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THE RENDEZVOUS

Being the time and place of meetings of
various Toastmaster Clubs.

ANAHEIM, Cal. Tues 6.30 p m at
Highway Tea Gardens

APPLETON, Wisc.
BEVERLEY HILLS, Cal.
EL PASO, Tex. Tues 6.30 pm at YMCA
EUREKA, Cal. Mon 6.40 pm at
K & M Cafe

GLENDALE, Cal. Thurs 6.15 pm at YMCA

GREEN BAY, Wisc.
HONOLULU, T.H.
LONG BEACH, Cal. Tues 6.16 pm at YMCA
LOS ANGELES "Y" Tues 6.15 pm at YMCA
MODESTO, Cal. Tues 6.15 pm at The
Cedars 1603 "I" St.

MOLINE, Ill.
MUTUAL of LOS ANGELES Mon 5.45 pm at The
Stevens Cafe 9th & Western
PASADENA, Cal. Tues 6.00 pm at YMCA
PEORIA, Ill. Tues 6.00 pm at The
University Club

PITTSBURG, Kan
PORTLAND, Ore.
SAN DIEGO, Cal. Mon 6.15 pm at Army
& Navy YMCA

SAN JOSE, Cal. 2nd & 4th Mondays,
6.30 pm at YMCA

SANTA ANA, Cal. Wed 6.15 pm at The
Ketner Cafe 4th & Bwy
SANTA BARBARA, Cal. Tues 6.30 pm at The
Hotel Carillo

SPOKES CLUB, of Thurs 8.00 pm at YMCA
NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C. Can.
WENATCHEE, Wash. Thurs 6.30 pm at The
Hotel Cascadian

WHITTIER, Cal.
JUNIORS of Tues 6.30 pm at YMCA
LONG BEACH, Cal.

NOTICE

If your club is omitted, there is a
reason. Send in the necessary informa-
tion. Fill those blanks, please. We want
to see this column grow. Do you know of
a Toastmasters Club which is not shown
here? Write Gavel about it NOW.

VISIT THESE CLUBS WHENEVER YOU CAN.
YOU WILL BE WELCOMED.

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GAVEL SPLINTERS

That Scotch saying about seeing ourselves as others see us, should perhaps in this day read, "hear ourselves as others hear us."

A radio broadcast of a Hollywood banquet the other night occasioned the above outburst. Of all the 'Hokey'---- Well! All we have to say is, "There's work to be done in Hollywood by the Toastmasters, and plenty of it."

Here's an idea for use in your club. Have you taken up the rules of parliamentary procedure lately? Spend a few nights on it, rotating your Club members in the chair as President. You will find there is much to learn. Knowing and putting in practice are two different things.

The Gavel for November appeared in a new dress----just goes to show that the paper is right in style and up to the minute.

Here's another idea, (no charge for any of these). Clubs located conveniently near each other might have "Exchange Nights". Please understand that this is different from joint meetings. One Club will send two or three speakers to the other Club. They fit in on the program and thus one Club can learn how they do it (and how well) over in Blanktown.

Speaking of ideas, if you have some in your Club, send them in to Gavel. Do NOT hide your light under a bushel. The Gavel is and should be a medium for the exchange of helpful ideas. What is a success in one Club will very often succeed in another Club.

Several West Coast Clubs have installed Speaker's Bureaus, and find this system excellent. Already the Civic organizations are looking to the Toastmasters' Bureau for speakers. In some cities the demand exceeds the supply.

So long, I must practice my breathing exercises.

CLARENCE MARSHALL,

PRESIDENT CHAMBERLAIN BROADCASTING

During this period of economic distress, from which we are slowly but unmistakably emerging, there has been a sharp falling off in membership in the average Service Club or Luncheon Group, requiring heroic efforts on the part of those in authority to keep membership and attendance marks at something like usual figures.

This condition will not be found in most Toastmasters' Clubs, but if there is any tendency in that direction, it is a clear case of failure to recognize the real value of Toastmaster Club training.

To the business man, the ability to speak well is a decided asset - one on which substantial dividends may be realized, and sometimes more important than that - the intangible asset GOOD WILL.

Toastmasters' Clubs usually have business men for members. Such men should never allow their club membership to lapse because of economic reasons. Keep your membership in the Toastmasters Club.

The Clubs who keep the memberships full, and the programs interesting, need have no fears about attendance.

Remember - That each individual who attends an average Toastmasters' Club meeting is enriching himself materially, is building an asset which may be realized on, in direct relation to the effort spent in Toastmaster Club work.

For myself, and associate officers, I extend to all member clubs of the International, and to all Toastmaster Clubs everywhere, our hearty and sincere greetings at this Christmas time. May we all find health, prosperity and happiness during the year 1932.

J. CLARK CHAMBERLAIN



EUREKA - CALIFORNIA

Not content with giving me the job of Secretary-Treasurer, now they've made me a reporter. But with the November issue of Gavel before me, I feel that I want to help it grow.

We were all greatly interested in the news of the other clubs. And hope they will find our doings of interest, too.

On Nov. 10th we met at the Presbyterian Church as guests of the Church Service Club. After a grand dinner, several of our members gave five minutes talks.

Our President R.C. Crichton was Toastmaster of the evening and swung a mighty nifty gavel, too. EARLE JOHNSON told of the need for playgrounds here, and BILL THOMAS told Earle what was wrong with the speech.

LEROY DAVIS described the Circus and GEORGE CRICHTON snapped the critic whip.

ERNEST PIERSON discussed Tennis as a Sport and V.M. DUDEK made it 40 all with his criticism.

GLENN GUTHRIE's Reasons for Civil Service were closely examined by Critic A.F. CREEDY.

Our Club was started by C.E. (Doc) Morrow. He told the Church Service Club what our aims are, and outlined the formation of the club. Approximately 40 men left when we adjourned, all vowing that we must have more of these fine meetings.

Our regular meeting place is at the K & M Delicatessen at 4th & "G" Streets. Monday nights at 6.40 p.m. and you are all welcome. Note that in the Rendezvous Gavel Editor has the word Cafe. This reporter disclaims use of that word. If the K & M folks learn of it, they might raise the price of meals.

All the members of Eureka Club wish you and yours a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Happy, prosperous New Year.

V. M. DUDEK

SPOKES CLUB - NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C. CAN

Our program for the Winter Season has been made up and printed in the form of a folded 8" x 5" card. We find it very handy to carry in our wallets.

With our public speaking class, the Spokes Club, and the Ladies public speaking class, each holding weekly meetings, our City is well-provided with means of oral expression. I enclose the schedule card and perhaps Gavel will print it. (Glad to do it, Ed.)

OCTOBER 8th-HOBBIES, 5 minute talks.

15th-ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

22nd-WIT & HUMOR, 6 minute talks.

29th-ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

NOVEMBER 5th-WORD PICTURES, 6 minute talks

12th-DEBATE

19th-ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

26th-VARIETY NIGHT

DECEMBER 3rd-ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

10th-DEBATE

17th-DINNER & CLASS TOAST NIGHT

JANUARY 7th-ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

14th-ELECTION ISSUES

21st-ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

28th-MOCK CEREMONIAL NIGHT

FEBRUARY 4th-ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

11th-DEBATE

18th-ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

25th-VISITING TOAST NIGHT

MARCH 3rd-FORUM

10th-DEBATE

17th-INTER-CLUB RALLY

24th-ORATORICAL CONTEST FOR

D.S. CURTIS CUP

31st-ANNUAL TOAST NIGHT & DINNER

We allow 1 hour for discussion on those nights, the other hour for speech practice. Debates and Discussion topics are selected by the committee, G. THOMSON, A. COX, A. LOWER.

Our officers this year are FRED GREEN President, G. THOMSON, V.P. and S.F. MARKS Secretary. Our sage mentor is FRANK PAULDING, a grand man he is, too.

S.F. MARKS

PITTSBURG - KANSAS

We were mighty pleased with the new Gavel. And surprised to learn of the many Clubs along the West Coast.

We have two clubs here, organized 3 years ago. Our first club was such an immediate success that we had to start another. The second club operates just as most T.M.Clubs do, but we call ours the Forum Club.

Secretary of the T.M. Club is Mr. Russell Hall with the Kansas Gas & Electric Co. Our Forum Club Secretary is Mr. Ralph Scott of the American Service Co.

These gentlemen have promised me to send some news to Gavel, telling how their clubs operate, and what is planned for the Winter.

J.W.Stafford.

PEORIA - ILLINOIS

Our new President J.L.Hack has a big program lined up. Our Secretary W. W. Bassett, does as well with Club records as he does in Life Insurance.

Other Clubs may be interested in our procedure. Our Critic and our Parliamentarian give brief instructive talks just before the regular speaking program. All speakers are criticised at the close of their talks. At the close of the meeting, the Critic criticises the Toastmaster, the President, and the Parliamentarian. We adjourn at 7.30 sharp.

Several of our members are interested in the International, and we have written for information as to what it is, cost of joining, insignia, etc.

Hunting for news and sending it in to Gavel is a new experience for

Your Reporter.

GREEN BAY - WISCONSINAPPLETON - WISCONSINMOLINE - ILLINOISBAY CITY -- MICHIGANALTON - ILLINOISDIXON - ILLINOISFORT DODGE - IOWAINDIANAPOLIS - INDSPRINGFIELD - ILLINOISST LOUIS - MISSOURI

Believe it or not, there are Toastmaster Clubs in all of the cities listed above.

This Editor confesses failure in obtaining news from the above clubs. Just why they will not publicize themselves, I dont know.

This column has printed the names hoping that some kind-hearted Toastmaster will read, and having read, will send in a few remarks from Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, or Missouri.

Certainly if their clubs are worth belonging to, then it follows the clubs are worth talking about,

Every Toastmasters Club is interested in the doings of the other clubs. Thru the Columns of Gavel, you spread your good ideas which often are eagerly seized on by other Clubs.

If we had a roving Will Rogers in our International, I'd ask him to circulate thru the Middle West and find out what is being done by the T.M.'s.

UP AND DOWN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA WITH THE TOASTMASTERS

LOS ANGELES 'Y' CLUB

Our Program Manager Tom Butler, is arranging joint meetings monthly now. He had a mighty nice one with the Long Beach group on Nov. 17th, and promises us one with the Pasadena Club for December.

We find these meetings very good to foster interest, give our speakers a larger background to address, and to help decrease 'Fearitis'.

Each Toastmaster has to furnish his own program, that is, the musical part. This helps him practice introductions.

With a membership of 32, our average attendance has been 27. Which is some record we think. We are prepared to furnish speakers on a moment's notice. When any member feels ready to enter the Speaker's Bureau, we appoint a committee to try him out, and if he passes---O.K.

Our joint meeting with Long Beach was excellent. Our Speakers were DR. ROTHWELL PETER WHITEHILL, and CHARLEY HAMPSON. Our individual Critics were FRANK WHITE, G.R. THOMPSON, and L.L.HENNINGER.

We furnished the Toastmaster Fred Brown who supplied the musician Mr. Goldsmith. We liked his tenor solos. We had some 52 present, with 48 at the tables.

We find that our Program Manager is a great asset. He serves for one year. And what would we do without a Club Chorister.

President Hillstrom welcomed the guests and President McCoy of Long Beach responded. Our critics worked on the L.B. Boys, and their Critics reciprocated. Our Toastmaster was original and introduced a miniature radio mike, giving us the feeling that we were in a studio broadcasting a program.

Decorations were lovely and these, with the flowers, were placed and arranged by some of our ladies. What would we do without their efficient help?

The boys are looking forward to the next joint meeting.

TOM BUTLER Page

SAN JOSE CLUB

Late in September, 1931, we started to organize. Under the guidance of B. F. Vincent, we drew up a constitution and by laws, decided to limit membership to 30, and selected the second and fourth Mondays of each month as our meeting night.

Our dues of \$2.00 per month include \$1.50 for the two dinners. The remainder pays for current miscellaneous expenses.

President Virgil Rankin has put his shoulder to the wheel and we are started down hill with an easy grade, having crossed the mountains of beginning.

At roll call each member must give a quotation from or on some designated personage, or tell a story on a selected subject.

Wells Harrington of the Speech Arts Department of San Jose State College is giving us occasional inspiring talks on various phases of speech-making.

Dr. J.C. Cuneo is very happy now that he is the papa of a baby girl. And Mrs. Cuneo is receiving the congratulations.

We select individual members for Critics, besides having an authority serve as General Critic.

We were mighty pleased with the Gavel and posted a copy on the bulletin board for the boys to read. Also posted a letter of congratulations from J. Clark Chamberlain.

Critics to date have been C.E. BRITTEN FRANK LEWIS, B.F. VINCENT, J.L. PRITCHARD KENNETH BOOSEY, C. W. TOY, HOWARD MILLER. Our speeches are limited to five minutes and we have seven speakers each meeting. This, with a Toastmaster and the critics, enables all our members to have frequent turns at wagging the chin with a purpose.

One of our members Ed Hunter, was stuck in the mud recently and we are informed he used SPEECH. Evidently a good one, too, for he speedily freed himself from the mire. Our Reporter has not yet been appointed, BUT SOON WILL BE.

B.F. Vincent

ANAHEIM CLUB

When President Frank Kellogg gave your reporter the job of hunting for news and sending it to Gavel, I remembered my days at K.P. in the Army and set to with a will. (No razberries, please).

We are already preparing for the International Council which meets here on Feb. 27, 1932. We hope to provide every T.M. and guest a full afternoon and evening of entertainment. The finals of the Oratorical contest will be held and Paul Demaree, 1st V.P. of I.T.M. promises a grand show. Four Clubs have entered and we look for more before January comes.

Jimmy Heffron, the Mark Kelly of Anaheim, Told the Fullerton Kiwanis Club all about it on Nov. 9th.

Paul Demaree has been visiting various T.M.Clubs in Southern California giving them the highlights on the Oratorical contest. We have so far forgiven him his absence from our club, but if he does not watch his step, we'll have a Summary Courtmartial on Paul.

Frank Kellogg, George Hedstrom, Paul Demaree and A.P.M. Brown, our Secretary, visited L.A. Mutual Club on Nov. 16th. Came back filled with enthusiasm over Mutual's Critic Gates.

Our President led speakers to six different meetings in a single evening on Nov. 13th. Which is the height of something or other.

We have a fiery democrat in our club and wonder if other Clubs are similarly afflicted. Bob Ramsey is the man and he is quoted hereabouts in the newspapers. The rest of us are merely mentioned.

Ross Phegley, Ted Payne, Conrad Jongewaard, Arthur G. Porter, Ray Hancock, Kline Stickney, J. E. Waters, and Charles Schutz continue to uphold our laurels as Toastmasters.

All depression talks have been barred in our Club. Mention of the word is banned. We call it 'Surpression or somepun.'

DICK ELLIOTT. Page

LONG BEACH SENIORS

We were visited by Paul Demaree, 1st V.P. of International on Nov. 10th. He gave an excellent report on the progress of International's High School Oratorical contest. We expect to get in this contest in January, 1932.

Nearly all our members are active in the Community Chest drive just held in Long Beach, and most of our boys did valiant work in bringing the drive to a successful end.

With President N.R. McCoy in the van, 12 of our members and ladies visited the Los Angeles 'Y' Club to put on a joint meeting.

Our speakers were D.H. FICKLING, H.C. FAIRLEY, F.E. TAYLOR. We also furnished 3 individual critics who were J.P. HILBERT, CECIL MOOREHOUSE, V.W. CHASE.

President J.A. Hillstrom of L. A. presided and welcomed us. He then turned the gavel over to Fred Brown of L.A. who was Toastmaster of the Evening.

The scheme of procedure is, each club furnished 3 speakers, 3 critics, who criticised speakers from the other club. L.A. Club furnished the Toastmasters, L.B. Club furnished the General Critic Jean Bordeaux.

Singing was led by the Los Angeles chorister Tom Butler, with Pianist La Munyon tickling the ivories.

We certainly enjoyed the meeting. President McCoy responded to Hillstrom's welcome. The dinner began at 6.30 and we adjourned at 9 p.m.

Mr. Goldsmith, a friend of Fred Brown, sang delightful tenor solos. We were surprised and interested in meeting eight members of the Los Angeles Toastmistress' Club. Our President McCoy found Mrs. McCoy greatly aroused, and learned that she intended starting such a club in Long Beach. If such a club is started, the Toastmasters will have to look to their laurels.

Cecil Guest

GLENDALE

We are going strong with a full membership and a waiting list of Associates. Our speaking contest has been running 7 weeks and enthusiasm is high. Each week the speakers are graded and the highest declared winner for that week. These winners are eligible to compete in the semi-Finals next Spring. The winners of that will compete for a silver cup. Weekly winners to date are CLARK DILLEY, Sr., A. M. CULLEN, P. L. HATCH, ROBERT T. LYANS, A. W. BENNETT, ED. F. HEISSER, and HARRY L. FINLAY. With our membership 30 Active, and 20 Associate, there will be many more weekly winners before the finals. We have 5 speakers a night or a chance to compete once every 6 weeks.

Nov. 19th, Ladies Night was a big success. We had 59 members and their ladies present. Ed. Heisser Toastmastered and did well, altho our President Max Green had to caution him at times. The dinner was Turkey and what a meal!!

We were entertained by the four Harmony boys, and these youngsters were excellent. Roy and Ralph Shettle, Jimmie Powell, and Vincent Cullen, with Mrs. Belyea at the Steinway. Clark Dilley gave us a piano solo, Mr. Huston showed us some real flute playing, and Isabel Grigsby sang two delightful arias.

Jovial Jean Bordeaux and his better half were with us. He displayed the new International buttons and Tom Keene immediately invested \$2.00, claiming he had to keep of his reputation of being ahead of the parade.

The speaking was fine and T.M. Butler received a grade of 96 after asserting that was impossible. We dont know who was the most surprised, he or the Critic.

Our old Standby T.M. Lane pulled a fast one on Toastmaster Heisser. Lane was assigned the task of making a two minute impromptu talk, which job he gave to our guest Jean Bordeaux. The Critic judged the speech to be good, but refused to allow Lane any credit for it.

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MUTUAL CLUB OF LOS ANGELES

Our new system of having certain members bring guests at each meeting, has proven most successful. Our membership is practically 100%. A record is kept by our Secretary Al Huston, and the absent members having paid for their meals, lose the dinner fee of eighty-five cents, which is placed in a Guest Fund and used to pay for meals of guests. Members alternate in bringing guests, which vary in number according to the absentees of past meetings.

Our dues of \$1.50 per month are divided \$1.00 to Critic expense and \$0.50 to International dues and miscellaneous expense.

Our Critic S. E. Gates of U.S.C. has made our club. He is fearless, kindly, keen and witty, in holding up our faults and in showing us how to correct them.

We had as visitors on Nov. 16th, A.P. M. Brown, Paul Demaree, and C. G. Hedstrom with his friend Kellogg, all of Anaheim Club. Genial Jean Bordeaux was with us, and passed around samples of the new International insignia, which everyone seemed to like. Several ordered the pins and buttons, as did the Anaheim visitors. Rather unusual visiting list, since our Johnnie Evers is Treasurer of International, and Paul Demaree is 1st V.P. while C.G. Hedstrom was 2nd V.P. last year.

Mr. Demaree give us a good oral report on the success of the Oratorical Contest sponsored by International, and which work is under his charge. Our Club, however, has not entered the contest this year.

New officers just elected are J. Paul Herdman, President. George McClay, Vice President, Johnnie Evers, Treasurer, and Al Huston, Secretary. Our officers hold office one year.

Our meeting place at the Stevens Cafe is roomy, and we are always glad to welcome guests. We like to show the progress being made by our members, and especially to exhibit our Critic doing his stuff.

Al Huston

PASADENA CLUB

Our Speakers' Bureau is now organized and going strong. Recently when we offered our services to the Community Chest for their coming campaign, the Director of Publicity for the Chest appointed our stalwart member Dr. T. J. Meyers as Chairman of the Community Chest Speakers' Bureau.

Members of our Club will soon be in line for all kinds of 'Officerships', as we have been going thru a stiff course in Parliamentary Law as applied to the conducting of Clubs, and Club and Organization meetings.

It seems there is a right and a wrong way to conduct meetings----and our boys are finding out that most everything here has been wrong. But under the tutorage of our Critic, we are beginning to rise and shine.

Our Speakers' Bureau will soon be ready for a system of 'Exchange Speakers' with nearby Toastmasters' Clubs. Look for further announcements about this in the next Gavel.

Just now we are quite busy preparing for a joint meeting with the Los Angeles 'Y' Toastmasters, and the boys are looking forward to seeing our good friends Tom Butler and Gus White, the Demon Critic of all T.M. Groups.

ART JOHNSON

JUNIORS OF LONG BEACH

We are now meeting as a Forum, still under the leadership of 'Riz' Wrisley. He has been very kind in arranging for guest speakers and these are always men of prominence in their respective fields.

Professors from U.S.C. and U.C.L.A.; Lawyers, Doctors, and Ministers. These gentlemen bring us the problems of the day, and after hearing them speak, we have a grand free-for-all, with all members getting in their ideas pro and con.

We are still waiting to hear from San Diego about their Junior Club???

SAN DIEGO CLUB

Our Outside Activities Chairman, J. ROY CHAFFE, has been busy lining up speakers to carry the message of the Disarmament movement to Organizations which desire speakers on this subject.

The entire speaking program for this group which has the endorsement of more than 50 San Diego Organizations, is to be carried by our Toastmasters' Club.

With the idea of making Club programs as interesting as possible, the Program Chairman is encouraging the Toastmaster of the Evening to line up subjects which may be welded into a more or less complete coverage of some subject or situation.

On the eve of the Stanford - U.S.C. game, Toastmaster Clarence Theobald presented Rally Speakers in the imaginative form of the U.S.C. Coach, Team Captain, President of the Student Body, College President, and President of the Alumni Association. The parts were very well taken, and the interest created was unusual.

We have entered the Toastmasters' International High School Oratorical contest and will undoubtedly be in the running when the Finals are held at Anaheim.

A. C. ACASON

SANTA ANA CLUB

We are going along very well. Fred Eley and D.H. Tibbles, with all the old Standbys, find no trouble in attending meetings. Jovial Jean Bordeaux was over Nov. 18th and showed us the new pins. He also acted as General Critic and the boys enjoyed his pyrotechnics.

We are building up the membership list and will soon have a waiting list. Outside Activities for Civic and other Organizations keep our crack speakers busy.

Hope to have more news next month. Right now your reporter is busy trying to find out why Fred Eley always goes to Los Angeles on Thursday nights. H. Le Bard

If you cant laugh at the jokes of the age - laugh at the age of our jokes



..... : It is reported that
: giraffes like onions;
: at their altitude they
: can afford to.

"Mom," said little Willie rushing in breathless, "There's trouble down at the Druggist's. His wife has a baby girl and he's had a 'Boy Wanted' sign in his window for a week."

She - I've lost all confidence in men. Friend - Why? She - The last 3 times I went to the movies with another man, I found Fred there with another girl.

Standing in the house gazing out the window, the husband noticed a cart pass. Drawn by a mule, and on the seat the driver had a pet monkey which skipped about in play. Husband called his wife, "There's a relation of yours, My dear." Wife glanced out, and replied, "Yes, indeed, both by marriage, too."

As the Rector left a temperance meeting, he met one of his flock considerably the worse for liquor. "William, William, I regret to find you in this state, I'm really sorry." "Well," muttered the man, "If you're really sorry, I forgive you."

Unselfishness is voluntarily doing without things we need. Thus the teacher explained. "Jimmie, give me an example, please." "Well, my pa is an example. He goes without a bath when he needs it."

She - Why do so many women rest their chins on their hands when thinking? He - To keep their mouths shut so that they wont disturb themselves.

Suitor, "My boy, get me a lock of your sisters hair, and I'll give you a dime." Willie - "Make it 50 cents and I'll get you her wig."

Are you going to marry Fred, Betty. That depends on circumstances. What do you mean by circumstances? Why His, of course.

Wife, "To think that I turned John down for you, and he such a clever, sensible chap."

Hubby, "And he was the one who introduced us, wasnt he? Clever, I'll say." Page

"I'm working for a mighty mean man." How come? "Well, he took the legs off the wheelbarrow so's I cant set it down and rest."

Bobby; Teacher said that beauty fades away, Mom. Is that true?

Yes, my child.

Well then, why doesnt Nurse fade. Daddy often tells her she's beautiful.

She'll fade away, my son-Tomorrow.

Shady Garage Owner - What did you charge him for that job? "50 dollars, why?"

Owner - What was the matter with his motor? "No gasoline, sir."

"Probably you dont remember me," began the self-made man proudly, "But 20 years ago when I was a poor boy, you gave me a message to deliver." "Yes, yes," Cried the Busy man, "Where's the answer?"

Bold young lady (to street-car motor-man) "Will I get a shock if I step on the track?" "No, Lady, Not unless you put your other foot on the trolley wire."

"What is it?" asked the Doctor hurriedly summoned at midnight. "Nothing this time, Doc." answered Mr. Newly-wed, looking at his watch. "My wife just wanted to see how soon you could get here in case the baby was suddenly taken ill."

Tipsy man, "Beg pardon, can you tell me where the other side of the street is?" Pedestrian, "You fool, it's across the street." Tipsy one, "Mighty funny, a fellow over there said it was over here."

Goldfer (to foursome ahead) "Pardon me, May I play thru? I've just learned that my wife is seriously ill."

Tourist; Do you fix flats? Service Man; Certainly! Tourist; See what you can do with my wallet?"

Hostess; "I wouldnt marry the best man on earth." Sailor, "That's what my wife said, but she finally yielded."

Dad (to youngster just put to bed) "Now what's the matter?" Youngster, "I wanna drink." Dad, "Dont we all, but please go to sleep."

BEVERLEY HILLS - CALIF

The Editor has been unable to get direct news from the Club. We are informed that meetings are held regularly.

WHITTIER - CALIF

Another Club which to date, declines to send Gavel any news. Thru some of our Anaheim members, we learn that Whittier Club is active and getting on splendidly. Next month I hope to have something more about this Club, as Gavel has assigned a Go-getter sleuth to prowl amid the smudge-pot smoke and obtain a story from the Quakerites.

HONOLULU - T. H.

Trusty John Akau of this Club writes that he is so busy surf-boarding, that he cannot find time to write his monthly paragraph. Really difficult to fire a reporter when he is 2500 miles'way from you.

I shall write Ralph Cole, the General Secretary of Hawaii, asking him to cut down John's allowance, maybe that will get the boy working. (Send me some news, John, all is forgiven).

WENATCHEE - WASH

No news from this Club, and thru the fault of Gavel Editor, too. Just had a letter from Fred Hazzard saying in part, "Not a line until we get November issue of Gavel." But what's this postscript-- "Say, November issue quite splendiferous and how did you do it?"

Well, Fred, where's the news??? Anyhow knowin' what a great bunch belongs to Wenatchee, where they all have an apple a day, we can be sure the Club is 100% strong.

Wenatchee is the City where Aplets are manufactured. Golly! They're good. Er, ah, Fred.----Could you fix me up a few----I mean news items.

Sorry about November Gavel, better luck next time.

SEATTLE - WASH.

Joe Penner of the 'Y' Schools has been skipping about getting a Club group together.

Undoubtedly he will please us all by announcing in January Gavel, that a Club of 25 or more is going very well.

Dont forget, Joe, get your news in on or before Dec. 20th.

MODESTO - CALIF

Reporter B. F. Fitch tells me that Modesto has an average attendance of 16. Boys very enthusiastic and every member benefiting from the work.

Better still, Jack Hazard of the Modesto 'Y', went to Turlock and started a T.M. Club which is going over with a bang.

Congratulations, Jack, and much thanks to the Modesto Club. Naturally they helped in the initial meetings at Turlock.

TURLOCK - CALIF

Mr. Gray of the Western Union at Turlock, is the chap who knows whats what in his Toastmaster Club.

Ye Editor and toastmasters over the country are waiting to read the news sent in by Mr. Gray.

SANTA BARBARA - CALIF

One of the strongest clubs in this section, but very difficult to keep a reporter on the job. I have written twice asking them to send in something on the Club activities. No answer, and I just learned my reporter had left Santa Barbara for San Francisco.

This Club has entered the oratorical contest with a vengeance. They broadcast competitors talks over the Radio. One of the two California Clubs on the air.

The Toastmistress' Club of

The

Los Angeles, Cal. Y.M.C.A.



Officers were elected at the Nov. 10th meeting. President Mrs. Louis Chandler, Vice-President Miss. Frances Moore, Treasurer Mrs. F. Mooney, Secretary Mrs. Jean Bordeaux.

During the evening, we were entertained by the lovely children of our Toastmistress Mrs. F. E. Hershman, wife of Toastmaster Dr. Hershman of the L.A. 'Y' Club.

Our speakers were Miss. Alice Henninger, Mrs. Walter Stark and Dr. Florence Dunlap.

Eight of our members attended the joint meeting of the Los Angeles 'Y', Long Beach Toastmasters. While there, Mrs. N.R. McCoy of Long Beach inquired about how to start a Toastmistress Club at her city. We have agreed to help her in every way.

Our speakers on the 24th of November were Miss. E. Irene Huyler, Mrs. F. Mooney and Miss. Frances Moore, with Mrs. L. L. Henninger as Toastmistress.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Chandler and with Program Chairman Alice Henninger assisting, our Club is gaining in numbers and enthusiasm.

Mrs. A.P. Foster

DESTINY

"Isn't it strange that princes & kings,
And clowns that caper in sawdust rings,
And common folk, like you and me,
Are all builders for Eternity?"

To each is given a bag of tools,
A shapeless mass, a book of rules,
And each must make, ere life has flown,
A stumbling block--or a stepping stone."

(Clipped)

Read that over again, friends.
And see if it doesn't strike you as being
very, very true.

EL PASO, TEXAS, TOASTMASTERS

We had a grand meeting on Nov. 24th. Under our system, all not on the program are asked to tell humorous stories. The boys had some good ones, too, altho there were occasional 'Joe Millers'.

C.R. Haynes introduced W.E. Lind who gave some of his experiences in traveling the Orient. This was just a preliminary to a heated debate on the question:

RESOLVED--That Japan is justified in taking the stand she has in the Manchurian and Chinese situation.

With P.J. Baxter on the affirmative and Warren Barrett for the negatives, each was given eight minutes, no rebuttals, to decide the momentous question. However, we reserved final decision, pending word from our good friend Will Rogers who has promised to bring back the right answer.

Our sage and kindly critic Prof. John Graham of the College of Mines asserts he finds much good ore in the Club, altho he has a strange habit of digging out errors when we least expect it.

At present we appoint Toastmasters two weeks in advance, selecting them in alphabetical order. Those who serve are placed at the bottom of the list. Each Toastmaster is held responsible for his program.

We also save a few moments for the study of Parliamentary Procedure at each meeting. We find this very helpful.

Season's greetings to all Clubs. If you come to El Paso, be sure to visit us. We wont kill the fatted calf, but will give you some real grub.

Owen Allen.

WANTED -- An anti-knock fuel for humans.

Words do well when he that speaks them
PLEASES those that hear. (Shakespeare).

Toastmasters---Please NOTE.



THE Appendix

The pins selected by the Delegates at Santa Ana Council may be secured from the Secretary of Toastmasters International.

The emblem is 14-k solid gold. The base of the design is formed by crossed gavels, the heads projecting from the right and left side opposite the center. A modeled globe showing the hemispheres of the world in dark blue enamel appears between the heads of the gavels. Arched above the globe and reaching from gavel head to gavel head appears a blue enamel ribbon scroll bearing the gold letters "ORATORES OMNES", likewise curved beneath the globe and reaching from gavel head to gavel head appears another blue enamel ribbon scroll bearing in gold letters the word "INTERNATIONAL." Directly in the center of the globe and superimposed thereon are the letters "T. M." in white gold, monogram style. The background base of the pin is rose-finished yellow gold and this furnishes a fine contrast with the letters T.M. in white gold. The whole emblem is approximately one-half inch square, comes in lapel button, pin, or as a watch charm, and the price is \$2.00. International pays \$2.00 and sells the pin for that price, carrying out our motto of "No profit to ourselves." Clubs who wish to have the pins sent by mail, or express, will please include the money to pay carrying charges.

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To all the Gavel reporters who sent in contributions, heartfelt thanks. Send in more the next time. And REMEMBER, All matter for Gavel MUST BE IN EDITOR'S HANDS ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 20th, and on or before THE 20th OF EACH MONTH.

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I trust the Associate Editors will read the above notice. With business rushing in Frigidaire machines, and Y.M.C.A. membership campaigns, it is difficult to get the associate editors on the job, I mean both of them.

Los Angeles has a Toastmistress' Club and I hear Long Beach will start one.

Long Beach is where the Junior T.M. Club keeps the Senior T.M. hopping. Reading about the Juniors' Forum, I checked up and found they had Dr. O.W. Cook of U.S.C. coming to address the club on Dec. 1st. On Dec. 8th they get one of the chiefs of California National Guard as a guest speaker.

A Toastmaster wrote me asking if I thought quotations should be used in a speech. An apt quotation adorns any good speech. Be sure it fits. For instance, if our good Treasurer was informed during a speech, that all clubs were going to pay dues at once in cash, he could appropriately say, "You'll pay me altogether? Will I live?"

And if the clubs dont send in dues he'll write and say, "We wait for certain money here. Let me remember thee, what thou hast promised."

Did you notice how many new ideas were described in the columns this issue? Save your Gavels, lots of good hints sent in, and all are ideas that have been proven by actual test.

To those interested in getting real facts about Russia - read "Russia Unveiled" by Panait Istrati, obtainable at public libraries.

Here's a Christmas present to you all wherever you may be, a great big happy smile. "A smile costs nothing, but gives much. It enriches the receiver and the giver. It takes but a moment and the memory of it sometimes lasts forever. No one is too rich to get on without it, no one too poor to be enriched by it. A smile creates happiness in the home, fosters friendship, brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and is Nature's antidote for trouble. It cannot be bought, begged, stolen or borrowed. It is of no value to anyone unless given away. Some people are too tired to give YOU a smile. Give THEM one of yours, as no one needs a smile so much as he who has no more to give."

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.