

Because of its breadth of vision and clear statement of Rotary's basic ideals, Maurice Duperrey's address at San Francisco is worthy our closest study. Here are a few words which particularly impressed us:

"I shall never cease to emphasize that Rotary is not a philosophy, but that it is action. Otherwise it would not be possible for our clubs to be composed of friends of different nationalities and religions, holding the most divergent philosophical opinions and social views. What makes the beauty and force of our movement is that all these men are united in action—bound together by the desire to serve, without any one of them having to renounce his personal sentiments"

And these:

"Rotary should not and does not want to play any political role. If catastrophes were inevitable, Rotary could not hope to ward them off; but Rotary aims to serve the cause of international peace through the good-will of its members, and through their technical and professional knowledge. It seeks to contribute to the creation of a atmosphere of peace and confidence between peoples by widening their points of view, by apprising them of each other's needs and aspirations, by bringing a little more international-mindedness to bear upon the solution of international problems."

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The July ROTARIAN is full of interesting and instructive material, and every member should join the "Kiver to Kiver Club" and read every article. The debate on the "Profit Motive" between Norman Thomas, former Presbyterian Minister and Socialist candidate for the Presidency, and James Truslow Adams, eminent historian, is itself "worth the price of admission", to say nothing of the very full reports of the San Francisco convention and many other features. It contains pictures of the new officials of Rotary International all over the world, and Rotarians of the 130th District have cause to be proud of the showing that old Francis Dunn makes in the gallery of District Governors.

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We have had two replies to our call for assistance in a recent paper,—one of which we are using in this issue. Thanks, Phil. But the fish story told us by a certain drug merchant and radio magnate is one we wouldn't dare publish, since we value too highly the reputation of this sheet for veracity. Of course, we know it's true, but you wouldn't believe it, even though the gentleman in question says George Roark will verify it. On second thought, we may start a fish story contest, and hold this one out to the last as a sure winner. If you know one, you might send it in, and then we'll get this good Rotarian to get behind a microphone some day and tell you a real one.

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Slants at the Meeting

Maurice Duperrey's address at the San Francisco convention gave highest praise to Rotary as the only place in which Jews and Arabs could meet with esteem and confidence in Palestine. In the broadcast from Chicago, during the recent meeting of Rotary directors there, the South Americans stressed the part played by this organization in bringing about peace and mutual understanding between the countries on that continent. In our own "Institute of International Understanding" we were told how Chinese and Japanese meet each other on a friendly basis in the Rotary club at Singapore. But many Beaumonters rubbed their eyes in astonishment last Wednesday when they saw Charlie Babcock at the head table with Francis Dunn on one side, and on the other side—believe it or not—Dr. McAfee! Mac is the new President of the Port Arthur Rotary Club, and a whale of a fine fellow. Having known him well since he was a University student, I can say that his honesty and sincerity of purpose are beyond question. He makes a good, loyal friend—and a good, hard-fighting enemy, who stands by his principles, but doesn't hold a grudge. He and Charlie fought a good fight; the battle is over, and they are friends once more. Great is Rotary!

I'm glad election day is past when you read these lines, so I can speak my mind about last week's program without being accused of making this a political sheet. In Martin Dies this district has sent to the National Congress one of its most valuable members, and one who reflects nothing but credit on his constituents, a statesman of broad vision, an orator with few equals in American public life. The crowded condition of the Rose Room was undoubtedly due to the publication of the fact that he would be the speaker of the hour. Ray Jackson, of course, knew that we wanted to hear Martin, rather than any

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account of his merits, and his introduction was as brief and direct as one could desire.

The brilliant young Congressman disclosed a situation with which we in the South are not very familiar, in his comments on the spreading of the doctrine of hate between different racial and national groups in our country, particularly in the industrial centers of the North and East. Defining an American as one who believes in and upholds the principles enunciated in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States, he made a ringing plea for the preservation of "America for Americans" who meet that test, regardless of the country from which their ancestors came, and for the spreading of love and tolerance over the land, in place of hate. Praising the spirit of cooperation which has grown up in Southeast Texas, as particularly exemplified in recent work for Sabine-Neches water ways and for the Rockland Dam project, he brought the good news that the entire Texas delegation in Congress is behind the latter project and that its success now seems assured. Barney Steinhagen and George D. Anderson, of Beaumont came in for favorable comment in connection with their labors in Washington. And a spontaneous round of applause showed the agreement of his auditors in his praise of Abe Goldberg, of Port Arthur, whose work for crippled children is an example of the unselfish love which should characterize our conduct.

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President Kyle must have been left in somewhat of a daze by the Congressman's brilliant peroration, for, as pointed out to this scribe by Charlie Terrell, when he uttered his snappy "You're adjourned", in-

stead of striking the gong he struck the Congressman—giving Martin Dies a pat on the back.

Phil Stein has been a-traveling, and has run across some unusual menus. One of the most interesting, which he sent us, is the following:

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

- The greatest sin—Fear.
- The best day—Today.
- The biggest fool—The boy who will not go to school..
- The best town—Where you succeed.
- The most agreeable companion—One who would not have you any different from what you are.
- The great bore—One who will not come to the point.
- A still greater bore—One who keeps on talking after he has made his point.
- The greatest deceiver—One who deceives himself.
- The greatest invention of the devil—War.
- The best work—What you like.
- The best play—Work.
- The greatest comfort—The knowledge that you have done your work well.
- The greatest mistake—Giving up.
- The most expensive indulgence—Hate.
- The greatest stumbling block—Egotism.
- The most ridiculous asset—Pride.
- The worst bankrupt—The soul that has lost its enthusiasm.
- The cleverest man—One who always does what he thinks is right.
- The most dangerous person—The liar.
- The most disagreeable person—The complainer.
- The best teacher—One who makes you want to learn.
- The meanest feeling of which any human being is capable—Feeling bad at another's success.
- The greatest need—Common sense.
- The greatest puzzle—Life.
- The greatest mystery—Death.
- The greatest thought—God.
- The greatest thing, bar none in all the world—Love.