

U. S. TOURISTS VIEW ST. BRENDAN TOMB

Many Relics in Kerr County Point to Presence of Famous Saint

DINGLE, Irish Free State--(AP)—American religious tourists are paying considerable attention to the historic remains of St. Brendan, the great Irish scholar and ecclesiastic of the fifth century.

St. Brendan is credited with having made the first European discovery of America. Brendan is supposed to have departed from this picturesque fishing village on the southwest coast of Ireland in three rowing vessels, each containing 20 men and three benches of oars. He made three voyages. After the first voyage, lasting five years he returned with marvelous stories of remote islands, icebergs, volcanoes and wondrous visions.

On his second voyage he visited a remote island inhabited by the sole surviving hermit of a company of 12, who directed the navigator to the "Land of Promise," known in Irish as Tir Tairngire. Brendan spent 40 days on the water and then sighted land. Another 40 days were spent in land explorations. Then he and his followers reached a great and impassable river, after which they retraced their steps.

Historians say that there is reason to believe that this strange land was America. The impassable river might have been the Mississippi. Maps and charts showing Brendan's island in the Atlantic have been in circulation throughout Europe since the tenth century.

Brendan made a third voyage, this time going to Britain and then to Palestine and Greece. His voyages are particularly remarkable in view of the fact that parts of his vessels were constructed from hides of animals.

There are many relics in Kerr County pointing to the presence of the saint. The highest mountain in the Dingle peninsula is named after him. He was born near Pean, about seven miles from Tralee.

ROTARY'S SPIRIT IN 40 COUNTRIES

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the cities, often making trips to Bruges, Zagarze, Ypres, Newport, etc.

In the afternoon we saw a wonderful historic pageant, singing, etc. The maritime pageant was an impressive and colorful picture of the history of Ostend. It required months of painstaking work to bring it into being, but it was well worth the effort. There were 34 floats, the last of which represented Rotary, symbolizing Peace and Union of all countries. The streets along which the parade passed were crowded to the limit.

Monday The Kursaal was packed, the song leader, Samuel Losh, got into action and we had a wonderful song service. We tackled many of the old songs and tried out some new such as "The More We Get Together the Happier We'll Be," etc.

Rotarian Walter Cline, chairman of the convention committee, suggested our paying respects to the "Omnipotent Being," that we rise and remain standing with bowed heads for a few moments; that each of us seek a blessing upon Rotary in general and especially upon the convention.

The Mayor of Ostend, Dr. Edouard Moreaux, welcomed us in French on behalf of the communal administration. He said: "Ostend is today doubly proud and happy, because in addition to our delight at the privilege of your official reception, we appreciate with equal enthusiasm the honor of 'hosting' this session of your deliberation."

Rotarian Albert Bouchery, president of the host club, voiced the greetings of the executive committee of the Ostend Committee and the Ostend club whose members have shown such zeal in collaborating in the organization of this world congress. He said: "I welcome the eminent people who represent Rotary International; its distinguished president, Harry Rogers, and his collaborators, the members of the Chicago bureau."

"I welcome the president and the committee members of R. I. B. I., the governors of the 64 districts and wit h them all the Rotarians who have come here from all parts of the globe. I also welcome the high civil and military dignitaries who have been good enough to accept the invitation of the executive committee and honor this occasion with their presence."

Dr. Edouard Willems of Brussels, as governor of host district, welcomed the visiting Rotarians and ladies. He said: "We all feel and deeply appreciate the immense amount of sacrifice demanded from you all for having come over to Ostend, and we especially thank the ladies

who have followed their Rotarian husbands.

"Well, you are in Europe. Where are you? Simply in your own country, because it is the country of your forefathers, and if we show you nothing else, well, you have as much right to it as we have."

"Yet me tell you what I told the continental Rotarians, and that is that everything in Rotary is for cordiality and friendship, and this convention must clearly show the meaning of this feeling. Already yesterday they were deeply struck by your singing, by your magnificent unity of soul, wrought in Rotary by mingling together, Rotarians from overseas, you have shown us much of the higher spirit of what Rotary really is."

Spanish Welcome

Dr. Florestan Aguilar, governor of the 60th district, responded to the address of welcome. The Doctor was one of the founders of the club in Madrid, Spain. He said:

"It has been said that our protection is in our fraternity and our armor is our faith."

"Men from New Zealand to Peru, from Cuba to Italy, from Spain to Canada, are here with a common ideal: to promote the principles of Rotary—honor and unselfishness. We are enjoying the pleasure of making friends, and friendship is love without its pains. You have received us in a brotherly way and given to this convention a ready and truly international character with the intelligent and successful preparation that you made for this meeting."

Rotarian Walter Cline announced the appointments on the various convention committees such as elections committee, resolutions committee and the credential committee.

Waker also gave us instructions as to behavior when the King arrived, and said: "You have not to restrain yourselves. If you care to applaud, you may do so, but please remember that whistling is not taken as we take it in America, and if you want to express yourselves, don't whistle. You will be expected to rise at the entrance of His Majesty and remain standing during his address, and please remain standing and orderly until he has passed out of this room into the luncheon room. I know you will show respect by remaining standing."

President's Address

From the address of President Harry H. Rogers: "One would hardly be human not to be moved by this demonstration. To have the good wishes and respect of so many fine Rotarians and their ladies is the greatest compensation life has to offer."

"Six years ago the convention was held in Edinburgh, Scotland, and when we realize the extent to which Rotary has grown since that time who dares to prophesy what the next few years have in store for us in the matter of extension, especially in Europe."

"At Edinburgh there were but 19 countries in Rotary with 975 clubs. At that time there were 35 clubs in the British Isles, Madrid had 12 members and Paris, France, 16. Today here are 40 countries in Rotary with 2595 clubs. Now there are 251 clubs in the British Isles and 72 clubs on the continent of Europe with some 2500 Rotarians. Suffice it to say that if Rotary shall grow on the continent during the next six years as it has in the British Isles during the past six, we shall all be happy."

At the close of the president's address he was presented with a gavel made of wood taken from the mantle in the Paul Harris home at Wallingford, Vermont.

In accepting the gift the president said he had been intimately associated with Paul Harris not only in Chicago but in Texas; that he had learned to appreciate him as a loving man, a real force, as well as the founder of Rotary. That he hoped he might have been with us today to deliver a message in person, but it was found impossible for him to come; but we are glad to have a message from him and it will now be read by our secretary.

From Rotary's Founder

Paul stressed the sixth object of Rotary and said: "Let us destroy the foe to understanding. The three generals in command of the destructive forces are Suspicion, Jealousy and Fear. Let us stimulate and encourage the constructive forces and place in their command the three greatest generals the world has ever known: Faith, Love and Courage."

"May we all, Christian, Jew, Mohammedan, Buddhist, Confucian, agnostic and infidel, stand for once shoulder to shoulder and humbly and reverently and hopefully repeat, 'On earth peace, goodwill toward men.'"

In Memoriam

Chester R. Perry, secretary, reported: "Representative of all our comrades who have gone from this life during the past year I mention one by name, Albert S. Adams, who once held the highest office in Rotary. No greater tribute could be paid any man than to say of him honestly and sincerely that he was a real, a true Rotarian."

"In affectionate memory of you and all other comrades who have gone before us, we stand silent—pledging ourselves to carry on as you would have us do." (Company stood, organ played.)

The King Comes

The anticipated arrival of King Albert, caused quite a commotion, and every one was on the alert to catch the first glimpse of him. The crowd grew a little impatient as the intervening moments passed. Eventually, at 11:20, His Majesty King Albert arrived at the Kursaal, accompanied by his royal escort.

He was met at the entrance of the Kursaal by the convention committee, who escorted him to the hall door, where he was met by President Rogers and escorted to the speaker's platform.

When His Majesty entered the door the entire assemblage arose to its feet and remained standing during the entire time he was in the convention hall. He was received with great applause.

President Rogers greeted the King in his usual affable manner and said that several months ago it seemed appropriate to the board of directors of Rotary International that an annual convention be held in the near future in some city not of the North American continent, and the decision was reached to hold the 1927 convention in some European city.

"Invitations were received from many European clubs asking the pleasure and privilege of entertaining the 1927 convention of Rotary International. One of them from the Rotary club of Ostend, it was quite natural, your Majesty, that this invitation should have been accepted for several reasons. Ostend has unexcelled facilities for the entertainment of Rotarians, not only during the season of the convention but in the hours devoted to recreation."

"Your Majesty is well aware of the fact that the sixth object of Rotary, in fact its ultimate goal, is 'the advancement of understanding, goodwill and international peace.' Your country has earned the goodwill of the world and has made a great and lasting contribution towards international peace. Your famous declaration that Belgium is a country and not a road, undoubtedly paved the way to a better understanding of each other on the part of the peoples of the world and did much to prove that right and not might should prevail in international relations."

King Albert's Address

The following is the address of welcome by Albert, King of the Belgians:

"Ladies and Gentlemen: I am deeply moved by your warm reception and by the heartfelt and eloquent speech of Mr. Harry Rogers, the devoted and distinguished president of Rotary International. Let me express to him my gratitude for the kind words he has addressed to me and especially for his friendliness towards my country, whose people and whose opinion I was glad to hear him praise in so cordial a manner."

"Belgium's ambition is to win the esteem and respect of other nations by her devotion to right, her love of justice, her grit and her sense of progress. It gives me a great pleasure to welcome today thousands of Rotarians from America, from Great Britain, from countries all over the world. The presence here of so many ladies and the keen interest they take in the matter, is a precious encouragement and will contribute to the success of this humanitarian campaign. We highly appreciate your coming to Belgium to hold your inspiring convention. Ostend is proud to receive you and will do her best to give you a lasting and agreeable remembrance of Belgian hospitality."

"Four thousand American citizens crossing the Atlantic—the Atlantic which your fellow countrymen, Lindbergh and Chamberlain, crossed in some thirty hours—is indeed an important event and proves the strength of Rotarian feeling and cooperative spirit. A Rotarian myself, as your president has kindly remembered—and I think I am alone in the classification to which I belong (laughter). I know how sound and trustworthy your movement is, and I am sincerely convinced of the increasing influence of your remarkable organization."

"The application of the golden rule to personal, business and community life, stimulates the development of that sense of citizenship so difficult and yet so imperatively essential to cultivate. A lively and active civic spirit is the root of all good governments. Rotarian principles are those that make good servants of the state and develop amongst members of a nation and of a society, true friendship—that great need of the world. To accept the sacrifice of self to one's neighbor, to accept the idea of ethics in trade and in profession, is to be well aware of the responsibilities of a modern citizen. Groups of individuals, working close together like you do for a common purpose, can accomplish wonders."

"The great Rotarian ideal, essentially a humanitarian ideal of brotherhood, may have an efficient application in the broad sphere of international friendship. Friendliness in international relations can be fostered by friendliness in international trade."

"When I see this large gathering of distinguished and patriotic men, I firmly believe in the brilliant success of the convention opening today. The achievements of the past have been encouraging, the results of the future

should be equally beneficial, and I confidently look forward to that future. I hereby declare the eighteenth convention open."

A luncheon was given to King Albert in the ambassadors' room at the Kursaal. This was attended by the officials of the Rotary International. The officials were later returning from luncheon and the party passed through the hall while singing was going on. Immediately Samuel Losh, our song leader, swung the audience into "For he's a jolly good fellow." It was a surprise to His Majesty and he seemed to enjoy it. He bowed and smiled in every direction as he slowly walked out of the assembly hall.

President Rogers then presented the board of Rotary International and the district governors, and just to show that he knew them he called them each by name. He then proceeded, and the quickness with which he called their names showed the intimate acquaintance he enjoyed with his official family.

What Rotary Means

Donald A. Adams addressed the assemblage on the topic, "What Does Rotary Mean?"

"Among other things he said: 'Rotary is very simple, but the simplest things are often the hardest to explain. One of the principal messages which Rotary is bringing to us is that of the responsibility of the individual and the essential oneness of life. And the main purpose of a Rotary club is, I believe, the development of the individual. Rotary is bringing us a message as to how we can individually play our part in making the world a better place in which to live.'"

I. B. Sutton delivered an address in the Spanish language. "What does Rotary International mean?" To work actively in all branches of human knowledge in all countries of the world so that in giving way to coming generations civilization will have been advanced as far as is humanly possible, through the development of goodwill and true international friendship, by a group of men whose motto is, 'He profits most who serves best.'"

This concluded the meeting for the afternoon and in the evening a reception was given by the burgomaster at the town hall. Tuesday morning the session opened at 9:30. Rotarian Chas. L. Pillsbury presented an illuminated parchment as an expression of the appreciation of the Minneapolis club for the acceptance of its invitation for the 1928 Rotary convention to meet in their city.

At this time a request for nominations of officers was made, after which they were duly seconded and were finally voted upon. Sir John Pratt gave a very interesting talk on "What does international mean?"

He said: "I happen to be a Scotchman. Now, sirs, the Scots have many virtues, and most of the virtues belong to the Scotchman. He has about nine-tenths per cent of them, or perhaps more, but there is one virtue the Scotchman has not—he has not the virtue of eloquence. Americans are all orators, and the Welshmen above all are orators. But the Scotchman is a strong, silent man—phlegmatic, dour, taciturn; is as economical with his words as he is generous with his money—so therefore you will receive me on this occasion with that quiet and unexpected reserve of which I stand in need."

One outstanding address was given by T. C. Thomsen on the topic, "What can Rotary do for Europe?"

"From repeated experience we do know that the seed of Rotary is vigorous, is full of latent power and vitality, and that no matter what the mental climate or soil is like, Rotary will sooner or later take root, will grow up and blossom in every European country as it has done elsewhere."

"In some countries Rotary will spread quickly; in others the growth will be slow like that of the acorn into the oak tree; all according to the character of the people."

"It is hard for some of the Europeans to catch the real spirit of Rotary. It is hard to break down the barriers of formality and dignity, but we feel that all who attended this wonderful gathering got much food for thought out of the addresses given by Rotarians from all over the world."

Work in Holland

"The extension of Rotary in Europe," by J. A. E. Verkade, Holland, was next.

He told of his first visit to a friend in Indiana who was a Rotarian who took him to Rotary luncheon, and how he caught the spirit of good fellowship, and his visit to the head office in Chicago to learn more about Rotary. He was so impressed with the spirit of Rotary that upon his return he was convinced that now was the time to start Rotary in Holland. But what a distinction! Nobody understood his enthusiasm; here was one of the American fans, they said, absolutely not suited to the continental mentality. "After a while I gave it up as a bad job. The first European convention at Edinburgh in 1921 gave such a tremendous impetus to Rotary in the British Isles, after which Chas. Perry visited Amsterdam and called on the Hollanders who lived in America several years and who had been members of Rotary clubs, one in a Texas city and the

other at Fort Smith. Chas. advised these men to start informal lunches and to add to the number gradually. After nearly a year the first club in Holland was inaugurated, in November, 1922. This club was the third club on the European continent; the first was at Madrid and the second in Paris.

"We are in Europe at present in a most precarious position. The horrible ordeal we have gone through some years back has sown distrust, ill feeling, jealousy, even hatred. It is a hard job to overcome this seeming discord, caused by so-called conflicting interests. Walls of tariff increase the difficulties, and the cry of Britain for the British, France for the Frenchman, Holland for the Dutchman, etc., separates us more and more. The peoples of European countries know at the bottom of their hearts that we cannot do without each other, that these cries are false; that none of us are self contained and that only a peaceful intercourse of men, of commerce, and the exchange of what is discovered in science and art, can help us out of the mire into which we seem to be sinking. Rotary can do much to prepare the ground for future development. Rotary is awakening into every well meaning man the feeling that he wants the other man to have his share as well. Rotary, practiced in daily life, by an ever greater number of business and professional men, will help to build willing material to tackle the removal of obstacles which now obscure the view."

On Tuesday afternoon there was an equestrian show at the Hippodrome, and a tea for the ladies of the convention at the Kursaal. The evening was given over to sectional dinners, concerts and dances in the Kursaal.

World Wide Sweep

At the Wednesday morning session, the credentials committee reported as follows:

Number of clubs represented in person, 1332. Represented by proxy, 977. Total vote, 3164. Number of clubs at this time, 2615. Clubs represented, 2283 or 89 per cent. Clubs 100 per cent represented, 21.

Canada has 86 clubs; number represented, 62. Great Britain and Ireland have 251 clubs; represented, 237. U. S. has 2064 clubs, with 1848 clubs represented.

Italy's Means

Piero Pirelli of Milan, Italy, spoke on "Community Service." He said: "I trust that after this meeting of ours, through the exchange of visits between Rotarians of different countries to which the post convention tours will give occasion, each one of us will strive to see as much as possible what others are doing in other countries in the field of community service and bring home experiences, ideas and suggestions for a more efficient development of the great Rotary ideal which is in our hearts."

"This is an international meeting. I have spoken in Italian. I do not think it possible or perhaps advisable, that Rotary should have some day a common language, but we can all understand each other from this common spirit, and make an effort to understand each the other fellow's language."

A Frenchman Speaks

Prof. Claude Gilij of Nice, France, spoke on "What contribution can Europe make to Rotary?"

"A few years ago Europe was rich. By its labor and thrift, and its spirit of research, it had accumulated enormous resources. The national currencies of most of the large countries of Europe were on a gold parity basis. The smaller countries and those less favored with natural resources were enriched by the others, and if the Rotary spirit had animated all of them the eleventh principle of the code of ethics would have been close to realization, thus dedicating our sixth object."

The credentials committee further advised that the attendance percentage of clubs represented is 89.1, while the attendance in Denver last year was 88.5; that the committee considers this to be a real achievement. Moreover only three of the forty countries in Rotary are not represented here.

At this time Walter Cline, chairman of the convention committee, took charge of the meeting.

Sydney Nascall, London, said Harry Rogers was growing bigger and bigger in the affections of the British and it took the largest piece of photographic paper in the

through its rules and regulations."

His closing remarks were as follows: "The Rotary way of living squares with the fundamental instincts of man. Rotary, the institution, through its rules and regulations, tries to keep ever fertile the warm soil of fellowship, so that men may become friendly with one another. To have acquired the habit of self discipline and mutual forbearance is to have made a great conquest. Conquest develops the stature of men, and the greatest is he who has conquered self. To be happy, then, is to live and to serve. And so Rotary."

After the morning session the club secretaries' luncheon followed. In the afternoon there was a military equestrian show at the Hippodrome and at night a concert at the Kursaal. The president's ball followed immediately after the concert.

Thursday morning, after the usual song service, the president spoke of the sudden death of Rotarian Johan Basberg, president of the Oslo club, and appointed the continental governors as a committee to present a floral tribute.

Londoner Speaks

Sydney Pascall of London gave an address on "Vocational Service." "We believe firstly that the doctrine of service above self applies to a man's vocation and that there is not a higher standard of business than of personal honor. Every man, whether he be of this religion, or that religion, every Rotarian has some guiding creed or some guiding principle. If you do not carry out your creed in your vocation you are false to your creed. Secondly, that Rotarians have a call to higher standards of practice in their own business, in their trade and trade associations, and in the business world as a whole, in entire supplement to the work of chambers of commerce and government regulations."

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"We believe that humanity's supreme interest and purpose is humanity, and that man's best endeavor should be spent for man. And we are the more confident of the truth of this gospel because it has a scientific basis in the fact that all animal beings struggle not for themselves, but for others. The birds build their nests not for themselves but for the birds of the future. The lion roars, not for himself but for the lions that are yet to be. In Japan we are endeavoring to 'play the game' as a civilized nation, eager to learn, ardent to love, keen to play our part in civilization's perfect purposes."

Cowboys No Longer Roll 'Em

SAN ANGELO, Tex.—Newspaper advertising has resulted in the abandonment of one of the cowboy's oldest customs—rolling his own cigarettes. The boys who chase the steers and calves over the range no longer stop to manufacture their smokes, but reach for the "tallormades."

President's Reply

President Harry Rogers: "Fellow Rotarians, I could not sit by and receive these many, many courtesies at your hands without saying one additional word. I have had the great ideal before me, and as I go back to my own people, to my old home, I am hoping that because of the little service I have been able to render, they may truthfully say of me

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world to express how great their affection is. He presented a large bust photo tour and a third time life size."

Walter Kingsbury of Dallas, Texas, representing three districts in Texas and as an expression of love and esteem of the Rotarians of the three districts presented several bound volumes containing over three thousand letters written by his friends in Texas with the hope that they may be an inspiration to you as your Rotary work has been to your Texas friends."

Rotarian W. C. Edwards of Texas made a presentation speech and said: "President Harry, as a man, as a citizen, as a Rotarian you have done an outstanding service, not only to Rotary but to the whole world. I think in the life of every great man there has been an inspiration, and, as the French say, 'Look for the woman.' Where is she? Where is the wife?"

"Rotarians of all countries have great respect for you, and we have to inform you that a handsome silver service is awaiting you in New York." Walter Cline further explained that the silver service has been purchased and is awaiting President Harry and has wife in New York and there was a surplus of \$2000, which is represented by the bit of paper Governor Bill handed to President Harry.

Presentation was also made to President Harry by the Rotary club of Carlsbad of a piece of porcelain as an expression of their esteem.

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that I have tried to do something in the world. "I am deeply indebted to you, and I shall never forget the many courtesies which you have extended to me. As you know, money is not the thing that means most to me. I have come from rather abject, poverty somewhat up the ladder of success and I am wondering what you would think this morning if I wanted to take the money which you have given me and place one-half of it in the hands of the King of this country for the boys' work which is being conducted in Ostend, and the other half into the endowment fund, which has been created by virtue of a resolution adopted here, as an example of what Rotarians may do to provide a fund for use in the future."

Rotarian Raymond Knoepfel, New York: "In order that I may attend to my own duties and then help the others I will proceed with the first presentation on behalf of the Rotary club of New York. For a period of about ten years, it has been the practice of the Rotary club of New York to present an American flag to Rotary clubs in countries other than the United States. At the very beginning it was our idea that we should present the American flag to all the Rotary clubs in all countries other than the United States, but four or five years ago the clubs came so fast and furious that we found we would have to discontinue these presentations, otherwise we would have to go without lunches on Thursday. At the present time we have presented 139 American flags to all but 12 nations represented in Rotary. It is my purpose at the present time to present flags to the following clubs: Vienna, Austria; Santiago, Chile; Prague, Czechoslovakia; Guatemala City, Guatemala; Budapest, Hungary; Lisbon, Portugal; Stockholm, Sweden; Caracas, Venezuela; Bogota, Colombia; Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland; San Jose, Costa Rica; San Salvador, Salvador."

"With the twelve cities I have just announced they now include the entire forty nations of Rotary. In presenting these flags to you, our new Rotary friends—and I believe that most of these twelve cities in these twelve nations have come into Rotary the past year—we present these flags to you as the gift of the Rotary club of New York, but in the folds of these flags are the hearts of the Rotarians of every Rotary club in our country."

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