



THE BUILDER

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From the Pan-American Airway Company comes to day, as speaker, Captain R.H. McGlogn. Through the scientific piloting of "Flying Ed Norton" this passenger-officer has been landed, and for our reception and pleasure. Naturally, we shall hear of humans flying with artificial wings. Teddy Boy Kellogg is to act as introducing artist for the occasion.

At last meeting we heard an analytical dissertation on the responsibilities of citizenship - by Dr. Ernest Beatlehole of New Zealand University. Speaking of citizenship duties, our club in one instance beat the learned Doctor to it, by getting out the citizens en masse to elect trusted officers for the conduct of a democratic rule. How different elsewhere in a warring world!

Welcome to our fold Don ^{Harper}~~Parker~~, who succeeds popular Bill O'Brien, transferred to another and larger berth. Adios, Bill.

And again, Jim Davis states he will be with us to day. Like Don ^{Harper}~~Parker~~, Jim leaves Rotary, no doubt to sign up with Kiwanis when all preliminaries are taken care of. The departing Jim (Webster), in No. 10 boots strode strong strides in club and community activities. We'll miss him.

Thursday last, Directors' deliberations: Don ^{Harper}~~Parker~~ voted in. Minutes, claims and treasurer's report adopted. Report of resumption of relations with Lytton Home. Uniform action by several communities on Russian River developments and improvements suggested. On this movement Hick Cooley appointed to attend Geyserville Meet. For the benefit of municipal band, Condit, Stevens and Marshall appointed as committee on arrangements. Steps taken for financing of eye glasses for children.



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Mr. John Watson, President of the California Associated Farmers, will address us this day - so sayeth Sir & Sire Walter Marshall, the proud daddy and chairman of the day.

You who would invite a farmer guest, wire Finnly Frisch, that he may relay the info to the catering ladies.

One week ago our program management, largely abetted by On-His Toes-Ed Nort, brought forth to this institution a real he-man, vested with powers to conquer the ether via captaincy of giant trans-Pacific eagles of the air. Captain McGlogn - some bird of flight is he. San Francisco, Hawaii, Midway, Wake, Guam, Phillipines, China - his ports of peaceful entry - all within ten days or so! "Cap", a revelation was your awakening talk.

And with great gastronomic gusto did said officer appear to devour the right smart luncheon, served by our Legionettes; and the talkie-flyer fairly eulogized the same. Some puff for noble ladies.

Twelve long years in the evolution of a Captain of a Giant Clipper! Which inspired Pres. Earle to opine: "Better that the ambitious youth take a crack at the presidency of the U.S. - three terms in the same allotted time." And did it go over! **Three terms!.Boys' best bet.**

All set for that "Smoker", this Wednesday night. What a turnout it's bound to be! Most humans relish a good time. This function is bound to be no bust. All for the good of the cause - the BAND.

Another new member to day - Jim Davis, Shell Oil dispenser, and stepping in where Jim Webster stepped out. Another Jim; welcome him.

We find humor in "TEN MODERN COMMANDMENTS" being laid down in the Sonoma Kiwanis Tattler - the second on^e of which preaches:

"You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich."

To which The Builder rejoinds to Ray Grinstead:

"You cannot help the poor by over-aggrandizing the rich."



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Speaker, Mr. M. L. Rucker, of the Railway Express Company.
Chairman, O Johnnie Condit, kissee de luxe by the dancing dame
at the recent "Smoker" in our town. Which reminds us:

Strike Up the Band - sings Owen Sweeten. For fact is the big affair spelled financial success for music in the air Saturday nights in summer months. A fine social function to boot, and promoted by our club. Committeemen Condit, Marshall and Stevens did a yeoman job, with "Sugar" as inspiration and performer.

Thanks to John Watson who gave us an excellent talk on Associated Farmers last week.

It seems there is a return to the "Harmonies of Barber-ism" in America. There is the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartette Singing in America. Its initials are, S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A. Practically unpronounceable, but meaning music just the same. Notables such as Mayor LaGuardia, Al. Smith and many of such stripe are victims of this Barber-ism Bug. At the New York Fair, in July, spirited contests are to be waged.

Why should New York outdo Treasure Island? Why should not our Owen Sweeten get busy and organize Sectional contests on this Coast for the San Francisco Fair? Then whip into line four of our own melodious and harmonious men who feel "Sweet Adeline" coming up their throats, and who can sing more or less at the same time. Thereupon put on the show in San Francisco Bay where scintillated those Folly folks a year ago? Owen's Barber-ians winning out, then challenge the New York champs and put on the finals for the prize? Surely, Flushing Flats should have nothing on Treasure Island. Nor on Healdsburg on the Russian River.

(A space-filling thought, if nothing more).



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MEMORIAL DAY

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Seven years ago this day The Builder said: "Memorial Day is to be fittingly observed at this meeting, and under the guidance of chairman Bill White." Bill, of lasting memory.

Significantly, a new leader of the same institution, Lytton Home, will be with us, as speaker for the occasion - Major J.C. Kidneigh.

Fittingly also, will be John Stubbs as chairman, he who is soon to leave us and whose last chairmanship in our fold it is.

Memorial Day is ever observed in appropriate fashion by our club.

One week from to day, June Fourth, another outstanding program will be featured - entertaining the High School graduating class, and awarding the Kiwanis plaque to the best citizen student.

Mr. Rucker's talk and pictures on Railway Express matters were well received by all who looked and listened.

Spasmodically lost! A little bank, bobbing up just once in a while of late. Where, O where has that little bank gone ?