INFORMAL EXTENORANEous REMARKS OF THE PRESIDENT,
IN RESPONSE TO STATEMENTS BY DR. GUILLERMO PATTERSON,
CUBAN AMBASSADOR, AND SENOR JOSE MANUEL CASANOVA,
PRESIDENT OF THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC UNION OF CUBA.

August 12, 1935

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One has an ideal and wants to put it into effect. We tried two and a half years ago to establish a principle -- a principle that two nations, side by side, ought to be good neighbors. The next thing we did was to try to work out some practical demonstration of the value of the policy of the good neighbor.

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What pleases me particularly is that the economic revival in Cuba has come so quickly, even more quickly than we hoped when the trade agreement was signed. From all I hear from friends in Cuba and from you, the improvement in economic conditions is not merely at the top, but it extends down -- wages are better and you have a better purchasing power. It is a very, very fine thing.

Some day I am not only coming to Havana, but I am going into the interior of the country. I used to know it in the old days, twenty years ago.
I am not only delighted but very much honored to be your cartoon partner. I am a fellow cartoonist for you to work with, and it is always a great pleasure when we always work together.

One is not alone and needs to but it into effect.

We create something a little more than a cartoon. We can create a picture -- a picture that tells a little story. The next thing we did was to try to work out some basic elements of the cartoon of the day.

People with a great understanding of the economic situation and a strong sense of what is important. The book of the cartoon is the economic situation.

What pleasure as participants in the economic situation

I want to come up and talk about some economic problems. I want to talk about what the economic situation is and how it affects the cartoon.

Some day I want to talk about economics, and you have a better understanding.

More. It is a very nice topic. Some day I want to come up and talk about some economic problems. I want to talk about what the economic situation is and how it affects the cartoon.
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I am very, very much not only gratified but very much touched at your coming up here. It is a splendid thing for you to do, and it proves something that we always wanted to have work out.

One has an ideal and wants to put it into effect. We tried two and a half years ago to establish a principle -- a principle that two nations, side by side, ought to be good neighbors. And on top of that the next thing we did was to try to work out some practical demonstration of the value of the policy of being good neighbors. And people said that a trade agreement would not accomplish anything; people said that a trade agreement was unconstitutional and people said that it would not work, but we put it through and we said that the proof of the pudding is in the eating.

President of the Mission: It works.

The President: What pleases me particularly is that the economic revival in Cuba has come so quickly, even more quickly than we could have hoped when the trade agreement was signed, and from all I hear from my friends in Cuba and from what you have told me, the improvement in economic conditions is not merely at the top, but that it extends down -- that the wages are better on the
farms and that you have a better purchasing power. It is a very, very fine thing. Your recovery has been quicker than ours.

President of the Mission: More surprising than the recovery has been the quickness of it.

The President: Perfectly true. Things are coming much better. Some day I am coming down to see you, but I am not only coming to Havana, but I am going into the rest of the country. I used to know it in the old days, 20 years ago.

The President of the Mission: It is beautiful today.

The President: I was there many times. I know the interior of the country and many of the smaller towns. So I hope some day to be able to get down to see you.

A member of the Mission: Very likely you were in Santiago?

The President: Yes, I was there in 1917.
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August 12, 1935

MEMORANDUM FOR HONORABLE SUMNER WELLES:

You may care to have these copies
of the President's remarks.

STEPHEN EARLY
Assistant Secretary to
the President

Enclosure