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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL



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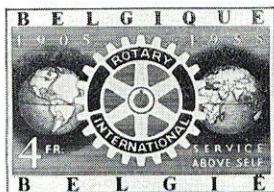
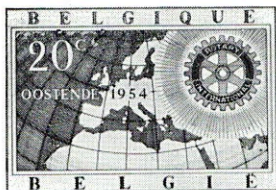
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COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS

A set of three special stamps without surcharge, illustrated above, will be issued by the Belgian Postal Administration on 10 September, 1954, on the occasion of the Regional Conference in Ostend, and in honor of the Golden Anniversary of Rotary. These stamps will be on sale at a special post office in the foyer of the Kursaal beginning 10 September, and at a special post office in Bruges on Monday September 13.

Membership Statistics ENAEM Region

On 1 July 1954 there were 1763 Rotary Clubs with 72.411 members in the ENAEM region. Of these, 764 Rotary Clubs with 34.760 Rotarians were included in the 19 districts comprising Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland. The remaining 999 clubs with 37.651 Rotarians were in the CENAEM region which includes 25 districts and a few clubs that are not in districts.

THE ENAEMAC

The ENAEMAC is a committee set up by the board of directors of Rotary International for the purpose of studying the problems of Rotary policy and procedure in the ENAEM region and making recommendations thereon to the board. On this committee there are during the current Rotary year 30 members, including one representative from each district in the CENAEM region, one representative from Great Britain and Ireland and one representative from each country which is not in a district but which has an administrative adviser. The ENAEMAC meets once each year and its meetings are also attended by the directors of R.I. resident in the ENAEM region.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Registration.

Each Rotarian, member of his family, or guest attending the conference must register and receive a badge in order to be admitted to sessions and entertainment events.

All those who are 16 years of age or over must pay a registration fee of B. Fr. 500. There is no charge for children under 16 years of age.

The badge will be required for admittance to the Kursaal and to all conference events. It should be worn at all times.

Registration will take place in the foyer of the Kursaal.

Tickets for Bruges dinner.

At the time of registration tickets may be purchased for the dinner at Bruges on Monday evening, 13 September. The price is B. Fr. 140 per person. Transportation to and from Bruges will be provided without charge to all those registered for the conference.

Information.

A bureau is located in the foyer of the Kursaal, where one can obtain information about the conference and the City of Ostend. Also available at this information bureau are the names of those registered for the conference, and their addresses in Ostend.

Housing bureau.

All matters concerning hotel reservations should be discussed with the hotel committee, which maintains a housing bureau in the foyer of the Kursaal.

Conference Headquarters.

The offices of the President of R. I., the Regional Conference Committee, the Host Club, the Conference

Sergeant-at-Arms, the Conference Secretary and the Conference Manager are located in the Salle des Expositions in the Kursaal.

House of Friendship.

An attractive lounge is established in the reading room of the Kursaal, to serve as the House of Friendship for the conference. As a special feature there are exhibits of each of the provinces of Belgium, the Belgian Congo and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. Floral decorations are provided by the « Floralties Gantoises » with the cooperation of the Rotary Club of Ghent.

Travel bureau.

Wagons-Lits Cook Travel Agency and *Sabena Airlines* have representatives in the foyer of the Kursaal to provide travel information.

Commemorative stamps - Post Office.

The Belgian Government has issued three commemorative stamps on the occasion of the Regional Conference and the Golden Anniversary of Rotary. These stamps will be placed on sale beginning 10 September, at 0.20, 0.80, 4 frs.

A special post office is located in the foyer of the Kursaal, for the sale of these stamps.

Mail sent at this conference post office will be marked with a special cancellation reading: **ROTARY INTERNATIONAL - CONFERENCE REGIONALE - OSTENDE.**

A second temporary post office, using the special cancellation, will be in operation at the House of Friendship in Bruges on Monday, 13 September.

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The Conference Badge will provide admittance to all Conference sessions and entertainment features, except the dinner at Bruges, for which a ticket is required in addition.

Ladies are invited to attend plenary sessions.

Thursday September 9.

Registration will take place in the foyer of the Kursaal, from 9.00 to 12.00 and 14.00 to 19.00.

18.00 Meeting of Conference Assistant Sergeants-at-Arms, La Renommée, 97 Boulevard Van Iseghem.

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Friday September 10.

Registration will take place in the foyer of the Kursaal, from 8.00 to 21.30

10.45 OPENING SESSION (First Plenary Session)
Kursaal, Salle de Concerts.

Music

Call to order

by Pierre Yvert, Chairman of the Conference, Amiens, France.

Announcements.

Adresses of Welcome

by François Van Caillie, Chairman, Host Club Executive Committee, Ostend, Belgium, and by Minister Van Glabbeke, Burgomaster of the City of Ostend.

Response

by C.P.H. Teenstra, Chairman, European, North African and Eastern Mediterranean Advisory Committee, Hilversum, The Netherlands.

Friday, September 19 (cont'd).

Adoption of programme.

Introduction

of Past and Present General Officers of Rotary International.

Musical Interlude.

OFFICIAL INAUGURATION OF THE CONFERENCE

La Brabançonne.

Music during the opening Session provided by the Harmonie Royale Communale d'Ostende.

15.15 Second plenary session.

Kursaal, Salle de Concerts.

Presiding: Conrad Bonnevie-Svendsen, Member, Regional Conference Committee, Oslo, Norway.

Music

Call to Order

Announcements.

The Chicago Convention (1955)

by Gian Paolo Lang, First Vice-President of R.I. Livorno, Italy.

Rotary at the Club Level During the Golden Anniversary Year

by Edward H. Birchall, President, R.I.B.I., Oxford, England.

ROTARY IN DAILY LIFE

by J. Harold B. Young, Past Director, R.I., Canterbury, England.

Musical Interlude

LE ROTARY DANS LA VIE QUOTIDIENNE

by André Pons, Past District Governor, R.I., Mazamet, France.

Concluding Remarks,

by Presiding Officer.

Recess.

Note — Translations of condensed versions of the addresses of Harold Young (in German and French) and André Pons (in German and English) will be available at the beginning of the session.

Friday, September 10 (cont'd).

17.45 Meeting of Leaders of Discussion Assemblies
English Language, at Salon de Thé, Kursaal.

Chairman : Arthur Mortimer, Past Director, R.I., St.Pancras,
England.

French and German Languages, at La Renommée, 97
Boulevard Van Iseghem.

Chairman : Emile Deckers, Past Director, R.I., Antwerp,
Belgium. (Above meetings are *only* for Chairmen and
Vice-Chairmen of discussion assemblies.)

20.45 Gala Concert

Kursaal, Salle de Concerts.

The Orchestra of the I.N.R., conducted by Edgard
Doneux.

Soloists : Elisabeth SCHWARZKOPF
Gioconda de VITO
Arthur GRUMIAUX

Informal.

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Saturday September 11.

9.30 Group Assemblies for Informal Discussion.

Theme : « Rotary in Daily Life ».

Fourteen assemblies are scheduled to provide an opportunity
for Rotarians from different countries to gather together for
informal discussion. These will be conducted in English,
French and German.

For a list of these assemblies, leaders and meeting places,
see pages 15 to 17.

Saturday, September 11 (cont'd).

14.45 Third Plenary Session
Kursaal, Salle de Concerts.

Presiding : Pierre Yvert, Chairman of the Conference, Amiens, France and A.E.C. de Groot van Embden, Member, Regional Conference Committee, Haarlem, The Netherlands.

Music

Call to Order

MAN IN THE AGE OF SCIENCE.

by Jean Rey, Minister of Economics, Brussels, Belgium.

Note — Translations of condensed versions of the address of Minister Jean Rey (in German and English) will be available at the beginning of the session.)

Musical Interlude

PANEL DISCUSSION

on the subject *What Can Rotary in Europe Do Towards the Advancement of International Understanding, Good Will and Peace?*

Moderator : A.E.C. de Groot van Embden, Member, Regional Conference Committee, Haarlem, The Netherlands.

Panel : Augustin J. Catoni, Member-at-Large, ENAEMAC, Beyrouth, Lebanon.

Alphonse Fiévez, Director, R.I., Soignies, Belgium.

Heikki H. Herlin, Member, Regional Conference Committee, Kallio-Berghäll, Suomi-Finland.

Gian Paolo Lang, 1st Vice-President, R.I., Livorno,» Italy.

Arthur Mortimer, Member, Regional Conference Committee, St. Pancras, England.

Curt E. Wild, Member, Regional Conference Committee, St. Gallen Switzerland.

Recess.

16.30 Tea and Fashion Show for the Ladies.

Kursaal, Salle des Ambassadeurs.

Saturday, September 11 (cont'd).

21.30 Conference Ball.

With the orchestras of Raymond Legrand and The Skyliners.

Kursaal, Salle de Concerts and Salle des Ambassadeurs
(Evening dress recommended.)

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Sunday September 12.

16.30 Fourth Plenary Session.

Kursaal, Salle de Concerts,

Concert of Military Music.

From Belgium : Musique de la Force Navale conducted
by Lieutenant J. Hanniken.

From Luxembourg : Musique Militaire Luxembourgeoise,
conducted by Lt Colonel Albrecht.

From The Netherlands : Muziekkapel van de Konink-
lijke Marine, conducted by G. Nieuwland.

ROTARY'S GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY,

by Herbert J. Taylor, President of Rotary International,
Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

Note — Translation of a condensed version of the
address of President Taylor (in German and French)
will be available at the beginning of the session.

20.30 Fireworks on the Beach, provided by the City of Ostend.

21.15 Grand Ballet du MARQUIS DE CUEVAS

with Marjorie Tellchief, George Skibine, Serge Golovine,
Jacqueline Moreau, Wladimir Skouratoff, Ana Ricarda,
Denise Bourgeois, Genia Menilchenko.

Orchestra directed by André Girard.

Ballet Mistress : Bronislava Nijinska.

Evening dress recommended.

Monday September 13.

9.15 Final Session (Fifth Plenary Session)

Kursaal, Salle de Concerts,

Presiding : Curt E. Wild, Member, Regional Conference Committee, St. Gallen, Switzerland, and Pierre Yvert, Chairman of the Conference, Amiens, France.

Music

Call to Order

Announcements.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

Curt E. Wild will preside at a discussion by three former Rotary Foundation Fellows : Hans Blauwkuip, Ouwkerk, The Netherlands ; Paul Deneef, Louvain, Belgium ; Friedrich W. Janssen, Aachen, Germany.

Musical Interlude

Results of Group Discussion Assemblies

Report presented by Emile Deckers, Past Director of R.I., Antwerp, Belgium, and Arthur Mortimer, Past Director of R.I., St Pancras, England.

Report

by Stamp W. Wortley, 2nd Vice-President of R.I. and Chairman of the Resolutions Committee for the Conference, on the Recommendations which will be presented (see page 14). Vote on these Recommendations.

Address

by Jean Dehondt, Ostend, Belgium, Governor, 68th (Host) District, Ostend, Belgium.

Introduction

of Host Club Executive Committee by Joseph Hungs, President, The Rotary Club, Ostend, Belgium.

Introduction

of Regional Conference Committee and Others by Herbert J. Taylor, President of Rotary International, Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A.

Closing Remarks

by Pierre Yvert, Chairman of the Conference, Amiens, France.

Adjournment.

Auld Lang Syne.

Monday, September 13 (cont'd).

14.00 Excursion to Bruges.

Buses will leave from the Kursaal.

Those with white tickets will leave at 14.00

Those with blue tickets — at 14.15

Those with pink tickets — at 14.30

Those traveling in their own automobile should go to the corner of King Albert Avenue and Begijnenvest near the new station in Bruges, where parking space will be provided between the Zand and the new station, along King Albert Avenue.

On arrival, members of the Rotary Club of Bruges will meet and escort groups on a walking tour of the beautiful historic buildings and along the old canals of the city. The tour will end at the Grand'Place, where a house of friendship has been established for the convenience of the visitors.

At 18.45 a dinner will be served in the magnificent atmosphere of the medieval rooms of Les Halles, especially decorated in the Bruges spirit. Admission to the dinner will be by ticket, purchased for B. Fr. 140 in Ostend at the time of registration. Those not staying for dinner may get buses at 18.30 p.m. at the House of Friendship, Grand'Place, for the return to Ostend.

At about 9 p.m., after the dinner, there will be a Carillon concert and a promenade along the old illuminated canals, and return to the buses and private cars for the trip to Ostend.

RESOLUTIONS

Article XVI, Section 5 of the R.I. by-laws provides that a regional conference may adopt resolutions as recommendations to the board of directors of R.I. The regional conference, however, is not a legislative body and cannot take action which shall be binding upon R.I. or upon any Rotary Club.

As part of the conference programme, recognition will be provided and appreciation expressed to the host club and others who prepared for the conference and served as hosts. The Regional Conference Committee therefore suggests that no resolutions of appreciation, or others of a courtesy nature, need be proposed.

Those desiring to present resolutions to the conference for consideration are requested to provide a copy of the proposed resolution to the conference secretary before 12.30 on Saturday 11 September.

Discussion and action on any proposed resolutions will take place at the Fifth Plenary Session on Monday 13 September.

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**GROUP ASSEMBLIES FOR
INFORMAL DISCUSSION**

Saturday, 11 September, 1954, at 9.30.

The group assemblies provide an opportunity for informal discussion by Rotarians from different clubs and countries. It is suggested that a Rotarian attend a meeting conducted in the language of his choice, selecting the assembly identified by the initial letter of the name of his Rotary Club.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Group E — 1 (Initials A-C)

Place : Kursaal, Salon de Thé.

Chairman : Elias Sandvig, Vice-Chairman, ENAEMAC
Kopervik, Norway.

Vice-Chairman : Norman Cooke, Past R.I. Representative
Dewsbury, York., England.

Group E — 2 (Initials D-G)

Place : La Renommée, 97, Boulevard Van Iseghem.

Chairman : Ernst G. Breitholtz, Governor, District 85,
Kalmar, Sweden.

Vice-Chairman : Edwin Robinson, Past Director, R.I.,
Tickhill nr Doncaster, England.

Group E — 3 (Initials H-K)

Place : Ostend Library, 66, Rue de Flandre

Chairman : Dr Yehia el Alaily, Past District Governor,
Cairo, Egypt.

Vice-Chairman : J.S. Selby, Past R.I. Representative,
Derby, England.

Group E — 4 (Initials L-N)

Place : Ostend Museum, 66, Rue de Flandre.

Chairman : Spencer J. Hollands, Immediate Past
President, R.I.B.I., Wallington, Surrey, England.

Vice-Chairman : Dr. Wolf Cegla, Past Administrative
Adviser, Tel Aviv, Israel.

Group E — 5 (Initials O-S)

Place : Ostend Museum, 66, Rue de Flandre.

Chairman : Percy Reay, Past Director, R.I., Manchester, England.

Vice-Chairman : A.W. Groote, Member, ENAEMAC, Hilversum, The Netherlands.

Group E — 6 (Initials T-Z)

Place : Literary Society, 40 Promenade Albert Ier.

Chairman : Stanley Leverton, Past President, R.I.B.I., London, England.

Vice-Chairman : Herbert Tillander, Past District Governor, Helsinki-Helsingfors, Suomi-Finland.

GERMAN LANGUAGE

Group G — 1 (Initials A-L)

Place : Lobby, West Side, Ground Floor, Medical Center, Palais des Thermes.

Chairman : Hans von Cossel, Governor, District 74, Düsseldorf, Germany.

Vice-Chairman : Dr Horst Kadelback, Hannover, Germany.

Group G — 2 (Initials M-Z)

Place : Lobby, East Side, Ground Floor, Medical Center, Palais des Thermes.

Chairman : Hans Elfgen, Köln-Braunsfeld, Germany.

Vice-Chairman : Max Wegenstein, Zürich, Switzerland.

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FRENCH LANGUAGE

Group N° F — 1 (Initials A-C)

Place : La Réserve, Hôtel du Palais des Thermes.

Chairman : Marcel Delplace, Past District Governor, Ille-et-Vilaine, France.

Vice-Chairman : John William Kinsmen, Past District Governor, Bellegarde-sur-Valserine, France.

Group N° F — 2 (Initials D-G)

Place : Rotunda Adjoining La Réserve, Hôtel du Palais des Thermes.

Chairman : Marcel Amoric, Past District Governor, Rouen, France.

Vice-Chairman : Dr. A. Salazar-Leite, Governor, District 65, Lisbon, Portugal.

Group N° F — 3 (Initials H-K)

Place : West Gallery, Palais des Thermes.

Chairman : Raymond - Julien Pagès, Past District Governor, Le Puy, France.

Vice-Chairman : Pierre Boulègue, Governor, District 69, Niort, France.

Group N° F — 4 (Initials L-N)

Place : East Rotunda, Palais des Thermes.

Chairman : Dr Jean Collette, Past District, Governor. Verviers, Belgium.

Vice-Chairman : Gérald E. Piaget, Governor, District 86, Val-de-Travers, Switzerland.

Group N° F — 5 (Initials O-S)

Place : East Gallery, Palais des Thermes.

Chairman : Jean Boissarie, Member ENAEMAC, Bordeaux, France.

Vice-Chairman : Marcel Schaub, Payerne, Switzerland.

Group N° F — 6 (Initials T-Z)

Place : Grande Salle de Repos, Medical Center, Palais des Thermes.

Chairman : Marcel Huyghe, Member ENAEMAC, Reims, France.

Vice-Chairman : Dr René Gauducheau, Past District Governor, Nantes, France.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

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2nd Vice-President : Stamp W. WORTLEY, Chelmsford, Essex,
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Regional Conference Committee

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Members : Conrad BONNEVIE-SVENDSEN, Oslo, Norway.

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Finland.

Aage E. JENSEN, Holbaeck, Denmark.

Arthur MORTIMER, St. Pancras, London, England.

Curt E. WILD, St. Gallen, Switzerland.

Host District Governor : Jean DEHONDT, Ostend, Belgium.
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HOST CLUB

President : Joseph HUNGS, Ostend, Belgium.

Host Club Executive Committee :

Chairman : François VAN CAILLIE.
1st Vice-Chairman : Robert ELLEBOUDT.
2nd Vice-Chairman : Charles HEILMAN.
Secretary : H.J. KAISERGRUBER.

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President : Mme Adolphe VAN GLABBEKE.
Vice-President : Mme Maurice QUAGHEBEUR.
Vice-President : Mme François VAN CAILLIE.

Committee Chairman :

Entertainment and

Decoration :

Finance :

Hotels :

House of Friendship :

Information :

Ladies Committee :

Medical Service :

Propaganda and Publicity :

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Charles HEILMAN

Gilbert NATAN

Maurice KITTEL

Maurice QUAGHEBEUR

Emile VANDENBOSSCHE

Henri WOUTERS

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ROTARY CLUB OF BRUGES

Organizing Committee : *President* : Jean Pesch.
Secretary : Marcel Vanlatum.

Sub-Committees :

House of Friendship : Raymond De Jaegher.

Reception and Tours : Joseph Louagie.
Vincent Dugardyn,

Decoration : Maurice De Meester,
Albert Goethals, Etienne Claeys.

Reception and dinner at Les Halles : Jean Pesch,
Marcel Vanlatum.

Secretariat for Coordination : Marcel Vanlatum.

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AULD LANG SYNE

Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And never bro't to mind ?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot,
And days of auld lang syne ?
For auld lang syne, my dear,
For auld lang syne.
We'll tak' a cup o' kindness yet
For auld lang syne.

CE N'EST QU'UN AU REVOIR

Faut-il nous quitter sans espoir,
sans espoir de retour ?
Faut-il nous quitter sans espoir
de nous revoir un jour ?
Ce n'est pas un adieu mes frèr's,
ce n'est qu'un au revoir !
Oui nous nous reverrons, mes frèr's,
ce n'est qu'un au revoir !

