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Dear Dan,

Thanks for the info on Meachum. I'm keeping a few of the letters and his more recent columns to address before long. Except for the letters I'll stick to what he writes. As of now I'm going to use the "feud" letter as the peg.

I don't want to address him too often and I do want to give him ample time to respond, which I doubt he'll ever do. At least not directly. And I've clobbered a few of his proxies, so I don't expect much from them now.

Besides, George pays him but not me!

You ask, with regard to his Rotary bio, can I believe much of it. I think part is accurate and part at least exaggerated. He also lays it on a bit, for example, in saying he "worked for NBC." This is true only in the sense that NBC owns WRC-TV, the corporation for which he actually worked. I recall as a half assed critic.

When he says that his "commentaries" have appeared in several papers, that can mean no more than that they picked them up, as all papers do, from the local papers. He may, of course, have written an occasional piece for them. That is as uncommon as it is meaningless. All writers who want to do it.

As for his alleged career as an "executive," remember that the guy in charge of the crews that clean floors is an executive. I doubt he ever had any significant job with significant executive responsibilities. He's a shallow man, an intellectual light-weight.

As for being "an overseas correspondent," that also means no more than that when he was overseas he made occasional contributions in some instances. He could have been staff. I don't know.

I get the Baltimore Sun from the time Orioles spring training begins until after the season ends and I've never seen anything by him in it.

And I don't think he is a closet winter soldier.

Thanks and best wishes,

Harold

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Editor - John Fieseler

PROGRAM - December 9SPEAKER: Roy MeachumSUBJECT: Conflicts of Interest*Staff - Can you believe it? Don D.*

Roy Meachum's career as a journalist began on the Washington Post; his first assignment was on the team covering Eisenhower's first inauguration. In the years since, he has been an overseas correspondent for the Washington Star, the Philadelphia Bulletin and other newspapers. As a television commentator and reporter, Meachum worked for NBC, Metromedia and Washington TV-9, where he also worked on special assignment for CBS in Rome. He has also produced and written a number of film/videotape documentaries, including a long stint in the Middle East.

Since beginning his News-Post column three years ago, at Thanksgiving, Meachum has produced a number of special programs on politics and community affairs for Frederick Cablevision. In addition, during the last year, his commentaries have appeared in the Atlanta Constitution, the Detroit Free-Press, the Boston Globe and the New York Times. He has been a frequent contributor to the Baltimore Sun, which has reprinted Meachum's columns from the Frederick newspapers. Besides working as a journalist, he has been an executive with the Washington Post Company, the Hearst Corporation and national magazines. Roy and Sharon Meachum moved to Frederick almost five years ago.

Invocation: Carolyn Barranca. Introduction: Ed Mull.Thanker: Fred Maurhoff. Greeter: Ken Fowler. 50/50:Fred Price, Head Table: Ed Mull, Roy Meachum, Dave Clark, Fred Maurhoff, Carolyn Barranca, Ken Fowler.PROGRAM - December 16SPEAKERS: Lou Markwith and Donald PettingillSUBJECT: What It's Like To Be Deaf

Born in Richmond, Virginia Louis M. Markwith was educated in Richmond area public schools. He graduated from

the University of Richmond in 1967 and received his MBA in 1979. Mr. Markwith served two years in the U.S. Army. He was Executive Vice President of a local mens' wear operation in Richmond, 1971-1974. His fund raising career began at the University of Richmond in 1974 as Alumni Director and Director of Special Resources. He has served as Director of Development for Memphis State University, 1979; Executive Director, University of Georgia Foundation, 1980; and as Vice President at Gallaudet in 1980. Mr. Markwith became a Rotarian as a charter member of the Bon Air/South Richmond Club in 1978, followed by the Memphis Rotary Club, 1979-80; Atlanta Rotary Club, 1981-85; Washington Rotary Club in 1986.

Born in Idaho, Don G. Pettingill lost his hearing at age 5 and attended elementary and high school at the Idaho School for the Deaf. He owned and operated a printing business in Lewiston, Idaho for 16 years. Mr. Pettingill became a Vocational Rehabilitation Specialist in the early sixties and worked in Indiana, Texas and Washington State. He came to Gallaudet in 1970 as the work-study coordinator for the Model Secondary School for five years. A former President and Board Member of the National Association of the Deaf, Mr. Pettingill was on loan to the White House Conference on Handicapped Individuals for one year, 1976. He has served as Program Officer for Adult Continuing Education for seven years. He graduated from Gallaudet with a BA in 1976 and joined University Relations as a Special Assistant to the Vice President in 1985.

Invocation: George Chapin. Introduction: David Denton. Thanker: Chuck Burt. Greeter: Bill Warner. 50/50: Dick Clendenin. Head Table: David Denton, Lou Markwith, Don Pettingill, Dave Clark, Chuck Burt, George Chapin, Bill Warner.

MAKEUPS: Lots of local makeups by members who are good at keeping their attendance up: Fredericktowne: Carolyn Barranca, Bill Barnes, Stan Bennett (2), Dean Boyle, Bob Everett, Carl Gaites, Bob Gearinger, J. Paul Langley, Jim Latimer (2), and Ken McCombs. Brunswick: Tommy Dorsey and Carl Gaites. Long Meadow: Al Boyer. Hagerstown: Jim Goheen. Silver Spring: Rand Weinberg. Fairmont, WV: Wayne Neely. There were a few a little further from home: Aspen, Colorado: Ken Coffey. Arlington Sunrise, Texas: Dave Adamiak. Naples North, Florida: Keith Foster.



WE'RE HAVING A BALL: Mark your brand new calendar with this date. Our annual President's Ball is scheduled for the evening of January 23, 1988. This black tie affair at the Sheraton features a buffet dinner, cash bar and dancing (not cash dancing, just cash bar). The cost is fifty dollars per couple. You'll be hearing more about this over the next few weeks, or you can contact Keith Foster or John Auchenbach.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: "It is the responsibility of every Rotarian to propose new members. Someone shared Rotary with you; now it is your turn to share Rotary with others."

THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS: This year's United Way campaign was once again chock full of Rotarians, including United Way President Jim Latimer and Campaign Chairman Dave Denton. As the total for the year nears the million dollar mark, we thank those Rotarians who put their efforts and money to work the United Way!

PERSONAL THANKS: Your editor would like to thank this club for the nomination to the Jaycee's Outstanding Young Marylander program. There was some pretty stiff competition including Rotarian Rocky Mackintosh and Jack Ottinger's wife Linda. Congratulations to the winner Scott Noon. Our club includes past nominees and winners, and I understand they have very fond memories of that time...especially the part about being considered young. Seriously, thank you for the honor!

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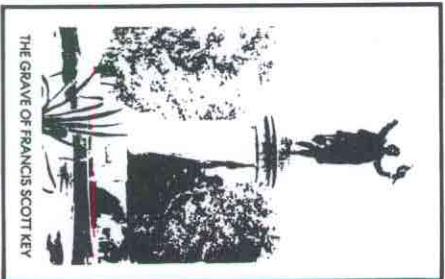
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