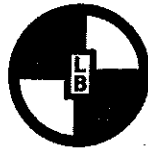


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It looks like the "generation gap" isn't so bad after all, as two of the Jaycee Chapter's - one in St. Charles, Missouri and the other in Arnold, Missouri - called upon me to tell them something of the by-gone days of my Jaycee career - and they both were so delighted that I recounted the days when I was a Jaycee, that they gave me a standing ovation. It made me feel that we can bridge the "generation gap" and that the Jaycees of today appreciate those who went before them.

I was flattered that the St. Louis Jaycee wives asked me, the second year, to be one of the judges of the, "Outstanding Young Women of the Year" and to be present at the presentation party. I hope many of you will be asked to serve the present day Jaycees in these events - it gives you a "lift" to be asked.

I was glad to see that William Lowe was elected President of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, because I served with him on the board of William Woods College at Fulton, Missouri - a fine girls school - and any of you who have grand daughters, we'd like to invite them to consider William Woods when they are of college age.

Speaking of those honored, George Pagonis sent me the page of the "Armed Forces Journal" praising the book depicting the life story of George Olmsted. I also received a page out of the magazine, "Government Executive" telling all about Harry Krusz.

Myron Heeger wrote me that "Bud" Phillips was elected President of the National Association of School Boards at their convention in San Francisco, and gave me Bud's new address - 1604 North 27th Street, Fort Dodge, Iowa 50501.

I note that John Thomas of Gadsden, Alabama was elected President of the Automobile Dealers Association of Alabama.

I'm sending out this "Log" on the stationery furnished by Ralph Peters, who is President of Berger Associates - and he even furnished the envelopes, too. Thanks, Ralph. Ralph wrote, "Tony Santeusano, also a Crew member and is Vice-President of our Company, and I are pleased to contribute the stationery. Tony and I are another example of young men meeting in Jaycees and working together in the professional world. Frankly, he is the greatest and I don't know what I'd do without him. If it hadn't been for the Jaycees we probably would not be working together to-day".

Speaking of Ralph, Paul Miller sent me an article that appeared in the Harrisburg newspapers - that Ralph was the first male to be elected President of the Girl's Club of Harrisburg. Paul says, "Ralph is a unique person - he is the most civic-minded man in Central Pennsylvania" and the article in the paper gives him quite a write-up of his many activities besides this one. The Club is a character-building group for girls in grades one through nine regardless of race color or creed. Congratulations Ralph and thanks Paul, for sending me the data.

Can any of you give me the new addresses of the following mates whose mail is returned - Phil Van Slyck, Arthur M. Blanche, Jr., R. R. Wertz and Bob Buck. We'd like to keep them getting the "Log".

As usual, we have nominations for the "Crew". Don Porter asks us to take into the Crew, John Lombard, 3159 Valerie Arms Drive, Dayton, Ohio 45405, who was very active in State and National activities in the late 40's and early 50's. Frank Brawner asks us to take Bill Critchlow, 7329 S. E. 35th, Portland, Oregon 97202, who was Executive Secretary Oregon State Jaycees, Bill Moore, 447 N. E. 47th, Portland, Oregon 97213 and Leonard Borsgren, 1319 S. W. Skyline Boulevard, Portland, Oregon 97221, both former Presidents of the Portland Jaycees.

Carl Hudson wrote to re-establish his mailing address as 2373- "O" Street, Lincoln, Nebraska 68510. He says he sees some of our mutual friends at Rotary - Bob Van Pelt, Elmer Magee, and Sid Anderson among them. Said that Van Pelt and Magee are retired but Sid is still "building business and friendships".

"Howdy" Reynolds writes that his wife Myrtle is now with him, after her seige of illines in California, and they have a new home at #202, 435 Walina, Waikiki, Honolulu, Hawaii 96815 but asks us to keep his mailing address at his office in the Merchandise Mart Building, 198 South Hotel Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813. He said he had a visitor, Kirk Bader, who seeing Howdy's Senatorship told him he was a United States Director from New York.

Speaking of JCI Senatorships, Ramsay Cruett and LeRoy Ober asked John White of our Crew to become a JCI Senator; then Harry Krubz signed up also, and I was delighted to sponsor both of these mates for this additional honor.

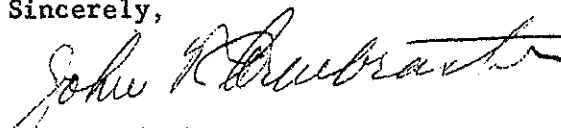
With the Jaycee movement now spread all over the world many of the "Crew" have had occasions to realize the meaning of the tenet in the Creed, "The brotherhood of man transcends the sovereignty of nations" by visiting Jaycees all over the world.

I had several occasions when friends of mine were taking round-the-world trips and having their itinerary, I wrote the Jaycee alumni in the countries where they would visit, and many friendships have been made. The friends to whom I arranged a meeting with these overseas "Elder Statesmen" all said what a great adventure it was for them to meet these former Jaycees in such remote places and what a great respect they have had for these men who gave them much information about their respective countries. These Americans appreciated the cultures and history of these countries and made them better world citizens. Truly the Jaycee movement is doing it's share as a unifying force in a divided world, and all of us "old-timers" can have a deep satisfaction that we, in our time, furthered the movement and recognized the far flung influence it would have on world understanding.

Reading the honors accorded our mates and remembering how many have dedicated their lives to helping others in so many ways, I feel that all of you have weaved a tapestry of life that was so eloquently expressed by Jean B. Grover, who wrote,

"As I stood looking at this tapestry of my life, I realized it was the first time I'd dared to look back in a long, long time. There was much in the past I had not wanted to see or remember, but now I was seeing the whole thing, past and present, in an objective way. I was seeing it now as a work of art - and what I saw was beautiful. It was far from perfect, my tapestry. There were many evidences of the weaver's mistakes and stumblings. But as I looked at the piece as a whole, the mistakes didn't seem so bad after all. They added a note of their own - a uniqueness, a sort of flavor and individuality. And I realized that there was not now or never would be a piece of tapestry just like it - not anywhere in the world, in fact not anywhere in the universe."

Sincerely,

  
John H. Armbruster  
Keeper of the Log

## BRIEF REPORT OF THE CREW REUNION

April 29-30, 1972

The Crew reunion at Washington was great and added another brilliant record to those yearly get-togethers that we put in our book of memories.

We owe so much to Jack Morton and his charming wife for the most delightful garden party they hosted at their beautiful home at 5021 Loughboro Road. Everyone attended - 107 of us - will remember the enjoyable evening which they hosted on Friday evening.

Saturday morning we gathered in the South American Room at the Statler to have a morning filled with inspiring talks. Jack introduced Pat Gorman (who needed no introduction as he had been our mainstay for years). Pat reminisced about all the years he has been in Washington and the many interesting events in which he had an important part. We enjoyed his sharing them with us.

Then Doug Hoge - who as co-chairman secured the speakers, introduced John Steinbower, Secretary-General of Junior Chamber International who after his own interesting story introduced JCI World President, Royce Pepin of Australia.

Royce told such a fascinating account of the world organization that made us all feel proud that in our time we had nurtured the Jaycee movement and now hearing about its glorious record.

Then Doug gave a grand introduction of Amelito Mutuc of the Phillippines. As we listened to Mutuc's life story most of us were so moved by it that tears came to our eyes. It was such a heart warming review of this great man's life from his lowly birth to the many honors he has received. We all hope he can repeat it to the present-day Jaycees to inspire them.

All three speakers were given standing ovations as the expression of how all of us appreciated their message.

We then adjourned to the Executive Club for luncheon - and a treat for us all to hear Wendell Ford, Governor of Kentucky who spoke on "What's Right with America", a speech full of tributes to our beloved country.

Then we returned to the South American Room to hear from Ron Au, U. S. National President who gave a glowing report on the progress of the National Organization and paying tribute to members of the Crew for the sound foundation which they provided in the years gone by to build upon.

Cal Johnson, former congressman, then inspired us with a speech that thrilled us with its candor and good old fashioned common sense.

Then the movies of the Brooklyn Convention taken by Bill Ibberson of Sheffield England which he sent to us to show, brought back memories of that convention in 1930 at which Ibberson, Kershaw and Stone (Sheffield Jaycees), attended.

Then two trays of slides which Jack Morton made from pictures sent to him showed us how we looked 10 - 15 - 20 - 25 years ago. It created a lot of laughs.

Roz Rosengren then spoke of those of his administration and "Hunk" Henderson of his - and each introduced those of their years who were present.

At 7 P.M. we all assembled at the University Club for an evening of conviviality. Over 100 came to enjoy it - the food was excellent - the music enticed all the younger element to dance to their hearts content and us "Senior Citizens" enjoyed watching them.

During intermission Jack called Ron Au to make the presentation of the 3rd Annual Brownfield Memorial award to General George Olmsted as this year's outstanding alumnus of the U. S. Jaycees. George was in Africa and he asked Harry Krusz to accept it for him and Harry made a grand acceptance speech. Two years ago President Nixon received the award and last year at our reunion Chief Justice Warren Burger received it so George is in distinguished company.

Everyone was then asked to introduce themselves and this brought out a lot of witticisms that kept us laughing.

It was a grand and glorious evening and only because we had to set our clocks ahead on account of daylight saving time did we leave to be on hand Sunday morning.

Sunday morning we assembled in the Senate Room at the hotel and had the memorial service for those mates who departed this life since last reunion.

Charlie Kothe was to be the lay minister to give us the Sunday morning devotional but he sent a telegram that he was tied up with labor negotiations and had to forego the assignment, but with all the talent we have in the Crew, three of our mates came to the rescue. Frank Stolfi gave a talk on how he and his group are combating the drug situation in his home town of Waterbury Connecticut; Henry Kearns gave a graphic story of the international scene as he views it from his position as head of the Export-Import Bank and especially of the fantastic experience during the 2500th anniversary of Persia (Iran), which the Shah gave some months ago; then Marvin Hurley gave what could be the benediction with his fine references to Biblical admonition that to have the brotherhood of man we must realize the Fatherhood of God.

Jack Morton, Doug Hoge, and Harry Krusz made the introductions of these speakers and all did a swell job.

Folks were reluctant to wind up these tremendously inspirational sessions of the Crew and lingered awhile before saying "Good-bye - see you next year".