

Rotarian

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Greetings Rotarians: Our meeting with the Oak Harbor Rotary Club last Friday was one of the high-lights of our Rotary Year. They are wonderful hosts and the food was out of this world - Roast Beef, baked salmon, peas, mashed potatoes, jello salad, and blue-berry pie, home-cooked, and all for free. The free part, of course, was their penalty for having lost the attendance contest. It was a good-fallowship meeting all the way - old friends with whom to renew acquaintances and a number of new ones whom we had not met before. As a suggestion, we should arrange this fall to have joint meetings with some of the other neighboring Clubs.

This Bulletin is going to be pretty largely a rehash of the incidents of that joint-meeting not so much because those who were there might forget but so that Lloyd Foster and Walter Keyes and the others who couldn't make it will be able to share.

Sergeant Earl Morgan surprised us all by showing up Friday - broken ribs and all. Small matters such as tractors rolling over on top of him can't be allowed to stand in the way of Rotary attendance.

Earl usually has a saying - "Poor Doc Packard gets pinched again". This time it was "Poor Secretary Harry got the judicial book thrown at him". For the benefit of those few who did not attend, here's how it happened.

The Oak Harbor Chief of Police, who was conveniently present at the luncheon, had an arrest order for Harry when program time came around. The charges were that "Said Harry Rowley, willingly and knowingly, on or about April 27th, 1960, did sell oranges to Rotarians at Oak Harbor without a proper and valid peddlers License". The Chief was going to haul Harry right to jail but Ben Driftmeir Jr., suggested that a trial be held there and then. So a seven-man justice court jury was picked from the crowf, Pa Creel, Harry Hunt, and H oward Beckman from Anacortes, with four tried and untrue Rotarians from Oak Harbor made up the Panel.

After the charges were read, the Chief wanted to know if the defendant pleaded guilty or not guilty. You could hear Ben Jr's. voice above all the others, advising Harry to take the Fifth Amendment, but Harry admitted selling the oranges. Then they wanted to know who got the money and since Treasurer Fred was absent, there was no corner in which poor Harry could hide. To his everlasting disgrace, Juryman Howard Beckman turned Judas and Benedict Arnold all arapped up in one and voted with the opposition. The Jury voted 5 to 2 against the defendant and the court ruled that he could either pay a fine of 25 cents for each Anacortesan present or serve it out in Jail at a dollar a day. Don McKee and Guy Carroll advised Harry to go to Jail rather than take a chance on compounding a felony by conducting an illegal

Charity Drive in the town of Oak Herbor.

After the Horse-play was over, their Sergeant At Arms, Ben Ronhaer, who is the towns "Underground Operator" (mortician), picked up \$7.25 from us. The momey was turned over to the Lady Odd-Fellows, who prepared the delicious meal.

Each Cak Harborite was required to introduce the Anacortesan next to him and some high class wit was uncovered. John Vanderzight, in introducing Tommy Henwood, recalled their having beam presidents of their respective Clubs back in 1941, and how they spent some memorable days together at the Conference at Juneau that year. It seems that it took 17 cribbage games before John finally won one. Tom Moore introduced our Hamry Hunt as the "Anacortes Capitaliat, Retired Businessman, and Topnotch Gardener". Tom McCrory was introduced as "Past-president, Class of 142".

You should have seen Sørgeant Earl's eyes pop at the way the Oak Harbor Sørgeant At Arms collects fines. No such thing as dimes or quarters, nosirree, it was a buck and a guy who had just bought a new car was pinched for two dollars. We hope Earl doesn't get any funny ideas, or we'll ship him back to the South Seas where he was during the War.

Make-up cards were received last week for Howard Beckman from Sedro-Woolley, Chack Whitney from Taft and Rockport Texas, Don McKee - Paul Dybbro - Tom Henwood - and Ben Driftmeir Jr., all from Mt. Vernon. Absentees at the Joint-meeting were Fred Cartwright, Ben Driftmeir Sr., Ken Powell, Ted Reister, and Chuck Whitney. Chuck should be blowing in any time now with a blue-ribban tan picked up in California, New Mexico, Texas, Arizona, and Nevada. The lucky stiff.

Secretary Harry dipped into his bag of statistics the other day and brought up a tasty morsel. Our Club Attendance Average in the year '58-'59 was 82.37%. This year, which is almost finished, our average for eleven months is 92.28%. This is a wonderful gain and shows a healthy situation. And what's more, Harry gives much of the credit to the Bulletin.

In case you haven't looked in at the new Anacortes International Ferry Terminal, it's worth a special trip. There are a number of paints of special interest to Anacortes Rotarians. To begin with, our Don McKee designed the Terminal Building and has incorporated many interesting features. Also, through the combined efforts of Don, Ken Sherman, and especially Pa Creel there is a fine new 66 foot flagpole at the Terminal. Don is arranging for a tablet, to be affixed, which will commemorate the gift as a Rotary gesture in International Goodwill.

Next week's program, according to our efficient Program Chairman Jim Dowdle, will be put on by Ben Driftmeir Jr. We don't know what Ben is planning but we have seen Some of his very fine colored slides and if he chooses to show some more of them it'll be just fine with me. Anyway he is the only one who knows what it will be so you better all come and find out.