

A. A. U. Prexy Willard Greim Depicts Denver As Leading Sport Center With Postwar Outlook For Amateur Athletics Brightest Ever

In a thirty minute address which traced the history of the Amateur Athletic Union and the Rocky Mountain Association, President Willard Greim told Kiwanians last Wednesday that army life and emphasis on competitive sports would result in unprecedented interest in athletics in the postwar era. Greim, in addition to being president of the A. A. U., is director of recreation for Denver and head of the public school athletic program.

Some forty organizations make up the A. A. U., Greim pointed out. The national organization has only two paid officials and is dependent upon the active cooperation of its member groups to carry out the work of the Union which includes not only local and national sport events—such as the basketball tournament now in progress in Denver—but also directs American participation in the Olympic Games. The Union represents the United States on some twenty odd international sports committees.

In recognition of the timeliness of the athletic meeting last week the head table was graced by such noted sports figures as Kiwanian "Cac" Hubbard, director of athletics at Denver University, Chester Nelson, sports editor of the Rocky Mountain News, Lou Wilke of the Phillips Company—sponsors of defending champions in the basketball tourney, J. Lyman Bingham of Denver who holds the title of Assistant to the President of the A. A. U., and Bob Russell, former president of the Rocky Mountain A. A. U. Not at the head table, but with Kiwanian Alston McCarty, was the internationally known Dr. Forrest C. "Phog" Allen, Kansas basketball coach whose crusade for clean sports recently led to the cleaning up of a bad situation in New York City.

Visiting Kiwanians at the meeting were: Dave Simpson of Cheyenne, Senator Harry D. MacDonald of Colorado Springs who had with him Senator Arthur H. Laws of Denver, Dr. C. N. Gunter of Pueblo, P. L. Corbin of Boulder (guest of Charley Draper). Service guests included Corporal Lynn F. Reynolds, nephew of Harry G. Goodheart, and Captain Darrel Brady, nationally known speaker who was in Denver to address the Knife and Fork Club—Capt. Brady was Art Naylor's guest.

Dr. Bob Starks, whose antics as Kiwanian of the Day reminded "old timers" of the days when Bob wielded a mean gavel each week, gave a sterling

performance — although Al Hardy swears Bob has slowed up since the "good old days". Fred Cox gave his usual inspiring invocation (ever notice how they seem to come straight from his heart?).

Committee For Clothing Drive Set

Following a special meeting of the Board of Directors, and conferences with city officials and representatives of Lions, Rotary, and church organizations last week, President Paul Rous announced the appointment of a special committee to direct Kiwanis activities in the United National Clothing Collection set for April 1-30.

After consultation with Fred Kirgis, coordinating chairman of the War Service Committees, Rous appointed George Brandenburg to head the Kiwanis group which includes Msgr. John Mulroy, Dick Warner, Roy Hinderman, George Engel, Paul Spencer, George Rock, and Jim Parriott. Information on the organization of the drive has been received from both Kiwanis International and the New York headquarters of the drive. The national goal has been set at 150,000,000 pounds of clothing which will be cleaned and sent to war-ravaged areas throughout the world.

In addition to the three national service clubs, church organizations, civic clubs, schools, relief agencies, and various refugee organizations have coordinated their efforts to make the collection a success.

Happy Birthdays:

March 25—Russell Levein
 March 27—J. M. Appleton
 March 28—E. O. Alston
 March 29—Clarence E. Taylor
 March 31—H. J. Bleakley