

ment project last year. Benefits from the renovated park go to visitors and townspeople alike; proceeds from the well go to aid elderly folks according to the wishes of a deceased local woman who bequeathed funds to build the well.

AID FOR ADDICTS

A new venture aimed at solving drug-addiction problems is under way in Hong Kong, Hong Kong, and the Rotary Club of Kowloon West had a hand in starting it. At a meeting early this year the Club handed over to the Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society a deed to premises where the Society will establish a center to treat drug addicts who, having withdrawn from drugs in prison, have resumed the habit after release. Club President Jimmy S. F. Tse introduced the Reverend Robin Howard, vice-chairman of the Society, which has aided nearly

month. Their names, celebration dates, and guest speakers are: Tulsa, Okla., May 3, Rotary International President Charles W. Pettengill; Highland Park, Mich., May 5, President Pettengill; Wheeling, W. Va., May 5, Past Director of Rotary International Claude W. Woodward; Utica, N. Y., May 7, President Pettengill; Auburn, N. Y., May 11, Past General Secretary of Rotary International Philip C. Lovejoy; Pottsville, Pa., May 12, Past Director of Rotary International Harold C. ("Sam") Kes-singer.

VETERANS ALL

On Veterans Day, 1964, the city of Newtown, Pa., gained a few newly disabled veterans, but not the military kind the Day is meant to honor. These were battle-scarred survivors of a Rotary Club tree-planting project. Every Rotarian knows of Founder Paul P. Harris' travels around the world and of the many trees he planted as lasting symbols of friendship. Many Clubs now emulate his work in their own towns. Last November 11, for example, Rotarians of Newtown held the latest in a series of tree plantings—this one at Pickering Manor, a community-operated home for elderly folks. When the project ended, one member of the 17-man planting squad carried an arm in a sling, another sported a bandaged head, and still another walked on crutches, all victims of the one-day arboreal assault. The 25 trees and shrubs, by the way, are doing nicely.

HAPPY DAYS

A recreation program for retarded youngsters? The city of Aiken, S. C., had no money set aside for such an activity when the County Association for Mentally Retarded Children suggested the project. But the town's recreation department felt that such a program might be possible with the help of volunteer instructors and sent out a call for help. Among those answering was the local Rotary Club, which offered to operate an arts-and-crafts program and to provide materials and instructors. Other volunteers supervised games and drama sessions and provided swimming lessons. The project, christened Happy Days Day Camp, provided good times and new things to learn for 16 youngsters during its first season.

WELCOME TO 30 NEW CLUBS

Since last month's listing of new Clubs in this department, Rotary has entered 30 more communities in many parts of the world. Bimonthly lists sent to your Club Secretary include the names and addresses of the President and Secretary of each new Club listed below. The new Clubs (with their sponsors in parentheses) are ARGENTINA: Cruz Alta (San José de la Esquina); La Paz (Rivadavia). AUSTRALIA: Merbein (Mildura). BELGIUM: Dendermonde (Alost-Aalst, Boom-Rupel). BRAZIL: Aguai (São João da Boa Vista); Nova Veneza (Crescuma); Santa Rosa de Viterbo (Cajuú). ENGLAND: Appleby; Babbacombe & Saint Marychurch. FINLAND: Vantaa-Vanda (Pohjois-Helsinki-Norra Helsingfors). GERMANY: Wiesbaden-Kochbrunnen (Wiesbaden). INDIA: Hathras (Agra); Udhna (Surat). ITALY: San Casciano-Chianti (Florence). JAPAN: Fujinomiya (Yoshiwara); Kamishiho (Obihiro); Kojima (Okayama); Tsukidate (Sendai North). NORWAY: Brevik



100,000 former prisoners during its eight-year life. The Reverend Mr. Howard explained that at present relapsed addicts must either await admittance to crowded existing facilities or return to prison. With the new center, he said, "We will try a new approach. Relapsed men will be looked after for about a fortnight under a doctor's care." During their stay in the center the men will receive help in withdrawing from the drugs and counselling by skilled caseworkers. When they leave, they will be offered bunks in the Society's hostels and help with jobs and personal problems.

FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE

Seven Rotary Clubs in Canada and the U.S.A. have reported plans to hold 50th-anniversary celebrations this