Reports Success Of Convention

Interesting Report Of Rotary International Convention Submitted By Rotarian J. W. Boulter.

The following address was delivered recently at Rotary Convention by Mr. J. W. Boulter, President of the local Rotary Club.

As your representative to the Rotary International Convention, held in Boston the last week in June, I am pleased to give a report on the proceedings. This was without question the most wonderful meeting I have ever attended, and was looked upon by those in charge as one of the most successful conventions ever held in Rotary.

The convention was held in Old Mechanics Building, which was beautifully decorated, and never appeared more attractive than it did during convention week. The conventional blue and gold of Rotary International emblem, was the general color scheme, except on the stage in the main auditorium, which was decorated in alternating arches of blue and silver, with a silver background, which gave an exaggerated vastness to the stage, from which such outstanding men as Woodrow Wilson had expounded the national issues of the times.

Monday morning, June 26th, was given over to registration, after which the delegates wandered around, principally in the House of Friendship in Exhibition Hall, the clearing house of information, mail, and other practical services. It had a dozen or so latch strings, and Rotarians were sure of quick service no matter what information they required. A ticker, showing the changing prices on the stock market, was installed. There were rest rooms, stationary facilities, and a place to meet acquaintances. Taken altogether, it was a real social centre.

The total registration was practically eight thousand, five hundred, and represented fifty or more nations of the world. President Hunt had wonderful executive ability, and there was not a single hitch in the proceedings.

At the first meeting on Monday afternoon addresses of welcome were given by Governor Ely, Acting Mayor Joseph McGrath, the President of the Rotary Club of Boston, and Mr. Dunbar, Governor of the 31st Rotary District.

The response was by Mr. Fang F. Sec, of Shanghai, China, who emphasized the friendship that exists between Rotarians,—that on his way to the convention he travelled through Japan, and although his country and Japan are at war, he was shown every courtesy by the Japanese Rotarians.

The rest of the afternoon was given over to addresses. The first was by Wilfred Andrews, of Sitting-bourne, England, on "Why We Are Here." Rotarian Andrews spoke at length, summing up his subject in these words: "We are here to consider Rotary's programme; we are here to consider the legislative side of our work; we are here to meet our old friends and to make new ones; we are here to present a true picture to the world of what Rotary is and what it does. We are here to elect our officers."

Then came the message from the founder of Rotary,—Paul H. Harris,—the President Emeritus of Chicago. He stated the year of 1933 is of "transcendant interest." Events of vast importance are taking place. He claimed we worshipped two gods, one professed, and one real. We have devoted ourselves to business, not so much because we loved it, as because of what it brought us,—things. We permitted business to obscure life. The craze for things was so pressing, that men even took their own lives when denied them. The god of things, is a fool's god, and not worthy of the worship of man. According to the new theory, business was created for man, and man was not created for business.

Harris said, "children must not be brought up as drones or loafers. There will be no slums in the cities which our children will build. Our children will lead future generations out into the sweet outdoors, and artists will arise from among them."

Concluding he said: "The friendships of men of many countries made me more than a millionaire. My stock has always paid rich dividends; it has always been above par. Life is more than steels, motors and rails, more than business. Business is a means to an end, not an end.

"What have these thoughts to do with Rotary? They have everything to do with Rotary. This new life which men are looking forward to and talking about, is the Rotary life which we have summarized in the expression, 'Service above self.'"

Another great event of the afternoon, was the introduction to the meeting of Rear Admiral Byrd, a Rotarian, who was greeted with a volume of applause, and was applauded frequently as he told of crossing the North and South Poles, carrying the Rotary Club Flag on each occasion and declaring that he will have a Rotary Flag with him when he seeks a new continent in the Antarctic. He later paid a high tribute to the people of New Zealand, and when he discovers this new continent in the Antarctic, he told them he would name it "Little New Zealand."

The address of the President, was full of information, it is impossible for me to more than merely refer to it, and to say that from his visits abroad, he has brought home with him a strong conviction that we may look forward to the constant development of Rotary as a vital force in the industrial and economic life of the northern countries. He emphasized the spirit of co-operation which is growing.

"Rotarians are in this convention in greater numebrs than before, because they are aware that this theory of co-operatioh within a nation and around the world has been a basic principle of their movement since its inception. They are here because they have found that the philosophy to which they have pinned their faith, seems now to be given an opportunity to redeem the land that gave birth to Rotary. Small wonder that they have here determined to keep alive a force that can bring courage and faith into a nation, and a spirit that can produce in the hearts of men a desire to live together on terms which mean the survival of all."

In the report made by Secretary Chesley R. Perry, he states that the year 1932-33 "will long be remembered as an extremely significant one in Rotary history."

He went on, "Rotarians have met the challenge of these times by serving as never before, regardless of the cost of time and money. It has been a trying year for Rotary. The income of the organization has declined appreciably. Numerous and sundry economies have been necessary. The budget has been balanced. More Rotary clubs were elected to membership than during the preceding year. Fewer charters were cancelled than during the preceding year. Membership losses in the unit appear to have ceased or to be on the decline.

Tuesday's discussions were based on the general theme "The Individual Rotary Club Under Survey" divided into, "Founding and Building," "Maintaining and Developing", and "Relating the Club to its Task." The last subject was discussed by Mr. John Nelson of Montreal.

In an outline of Rotary's task, Mr. Nelson, chairman of the Aims and Objects Committee, said that primarily, "it is to associate together men in all walks and callings of life in a fraternity mutually stimulating, and helpful to themselves and to the whole community." He declared that the Rotary idea must be related to its task through the individual. Mr. Nelson said that for this reason, a certain amount of education is required—education that comes by co-operation rather than by any mixed formula or any codefied creed.

During the afternoon, there were discussions by different assemblies, the general theme being "The Individual Rotary Club Under Survey." Your representative sat with those representing clubs from fifty to one hundred members. The problem club was discussed, and it was pointed out that the club that is failing is one that has no object or incentive for which to work.

A discussion on "Attendance" was interesting, and it was surprising to learn that one club in California had seventeen 100 per cent meetings in succession. This brought out from some very wise Rotarians, the fact that 100 per cent meetings were more of a stumbling block than a help, as it antagonized officers who were striving to gain this 100 per cent when anyone failed to appear, thus making Rotary a burden rather than a benefit. The discussion further disclosed the fact that whenever a club is carrying on in such a way, that its removal from the community would not be missed, it is time for it to turn in its charter. In other words, a Rotary Club cannot exist for itself, but rather for the service it renders others.

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Dr. and Mrs. Gullison Visiting Province

Dr. and Mrs. Ben Gullison, two youthful and highly esteemed Maritimers are beginning a limited speaking tour of the Island with the itinerary as follows:

Sunday, July 16—Mrs. Gullison, a.m. Hazelbrook; 3 p.m.—Alexandra; Dr. and Mrs. Gullison 7 p.m.—Charlottetown; Dr. Gullison, North River—two services a.m.-3 p.m.

Monday, July 17—St. Peter's Bay Road.

Tuesday, July 18—Montague.

Wednesday, July 19—Murray River. Mrs. Gullison; Georgetown—Dr. Gullison.

Thursday, July 20—Dundas Field (two services.)

Friday, July 21—Cavendish.

Sunday, July 23—Dr. Gullison, Tryon Field; Mrs. Gullison a.m., Bedeque. 7 p.m. Summerside.

Monday, July 24—Alberton.

Tuesday, July 25 — O'Leary (Springfield)

Wednesday, July 26—Belmont.

For the past month Dr. and Mrs. Gullison have appeared before audiences in the neighbouring provinces and in every instance have won the hearts of all, not only for themselves but for the great cause they so appealingly represent, namely, that of taking the gospel of Jesus Christ to non-Christian lands. Dr. Gullison's special interest is the healing art for which he is admirably qualified, having recently graduated from Edinburgh in medicine and having lived many years in India, where he was born, being the son of Dr. and the late Mrs. R. E. Gullison of India. Mrs. Gullison, Junior, is a young New Brunswick lady and recent graduate of Gordon College, Boston, is a speaker of unusual fluency and appeal.

Dr. and Mrs. Gullison will be accorded a large hearing when they speak at the city Baptist Church on Sunday evening.

DRASTIC REVISAL OF WORKING HOURS FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN

WASHINGTON, July 14— Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt yesterday took issue with the National Woman's Party and solidly supported her husband's position that industry must establish minimum wages and maximum hours for women and children and limit night work by women.

Led by Miss Alice Paul, the Woman's Party is holding a demonstration here tomorrow against the revival of the movement for "protective" legislation for women in industry. Members of the party feel it limits the opportunity of women to earn a living.

Shortly before departing on a two weeks' vacation, the First Lady endorsed the recent plea of the President that industry drastically revise working hours and conditions for feminine and child workers.

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SOUTH WEST SCHOOL

The semi-annual examination of South West School was held on Friday, June 30th. Over twenty visitors were present. The pupils were examined in the various subjects by their teacher, and showed their good training by prompt answers. A short program was carried out as follows: Welcome Speech by Kathryn McLean; O Canada by pupils; Vacation Song, by pupils; Valedictory by Marion McLean; Prizes were presented to the pupils who had the highest standing in each grade. Much credit is due to Marion McLean and Eileen McNeill who successfully took Grade VII and VIII in one term. Both of these bright pupils received Public School Certificates. Parents and pupils were treated with candy by the teacher. A very interesting afternoon was brought to a close by the singing of the National Anthem.

ELLIOTVALE EXAMINATION

The semi-annual examination of Elliotvale School was held on the afternoon of Friday, June 30, with a good attendance of parents and visitors, and forty pupils.

The examination was begun by a welcome recited by Mary Whalen. The different grades were examined by Misses Lottie Farrel, Annis Gill, Mary Kelly, at the conclusion of which the teacher presented school leaving certificates to Reta Power, Anne Carmichael, Mary Whalen, Gertrude Gill and Cecelia Whalen. (It is interesting to note that one of these pupils, namely Celia Whalen has not reached her 11th birthday and two others, Mary Whalen and Gertrude Gill are not yet twelve years of age).

An interesting feature of the afternoon was a Junior Red Cross meeting conducted by the pupils whose organization is known as the "Busy Arts". The sum of $1.00 was collected from the mite box and was to be sent to the crippled childrens fund. An entertaining program was carried out prepared solely by the program committee of the Junior Red Cross without the aid of the teacher.

Complimentary remarks were made congratulating both teacher and pupils on the good work being done. Visitors and pupils were treated generously to ice cream by the Elliotvale Women's Institute. Candy was also passed around to all present.

GOOSEBERRY CREAMS

Cover a pound and a half of gooseberries with cold water and heat until soft enough to put through a sieve. Heat the puree, adding sugar to taste, and a piece of butter the size of a walnut. Beat the yolks and whites of two eggs separately and add them slowly, stirring all the while, but not allowing the mixture to boil. When it thickens allow to cool and add a little orange-flower water and some green coloring matter. Stir well, pour into glasses and top with whipped cream. Serve very cold with sponge cake or your favorite plain cookies.

Holiday Traffic Grows Steadily

MONTREAL, Que., July 14— That prosperity is fast returning is indicated by the number of passengers sailing on the Jamaica bound Canadian National Liner "Lady Rodney" from Montreal.

There is a hundred percent increase in number of passengers carried as compared with the corresponding period last year.

The Canadian National liner "Lady Nelson," plying the Eastern route to the British West Indies, also showed a corresponding increase when she sailed from Halifax on her last voyage. Bookings for the entire period of July and August promise to show a substantial increase over last year.

Little Billy, aged four, was being shown the shape of the earth on a globe atlas by his mother. After pointing all the countries with their peculiar shapes, she asked. "Now, Billy, what shape is the world?"

Billy, looking very wise and happy, beamed on her with: "It's in a terrible shape, daddy says!"

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