

SAN MARINO ROTARY CLUB

President Dr. John Haigh's Year
1960-61

It all began in late May of 1960, when President elect, Doctor John and Margaret Haigh, arrived in Miami Beach, Florida to attend the Rotary International convention. Although our plane landed at midnight we had a very warm welcome. The temperature was 100 degrees and the humidity 99 per cent!

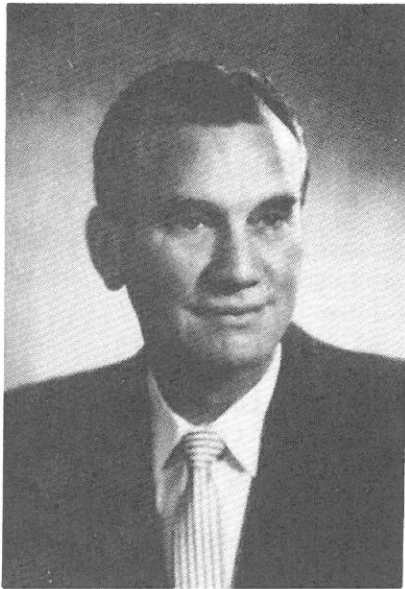
The theme of that Rotary year was "Building Bridges of Friendship." To refresh your memory, J. Edd McLaughlin of Ralls, Texas was International President, and John C. Dalton of Bellflower, California was District Governor of 530. San Marino officers were Dr. John S. Haigh, President; Dr. Monroe Loy, assistant to the president; David Fiscus, secretary; John McCarville, Treasurer; James Fischer, assistant to Treasurer; Tom Beal, Sargeant-at-Arms, and Bertrand R. Crist, Chaplain. San Marino Directors, Stanley D. Clark, Copland Johnston, Watson Partridge, Algernon Hodges, Herbert McCarthy and Ronald Witter.

Club Projects for the year included support of Rotary Foundation, American Field Service, Pony League, Red Cross Poster Contest, Easter sunrise service, stadium for the High School, and others. A new project under the leadership of Stan Turner, was "Magazines for Friendship". Tons of magazines were collected and shipped to other countries to depict the American Way Of Life, and better this country's international relations. San Marino attained 200% standing in the Rotary Foundation.

On the social side, club activities included: several Ladies' Days throughout the year. Dodger Night for the club, when we all went in style, by private bus. Halloween Fun Party at the home of Al and Betty Hodges. San Marino's Rotary Annual Putting Contest, sponsored by Dave Fiscus at San Gabriel Country Club. Club Assembly for District Governor John Dalton, at the home of John and Margaret Haigh, with Tom Beal in charge of a gastronomic adventure --- one of the highlights of our Rotary Year. Mid-year club assembly at San Gabriel Country Club. It was a fine day of fellowship, and a constructive one, too, in producing ideas for bettering our club.

GOVERNOR JOHN DALTON'S OFFICIAL CLUB VISIT

Arriving in unheralded splendor through the streets of San Marino aboard Al Hodges' Red Fire Engine, our District Governor, John C. Dalton received a cheering welcome to San Marino Rotary. In place of the usual introductory remarks, San Marino Rotary's own vocal group "Zions Crazy Mixed Up Idiots" comprised of John Clay, Hal Loynd, Birk Lefler and Tom Batson sang their version of Davy Crockett: "Johnny, Johnny, Dalton Governor of 530." The Governor seemed very impressed although he admitted the quartet would never make the Mormon Choir!



GOVERNOR JOHN DALTON THEME SONG

Johnny, Johnny Dalton, the governor of 5-3-0
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Born in a pushcart on the Mormon Trail
A renegade Dalton from a Kansas jail.
Came to California to make his stake.
And when he passed the bar he got his big break.
Johnny, Johnny Dalton, the governor of 5-3-0
Johnny, Johnny Dalton, the governor of 5-3-0
He began to settle down and raise a family.
And right away joined the Bellflower Rotary.
NOW HE IS OUR DISTRICT GUV.
Doing his best to give us all a shove.
Johnny, Johnny Dalton, the governor of 5-3-0
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Governor John issued four challenges to the club.

1. Have a 100% attendance to the District Conference at San Diego in March.
2. Support the Rotary Foundation for Scholarships for students overseas 200% --- this means \$20.00 for each member per year.
3. Work at being working Rotarians. We receive as a return only the effort we make at being busy Rotarians.
4. Make our experience in Rotary an Adventure in Service. Rotary is a place where men of different faiths, and nationalities, and backgrounds can find themselves in a purposeful service to their community and to the world. We are Rotary. Will we be good Rotarians?

Governor John's parting advice to us was that the world is now too small for anything but Fellowship, and it is too dangerous for anything but the Truth.

At the conclusion of the meeting, our club presented the Governor with two books from the Huntington Library to add to his collection.

Bill Howard was selected as our club's official representative at the R. I. Convention in Tokyo.

This year an attempt was made to get new pictures of all Rotarians for the Roster and Rotoscope. Past President Bill Howard served vension at one of the luncheons, William Skinner became the first of the new Rotarians to join the Wet Pants Group and Dr. Edd Norwood served the Howards and Haighs boiled steaks.

Finally in the impressive and exclusive setting of the San Gabriel Country Club, John Haigh, President of San Marino Rotary 1960-61, was demoted by the master spokesman and former San Marino Rotary President, Paul Cunningham. A brilliant evening for one hundred members and guests.