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To Club Presidents and Secretaries



From the R. I. Secretariat (Central Office)
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Fish for Charity

Rotarian J. K. Biswas recently suggested a unique method of augmenting the food supply for the relief kitchen operated by the Rotary Club of Calcutta when he invited anglers to take their rods and tackle to the Dhakuri Lakes, an angler's paradise, and "fish for charity." Many anglers are following his suggestion and the relief kitchen is profiting thereby.

The Rotary Club of Calcutta has appealed to all Rotarians in India to send clothing of all descriptions, old and new, to help clothe the destitute. Shirts, shorts and frocks have been distributed to more than 1,200 children and the club is looking forward to continued useful service in helping to clothe as well as feed those in need.

The Proper Attitude

Recent newspaper articles have told of cases where mothers, wives and others have done irreparable harm to returned wounded or maimed soldiers by the unfortunate way in which they have reacted to the sight of an empty sleeve, a missing leg or other disfigurement.

When a hospitalized soldier returns home, the exercise of tact and self-control is called for on the part of his friends and loved ones. To this end, the aims and objects committee of R.I. requests the president of each Rotary club to point out to the members of his club that it is important to the mental and physical well-being of returning maimed and wounded soldiers that they be treated in a natural manner without a display of curiosity or unwonted sympathy over their disabilities.

Now

5,145 Rotary Clubs
219,850 Rotarians

(Of these 53 clubs with 1,600 members
in war-affected countries are inactive)

93 New Clubs in 21 Countries
Since July 1, 1943

Rotary's Postwar Function

Past Director of R.I. Angus Mitchell of Australia makes a thought-provoking suggestion in regard to Rotary's function in connection with postwar problems. He recognizes that it is difficult for Rotary to put forward something practical for all clubs around the world to tackle. "In fact," he says, "it is well nigh impossible."

What is possible for Rotary, however, according to Angus, is expressed in the following words:

The encouragement of study, the creation of an international mind, the elimination of selfishness, the establishment of tolerance, kindness, "give" spirit rather than "take" are things that Rotarians can support, regardless of differences, national or otherwise. If these matters can govern action in the postwar world all will be well.

It is not hard to see how differences of opinion in regard to trade practices, migration of peoples, access to raw material, and other issues on which people differ, sometimes violently, would be much more easily settled if Rotary and other organizations performed the function suggested by Angus.

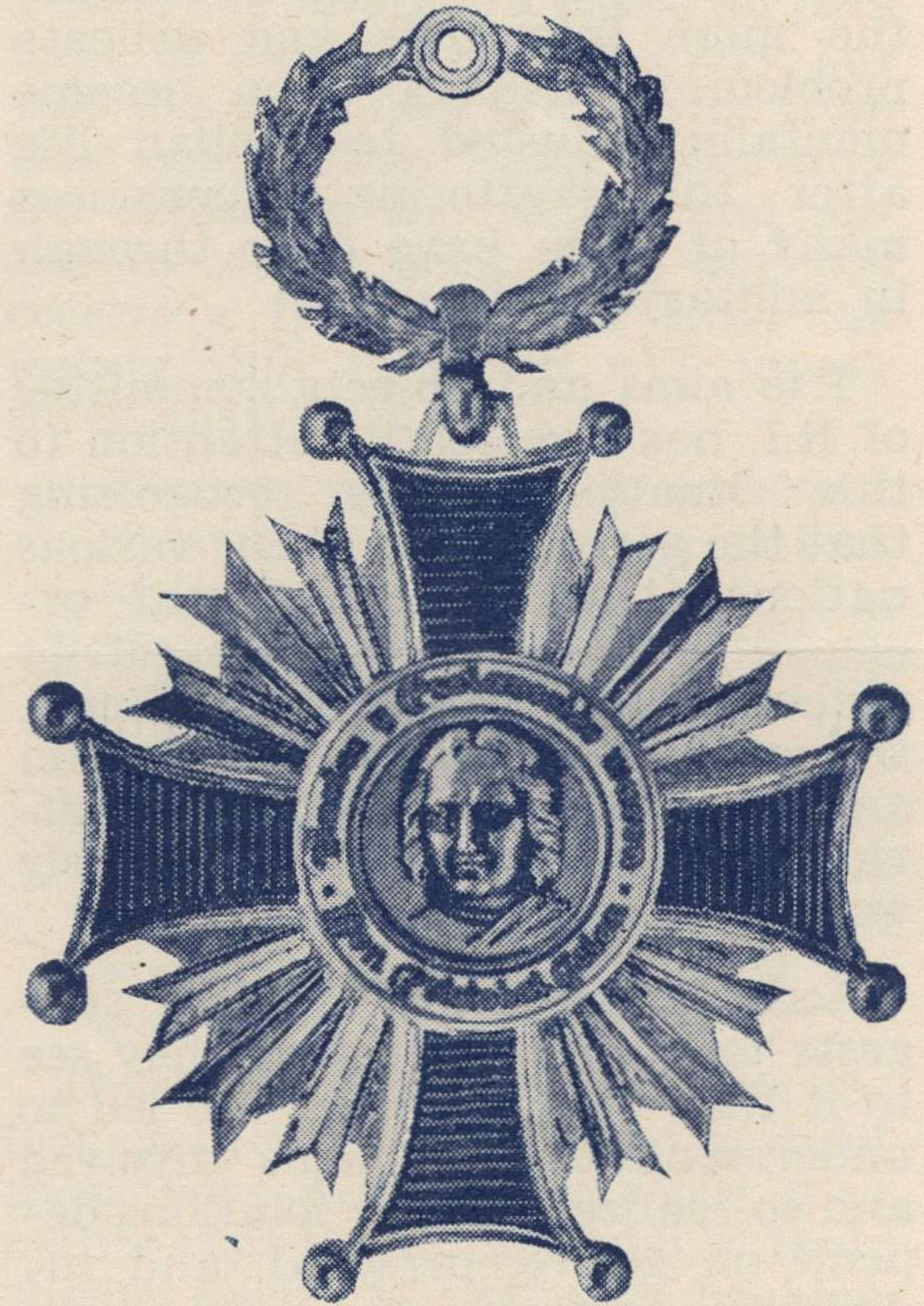
A Vital Force

Favorable publicity has been a vital force in the growth of Rotary world-wide. It can also be an effective factor in the success of every Rotary club.

The clubs which are most successful in publicizing Rotary in their local newspapers and over their local radio stations are the clubs which have an active publicity committee functioning before and after every meeting.

These clubs also take full advantage of the fact that the individual member, because of his many personal contacts, is the best Rotary publicity medium provided that he thoroughly understands the objectives of Rotary and has a general knowledge of Rotary activities, locally and internationally.

No matter how complicated it may seem, good public relations for Rotary is nothing more nor less than the development of good will and understanding on the part of the general public toward the local Rotary club.



Paul Harris Honored

On the 39th anniversary of the founding of Rotary, H.E., Dr. Rafael L. Trujillo, President of the Dominican Republic, conferred upon President Emeritus of R.I. Paul P. Harris the decoration of the Heraldic Order of Cristobal Colon, for his brilliant work of rapprochement and service, based on the highest human ideals.

Appreciation from Chungking

In acknowledging the \$1,500 Christmas gift of the Rotary Club of Philadelphia, Penna., U.S.A., the Rotary Club of Chungking, China, wrote that it was able to give \$500 in local currency (\$17.00 in U.S. currency) to each of 88 families that were in need as a result of war disasters. Each family was required to sign a receipt which stated that the gift was from the Rotary Club of Philadelphia in the U.S.A. Many not only brought back the receipts but also letters of gratitude.

Meeting of R.I. Board

The board of directors of R.I. will hold its third meeting in the Rotary year 1943-44 at the central office of the secretariat in Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., beginning on Friday, 12 May, 1944.

An Opportunity for Individual Service

The mustering out of members of the armed forces—both men and women—has given rise to serious problems in connection with their re-introduction and adjustment to civilian life. Not only is there the problem of providing jobs for them and, in so far as possible, jobs best suited to their capabilities, but also the more intangible and delicate problem of helping them become mentally adjusted to civilian life after the shattering experiences many of them have gone through in military service.

The aims and objects committee of R.I. has directed its attention to this situation. While recognizing that the governments of the various nations at war and different organizations within those countries are working to solve these problems, the committee sees in the situation an opportunity for Rotarians individually to render a tremendously worthwhile service.

Accordingly, the committee suggests to Rotary clubs that they see to it that their members are led to understand the problems involved and to realize that the solutions depend on active, personal, and individual interest and action by Rotarians.

Helping Their Neighbors

The work of the Rotary Clubs in Sweden centers around the theme of education and care of youth in Sweden and adjoining countries. Last year the clubs created a Norwegian Relief Committee within Rotary and from the district fund 3,000 Swedish crowns were given for this committee's work. Swedish Rotarians have done their share in caring for the 25,000 Finnish children who have been received in Swedish homes, and one Rotary club erected a home for sick Finnish children at a cost of 43,000 Swedish crowns.

Welcome to Dakar

The Rotary Club of Dakar, Senegal, French West Africa, has continued to meet regularly in spite of the ups and downs of life in that city during the past few years. The club wants it known that Rotarians or sons of Rotarians in the armed forces, who may be passing through Dakar, are always welcome at its meetings, which are held at 8:00 p.m. the third Tuesday of every month at the Hotel Metropole.

Postwar Committee in Rotary Clubs

The board of directors of R.I. considers it important that each Rotary club have a postwar committee and urges Rotary club officers to appoint such a committee.

Honor Flag—Re-employment

President Wheeler calls an interesting suggestion to the notice of club officers in those countries where it has been customary to display a flag or banner indicating how many employees of a concern are in the armed services. It is a suggestion offered by a Rotarian, who asked why it wouldn't be a useful and constructive thing for business concerns to display an "honor flag" on which would appear an indication of the number of returned servicemen and women employed by the concern. The thought, of course, is to emphasize in the minds of all the pride the concern may justifiably feel in having employed the greatest possible number of men and women released from the armed services.

President Wheeler suggests that there might be in this idea something which the community service or postwar committee of the Rotary Club might consider carefully and perhaps take up with the local Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trade, or other suitable agency.

Autographed by Paul Harris

For a short time only, as the supply is limited, you can secure a copy of "This Rotarian Age" written by Paul P. Harris, the founder of Rotary and *autographed by him*.

"This Rotarian Age" is the story of the first 30 years of Rotary—its personalities — its problems — its growth—250 pages written in Paul's unusual and interesting style. The book is attractively bound in cloth, and will be a fine addition to any Rotarian's library.

The cost is only 65c a copy. Order your copy from Rotary International, 35 E. Wacker Drive, Chicago, 1, Illinois.

In Memoriam

We record with regret the passing of the following past international officers of Rotary International:

Arthur L. Bolton, Bendigo, Australia, who served as governor of the 65th district in 1936-37;

Charles K. Brown, Staunton, Va., U.S.A., who served as governor of the 56th district in 1931-32;

Cecil K. Buchanan, Port Elizabeth, South Africa, who served as governor of the 55th district in 1934-35 and 1935-36;

Andrew Home-Morton, London, England, who served as governor of the 24th district and as president of the British Association of Rotary Clubs in 1918-19;

George H. Jenkins, Amherst, Mass., U.S.A., who served as governor of the 199th district in 1942-43;

Wartime Tempo in New Milton

The Rotary Club of New Milton, England, has expressed appreciation for the publicity in News Letter No. 9 concerning its wartime activities but has pointed out that the club has done much more than indicated in the item.

Last summer the Rotarians combined with the local Home Guard Welfare Committee to run an August Bank Holiday fete on a 50/50 basis. The aim was to raise £250 each—the Rotary club to name a bed at the local hospital, and the Home Guard to assist the Merchants Navy Comforts Fund. The event proved even more successful than expected—and the total profit realized was £666—or £333 for each charity.

In December, the Rotarians organized a Peak Week, the proceeds to provide extra parcels for the prisoners of war from their borough (numbering about 80). £400 was realized from this effort. At the same time the club ran its annual Christmas charity appeal fund and collected £175, which was divided between the British Red Cross, the prisoners of war fund, their local borough prisoners of war fund, and eleven national charity funds.

For a club of 18 members (five of whom are in active service), the above activity constitutes a record in service to others during the year 1943.

"The Rotarian" for Soldiers and Sailors

The Rotary Club of Aruba, Netherlands, West Indies, is carrying on a campaign to secure subscriptions for both "The Rotarian" and "Revista Rotaria" to be sent to camps and ships for the use of soldiers and sailors. The club publication, "The Arrow" remarks that "we can select the camp or ship to receive our gifts or we can leave it to the magazine to choose the recipients. It is not necessary to belong to a Rotary club to receive the magazines."

President Charlie Wheeler expressed his hope that every reading room in every camp and on every ship should have one or both of the magazines in it regularly. "The coming Rotarians," he pointed out, "are in the armed forces now, and the more they learn about Rotary now, the stronger the Rotary clubs of tomorrow will be."

Price for either magazine is \$1.50 a year within the Americas, \$2.00 elsewhere. Why not a survey of the day rooms and reading rooms in the camps near you and see that they get "The Rotarian" and/or "Revista Rotaria." Orders should be sent to 35 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, 1, Illinois.

Foreign Maps and Photographs

In the February 25th issue of this supplement to the News Letter, an item "Have You Any Foreign Maps?" told of the desire for such maps. That call to send maps to the U. S. Army Map Service was directed to Rotarians in the United States.

The Armed Services of Canada also are calling for foreign maps and photographs of all areas outside the British Empire and the Americas. Material on the Far East is particularly desired.

Needed

City Plans and Port Plans on a scale of not less than 1:25,000.

Important Foreign Atlases.

Road Maps, Topographical and Geological Maps not smaller than 1:1,000,000.

Guide Books, Place-Lexicons, Gazetteers and Postal Guides.

Photographs of Topographical interest—for example, beaches, roads, lines of communications.

Not Needed

Maps printed in Canada, Great Britain or the United States, such as National Geographical Society, etc.

World War I Maps.

Any photograph taken prior to 1930.

The more recently issued publications are preferred.

Please state whether your material is a gift. If you prefer to lend it, reproduction will be made and the originals returned.

Rotarians in Canada should forward that material to:

Inter Service Photographic Library
72 Queen Street, Ottawa, Ont.

Postwar Stock for Profit

Upon the initiative of its rural-urban committee, the Rotary Club of Magnolia, Mississippi, has joined with the Mississippi Cattle Club and the Agricultural Extension Authorities in making it possible, financially and otherwise, for 30 production-bred Jersey bulls to be distributed to dairy farmers in Pike and Amite Counties. This project will result in better stock and more milk in these two counties for the postwar period.

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And then there is the Rotary Club of Woodruff, South Carolina, whose 26 members bought 26 pure-bred brood sows, raised \$121 for prizes and promoted a better-pig campaign, and provided \$50 for follow-up work . . . all for better stock after the war.

Today's Service Story

Recently a young soldier in a camp in the U.S.A. wrote his mother that he would like very much to have an electric iron so that he could press his clothes, not realizing that finding an unused electric iron in these days is a real accomplishment.

After a long, unsuccessful search, the mother finally went to a little electrical supply shop, hoping to find a second-hand iron, but there was none. However, when the lady who waited on her found that the iron was intended for a soldier, she said "Come back tomorrow. I have an old iron at home. Perhaps I can help you."

When the mother returned the next day, the lady handed her a brand new iron, which she insisted on presenting as a gift. When the mother protested, the lady said: "I bought this iron before the war and have been holding it in reserve in case my old iron wears out, but I want you to send it to your boy. Perhaps not only he, but others, will get some good out of it. I'll take a chance on my old iron lasting for the duration."

Isn't this an interesting little story of personal service at a time when we are hearing all too much of people who are trying to profit from wartime conditions? I think so.

Phil

Army Fashion

When local eating places no longer found it possible to serve them, Scarsdale, New York, Rotarians decided to meet in the American Legion rooms and have their meals sent in from a drug-store luncheonette. Members stand in line and pick up their plates, army fashion, each member taking his turn in serving. This new eating arrangement has increased fellowship, and the club plans to continue it after the war.

**Rotary International Conference
at Chicago, Ill., U.S.A.
May 15-18, 1944**

A Practical Approach to the Work Pile

The Rotary Club of Longview, Texas, has obtained a list of all parents, or next of kin, of every boy who has gone into the service from that community. From them they are obtaining the names and addresses of the boys. Each boy will receive a friendly letter from the Rotary club, in which will appear three questions:

- 1) When the war is over, do you expect to return to Longview and go back to work?
- 2) Do you expect to go back to the job you had when you entered the service?
- 3) If you had no job, or were not satisfied with the one you had, what is your aptitude—what line of work would you like to enter, and are qualified to do?

Think of the morale-building effect of those letters! What a thrill those boys will receive when they realize that the Rotary club in their "home town" is not only backing them while they are in the service—but also stands ready to assist them upon their return!

—Charles L. Wheeler
President, R.I.

Approval of "Specific Charter"

The following organizations have indicated their approval of the "specific charter" signed by the heads of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, the American Legion, Kiwanis International, and Rotary International, in San Francisco, California, on December 16, 1943, and distributed to all Rotary clubs with the 24th December issue of the R.I. News Letter:

- American Bankers Association
- American Bar Association
- American Farm Bureau Association
- American Medical Association
- Business and Professional Women's Clubs
- Civitan International
- Cosmopolitan International
- General Federation of Women's Clubs
- Gyro International
- Lions International
- National Education Association of U.S.
- National Grange
- Optimist International
- Round Table International
- U.S. Junior Chamber of Commerce
- Commander-in-Chief, Military Order of the World Wars
- National Association of Manufacturers
- California State Society of Sons of American Revolution

Sober Second Thoughts

by Paul B. McKee, Chairman, R.I. Committee on Participation of Rotarians in the Postwar World

The other day a friend of mine remarked, "These are times when almost anything could happen." These are certainly times when the businessman—be his enterprise big or little—is hoping and praying that a number of things will happen so that he can see his way clear to carry a full employment roll and continue his service to the public.

If anyone is inclined to shrug his shoulders and say that everything will be all right, or let somebody else worry about the basis on which we are going to do business following the war, let him read the following editorial reprinted here by special permission of The Saturday Evening Post:

Right in the middle of an enthusiastic outburst in favor of something or other, have you ever felt that gnawing way down in your soul producing the suspicion that you may be just talking through your hat? Well, every now and then, editors feel that way, and being unusually candid in this business, we hereby take our readers into our confidence and expose a few sober second thoughts that are driving us crazy.

For example, it sometimes occurs to us that people may be worrying too much about the horrors of peace. Some of us talk as if it were necessary to expect a grim day when nobody will have a job and every shortcoming would be excused by the reminder, "Don't you know there's a peace going on?" There may be no harm

in suggesting that, when the war is over, there will be instant demand for quite a lot of people to do the thousand and one things that are only half done now—repair the radio, put in that extra bathroom, work in laundries, read meters, deliver milk, fix "flats," survey building lots, repair typewriters.

Another suspicion that haunts us is the possibility that, when we cut loose at Congress for refusing to close the "inflationary gap" of consumer purchasing power, we may be leaving out another inflationary gap which is even more contributory to inflation—namely, unbridled Government spending power. The Republican members of the House Ways and Means Committee made a fair case for the proposition that it does little good to take money away from the public by income tax if ten times as much money is to be shoveled into circulation through unnecessary spending.

Thirdly, as the Calvinist preachers used to set it up, we are often a little worried by the talk about how, come peace, the free-enterprise system is going to have one more chance to produce "full employment." If it doesn't come through, then Harry Hopkins and the deluge. Our feeling of discomfiture is caused by the obvious fact that free enterprise can hardly operate at the point of a shotgun. It has to have a chance to move around a little. If, at the first sign of a tailing off from the present orgy, the bureaucrats cry triumphantly, "There, we told you! The index numbers are off two points already," then the customers will have

to decide between freedom and "full employment" at made work. The present propaganda is not calculated to suggest patience as a factor in making the decision.

On the other hand, we are a little nervous when we hear some business leaders sound off on free enterprise without explaining that they will have to hump some if free enterprise is not going to have a wreath surreptitiously laid on its tomb every ground-hog day. Free enterprise implies, of course, a "profit economy," but it won't get anywhere for long if it does not also function as a "use economy." It is our belief that little will be produced for "use" unless there is plenty of opportunity for profit. Sometimes, though, we fear that Eric Johnston has not convinced all his members that vice versa is also true.

Our final doubt concerns the widespread acceptance of collective security as our future international policy. Too many of the peace plans we read suggest a rigidity which would permit too little opportunity for the inevitable workings of change and evolution, as if the international police force would slap down dissenters first and talk it over afterwards. We must not forget that, as has been well said, "peace, to be durable, must be endurable." Some encouragement is contained in a recent speech by Elmer Davis, who said that we must not freeze the future international organization into something static. We must remember always to leave open the possibility of change." (Copyright 1943 by the Curtis Publishing Company.)

"A World to LIVE In" on the Air

John Burton, who broadcasts for station KNX, Hollywood Station of the Columbia Broadcasting System, devoted one of his recent broadcasts to a discussion of "A World to LIVE In," the book published by Rotary International consisting of 30 articles on postwar themes from "The Rotarian."

Mr. Burton's broadcast centered on the article by Arthur Holly Compton, Nobel Prize winner in Physics. He says this of the book, in general: "The material it contains is so good, so authoritative and diversified that I recommend it to everyone who is interested in establishing a peaceful and a just world order."

A few copies of "A World to LIVE In" are still available at 25c each, six for \$1.00, or 40 for \$5.00. Orders should be sent to Rotary International, 35 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, 1, Illinois.

It ISN'T Too Early

The weather may still be wintry, but that doesn't mean it's too early to plan for Victory Gardens. Although Victory Gardens were a great success last year, the Government is asking for even more and even better gardens this year.

At the Regional Victory Garden Conferences held all over the country during February, certain things were stressed: (1) the importance of early planning, choosing the soil, preparing it and having good seed ready to plant the moment weather permits; (2) the economic value of Victory Gardens in producing good crops and aiding in the war effort; (3) cooperation with other groups sponsoring Victory Gardens so that there will be no duplication of effort; (4) encouraging Victory Gardens as a means of curbing juvenile delinquency.

Keeping youngsters busy in the garden keeps them out of mischief, and the proper kind of sympathetic backing will give them the satisfying feeling of having a part in national defense.

Training Schools for 4-H Leaders

There are 60,000 boys and girls in Indiana actively interested in 4-H Club work. The Rotary clubs for several years have sponsored schools for the training of adult leaders in this work. Interest in the project has grown steadily. Recently three schools for training of adult leaders were conducted at different localities in the 154th district, and all were well attended. Rotary clubs, with the cooperation of local County Agricultural Agents, located men and women leaders from their communities, and arranged for and financed their attendance at the three training conferences.

The clubs feel that this activity provides another opportunity to intensify the "Food-for-Victory" program.

You can't spell Rotary with an absent "t."

—Springfield, Illinois
Rotary Review

Progress — on the Work Pile



SERVICE ABOVE SELF — HE PROFITS MOST WHO SERVES BEST

"It makes no difference who gets the credit so long as the work is done"

24 March 1944

Work Pile News No. 8



Great Progress

It would not be possible for anyone to see the correspondence and the bulletins that come to me from Rotary clubs and district governors in North America and in the southern hemisphere without being tremendously impressed with the progress of the Work Pile project.

Thousands of communities are going to be ready with jobs for their boys and girls in the service when the war ends. These jobs will carry these young people over the reconversion period. The plans include, of course, similar jobs to bridge over that period for the disemployed civilian workers. Think what the cumulative effect of this is going to

be on the economic condition of each country,—and of the world!

Each week brings new evidence of the applicability of the essential elements of the Work Pile project to communities of all sizes and kinds, whether they be located in Australia, in Southern Africa, in Canada, the U.S.A., or elsewhere.

My appeal to Rotary club officers is: Let it not be said at the close of your term that the Rotary club has not succeeded in arousing its community to the need for a complete Work Pile survey which will reach every family in order that all may cooperate toward assuring adequate employment for those first difficult months following the war.

College Women Canvassing

The Rotary Club of Glens Falls, New York, reports that in the Work Pile survey, largely sparked, guided and manned by Rotarians, fifty women from Skidmore College's Department of Business and Sociology will spend a week canvassing the community so as to reach every family, if humanly possible. At the same time the Glens Falls Area Committee for Economic Development will be conducting a survey among manufacturers to obtain an estimate of the number of jobs available in the plants after the war and the time required for them to reach full production on a peacetime basis.

Community Cooperation

As a result of the initiative taken by the Rotary Club of High Point, North Carolina, postwar planning work in that community is progressing in a highly successful manner with wholehearted cooperation among the service clubs, the C.E.D., the Chamber of Commerce, and the school authorities.

Concurrently with the C.E.D. survey of industries, some 700 high school students are canvassing all householders, "applying" (as stated by the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce) "the Work Pile idea of Rotary International."

The survey among householders will be followed up immediately with a similar inquiry among stores and offices. The secretary of the Chamber of Commerce points out that the total figures will be of importance to three C.E.D. subcommittees on distribution, construction, and services.

Placing Returning Veterans

In Bristol, Connecticut, the Rotary club is assisting the community-wide committee on postwar planning by taking over one branch of the work, namely that of trying to place returning veterans and acting as an advisory staff to help these veterans reestablish themselves in the community. The government has permitted the local draft board to furnish the Rotary club committee with the names of veterans returning to town. The club committee writes to each such veteran, sending a questionnaire which, when filled out and returned, is referred to a member of the Rotary club whose name, at the same time, is given to the veteran in question as a source of help to him.

86 Work Pile Leaders

In San Jose, California, the Work Pile project is a community plan headed by a general committee of 86 citizens under the general chairmanship of a member of the Rotary Club of San Jose. Their slogan is "Greet Johnny with a Job—Help Build the Work Pile."

The Chamber of Commerce announced that early returns totaled nearly eight million dollars but expected that figure to be much higher when final returns are totaled.

Advanced students of two high schools made the house-to-house canvass to gather the survey blanks.

Five subcommittees are handling the surveys among (A) industry, (B) business, (C) public buildings, (D) residential households, (E) rural territory.

Jobs to bridge the reconversion period

Planning in Australia

Rotarian R. C. Hancock of Brisbane, Australia, governor of District 56, in addressing his clubs has pointed to a tendency in these days to set up bureaucracies which, as he says, "filch away authority and control from private enterprise. Some governmental control," he adds, "is, at a time like this, imperative for obvious reasons, but one foresees a great danger in these growing to such proportions as to become unwieldy and uneconomic."

"Private enterprise," he continued, "has shown out marvelously in assisting the war effort in the production of armaments, ammunition, planes, and ships."

"It is difficult to understand that enterprise of this nature so frequently attracts a certain hostility from some quarters, even though such benefits constantly accrue to these very critics."

"One of the first important considerations in planning is to assure to men the right to develop their own lives... it behooves us in our early planning to make provision for those who are securing for us the worth-while things for which we are fighting."

"There is an opportunity for every Rotarian to take his place at the head of the things that need to be done to furnish leadership instead of hoping and praying for it."

"Each community has opportunities to study and consider its own local and immediate problems. . . . Could we not foster the establishment of a public committee of the leading men who could link up with Rotarians to make a survey of local needs when peace comes? . . . We cannot start too soon to estimate requirements and have our organizations ready to tackle the job. If we do not plan on lines of this nature we shall certainly be caught napping and have to deal with a chaotic state of things. Here is planning for any small community."

In Pulaski, Tennessee —

—the Rotary club has arranged with the county school supervisor, from the Chamber of Commerce, to have the survey forms delivered to the schools of the county. The forms will be delivered to the parents by the pupils, returned to the school supervisor, and then go back to the committee. This will be preceded by about four large advertisements in the two community papers to acquaint the public with the aims of the Rotary club.

In Southern Africa —

—the official journal of the Rotary clubs south of the equator carries to all Rotarians the recommendation that Rotary clubs form committees which will initiate a campaign for making an inventory of deferred wants and services, which citizens of the community are planning to care for as soon as the war is over, so that the jobs represented by these needs can be made available to returning servicemen. The magazine points out that "A lot of cooperation and planning would be necessary, but it could be done." The district governor states "that Rotary clubs can get busy and it is none too soon to make a start."

In Robersonville, North Carolina —

—the first 25 returns in the Work Pile survey conducted by this club in its community of some 1,500 inhabitants showed a pent-up demand for goods and services valued at almost \$74,000 which the individuals reported they were financially able to handle. This included outside painting, inside decorating, remodeling, plumbing and heating equipment, furniture and furnishings, household appliances, farm carts and wagons, farm implements, etc. These same 25 returns showed an estimated additional demand for 49 men beyond those at present employed.

In Windsor Locks, Connecticut —

—the Rotary club, whose members are drawn from Suffield and Windsor Locks, is sponsoring a survey in these two communities in cooperation with the American Legion, the Lions Clubs, the Chamber of Commerce, the C.E.D., and the War Council to learn what work is to be available to supply jobs right after the war. Questionnaires are being mailed to all persons in the area to learn their deferred needs which they are going to fill right after the war. A general committee, formed from representatives of the various groups participating, is going to carry out the survey.

In Jamestown, North Dakota —

—the Rotary club has accepted the responsibility for one part of the postwar planning for jobs for returning servicemen and war workers

Results in Colton, California

The community-wide organization set up for the purpose in Colton, California, has completed its Work Pile survey. The results are impressive. Here are some of the tabulated totals for this community of upwards of 10,000 (1940 census):

New Residence and Repairs

197—new residence	92—new garage
113—add one, or more rooms to present dwelling	73—new plumbing
70—modernize home completely	181—painting
	69—roof repairs
	56—wiring or outlets
	66—fixtures

New Furniture and Household Furnishings

143—new furniture for entire house	267—blankets or comforts
112—furniture for living room	387—sheets
76—furniture for dining room	354—pillow cases
134—furniture for bedroom	189—table linen
63—furniture for kitchen	223—drapes
46—furniture for den or spare room	183—lace curtains
282—rugs	219—window shades
144—floor or table lamps	136—bed
21—tea wagon	194—mattress
141—chairs	100—dresser
	85—dining table
	71—bookcase
	54—chest
	126—overstuffed suite or pieces
	113—china

Electric and Gas Appliances

87—electric range	107—waffle iron
262—radio	97—heater (elec.)
180—refrigerator	121—gas range
226—washer	34—refrigerator (gas)
117—ironer	65—heater (gas)
46—percolator	115—water heater
143—iron	
142—toaster	

Hardware

87—mechanic's tools	38—cutlery
161—garden tools	196—lawnmower
289—garden hose	50—pottery

Concrete Products

108—sidewalks or curbing	43—irrigation system
56—foundation	

Automobiles

280—new automobiles	196—tires
89—complete overhaul	77—battery

Jewelry

159—watches	48—jewelry
249—clocks	35—cutglass
177—silverware	

Toilet Articles

73—dresser set	236—hot water bottles, gloves, and similar rubber goods
65—perfume	
73—mirror	

Clothing

389—women or girls	196—lingerie
351—men or boys	194—elastic girdles or foundations
126—children	397—hosiery
349—shoes	
52—fur coat	

during the reconversion period. Each Rotarian was made responsible for contacting nine business firms and following up to get their personnel plans for the immediate postwar period.

1944 Rotary International Convention Drastically Reduced In Size

Due to constantly increasing transportation difficulties and congested hotel facilities in Chicago, and with world-wide military activities being greatly accelerated, the board of directors of R.I. has drastically reduced the size of the 1944 Rotary International convention.

To transact essential business required by the R.I. constitution and by-laws, a convention with representation primarily by proxies will be convened at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, May 18, concurrently with the international assembly. Features not required by provisions of the by-laws will be abandoned.

Accommodations are available for only international officers (including the outgoing district governors, or their designated alternates, as members of the council on legislation), R.I. committee chairmen, past international presidents, and district governors nominee all of whom are participants in the assembly.

In meeting the current emergency realistically, the board is confident that every Rotary club, in the spirit of loyal and patriotic cooperation, will agree wholeheartedly in the limitation of attendance only to those mentioned above. Each of these should be designated a delegate by his club. He can also carry proxies of the clubs in his district.

Each Rotary club is urged to be represented by proxy through designating any of the foregoing, especially the outgoing district governor or the incoming district governor, as proxy for its club delegates. Credential certificates for such proxy representation will be mailed to club secretaries by April 8.

All requests to the housing committee for hotel accommodations during the previously planned international conference (convention) are hereby cancelled, and full refund of hotel deposits therefor will be made at an early date.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF R.I.

Charles L. Wheeler, President

MARCH 31, 1944

Brief Report

CHICAGO, U. S. A.

MAY 18 to 22, 1944

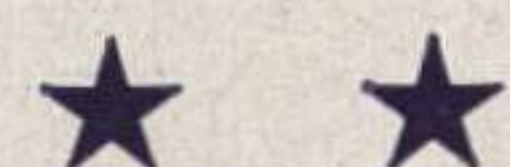


35TH ANNUAL CONVENTION ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

A Streamlined Meeting

Rotary International's thirty-fifth annual Convention was conclusive evidence that the Rotary organization is able to meet any crisis. When it was found that—because of the tremendous increase in wartime transportation problems—it would be impracticable to hold the Convention either in Omaha, Nebraska, where it had been originally scheduled, or in Chicago, it was decided to limit the meeting to the present officers and incoming officers of RI, the Past Presidents of RI, the representatives on the Council on Legislation, and others designated as participants in the International Assembly.

These 230 officers and delegates came to Chicago from twenty-five countries to preserve the continuity of Rotary—to review the accomplishments of the organization during the past year—and to make plans for an outstanding year of Rotary service worldwide in 1944-45.



Thursday Evening Session

Rotary's 1944 "Homecoming" Convention was convened Thursday evening by Convention Committee Chairman Stanley Long of Seattle, Washington. The first plenary session opened most impressively with the "Lord's Prayer" sung in the rich baritone voice of Gunner Charles Hovey of the Canadian Army. Greetings were then extended to the Convention by President Stan Clague of "Old No. 1," and Immediate Past President Fernando Carbajal of Lima, Peru, responded with praise for the hospitality of the Chicago Club.

In his message of greeting, Paul Harris spoke of the progress which Rotary is making in spite of the times, and emphasized the fact that the loss of Clubs due to the war has been far more than offset by the organization of new Clubs throughout those parts of the world where Rotary is still unhampered in its functioning.

Rotarian Andres Pastoriza, President of the Rotary Club of Trujillo in the Dominican Republic, then came to the Convention platform and on behalf of the President of his country decorated Paul with the Heraldic Order of Cristobal Colon for his outstanding service to man-

kind. The great ovation which was accorded Paul was shared by his beloved Jean, who spoke briefly of her great pleasure at having another opportunity to meet friends from all parts of the world, and particularly to meet the splendid group from the Ibero-American countries, many of which she had visited on her travels with Paul.

The name of President Nominee Richard H. Wells was then presented to the Convention. Past President Carbajal's motion that the united ballot of the Convention be cast for Dick, which was seconded by Director John Ilott of Wellington, New Zealand, was unanimously carried. After Dick expressed his thanks to the Convention for the great honor bestowed upon him, the Convention followed its annual custom of electing Rufus F. Chapin of Chicago to serve another term—his 32nd—as Treasurer of RI.

One of the most impressive features of the evening's program was the memorial ceremony in honor of Rotarians who have made the supreme sacrifice for their country in military and civic service. With the lights of the Convention hall darkened, a squad of four United States Marines, to a fanfare of trumpets, marched down the center aisle to the stage, carrying a huge basket of flowers. Then Director Bart Peak of Lexington, Kentucky, in the warm glow of flickering candles, solemnly paid tribute to the departed Rotarians with a recitation of "Crossing the Bar" and "They Have Not Died." Gunner Hovey's singing of "There Is No Death" and the sounding of taps brought this most impressive memorial ceremony to a close.

President Charlie Wheeler then stepped to the rostrum and after presenting his Board of Directors and paying tribute to the loyal support which they had given him in coping with the many problems of a difficult year, told of the splendid progress which had been made in spite of those problems. Then in a dynamic address marked by his characteristic courage and optimism, he cited examples of how Rotary Clubs which have suffered from the ravages of war are carrying on in various parts of the Eastern Hemisphere and called upon all Rotarians to peer into the future and to prepare Rotary for opportunities that still lie ahead—opportunities such as are presented by the Work Pile plan, the Rotary Foundation, and the organization of a postwar world in which civilized men will fight as hard to combat

crime, poverty, disease, famine, greed, and all the other peacetime enemies of civilization, as they are now fighting their more tangible wartime enemies.



Friday Evening Session

Following the invocation pronounced by Past President Tom Davis of Butte, Montana, the second plenary session of the Convention opened Friday evening with an address by Past President Armando de Arruda Pereira of Sao Paulo, Brazil, in which he told of the splendid war effort which is being made by his country and emphasized the strong ties which bind Brazil to the other United Nations at present—strong ties which will become increasingly stronger in the future. He spoke, too, of the postwar problems facing Brazil and other Ibero-American countries, stating that the main problem will be to increase the national income in order to provide a higher standard of living for the people generally.

An "International Kaleidoscope"—a vivid and colorful picture of Rotary throughout the world—proved to be one of the outstanding thrills of the Convention. Tom Davis conducted the Kaleidoscope and first called upon Director John Ilott of Wellington, New Zealand, who sketched briefly and skillfully the contributions New Zealand is making to the war effort and gave a few highlights of the magnificent progress that Rotary has made in New Zealand during the past two years, with a tremendous increase in the number of Rotary Clubs and in the work being done by the Clubs. Particularly interesting was his story concerning "Heritage"—a movement promoted by the New Zealand Clubs to help the boys whose fathers have given their lives for the cause of freedom.

Rotarian Kish Naoroji of Jamshedpur, India, told of the rapid growth of Rotary in India and Ceylon and gave a brief description of India, its ancient culture, its enormous wealth, and the multiplicity of problems to be overcome in order to raise the general standard of living to a level commensurate with the natural resources.

The next turn of the Kaleidoscope carried the audience from the mystic Orient to the Far North when Rotarian Edy Velander of Stockholm, Sweden, told of the difficult conditions under which Rotary Clubs in Sweden are operating. The

splendid progress which they have made may be gauged by the fact that four new Rotary Clubs in that country have been admitted to membership in RI during the past twelve months. The excellent work which the Swedish Rotarians and the Swedish nation generally are doing to relieve the suffering of its war-stricken neighboring Scandinavian countries, was also described by Rotarian Velander.

China was the next stop on this round-the-world tour. Rotarian G. H. Wang, Chinese Vice Consul at New Orleans, Louisiana, and nephew of RI Director-Elect C. T. Wang, told of the grave problems confronting Rotary in China, the difficulty of fixing a time or place for meetings because the building might not be standing when the time for a meeting came around, or an air raid might be on which would make it necessary to go to an air raid shelter. Despite such obstacles, Rotarian Wang reported that the Clubs in Free China are carrying on and have in fact added two new Clubs to their number during the past Rotary year. Rotarian Dr. W. W. Pettus, Past President of the Rotary Club of Changsha, China, told of the courageous manner in which that Club has coped with the almost insurmountable problems facing it, and has been able to accomplish splendid humanitarian work for thousands of war refugees.

The status of Rotary in Mexico, the contribution which that country is making toward the victory of the United Nations, and the fine relationship between Mexico and others of the United Nations, particularly the U.S.A., were discussed by Director Carlos Collignon of Guadalajara, Mexico. Particularly interesting was his statement that 100,000 Mexican workers have been taken from the fields, factories, and railways of Mexico in order to help the U.S.A. meet its war production problems, and that some 10,000 Mexican citizens residing in the United States are serving in the Armed Forces.

The International Kaleidoscope closed in a blaze of color with a brilliant address by RI Past Vice-President Col. Carlos P. Romulo, of Manila, Philippine Islands. Speaking on behalf of the peoples of the Far East—half of the peoples of the entire world—who are now living under the heel of the oppressor, he thrilled his audience in a dramatic appeal for freedom and justice for these "Unconquerables" who represent the undaunted spirit of freedom everywhere and who are unceasingly and relentlessly resisting the invader.

Col. Romulo's address completed the general program of the evening, but the official delegates remained in the Convention hall for almost two hours longer for the business session which was marked by animated discussion and lively debate on many issues. The action of the Convention on proposed enactments and resolutions is recorded on page 6 of this report.

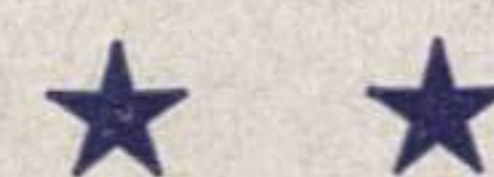
No Sessions Saturday or Sunday

Saturday and Sunday were devoted to sessions of the International Assembly, so there were no plenary sessions of the Convention.



President-Elect Wells Speaks at Special Luncheon

On Monday, the participants in the Convention and the International Assembly attended a special luncheon where President-Elect Richard H. Wells introduced his Board. In an inspiring address, he forecast that the coming year—during which Rotary will celebrate its fortieth anniversary—will be a victory year for Rotary, and he stated that it is time for Rotarians to reaffirm their belief in the aims and objects of Rotary. The past successes which Rotary has had he attributed to the fact that Rotary has never tried to reform people, has never tried to change their beliefs or opinions, but has only endeavored to add to the idealism of their lives.



Monday Afternoon Session

At the final plenary session on Monday afternoon, the Convention elected Directors of RI, the elective officers of the General Council of RIBI, and the District Governors and RI Representatives.

Sir Gerald Campbell, British Minister in Washington and Special Assistant to the British Ambassador in the United States, then delivered his address on "What Are the Nations Striving For?" in which he expressed the hope that mutual confidence between the United Nations will be solidly established and maintained to the end that effective international cooperation may prevail in the postwar world.

The challenge of the future, particularly as it pertains to Rotary, was the subject of an address by Past President Will R. Manier, Jr., of Nashville, Tennessee, who commanded the rapt attention of the Convention with the lucid interpretation of the role which Rotary can and must play in the days that lie ahead.

Datus Proper of San Antonio, Texas, presented the report of the Election Arrangements Committee, and Frank Phillips of Ithaca, New York, reported for the Credentials Committee. The final session of the Convention was then concluded with a message from President Wheeler and the traditional singing of Auld Lang Syne.

Report of the Registration Committee

There were 266 Rotarians in attendance at the Convention from the following 26 countries:

Argentina
Australia
Bolivia
Brazil
Canada
Chile
China
Colombia
Costa Rica
Cuba
Dominican Republic
Ecuador
England
India
Mexico
Netherlands West Indies
New Zealand
Nicaragua
Panama
Peru
Puerto Rico
Sweden
Switzerland
Union of South Africa
United States of America
Uruguay



Council on Legislation

The Council on Legislation of the 1944 Convention met on Thursday afternoon, May 18th. Thorough consideration was given to all proposed enactments and resolutions, and although there was considerable debate concerning some of the proposed legislation, the Council was able to formulate its recommendations in record time because of the limited number of matters to be presented to the Convention for action.

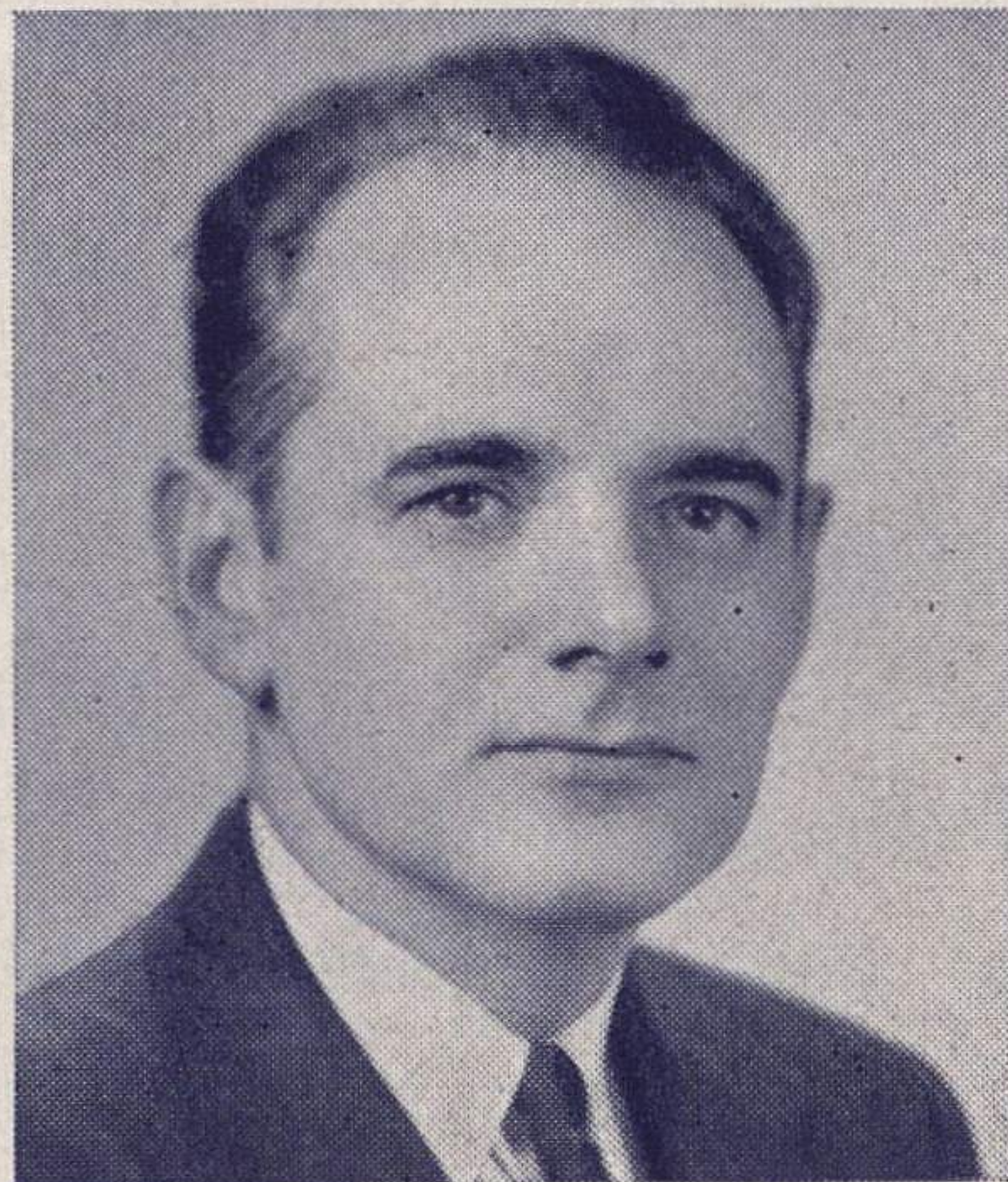


A Romantic Journey

On Sunday evening the participants in the Convention took a "Romantic Journey on the Wings of Song" to the colorful countries of Ibero America. The program, which featured songs and dances by the talented Navarro sisters, also included travelogues in technicolor and piano selections by Miss Elena Hitchcock, daughter of Mervyn Hitchcock, of San Francisco, California, Governor of the 104th District.

STANLEY R. CLAGUE
President,
Rotary Club of Chicago

Thirty-four years ago it was the pleasure of the then President of the Chicago Rotary Club to welcome to

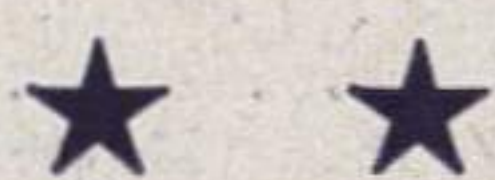


this city the delegates of fifteen other Rotary Clubs who, with the delegates from our Club, convened here for the purpose of forming an association of existing and future Rotary Clubs.

Twenty years later the Chicago Rotary Club again had the honor and pleasure of welcoming to our city a convention of the Rotary Clubs with over 11,000 delegates and visitors from 3,350 Clubs in 60 countries. Truly the movement had become "Rotary International."

Tonight it is my privilege on behalf of the 720 officers and members of the Chicago Rotary Club to welcome to Chicago what is the most unusual and unique Convention of Rotary International that has ever been held.

We of Chicago most heartily welcome you, President Charlie, members of the Board, and all others attending this 1944 Assembly and Convention.



Convention Hospitality Lounge

Because of wartime restrictions, no elaborate plans were made to entertain those attending the Convention. However, the wives of the members of the Rotary Club of Chicago were active throughout the five days of the Convention, serving as hostesses in the Hospitality Lounge. Tea was served every afternoon, and incidental entertainment included bridge, book reviews, musical numbers, and dramatic sketches.

FERNANDO CARBAJAL
Past President, RI

During my year as President of Rotary International it was my good fortune to visit Rotary Clubs in every country in the Americas, from Canada on the north to Argentina and Chile on the south. I feel particularly sure, therefore, that I can speak especially for the Rotarians of this Western Hemisphere. I know how they love Rotary and how they respect "Old Number One."

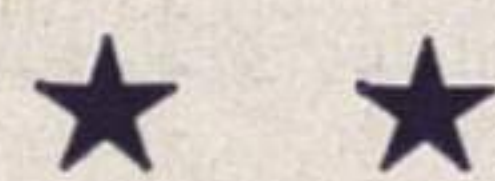
The world of tomorrow will need the idealism of Rotary more than ever before. The wounds of this war will be deep. We must be prepared to apply the soothing and healing lotion of service to others. We must mobilize the resources and the vast potential



strength of our organization for the battle that still lies ahead.

We are here, therefore, to get a new vision, to resolve anew that this great power for good which has been put into our hands shall not go unused, but be treated as a sacred trust.

We, who have gathered here in Chicago for this historic Convention, are relatively few in numbers but the positions of honor and responsibility which we hold make our potential leadership very important. It is good for us to be here in the birthplace of Rotary. We hope and resolve that it shall be good for Rotary that we have been here.



Fellowship Dinners

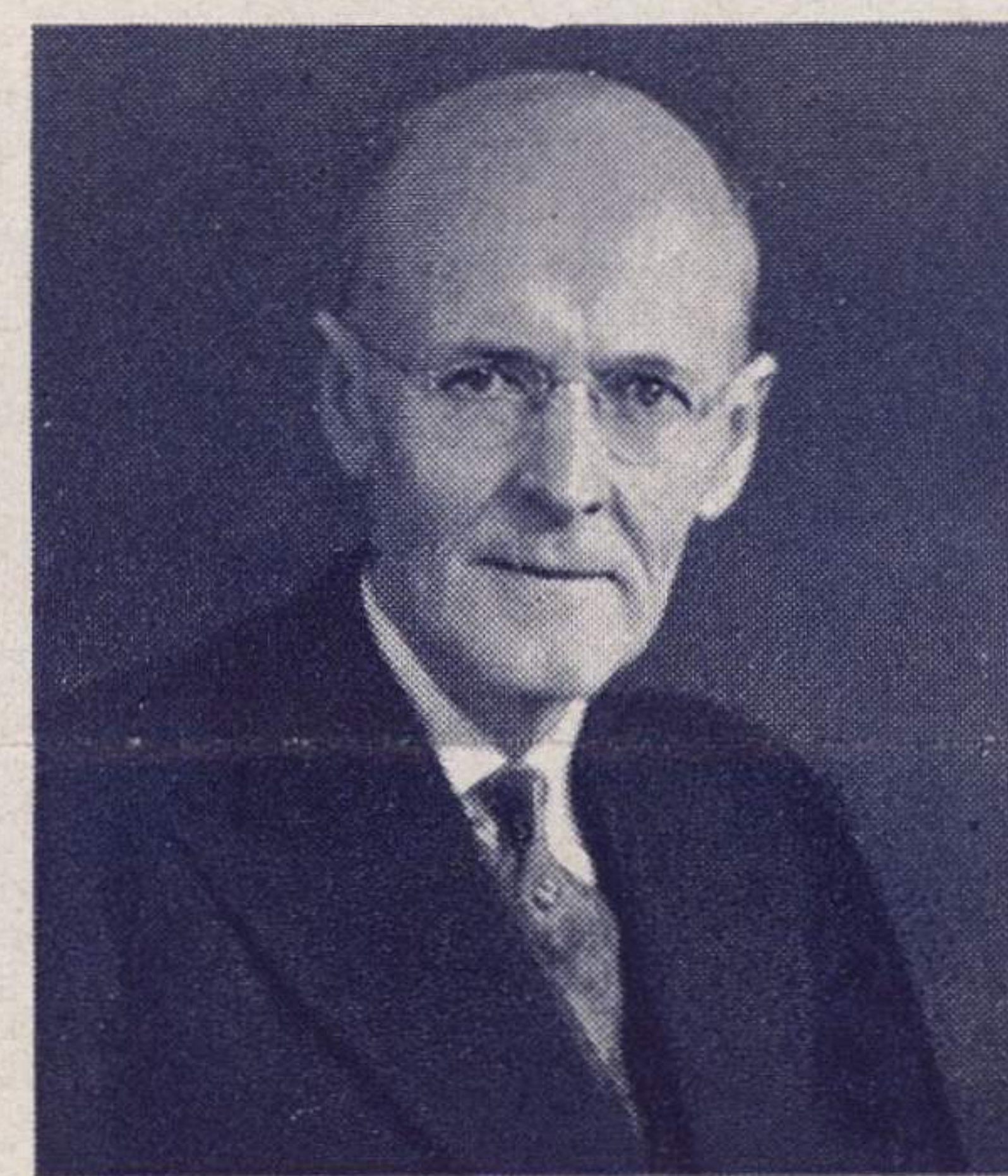
On Saturday evening many of those at the Convention enjoyed a special opportunity for fellowship at the British Commonwealth of Nations, the Ibero-American, U.S.A. and International Fellowship Dinners. In addition to the interesting talks which were given, there was special musical entertainment.

PAUL P. HARRIS
President Emeritus, RI

We might think of Rotary today as something like a great river, the surface of which is disturbed at times, but the current moves irresistibly on. The surface of Rotary is whipped up at times by the political winds which play upon it, but Rotary moves steadily onwards; the fiat of despots is unable to stem the flow.

The loss of Clubs in middle Europe during the present war has been far more than offset by the organization of new Clubs in other parts of the world. There has never been such an awakening of interest in Rotary. Now, as never before, right-minded men in all civilized nations see the need of promoting international understanding and good will and no better way of accomplishing this objective has as yet been made available than Rotary's world-wide fellowship of business and professional men.

I have been privileged to visit many countries in the name of Rotary, and the more I visit, the more I am disposed to conclude that there are no great fundamental differences between men and between nations. None are entirely good, none entirely bad. The



great mischief-maker is misunderstanding. Every nation has contributed much to the sum total of human happiness.

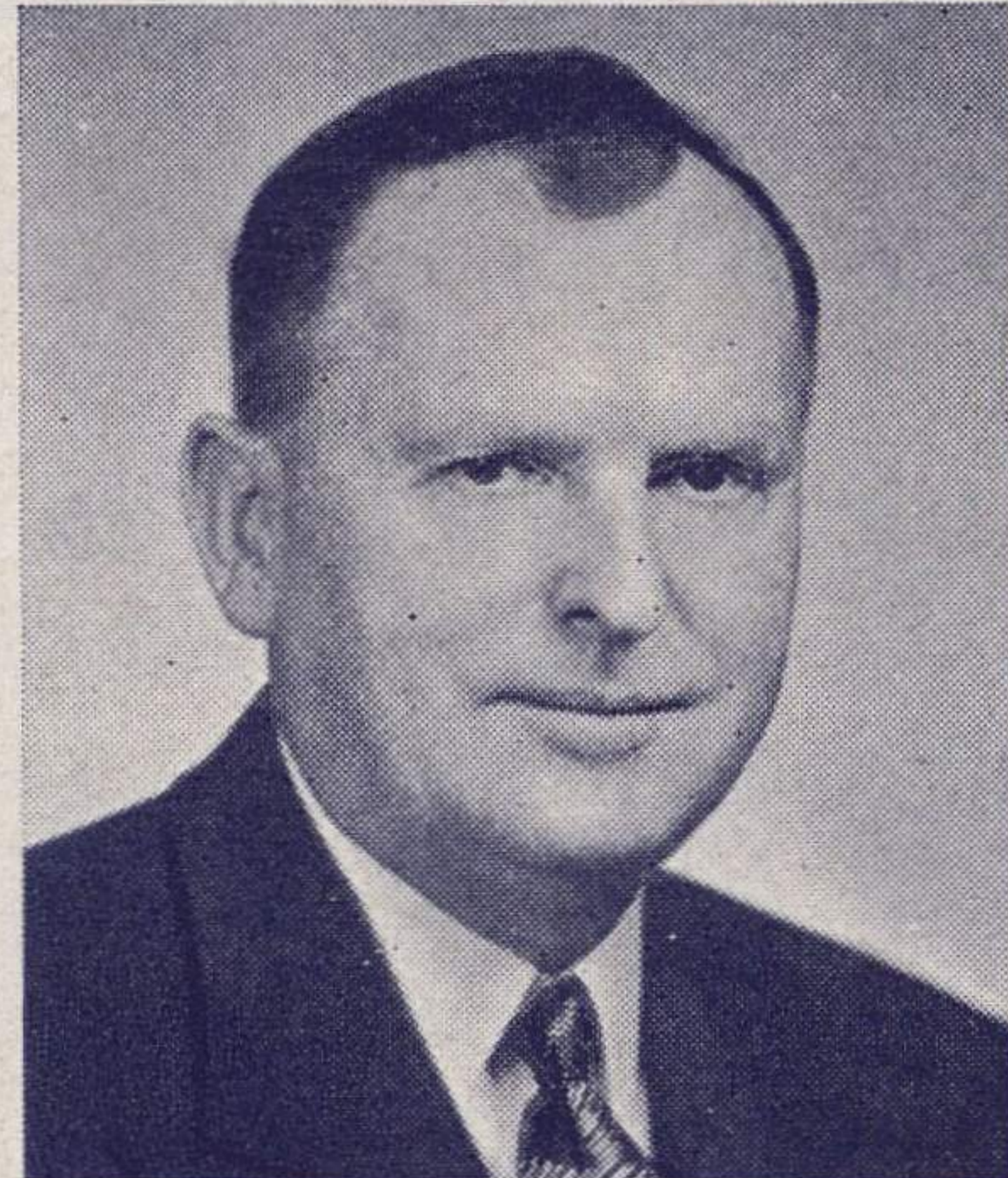


Report of the Credentials Committee

Officers Present	72
Delegates Present	158
Number of Proxies.....	3,535
Total Convention Vote.....	3,765

CHARLES L. WHEELER
President, RI

If the world of tomorrow is to be worthy of the sacrifices of today, it must be based on the great principles for which Rotary stands. We are proud of



the manner in which Rotary Clubs everywhere have responded to the unusual needs created by a world at war. The real test for humanity, however, will come when the last shot of this war is fired. Will we be able to face the problems of peace with the same courage and fortitude with which we have faced the problems of war? Today we present a united front against a common foe, because we can visualize that enemy as other human beings who would impose their philosophy of life upon us, against our will. Tomorrow we will again be facing the less tangible, but no less dangerous enemies of crime, poverty, disease, famine, greed, and all of their allies. Will these enemies of mankind be aided and abetted by the fifth column of indifference within our ranks?

If we are able to learn any lesson from this terrible war, it should be in the value of unity, coordination, and cooperation. Through those attributes we are winning glorious victories on the field of battle. Let us learn to use them, also, in helping to build a world which will be worthy of the sacrifices we have made—a world in which the spirit of service will be the governing principle in the lives of men.

ARMANDO PEREIRA
Past President, RI

I feel proud that since the time of the Brazilian Empire, our foreign policy has run parallel and in absolute accord with that of the U.S.A. The ties which unite my country to the U.S.A. and Great Britain are very soon going to be still more solidly cemented, with the strongest of all cements: blood. Our air forces are already cooperating in Africa and our first Army Expeditionary Forces are awaiting orders to depart!

Allow me to say something more clearly interpreting the sentiment of Brazilians: Even if it were to go down in defeat, Brazil would still be friendly, brotherly, and indestructably tied, as in the past, to the same fate and destiny as the U.S.A.



America—land of liberty—where men fought for their freedom; America, where borders do not serve to divide but to unite peoples and nations; America, where Rotary was born to inspire and teach men how to live in harmony! North, Central, and South America are only geographical designations, for there is only one America, your land, my land, the land of our sons!

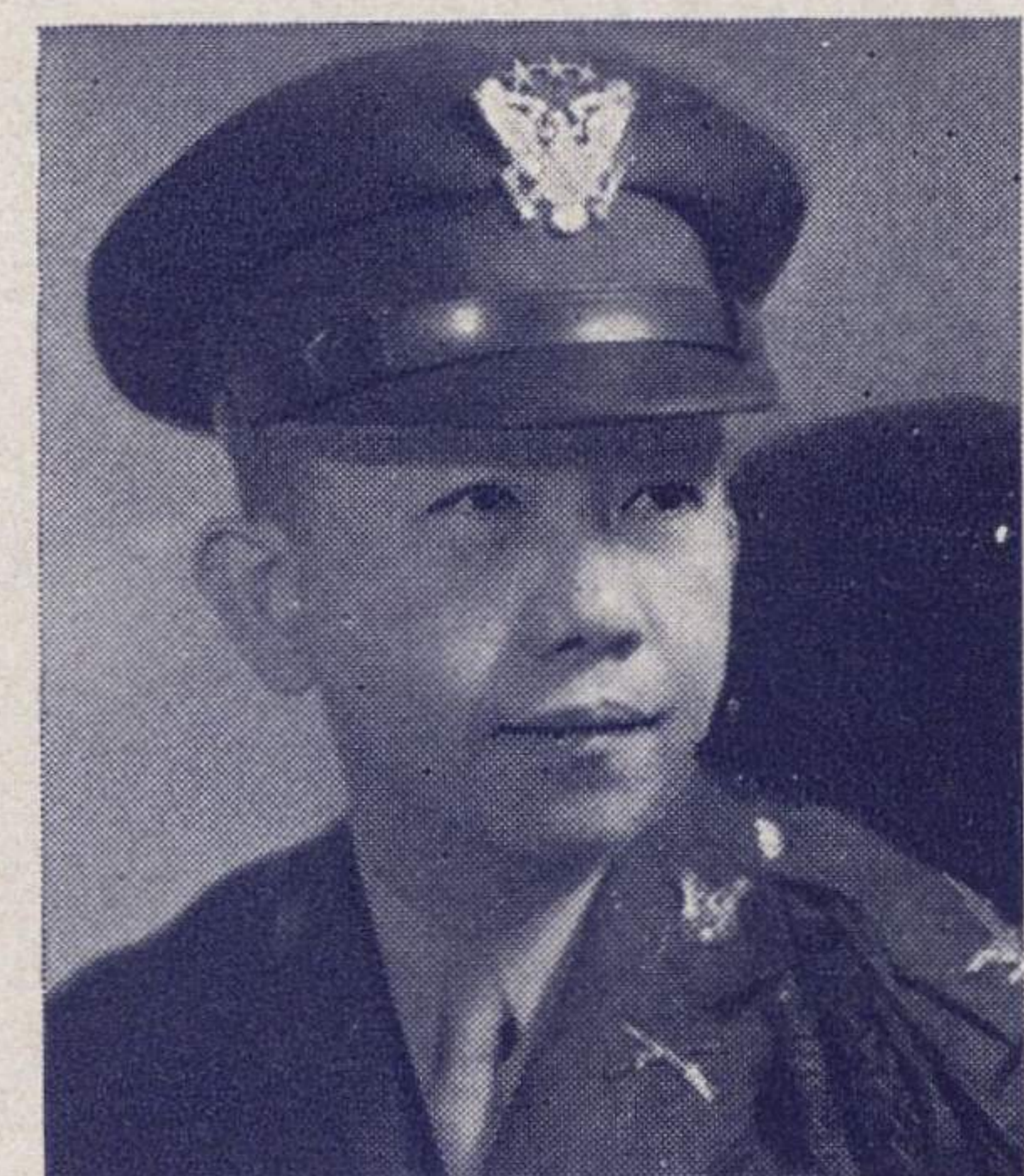
To have faith and perseverance is to have confidence in self strength. I believe in God. I believe in America and in the intelligence and kindheartedness of its people. I believe in Rotary as a powerful means of establishing friendliness and justice for the reconstruction of the better world of tomorrow for mankind.

COL. CARLOS ROMULO
Past Vice-President, RI

I want to call to the attention of this conference—in behalf of the millions of Orientals who will have to play a vital role in the postwar world of tomorrow—the problem of extending the influence of Rotary in that part of the world after the defeat of Japan.

The countries in the Far East will need, after the war, more than anywhere else and more than at any time before, the vitalizing force and influence of Rotary. Rotary must focus its spotlight on the Orient where it has an unlimited field of expansion and service, a field where its high ideals have so far not been heard adequately and applied, a field so rich in possibilities that nobody who has the interests of Rotary at heart can afford to ignore the tremendous opportunities which it offers.

In an even more important sense, Rotary should fix its attention on the Far East because it is the stage whereon the next great drama of our time will be enacted. After the achievement of victory, the Far East will be the theater of great happenings. If Rotary is to be true to its name, it must seek every means by which its participation in those tremendous happenings may be insured. The spotlight of contempo-



rary history has been focused upon the Far East. May the spotlight of Rotary idealism and achievement be focused in the same direction with equal clarity and force.

SIR GERALD CAMPBELL
British Minister to Wash-
ington and Special Assistant
to the British Ambassador
to the U.S.A.

I know that some people like to speak, and some to think with all sin-



cerity, of freedom, justice, of "never again" and they gain easy applause from their audiences, but I am inclined to think that what most of us in most countries yearn for as much as anything is stability.

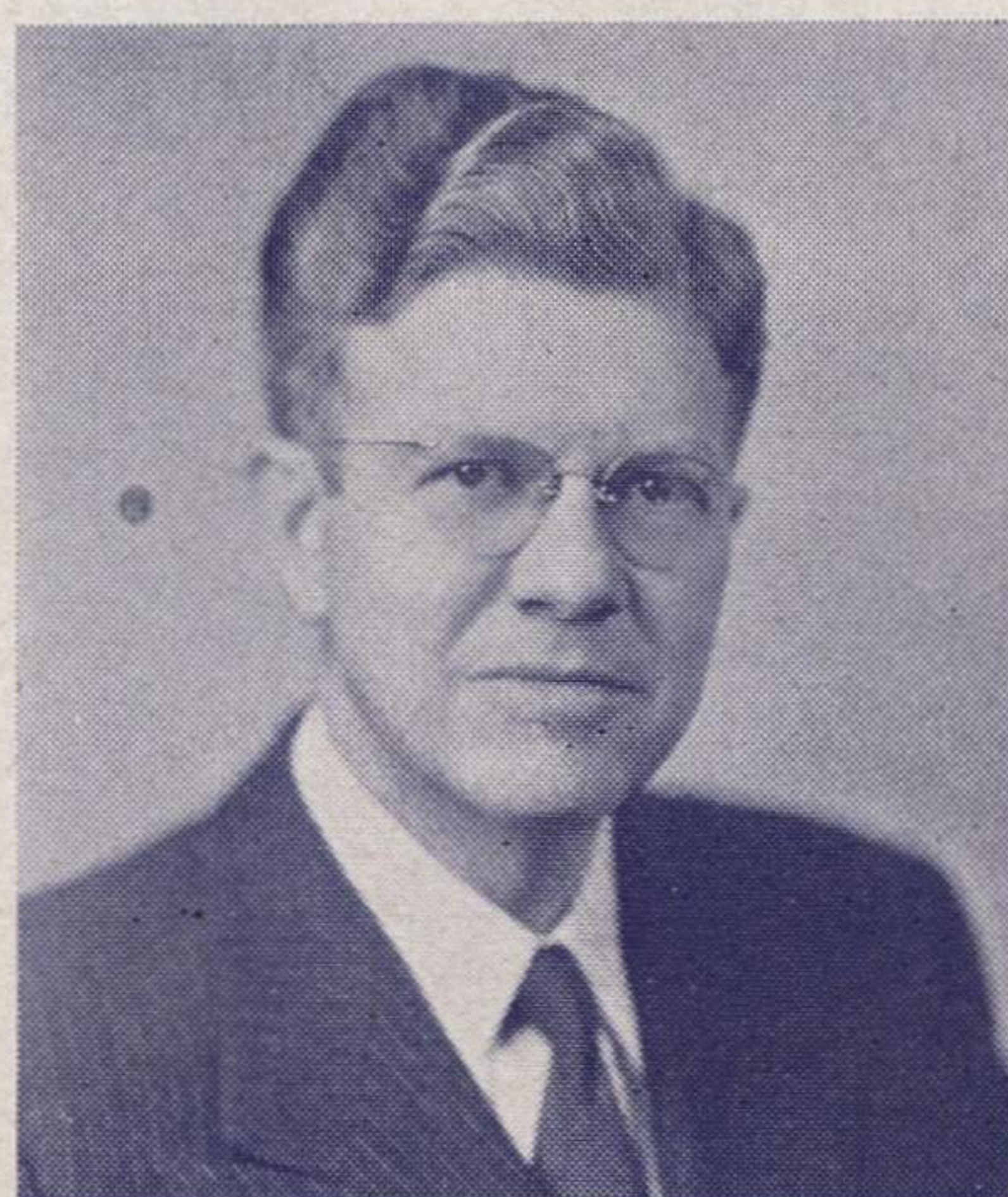
By "stability" I do not mean rigidity—not the unchanging institution, but the shifting, supple balance of the climbing mountaineer—in what we have come to call the postwar world. We do not know very exactly what it will be like. We may have some totally new issues to face just as, towards the end of the last war, our thinking and our planning was all upset by the addition to our vocabulary of a totally new word—the word "Bolshevism."

But, as things go at present, we should be something like a group of partners going into a new business without much to hang a hat on except what might be called "general intentions." It will not be much use playing about with one another unless the chief general intention is a chief general intention to cooperate, unless the partners can, and want to, rely on one another's fairness and sense of justice, on one another's energy and ability, on one another's experience and connections. That is the only way in which we can proceed happily towards the "Journey's End."

RICHARD H. WELLS
President-Elect, RI

It is time to reaffirm our belief in the Aims and Objects of Rotary. I wish I could bring a revival of the power and message of Rotary in every Rotary Club and in the heart of every Rotarian in the world. If you are tired of the Aims and Objects of Rotary, if they seem trite and hackneyed to you, then you are tired of Rotary, because therein are the fundamentals of Rotary existence.

In Rotary, we ask each man to develop himself and seek the service for which his talents best suit him, and if all Rotarians are serving, then Rotary will reach its best and highest level of achievement. There is a tremendous power and influence which is generated by men meeting together, a quarter of a million of them, men of good will, good desires, and good intentions,



meeting every week with the determination to know and to understand one another.

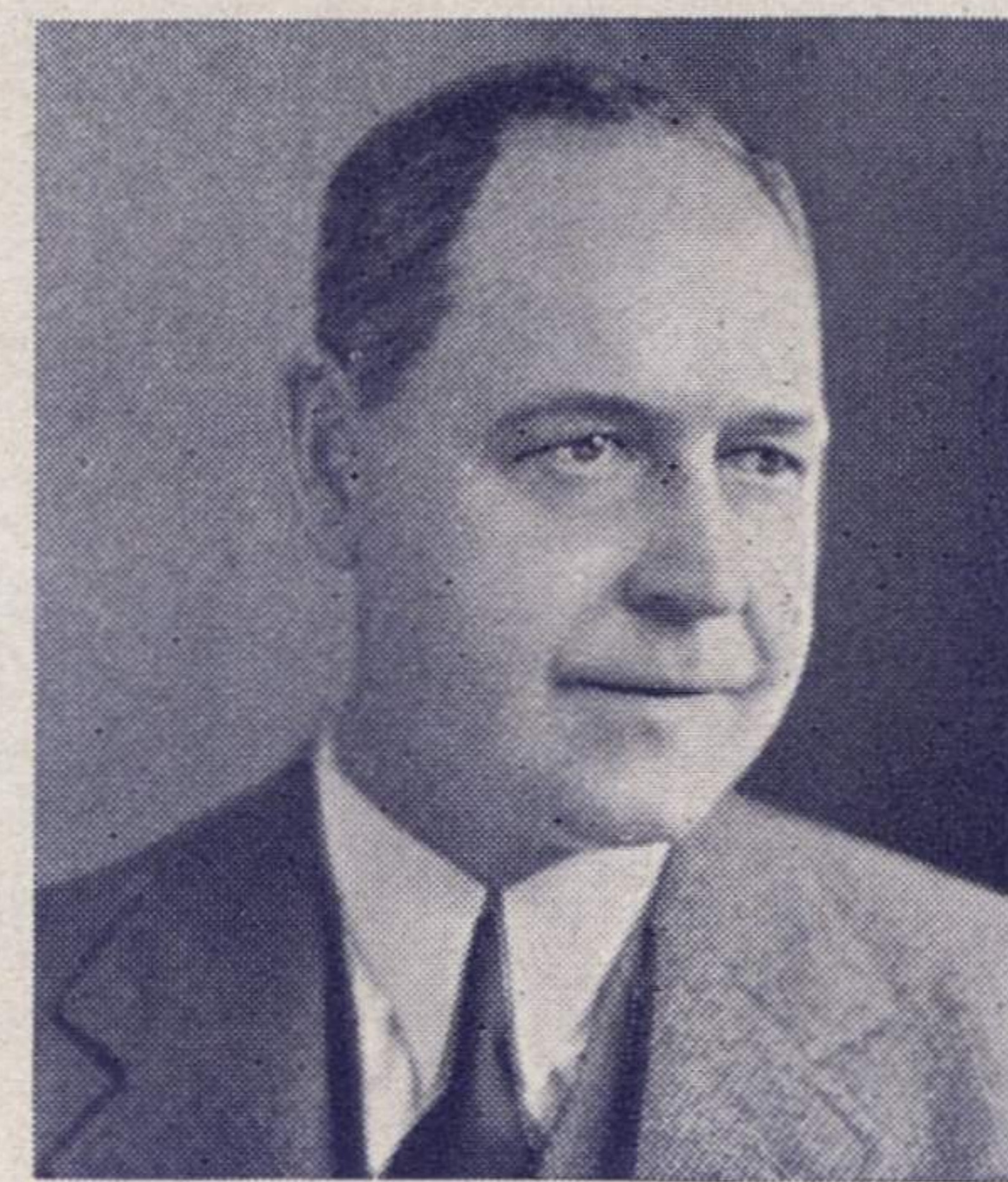
As long as we adhere strictly to the Aims and Objects of Rotary, and do not allow ourselves to be sidetracked into various and devious paths which cause us to forget our real objectives, we can avoid those cleavages and misunderstandings which come about through differences in our environment, in our language, and our philosophies. No Rotarian is asked to accept a particular theory of economics. No man is asked to change his philosophies, his opinions, nor his religion. But every Rotarian can safely be asked to believe in better citizenship, high ethical standards in business, and in the broadening of the basis of his acquaintanceship, so that he may extend his influence for good to his neighbors, to his countrymen, and to all the world.

WILL R. MANIER, JR.
Past President, RI

The future does challenge Rotary, and we have tried to meet that challenge. There have been many extravagant predictions made about Rotary in the past. However, I say that no prediction that any one of you here could make today would be as extravagant as that of Paul Harris and his three associates had they predicted in 1905 exactly what has happened in the last 39 years.

I had my fling at trying to save the world in far-off places when I was President of Rotary International. When I got back, I made up my mind that the place to make my contribution was right in Nashville. I'm not much interested in doing anything except in Tennessee and in my own community. I believe that we are going to win this war in the communities as much as in the South Pacific and in Europe. If each one of us and if each of our Rotary Clubs can just do our full part back home, and then multiply that by the 5,200 Rotary Clubs that we have now, and ultimately by ten or twelve thousand Clubs, we can achieve the goal of Rotary—and with all of those members from every classification and each of those members a real Rotarian, there is no telling what we might achieve.

So I say to you fellows, take Rotary seriously, take your job seriously, but don't take yourself seriously. Let's keep Rotary simple. Let's make Rotary real-



istic. If you do, you may achieve far beyond your own vision of Rotary, just as Rotary has always exceeded the vision of everybody who has ever thought about it.

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Action on Legislation

No. 44-1

To revise the procedure for the appointment of members to the Council on Legislation.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

No. 44-2

To modify the procedure of the Board of Directors in voting by mail.

ADOPTED.

No. 44-3

To provide that the Magazine Committee shall be a standing committee of Rotary International.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

No. 44-4

To provide for the term of office of the Secretary to run concurrently with the calendar year.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

No. 44-5

To create a District Governor's Cabinet in each District.

NOT ADOPTED.

No. 44-6

To provide for adoption of a fifth Object of Rotary.

CONSIDERED AS WITHDRAWN.

No. 44-7

To remove the restrictions in Resolution 28-11 with regard to the site of a permanent home for Rotary.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED.

No. 44-8

To rescind Resolution No. 36-13A authorizing the outpost membership experiment.

ADOPTED.

No. 44-9A

To clarify the provisions relating to the Relief Fund for War-Affected Rotarians and to transfer that Fund to the Rotary Foundation.

ADOPTED.

No. 44-9

To clarify the provisions relating to the Relief Fund for War-Affected Rotarians.

CONSIDERED AS WITHDRAWN.

No. 44-10

To modify the present requirements for dropping the classification when a Rotarian becomes a senior active or a past service member.

CONSIDERED AS WITHDRAWN AND REFERRED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF RI.

No. 44-11

To provide for the transfer of funds from the surplus of Rotary International to the Rotary Foundation.

ADOPTED.

No. 44-12

To adopt objectives for the Rotary Foundation.

ADOPTED.

25 Feb. 1944

The News Letter

No. 16 —1943-44

To Club Presidents and Secretaries



From the R. I. Secretariat (Central Office)
35 E. Wacker Dr., Chicago I, Ill., U. S. A.

Havana's Generosity

1,000,000 cigars
10,000,000 cigarettes
100,000 pounds of candy
160,000 chocolate bars
10,000 records of Cuban
rumba music

were sent by the Rotary Club of Havana, Cuba, to allied soldiers fighting on the world's battlefronts.

These gifts were made possible by the campaign initiated by the Rotary club last September for money to buy Christmas gifts for allied soldiers, which raised \$125,000.

Last August, Havana Rotarians, in cooperation with several other organizations, sent American soldiers on Guadalcanal ten tons of Cuban candy.

Empire Services Club

Since November, 1939, when the Rotary Club of Grimsby and Cleethorpes, England, opened its Empire Services Club, the doors of this canteen have never been closed for a single day. Since that date over a million cups of tea and coffee and 800,000 light meals have been served to the soldier guests. The club provides innocent amusement, companionship under the best conditions, and, above all, an atmosphere of home and friendship. It is staffed entirely by volunteer workers.

Since last July, the Rotary club has invited four American servicemen to the club luncheon each week. Many of the guests have been Rotarians and sons of Rotarians.

Now

5,137 Rotary Clubs
218,500 Rotarians

(Of these 53 clubs with 1,600 members in war-affected countries are inactive)

84 New Clubs in 20 Countries
Since July 1, 1943

Brazil leads all countries (outside the United States of America) with 14 new clubs thus far this Rotary year.

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You Slog Through Mud...

for a mile downhill from our broadcasting station to Victory House in Chungking—a former Chinese club, now a hotel. Furnishings are very modest—you sit on little stools at a T-shaped table with the 43 members. You meet military men, mission representatives, business men, diplomatic corpsmen, professional men.

The luncheon is modest—soup, a meatball with an egg atop, potatoes, and a waffle for dessert. The cost—only eighty dollars! (A good dinner costs several times that price.)

The president, a member of the British Embassy and a resident of China for many years, introduces visiting Rotarians. Rotary club flags are on either side of him. One reads "Singapore Rotary Club," the other, "Hankow Rotary Club." These cities are in enemy-occupied territory—but their Rotary banners are ready to go back with the coming of Victory.

The secretary announces a gift of \$1,500 in U.S. currency from the Rotary Club of Philadelphia, Penna., U.S.A., as a gift to Chungking's needy—a sum that will realize some 45,000 Chinese dollars.

The president rises and says "Inasmuch as this is American Thanksgiving, let us sing 'America the Beautiful.'" We do, thinking of those so many thousands of miles from us back home. We Americans are asked to sing a song of ours and we answer with a song dedicated to Chungking—"It Ain't Gonna Rain No More"—which, by the way, it is always doing.

It is a difficult life here—mud—lack of running water—lightless nights—difficult communications—threats of bombing—but Chungking carries on!

Taken from a letter from Geo. Grim, Jr., honorary member of the Rotary Club of Jersey City, New Jersey, U.S.A., to his home club, describing a typical meeting of the Rotary Club of Chungking.

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Today's Service Story

In this issue of the News Letter is a description of Calgary's Boys Town Club which is doing a great job in helping to decrease juvenile delinquency in Calgary.

While Calgary Rotary has made the Boys Town Club possible, one man is largely responsible for its unprecedented success. He is Hiram Coulter, employed by the Rotary Club to run Boys Town Club. He is a man not only trained to work with boys, but one who dearly loves that work. As soon as he took charge of the project, it took on new life—more boys joined, new activities were added. He now has 200 boys under his leadership, boys of many nationalities, races, and religions. Night after night he can be found at the club, working diligently for the welfare of his boys.

"Hi" Coulter is not only helping boys who might otherwise never know the joy of wholesome and cooperative effort in work and play—he is building for the future.

Phil

Rotarians Entertain Children of P. O. W.

Some 1,500 children, whose fathers are prisoners of war, were guests of the Rotary Club of Edinburgh, Scotland, at a pantomime performance of "Goldilocks and the Three Bears." The management contributed the use of the theatre and all artists and staff volunteered their services. As a special treat, arrangements were made with the Red Cross to release 2,000 bars of chocolate to the children.

Plans were made at this performance to put on another show for the benefit of the fathers of these 1,500 children, with the intention of sending a special parcel to each Edinburgh father in captivity.

£116 for the Red Cross

Seventeen Rotarians of Port Elizabeth, South Africa, recently spent Saturday morning on Main Street soliciting funds for the Red Cross. Their work was well done, for they collected £116.

Magazine Committee in Rotary Clubs

The attention of all Rotary clubs is called to the following amendment to the recommended Rotary club by-laws which was made by the board of directors of R.I. at its January 1944, meeting:

The board amends the recommended Rotary club by-laws as follows:

a) by adding to the list of committees which appears in Section 1(b) of Article VII "magazine committee."

b) by adding to Section 2 of Article VIII a subsection (g) to read as follows:

(g) *Magazine Committee.* This committee is to be comprised of the club president as ex officio member, three regular members of staggered appointment, each serving for three years, and, wherever feasible, the editor of the local club publication and a local newspaper or advertising member of the club. The duties of the committee are to include the stimulation of reader interest in "The Rotarian" and/or "Revista Rotaria"; sponsoring of a magazine week; arranging for brief monthly reviews of the magazines on regular club programs; encouraging use of the magazines in the induction of new members; providing a copy of one of the magazines for non-Rotarian speakers; securing fourth object and other special subscriptions for libraries, hospitals, schools and other reading rooms; the sending of news items, photographs, etc., to the editors of the magazines and in other ways making these magazines of service to the club members and non-Rotarians.

Re-election to Office

In order to give more Rotarians the opportunity to serve their club as officers, it is the policy in Rotary that club officers should not be encouraged or expected to hold office for two successive years.

The board of R.I. is in agreement with this as a matter of general procedure. However, in view of the effect of the war on manpower in Rotary clubs, as well as in all walks of life, the board suggests that, where circumstances warrant, clubs may find it advantageous to elect an officer for a second and successive year or to re-elect, after an interim period, some former officer of the club.

R. I. Director from Canada

Concurring in a recommendation of the Canadian advisory committee, the board of R.I. has amended paragraph 1 of the terms of reference of the committee by adding to it the following sentence:

The R.I. director from Canada shall be an ex officio member of the committee.

The terms of reference of the C.A.C. appear on pages 34 and 35 of the "Manual of Procedure" (Pamphlet 35—October, 1942, edition).

Club Secretaries!

Names of Individuals Required

The names of individuals who are to occupy rooms *must accompany all requisitions* for hotel accommodations at the 1944 international conference of R.I. to be held in Chicago, Ill., May 15th to 18th, 1944. Heretofore hotels would accept requisitions for a certain number of rooms for the members of a particular club. *They will not do so this year.*

To insure the reservation of rooms for the members of your club who are planning to attend the international conference, *be sure to indicate on the hotel requisition form the names of all persons who will occupy the space.*

Be Represented — in Person or by Proxy

Since the by-laws of Rotary International provide that a quorum for a convention of R.I. shall consist of delegates from 25% of the member clubs, those clubs not planning to be represented at Chicago by personal delegates should arrange for their proxies to be in the hands of some Rotarian from within the district who will be present — perhaps the governor nominee or the outgoing governor or someone else who is known to be planning to attend.

Another Honor for Charlie Burchell

Charles J. Burchell, long-time Rotarian and well-known to Rotarians in the U.S.A., Canada and Newfoundland, and Australia, has been appointed High Commissioner for Canada in the Union of South Africa. Charlie has served his government as High Commissioner to Australia and as High Commissioner for Canada, with headquarters in St. John's, Newfoundland. In announcing the new appointment, the "Ottawa Evening Citizen" said:

No better Canadian High Commissioner could be sent to South Africa, where Mr. Burchell will go at an early date. As a pioneer Rotarian, perhaps it is the Rotary spirit manifesting itself in work for which Mr. Burchell is peculiarly fitted.

Charlie has been a Rotarian since 1913. He has held membership in Rotary wherever he was stationed—in Halifax, Canada, Canberra, Australia, and St. John's, Newfoundland. He has served R.I. as a governor, committeeman, and as director and third vice-president. Our best wishes go with him in his new assignment.

Calgary Boys Town Club

In 1939 the Rotary Club of Calgary, Alta., Canada, and several other service clubs, organized a Boys Town Club to serve the downtown congested area of Calgary. During the first summer 65 boys enrolled. Before the year was out the service clubs, other than the Rotary club, withdrew their support of this project, and the Rotary club decided to carry on alone.

Since that time Boys Town Club has grown in number and types of activities, and in membership. Now 200 boys of from nine to sixteen years of age, of many different nationalities, are members.

When the club outgrew its quarters, the Rotary club bought a building and converted it into a model club house with workshops, stage, lockers, showers, etc. Club activities are model aeroplane building, wood-working and belt braiding, swimming, gymnasium and physical training, hockey and soft-ball.

The boys manufacture toys, which are sold, part of the proceeds going to the boys, and part for the purchase of materials.

Many of Boys Town Club's best members are boys who have committed offenses against the law and have been in the juvenile court. The work of readjustment in many cases has been carried on through the Boys Town Club. Calgary Rotarians and law enforcement agencies believe that the fact that their city has a declining rate of juvenile delinquency, when statistics show a 50 per cent increase in delinquency in Canada, is significant evidence that the Boys Town Club is filling an urgent need.

Director Nominee Robert J. Boyd

In News Letter No. 15, dated 4 February, 1944, data was published concerning the four Rotarians who have been nominated by the board of directors of R.I. to serve as directors of R.I. in 1944-45. The secretariat has now received up-to-date biographical information concerning Director Nominee Robert J. Boyd of Panama as follows:

His classification is "insurance"; he is president of Boyd Bros., Inc.; he has been a Rotarian for 20 years (holding membership from 1924 to 1929 in the Rotary Club of Cristobal, Canal Zone—Colon, Panama, and from 1929 to the present time in the Rotary Club of Panama City).

All of your members "old" and "new" will have a better knowledge of Rotary if they will read

Rotary in 47 Minutes

Buy a copy for each member of your club.

50c a copy—45c in lots of 10 or more.

National Boys and Girls Week

Youth Power for Days Ahead!

That is the theme of the 1944 observance of National Boys and Girls Week, which will be held from April 29 to May 6 inclusive.

Since the first Boys Week was sponsored by the Rotary Club of New York in 1920, the observance has grown to be an annual world-wide event of increasing importance.

Hundreds of communities throughout the United States are preparing for their 1944 celebration, and in many countries, notably in South America, youth leaders are making plans for their observance of Boys and Girls Week.

In the United States the observance is under the sponsorship of the National Boys and Girls Week Committee for the United States, of which Rotarian John L. Griffith of Chicago is chairman, and Rotarian S. Kendrick Guernsey, of Orlando, Florida, is secretary.

Because of the wartime increase in juvenile delinquency, Rotary clubs will find in the observance a splendid opportunity for the presentation of a program which will focus the attention of the community on its most important natural resources—its boys and girls.

Copies of the "Advance Herald," which outlines the program of the week, have been distributed to Rotary club presidents and secretaries.

Additional copies of this publication, and the Manual of Suggestions, which gives information concerning the planning of a local celebration, are obtainable without charge, upon request, from Rotary International, 35 E. Wacker Drive, Chicago 1, Ill.

From a Rotarian On Active Duty in India

The Rotary letters are very nice and I enjoy each one. Please keep sending them. Imagine my surprise when I disembarked—the first thing I saw was a Rotary canteen serving tea and sweets. It was run by English ladies and they were very nice. I let them know I was a Rotarian and they seemed quite pleased. It was on wheels and for several days it seemed to be every place I happened to be. Had I never received anything else from Rotary, it was worth all I have contributed just to see the International Rotary sign on that canteen.

—From a letter to the president of his club from a Rotarian of Vinta, Okla., U.S.A.

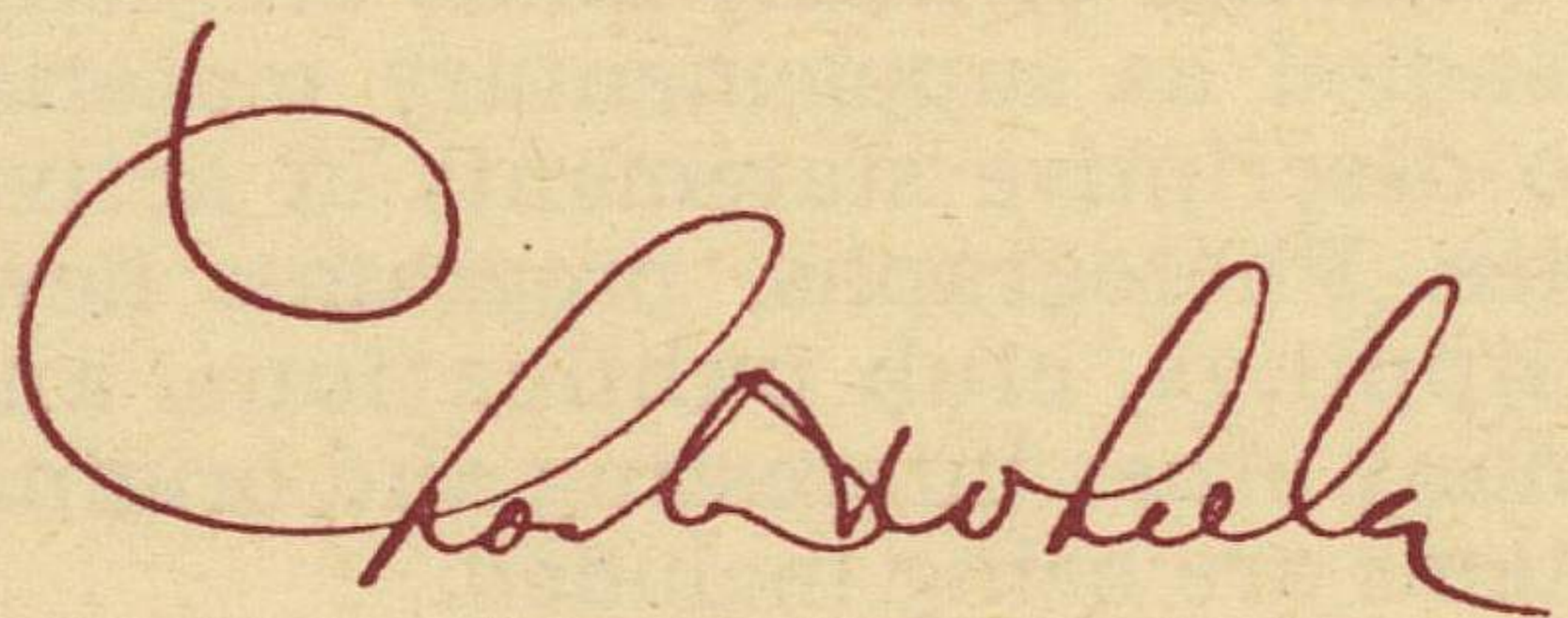
A Personal Message to Club Presidents

The reports of Work Pile activity at the recent meeting of the "Post-War" Committee were nothing short of amazing. What some of our Rotarians are doing to make certain that they can say "welcome son; here's a job" to every local boy returning from the service, is positively inspiring.

Contacts with all sorts of communities in all parts of North America confirm the conviction that any town or city, to be able to welcome its lads home that way, must carry out a thorough survey among all householders, merchants, professional men and farmers.

If any Rotary club president hasn't put his club squarely behind such a Work Pile survey—no matter who is running the survey—I wish he'd write to the Secretariat in Chicago at once for helpful information, and state his problem clearly.

Rotary cannot afford to let any community down. That means action now—not later on. It means personal service by busy men whose days are full already. It is *home-front* support for the boys "out there." Can any Rotarian deny them that? The Work Pile is Rotary's answer.



Birthday Greetings

From R.I. Director Sir Shapoorjee B. Billimoria of Bombay, India, comes the following message:

On the 23rd February Rotary will be 39 years old, and I hasten to convey my congratulations to the Rotary world which has subsisted during the periods of two world wars and has been a means of spreading its gospel of peace and fellowship. I am sending this letter by air mail so that it may reach you in time when you are celebrating the 39th birthday. May there be many happy returns of this happy day and may we all look forward with all eagerness to see that peace and good will is established on the face of the globe once again at the time we would be celebrating the Rotary birthday.

Have You Any Foreign Maps?

The War Department of the United States Government is calling upon Rotarians for foreign maps of ALL areas outside of continental America, to be used by Army Map Service, Washington.

Needed

City Plans and Port Plans on a scale of not less than 1:25,000.

Important Foreign Atlases.

Road Maps, Topographical and Geological Maps not smaller than 1:1,000,000.

Guide Books, Place-Lexicons, Gazetteers and Postal Guides.

Not Needed

Maps printed in the United States or Great Britain, such as National Geographical Society, etc.

World War I Maps.

The more recently issued publications are preferred.

Please state whether your material is a gift to the War Department. If you prefer to lend it, reproduction will be made and the originals returned to you.

Forward All Material to Office in Your Area

Chicago Library Branch
ARMY MAP SERVICE
79 West Monroe Street
Chicago 3, Illinois

New York Library Branch
ARMY MAP SERVICE
1270 Sixth Avenue
New York City 20, New York

San Francisco Library Branch
ARMY MAP SERVICE
74 New Montgomery Street
San Francisco 5, California

Food Will Fight Until the War Is Won

The "Food Fights for Freedom" campaign is still going strong, and it will continue to go strong—but only with your cooperation—until the war is won. And what does your cooperation consist of? It consists of: keeping the Home Front Pledge to accept no rationed goods without giving up ration points; of paying no more than top legal prices; of growing more in '44; of conserving everything possible; and of using food most productively for health and strength. None of these is a very difficult job, none is very extraordinary, but all of them are just plain common sense if you really want to help end the war quickly.

It's All in Knowing How

The Rotary Club of Norwalk, Connecticut, and the local Boy Scout organization, promoted a community Victory Garden project last year which resulted in a prodigious yield. Conservative estimates show production of 2,000 dozen ears of corn, 200 bushels of potatoes, 10,000 beet roots, 9,000 carrot roots, 21,400 pounds of tomatoes, 200 pounds of peas, 2,400 bunches of broccoli, and an equally high yield from other plants and seeds.

Norwalk Rotarians surveyed and staked off over 200 twenty by thirty foot garden plots in a fertile eight-acre farm, loaned for the purpose by a local realtor. Soil tests were made at the University of Connecticut, several tons of fertilizer and lime were applied, and pre-season lectures presented by the University and County Farm Bureau to the embryo Scout and adult gardeners. The site was ploughed and harrowed and a Rotarian gave practical demonstrations of soil preparation and seeding methods. Seeds and plants were purchased in volume for the entire group and the total cost to the individual was \$3.00 for each plot.

The Rotary club held several picnics during the season which was climaxed by a harvest festival, when vegetables and canned goods were exhibited. At the festival, gardens were judged and the club gave prizes equivalent to \$50 in war bonds and stamps.

Rotary clubs which are planning to sponsor Victory Garden projects this year will find in the experience of the Rotary Club of Norwalk an inspiring example of the results which can be achieved by enthusiastic and planned cooperation, plus hard work.

Rotary Meetings at Army Posts

There are undoubtedly a number of Rotarians—active and honorary—at most of the large military camps in the United States. Why shouldn't they get together each week for an informal Rotary meeting?

This question has been voiced by a Rotarian who is stationed at an army camp in the U.S.A.

The answer is that an informal get-together of all Rotarians who may be stationed at a military camp or naval base would be splendid, and undoubtedly if one Rotarian at each camp or base were to take the initiative in getting the group together, the others would quickly and enthusiastically agree to meet together regularly.

Club officers may desire to pass this idea along to their members who are at the various camps and bases outside the combat zones.

Milton Will Be Ready

A fund—to be expended solely in relieving emergency needs of Milton service men and their families—is being sponsored by the Rotary Club of Milton, Mass., with the support of a representative group of the town's citizens.

This club of 35 members, in a town of some 19,000, feels that while there will be agencies created by local, state, and federal government to help service men and their families, there will nevertheless be many unforeseen difficulties which may bring about much suffering. To prevent such suffering, the club is sponsoring this war service fund. The trustees of the fund, all of whom are Rotarians, are setting up plans so that they may be able to act speedily in every case demanding immediate attention and relief. All expenses of the campaign will be borne by the Rotary club and all monies contributed to the fund will be expended for the benefit of Milton service men and their families.

President's Award Attracts Wide Attention

Clubs throughout the United States and Canada are now busy preparing exhibits and statements concerning their work during the Rotary year of 1943-1944 for entry in the competition for the President's Award.

Club entries being prepared include not only projects accomplished during the year, but also new activities and work carried on from year to year.

Exhibits of many kinds are being readied as supplementary material to descriptive statements of activities. Photographs, programs, news clippings, club publications, and many other interesting and original items are being included.

Entries may be prepared and exhibits submitted in any form desired.

As the Award will be made for the most significant achievement in promoting the ideal of service, based on actual accomplishment, the size of the club is not an important factor. Entries must be in the hands of the district governor not later than 1 April, 1944.

Program Suggestion for Rotary Clubs in Canada

As a means of enabling Rotarians in Canada to become more familiar with the work of the Canadian advisory committee, the board of directors of R.I. suggests to the Rotary clubs in Canada that at some meeting during the Rotary year, a short exposition be made of the work of the Canadian advisory committee.

Nominating Zones in U.S.A.

Any club which intends to propose a candidate for director from a zone in the U.S.A. must file with the secretary of R.I. on or before the 1st of April a resolution of the club, naming the candidate which it intends to propose.

At the annual meeting of R.I. the electors from the clubs in the U.S.A. (except in the year in which the director from any zone shall hold office for a second year), assemble in separate zone meetings and propose a candidate or candidates from such zone for director of R.I. from among those candidates whose names have been filed with the secretary of R.I.

The electors from the clubs in Canada and Newfoundland and from the clubs in G.B.&I. assemble annually in separate meetings and propose a candidate or candidates from each such geographical group for the office of director of R.I.

There is no provision that clubs in Canada and Newfoundland or G.B.&I. file with the secretary of R.I. the name of the candidate they intend to propose, prior to the meetings of the electors from the clubs in these regions.

If there is more than one candidate for director in a zone, or in a geographical group, the electors ballot and the candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast is the director nominee from the zone or the geographical group.

Eat More Cabbage — in the U.S.A.

The winter cabbage crop now coming in from Texas, Florida, Arizona and California is 52% larger than the previous record crop in 1942.

The War Food Administration of the United States Government, therefore, has designated cabbage as the "Victory Food Selection" for the period February 24th through March 4th, and has requested Rotary clubs in the U.S.A. to focus all possible attention on the need for a record cabbage consumption during this ten day period.

Time is short but there are many ways in which the clubs can help. Club officers, tell your members, and ask them to tell their wives and friends. Get your local newspapers to emphasize the food value of cabbage, the many ways in which it can be prepared, and the need for increased consumption in order to prevent possible loss of food and depressed price to growers. Here is another way in which all can help food fight for Victory.

ROTARY SALUTE TO CHINA

Suggestions for a "China Day" Meeting

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The Rotary Club
Literal Translation:
The Turning
Wheel Club

The United States Office of War Information has designated the MONTH OF MARCH, 1944, as an appropriate time for celebrations, meetings, and programs for the purpose of directing attention to China, her victorious armies, and long-suffering but brave people. Of all the United Nations, China has been in the fight longest, and it is with the intention of demonstrating American friendship and appreciation that the Office of War Information has requested this general observance throughout the country.

Rotary clubs will welcome the opportunity to comply with this suggestion, and in their meetings and programs pay tribute to a great nation that has demonstrated its friendship for the United States in so many ways, and to learn more about that great nation, its ancient civilization and culture, and modern progress and unification as a Republic.

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He Profits Most
Who Serves Best
Literal Translation:
Help to Others
Means Help
to Self

Special Features for "China Day"

An ideal program would be so arranged that the whole atmosphere of the meeting would be Chinese. This can be done by attention to details like the following:

1—*Decorations.* There should be Chinese and American flags in the front of the room and perhaps a picture of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek.

2—*Food.* Arrangements should be made for a Chinese-style menu. Quite a number of Chinese dishes have been popularly accepted by the American palate, so that such preparations will not involve much difficulty.

3—*Music.* Chinese music still sounds somewhat unusual to American ears, but there are available recordings which will be interesting. By all means, an effort should be made either to get a record of the Chinese National Anthem, or to have someone sing it.

4—*Special Guests.* Since this program should be a sort of official celebration, it would be appropriate to invite any prominent Chinese in town, any Chinese students, and Americans particularly interested in Chinese and far-Eastern affairs.

5—*Speaker.* An appropriate speaker for such a program should not be difficult to find. He could be:

- (a) A Chinese consul or other governmental representative.
- (b) A Chinese student or educator from a nearby college or university.

- (c) A Chinese merchant or professional man, outstanding in the community.
- (d) An American repatriate recently returned from some occupied portion of China.
- (e) An American interested in, and well-versed in Chinese and far-Eastern affairs.

6—*The Topic.* The exact theme should be left to the speaker, but some such topics as these might be suggested to him: "The Role of China in the Present War"; "The Future of Chinese-American Relationships"; "China and America—Similarities and Differences"; "The Chinese Youth Movement"; "New Life Movement," etc.

What About Rotary in China?

The first Rotary club in China was formed in Shanghai, in July, 1919, by Rotarian Roger Pinneo of Seattle, Washington, and Dr. Julean Petit of Shanghai.

The subsequent extension of clubs was rather slow—only 11 clubs by 1935—due to a number of reasons. For one thing, they were originally concentrated in the port cities where there were considerable numbers of Americans and Englishmen, and membership of these first clubs consisted principally of such Occidentals with an occasional prominent Chinese.

The meetings were conducted in English and the literature was printed in English, so that only Chinese who had studied abroad or who had acquired a very thorough knowledge of the English language at home could become members.

This situation was changed, however, when, about 1934, a grant of money was set aside for the translation of Rotary literature into Chinese. This was not a simple task since it is impossible to translate exactly into the Chinese language many of the terms peculiar to Rotary; but the spirit of Rotary and its principles could be easily understood by the Chinese, so that "Service above Self" becomes "The Joy of Working for Others," and Rotary clubs are "Turning Wheel Clubs."

With the advent of Rotary literature in Chinese, it became easier to bring Rotary to non-English-speaking Chinese, with the result that by the time the war broke out in 1939 there were twenty-five clubs—twenty-six if Hong Kong is included—many of them located in the interior of China, the charter membership of which were entirely native Chinese.

Today, of course, the number of clubs has once more fallen. Some have literally been bombed out of existence.

Chinese Clubs Active in War Service

The seven clubs* which still remain active meet and work under most trying conditions. But they do remain active, nevertheless. They contribute heavily to war relief—of which there is great need; they take care of "war-phans"; they (along with non-Rotarian citizens) entertain American fliers and soldiers stationed there; maintain refugee camps; support a school for the blind in Wuchang; sponsor a leprosy clinic; maintain beggars' camps; and whatever other projects present a pressing need.

The importance of these activities looms even greater when we stop to realize that they have been carried on despite the physical hardships of the war and the economic hardships of an unprecedented inflation which has sent the cost of living up 6000 to 7000%!

*NOTE—

Changsha, Chengtu, Chungking, Foochow, Kunming, Sian, and Lanchow. Lanchow was organized in 1936 but was not formally admitted until 1943, due to difficulties arising from the war. It is the first new club admitted in China since 1939.

However, when the war is over, interest in extending Rotary throughout China will be greater than ever before. There are already many indications of a great undercurrent of desire that Rotary be extended to cities and towns which have come to have firsthand knowledge of the fine, humanitarian work of Rotary in war as well as in peacetime.

Madame Chiang Kai-Shek Addresses Hankow Club

Speaking at the national convention of Rotary in Atlantic City in 1936, Chenting T. Wang, then governor, 81st District, R.I., and later Chinese ambassador to the United States, stated his hope for his country in these words: "We have in China over *two thousand* cities, each having a population of over 50,000 wherein a strong and prosperous Rotary club is capable of being formed."

Both Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek have at various times expressed an interest in Rotary and the splendid work that is being performed by clubs in China in helping in civilian relief and in organizing campaigns for funds for various war causes.

In speaking at a Rotary Ladies' Night meeting in Hankow, before the occupation of Hupeh province, Madame Chiang Kai-shek spoke of the National Society of Women which she had organized, pledged to work for the welfare of Chinese soldiers; also of the committee which had been organized to care for refugee children familiarly known as "warphans"; and she paid tribute to the Hankow Rotary Club for its active interest in promoting this activity throughout the city.

"If it is true in personal life," she stated, "that he profits most who serves best, it must also be true in national life.

"Let us then remember," she concluded, "that the motto 'He profits most who serves best' applies to *nations* as well as to individuals."

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Jan., 1944—

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Hub of the Orient, by Dr. Chang-Lok Chen
Understanding the Chinese, by Pearl Buck
Indomitable Chungking, by George A. Fitch
Speaking of Books, by John T. Frederick

Feb., 1943—

The Chinese Help Themselves, by Adm. Harry E. Yarnell

Work Pile News—



SERVICE ABOVE SELF HE PROFITS MOST WHO SERVES BEST

"It makes no difference who gets the credit so long as the work is done."

25 February, 1944

No. 7

161 Additional Jobs

Returns from the first 24 members of the Rotary Club of Roswell, New Mexico, list 161 jobs for which they are planning to employ that many additional men when the war closes. The largest single group is farm help.

These 24 Rotarians also list an average of \$82,225 apiece (a total of \$1,973,400) worth of improvements planned for their places of business, and repairs and additions planned for their homes. Here are the details:

Places of Business:

- \$ 11,000 for outside painting
- 28,000 for inside decoration
- 37,000 additional space
- 43,000 for equipment
- 1,819,000 buildings, machinery, etc.
- 2,500 miscellaneous

Residences:

- \$ 1,100 outside painting
- 1,000 inside decoration
- 1,000 plumbing and heating equipment
- 3,200 additions
- 7,100 repairs and replacements
- 19,500 new homes

The survey results have been turned over to the postwar planning committee of the Chamber of Commerce as a nucleus for their survey.

In Chula Vista, California—

—the Rotary club "primed" the Work Pile idea, and, as they say, "it grew from there." The club contacted other local organizations explaining the Work Pile project and induced each to appoint a member for the general community committee. The Work Pile has grown as a snowball. Aside from small items from individual householders and merchants, impressive construction projects needed by the community have been put on the planning board. The club reports great satisfaction with the manner in which the whole community is supporting the Work Pile survey.

In India—

—District Governors Foot (District 88) and Rama Rau (District 91) have brought the Work Pile project to the notice of their club officers as a challenge to the leadership of Rotary in India. Governor Foot points out that it is not an easy task nor one quickly accomplished, and hence it is all the more important to start it immediately. Governor Rama Rau emphasizes the effect on the boy in the armed services and states he is planning for discussion of the subject at the forthcoming district conference.

Using Survey Results

Some Rotary clubs ask, "How are we going to use the results of our Work Pile surveys?"

An answer is provided by the Rotary Club of Savanna, Illinois, which at the same time shows how the Work Pile project starts to operate effectively as soon as the tabulated results are available.

When local businessmen in Savanna learned that a tabulation of the Work Pile survey results had been made, they eagerly sought copies of the figures so that they might adjust their own plans and purchases accordingly, for the immediate postwar period. These adjustments touch the wholesaler, the broker, and eventually the manufacturer, thus influencing the plans of these sources of supply.

This suggests that the first step after completing the tabulation of the survey results is to make the tabulation available to interested local businessmen. They then know what possibilities there are for getting business right after the war. Thus they can determine how many jobs they can provide. There is no guarantee of the figures. No favorites are played. There is only an indication that a certain amount of business is to be had in the city and in the surrounding rural territory.

7 Projects

The Work Pile activity of the Rotary Club of Neillsville, Wisconsin, has developed into seven projects on which the Rotary club is working with cooperation from city officials and others. These are:

1. City Planning
 - a. New high school building—\$250,000
 - b. 5-year program the city has for paving and for filtration plant.
2. County Planning
 - a. Forestry program to employ 50 men full time, plus as many as revenue from wood and timber sales permit.
 - b. 5-year road and building program
3. Reemployment Needs of Men and Women Now in Service
4. Work Pile Survey of Equipment and Remodeling Needs of Business Houses
5. Work Pile Survey of New Building Construction and Repair
6. Work Pile Survey Among Householders for Consumer Needs and Property Repairs
7. Work Pile Survey Among Farmers

The census figures give Neillsville a population of some 2600.

In Brunswick, Maine

—the Rotary club sponsored a special Town Meeting at which a committee was appointed to carry out a Work Pile survey. The new committee is actively engaged in working out the project on a community-wide basis.

In Tunica, Mississippi—

—the 50 members of the Rotary club are personally making a Work Pile survey among the householders in the city and throughout the rural sections of the entire county. As reported by the press, Tunica should be able to provide adequate employment in farm work when the war ends, but they want to do more—they want to learn what the community's deferred wants are so that distributors and manufacturers can have the information and plan their jobs accordingly.

77 Sidewalks, Etc.

In Colton,* California, where the Rotary Club, in cooperation with the Kiwanis Club, the Chamber of Commerce, and other local groups, is making a thorough-going Work Pile survey, the results of the first 400 consumer questionnaires have been tabulated. Here are some of the figures revealed:

42 foundations to build
77 sidewalks or curbs
33 irrigation systems (concrete)
49 new roofs
55 new plumbing installations
58 new garages
126 outside painting jobs
51 home modernizing jobs
75 additions of one or more rooms
127 new residences
76 new living-room furniture sets
52 new dining-room furniture sets
96 complete new furniture outfits
184 new rugs
235 new sheets
214 new pillow cases
76 new gas ranges
64 new electric ranges
202 new garden hose
126 new lawn mowers
108 new watches
180 new clocks
1140 pairs nylon hose
420 pairs chiffon hose
50 mirrors
156 items, household rubber goods
26 items, cut glass
729 auto tires (when available!)

*1940 census: 9636 inhabitants.

In Miami Beach, Florida—

—the Rotary club has succeeded in having arrangements made for the Work Pile project to be centered in the hands of the Chamber of Commerce. The president and three directors of the Chamber are Rotarians. Full cooperation is assured.

In Davis, California—

—the Rotary club is making a survey of the educational status and probable future requirements of the men who went into the service from Yolo County. They want to ascertain in advance, with reasonable accuracy, the additional opportunities and facilities which may be required locally, upon the cessation of hostilities.

In Crowley, Louisiana—

—as the result of initiative taken by the Rotary club, the business club of the community appointed a master committee and charged it with making a Work Pile survey on the basis of a parish-wide canvass. Furthermore, a letter is being addressed to every man from Acadia Parish in the armed forces, asking him what he intends or desires to do after the war.

What the Serviceman Wants

In Fostoria, Ohio, as a result of the initiative of Past District Governor Fred Hopkins, the local newspaper which is sent to all local men in the service carried the following questionnaire addressed to them (allowing plenty of room for answers):

1. Name of serviceman
Address
2. What was your occupation when you left?
3. Where employed?
4. If not employed, were you—
a. attending school or college
b. temporarily out of work
c. other reason for non-employment
5. So far as you know, do you plan to return to your previous employment?
a. If at school when you left, do you plan to go on with your schooling?
6. Will employment have to be found for you?
7. What trade or skill do you possess, or have you learned in the service?
8. Are you married? If yes, children?
9. What do you suggest Fostoria should and can do not only to help all returned soldiers as far as possible but also to make Fostoria a better place in which to live?
10. According to your recollection of Fostoria what are some of the needed improvements the city should make?
11. Any further remarks you care to make?

Signed

Rank and Address

In Concord, New Hampshire—

—the Rotary club decided that the immediate need was for a clearing house to bind all planning efforts for postwar employment into some concerted action. It offered its services as a clearing house, and there resulted action avoiding duplication and overlapping. Joint meetings have been held and the club has gone on record as desiring to take an active part both as a club and as individuals in carrying out definite plans that develop from these joint deliberations.

In Halifax, Nova Scotia—

—the postwar planning committee of the Rotary club wrote each club member about the plans of the local Civic Planning Committee, and asked them to assist the Civic Committee by submitting subjects which they felt should be dealt with by that committee, and suggestions as to projects deemed essential for the postwar period to be undertaken upon cessation of hostilities.

In Indianola, Iowa—

—the Rotary club enlisted the cooperation of the Lions club for the purpose of making a county-wide Work Pile survey. Local men in the service are kept informed of the activity.

Rural Survey

Here are the results of the rural survey made in the high-school district by the Rotary Club of Villa Grove through the cooperation of school authorities. The actual canvassing was done by the Future Farmers of America of the Villa Grove High School who had received special instruction beforehand.

Buildings

Homes	3	..	\$13,000.00
Barns	8	..	19,000.00
Garages	8	..	2,450.00
Outbuildings	13	..	5,100.00
Remodeling	26	..	10,392.00
Plumbing	2	..	650.00

Home Furnishings

Stoves	27	..	2,605.00
Furniture	25	..	4,370.00
Rugs	5	..	536.00
Refrigerators	6	..	850.00
Radios	21	..	1,540.00
Irons	14	..	117.00
Sewing Machines	1	..	50.00
Furnaces	7	..	2,300.00
Toasters	10	..	116.00
Washing Machines	11	..	880.00
Interior Decorating	37	..	1,850.00

Farm Equipment

Automobiles	23	..	22,575.00
Corn Huskers	7	..	6,350.00
Tractors	34	..	41,400.00
Trucks	17	..	18,400.00
Combines	10	..	12,500.00
Rotary Hoes	5	..	1,770.00
Manure Spreaders	2	..	300.00
Corn Planters	11	..	3,500.00
Plows	12	..	2,125.00
Drills	3	..	610.00
Harrows	7	..	2,350.00
Wagons	2	..	265.00
Cultivators	8	..	1,475.00
Discs	13	..	2,275.00
Corn Sheller	1	..	1,500.00
Crushers	2	..	300.00
Corn Dumpers	3	..	1,450.00
Gen'l Repair to Equipment	37	..	12,380.00
New Fences	11	..	2,365.00
Home Shop Equipment	10	..	2,450.00

Total \$202,146.00

The estimated population of the rural territory covered is 714, and the foregoing figures are from returns from 60 % of the families.

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Suggested Topics for Future Months

	CLUB SERVICE	VOCATIONAL SERVICE	COMMUNITY SERVICE	INTERNATIONAL SERVICE	YOUTH SERVICE	POST WAR PLANNING
May	The Business Side of Rotary	Do You Know Your Employees?	"Victory in the Gardens"	For the Nations Must Trade	Youth Power for Days Ahead	Education Change and Permanence
June	The Obligation of a Rotarian	Trade Associations	"This is My Town"	An International Mind for Youth	Occupational Counseling in Wartime	The Business Man's Need for Interest in Social Planning

The "Program Suggestions" for May and June will be based upon the above topics.

APRIL PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS FOR ROTARY CLUBS

"Better Unborn Than Untaught"

Here's a program on Rotary education. It'll gather moss — unless you keep it rolling! Here are two ways to do it:

Get together the last half dozen "Little Lessons in Rotary" which appear each month in THE ROTARIAN. Hand out these articles, one to a man, to six of your veteran members. Ask them to work up three-minute summaries. Gather the men about a table as the program begins, have a "Professor of Rotaryology" call upon each for his chapter of what you might call a "Rotary Primer." Wind up with questions from any corner.

Or, put "Why Pay Twice?" by Perry Reynolds, in THE ROTARIAN for April, 1944, in the hands of your member best posted on Rotary's international financial affairs and ask him to round out a talk on the subject it treats.

References from THE SECRETARIAT:

No. 240, "What Do You Know About Rotary?"

No. 248, "Informing New Members"

From THE ROTARIAN:

February, 1944, "Why Is a Chairman?"
Francis Jaffray

November, 1943, "Why Men Like Rotary,"
Richard H. Wells

"Sharing Profits With the Workers"

You've probably heard about the meat-packing concern in Minnesota that guarantees its workers an annual wage! It's George A. Hormel & Co., of Austin, and the president of that company, Rotarian Jay C. Hormel tells the whole story in THE ROTARIAN for April, 1944 — and it's a "natural" for this program. Get one of your progressive employers to work it into a talk on his own employment policies. Or simply have a member draw a complete talk from it.

Or, turn back to "New Springs Under Old Employees," in THE ROTARIAN for February, 1943. It's also about an employee plan. A two-man symposium could result — and to every member's edification.

References from THE SECRETARIAT:

No. 522, "It Begins With Management"

No. 523, "Good Management"

No. 533, "Personalizing Vocational Service"

No. 546, "Are You the Manager?"

From THE ROTARIAN:

April, 1944, "Free Enterprise," debate-of-the-month

January, 1944, "Needed: Postwar Capital,"
James Truslow Adams

June, 1943, "Not a Creed of Greed," Fred DeArmond

"Angels of Mercy"

Purpose of this program: to arouse the club to the need of helping in nurse recruitment. Here are two ways to do it:

1. Get your hospital board member to give the club a fact-facing talk on the urgency as Rotarian M. T. MacEachern describes it in *THE ROTARIAN* for December, 1943, in "Uncle Sam Needs 65,000 Nurses."
2. Ask the head nurse in your hospital to tell the club how Rotarians can help in this shortage of trained nurses. She might even work up a demonstration such as was reported by The Scratchpad Man in *THE ROTARIAN* for January, 1944.

References from *THE SECRETARIAT*:

No. 623, "The Red Cross in Wartime"
U. S. No. 19, "You Can Help Recruit Cadet Nurses"

From *THE ROTARIAN*:

March, 1944,
"Beating Bedside Gremlins"
"The Trouble-Shooting Red Cross"
November, 1943,
"The Blind Go to War," pictorial
"Winning Along the 'T. B.' Front," The Scratchpad Man

"Neighbors Working Together"

April 14 is Pan American Day — the date commemorating the establishment of the Pan American Union. Why not make this a Pan American Day program?

An article in *THE ROTARIAN* for April, 1944, points out some surprising parallels between great men of Argentina and great men of the United States. Two of your members could present it in dialogue form.

Or, the fact-packed article—also in the April issue—by William Street, would make an informative talk by your importer member or foreign-trade expert.

References from *THE SECRETARIAT*:

No. 732, "Peace Plans in the Americas"
No. 733, "Things That a Rotary Club Can Do to Develop Friendship With Ibero-America"
No. 735, "Pan American Clubs"
No. 767, "Rotary in Ibero-America"

From *THE ROTARIAN*:

Chapter VI, "A World to Live In"
November, 1943, "Feathered Ambassadors," Donald Culross Peattie
October, 1943, "Esta Es su Casa!" Manuel Hinojosa
June, 1943, "The Americas United," Sumner Welles
May, 1943, "Nearer: A New World Goal," Gen. Rafael L. Trujillo

"Youth Presents Its Problems"

Why not invite four or five students, some young service men and women, and possibly a young war worker to this meeting and ask a member skilled in questioning youth to draw them out on their current problems and hopes for tomorrow? You'll get the idea from the symposium in *THE ROTARIAN* for March, 1944, "The World We Want."

The Sharon, Pa., Rotary club has a special "Youth Week," and your April *ROTARIAN* reports on it. This may give you an idea for a program—or for your Boys and Girls Week plan itself.

References from *THE SECRETARIAT*:

No. 665, "Coordinating Community Forces for Youth"
No. 674, "A War Casualty that Must Be Prevented"
No. 678, "Training Youth in Citizenship"
No. 680, "Training for Tomorrow's World"
No. 686, "A Club for Teen-Agers"

From *THE ROTARIAN*:

March, 1944, Article on "boys' legislature"
August, 1943, "Teen-Town," pictorial
January, 1943, "Man and Boy — and Job!" pictorial

"The Business Man's Need for Interest in Social Planning"

Since the *WORK PILE* is Rotary's No. 1 effort toward intelligent social planning, a program based on this subject would be timely. Coupled with a report on your club's own *WORK PILE* activities there can be a review of articles in recent issues of *THE ROTARIAN* showing what other cities are doing, such as "Old Town with New Ideas" (March, 1944); "The Work Pile Driver" (February, 1944); "Work Pile at Villa Grove" (January, 1944).

Allied to this subject is the work being done by the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration. A review of "Help for Those Who Help Themselves," in *THE ROTARIAN* for March, 1944, would make an interesting program.

References from *THE SECRETARIAT*:

No. 625, "A Work Pile for Your Town"
No. 626, "Selling the Work Pile to Club Members"
No. 722, "United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration"
U. S. No. 23, "Pattern for Peace"
"Work Pile News"—currently issued.

From *THE ROTARIAN*:

April, 1944, "Free Enterprise," debate-of-the-month
December, 1943, "Australia Plans Jobs," Lloyd Ross

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CENTRAL OFFICE, 35 EAST WACKER DRIVE, CHICAGO 1, ILLINOIS, U. S. A.

10 March, 1944

To the Presidents
of Rotary Clubs in the United States

Dear Fellow Rotarians:

President Wheeler has approved a proposal that Rotary clubs in the United States make their programs during the week beginning April 3 a Philippine Day in observance of the second anniversary of the fall of Bataan (April 9). To help prepare such a program, we have arranged that you receive from the Department of Information and Public Relations, Commonwealth of the Philippines, an envelope containing much useful data, a poster, a portrait of President Quezon, etc.

During the week of April 3 it is expected that radio programs will honor the Philippines. Magazines appearing during April will carry feature articles.

Your cooperation in the proposed observance will provide your members with a splendid program of an international service character. It will honor those brave people whose loyalty to the cause of freedom at least delayed the enemy advance in the South Pacific.

Sincerely yours,

Philip Lovejoy
Secretary

4 Feb. 1944

The News Letter

No. 15—1943-44

To Club Presidents and Secretaries



From the R. I. Secretariat (Central Office)
35 E. Wacker Dr., Chicago 1, Ill., U. S. A.

Rotarian Richard H. Wells Nominating Committee's Nominee for President



On January 21, 1944, the Nominating Committee for President transmitted to the secretary of R.I. its report and on January 26th the secretary mailed a copy of the committee's report to the secretaries of all Rotary clubs and to the R.I. international officers and committee-men.

The committee nominated Rotarian Richard H. Wells of Pocatello, Idaho, U.S.A., for the office of president in 1944-45. Biographical information concerning Rotarian Wells was transmitted with the committee's report. For the information of those who did not receive the report, the information is repeated hereunder:

Richard H. Wells is proprietor of the Idaho Lumber and Hardware Company and the Idaho Coal and Ice Company, and

is vice-president of the Idaho Bank and Trust Company in Pocatello.

He is president of the Idaho State Society for Crippled Children, area chairman for the Victory Bond Drive, member of the selective service board, and his State Defense Council. He has served as chairman of the Pocatello Board of Education, president of the Chamber of Commerce, and director of the State Mental Hospital, and has been active in work for the Community Chest, Boy Scouts, Parent-Teachers Association and the YMCA.

Dick Wells is a member and past president of the Rotary Club of Pocatello and has served Rotary International as director, committee chairman, and as governor of his Rotary district. He is now serving as a member of the 1944 Convention Committee of Rotary International. He is married and has two children.

Today's Service Story

A good deed performed in Calcutta, India, inspires a good deed in Denver, Colorado, U.S.A.! Mrs. T. G. Brashear, the widow of a Presbyterian minister, while waiting in a doctor's office in Denver, picked up a copy of the January issue of "The Rotarian." Leafing through the magazine, the article, "Calcutta Rotarians Fight Famine" caught her interest. After she had read it, she wrote us to inquire if the organization would accept a check from an "outsider" to help in the wonderful work being done by Calcutta Rotarians. Upon being informed that we would gladly act as intermediary for her, she sent a check for \$50.00 and indicated that she hopes to be able to repeat this gift at intervals.

Word has been sent to the R.I. office in Bombay, India, to follow through on Mrs. Brashear's wishes and turn over to the Rotary Club of Calcutta Rupees 165-0-0 (approximately \$50.00 U. S. currency) and explain the circumstances to the club.

.Here is very practical evidence of how an article in "The Rotarian" became rooted in the heart and mind of a reader to the point of motivating that individual to action.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Phil".

Rotary in Sweden

One of the Rotary clubs in Sweden established a home for sick and enfeebled Finnish children at a cost of Sw. Kr. 43,000.

The Rotary Club of Goteborg, Sweden, has collected over 2,000 books for prisoners of war.

Rotary Today

5,129 Rotary Clubs

218,500 Rotarians

(Of these 53 clubs with 1,600 members in war-affected countries are inactive)

76 New Clubs in 20 Countries

Since July 1, 1943

Rotary's 1944 International Conference

It is my pleasure to issue this Official Call for the thirty-fifth annual meeting of Rotary International, which is to be held on May 15-18, 1944, in Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

Wartime conditions make it imperative that the program of the international conference this year be streamlined to meet the essential requirements of the organization. Therefore, attendance at the conference will be limited, as nearly as possible to delegates only, for the purpose of electing officers and for the consideration of necessary legislation. There will be no entertainment features, banquets and receptions. Because of travel difficulties and the uncertainty of being able to provide adequate housing facilities the attendance of ladies is not encouraged.

Rotary clubs are entitled to one delegate for each fifty members or major fraction thereof. Each club is entitled to at least one voting delegate. Just as Rotarians are expected to attend club meetings, Rotary clubs are expected to be represented at this international conference, either in person or by proxy.



President, Rotary International
Issued this First Day
of February, 1944, at
Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

A Service of Thanksgiving

A Rotarian of Davenport, Iowa, recently proposed a plan for church services in every church or place of worship in the United States, first, following the peace in Europe, and second, following the capitulation of Japan.

Recalling the day and night of bedlam, noise and confusion on November 11, 1918, this Rotarian feels that when the day to which we are all looking forward, finally arrives, it should not be devoted to frenzied noisemaking, but rather to giving thanks for the victory so dearly won. He proposes that every church, temple or other place of worship in the nation be open from 8:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. so that people may go there to say a prayer of thanksgiving. He feels that special services sponsored by laymen, in the various churches, should be held, and the sermon, if any, should stress the nation's part in the post-war world.

The proposed celebration should have widespread publicity beforehand. The author of the plan has prepared an advertisement to be published in the newspapers of Davenport, announcing that a special Thanksgiving Service will be held in the churches of all faiths at 10:30 a.m., and inviting all citizens, whether they be church members or non-members to attend. Editors of Davenport newspapers have agreed to publish this advertisement when the great day arrives.

The plan, originally proposed for Davenport, has become known in other parts of the United States and is meeting with an enthusiastic reception. Religious organizations, service organizations, prominent newspaper editors, clergymen, men in public life, and others, are manifesting a keen interest in the proposal.

It is obvious that since no one knows when Armistice Day will come, plans for such a Thanksgiving Service in each community must be in readiness so that they may be put into effect on very short notice.

This would seem to be an idea which would appeal to Rotary clubs throughout the entire world, with plans to be made, of course, in conformity with the customs of each country.

Let the Community Know

It is important for clubs to keep the public properly informed as to their general activities and achievements. This is not for the sake of gaining prestige for the club, but rather to let the community know that the Rotary club is a service organization that stands ready at all times to cooperate and take the lead in worthwhile community projects.

—Will W. Jackson,
Governor, District 129

1944-45 Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of R.I. which will assume office on 1 July will be composed of:

- The President
- The Immediate Past President
- 1 Director from Canada and Newfoundland
- 1 Director from Great Britain and Ireland
- *5 Directors from the United States of America
- *5 Directors from other regions not aforementioned



Robert J. Boyd

Club: Panama City, Panama
Classification: ocean shipping

Name of firm: **Boyd Brothers**
Position with firm: **Vice president**
How many years a Rotarian: **15**
Present position in Rotary: **None**
Positions held in Rotary in past:
Served as president of his club.



J. M. A. Ilott

Club: Wellington, New Zealand
Classification: advertising service

Name of firm: **J. Ilott, Ltd.**
Position with firm: **Governor director**
How many years a Rotarian: **19**
Present position in Rotary: **Director of R.I., 1943-44**
Positions held in Rotary in past:
Served as president of his club;
Governor, 53rd district, 1934-35.

(*For the Rotary year 1944-45 there will be only four directors nominated from the U.S.A. and four from "other countries." Director John B. Reilly of Whittier, Calif. (from Zone 1) and Director Carlos M. Collignon of Guadalajara, Mexico, will serve a second term in 1944-45.)



C. Harald Trolle

Club: Kalmar, Sweden
Classification: commercial banking

Name of firm: **Svenska Handelsbanken**
Position with firm: **Managing director**
How many years a Rotarian: **10**
Present position in Rotary: **None**
Positions held in Rotary in past:

- Served as president of his club;**
- Governor, 78th district, 1936-38;**
- Member, European Advisory Committee, 1936-40;**
- Member, Extension Committee, 1938-40;**
- Chairman, CENAEM Regional Extension Committee, 1939-40;**
- Member, Committee on Participation of Rotarians in Post War World, 1942-43.**

(Rotarian Trolle has been nominated by the board to serve as a director of R.I. for the Rotary years 1944-45 and 1945-46.)



Chengting T. Wang

Club: Chungking, China

Name of firm: **Chinese Red Cross**
How many years a Rotarian: **11**
Present position in Rotary: **Administrative Adviser for Free China;**
Member, Relief for War-Affected Rotarians Committee.

Positions held in Rotary in past:
Honorary Commissioner for China, Hong Kong and the Philippines, 1934-35;
Governor, 81st district, 1935-36;
Member, Relief for War-Affected Rotarians, 1942-43 Committee.

International Radio Broadcast To Celebrate Rotary's 39th Anniversary

On Wednesday, February 23, the National Broadcasting Company will present a special program over its coast-to-coast network in the United States in honor of Rotary's 39th anniversary.

Participating in this broadcast will be President Charles Wheeler of San Francisco, Past Vice-President Tom Warren of London, England, Past President Fernando Carbajal of Lima, Peru, Vice-President Carlos Collignon of Guadalajara, Mexico, and J. Layton Ralston, Rotary Foundation Honorary Trustee and Defense Minister of Canada, speaking from Ottawa, Ontario. Secretary Phil Lovejoy, from the NBC studios in Chicago, will introduce each of the participants in this program.

This is a "sustaining" broadcast which will be carried by all NBC stations from 1:00 P.M. to 1:30 P.M., E.W.T., on February 23, except those which have a commercial program

scheduled for that time. It is suggested that Rotary Club Secretaries contact their nearest NBC station managers and inform them of their interest in this broadcast. If a local commercial program is scheduled for that half-hour period, the station manager may be able to record the program and rebroadcast it at a later time.

In Canada, this important Rotary program will be carried by Station CJBC in Toronto from 1:00 P.M. to 1:30 P.M., E.W.T., on February 23. On a delayed basis, the program will also be broadcast by the stations of the CBC Dominion Network from 10:30 P.M. to 11:00 P.M., E.W.T., on February 23.

Perhaps some Rotary Clubs may wish to tune in on this broadcast for their regular Wednesday luncheon program. Some clubs may wish to change their meeting day that week in order to take advantage of this broadcast.

NOT the McCormick Steamship Company

President Charlie Wheeler has asked that an announcement be made in this issue of the News Letter to the effect that the McCormick Steamship Company, of which he is the executive vice-president, is not the steamship company mentioned in recent news dispatches as having been indicted.

The McCormick Steamship Company of which Charlie is the executive vice president, is a long established company having operated successfully for many years from both Pacific and Atlantic coast ports.

In reading any news dispatches concerning the steamship situation, the name of the company mentioned should be carefully observed.

Why Come to Rotary?

Because there will be at least one man at your table whose company is worth traveling a long way to enjoy. Because two or three will act as though they enjoyed the meeting more because *you* were there. Because someone will add to your knowledge by talking interestingly about his business or some unusual experience. Because someone across the room will wave at you and grin.

Governor Norman W. Adams
District 158.

Avoidance of Politics

The attention of Rotary Clubs is called to the following long standing provision of the standard Rotary Club constitution:

Article IX

SECTION 1—This club shall not endorse or recommend any candidate for public office and shall not discuss at any club meeting the merits or demerits of any such candidate.

SECTION 2—The merits of any public question involving the social, economic, moral or physical welfare of the people, may be fairly and intelligently studied and discussed before a club meeting for the enlightenment of its members, but this club shall not take any action endorsing or condemning any measure which is to be submitted to the vote of the people.

\$200,000,000 for Red Cross

On March 1st the annual campaign for the American Red Cross will open. The goal this year is \$200,000,000, and the American people, as always, will subscribe, or oversubscribe this amount.

The services which the Red Cross is performing all over the world are well known to every American. In war, as in peace, the Red Cross works efficiently to help and heal.

The American Red Cross is prepared to furnish, as speakers to Rotary clubs, former Red Cross workers who have returned from service at the front, or returned servicemen who have been wounded or otherwise incapacitated, and who would be able to describe firsthand the work which the Red Cross is doing for the armed forces.

The local Red Cross chapter will provide such a speaker or approach the state headquarters which will be able to send a speaker—perhaps from a nearby chapter.

If a club is planning to have such a speaker, perhaps arrangements should be made for him to appear at a meeting at the end of February, just prior to the opening of the campaign.

From Lansing (Mich.) Rotogram

Rotary in 47 Minutes

Every Rotarian at some time wishes he knew more about Rotary or had a ready source from which to glean facts and information quickly.

If I leave Lansing, is my Rotary membership transferred?

Is it proper for me to use the Rotary emblem on my stationery or in my business window?

How has the war affected Rotary in Europe?

Has Russia Rotary clubs?

What is the work of the Vocational Service Committee?

These and similar questions are answered in a small booklet "Rotary in 47 Minutes" by Larry Akers, Past District Governor and Past Director of Rotary International.

A copy is being mailed to you with the compliments of the club. You will want to read it and save it for ready reference.

Committee on Rotary Education

Copies of this booklet available at the secretariat—

50c for single copies

45c in lots of 10 or more

Order copies for all your members.

THE MANAGEMENT of a business is the management of men. Help make the men and the men will make the business.

—Charles L. Wheeler,
President, Rotary International

International Service Activities

Rotary club presidents and program committee chairmen are constantly on the alert for material which would be helpful in providing interesting club programs. Prominent magazines frequently publish interesting and informative articles relating to international service activities. Reprints of such articles often are available for the asking, and would provide excellent background information for a club program, a group discussion, fireside chat, or study of a particular phase of international service by the club's international service committee.

Nominating Committees in Districts

A few of the districts of Rotary International have committees for the nomination of the district governor. There is no uniformity in the procedure for naming these committees nor in their operation. Rotary International considers these committees entirely district matters and neither urges districts to have them nor endeavors to bring any uniformity into the naming and operation of these committees.

However, if any Rotary club or Rotarian desires information about the operation of the half-dozen or so district nominating committees which exist, the secretary of R.I. will, upon request, furnish such information as is available.

Senior Active Membership

I am at a loss to understand why people have the wrong conception about Senior Active membership. One does not lose his active standing by taking this type of membership. As a Senior Active member of my club I feel just as much obligation as I ever did. In addition to having all the privileges of a regular active member, I have this additional advantage: If I should move to another town, my place as a Senior Active member would always be open, whereas if I had a classification, this classification might already be represented in the club and thus I would be unable to become a member.

—Harry C. Bulkeley,
3rd Vice-President, R. I.

Rotary Is Not

Rotary membership is not a business asset, it is a personal liability. Rotary membership is not given as a recognition of past achievement. It means opportunity for future community service.

Rotary is not a debating society in which to settle differences or politics and religion or anything else.

Rotary is not an end—it is an ideal that grows daily.

—The Bound Brook (N.J.)
Rotarian

Rotary in Action

Springfield, Ohio, has a welfare committee, which has been functioning for 25 years. The club raises approximately \$2,700 a year for its crippled children work, employs an experienced social worker the year around, and provides her with an automobile. Recently the club gave \$3,000 to the City Hospital in Springfield, and this subsidy was accepted by the hospital as an aid in the establishment of a new department of physio-therapy for the treatment of infantile paralysis.

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Jubbulpore, India, finances a free canteen for troops in the local railroad station. Wives of Rotarians are on duty at all hours of the day and night to give the troops passing through a free cup of tea and a package of cigarettes.

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Medicine Hat, Alta., Canada, in 1943 held the largest and most profitable carnival in the club's history. The carnival is an annual affair. The net profit in 1943 was over \$7,000, and the club is happy to have this sum available for causes to help further the prosecution of the war and to improve social conditions and maintain morale on the home front.

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Launceston, Tasmania, Australia, Rotarians provided an amplifier for a local youth club, undertook the erection of buildings for a youth camp which was donated by a member of the club, now deceased, and arranged for repairs to the road leading to a boy scout camp.

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New Brunswick, New Jersey, Rotarians recognized the outstanding achievement of 66 local news carriers in selling over 6,000,000 ten cent War Savings Stamps since Pearl Harbor, by giving a Christmas party for the boys. A "certificate of recognition" was presented to each boy.

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Joplin, Missouri, Rotarians held their 28th annual Christmas party in December. It was a wartime party, stripped of all "frills," and the members had the satisfaction of knowing that their economies had made possible the salary of a "house mother" at "Teen Town" for three months, and the cost of a bus to transport blood donors to the Red Cross Blood Bank at Kansas City.

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Rajkot, India, purchased quinine for distribution among the poor.

Tried and True Methods

Noticing an increase of more than 50% in membership in the past six months, as well as an increase in club activity in the Rotary Club of Sunflower, Mississippi, Governor Daniel Boone wrote to the president of that club and asked how this had been accomplished. The president's reply is particularly interesting in that it proves once again that certain tried and true methods of Rotary club administration and procedure usually bring the same good results. Excerpts follow:

The progress of our club has been beyond my expectation. Our policy is to set a goal and then attempt to reach that goal.

After I was elected president of the club, and prior to my induction into office, I had the privilege and pleasure of attending our district meeting, and there I found such good fellowship and heard such inspiring addresses that I came home filled to overflowing with the spirit of Rotary. When I was inducted into office, I immediately began to try to impart this spirit to other Rotarians.

I was careful in the selection of committee chairmen. I placed on committees every member of our club and impressed upon each member that his committee was an important one, and that as a member of that committee, he had important obligations. . . .

We have insisted that our programs be given by local Rotarians, rather than by invited guests. It has been surprising how well this has worked. Men, whom you would least expect to attempt to make a talk would always bring us something worthwhile about their assigned subjects. . . .

We have tried to learn Rotary, live Rotary, and, as best we could, impart Rotary to others.

Bonds for the Foundation

Chairman W. W. Martin, of the Foundation committee of Rotary International, calls to the notice of all club officers the appeal of the Foundation for contributions of war savings bonds. "Serve two causes with one purchase" is the substance of the appeal. Purchase of a war savings bond registered in the name of the Foundation* serves the patriotic cause and serves the cause of Rotary.

It is the earnest hope of the Foundation committee that club officers throughout Canada and the U.S.A. will bring these thoughts to the notice of their entire membership and add their own personal urge to the members to act.

*Bonds should be registered as follows: Trustees of the Rotary Foundation, under declaration of trust executed November 12, 1931, and approved by the Board of Directors of Rotary International.

Work Pile News—

"It makes no difference who gets the credit so long as the work is done"

4 February, 1944

No. 6

"Only 21 Days"

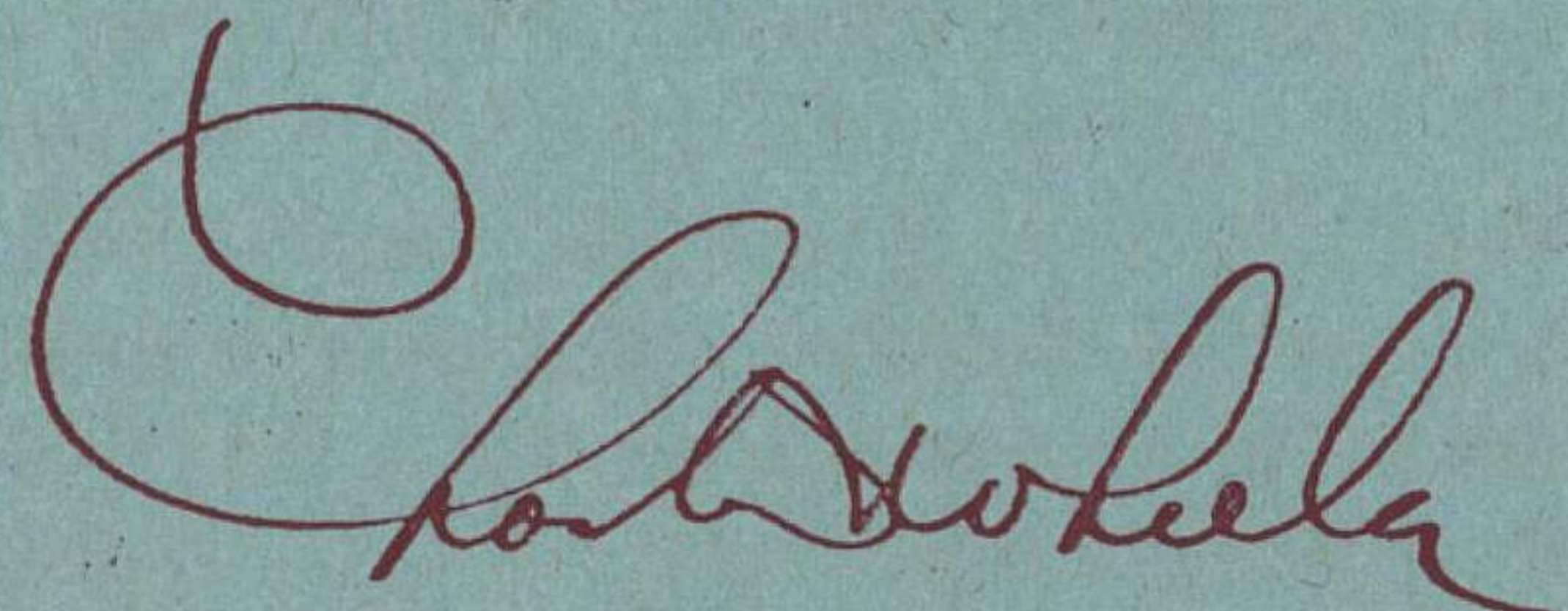
FROM a veteran of a Pacific invasion, to the people of his home town of Gilmer, Texas: "The Japs are mean fighters . . . The battle lasted only 21 days but my company was in it the full 21 days, and that is a long, continuous battle . . . Can't say I'm ready for another, but if another battle or two will end this war and we can return home, I would say, 'Let's get it over with' . . . Every soldier is looking to the day when he can go home. Hell, no one is expecting to get killed. So, open up those jobs—we are coming through in a big way one of these days."

There's the challenge! "Another battle or two"—"Open up those jobs." Where do we stand here at home? Are we all set to "open up those jobs" when the local boys come home? Or is it going to take "another battle or two" for the Rotary club to sell other groups in town on the need for ACTION NOW on a complete survey of the Work Pile type?

Our boys out there don't hanker for more battles; they want to get the job done. Back home no one hankers to make a Work Pile survey, but how else can you in your town "open up those jobs" the minute your local boys return?

This project calls for Rotary leadership. No club can fail to provide it NOW and continuously till the town can say to its boys over there: **THE JOBS ARE READY.**

"Open Up Those Jobs".



What Will the Need Be?

The Rotary Club of Randolph, Vermont, decided that before undertaking a consumer survey they first would obtain specific information regarding likely needs of returning servicemen, and later consider problems which returning war workers might present. The club committee wrote to the families of the servicemen in the Randolph area explaining their project and asking for information about the servicemen, and the probable postwar status of each.

Their next step is to canvass all employers to learn whether returning servicemen can count on getting their jobs back; that will reveal how much work must be uncovered through canvassing householders, merchants, village authorities, farmers and others.

Finally the club will establish a clearing house where returning servicemen can be helped.

4500 Jobs in Two Weeks

Within a week the 371 Rotarians of Portland, Oregon, contacted 2,000 business houses, requesting that they complete and return the Work Pile survey questionnaire which had been mailed to them. The first 550 questionnaires returned (by the end of the second week) averaged \$7,000,000.00 in work and the employment of 4500 additional people. The Chamber of Commerce is tabulating the results.

The Rotarians will contact another 2,000 business houses soon; and then the remainder.

Then the next step will be to contact **every home in the city**, through the assistance of 4,000 block wardens.

Work for Partially Disabled Veterans

The Rotary Club of Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, has proposed to the community two projects to be reserved for partially disabled veterans while they are getting themselves adjusted to new conditions after their release from the services.

The first project is a plan already drawn up for tree-planting, additions, and protection—all for the beautification of the community.

The second project is a complete renumbering system for the residential and business sections of the community.

What the Progress Reports Show

An analysis of Progress Reports from some 700 Rotary clubs in Canada and the U.S.A. received during December revealed the following facts:

- 58 per cent of these clubs were active on the Work Pile project.
- 27 per cent were only beginning to give it consideration.
- 4 per cent were postponing to January their decision on what action to take.
- 11 per cent had given the project some consideration but had taken no action.
- Of the clubs working actively on the project:
 - 49 per cent were cooperating with the local Chamber of Commerce, Board of Trade, or C.E.D.
 - 42½ per cent were cooperating with or receiving the cooperation of other groups in the community.
 - 8½ per cent were handling the project alone because of absence of other organizations to participate.

Recreation Center

As a result of initiative taken by the Rotary Club of Dallas Center, Iowa, a project for constructing quarters for the recreational center they inaugurated, has become an important item in the community's postwar Work Pile. The club reports \$7,000 in cash and \$22,000 in pledges already obtained for building the center as soon as labor and materials are available.

In Lindsborg, Kansas —

—the survey questionnaire will be distributed and gathered by volunteer workers who will have the names of everyone in the city, so that no one will be omitted from the survey. The rural territory also will be covered. Information to local boys in the armed forces will be sent by letter with special provision for obtaining responses from them, so as to help the local committee estimate employment needs.

If the Work Pile which is developed appears insufficient, then, with the assistance of experts from the Kansas State Industrial Development Commission, plans will be worked out for increasing employment possibilities.

In Kitchener-Waterloo, Ont.

—members of the Rotary club are almost 100% into the effort of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce to make a fact-finding survey for postwar employment which may serve as a model for all Canadian communities. Householders, small merchants and farmers, as well as the large industrial concerns, will be contacted, so that a fairly accurate picture should result. The slogan for the survey is, "Give us the facts so we can help to provide the jobs."

In Alpena, Michigan —

—the Rotary club called a meeting of representatives of all service clubs, fraternal organizations, Granges, veterans' organizations, Chamber of Commerce, and City and County officials, to discuss plans for assisting demobilized men and women to obtain employment when the war ceases. Results: the formation of the Alpena postwar planning committee with the membership of some 50, divided into over a dozen subcommittees. Work was begun at once to gather information and statistics through a Work Pile survey.

Results in Savanna, Illinois

Here are a few final figures obtained through the Work Pile survey in Savanna, Illinois. Juniors and Seniors in high school made the canvass of the entire township.

Construction and purchases planned:

URBAN (Pop. 5,130)

New homes..... 86	Telephone extensions 55
Outside painting362	Radios160
Inside decorating ...382	Pianos 42
New plumbing or heating equipment152	Refrigerators ..190
Additions and improvements 203	Washing machines161
New curtains and draperies423	Ironers 92
Vacuum cleaners177	Clocks162
	Toasters127
	Mixers109
	Electric heaters 34
	Electric fans.... 66
	Light fixtures..145

Automobile Items

Repair work....141	New cars236
Tires241	Radios (automobile) . 50

Yard and Garden Items

Hose133	Garden tools.... 93
Lawn mowers..120	

RURAL (Pop. 444)

New homes..... 11	Vacuum cleaners 25
Outside painting 65	Radios 40
Inside decorating ... 55	Pianos 9
New plumbing and heating equipment ... 27	Refrigerators... 25
Additions and improvements. 47	Washing machines 41
Curtains and draperies 63	Ironers 17
Telephone extensions 11	Clocks36
	Toasters 24
	Mixers 22
	Electric heaters. 9
	Electric fans.... 18
	Light fixtures... 24

Automobile Items

Repair work.... 42	New cars..... 37
Tires 48	Radios 12

Garden and Yard Equipment

Hose 15	Garden tools.... 14
Lawn mowers... 24	

Farm Equipment and Machinery

Fencing 69	Fertilizers 3
Machinery 55	Landscaping ... 6
Equipment 30	New buildings.. 27

The Rotary club of Savanna, Illinois, developed a unique plan for carrying out the survey among householders and farmers. With the backing of the Rotary and Lions clubs and the Chamber of Commerce, the Township High School coached students of social problems, economics, and United States history through special studies of commercial and public opinion surveys, and by reviewing various depression periods in the history of the U.S.A. and possible ways of avoiding one following the present war.

The junior and senior students were released from school one day to make the survey. The rural territory was handled through visits by those students who live in the country.

Providing Leadership

Reports from all districts in Canada and the U.S.A. reveal how commonly Rotarians are chosen to formulate committees of the Chamber of Commerce or other bodies making Work Pile surveys. To illustrate: In district 107 (Los Angeles area) a report covering a few of the clubs shows:

—Rotary club committee selected by Chamber of Commerce to study probable sources of unemployment.

—Rotary club committee constitutes half of Chamber of Commerce committee for postwar employment plans.

—Rotary club committee represented on general committee of Chamber of Commerce for Work Pile.

—Half of the board of the Chamber are Rotarians leading Work Pile activity.

—All 9 members of the community Work Pile committee of the Chamber are Rotarians.

—Rotarian named general chairman of the community-wide committee to handle Work Pile survey.

In Blytheville, Arkansas —

—the mailing of Work Pile questionnaires was preceded by a publicity program carried out by personal contact and by letter, in order to pave the way so as to get the most valuable answers to the questionnaire.

In Gaffney, South Carolina —

—the Rotary club brought to its meeting for discussion of the Work Pile, the heads of the park commission, Lions club, the intercivic council, the Royal Arcanum, and the civilian defense organization. The visitors met afterward with the Rotary club board of directors, the high school principal, the farm agent, the college dean and other local leaders in the club, and appointed a community-wide committee of five to handle the Work Pile survey.

In Keyser, West Virginia —

—the Rotary club appointed a special Work Pile committee which called a meeting of representatives of other civic groups and set up a definite organization on planning. Thus there came into being the "Upper Potomac Planning Commission," one of whose responsibilities is the creation of a Work Pile. Other citizens of the Upper Potomac area, both householders and businessmen, will be given an opportunity to participate in an effort to provide for private enterprise to absorb the greatest proportion of returning servicemen and disemployed war workers.

In Southern Ontario —

—Governor Claude Running of District 152, "believing coordinated effort in the Work Pile survey most necessary, and confident that State and Provincial organization are essential to the fullest success," personally contacted the County Councils of Bruce and Gray Counties, requesting them to petition the Provincial Government of Ontario for the establishment of a Postwar Planning Committee. Both bodies complied and each set up a Postwar Planning Committee to coordinate activities within their respective counties.

In Australia —

—Governor Burgess Watt of District 65, as soon as the Rotary clubs had received a description of the Work Pile project, analyzed the project in his monthly letter and told the club officers "it can be done in the 65th district." Governor Watt further cited the example of the Rotary Club of Hobart, which in 1933, to help combat the depression, carried out a somewhat similar survey and obtained pledges of additional work to the value of a quarter of a million dollars with a resultant tangible upward trend in employment.

—Governor Hancock of District 56, upon receiving the Work Pile literature from the secretariat urged his clubs to study it and discuss it because, as he saw it, there was a real place in the plan for Australian clubs to be the stirrer-uppers of this initiative for adequate postwar employment in each community.

In Alta, Iowa —

—the board of directors of the Rotary club devised its own check sheet or questionnaire to be used in making a Work Pile survey among farmers, business and professional men, and other householders, and the governmental unit public utilities. Local boys in the service are to be informed of the results of the survey by direct communication.

In Stamford, Texas —

—the Rotary club proposed that the Work Pile project be carried out for Stamford and Jones County by the Chamber of Commerce with the pledged assistance of the club. The directors of the board of city development and Chamber of Commerce, as a result, voted to carry out an extensive postwar planning survey including the Work Pile plan as presented by the Rotary club.

In Dos Palos, California —

—the Rotary club, after several preliminary meetings on the Work Pile project, invited each of the other organizations in the immediate region to send three to five representatives to a special dinner meeting of the Rotary club, as guests of the club. Their plans were outlined, including plans for dovetailing the Work Pile survey with the community development and improvement plans.

At a second meeting with the same representatives, a community-wide committee was formed; the territory was divided into five districts, each headed by a member of the Work Pile committee of the Rotary club who is responsible for seeing that each individual in his district is contacted and the necessary canvass completed. The City Council has created a planning commission to work with the general committee.

The survey in its early stages has uncovered tremendously encouraging information regarding the employment possibilities which will open up as soon as the material is available.

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Work Pile plans are growing and many clubs starting or cooperating on Work Pile projects.—Governor of district 179 (Eastern, Pa.)

6-Year Plan in Logan, Utah

According to William Evans, Jr., mayor of Logan, Utah, more than 230 projects have been worked out with the necessary charts, tables, maps, blueprints, and individual prospectus sheets as the 6-year postwar program for Logan, Utah. These projects do not contemplate the use of outside funds. The city is in a position to go at any moment and can telescope its six years of work into one or two years if necessary. Most of the projects listed for 1943 already have been completed (the plan was prepared more than a year ago). As Rotarian Evans says, it is the kind of thing we "must do if we are to avert a very serious condition" in the immediate postwar period.

In Ironton, Ohio —

—the Rotary club, through formal resolution, recommended to the Ironton Board of Trade that it organize a community-wide committee for the purpose of making a Work Pile survey. The resolution stated that should the Board of Trade fail to take immediate action, the Rotary club would call together representatives of civic organizations to form a committee to handle the survey.

From the International Committee

Here are some of the recommendations, suggestions, and observations of the R.I. committee on participation of Rotarians in the postwar world—arrived at after full consideration of the status of the Work Pile project, at the committee's meeting in Chicago in mid-January:

1. Club officers are urged to give consideration to appointing a postwar committee if none is already set up.

2. Clubs are urged to send tabulated results of Work Pile surveys in their communities to the secretariat for use in further promoting Work Pile activity.

3. Continued emphasis is to be placed on the need of every community for a complete Work Pile survey—industrial and private needs (consumer goods and property improvements), and public works.

4. It is the function of each Rotary club, without concern for who gets the credit, to see that in its community the most appropriate agency or agencies handle a complete Work Pile survey.

5. In North America cooperation by Rotary clubs with local Chambers of Commerce, Boards of Trade, and similar agencies in Work Pile activity, appears very general.

6. There is still need to stress, first in the thinking of Rotarians, and then in public thinking, the benefits which will accrue to the community as a whole, and not just simply to the returning soldiers, on building up an adequate Work Pile.

7. In Latin America interest is growing in adapting the Work Pile to the particular needs in each country.

8. Early reports from Australia, New Zealand, and Southern Africa show growing interest and activity.

In Helena, Arkansas —

—the survey in the rural territory is to be carried out through the office of the county agricultural agent; and the survey among householders is to be made through a house-to-house canvass by local women's organizations.

In Nacogdoches, Texas —

—the Rotary club invited representatives from other civic organizations to its regular meeting to hear an explanation of the Work Pile project. Result: Chamber of Commerce will be a clearinghouse for the project, all other organizations cooperating; boy scouts and girl scouts will have a part with other civic organizations in getting the survey questionnaires into the hands of property owners and businessmen and pick them up again. Their questionnaires or check sheets are among the most detailed that have been used thus far.

In Selkirk, Manitoba —

—the Work Pile check sheet is to be sent to every householder and businessman by mail and will be returned by mail. This is being preceded by articles in both local newspapers.

In Pittsford, New York —

—the Rotary club is laying plans for a complete house-to-house survey to develop its reemployment program to take care of returning servicemen and women. The club is coordinating its Work Pile program with that of the Rotary Club of Rochester and with the C.E.D. program for the entire county of Monroe.

In Oakland, California —

—the Rotary club invited to a meeting on the Work Pile program, the presidents of the local Kiwanis, Lions and Exchange Clubs, and president of the local Chamber of Commerce. The meeting was addressed by four members of the Rotary Club of San Francisco, including the president of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. Eight members of the Oakland Club are serving as chairmen of the postwar planning committees of the local Chamber, and 31 other members are serving on other committees. In the Rotary club corresponding committees have been appointed to facilitate cooperation.

A Practical Suggestion

Every Rotarian can begin his own Work Pile. President Eric Johnston of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, writing in "Coronet," suggests:

"If you are the owner of a business, large or small, set aside a file in your office today. Mark it 'Work Pile' and begin to build up your inventory of post-war projects—not just a collection of nebulous ideas but a group of concrete plans in the blueprint stage, ready to be put in work the day the war ends. No business is so small that it cannot do something to help take up the dangerous slack of post-war unemployment. . . . No one is without obligation in this practical crusade on behalf of his company, his community and his nation."

In Idaho Falls, Idaho —

—The Rotary club reports that the Work Pile survey questionnaires being returned to the Chamber of Commerce show construction work amounting to an average of \$1,500 for each questionnaire.

In Lexington, Virginia —

—the service clubs and other civic organizations are working with the Chamber of Commerce to carry out a complete fact-finding survey for postwar employment and to acquaint the local people with the entire project.

In Colton, California —

—the Work Pile survey is being carried out with the full cooperation of other service clubs, women's clubs, the Union High School, the Chamber of Commerce, and other groups. The survey among householders will be followed promptly by a survey among business houses. The householder survey plan is headed, "*Be Patriotically Helpful By Doing Your Share To Provide Immediate Jobs For Men Of The Armed Forces When They Return From The Fields of Battle.*"

In District 130 (East Texas) —

—the Rotary Clubs of Beaumont, Galveston, and Houston, are giving their active support to the planning being done by their local Chambers of Commerce for postwar employment. They are preparing fact-finding surveys.

The Place of Public Works

The chairman of the postwar planning committee at Alpena, Michigan, Past R.I. Director Emmet Richards, says that their city is working on the idea that their primary task is to stimulate private industry and that their feeling is that public works projects are more the work of local governmental bodies, although, of course, the committee will have suggestions to make to those bodies.

In Iowa City, Iowa —

—a citizen's planning committee of over 70 representatives of civic and community organizations under the chairmanship of a member of the Rotary club, emphasized to the community the need for general community-wide interest and for active participation by **private business, industry, and individuals**, and called for making definite plans now for future expansion, alteration, repairs, etc.—in short a Work Pile survey.

In Montgomery, Pa.—

—there has been established as the result of the initiative taken long ago by the president of the Rotary club, supported by the club members, a postwar planning institute which has been named the Montgomery Town Meeting. Thirty-five civic organizations participate in this planning group sponsored by the interclub council. Public meetings will be along the procedure followed by the famed Town Meeting of the Air. Smaller weekly study groups are suggested to augment the work of the general assembly.

In Weymouth, Mass.—

—the chairman of the Rotary club committee for the Work Pile is chairman of the postwar planning committee of the town of Weymouth, established in a Town Meeting to consider "needs which could be translated into employment situations during the interim between the cessation of military endeavor and peacetime pursuits."

In Webster City, Iowa —

—committees of the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs, the Chamber of Commerce, and the American Legion, are all working together to build a Work Pile.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL



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CENTRAL OFFICE, 35 EAST WACKER DRIVE, CHICAGO, U. S. A.

Office of the President

January, 1944

Dear Club President:

You will remember that 1933 was not a very propitious year to start a new enterprise. However, your Board of Directors dared to dream -- and created a Spanish edition of our official magazine.

That was just ten years ago. Today, REVISTA ROTARIA is recognized as one of the most important magazines published in Spanish. Hundreds of schools use it in Spanish classes. Its circulation has passed the 20,000 mark. And, most important of all, it is helping mightily in making Rotary a growing force for good in all Latin America.

I'm writing you because your Club can help extend REVISTA's service to Rotary. It's by the simple device of underwriting gift "Fourth Object" subscriptions to be sent to prominent non-Rotarians and institutions in Latin America, selected by District Governors down there. If you want an international service activity for your club, here is one that you can fit to your club's exchequer.

A single "Fourth Object" subscription costs but \$1.50 -- and one is better than none. But this year, the tenth anniversary of REVISTA ROTARIA's founding it seems to me each Club in USCNCB should make a special effort to take a block of "Fourth Object" subscriptions. If your club is already participating in this activity, perhaps you'll want to add some more gifts -- even make it 100% for each of your members.

The procedure is simple: Just send word to THE ROTARIAN (35 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois) how many "Fourth Object" subscriptions you want, and your club will be billed for them in the usual way. Each recipient -- prominent and influential businessmen, statesmen, church leaders, etc. -- will be notified that the gift comes with the compliments and goodwill of your Club.

Frankly, I can't think of a way a few dollars can do more to promote inter-American good neighborliness with the accent on Rotary. I wish Rotary International could do it, but that is impossible. So we'll have to count on your Club and the 3,600 others in the United States and Canada that want to put our "Fourth Object" to work.

Cordially yours,

Charles L. Wheeler

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MARCH PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS FOR ROTARY CLUBS

"Somebody Proposed You . . ."

Have the chairman of your membership committee prepare a talk that will help the members recognize their obligation to share Rotary with others. The "Little Lessons on Rotary," in the January, February and March issues of THE ROTARIAN are all designed to make this an effective program.

Or, a program patterned after the "average" Rotary club can show how new members can be added. "Exville—A Typical Rotary Club," in THE ROTARIAN, for February, gives a picture story of such a program.

Many a good new member is lost because someone "thinks he'd better not," and so fails to propose him. Your speaker can use the guest editorial on page 7 in THE ROTARIAN for January, to tell of these "guesses" which cost the club good membership timber.

References from THE SECRETARIAT:

No. 352, "Why Grow—Now?"

No. 358, "Growth Through Planning."

From THE ROTARIAN:

November, 1943,

"Rotary Must Be Felt," Ricardo Calatroni

"Why Men Like Rotary," Richard H. Wells
July, 1943, "New Friends," Charles H. Towne

"Help on Financial Problems"

March 15 is income-tax time—and this year a lot of employees are going to scratch their heads over "Form 1040" for the first time. In THE ROTARIAN for February, your speaker will find "A Specific Charter for Action," a statement by Rotary International's President Charles L. Wheeler, jointly with the heads of Kiwanis International, the American Legion and the United States Chamber of Commerce, which emphasizes the objectives for which our armies and navies and we of the home front are fighting. Among the activities to help further these objectives

is listed the promotion of "an intelligent and interested citizenry," which includes an intelligent, interested tax-paying citizenry. A definite program on plans to help employees fill out their income-tax returns, set up family budgets, etc., would be a service not only to the employees, but also to the employer and the community.

References from THE SECRETARIAT:

No. 510, "Today's Task in Vocational Service"

No. 523, "Good Management"

No. 533, "Personalizing Vocational Service"

From THE ROTARIAN:

November, 1943, "Vocational Service Is Basic," No. 4 of "Little Lessons on Rotary" series

February, 1943, "New Springs under Old Employees," B. F. Downey

"Food Fights for Freedom"

Francis B. Sayre, once U. S. High Commissioner to The Philippines, and a delegate to the first meeting of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration, writes in the March issue of THE ROTARIAN on how food is fighting for freedom in the overrun nations of Europe and Asia. Assign this article to one of your best speakers and ask him to report on it at the club meeting.

Or, in a program on soil conservation, your farm-owning member can describe some of the modern practices that prevent waste of "the good earth"—producer of food—vital weapon of war. Louis Bromfield's article in THE ROTARIAN for February, that tells about the once-fertile "Mason Place" which was allowed to dwindle to a deserted homestead, is "a natural" for a speaker on this subject. Or, a human interest talk based on "Fish for Britain," also in THE ROTARIAN for February, can be given on the sacrifices men make so that others may eat.

References from THE SECRETARIAT:

No. 613, "Safeguarding Our National Resources"

No. 722, "The United Nations Plan for Relief and Rehabilitation"

U. S. Papers:

No. 16, "Attention Rotarians! You can Help Win on the Food Front"

No. 20, "Food Fights for Freedom"

No. 21, "The Current Food Situation"

From THE ROTARIAN:

September, 1943,

"Europe—Where the Cupboard Is Almost Bare," Albin E. Johnson

"Post War Drama: Act I, Scene I," Herbert H. Lehman

March, 1943, "Soya Can Do," Robert M. Yoder and George Thiem

"Our New Tool—Science"

Why not a "radio commentator" program—the kind where two club members read alternating news items, with comments on each? Chapter III of "A World to LIVE In," (book of reprinted science-and-the-future articles from THE ROTARIAN) and the monthly feature, "Peeps at Things to Come," in THE ROTARIAN, would be excellent source material for a program on recent developments of science and their effect on our lives.

References from THE SECRETARIAT:

No. 727, "After the Clash of Arms—What Then?"

From THE ROTARIAN:

February, 1943, "Young Man With a Wire"

January, 1943, "Needed: Post-War Capital," James Truslow Adams

May, 1943, "Press a Button—Get a Home," Walter B. Pitkin

January, 1943, "Science Remaking Our World," Waldemar Kaempffert

"Helping the Handicapped"

In THE ROTARIAN for March, Gladys Schultz tells of steps that have been taken—since World War I—to rehabilitate the physically handicapped. Your Rotarian doctor can build a worth-while program around this article and apply it to local practices.

Or, have a club member report on the article in the March issue of THE ROTARIAN that tells about the Vincennes, Indiana, WORK PILE project in which is included help for the handicapped. This same speaker can also tell of the need for immediate help for those youth who have been rejected by the armed services because of physical handicaps. Carol C. Hall talks about this in an article in THE ROTARIAN for March.

References from THE SECRETARIAT:

No. 624, "Man Salvage—An Urgent Need"

No. 637A, "Rotary and the Crippled Child" Pamphlet No. 40, "Crippled Children Work by Rotary Clubs"

From THE ROTARIAN:

March, 1943, "The World We Want." Symposium

November, 1943

"The Blind Go to War," Pictorial

"I Will Do My Best," H. L. Craddick

August, 1943, "Bullfighting Doctor," Charles M. Wilson

"Interdependence of Agriculture, Manufacturing, Labor"

Ask your program chairman to organize a round-table group composed of one or two representatives each of agriculture, manufacturing, and labor in the community; and suggest that the discussion or symposium center around the inter-relationship of these three groups—now and during the post-war period. Let each member of the group show how his field of service is dependent upon the other two, and how closer cooperation between the three groups will create a better understanding of each other's problems, which, in turn, may help to solve many of the community's problems in years to come.

References from THE SECRETARIAT:

No. 635A, "Know Your Community"

No. 649, "The Farmer's Place in the Nation's Future"

From THE ROTARIAN:

November, 1943, "Post-War Private Enterprise," Debate-of-the-Month

June, 1943, "Reciprocal Trade Agreements," Debate-of-the-Month

LAWRENCE ROTARY CLUB

BULLETIN

LAWRENCE, KANSAS

FEBRUARY 4, 1944

FROM ALAMEDA CALIF. comes the speaker for Monday. He is Walter P. Koetitz, past president of the Alameda Rotary Club, and is associated with the Division of Immigration and Housing for the State of California. Rotarian Koetitz is in these parts to attend the wedding of his son, a chemical engineer at the Sunflower Ordnance Works. This should be a fine program.

OUR GUEST SPEAKERS of last week--Stan Stockton and Dick Stutz were a credit to their teacher and Victory Speaker Bureau Director, E. C. "Bill" Buehler. It was fine forage for the Rotarians. Come again, boys!

ROTARIANS Raymond Rice, Fred Ellsworth, Deane W. Malott and K. W. Davidson attended the funeral of W. A. White in Emporia last Monday.

START PLANNING now for that District Conference in Topeka April 30-May 1. The "On to Topeka" Committee consists of Roger Allen, Corlett Cotton, Cecil Hough and Tom Parker. The Lawrence Club is responsible for a great program for the Monday night meeting, April 30!

FROM HERE AND THERE:

"How has Junior been making out in his examinations this summer?" a Winfield man asked his wife.

"Oh," she replied, "he's doing much better. He was almost on the top of the list of those who failed."

--Wichita Eagle.

Overhead Dept: Two girls were waiting to see the boss, when one asked the other, "Is my face dirty or is it just my imagination?" "Your face isn't dirty, but I don't know about your imagination."

--Manhattan Mercury.

"Now dear," said the Coffeyville wife at the conclusion of the meal, "what'll I get if I cook a dinner like that for you every day for the rest of the year?"

"My life insurance, I believe," he replied unfeelingly.

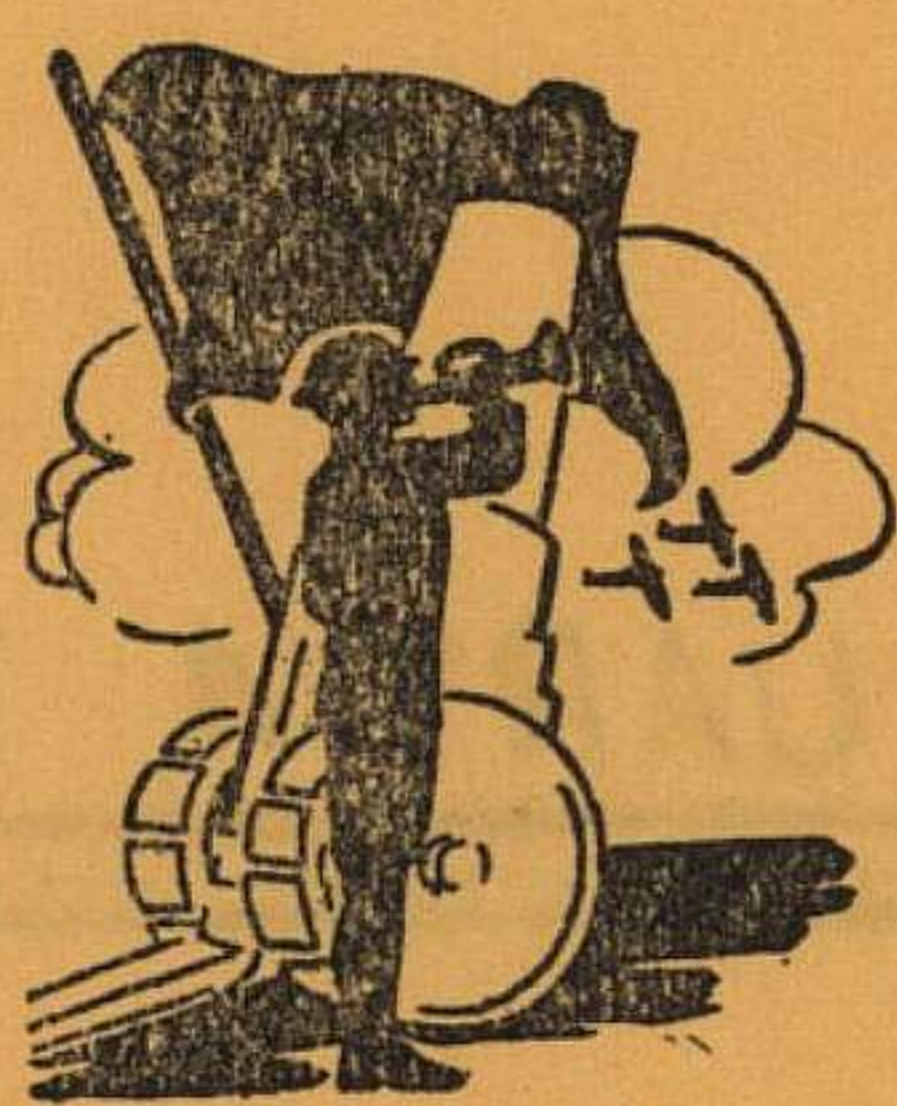
--Wichita Eagle.

First Draftee: "You know, I feel like I'd like to punch that hardboiled top sergeant in the nose again."

Second Draftee: "Again?"

First Draftee: "Yes, I felt like it yesterday!"

--Public Service Magazine.



A Prayer for Servicemen

The Rotary Club of Pana, Illinois, originated the idea of "A Minute of Prayer," at 6:00 p.m. each evening when the whistles blow and everyone is reminded to pray for the men in the service, and for peace.

Luck

Do I believe in luck? I should say I do. It's a wonderful force. I have watched the careers of too many lucky men to doubt its efficacy.

You see some fellow reach out and grab an opportunity that the other fellow standing around had not realized was there. Having grabbed it, he hangs onto it with a grip that makes the jaws of a bulldog seem like a fairy touch.

He intensifies his strong points, bolsters his weak ones; cultivates those personal qualities that cause other men to trust him and cooperate with him. He sows the seeds of sunshine and good cheer, of optimism, of unstinted kindness.

He plans his work and then sticks to it. He talks and acts like a winner, for he knows in time he will be one. And then—luck does all the rest.

—THE SPOKEMAN,
Wahiawa-Waiialua,
Hawaii



Vocational Service

Every man who does honorable work serves society. Serving society, he contributes to the progress and improvement of civilization. I say "honorable work." That does not mean work that must necessarily appear to be intrinsically important, but it must fit somewhere, somehow into the program by which man finds reason for living, by which he gives meaning and purpose to his life and to all life. The gambler is engaged in trying to get something for nothing. He does no useful work, however long hours he puts in. He creates nothing.

The man who fixes an engine or curries the horses that will

"TOO LITTLE, TOO LATE"

There isn't plenty of time to get going on a **Work Pile** survey. The club that thinks that it will take up the **Work Pile** project "sometime next year" is deluding itself and short-changing its community and its boys who are at the front. That thinking leads straight into the familiar "too little, too late." . . .

The **Work Pile** carries planning for postwar jobs right down to the grass roots. It makes the responsibility of the individual citizen clear and it shows him that he **CAN** do something about it. . . .

Let's not procrastinate. Rotary's responsibility is clear. I know every club will respond.

—President Charles L. Wheeler

Rotary Overseas

The Rotary Club of Springs, South Africa, has raised funds to provide monthly parcels for local men who are now prisoners of war. The club has adopted a number of prisoners at a cost of £24 a year per man.

pull a truck is doing something both useful and honorable. All labor is good and all labor is honorable, so long as it is not the labor of a parasite.

I think labor ought to be represented in a Rotary club. Some say the overall man is just coming into his own, . . . but he has always been of the importance he is now, only we have not been sufficiently aware of the honor and usefulness of hand-work.

Overall men, white-collar men, artists and artisans, **WORKERS**—they ought to be in far greater degree the recipients, the legatees, of the gratitude, the appreciation of their fellows.

—ROTARY REMINDER,
Cleveland, Ohio

General Eisenhower on "Blood Plasma"

"Each donor of blood should feel a deep sense of satisfaction by making a contribution. The use of plasma quickly after a fighter is wounded constitutes the most important single advance in the surgical treatment of the wounded in this war.

"By the liberal donation of blood by their countrymen, plasma is made available to the wounded at the most forward aid posts. From these advance stations back to the rear every medical installation is equipped to administer repeated injections when necessary. . . .

"Donation of blood is a patriotic service to our country. That most Americans realize this, is evident from the generosity of their donations."

Is *our* club doing its share?

I am not afraid of tomorrow, for I have seen yesterday and I love today.

—William Allen White

Work Pile News—

"It makes no difference who gets the credit so long as the work is done"

21 January, 1944

Supplemental to No. 5

In Davis, California —

—the Rotary club in connection with its Work Pile activity is obtaining through the records of the local schools information on the education and training each serviceman had received prior to induction. The club also checks on the occupation of each at time of induction.

In Taylorville, Illinois —

—the Work Pile committee of the Rotary club went before the directors of the Taylorville Association of Commerce and obtained that body's agreement to handle the Work Pile for the entire community. The Association has appointed a special committee for the purpose.

In Indianola, Iowa —

—the Rotary club has enlisted the cooperation of the Lions Club in planning and carrying through a consumer survey which will cover the entire county. Local men in the service will be kept informed through articles in the local papers.

In Lexington, Kentucky —

—a consumer survey check sheet for the community is being developed by the Department of Commerce of the University of Kentucky for use by the local Board of Commerce whose postwar planning committee is headed by a member of the Rotary Club of Lexington.

In Baton Rouge, La. —

—the Chamber of Commerce has selected a past president of the Rotary club to be the general chairman of its postwar planning council and has decided to have a Work Pile section. Survey check lists are in process of preparation.

In Cohasset, Mass. —

—the Rotary club's committee on postwar planning has formed a community-wide committee with representation from 20 different local organizations, to handle the Work Pile and follow through with all aid to returning servicemen.

Definite rules of procedure have been drawn up and approved in form of by-laws governing action of this committee which is called "Cohasset Veterans' Service Committee."

In Fairmont, Minnesota —

—where a Rotarian is chairman of the local Committee for Economic Development, postwar planning work was begun over a year ago. Rotarians have been active on the steering committee which joined in sponsoring a public meeting in the high school auditorium at which plans for the job survey of the city were discussed and approved. Two members of the 3-man committee conducting the survey are Rotarians. The results so far are encouraging. It is planned to make a re-check from time to time to keep the survey up to date.

In Geneva, New York —

—the Rotary club invited the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce to attend a special club meeting on the Work Pile, the president of the Chamber being a member of the club. The committee chairman, in summing up, said that he would prefer to work with the Chamber of Commerce if there was assurance that the Work Pile project would go forward aggressively, but without that assurance the Rotary club would feel it necessary to set up a committee to carry on the project. The Chamber immediately appointed a full committee which has since held weekly meetings. A public meeting of citizens is scheduled to bring the project before the general public.

In Fostoria, Ohio —

—Past Governor Fred Hopkins took the lead in his newspaper in an editorial "Fostoria Should Be Ready When the Boys Come Home". Among the things he said that led to the holding of preliminary conferences and eventually the appointment of a city-wide committee was this: "Fostorians must not sit back and wait for the end of the war to come, and then flounder around for solutions to the problems they will have to face, or worse still, be forced to accept tailor-made solutions of theorists, in the postwar period".

In St. Joseph, Missouri —

—the Rotary Club of the South Side has already received 14 completed Work Pile reports listing a total of \$20,160 worth of repairs on buildings —work to be undertaken at the cessation of hostilities "to keep faith," as the club says, "with demobilized servicemen".

In Ottawa, Canada —

—Rotarians regard employment as the most important question of postwar reconstruction. In a recent poll of the club 66% named employment; 37% considered it possible to maintain the present volume of employment after the war; 34% regarded it impossible; 29% gave conditional answers. Only 66% said their profession or business had made plans to absorb former employees; 14% had plans with conditions attached.

In St. John's, Nfld. —

—the Rotary club's Work Pile committee induced the Newfoundland Board of Trade to appoint a special committee for planning activities in the community.

To Club Presidents and Secretaries



From the R. I. Secretariat (Central Office)
35 E. Wacker Dr., Chicago 1, Ill., U. S. A.

1944 International Conference at Chicago

May 15-18, 1944

Since Rotary clubs everywhere are working vigorously in the prosecution of the war to a speedy and successful conclusion and in the establishment of a firm foundation for the peace that is to follow, the annual meeting of Rotary International has been streamlined to fit the exigencies of the world-wide war conditions.

The conference program will exclude entertainment features, banquets and receptions. It will be strictly a working conference, limited as nearly as possible to delegates only, for the purpose of electing officers and the consideration of necessary legislation. Because of the difficulties of transportation and hotel facilities, the attendance of ladies is not encouraged. The program of the conference will be devoted to the twin goals of intensifying the Rotary program of service in wartime and planning for the post-war era following victory.

Because of greatly increased transportation difficulties at Omaha, where it was originally scheduled,

the 1944 international conference will be held in Chicago—the dates, May 15 to 18. All arrangements for this conference will be in conformity with plans suggested by the United States Government for war-time meetings.

Hotel facilities in Chicago will be limited and will be allotted by zone to Rotarians in the order of receipt of requisitions. Conference headquarters will be in The Stevens hotel and practically all conference activities will be centered in that hotel.

To the Rotary Club of Omaha, for its graciousness in postponing its role as Rotary's host, and to the Rotary Club of Chicago, for agreeing to serve as conference host at this late date, the board of directors and the international conference committee express their deep appreciation.

Charles L. Wheeler, *President*
Rotary International

Stanley Long, *Chairman*
R. I. 1944 Conference Committee

New R.I. Director

Rotarian J. M. A. Ilott, governor director of the advertising agency of J. Ilott, Ltd., G.P.O. Box 1491, Wellington, C.I., New Zealand, has been elected director of R.I. for the remainder of 1943-44, vice Director McGibbon, deceased.

John Ilott has served as president of his club and as governor of his district. At present he holds several important war appointments, among them, chairmanship of the National Savings Committee, and deputy chairmanship of the National Council for the Reclamation of Waste Material. John was chairman of the Joint War Loan Executive in Wellington, which played an important part in raising New Zealand's record loan of almost £40,000,000.

For the Son of a Soldier Killed in Action

As a tribute to the memory of one of its members who died in the service of his country, the Rotary Club of Launceston, Tasmania, Australia, has set up a fund, in war saving certificates, for the education of his son who is now seven years old.

Today's Service Story

Louie Hersig, 100% attender for more than 30 years at the Rotary Club of Madison, Wisconsin, sells hundreds of washing machines each year. At times he takes in used machines as part payment, sending them to his shop for reconditioning. Then, through the visiting nurses association, or the churches, he learns of some unfortunate widow who still uses the old fashioned washboard method of washing and presents her with a rebuilt washer, installed with instructions as to how to use it.

Louie's firm has 22 former employees serving in the Armed Forces of the United States, in all parts of the world, and he deposits \$25.00 per month to the account of each of them.

When I complimented him on these two generous acts, Louie replied: "You can't take it with you."

Phil

Vice Presidents of R.I.

With the death of Second Vice President Sinclair J. McGibbon, Third Vice President Harry C. Bulkeley of Abingdon, Ill., U.S.A., has succeeded to the office of second vice president. The board of directors of R.I. has elected Director Harold W. McKiel of Sackville, N.B., Canada, as third vice president.

Vice President Bulkeley is a senior active member of his club. He has been president of the American Sanitary Manufacturing Company since 1918, and for many years has been prominent in the civic, financial and trade association affairs of his city.

Vice President McKiel's classification is "education — mechanical engineering" and he is dean of the Science Faculty of Mt. Allison University and temporarily acting as assistant to the president. He has served as president of a number of important engineering associations and chemistry institutes, and has been active in war savings, war service and salvage campaigns.

Rotary At a Glance

5,129 Rotary Clubs
218,500 Rotarians

(Of these, 98 clubs with 3,000 members in war-affected countries are inactive)

76 New Clubs in 20 Countries
Since July 1, 1943

Effective December 31, 1943, the Board of Directors of R.I. terminated the memberships in Rotary International of 116 Rotary clubs in war-affected countries which were being carried on the roll of member clubs of R.I. These clubs were in Burma, Federated Malay States, Guam, Hong Kong, Borneo, Celebes, Java, Sumatra, Philippine Islands, Sarawak, Straits Settlements, Thailand, Occupied China, and Northern Occupied France. One club in Egypt—the Rotary Club of Port Said—was also terminated.

Attendance in Rotary

Why is regular attendance necessary in Rotary? Because in order to become and remain a Rotarian, a member must experience the fellowship and the close contact which can be obtained only at the weekly meetings. He must attend so that he can discuss with others the problems concerning his own and their vocations, and so that he can obtain inspiration for service to his own community and to his fellowmen in other nations. Attendance is stressed as a means to an end, not an end in itself.

The attendance average of Rotary clubs remains high despite the increase in calls upon Rotarians to give time to wartime activities. Why is it that when there is less time to do the things that must be done, Rotarians are continuing to meet their obligations of regular attendance at their Rotary club meetings? There are probably many answers. Fellowship undoubtedly ranks at the top of the list. When times are dark - when every day is filled with discouragements and anxieties, men feel the need for fellowship. Nothing is ever quite so bad if you can talk it over with your friend - and in his Rotary club a Rotarian has a reservoir of understanding friends.

Many Rotary clubs, which in the old days were merely pleasant places to go to listen to an interesting address, to greet one's friends and to eat a good luncheon, have changed in character. The needs of the times have brought out the practicality of

the Rotary program - have demonstrated that the challenge of a world at war can be met not by changing the fundamental program of Rotary, but by applying it - by intensifying it - by living it in all of our daily relationships.

Good attendance can be induced by good fellowship, well balanced and interesting programs, congenial meeting place and strict adherence to time schedule. It is the duty of the club service and attendance committees to acquaint the members with the attendance requirements; to make a study of the causes of poor attendance and then try to remove those causes; and to urge upon the members the desirability and importance of attending club meetings.

If the Rotary club is demonstrating that it is a live, vital service organization, every member will want to attend regularly and have an active part in the work the club is doing.

Honorary Trustees of the Rotary Foundation for 1944

President Wheeler has appointed the following as honorary trustees of the Rotary Foundation for the calendar year 1944:

Chairman: Arch C. Klumph, Cleveland, Ohio, U.S.A.

Members: T. Harry Banfield, Portland, Oregon

Manuel Gaete Fagalde, Santiago, Chile
Donato Gaminara, Montevideo, Uruguay
Paul P. Harris, Chicago, Ill.

Herbert C. Hoover, Palo Alto, California
F. E. James, Madras, India

Louis L. Lang, Kitchener, Ont., Canada
Charles A. Mander, Wolverhampton, England

Daniel L. Marsh, Boston, Mass.

Crawford C. McCullough, Fort William, Ont., Canada

Angus Mitchell, Melbourne, Australia

Armando de Arruda Pereira, Sao Paulo, Brazil

J. Layton Ralston, Ottawa, Ont., Canada

Almon E. Roth, Palo Alto, California

Felipe Silva, Cienfuegos, Cuba

I. B. Sutton, Tampico, Mexico

Philadelphia Serves

Of the \$3901 donated by the members of the Rotary Club of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for the club's Santa Claus activities, \$1500 was cabled to the Rotary Club of Chungking, China, for special relief work. The balance of the Christmas fund was used to alleviate the needs of 394 families of men who are serving in the Armed Forces.

In Memoriam

We record with regret the passing of the following past international officers of Rotary International:

Traugott M. Bruggisser, Aarau, Switzerland, who served as governor of the 54th district in 1939-40;

Samuel C. Schmucker, West Chester, Pennsylvania, who served as governor of the old 50th district in 1927-28.

William H. Schneller, Catasauqua, Pennsylvania, who served as governor of the old 50th district in 1934-35;

F. Bond Wilkinson, Jackson, Tennessee, who served as governor of the old 52nd district in 1935-36;

Newly Admitted Clubs

For use in extending greetings, we give you the names and addresses of the officers of the clubs recently admitted to membership in Rotary International. Communications received at the Secretariat from newly admitted clubs indicate that they greatly appreciate the letters of greetings from the older clubs, even though it may be practically impossible to make direct acknowledgment of the letters.

Vermillion, S. D., U.S.A. 5691 (D-119) 1943
TUESDAY, 12:10 p.m., Legion Hall.
Pres. Dr. I. D. Weeks (ed.-univ. admin.)
University of South Dakota.
Secy. Earl M. Stevens (clothing ret.).

De Soto, Mo., U.S.A. 5692 (D-135) 1943
TUESDAY, 6:30 p.m., Victory Cafe.
Pres. Aubrey E. Vaughn (dairy prod.), 2nd and Kelly St.
Secy. Walker Ames (postal serv.) 2nd and Boyd St.

Abington, Mass., U.S.A. 5693 (D-198) 1943
TUESDAY, 6:30 p.m., Alamo.
Pres. William A. Robbins (ins.-fire), 536 Washington St.
Secy. George D. Wheatley (real est. agency), 550 Washington St.

Lepanto, Ark., U.S.A. 5694 (D-138) 1943
THURSDAY, 12:05 p.m., Legion Hut.
Pres. J. Walter Hill (auto. ret.), Drawer 818.
Secy. Rev. Leslie M. Riherd (christianity-prot.) Baptist Church.

Chertsey, Surrey, England 5695 (D-14) 1943
FRIDAY, 1:00 p.m., Station Hotel.
Pres. Joseph Moore (machinery dist.) 7, Charles St.
Secy. T. H. Winsor (optical goods dist.) 55 Guildford St.

Minnedosa, Man., Canada 5696 (D-116) 1943
MONDAY, 12:15 p.m., Minnedosa Hotel.
Pres. Clifton W. Sinclair (groc. ret.) Main St.
Secy. John Kosmolak (butter mfg.).

Granton, Wis., U.S.A. 5697 (D-143) 1943
TUESDAY, 6:30 p.m., Beaver's Restaurant.
Pres. George J. Edleback (ed.-pub. schools).
Secy. Al Breseman (cheese dist.).

María Elena, Ant., Chile. 5698 (D-35)
FRIDAY, 20:30, Rancho 1.
Pres. Abraham Agüero Rivero (dental surgery) Hospital de María Elena.
Secy. Enrique Inda Silva (hospitals) Hospital de María Elena.

Joazeiro, Ceará, Brasil. 5699 (D-26)
WEDNESDAY, 11:30, Joazeiro Hotel.
Pres. Antônio Conserva Feitosa (phys.).
Secy. José Souza Menezes (civil law pract.).

Nuevo Casas Grandes, Chih., México. 5700 (D-24)
SATURDAY, 1:00, Hotel Central.
Pres. Manuel Ramiro Araiza (groceries dist.) Ave. Ferrocarril No. 2.
Secy. Manuel Alvizo M. (law practice) Apartado 28.

Bald Knob, Ark., U.S.A. 5701 (D-138) 1943
MONDAY, 6:30 p.m., School House.
Pres. Clarence Hunicutt (ed.-pub. schools).
Secy. Ed. Williams (bkg.).

Harrisburg, Ark., U.S.A. 5702 (D-138) 1943
TUESDAY, 7:15 p.m., Legion Hut.
Pres. W. E. Bradford (fire ins.).
Secy. Ben F. Powel (auto. ret.).

Pasto, Nariño, Colombia. 5703 (D-40)
FRIDAY, 6:30 p.m., Hotel Niza.
Pres. Francisco Muriel (gen. merch. dist.) Apartado 108.
Secy. Carlos César Puyana (newsp. publishing). Editorial "El Radio."

Blackheath, N.S.W., Australia 5704 (D-76) 1943
THURSDAY, 6:00 p.m., Masonic Hall.
Pres. William R. Tate (municipal govt. administration) P.O. Box 4.
Secy. Edgar H. Hounen (general law practice) Govett's Leap Road.

Pires do Rio, Goiás, Brasil, 5705 (D-41)
MONDAY, 19:00, Restaurante da Estação.
Pres. Floriano Batista (law practice) Caixa Postal 8.
Secy. Américo Motta Gonçalves (civ. law) Caixa Postal 31.

Henderson, Bs. As., Argentina, 5706 (D-32)
WEDNESDAY, 21:30, Hotel Internacional.
Pres. Saverio Galvagni (physician) Henderson, F. C. Midland.
Secy. Carlos F. Keunecke (notary public) Henderson, F. C. Midland.

Candidates for Director From Zones in the U.S.A.

Section 6 of Article IX of the by-laws of R.I., provides that a club which intends to propose a candidate for the office of director of R.I. from a zone in the United States at the next ensuing convention must indicate its intention to do so by filing with the secretary of R.I. on or before the 1st day of April (but not prior to the publication of the announcement of the nominating committee for president of Rotary International of its nominee for that office) a resolution of the club adopted at a regular meeting thereof naming the candidate which it intends to propose.

This item is published as a reminder to clubs in the U.S.A. which may be intending to propose a candidate for the office of director in 1944-45.

Beginning with the current year, the directors from the five zones in the U.S.A. will each in rotation serve a two year term. The director from Zone 1 serving this year will serve a second year in 1944-45. Therefore nominations for directors will be in order from Zones 2, 3, 4 and 5 for 1944-45, and the director from Zone 2 will serve for the years 1944-45 and 1945-46.

The board of directors has instructed the secretary to publish each year in the USCNB supplement to the News Letter the names of those Rotarians who have been notified to him as candidates for nomination for director, and has specified that the following information be published concerning each candidate:

- Name of candidate
- Name of club proposing candidate
- Candidate's classification (or class of membership if unclassified)
- Name of firm
- Position with firm
- How many years a Rotarian
- Present position in Rotary
- Positions held in Rotary in the past

This biographical information should accompany the copy of the club's resolution proposing a candidate for nomination as director.

14.6 Per Cent

Of the 533 members of the 78th Congress of the United States, 78, or 14.6%, are Rotarians—18 Senators and 60 Representatives.

Calling—All Service Club Members

Over the Protestant Hour of the National Broadcasting Company's network at 10:00 a.m. E.W.T. on 13th February, 1944, there will be a sermon by the Rev. Dr. Ralph W. Sockman, addressed to the members of all service clubs.

The Reverend Dr. Sockman is the officiating pastor of the National Radio Pulpit and one of the outstanding pulpit orators of America.

The idea of this special sermon to service club members by the Rev. Dr. Sockman originated with the Kiwanis Club of Albuquerque, New Mexico. Rotary International is happy to call this broadcast to the attention of Rotary clubs in the United States and Canada so that Rotarians who may have an opportunity to listen in on N.B.C. network broadcasts may make arrangements to hear Dr. Sockman.

It Was Too Big for Rotary

Yes, the problem of leisure time activities of the teen-age boys and girls of war-busy Macon, Georgia, was too big for the Rotary Club or the Y.M.C.A. or any other civic organization. However, under the leadership of a Macon Rotarian, all of these civic clubs combined in an undertaking which is making a definite contribution to the solving of this problem.

Funds donated by the civic clubs were used to furnish a club room which was donated by the Y.W.C.A. Some 500 high school students have paid \$1.00 for a year's membership dues, and it is planned that the club will be self-supporting. The success of this first teen-age club has met with the full approval of the city's board of education, and it is hoped that other similar clubs will be established in Macon and in several neighborhoods in the county.

More About the UNRRA

The United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration agreement was signed on November 9, 1943. The widespread interest in this agreement would seem to offer sufficient justification for a Rotary program which would emphasize the value of the UNRRA and its possibilities.

A new Rotary paper offering suggestions for such a program has been prepared and may be secured from Rotary International, 35 East Wacker Drive, Chicago 1, Illinois. In writing, ask for paper No. 722.

To Rotarians in the U.S.A.— NOW is the Time

On January 18, 1944, the campaign for the Fourth U.S. War Loan for \$14,000,000,000 was inaugurated. It will be raised just as have been the three preceding loans, but in order to do so, it will be necessary for the American people to "dig deep," keeping in mind that any sacrifice they may have to make to meet their quota, is a privilege and a responsibility which is theirs as free Americans.

We haven't won the war—yet. Our successes in Guadalcanal, North Africa, Sicily and the Gilbert Islands are only the beginning. More men are needed for combat service, and they are being drafted. More equipment is required to replace planes that have been shot down, tanks that have been destroyed, ships that have been sunk. The mobilization of trained manpower and the efficient production and prompt delivery of superior fighting equipment cost money.

Thousands of our men are being killed in action—they won't come back. Our modern mechanized monsters of destruction will be destroyed or become obsolete—they won't come back. But every dollar invested in United States War Savings Bonds *will* come back. It will come back to us, because it will help assure our American way of life.

The Treasury Department of the U. S. Government calls upon Rotary clubs and Rotarians in the United States to continue to back the attack. Our boys fighting in the Pacific have been saying "The Golden Gate in '48." Let's help change that slogan to "Home Once More in '44."

Rotary IS International!

The Rotary Club of Smethport, Pennsylvania, has an international service committee composed of members from Switzerland, Wales, Canada, Australia, and England. The committee is promoting the Fourth Object of Rotary by having programs consisting of talks on neighboring countries. They have had presentations on Canada and Switzerland, and are planning similar talks on Mexico, Venezuela, and Australia, to complete the series.

This is one very effective way in which Rotary clubs can contribute to a better understanding among the nationals in this hemisphere and throughout the entire world.

Featuring Inter-American Relations

The Pan American Union has issued a series of 16-page booklets on the life, history, and customs of the Latin American countries, which have been received with interest by hundreds of teachers and introduced into classroom use throughout the United States. The Union now is preparing a second set of pamphlets and hopes to enlarge the series gradually on the basis of units dealing with the history, heroes, conquerors, native cultures, life and customs, science and nature, and international relations of the Latin American republics.

The first series of these booklets, which sell for five cents each, cover these subjects:

- The Pan American Union
- The Panama Canal
- The Snake Farm at Butantan
- Francisco Pizarro
- Cabeza de Vaca's Great Journey
- The Incas
- Jose de San Martin
- The Pan American Highway
- The Araucanians
- The Guano Islands of Peru

Rotary clubs which may be interested in using these booklets as a means of furthering the interest of young people of the U.S.A. in inter-American relations should contact the Pan American Union, Washington 6, D.C.

Conserve These "Vital Seven"

The "vital seven" resources—coal, oil, gas, electricity, water, communications and transportation—are, with manpower and materials, the basis for the tremendous amount of wartime production which the home-front must continue to supply. So great is the need for the general conservation of these resources that the U.S. Government is sponsoring a broad program calling for immediate, voluntary measures by the public and by industry to fight waste. Although the savings in a single household, commercial establishment or industrial plant may seem small, the possible aggregate savings nationally are tremendous. Just figure out what would be gained if every consumer of the "vital seven" cut down his use by 10 per cent.

Rotarians should need no urging to cooperate in this renewed conservation drive, both in their homes and in their businesses. Every bit saved helps toward winning the war.

Do you have a copy of "The Rotarian" or "Revista Rotaria" on display at the speaker's table at the first meeting each month following the arrival of the magazine?

Rotary in Action

Bergenfield, New Jersey, recently received a bequest of \$3,678 from a teacher of the local high school, to be applied to the club's student loan fund.

Davenport, Iowa, has an active scholarship fund of over \$10,000 which has helped nearly 100 young people through college.

Zebulon, North Carolina, is launching as a post-war project a plan for improving sweet potato growing through proper curing and grading.

Littleton, Colorado, Rotarians for more than a year, have met every Sunday for the purpose of collecting scrap metal and hauling it to a scrap collection depot.

Cranston, Rhode Island, sponsors city-wide collection of waste paper, rags, books and magazines.

Portsmouth, Ohio, obtained the names of a dozen hospitals which are caring for wounded war veterans and inquired relative to their needs for cards, games and puzzles. The response was good, and several hundred decks of cards, jig-saw puzzles and miscellaneous games were supplied.

Bradford, Pennsylvania, located a building, rent free, and plan to open it as a community center for youth, under the jurisdiction of the municipal playground. There will be a dance floor, ping pong tables, piano and pool tables. To initiate this project, a carnival was held, netting \$1,200. The borough council added \$1,000 and the school board a like amount. The center will be called the "Bee Hive" and Bradford Rotarians hope it will prove a popular young people's rendezvous.

St. Johns, Newfoundland, Rotarians brought donations of salt codfish to a recent club meeting, as a result of which a full cask of this product was shipped to London for the Newfoundland boys in service on leave in London.

Warren, Pennsylvania, entertains the farmers of the county each year, and this year was delighted to have a record attendance of 198 farmer guests. Usually the farmers reciprocate with a "Farmer-Rotary" party.

This club has formed the Warren Council of Service Clubs to coordinate the efforts of all organizations and to prevent overlapping of work; the club cooperates with the county crippled children's committee and raises \$1,000 annually for crippled children work; it is very active in boy scout work, and the club's boys' welfare committee cooperates with the county judge in helping to provide guidance for boys who have been brought before him informally for warning.

Food Still Fights the War

The role of food in the fight for the world's freedom will not be over the minute shooting stops, but will continue through the period of rehabilitation. That means that right now—if we have not already started—we must be consciously careful of our food supply. Today that supply is greater than it has been in the years past, and Americans, as a whole, are eating more and better food. But we must remember that, though the supply is greater, the demands are greater, since there are armed forces to feed and a Lend-Lease policy to carry out.

Rotary clubs should give attention regularly to one of the various aspects of the food problem: to its supply, its conservation, the best ways to use it, and its basic importance in the war.

"For His Own Good"

After having been in Rotary under one classification for 25 years, I thought it only proper that some other younger man in the same classification be given an opportunity to enjoy Rotary. I feel, further, that it would put me in a better position to do constructive work without feeling that I was standing in the way of some other good man's advancement.

I have been very pleased with the results, and frankly, I feel that every good active Rotarian, who has served 25 years in Rotary or who has reached the age of 65 years, should for his own good, the good of his club, and for the benefit of others, change his membership to "Senior Active" . . .

It is my sincere hope that many of our good reliable stand-bys in Rotary will give consideration to the possibilities of "Senior Active Membership."

—Roy J. Weaver, Pueblo (Colo.)
Chairman, Permanent
R. I. Headquarters Committee

A Little Home Away from Home

"Rotary Clubs are all alike. Sit down at the table, close your eyes and listen, and they are identical—identical in fellowship, in gracious hospitality, in program and in purpose. Recently, on pass to Honolulu, I visited with the Rotary club and had the most wonderful heart-warming time. I registered in the usual fashion, bought a lunch ticket, had a fine meal, and enjoyed an excellent program. The conversation at my table was about business, the war, and all the other things we used to talk about in Houston. All in all, it was a little home away from home, and if Rotary had done nothing for me but this—given me an opportunity to make friends in distant surroundings—it would have been enough."

—excerpt from a letter from a Houston (Texas) Rotarian now in the Armed Services of the United States.

PATTERN FOR PEACE

HERE IS A GOOD PROGRAM POSSIBILITY ON
A NEW APPROACH TO PRESENT AND POSTWAR PROBLEMS

CATHOLIC, JEWISH AND PROTESTANT DECLARATION ON WORLD PEACE

Ever since the beginning of the war there have been endless statements on "What Are We Fighting For." Not until the fall of 1943 was there a joint declaration of basic principles by Catholic, Protestant and Jewish religious leaders. At that time 144 of these men put their names to a document embodying the ideals which must underlie any action which will be undertaken towards the solution of our present and future problems.

Six of the seven points of that declaration are derived from the first one - that moral law must govern the world order. From that moral law would come the assurance that the rights of individuals, of the oppressed and of minorities would be secured, that international cooperation would maintain peace and justice and an equitable economic standard, and that a just social order would exist within each state.

These are not novel or unexpected ideas, but they are thought-provoking, emphasizing as they do the ideal approach to what are, and will be, very practical problems to solve.

PROGRAM SUGGESTIONS

An interesting club program can be built around this declaration on world peace in any one of several ways. If the club is small enough have a general discussion in which all of the members can take part. If it is of average size or more, have a panel discussion by a previously selected group of men. Or no matter what its size, have just one member who is particularly well informed speak on the topic, with perhaps some discussion from the floor afterwards.

If the club would like to have outside speakers, it might carry out the religious unity manifested among the signers and invite Catholic, Protestant and Jewish leaders to present a symposium.

Once the desired kind of program is decided upon the speaker (or speakers) should be presented with a copy of the declaration well in advance so that he (or they) will be thoroughly acquainted with it. If there is to be a general club discussion, print the declaration in the club bulletin or in some other form so that all the members might have a copy.

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THE DECLARATION:

(As signed by representatives of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the social action department of the National Catholic Welfare Conference and the Synagogue Council of America.)

1. THE MORAL LAW MUST GOVERN WORLD ORDER

The organization of a just peace depends upon practical recognition of the fact that not only individuals but nations, states and international society are subject to the sovereignty of God and to the moral law which comes from God.

2. THE RIGHTS OF THE INDIVIDUAL MUST BE ASSURED

The dignity of the human person as the image of God must be set forth in all its essential implications in an international declaration of rights and be vindicated by the positive action of national governments and international organization. States as well as individuals must repudiate racial, religious or other discrimination in violation of those rights.

3. THE RIGHTS OF OPPRESSED, WEAK OR COLONIAL PEOPLES MUST BE PROTECTED

The rights of all peoples, large and small, subject to the good of the organized world community, must be safeguarded within the framework of collective security. The progress of undeveloped, colonial or oppressed peoples toward political responsibility must be the object of international concern.

4. THE RIGHTS OF MINORITIES MUST BE SECURED

National governments and international organization must respect and guarantee the rights of ethnic, religious and cultural minorities to economic livelihood, to equal opportunity for educational and cultural development, and to political equality.

5. INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO MAINTAIN PEACE WITH JUSTICE MUST BE ORGANIZED

An enduring peace requires the organization of international institutions which will develop a body of international law; guarantee the faithful fulfillment of international obligations, and revise them when necessary; assure collective security by drastic limitation and continuing control of armaments, compulsory arbitration and adjudication of controversies, and the use when necessary of adequate sanctions to enforce the law.

6. INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION MUST BE DEVELOPED

International economic collaboration to assist all states to provide an adequate standard of living for their citizens must replace the present economic monopoly and exploitation of natural resources by privileged groups and states.

7. A JUST SOCIAL ORDER WITHIN EACH STATE MUST BE ACHIEVED

Since the harmony and well-being of the world community are intimately bound up with the internal equilibrium and social order of the individual states, steps must be taken to provide for the family, the collaboration of all groups and classes in the interest of the common good, a standard of living adequate for self-development and family life, decent conditions of work, and participation by labor in decisions affecting its welfare.

THE Rotarian WEEK

JANUARY 24 TO 29, 1944

THE FOURTH WEEK OF JANUARY IS, TRADITIONALLY, THE ROTARIAN WEEK—WITH ROTARY CLUB MEETINGS CALLING SPECIAL ATTENTION TO "OUR MAGAZINE" NOW STARTING ITS 34TH YEAR. THE "WEEK" THIS YEAR WILL BE OBSERVED FROM JANUARY 24TH TO 29TH. SOME CLUBS WILL BUILD UP FULL-LENGTH PROGRAMS BY ONE SPEAKER, OTHERS WILL HAVE ONE, TWO, THREE—POSSIBLY FIVE OR SIX 4 OR 5 MINUTE TALKS BY MEMBERS.

"THE PROOF OF THE PUDDING IS IN THE EATING," SAYS AN OLD PROVERB. BUT THE PROOF OF THE ROTARIAN IS NOT SIMPLY IN THE READING—IT IS IN THE RESULT THAT READING HAS ON THE BETTERMENT OF THE CLUB. SO THE 1944 ROTARIAN WEEK SUGGESTION IS A PROGRAM ON:

"HOW OUR MAGAZINE MAKES BETTER ROTARIANS AND BETTER CLUBS"

HERE ARE WORKABLE IDEAS - - -

A **THEME: THE ROTARIAN and the Four Lanes of Rotary Service.** Have the Club Aims and Objects Committee put on the program. Each of the four Committee Chairmen who make up this Committee can give 5-minute reviews of articles THE ROTARIAN has published on his Service during 1943. For example:

1. **CLUB SERVICE:** The Chairman might mention and briefly review It's Service Still (February); Nearer: A New World Goal (May); Our Wartime Challenge (August); and Why Men Like Rotary (November).
2. **VOCATIONAL SERVICE:** The debates-of-the-month (every month), and the series Retailers on the Alert (February to December, 1943) offer this Chairman plenty of material. J. Raymond Tiffany's article Talk It Out! in the January 1944 ROTARIAN, is "right on the button".
3. **COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Out of a wealth of material, the series on the Work-Pile Projects stands out.
4. **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:** A report on REVISTA ROTARIA (ROTARIAN Spanish-language publication--just ten years old) and the Fourth Object Subscription plan could be used by this Committee. Also, a review of the book A World to LIVE In, reprinting 30 articles on the post-war world, plus the current articles in this series would make a sparkling program.

B **THEME: Little Lessons in Rotary.** Six "Little Lessons" have appeared in THE ROTARIAN since August, 1943. Six four-minute summaries by six members of the Club could make an effective presentation.

C **THEME: Sharing Our Magazine.** Most Rotary Clubs see that the magazine is sent to local libraries and schools. If your club does, why not ask the librarian or school man to tell how THE ROTARIAN and REVISTA ROTARIA are used by non-Rotarians. A report on "Fourth Object Subscriptions" to REVISTA ROTARIA--those sent to prominent Latin-American non-Rotarians by Clubs in the United States and Canada--also fits such a program.

D **THEME: My Favorite Department.** To get several Rotarians on the program, ask them for a report on their favorites--three minutes each.

E **THEME: My Early Impressions.** Have a new member report on outstanding articles and authors in recent issues of our magazine--also, on what he likes most about it. He may awaken latent interests in older members.

NOTE: WILL YOU PLEASE LET US KNOW THE KIND OF PROGRAM YOU ARRANGED, AND YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH IT—JUST A NOTE, TELLING US WHAT YOU SET OUT TO DO AND WHAT HAPPENED: WHAT PEOPLE SAID ABOUT THE ROTARIAN AND REVISTA ROTARIA AND SO ON? SUCH INFORMATION WILL BE HELPFUL IN MAKING YOUR MAGAZINE MORE INTERESTING AND USEFUL. ADDRESS THE EDITORS, THE ROTARIAN, 35 EAST WACKER DRIVE, CHICAGO 1, ILLINOIS.