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Cleveland Convention Marks Growth Of Kiwanis Int'l

While Delegates President Les and Dr. Roy French Kidd were at the Kiwanis International Convention in Cleveland last week, Int'l President Don Engdahl sent an All-Kiwanis Week message which is excerpted below:

Fellow Kiwanians and Friends:

It was May of 1916 that men of Kiwanis first journeyed to Cleveland. There were thirty delegates. They represented 16 clubs. In this 40th Anniversary Year Kiwanis International numbers more than 4,000 clubs and nearly a quarter million members.

There have been many landmarks along the pathway of this growth—the promotion of the first Canadian Club in 1916—and the continuous broadening of the Kiwanis concept of service to the community and to youth.

Kiwanis is a spirit that men have taken into the business world, into their professional lives and into their homes. We have fostered right attitudes. We have promoted intelligent, aggressive, serviceable citizenship. We have developed enduring friendships, sound public opinion and high idealism.

one, forty of the most significant years in the history of men. Woven into this history is our outstanding story—of men of different beliefs and concepts, growing in friendship, planning, working together, and discovering more and better ways of serving their fellowmen. Each Kiwanian is privileged to think for himself, to speak and worship in his own way—he prizes his own freedoms but jealously guards them for his fellowmen. He ascribes all wis-

Program

TUESDAY, JULY 5, 1955

Subject

"ROOKIE POLITICIANS"

Speaker of the Day

Hon. Charles C. Dail, Mayor

Honoring Newly Elected City Officials



Chairman of the Day

DR. RALPH DAILARD

Invocation by Dick Nelson

Philosophy by Milford Bunnell

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dom to his creator. He firmly believes the best path to follow is one of service to others.

These are the reasons for the impact of Kiwanis. No man can tell the story adequately . . . Our story is one of KIWANIS at work. The 40th Anniversary is only a convenient point from which to view the past and look to the future. FORWARD IN KIWANIS is the challenge of this hour. Individual men become superior men as they continue to "give primacy to the human and spiritual rather than to the material values of life."

PROGRAM FORECASTS



July 12—Thomas Wilder of Remmgton Rand Corp., will talk about the "Electronic Brain."

July 19—Report from Convention by Les Gehres and Roy French Kidd.

July 26—Dr. Nicholas Nyardi, former minister of finance, of Hungary.



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EDITORIAL

KIWANIS FELLOWSHIP AS I SEE IT

by Floyd McCracken



FELLOWSHIP is a term invented to express human relations. It finds one of its best expressions in Kiwanis, and for a sufficient reason.

Kiwanis clubs are aggregations of men, each an individual in his own right, and each representing some special business or some specific phase of business, or a profession. These are men who have shown aptitude for group action. They are alike in that they are striving for a better community in which to do

business, practice professions, and live.

But each is different from all the others. Each lays aside a different set of problems when he hurries off to the weekly club luncheon. Perplexed when he leaves his daily cares for a couple of hours, he gains inspiration from rubbing elbows with others, knowing that they too have problems. He returns to his office stronger and better prepared to do that which may have appeared to be beyond his capacity.

The Kiwanian's greatest source of strength, however, comes from what he is able to give. It may be only a firm grip of a handshake. It may be a word of cheer, a suggestion, a bit of wise counsel. Or it may be only the offices of a good listener. Whatever his contribution, he makes it willingly and finds per-

sonal strength in the fact that he did give of himself.

Let tragedy or misfortune befall a Kiwanian and he knows there will be comfort and sympathy awaiting him among those whose first-name acquaintance he has learned to cherish. Let good fortune come his way and he

will find Kiwanians offering sincere congratulations.

Kiwanians take joy in the lives of those they come to know closely, and part of this intimacy comes from the sports events and the inter-club trips always being arranged. A man does not ride in an automobile with other men bound for a distant city or neighboring community without learning something of those with whom he rides.

All of which might be poured into a crucible and refined down to a pretty

good definition of what Americans know as "corn."

If that be true, so let it be. It's a pretty good brand of stuff, with which life becomes meaningful and full and without which life would be dreary indeed.

Les Gehres and S.D. Kiwanis Club Make Front Page in Cleveland



Singular recognition was paid to Les Gehres and the San Diego Ki-wanis Club in the Cleveland Plain Dealer last Tuesday.

Reporter J. A. Wadovick recognized from

the introduction of Les that here was a newsworthy delegate to the Kiwanis convention and immediately focused his attention on him. Producing a picture from his files on the USS Franklin after it had been dive-bombed in World War II and inserting a picture of Les he had just taken, made the front page with his

story. It was headed "Bedlam of Convention is Tame to Ex-Admiral." His comments went on to praise Les

for his marvelous handling of the USS Franklin, of which he was captain. He also quoted the statements Les made in commending the men of his ship.

It was in Cleveland that Les was a squadron leader of a Navy formation of fighters in 1929. One of the stunts this squadron performed consisted of tying nine planes with a rope and flying them together.

The Ohio Legislature paid a tribute to Adm. Gehres by passing a resolution commending him and his

We are proud of you Les and appreciate the publicity and prestige you have given our Club.

Inter-Club Arranged For Thursday, July 7th



Bernard Ingram has made all the arrangements for an interesting inter-club meeting with Alpine on Thursday, July 7th at 7 p.m. in the Fuller Memorial Hall, Community

Church. Bernard would like to see a big turn-out, so call him at BE 2-0187 for reservations.

Al Freeman reports a fine turnout for the inter-club at Lemon Grove with 16 of our San Diego Club members attending. They were:
Ken Witmer, Al Freeman, Herb

Grove, Ross Wilson, John Morrow, Len Kaiser, Ed Johnson, John Aseltine, Bob Lindsay, Ross Starkey, Al Bercaw, Jesse Nelson, Jim Ravenscroft and Charles Brown.

Hutchens Cajon Valley Schools Superintendent



Dr. Jens Hutchens, a member of the club since 1948, has been appointed superintendent of schools of the Cajon Valley Union School District.

He has been Assisttant Superintendent of San Diego County Schools under Dr. Cecil

Hardesty.

Jens indicates that his new position will necessitate his resignation from the Club, a move that will be greatly regretted since he has chaired a number of committees and has been a most active member during his seven years of membership

El Cajon Kiwanis Club, please note.

HAVE YOU WRITTEN THAT LETTER FOR



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