrappers from his daily papers, and grabbed them up to throw in the fire, he also threw his precious card in with them. He was so distressed about it; hunted all over for it, hoping he had misplaced it, or dropped it on the floor, but the conclusion is that it went up in flames with the wrappers.

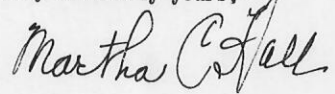
Charlie has reached a stage in his come-back where he wants to do things for himself. He goes out for long walks -- and I mean long walks -- and comes back all in a perspiration and is ready to sit and be quiet, and look over some of his favorite magazines---for instance, Look, FILM FUN, with its display of pretty (?) girls, Life, and others that he sees on the News stands.

The Rotary Club, with all its type of fine men, has been so thoughtful and helpful to Charlie during his long illness. But his spirit is coming back with a bound, and this Utopia of sitting around doing nothing isn't to his liking.

Charlie sends his best regards to all the boys, and says Thank You again for your thoughtful consideration of him.

Very sincerely yours,"

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President Bert is off for a jaunt visiting a number of the (102) Realty Boards, which is just one of the responsibilities of his position as President of the Calif. Real Estate Association. In Rotary, we call these touring advisors "District Governors". Vice-President Louis Meillette is scheduled to wield the gavel in Bert's absence, so do your apple polishing early. He might also wield the wooden shoe.



News continues to pour in from neighboring clubs presaging record attendance at the Las Vegas Boulder City District Conference on April 14-15-16. Conversational enthusiasm seems to be definitely up-trended locally, but dotted line commitments still lag. A considerable number of members have expressed positive intentions to attend, in addition to those whose names have been listed. They realize that:

- 1st - The situation regarding hotel reservations advises early arrangements be made for accommodations. (See Elmer)
- 2nd - The Conference program has been developed into an outstanding sequence of entertaining, recreational and inspirational activities.
- 3rd - Jimmie Ingham's nomination for the post of District Governor merits concrete evidence of the whole-hearted support we all feel.
- 4th - A three day tid-bit of recreation would be a marvelous prelude practice session to the longer vacations we all are beginning to anticipate.

There's four good reasons to cease procrastinating self-arguments, and give in to your better inclinations. Call Elmer right now, or our "Secretary's efficient Secretary", Miss Deane, at SY 2-5191 to say, "Count on me. I'll be there!"

Tuesday - March 12th - 6:30 P.M. at the Y. M. C. A.!

You and your Rotary Ann are invited for dinner (75¢ per) and to hear Harper Sibley, former President of the United States Chamber of Commerce, the distinguished guest speaker for the occasion. Other Pasadena Service Clubs also have been invited, and special tables for each are being planned. Better call Louis Meillette at once, SY 3-3131.

The Club's genuine appreciation for the annual outstanding programs prepared by Aus Kimmis and his Sojourner cohorts, was deepened to stirring emotion last week, as the caliber and type of program became acknowledged as so eminently timely and appropriate for the mood of that day.

NEXT WEEK - Charlie Crick will take over to present Art Clark, who has some very interesting movies dealing with crippled children work; and Hank Carlson, who will outline the program of the Boys and Girls Aid Society, both subjects being of important interest to Rotarians.



There is a lump in our throats. SPOKES speaks not, but pauses in deep silence, pen muted by devoted respect for one whose life was an exemplary Rotarian editorial, and whose memory forever will live as an inspiration --

Charles H. Prisk - Dec. 24, 1875-Mar. 4, 1940



CHARLIE CRICK will introduce ART CLARK in a program dealing with the problems of assisting crippled children



AND



HANK CARLSON, who will describe the activities of the Boys' and Girls' aid Society, which is one of Pasadena's most important and most influential child welfare organizations.



EVERYBODY'S GOIN' TO THE BIG TIME 107th DISTRICT ROTARY ROUND-UP AT LAS VEGAS-BOULDER CITY · NEVADA · APRIL 14-15-16 · 1940

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

Registration all day at conference headquarters in the Elks' Hall. Acquaintanceship dinners at the Apache, Sal Sagev, Boulder Dam Hotels and other places from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

8 p.m. -- An innovation -- a community concert in the War Memorial Auditorium by artists from our district - seating capacity 1,000.

MONDAY, APRIL 15

9 a.m. sharp -- business session in El Portal Theatre, Las Vegas - a modern, comfortable and up-to-date theatre.

11:30 a.m. -- We will adjourn to Boulder City, where we will be guests of the Boulder City Club.

1 p.m. -- Huge, open-air luncheon on the Arizona side of Boulder Dam. This will be a spectacular event, with Lake Mead and the Dam in the foreground, and the Grand Canyon of the Colorado as a backdrop.

2:30 to 6:30 p.m. - Inspection of Boulder Dam - boat trips on Lake Mead. Also, during the afternoon, we will use the American Legion Hall and the Boulder Dam Hotel as headquarters, and the members of the Boulder City Club will hold open house.

6:30 p.m. - Outdoor barbecue and entertainment on the shore of Lake Mead. Ladies please note: Please dress as you would for a regular beach party, slacks, if you wish, and be sure to wear low heeled shoes. Sports clothes are in order at all times, so, gentlemen, leave your tuxedos at home - OR PAY!

9:30 p.m. - Good'night?

TUESDAY MORNING, APRIL 16

9:30 a.m. sharp - Business session.
12:30 p.m. - Recess. Acquaintanceship luncheons at the various hotels and cafes.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

Special entertainment for the ladies. Sports activities Youth forum. Balloting for district governor.

TUESDAY EVENING

6:30 p.m. - The Governor's Banquet - absolutely informal - sports clothes are in order. This will be a conference highlight - outstanding entertainment - door prizes for the ladies - sports awards to the champions - demotion of the District Governor?? Introduction of the district governor nominee - a grand evening for everyone - don't miss it!

9:30 p.m. - Conference officially adjourns.



The District Governor's office reports a record number of advance reservations for the District Conference. Pasadena should have at least 50 in attendance. See Herb Hall, Gene Comper or Harry Austin pronto! It's 50 from Pasadena or bust!

The club sincerely regrets the resignation of Lee Dabar-einer from membership, due to loss of classification. Since Feb. 1937, when Lee joined the Club, we have come to look forward to Lee's friendly contacts each Wednesday and his friendly advice to amateur Isaac Waltons each Spring.

Wednesday, March 20th, 2:00 P.M. -- WHITE SOCKS vs PIRATES at Brookside Park. Adults 75¢ - children 25¢. Proceeds for the Pasadena Baseball School.

Those who attended the Annual "Y" Dinner last Tuesday are still singing the praises of Louis Meillette's outstanding program, featuring Mr. and Mrs. Harper Sibley.



In 500 BC K'ung Fu-tze (Confucius to you) said, "Learning, undigested by thought, is labour lost; thought unassisted by learning, is perilous." Thus the Sage of China, purported purveyor of trite bromidic platitudes, profoundly portrayed the paradoxical position of publicizing an event like the Las Vegas-Boulder City Conference to those who fail to give it serious thought, and the peril of failing to supply that needed tid-bit of information to those whose wishful thinking can so easily be converted to affirmative decisions. In such a dilemma, SPOKES apologetically sinks to colloquial strata, to suggest that Confucius might have said, "He who miss Conference, miss dam site - more fun and fellowship than even wildest imagination may perceive."

NEXT WEEK

Warren Flynn will present Edward T. Flynn, Past Director of Rotary International.

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WARREN FLYNN will present



EDWARD F. FLYNN

Assistant to Vice-President and General Counsel, Great Northern Ry. Co., Director of Bureau of Public Relations and past Director of Rotary International speaking on "SHORES OF OPPORTUNITY".


 SPOKES echoes the genuine appreciation of the Club for the thoughtfulness of Ed Rust in carrying forward his traditional custom of providing Easter Lillies for the pre-Easter meeting. It was fitting that one of them should be sent to Charlie Hall, father of the Pasadena Club.

 Last week's resume of the many very worth while projects and activities of the Crippled Children's Committee was a revelation to many. It gave to all a sense of pride and satisfaction, and a much deepened appreciation of the work of Charlie Crick and his Committee.

 From time to time, SPOKES receives verbal or written requests to change some member's mailing address. To some it is more convenient to get SPOKES at home and to some the business address is preferable. SPOKES would appreciate being currently advised of your preference.

 If you prefer fish to Oscar(s) luncheon menus, (and we don't mean "Oscar of the Waldorf"), just choose a chair at Mike Michael's table. Even the air is fishy. His latest tall one concerns bringing in a 5 lb. Steel-head hooked by the tail. That's technique.



To some, Rotary may be a consuming religion, to others merely a luncheon club, but somewhere between these two extremes, lies the most balanced and practical field of Rotary Endeavor. However alert and active and loyal may be the membership of any Club, the Directors hold the responsibility. Consequently, they exert the influence which largely determines the Club's degree of success in attaining its four objectives of fellowship, of ethics, of service and of understanding.

Your selection of Directors, therefore, becomes one of the most important single acts and decisions of your Rotary year. The fact that the Club membership embraces so many men eminently qualified as to balanced executive ability, enthusiasm, imagination, initiative and loyalty, admittedly complicates the choice. It also challenges you to consider carefully and to weigh thoughtfully your selection of individuals best qualified in all respects. Your Club will be in their hands in 1940 and '41, so read and re-read your Roster Ballot. It's marking will be in your hands this Wednesday

LAS VEGAS-BOULDER CITY -- APRIL 14-15-16!

VERY IMPORTANT !!!

During the past week a "Roster Ballot for Nomination of Directors" was mailed to each Club member, as provided in the By-Laws, ARTICLE I, Section 1, -- "Nomination of Directors shall be made by means of a direct primary. A roster ballot shall be mailed to each member of the club two weeks prior to the annual meeting. At the regular meeting of the club one week prior to the annual meeting, the nominations shall be made, and a roster ballot shall be given to each member present at the meeting. Each member voting shall then designate the number of names on the ballot as there are directors then to be elected.

The Club shall so nominate twice as many candidates for the office of Director as there are vacancies then to be filled. Those members receiving the highest number of votes in this primary shall be declared nominated, for the office of director of the club, and their names shall appear alphabetically on the official ballot for the election to be held at the regular annual meeting on the first Wednesday of April. Each member of the club voting shall vote for the number of candidates as there are vacancies then to be filled. The candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared directors for the vacancies then to be filled...."

"Each director elected shall hold office for a term of two years...."
 "Within two weeks after the annual election, the directors to hold office for the ensuing club year shall meet and shall elect a president, who may or may not be one of the directors, and from their own members, a treasurer for the ensuing year."
 "Within two weeks after the president is elected, the directors shall select from the members of the club a secretary for the coming club year."

The By-Laws also stipulate that the Board of Directors shall be in part a continuing body, by providing for the election of four directors every other year, and three directors in intervening years.

For the club year of 1940-41, there are four directors to be elected. Of the present directors, Bill Dunn, Bert Gianetti, Herb Hahn and Louis Meillette were elected two years ago. Elmer Beckman, Al Foord and Lay Leishman, being elected last year, have another year to serve under their present two year terms.

As a measure of assistance to the membership in recalling recent officers of the club and in selecting directors for the coming year, in 1937-38 the directors were C. Hutchins, Ed Maybury, Earl Johnson, Chet Osborne, Bob Peddicord (President), Art Quesnell and Max Turner; in 1938-39 the directors were Bill Dunn, Bert Gianetti, Herb Hahn, Ed Maybury, Louis Meillette, Chet Osborne (President) and Hanson Webb. Past Presidents have been Herb Hall, Will Leishman, Roy Sherry, Bob Casamajor, John Sexson, Jimmie Ingham, Harlan Loud, Aaron Marcus, Bob Peddicord and Chet Osborne.

All members of the club are eligible to hold office whether or not they have done so before. As stated, Elmer Beckman, Al Foord and Lay Leishman have one year remaining on their current terms as Directors, so should not be voted upon at this years elections.

NEXT WEEK

April 3rd -- President's Day - Annual Meeting - Election of Directors - Movie produced under the sponsorship of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with PJC, depicting activities of the PJC Placement Bureau. This is the most important meeting of the year.