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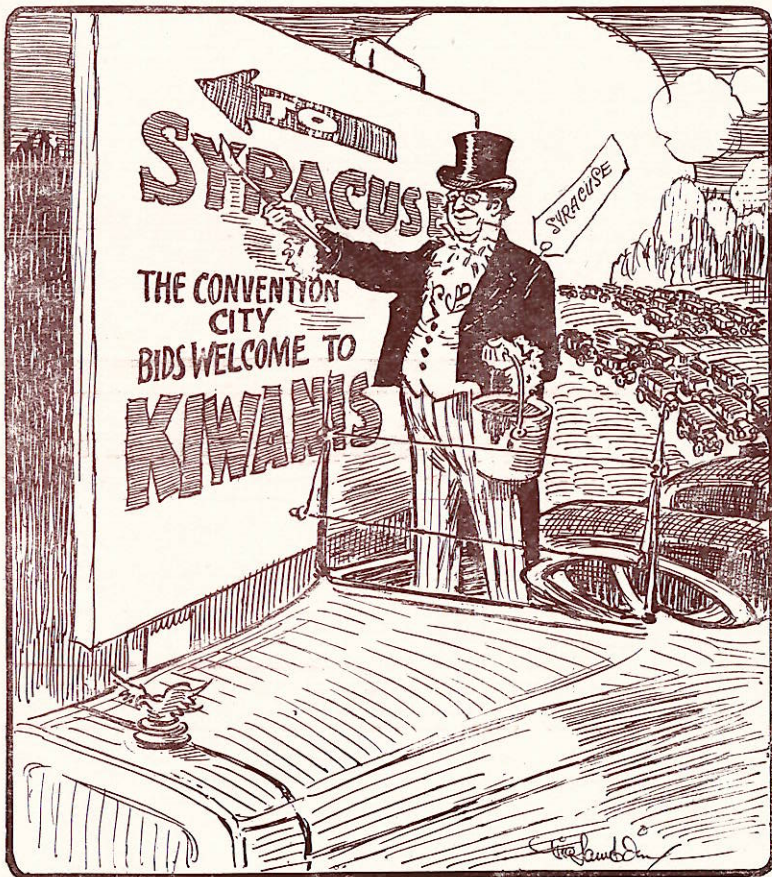
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## Syracuse in September

Message of District Gov. Gordon L. Hayes.



District  
Governor  
Gordon L. Hayes

The District Convention always offers an unusual opportunity for education in detailed leadership of Kiwanis and likewise for delightful fellowship.

This year I feel that the District Convention at Syracuse offers an exceptionally unusual opportunity.

It is universally admitted that New York State District has held most successful Conventions in the past, but positive assurance can be offered that the Syracuse Convention will surpass all previous ones.

It will surpass previous attempts in the matter of registration. Certainly it is not too much to expect that a District which registered 600 at an International Convention, will register at least 1500 at its own District Convention.

It will surpass previous Conventions in the completeness of its program. The Syracuse Convention Committee has worked unceasingly for months to prepare for us a program now finally completed, offering greater possibilities than ever before.

Schedules have been prepared with care to insure interesting business sessions and conferences, offering a wealth of Kiwanis information.

Speakers of renown have been secured for brief, inspiring addresses—Dr. Clausen, Professor Shea, Kiwanian Ellenwood,

International Treasurer Heinz and, of course, our own Lew Mitchell and Bill Alexander.

More clubs are entered in the Quartette Contest under the able leadership of Dr. Spaeth than ever before.

International Treasurer Heinz and Tom Marshall have been assigned to us by International.

Appealing entertainment has been provided for the ladies.

A Midnight Frolic for all is to be held at Kiwanian Leo Snell's Dancing Academy, and Jules and Roe are to be there. What more could you ask for?

Certainly I felt deeply honored indeed when at Albany you elected me your District Governor. Come to Syracuse to be a part of the Convention that will make me your Immediate Past Governor. You were with me at the start—be with me at the finish.

## Delegates

Their importance and duty  
By Lieut. Gov. Grover H. Schatz



Lieut. Governor  
Grover H. Schatz

While the matter of delegates to both District and International Conventions may be considered very favorable, particularly in view of the fact that for two years we have had 100 per cent representation of the District at International Conventions, it is felt that there is some room for improvement.

Oftentimes the appointment of delegates to a convention is done impulsively and, as a consequence, men are sent out who are not sufficiently equipped with the knowledge as to what their duties actually mean to their Club. It follows that the selection of delegates to a convention should be given serious consideration by all Clubs. It would be wise to give the

Club a week's notice, having in mind all the time that men should be selected who will attend the convention and bring back their reports which will benefit the entire Club, thereby rounding out the purpose of each convention.

It is unfortunate that in some instances, delegates in convention do not exercise their privileges simply because they do



the full value of these conventions?

In the first place, do the conventions offer to the delegates a program, that in itself, tends to the responsibility that rests with the district officers in making up this program, the basis of which is strictly speaking for the benefit of each club in the district? Far be it from us to give this in any way of criticism. We have all attended and thoroughly enjoyed district and International conventions, yet, if we were all honest with the other fellow as well as ourselves, not many of us feel entirely satisfied, there is something which has taken away from the value of the convention just the thing for which we have all gone, that is, the full, frank discussion of problems that confront each club. We all have problems in one form or another and how often they can be easily overcome if we can get the other fellows slant on the matters in question. Its a mighty fine thing to listen to brilliant addresses, instruction in different lines of commercial social or religious questions, but how do they lend themselves to the furthering of the Gospel of Kiwanis except in a round about way? Its also a mighty fine thing to look back on the year's accomplishments and have the chairman of each committee take a half hour telling about the work done by that committee, but does this fit in with Kiwanis of today? Very frankly and without any reservation I would say No! The objects and yearly objectives give us a real program to carry

out. There are several committees in clubs and the district that could well afford to spend a whole day in conference led by capable men and an open discussion by a representative of each club, then that man could go back to his club with an abundance of knowledge along that particular line.

As we visit different clubs, we find a lack of knowledge even by some committee chairmen as to the duties and responsibilities. Every club should have functioning committees, their inspiration and guidance should be given through club officers who through association with district and International affairs, receive the necessary knowledge to impart to their committee chairmen.

How much more valuable to the community in which each club is located, if at least two members of each committee were able to have the privilege of sitting in a conference of discussion of each committee at the district convention. These men would return to their clubs, filled with enthusiasm, and after they get the ball rolling nothing could stop them.

Let's use the time at our command at these conventions, to the best possible good. Conferences and more Conferences. Each Club designate the men to sit in each Committee Conference and see if our conventions cannot better serve our clubs.

Let New York District set the pace for a strictly convention of Conferences, a time and place for everything—Conferences at the Convention.

## Syracuse Kiwanians Are Waiting For You

### Earl Higbee's Message To All Kiwanians

L. Earl Higbee

Chairman  
Executive Convention  
Committee



Dear Kiwanians:

Five weeks from now, the Kiwanians of New York State will be gathering at Syracuse to hold the 1926 New York State District Convention.

This opportunity has been offered to acquaint you with some of the details of the convention that may not appear in the official program.

Syracuse was selected as the 1926 convention city at the Albany convention in

1925. Within three weeks thereafter, the writer was selected as chairman of the executive convention committee. Within two weeks after that time, chairmen of the various working convention committees were selected and these chairmen with the officers of the Syracuse club ex-officio constitute the executive convention committee. On December 1, 1925, all working committees had been filled and during 1925, the executive committee had held three sessions and had the general work of the convention under way. Since that time, the working convention forces have been extremely busy and at the present time the entire work of convention arrangements has been practically completed.

On May 1st, this year, the entire membership of the Syracuse club had taken and paid for double registration at the

convention and since that time the money has been in the bank at interest.

One of the very pleasing features of our work has been the spirit and assistance given to us by the wives of our members. Early in the spring of this year, a number of the Kiwanis women, appreciating the wonderful fellowship that existed among their husbands in the Kiwanis Club and with the desire to equal that same spirit of fellowship among themselves, undertook to organize the wives of the members of the Syracuse Kiwanis Club and such an organization was formed. They found that they could not avail themselves of the name Kiwanis in their organization and they are known as the Genateska Club. The wife of practically every member of the Syracuse Kiwanis Club is a member of that organization. They have bi-monthly luncheon meetings and in addition to that they have special social meetings among themselves. Our Kiwanis women are not strangers. They all know each other. They call each other by their first names and early in their club life they voluntarily assumed the entire responsibility of entertaining the visiting ladies at the coming convention and their report to us of their plans along this line guarantees to the visiting ladies not only a genuine Kiwanis welcome but regular Kiwanis entertainment.

You will have no difficulty at the convention in distinguishing the members of the Syracuse Club or the members of the Genateska Club. The official badge issued to the Syracuse men and women will carry a different colored ribbon than the badge of the delegates and visitors. Any man or woman wearing a badge of orange and blue colored ribbon is your host and hostess. You are to feel that these people are at all times anxious and willing to serve and assist you. You will find many of them present at all times and if there is anything that you desire, you are to feel free to talk with them about it.

We have adopted a fixed policy that you should know about and knowing about it we know that you will conform to it.

**ADMISSION TO CONVENTION SESSIONS, LUNCHEONS, DINNER, BANQUET, QUARTET CONTEST AND CONCERT, MID-NIGHT FROLIC AND EVERY OTHER ENTERTAINMENT WILL BE ABSOLUTELY LIMITED TO PERSONS WEARING THE OFFICIAL BADGE.**

The above rule will be enforced without exception and if you fail to wear your official badge at all times, you must not complain if you are embarrassed on

account of your own carelessness.

We are very anxious that those who attend the convention arrange to be present on Sunday evening the 19th in order that they may attend the special Kiwanis services to be held at the First Methodist Church by the two Sky Pilots from the Syracuse Club. A most wonderful Kiwanis service has been planned and it will be broadcasted thru the local radio station and hundreds of Kiwanians should participate in it.

At the informal reception to be held at the Hotel Syracuse on Sunday evening at nine o'clock, special entertainment has been provided including a number of selections by the Syracuse Kiwanis Club orchestra.

We believe that one of the most important sessions of the convention will be the one held on Monday morning at the Mizpah auditorium in the First Baptist Church, two blocks from the Hotel Syracuse. Our full strength should be present at that session. The presidents of eight local service clubs will be present as our guests.

On Monday afternoon the visiting ladies will enjoy a theater party at Keith's theater including a reception in honor of Mrs. Gordon Hayes.

On Monday evening the quartet contest and concert will be held at the Mizpah auditorium the members and families of eight civic clubs of Syracuse will be in attendance as guests. A most elaborate program has been made for this occasion. The seating capacity is limited to two thousand and without doubt the place will be filled. This program will be broadcast over the local radio station.

I absolutely refuse to tell you at this time of the pleasing details of the mid-night frolic to be held on Monday evening at Snell's dancing academy. Sufficient to say it commences at eleven o'clock in the evening and continues until you are ready to quit.

On Tuesday morning the ladies are to be taken on an automobile trip thru the Finger Lake region with luncheon at the Kan-Ya-To Inn at the foot of Skaneateles Lake and ending with a sight seeing trip thru Syracuse.

The big banquet and ball brings the convention to a close on Tuesday evening and no one will want to miss hearing Roe Fulkerson of Washington, D. C., the man who makes the "Personal Page" in the Kiwanis Magazine so attractive and worth while.

The Syracuse Convention is going to miss its big aim unless the convention sessions are attended by all Kiwanians.



The program of the sessions speak for themselves. There is not a minute of any session that should be missed by any Kiwanian. We feel that it is not only a privilege but a duty that all Kiwanians attending the convention, delegates, or visitors, to attend each and every session of the convention.

**You are going to get a new grasp on Kiwanis and a new glimpse of its ideals by your contact with the convention spirit and the big men in Kiwanis. Your club and yourself will be benefited by this convention to the extent that you become an active part in it.**

That is the prime purpose of all district conventions and you are urged to cooperate with us to the limit in order to bring this prime purpose into full being.

The Citizens' Club, the Knights of Columbus Club, the Masonic Club and the Club Room of the Chamber of Commerce have all extended their privileges to you



Glenn H. Johnson

Dear New York State Kiwanian:

In a few weeks we shall be your proud and happy hosts. We are looking forward with keen anticipation, and counting the days.

We trust you'll come forty-seven Clubs strong. Come heart-whole and fancy-free; leave your business cares and worries behind you and have a good time.

We hope to make you happy and contented. Make your stay as long as you can, and when you feel you must leave, we shall have come to know each other better.

As President of the Kiwanis Club of Syracuse, I extend to you and your families a cordial invitation to attend the Kiwanis 1926 State Convention at Syracuse, September 19-20-21.

Most cordially,  
GLENN H. JOHNSON,  
President,  
Kiwanis Club of Syracuse.

while you are in Syracuse and your official badge is your credential to admission.

Golf privileges may be enjoyed at the Bellevue Club and the Tuscarora Club.

Jules Brazil, that wonderful Kiwanis entertainer and song leader will be present during the entire convention. If you do not know Jules, it is worth while to come to meet him and you know it is worth while to come and renew your acquaintance with him if you have met him.

We have had a wonderful time among ourselves arranging for this convention. Our fellows are back of it to a man. It has injected and added spirit to our club. We have done and are doing everything possible to make your visit enjoyable and you will disappoint us unless you come and bring the folks.

Yours very sincerely,  
L. EARL HIGBEE.



Robert W. Ellis

Dear New York State Kiwanians:

If talent and ability in the line of entertainment and speakers will make a Convention, then certainly no one can afford to miss Jules Brazil and Dr. Sigmund Spaeth, nor such speakers as Dr. Bernard Clausen, James Lee Ellinwood, Prof. Jas. A. Shea, International Treasurer Henry C. Heinz, and last but not least, Roe Fulkerson, editorial writer of the Kiwanis magazine.

I could mention many others, but it seems to me that any one of these attractions, or addresses would pay every New York State Kiwanian to come to the District Convention on September 19, 20 and 21st, and anyone missing it will regret it for a long time to come.

ROBERT W. ELLIS,  
Chairman Program Committee.

## To The Wives of Kiwanians

### An Invitation To Attend the Convention

EDITOR'S NOTE:—Immediately after Syracuse had been voted as the Convention City for 1926, the wives of members of Syracuse Kiwanians were very desirous of taking an active part in this Convention and especially in seeing that the visiting Ladies of Kiwanis were well cared for in the way of hospitality and entertainment. In order to properly carry out their part of this great convention they organized what is known as the Genetaska Club and as such have been working with the Executive Committee of the Convention for the expressive purpose of making the stay of all visiting ladies most enjoyable. The following invitation is from this club.

To the Visiting Ladies of Kiwanis:

The Genetaska Club, extends to the Ladies of Kiwanis of the Empire State a most cordial invitation to be present at the 9th Annual State Convention of our District to be held at the Hotel Syracuse.

Mrs. Leon Beckwith  
President  
Genetaska Club



Syracuse, N. Y. on Sept. 19th, 20th and 21st.

Come to Syracuse with your husbands and enjoy a few days of Syracuse hospitality. Much has been planned for your comfort and entertainment and everything possible done to make the coming convention one long to be remembered by the ladies.

It is our privilege and pleasure to extend this invitation and we hope hundreds of ladies will accept it.

Cordially yours,  
GENETASKA CLUB.

Jane B. Smith, Corresponding Sec'y.

## The Proposed Amendment To The District By-Laws and Why It Should Be Adopted by Robert C. Hyde

For the past three years, the officers of this district have felt that the time would have to come when the District should be re-divided into more than three divisions. From the start of the present administration, it was conceded that the re-districting must be carried out at the September Convention in 1926 for the best interests of the entire district.

At the Syracuse Trustees Conference in January of this year, this matter was freely discussed and it was recommended that the District Committee on Laws and Regulations give careful consideration to the matter and prepare an amendment to the district By-Laws which would create five divisions in the district for 1927. Following is the amendment as prepared by this committee of which George Hixson is Chairman:

Robert C. Hyde  
Secretary-Treasurer



**RESOLVED:** that Section one, Article III of the District By-Laws be amended so as to read as follows: Section. 1. The Territory of this District shall be divided into five (5) divisions.

**RESOLVED** that Section two, Article III of the District By-Laws be amended so as to read as follows: Section 2. The territorial limits of these divisions shall be as follows:

**DIVISION 1.**—The following counties: Sullivan, Orange, Putnam, Rockland,



Westchester, Bronx, New York, Richmond, Kings, Queens, Nassau and Suffolk.

**DIVISION 2.**—The following counties; Clinton, Franklin, Essex, Hamilton, Warren, Fulton, Saratoga, Montgomery, Schoenectady, Washington, Rensselaer, Albany, Schoharie, Green, Ulster, Columbia, Dutchess excepting city of Beacon.

**DIVISION 3.**—The following counties; St. Lawrence, Jefferson, Lewis, Herkimer, Oswego, Oneida, Otsego, and Madison.

**DIVISION 4.**—The following counties; Steuben, Allegany, Schuyler, Chemung, Tioga, Cortland, Broome, Chenango, Otsego, Delaware, Tompkins, Cayuga, Wayne, Ontario, Yates and Seneca.

**DIVISION 5.**—The following counties; Niagara, Orleans, Monroe, Livingston, Genesee, Wyoming, Erie, Chautauqua, and Cattaraugus.

Under the above proposed divisions the clubs would be divided as follows:

**DIVISION 1.**—Beacon, Brooklyn, Jamaica, Middletown, New York City, Newburgh, Port Jervis and Staten Island.

**DIVISION 2.**—Albany, Amsterdam, Glens Falls, Gloversville, Hudson, Kingston, Poughkeepsie, Schoenectady and Troy.

**DIVISION 3.**—Alexandria Bay, Baldwinsville, Lowville, Oswego, Rome, Syracuse, Watertown and Utica.

**DIVISION 4.**—Auburn, Binghamton, Delhi, Elmira, Endicott, Geneva, Oneonta, Owego and Walton.

**DIVISION 5.**—Batavia, Brockport, Buffalo, Dunkirk, East Aurora, Jamestown, Lockport, Niagara Falls, Olean, Rochester, The Tonawandas and Warsaw.

#### WHY WE SHOULD ACCEPT THIS AMENDMENT

Three years ago, the delegates elected me the District Secretary-Treasurer and since that time I have been in a position where I believe I well understand and appreciate the amount of work, time and expense on the part of all officers of this district, connected with each individual office for the proper administration of their duties.

Three years ago, we had but three divisions with but 36 clubs. Thus with the divisions equally, each Lieutenant Governor

had 12 clubs under his jurisdiction. It was then considered a great amount of work for any of these officers to carry on their duties.

Today we have the same three divisions but a total of 47 clubs and under present by-laws the divisions consist of, Eastern Division 15 clubs, Central Division 16 clubs, and Western Division 16 clubs. If you will take the map of this great state and divide it up into three divisions according to the present arrangement, you will better appreciate the great territory which each of the Lieutenant Governors must cover if he successfully carries on in the interests of Kiwanis as well as the great amount of time and expense he must be put to if he does no more than what he would like to do for Kiwanis.

It seems absurd that any Kiwanians would think of elevating a fellow member to next to the highest office in his district, the Lieutenant Governorship, and expect him to hold that office and spend a great amount of his time and money for Kiwanis with very little reimbursement for his actual expense.

#### DUTIES OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNORS

Before we consider further the proposed change of divisions, let me mention some of the duties of these important officers. The By-Laws, Article VI Officers, Section (b) states; "The Lieutenant Governors shall assist the Governor in the work of the district. They shall have full responsibility under the direction of the Governor in supervising the district executive work in their respective divisions. The Lieutenant Governors shall also perform such other duties as may be assigned to them by the Governor or the Board of Trustees."

The above might not sound much, but it is a great deal. First we have in the year the appointment of District committees and we find all Lieutenant Governors, devoting much time to recommendations to the Governor of those men in their division who are best for committee appointments. Then comes the Trustees Conference and for the success of this meeting, the Lieutenant Governors are very active, checking up each club in their division that each and every one will be represented, as well as getting certain individuals to take part in discussions which are laid out for the meeting. Then soon follows the Divisional Conferences which are mighty important in their educational value to all club officers, committee chairmen and members in general, many letters

are written to club officers, some telegrams and even phone calls are made. Of course all the time there is that mighty important work of extension which the Lieutenant Governor must be always in touch with. Again there are many club officers who desire help, not only thru the mail but by personal visitations. When the time approaches for the International Convention, nothing is left undone by this officer to have all clubs in his division represented at the gathering, as is the same with the District Convention.

There are many clubs who desire to have this officer make a visit to their club, some at Inter-Club gatherings, others for night or noon day meetings, and many are the demands on this fellow from the clubs in his division.

There should be no necessity of showing the great record of this district in 1926, not only in reports received, but in extension work, and representation at district and International gatherings, as well as the great activities of the clubs in the district for this year. We are all familiar with these accomplishments, but are we familiar with the fact that the bringing about of them has been greatly aided by the Lieutenant Governors, as a part of their work.

For example, if a club or more has not paid their per-capita, elected delegates, mailed reports, or many other required things, a letter is at once dispatched to the Lieutenant Governor as well as the Governor, and he goes after results and gets them.

By showing the many things which fall upon the Lieutenant Governors, I have tried to show that by reducing the number of clubs in their divisions as well as the distances which they must travel to and from those clubs, that we can greatly lessen the amount of work of these officers as well as give them more time to devote to the clubs in their divisions.

#### HOW THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT WILL WORK OUT

The proposed amendment if adopted will create five divisions with five Lieutenant Governors, and in its proposed form with fixed county lines for each division, will be acceptable to International.

While it is admitted that Division 5 will have 12 clubs, those clubs are in as nearly a small territory as could be laid out and it is a question of but a short time when this division will have to re-divide into two divisions, but for the present this arrangement seems very satisfactory.

The other divisions are well laid out

as to number of clubs and accessibility of the Lieutenant Governors, hence with fewer number of clubs and shorter distances between clubs in each division, each Lieutenant Governor will be able to devote a great deal more time to each club as well as make personal visits to clubs when called upon to do so.

#### ANOTHER FEATURE

There is another feature of this arrangement, which in truth is not so important as the above, but will work out a very desirable plan. That of District Committees, which consist of five members. Under this plan it will be possible to have a member of each committee in each division, and he can look after the work of his committee in his division, thereby giving each committeeman some real work to do, which is bound to be beneficial to the District and the Clubs.

In the clubs, we develop leaders from committee members, to committee chairmen and then Officers of the club, and so it is with the District, we develop leaders from Club officers to District Committee members then Committee Chairmen and finally District Officers, and therefore this plan will not only be the means for furthering the work of the District Committees in all clubs but it will also be the means to develop leaders for the District.

#### Let's Adopt The Amendment

As stated in the beginning, after three years of experience in the District Office I am very familiar with the great amount of work, time and expense connected with all district officers. I heard considerable comment over this amount of work three years ago, when we had 36 clubs and what must it be now with 47 clubs? I know the expense connected with these offices and honestly believe that the proposed amendment is a great step forward in not only reducing this expense, but furthering Kiwanis in New York State.

In our school systems when there are more children in a class than a teacher can properly care for, they form new classes. When a school becomes crowded so that it is a detriment to the proper education of the children, they build other schools. We too, in New York State District of Kiwanis International have become crowded in our divisions, so let us create new divisions with additional leaders and help to bring about a greater Empire State District of Kiwanians.

ROBERT C. HYDE,  
Secretary.

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# Syracuse Convention Program

## SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER 19TH.

- 12:00 Noon.  
to  
11:00 P. M.—Registration at Hotel Syracuse.  
7:30 P. M.—Joint Meeting at First M. E. Church, Corner Onondaga & State Streets. Kiwanian Rev. L. M. Lounsbury, Pastor, Presiding. Kiwanian Rev. Robert Bruce, Address. (Services broadcast through WFBL). Singing led by Dr. Sigmund Spaeth, Chairman International Committee on Music.  
9:00 P. M.—Reception at Hotel Syracuse in Grand Ball Room, 10th Floor. (Music by Syracuse Kiwanis Club Orchestra). Community Singing, Jules Brazil.

## MONDAY—SEPTEMBER 20TH

- 9:00 A. M.—General Session, Mizpah Auditorium. Singing, Jules Brazil.  
9:15 A. M.—Glenn H. Johnson, President, Kiwanis Club of Syracuse, Presiding.  
9:20 A. M.—Invocation by Rev. L. M. Lounsbury.  
9:25 A. M.—Introduction of Governor Gordon L. Hayes.  
9:30 A. M.—Address of Welcome by Kiwanian Chas. G. Hanna, Mayor of Syracuse.  
9:40 A. M.—Address of Welcome by Kiwanian L. Earl Higbee, Chairman Convention Executive Committee.  
9:50 A. M.—Response, Governor Gordon L. Hayes.  
9:55 A. M.—Appointment of Nominating Committee, Resolutions Committee, Credentials Committee and Convention Attendance Contest Committee.  
10:00 A. M.—Report of Kiwanian Robert W. Ellis, Chairman Convention Program Committee.  
10:05 A. M.—Report of Governor Gordon L. Hayes.  
10:10 A. M.—Report of Immediate Past Gov. Wm. C. Alexander.  
10:20 A. M.—Report of Lieutenant Governor Edwin E. Ellis.  
10:30 A. M.—Address by Dr. Bernard C. Clausen, Pastor First Baptist Church, Syracuse, New York.  
11:00 A. M.—Report of Lieutenant Governor Dr. A. L. Danforth.  
11:10 A. M.—Report of Lieutenant Governor Grover H. Schatz.  
11:20 A. M.—Report of Secretary Robert C. Hyde.  
11:30 A. M.—Conference on Club Singing, Dr. Sigmund Spaeth, District and International Chairman of Music Committee.  
12:00 Noon.—Adjournment.  
12:30 P. M.—Luncheon, Hotel Syracuse, Grand Ball Room. Invocation by Rev. H. Robert Bruce. Club Singing, Dr. Sigmund Spaeth. Address by Prof. James A. Shea, Principal of Lincoln School, Syracuse, on "Understanding the Boy."  
2:00 P. M.—General Session, Mizpah Auditorium. Singing, Jules Brazil.  
2:10 P. M.—Report of Committee on Laws and Regulations by International Past President George Hixson, Chairman.  
2:20 P. M.—Report of Budget Committee, William C. Wright, Chairman.  
2:30 P. M.—Report of Business Standard Committee, R. L. Marchant, Chairman.  
2:40 P. M.—Report of Classification Committee, Dr. S. N. Holt, Chairman.  
2:50 P. M.—Report of Greivance and Good Will Committee, Harry M. Lewis, Chairman.  
3:00 P. M.—Report of Education Committee, Frank Tucker, Chairman.  
3:10 P. M.—Report of Inter-Club Relations Committee, Leo Snell, Chairman.  
3:20 P. M.—Report of Agricultural Committee, Albert Hoefler, Chairman.  
3:30 P. M.—Report of Music Committee, Dr. Sigmund Spaeth, Chairman.  
3:40 P. M.—Singing, Jules Brazil.  
3:50 P. M.—Address, Kiwanian Rev. James Lee Ellenwood of New York City.  
4:20 P. M.—Report of Publicity Committee, William O. Cooley, Chairman.  
4:30 P. M.—Report of Public Affairs Committee, Fred Bickers, Chairman.  
4:40 P. M.—Report of Under-Privileged Child Committee, Harry McCormack, Chairman.  
4:50 P. M.—Report of the Special Committee for the Arbitration of Commercial Disputes, Lewis Mitchell, Chairman.

- 5:00 P. M.—Report of Special International Attendance Contest Committee, Elmer J. Hoffman, Chairman.  
5:10 P. M.—Report of Special International Efficiency Contest Committee, William C. Wright, Chairman.  
5:20 P. M.—Report of Special International Convention Committee, J. Howard Fitchett and James P. Dignan.  
5:30 P. M.—Adjournment.  
2:00 P. M.  
to  
5:30 P. M.—Ladies' Theatre Party in honor of Mrs. Gordon L. Hayes, at Keith's Theatre, S. Salina St.  
6:00 P. M.—Dinner, Grand Ball Room, Hotel Syracuse.  
Invocation by Rev. Singing, Dr. Sigmund Spaeth.  
Address, "Builders", Past International Trustee, Lewis Mitchell.  
Address, "Individual Responsibility", International Vice President William C. Alexander.  
8:15 P. M.—General Meeting, Mizpah Auditorium.  
Singing, Jules Brazil.  
Selections by Syracuse Boys' Club Band sponsored by Syracuse Kiwanis Club.  
Quartette Contest and Award of Lauer Trophy.  
Song Contest and Award of Trophy, donated by Kiwanian Will D. Winchell, Syracuse.

## MEMBERS AND FAMILIES OF SYRACUSE SERVICE CLUBS—

American Business Club, Exchange, Gyro, Knights of Round Table, Lions, Optimists, Rotary and Zonta Guests.

- 11:00 P. M.  
To  
2:00 A. M.—Midnight Frolic at Kiwanian Leo Snell's Dancing Academy, 556 S. Salina St.

## TUESDAY—SEPTEMBER 21ST.

- 9:00 A. M.  
to  
12:00 Noon.—Separate Conferences, Tenth Floor Hotel Syracuse.  
Club Presidents, Pres Ben Welden, Presiding.  
Club Trustees, Trustee Dr. S. N. Holt, Presiding.  
Club Secretaries, Secretary William O. Cooley, Presiding.  
Club Treasurers, Past Treasurer J. Howard Fitchett, Presiding.  
Club Vice Presidents } Lt. Go. Edwin E. Ellis, Chairman  
Club Committee Chairmen } of International Committee on  
Club Committee Members } "Under-privileged Child" Presiding.  
12:00 Noon.  
to  
1:30 P. M.—Luncheon, Hotel Syracuse.  
Invocation by Rev. Singing, Jules Brazil.  
Address, International Treasurer, Henry C. Heinz.  
General Session, Small Ball Room, Hotel Syracuse.  
Thomas Marshall, Extension Chief, Kiwanis International.  
Report of Credentials, Resolutions, and Nominations Committees.  
Elections, District Governor and Lieutenant Governors.  
Selection of Convention City for 1927.  
10:00 A. M.  
to  
4:00 P. M.—Ladies' Cars leave Syracuse Hotel for Kanyato Inn, Skaneateles Lake.  
6:30 P. M.—Banquet, Grand Ball Room, Hotel Syracuse.  
Invocation by Rev. Singing, Jules Brazil.  
Report of Convention Attendance Contest Committee and Award of Trophy.  
Introduction of new officers.  
Address, Roe Fulkerson, Editorial Writer, Kiwanis Magazine.  
Dancing.



# Kiwanis and District Conventions

By International President, Amerman



Ralph A. Amerman  
President  
Kiwanis International

Kiwanis is one of the dominant influences in the progress of Civilization today. In the ten years of our existence, we have become an outstanding leader through our membership in 1550 communities throughout the United States and Canada. Every force since creation has moved either forward or backward. **Kiwanis with its 100,000 members has been a force for good and has moved forward with wonderful strides.**

We have emphasized good citizenship, a universal exercise of the franchise, a constructive educational work for the Under-Privileged Child, a better relationship between the farmer and the cityman, a practical application of vocational guidance and placement, a higher standard of ethics in business and professional life and

the creation of a sound and sane public opinion on all matters of national and international import.

In order that we may continue the program which we have started, it is necessary for us to convene in sessions from time to time so that we may get the best thought and develop the ideas expressed by our membership which is composed of the leading citizens and the most constructive thinkers in the United States and Canada.

Once each year the Kiwanians of each of our 29 Districts meet together in District Conventions. This offers a wonderful opportunity for good fellowship, for the exchanging of ideas and ideals and for the development of Kiwanis Education. A large representative gathering, all desirous of advancing the progress of Kiwanis and of making this a better World for the coming generation assures the desired result. **29 successful Conventions, each developing constructive programs of service means a lasting inheritance.**

I am sure that the Kiwanians of the New York District will contribute largely toward this accomplishment and that the District Convention this year in Syracuse will mark a new era in Kiwanis.

## Value of District Conventions

By Vice Pres. Kiwanis International, Alexander

Let there be no mistake as to the great value of a district convention. A district can only be as strong as the individual clubs in the district, and clubs only as strong as the individual members make them.

Kiwanis is built from the ground up, on a solid foundation. Each district officer as well as each International officer is a member of a local Kiwanis Club. It is next to impossible for a district officer to be elected without the endorsement of his club, and for an International officer to be elected without the endorsement of his district.

The district convention at Syracuse will be the best we ever had, for several reasons, one of which is that, this past year has been the very best our district has ever had. Our district officers have been on their toes every minute and the clubs have responded in great shape.

Wm. C. Alexander  
Vice President  
Kiwanis International



No finer record has been made by any one of the twenty-nine districts in the organization... A hundred per cent in most every thing. Governor Hayes and his associates in office may long look back with pride on their records.

Because of the individual worth and qualifications of the men, our district has been honored beyond that of any other in having two of its members appointed chairmen of two important regular International Committees, Dr. Sigmund Spaeth of the Music Committee and Edwin E. Ellis of

the Under-privileged Child Committee and Dr. George J. Fisher of a special committee on Vocational Guidance. If you all knew President Amerman as I do, you will understand that only by believing the men better qualified than others he knows, regardless of geographic location, were they appointed, and the appointments were unanimously confirmed by the international board on the merits of the men.

Only a strong district can interest and furnish men of the calibre of these.



Lewis Mitchell  
Past International  
Trustee

The answer is plain and convincing to every true Kiwanian. The Annual Convention is for the transaction of the business of the District, to the end that the objects of Kiwanis may be attained.

Those objects should be familiar to every Kiwanian. They are stated in six short sentences in the Constitution of Kiwanis International, and in the Club and district By-Laws. A member's knowledge of and practice of the principles outlined therein, is a fair test of his qualifications for membership, coupled of course, with his classification.

A certain amount of organization is necessary. One hundred thousand men could practice Kiwanis principles individually; but inspiration and strength come from association with others of like mind, and so we have groups which we call clubs.

Each of the fifteen hundred clubs function more efficiently as a result of the sharing of experiences; but that number, and the vastness of the continent on which they are located make a further grouping necessary, and so we have twenty-nine districts, of which New York is our pride.

Every fall, the members in each district assemble in convention to receive reports of work done by officers and committees; to discuss better ways of building in Kiwanis; to share experiences in conference; to elect officers for the ensuing year; and to enjoy a fellowship that is unique in human relationships.

If these things be true it is the duty and the privilege of every Kiwanian in

If you have ever attended a district convention you will be in Syracuse if possible and a great thrill is in store for you. No finer hospitality can be found anywhere, and no better Kiwanians than Syracuse Kiwanians. If you have not, you will be foolish to miss this one. Bring the ladies by all means for if they do not come and they ever find out what they have missed, "woe be unto you."

Roe Fulkerson, Jules Brazil, Henry Heinz and Tom Marshall, want to see you in Syracuse.

## Why a District Convention

By Lewis Mitchell, Past International Trustee

our district to be in Syracuse on September 19, 20 and 21 this year, if possible. Unless prevented by and good and sufficient reasons, his presence or his absence will be the measure of his faith and of his loyalty to the cause.

Does he really believe that Kiwanis "gives primacy to the human and spiritual values of life"; that it "encourages the daily living of the Golden Rule"; that it "promotes the adoption and the application of higher social, business and professional standards"; that it "develops a more intelligent, aggressive, and serviceable citizenship"; that it "provides a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service, and to build better communities"; and that it "cooperates in creating and maintaining that sound public opinion and high idealism which makes possible the increase of righteousness, justice, patriotism, and good will"? His presence will be the answer.



New York  
Kiwanians:—

Onward to Syracuse for a most successful convention—joyous in its choice fellowship, adequate in its education and lasting in its inspiration!

Then—forward in New York Kiwanis for a year of finer leadership and greater achievement.

Fred C. W. Parker, Secretary,  
Kiwanis International.





THE LAUER TROPHY CUP

The Quartette Contest Trophy Cup, was donated by Kiwanian Andy Lauer of the Auburn Kiwanis Club at the time of the Auburn District Convention in 1921, to promote singing in the various clubs of the District.

The Contest each year is under the guidance of the District Committee on Music who have complete charge of the Contest, in the selection of the Songs and the Judges. The cup will become the permanent property of the Club, whose Quartett wins the Cup for the third time.

When the Cup was presented at the Auburn Convention in 1921, it was won by the Binghamton Quartett, which quartett also won the contest in Poughkeepsie in 1922. At the Binghamton Convention, the Buffalo Quartett captured it, while the Utica Quartett won it and has since held it, at the Buffalo Convention in 1924 and Albany in 1925.

As Binghamton and Utica Quartetts have each won the cup twice if either of these quartetts win the contest this year, the cup will become the permanent possession of the winners.

The contest because of this, promises to be very keen this year, and many other clubs are entering Quartetts, in hopes of winning that neither Binghamton or Utica will become the winners, hence this part of the Convention promises to be very interesting.

#### RULES OF THE CONTEST

The Music Committee of the New York District, of which Dr. Sigmund Spaeth is Chairman, announces the annual contest for quartetts representing the clubs of the

## The Quartett Contest

### History of the Lauer Trophy And Rules Governing The Contest by Dr Spaeth

District to take place at the Convention in Syracuse on the evening of Monday, September 20th.

It is hoped that as many clubs as possible will enter quartetts in this competition, and in order to stimulate interest and encourage a large number of entries, the Committee has brought the requirements within the reach of all singers of average ability. There will be only one **required number** and the composition selected by the Committee is "Sunrise and You" by Arthur A. Penn, published by M. Witmark & Sons, New York. This number can be secured at a special rate through Dr. Sigmund Spaeth, 437 Fifth Avenue, New York, or by ordering directly from the publishers, stating that it is for the use in the Kiwanis State Contest.

Each quartet will be asked to sing two numbers of its own selection in addition to the required number, and at least one of these numbers should be without piano accompaniment. All quartetts should be ready to sing the waltz song, "Kiwanis" by L. J. Kaley, not individually, but as part of a group chorus for purposes of broadcasting. Beyond this, however, it is recommended that no specific Kiwanis songs be included in the contest, as this might result in unnecessary duplication.

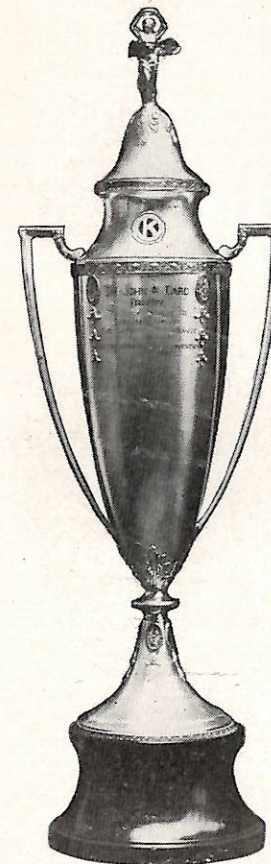
The entire program of the contest will be broadcast and there will be other musical features, including songs by the audience. There will be a committee of three authoritative judges and Dean Howard L. Butler of the Music School of Syracuse University has already signified his willingness to act as chairman of this committee.

Each quartet will sing all three numbers in immediate succession, finishing with the required number, when it will presumably be at its best. The prize cup has been held for the past two years by the Utica Club and it was won in 1923 by the Buffalo Club and in 1922 and 1921 by the Binghamton Club.

Entries for the Quartet Contest should be sent as soon as possible to Dr. Spaeth and these should be made officially in the name of the club represented by the quartet. There is no entry fee and the committee sincerely hopes for the largest representation on record.

## The Dr. CARD ATTENDANCE TROPHY CUP

### Will Your Club Take This Beautiful Cup Home From Syracuse?



Several years ago, a Kiwanian by the name of W. G. Sheppard presented to the District a Silver Trophy Cup to be awarded to the Club having the greatest percentage of attendance at the District Convention.

The contest is figured by the percent of a club's members in attendance at a convention, including both men and women, and multiplying the percentage by the number of railroad miles of each club from the city where the convention is held. This places all clubs, small and large on equal basis. The Cup becomes the permanent possession of the club having won it three times.

The Poughkeepsie Club won the Sheppard Trophy Cup at the Buffalo Convention, whereupon Poughkeepsie, promised that at the Albany Convention there would be another Trophy Cup put up for this contest.

A very interested and active member of the Poughkeepsie Club, Dr. John A. Card, very graciously offered to furnish the cup, which was won by Syracuse at the Albany Convention.

Dr. Card is a product of Poughkeepsie, having been born and educated there, where he makes a specialty of children's diseases and is very successful. He is a charter member of the Poughkeepsie Club and at the present time is vice-president.

This cup, as the cut above will show, is a very beautiful one, and many clubs are now working mighty hard to have a big delegation at Syracuse that they may carry this cup back home with them for another year.

## Staten Island's Contribution to Kiwanis

### George Julian Houtain's Resolution on Arbitration of Commercial Disputes

Your secretary confesses an oversight in not giving appropriate mention to the fine work of Staten Island Kiwanians, and especially George Julian Houtain, in their work on the resolution of Arbitration of Commercial Disputes. His only excuse in not so doing in the previous issue of this bulletin, was that while at the Montreal Convention, the size of the District Delegation and the amount of work connected thereto, kept him in the New York District office during the entire Convention, and as a result was not familiar with the

action of nor the resolutions adopted by the Convention, until his attention was called to the matter.

At the Trustees Conferences in Syracuse, last January, a special committee was recommended to present to International the question of Arbitration of Commercial Disputes. This committee carried out its duties to the extent that the following resolution was adopted by the Montreal Convention.

"BE IT RESOLVED, that Kiwanis International extend its thanks to George



Julian Houtain for his enlightening brief on Arbitration of Commercial Disputes, and

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we do endorse the Arbitration of Commercial Disputes in principle and recommend that the incoming Committee on Public Affairs for the United States continue the study of this subject under the original resolutions which read as follows:

"RESOLVED, that the Kiwanis Clubs of the United States and Canada during the convention year of 1925-26 make the subject of Arbitration of Commercial Disputes a matter of study."

Thus George Julian Houtain, the Kiwanis Club of Staten Island and the New York State District has added another contribution to its great list of contributions to Kiwanis International.

# AN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SINCERE THANKS By BILL ALEXANDER

Dear Friends:

I would like to acknowledge here-with sincere thanks for the wonderful telegrams received by me on the occasion of the luncheon given in my honor by the Staten Island Kiwanis Club on August 5th.

Time does not permit the writing of fifty letters, but I do want to thank you all and assure you of my sincere appreciation.

If I have done anything worth while in Kiwanis, it has been with your cooperation and aid.

You have my heart felt thanks, and will see you all at Syracuse.

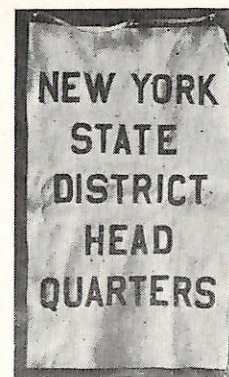
Sincerely  
"BILL" ALEXANDER.  
Vice Pres. Kiwanis International.



SYRACUSE CONVENTION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Reading from left to right. Standing: William H. Chilton, Chairman, Transportation Committee, Dr. Otis M. Wiley, Second Vice-President; Leo M. Snel, First Vice-President, and Chairman of Entertainment Committee; C. Harry Sanford, Treasurer; S. Howard Delaney, Secretary; William D. Winchell, Hotel Committee Chairman; William H. Tracey, Chairman, Publicity Committee; Warren B. Unbehend, Registration Committee Chairman.

Seated: R. M. King, District Trustee, Vice-Chairman Executive Committee; J. J. Moses, Chairman, Reception Committee; L. Earl Higbee, Chairman, Executive Convention Committee; William N. Wildridge, Chairman, Finance Committee; Robert W. Ellis, Chairman, Program Committee.



## THE NEW DISTRICT BANNER

At all previous International Conventions, it has been necessary to have some sort of a sign painted, that could be placed in the lobby of the Hotel in which the New York State District has made its headquarters, which gave the location of the District's headquarters.

Your District Secretary, desiring to have something a little better than a painted piece of cardboard, thought a felt banner would answer the purpose as well as last for more than one year. Accordingly he laid out the above design, purchased the felt and made these two banners. Each white dot represents a club in the Empire State.

The large banner was hung in the lobby of the Windsor Hotel, while the small one hung, just outside of the Headquarters

## RECOMMENDED SPEAKERS

From July Club Reports

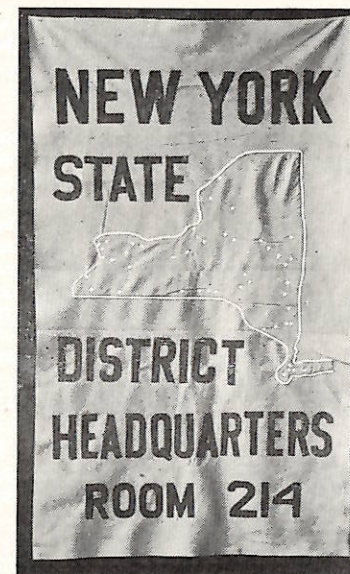
"America's Work in the Phillipines" by Rev. Francis Byrne, Auriesville, N. Y. From the Amsterdam Report.

"A Trip Through Italy, Egypt and the Holy Land" by Rev. Henry Hubbard, Past President of Elmira Kiwanis, 304 N. Main street, Elmira, N. Y. Note—This address can be given with or without stereoptican slides.

"Childrens' Court" by Judge J. R. Creary, Court House, Rochester, N. Y. Rochester Report.

"Keeping Sane" by Robert K. Atkinson, 3037 Grand Central Terminal, N. Y. City, N. Y. report.

"Prosecuting Fraudulent Stock Promotion" by John M. Carver, M. & T. Bank, Buffalo, N. Y. from Lockport report.



Each dot a club. Where and Who will place the next one?

room. The large one will be placed in the Syracuse Hotel lobby and give the location of the District Secretary's office, while the smaller will be hung just outside of the headquarters room. It might also be added that this banner did not cost the District a cent, but was paid for as well as made entirely by the Secretary, this fact being mentioned because there have been some statements that the District is spending too much money for unnecessary items.

"Social Problems of Russia" by J. Robert O'Brien, care of Passaic, N. J. Kiwanis Club, "A wonderful man. Hear him" states Oneonta report.

"The Constitution" by Judge N. L. Coleman, Warsaw, N. Y. Pres. Warsaw Kiwanis Club, "A Talk every club should hear" states East Aurora report.

"When Europe Turned the Corner" by L. M. Patter, care of Spencer Lens Co., Buffalo, N. Y. "A mighty fine talk on European Conditions—Very worth while" says East Aurora.

"Rev. Harry Caldwell, care of Rev. W. M. Caldwell, Fulton, N. Y. has a very interesting talk on subjects dealing with hunting tigers in China and general conditions both religious and otherwise, in countries where he has been on duty." Rome report.



# The District Secretary's Page

## OUR RECORD

Our record, to be sure it is, a record which belongs to 46 club secretaries because they have made it. Seven months of a perfect score in which each club has submitted a report in time for publication in this bulletin. Quite naturally Governor Hayes and all three Lieutenant Governors are mighty interested in seeing that that record **Shall not be broken**. And in truth we say it and mean it as much as some one, who somewhere said, "**They shall not pass!**" for if needs be to maintain the record, I will drive my car all night, to get the report in question, and I am very busy and don't want to do this. But—this record **Must not be broken**, after seven months duration.

## Our First Score

While the District office received all reports for the month of June, it seems that one report was lost in the mails and International did not get it on time. But thanks to that Secretary, for he immediately forwarded a duplicate copy, hence the record was kept, with International.

## The Second Score

After the above storm had passed over the hills, another terrible wind blew our way and the blame thing traveled to all parts of the State, so that not only Governor Hayes was upset, but the Lieutenant Governors and yours truly spent a rather uncomfortable night. Why? You may wonder all the worry. Well just because time, effort, words and what not, had been used the early part of the year to make certain that not a club in this District would dispense with meetings during the summer months. In fact we had sort of settled back in our chairs thinking that this matter would not bother us in 1926. But the storm came, when a weekly letter contained the news that one club had voted so to do. You know what the effect is when an East Wind runs into a West Wind, well you should have seen or read some of the letters which Uncle Sam's two cent stamps rushed to that club with the result that; Hurrah Boys, we still keep the record. They decided to hold meetings **EVERY WEEK** and all during the summer at that.

## Heavens! What Next?

The winds had all died down and all District officers were greatly at ease. When

along came news that another Club had voted to hold but two meetings a Month. Now what would you do? Well we have written this club and endeavored to explain the value of holding weekly meetings as compared with the loss in enthusiasm on the part of the members thru doing away with the summer meetings, and it is our fond hopes that word will be received before this issue is in the mail, that this scare will be the last and that there may be no detrimental results from it.

If there are any clubs left in the district who have contemplated doing away with summer meetings, permit me to first call their attention to the International By-Laws which provide that each club in accepting its charter agrees to hold weekly meetings. Further let me suggest that officers of such Clubs read International Secretary Fred Parker's article in the June issue of the Kiwanis Magazine, "The Challenge of the Summer Months." Then let me further ask that they write President George B. Ahn of Elmira Kiwanis, President Dr. C. H. Wolcott of Schenectady Kiwanis, Geo. C. Corregan, President Oswego Club or Ray C. King, Past President of Syracuse Kiwanis. All the above know the effect of doing away with summer meetings, for their clubs dispensed with summer meetings in 1924 and '25 and today they know that it is not to the best interests of Kiwanis in their community to adopt such a policy, hence are holding regular weekly meetings.

Those club officers who are thinking of doing away with summer meetings, therefore would do well in the interests of their own club and the District to consider the fact that **doing away with summer meetings has been tried and found to be a very bad policy for a successful Kiwanis Club.**

## Delegates to Syracuse

At the time of writing this, but 19 clubs have mailed in certification blanks for delegates to the Syracuse Convention. Please do not delay this important matter. It is quite necessary that we know who the delegates are long before the convention.

## Per-Capita Tax Payment

Several clubs have paid their Per-Capita Tax for the last half of 1926 and as might be expected Dad Brownell of Oneonta was the first one, as he always is and has been. If the balance of the 47 clubs were as prompt as Dad Brownell,

I wouldn't mind the heat so much. Your attention is called to the fact that if your club's per-capita is not paid by the time of the Syracuse Convention, the delegates from your club will not be permitted to vote.

## Convention Conferences

Letters have been mailed to Presidents, Trustees and Secretaries calling their attention to the conferences which will be held at Syracuse and urging them to submit matters and questions which they might have for discussion. Notices were also sent to Presidents asking them to instruct their Vice Presidents and Committee Chairmen to also send in topics for discussion. The secretaries received letters to be turned over to the Treasurers relative to their conferences.

There will be a total of five conferences with three hours allotted for each and if the presiding officers receive a fair response from the letters mailed out, those conferences should be the greatest and most education part of this convention.

## Resolutions Presented at Syracuse

Generally the resolutions committee is appointed at the Convention and with but a day and a half to consider all resolutions received, it is quite difficult to give the proper time and thought to these very important matters. Realizing the importance connected with the resolutions adopted at the District Conventions, Governor Hayes has appointed the Resolutions Committee sufficiently time in advance to carefully weigh and consider all matters presented. So if any club or individual member has such to present they should be forwarded as soon as possible to the following:

Roland Roberts, Chairman, Weed & Co. Rochester, N. Y.

Charles A. Miller, 29 E. Main street, Beacon, N. Y.

Past Gov. W. O. Lloyd, 45 Market street, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

H. W. Patterson, Furniture Index, Jamestown, N. Y.

A. L. Smith, 200 Glen street, Glens Falls N. Y.

## Honored Again

The District has again been highly honored by the appointment by President Amerman of Edwin E. Ellis, as Chairman of the Under-Privileged Child Committee, Dr. Sigmund Spaeth as Chairman of the Music Committee, and Dr. George J. Fisher, as Chairman of the Special Committee for Boys' Vocational and Guidance Training. All mighty important International Com-

mittees. Not only has the District been honored, but it feels honored to have men of the types of these three whose ability is such as to entitle them to such high and important appointments.

Thus if this District can maintain the remarkable record of so far this year and received such wonderful recognition as the elevation of one of our most able leaders Wm. C. Alexander, to the Vice Presidency of International, and the appointment of three of our members as Chairmen of International Committees, no one need have any worry or concern about the Empire State's contribution to Kiwanis International.

## Club Activities Exhibit

Secretaries will do well to remember the Exhibit which will be held in connection with the Convention. To Bob Maar we chalk up a large Gold Star, for he has already selected a fine collection of Pictures, bulletins, programs and many other interesting materials for display at this exhibition. Anything which you feel is of interest to another Kiwanian can be mailed to the District offices, but do not fail to send something. Let us have each and every club exhibiting some interesting material at this time.

## OUR 47TH CLUB, BROCKPORT

While it is with regret that material relating to this new club was received too late to include in its proper place, I do not wish to leave out appropriate mention of this our new and 47th club of the New York State District.

We congratulate the members of Brockport for becoming a part of Kiwanis International, congratulate them because we who have been affiliated with Kiwanis know what membership in this great organization means to the individual and to the community in which a club exists. We also congratulate the officers of this new club, and especially Harry Cleveland, its President and V. L. Timerson, the Secretary, for we know that these fellows will find Kiwanis a great organization filled with opportunities for service and a lasting pleasure thru its fellowship.

The report for the month of July states that this new club is already backing the Boy Scout work in their Community and that their attendance percentage was 84 per cent for the month. This is a mighty fine start.

Finally we congratulate ourselves and the Rochester Club for their efficient work in making it possible for this group of men to be a part of us and this District.



# What New York District Clubs Are Doing

## ALBANY

Albany Kiwanians are doing real work in Under-Privileged Boys' program, having sent 80 Boys to Camp Trinity at Lawson's Lake, Helderbergs, where they are enjoying a real summer vacation.

Have also renewed Roosevelt Club in which 50 Under-privileged Boys are being given physical and citizenship education under the direction of the club.

For Safety program, the club is cooperating with other clubs in a safety campaign with the entire city to be posted with signs warning motorists and pedestrians to be careful, these signs to be posted by the Kiwanis Club.

The club is also cooperating with city officials and other clubs in arranging for city flower show for children in September.

In agricultural work, Albany Kiwanians are also interested and active in promoting better relations between the Farmer and the City Man. The following news having been sent to the District office by Frank Sargent. Thanks Frank, this is the kind of news the Courier likes to receive.

Some time ago certain members signified their desire to sponsor a boy in the potato club by loaning the boy \$2.00 for the purchase of the seed potatoes. The potatoes were distributed to the boys, while members were notified of the boy who was assigned to them with his address. These Kiwanians make a personal visit to the boy's home during the summer and encourage him in his work as well as extending the boy a personal invitation to be present at Potato Day in the Fall.

It was suggested to the members that they write the boys first, asking the best way to get to his home and that the boy would be sure to be home when the member called.

Ninety-five boys are enrolled in this contest and the club and members are giving all the boys all the incentive and encouragement possible to do the best kind of work and to finish satisfactorily in the fall.

Albany Kiwanis Club was very instrumental in placing Albany County on an organized basis for boys and girls 4-H Club work, thru their interests in the potato work for the past two years.

## ALEXANDRIA BAY

Alexandria Bay Kiwanians are working hard on plans for attendance at the Syracuse

Convention with view to securing the 1927 Convention in Alexandria Bay. Attention is called to the page advertisement appearing in this issue, which was paid for by the Alexandria Bay Kiwanis Club.

## AMSTERDAM

July 13th was Kiwanis Day at the Children's Homes, when the children, 29 in number, with the matron and her assistants, were taken on an all-day motor trip to Lake Pleasant, and the camp of one of our Kiwanians at Oxbow Lake, which was the destination of the party. An abundant lunch was served to the entire party after which games of all sorts were played to amuse the children.

The club has also sent four under-privileged boys to a camp for one week.

## AUBURN

Auburn Kiwanians paid the expense of 21 under-privileged Boys in camp for two weeks, from June 26th to July 10th.

Forty-two members accepted an invitation of Geneva Kiwanis for a joint meeting on July 29th at the Rod and Gun Club on Seneca Lake. The Geneva fellows were excellent hosts and all attending reported a very enjoyable time! Lieut. Governor Danforth and Secretary Hyde were also present.

The meeting of July 6th at camp with Under-privileged Boys under the direction of the Club Committee on Under-privileged Boys.

Kiwanis, jointly with Rotary, entertained at lunch July 26th, members of the Chicago and Toronto baseball teams who played an exhibition game for the benefit of the Police Pension Fund.

## BALDWINSVILLE

The club contributed 50 per cent toward fitting up a public swimming place on Seneca River with a dock, spring-board, diving tower and dressing place. Editor's Note: Would that I were in that swimming pool instead of here writing this item while the thermometer registers 90.

## BATAVIA

Donated \$140 for ten boys, on a two-week's camping trip at Silver Lake.

Also sponsoring Fresh Air Children from N. Y. City. The club furnished transportation for Y. M. C. A. Boys going to and from Camp at the Lake.

## BEACON

The Holland Hotel being in process of alteration, we were unable to hold our weekly luncheon as usual in the hotel. We

were not to be outdone, however for Lieut. Gov. Grover Schatz, of Poughkeepsie, arranged for our luncheon on Friday at the Nelson House in Poughkeepsie. We had fifty Kiwanians present and it was a very successful meeting, thanks to Grover Schatz and the Poughkeepsie Club members.

I don't know whether Jim Hadden desired that I should publish the following or not, but it is so good, I am taking a chance: "Our club, you will observe, is not as active as it should be. All members pay their dues, but we need more active interest. Sink or swim, live or die, survive or perish, I give my heart and hand to the work of the Beacon Kiwanis Club." signed Jim Hadden.

Editor's Note:—I will say that when a club will go from Beacon to Poughkeepsie to hold its weekly meeting rather than just take the easiest course and skip the meeting, that they have the real spirit. Stick to it Beacon, you are coming fine.

## BINGHAMTON

In the Club agricultural work, members have been assigned Farm Boys who have entered the Poultry raising contest, and these members will make a personal visit to the Boys inspecting their chicken parks and get acquainted with the boys as well as encourage the boy in his work and have him make it a point to visit the member when in the city.

July 21st was Binghamton Kiwanis day in Scranton Kiwanis, when 55 members of this club motored to Scranton for an inter-club meeting. President Welden of Binghamton presided and the Binghamton Boys not only took along their Quartet but a large Orchestra. It was a wonderful meeting, after which a golf match was played off and Scranton awarded the Cup for a year at a dinner in the Country Club, this meeting was also a great success, in fact Scranton is now making plans for a return visit to Binghamton in September. Thus not only was this an Inter-Club meet, but an Inter-State and Inter-District.

## BROOKLYN

On July 20th, Brooklyn Kiwanis officially opened a playground in one of the poorer sections of Brooklyn, located at Eagle, Dupon and Provost streets, a large delegation was presented from the club and there was a flag raising, games and folk dances and refreshments for the children.

Brooklyn, as you will notice from the page advertisement by the Brooklyn Kiwanis Club, is also after the 1927 State Convention.

## BUFFALO

The morning of July 5th, was a memor-

able occasion for the Buffalo Kiwanis Club, when a goodly number of our members assembled at Niagara Square for the purpose of marching to the Liberty Pole to present a magnificent American Flag provided by Kiwanian John Osgood to the City of Buffalo.

The route of march was up Court Street to Main and thence to the Liberty Pole and our parade formation was one of which we can well be proud. The column was headed by Acting Chief Marnon, Captain Murray of the 13th Precinct and a splendid Police Escort, consisting of the Department's entire Rifle Squad. Next came a large detail from the Boy Scouts' Pipe and Drum Corps under the leadership of Scout Master Neuchal, followed by several troops of Boy Scouts in command of our Kiwanian Scout Masters Tony Hoen and Bill Huber. The marching Kiwanians were headed by President John Glenn, accompanied by John Osgood and the Mayor's Secretary John L. Kelly. The Flag was carried fully opened by the Club members. The Ceremony at the Liberty Pole was very impressive. Upon arrival the Scout Buglers sounded the Assembly call, and President Glenn made formal presentation of the Flag to the Mayor's representative, Mr. John L. Kelly, who accepted the same in behalf of the City with very appropriate remarks. Kiwanian John Calhisch attended to the raising of the Flag which folded into a compact ball, made its way aloft to the tune of martial airs played by the Boy Scouts' Pipe and Drum Corps. When the Flag had reached the top, our own Joe Sarbin threw his massive weight upon the lower halyard, which released the enclosing cords and the Flag unfolded beautifully and was gently caught by the breeze. Two verses of "America" were sung by the assemblage and Kiwanian Thurman Stoner delivered a most inspiring oration on the "History of the Flag." The ceremonies were closed with the firing of the National Salute by the Police Firing Squad.

## DELHI

No activities reported, a blank report.

## DUNKIRK-FREDONIA

A blank report received.

## EAST AURORA

Through the efforts of the Club's Agricultural Committee, fourteen East Aurora Boys attended the Agricultural Field Day at Ithaca.

The Club has placed several Picnic tables and benches in the public park.

## ELMIRA

Another blank report received.

## ENDICOTT

A very successful joint meeting was



of July 29th meeting, when slides and data from International Headquarters were exhibited showing the great and important work of International.

#### UTICA

The Club is considering the fostering of a public swimming pool.

#### WALTON

Club is cooperating with the local Fresh Air Committee, which is bringing New York City Children for an outing, under the auspices of the New York Tribune.

#### WARSAW

The club members cleaned up the grove at new site of Bliss Memorial Health Camp.

#### WATERTOWN

Tuesday evening July 27th the club entertained the Lowville Kiwanis Club at a very successful meeting.

Members of the club motored to Kong Point where the Kiwanis Camp for Underprivileged Boys is held, and enjoyed a fish dinner. The Dinner was prepared by the boys and camp officials. Prizes were given to the boys and speeches made by some members as well as some of the Boys. Sports of all kinds were enjoyed by all and a cruise was made in the evening. There are about thirty-five boys at the camp and all reported that they were having the time of their lives.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:**—It is interesting to note that in this issue but 6 clubs sent in reports for the month of July with no mention of any activities for their club. This is a decided improvement from last month's issue.

Quite naturally all District officers are interested in having each club reporting some form of activities for each month, and an effort is being made to this end.

It should be remembered that when no activities are reported for a club in the Courier, it is not that the District office eliminates this publicity of any club, but no publicity can be given a club, when it is not given to the district office.

We also know that all clubs are engaged in some form of activity, at least we feel this way, but it should be born in mind that unless some data is given in the monthly report, news cannot very well be published of the club. Therefore if your club is listed as "No activities reported," it is because the report is blank.

#### ANOTHER RECORD MONTH

This month brings to the District another record, in that all reports were received by the district office on time, and we take this means to express our thanks to all club secretaries, on the part of all

District Officers, for this great cooperation. We appreciate that during the summer months, it is somewhat harder to make out a good report and get it in the mail on time, and accordingly feel still more appreciative of the work of the Secretaries in this respect. Let us keep it up!

#### CLUB ATTENDANCE

Rate	Report	Received	Club	Average Membership	Per Cent Attendance
1	8-2		Alexandria Bay	43	81.3
2	7-29		Oneonta	78	76.5
3	7-30		Poughkeepsie	121	76.0
4	7-31		Kingston	47	74.8
5	7-30		Port Jervis	68	73.2
6	8-4		Niagara Falls	48	71.8
6	7-30		Endicott	43	71.8
7	7-30		East Aurora	79	70.8
8	8-2		Batavia	85	70.0
9	8-4		Troy	110	69.6
10	7-30		Lockport	71	66.2
11	8-3		Owego	43	64.0
12	8-2		Hudson	50	62.5
12	8-2		Geneva	38	62.5
13	8-4		Gloversville	39	61.0
14	8-3		Walton	56	60.9
15	8-2		Staten Island	85	60.7
16	8-2		Buffalo	280	59.0
17	7-30		Glens Falls	72	57.9
18	7-30		Rochester	128	54.8
19	8-3		Amsterdam	78	54.6
20	7-30		Lowville	39	54.0
21	7-31		Albany	165	52.8
22	8-3		Utica	217	52.1
23	8-3		The Tonawandas	43	52.0
24	8-4		Newburgh	66	50.0
24	8-3		Jamestown	120	50.0
25	8-4		Baldwinsville	37	48.9
26	8-3		Syracuse	216	47.0
27	8-6		Auburn	123	46.8
28	8-2		Jamaica	50	46.4
29	8-5		Binghamton	206	45.3
30	8-5		Delhi	52	45.5
31	8-5		Schenectady	104	44.0
32	8-5		Warsaw	74	43.0
33	8-5		Dunkirk-Fredonia	29	41.0
34	8-2		Middletown	74	39.5
35	7-28		Rome	56	39.0
36	8-4		Oswego	52	38.0
37	8-5		Beacon	43	35.3
38	8-5		Ridgewood	67	32.0
39	8-3		Elmira	119	31.1
40	8-2		Brooklyn	181	28.0
41	8-5		Watertown	102	26.7
42	8-3		Olean	156	24.0
43	8-4		New York City	331	17.6
DISTRICT AVERAGE				4,384	52.8

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## New York State District Kiwanis Clubs When and Where They Meet

Albany	Ten Eyck Hotel	Tuesday,	12:45
Alexandria Bay	Argonne Restaurant	Thursday,	12:15
Amsterdam	Y. M. C. A.	Thursday,	12:10
Auburn	Osborne House	Wednesday,	12:10
Baldwinsville	Seneca Hotel	Wednesday,	12:30
Batavia	Hotel Hamilton	Thursday,	12:15
Beacon	Holland Hotel	Wednesday,	12:15
Binghamton	Arlington Hotel	Thursday,	12:15
Brooklyn	Hotel St. George	Tuesday,	12:15
Buffalo	Hotel Statler	Wednesday,	12:15
Delhi	Odd Fellows Hall	Tuesday,	12:15
Dunkirk-Fredonia	Chamber of Commerce	Tuesday,	12:15
East Aurora	The Roycroft Inn	Thursday,	12:15
Elmira	Y. W. C. A.	Thursday,	12:05
Endicott	Hotel Frederick	Tuesday,	12:15
Geneva	Seneca Hotel	Tuesday,	12:15
Glens Falls	Queensbury Hotel	Wednesday,	12:15
Gloversville	Johnson Country Club	Wednesday,	12:15
Hudson	St. Charles Hotel	Tuesday,	12:15
Jamaica	Franklin Hotel	Monday,	12:15
Jamestown	Samuels Hotel	Thursday,	12:15
Kingston	Y. M. C. A.	Thursday,	12:05
Lockport	St. Peters Evan. Church	Thursday,	12:15
Lowville	Carl's Restaurant	Tuesday,	12:15
Middletown	Mitchell Inn	Wednesday,	12:15
Newburgh	Palatine Hotel	Thursday,	12:15
New York City	Hotel McAlpin	Wednesday,	12:30
Niagara Falls	Hotel Niagara	Thursday,	12:15
Olean	Y. M. C. A.	Thursday,	12:00
Oneonta	Oneonta Hotel	Wednesday,	12:14
Oswego	Hotel Pontiac	Thursday,	12:15
Owego	Ah-wa-ga Hotel	Wednesday,	12:15
Port Jervis	Hotel Minisink	Thursday,	12:15
Poughkeepsie	Nelson House	Tuesday,	12:15
Ridgewood	Claridge Restaurant, Brooklyn	Tuesday,	12:15
Rochester	Powers Hotel	Monday,	12:15
Rome	Stanwix Hall	Tuesday,	12:15
Schenectady	Van Curler Hotel	Wednesday,	12:15
Staten Island	Masonic Club	Thursday,	12:15
Syracuse	Hotel Syracuse	Tuesday,	12:15
The Tonawandas	Y. M. C. A.	Thursday,	12:15
Troy	Central Y. M. C. A.	Thursday,	12:15
Utica	Hotel Utica	Wednesday,	12:15
Walton	Walton Restaurant	Friday,	12:15
Warsaw	Watkins House	Tuesday,	12:10
Watertown	Woodruff Hotel	Tuesday,	12:15

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