

they may owe allegiance to. * * To succor the distressed, the innocent victims of war, pestilence, and famine is constructive; that is quite within our line. Rotary should be outstanding above all others in that sorely needed thing—international good manners. * * Friendship is the solvent. In friendship, mountains of dissension can be reduced to the size of inconsequential molehills; but we must not, in the face of new difficulties, cast aside our tried and true solvent, friendship.”

When the four objects of Rotary show themselves unconsciously in your daily social and business contacts, then you are a Rotarian in the fullest sense.

—Dana J. Lowd.

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The WHEEL OF FORTUNE, publication of the San Antonio Rotary Club, was the first weekly Club publication in Rotary, and has never failed to be published weekly since the first issue in 1912.

And Sam Solinsky informs us that ROTARYGRAMS was born during the administration of Cooke Wilson as President of the Beaumont Club, with Sam Solinsky, Preacher Kennedy (then of the Presbyterian Church), and Sam Rosinger as the Publication Committee. Such were the great beginnings of ROTARYGRAMS. And now look at it!


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INCOME 1938 - 1939

220 Members @ \$24.00	\$5,280.00
10 Initiations @ \$25.00	250.00
Interest on Bonds	5.74
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	\$5,535.74
1. Programs	\$ 500.00
2. Rotarygrams	600.00
3. Secretary's Salary	720.00
4. Stationery, Supplies and Printing	200.00
5. Current Postage	100.00
6. Telephone & Telegrams	80.00
7. Flowers	100.00
8. Back-to-School	300.00
10. Fellowship	100.00
11. Rotary Educating	50.00
12. Parties: Farmer's	\$175.00
Xmas	250.00
Birthday	100.00
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14. Delegates to International Convention	250.00
15. Delegates to District Convention	135.00
16. President & Secretary	30.00
17. Per Capita Tax	225.00
18. Gifts	75.00
19. International Dues	1,350.00
20. Miscellaneous	145.74
22. Soft Ball	50.00
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Slants at the Meeting

Again we owe a vote of thanks to the Houston Rotary Club. Quite a number of their members were in attendance at the meeting, and it was indeed gratifying to see them fraternizing with our own boys and being quickly made to feel at home. While fellowship, like charity, begins at home, it certainly cannot have its highest fulfillment unless it extends further than our own doors; and such meetings as this make one realize just what Rotary fellowship can mean.

Rabbi Bob Kahn, Houston Rotarian, in size and athletic appearance would make a good running mate for our Father Hugh Kearns, and we feel sure that, if turned loose, his voice would not be far behind that of the good priest in volume. His talk on Good Will was couched in simple, clear, but scintillating language, enriched by allusions to great literature, both secular and sacred, as well as to history, ancient and modern. A truly learned man, without being a pedant; an eloquent man, without being pompous or showy, Rabbi Bob made a plea for tolerance and good will towards all, which cannot have failed to strike a responsive chord in the heart of every man present.

As the speaker pointed out, we have not been able to do much for the cause of peace by harping on the evils of war, and it now behooves each of us to have in his own heart a feeling of good will toward others, of whatever nation, race, or creed, and to try to bring others to that attitude. Apparently that is his recipe for the restoration of peace on the earth. As he said, the intolerant are not even true to their own religion, since each of the great religions teaches the essential worth of others. The Talmudic story of the creation of man pictures God as gathering up dust from every part of the earth from which to

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fashion a creature in His own image. Just so, there is no such thing as a pure family strain, since each of us in a comparatively few generations can boast of more than a billion grandfathers, reckoning back by geometrical progression—far more people than could have been on earth at the time.

Particularly appealing was the plea that every people be judged by the best among them, rather than the worst—the Jew by Brandeis and Cardoza, rather than by Loeb and Leopold; the American by Abraham Lincoln and Robt. E. Lee, rather than by Al Capone and Dutch Schultz; the German by Wagner and Goethe rather than by Hitler and Goering. He closed with a stirring appeal for united front of Catholic, Protestant and Jew against the philosophy of futility as embodied in the totalitarian governments of Europe; the heads of those governments foresee ultimate defeat and the closing in of the ice ring, whereas we share the common hope of ultimate victory and a world in which righteousness shall rule.

Hyppolit Mengden, of the Houston club, also proved himself quite a speaker and philosopher in his introduction of Rabbi Bob. We gather he is not going to worry greatly if "the powers that be" have different ideas from his as to the functions of government. He aims to "keep this head on this pair of shoulders", get on a log and float with the stream until it touches the bank, and then get off and walk back.

Walter Casey has given the other program chairmen a high mark to aim for. It's too bad the Governor Elect could not be there to hear the Melody Boys sing his theme song, but Walter has learned by now that we can't have everything in this life, and can join the rest of us in being glad for what we did have.

. . . Bill.

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The Beaumont Rotary Club is certainly fortunate these days in having what must undoubtedly be the finest meeting place possessed by a Rotary Club in this state—if, indeed, there is a finer in the United

States. The air-conditioning produces a proper degree of coolness, without freezing us to death; and the new color scheme and ingenious lighting arrangement have done away with the feeling of heaviness which usually lurks in large banquet halls. And one of the big faults of the old Rose Room has apparently been largely eliminated by the acoustical treatment given the walls, and will be further helped by treatment yet to be given the floor. This was noticeable last week when the speaker could be heard practically throughout the hall, although his towering height kept the microphone from being much of an aid. Perhaps a speaker with less training and with a voice of less carrying power, would not be able to carry it off successfully, but real progress has been made, and we congratulate the management of Hotel Beaumont.

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Speak kind words and you will hear kind echoes.

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Speaking before the San Francisco Convention of Rotary International, President-Emeritus Paul Harris said:

" * * All Rotarians naturally and properly love their own countries and believe in them; they are exceedingly sensitive on points of national honor.

"One not infrequently hears some Rotarian inveigh against Rotary for its so-called lackadaisical policy in international affairs. He goes on bitterly denouncing countries, representatives of which are included in Rotary fellowship. He forgets how his words must make his fellow Rotarians of those countries suffer. He demands that the countries in question be branded public enemies and outlawed * * He demands that the forces of Rotary be mobilized and its influence brought to bear to the end that international marauders be brought to justice in order that democracy may survive, etc., etc.

"In the early Egyptian, Greek and Roman temples there was always provided a sanctuary in which persons charged with offenses against the law could take refuge. Rotary has its sanctuary, though of another order. Men of different races, different political views have been invited to take refuge in Rotary, with the full assurance that their views will be respected, that they shall, for the time being at least, enjoy sanctuary. We cannot break faith with our Rotarian friends, wheresoever they live, whatsoever countries