

## 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  
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## 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. Rihard (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.).

Maria Elena, Ant., Chile. 5698 (D-35)

FRIDAY, 20:30, Rancho 1.

Pres. Abraham Agüero Rivero (dental surgery) Hospital de Maria Elena.

Secy. Enrique Inda Silva (hospitals) Hospital de Maria 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 Hunnicutt (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. Houn (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.