

The Guy Who's Stubbed His Toe

Did you ever meet a youngster who had been and
stubbed his toe,
An' was settin' by the roadside, just a-cryin' soft
and low,
A-holdin' of his dusty foot, so hard and brown and
bare,
Tryin' to keep from out his eyes the tears a-
gatherin' there?
You hear him sort o' sobbin' like, an' sniffin' in
his nose;
You stop an' pat him on the head an' try to ease
his woes,
You treat him sort o' kind like, an' the first thing
that you know,
He's up and off a-smilin', clean forgot he'd stubbed
his toe.

Now, 'long the road o' life you'll find a fellow
goin' slow,
An' like as not he's some poor cuss who's been
and stubbed his toe;
He was makin' swimmin' headway till he bumped
into a stone;
An' his friends kept hurryin' onward, an' left him
there alone;
He's not sobbin' he's not sniffin' he's just too old
for cries,
But he's grievin' just as earnest, if it only comes
in sighs.
An' it does a lot of good sometimes to go a little
slow,
An' speak a word of comfort to the guy who's
stubbed his toe.

You know you're not so sure yourself, an' there
ain't no way to know
Just when it's a-comin' your time to slip and stub
your toe;
Today you're bright an' happy in the world's sun-
light and glow,
An' tomorrow you're a-freezin' and a-trudgin'
through the snow,
The time you think you've got the world the tight-
est in your grip;
Is the very time you'll find that you're the likeliest
to slip.
So it does a lot of good sometimes to go a little
slow,
An' speak a word of comfort to the guy who's
stubbed his toe.

—Author Unknown.

—R—

ABSENTEES

We have missed the following Rotarians the last
two meetings:

Aaron Chenier
Joe Broussard
Joe Clemmons
M. R. Dutton
J. T. Ferguson
W. C. Gilbert
C. F. Graham

C. B. Holland
Alfred Jones
Will Johnson
E. E. Swope
Leo Ney
Jerome Terry

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Slants at the Meeting

Last week you got a demonstration of the power
of suggestion as applied to some of the 'frailties'
of the present set-up, and this scribe has been re-
ceiving ever since, via grapevine, many compliments
on the pres's voice, enunciation and clarity of
speech. Of course, there are many of you rams too
recalcitrant to yield to an idea even tho it does
come from a dubious source, but we are glad to
toss a few fragrant shucks to the pres for his
amenability and docility. Thanks for the rejuvenated
amplifier which rendered his voice as clear as a
virgin's conscience.

With infinite mastery and perfect finesse the in-
troduction of guests last week could not have been
worse. A bunch a bellowing bulls would have been
just as acceptable as the raucous sounds that
blasted your tympana. However, the 'grouchy group'
has waived penalties this time with the hope a
pedestal will be provided with instructions to the
guests in future.

You've got to hand it to Judge Beeman Strong.
When he attacks acoustics with those vigorous gut-
turals interference jumps out the window and the
channels of sound become as clean as a torpid liver
after a course of calomel. In fact amplifiers and
mikes are as useful to the judge as long drawers
are to Sally Rand.

Ralph Henderson, Houston's ex-pres, made a
splendid plea for NRA and co-operation of Rotar-
ians, which was topped off by Algernon Blair with
a few climactic comments that took the wind out
of the hysterical and infused life into the morbid.
No millenium, no debacle.

This scribe is not oblivious to the fact that he is
making himself as popular as a tack in a table
bench by some of his suggestions but as the co-ed
said in her sociology class it's the hard things that
do you good.

—Check.

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Stray Thoughts

By Samuel Rosinger

It is easy to write codes. It is easy to induce the people in a spurt of enthusiasm to nominally accept them. But it is extremely difficult to make people live up to them in the conduct of their daily lives. Some thirty three hundred years ago Moses wrote a code consisting of ten brief paragraphs, and fourteen hundred years later Jesus wrote a code composed of one single rule, and yet mankind has accepted them only in theory, but not in practice.

The ancient Jewish sages made a keen observation regarding the failure of Moses to put over the first code he offered the children of Israel. They said that Moses employed too much thunder and lightning in his effort to impress the people with the importance of the ten commandments. Hence the first tablets of the law were shattered into fragments. After he had spent forty days and nights in awesome silence on Sinai's peak, he realized that an ounce of sincerity has greater persuasive eloquence than a ton of talk, and handed the second tablets to the people in the midst of dignified silence. Our modern code makers could greatly benefit by the experiences of the Jewish lawgiver, and cease bombarding the public with their barrage of blustering publicity.

The thunder and lightning of Moses reminds us of the prayer which Mike offered when knocked down by a bolt that struck nearby him while he was groping his way out of the dark woods. "Dear Lord, if it be all the same to ye, plaze give me more light and less noise." We are all anxious to have a little more light on the ultimate outcome of our departure from democracy, than to hear the din with which the dictatorship tries to impress his power on the public.

According to reports of farmers the Southern mule refuses to plough under the cotton to be destroyed by presidential order. Well, this is natural, inasmuch as the mule inherited from his sire some good horse sense.

The press reports some five million hogs will be slaughtered by the government. This holocaust should fill up the pork barrels of all the politicians to the brim.

The president of our club has lived up to the motto of his vocation "Thoughtful Service" when he installed amplifiers in the dining room. Now, if the chattering tongues of the "round tablers", in the rear, could be muted during the program, we would have perfect audition.

The repeal of the eighteenth amendment, which, judging by all appearances, will be an accomplished fact by the end of the year, has a significance overshadowing the liquor question. It proves that our nation possesses the power to correct measures, even if embodied in its basic laws, that are not in harmony with the ideals of democracy. A healthy body will not assimilate a foreign substance imbedded in it, so a healthy nation will eliminate whatever is foreign to its constitution.

The braintrust in Washington should set an example by limiting the hatching of its regulatory schemes to six hours a day.

—R—

Budget for the Year 1932-33

Weekly programs	\$400.00	
Secretary's Salary	720.00	
Stationery and Supplies	60.00	
Postage	150.00	
Telegrams and Telephone	15.00	
Flowers	75.00	
Back to School	325.00	
Delegates to Internation Conv.	250.00	
Delegates to District Conf.	100.00	
Delegates Pres. and Sec'y.	50.00	
Percapita tax for Dist. Conf.	340.00	
Gifts	10.00	
Rotary International dues	935.00	
Miscellaneous	100.00	
Student Loan Fund	1,000.00	
Total		\$4,530.00

Budget for the Year 1933-34

Weekly Programs	\$500.00	
Rotarygrams, Ptg. & Stamps	500.00	
Secretary's Salary	720.00	
Stationery & Supplies	60.00	
Postage	150.00	
Telegrams and Telephone	15.00	
Flowers	75.00	
Back to School	350.00	
Delegates to Internat'l. Conv.	200.00	
Delegates to Dist. Conf.	100.00	
Delegates, Pres. and Sec'y.	50.00	
Percapita Tax for Dist. Conf.	165.00	
Gifts	10.00	
Rotary International dues	1,050.00	
Miscellaneous	85.00	
Student Loan Fund	300.00	
Total		4,330.00