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IS YOUR VOICE A TRUMPET OF THE SOUL

By Ralph Smedley



Foreign visitors to America never fail to comment on the unpleasant voices of our people. Nasal, harsh, unmusical, adenoidal—these are some of the less offensive adjectives applied to our speech.

We would not mind such criticisms so much if they were not substantially true. It is a fact our voices generally are not good.

It is a further fact the unpleasant quality is unnecessary. We have the "makings" for as good voices as can be found anywhere. We just don't use them to the best advantage.

There are several causes and corresponding remedies for this condition. Anyone who is willing to take the trouble to improve his voice can do it.

Incorrect breathing is the primary cause of a poor voice. Any physical director can explain how to breathe and give you a set of exercises to help you. If none such is available to you, try this. 1. Lie flat on the floor—on your back—and inhale deeply. Observe that your diaphragm raises the abdomen while the chest remains quiet. Practice this kind of breathing on your back until you get the idea, and then practice it on your feet. Deep breathing, well controlled, is essential to good voice production. 2. Open the mouth and pant like a dog. Pant fast and then pant slowly. Watch your abdomen and observe that it gets all the action. Repeat these exercises daily, several times a day.

Tightness of the throat is another cause of vocal distress. This is largely a nervous reflex. The speaker gets nervous when he looks at the audience and his throat muscles grow tight, along with many other parts of the body. The remedy is to relax. Humming exercises will help your throat. Say the word "hum" and prolong the "m" with your lips closed, but with jaw hanging loose and relaxed. Hum a few notes or a little tune, keeping the lower jaw always loose. Another good word for this purpose is "hang," also prolonged, but with the lips open. Try to think of the throat as relaxed, but when you get up to speak, keep your mind away from it.

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MONTEBELLO, CALIFORNIA

Reporter John J. Cryan

Since its inception three months ago, Montebello Club has achieved considerable fame and publicity as the up and coming branch of Toastmasters International. The members have rapidly advanced from a "nervous state of depression in public speaking" being now very much accomplished in the "gift of gab."

The officers of the club are: President, Dr. E. C. Lynch; Vice-President, Dr. Dan Woods; Secretary and Treasurer, Dr. Harry E. Hanson. It is to these hard working officers that the club owes the success it has achieved in the few months that it has been organized.

In keeping with this thought the club is elated over the election of Olin Price as President of Toastmasters International as Mr. Price gave considerable time, effort and advice in the forming of this club. We wish Mr. Price much success during his regime as the guiding hand of Toastmasters International.

The club was splendidly represented at the International Convention at San Diego, and, to the delight of its members won the attendance prize. Surely this bespeaks volumes for the enthusiasm of the "baby" club. Earl Hitchcock took part in the three-minute speaking contest and while not a prize winner, made a decided impression on his listeners.

The big night in the history of the club will be Monday, October 29th—Charter Night. There will be a big dinner for those who like eating, which will be followed with entertainment, a speaking contest and dancing, all for the small sum of 75 cents. A cordial invitation is extended to other clubs and a large attendance is looked for. Mark this date down on your calendars, and remember that the place is the Woman's Clubhouse, 201 Park Avenue, Montebello. The time is 6:45 p.m., and the day, Monday. What a night that will be.

If enthusiasm and hard work counts for success, then fellow toastmasters, the Montebello Club is here to stay, and stay in a big way. Very definite plans have been made for the future success of this organization, and we advise you to keep your eyes on Montebello.

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The greatest men
May ask a foolish question, now and then.
Wolcott.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Olin Price



Here I am still flustered and excited with the thrill of these honors bestowed by you Toastmasters, and Editor Jean demands a message from me. What does one say under such circumstances?

However, to all good Toastmasters wherever you may be, Greetings and a hearty and sincere "thank you" for your faith in me which has been shown by the election to be head of the Federation during the coming year.

As to the platform of the new administration — first and foremost it is **BETTER** and **SHORTER** speeches.

Let us keep that as our beacon. Let every member preach it on the highways and byways. We can exceed that automobile company which claims that when better cars are built, we will build them, by demonstrating in our clubs and in our communities that when better speeches are given, they will be delivered by a Toastmaster.

Your officers agree with me that we can double the membership of the union this year. But this can be done **ONLY** with the help of every member of every club. If each unit reproduces itself once we are doubled, and in the past year some of our groups have reproduced themselves twice and thrice. The executive committee is working now on constructive plans to assist in this expansion drive. We can and will appreciate every suggestion sent in. Addresses of the officers appear in this magazine. Write to anyone of them or to me.

It will be my endeavor to visit all the clubs within a reasonable distance of Los Angeles. Visitations already have started. The other evening El Camino club celebrated its first anniversary with a ladies night and gave all who came (including your president) a happy evening. A day or two later Pasadena feted its fifth birthday with a ladies night and had Los Angeles club join in the affair since the latter helped its host begin back in October, 1929. It was a pleasant task to present junior past president Arthur Johnson with a ring which actually fitted his No. 11 finger. Those who were at San Diego recall Arthur's attempt to put on a size six.

In these modern days we are in a world which changes as rapidly as the fast moving film of news events. We cannot stand still, hence we must go on to bigger and better days in toastmastering. You can help speed this progress. Your officers know you will aid them. Remember, more clubs mean more toastmasters.

HUNTINGTON PARK NO. 1

Reporter Don Morrison

The past six months has been a very successful period for the Huntington Park Toastmasters Club, and we defy any other club to equal our record.

FIRST: We got rid of Olin Price as our President, and wished him onto the Toastmasters International as President. Of course we assume no liability for this act as we believe that he was sponsored by the Anaheim Club. We had to put up with him for only six months while you will have him on your hands for the entire year. Heaven help you!

SECOND: Our membership role has remained intact for the entire six months period with no one dropping out and with six on the waiting list—it looks as though they will have to wait until some of us die off before they get in.

THIRD: We have sponsored the new Montebello Club. That is something to be proud of! That fine organization who went to San Diego and took the attendance prize.

FOURTH: Olin Hagan, one of our charter members, won the local Kiwanis speaking contest, and represented that club at their district speaking contest where we won second place.

FIFTH: During this six months, which covered the vacation period and hot weather, we had an average attendance of twenty-two.

Many of our members have been active in community affairs. Recently the Kiwanis Club put on a play, and six of our members turned actors and participated in some of the leading roles of this play. Harold Raff, our genial bachelor, has been elected Vice-President of the Kiwanis Club. At the present time, we have fifteen of our membership enrolled as speakers for the Community Chest. On September 26, we exchanged speakers with the Montebello Club, and Bob Applegate, Cliff Tweedy, Fred Witham, Bill Bostock, and Charlie Krebs gave their talks at Montebello.

Our new officers for the ensuing six months are Bob Grube, President; Bob Applegate, Vice-President, and Don Morrison, Secretary-Treasurer.

We would like to have you insert a notice that on November 7, our club is going to put on another Ladies Night. You will recall the affair we had last year, and we are anticipating a finer program this year, and wish to extend the invitation to all toastmasters and their lady friends to attend. We are going to have dinner at a nominal price, and our club is to furnish all the entertainment, including a dance at no additional charge to our guests.

50 cents per plate, Woman's Club, corner Rugby and Saturn, one block west of Pacific Blvd.

Carelessness in enunciation is a contributing cause. Pick out tongue-twisters and practice them faithfully. Speak the syllables distinctly. Say this: "I must endeavor to enunciate with meticulous precision." Never mind what the words mean. Say them frequently, using the tip of the tongue and the teeth.

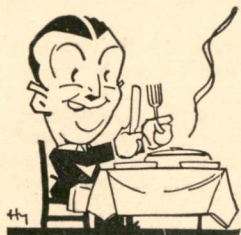
The mental attitude of the speaker is reflected in his voice. If he cultivates a friendly, genial frame of mind, his voice will tend to show it. If he lets himself get into a scolding, critical attitude, his voice will drop back in his throat, and he will speak with harshness that will tire his hearers as well as himself. It is a good plan to greet your audience with a friendly smile, or at least to look pleasant when you come before them. There are very few occasions when a speaker is justified in scolding.

Too little attention has been given to voice placement and tone production for speakers. It needs instruction and practice. Every public speaker ought to take an occasional course of lessons from some good singing teacher, not to become a singer, but to keep his voice in shape for speech. Lacking such instruction, every Toastmasters Club ought at frequent intervals to introduce a speaker who can help correct vocal faults, and let him work on its members.

It takes trouble to have a good voice, but it is worth a lot of trouble and work for any speaker. Our Toastmasters Clubs have crusaded for the elimination of "grunts" and we have greatly restricted the "err-r-rs" and the "and-uhs." Let's initiate a nationwide crusade to improve the quality of the American voice and thereby win the thanks of the whole world.

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TOASTMASTERS FETED BY SAN DIEGO



Another October 6th, meaning the fourth annual meeting of Toastmasters International, found Roy Chafe, Bob Switzler, Ray Watts, Clark Chamberlain and other old-timers of San Diego's club waiting at the portals of beautiful El Cortez hotel to welcome the gathering clan. During the afternoon the ladies were entertained by sight-seeing trips although many visited old friends or shopped. Toastmasters who did not attend the council rested in the spacious lobby enjoying the football broadcast or discussing the big World Series upset.

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By six o'clock the hotel swarmed with toastmasters and their families. Ray Watts and his helpers were swamped with bills of large denominations, pleas of "where do I register?" "how do I sign," "have you seen my wife?" "when do we eat?" and the usual foolish questions which only an adult could possibly conceive. Delighted cries of recognition among T.M'ers who hadn't seen old friends since the last council, proved that good fellowship reigned.

Doors of the large banquet hall (the Don room) opened at 6:30. In a few minutes the 306 diners filled every seat. Entering, one discovered the tables row on row running to the speakers' table crossing the room from wall to wall. The seat of honor fitted our new President Price perfectly. To his right was junior past president Johnson with Clark Chamberlain on his right. Ray Watts on Price's left introduced R. M. Switzler who snappily welcomed us, turning the meeting back to Ray.

Presentation of retiring officers and visiting clubs followed with Watts showing his training as a presider. The gavel went to William (Bill) LaMonte serving as toastmaster of the evening during the speaking contest. The entrants, their topics and clubs in order of appearance were:

- James Moore—America's Present Needs Anaheim club
- Paul Kohl—Young America and the Depression.....Coronado club
- Bert Rolfe—Unearned Increment Glendale club
- Bob Grube—Madame Butterfly Huntington Park No. 1
- Wm. Bryce—American Ideals Progressive club
- Clifford Smith—Adventure Long Beach Gavel club
- Fred Brown—What Is Golf Los Angeles club
- E. E. Hitchcock—Activities Montebello club
- Clarence Marshall—Uncertainty Pasadena club
- James Whyte—In Defense of Immorality Pomona club
- Harold Yost—Government Smedley chapter
- Earl Beaulieu—Santa Barbara Santa Barbara club
- Ralph F. Peck—Modern Shops Whittier club
- Dr. R. J. Morrison—Great Anomaly Santa Monica Club
- Don Wright—Just One Customer El Camino club

Toastmaster Bill flashed his 18-k smile, twirled his D'Artagnan mustachios, declared the contest ended, and skidded the gavel back to Ray Watts, dexterously missing two water glasses and a vase of flowers. The audience approved of Bill's T.M'ing by salvos of applause.

Time being of the essence as our solonic members put it, Ray urged the judges to snap into a huddle and render a verdict. Meanwhile he discovered San Diego's Lee Harris lurking behind a screen

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at the side of the dining room. To pay for such conduct Harris was commandeered to introduce a delightful lady Miss Richards who gave two most human readings exemplifying for seeking Toastmasters the art of living a speech. Her expression, voice, gestures, and aplomb left a happy memory and also a little envy in one reporter's heart.

The judges continuing their weighty cerebations didn't bother Mrs. Watts boy. Spying Neil Nettleship ogling his pristine beauty in a vanity case mirror held by his dinner companion, Ray called for the introduction of International's new officers handing the duty to Neil. But you can't discomfit an oldtime gavel swinger like Neil. He had prepared plenty of material for such emergencies. One by one he presented our new leaders, revealing a surprising knowledge of intimate details of each officer's life.

So good had been the speeches that even yet the judges muttered, marked and prayed for guidance. Their delay afforded time to distribute some of the numerous prizes. One of the Austin boys of the host club enjoyed himself while handing out door prizes drawn by numbers pulled from a hat. International's secretary shuffled, mixed, grabbed, and hoped as he selected stubs. Much to his wife's disgust he couldn't find his own number, but this was explained later by Gus White who asserted he had it long ago.

We had a difficult job, declared the judges when they finally returned. We have picked first, second, third, fourth, and fifth speakers who are Ralph Peck of Whittier, Clarence Marshall of Pasadena, Clifford Smith of Long Beach, Bert Rolfe of Glendale, and Fred Brown of Los Angeles, respectively.

The attendance prize which Santa Barbara had just about wrapped ready to remove to their city went to Montebello club. Foxy Ed Lynch and his band brought down the entire community and naturally his army won, much to their delight.

Up to this time our senior past president had been kept under blankets. Here was a chance to get rid of the gavel Ray decided, and forthwith introduced Clark Chamberlain. His reading a telegram from Victoria club and one from the Seattle group made a hit. Next he introduced the dean of all toastmasters Ralph Smedley, giving him the honor of presenting La Jolla's charter to its president Sibley Sellow.

Without warning, Clark swung into a presentation speech himself and handed junior past president Johnson a beautiful ring in appreciation of his work during 1934. Someone muffed on this ring which proved to be size 5 or 6, and most inadequate for Arthur's size 10 or 11 finger. But he was just as thrilled with the gift as he would have been had it fitted perfectly.

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SANTA MONICA, CALIFORNIA

Reporter Glenn Hovey

Our charter night banquet, Monday September 24th, brought some 140 visiting toastmasters and their families to hotel Miramar's banquet hall. Superior Court judge Milan Ryan, club president, was not at all perturbed when California's Governor genial Frank Merriam and his party marched in to take seats at the head table.

Immediately after the snappy welcome by the Judge, he introduced Governor Merriam who gave us a toastmasterly 10-minute talk and praised the work of the club and its ideals.

Santa Monica's YMCA president, Dr. C. J. Gail, acted as toastmaster presenting Sheldon Hayden, and Dr. R. J. Morrison of his own club, and Dr. C. J. Ruley and William Iverson of Smedley chapter at Santa Ana. Each spoke six minutes. The speaking was interspersed with tenor solos by toastmaster Joseph Waugh and soprano solos by Miss Sally Schales. Both were accompanied by Miss Ruth Armstrong.

Thus culminated our hopes and dreams begun May 10th, 1934, when Kenneth Sturzenger of Smedley Chapter came to Santa Monica to boost sales for Shell Oil Company. Kenneth couldn't stand being without a toastmasters club and started organizing.

We are proud of our growth, of the neat program card which fits the vest pocket, and the acceptance by International of our invitation to hold the 1935 Annual council at our city. Visit with us any Wednesday night and meet the Judge.

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Coincidentally the fourth annual council also was the tenth anniversary of toastmaster clubs in California. This seemed an appropriate time to present our paternal progenitor Ralph Smedley a large and handsome pie plate since, as Chamberlain remarked, "Tin is emblematic of the tenth anniversary." While Ralph was cogitating on his extraordinary tin medal, he was literally floored by Clark's announcing this evening was the thirtieth anniversary of the marriage of Ralph and Francis his lovely wife who also was staggered that such information was extant. While the two wondered where the leak was, a beautiful double toastmaster with its tray and complete fittings was displayed by Chamberlain and presented to the happy longtime comrades with the audience standing to cheer and clap. Experienced for years though he is, Ralph admitted this was one occasion when he felt the lack of words. A message of thanks to all toastmasters from Mr. and Mrs. Smedley appears in this issue.

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Our best friend and companion has been peeking over the shoulder and asserts there is no mention of the dinner. Those who partook know it was up to the high quality of El Cortez dinners. Those who missed the meal aren't interested. Or shouldn't be. Eeemagine! Wondering how a pork chop tasted to someone who ate it last month. Suffice to say it was a scrumptious meal. Those with the proper finesse had 'seconds'. This reporter qualifies, —it's the old army training, boys.

At ten o'clock the evening was beginning. The banquet hall was cleared, chairs placed about the room and entertainment spiced the dance which continued to midnight. Those who didn't care to dance, circulated about chatting with old friends or playing bridge in the comfortable lounge of the hotel. When Home Sweet Home softly sounded in our ears we knew the fourth annual council was passing into memory's lane. Those who helped make the memories will not forget. To Ray Watts, his committee, — to Clark Chamberlain, — to R. M. Switzler, and all the San Diego men who worked willingly in putting on the grand party, our heartfelt thanks. A goal has been set for Santa Monica, whose livewire club promises to equal our southern neighbor's efforts. Deo volente, this reporter will be there to enjoy it.

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JUST OVER THE HILL

Don't look back on the road that is done, but leave it—to Yesterday. Just over the hill there's a new road, and the sun shines all the way. What if the path that winds ahead looks steep and rough and long? The courage you gained, just yesterday, will help to keep you strong.

You've work to do, as all of us have, why frown and whine and glower?

Though some must serve, and some command, this is your year, your day and hour.

For the Master faces the self-same road, that the servant will have to go—

And it isn't the road, it's the way you walk that counts in the end, you know.

So look ahead, you'll find it's true; Today is better than yesterday— Just over the hill there's a new road, and the sun shines all the way.

PROGRESSIVE CLUB, HUNTINGTON PARK, CALIF.

Reporter P. F. Mekeal

Our first semester ended September 4, 1934, at which meeting the following Executive Officers were elected, to serve the subsequent six months:

Joseph J. Tanner, President, 6703 Pacific Blvd., Huntington Park.

Charles G. Hedgcock, Vice-President, 6316½ Pacific Boulevard, Huntington Park.

Paul F. Mekeal, Secretary-Treasurer, 6211 Cottage Street, Huntington Park. (Re-elected)

September 11, 1934, open house was held, banqueting at the Rio Hondo Country Club, at which eighty were present, including guests, wives and sweethearts.

Gordon Howard, President, called the meeting to order, after a brief resume of our clubs history, the new Officers were introduced, Joseph Tanner, New President, was given the gavel to continue the meeting.

During this short interim, Harry Camras presented an engraved mahogany gavel to Gordon Howard, retiring President, while Chas. Hedgcock presented a beautiful leather traveling case to Paul Mekeal, in appreciation of his writing the minutes to the tune of the Flying Trapeze. Both gifts were given in behalf of the club.

James Taylor accepted the gavel, acting as Toastmaster during the evening, assisted by speakers, William Bryce, Harry Fackler and James Tucker, while George Henry acted as General Critic, assisted by Mrs. Leon Finch and Mrs. Dahlgren.

William Bryce acted as Chairman of the entertainment committee and did an excellent job, we recommend his services to any club who desires a real programme. Billie Nickles and her Orchestra furnished the music for dancing.

Plans have been made to attend Charter Nite, Oct. 29, at Montebello.

Olin Price, newly elected President of Toastmasters International, and sponsor of our club, gave a short talk, accentuated with genteel derision.

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"For if our virtues did not go forth of us, 'twere all alike as if we had them not." (Shakespeare)

LONG BEACH GAVEL CLUB

Reporter V. W. Goodwin

Installed August 1, were President, H. A. Owen; Vice-President, Clifford E. Hayes; Secretary, R. H. Lovell; Treasurer, Lowell Carney, and Sergeant-at-Arms E. C. Bray. Their term has been marked by the greatest strides of improvement ever experienced by the Gavel Club, building on and amplifying the splendid foundation laid by our past presidents. However, the term will again be up on the last of October, and a new gang will be in. Our new President may be Walter "Chicken-of-the-Sea" Gillis, or someone else, but the other clubs may be sure that this winter term will again be a hummer.

The Gavel Club, the "visitingest" in Southern California, with the possible exception of Montebello's. If any clubs feel like exchanging speakers or holding joint meetings, communicate with your reporter at 634 East Fourth Street. We are owed visits from Los Angeles, Huntington Park No. 2, Montebello and Santa Monica, so the winter should be crowded with interest.

May 17 we exchanged with Santa Ana's El Camino Club, speakers Owen and Goodwin visiting them. What a red hot, progressive club! Every member club should visit El Camino at least once.

On May 23 we visited Huntington Park No. 1, Olin Price's hustling aggregation.

It seems to me that along about June 8, we exchanged speakers with the Anaheim Club, and about two weeks later held a joint meeting with the Huntington Park Progressive Club. There Dr. Howard made the combined membership jump through a hoop, and we heard their "poemistic" secretary read his minutes in rhyme.

On August 25 we held our Beach Party, with splendid cooperation from several of our fellow clubs, notably San Diego with nine present, Los Angeles with ten, seven each from Santa Monica and Montebello, eight or ten each from the Huntington Park clubs and delegations from Anaheim and Pasadena. Particularly welcome guests were Elmer Smith from Santa Barbara and Ray Huff from Seattle. This party also marked the beginning of what has since proved to be a fast friendship with the Tala Club, an unaffiliated local speaking club. The speaking contest was won by Dr. Morrison of Santa Monica, and, we hope, a grand time was had by all.

Two joint meetings have been held with Los Angeles, the last one on September 4. Both were greatly enjoyed, and that's another good place for some of these clubs to visit. On September 24 we journeyed to Santa Monica for their Charter Night, having 21 present at that party—not bad, since we had a membership of only seventeen. If Governor Merriam were counted as a guest from Long Beach, it would make twenty-two.

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FROM CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISMS

By Dwight Hamilton

"Oh, wad some power the giftie gie us
To see oursel's as ithers see us!
It wad frae monie a blunder free us,
And foolish notion."

—Robert Burns, "TO A MOUSE."

The great Scot would have enjoyed belonging to a Toastmasters Club. The club's gift to its members of the opportunity to hear themselves described as others see and hear them when they are on their feet talking would have gone straight to his heart.

A growing realization that the need was not for more speeches, but for better speeches, was one of the motivating factors behind the organization of Toastmaster's Clubs. Point number 12 of the Fifteen Points of the organization states that one of its purposes is "To promote the technique of tactfully giving and gracefully taking criticism and profiting thereby."

Methods of criticism vary slightly from club to club. Most clubs, however, find it advisable to follow the plan of having an individual critic for each speaker with a general critic of the meeting to "mop-up" any points overlooked by individual critics and to comment on the Toastmaster's handling of the meeting.

Visitors to our club occasionally ask if unduly severe criticisms aren't often given. In over two years attendance at Toastmasters

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We organized Wednesday, October 3, with the following slate of officers: President, W. T. Cook; Vice-President, Dr. A. M. Menzies; Secretary-Treasurer, G. Sharpe; Leader, H. A. Beckwith; Critic, Frank Paulding.

We are featuring a study course: "Mind in the Making," by James H. Robinson, major addresses of twenty minutes length, six impromptu evenings, a four-weeks mock parliament and an oratorical competition.

Our "Speaker's Club" has been in existence seven years, and for two years in its present form. During the whole period, H. A. Beckwith has acted as leader. Now each season the club is growing stronger as public speaking class graduates join up for further practice and it is a powerful aggregation this year—we anticipate a great season.

We will be glad to see Ray Huff whenever he can come, but he had better not ask us to stage a special banquet for him as the gang would simply give the horse-laugh.

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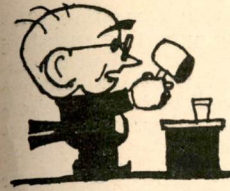
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Then on October 6, we attended the San Diego Council, having eighteen present, but missing the attendance prize by the well-known whisker. Our speaker, W. Clifford Smith, placed third among the sixteen contestants; Past President Dr. B. M. Tylicki was elected International Assistant Treasurer, and our party won two of the six door prizes, so we didn't do badly at all. Next time, however, we intend to add the attendance prize to the loot. With apologies to San Diego, may we state that the nice little cactus garden won as a door prize by Mrs. R. H. Lovell is described by husband Rube as an adjective artichoke growing in an adjective flower-pot (but he likes it just the same).

A joint meeting with the Tala Club on October 16 is all we have as a future schedule right now, but the Visiting Gaveleers will soon be at it again.

Circumstances during the Summer separated us from our Mentor, Roy Hendrick, and we are now operating on the usual individual critic basis. Mr. Hendrick is retaining his membership in the International and has been made an honorary member of the Gavel Club.

Visit us, some of you clubs, and listen to the Typhoon and the Monsoon in action.



At 3:10 p.m. October 6th, President Johnson's gavel hushed the conversation from 75 delegates, alternates, members, and friends who passed up the football games to attend the business session.

A smart move by our president was the appointment of Ralph Smedley as parliamentarian. Frequently during our most active session to date Ralph laughed us through errors of commission and omission, oiled the troubled waters when rabid delegates seemed determined to splash water on opponents, and at the same time taught us the gentle art of letting a minority be heard while the majority ruled.

First vice president Leo Schmid was absent but his proxy Ray Huff covered the absence well, showing us the Northwest area was sold on toastmastering. Other absentees were assistant treasurer Leo Hansen and representatives from Indianapolis, Tacoma, Tucson, Whittier, Berkeley, and Victoria, B. C.

Minutes of the previous council and the board of directors meeting June 16, 1934, were read and approved. There were no communications.

Officers reported verbally—speaking for Schmid, Ray Huff gave us a heartening picture of progress in Washington and Oregon.

Second vice president Elmer Smith brought home the bacon reporting a new club at Ventura, California.

Treasurer Eley as usual had an excellent report showing all bills paid and \$360.02 in the bank. Motion to approve report and commend Fred carried unanimously with cheers.

Junior past president Demaree reported in writing on the work done to standardize rules and procedure of the annual high school public speaking contest. Evidently Paul prizes the written report which he carefully folded and took away with him, leaving our secretary wondering. (Are yuh readin'? Paul). His report was accepted with thanks on motion carried unanimously. Clubs undoubtedly will hear from Demaree soon about plans for the contest to begin shortly after Christmas.

Chairman Price gave a detailed verbal report on the formation of districts. During the general discussion of this report someone moved to grant the petition to form District No. 1 submitted by Huntington Park's two clubs with Los Angeles club joining the plea. The motion lost and the Council asked more information on

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SEATTLE NO. 1

Reporter Louis LaBow

Seattle Toastmaster's Club No. 1 held its first meeting after summer vacation September 10th. We were all agreeably surprised to find the excellent turn-out. There has been considerable discussion in our Club as to whether it would be advisable to continue meetings throughout the summer but we have real summers up here and when the roll is called, we invariably find members quite agreeable to suspending meetings during July and August.

I understand most Clubs in California carry on during summer but that can be easily understood with the weather you have down there during the summer whereas when we have summer it is really summer. (with apologies to all California Chambers of Commerce).

On September 17th annual election was held and adopting high-pressure steam roller tactics (which incidentally the members enjoyed thoroughly) the following were elected: Louis LaBow, President; Jack Gordon, Vice-President; Hiene Hendricks, Secretary, and George Nelson, Treasurer.

The former committees in connection with outside activities will continue to function until some later date when it is planned to reorganize this portion of our work in view of the fact that the City of Seattle and surrounding territory is becoming "Toastmaster" conscious and with the help and encouragement of Leo Schmid, prospective clubs are growing by leaps and bounds.

Seattle Club No. 3 was organized in September and held its first meeting in the Washington Athletic Club which is also our meeting place. The attendance was 16 and with the real enthusiasm shown, they will undoubtedly have their membership quota before the end of the month.

Ray Huff is in Long Beach and undoubtedly actively pulling all the political strings to arrange for the next annual meeting of the Toastmasters' International to be held somewhere in the North. You appreciate when I say "somewhere" I limit it to perhaps a few miles from the City of Seattle.

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Here lie the bones of Wilbur Wump
Who drove too fast and hit a bump,
And left the road ere he could jump,
And wrapped his car around a stump,
Remains are at the city dump—

The car, not Wump!

(contributed)

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districts. A five minute recess gave the committee its opportunity to enlarge on Price's report. Returning they submitted in writing a proposed amendment to the by-laws. The proposal to amend Article IV, Section 2 to read, "The boundaries of districts shall be along natural geographic lines with respect to population census. Member clubs located on or near the border line between any two districts may elect the district to which such club shall apply for membership. Member clubs of a district shall elect a district governor to serve not longer than one year. He shall have one vote at any meeting of the Toastmasters International Council." Motion to adopt carried. All member club secretaries should make the necessary change in their copies of the by-laws.

Clandestine clubs were discussed by several. Fred Eley reported a club active at Turlock, California, and mentioned rumors that clubs might be started in San Francisco area. Proponents of these contemplated clubs had queried Fred as to whether or not they must join our Federation. Johnson and Finlay reported the Glendale situation clearing up and urged the Council to refrain from legal action. Johnson also reported matters in Whittier seemed due to end happily with our Quaker Town chapter creating a friendly bond which probably would induce the other group to join, either as a unit or through our member club. The motion to grant full power to act to the board of directors carried instantly. Thereupon R. M. Switzler, San Diego's president, and James Whyte, charter member of Pomona, volunteered their services as attorneys to help in any way in the legal phase of this matter. The offers were accepted with thanks.

True to his helpful spirit Ralph Smedley presented written suggestions for changes which he believed would better the federation. These were referred to the board of directors for consideration and action.

A resolution that Toastmasters International and all member clubs urge upon other organizations, individuals, the radio, and movie screen its own high standard of wholesome clean speech was presented by R. M. Switzler. His motion to adopt, spread upon the minutes, and to send copies to all member clubs carried. Copies have been sent. Additional copies may be obtained from the secretary.

Revisions to the by-laws were discussed. It was moved the president appoint a committee to study and submit proposed changes. Motion carried. Johnson deferred appointing the committee which will be done by President Price. At this writing the names had not reached the editor's office.

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LA JOLLA CLUB, CALIFORNIA

Reporter James Walker

As you may know, this club was organized the beginning of February of this year by Dwight Miller who had been transferred to La Jolla from Coronado where he had been a member of the Toastmasters' Club there and who was very ably helped by Monte Clark who was subsequently elected our first President with Dwight Miller, Vice-President.

We have just resumed our meetings after having adjourned for the summer months and so far no special plans have been made for the coming term other than having our regular meetings for the purpose of improving ourselves in the art of public speaking.

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PASADENA, CALIFORNIA

Reporter Ted Johnson

The Pasadena Club after doing the well known cocoon act during the summer emerged as a full fledged butterfly the middle of September with a goodly number of old timers back in the fold. October the 16th, found five Mile Posts on the cake at our gala birthday celebration. Los Angeles Club was our guest of the evening attending the birthday anniversary en masse. Toastmaster for the occasion was none other than Arthur Johnson, who cracked the whip for the speakers from both clubs.

President Price performed his first official act by making a gracious presentation of a past president's ring to Arthur Johnson who for once was nearly floored by the complete surprise.

The one and only genial Gus White administered adhesive tape and bandages to the expostulatory efforts of the speakers. As usual the Pasadena Club put on plenty of "dog." Unusual table decorations, entertainment, etc. Toastmasters and their ladies from near and far enjoyed the musical members, the speeches and the fellowship.

Plans call for an extensive local program as well as considerable exchange of speakers with other Toastmaster clubs. Watch later issues of The Toastmaster for developments.

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SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA

Reporter Elmer Smith

We have organized the Ventura Club and it will have its first regular program October 16th. It is starting out with 23 members and a 25 limit, as well as a half dozen on the waiting list, so we are happy over the job. They promise to apply for a charter very soon. Dr. Stone, 477 East Main, Ventura, is the President.

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Nominations for officers were presented in writing by the Committee through chairman Walter Taylor. These were: Olin H. Price, R. J. Huff, E. H. Layton, Arthur G. Porter, B. M. Tylicki, Jean Bordeaux, and Ray Watts, for president, 1st and 2nd vice-presidents, treasurer, assistant treasurer, secretary and assistant secretary respectively. At this moment someone recalled the by-laws called for individual secret ballots for each officer. It was moved that the secretary be instructed to cast unanimous written secret ballot for each nominee. Motion carried. With terse trenchant words Ralph Smedley installed the electees, epitomizing the work before them. The motion that the council express hearty thanks to all officers for their work during the year, and that special note of the motion be made in the minutes carried with cheers.

Presenting its invitation in writing, Santa Monica's delegate Glenn Hovey urged the Council to select his city as our meeting place on the first Saturday of October, 1935. Motion to accept carried unanimously.

Pomona's president John Evans, seconded by Jim Whyte, presented a letter inviting us to hold the high school public speaking contest finals there in the spring of 1935. The invitation was referred to the board of directors.

Discharging all committees with thanks, president Price brought to a close the finest council held since the federation organized. Adjournment was taken at 5:40 p.m. Details of the banquet, speaking contest and entertainment appear on other pages of this issue.

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THE WILL TO DO

There is no chance, no destiny, no fate

Can circumvent, or hinder, or control

The firm resolve of a determined soul.

Gifts count for nothing; will alone is great;

All things give way before it soon or late.

What obstacle can stay the mighty force

Of the sea-seeking river in its course,

Or cause the ascending orb of day to wait?

Each well-born soul must win what it deserves.

Let the fool prate of luck. The fortunate

Is he whose earnest purpose never swerves,

Whose slightest action or inaction serves

The one great aim.

Why, even Death stands still

And waits an hour sometimes for such a will.

(Ella Wheeler Wilcox)

GAVEL SPLINTERS



Four candles on International's cake, and for a youngster we're not only walking but making "great strides."



To our new President Olin Price, congratulations!!! We liked your first "fireside talk" at the convention. Come on, Toastmasters, climb aboard the International Unlimited, because we've got a clear track and we're going places.



Trust the English teachers will bear with my contractions, I've, (there I go again), just got to conserve space.



Not that this column should become a mutual admiration strip, but San Diego put on what we consider in many, many ways, the best International Meeting to date.



It has always been our opinion that all jokes are "risky" stories—you take a big risk on them falling flat.



You ought to look up the word Gavel in the encyclopedia. It has to do with "corn." Now we know why Long Beach is "The Gavel Club." I-Owe-a apology for that one.



And "gavelets" aren't little gavels. By poetic deduction, "it's the club member who doesn't pay his dues."

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TUCSON, ARIZONA

Reporter Wm. Dunipace

Tucson's club had its first meeting of the Fall October 16th at Pioneer Hotel. In changing from an evening meeting to a noon luncheon session, we feel we overcame many of the disadvantages which hampered our style last year. With an hour and thirty minutes for eating and speaking we had to shorten our program to four speakers, four critics and the general summary. How are the programs managed in clubs where a definite time limit must be met? Our speakers have six minutes, our critics, two, and the general critic gets the remainder, providing business matters are not too plentiful.

We are pleased with results gained last year, and hope some of our new men will show as much improvement during this winter. Mr. J. Edgar Vorhees, elected president yesterday, is a shining example from last year. Being more than six feet and looking like a waddie from the wide open spaces instead of the staid New Jerseyan that he is, he made his first speech last year under the handicap of too many hands, arms and feet. How he can and does hold his own with any of the members of the Lions club, of which he is a prominent member. He is also doing good work on behalf of the local Scout Council, the Sunshine Club, and the Lions Blind project, for which he speaks on the slightest provocation.

By the way, is it true that Sinclair won the nomination because the Toastmasters Clubs furnished his speaking committees? Reports do trickle through, you know. . . .

What do readers suggest in the way of a speaking contest for our High school comparable with the one clubs hold in California? Travelling to your contest is out of the question. To Los Angeles is exactly 526 miles one way, and practically the same mileage to San Diego. As there are no other active Toastmasters Clubs in Arizona we have little opportunity at present for intramural contests, although our club is considering some missionary work. We are handicapped in this respect by the lack of size in such communities as have YMCAs.; Phoenix is the only more or less sure bet, while Douglas did have a club several years ago, which became dormant after one season. Phoenix is 130 miles north and Douglas is about the same distance to the south.

We hope to hear from some or all of the clubs on our questions. Address letters to this reporter at 84 West Pennington.

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"Forbear sharp speeches,—words are strokes and strokes death."
(Shakespeare)

Enough interest has been manifested to warrant continuance of our meetings through the entire summer season.

We are starting the winter season with practically a full club and expect to maintain a waiting list. There has been considerable work done in co-operating with the other clubs, toward starting one or more new clubs in this territory.

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Here's a bad splinter. What some Toastmasters need is more "nonchalance" when they find themselves on the spot. A good slogan for members of any club might be, "Never let the Toastmaster down—especially in public."

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It does one's heart good to get together at Internationals with old timers—after all, you can't buy fellowship at the corner drug store.

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Rays of hope, the contest at S. D. developed some humorous speeches — Do you know that seriousness has caused more marriages than any other factor?

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A one time critic of our club is now conducting the radio program, "Bunk." It deals with de-bunking popular conceptions of various things. He got his start with speeches of members of our club.

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That genial old slave driver, J. B., is back cracking his whip. Looks like ye pore scrybyes are due to grindye outye yards of hotye doggerel. Trust these cutye kiddye thrustyes wont hurtye ittie bittie feelings of ye Toastyes.

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Lunitical definitions: **TOASTMASTER.** "The cigar store 'wooden Indian' at home who becomes a Floyd Gibbons at the rap of a gavel in public."

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(* Editor's Note. At this point we were informed the gavel bounced back and neatly laid the writer low, — all going to prove that "it's an ill rap that has no bounce.")

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Meetings, I have heard but a scant handful of this type. The real danger lies on the other side—criticisms which are too sweet and congratulatory, lacking the vigor and constructiveness needed to make them worth-while to the speaker.

Perhaps the simplest way for a new critic to go about the job is to remember that the speaker wants three questions answered:—

1. What was good about my speech? (Sugar)
2. What was poor about my speech? (Vinegar)
3. What are your suggestions for improvement? (A pat on the back).

Answer those questions and you have made your speaker's efforts worth while to him. In addition, you have had the opportunity of getting on your feet and expressing your thoughts tactfully, constructively and concisely (I hope). And that, remember, is good practice for you.

It often has occurred to me that it would be a good idea for some of our critics to use their imaginations when giving their criticism and word them as if dictating a message in a night-letter telegram (which they were going to pay for). With a little practice, they would have no trouble in saying everything they wanted to say, clearly, concisely and politely, and with a tremendous saving in time. Try it some time, you critics who have been accused of being a little bit a-- er-- verbose.

Important points on any club's program of criticisms are:

- (a) That every member participate regularly in the criticism, both on the receiving and giving ends, and
- (b) That the type of criticism be held to a high standard of quantity, quality and thoroughness.

The more experienced members of each club should be constantly on guard that criticisms do not get into a rut of carelessness or emptiness.

For a motto, critics would do well to follow the instructions often given by that fiery young brunette, Lupe Velez, who is a rabid prize fight fan, to her favorite contestants—"Give it to heem."

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"Tis certain, greatness once fall'n out with fortune, must fall out with men, too: what the declined is he shall as soon read in the eyes of others as feel in his own fall; for men, like butterflies, show not their mealy wings but to the summer. (Shakespeare)

EL CAMINO CLUB

Reporter D. H. Tidball

With our ladies and a few guests, on October 11th, we celebrated our first anniversary. We were particularly honored with the presence of Olin Price and Ralph Smedley.

Meetings throughout the summer were continued with good attendance and programs.

At the beginning of the present official term we amended our Constitution and By-laws to provide for three months tenure of office instead of six months. This to make the membership more officer conscious, give practice in presiding to more members and promote parliamentary procedure. In this we have followed the example set by Los Angeles Club.

Our fall and winter plans include considerable activity in inter-club visitation. We consider this one of the most valuable phases of the International movement. President Malcolm Macurda cordially invites any and all Toastmasters to visit us any Thursday evening.

We sense a loss of prestige through the unwillingness of Fredrick Eley to continue as International Treasurer. However, we know he devoted a great deal of time to this work during his term of office and has earned a rest.

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ENGLISH AS SHE IS WROTE

The wind was rough, and cold, and blough;
She kept her hands within her mough.
It chilled her through, her nose grew blough,
And still the squall the faster fough.
Yet—although there really was no snough,
The weather was a cruel fough.
It made her cough—pray do not scough—
She coughed until her hat blough ough.

(swiped)

AS OTHERS SEE US



An experienced banqueter with years of listen-to after dinner speeches to his credit was a guest at our San Diego Convention dinner. Afterward he expressed his amazement at the program's smoothness and efficiency. He thought the three-minute speakers did not have time enough, was astonished at their powers of condensation, and at the amount of material in their talks. Most of all he was impressed by the evidence of careful preparation, the flowing ease of the program, and the careful attention to the time element in finishing. He declared the toastmaster and presiding

officers showed the expertness of professionals in their work.

Frequently we Toastmasters lose sight of our own accomplishments because we are so close to them. We need to look at ourselves occasionally through the eyes of an outsider in order to realize how far we have gone and what we have done.

A man with two or three years experience as a member of a Toastmasters Club ought to be, and usually is, exceptionally well qualified both as a presiding officer and as a speaker. To handle an assembly of some three hundred people at dinner, to run through a program of a dozen and a half speeches, winding up on schedule time with nobody asleep and apparently no one bored was a real achievement. We should and do commend with all sincerity those who arranged our convention program and those who so ably presented it.

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Beware of folk who never cross
The propositions of the boss.
There'll come a day when they betray
His inside dope for higher pay.

The hypocrite's a thief at soul,
A tricky, undermining mole.
Sincerity pets no man's ear
And gives opinion without fear.

—Herbert Kaufman.

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ASSOCIATE MEMBER CLUBS

California BERKELEY, Thursday, 6:30 p.m.,
 Y.M.C.A. Building.
 SEATTLE NO. 3, Friday, 6:00 p.m.,
 Y.M.C.A. Building.
CANADA VICTORIA, B. C., Wednesday, 8:00 p.m.,
 Y.M.C.A. Building.

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OPPORTUNITY

They do me wrong who say I come no more when once I knock
and fail to find you in;

For EVERY DAY I stand outside your door and bid you wake and
rise to fight and win.

Wail not for precious chances passed away, weep not for golden
ages on the wane;

Each night I burn the records of the day—at SUNRISE every soul
is born again.

Laugh like a boy at splendors that have sped, to vanquished joys
be blind and deaf and dumb,

My judgments seal the dead past with its dead, but never bind a
moment yet to come.

Though deep in mire, wring not your hands and weep; I lend my
arm to all who say "I CAN!"

No shamefaced outcast ever sank so deep but yet might rise and be
again a MAN!

Dost thou behold thy lost youth all aghast? Dost reel from right-
eous Retribution's blow?

Then turn from blotted archives of the past and find the Future's
pages white as snow.

Art thou a mourner? ROUSE THEE FROM THY SPELL!
Art thou a sinner? Sins may be forgiven;

Each morning gives thee wings to flee from Hell, each night a star
to guide thy feet to Heaven. (Judge Malone)



THANK YOU!

To Our Friends in Toastmasters International:—

Your recognition of our thirtieth milestone of married life at the San Diego convention was most gracious and kindly. It was just what might have been expected of such a friendly group, but so carefully concealed were the plans that it came as a complete surprise to us and our pleasure was the greater. Heretofore our wedding anniversary always has been rather a private family affair. Your celebration was by far the most elaborate observance the occasion has had. We found it delightful to receive the greetings and congratulations of so many good friends.

Through all these years of service we have learned that the most enduring values in life are the friendships we have made, and we are happy in the knowledge that our circle of friends has been so greatly enlarged through the Toastmasters Clubs.

The gift which you presented will be cherished among the family treasures, but much more shall we cherish the thought of that spirit which prompted the gift and the good words.

Ralph and Frances Smedley.



The Toastmaster takes no credit for club news in this issue. With the exception of abscissions to prevent repetitions and conserve space, each has been printed as submitted. Correspondents have complained of editing in this office. Reader reaction is sought to the above. The board of directors wish to formulate an editorial policy. Send in your suggestions to Olin Price, and indicate a preference as to whether or not you believe editing is necessary.

A reader has written commenting on Progressive Club's remark "Our swaddling clothes have been donated to Whittier." He suggests an actual bundle of baby clothes be prepared, given to the youngest club, and by them passed on to each new club as a custom. At Santa Ana the American Legion has an old cannon which is passed around when new babies arrive. The reader remarks he saw it last on the lawn of our toastmaster Edward Lee Russell.

Seattle No. 1 has a member named Tongue and one named Godsave. Perhaps a speech could be made on the subject "God-save-Tongue."

Another reader suggests less club news and more space for discussions of speech technique, lists of speech topics, how to outline speeches, reference lists, a page on jokes selected for application and use of speakers, articles on the use of books for speakers.

Suggestions as to our high school public speaking contest come in from time to time. Recently one chap urged the finals be impromptu by assigning a general theme and at the finals assign a specific phase of this theme one hour before the contest. Certainly this would prevent memorization and bring out real thought.

Different clubs have different problems usually mentioned in their news items. Readers can help by writing suggestions to such clubs. Or send your comments to the editor. In this issue Tucson queries about the speaking contest and timing of programs. Help your fellow members by sharing your knowledge.

With the help of all clubs the Christmas number will be the best issue yet. We plan to run a story of the federation since its inception in the mind of Clark Chamberlain, together with a history of each member club.

Deadline for copy is DECEMBER TENTH. Remember—copy not received on or before that day will be omitted. Mark your calendar now. Start writing your history and send it in to reach this office before the deadline.

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1. **TO PROMOTE** the growth and establishment of Toastmasters Clubs throughout the world.
2. **TO SPONSOR** the publication of THE TOASTMASTER, official organ of our Federation, and disseminator of the latest and best ideas on toastmastering.
3. **TO PROVIDE** literature and other assistance to make possible the establishment of Toastmasters Clubs.
4. **TO PROTECT** the name Toastmasters Club in order to confine its use to clubs conforming to the standards and regulations established by the majority group through Toastmasters International.
5. **TO STANDARDIZE** and maintain as nearly uniform as practical the procedure and ideals of Toastmasters Clubs.
6. **TO UPHOLD** before all the latest and best principles of public speaking and related conduct and procedure.
7. **TO ACT** as a medium of exchange tending toward the improvement of Toastmastering.
8. **TO ASSIST** individual clubs in solving and overcoming problems and difficulties which may arise in the organization and functioning of such clubs.
9. **TO PROMOTE** friendship among Toastmasters Clubs and Toastmasters.
10. **TO SPONSOR** friendly competition in public speaking among the member clubs of Toastmasters International.
11. **TO SPONSOR** contests in public speaking among organizations outside the Toastmasters Clubs, such as the High School Public Speaking Contest.
12. **TO PROMOTE** the technique of tactfully giving and gracefully taking criticism and profiting thereby.
13. **TO MAKE** the name Toastmaster a mark of distinction and of recognized ability in public speaking.
14. **TO ESTABLISH** the place of the Toastmasters Club in the life and work of the community.
15. **TO PROMOTE** a friendly, mutually helpful liaison between Toastmasters International and the Young Men's Christian Association.