



BE SURE TO VOTE - TUESDAY, MARCH 8TH

Mark Baldwin Asks Attendance at 50th Anniversary Celebration



The 50th Anniversary of the establishment of Federal Forests under the Department of Agriculture will be celebrated March 10, 1955, at 6:30 in the Women's Club House.

The meeting will be Co-sponsored by the County Board of Supervisors and the San Diego Chamber of Commerce.

W. S. Rosecrans of Los Angeles, Chairman of the California State Board of Forestry, will be the principal speaker.

Reservations may be made by calling the San Diego Chamber of Commerce, BElmont 3-0124, ext. 11.

"I SO MOVE..."



Our Board meeting was a double barreled affair Tuesday night, and one of the best attended I've seen. First the Club Board of Directors met. The financial statement for 1954 was approved, as was the 1955 administrative budget submitted by the Finance and Law Committee Chairman, Roy Wagner. And a good job he did too. What might be best termed a "budget plan" for the allocation of estimated welfare funds incoming in 1955 was also adopted as a recommendation to the KI-WANIS FOUNDATION.

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Program

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 1955



Speaker

GEORGE SCALLORN

Subject

"THE WORK OF IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT IN SAN DIEGO"

(Time will be allowed for questions and answers)



Chairman of the Day

FRED ULLMAN



Invocation by Gordon Kindy

Philosophy by Bob Klitgaard





San Diego Kiwanis Tidings



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EDITORIAL

THE SAN DIEGO IMMIGRATION OFFICE

By U. L. Press and John R. Heldring*

San Diego County, the area under the jurisdiction of the San Diego Office, extends north 70 miles from the Mexican border along the shores of the Pacific Ocean to San Clemente, and runs for 80 miles inland east to the Imperial County line. Within this area there are 600,000 permanent residents. Seventeen miles below San Diego is the Mexican border and the busy port of entry, San Ysidro, California. Nearby, approximately halfway between San Diego and San Ysidro, is Chula Vista, the headquarters of the Border Patrol and our detention facility.

Each year more than seven million American citizens and thousands of aliens go through San Diego on visits to Tijuana, Mexico. However, the following factors are largely responsible for the heavy workload in this office. San Diego County ranks 23rd of all counties in the United States in the dollar value of its agricultural products. The world's largest packing plant for oranges, lemons, and avocados is found here, and the acreage planted to avocados surpasses that of all the rest of California and Florida combined. The county also boasts of the largest single acreage in the world devoted to the growing of poinsettias and thousands of additional acres are planted to other flowers for year-round markets.

San Diego is known as the "Tuna Capital of the World." The fishing vessels cruise as far south as Equador for annual catches valued at 60 million dollars. Sixty-five per cent of America's tuna is packed in canneries located in the city. During the albacore season as many as fifty fishing boats are examined daily, and the majority of the aliens in the crews are either Portuguese or Italian.

These enterprises require thousands of laborers, and large numbers of foreign workers are employed. In addition, foreign students and scientists gather at the Scripps College of Oceanography in nearby La Jolla and at the Observatory on Mount Palomar.

Primary inspection consists of inspecting passengers and crewmen arriving by plane from Mexico and landing at the Municipal Airport in San Diego, as well as the inspection of vessels arriving from foreign ports. Privately owned airplanes arrive at the rate of approximately ninety per month. Freighters carrying a few passengers arrive regularly. There are no regularly scheduled passenger vessels. The majority of the vessels inspected are fishing boats. Navy vessels carrying large numbers of civilians are inspected on arrival. Yacht races and airplane derbies are held annually. The races begin in the vicinity of Los Angeles, proceed to points in Mexico and then return. Under Customs regulations, inspection on their return must be made at San Diego. Inspection of yachts and private airplanes is performed by officers of the Customs Service and our Service in a dual capacity. In all other inspections, the two Services function separately. Until a year ago inspectors rode trains and examined passengers on the railroad between San Diego, and Yuma, Arizona, the train making four entries into Mexico on each round-trip between these cities.

* Mr. Press was Officer in Charge at San Diego. Mr. Heldring was Assistant Officer in Charge. The San Diego Office is under the jurisdiction of the San Francisco District Office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Foundation Election To Be Held March 15th

To be elected at the meeting of Tuesday, March 15th are the following nominees to the Board of Trustees of the San Diego Kiwanis Foundation:

Lynn C. Oviatt, Edgar W. Blom, Henry W. Woods, Cecil D. Hardsy, William A. Hines, Glen M. Miner,

Ray Booth, Ralph Dailard and Roy Miller whose terms will be coincident with their directorate terms of office in the San Diego Kiwanis Club; and for specific one-year terms (to expire Dec. 31, 1955: T. D. Perkins, W. H. Fraser, Leo B. Calland, Clay E. Lewis and Edson D. Clapp.

Further nominations will be called for from the floor.

Ex-officio members of the Kiwanis

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We suffered a regrettable loss of membership through resignations submitted with the new year which puts the Membership Building Committee back on their own goal line in our well-started "Drive for Five in '55." Each of you will receive a letter from that committee asking your help in recruiting good prospects. You all know the kind of man we like in KIWANIS, and you all know such men. Check with Clyde on open classifications and help get that Five net gain by June.

Upon adjournment of the Club Board, the incumbent members present of the FOUNDATION Board of Trustees met. The transfer of funds directed by the Club Board two months ago was accepted and the recommended allocations were officially accepted and approved. The Trustees then resolved themselves into a nominating committee to nominate candidates for the Foundation Board of Trustees for the period ending December 31, 1955 as provided in the By-Laws. You will find the list of nominees and the required notice of election in another column.

There was a lot of other business transacted, committee chairmen reports made in person and in writing . . . AND . . . throughout we were under the eye* of our Lieut. Governor Junior Todd who was present in his official capacity on his "Board Meeting Visit."

*(When that eye wasn't on the endless parade of feminine lovelies coming and going from a big fashion show in the big room of the club and visible through our windows.)

My thanks and appreciation to all the Board Members, Committee Chairmen and club members who attended. It was an interesting, productive, though long session. More of you should attend. It's real KIWANIS EDUCATION. LES

Foundation Board of Trustees by virtue of their election as officers of the Kiwanis Club of San Diego are Leslie E. Gehres, Herbert C. Peiffer, Jr., Roy French Kidd, Norman D. Ferguson, and F. William Whitney. They will not be up for election March 15th because of their ex-officio status.