



The Builder

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That was a fitting Thanksgiving Day program. Next to an overflow audience, excellent luncheon, and a neat address by our cleric Moffat Dennis. Happy to see 5 S.R. Kiwanians

At this writing Chairman Eddie Beeson is angling for a high grade man as speaker, hopefully he will be Mr. Brutus Hamilton, ace athletic mentor of the University of California.

When it comes to making a prize winner finance the attendance award just leave it to Scotch Andy. No wonder "Smith River" can purchase parking area to compete against the city moters. A modern Shylock in our midst.

Christmas program at Lytton's, the evening of December 17th. Ladies' Night. Just two weeks hence. Our regular meeting then. Invite your friends and advise Chairman Byron, Louie or the Secretray. This is important.

This Monday night, at Mike's, for directors, old and new, plus those noko ups. A Dutch treat - just for a change. Hope this may reach you on time. Ever read The Builder ?

Time there was when underprivileged children needed clothing and food. Not so much at present. Earl's grey matter is working, as usual, and on Dec. 24th he has something else to appeal to the youngsters. We'll see.



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Repair Ship. Seemingly a rather prosaic subject for the purpose of entertainment and enlightenment; yet when Perry Beeson had finished his talk all agreed it proved to be one of the best ever. Another sample of home talent that really "took".

The joint meeting of the outgoing and incoming directors was a most creditable event. Twenty or more in attendance, including "make ups", feasted and listened or speeled away a pleasant and profitable evening. Bouquets were thrown at one another for past performances and a good time was had by all.

Another "gentleman of distinction" to join our fold this day. He has tested us out several sundry occasions, evidently not finding us entirely wanting. Hence, his momentous decision to join.

Now comes Dr. Robert Dennis, Pathologist at Sonoma County Hospital, who will address us on the subject of American Cancer Society.

Don Oakleaf, Chairman of the Day.

Get aboard (your cars) for Lytton Home one week from this night, yourselves, wives, friends. Just another "annual" to the delight of those little urchins, for our own edification and in deference to a worthy institution.

Let's keep in mind that the Lytton meet will be our regular weekly meeting; that it may be easier to attend at Lytton, in the evening than to make up in Santa Rosa. Again, as last resort, during the noon hour of the 17th the Secretary will be at Legion Hall for a "round table" meet to accommodate the possible few who cannot go north on that evening. Any port in a storm to protect attendance/



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What an ancient time-worn tradition - to meet and greet those boys and girls at Lytton Home. No exception this year, for Kiwanians, wives, friends journey hither this Tuesday evening at, or as nearly SIX as convenient. That Past President Byron Gibbs will be master of ceremonies testifies for a lively time.

A Christmas party in truest fashion. A comingling of teen agers and grown-ups. A banquet the like of which you rarely gormandize on at any other time or place. Throughout the large dining hall an exquisite holiday atmosphere. Major Taylor has the program in hand, aided and abetted by Kiwanian Jack Jones. Aside from Christmas carols the high school songsters will be "on the air" during the evening.

For the few members who can't leave town remember the Secretary will be at Legion Hall during the noon hour where and when we'll hold a "roundtable" for attendance purpose. This Tuesday.

A most instructive discourse on cancer by Dr. Robert Dennis last week. As applied to ourselves we have little use for the ugly monster, but any possible prevention of the malignant parasite interests us much.

Our two newest - Waldo Iversen and "Cap" Ornbavn - We should be most proud of such gents as these.

Kiwanis school of instruction for officers at Santa Rosa, Dec. 22nd. Russ and Floyd, two of the faculty "professors". "By", don't be jealous.

Found Ira convalescing nicely, and all pepped up over that bouquet of roses by the club. His appreciation seemed unbounded.



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Christmas meeting. Our esteemed ladies, the caterers, sign off duty this time in deference to their own home "guests" who are the first to be in line for turkey and trimmings in their own domiciles.

Accordingly, we are to gather at Mike's restaurant, Center Street, at the usual hour, this Tuesday, for regular meet and in observance of the morrow, December Twenty Fifth - most meaningful date in all Christendom.

Jack Jones, worthwhile member of Lytton Home, has a program in hand, suitable to the occasion. It is essential that all hands present themselves at the tables punctually at 12-10 - no coming in late, for time is the essence this busy day.

We hear something concerning Kiwanis choristers singing Christmas carols during the evening. Nice thought. Confirmation of this at the meetings to day. - - Just took a recess and found Walt Wright, who deposes and says, "Yes, put it in the Bulletin that 'We're going to sing Christmas Eve' So, that's that.

Another meet at Lytton Home, last Tuesday night. And an enjoyable time it was. The dining room was filled with young and less young, children, Home folks, Kiwanians and ladies. There was a group of Salvation Army men and women who really were people of talent. How they did entertain! Those kiddies really had a good time. Major Taylor, his better half, Major Jack Jones are entitled to much praise for everything, including that sumptuous turkey dinner. And that customary Bank Check by the club surely did not make the management a bit mad. Chairman "Dy" Gibbs and the high school musicians did their stuff in fine fashion.



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This is the knell of the departing year. To all members The Builder says: HAPPY NEW YEAR.

We meet this Tuesday at the regular time and place. "Chuck" Campbell is the chairman, and Jack Murphy, KSRO, will display his humorous bump in a selective talk.

We had thought our meeting at another place last Tuesday night be somewhat disconcerting. It proved the contrary, for there was a very good attendance and an excellent program.

In his Christmas oration Rev. Willis J. Loar covered himself with glory and easily made the All-Kiwanis team as platform speaker. One of the best and most appropriate talks ever.

Further talent: Walt Wright got away with All-American in his explanation of why Kiwanis choristers did not sing Christmas carols in '45 and '46.

And again: Jack Jones'scion, John, at the piano, was musical in rendering some original interpretations of popular songs.

Now, who ~~was~~ is he who'd dare to say that meeting at Mike's was a flop? We say it was a honey.

January Seventh. What about it? What's cookin'? Don't forget to remember. Fail not - to be there. Just keep the date open.