

"He Profits Most Who Serves Best"

### Slants at the Meeting

If Sam Solinsky had borne a scythe last week the illusion would have been complete and an ejaculation "There goes 1930 coming back" would have been apropos. Boy! he was muffled up like a contused leg. With faltering step and failing voice he sauntered in with a decrepitude that would make Methuselah look like a sprightly juvenile.

Despite the fact the Republican member, with a triple plated moniker, Charles Joseph Patrick, was wisecracking and creating a furor in the corner, Dr. Cox was able to get over the succinct announcement that "In case the ambulances didn't get 'em, the brother Elks would." The remark had reference to transportation, and we would say it was a stand-off, whether to go IN 'em or WITH 'em.

It's the sacred duty of this chronicler to keep the record straight, as long as it's not crooked, and the Chair's reference to Edwin Clapp as president of the Round Table Club is a flagrant faux pas that offends the sorority. EDWIN Clapp is a feller that makes boots and the president of the Round Table club is the feller that gets the boot. The president is known to his grandchildren as MACK.

That fiddle ensemble was pleasing, but the most pleasant ensemble is the crepe de chine; one has tonal inflections and the other tonic infections.

John's young daughter certainly toyed with that old Stradivarius and if it cost forty grand it would make any Indian love songs.

Jackie Davis, impersonating the pickanniny, was about the most adorable piece of ebony that ever danced a ditty.

You birds that have been waiting for your ship to come in would naturally want it man-ed with such sailors as cavorted through the last number.

Overheard in the corridor: "It just goes to show you can have a program without precepts from preachers." Retort: "Maybe so, but it wouldn't seem so."

Patootie Gilbert, the bull tosser that lassoes 'em from either side without assuming stance, confided to your reporter that when he entered the hall he was crimsoned-up like a hot coal but after the lilting program had permeated his system he was glad 'he had come'. The roseate glow had passed and it looked like knighthood was in daytime and the turn in the worm was not a lane. Moral is: come out to the meetings and enjoy a little peace.

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## THRIFT

By Samuel Rosinger

I take it for granted that thrift stands for intelligent spending, and not miserly hoarding. Money has no inherent value. It is only a means for acquiring the necessities and worthwhile things of life. Of course, one should provide during the period of his earning power for the declining days of life by systematic saving. Unfortunately, only a limited number of people are in a position to provide for a rainy day. For our standard of living is so high that the large working masses can hardly make ends meet, even during economic prosperity, when they have full time employment. Saving for the future is extremely difficult when the needs of the present can hardly be met. Still, banks and insurance companies ought to put forth a greater effort in catching the dimes of the wage earners. Schemes like Christmas Savings accounts could be utilized as inducements to save for other needs and emergencies.

However, if the practice of thrift has to be inculcated anywhere, it is in the disposition of man's most valuable asset, which is not money, but time. People waste nothing more prodigally and wantonly than precious time. Leisure is the greatest wealth that man possesses, and yet how few utilize it commensurately with its worth. We know men and women who are penny-wise in money matters, but are pound-foolish in spending their time. And how often do we hear people telling us unblushingly that they were killing time. Do you know what time killing means? Committing suicide by degrees. If someone would make a complete collection of the devices which man's ingenuity has invented to kill time with, he would furnish the most pathetic account of the tragedy of man.

Remember, if you lose money you may recover it, aye, even if you lose your health, you may regain it, but the precious moment that is gone, is lost irretrievably.

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## Rotary Membership

**CASE:** The Secretary of the Rotary Club of Blank advises us that John Doe, a member of his club is a prominent citizen who gives considerable time to various civic organizations. He is chairman of several committees and also member of other committees which have for their purpose the betterment of the community, improvement of roads, work for boys, etc., etc. It becomes necessary for Rotarian Doe to meet with these committees, many times at noon during the week, and a number of these meetings fall on the days on which the Rotary club meets.

**QUESTION:** Is John Doe entitled to attendance credit at the regular meetings of his club and can the club credit him with attendance because of the fact that he is engaged in civic work which is indefinitely along the lines of activities recommended by Rotary International?

**ANSWER:** Rule 1 of the Attendance Contest Rules states that, "All active members in good standing in the club on the day of the meeting must be counted as present or absent and attendance must be evidenced by the member being present for at least sixty per cent of the time devoted to the meeting, etc." In view of this ruling, Rotarian Doe is not entitled to attendance credits.

Business talked about too much, wept about too much. No pink tea. Not bad at first. Then, after April, slipping in some sections. Then more. Then most all. But a year to learn in, therefore a good one. Some stores go ahead in volume—only a few, though, in this class—many ahead in transactions. Also many a headache . . . Hollander's (New York), Mabley & Carew (Cincinnati), Bonwit-Teller (New York), Garfinckel and Parker-Bridget's (Washington), Field-Schlick (St. Paul), move into new store buildings. . . More branches for more stores . . . Some claim stores do better jobs . . . Much less merger talk . . . Expenses cut—sometimes right—sometimes rashly . . . Some heads used—some cut off—some lost . . . Bodies of Solomon-Auguste Andree, Swedish balloonist explorer and two companions who in 1897 set out with him for North Pole in a balloon and perished, found by Norwegian expedition . . . Byrd welcomed home after South Pole trip, receives National Geographic medal from President . . . Death takes Conan Doyle, Taft, Glenn Curtis, Lon Chaney, Milton Sills, Jack Donahue, Daniel Guggenheim, S. W. Straus, Harry Payne Whitney and Lord Balfour . . . Deans of American Schools of Engineering name Hoover one of ten great engineers; others: Charles P. Steinmetz, Thomas A. Edison, John F. Stevens, John Hays Hammond, George W. Goethals, George W. Westinghouse, Guglielmo Marconi, Henry Ford and Ralph Modjeski; and five greatest engineers of all times: James Watt, Leonardo da Vinci, Thomas A. Edison, James B. Eads and Ferdinand de Lesseps . . . Bobby Jones takes four highest amateur golfing titles—then to movies . . . Sinclair Lewis wins 1930 Nobel prize for literature . . . Frank B. Kellogg awarded 1929 Nobel Peace prize . . . Oliver La Farge's novel, "Laughing Boy," Marc Connelly's play, "Green Pastures," win 1930 Pulitzer prizes . . . John Masefield becomes New English poet laureate . . . Passion Play performed at Oberammergau . . . Major Kingsford-Smith and his three pilots complete Dublin to New York flight . . . Captain Dieudonne Coste and co-pilot, Maurice Bellonte, complete first east-west Paris to New York flight in 37 hours 18½ minutes . . . Captain Hawkes glides across U. S.—then breaks many plane speed records . . . Amy Johnson, London typist, solo flights from London to Australia . . . Mormon Church celebrates centennial . . . London naval treaty signed . . . Owen J. Roberts becomes Supreme Court Associate Justice . . . Higbee's, Cleveland, plan move to new building being erected in Van Sweringen Cleveland Terminal group . . . Son born to Col. and Mrs. Lindbergh on mother's 24th birthday . . . Prohibition enforcement transferred from Treasury to Justice Department . . . Savings banks deposits reach record high . . . Country's health in 1930 best ever known; lowest mortality rate . . . U. S. national wealth estimated at \$360,100,000,000. And with this much in wealth girds itself for a most exciting job in 1931!