

June 9, 1945.

Mr. Ramon T. Garcia, Presidente,
Rotary Club de La Plata,
Casilla De Correo 111,
Republica Argentina.

Dear Distinguished Presidente Garcia:

I feel very guilty in not answering your very splendid letter of November 20, 1944. My successor, President Gerald Hesse, took office on July 1. Our administration in our Rotary Club elects officers every July and they function for one year.

I am the Governor-elect of our Rotary District #123, and go to Chicago on Sunday to attend a small meeting of Rotary International which meets in that city from June 11 to 14. We are limited to less than fifty members at a meeting, so they plan to have four of these 49-member meetings. I am hoping that this terrible war will be over and that we may have our old and wonderful meetings such as we had before the war.

I acknowledge with thanks your bulletin. It certainly was interesting. In our University of Kansas here we had Miss Maude Elliott, our Spanish teacher, translate your good letter, and I want to assure you that it was nice for you to express the sentiment regarding friendly and cordial relations between Rotarians of other countries. Please do not feel that my failure to write you sooner reflected anything other than the fact that I am engrossed in war work continuously. I happen to be secretary of our Selective Service Board and chairman of our War Nursery Board; also have headed up the War Bond drives and the Community Chest drives for our University, which has a normal enrollment of 5,000. As head of the Department of Physical Education we handled ten thousand man hours per week in our department in building better bodies for our boys of the enlisted forces. We had both Army and Navy personnel here who were carrying on their work of higher education, and at the same time conditioning themselves for war efforts. Things are looking so decidedly better that we can at least see the end in sight.

Again thanking you and trusting that in the not too distant future we may have the pleasure of breaking bread with you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Governor-elect, District #123,
Rotary International.

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