

FOREIGNERS IN THE CITY APPRECIATE CHIEF'S ADDRESS

Send Letters Endorsing His Speech to the Rotary Club

The high tribute paid by Chief of Police Vincent to the character and worth of the majority of the foreign residents of the city in an address to the Rotary Club on May 27 has brought him several interesting letters of appreciation from members of the foreign colony here. The chief said that most of them meant well and that many of their so-called misdemeanors were the result of lack of familiarity with Canadian customs and institutions, and he urged that the citizens should take a greater interest in the welfare of these newcomers and assist them to become acquainted with the ways of the country.

The letters are reproduced below:

"To Mr. Chief of Police, City.

Dear Sir—I have read in the Daily Star about a meeting held by the Rotary Club, also about the speech held by the Chief of Police.

"I want to thank the chief that he wants to do something for us and for having us in mind. And let me tell you that your people can not imagine how we foreigners feel when we are among you that many of us do not understand your language and your ways and a good many of our countrymen are doing things which are against the law, not knowing if they are against the law or not. A little education to strangers and foreigners would do a lot of good and in future will make good citizens.

"I hope that you gentlemen will do something for us for which we all surely appreciate.

Yours Truly,

JOHN POLUBONITAL,

Echo Bay Farmer."

"Dear sir:

On behalf of my fellow countrymen here I beg to thank you for your remarks at the last meeting of the Rotary Club which have my entire approval. Much could be done along the lines that you suggest which would make for the betterment of social relations generally and rebound to the advantage of Canada as a whole.

"I trust that the good ideas advanced by you will be followed up.

Very truly yours,

G. GRASSI,

Royal Italian Consular Agent."

"To our Worthy Chief of Police—

I have noted that at the last meeting held by the Rotary Club, you were present and also suggested to have the club help us foreigners. You cannot imagine how thankful we are to you. I say we for I'm sure that my fellow countrymen are as thankful to you as I am. It certainly is very unhandy to be in a strange place and to be unable to understand things that are going on, and our ways from over home are as different to yours as your ways are to us. I am sure that anything the Rotary Club will do for us will be highly appreciated.

"I know that at first they may find it difficult but I hope that will not discourage them and them from helping us along."

WOLMAN KOLHUR

Edinburgm street.

Bay View."

"It gives me a great pleasure to be able to answer one of your questions and also thank our Respectful Chief Vincent for his speech made at the Rotary Club meeting last held.

It gives me great pleasure to think that there is at least one man in our midst who can take enough interest in us to propose to help us along. We who are foreigners in this country would be very glad to have some one stretch out a helping hand and show us the rights and wrongs of this country. I am sure that one of my fellow countrymen would very much appreciate this service.

"Hoping the Rotary Club feels the same as we do about this subject.

I remain,

PETER CHERNYN,

48 Sinclair street,

City."