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September 9, 1947

Louis P. Gagne, Mayor
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My dear Sir:

I am exceedingly sorry that your telegram regarding Major Miller was handed to me while attending an Officers' Retreat at Sharon, Massachusetts where I was entirely without facilities for correspondence.

It was very difficult for those of us responsible to be so unobliging in this matter but we can only trust you will understand that there are other factors and interests involved in personnel changes apart from civic and humanitarian services rendered a community in which Major Miller appears to have been outstanding.

Your interest in our work in Lewiston as administered by Major Miller is deeply appreciated but knowing our Officers as we do, we are confident that there will be no loss to the community through the appointment of his successor, Captain E. Walter Lamie.

Trusting you will believe that our concern is to do justice not only to Lewiston but to other communities where our work is being carried on and for administration of which we are responsible, that you will accept graciously the disappointment you no doubt feel and give your warm support to the successors to Major and Mrs. Miller, believe me to be -

Sincerely yours,

DIVISIONAL OFFICER

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