

### National Boys and Girls Week

#### Youth Power for Days Ahead!

That is the theme of the 1944 observance of National Boys and Girls Week, which will be held from April 29 to May 6 inclusive.

Since the first Boys Week was sponsored by the Rotary Club of New York in 1920, the observance has grown to be an annual world-wide event of increasing importance.

Hundreds of communities throughout the United States are preparing for their 1944 celebration, and in many countries, notably in South America, youth leaders are making plans for their observance of Boys and Girls Week.

In the United States the observance is under the sponsorship of the National Boys and Girls Week Committee for the United States, of which Rotarian John L. Griffith of Chicago is chairman, and Rotarian S. Kendrick Guernsey, of Orlando, Florida, is secretary.

Because of the wartime increase in juvenile delinquency, Rotary clubs will find in the observance a splendid opportunity for the presentation of a program which will focus the attention of the community on its most important natural resources—its boys and girls.

Copies of the "Advance Herald," which outlines the program of the week, have been distributed to Rotary club presidents and secretaries.

Additional copies of this publication, and the Manual of Suggestions, which gives information concerning the planning of a local celebration, are obtainable without charge, upon request, from Rotary International, 35 E. Wacker Drive, Chicago 1, Ill.

### From a Rotarian On Active Duty in India

The Rotary letters are very nice and I enjoy each one. Please keep sending them. Imagine my surprise when I disembarked—the first thing I saw was a Rotary canteen serving tea and sweets. It was run by English ladies and they were very nice. I let them know I was a Rotarian and they seemed quite pleased. It was on wheels and for several days it seemed to be every place I happened to be. Had I never received anything else from Rotary, it was worth all I have contributed just to see the International Rotary sign on that canteen.

—From a letter to the president of his club from a Rotarian of Vinta, Okla., U.S.A.

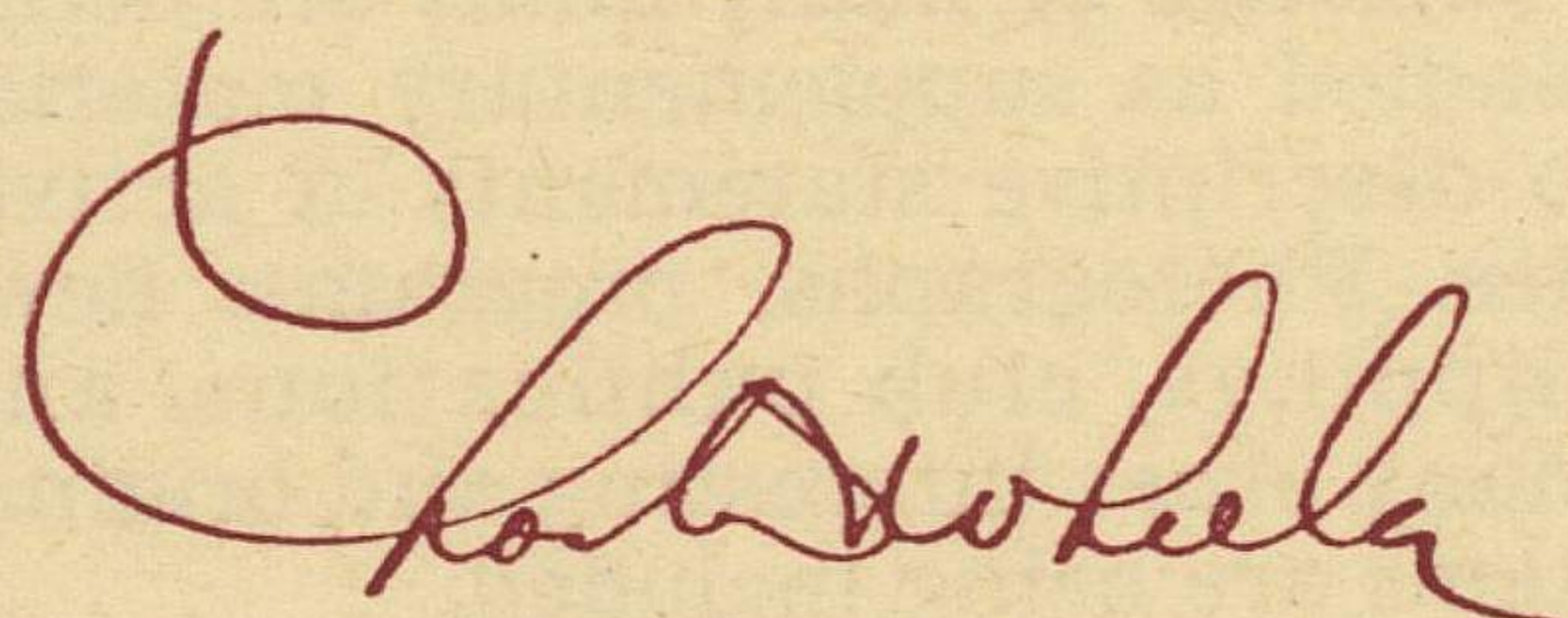
### A Personal Message to Club Presidents

The reports of Work Pile activity at the recent meeting of the "Post-War" Committee were nothing short of amazing. What some of our Rotarians are doing to make certain that they can say "welcome son; here's a job" to every local boy returning from the service, is positively inspiring.

Contacts with all sorts of communities in all parts of North America confirm the conviction that any town or city, to be able to welcome its lads home that way, must carry out a thorough survey among all householders, merchants, professional men and farmers.

If any Rotary club president hasn't put his club squarely behind such a Work Pile survey—no matter who is running the survey—I wish he'd write to the Secretariat in Chicago at once for helpful information, and state his problem clearly.

Rotary cannot afford to let any community down. That means action now—not later on. It means personal service by busy men whose days are full already. It is *home-front* support for the boys "out there." Can any Rotarian deny them that? The Work Pile is Rotary's answer.



### Birthday Greetings

From R.I. Director Sir Shapoorjee B. Billimoria of Bombay, India, comes the following message:

On the 23rd February Rotary will be 39 years old, and I hasten to convey my congratulations to the Rotary world which has subsisted during the periods of two world wars and has been a means of spreading its gospel of peace and fellowship. I am sending this letter by air mail so that it may reach you in time when you are celebrating the 39th birthday. May there be many happy returns of this happy day and may we all look forward with all eagerness to see that peace and good will is established on the face of the globe once again at the time we would be celebrating the Rotary birthday.

### Have You Any Foreign Maps?

The War Department of the United States Government is calling upon Rotarians for foreign maps of ALL areas outside of continental America, to be used by Army Map Service, Washington.

#### Needed

City Plans and Port Plans on a scale of not less than 1:25,000.

Important Foreign Atlases.

Road Maps, Topographical and Geological Maps not smaller than 1:1,000,000.

Guide Books, Place-Lexicons, Gazetteers and Postal Guides.

#### Not Needed

Maps printed in the United States or Great Britain, such as National Geographical Society, etc.

World War I Maps.

The more recently issued publications are preferred.

Please state whether your material is a gift to the War Department. If you prefer to lend it, reproduction will be made and the originals returned to you.

#### Forward All Material to Office in Your Area

Chicago Library Branch  
ARMY MAP SERVICE  
79 West Monroe Street  
Chicago 3, Illinois

New York Library Branch  
ARMY MAP SERVICE  
1270 Sixth Avenue  
New York City 20, New York

San Francisco Library Branch  
ARMY MAP SERVICE  
74 New Montgomery Street  
San Francisco 5, California

### Food Will Fight Until the War Is Won

The "Food Fights for Freedom" campaign is still going strong, and it will continue to go strong—but only with your cooperation—until the war is won. And what does your cooperation consist of? It consists of: keeping the Home Front Pledge to accept no rationed goods without giving up ration points; of paying no more than top legal prices; of growing more in '44; of conserving everything possible; and of using food most productively for health and strength. None of these is a very difficult job, none is very extraordinary, but all of them are just plain common sense if you really want to help end the war quickly.