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THE RENDEZVOUS

Being the time and place of meetings
of various Toastmasters' Clubs.
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ANAHEIM, Cal. TUES. 6.30 PM

Highway Tea Gardens

EL PASO, Tex. TUES. 6.30 PM YMCA

EUREKA, Cal. MONDAY 6.40 PM at K&M
Cafe, 4th & "G" Sts.

GLENDALE, Cal. THUR. 6.15 PM YMCA

HONOLULU, T.H. Nuuanu YMCA

LONG BEACH, Cal. TUES. 6.16 PM YMCA

LCS ANGELES "Y" " 6.15 "

MODESTO, Cal. " 6.15 PM at
The Cedars, 1603 "I" St.

MUTUAL CLUB of MONDAY, 5.45 PM, Steven's
LOS ANGELES Cafe, 9th & Western Ave.

MOLINE, ILL. FRIDAY, 6.15 PM YMCA

ONTARIO, Cal. WED. 6.30 PM at Hotel
Ontario

PASADENA, Cal. TUES. 6.00 PM YMCA

PEORIA, Ill. TUES. 6.00 PM at
University Club

SAN DIEGO, Cal. MONDAY 6.15 PM Army &
Navy YMCA

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

SANTA ANA, Cal. WED. 6.15 PM at Ketner's
4th & Broadway

SPOKES CLUB of THURS. 8.00 PM YMCA
NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C. Can.

TURLOCK, Cal. MONDAY, 6.15 PM at Bwy
White Lunch, 142 So. Bwy.

WENATCHEE, Wash. THURS. 6.30 PM Hotel
Cascadian.

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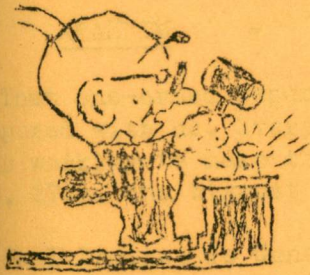
N O T I C E

Have we omitted any Toastmasters' Club?

Is YOUR Club listed above???? If so,
please write Gavel Editor about it.

You can enlarge this column. Send in
information NOW, and have your club in
the directory.

Visit these Clubs whenever you can.
You'll be heartily welcomed. Every time
you visit a Toastmasters' Club you will
learn something worth while. Remember you
will be a stranger only once.



IS ORATORY OVERDONE???

You hear that question asked. Or, Are we in danger of overdoing this matter of training speakers thru the multiplication of Toastmasters' Club.

Not in the least. Oratory develops oratory. One orator must contend with another, or his oratory will not get very far.

In every Age, eloquence has reached its highest excellence when orators abounded. ~~Pericles~~ Pericles was surrounded by a group of men who disputed every proposition with him. Demosthenes had to meet many orators, some of whom were even counted his superiors in their own day, altho posterity has not rated them so high.

Cicero was one of a great group of eloquent speakers. Chatham had to meet men who taxed all his wonderful resources. Pitt was confronted by Fox, Burke and Sheridan. Patrick Henry was not the only brilliant speaker in the Virginia Courts. Samuel Adams and James Otis were only two of the many notable advocates of Massachusetts.

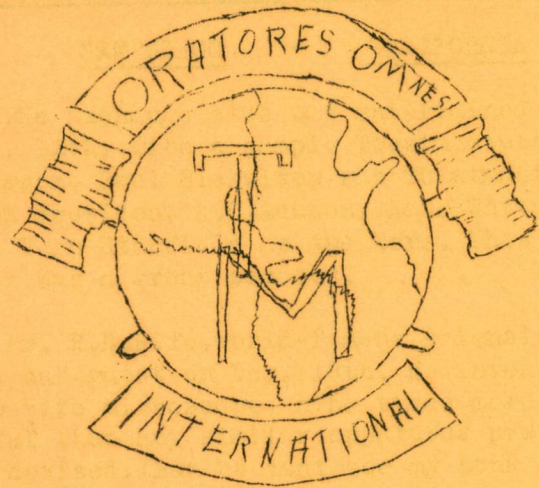
Consider the United States Senate when Daniel Webster, Henry Clay and John C. Calhoun were contemporaries. The list may be extended. Oratory begets oratory. And the power and value of human speech, backed up by sincerity and knowledge, and delivered with skill and force, can hardly be estimated.

If the Toastmasters' Clubs are instrumental in encouraging the practice of the forensic art to such an extent that better speech and clearer thinking shall prevail in America, it will be a noble achievement.

Bring on the candidates. We can at least, eliminate a lot of grunts, "ah's", and "ers".

RALPH SMEDLEY

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ARE YOU WEARING THE EMBLEM?

Considerable comment has been created thru the first showing of our new emblem of Toastmasters International. It has been called "one of the smartest emblems in use today."

The Committee responsible for the selection of the design used much foresight. The emblem is adapted to the three common uses to which such emblems are usually put. It may be worn as a lapel button, vest pin or watch charm. Worn in any of these ways, it attracts favorable notice.

We all are proud of our affiliation with Toastmasters International, but we rightly swear allegiance to the home Club believing we belong to the best Toastmasters' club in the world. Of course we all feel that way, and now that emblems denoting membership in toastmaster clubs are available in these three popular styles, we will be able to demonstrate to our fellow citizens in still another way, that we are proud of our Toastmasters' Club.

From various clubs come reports that the new emblem occasions admiration and favorable remarks whenever it is worn. To these testimonials I add my own. I am sure that in San Diego no emblem causes more appreciative inspection than ours.

It is a means of identification which is becoming rapidly known. Toastmasters everywhere will acquire the habit of wearing it. Let your pride in your own Club, and your feeling toward Toastmasters International assert itself in this way. WEAR THE EMBLEM. J. CLARK CHAMBERLAIN.

That one-armed paperhanger is a loafer compared with us. Every member of the Club working to make the Convention on Feb. 27th, the biggest and best.

Paul Demaree is General Chairman of the Committee and he will welcome the visitors. Just wait till you hear him orate. Complete details will be mailed to all Clubs, and you'll find a whole page in this issue of Gavel, telling what we plan for the guests.

The semi-annual election of officers will be held very soon, and stump speeches are the order of the day. Owing to the hot campaign, your Reporter cannot forecast who will be elected.

We are losing a very able and fine president. In fact, the present regime has been just about perfect. Frank Kellogg will be missed since he has been one of our best presidents during our six year's life. However, you can be sure Frank will continue toastmastering with us, and will appeal from the decision of the chair as quick as any of us.

Arrangements have been made to exchange speakers with Pasadena Club. It is rumored that Jimmie Heffron will go because he wants to see what the Pasadena Star News looks like. (Flash-A.P. Heffron denies Pasadena rumor as ridiculous, claims he never heard of Pasadena.)

It has come to your reporter's attention that plagiarists have stolen my news items, relayed them back to Gavel Editor, and claimed credit for hard work. Any further shenanigans will call for a firing squad.

Here comes that Convention committee again - Ray Hancock, A.P.M. Brown, George Hedstrom, Conrad Jongewaard, in charge of Police Sergeant Paul Demaree. How can a man write epics with Simon Legree's and hard work being thrust upon him. No use, folks, I'll have to put these brilliant thoughts in cold storage and get this committee working again. See you all next month at the Convention.

J. C. (Joe) Elliott.

The Exchange club was entertained on Dec. 12th, with a sample Toastmasters program. Paul Richelson was Toastmaster, with President A.C. Acason, Nate Wattawa, and Vern Stanfield as speakers. This affair was a great success.

Dr. R.R. Rife, world-famous scientist, was our guest on Dec. 18th. He invented the Rife microscope, nine times more powerful than any similar apparatus previously devised. (Bet he can't see my bank account). His talk was very interesting, although brief.

Did you know San Diego would hold a Centennial Exposition from July, 1934, to July, 1935? On Jan. 25th, we heard Col. D. C. Collier, President, and Carl Heilbron, General Manager, respectively, outline their plans for this great exhibition. Col. Collier, rated as the world's outstanding genius of expositions, invited our Club to assume the burden of speechmaking in favor of the project during the next two years. Because of the magnitude of such an assignment, decision was withheld for further consideration. The Club felt highly flattered.

Individual school elimination contests having been completed, the finals for San Diego will be held Feb. 15th before our Club. Winners of first and second place from each of the five participating high schools will compete for the Club cup, and the honor of appearing before the Council at Anaheim on Feb. 27th. Judges on Feb. 15th will be our Club members with our ladies as interested spectators. Chet Van Dusen, Chairman of the oratorical committee promises us an evening of pleasure. It will be a very close contest, but we feel the San Diego School entrants will win.

San Diego will formally challenge all Toastmaster Clubs everywhere on Feb. 27th, to compete with us in making regular scheduled speeches before outside organizations. The contest will run through the month of March, 1932. Come to the Council meeting and hear the details. Of course if you miss the Council, you can read about it in Gavel. But we'll look for you at Anaheim.

J. Roy Chafe.

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA - 'Y' CLUB

We enter the new year with new officers. President Alexander Kosloff, the famous Russian Pianist has Vice-President Dr. Frederick Hershman, and Secretary-Treasurer Fred W. Brown, to help him. We also have an artist and retired lumber merchant, Arthur Marten, who runs about and sees that everything is just right.

Once a month, after the regular meeting is closed, we are holding an open forum. All members who wish to remain do so. A discussion is started and then we have a redhot debate. In this manner we give men a chance to express themselves on topics they are interested in, and on which they are 'hopped up'. The Club is enjoying this monthly get-together.

Jan. 12th was the big night of the month. Our club, the Toastmistress' Club, and the Public Speaking Class graduates, held a joint dinner and exercises. Retiring President Hillstrom turned the gavel to Mr. Kosloff who made the address of welcome, then introducing Lynn LaMunyon as Toastmaster.

Mrs. Louis C. Chandler voiced the greetings of the Toastmistress' Club. The speakers were from the Public Speaking Class taught by J. Gustav White, Dean of the 'Y' College at Whittier University.

H.A. Greene brought down the house with his humorous speech "My Native State of Iowa." Dr. O.R. Stafford explained "The Tie that binds the America's." Alexander Kosloff offered a delightful piano solo.

Mrs. G.A. Trenerly described some of the highlights of "The Washington Arms Limitation Conference." G.W. Prince, Jr., showed what might happen at "The Coming Disarmament Conference." Jean Bordeaux was all 'hot up' over "Private Fights to World War." J. Gustav White mentioned some of "Our Challenges of Today." H.A. Greene was awarded the free course in Public Speaking for his excellent speech. Judge Edward T. Bishop reported he and his aids had a difficult task in naming the winner.

Can anyone give me a recipe which, by adding a few drops to a cup of coffee, will make members of the Club pay up their dues. If so, please forward at once.
Tom Butler

TURLOCK

CALIFORNIA

Jan. 12th we were honored by a visit of twelve members from the Modesto Club. Of course we felt a little timid in the presence of these boys, since they have had their club going before ours.

President Fenner Fuller and Fred Flint of our Club acted as joint Toastmasters of the evening. They firmly believe that in union there is strength. They proved in fine fettle and the evening was a great pleasure.

Fenner states that before joining the Toastmasters' Club he never spoke a word of English. Louis Windmiller, our jolly critic, claims Fenner doesn't speak English now, but makes himself understood with a jargon known as "Rhode Island."

We are looking forward to more of these joint meetings. It has been suggested that we hold them monthly, alternating between Modesto and Turlock. The idea seems to meet the approval of all.

"Swede" Peterson told Fenner Fuller not to give up hope. "Swede" speaks perfect English and is one of our real spellbinders.

Several new members joined last night and we had a few prospective members as guests. Watch us grow.

Frank Gray

APPLETON

WISCONSIN

Our Club operates only during the winter season, and we have just come out of the Summer siesta.

G. F. Werner, General Secretary of the 'Y', writes that plans and programs for the months of February, March, and April, are being made up. He assured Gavel that news would be forthcoming, and that the Appleton Club is interested in hearing from other Toastmaster groups, especially liking the news columns of Gavel.

Though man a thinking being is defined,
Few use the grand prerogative of mind.
How few think justly of the thinking few!
How many NEVER think, who think they do.

(Contributed)

1932 is still young - but we are off to a fine start. Here are some of the accomplishments of our first two meetings of the new year, under the swinging gavels of Dr. F.F.Abbott, and J.E.Maurer:

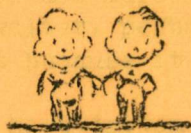
H.C.Kirkpatrick patted the Express Companies on the back, while describing their growth. W.E.Baier told us of the Chemist's unsolved problems, mentioning a few of our own. Russell Dysart started reverberations from Recent volcanoes of the Mojave Desert. Wm. Batchelor revealed the development of Personality. C.W. Jaggard sketched the path of Titles, while H.T.Wilson sharpened up "Some pointers on Public Speaking", and never stuck himself once. R.W.Reynolds converted us to Cancellation of the War Debts. (Fred Eley, Santa Ana, please note).

The Chaffey Junior College Speaking Contest sponsored by our Club, will be staged on Jan. 28th. We are looking forward to this event with pleasure.

We hope to have a joint meeting with the Riverside Toastmasters' Club in the very near future. The big problem will be how to furnish them as lovely an evening as they gave us a few weeks ago.

The high light of our Jan. 13th meeting was the presence of W.H.Kegley of the Chaffey Junior College Faculty. Coming as our guest, we made him our Critic and his kindly, acuminous criticisms were very welcome. We handed Mr. Kegley the key to our Club. Will meet you here next month.

T. C. Manchester



THEY MAY LOOK
ALIKE - BUT

One may become a Toastmaster, a great speaker, and the head of a happy family of ten, while the other may never have anything running around his house but a fence.

Dr. H.C.Fairley, the new President, took charge on Jan. 5th, vice N.R.McCoy. The most important event tonight was the presentation to the club of a beautiful silver loving cup by Dr. S. J. Miller. The cup will be a perpetual trophy on which will be engraved the name of the winner of the bi-monthly club speaking contests. After presenting the cup, Dr. Miller proceeded to win first place tonight with Alexander Beck coming in second. Cyrus Trauger discussed Dancing on Sunday. V.W.Chase explained the differences between Speculations and Investments. Dr. S.J.Miller showed the evils of Civic Advertising. Alexander Beck said, "Good Night, and Good Morning", adding some interesting philosophy.

Wellington G. Pierce was guest critic on Jan. 12th, as Douglas Newcomb, the regular critic, had a reasonable excuse. 'Doug' took unto himself a wife. A very charming and delightful lady, too.

After taking in two new members, the speakers unleashed the tongues of oratory. Dr. N.R.McCoy demaned "Tax Equalization", and Glen Stewart answered "With Other Peoples Money". W.E.Brown backed the 18th Amendment. H.C.Fairley spoke briefly on Parliamentary Law. Dr. F.H. Todd deplored any "Dole for Americans" and won first place tonight. Dr. B.M. Tylicki Was interesting with his remarks on "Edison's Psychology of Life", coming in second in the contest tonight.

Dr. N.H.McCoy displayed the beautiful gavel he had made from various domestic and foreign woods. A similar gavel will be given to the winner of the Annual Contest. Every member of the Club has his heart set on that gavel.

On Jan. 19th F.E.Taylor was elected as second delegate to the Council with B.M. Tylicki and V.W.Chase as alternates. We had F.M.Duff, President of the After Dinner Speaking Club as our guest. The Contest tonight was won by Bordeaux and F.E.Taylor came in a close second.

The Club is looking forward to the return of our jovial critic Douglas Newcomb. Everyone missed him.

Glen Stewart.

LET'S ALL

A salesman watched the clerk trying to wait on a half dozen customers. Turning to a colored boy sweeping the floor, he asked, "Who is the responsible man in this firm?" "I doan rightly know, suh," replied the boy, "But I'se allus the one what gets blamed."

The grouchy player lost his ball and accused the caddie of theft. A moment later the ball was found and the player started to apologize. "Never mind," said the caddie, "You thought I was a thief and I thought you were a gentleman, and we were both wrong."

"I suppose you have lots of honeymooners billing and cooing here?" inquired the snooty guest of the landlord at a hotel near Niagara Falls. "Well, yes", replied the host, "They do the cooing and I do the rest."

A recently married salesman took his wife to a famous Southern hotel. At dinner the guest did not like the fried chicken being delayed and called the waiter, "Where's my chicken?". The colored waiter leaned over and whispering in the salesman's ear answered, "If you'al means dat lil gal with blue eyes and fluffy hair, she doan wuk heah no mo."

Mr. O'Brien dislikes eating away from home. Recently he ordered a veal steak in a cafe. When it was served he didnt like its appearance. "Are you certain this is a veal steak," he asked the waiter. "Mr. O'Brien, I used to be a butcher and I would say that piece of steak was following a cow not more than two weeks ago." "Well, waiter, perhaps you are right, but not because it was hungry."

You say you have driven a car for over ten years, and that you are married, but you have never had a back seat driver." "Yup", asserted the sad-faced chap, "I drive a hearse, you see."

"Say, Mr. Aviator, what is a tailspin?" "My boy, that is the last word in aviation."

They say the difference between a canoe and a Scotchman is, the canoe will tip.

LAUGH

Author - Have you seen that new play of mine, about the couple who quarreled.
Neighbor - No, but I heard you and your wife rehearsing it.

A village doctor had two lovely little girls, the prettiest in the section. They were strolling one day and passed two small boys, one a visitor to the town. "Say," remarked the visiting boy, "Who are those pretty girls?" "They're the doctor's kids," answered the village lad. "He always keeps the best for himself."

On a sailing vessel years ago the captain disliking the mate, daily entered in the logbook "Mate drunk last night." The mate remonstrated but to no avail. The captain pointed out that the remarks were true. Shortly after the mate wore a happy smile one morning. The captain found an entry in the logbook that day which read, "The Captain was sober last night."

A lady rushed into a garage saying she had run over the curb and into a tree, breaking a finger on her Ford. The service man investigated and found the steering knuckle broken. "Well, my husband called it some part of a hand," remarked the lady.

A mechanic was working on a car. He had a large painful boil on his neck. While he worked he chatted with a Jewish gentleman whose car was being repaired. "Ever have a boil," asked the mechanic. "Well, I should hope to tell you I deed. Dat old car of mine, vy she boils even on the level."

Two children visited their grandparents. As they sat on the sofa together, they noticed Grandpa limped as he walked about the room. The little boy turned to his sister and whispered, "Gee, ~~Grampa~~ Grampa's got a flat, I guess."

"My dear young lady," Said the minister in distress over her modern piano music, "Do you know the Ten Commandments?" "Whistle a few bars," answered the girl, "I'll try to follow you."

They say the diamond is the hardest thing in the world. Did you ever try making 10 easy payments.

SAN JOSE - CALIFORNIA

We started the new year by going to the Hotel De Anza for two meetings. Wanted to see if the boys could pick out the correct silverware. The proprietor has not found any shortages, but he hasnt stopped looking.

Ed Hunter was Toastmaster Jan. 11th. Seven 5-minute talks and two 10-minute speeches kept Ed. busy introducing the celebrities. L. H. Quinley told us about sporty kings; Dr. Cuneo called us some strange names in Esperanto; W. R. Bowler led us into the realm of art as Leonardo Di Vinci knew it; J.C.Hall 'budgeted' and Virgil Rankin revealed what interested people, and why; L.M.Spalding pointed out the family history of Seth and Ma Parker, while B.J.Feldman explained the Styles. R.A.Russell reviewed the Sino-Japanese embroglio. Dr. J.E.Spoon discussed Grandi's visit to Washington.

Four new members were introduced and our critics Howard Miller and Arthur Muir, let these newcomers off for the night.

On the 18th we nominated officers. Several nominees for the presidency and vice-presidency means a hot campaign. The nominees for Secretary and Treasurer have no competition. We voted to meet at the Hotel De Anza until further notice.

B.F.Vincent

SACRAMENTO - CALIFORNIA

Reginald West, General Secretary of the 'Y' writes, " I noticed a copy of Gavel in the lobby at San Jose Association and was much impressed with it."

"We are contemplating the organization of a Toastmasters' Club in Sacramento and I know of nothing that will stimulate interest any better than a copy of Gavel."

"Always try to make a friend feel that he and his life is worth while. It helps him and it helps you. The surest cure for an attack of the 'Blues' is a good laugh. Leave your friends laughing, and meet them with a smile."

(Contributed)

EL PASO - TEXAS

The open discussion of Insurance at our Jan. 19th meeting, with A. L. Holm as Toastmaster, brought out all manner of opinions.

Under our method of beginning with humorous stories, the members expand and bloom like the well-known lilies. While we are in a genial mood, the program opens and the 5-minute speakers turn loose the verbal storms.

C.C.Beardsley reported on R.L.Haney. (Look him up in the cyclopedias). C.R. Haynes held up to scorn the slips of speech made by so many, including yours truly. W.E.Lind sounded the principles of voice production, and Owen Allen illustrated the proper ways of introducing the next speaker. Warren Barrett dilated on Insurance for the Toastmaster, with Dr. C.C.Homan, our keen critic, trailing along looking for premiums.

We have adopted the system of naming our Toastmasters in advance, giving them four weeks preparation.

A. L. Holm

"There never has been devised, and there never will be devised, any law which will enable a man to succeed, save by the exercise of those qualities which have been the prerequisites of success, the qualities of hard work, of keen intelligence, of unflinching will."
(Theodore Roosevelt)

HERE IS A MAGIC COCKTAIL FREE TO ALL

" Understand yourself.
Organize and manage your life.
Dont let your body run to stomach or your brain to seed.
Sweat once a day; its keeps you young and fresh.

Snatch those half hours and hours of leisure which everyone has, and squeeze from them the last moment of exercise, relaxation and rest.

These, blended, compose a magic cocktail of happiness, healthiness, laughter and long life."

(Contributed)

MOLINEILLINOIS

A real, live, peppy club here but we never awoke to the possibilities of Gavel until we read of our neighbors at Peoria.

Most of the active members numbering 35, joined the Club when it started three years ago. There has been some demand for a larger club, but we have found 35 to be about right.

We meet weekly at the Moline 'Y' on Friday at 6.15 p.m. Our programs are varied and interesting. Occasionally we have some celebrity in which allows our members a rest.

Our Club is very much interested in the work of Toastmastering, and we will be glad to cooperate in promoting this work. Our members enjoy the Gavel and find the news items worth reading.

Tho this is the first news from the Moline Club, I assure you it will not be the last. We wish all the Clubs a happy and prosperous new year. Vistors from other Clubs will be heartily welcome. We hope to hear from Peoria soon, and perhaps we can arrange for some sort of a joint meeting.

Frank R. Almquist

SANTA ANACALIFORNIA

At our last meeting Fred Eley was elected President. It was a hot campaign and a recount of votes may be demanded. Meanwhile preparations have been made to install Fred and his valiant co-officers on Jan. 27th.

With Fred at the helm we feel that more interest in the International will be maintained.

If you want to buy any oranges, get in touch with the Santa Ana boys. They have lots of citrus fruit, and that is not a lemon, but a fact.

Our Secretary, Don Tibbals is so busy making up his income tax returns that he couldnt send in all the news he had.

Told me lots of interesting things which I seem to have forgotten. Come down any Wednesday and learn more.

Bill Iverson

PASADENACALIFORNIA

Just finishing a membership drive during which we brought in seven new friends.

C. F. Marshall, the boy who blushed a year ago, now knows no fear and cannot blush. Perhaps anemia is to blame.

He (Marshal, not Anemia), makes an average of four Community Chest speeches a week, and what is more - - - last week he was called out to a private school for girls, to whom he talked. If you dont think it pays to be a Toastmaster---these young ladies crowded around him like seaweed round a clam after his speech, and Marshall was an hour and a half late to work.

During the dinner hour each member of our Club is called to give an impromptu speech on a clipping from a magazine. To make sure there is not some slicker work, the clipping is handed to the victim as he sits down at table. It is voted to be very fine practice.

By the way, the reason so many of the Pasadena boys are so healthy and, shall we say fashionably rotund, is not because they eat away from home. No sir! we have one of the best chefs in Southern California, and when NO ONE complains, what more indorsement could one want.

C.F.Marshall

SANTA BARBARACALIFORNIA

We look forward to considerable intellectual advancement during the next six months, having chosen a high-falutin' teacher as our President for that period.

Leonard Bowman, one of the most consistently active members of the Club, is the Man. At the same time James Wood, another 'old school' intellectual, was made Vice-President, and Kenneth Bolton was regarded for faithful service being re-elected Secretary-Treasurer. The rumor that the books will be audited is false, says Ken. First, there aren't any books; second, no auditor in the club can be trusted more than I.

For further news, be sure to read the International Contest page.

The High School

From Santa Barbara comes the good news that three high schools, Santa Barbara, Santa Maria, and Santa Paula, have joined the International's first Annual Contest. These schools are competing for two handsome silver trophies donated by Santa Barbara's Junior Past President LeRoy Hunt. He's that big man from the Market.

Right now we are interested in the finals which will climax on Friday Night, February 5th. At that time the winners from the three schools above will speak before our Club to decide on Santa Barbara's representatives at Anaheim. We are having a special dinner on the 5th, and Toastmasters will be welcomed. Come up and see our contestants perform. Then come to Anaheim on February 27th, and watch us bring home the bacon.

The Finals at San Diego will be held on Feb. 15th. Chet Van Duzen is in charge of the affair and he will welcome any visiting Toastmasters. He and his Club strongly dissent with Santa Barbara, and assert that if any Bacon is brought home, it's destination will be San Diego. In fact, they have already arranged a display cabinet for the cup. (Wait till Anaheim hears that).

The cup itself is a thing of beauty and will doubtless be a joy for one year to the winner. Who she or he may be, is a question for the Contest Finals to decide. And that winner will have no easy task in holding the cup over a year.

For those interested, the cup stands about 15 and one-half inches high on a mahogany base, is in Doric Greek finish with handles flared upwards. Centered at the top of the cup on a shield is the International emblem in white gold. Centered on the obverse or front face of the cup is engraved the words "Toastmasters' International Trophy, High School Public Speaking Contest. Around the mahogany base is a silver band which may be used for the winners' names, and the reverse of the cup may be engraved with the names also.

Speaking Contest

The Elk's Club at Anaheim has been secured for the affair. Here the visitors will find excellent accommodations, lots of room, a big business session in the afternoon, starting at 3.30 p.m.

Then at 6.30 comes the dinner and if you think the Anaheim boys don't know how to get out a real feast, you have another think coming. Just wait till you see 'Con' Jongewaard, than whom there is no whomer when it comes to being a connoisseur of food.

During the dinner there will be appropriate entertainment. Three famous singers have been contracted, among them some Radio stars (Not Columbo, Crosby or Vallee).

Having provided for the inner man, we will sit back and listen to the younger folks make their speeches. Undoubtedly these boys and girls will make many a Toastmaster and Toastmistress a bit envious, too.

With three Districts entered, there will be approximately twelve speakers. All competing Districts have reported much interest and rivalry. Without question, the Finals will be a fight to the last syllable.

J.C. Elliott promises to have perfect order, and no ballot boxes will be stuffed. The voting will be explained at the dinner. It will be eminently fair, and every contestant has an opportunity to win the cup. Oh yes, some of the semi-final winners are charming young ladies. Marshall of Pasadena asserts he'll sell the family mortgage in order to get a front seat at Anaheim. If he does, he will have to crowd this reporter off that front seat.

Complete details of the dinner and the contest will be sent all clubs in ample time to allow your reservations to be made. These advices will be sent out by the Anaheim Club. If you do not receive yours promptly, and should be worried, just write to Paul Demaree, 322 North Pine, Anaheim. He will be glad to give you any information on the Contest.



NEXT! THE APPENDIX

Did your Gavel come bound backwards? Never mind, it's just an old custom from the Spanish. The printer ate an extra bowl of chili, and was hot and bothered.

No news from the Toastmistress or Toastees' Clubs this month. They're very busy preparing for Spring house-cleaning.

The L.A. Toastmistress' Club remarked that the Pasadena Critic who attended a joint meeting with L.A., was a charming young man. So he is, and he's married.

International is growing. Read the Gavel and find out how the other 49% conducts its toastmastering affairs.

Clarence Marshall is trying to find out the meaning of the word 'pedagogical' and wonders if it is innuendo, or simply innocuous desuetude.

The Editor is informed that by the streets of By and By, one will reach the house of Never. Who wants to go there?

Carelessness adds to your troubles, subtracts from your earnings, multiplies your aches and pains, takes interest from your work, discounts your chances, divides your thoughts, lessens your opportunity for success. Cancel carelessness and add to your happiness. Then get a job as an expert calculator.

Recently I talked with a rubber sales man. He told me this interesting fact - "He is a lucky man who can stretch the truth without breaking his word."

Inspiration is what comes out of you. Many are waiting for their inspiration. When it comes they will create a new world. But unless you make the inspiration yourself, you'll never have one. Plan what you wish to have done, and then do it.

Many of the Club Reporters failed to send in news for this issue. There is an old Chinese proverb which reads, "Bad promises are better broken than kept." I wonder if that explains why the reporters who promised news, failed to keep the promise.

The month of February has Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's birthday, and also on the 27th, Toastmasters' International will meet in Council at Anaheim, after which will come the Finals of the High School Speaking Contest. Anaheim has accommodations for 300. Let's swamp them.

One friend, a member of Pasadena, asserts he will sell his wife's fur coat in order to go to Anaheim. If he does, you can be sure his wife will make the fur fly.

Asa Fickling, Mayor of Long Beach, and an ardent Toastmaster, says that Golf is probably the only known game that a man can play for 20 years, and then discover that it was too deep for him in the first place. (he must have shot about 110 that day).

Dr. Eliot once remarked, "If I had an opportunity to say a word to the people of America it would be this: Don't think too much about yourselves. Try to think of others, and you'll be rewarded. Nourish your mind with good reading. Discover what your life work is, work in which you can do the most good, and in that you will be happy. If you are in the right, do not be afraid." That's mighty good advice for Toastmasters, too.

Confucius wrote "Nurse an egg of hatred and you will hatch a den of serpents" He certainly told the truth. Look at the Far East today.

With so many Toastmasters' Clubs who swear their entrant will win the Anaheim Cup, we'll have to call out the reserves to prevent a war.

You have a true sense of humor when you are able to laugh at your mistakes. I read Gavel and go into hysterics.

A fable paints an unreal picture. It is unreasonable, and we remember it. When you tell a story of a mule, you have a fable about man.