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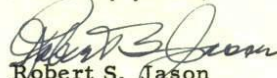
The President,  
Inter American University of Puerto Rico  
San German, Puerto Rico

Dear Sir:

Yesterday afternoon while the President of the United States was being inaugurated to serve a second term, I read the invitation you addressed to me on behalf of the Board of Trustees, the Faculty and Administration, the Student Body and the Alumni Association of the Inter American University of Puerto Rico, to be present at the ceremony in memory of Dr. and Mrs. J. Will Harris.

Your invitation arrived on January 18th while I was in Detroit, Michigan addressing a group of our alumni. It was not until my return to the office yesterday that I learned of the purposes of your invitation. I could not have been present at the interment of the ashes of these friends and benefactors at "the steps," on January 20, 1957 at nine thirty o'clock even if I had received the invitation in sufficient time to make plans, but I would have liked to have sent a message expressing, in an inadequate way, the feelings which are mine and are shared by many others out of gratitude for the work and for the lives of Dr. and Mrs. Harris. As long as their inspiration and their examples serve to guide the way, the continued growth and success of the Inter American University of Puerto Rico is assured.

Sincerely yours,

  
Robert S. Jason  
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