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The first of the last ! Meaning the first day of the final month of '36 Kiwanis activities. Time to take stock in what we have or have not done. Have we finished what we started ? If not, let's put on the finishing touches NOW. Our Board of Directors will probably take up this point at this Thursday meeting.

As has been our wont, Pres. Harold is planning for a joint meeting of the outgoing and incoming directors - an occasion for mutual understanding and smooth sliding into the new year from the old.

Pause, slow down, take time out, give thanks - sentiments by the speaker last week, Father Albert A. Murray, in his excellent discourse on Thanksgiving Day. It was a gem. There was a full house, too. Same old story - good programs spell good attendance.

To day Chairman Warren Bronner will have for his speaker Mr. J. A. Chambers, who comes from the C & H Sugar Company.

"It's a Knockout": Fred Cairns says it's going to knock us silly. Fred, you know, is the chairman of the coming BIG Kiwanis Show. The Builder has an inkling into the secrets of this "extravaganza". We'll say it's going to be a scream.

And what's this big noise all about ? Well, our club is determined to start something hilarious in this community; to crack the enamel on some sober, serious and solemn faces; to burst a buoyant bomb into the bluish breastworks in this burg." IT'S A KNOCKOUT" is going to do the stuff. And, too, we want to gather in some shekles for the needy at this Christmas time. Date: December 15-16. Let's go !



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Former Healdsburg Kiwanian, and now of the Santa Rosa club, "Ned" Kent, Supt. of Schools, will be the speaker to day. Ned usually talks on things scholastic and his discourse on this occasion may be "touchin' on and appertainin' to" the same. Chairman Paul Crabb will verbally place Ned on his feet, whereupon we'll all listen to the pedagogical peroration of the "Duke of Kent".

Kiwanis Show rehearsals going on splendidly - so says renowned "impresario" Fred Cairns. Furthermore, the Irish tenor states that the program committee, under Floyd Darby, and the ticket sales promoted by Harold Miller are going strong, while he, viz, "Killarney" is fairly wilting under the great strain and responsibility. Who ever heard of a man from Dublin wilting? Fact is, a "few drops of modesty" are clinging to Fred's perspiring brow.

Five rehearsals in one day! Think of it. And yet, the comely Cora Anderson, director, is credited with such a feat. Given: a lady, young, heroic, hale and handsome, and with power of execution, what may be expected but RESULTS? Which argues for a successful^{ful} Kiwanis show.

After that instructive talk on sugar by Mr. J.A. Chambers last week our cup of coffee is a sweeter beverage than ever.

For the last time the '36 Board of Directors met December 3d. But the incoming Board was with them - 15 in all - a pleasant occasion. Pres. Harold was given a vote of appreciation for an administration of constructive work, and piloted in congenial fashion. President-elect John Morgan receives a healthy heritage. John will have no occasion to abdicate his throne. The status of his fair "Wally" long since has been confirmed.



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Remember Messrs. Dunn & Larabee, in their talkie-movies? Just three months ago this very day these gents entertained us delightfully. They'll be with us again to day.

PROGRAM, THREE PARTS:

- (1) "Leader News" - News Events of the Day.
- (2) "Night Clubs" - Historically true facts, on the origin of club formations, from the days of King Arthur's Court up to the present era. Amusing instances.
- (3) "Fire Water" --- Thrills and action - a crazy way to make a living.

Baby Kiwanian Lee Hughes will make is debut as Chairman of the Day.

Ned Kent was just OKAY as he "dissected" the office of Superintendent of Schools. Another instance where a Kiwanian makes good.

The BIG KIWANIS SHOW is on - this Monday and Tuesday nights. "IT'S A KNOCKOUT", in name and reality. "SELL TICKETS" is the slogan. Some of the boys are asking for extra allotments. Selling short sounds swell. Now's the time to embrace the opportunity to help finance Christmas charity work. Wednesday will be too late. DO IT NOW.

President-elect John Morgan, Vice President Eddie Beeson, augmented by Past Lt. Governor Floyd Darby attended the Officers' school of Instruction at Sonoma, December 9th. Floyd delivered an earnest talk on Club Interest. An excellent meeting is the report.

Offered: A new principality for a "prince" of a fellow - EDWARD, from the House of Windsor, he now the abdicated king. Baltimore, in the U.S.A. invites him. Sausalito, of Marvelous Marin, would welcome him to a seaside home. But Healdsburg affords a most appropriate abode - her own "Windsor Castle" Why not our club hold forth this rare and resplendent recess of refinement for his recent royal self? And, to our organization - what an Honorary Member the present Duke would be!



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Christmas

On this Tuesday, 1936, fitting observance will be given to the greatest Personage who came to earth. In this number of The Builder all modern events must be crowded off its "first page". No room for the "drama of the century", or anything pertaining to the recent upheaval in England. We forget about the Spanish war and the American president. Nothing but Christmas Day can be considered here.

Charles Null has the program well in hand. It will be a time for the singing of Christmas carols, Jingle Bells, and songs appropriate to the occasion. "Charlie" will take it upon himself to picture old Christmas customs and to dwell on the significance of the birth of Christ.

Now, that the successful Kiwanis Show is an event of the past; now that the social and material should give way for something of the spiritual -

Who wouldn't hear those bells a-ringing,
And join with his brethren in the singing?
He who would miss this Christmas dinner -
Alas! What a stupid Kiwanis sinner!

'Tis Christmas gay time at Legion Hall;
In bond of Kiwanis we meet, one and all.
Men for whose guidance the Bethlehem Star
Still shines with radiance in heavens afar.



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Rain,, Rain, Let 'er rain. We used to shout with gusto "Sing-
ing in the Rain". But so many cloudbursts during these many moons
have failed to moisten the landscape, so long since Healdsburg has
had a shower, that we've forgotten the words, the melody and key to
the old song. Just the same we'll be singing again to day, rain or
shine,- something. Said a guest not long ago: "Your Healdsburg aggre-
gation is a bunch of singing fools". Let's keep up the "rep", this
last meet of the old year.

Still that refreshing discourse on Christmas Customs by Chas.
Null is with us. Still those Christmas carols are ringing in our ears.
While the rank and file were chanting "Come All Ye Faithful", "We Irish-
men" fairly warbled in classic Latin "Adeste Fideles"- meaning the same.
And say, Fred, didn't we put it over ?

On this day what do you suppose is going to happen ? RESOLUTIONS.
And by every last Kiwanian, too. Come prepared with your best,- serious,
solemn, sensible or silly - anything liberably translatable into the
aforesaid RESOLUTIONS. Johnnie Morgan, Chairman, President-elect and
all that, is sponsoring this show, and he'll show you up (by fine) if
you come with nothing on the ball.

Now for the night of January Twelfth. President Harold issues
a proclamation that by January 5th all members must announce to the
House Committee the number of guests in each party, that the management
may be prepared. Wives, prospective and otherwise, consorts, ladies of
near or remote kinship, buddies, pals and the like - all must be enum-
erated and reported one week from this day. Fail not. Particulars of
the coming glorious event will be given in the next issue of The Builder.