

To the many who have been clamoring for information on the subject: There is to be a new series of sketches and pictures of new members, just as soon as we can succeed in stirring Eldo into action once more. You must realize that it is no small task to get up these articles, since Eldo not only writes the biographies, but also takes the candid camera shots of the neophytes. And the matter of arranging a suitable time for the making of the portrait and the securing of the necessary personal information concerning the subject make it impossible for the thing to be done on a moment's notice. Also, at the present time, our artist and historian is extremely busy. We have secured a sufficient number of new Rotarians to give him material for a number of weeks, and we are hoping that it will be only a short time until these highly interesting, spicy, and well written biographies begin to appear in this great family journal. In the mean time, quit jumping on Ye Editor about their absence. Just tell Eldo you want them, and must have them.

• *Rotarygrams* •

The morning paper carried news of another Rotarian who has received a signal honor. Tom Walker, deservedly, has been included in the list of prominent Americans who have their names and biographies in "Who's Who in America". Mike Moore was already there, but Tom's name is added for the new edition. Congratulations, Tom!

• *Rotarygrams* •


We are getting back into our stride with reference to visiting Rotarians. This time we had representatives from Dallas, Sioux City, Eldorado (Ark.), Galveston, and two from our sister club of Port Arthur.

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The above item brings to mind a custom formerly in vogue in the Methodist Church, whereby no preacher, however good he might be, and however much his congregation might like him, was ever allowed to stay in one city more than four years. The idea was that in a certain time any man would become tiresome to a large number of his listeners, and there would certainly be some who would be ardent adherents and others who would become indifferent, if not hostile. The coming of a new preacher stirred up new interest, for "a new broom sweeps clean". Which is by way of saying that we, having conducted a one-man press agent campaign in behalf of Hap Faber as our greeter, and still thinking he is "tops" in that field, are now suggesting that a rotation of this task among other members would be in keeping with the idea of putting every Rotarian to work, and would give Hap a chance to enjoy his meal without having to rush through and hie himself to the rostrum.

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Slants at the Meeting

Some of the boys have been jumping on me a little bit lately about making this column too much a thing of "sweetness and light". They say that some of these program chairmen need to be burnt up, instead of being patted on the back. Our method has been to pass over the phases of the meeting which could not be given some praise, and fill up the article with something else, thus, by implication, pointing out to the chairman that his program was not so hot. But these members of "the rough element" want a little more fire and brimstone in these articles, and we'll have to look around somewhere and see if we haven't got some stuck around in a closet or behind a door, to use on future programs.

But we certainly can't start in with any criticism of Chick Dollinger's first program. Of course, this is not Chick's first program, but merely his first *Rotary* program. Chick has been active and prominent and extremely useful in other civic organizations in our town, and Rotary is furnishing him another vehicle for his community service. Few things are more heartening to older Rotarians or give them more faith in the future of Rotary than contemplation of the way newer members like Chick take hold of the principles of the organization and put them into practice (according to the third object) "in their personal, business and community life". Chick's introductory remarks concerning the history of the Tyrrell Park development and the part played in it by Rotarians were very well thought out and interesting in the extreme. Like a speaker whom we recently had before

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us, Chick had a deck of cards in his hand, to which he referred occasionally for inspiration and guidance. But Chick is younger than some of us, and his vision is still good enough to permit him to see his notes without having to hold them right under his nose, and his delivery did not suffer from this cause.

This meeting enabled its efficient chairman to do some community service, in addition to the club service performed in bringing us a very interesting program. Somebody had evidently done a great deal of work in the preparation of the program, as evidenced by the number of drawings, plans, and diagrams which adorned the walls of the Rose Room, and Henry Anastas certainly opened the eyes of many Rotarians concerning the wonders of Tyrrell Park. We certainly agree with Chick that this section got a mighty good break when the National Parks Service (if that's the correct name) sent Henry here to supervise the development of the park. He is practically a local product, with a keen sense of the needs of our people and a fine appreciation of the beauties of our country. Coupled with a high degree of natural ability and the very best of education and training, this made of him the ideal man for the place. Henry has attended this club before, I'm sure, and he remembered the reactions of its members to the reading of a speech (however interesting). The heartfelt thanks of every Beaumont Rotarian go to him for keeping his manuscript in his pocket. He need not fear that this scribe will misquote him, for we cannot in the space of this article attempt to reproduce his talk. But we can say to him that it was all very interesting, and that he unfolded to us a Tyrrell Park which has already gone far beyond anything we ever imagined would be possible there. He showed us that in this park this section of the country has a very wonderful asset, and he assured himself of a veritable flood of Rotarian visitors, for practically every man present expressed himself as surprised at the fine things going on in the park and a determination to visit it at the earliest possible moment.

... Bill.

Where is our loudly vaunted "freedom of the press"? Where indeed, when skullduggery in the raw must be resorted to in order to slip in an unexpurgated paragraph or two when Bill Campbell's courtly editorial back is turned:

But he'd never let me say here that I think he's doing a swell job of ROTARYGRAMING each week and that this opinion is shared by a lot of others. Because Bill does his work under cover and gets in many a generous comment when it is impossible for his target even to say "thank you" (as I certainly should like to do for his orchid to me in last week's ROTARYGRAM), I have done a little under cover work myself in the nature of a straw vote, and find that: New members and old members, young Rotarians, and those who just have young ideas, all agree that we like how you're doin', Bill.

Stout fella! Carry on.

HAP FABER.

(This is NOT a paid political advertisement to get my name in the paper).

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Today is the occasion for the official visit of our District Governor to the Beaumont Rotary Club. Of course, this particular District Governor has visited our club many times before, and we all know him and admire him. He is our Governor in a peculiarly personal sense, for he is a member of our nearest sister club, and we played a large part in bringing about his election. We do not have any advance information as to what Francis is going to say to this club, but we have this much information: that he always has something worthwhile to say, and that he will say it in an interesting way, and that everybody present will understand and enjoy every word of his talk. It is to be hoped that we can have as nearly a 100% attendance as possible at this meeting, not only that we may make a good impression on our governor, but that we may show him the proper honor and also that all of us may get the benefit of his address.

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President Kyle is taking no chances these days of overlooking the introduction of our charming young lady guests who assist the Fellowship Committee in welcoming visitors. With true Southern chivalry, he now presents the young lady before taking up any other business of the meeting, thereby assuring that there is not even an apparent neglect of the lovely lady.