

To Will:

Your election to the presidency of our club, is not only one of the greatest honors, but also one of the greatest blessings that has come into your life. This office is one of the best training schools for efficient public service which business or professional men could go through. To make a success of it, you must give it a good deal of your time, thought and talent. Mary, Queen of England, referring to the capture of Calais by the French, told her courtiers,

"If I could bare my heart to you, you would find Calais written upon it."

So, also, during this year and many years thereafter, you will find Rotary not only written, but deeply engraved upon your heart.

After the exacting nature of this office will have fully dawned upon you, you will realize how grievously business men sin against democracy by allowing untrained, incompetent, mentally and morally unfit men to hold most important public offices. The business element of America, if it does not want to be regimented by dictatorial government, or bulldozed by arrogant labor leaders, will have to give itself in a much larger measure and in a more whole-hearted way than heretofore, to the public welfare. "Service above Self", Rotary's splendid motto, may sound visionary and super-idealistic to many a practical and prosaic merchant who regards money-making as the aim and end of his career. But the business man who does not allow the man to be lost in the merchant and does not sell his soul for profit, is bound to realize more and more his duties and responsibilities to his community and country and will endeavor to discharge them by honest and conscientious personal service.

By dint of arduous labor, indefatigable industry, sound judgment, fair and courteous treatment of the public, you have built up your establishment from small beginnings into one of the leading mercantile concerns of the state. I know that you will bring to bear upon the duties of your office all those sterling qualities that have enabled you to make a success of your commercial career. Every member of this club wishes you godspeed and tenders you his hearty co-operation. May your administration be fruitful, redound to your credit, and accrue to the benefit of your fellowmen.

Samuel Rosinger

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Slants at the Meeting

Last week was a big day for the Turners. The new turned-in; the old turned-out; and we turned-back to see the turn-over.

Governors, presidents, vice-presidents and the minor satellites were just as ubiquitous as bed bugs in a country hotel.

Nobody had a copy-right, patent, or special concession. Everyone stood on his own without encroaching on his neighbor's.

Defenses were just as prominent as prognostications but not half as promising or convincing.

We ourselves came in the line of fire and were almost decimated by that unctuous verbiage known as laudation.

Our face was redder than a boiler beet and hasn't recovered its angular contour due to crimson pigmentation.

Praise was looser than lava dust from a volcano and floating around to settle on the merited as the blessing of reward.

It was really the Turn-Loose . . . nothing was held back or restrained. Each speaker spoke his mind and anticipated half of the other feller's.

We never dreamed how good we were until that vociferous endorsement began to croon those little lullabys of endearment.

Governors flew out and presidents butted in. Even lowly secretaries and innocuous vice-presidents came into the picture.

It was a gala day for Rotary officials and Cordiality was tripping around with her shoes off ready to sit in anybody's lap.

So cheers of praise for the past and tiers of success for the present.

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The Glorious Fourth

One hundred and fifty-nine years ago a doughty bunch of pioneers signed their names to a piece of paper that proved to be more than a scrap, it became an imperishable document, and Wednesday this club will give expression to its reverence for that sacred instrument.

The PROGRAM will be of unusual interest for one of Texas most distinguished citizens will deliver an address on

“THE SPIRIT OF 1776”

The Hon. Clarence R. Wharton, Texas' greatest historian, is the speaker on that occasion.

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Softball Chatter

Stuart Abstract 8 — Rotary 1

The Abstractors took advantage of a temporary lackadaisical interlude on the part of our maulers and when the dust cleared away, we found ourselves trailing to the tune of 1 to 8.

This game was featured however, by one of the longest home runs of the season by George Adams.

Rotary 11 — Kiwanis 0

Back in our stride; Kiwanis was bombarded freely; final score 11 to 0.

Our Next Game

Friday night, 8 p. m.; Rotary vs. Metzgers.

We especially insist that those who haven't attended the soft ball games, to come out. Those who have attended need no encouragement.

Among the Members

When a bunch goes to an International Convention and then enters into a compact of silence it smacks of a guilty conscience, and nothing short of partis criminis.

It looks to this old scribe that president Will was "low-browng" around with the Secretary in amorous adventure or philandering escapades, in the Alameda, and by collusion they are more tranquil than an oyster.

These two guys came back felicitating each other and boasting of the large slugs of Rotary ethics absorbed during their sojourn in the Aztec capital. Fie on you.

Uncle Charley threw a fitting fit for the fitful Wednesday night and conviviality just sat up and kissed each guest . . . This was old man Terrible's parting gesture or requiem for his defunct administration.

Last week when one of the new members was introduced under the classification of "Insect Eradication" you don't think the speaker had a flicker of sarcasm in his mind when he suggested him as a fitting member and one that might be very busy?

One thing we would like to remind you of, it is this. Uncle Charley's administration went out with as much ease as the French Government falls. Every time Uncle Sam suggests payment of her indebtedness the French Government totters, the cabinet resigns and the Prime Minister ducts. That's what you call concerted refusal.

Thank God Uncle Charley has got more honor in his little toe than all that horse-eating tribe of Government welshers has put together. A Frenchman's idea of honor is to meet some other hysterical jumping jack about 6 A. M. when sensible people ought to be sleeping, to refute a slap in the pan for some fanciful aspersion.

Boy that race of people ought to be cartooned every day and then made into paper dolls on Sunday. Can you imagine a spectacle where two men, reached their majority, going out at daylight on a grassy plot trying to prick each other on the wrist with swords. They wouldn't shed as much blood as a crippled chigger would with a hemorrhage.

Sure, we like the French. It's the d— Government that galls us. You can make any further deductions for yourself. Maybe we don't understand 'em is the reason they don't pay us?

You fellers are in a helluva fix and don't know it, Sam Rosinger is going away and won't quit writing and we are too durn poor to get away and have to write to forget ourselves. Thanks.

—Ed.

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