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Rendezvous



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SAN JOSE, Calif	WED 6.15 PM at KETNERS 4th & Broadway
SANTA ANA, Calif.	TUES 6.30 PM at the HOTEL CARILLO
SANTA BARBARA, Calif	THURS 8.00 PM YMCA
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TURLOCK, Calif.	THUR 6.30 PM at the HOTEL CASCADIAN.
WENATCHEE, Wash.	

Did we omit YOUR Club? Send in the time and place of meeting NOW. We do not wish any Toastmasters Club to hide its light. Help this Column grow.

REMEMBER, News items MUST be in by the 20th every month. DONT PROCRASTINATE.

Visiting Toastmasters will be heartily welcomed at any of the above listed clubs.

Drop in and see how the other fellow does it. You will be a stranger only once and each visit will broaden you mentally and physically.

Write to Rendezvous Bill. Obey that impulse and DO IT NOW.
One

"G A V E L"

"S P L I N T E R S"



The other day we came across an article in which was listed the number of times Abraham Lincoln failed to 'make the grade'. Failure after failure trailed him, throwing him for disheartening losses, yet he came back for more and finally won. If you ever get discouraged, Mr. Toastmaster, read Lincoln's failures over. It's a sure cure.

III

A few splinters got over in the Appendix last month---therefore, if the Gavel pained you it was probably appendicitis.

III

Anaheim and the High School Speaking contest remind us of bygone days and the little red school house. Not that we got any 'As', but we recall some first class thrashings. No doubt they were more worth while.

III

One way for the Toastmasters' International to gain fame and friends would be to inaugurate a "Course for Radio Announcers." It is not what they say, it's the way they say it.

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Speaking of Radio, the other night we heard two men speak, both high in political life. One couldn't get enough gas to change pace, the other had too much gas. He continually back-fired and sputtered. We are in favor of a Toastmaster's Club in Washington, D.C. especially for the purpose of furnishing "speech carburetors."

III

It is feared the worst has happened. We hoped no Club would be guilty of turning out politicians. Santa Ana reports a 'hot political campaign' for Club President. In Pasadena a club member ran for City Director---and what is more---won.

III

Looks like the man with the gavel is taking a sock at everybody. Don't feel

hurt---it's a rubber gavel, which probably will bounce back and hit him some day.

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Enthusiasm is the power that drives our wheels of progress. We ask permission to point out a few of our Enthusiasm Engineers; Messrs: Chamberlain, Demaree, and Bordeaux. They keep the International in high.

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We are now wearing one of the International emblems, (yes, our uncle left us some money), and said emblem is attracting beaucoup attention from all and sundry. It gives us a chance to talk about our Club. And this to air our French.

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We flew down to the Council meeting in a Ford, (one with a tri-ing motor and wind wings). Made a perfect Anaheim Landing. We ought to get 'schuted' for that one. (Note from Ed. - You may consider yourself shot).

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Pasadena Judges began voting as soon as the Colonial Sextette appeared. But a girl with auburn hair and an orange dress caught their eye. This San Diego peach won 1st place.

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Jimmie Heffron was there with snappy comebacks. Some gavel juggler, that boy. Anaheim, step forward and receive the degree of K.H. (Knows How). Who said the program was good! Good, my eye! IT WAS PERFECT.

III

When the girl speakers appeared, we thought it was a beauty contest. At last an International Banquet where all the speakers were good.

III

What this country needs is more twins like those Collins girls. Speaking of smiles, they had smiles like the rising sun, just warmed your heart.

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Well done, Paul. Very well done!

- Clarence Marshall -

Are we busy! The Ladies Public Speaking Class keeps us on the gallop to stay ahead of them.

We went down to Vancouver the other day and gave their Debate Team a forensic cleaning. They were represented by H.W. Oakes, J. Melville and Les Calland. Our debaters were George Thompson, Art Lower, and C.G. Brown. Dr. Thompson of Vancouver, Dr. A.W. Boles of this city, and D.J. McGugan were the judges. We convinced them that it would be folly to give the Provincial Police full charge of law enforcement in British Columbia.

And just to show the folks what's what, we sent a mixed Debate Team to the Vancouver School of Expression and won a victory. Mrs. E. Augustine and Mrs. B.N. Stowe, led by our trusty member F.A.H. Devinney overwhelmingly won the verdict of the audience by proving that Installment Buying is not in the public interest. The Vancouver forces were A.E. Scheffler, E.P. R. Shuker, and G.H. Anderson. You should see Mr. Devinney's chest stick out. He won't say He, but he doesn't say this when the two ladies are around.

Our Ladies Class is much interested in the news of the Toastmistress and Toastees Clubs in Southern California. (Editor's note - maybe this will get those two clubs to send in some news).

We are receiving so many invitations from outside organizations, asking us to participate in, or to put on programs, that we cannot accept a third of them. We appreciate the reputation we have, but a vast amount of credit is due to our sage instructor, Frank Paulding, than whom there is no whomer.

- Fred Green -

NOBODY gives a hang about YOUR yesterdays. Talk of TODAY and THINK of Tomorrow.

Many an automobile tire is full of air, yet sings the loudest on the highway. Which proves, the most noise often comes from empty spaces

CHEWING THE RAG MAKES NO NEW CLOTH.

Since last September our Club has not met due to lack of enthusiasm on the part of those leaders previously interested, including this reporter. We had just returned from the 'Y' World Conference at Toronto and Cleveland, and for many of us new adjustments had to be made.

On Feb. 10th we reincarnated ourselves under the guidance of George Sakamaki, a graduate of Hawaii 'U' and former professor at Doshisha College in Japan. George is a fine chap and you'd never know he was a professor.

Great interest in public speaking has recently developed here and interclub debates and declamation contests are the order of the day and night in our 'Y'.

Our Club will keep you all well informed as to its activities hereafter. That Gavel Editor is more persistent than 'steen mosquitoes, but we appreciate his attempts to keep in touch with us, and regret our dilatory reports.

All of us here are busy adjusting our views on 'things in general' regarding the political affairs of Hawaii and the developments in the Far East. While there has been much unnecessary press news of a 'wild' type, well-informed friends have aided in maintaining faith in Hawaii. It continues to be the Paradise of the Pacific, the so-called breach between civilians and Navals is healed, and our lovely islands are peaceful.

We welcome all visiting Toastmasters to our meetings. Look us up in the Rendezvous and remember-ALOHA to you all. To all my Mainland friends, sincere greetings. Hi! There! Mr. Wisley, how's the city on the rainbow pier. Oh yes! Ralph Cole says, "Hello, Bob Gossom, and you, too, Gene Tincher."

- John K. Akau, Jr. -

Boys flying kites haul in their white winged birds; you can't do that when you are flying words - 'Careful with fire' is good advice, we know ----- 'Careful with words' is ten times doubly so. (Will Carleton)

SANTA BARBARA - CALIFORNIA

To whose gross inefficiency is due the fact that our club was omitted from the Rendezvous in the February Gavel. (Editors Note-Fire that makeup man).

Now that's off my mind, here's the big news. Our High School Public Speaking Contest was a great success. I mean not alone for the interest of the contestants, but especially for the interest shown by the School Teachers who worked with us.

In the next column you will notice a fine letter from one of these teachers. Toastmasters' Clubs who do NOT get into these annual contests are missing one of the best activities open to us.

Our Finals were held at an open meeting in the Hotel Carillo. John Westwick & Virginia Clements of Santa Barbara High School, won first and second places respectively.

Between 50 and 75 were at the tables when President Bowman turned the meeting over to Franklin Howatt, Contest Chairman. The dinner hour was enhanced by the music of Frank Greenough's Biltmore Hotel Orchestra.

Past President Le Roy Hunt (Our Big Butter and egg man) donated cups to the winners. He presented one to the Santa Barbara High School with the proviso that they must win it three times to retain it permanently.

Our own Louis Green presented the other cup to young Westwick as first place winner. Miss. Clements and he will represent us at Anaheim on the 27th, and we have the grand prize won right now. The idea of San Diego thinking they will win it!

The schools competing here were Santa Maria Union High School, and Santa Paula Union High School. Katharine Rubel and Warren Kirkwood from Santa Maria; Harold Duley and Velma Chamberlain from Santa Paula. Under S.W. Robertson, our whole Club did the judging. W. Mason Danner, Jr., of the 'Y' Staff, made a general criticism of the speeches. Hearty endorsement of the contest came from Miss. Florence Akerson of Santa Maria, C. F. Wright of Santa Paula and Mrs. Gertrude Dickerson of Santa Barbara.
F. Howatt

SANTA MARIA UNION HIGH SCHOOL AND THE

JUNIOR COLLEGE - Santa Maria, Calif.

Feb. 9, 1932

Mr. Franklin Howatt,
Contest Chairman,
18 South Voluntario St.,
Santa Barbara, Calif.

Dear Mr. Howatt:

I am very happy to express my appreciation of the Toastmasters' International High School Public Speaking Contest. It fosters a type of speaking most valuable to the individual, and I know that just this one event stimulated considerable interest among the students here.

Some of the students frankly expressed themselves in that week's issue of the School Paper to the effect that they wished more such contests would be conducted, and that they felt there could be as much interest in a good speech contest as in an athletic contest.

That is saying a good deal!

From the standpoint of student interest, I assure you that Santa Maria will enter the contest next year. I hope it will be possible to get more of the High Schools to support the movement. It would undoubtedly help build up the Speech Departments.

Very truly yours,

(Miss.) Florence Akerson
(signed)

Above is a copy of a letter sent to Franklin Howatt at Santa Barbara. Gavel is happy to print such testimonials. And thanks Howatt for his good work, with as much and more thanks to Miss. Akerson for her timely letter.

Congratulations to the young speakers who fought and lost. The winners are entitled to praise, too, but they have the laurels of victory. The losers have the satisfaction of knowing they did their best, and made the other contestants know they had been in a real battle.

The Editor.



HAW!
HAW!



S.S. Teacher: And when the prodigal son returned, what happened, Tommy?

Tommy: His father ran to meet him and hurt himself severely.

Teacher: Where did you get that impression?

Tommy: It says so in the Bible --- that his father ran to meet him and fell on his neck.

Two college boys were going home on a bus. At a small town a stout lady attempted to rise to get off, but on account of her weight, had difficulty in doing so. "If she ate yeast," whispered one lad, meaning for the woman not to hear, "maybe she'd rise better." But the fat woman heard. Gaining her feet she faced the wise cracker. "And if you'd try some yourself, young man, she said, "you might be better bred.

The patient shoe clerk tried to please the stout woman, but nothing suited her. One more pair was tried on. "No," she said, "I dont like these. They tend to widen with age." "Well, Madam," replied the exasperated clerk, "didnt you?"

Irate guest(phones down): "Say, Mr. Clerk!" Clerk(snippy): "Well, what is the trouble, sir, something on your mind?" Guest: "Mind! Nell's Bells! They're all over the bed."

"Now, Johnny," said the Teacher, "If your father performs a piece of work in one hour, and your mother can do it in one hour, how long would it take them to do it together?" "Three hours," answered Johnny, "Counting the time they would waste in arguing."

He(as they drove along a lonely road): You look lovelier to me each minute. Do you know what that's a sign of?" She: Sure, your gas is about gone."

Teacher(in Geography Class): Can anyone tell me where Pittsburg is? Small voice(in rear): I think they are playing in Chicago today.

Visitor: Well, my boy, how do you like the new baby sister? Little boy: Oh, she's o.k. but there are lots of things we needed worse.

Lady: Have you ever been offered work? Tramp: Only once, Madam. Aside from that I've met nothing but kindness.

Employer: Surely Miss Jones, you know the King's English? Surprised Typist: Of course he is, isnt he Sir?

Smith: I really dont know what to do with my week-end. Brown: Put your hat on it.

Grouchy player: Awh! I wasnt out! Sarcastic Umpire: "Oh Yeah! well, you just have a look in the newspaper tomorrow.

Teacher(testing youngsters speed in mental reactions: Slapped a half dollar down on her desk and asked, "What is that?" Instantly one lad cried, "Tails."

Have you seen the mounted police of Chicago? Gosh, do the gangsters stuff 'em as well as shoot 'em?

Hungry sailor: Hey, what's the idea of this fly in the stew? Mess Cook, That, why he's just been transferred to the submarine fleet and he's taking his diving lessons.

A young man was selecting a fountain pen. He covered a sheet with the words "Tempus Fugit". The girl offered another pen. "Try this one Mr. Fugit."

Does your husband exercise regular? Oh yes, last week he was out six nights running.

Editor: Not a bad article, but you must write so that any fool can understand you. Author: Which part is not clear to you?



O U R
P R E S I D E N T ' S
W O R D S O F W I S D O M

In a recent issue of the American Magazine there appeared an interesting article concerning the unique methods used by the celebrated authority Dale Carnegie, in the instruction of his public speaking classes.

Under Mr. Carnegie's system, great stress is placed on the importance of driving out fear of an audience, and in its place, establishing confidence. This is exactly what TOASTMASTERS CLUB TRAINING is doing, but in a different manner.

Through constant practice under our plan, helped by constructive criticism, self-consciousness gradually disappears until the average Toastmaster with a year's training, is able to appear before his fellow members without a sense of fear.

We should NOT stop here, however. Speaking before your home group is splendid practice, but it is obviously easier for us than speaking before some outside organization of strangers, and so this field of endeavor should be cultivated to insure confidence and poise, no matter what the occasion.

Few things appear to me more pitiable than the nervous, self-conscious, after-dinner speaker, struggling through his message under the handicap of fear. Each time I am forced to witness such an exhibition it makes me wish more than ever that Toastmasters Club training could be made available to all after-dinner speakers.

Through lack of opportunity to appear before other organizations, some of our Toastmasters might fall a bit short of their usual Club form on the occasion of their first outside speech, but I am sure most of them would not be victims of actual audience fear. A few such appearances however, are necessary before even a Toastmaster seems to acquire the poise expected of a qualified after-dinner speaker.

Justification - complete justification for my urge that all Toastmasters attempt to cultivate outside speaking engagements, rests on the fact that the average speaker appearing in any community is no more capable than the average member of any Toastmaster's Club.

All of us who regularly attend other clubs realize the truth of the above remark. The fact that speakers are usually strangers accounts for the fine reception they receive.

Toastmasters who are not supplementing the regular Club program with an occasional outside talk, are passing up opportunities to more quickly acquire poise and polish so necessary in the makeup of the experienced public speaker.

You will find a great deal of pleasure in delivering talks to outside groups, and every such talk adds to the prestige of your Club and you. Let us have more of these outside speaking engagements.

Where will it end? This Anaheim council and banquet is probably the most successful gathering we have held.

Each meeting grows more interesting. And these boy and girl contestants gave us some marvellous speeches. They proved an inspiration to every Toastmaster present.

During the Council I was amazed at the way the delegates accepted increased responsibilities. There was no expounding of selfish thoughts or theories affecting home clubs only, but rather the delegates seemed to be afire with the responsibility of carrying the Toastmaster Ideal to cities, states and nations.

During the dinner an unusual treat was offered. A new wrinkle in Toastmaster work. Not one, but three toastmasters appeared in official copartnership. The innovation enlivened the program.

One and all we must and undoubtedly do agree that our faith in 'bigger and better' Councils remains unshaken. This ninth council will be long remembered.

Hats off to Anaheim. Well done, Paul Demaree, Jimmie Heffron, and your helpful 6 associates. J.C. Chamberlain

PASADENA - CALIFORNIA

We have been very busy taking care of the Winter tourists, and tucking the Chest away for another year.

Just opened up our new Civic Auditorium for business. From now on we will be busy flagging down conventions on their way to other cities.

Feb. 16th we had Exchange Speakers night with Santa Ana Club. Six including their two speakers, came to Pasadena and that on a rainy night. Real spirit there.

Dr. C.J. Ruley described 'Auto Improvements which aid Health', and A.G. (Doc) Green talked on 'The Price of Admission'.

It was a good meeting. The scheduled Toastmaster became ill one hour before the opening, and Clarence Marshall took over the task.

On the 17th, six of our boys including two speakers, visited at Santa Ana. We find these Exchange Nights help all of us and furnish new and larger audiences.

Under our program we have a specialty number each meeting night. Right now it is introducing guest speakers. It is good practice---try it on your members.

- Art. Johnson -

SAN JOSE - CALIFORNIA

We find six 5-minute talks and two 10-minute talks to be just about right. Then our roll call and five minutes for parliamentary law uses about 15 minutes. At roll call we have varying stunts. One night each member must give a rule of parliamentary law, and the next meeting a quotation, or a point to observe in criticizing speeches.

B.F. Vincent was Toastmaster Feb. 8th. He had a fine program. Talking of varied subjects - speakers discussed 'Service Charge on Bills', 'Public Health', 'The Mechanical Side of Printing', 'Collecting Unsecured Accounts', 'Cancer', and 'Where Will We Hunt Game 10 Years From Now'. The 10-minute men topped it off with 'Is The Sales Tax The Logical Means to Meet our National Deficit', and 'To France With The Legion'. (See Top of Next Column). 7

SAN JOSE - CALIFORNIA

Messrs: Boosey, Mason, Owen, Webb, Pritchard, Hunter, Miller, and Livingston ~~were~~ were the speakers. Virgil Rankin gave us five minutes of Parliamentary Law.

Washington's Birthday Richard Russell was Toastmaster. He was introduced by H. Price Webb. Those on the program were L.H. Quinley, V.L. Rankin, W.R. Bowler, Dr. Mason, Dr. J.C. Cunico, J.C. Hall, L.M. Spalding, and Curtis Lindsay. Their subjects were, respectively - 'George Washington', 'Moral Standards', 'Highway Lighting', 'Public Health', 'Honesty of Thought', 'Handball', 'Children's Safety', and 'Review of best Book of 1931'.

There is a deal of interest being shown in a contemplated debate. Nothing definitely planned yet. We are looking for a likely victim, though, and we do not bar any Toastmasters' Clubs, either.

- J. C. Hall -

ONTARIO - CALIFORNIA

We elect Officers twice a year. No one may succeed himself in office. For this Spring and Summer we chose President Wm. Batchelor, V.P. T. C. Manchester, Sec. & Treas. R.W. Reynolds.

Feb. 17th we entertained Riverside Club at a joint meeting. President Batchelor welcomed our guests, and their Vice-President Condiff responded. He then introduced each Riverside member. Our members replied by rising singly and giving name and a story. We were particularly happy to welcome several former Ontario Toastmasters.

F.A. Maurer of our Club made a splendid Toastmaster and ran the affair very smoothly. L.L. Mertz of Riverside, fairly K.O'd. us with his discussion of the 'History of Boxing'. Our Russell Dysart ran 'The 10th Olympiad', followed by Rupert Chawner of Riverside who discussed the 'Electrical Industry as a Social and Economical Factor in America.' Erich J. Ritter of Ontario closed by eulogizing Washington and Lincoln. Our speakers were criticised by Eph Williams of Riverside, and Dr. F.F. Abbott criticised their speakers. Two communications from International were read by our Secretary. We then adjourned to the Fox California for a Theatre party. A very happy occasion, this event. T.C. Manchester

JAMAICA - N.Y.

We've had a Toastmasters' Club for 2 years, and we are very happy to learn of the International.

Our Officers are, President Bramm, V.P. Northington. Watch next Gavel for names of other Officers.

Right now, I'm so busy getting pepped up after our loss of a Debate with the Brooklyn Eastern District Club, that I can not think of any more officers.

Two of the judges were lawyers. What was it Webster once remarked - First he gets on, then he gets honor, and finally honest. But then, we were licked and thats that.

Bramm, Northington, Dircks and Hockert did their best. But next time, their best will be just a little better than the E. D.

Our Feb. 11th meeting with Ludwig in charge, will be devoted to remembering Lincoln. President Bramm will draw up a brief for a Mock Trial. Reporters from the Brooklyn Daily Eagle and the Long Island Star will attend.

See you next month.

-Jim F-

Ability to do something well, friends, and the wish and will to take existence as it comes, and enjoy it - these are the real values of life. Most of us would rather have 10 good friends than a million dollars, if we were really honest with ourselves.

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TURLOCK - CALIFORNIA

President Fenner won a trip to Dayton, Ohio, for topping Frigidaire sales. His second win. (Chamberlain, please note). This reporter is trying to fill Fred's place.

Our Club is indebted to Prof. L.L.McGee Head of the Wood-work Dept. of the High School, for a beautiful gavel, tooled from imported wood. This gift is especially appreciated because Prof. McGee is not a member of our Club, but certainly a well-wisher.
° F. H. Gray ° 8

EL PASO - TEXAS

By sending out advance notices we are getting our members well-primed for each meeting. G.W.O'Neal was toastmaster on Jan. 26th. Some of the humorous stories at roll call were actually funny. We enjoyed Ward Behrman who reminded us of our 'Slips of Speech', and W.E.Lind for his exemplification of 'The Principles of Voice Production.' Our kindly mentor Dr. C.C.Homan summed up the evening's work.

Feb. 2nd Wilbur Robinson showed his toastmastership. Warren Barrett sold us Life Insurance. Messrs: Lind & Behrman gave us more on better speech and voice. Dr. Homan philosophized on life, and also critcised.

Feb. 9th our Toastmaster was R. C. Scott. C.R.Haynes taught us the opening & closing of a speech; A.L.Holms admonished us to 'Go West, Young Man, Go West'. It is rumored he heard Horace Greeley say that. Bob Lockett in his 'Report on A.L. Holm', proved the rumor was false, as A.L. is only 21 and very handsome. Judge Henry Moore was a most judicious critic.

- P. J. Baxter -

It is NOT easy to apologize or take advice; to be charitable and considerate; to forgive, forget, and profit by errors; to think, act, and make the best of things; to face sneers, endure success, and keep on trying; BUT - it always pays.

INQUIRIES REGARDING TOASTMASTERS CLUBS

As a result of a kindly and brief article in the National Home Work Bulletin of the Y.M.C.A. inquiries on the Toastmasters' Clubs and their work have been received from the following cities:

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| REDLANDS | - | CALIFORNIA |
| WEST SPRINGFIELD | - | MASSACHUSETTS |
| VINELAND | - | NEW JERSEY |
| WATERLOO | - | IOWA |
| BAYONNE | - | NEW JERSEY |
| NORFOLK | - | NEBRASKA |
| ROCK ISLAND | - | ILLINOIS |

Thank you, friends, and many thanks to the National Council and Mr. Sproul.



THE TOASTMISTRESS' CLUB OF

THE

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. Y.M.C.A.

SAN DIEGO

CALIFORNIA

Right next to the ladies, too.

As your humble correspondent pens these lines, San Diego feels more than ever confident of winning first place with its entries of Miss. Shepherd and Miss. Miller in the Finals of the Oratorical Contest at Anaheim. (Note to Anaheim and Santa Barbara we have the cabinet dusted out waiting the cup).

These two young ladies gained first and second places respectively from a splendid field of contestants who appeared before a special Ladies Night audience on Monday, February 15th. We look for one of these charming girls to lift the cup, (which one we dare not say), considering the fact that they almost tied for honors in the Club Finals.

A short time ago International President J. Clark Chamberlain, returning from a visit to Anaheim, aroused the interest of our Club with a stirring description of the Anaheim Emergency Relief Plan originated by Toastmaster J. C. (Joe) Elliott of that city.

So impressed were we with the plan that we decided to sponsor it in San Diego. As a result, newspaper publicity of value was obtained, and largely from this outside speaking engagements were booked for several of our members.

Negotiations have been carried on by J. Clark Chamberlain and our President A. C. Acason with the Mayor, County Welfare Board, Community Chest, the local Hoover Committee, etc., to the extent that the adoption of the plan appears almost certain.

In between spells some of our boys found time to speak over the radio during Foreign Trade Week. Messrs: Paul Richelson, Chet Van Dusen, Bill La Monte, and A. C. Acason took to the air in support of this program.

These activities are serving to get the boys in perfect trim for our March campaign during which period we have challenged the rest of the Clubs to try to match us in outside activities. (Another competition already won, too). J. Roy Chafe

Installation of officers featured our meeting of January 26th. Miss. Frances Moore was installed by retiring President Mrs. L. C. Chandler. Our new president then introduced Vice President Mrs. Jean Bordeaux, Secretary Mrs. F. E. Hershman, and Treasurer Miss. Alice Henninger.

On February 8th our energetic Junior Past President induced the Los Angeles Herald to give our Club a half column of publicity. We certainly appreciate Mrs. Chandler's untiring efforts to further the success of our Club.

Washington's Birthday was celebrated by a meeting on February 23rd. Twenty-three members and guests sat down to the beautifully decorated tables. The color scheme was red and white. A vote of thanks was given Mrs. Foster for her efforts. Speakers were Mrs. M.C. Boslough, Mrs. F. E. Hershman, Mrs. Freda Mooney, and Mrs. Walter Stark.

We are all looking forward to the joint meeting with the Toastmasters Club to be held March 8th. A dinner dance is planned, and Tom Butler of the Toastmasters has promised us a grand time.

We are to furnish three speakers and the Toastmasters will furnish a like number. Toastmistress of the evening will be Mrs. Jean Bordeaux and the Critic will be Mr. J. Gustav White.

Our speakers will be Dr. Florence Dunlap, Mrs. Billie Caton, and Mrs. L.L. Henninger. We contemplate holding the affair at the Hotel Figueroa, but definite arrangements have not yet been made.

Reservations must be in by March 6th and may be placed with Mrs. Bordeaux at 623 West 5th St., Telephone Mutual 1221, or Mr. Tom Butler, Telephone Whitney 1777.

Mrs. Jean Bordeaux

LOS ANGELES 'Y' CLUB - CALIFORNIA

Lost, strayed or stolen, a timing light and a silver-mounted gavel, the proud possessions of our Club. First thing we know someone will be copping our speeches.

The joint meeting on Feb. 23rd was a great success. Glendale was our guest and we had over 60 in attendance.

Toastmaster was Howard Baker and he appeared in his Army Captain's uniform. The decorations carried out the George Washington theme. Mrs. Baker did a fine piece of work decorating the tables and the room.

Each Club furnished three speakers, three individual critics, and Glendale's Dr. Lane was an excellent general critic.

Alexander Kosloff gave us two piano solos. We wanted more but the time did not permit.

Our speakers were Messrs: Hillstrom, Dr. Todd, and Tom Butler. This reporter regrets to say he lost the names of the Glendale speakers.

We are planning a big night on Mar. 8th when we have a joint meeting with the Toastmistress Club. Dinner will be \$1.00 and Hotel Figueroa is the place.

Alexander Kosloff has charge of the musical entertainment. He promises two artists and will undoubtedly display his own talents on the piano.

The dance will start at 8.30 or 9.00 p.m. and we have secured the Hill Billies orchestra. All Toastmasters and their ladies are welcome to come. Make your reservation with Tom Butler, Telephone Whitney 1777.

An average weekly attendance of 25 is not a bad record. And we are sending a large group to the Council at Anaheim. When you see this reporter there, step up and shake hands, please. Cant have too many friends in this world.

Thinking about the Council and that joint meeting of March 8th, just drives all news out of my head. So long!

Tom Butler

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LONG BEACH - CALIFORNIA

Everyone in the Club is out fighting for that big silver cup. A new winner each week, and then every two months the eight winners have an elimination night.

March 1st is the first one and it is Ladies Night. The contestants may be seen walking the streets muttering to themselves. You see, we are bringing in outside judges and these boys are making sure they will be letter perfect.

We are looking forward to the Council, and expect to put in a strong bid for the largest group prize. News of the charming girls entered in the Oratorical Contest seems to have added to the interest of those who contemplate attending.

Plans are being made to exchange speakers with Pasadena, and Santa Ana. It is hoped that some visiting toastmasters will appear at our March 1st meeting.

Our good member Bob Gossom cannot be at Anaheim the 27th, because he had to go to Stockton and deliver a speech. Good Luck, Bob.

One of our members pulled the following. He had just returned from a foreign trip. Asked if he went up the Rhine, he replied, "Climbed to the top." Did you see the lion of St. Mark? "Fed him." And visited the Black Sea? "Filled my fountain pen there." See Moscow? "Milked it." "Yes! and blew the Matterhorn, too." At that moment we shot him.

Dr. Fitzsted, one of our Charter members intends, showing his handmade violins at the Olympiad.

Bill Fickling is looking for wagers on his chances to win the cup. But we are shying clear of this young man, he might win.

Floyd Todd and Doc. Fairley loudly proclaim their judging ability. Both will be in front row seats at Anaheim. What these bachelors get away with!

Our legal light Marshall claims he is so busy preparing criminal cases, that he cant prepare speeches for the Club. This is a new alibi.

V. W. Chase.

As Jimmie Heffron says, we meet each Tuesday night, and you can also get a good meal at Highway Tea Gardens every other night, too.

Our friend Otto Idso has been busy the last month giving the talk which so pleased those attending the International Dinner. Otto had his material well in hand and made a big hit.

On Feb. 22nd, Jimmie Heffron had a big day. He officiated very capably as Master of Ceremonies at a celebration in the City Park. Jimmie says the scenery was lovely and the lunch even better.

Wilbert Bonney has been teaching the peds (short for pedagogues) how to pedal.

To Paul Demaree and his Committee is due the credit for the arrangements for the meeting of International. Paul has a lot of splinters in his fingers - scratching their heads, not the gavel.

Joe Elliott has deserted his home and fireside to devote his energies to putting over the "Anaheim Plan", and banishing unemployment. There may be finer men than Joe, but we don't know them.

Bill Kohlenberger has been giving 35 minute addresses to various Service Clubs and Civic Groups on the five year plan. Bill denies he has turned red, says he only sees red thinking about the reds. Whereupon Franklin Howatt said "Rediculous."

The new officers shined up their buttons, threw out their chests and are showing us the road to greater success. A.P.M. Brown, President, Wilbert Bonney, V.P. and Kline Stickney, Secretary-Treasurer. If you wish to write him about the "Anaheim Plan" his address is 526 South Illinois Street.

Con Jongewaard heard Paul dilating on the cup, "Notice its grace, its form, the lines, its beauty," and immediately asked Mrs. J. if Paul was speaking of the Cup or that lovely contestant No. 4?

The beautiful flowers you saw at the banquet were provided by our good member Cyril Hannah.

Max, (see your dentist weekly)
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Under date of February 17th, John H. Rudd, Associate State Secretary for Town and Country work on the Northwest 'Y' council, wrote as follows:

"Last night it was my good fortune to meet with the Toastmasters Club here. I learned only a few days ago that they had a club.

The officers are F. J. Downie, President, Willard Erickson, Secretary, % 1st National Bank.

I happened to have a copy of the February Gavel which I showed them. They wanted to know how to get it.

This all resulted in a request that I ask International's Secretary to send them full information regarding affiliation and how to get the Gavel.

Please mail this information as soon as possible to the secretary.

Early this year I had expected to attend the Yosemite Town & Country Conference. A few days ago Con Jongewaard wrote inviting me to ride with him from Yosemite to Anaheim and there attend the Council on Feb. 27th.

Unfortunately it was impossible for me to attend Yosemite, and naturally I cannot come to Anaheim. I deeply regret losing this chance to meet and enjoy the fellowship of all those grand Anaheim friends of yore.

Since I cannot be present, I wish to make sure that my greetings are given to the Anaheim Club, and to the members of the Council. My very best wishes for a steadily growing interest in Toastmastership during 1932."

(Signed) John H. Rudd

Everett has been advised about the Federation. Look for news of this club in next Gavel.

(The Editor)

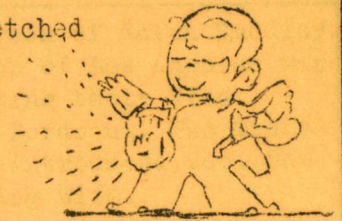
Remember, only on a rainy day can you see a rainbow.

Kind of pathetic to see a horsefly sitting on the radiator of a truck.



Broadcasting The 9th INTERNATIONAL Council

Our staff artist sketched the winner of the Oratorical Contest, one second after he received the prize.



For once President Chamberlain came late to the Council meeting. This is a record. We missed Johnny Evers, our altitudinous Treasurer. All other officers were present. Ralph Smedley held proxies from Fred Hanson, Regional Representative and Harry Hill, State Secretary. The two latter were at Stockton. So was J. Gustav White, our old standby.

Delegates and Alternates came from Anaheim, Long Beach, Los Angeles, San Diego, Pasadena, Santa Ana, and Santa Barbara. We had no visitors at council, which was unusual.

Minutes were approved on first reading. This, too, was unusual. And no Committee reports were made. Many sighs of relief by ye secretary. But communications - hmmmh! From West Springfield, Mass. Redlands, Cal. Waterloo, Iowa. Vineland and Bayonne, N.J. Norfolk, Nebr. Rock Island, Ill. Everett, Wash. Jamaica, N.Y. Honolulu, T.H.

Johnny Evers resignation was refused. We wont let this good man stop working. President Chamberlain, after discussion, appointed A.P.M. Brown, J.A. Hillstrom & Jean Bordeaux to call on Johnny and see if we cannot persuade him to continue his good work.

Tom Butler wanted to know what good the International was. And about 20 of the Councillors immediately snowed him under with answers. Was Tom surprised! (So was I).

Ralph Smedley had a fine suggestion. Urged that all Clubs educate their members in the ideals of International.

A.C. Aason also conceived a fine idea. That all International members on vacation, make it a point to contact Toastmaster Clubs en route, telling them about the Federation, and what its aims are.

The question of clandestine clubs was thoroughly discussed. Ownership of the name, emblem, idea, prospectus and our magazine is vested in Ralph Smedley by virtue of his copyright.

President Chamberlain was empowered to appoint a committee to draw up letters for transmittal to all Toastmaster clubs operating without having joined the Federation. These clubs will be invited to join, and if they do not wish to, they will be requested to desist using our name Toastmasters Club.

We were disappointed at the absence of Delegates from Glendale Club. It was hoped Ontario, Riverside, Whittier, and Beverley Hills would send representatives.



A composite sketch of the five charming girls who contested for the cup. Grace Wurster won third place.

You should have heard the commendatory letters from Public School teachers read by Franklin Howatt. Every school entered this year promises to enter next year, and undoubtedly the contest will be much larger.

San Diego invited to Council to meet there and this invitation was accepted. It was decided to meet at 3.30 p.m. on May 28th. The 30th of May is a holiday and those who attend the council will be able to spend a day or two in the salubrious air of San Diego.

Council opened at 3.35 p.m. and adjourned at 5.55 p.m. What a pleasure it was to see these councillors so earnest and anxious to spread International's ideals and benefits to cities, states, nations, and around the world. Heaven help International's secretary in 1935. He'll need it, you may be sure.

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MORE ABOUT THE BANQUET & COUNCIL

Beautifully decorated banquet hall, lots of room, a jolly crowd, excellent food, and a grand Toastmaster. What more could we ask!

Otto Idso of Anaheim has plenty of courage. He made a very good speech on Past and Present depressions, accompanied by champing jaws and rattling dishes by the multitude.

The Colonial Sextette from Orange Co. School of Fine Arts gave some delightful numbers, both vocal and instrumental. Art Johnson liked the one in blue. Many were puzzled about this sextette, because only five appeared.

The irrepressible Franklin Howatt had a glorious time heckling the Toastmaster, but that personage Jimmie Heffron, was a deadshot with repartee. He had Franklin ducking sallies.

When counting club attendance to select the Club with the largest delegation, San Diego had us all agog. They brought 28 people, and swore that 10 more couldn't get away, but had tickets. The prize was presented by George Hédstrom to A.C. Acason of San Diego Club. He responded briefly and found the prize was Roberts Rules of Orders. Clark Chamberlain is wondering????

Away with that simile "Two peas in a pod." Go to Anaheim and see those Collins twins. Two lovely girls who are so alike that it startles you. And what smiles! They entertained us with several vocal selections. And we found their voices exact echoes, one of the other.

What flowers, and all the lovely ladies, difficult to tell which we liked the most. The Lime Rickeys and Orangeade helped fill the inner void. What a laugh when some who drank the concentrated Lime learned that it should be diluted with 5 parts of water.

President Chamberlain presented the International Officers to the assembly. Bordeaux gave a brief resume of the doings in Council.

The Founder of Toastmaster Clubs was

introduced in the person of Ralph Smedley. The Toastmistress Club of Los Angeles was recognized by presenting their Vice President, Mrs. Jean Bordeaux. The Treasurer of Toastees was introduced, too. She is Otto Idso's charming wife.

J. Roy Chafe of San Diego Club uttered a challenge to all Clubs, saying that San Diego Club will give more outside talks than any other Club during the month of March. Dont bet against him, either.

Paul Demaree presented the contestants and described the rules of the contest. Judges took their score sheets, and the contest was on.

Virginia Clements, a sweet and lovely girl of Santa Barbara spoke on PARENTS, YOUTH, REASON. - Velma Shephard of San Diego revealed that "THE DESERT SPEAKS". Gilbert May from Anaheim was very much perturbed over "THE EXTENT OF COMMUNISM IN THE UNITED STATES." - Grace Wurster of Santa Ana had a grand smile and showed us HOW TO MAKE A SPEECH - Dorothy Dales gave a splendid talk on FRIENDSHIP - John McFarland of Santa Ana waxed humorous in a speech entitled AS YOU WOULD LIKE IT - John Westwick of Santa Barbara proved a very serious earnest young chap in discussing WAR AND ITS POSSIBLE CESSATION - Janet Miller of San Diego praised MUSSOLINI AND THE FASCIST RULE IN ITALY.

Picking winners was a mighty tough job. Every one of the speakers was worthwhile. They had originality, earnestness and a lot of constructive thought. John McFarland was given first, with Gilbert May second and Grace Wurster third. The cup was presented by President Chamberlain. Franklin Howatt then presented McFarland and May with mahogany gavels. The young men were pleased and responded ably.

The first annual Oratorical Contest has set a standard which succeeding Contest Committee men will find very difficult to surmount. Franklin Howatt conceived the idea for a contest. He, and Paul Demaree worked night and day for months to put over this first one. The great pleasure and delight of the entrants and the guests will repay these two workers in part. However, their satisfaction in having achieved will be far more valuable to them. Congratulations, Anaheim.

The Editor.

