

Heart of America Chapter No. 36, N.A.W.C.C.

December Report, 1961

Hi, Clock Chapter Members!

'Tis three weeks before Christmas--the plans are all made
For a big Dinner Meeting to be held on this day.
The stockings are hung by the chimney with care,
The food looks delicious and delicately prepared.

Sunday,
December 10th

While visions of sugar-plums dance in our heads,
We'll carefully select from three kinds of bread,
And the foods we prefer, the kind we like most.
The Carousel Cafeteria this day is our host.

Carousel
Cafeteria

When out on the lawn there arises such a clatter;
Our friends have arrived, that's what is the matter.
There's parking aplenty--a big lot on the side.
Some take the Troost Bus; They like to ride!

The sun on the breast of the new-fallen snow,
(Poet's explanation--we hope it doesn't snow)
Gives a lustre of mid-day, it'll be 1:30 we know.
Some members will arrive early, going direct to the room,
Thus avoiding the congestion, getting exhibits in soon.

Time is:
1:30 p.m.

With a wonderful program, so lively and quick,
A noted horologist, and the "History of Tick".
Mr. Chester Venard, a wonderful lecturer,
Has prepared for us slides of color in texture.

Program

Now dash away, dash away, dash away all!
Come help us enjoy this wonderful ball.
A surprise Christmas Party is planned by the Auxiliary
With prizes galore, and a silent auction so merrily.

Silent
Auction

Fifty-eight thirty Troost, the address to note,
Easily reach everyway, except maybe by boat.
Follow 71 Truck Route; or go south to Fifty-eighth,
And turn east or west, you'll know the place!
(Troost is eleven blocks east of Main Street, and the
direction you turn at 58th St. depends on how far east
or west of Main St. you are.)

5830 Troost
Kansas City, Mo.

And then in a twinkle, we'll hear cheerful voices
The gay happy sounds of people and choices.
The Auxiliary has prepared an enormous box
To be filled with doorprizes, as well as old clocks.

Bring
Doorprizes

But enough about this; there's more to be said,
About a Chapter so active, a group so well-fed.
Our friends around Sedalia, are indeed very talented.
A workshop was held and many problems skirounded.

Mr. Blair has reported that by some queer chance,
He recently did purchase 75 clocks to enhance
His astounding collection of clocks of all kinds.
'Tis a wonderful thing; a most wonderful "find".

But not to be outdone, in Sedalia, Mr. Fox
Is proud possessor of 26 Calendar Clocks.
His fortune is assured, his fame will be great
If he but continues at this present rate.

Having spread all the news, the glad-tidings shouted,
The time has arrived--the troops are all mounted!
The stockings are filled! The toys all in place!
So let's take a rest, and end this mad race.

We hope that next Sunday we'll see all of you,
That you'll stop for a minute, to enjoy the view.
The clocks you will see, and the fun you will have,
Will be more we are sure than when you were a tad.

The resemblance, if any, to an old Christmas Story
Is purely intentional, and expressed very poorly.
But this is our wish, an expression so dear--
Have a wonderful Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

Good Friends:

Our December Dinner Meeting is only a short time away (December 10th). Hope all of you who can possibly attend will do so. We would certainly enjoy a good turnout. Your Officers have been bumping heads, hoping by proper planning to make the most of this Dinner Meeting.

As you probably remember, there was some confusion at the door of the Cafeteria at the last Dinner Meeting last April. We will try to avoid this sort of thing. When you arrive you will be directed to the Dining Room where we will all assemble and hang up our coats and hats as well as leave the clocks and watches for display on the tables which will be provided. This arrangement will eliminate standing around the front door. At the appointed time we will leave the room and proceed through the cafeteria line in a body.

Girls--we are sadly in need of some doorprizes; just any simple little thing will do, such as cookies or candy or some inexpensive little item. Please mark the packages, if for the men or the ladies. Now, if anyone should happen to have a dirty old Howard or a Wagon Spring around just cluttering up the place or getting in the way, these would be acceptable. Better still, any of those loveable type of old junkers can always be deposited at the local clock dump (3703 Woodland -- just ask for me).

We will have a nice "little" box ready to put the prizes in when you arrive (these prizes will be distributed four or five at each of the meetings throughout the year) so please overwhelm me with your generosity as we are too tight to take the money out of the treasury to buy these things. Maybe it would be a good idea if when a person wins a prize they would in turn bring a prize the following meeting. We will also have a Silent Auction so bring something for the table to auction off--wives are not acceptable.

Someone will be elected, selected, or appointed as Scribe for E.O.A. No. 36 during the December Meeting. The Scribe will hereafter write the articles that appear regarding our Chapter in the National Bulletins. Our Secretary has a huge assignment keeping up his Reports, correspondence, keeping records, etc. He is doing a commendable job so lets releave him of any additional responsibility. So come one and all in your best accepting or declining form.

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If because of inclement weather, some of you should decide to come by train, call me when you arrive and I will provide transportation. Now, finally, be there if you can possibly make it. We will miss you if you do not appear. Don't forget the doorprizes and something for the auction table. Also, bring something to display.

A late report tells me Mr. Tholen of Hays, Kansas, is making a speedy recovery after an eye operation. Our best wishes to a good member and friend.

Bill Bruer, President

The following note was supplied by our Auxiliary Chairman, Mrs. C. A. Wagner:

Will one and all bring a door prize! Please mark whether it is for a lady or a man on the outside of the package and either give it to Mrs. Carroll Thomas, who is in charge of Door Prizes, before the Meeting or else place in the box in the Dining Room marked "Doorprizes". Thankyou!

And now, all the Officers wish all the other Officers, and all the members, a very wonderful Holiday Season; and all the members wish all the Officers and all the other members the very same---only more of it.

Sincerely yours,

Clement C. Wagner, Secy.