

Speech by Mr. Augusto De Muro

(Vice-President of the Círculo de la Prensa)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

A new and vigorous expression of the progress is the magnificent air-ship which has anchored in the River Plate waters. Luck would have it that it has brought a cordial embassy of the North-American press, of that press whose daily pages reveal the intense life of a great Nation, the high contemplation of spirit, the great activities of commerce, industry and production, as also the unquiet and multiple citizen life.

The Círculo de la Prensa has the greatest pleasure in receiving you in this house and in offering it to you with the sincere affection of Argentine journalists who wish to express through me that, if the fruitfulness of peace and work is only obtainable by the calm, wonderful and reflexive judgment of the journalists, the most ample and effective bond of union of the nations must be obtained by reciprocal and true informations that reveal the noble restlessness of a Nation.

In this sense, the South American nations always considered that the divulging of their news in the great North-American press would do more for the complete and intimate connection with that Nation, than the most hardworking and efficient messengers.

And for the same reason that Pan-American life requires glow and better comprehension so that it will not convert itself into a simple verbal expression, but a real reciprocal knowledge, of the effective commercial interchange and the better knowledge of men, we wish that, upon your return, you will convey this expression of our desires, which interprets a state of conscience, bonded by the plain convincement that some day, America will be an example due to the liberality of its Custom House Laws and the solidarity of the Nations as it is already by the liberality and profound human sentiment of its Constitution, inspired in, that under their ruling, it contributed to the grandeur of your Nation.

GENTLEMEN: This is your home; it belongs to the Argentine journalists and it was always of those journalists who honoured us with their presence.

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