

June 2, 1956

Dr. J. Will Harris  
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Dear Dr. Harris:

I am very pleased to receive your letters and your numerous suggestions. It is good to know that you are feeling quite well again. Do take care of yourself.

I received a copy of your letter to Jim Beverly concerning the possibility of incorporating The Pan American Clinic with Polytechnic Institute. This is a very generous gesture on your part. We are considering the matter here at the present time Dr. Beverly is asking for my recommendations and I hope to give some suggestions to the Board when it meets in late June.

I also received a copy of your book. It is extremely interesting. However, I have been so busy that it has not been possible for me to read any more than the first chapter. I shall do so in the very near future and send off my reactions to you. When I am in New York I shall talk with Paul Wolfe about the possibility of some one who might help you to popularize the presentation. I know that you are anxious that this book should publicize the institution and help it to gain increased support. I think there are very great possibilities for something outstanding.

During the last few weeks we have been in the process of organizing alumni chapters. Last Saturday we had about 34 alumni here representing chapters in Sabana Grande, Yauco, San German, Cabo Rojo, Mayaguez, and Arecibo. In addition there were representatives of the San Juan Chapter here. We hope to be able to organize several other chapters in other towns in the next few weeks. There appears to be good response to the idea of the change of the name of the institutions.

In connection with the change of name I am wondering what your reaction would be to the name "Harris Inter-American University". This name has been suggested by a number of people. Personally I think it is a very good one.

I want you to know how very much I appreciate your letters. It is good to have your suggestions and your splendid support in this job of moving Polytechnic forward.

May God bless you.

Sincerely,