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TO RELATIVES, FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES
OF EMPLOYEES OF I.G.E.CO., INC.
FORMERLY INTERNED IN THE PHILIPPINES

It is with deepest sorrow that we inform you of the death of Mr. Carroll C. Grinnell, who was executed by the Japanese on January 15, 1945.

Mr. Grinnell joined the General Electric family in June 1919 following his graduation from Union College, Schenectady, New York. At the outbreak of the war with Japan Mr. Grinnell was Far Eastern Commercial Manager of the International General Electric Company, Inc. and President of General Electric Co. (P.I.) Inc., the head-quarters of the latter company being in Manila. Mr. Grinnell was among those interned in Santo Tomas Internment Camp, immediately following the fall of Manila. During the greater part of the period of internment Mr. Grinnell was Chairman of the Internees Executive Committee which regulated and ran the camp under the supervision of Japanese Government Authorities.

According to reports the Japanese Military Authorities took over the control of the Santo Tomas Internment Camp during 1944 and on December 23 arrested Mr. Grinnell and removed him from the Camp to a place un-Immediately upon the liberation of the internees on February 3, 1945 efforts were started to locate Mr. Grinnell. His body was found about February 22 and was removed to the Santo Tomas University grounds where it was buried on the afternoon of February 23. The grave was blessed by Father Tascon, the Father Provincial of Santo Tomas, after which a Protestant Memorial Service, conducted by Dr. W. F. Brush, was held on the consecrated site of Santo Tomas. These concessions to a Protestant by the strict Dominican Order testify to the esteem with which Mr. Grinnell was regarded by the University authorities.

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A friend and former business associate of Mr. Grinnell's has written us as follows:

"Everything that I remember about Mr. Grinnell adds up to the fact that he must have been the ideal Chairman of the Internees at Santo Tomas. He had courage, broad knowledge, and great respect for his fellow men. And added to this, of course, his knowledge of Japanese. He was selected for that task by the other internees, and I have heard nothing but unrestrained praise for him.

"Convey my heartfelt sympathy to his associates and to his family."

Mr. Grinnell's friends throughout the General Electric organization heartily endorse the sentiments expressed above.

Mr. Grinnell is survived by his wife and two sons, the elder son being in the United States Army and the younger still at school. Mrs. Ruth Grinnell's address is:

Selkirk Albany County New York

Sincerely,

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