CITATION FOR GOVERNOR HERBERT H. LEHMAN

July 31, 1947
Twin Oaks

(Washington, D.C.)

Herbert H. Lehman, former Governor of the State of New York, was the first Director-General of the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration. He organized the world-wide machinery to administer this great humanitarian task of the United Nations, through which relief and rehabilitation supplies were made available to hundreds of millions of people suffering from the destruction and devastation of the war against aggressors. In organizing and directing this unprecedented form of international organization and cooperation Governor Lehman has not only earned for himself the lasting gratitude of these peoples, but has also made notable contributions to the cause of international cooperation and understanding.

Governor Lehman, in recognition of your contributions in the field of international relief and rehabilitation and of your personal efforts, as a citizen of this great Republic, in enhancing the friendly relations happily existing between the United States and China, the President of the Republic of China has conferred upon you the decoration of the Order of the Auspicious Star, Grand Cordon. It is my happy duty, on behalf of President Chiang Kai-shek, to present the decoration to you.