

# WHO'S WHO and doing what

By EDDYE K. KIM

MEMORIES and MERRIMENT at the SAHARA

It was a weekend of nostalgic memories as we helped Governor Grant Sawyer celebrate his 46th birthday anniversary at the Hotel Sahara. Old friends, as well as new, sang "... happy birthday, dear Governor; happy birthday to you." But with all the gaiety that marked the Governor's Gala and Grand Centennial Finale, there was sorrowful recollection of last year at this time, when a tragic death in Dallas, Texas, took much of the pleasure out of the pre-Christmas season.



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This year's Birthday Ball actually was a memorial to the late John Fitzgerald Kennedy, with \$15,000 realized from the big dance and the dinner that preceded it going to the John F. Kennedy Memorial Library Fund. In accepting a check for that amount, Governor Sawyer, director of the fund-raising campaign in Nevada, paid a stirring tribute to the first president of the United States born in this century. His remarks may be found elsewhere in this issue of the VOICE.

The red and black decor of the Sahara's Congo Room was enhanced by the beautifully decorated tables with their red candles and white baby mums and red carnations. All this served as a brilliant background for the gorgeous gowns and scintillating jewels displayed by the ladies in attendance. We only wish we could describe them all for you who weren't able to attend.

Mrs. Grant (Betty) Sawyer was her usual charming self in a beautiful silk sheath, as was Mrs. Major (Norma) Riddle in a green sequin gown as she presented the Governor with a memento "from the citizens of Nevada."

Also prominent among those present for the glittering occasion were Mrs. Bob (Ann) Bailey in a white beaded top, black sheath skirt and full length Ranch mink. . . Mrs. Bob (Sondra) Reid, smart in black and gold brocade with her hair styled like something straight from the pages of Vogue magazine (and new barrister Bob telling us of his plans to open a law office in the Golden West Shopping Center soon) . . . Mrs. Charles (Dottie) West, vivacious as ever in a beaded top over a red brocade skirt. . . Mrs. James (Hazel) Gay, elegantly attired and bubbling over with tales of the rushing and parties for her daughter, Phyllis, who will make her debut at the Cotillion Ball at the Conventor Center the night after Christmas. . . Mrs. James (Helen) Anderson, whose choice was a resplendent green gown. . . Mrs. Charles (Nina) Kellar, petite and pretty in blue with a crystal top. . . Mrs. Cal (Bea) Bryant, in black chandilly lace, telling us about getting settled in a new home here after their recent "migration" from Palo Alto. . . Miss Virginia Jackson, striking in a red peau-de-sole and white fox collar (and squired by Bobby Johnson). . . Mrs. Huedillard (Virgie) Fitzgerald, in a pink top and blue satin skirt . . . and, oh, so many more.

Our especial thanks to Mrs. Robert (Gladys) Dula, elegantly gowned in a white sequin and nylon she wore to John F. Kennedy's Inaugural Ball in Washington, for inviting us to join her table.

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN . . .

Many thanks also to Jimmy Gay and Al Freeman of the Sands Hotel for a most enjoyable



GOVERNOR'S GALA—Among those helping Gov. Grant Sawyer (center) celebrate his birthday at big Hotel Sahara ball were (from left) Whitey Robbins, Mrs. Sondra Reid, Jimmy Gay, Dr. Charles I. West, Mrs. Eddy K. Kim, Mrs. Betty Sawyer, Cal Bryant, Mrs. Hazel Gay, Virginia Jackson, Bob Reid and Bobby Johnson. (See "Who's Who")

evening as their guest at the Count Basie-Frank Sinatra Show. The firmament of show business contains many stars of different size, but it is difficult to detect two of greater magnitude than these truly great performers.

### BIG TIME FOR SMALL FRY . . .

Volunteer workers from practically every segment of the community have been working hard, but joyously, for the Children's Christmas Party at Doolittle Center on Saturday (Dec. 19) at 3 o'clock. Co-chairman Art Lurie reports that this may be the biggest event of its kind ever staged here, with hundreds of toys ready for distribution to small fry 12 years of age and under. And it's a cinch the "old folks" will get just about as much pleasure out of the occasion as the kids. We salute all those who have contributed toward the success of this affair.

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