



# KIWANIS IN ACTION

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This is the story of Kiwanians at work. It demonstrates conclusively how tremendous GROWTH IN SERVICE results when the men in each local club accept the opportunities to fully utilize their MANPOWER. Kiwanis In Action summarizes a cross section of the activities carried out in 4300 communities. There are eight areas of work and the following pages throw the spotlight especially on items of major emphasis. Each year th's annual report demonstrates a continuous broadening of the Kiwanis concept of service. To grow in service means to accept the challenge to an intelligent, aggressive, serviceable citizenship. The results are apparent. Kiwanis is truly a spirit that men have taken into the business world, into their professional lives and into their homes. Kiwanis In Action demonstrates that men in every walk of life are willing to give of themselves that mankind might live in closer harmony and feel the impact of brotherhood.

This, then, is the story of Kiwanis MANPOWER and its GROWTH IN SERVICE.

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## AGRICULTURE AND CONSERVATION

In 1956, the Committee's theme "Agriculture and Conservation — Necessary for Life" was exemplified by thousands of projects and activities carried out in Kiwanis communities. The second annual observance of Farm-City Week, occurring in November, saw nearly 2400 clubs highlighting the year in this activity. Kiwanis International and local clubs coordinated the efforts of hundreds of industries, businesses, and organizations to bring national recognition to this event, leading to a better understanding by both farm and city people of the problems that the other faces.

Activities by Kiwanis clubs in this field were varied and important to their local areas, as they have been since 1924 when the International Committee was formed. The following statistics and examples of activity give an indication of this fact.

### 1. ASSISTANCE BY LOCAL CLUBS TO FARMERS NEAR THEIR COMMUNITIES

- 51,438 workers secured for growing and harvesting crops
- 4,384 soil conservation and drainage projects sponsored
- 2,893,454 trees planted
- 4,025 crop and animal projects
- 2,257 safety activities

The Kiwanis Club of Medicine Hat, Alberta organized a course on dry land and irrigation farming for local farmers . . . . Kiwanians of the club in Coraopolis, Pennsylvania made arrangements for the location and secured a superintendent for the local farmer's market, now in its 22nd year . . . . In Rayville, Louisiana, the Kiwanis club arranged for 25 cattlemen to visit

the Northeast Louisiana Experiment Station to inspect work relative to winter-grazing and feeding steers for market . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Yuma, Arizona** assisted with arrangements for the County Fair, including the sale of live-stock by exhibitors . . . . In **Hawaii**, the Kiwanis Club of **Hilo** worked with the County Board of Supervisors on a Flood and Soil Erosion Program. As a result, the county appropriated \$5000 for this work . . . . Furthering the poultry industry in their locality was the goal of the **McAlester, Oklahoma** Kiwanis club when it organized a meeting of poultry-raisers and businessmen.

## 2. RURAL-URBAN COOPERATION

312,152 farmers entertained at joint meetings

3,882 local farm festivals

2,334 clubs spearheaded local Farm-City Week activities

The Kiwanis Club of **Carmi, Illinois** held the 29th annual Kiwanis Corn Day which included a parade and awards and prizes in many areas . . . . A local Water Shed Development Association was formed when the Kiwanis Club of **Waycross, Georgia** contacted farm leaders, planned and held a meeting for this purpose . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Georgetown, Delaware** arranged for all the members of the club and of other clubs in the division to attend an all-day tour and meeting at the University of Delaware Agriculture Sub-Station. The club presented an award to the field manager of the Sub-Station





for his outstanding work . . . . Twenty-five new Canadian citizens — Dutch farmers — were feted by the Kiwanis Club of **Fredericton, New Brunswick** at a banquet at the Experiment Farm, sponsored by the club . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Rio Grande, Albuquerque, New Mexico** sponsored an exhibit of wild-life photographs under the title "Friends of the Land." The exhibit appeared for one week in a prominent downtown display window.

### 3. WORK WITH RURAL YOUTH

4,156 4-H projects sponsored

4,114 activities developed for Future Farmers and Junior Farmers

30,160 other farm youth aided

The Kiwanis Club of **Kokomo, Indiana** paid expenses and supplied transportation for five 4-H delegates to attend the Kiwanis Junior Leadership Training Conference at DePauw University . . . In **New Plymouth, Idaho**, the Kiwanis club donated hogs to members of Future Farmers of America to continue their swine chain . . . . A year around program with rural youth is undertaken by the Kiwanis Club of **Winnipeg, Manitoba**. The program includes scholarships for two students in agriculture at the University and one scholarship in home economics; swine and calf clubs; seed potatoes for 4-H potato club; judging speaking and ground improvement contests and awarding prizes for them . . . . A beautification of home grounds 4-H contest was sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of **Athens, Tennessee** . . . . Two boys received 100 chicks from the Kiwanis Club of **Ruffin, North Carolina** to start a poultry chain . . . . In **Garland, Texas**, club members served as judges for FFA livestock and poultry shows.





## PUBLIC AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS

The Presidential Election Year saw well over half of all clubs in the United States participating in the Ballot Battalion program which was the major emphasis project of this committee for 1956. Kiwanis clubs were active in their non-partisan campaigns, not only for the general election in November, but also in the spring registration programs and primary elections held throughout the year. The Ballot Battalion had a three-phased goal: registration of all eligible voters, informing all voters on the candidates and issues, and a get-out-the-vote campaign for election days. In many localities, the Kiwanis club's efforts, along with other participating community groups, were responsible for significant increases in voter registration and voting.

Even with the interest in the Ballot Battalion program, the two committees on public and business affairs promoted many other outstanding projects which found their fruition in the activities of local clubs. Below are statistics related to these various activities and some examples of the successes achieved by local clubs.



## 1. COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

6,560 activities on behalf of better schools and teachers' salaries  
5,942 safety and courtesy campaigns conducted  
5,621 industrial surveys made  
4,656 new industries and businesses secured  
2,943 projects to improve labor-management relations  
3,628 activities leading toward economy in local or state government  
2,552 activities on employment of the physically handicapped

The Kiwanis Club of **Fort Lauderdale, Florida** sponsored the 13-week radio series entitled "America Sings" aimed at encouraging employment of physically handicapped persons by local business and industry . . . . In **Sanford, Maine**, a committee was responsible for bringing eight new industries into the community during 1956 . . . . Members of the Kiwanis Club of **Winfield, Kansas** assisted state and local police in conducting a three day Motor Vehicle Safety Check. The Kiwanis Club of **Hibbing, Minnesota** also had a local safety check . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Alameda, Idaho** is responsible for organizing a Chamber of Commerce in that city . . . . In **Nashville, Tennessee**, the Kiwanis club sponsored and supported a library at the Salvation Army Community Center . . . . An appreciation banquet for teachers in local schools was held by the Kiwanis Club of **Pierre, South Dakota** . . . . More than \$10,000 was raised by the Kiwanis Club of **Seaside, Oregon** for park improvements, including shelters, fencing, picnic tables and playground equipment. An estimated 80,000 people used this park during 1956 . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Kearns, Utah** drew up and circulated petitions for increased police protection in the town's unincorporated area. The petition was acted upon favorably by the sheriff and the county commissioners.

## 2. ACCEPTANCE OF CITIZENSHIP RESPONSIBILITY

60,554 members served on school and other local boards  
22,947 Kiwanians held public office  
223,232 members and other citizens engaged in get-out-the-vote drives  
3,162 activities for immigrants, new citizens, and displaced persons  
21,573 members active in Civil Defense  
5,075 projects related to International Good Will  
945 clubs sponsored youth panel forum projects, involving 277,014 young people





Members of the Kiwanis Club of **McCook, Nebraska** are active in the local unit of the Ground Observer Corps . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Saint Eustache Sur Le Lac, Quebec** carried out its fourth annual Blood Clinic, sponsored jointly with the Red Cross. All arrangements for the Clinic were handled by the club and 641 pints of blood were obtained . . . . Foreign students attending American universities had an opportunity to see life in typically American communities when the Kiwanis Club of **Cedar Rapids, Iowa**, sponsored a tour of the city and its industries for 42 such students. The Kiwanis Club of **Jackson, Michigan** arranged a two-day tour, including lodging and meals for 35 students from the University of Michigan . . . . The Kiwanis Clubs of **Greater Atlanta, Georgia** provided panel forum programs for high school students with the purpose of stimulating their thinking about the American way of life, and weighing and evaluating the problems of our day. This program was recognized with a Freedoms Foundation award . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Barrie, Ontario** sponsored and operated a TB Chest Survey for the entire community . . . . The annual Veteran's Hospital Carnival was held by the Kiwanis Club of **St .Cloud, Minnesota** . . . . Action by the Kiwanis Club of **North Little Rock** resulted in 31,000 residents of Pulaski County receiving their first and second inoculations of the Salk polio vaccine. This program was undertaken in cooperation with the Pulaski County Medical Society.

### 3. FINANCIAL INVESTMENT FOR A BETTER FUTURE

\$8,492,652 collected for Community Chests

7,103,858 raised for national campaigns

5,613,210 contributed and/or collected for local causes, including hospital facilities

6,134,523 worth of Savings Bonds sold

The Kiwanis Club of **Berlin Heights, Ohio** sponsored ads in the local newspapers, urging citizen approval of a bond levy for a new community high school . . . . Ninety per cent of the club membership in the **Stamford, Connecticut** club participated in the local United Fund Campaign . . . . In **Pascagoula, Mississippi**, Kiwanis club members signed the Freedom Scroll and contributed to the Crusade for Freedom operation of Radio Free Europe . . . . The Muscular Dystrophy Fund was supported by a fund-raising drive held in conjunction with a Telethon sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of **North Denver, Colorado**. Key Club and other youth organizations assisted in the house-to-house canvas . . . . Members of the Kiwanis Club of **Eureka, California** manned Salvation Army Kettles for its annual fund drive.

## SUPPORT OF CHURCHES IN THEIR SPIRITUAL AIMS



The major effort of the Committee on Support of Churches in Their Spiritual Aims was the first observance of "Work and Pray for Permanent Peace Week," held in April. Nearly 1800 clubs undertook local activities to support the objectives that man must be willing to work as hard for peace as he would struggle to maintain his freedom, and also to highlight all aspects of the individual's opportunity and responsibility for promoting and maintaining peace. This event received favorable recognition and comment by many of America's leading churchmen.

Celebrating 20 years as an International Committee, Support of Churches work continued to receive increasing emphasis in Kiwanis communities. The following indicates the scope of functions of the committee:

### 1. SERVICE BY INDIVIDUALS FOR CHURCHES

- 4,028 lay preachers secured
- 22,053 Kiwanians taught Sunday school classes
- 2,107 members assisted in week-day religious education

The Kiwanis Clubs of **Columbiana, Alabama** and **Rutland, Vermont** provided members to conduct church services in the absence or sickness of the regular ministers . . . . Members of the Kiwanis Club of **Doniphan, Missouri** assisted the local Ministerial Association with a church survey of three



churches. They also assisted in stimulating interest and acceptance in a community Christmas tree . . . . Older people of the community were transported to churches and other special events by the members of the Kiwanis Club of **Carbonear, Newfoundland** . . . . Every Sunday, members of the Kiwanis Club of **Largo, Florida** visit nearby Bay Pines Veterans Administration Hospital. There, they serve as "pushers" for wheel-chair patients attending chapel services.

## 2. PROJECTS TO INCREASE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF CHURCH ACTION

14,684 special meetings held  
15,765 "Go-to-Church" campaigns conducted  
75,839 newspaper ads, church calendars, and directories sponsored  
68,657 children sent to camps sponsored by religious groups  
\$119,228 raised and/or contributed to churches  
348,493 "Grace before Meals" cards distributed to public eating places

The Kiwanis Club of **Fairbanks, Alaska** provided the recorded spot announcements, "Power of Prayer," to the local radio station for use during "Work and Pray for Permanent Peace Week." The club also distributed, to restaurants in the Greater Fairbanks area, 1100 table tents containing prayers for use before meals . . . . A church in **Mulberry, Florida** has a new educational building because the Kiwanis club assisted in getting the building program underway . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Glendive, Montana** provides church directories for all hotel and motel rooms in the area . . . . In **Greenville, South Carolina**, the entire club membership attended the final service of a minister who was retiring . . . . A "pastors' appreciation day" was sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of **Shawnee, Oklahoma** . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Northwest Washington, D. C.** sponsored a "We-Do-Not-Work-on-Sunday" movement, including distribution of car stickers bearing that slogan . . . . A community-wide Easter Sunday Sunrise Service is sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of **Arlington, Texas**, at the college stadium.



## BOYS AND GIRLS WORK

Kiwanis work with youth is always a popular area of club activity. Local club action continued to expand under the 1956 International Committee Theme: "Boys and Girls—Citizens with the Greatest Potential—Today and Tomorrow."

This committee, in cooperation with the International Committee on Key Clubs undertook a major emphasis program on good citizenship, which included the youth rally idea. Youth rallies were held in several major centers, as well as in many smaller communities under this combined effort. At such rallies, young people joined in a pledge of good citizenship. Nearly 350,000 teen-age boys and girls were reached via this program.

### 1. ADULT LEADERSHIP AND GUIDANCE

- 1,014 Boy Scout Troops
- 484 Cub Packs
- 881 Girl Scout Troops
- 401 Camp Fire Girl units
- 428 Sea Scout Ships
- 228 Air Cadet groups



Thirty-three scouting groups — 19 Boy Scout Troops and 14 Girl Guides units — were given camping equipment by the Kiwanis Club of **Saint Lawrence, Montreal, Quebec** . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Massillon, Ohio** chartered a bus for a field trip for the Future Nurses Club . . . . A Boy Scout District First Aid Contest was sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of **Taos, New Mexico** . . . . In **Arlington, Massachusetts**, the Kiwanis club furnished buses to take members of the Arlington Boys Club to summer day camp . . . . Kiwanis members of the **Sky Harbor, Phoenix, Arizona** club supplied materials and labor to build a building at the Arizona Boys Ranch . . . . The Boy Scout troop sponsored by the **Malone, New York** Kiwanis club meets weekly with a Kiwanian on hand for guidance.

## 2. COOPERATION WITH LOCAL SCHOOLS

- 12,635 Safety Patrols sponsored
- 2,013 boys sent to Boys' State
- 1,008 girls sent to Girls' State
- 2,604 activities on behalf of bands, orchestras and choirs
- 8,804 students aided through scholarships and loan funds
- \$594,019 distributed through scholarships and loans
- 2,876 youth safety programs sponsored
- 8,896 citizenship training projects and/or awards made

The Kiwanis Club of **Vancouver, British Columbia** sponsored its second annual Speech Arts Festival with over 500 boys and girls participating. Teachers of elocution, dramatics and public speaking assisted in judging the entries . . . . The **Suffolk, Virginia** High School Band, made a trip to the Apple Blossom Festival in Winchester, through the efforts of the Suffolk Kiwanis club . . . . The Kiwanis club of **Sheffield, Alabama**, presented a citizenship award to a member of the senior class . . . . Junior Police Patrols at local schools are sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of **Shenandoah, Iowa** . . . . The Kiwanis Clubs of **Kamloops, British Columbia** and **Tonasket, Washington**, exchanged six students — three boys and three girls — for three days during US-Canada Good Will Week . . . . Lectures and films on narcotics were presented to local school assemblies by the Kiwanis Club of **Azusa, California**.

### 3. SUPERVISION OF RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES AND ATHLETICS

12,818 baseball and other teams sponsored

7,778 youth centers maintained and/or assisted

2,068 playgrounds provided

1,337,848 boys and girls used club recreational facilities

The annual amateur talent show, with 62 boys and girls participating, was held by the Kiwanis Club of **Republic, Washington** . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Palmyra, Missouri** sponsored and supervised a Little League and Pony League during the summer . . . . In **Baxley, Georgia**, the Kiwanis club sponsored the organization of an athletics and recreation club in all of the county schools . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Anawalt, West Virginia** gave a Halloween party for children in the community and presented them with treats and prizes for the best costumes . . . . Teen-Town Youth Center, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of **Fargo, North Dakota**, has an attendance of 600 boys and girls each week . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Hamburg, Iowa** sponsored its fourth annual "Post-Prom Party." . . . . In **Easton, Pennsylvania**, the Kiwanis club cooperates with the YMCA in providing day camp facilities for young people in the city.







## CIRCLE K CLUBS

1956, the second year of official operation of Circle K International, was one of growth and expansion. There are now 158 affiliated clubs located in 39 states, Canada, and Hawaii.

The Circle K Club is not just another social fraternity but a service organization similar to Kiwanis and other service clubs. It serves at the college level. It is a character-building group which offers service on the campus, to the school and to the community.

When a Circle K club is functioning at its best, the Kiwanis sponsoring committee attends Circle K club meetings and offers guidance and counsel to the club in all of its activities. Not to be overlooked is the unlimited opportunity for joint Kiwanis-Circle K service activities.

The Carthage, Illinois club has two Circle K members attend each Kiwanis meeting on a rotating basis.

The Get-Out-the-Vote campaign was a joint Kiwanis-Circle K project at East Lansing, Michigan.

A joint fund-raising project at Hub City, Lubbock, Texas enabled the Circle K club to share in the profits.

Under the motto, "We Build," Circle K clubs perform a variety of service programs on the campus and in the community. Special emphasis programs for the year included a "Toys for Tots" campaign and the summer work exchange program. This is a project to develop greater international understanding through an exchange of students: French students living and working in a Kiwanis community during the summer and American and/or Canadian students going to France.

A free tutoring service is provided by Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

Palomar College, San Marcos, California, has a campus beautification project.

Periodically movies are shown to the youngsters of a "Home for Incurable Children" by Ryerson Institute, Toronto, Ontario.

Little Rock Junior College, Little Rock, Arkansas has placed park benches on their college campus.

A nickelodeon, a gift of the club at Buena Vista College, Storm Lake, Iowa, provides music for the new campus coffee shop.

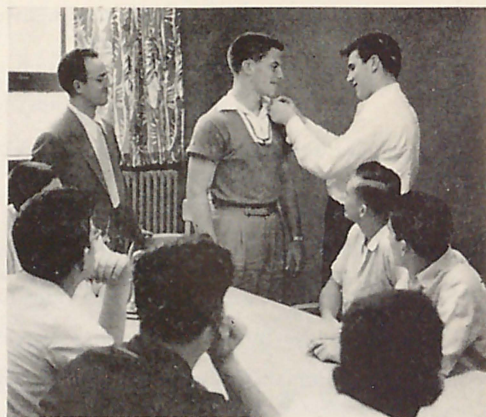
An "American Bookshelf" has been sent overseas through a purchase made by Potomac State College, Keyser, West Virginia.

The children of the campus nursery were entertained by an Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida.

Waterloo College, Waterloo, Ontario operates a housing bureau for the college to care for the 175 students who must live in boarding and rooming houses.

Assistance to the Salvation Army Disaster Relief program and the Cerebral Palsy Fund-raising Telethon were community service projects of Northeast Louisiana State College, Monroe, Louisiana.





## KEY CLUBS

Key Club — a Kiwanis club activity — received national recognition from Freedoms Foundations, Crusade For Freedom, Yale University, Coronet Magazine and many other organizations and individuals during 1956. This outstanding youth program started as a local Kiwanis activity in Sacramento, California in 1925. Key Club International is now composed of 1518 clubs with 35,437 members.

These high school service clubs, counseled by their sponsoring Kiwanis clubs and with the approval of the high school administration, are serving the student body and teen-age communities throughout the United States, Canada, Alaska, and Hawaii. In the 31 years of their existence the Kiwanis-sponsored Key Club has become a vital force in the community service program of Kiwanis International.

5,153 meetings with school administrators arranged for and held  
22,098 Kiwanians attended Key Club meetings  
5,153 Kiwanians went to Key Club conventions

The Key Club program continues to give its sponsoring club opportunities for service in a three-fold capacity. The Kiwanians can serve the youth community through counsel and help for their Key Club — they can work with the Key Club boys to bring their own and the Key Club's community services to the teen-age population—and they can furnish any Key Club boy with the opportunity of carrying out services of his own for the school and community. Typical examples from the 21,463 reported Kiwanis-Key Club service activities are given below:

### **1. Kiwanis Serves Youth Through the Key Club**

When the **Anacortes, Washington** Kiwanis club held a Heart Fund Drive in their community they enabled their Key Club to participate in the program by providing a lot where the Key Clubbers could hold a car wash to raise funds.

By allowing Key Club members to do odd jobs such as cutting lawns, putting up storm windows, cleaning store fronts and attics, the Kiwanis Club of **Great Neck, New York** makes it possible for the boys to raise money for their scholarship fund.

### **2. Kiwanis and Key Clubs Serve the Community**

The **Sumter, South Carolina** Kiwanis club, along with the Key Club of Edmonds High School, acquired and furnished a much needed Student Body Recreation Lounge where the students can spend their spare time to plan extracurricular activities.

Key Clubbers and their Kiwanis sponsors in **Duncan, Oklahoma** joined in a safety program for their community, combining their resources for trophies which they awarded to student "Driver of the Week" winners.

Garfield County Key Clubbers, **Glenwood Springs, Colorado** have a gum-ball machine business which they run in partnership with the Kiwanis club—using their share of the profits to finance school service work.

### **3. Key Clubs, with Kiwanis Counsel, Serve the Teen-Age Community**

Key Clubbers of **Pomona City, California** sponsored a fund-raising drive and organized a local committee of Kiwanians, faculty advisors and townspeople in a community-wide program to bring a foreign exchange student to their school.





The Key Club of Kenner Collegiate School in **Peterborough, Ontario** distributed thousands of pamphlets and covered over 900 homes in a house-to-house campaign to get people out for a tuberculosis chest X-ray.

Missoula, **Montana** Key Clubbers paid traveling, check-up and miscellaneous expenses for a young girl's trip to an out-of-town hospital where she received a much needed and hoped for operation.

In cooperation with the school authorities and city health department, the Key Club of **Boca Ciega, Florida** arranged to have all students in their school receive three free anti-polio inoculations.

## UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILD

To be interested in and concerned about the less fortunate, is a part of the spirit of the Canadian and American way of life. It is therefore natural that Kiwanis from the beginning has served the underprivileged child. In 1956, the theme of the International Committee was "The Underprivileged Child — A Challenge to Kiwanis Service."

The committee continued Kids' Day as its major emphasis project. The 8th annual observance of this program in 1956 saw more than 2000 clubs participating in activities which involved 1,399,460 kids and raised over \$1,000,000 for local club work. The US Air Force, for the third successive year, invited Kiwanis clubs to plan Kids' Day activities at local Air Force Bases. Over 500,000 children were entertained at these "Open Houses."

The scope and effectiveness of Kiwanis club activities in this area of service can best be seen by the statistics and activity examples that follow.





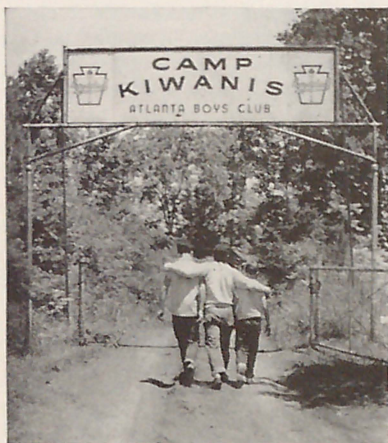
## 1. PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY HANDICAPPED

166,416 Children treated in dental and other club-sponsored clinics  
329,692 lunches and 450,862 quarts of milk provided  
50,672 children aided in their hearing problems  
27,388 children given corrective eye treatment  
10,068 cerebral palsy cases assisted  
7,342 orthopedic cases aided  
140,028 mentally retarded children assisted

The Kiwanis Club of **Warwick, Rhode Island** supplied more than \$1000 to pay for operations and daily medical expenses for a seven-month-old baby of a family that did not have the necessary funds . . . . Hearing and speech treatment centers are sponsored and supported by the Kiwanis Club of **Eugene, Oregon** . . . . The school for retarded children in **Mount Airy, Maryland** received toys and a radio from the local Kiwanis club . . . . During the centennial celebration, the Kiwanis Club of **Fremont, Nebraska** presented awards to local businesses employing handicapped people . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Harriman, Tennessee** ordered and sold home-style fire extinguishers to provide funds for the purchase of shoes for underprivileged children . . . . Scout troops for blind boys and girls are sponsored and guided by members of the **Garfield Park, Chicago, Illinois** Kiwanis club . . . . The **Omaha Opportunity Center**, a private school for mentally retarded children, received much needed equipment from the Kiwanis Club of **Dundee, Omaha, Nebraska**.

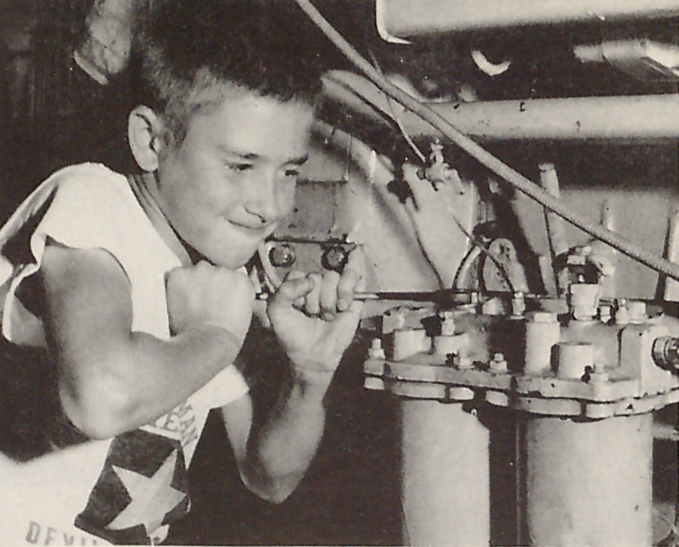
## 2. SOCIALLY HANDICAPPED

1,392 Boys Clubs and Girls Clubs sponsored or aided  
20,267 children assisted through day nurseries  
69,656 children sent to camps  
21,206 surveys of family conditions resulted in 51,762 people being assisted  
95,401 children given clothing or other help needed to keep them in school  
1,976 projects on delinquency brought aid to 10,762 delinquents



The annual minstrel show of the Kiwanis Club of **Wilmington, North Carolina**, provides proceeds for the Brigade Boys Club . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Dardanelle, Arkansas** established a "clothes bank" by gathering, sorting, mending, and storing used clothing for children and adults in need . . . . Underprivileged children from New York City spent two weeks in **Darien, Connecticut** under the auspices of the Darien Kiwanis club. These children were recommended through the New York Herald Tribune's Fresh Air Fund . . . . Members of the **Vancouver, Washington** Kiwanis club serve as "big brothers" in guiding and counseling teen-age youths . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Lyndhurst, New Jersey** entertained orphans at an Easter Bunny Party . . . . Manpower and money for improvement of the Nassau Fresh Air Camp for Underprivileged Children was provided by the Kiwanis Club of **Nassau, New Hampshire**.





## VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE

In 1956, "Education for What?" was the provocative theme for the International Committee for this phase of Kiwanis Youth Service. The committee recognized one of the most important problems of our day in its choice of a major emphasis program for the year. Selected was "Teacher Recruitment — A Must for Local Action."

One highlight of the Teacher Recruitment Program was the "Introduction to Teaching" clinic. A "pilot" clinic, sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Valparaiso, Indiana, with the cooperation of all other clubs in the First Division, drew 300 high school juniors and seniors interested in becoming teachers. From that beginning clinics were held in all parts of the country under Kiwanis auspices.

## 1. HELPING YOUTH TO HELP THEMSELVES

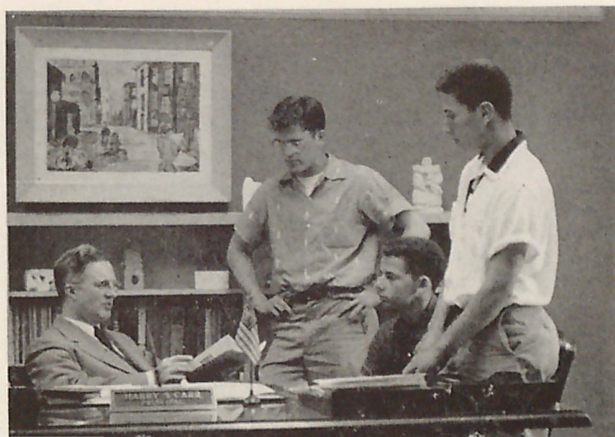
28,272 Kiwanians engaged in vocational counseling

12,467 veterans advised

35,068 boys and girls aided through work-experience programs

26,967 young people placed in summer jobs

The Kiwanis Club of **Boca Ciega, Saint Petersburg, Florida** has a program of placing high school seniors with local business and professional people in a project known as "Day-On-The-Job." In this way, students get a better idea of the day-to-day problems of various types of work, so as to better equip them for making the selection of a permanent vocation . . . . A \$400 scholarship was awarded to a local high school boy by the Kiwanis Club of **Dover, New Jersey**. The club also assisted three other students in getting scholarships to colleges of their choice . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Richmond County, Staten Island, New York** has prepared a brochure "Your Choice for Military Service Other Than the Draft." . . . A youth employment program has been set up by the Kiwanis Club of **Newton, Kansas** . . . . A Science Fair is sponsored annually by the Kiwanis Club of **Worcester, Massachusetts**. Entered in the fair are the exhibits prepared by high school students from a wide area. Winners selected are sent to the National Science Fair in Oklahoma City.





## 2. COOPERATING WITH SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE NEEDED GUIDANCE SERVICES

4,840 Career Days held  
515,570 boys and girls participated in guidance programs  
70,081 vocational aids furnished (booklets, films, books and tours)  
24,768 students reached by "Introduction to Teaching" Clinics

The Kiwanis Club of **Burlington Junction, Missouri** sponsors a Farm Career Day during which three successful farmers appear before the Agriculture Class for a seminar and discussion . . . . A high school student preparing for a teaching career is awarded an annual scholarship by the Kiwanis Club of **Laramie, Wyoming** . . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Berea, Kentucky** sponsors a Career Week for high school students . . . . In **Paragould, Arkansas**, the Kiwanis club conducted an industrial tour in cooperation with General Electric plant for high school students . . . . Three teachers were secured for the local school system by the Kiwanis Club of **Stockbridge, Massachusetts**, while in **Scotia, New York**, the Kiwanis club prepared and distributed a booklet entitled, "An Invitation To Teach in Scotia." . . . The Kiwanis Club of **Louisville, Kentucky** prepared and delivered 500 "Welcome Packets" to city, county, and parochial school systems to be given to new teachers in those systems. The packet contained a welcoming letter from the Kiwanis club as well as all types of information about Louisville.



**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

Farmers entertained at Kiwanis-farmer meetings 312,152  
Workers secured for cultivating and harvesting crops 51,438  
Farm projects (soil conservation, drainage, animal, crop) sponsored 8,409  
Trees planted 2,893,454  
Kiwanians serving on local boards, such as schools, hospital, etc. 60,554  
Activities on behalf of better schools, teachers' salaries, etc. 6,560  
Physically handicapped persons employed 3,985  
"Go-To-Church" campaigns conducted 15,765  
Kiwanians teaching Sunday School classes 24,160  
"Grace Before Meals Cards" supplied to Hotels and Restaurants 348,493

**NATIONAL SERVICE**

Safety, courtesy, farm safety and safety patrol campaigns conducted 20,834  
Kiwanians holding public office 22,947  
Funds raised for campaigns such as Community Chest, Heart, Cancer and Infantile Paralysis, etc. \$20,021,282  
Activities for immigrants, new citizens, displaced persons 3,162  
Labor-management relations activities 2,943  
Government savings bonds sold \$6,134,523  
Projects related to International Goodwill 5,075  
Kiwanians engaged in "Get-Out-The-Vote", Civil Defense and other Citizenship Service activities 244,805

**YOUTH SERVICE**

Boys and girls visited Kiwanis sponsored recreational facilities 1,337,848  
Young people provided religious education in day camps, etc. 68,657  
Children provided entertainment on Kids' Day 1,399,460  
Funds raised on Kid's Day \$1,047,500  
Lunches and bottles of milk provided needy children 880,554  
Baseball and other athletic teams sponsored 12,818  
Youth Groups — Boys' and Girls' Clubs, Boy Scout, Girl Scout, Cub Scout, Sea Scout, Air Cadet, Camp Fire Girl Troops, 4-H, Future Farmers of America, Junior Farmers — sponsored 15,795  
Boys and girls provided vocational counseling 515,570  
Young people examined and treated in clinics, helped through sight saving and conservation of hearing activities, and aided in projects for mentally retarded 403,015  
Vocational aids — guidance libraries, films, tours — furnished 70,081  
Cerebral palsy and orthopedic cases aided 17,410  
Scholarships, scholastic loans, awards given and education assistance 33,383  
Funds distributed through scholarships and loans \$594,019

