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Chairman Ed Nielsen phones he'll have something worthwhile to day, tho' just what he was not prepared to state this early in the week.

Tuesday last, up on "Frenchman's Hill", almost the entire group on hand, Earl surely gave us an ear opener in a resume of the club's accomplishments for '49. What does Kiwanis do? Answer: Plenty, and good stuff too, as was unfolded in that informative talk.

Some seeming sadness marked the termination of President Walt's twelve months of super service, a whole year of perpetual motion doing for others, week after week, month after month - until, Alas! the end. Truly an administration with a high standard to aim at.

One week hence Healdsburg Kiwanians and their ladies shall assemble in annual conclave for the induction of new officers, including Walt's worthy successor, Al Huddart, Presidente for 1950. A gala night is in store - but, more later.

We must record that President-Elect Al, on Sunday morning, Dec. 18, fifteen present, entertained at breakfast, then proceeded with the club training conference. A thoroughgoing school of instruction.

Again, the division conference was held, Ukiah club the hosts, at Ukiah early in the month, 10 of our members present. Lt. Governor Sam Hood presiding in fine fashion.

FROM MRS. ZAYDA MCEACHERN:

"We wish to thank you very much for your contribution to our Christmas Fund. It helped a lot. We sent out huge boxes, packed with food and crammed with toys."

To contemplate a group of Kiwanians journeying here and there and and everywhere, delivering those presents to the needy families is a "holy and wholesome thought."



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INSTALLATION NIGHT. LADIES' NIGHT. OUR ANNUAL BIGGEST NIGHT.

Lieutenant Governor Sam Hood has a unique installing ceremony.

Grand turkey dinner first, of course. Gormandizers' delight.

Mystery seems to surround some of the scenes to be enacted.

As for program specialities - Let patience be your guide.

Who the speaker, and what the topic, you must be there to see.

American Legion, at SEVEN. Round table at twelve, noon.

Directors' meeting the next night, 11th, at Ed Quinn's.

(Joint meeting of retiring and incoming directors).

Deputy Game Warden Ray Bruer gave an entertaining discourse on Fish & Game matters, stressing conservation, playing fair with nimrods and property owners, and the public.

Nearly forgot to state that Past Lt. Governor Byron Gibbs will be Master of Ceremonies, this meeting. And speaking of the "Professor" note these signal honors to "By":

Selected by the Governor as Chairman of Boys & Girls Committee for the California-District.

And again, nominated as Honorary Member in the Ukiah Club.

Congratulations, Byron. By your fruits, fitting recognition.

FLASH !

Comes the glad report that Attorney Louis H. DeCastle of Santa Rosa will be the guest speaker, this meeting. And -
Sad news of the suddenpassing of Ukiah club President, Omar Long.



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CHAIRMAN, CHAS. "CHUCK" CAMPBELL. SPEAKER, MR. HOLLIS BLACK

SUBJECT : WINE INDUSTRY IN FOREIGN LANDS

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Our guest speaker has recently returned from Continental Europe, having made an exhaustive survey of the grape and wine situation there. His topic will concern us real and near farmers.

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"Done come and gone" is our BIG yearly party - Installation Meeting.

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First, that banquet, served by our caterers of years long standing, American Legion ladies. As usual, service superb.

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Some devoured the turkey in terms of good digestion and moderation. Others gormandized until they nearly gobbled. Such generous supply!

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And the program. Resounding strains from the high school orchestra served to enliven the multitude. Little Jimmie Bruning of elementary school proved to be a singing artist. He should go places.

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Impressive was Retiring President Walt Wright's valedictory. Due to his outstanding administration and the good will of his entire flock Walt now wears a beautiful wrist watch - souvenir of Forty Nine.

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Brand new President Al Huddart's "speech of acceptance" convinced all that he will hit the high standard set by his predecessor. Al, congratulations, and lofty flying.

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To Lt. Governor Sam Hood: Sam, your unique ribbon installation ceremony was a knockout. Officers and guests alike were encompassed as one big happy family - due to your fraternal induction method.

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Last, not least, To Past Lt. Governor Byron C. Gibbs : "By", as Master of Ceremonies, you were the cat's whiskers. Hail, The Professor.



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CHAIRMAN, PERRY BEESON.

SPEAKER, KY EBRIGHT.

"Ky" is known by all collegiate men on the Pacific and Atlantic Coasts. Coach of the Crew at Berkeley, Cal., many are the boat races he has directed, and many won too. He will speak on and picture the Olympic races.

Hollis Black knows his wine and grapes. His talk on his vineyard surveys in Europe, relation between foreign and domestic wines, qualities of eau de vis, America's freedom from serious competition - all kept us attentively listening, even to overtime.

While President Al was testing out the Eastern winter in Iowa the "Vice" Jim Clarke, in the chair, took a whole flock of chances with the flock without an error. Jim must have played baseball in his younger days.

By this Tuesday a quartette of our higher-ups will have had time to recoup from the Saturday Convention at Fresno. Takes time.

Byron's announcements, accompanied and punctuated by Walt's sonorous nasal snorts made for part of an interesting entertainment. The now Past President never misses a chance when "Prof" spiels.

"Let's look at the records"- apologies to the spirit of Al Smith : The usual monthly meeting of the directors was held, January 11th, and after "appropriate ceremonies" adopted was the Budget for '50.

Another event: Inducted into the mysteries of Kiwanis were the following: Ern. Biasotti and Jess Bean. Congratulations, boys. You've had a long time to wait, but we know the end justifies the means. Warning: Be select with whom you sit at the tables.



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CHAIRMAN, ERN. FRANDSEN. HOME PROGRAM. Come and lend your ears to a flock of domestic speechmakers. You'll be surprised.

It would require more space and better facility of expression than at our command to fittingly tell of the last program. Many thanks to Perry for bringing to us such talent as Ky Ebright. No wonder Cal. won on the Thames. Crew coach, Kingpin Ky simply thrilled us.

Fortunate so many of our members have valuable connections with high grade men for us to hear and see. This is the answer to our good attendance.

A double sextette, men and wives, must have left their mark in the city of Fresno. Some echoes to day. How could the Convention be otherwise than an extraordinary function?

Fact that so many of our members remit in advance dues for the entire year make ~~it~~ unnecessary the mere mention of financial obligations in the weekly bulletin. Never have; never shall.

A pair of Ukiah Kiwanians and like number of Healdsburg Key Club boys graced our tables last week. Prized guests, these.

Former fine member Howard King, now a Ukiah Kiwanian, writes in part: "I've lived in a number of towns and cities. I have never lived in a town that has the friendly atmosphere of Healdsburg - where I know and call every business man and hundreds of others by their given name."

Condolences to Elmer Sandborn on the great loss of his mother.