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TEN LITTLE MOTORISTS

(Choose your number)

Ten Little Motorists, driving in a line;

One tried to pass the rest—then there were nine.

Nine Little Motorists, sadly I relate;

One passed a traffic stop—then there were eight.

Eight Little Motorists, young and very deft;

One tried to show such skill—seven then were left.

Seven Little Motorists, touring in the stix;

One failed to dim his lights—then there were six.

Six Little Motorists, very much alive;

One did not see a train—then there were five.

Five Little Motorists, driving in the rain;

One skidded on a curve—four now remain.

Four Little Motorists, coming from a tea;

One faced about to chat—then

there were three.

Three Little Motorists, this is sad but true;

One slumbered from fatigue—then there were two.

Two Little Motorists, racing just for fun;

One passed upon a crest—then there was one.

One Little Motorist, though it's seldom done;

Lit a match to gauge his tank—now there are none.



Holidays coming on the regular meeting days certainly play havoc with the attendance but it is at the same time gratifying to note how many members take advantage of their opportunity to visit other clubs; in the division for make-up attendance.

This past week, with the Fourth of July falling on the regular date, calls for members to visit other clubs and several visited the Ocean Beach



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Club and found a royal welcome there as did others who visited other clubs.

Be sure and turn in your attendance tickets to the secretary at the next meeting so that you can have credit for your attendance at these meetings.



BRIEF CHRONICLE

For years no wheel had turned in
Buttery's Mill

And idle water tumbled through
the race.

All summer long the pool lay wide
and still,

Town-folk had almost overlooked
the place.

Then came a spring when brooks
began to foam—

Never such rain The cattle nearly
swam

The lower pasture when they
plodded home—

And not a stone was left of
Buttery's dam!

Such happenings are less to marvel
at

Than cornstalks lifting tassels to
the sun

Or apple trees. But, somehow, after
that,

A small boy missed what was

forever gone—
The brown trout leaping and the
mill-pond, cool
To paddle in, when there was no
more school.

—Leslie Nelson Jennings.
(From The Christian Science Monitor)



OMITTING NAMES OF DISEASES FROM THE NEWS

(An Editorial from the Courant,
Hartford, Conn.)

Although it may be depriving its readers of a bit of information which they have been accustomed to find in the press, The Courant is now omitting to mention in its obituary columns the nature of the disease or ailment to which death was attributable. It is difficult to establish a hard and fast rule governing a matter of this sort; exceptions to it may at times seem necessary. Also it is possible that in the writing and editing of "copy" departures from the rule may inadvertently be made.

Perhaps it will readily occur to most discriminating persons why we have seen fit to impose this censorship on our columns. Every phys-

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cian knows that the mental attitude of the patient has a great deal to do with his or her recovery, and it cannot be otherwise than disturbing to one undergoing treatment for a given disease to pick up the paper and read of deaths due to that same cause. Furthermore, those who have recovered from a serious ailment of any sort often find it difficult to dismiss the fear that they may be visited by its recurrence. It is not helpful to their tranquility to have it paraded before them that other "cured" cases they may have perhaps known about were not lasting.

To one who is entirely well a sense of comfort and contentment is a great blessing; to one who has forebodings about his health the cultivation of this sense may make all the difference in the world to his enjoyment of life. If we can make through the policy here announced a small contribution to the peace of mind of those who foster gloomy predictions we shall be well satisfied.

While it is in large part the function of a newspaper to mirror life as it is, to report the evil along with the good, to deal at times in unpleasant truths, it is also the function to try to maintain a correct sense of proportion. What constitutes news admits of no precise definition; to those engaged in newspaper-making it is often a matter they must decide for

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themselves in accordance with their own judgment. The press has an obligation to the public as well as itself, and, much as it might like to do so, it cannot omit from its category of news certain items which it knows must have an unfavorable effect on individuals. But in the matter here spoken of it seems entirely appropriate that we should adopt as a general policy a deviation from the practice so commonly employed in obituary columns.

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--ANDY BORTHWICK

WHERE TO MAKE UP ATTENDANCE

TUESDAY

Brawley, Planters Hotel, 12:10.
Oceanside, El Rey Cafe, 12:10.

San Diego, San Diego Club, 12:10.

WEDNESDAY

Calexico, De Anza Hotel, 12:10.
Ocean Beach, Thursday Club, 12:15.
National City, Kiwanis Club House, 12:10.

THURSDAY

Yuma, Arizona, Masonic Temple, 12:10.
Escondido, Hotel Charlotta, 12:15.
East San Diego, Masonic Hall, 12:10.

FRIDAY

El Centro, Barbara Worth Hotel, 12:15.
La Jolla, La Valencia Hotel, 12:10.

PROGRAM

TUESDAY, JULY 11, 1939

SAN DIEGO CLUB

12:10 Noon

SPEAKER OF THE DAY

HARVEY H. ATHERTON

Subject

"TALK OF IMPORTANCE
TO EVERYONE"

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