

To Have Arrived Is Tragedy: This Year Must Be Even Better!

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"HE PROFITS MOST WHO SERVES BEST"

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New Year Greetings

The year commences with brighter prospects than we have known for some time. Business is operating at record speed and, in many cases, at peak capacity. Farm prices are good. Mortgages are being lifted. A spirit of optimism is everywhere present.

The picture is not all highlights, however. The shadows are numerous and deep. The threat of war, both international and civil, is daily becoming more imminent. Whether this country can remain a spectator is a problem. If so it will profit temporarily from the woes of the rest of the world. At any rate, while the next war is in the making, we are assured of a few years of abnormal foreign trade by the great rearmament program of Europe. Even small nations like Switzerland and Belgium are almost bankrupting themselves in a frenzied race for military power.

At home our prosperity is threatened by the prospect of industrial war. We are still savages. If we can't run ourselves in one way we insist on doing it in another. And with all our prosperity we still have millions of unemployed. You can't find a man to work for you but there are plenty of men on relief. A dole is like Frankenstein's monster.

Through it all Rotary is steadily gaining in numbers and influence. One hundred, seventy thousand rotarians in four thousand, fifty clubs scattered over eighty-two countries are contributing their efforts toward peace.

A happy and prosperous and peaceful New Year.

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Charlie Pollock is editor of the next issue of the Razzberry. He thinks it is a little out of his line but, like a good rotarian, he does what he is told. We predict a good number.

Rotary Minstrel Minutes

Interlocutors: Harry Milnes (result of long campaign!!!), Alice Frankhauser (no relation to chairman).

End Men: Female. Florence Kiss, Mildred Payne, Marion Fletcher and Emily Alexander.

End Men: Male. John Walker (generously gave up interlocutor job), Carl Vinton, John Hardy (missed last meeting), Bill Frankhauser (general chairman!).

Specialty Numbers: Marjorie Treat, Maurice Payne, Winifred Hardy, Verald Wilbur, Brownie Shattuck, Carol McKnight. The Temperamental Tunesters: Rol Kerr, Ralph Strong, Red McKnight, Alton Hutchins.

The Ed notices with regret that Bob Kerr is not slated to sing. Perhaps the others do not like the competition since he put everyone else in the shade at the last minstrel show. Perhaps they feared an accident. People laughed so hard at him last time as to be dangerous.

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Rotary In Hawaii

ROTARY CLUB OF HONOLULU

Office of the Secretary
VIA P. A. A. CLIPPER

December 24, 1936

W. Glenn Cowell,
Alleged to be living in Coldwater, Michigan.
Dear Glenn:

In reply to your letter of October 28, I endeavored to pass the buck to one of our members, who makes his living writing very clever articles and advertisements but the copy he turned in did not cover the situation; so, like a good Secretary am doing the job myself.

Rotary in Hawaii is practically the same as in any other political subdivision of our great nation except, that the Rotary Club of Honolulu is the outpost of American Rotary in the Pacific area.

Rotarians from the nations bordering on this great basin enjoy the fellowship of the first American Club they contact when they hit the beach of Honolulu.

Although, our Club is small, we enjoy a great advantage, and, likewise, serious disadvantages. The great advantage is that we meet and enjoy the friendship of Rotarians of various nationalities who pass through both to and from the Antipodes and the Orient. We have many friends and close contacts with the nationals of all Pacific countries. We enjoy hearing talks by the outstanding men of many nations.

In the fellowship of Rotary all barriers are eliminated and the speakers from other countries take down their hair and give us a true picture of the subject under discussion.

The people of Hawaii organized and brought into being the Institute of Pacific Relations, which has done a great deal towards better understanding between the nations of the world. The recent conference at Lake Tahoe confirms this statement. The Secretariat of the Institute of Pacific Relations is located in Honolulu and the General Secretary, Charlie Loomis, is a member of our Club.

The only disadvantage of our particular location is that we have so many outside speakers that we do not use enough of our own members on programs.

The Rotary Club of Honolulu originated and promoted the idea of a Pacific Rotary Assembly. The first was held in Honolulu, Hawaii, May 25 to 28, 1926—Second: Tokyo, Japan, Oct. 1 to 4, 1928—Third: Sydney, Australia, March 18 to 20, 1930—Fourth: Honolulu, Hawaii, June 12 to 15, 1932—Fifth: Manila, P. I., Feb. 18 to 20, 1935.

The next one is to be in: Wellington, N. Z., March 1 to 5, 1937.

We make it a practice to send delegations to Pacific Assemblies, and have in many instances sent members of our Club to New Zealand and Australia to attend their district conferences.

Although separated by many nautical miles of salt water Rotarians down below are close friends of those in Hawaii.

The Rotary Club of Honolulu has had many projects similar to other clubs, but the best work that we have accomplished so far, and are still carrying out, is the care of and operation on infants born with harelip and cleft palate. Rotarian Joe Palma, M. D., Classification, Pediatric, gets the privileged baby into satisfactory pre-operative condition and Rotarian James A. Morgan, Classification, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, a very skillful surgeon, operates. The medical service costs us nothing but we maintain at the Kapiolani Children's Hospital a Rotary Bed and pay all expenses for the underprivileged child who is operated on. In addition we have purchased a complete outfit of special instruments for this type of work. So far 50 cases have been treated. We hope in the space of the next year to correct all of the children who have these de-

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fects. In the future we will be able to take care of each one as born. Any Club which has the facilities for carrying out a project of this nature will certainly be doing something for the race which is worth-while.

To appreciate the handicap of having harelip, take a mouthful of water and try to swallow it with your mouth open.

So this is Rotary in Hawaii Nei.

Aloha Nui Oukou,

Jawn Caldwell

Keoni (Jawn)

PS—The distance between the easterly and westerly corporate limits of the City of Honolulu is greater than any municipality under the American Flag.

I challenge the statement in the post script. You can draw a straight line sixty miles in length which will be wholly within the city of Los Angeles.

Anyway it was nice of Jawn to write this full letter at our request. We have a suspicion that a traveller from Coldwater would receive a warm welcome in the Honolulu Club.

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A Classification Display

The London club holds a classification display. Possibly the Coldwater club could make a good meeting out of it. Certainly it could if the fellows would undertake it in the right spirit. Below is an article in the London Rotarian which will give an idea of the way it is handled.

THE CLASSIFICATION DISPLAY

Chairman Scott-Worthington sends us prints of photos taken on December 2nd. We should like to reproduce them, but economy forbids. You ought to see Ted Unwin standing in front of himself but apparently looking at the figure in the background and wondering who it is.

Then Wilfred Smith, looking proudly at a majestic skeleton with cigarette planted firmly in its jaw—and both obviously doing well.

And Padre Clapham beaming over his eight volumes of sermons with that stainless Stephen expression. "All ould sinners are wishful to pray with you." But they'd never forgive him for the poetic effort boldly prominent on a placard. Did you observe Dr. Horsford wistfully regretting he had not sent along a bottle of tonsils? We made him a present of suitable caption "For your health's sake put yours with them." That ought to be worth a free op. (transferable).

It was a great show! We have many letters replying to Douglas Haigh. We will see what can be done next week.

As we write, a letter has been handed us addressed The Right Honble. Hore-Belisha, M. P., Whitehall, super.scribed "Try B. B. C." and then to us. We must deal with this next week. Obviously the Display caused some traffic dislocation.

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Let's begin planning on club representation at the international convention of R. I. at Nice next summer. It will be a wonderful trip. The rotary association adds greatly to the pleasure of foreign travel. Ask Bill and Alice Frankhauser.

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The program committee for January is composed of Norm Kohl, Chairman, Marshall Woodward, A'ton Hutchins, Carly Vinton.

For February it is Warner Van Aken, Chairman, Russell Alexander, Chas. Keep, Fred Leeder.

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A Word About "Visiting"

BY "PUT"

During a recent discussion with one of the members of our club I learned that he did not quite understand the rights of a Rotarian to visit other Rotary Clubs and for the benefit of other members who hesitate to visit other clubs even when it is convenient I quote Article 6 XVI, Section 2 of the By-laws of Rotary International which reads as follows: "Every active and past service member of the Rotary Club shall have the privilege to attend, and whenever possible shall be expected to attend, the regular meeting of any other Rotary Club."

Please note that this rule not only authorizes all Rotarians to attend the regular meeting of any other club but it goes just a little farther and says that they are "expected" to attend the meetings of other clubs whenever possible.

A short news item on this subject recently appeared in "The News Letter", the weekly publication of Rotary International, in which all Rotarians were encouraged to visit other clubs. I am wondering how the number of "visits" from members of the Coldwater club compare with the number of "visits" made by the members of other clubs of a similar size and location.

Much good can be accomplished by visiting other clubs and the farther one is from his home club the more imperative his visits become. The members of the host's club benefit by your acquaintance and your own club benefits by the broadening influence of the visit on you as an individual. Anything that helps you individually indirectly helps our club.

—R. E. P.

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The Ed has a letter from Colonel Evans, Director of the State Board of Aeronautics, suggesting that the project of improving the airport with the assistance of federal funds be renewed. The recent major accident in the air probably makes this an inopportune time to undertake it. However, the project is sound and cannot be permanently shelved. It will have to be revived sooner or later.

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THE UTICA CLUB SAYS

There are three kinds of Rotarians:

Those who get behind and push;

Those who climb aboard and ride;

Those who ride and drag their feet.

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Coldwater Boy Makes Good

Merle Bennett, a Coldwater boy, who has made conspicuously good in Wayne County, has just published another book. The title is "Roadsides, the Front Yard of the Nation," and is written to improve the standard of decoration of the highways with trees, shrubbery and other plants. If the value of the work is indicated by its price it must be well thought of because the price is three dollars per volume.

The Razzberry would like information as to other Coldwater boys who have made good in the world. It would be a worthwhile activity to give them notice in these pages.