SIR GERALD CAMPBELL British Minister to Washington and Special Assistant to the British Ambassador to the U.S.A.

I know that some people like to speak, and some to think with all sin-



cerity, of freedom, justice, of "never again" and they gain easy applause from their audiences, but I am inclined to think that what most of us in most countries yearn for as much as anything is stability.

By "stability" I do not mean rigidity—not the unchanging institution, but the shifting, supple balance of the climbing mountaineer—in what we have come to call the postwar world. We do not know very exactly what it will be like. We may have some totally new issues to face just as, towards the end of the last war, our thinking and our planning was all upset by the addition to our vocabulary of a totally new word—the word "Bolshevism."

But, as things go at present, we should be something like a group of partners going into a new business without much to hang a hat on except what might be called "general intentions." It will not be much use playing about with one another unless the chief general intention is a chief general intention to cooperate, unless the partners can, and want to, rely on one another's fairness and sense of justice, on one another's energy and ability, on one ananother's experience and connections. That is the only way in which we can proceed happily towards the "Journey's End."

RICHARD H. WELLS President-Elect, RI

It is time to reaffirm our belief in the Aims and Objects of Rotary. I wish I could bring a revival of the power and message of Rotary in every Rotary Club and in the heart of every Rotarian in the world. If you are tired of the Aims and Objects of Rotary, if they seem trite and hackneyed to you, then you are tired of Rotary, because therein are the fundamentals of Rotary existence.

In Rotary, we ask each man to develop himself and seek the service for which his talents best suit him, and if all Rotarians are serving, then Rotary will reach its best and highest level of achievement. There is a tremendous power and influence which is generated by men meeting together, a quarter of a million of them, men of good will, good desires, and good intentions,



meeting every week with the determination to know and to understand one another.

As long as we adhere strictly to the Aims and Objects of Rotary, and do not allow ourselves to be sidetracked into various and devious paths which cause us to forget our real objectives, we can avoid those cleavages and misunderstandings which come about through differences in our environment, in our language, and our philosophies. No Rotarian is asked to accept a particular theory of economics. No man is asked to change his philosophies, his opinions, nor his religion. But every Rotarian can safely be asked to believe in better citizenship, high ethical standards in business, and in the broadening of the basis of his acquaintanceship, so that he may extend his influence for good to his neighbors, to his countrymen, and to all the world.

WILL R. MANIER, JR. Past President, RI

The future does challenge Rotary, and we have tried to meet that challenge. There have been many extravagant predictions made about Rotary in the past. However, I say that no prediction that any one of you here could make today would be as extravagant as that of Paul Harris and his three associates had they predicted in 1905 exactly what has happened in the last 39 years.

I had my fling at trying to save the world in far-off places when I was President of Rotary International. When I got back, I made up my mind that the place to make my contribution was right in Nashville. I'm not much interested in doing anything except in Tennessee and in my own community. I believe that we are going to win this war in the communities as much as in the South Pacific and in Europe. If each one of us and if each of our Rotary Clubs can just do our full part back home, and then multiply that by the 5,200 Rotary Clubs that we have now, and ultimately by ten or twelve thousand Clubs, we can achieve the goal of Rotary—and with all of those members from every classification and each of those members a real Rotarian, there is no telling what we might achieve.

So I say to you fellows, take Rotary seriously, take your job seriously, but don't take yourself seriously. Let's keep Rotary simple. Let's make Rotary real-



istic. If you do, you may achieve far beyond your own vision of Rotary, just as Rotary has always exceeded the vision of everybody who has ever thought about it.