

## *Last Thursday*

The program was devoted to living examples of Rotary Camp and what can be accomplished by Rotary support. **Lee Reeder** presided in excellent fashion and introduced the following for short addresses, not listed in the order of their importance (they were all important, and they were all good).

Grant Schmidt spoke of camp safety patrol activities at Rotary Camp. The boys are taught, and they in turn teach others at public schools. Thus the "good works" multiply. Grant is an eighth grade student at Southeast Junior High, a Star Scout, age 13 years, and son of Rotarian **Paul Schmidt**. Your boy did himself and you proud, Paul.

Mrs. Paul Ireland, former president of the Pioneer Trails Council of the Girl Scouts and Business Manager of the Juliette Low session at Rotary Camp the past two years, told how the Girl Scouts assisted the handicapped girls in making the camp a vital institution. Here there was a strategic coupling—your generosity in making the facilities available, and the Girl Scouts in performing needed tasks. One of those who helped was Miss Diane Hunter, a student at William Chrisman High School, Independence, a Campette last summer. Hers was an example of devotion to a wonderful cause. When she spoke of the "absolute trust" that the handicapped had in the Girl Scouts, we knew that was sufficient reward for her.

John High has attended camp

and has already become a Life Scout and a Mic-O-Say, with merit badges in biking and cycling. The aim was to create self-sufficiency, such as making beds and taking care of personal needs. That is why, he said, "it was a privilege to serve on K.P."

Ken Renick had been a former camper for some eight years. Now he has his own business, with two employees, selling first aid kits, fire extinguishers, candy, etc. Yet when he was five, stricken with cerebral palsy, the doctor stated he wouldn't be able to walk, talk, or feed himself. Sincerely grateful to Rotary, he stated the feeling of those attending camp. "Give us time," he said. "It may take us a little longer, but we'll get up there." When Ken Renick finished, the membership rose in a standing tribute to all those who have made so much of themselves in spite of the odds. (May I say that it was also a tribute to you who by your support and interest, make it possible.)

Finally, Nevin Wasson, Director of the Rotary Camp, showed slides of the activities at camp.

Rotarians were deeply touched by how the handicapped overcame obstacles, to take their place in the sun. Now, Rotarians, continue your support with dollars, for no better purpose can be served.

**President Joe** opened the meeting, with his customary ebullience. **John Thornberry** gave the invocation and your reporter cannot help but admire his versatility and enthusiasm in everything he does. **Hadley Crawford** and **Walter Cook** led the singing. Many of us may not know it, but these two are experts in their profession, and are