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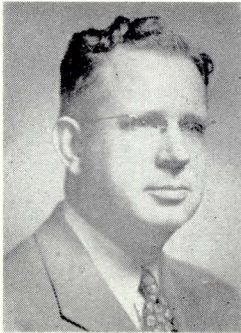
ROTARY CLUB OF BEAUMONT TEXAS, WEEKLY BULLETIN  
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## Program For This Week

**SPEAKER: ROTARIAN I. F. BETTS, PRESIDENT**  
**AMERICAN NATIONAL BANK**  
**SUBJECT: THE PHILOSOPHY OF BANKING**

Bank president, outstanding citizen and favorite speaker, Rotarian Frank Betts will return to our Rotary speaker's stand this Wednesday with an address entitled, "The Philosophy of Banking."



I. F. Betts

Known as a busy man who takes time for the important things, Frank's informative speeches are awaited with keen interest. He is a graduate and trustee of Southern Methodist University and a past director of the National Chamber of Commerce. Among many other current activities he is director of The Texas Research League, Austin; Texas Bureau

of Economic Understanding, Dallas; Mid-Western Insurance Co., Tulsa; Norvell-Wilder Supply Co.; Medical Research Foundation of Texas; Texas United Fund and the Y.M.C.A. He is treasurer of the American Bankers Association and a member of the Federal Advisory Council of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Program committee: Alex Broussard, chairman; Jim Dunagan, vice chairman; Don Cornell, Jim Weathers, John Wheat and Dunny Woolford.

## 47th Annual Christmas Party

The Club Christmas Party honoring the Ladies of Rotary will be held in the Rose Room of Hotel Beaumont on Wednesday, December 14 at 12:15 p.m. with President Lee Griffin presiding.

The intention of the Past Presidents committee planning this party is for a lot of Christmas Merriment abounding with a large element of surprise. Bob Akers will be master of ceremonies; the customary door gifts will be awarded to the lucky

Rotary Anns and Frank White is hard at work on a unique decorating scheme.

Invitations are being mailed this week and tickets at \$3.50 each will be sold at Rotary the next two Wednesdays. Reservations are necessary and may be made on the double post card-invitation. Reservations will close Tuesday, December 13 at 5 p.m., as it is necessary that the hotel know the number to be present if all are to be seated comfortably.

Guests are limited to out of town visitors and the widows of Rotarians, a list of which will be found elsewhere in this issue. The widows of Rotary are always especially welcome at this annual party.

## Widows of Rotarians

(Please Report Errors or Omissions)

Mrs. A. Babin	Mrs. Roy McKnight
Mrs. Cooper Bevil	Mrs. L. H. Mabry
Mrs. Carl Bingman	Mrs. Harry Marlow
Mrs. J. D. Birdwell	Mrs. Frank Martin
Mrs. J. V. Brock	Mrs. Raoul Miller
Mrs. Joe E. Broussard	Mrs. J. W. Mills
Mrs. E. L. Boykin	Mrs. Henry Mooney
Mrs. Ralph Chastain	Mrs. Marion Munro
Mrs. Joe Clemmons	Mrs. H. B. Oxford
Mrs. Mack Clapp	Mrs. C. S. Purcell
Mrs. Tom Cleveland	Mrs. H. A. Philipson
Mrs. L. B. Cohen	Mrs. Artie Pollock
Mrs. Joe Clesi	Mrs. L. T. Pruitt
Mrs. Ross Combest	Mrs. Roy Redd
Mrs. John Dollinger	Mrs. L. W. Riggs
Mrs. Elmon Doty	Mrs. Harry Shepherd
Mrs. Matt Dutton	Mrs. C. M. Smelker
Mrs. Chester Easley	Mrs. J. P. Serafino
Mrs. Bob Edmonson	Mrs. Sam Solinsky
Mrs. Alex Feigelson	Mrs. J. D. Southwell
Mrs. John Freeland	Mrs. Beeman Strong
Mrs. W. C. Gilbert	Mrs. Alex Szafir
Mrs. E. W. Gildart	Mrs. Ed Stedman
Mrs. J. S. Gordon	Mrs. Phil Stein
Mrs. John Gore	Mrs. Kenneth Stevens
Mrs. Paul Hilliard	Mrs. W. C. Tyrrell, Sr.
Mrs. Verner Jones	Mrs. Tim Turner
Mrs. Carl Kennedy	Mrs. Elmer White
Mrs. Arthur Kaufman	Mrs. C. B. Wilson
Mrs. J. W. Kinnear	Mrs. J. Cooke Wilson
Mrs. Steve King	Mrs. Baxter Willis
Mrs. Ray Lighthall	Mrs. T. N. Whitehurst
Mrs. Eugene McDanald	Mrs. Ben S. Woodhead, Sr.

## Last Week

Invocation ..... Charles Wyatt-Brown  
 Club Sweetheart ..... Linda Sue Mahan  
 Introduction of Guests ..... George Adams  
 Re Thanksgiving ..... Peter Wells  
 Introduction of Speaker ..... George Dishman, Jr.  
 Address ..... "Judge" Arthur Stewart

The talk by "Judge" Arthur Stewart, Bryan attorney and occasional lecturer on business law and veterinary jurisprudence at the agricultural and mechanical college some five miles distant, proved to be a highly refreshing change-of-pace program last week, with humorous observation mixed in with serious advice in about an 80-20 ratio in favor of the gags. It was something like a Spanish omelet made with one egg and about a quart of sauce, which is the way that I personally like Spanish omelets, and most of the brothers must feel about the same way judging from the applause accorded the speaker.

The serious part of the talk—I refuse to call it an "address"—consisted of some solid horse-sense advice to the layman about legal problems he might encounter. For example, one point was: "Don't sue if you can possibly make a settlement out of court." Another admonition was, if you have a suit brought against you, run to your nearest lawyer friend real quick in a hurry, and don't ignore the thing until a few hours before the deadline because if you fail to take cognizance of it you may find yourself the victim of a default judgment, which apparently is harder to shake off than the seven-year-itch.

The speaker also touched on statutes of limitations, and said it shook one's faith in human nature to realize how often these were invoked to get out from under an obligation that should at least be morally binding. He also warned us to put all agreements of consequence in writing, even though such might not be required under Texas law.

Mr. Stewart's sense of humor is terrific, reminiscent of Will Rogers' homespun philosophy, and impresses his listeners as entirely genuine rather than an affectation. I think the club was about ready for something of this sort, and I hope we can hear this speaker again before many moons have passed.

—B.W.

## SICK BAY

Rotarians planning to spend Thanksgiving 1960 in the hospitals were: D. H. Brewster, St. Therese; Lee Wheat, Oschner's in New Orleans; and Cooke Wilson in St. Luke's, Houston. Our best wishes go to them.

Tokyo Travellers: Hotel or Ryokan reservation blanks have been received and may be obtained in the Rotary Office or by phoning. The supply thought to be short at first is now ample as those having confirmation of travel have received them direct from R.I.

Listed as going are: Winthrop Leach, Fuzzy Roane, Bill Rammel, Harold Carpenter, Gale Broce, Albert Klein, Geo. B. Morgan, J. T. Shelby and Benny Hughes.

## Volunteers Needed

**WANTED:** 24 Rotarians to help make that Merry Christmas a little merrier for someone else by serving two hour stretches at the Salvation Army Kettles on Monday, December 19. Downtown locations are: White House, a bank, Kress and Sears to be manned by Downtown Rotarians with the other Rotary clubs in charge of other locations. Volunteers may call Winston Procter, TE 2-0256; Tom Lamb, TE 3-7474 or the Rotary Office, TE 3-9113. Workers will serve in pairs. Thanks, Fellows.

## New Rotarian

(Please clip or paste in your 1959 Roster)

RAMSEY, JOSEPH, Captain  
 Marine Transportation  
 Socony Mobil Oil Co., Inc.  
 1005 - 23rd  
 TE 3-9411; TW 2-8169  
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