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January 29, 1952

Dr. & Mrs. J. Will Harris
P. O. Box 156
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Dear friends:

In my letter of January 9th to Dr. Harris I sent you the preliminary plans for Polytechnic Fortieth Anniversary Celebration, which are to begin with the Founders' Day activities, February 29th to March 7, 1952. The Faculty has taken favorable action on these plans, and the Committee in charge of organizing the festivities is making the necessary preparations.

I have the pleasure now of inviting you formally on behalf of the Faculty and in my own name, to be the guests of the college for the Founders' Day Celebration, and to bring messages to the many friends who will gather on that occasion. The plan in outline is as follows:

Friday, February 29, 7:30 P.M. Grand Opening Program:

Music Festival at San Germán Athletic Stadium, Parade in San Germán with Battery of R.O.T.C.; Band of College of Agriculture; Happy Hills Orchestra; etc.

Saturday, March 1st. Student Day and Alumni Home Coming.

8:30 A.M. Morning Prayers at South Approach to Dining Hall.

9:30 A.M. All Campus Hike, directed by Dr. Harris, Dr. Palmer, Dr. Vélez, don Angel Oliver, don Marciano Avilés.

2:00 P.M. Athletic Program at Heylman Field

6:30 P.M. Alumni Banquet in Dining Hall. Guests of Honor, Dr. & Mrs. Harris and Class of 1927. Toastmaster, Rev. Erasmo Seda, President of Alumni Association.

Sunday, March 2 Fortieth Anniversary Ceremonies.

9:30 A.M. Anniversary Convocation. Addresses by Dr. Harris and Dr. Barney N. Morgan. Academic Processions. Music by Masa Coral.

1:00 P.M. Gala Luncheon Honoring Visiting Educators - College Dining Hall

Friday, March 7th

8:00 P.M. Concert by Masa Coral in Polytechnic Auditorium, under auspices of Pro Arte Society of San Germán

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In April and May other activities will be held in connection with the Anniversary Celebration. These will be announced later.

We have been greatly concerned to learn that Mrs. Harris has not been well, and sincerely trust that during the coming weeks she may fully recover and so be able to come without risk to her health.

We will look for an early reply indicating your acceptance, in order that we may secure your tickets for the journey and send them to you in time. We will be able to make the plane reservations here if you let us know on what day you will travel from San Antonio, (which is probably your nearest airport).

This invitation to both of you carries with it the hearty greetings of the Faculty and the Alumni Association.

Very cordially yours,

Edward G. Seel
President

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