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PROGRAM FOR THIS WEEK

FORECASTED AS ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING PROGRAMS OF THE YEAR, A PANEL OF STUDENTS FROM A. & M. COLLEGE WHOSE HOMES ARE IN CHINA, PAKISTANI, SWEDEN AND HOLLAND, WILL BE DIRECTED BY DR. C. C. DOAK, HEAD OF THE BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF A. M., IN INTERNATIONAL DISCUSSIONS.

The names of our guest speakers are Charles Wang, Mabub Ali, Jelle de Boer and Johannes Van Buiztenen, and they will be guests in the homes of Charlie Weinbaum, Jr., O. L. Mahan, Chick Dollinger and Roy Maness, respectively, but we are asked to remember they are also AWAY from their homes in distant lands during this Christmas Season. We hope you will have time to visit with them.

Program Committee: Charles Weinbaum, Jr., chairman; Irving Eisen, vice chairman; Jim Blackwood, Willie Gilbert and Geo. Hodgson.

Visiting Sons

Nothing makes our last meeting before Christmas or New Year so festive as to have a number of Sons of Rotarians as our guests, and last week we were not disappointed when Walter Hoy introduced this group — all handsome and happy, a credit to their papas, and certainly future Rotary material.

Richard Jenkins, Jr., Dick Dowling; Hubert Oxford, Jr., St. Anthony's high school; Gene Lindsey, Jr., Rice Institute; George Wheelus and Payton Lamb, University of the South, and Lt. Kyle Wheelus, U. S. Navy Key West, Florida; Capt. R. H. Johnson, U. S. Army; Walter Mayer, Jr., Tulane University; Pat Wheat, Jr., A. & M. College.

Letter From A Rotary Ann

It was especially gratifying to receive this letter from Mary Agnes Racki, a Rotary Ann, who appreciated all of the efforts of the hard-working Christmas Party Committee:

"Dear Rotarians in Charge: May I express my appreciation for a wonderful two hours at the Christmas luncheon? Everything was in the mood, and so was I after enjoying the beautiful decorations, music, food and prizes. To all committee members and their Rotary Anns — a warm and sincere 'Gratia' from . . . Mary Agnes Racki."

A Special New Year Greeting

To these Rotarians who have not been able to attend Rotary in a long time:

FRANK CANTELLA
ED GILDART
DR. C. H. HENDRY
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Last Week

Invocation	Monroe Vivion and
"The Lord's Prayer"	by Magnolia Men
Introductions	Walter Hoy
Club Sweetheart	Ginger Easterling

One of the most inspiring of all prayers of thankfulness and adoration is the Lord's Prayer, but when 25 male voices are lifted in praise, then inspiration is as if Heaven sent. That was the reaction Wednesday as 300 Rotarians listened to the Magnolia Men give the invocation. Our own Red Mills, director of the splendid group of singers, quietly marshalled his men on the platform, and before any of us were aware of it we were all deeply moved by this song which fits into almost any occasion, but certainly belongs as part of any Christmas program.

Red briefly mentioned the titles of some of the better known Christmas carols which the chorus would sing, and then told about the use of the bell lyre which Mrs. Smartt was to use instead of the piano. The bell lyre makes it possible for groups of wandering carol singers to have an expert accompanist along with them under any condition.

Standing straight and proud and fully imbued with the spirit of the season, the Magnolia Men sang the following: Carol of the Bells; God Rest You Merry Gentlemen; Winter Wonderland; O, Little Town of Bethlehem; Silent Night; Oh, Come All Ye Faithful; White Christmas; and Jingle Bells.

Beaumont's Rotarians gave the group one of the finest and longest ovations given to any visitors in a long time.

It will be of interest to note that the Magnolia Men, an organization not yet five years old, is doing a splendid job not only throughout the Magnolia Petroleum Company, but throughout the City of Beaumont. On this Thursday, for example, from noon until two o'clock, the group will entertain at the various Department parties throughout the Refinery. They will then hold a rehearsal and on Friday Evening they will visit the TB Hospital, Schlesinger's Home, Beaumont Children's Home, and a number of individual shut-ins. This is the kind of giving that comes pretty close to exemplifying the Christmas spirit as it should be.

Thank you Red Mills, Mrs. Smartt and the Magnolia Men for just the right kind of a program to touch our hearts on the Eve of one of our greatest Holy Days!

New Rotarian **Cecil Kennedy** (telephone service) has sent us the nicest present: a blue book of telephone numbers WITH a listing of all long-distance numbers which we have used during the past year.

What we want to know is what **Ken Steffy** did to help the author write the poem of how Dick Dowling and his men won the Battle of Sabine Pass.

ROAMIN' ROTARIANS -- They Didn't Forget

SOUTH PARK, Monday: C. J. Lockwood, O. C. Honig, Jim Winton, Boyd Lamb, Walter Hoy, Johnny Williamson, Jerome Terry, Clark Phippen, Sam Sharfstein, Joe Ehrhart, Ken Stevens, Dick Carey, Verner Jones, Madison Wright

(program)

WEST END, Tuesday: Red Mills, Jim Weathers, John Montgomery, Floyd Pipkin, A. C. Love, Ed Christman, Orlo Bangs, Abe Klein, Jack Hardy, Ralph Griffing, Ernest Kinsel, Joe McClancy, Luther Carter, Smyth Walden, Elmer White, Harold Arnold, W. G. Wallace, Rus Catalano, Bill Ott, Charlie Balcom, Vic Lowrey, Jack Dahmer, Lee Kyburz, Levy Ward, Keith Hotchkiss, Harry Woodside, Walter Voigtman, Chick Dollinger, Irwin Massman, James Hagan.

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