

September 30, 1942.

General Miguel Henriquez Guzman,  
Comandante de la 15 Zona Militar,  
Mexico City, D. F.

My dear General:

Following my return from Mexico City I left immediately for New York and have just arrived back home in time to meet our distinguished President, who spent Monday in Fort Worth, (This trip was off the record and the news will be released when he returns to Washington). Therefore, I trust you will accept my apology for not sooner expressing to you my thanks and appreciation for the courtesies extended while I was in Mexico City. We enjoyed our little visit with you in your home and the bottle of Brandy was a real treat and will be used only on special occasions when we will raise a glass to your good health and continued success.

Pedro Coronada took us to your beautiful country place the day following our visit with you and I was never so delighted and pleased over having an opportunity to visit such a magnificent country home. It was the first time I ever saw a shower bath for a horse. Everything in the place, including the swimming pool, hot house, and turkish bath, were perfect.

Recalling your suggestion that you would be glad to turn the place over to me and some of my friends sometime when I visited Mexico City, if you are really serious in this statement, you might have some guests after the first of the year - depending on what turn the war may take by that time.

Incidentally, I told the President about our visit to Mexico City and how cordially we were treated by your President and not only the Mexican Government Officials but by the citizenship as a whole, and the further fact that Mexico was on its toes in making preparations to participate in the defeat of the Axis gang. I was particularly pleased with our visit to your President and feel the opening

of American Airlines' new service to Mexico City will be the means of bringing these two Countries, yours and ours, closer together.

At the time I was in Mexico City, I sent our President a telegram regarding the new American Airlines extension to your City, copy of which I enclose herewith. I also sent Amon Junior a cablegram from Mexico City to Northern Ireland telling him that you had provided two pages in his Autograph Book, which, by the way, Our President signed originally in 1938 and again here Monday. I may have a chance to see Amon Junior sometime soon at which time I will be glad to tell him about my visit with you.

I asked Pedro Coronado to send me some photographs of your country home if possible as I would like to show them to my friends.

From all indications, you had a great time on your big celebration September 16th. I am only sorry I could not have stayed until that time.

Again thanking you for your courtesies and with best wishes, I remain

Sincerely,

AGC.KD