

SAN MARINO ROTARY CLUB

President Ed Brewster's Year
1962-63

The International President for 1962 - 1963 was Nitish C. Laharry from Calcutta, India. On February 19, 1963, there were 11,433 Rotary Clubs, and an estimated 533,500 Rotarians in 128 lands. New clubs since July 1, 1962, totaled 129.

Edwin G. Brockman, District Governor, 530, comes to us from the Paramount Rotary Club. With a background of community service, education and finance, District Governor, Ed has shown Rotary leadership.

Under the dynamic leadership of Ed Brewster, flanked by his devoted colleagues on the Board of Directors, and fortified by the committeemen, President Ed and the Club went forward to new heights during the fiscal year which ended June 30, 1963. The membership was at an all time high. Our membership of 88 was the statistical story as of April 1, 1963. This was an increase of 11 members since June 30, 1962. The new members were: Wm. J. Reese, Jerry Wolcott, Norb. Stevens, Dr. Noel Lawrence, H. Russel Smith, Ed Neuhoff, John Youngken, Grant Robinson, Wallace Weirick, and Malcolm Patten.

PRESIDENT ED

President Ed Brewster is a native of New York City. His parents moved to sunny California when he was five years old. Ed attended U.C.L.A. and is a graduate of the American Institute of Banking.

He began his career in banking as a messenger boy at age 14, while attending school. At the time of his presiding he was Vice President and Manager of the San Marino Branch, Security First National Bank, San Marino.

Because of his wide experience in Rotary, President Ed was asked to serve on the "District Nominating Committee for District 530 District Governor for 1963-64 Year."

August 13, 1963 President Ed; Past President, Dave Fiscus and present Secretary; Past District Governor and Past President of San Marino Rotary Club, Ed Norwood; Past President John Haigh; John Woodforde and Charles McCann attended a one day institute for District 530 at the Huntington Sheraton Hotel.

Stant Turner brought us Dr. George Benson, President of Claremont Men's College, Speaker for a joint meeting with the Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis, Lions, and Exchange Clubs. This was an excellent speech.

Mid Year Club Assembly was a huge success. It was held at the San Gabriel Country Club and was attended by more members than any previous such meeting in our memory. Good fellowship was entered into by all and there were many worthwhile accomplishments.

Ladies Night at the Huntington Sheraton Hotel brought out 168 attendance. There were many distinguished guests headed by Governor Ed Brockman, Governor's Representative Art Ferris, Governor Nominee Chet Baldwin, Past District Governor Carl Hoelscher; their Rotaryannes, and the following Club Presidents: James Bishop of Vernon, Jack Carrington of Pasadena, William Clevenger of East Pasadena, Paul Davey of Bell Gardens Commerce, Charles Hardy of Paramount, Guy Johnson of La Canada, Ray Molinari of Bell Maywood, Richard Narver of South Pasadena and all of their Rotaryannes. All of the guests (except two) were cordially welcomed and introduced by our genial, perennial and invaluable Secretary, Dave Fiscus. As Dave was putting on one of his best performances, one of the visitors commented that "although Dave resembled Nikita K. in appearance, Dave seemed to have a little more trouble with our language than Mr. K."

The Crocketeers consisting of Tom Batson, John McDonald, Bob Stevens, and Stan Clark sang a welcome to Governor Ed. Bob Stevens sang three numbers. The program fairly sparkled; it was a delightful evening!

A real Rotary high this year was a Fire-side meeting held at the home of Dr. John Wilson. The purpose of this meeting - to further educate members new to Rotary in all of the facets of this great organization.

