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NEW OFFICERS

Henry E. North, civic leader and vice-president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, was elected president of Guide Gods for the Blind, Inc., at its annual meeting held on June 5, at the Women's City Club. He succeeded Mrs. Walter S. Heller, who was praised for her "untiring service to Guide Dogs in building it into an organization that now serves the blind in all western states". Mrs. Heller was elected to the vice-presidency, as were Mrs. Maurice Gale of Belvedere and Clarence J. Pffaffenberger. Reelected to their offices were Mrs. Nion Tucker, honorary president, Mrs. Sidney P. Kahn, secretary, and John N. Rosekrans, treasurer.

Newly elected to the Board of Directors were Mrs. Elliott McAllister and Ferdinand Stent of San Francisco, Mrs. Dewey Donnell, of Sonoma. Reelected to the Board were Charles DeYoung Elkus, Jr., Milton Esberg, Jr., Francis V. Keesling, Jr., James F. McFarland and Mrs. James Ransohoff, of San Francisco; Mrs. John B. Knox of Piedmont, Mrs. Edwin W. Hartzell of Glen Ellen.

New members were also elected to the Advisory Board, which now numbers 81, representing 16 county committees in California, and state committees in Nevada, Oregon and Washington.

Dr. Frederick W. Rhinelander, of San Rafael, was added to the Medical Advisory Board.

SOMETHING TO SELL?

"The Handicrafters", a non-profit project supported by the AWVS, is an attractive shop at 1219 Polk Street, where merchandise made by the handicapped is sold.

Graduates of Guide Dogs for the Blind, Inc., are especially favored for they are the only ones whose products are accepted from outside California.

Merchandise is taken on consignment, and sold at a price agreeable to the seller and the AWVS Consignment Committee, with about 20 per cent added to cover the shop's operating expenses. Acceptable are ceramics, crocheting, knitting, leathercraft, metal work, needlework, painting, weaving, wood-carving.

A FINAL EXAMINATION ON MARKET STREET



EDWIN COOK, retired naval officer of Escondido, California, met his traffic test with guide dog, Sally, in San Francisco with flying colors. Larry Rees, just behind, trainer in charge of Class #35, kept a watchful eye.

Mr. Cook saw 27 years of service in the Navy—13 as an aviator, chiefly in the tropics, and afterwards as supply officer and engineer. He was aboard the USS Pennsylvania at Pearl Harbor when the Japanese struck. In 1946 he was retired from active service due to blindness, after 10 years of gradually failing eyesight.

While home getting reacquainted with his family, Mr. Cook decided to prepare himself for another occupation, and is now studying business administration and law at Palomar Junior College in San Marcos. He is counting on Sally to see him safely over the mile and a half of open road he has to traverse each day to and from the busline.

While at the Training School, Mr. Cook was interviewed by Jane Todd on KCBS and by Marcia Keate on KRON-TV, on both programs describing the four weeks of intensive training given at the school and telling why he feels that a guide dog is his way to independence and freedom. While his wife and six

children (the oldest son, 18, is in the Navy) are always ready to assist him, Mr. Cook can see no reason for taking the time of a person for a job which can be done so expertly by a dog.

HAMEIN GRADUATE READ HER OWN POEM AT FASHION SHOW BENEFIT FOR GUIDE DOGS

THY VOICE

I love thy voice.

It is the world to me,

The world I'll never see.

The tossing tulips—a rainbow on the hill, The organdy clouds parading across the . sky,

The dew-crowned grass—part of a great patchwork,

The flirting stars and the bashful moon.

Oh, speak!

And bring the world to me,

The world I'll never see.

Martha Nell Tucker.