

## DISTINGUISHED ROTARIAN

### ROY DENNY

Roy Denny was a member of the Rotary Club of San Marino from 1948 until his death in July of 1954.

Past District Governor Edd Norwood said of Roy:

"All of those who knew Roy Denny felt and benefited by his helpful philosophy. There was no diffuse, selfish, or meaningless motivation behind his many services for others that characterized his life among us.

"In his business and professional life and in and through Rotary he lived a philosophical life. He learned well how to enjoy and benefit by solitary meditation or by his communication with men of mutual understanding by acting, speaking, or keeping silence with them. He was tolerant of the individual with a difference of opinion."

Roy was the very First Vice President of Rotary International and later became the founder and the first President of the Rotary Club of Seattle in 1909. His business career took him to the Rotary Club of San Diego and upon his retirement, he and Melcena moved to our area.

District Governor Claud Black appointed Roy Denny as his "Ambassador" and Roy appeared before many Clubs in Southern California and Nevada on behalf of the District Governor and Rotary International.

Roy believed that the goal of a philosophical life cannot be formulated as a state of being which is attainable and once attained, perfect. He felt that to learn how to live and to learn how to die are philosophically one and the same.

The members of San Marino and throughout our Rotary District have greatly benefited from the leadership and qualities which past Rotary International Vice President Roy exemplified.



Founder, Paul Harris and Roy Denny in Palm Springs.

"Love is very patient, very kind. Love knows no jealousy; love makes no parade, gives itself no airs, is never rude, never selfish, never resentful; love is never glad when others go wrong, love is gladdened by goodness, always slow to expose, always eager to believe the best, always hopeful, always patient."

Paul's First Epistle to the Corinthians, Chapters 13,  
Verses 4 to 7. Moffatt Translation.