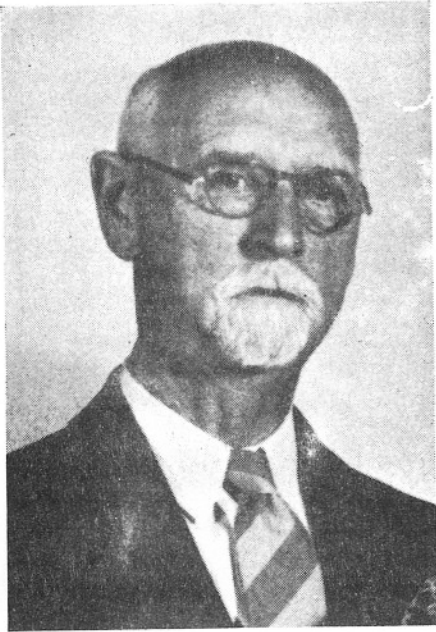


"FUZZ" MERRILL DAY

KIWANIS CLUB OF REDLANDS

January 14, 1959



Howland Cyrus "Fuzz" Merrill was born Jan. 16, 1868 in Champion, New York. He graduated from Colgate University in 1890 and received his M.A. degree four years later. After being Professor of History at Ottawa University, Ottawa, Kansas, from 1893 to 1896 he attended the Rochester Divinity School, graduating in 1898. He served the Aften, New York, Baptist Church as pastor, 1898-1902, and the Oneida, New York, Baptist Church, 1902-1904.

Leaving full time pastoral work, he was successively Professor of History at Shurtleff College, Alton, Illinois, 1904-1908; Franklin College, Franklin, Indiana, 1908-1920; University of Redlands, 1920-1938. Since the last date he has been making himself very useful in Kiwanis, in the community and in neighboring churches.

"Fuzz" has been a Kiwanian during the life of the Redlands Club, joining when it received its Charter in 1922. He was a District Trustee in 1924, President of the Redlands Club in 1926, Lieutenant Governor of the 6th District in 1937 and, since 1947, has served as Secretary of the Redlands Club. It was during a visit to the Las Vegas Club, as their Lieutenant Governor, that he was christened "Fuzz", a nickname so familiar to Kiwanians everywhere, because of his attendance at so many conventions and meetings of Kiwanians - International, District, and Division.

In May, 1950, a Division Six Meeting was held at the old Casa Loma Hotel to honor "Fuzz" upon the completion of thirty years in Kiwanis. At this meeting a scroll was presented to him, captioned "A Tribute To H.C. Merrill". Today, after being in Kiwanis more than thirty-six years, we are again meeting to honor him and the same tribute is still applicable, with merely the date changed.

A TRIBUTE TO H.C. MERRILL

Whereas, H.C. Merrill is a charter member of the Redlands Kiwanis Club, and has served as its President, Secretary and Member of the Board of Directors, and has brought honor and distinction to it as an effective and beloved Lt. Gov. of Division 6, and

Whereas, for more than 60 years, as educator and minister, he has guided the thinking and strengthened the ideals of many people in all walks of life, and

Whereas, in his devotion to the concepts of the American Way of Life, exemplified by his dignity of manner, his calmness of judgment, his friendliness, his firm hand and twinkling eye, he has in this community of Redlands and wherever else he has been known, exerted a lasting influence for good that has made him beloved of all.

Now therefore the Kiwanis Club of Redlands is meeting on this 14th day of January, 1959 - two days before his 91st birthday - to congratulate him on his long and useful life and to wish him health and happiness during the years ahead. The Club also wishes to pay tribute and manifest appreciation for all that he has meant to Kiwanis and to our Community.

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