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Int. letter - Gaby to her mother.

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SYDNEY 10453 Y 7 AIR LETTER 1952



Mrs EMMY SEIDEL
38, MAPESBURY Rd
LONDON N.W.2
ENGLAND

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9. Seidel
3, FLAT 11, PORTER ST.
Bondi Junction.
Sydney

If anything is enclosed, letters will be sent by ordinary mail.

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31. 10. 52, Meine ewig gel. Mutter!
An mich auch denken, jede Woche beinahe etwas
anderes, so wie die anderen von mir da es
ich mache immer wieder etwas anderes!
Vielleicht ist nicht, es mit mir nicht mehr
viel los. Aber was soll ich machen? Ich ste-
he wieder vor neuen Problemen. Meine
Mitarbeiterin hat Wohnung in Baden und
bevorzugt Geld zu kassieren. Sie wollte 4 Tage in
mir arbeiten im Arbeitsraum. Ihre un-
dare Bekannte, sollte sich in Baden ein-
stellen. Im Mittwoch fuhr ich mit in den
die die Berge. Er habe tags nicht dort in
einem Tuberkulosen Krankenhaus zu
arbeiten, und ich sollte mir einen
mit erhalten, und ich habe mir einen
einen gültigen Behandlungstag. Mein
guter Luft in Sonne. Schon bin ich fertig es
los in mir besitzbar auf d. Wege d. Hafe
m. d. Paul. Als ich wieder den Tag zu
kann vor der Zeit. Es los. Inwie - um na-

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tätlich ich bin weg gefahren auslat zu ar-
beiten - zu liefern!!! Wie Beiden haben
sich gegenseitig so die Ware d. h. Arbeit (Körbe
machen) schlecht gemacht, dass sie gegen-
seitig so hysterisch benommen n. die mehr Gebirge
zu mir gesagt sie wolle nicht bleiben wenn
die andere drinnen ist. Aber was d. Hauptsache
- die abgemachten Körbe kamen z. prozant
zeit zurück - schlecht gemacht n. ich musste
helfen in Ordnung bringen! Ja ich müßte
so geht so. Ich habe wieder etwas anzu-
fangen! Wenn da die eine große eigene
Praxis n. die andere z. Vorkurspraxis
sie mich nicht glücklich machen wird
weil ich Gastfreunde in Zelenhausen n. bei
Arbeit eine Verfügung stelle!! Aber was
allem die Krone aufsetzt - nach d. Abrei-
nung d. Monats haben wir nicht nur
nichts verdient sondern müssen noch
ca 1000 anlegen! um die Ordnung auszu-
führen wo d. Material geblieben würde.
Dann bleibt wohl für jeden für 6 Wo-
chen Arbeit aus. 4-5% mit Keinen kann
man sich aussprechen, denn weil ich
an schweren Arbeiten n. hal das Scherke
Jahr vor mich. H. J. K. in einem Jahr ist
er fertig. Es war eine schwere Zeit! Cos-
ferin war zu einer Verlobungsfeier, Paris
Holzhauber aus Baulhen, Durlkraft
Verwandte v. Schum Lichtenstein aus Ber-
lin (auch allein n. Sohn aus Danzig)
n. Corwin v. Salvo Uleko. Ja die Welt ist
klein. Aber alles Gute ist irgendwo zusammen
neu. Von den beiden Ehepaar Corina, Jahr
Kind tödlich verunglückt. Sieht du gel.
Anker - Bäume wachsen nicht i. d. Hand
Worgen will Apotheker Michaelis aus Berlin
ankommen leider verheiratet n. versuchen d.
Augenmittel für dich zu erhalten. Wie leid
tut mir das, daß so allein zu wissen, aber
meine Bekannte Kinder verheiratet. An dich
herangeschickt soll solche Wahnung gegeben
selbst schwer darauf gearbeitet, Beklagte
sich bei mir, daß die Kinder sie nie-
mals auffordern, selbst nicht einmal Hand
um sie zu bekommen im Kino, bei Kindern n.
um sie zu bekommen - n. doch auch alleine.

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Translation from the German

4-157
CUP 24/11
see CUP 24/11

SENDER: G. SEIDEL
3 Flat, 11 Porter Street
Bondi Tunch(?)
SYDNEY Australia

ADDRESSEE: Mrs Emmy SEIDEL
38 Mapesbury Road
LONDON N.W.2.

DATED: 31.10.52

The gist of the letter is as follows- It is addressed to "My only beloved MOTHER"

Writer says that addressee will think she is always doing something different, but what is she to do? She always sees before her, new problems. Writer's lady-colleague has bought a flat with borrowed money, and wanted to work with her in the work room for 4 days. Another friend wanted to affiliate herself with girdles/belts. Writer says that the previous Wednesday, she went into the mountains with ULLI, as he had some extra days to work in a T.B. Hospital, meanwhile, writer enjoyed herself, and had a peaceful and refreshing day.... they were on their way by 6 a.m.; and on the way, they visited her "beloved PAUL's" grave. On her return, writer says that there was the devil to pay..... here follows a description of trouble in the workroom about some dress that had been sent back as it was said to be badly done, and writer must help to set it right..... writer says that this is how it goes on. Writer appears to live by the work room and has the telephone, and that as well as her work is at "their disposal", but she does not like it, and says that they earn nothing in the end, as after the monthly accounts are made up they have nothing, and have to lay out about £1.0.0. for the order of material bought. Writer cannot discuss it with anyone, ULLI is working very hard, and has a hard year before him, and MGH(?) to prepare for in a year's time. Writer goes on to say that the previous day there had been a Betrothal festivity- a rich wood-dealer from BAULHEN(?) Dorltaf(?), allied to Schirm(?) LICHTENSTEIN from Berlin (Translator's Note; here follows mention of some -body's son who was in a Nazi Camp; but it is not clear whose son) .. and cousin to Salo UENKO/UEBO?, the world is indeed small, says the writer. From all the married couples of the last year, one child has died.....Writer says that the following day MICHAELIS the Berlin chemist will appear, unfortunately he is away/has left, and writer asked him to get the opthalmic remedy for addressee. Writer is sorry that addressee is so alone. She then says that a married friend of her children who has been building nice flats, and has been working hard on them, says that the children never once have invited them out, not taken their children to the Cinema. Addressee should write again to the Chemist in Berlin.... letter ends with loving greetings

(Signed) TRUDE & ULLI

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Mrs. C. Oppenheim

38 Mapesbury Road,
LONDON N. W. 2.

Inghilterra.

PER VIA AEREA
PAR AVION
BY AIR MAIL

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Y LA ALIMENTACION

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

Viale delle Terme di Caracalla
ROME

Please quote the following reference in your
reply

Prière d'indiquer la référence ci-après dans
votre réponse

Al contestar, sírvase citar la siguiente
referencia

October 29, 1952.

Dearest Mother,

Another year has almost past - and though you are now seventy-three - what a tremendous figure! - I think you are one of the youngest women in spirit - and in energy - and in travelling and other enterprise. Hail to you, dear mama, may you go on like this for a long time, taking friends round Europe, looking after those who need caring for - and mending John's socks! I hope Geisha has baked you a nice birthday cake, to replace those I never baked - sorry it can't be an Italian one, they are so wonderful and even better than hers! I wish you that the most important thing will come true soon - that Baba gets altogether well, I know that this weighs on your mind more than anything. And that it won't be too long before you can meet her and Phips again - maybe one year they will all come over?

As to John's socks, he doesn't walk so much it seems and I am not doing any mending. He does most of the washing and is very domesticated. He comes almost daily for lunch - for L.800 we have the most wonderful meal together, sitting on the terrace, splendid choice, nice service and nice people around. In the evenings we often eat a snack in our room and then join Jole and Franco who eat late and make them share our fruit because theirs is eaten up during the day by the gang of children. In fact, Jole is now looking 'valuable food' away, they eat so much all day. I love the little one, Andrea, who keeps on falling out of his big bed and I find him half asleep crying standing next to it - but he is still fairly easy to handle. Marco aged 3 is strong and strongwilled and doesn't think anything of giving his older brother and sister a beating. He doesn't fall asleep at night and wakes them all up in turn just for his amusement - so it is usually 10 o'clock before it is quiet all round, just time to wake them up again for potting - one pot goes round and it's lucky if none of them wets their bed. No end of washing and only one maid. The new one run away after 2 days! Jole never loses her patience nor her good humour - Franco is more temperamental and should learn from John - I don't think he ever helps - in the morning all the children come to him when is in bed - on the couch in the library - and it reminds me of father. They go out quite often - almost always ask us along but we are not so energetic and I don't know how they do it, with going to bed at 1 and being woken up at 7 or earlier!

John is sending you his love and greetings - and congratulations - but I left when he was still asleep, hence no note from him. I have a hard time leaving in the morning because the main door and gate are locked and I always have to find somebody with keys to let me out and lock again from the inside - very oldfashioned. My home is my castle...

By now you will have been at Bornarski's. If you can't use all the tins and they don't want them, would you like to offer some to your landlord at a reduced price? For instance the tinned meat cost 6 to 7/- each - let him have 3 of the round (not oval) tins of pork for 12/-. It is very good for stew. And eat what you like please.

Consuelo has written finally - about time too and has sent the airletters. I am going to write to her. I am all in favour of her applying for a job here - maybe she will succeed particularly with her present course in statistics. No news from Bill which I can't understand at all - where are they, did they fetch our belongings in Paris from Raymond, did they get lost or what? A little early to get lost now with the whole trip in front of them!

When I get time I read a little in reports here - from all the people we sent out to depressed areas where the agriculture needs developing and peasants instructions how to do it - from Finland, Afghanistan, Iran, Thailand reports come in regularly from the team who are working there - I only find out gradually about the work, here it is only theoretical. My chief has flown to NY (Miss Blau) where her father is ill. I have hardly talked to her yet but when her secretary is not there, I replace her, a good introduction.

I want this to go off to reach you in time. I went to town to find you a good scarf to replace my Californian one, but the patterns were not even as good as Liberty's, the choice disappointing - so I rather took the little scarf, to wear with your dark dresses - John and I were doubtful, my smart colleague thought it very nice - I hope it will be of some use; if I see anything better you will get it of course. I am on the lookout.

Just now John rang: a letter from Bill and Eloise. They will be in Florence this weekend - after we had waited all last weekend and this weekend we are going to Naples and Capri, made dates with Graham Greene etc. and got the ticket given to us by Baruch's who had not used it - so we can't change round. John is just writing to Florence and if they are still there on Monday he will go up on Monday. Very sorry, but they should have let us know earlier, and never talked of this date! They did not bring any of our Paris things, lost Raymond's address. Can't be helped.

*lots of kisses for the kids and love
affectionately Dick unarmoured
Yours Babie.*

POSTE ITALIANE



Mrs. C. Oppenheim,
38 Wakehurst Road
London NW2
Inghilterra

30 OCT 1952

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~~16~~ from LOMBARDI
Via dei PAMPILI 6
Rome

27.10.52

Dear Riccardo,

It was very
charming of you to reply so
fully to my last note and I
do hope you will not feel
in the slightest guilty about
not replying to my letter
earlier. In your place, I
should not have felt like
writing for a very long time.

Both Olga and you must
have had (and are apparently
continuing to have) a really
good time, and, however
futile it may sound, both you
and I do wish and hope
that things will gradually
improve. I will be back in

D.
31/10.

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28.10.52.

2) London for a short time
in December (about the 24th)
and I very much look
forward to seeing you then,
and possibly, if it of any
service to you, talking the
situation over with you.

It's sweet of you to
bother about the Skiffes, but I
think I can contact them
through people here and I soon
found out that they were
out of town. So, if you have
not yet written to them, please
forget about a rather superfluous
request. I will certainly ring
up Savoy's, with the greatest
pleasure since I remember
the delightful evening spent
in happier times at the
studio party given by them
which I went to thanks to
your helpful introduction.
I will certainly give them your

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3) love and respect developments,
As you rightly point out, you
have been away from Italy
for such a long time and
never were a Roman, so there
is not the slightest cause
for you to feel in any way
inhabitable. But the reverse,
Yali and I are most grateful
for all your trouble.

As to ourselves, Yali has
got a job at FAO and I am
working away at my books
on Medicine and 17th Century
France. I hope it will lead to
some kind of income as I
don't want to rely all the
time on Yali as the breadwinner.
We are both living very quietly
with charming friends out in
Markebode. At weekends we
saunter through Rome
discovering it bit by bit. - the
statue to Giordano Bruno.

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4) the house in the Piazza
de Massimo where printing
was introduced to Italy, the
Cancellaria and numerous
other Palazzi, not to mention
the incredible number of
delicious pastries.

We are still a bit tired
from all our wanderings and
racing for us. But we had
dinner with Tom and we
went to a party given by a
circle of our hosts (Professor
Lombardi) who put on the
long playing record of the
Four Seasons. A superb piece of
work.

Do you ever get down in
state of your many and prissy
names, to write, I imagine not
very much which is a terrible pity.

Please give love and love to
Aga and accept our kindest
regards. I'll ring you up as soon
as I get back. Many many thanks.
Tom

Conte Riccardo PRIULI,
13 MOUNT STREET,
W I.

7 664941

PLEASE
PRINT
THIS
INCE
YOUR
NAME

4/11278471

Mess. LOMBARDO,
Via dei PAMPILLI 6
Rome.

27 10 52

Dear Sir,

CSMA Motor Car Insurance
Your ref W/M 278471

Thank you for your letter
to Mrs. Offenheim (not available
to me at the moment of writing)
acknowledging the receipt
of my policy and certificate
of insurance.

The position is that I will
not now be acquiring a car
in England but may be
buying one and running it
in Italy. I do not know
whether you would continue
to be interested in insuring
a car in such circumstances.

Yours faithfully
J. CASINCROSS.

7 6649 H 2

R.
3/1/51

Norman Frizzell - Partner Ltd
10 Drapers Gardens
Shrogmorton Avenue
E C 2

7 6649 H 2

Tuesday

Dearest Mother,

Many thanks for the lipstick just arrived - and your letter reporting about nice welcome by Veishah's girls. I'm glad she looked after you to the last and I know that she was a wonderful companion. She is warm and understanding. What a good idea to buy flowers in Nice, I would have done that too! I hope you did n't divide them into too many small bunches -

Quiet weekend - we had expected Bill who did not turn up - no news from him at all. We are a bit worried. He said he wanted to be in Florence on 26th - Well, luckily we had not gone in vain. Also a note from Lonsdale with 6 air letters = 3/- . How much money had you given her? How many stamps had she sent you?

The landlord will not permit Dr. B. to take the flat over (unfurnished) when + if we leave! Sorry for B. In fact he wrote that Dr. B. had overstayed permission. We know + have written letter asking for permission for B until begin Dec. Let's hope he'll give it.

20/10.

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We just received a letter from
Macquage sent by you in
Sept! They had kept it until
now - including razor blade.
Thanks. - We wrote you to
Rapallo but you did not get
it. We are writing for it to be re-
turned to us. We received your
Ital. letter with contents -
Sorry you lost when gambling
but the fun was worth 2/- I
am sure.

Tonight invited to a dull
dinner party at a hotel by a
girl John knows. Our Sunday
very pleasant at Franco's
cousin. Saturday we discovered
lots of beautiful places near Pigezzes
Navona. Horrible film Mary Stuart.
Fred Silburn wrote a nice letter +
recommended us restaurant just in
our neighborhood - also known to
Lombardis. We had lunch there very good.
last night I took Andrea (18 months) to
bed because Marco aged 3 did not let
him sleep. He was sweet. We entertained
him and finally he was glad to go to
bed. He tried to console Diana aged 2½
who cried bitterly + said to her "the
bella!" They do start early!
Kisses + love from us with yours love

pers. LOMBARDO
Via dei PAMPALICI 6
Rome.

27 10 52

Dear Dr. Bonarski,

Many thanks
for your last letter in which
you say you will be writing
to me about the flat.

I am afraid that I
have now heard from the
landlord that he is not
agreeable to your taking
over the tenancy. He is
also querying your presence
in the flat after the expiry
of the sub-tenancy on the
21st October. I have replied
explaining that this is
my fault but asking for
permission to leave you in
possession of the flat until

7 664944

2) my return on the 7th
December. If he is unwilling
to do so, I have requested
him to leave you in possession
sufficiently long for you to
be able to make alternative
arrangements before you go.

In order to make it easier
for me to secure the necessary
permission, I have pointed out
~~that I am charging no rent~~
~~for Nov 1st to Nov 7th and~~
~~also that I would propose to~~
charge you ^{from 21st Oct. on} ~~thereafter~~ only a
nominal rent - say 6¹/₂ guineas.
This figure would only be for
the landlord's information, whereas
I suggest we agree on 6 guineas
as a confidential arrangement.

I am so sorry our plan
has not come off and hope
it will not cause you inconvenience
in that the landlord will still
agree to your staying on till Dec 7th.
Kindest regards. J. L. [unclear]

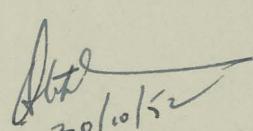
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Note for PF.72493John and Gaby CAIRNCROSS in Rome

It transpires from intercepted letters that CAIRNCROSS and his wife are residing at via dei Pamphili 6, Rome, that the latter has taken a job as Secretary in the Economic Section of F.A.O. under a man named EZEKIEL, and that the former is mainly occupied in academic researches into XVII Century French literature in addition to which he appears to have one or two minor business interests.

It further appears that CAIRNCROSS and his wife propose remaining in Rome indefinitely, although there is some prospect of at least the latter's visiting London for a fortnight between 15th and 31st December.

B.2.A.
30.10.52.


20/10/52
D. Stephens

DS/VH

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London N.W. 2.

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28 OCT 1952

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via dei Pamphili 6,
Rome.
October 24, 1952.

Dear Uncle Henry,

I was glad to hear from you - though you don't say at all how you and Tante Frida are feeling, how London is, etc. But that is usually a good sign.

Thanks for sending me Cahn's letter. I am sorry I worried Dr. Breslaauer about it, but I could not understand his silence, particularly since all mail from our home address as well as from our French addresses has been regularly forwarded to us. In case of doubt, do ask Mother for my address - she has always got it!

I think you are quite right that we should wait for the second instalment before having mother's part paid to her bank. I wrote to her bank last July and they assured me that in case of her coming to Germany she can draw on it - I think DM.75 per day - and if I accompany her, I can also draw, though a slightly smaller amount. Anyway, I shall hardly go to Germany with her, but once the money is in her bank, added to the existing Sperr-Konto, I think she should go, maybe in February if not sooner and cash as much as possible.

Of course I know that mother can only expect a fourth part. As to Eric, I am sorry that he can ^{only} get one part now, and the second half only in case of a second marriage (which is almost more unlikely than his eating meat!). Originally you had talked of suggesting to Eric to split his part amongst the other two heirs (Caroline's and Henry's share) and I don't know whether you are still thinking of doing this. However, if he is to renounce, could he not divide it amongst the 3 heirs (including mother) - after all, it is due to father's determination and efforts that the claim was put forward - and as you know, mother is pretty limited in her resources. (I may say that John has advanced her the living expenses for about six months so that she did not have to sell more shares, (she is living and could continue getting the dividends. However, we have to think of selling one or the other share now, and in fact, I wonder what the back you would suggest? Could you kindly give mother a list of her shares, wheels as far as you know them, as I have no papers here. My brother-in-law Alec who is well informed in these matters offered to give me some advice - but as you are familiar with all these shares, do please tell me which you think is the least important. I don't want to give you more work - what do I do without the Rat des Weisen? (I should der Weisen knowing how up to date Tante Frida is in these matters).

Rome is wonderful - I have not much time for sightseeing, but hope to get to know it on weekends. It is still warm and mild, apparently a great exception. All we want now is visits from you and our friends - and I seriously think you should follow your father's footsteps and make a trip to Italy in early spring. WE WILL EXPECT YOU!

Incidentally, surely Eric inherits

not in the terms of the will, but ^{much} love to you both from John and because of the decision of the co-executors, ~~John and me~~. Why cannot he then have his full share straight away?

Yours affectionately

via dei Pamphili 6,
Rome.

October 24, 1952.

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I think you are quite right that we should wait for the second instalment before having mother's part paid to her bank. I wrote to her bank last July and they assured me that in case of her coming to Germany she can draw on it - I think DM.75 per day - and if I accompany her, I can also draw, though a slightly smaller amount. Anyway, I shall hardly go to Germany with her, but once the money is in her bank, added to the existing Sperr-Konto, I think she should go, maybe in February if not sooner and cash as much as possible.

Of course I know that mother can only expect a fourth part. As to Eric, I am sorry that he can't ^{set one} ~~only~~ part now, and the second half only in case of a second marriage (which is almost more unlikely than his eating meat!). Originally you had talked of suggesting to Eric to split his part amongst the other two heirs (Caroline's and Henry's share) and I don't know whether you are still thinking of doing this. However, if he is to renounce, could he not divide it amongst the 3 heirs (including mother)? - after all, it is due to father's determination and efforts that the claim was put forward - and as you know, mother is pretty limited in her resources. I may say that John has advanced her the living expenses for about six months so that she did not have to sell more shares, (she is living and could continue getting the dividends. However, we have to think of selling one or the other share now, and in fact, I wonder what ^{backwheels} you would suggest? Could you kindly give mother a list of her shares, of or as far as you know them, as I have no papers here. My brother-in-law Alec who is well informed in these matters offered to give me some advice - but as you are familiar with all these shares, do please tell me which you think is the least important. I don't want to give you more work - what what do I do without the Rat des Weisen? (I should der Weisen knowing how up to date Tante Frida is in these matters).

Rome is wonderful - I have not much time for sightseeing, but hope to get to know it on weekends. It is still warm and mild, apparently a great exception. All we want now is visits from you and our friends - and I seriously think you should follow your father's footsteps and make a trip to Italy in early spring. WE WILL EXPECT YOU!

Much love to you both from John and

Yours affectionately *Gabi*

Incidentally, surely Eric inherits not in the terms of the will, but because of the decision of the co-executors. Why cannot he then have his full share straight away? I am surprised

We just received your letter with many thanks. We are all getting a definite forward from Frida & Mother!

24/10

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via del Pamphili 6,
Rome.
October 24, 1928.

that I had not heard of this point before.

Dear Uncle Henry,

I was glad to hear from you - though you don't say at all how you and Tante Frieda are feeling, how London is, etc. But that is really a good sign.

Thanks for sending me Gerta's letter. I am sorry I wasn't able to answer about it, but I could not understand his silence, particularly since all mail from our home address as well as from our French addresses has been regularly forwarded to us. In case of doubt, do ask Mother for my address - she has always got it!

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It is wonderful I have not had time for sightseeing, but I hope to get to know it afterwards. I shall still warm and mild, apparently a great exception. All we want now is to visit from you and our friends - and I especially think you should follow your father's footsteps and make a trip to Italy in early spring. WE WILL EXPECT YOU!

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Yours affectionately,

Mr. Henry Oppenheimer
11 Roosevelt Ave.
N. Y. C.

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Handwritten notes in the top right corner, including names like "Gerta", "Eric", and "John".

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via dei Pamphili 6,

Rome. October 24, 1952.

Dear Dr. Breslau,er,

Many thanks for your letter of October 18th. I am glad to hear that the first instalment of the money has by now been paid and the second instalment is due at the end of this month.

Though we left the French address given to you originally we had made arrangements for our mail to be forwarded, and I am sorry that my uncle stopped you from sending me copy of correspondence. Of course, he could have had my current address any time from my mother who is always in touch with me. I have, however, heard from him today and received the copy of Mr. Cahn's letter.

I am not quite certain about your phrase ..."I have also asked him to confirm that your mother's share may be paid to the account you mention". Presumably my uncle must give his authority only in respect of the transfer of a net sum i.e. after deduction of expenses. I am sure he is right in saying that I should wait until the second instalment, due on Oct. 31, has been paid before paying my mother's share to the bank - as he suggested in his letter to me. I wrote to the bank in Frankfurt last July and they told me that my mother could draw on the Sperr-Konto if and when on a visit to Germany. If I accompany her the allowance would accordingly be larger. She might go there in the new year, but I don't intend to go with her.

I presume that we should hear again, within the next 2 to 3 weeks, from Mr. Cahn that the second instalment has been paid, and I shall be grateful if you will let me know when this happens. I shall remain in Rome, at the above address, for the time being, and shall probably be in London between December 15 and 31, for 2 weeks.

I am writing to my uncle today, and for your confidential information I am sending you a copy of my letter. It is quite possible that he will be in touch with you in my absence and I think you should be informed.

I have had no news about my father's claim re furniture etc. On the other hand I have heard from various friends that they have received compensation by now (in the last few months). I am not sure whether his claim was forwarded direct or through Dr. Cahn. I have no files here and I wonder whether you can see this from your correspondence? I should be grateful if you would let me know. A very close friend of mine, Dr. Richard Mainzer, at present in New York, has been successful in some cases and he would, I am sure, act on my mother's behalf, and take an active interest in it, as a personal friend. But before asking him, I must know whether Dr. Cahn has actually been dealing with it or not. Would you think it unwise, or not correct, to ask him to hand the papers over (provided he has been dealing with it). I can, of course, wait until the matter of the house has been cleared up.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

C. Cairncross

P. S. The enclosure should of course not be mentioned to my uncle. Could you possibly tell me why the decision to hold back half of his share was made? I am surprised that I had not heard of this point before.

Dr. W.

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BY AIR MAIL

AIR LETTER

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Mr. H.W. Singer,

United Nations

Room 2676

NEW YORK CITY

N.Y.

U.S.A.

Sender's name and address:-

J. Cairncross

via del Pamphili 6,

Rome.

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4 6453 W2

via dei Pamphili 6,
Rome. October 24, 1952.

Dear Hans,

I am afraid I have been a bit slow in replying to your very prompt air letter but I wanted to give you time to recover from the initial blow. Actually I was out of Rome for a few days when your letter arrived and I gather that Ezekiel replied to the letter you sent him explaining that the prospects were not too good. I went in to the office and had a few minutes talk with him. He was extremely friendly and helpful and put me in touch with one or two other people at FAO who may be of use later on. In the meantime my wife has got a post as secretary in his section (quite accidentally) and this will give me time to look round or to wait until the situation is a little brighter at FAO.

In the meantime, just to restore your illusions, I am writing a book on Moliere and have been asked to complete a history of French social life in the 17th century which my late Professor at Cambridge, Dr. Ashton was writing when he died. So you were not so far out after all.

Rome is even more pleasant than Bath in spite of the noise and Latin confusion, and we both look forward to settling down here. From the material point of view life is much easier given the very low level of direct taxation and the numerous blocks of pleasant, spacious and relatively cheap flats going up all over the place. All this quite apart from the pleasant climate, the enumerable historic and artistic treasures and the high level of musical culture. For example we had a wonderful evening listening to part of a Donizetti opera being recorded.

I heard quite a bit about you from Ledward of the F.O. but would look forward to hearing a little more from you direct if ever you come this way, which I imagine is quite probable.

Thanks again ~~and~~ for all your help and kindest regards to Ilse and Singers Minor.

Yours ever

John

(J. AIVENCROSS)

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BY AIR MAIL

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Mr. A. Anshauer,

c/o Industrial Raw Materials Corp
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Dear Sir,

My thanks for your letter and I want to tell you how pleased I am to hear that you are still in New York. I had expected I told our friend Howell that I had been very helpful from what I hear, he has been slightly complicated and when we get back I will tell you.

I will be just as you like to know if I can be of any help to you in any way. I am in New York and we are looking for a new office as beautiful as the one in London. We have even got hopes of it being a modern apartment house - something which is almost in London unless you get an enormous premium and rent. To write - he is still concerned on 17th cent. French literature and it doesn't matter what he does it. He is also looking after the business which is now being done from Paris. The first as good as life in California. I will have time for a trip (I hope!) or come to Europe on business, do make a point of visiting home and so. Apparently in Europe you have to lose a war before you can live in comfort - the British don't know how badly they are.

How is your daughter getting on? I expect her to be big enough any day to be sent on a European trip on her own - am I right?

If you ever have any business problems which need looking after in Italy or France - Tom is experienced and pretty shrewd and competent - the Scottish blood combined with the right background is pretty good.

You letter read a line once in a while - easy with a secretary! - in the new office as beautiful as I imagine it to be?

Kind personal regards,

Yours

Handwritten notes: "C. A. R. Nichols" and "Kramer Poughkeepsie" with arrows pointing to the address area.

via dei Pamphili 6,
Rome. October 24, 1952.

Dear Alf,

My thanks for your letter which you sent me to France are long overdue, and I want to tell you how much I appreciated your advice re our clay project. Since we stayed away from England longer than expected I told our friend Mr. Howell to contact Peter Simonis, and from what I hear, he has been very helpful to him. It seems to be a slightly complicated ~~subject~~ but may be something will develop eventually. When we get back I will ring Peter Simonis and hope to meet him -

However, this will not be just yet: We liked Italy so much that I took in Rome and we will stay here for some time. I am working for the Food and Agricultural Association, part of UNO - in the Economic Section and find it very interesting. To work in Rome is no hardship when you have long weekends to enjoy the city and the country nearby. It's still warm, but not disagreeably so, and life is much easier and more pleasant than in London. We have even got hopes of finding a beautiful modern apartment here - something which is almost impossible in London unless you pay an enormous premium and rent. John continues to write - he is still concentrating on 17th cent. French literature and it doesn't much matter where he does it. He is also looking after one or two business ventures - but all possible from here. It's almost as good as life in California - so if I have time for a trip (what a hope!) or come to Europe on business, do make a point of visiting Rome and us. Apparently in Europe you have to lose a war before you can live in comfort - the Italians don't know how lucky they are!

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Kind personal regards,

Yours

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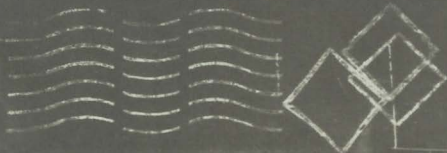
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October 10th, 1952.

John CAIRNCROSS Esq.
Poste Restante
M I L A N O

Dear John,

I regret to have to inform you that I received a negative reply from my Directors to your proposal regarding the Ramie Grass. The reason is that the firm is too deeply engaged in other fields. They say they may come back to this at a later date, but of course I cannot expect you to wait for that.

There are of course large numbers of textile concerns in the United States, but I have no connections to them. The names your people could obtain from any American consulate.

I should be glad to hear how you are faring with your various prospects.

Kindest regards to you and Gabi,

Yours as ever,

Richard

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FLAXMAN 6681

Your Ref.....

Our Ref.....

12.10.52

Dear John and Graby,

So sorry not to have seen you in Italy - I missed you in Florence by a few days only - Had we known you were in Rome she would have stopped to see you!

Hope you were successful with your Rome job - Anyway write and let me know!

Now am a lassow again - Back to the grind and life is quite hectic at present. By the way I can not pass my exam and have to try again in December.

In a way I hope to see you face soon again - but I can quite understand your desire to live on the continent!

Am seeing the Boatman tonight - wonder they have your news!

By the way did I ever tell you that I was a

cup in a tennis tournament - I shall have to look
after it because I am not likely to win a
second one! Even the Press took a picture of
me but I have not seen it yet - sure it's
terrible!

Mother is coming back next week and I think
let's hope she will be better this winter!

Do write -

Tell so on

John

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LAWRENCE FARMAN & PARTNERS,
258 Upper Richmond Road,
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A reminder that your garage rent
was due on Saturday last, 20th.
September 1952.

*L. A. L. Farman
Jr.*

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Please inform me if you have any more of these
I must keep a few more of these

REPVBBLICA
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Europe.
Re ticket, we'll write
to brother to explain
matters. Don't worry about
that expense; we can advance
any funds necessary. You
better bring my overcoat, blue,
too. As to our meeting you
we hope it will be possible,
but we must now see how
things develop for us here.
Thanks for photos! Please have
copies made of these sent to El.
Please write to Baba as soon
as you get news. Warmest love
here. Franco + wife charming
last night - Tell Bonarski to be careful
w/ bathroom fire - can be dangerous.

Mrs C. Oppenheim
38 MAPESbury Rd.

LONDON NW2

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J. 30/9

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29 SEP 1952

Dearest mother, just got your 2 letters, 1 via
Milano with cello tape which is most
appreciated by John and 1 letter direct
about your plans with Gisha. Glad
to hear you have decided to travel next
week. Penzione Giardinielle Calle di S. ^{comune di}
^{Chiusa} ^{Marino} + Genova, costs 1500 all
in apart for heating (perhaps on boat)
we'll write to Lericci to find out abt.
places. Near Spiezia, highly recommended
to us. Perhaps London Ital. Office Reform
St. (CIT), opposite Lafayette, also Pier
Bussetti, opposite Richard's, are good for
information. — Bill wrote today to us
please ring him to write to Franco Lombardi
via dei Pampili 6 where we are staying
we should now not write to Dade. As
things stand you can only be sure to spend
a 14 night with Gisha. However come for
2 weeks + things may improve we'll
know shortly. Incidentally tell Bill we
would gratefully do any further trans-
lations. Also that we want to meet
him on his way through Italy. If he can't
come South, we'll go up half way
to Florence, or even to Florence. We want
to say goodbye to him before he leaves.

Ludwig Ottenheimer
c/o. William Robles
144 A Lange Leemstraat
Antwerp, Belgium

DE ZEGELS PLAKKEN
OP DE ADRRESZIJDE
IN DEN RECHTERBOVENHOEK



Mrs. Gabi Caircross
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Ludwig Ottenheimer
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144 A Lange Leemstraat, Antwerp, Belgium, 24. September 52.

Liebe Gabi,

Nachdem ich mit meinen Lieben hier und in Deutschland, wo ich auch sehr stark und angenehm erfolgreich beruflich taetig war, einige herrliche Monate (trotz des derzeitigen miserablen und kalten Wetters, das mir mit schrecklicher Erkael- tung den Abschied zur Sonne Kaliforniens wesentlich erleichtert) verbracht habe, bin ich im Begriff, mit diesem herrlichen Satz Dir zu sagen, dass ich uebermorgen, also am Freitag, 26. ds. Mts. von hier nach London fliege, wo ich im Hause meines vor einigen Wochen in Stuttgart verstorbenen Veters Ernst Straus, 11 Mount Park Crescent, Ealing W.5. Tel. PER 6533 wohnen und bis 30. Sep- tember bleiben werde, um dann am 1. Oktober nach New York mit einem Flugzeug von TWA weiterzufliegen.

Obwohl ich ein umfangreiches Programm fuer den kurzen Aufenthalt in London habe, hoffe ich doch im Geiste des DON THE BEACHCOMBER ein Plauderstuendchen mit Dir zu erleben und von Dir zu erfahren, dass Du gluecklich bist, und Dir von mir und meiner Dich gruessen lassenden Helga und von deren bezaubenden Phyllis zu erzaehlen.

Ich bitte um Deinen Anruf und verbleibe inzwischen

mit lieben Gruessen

Dein

Ludwig Ottenheimer

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SENDER: Ludwig OTTENHEIMER

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ANTWERP, Belgium

ADDRESSEE: Mrs Gabi CAIRNCROSS

c/o OPPENHEIM
 38, Mapesbury Road
N.W.2.

DATED:- 24 September 1952

Dear GABI,

After spending some lovely months with my dear ones here, and in Germany where I had a very strenuous and pleasant time that has been of professional value to me, (the weather was cold and miserable and I got a frightful cold due to my departure from the sun of California) - as I write these words to you, I am on the point of flying to London from here, the day after to-morrow, that is to say on Friday 26th inst. While there I stay at the house of my cousin Ernst Straus 11 Mount Park Crescent, Ealing W.5. (Tel: PER 6533), - Ernst did some weeks ago in Stuttgart- I shall stay at his house until 30th September, and on 1 October I will fly on to New York by TWA.

Although I have a full programme for my short stay in London, I hope, however, to have a cosy chat with you in the spirit of DON THE BEACHCOMBER: and to learn from you that you are happy, and to tell you of myself, and of my HELGA, who send you greetings, and of the charming PHYLISES.

Please phone to me, and meanwhile, I remain

Yours

(Signed) Ludwig OTTENHEIMER

Landrad/Steir, 19. 9. 52
 Mr. C. Fox, hoffentlich gut gerüstet? Und
 ist Krieg bald wieder ist darüber.
 Heute denke ich fortwährend an Sie
 mit der Annahme, dass mit Kap
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ADDRESSEE:- Alfred N. OPPENHEIM Esq
38 Mapesbury Road
LONDON N.W.2.

DATED: 19.9.52

Lautrach/Tiller(?)

My dear FR.

I hope you had a good journey, and that I shall get some news about it. To-day I am thinking of you continually with the exception that the midday Air-mail from New York ~~bringing~~ ^{bringing} news from the ~~WERNER-CREU~~ Foundation, that there is "nix"*, since hardly any help will be given this year, with the exception of Research cases. SACHER(?) will be very disappointed since he wanted to write too. I hope that you found everything well at home. Many greetings from LINA(?), and still more from

Yours

(SIGNED) "MILI(?)"

* Nothing doing.

FR
14/10

Mrs. E. J. Tuchman
111-45 76th Drive
Forest Hills, N.Y.



AIR LETTER

**VIA AIR MAIL
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15. September 1952

Meine liebe Carola: Ich freute mich sehr mit Deinem lieben Brief und auch, dass Du an Alfreds Geburtstag gedacht hast, war sehr lieb. Ich hoffe, Dein Landaufenthalt hat Dir gut getan und Du kannst nun das Leben in der Grosstadt besser ertragen. Dass Dir Bastel immer mehr fehlt, kann ich mir gut denken, in den ersten Monaten versuchen so viele Menschen einen abzulenken und nachher ist alles der Alltag und man muss mit sich selber fertig werden. Der Tod von Martin war uns allen ein Shock. Es hatte ihm nie etwas gefehlt (ausser den Augen natuerlich) aber einige Tage vorher hatte er Beklemmungen auf der Brust, das hat unzweifelhaft damit zusammen gehangen, sie haben dem aber keinerlei Bedeutung beigelegt und auch keinen Arzt gerufen. Fuer ihn ist es natuerlich ein schoener Tod, wie es sich jeder wuenscht, aber fuer Anna und Erika war der Shock schrecklich, sie waren gerade noch morgens zu Hauses, gar nicht auszudenken, wenn es unter Tags passiert waere. Ich glaube Anna wuerde es sehr anerkennen, wenn Du ihr ein paar Zeilen schreiben wuerdest, sie ist sehr dankbar fuer jede Anteilnahme. Die Adresse ist 101 80th Road, Kew Gardens, N.Y. Ich nehme an, dass Du von Gabi gehoert hast, dass Renny im April ein Baby erwartet, wir freuen uns natuerlich alle~~s~~ sehr, sie ist sehr vorsichtig und arbeitet die ersten 3 Monate nicht, einige Wochen war es ihr viel schlecht, aber sie bekam Injektionen, die ausgezeichnet geholfen haben, jetzt fuehlt sie sich sehr wohl. Helenes Arm heilt sehr langsam, aber die letzten Roentgen-Aufnahmen zeigten einen Fortschritt. Dem Iglauers-Buben geht es auch besser, er soll nun bald Braces und Kruecken bekommen und dann versuchen, zu laufen, dann darf er bald nach Hauses, das wird aber auch ein Problem, mit der Schule und allem sich Wieder-Eingewoennen. Kommen Gabi und John bald wieder nach England zurueck? Ich kann mir vorstellen, wie sehr sie Dir fehlen, Gabis warme Personality ist schoen um sich zu haben, ich hatte sie hier so gern und sie fehlt mir wirklich. Elisabet soll ja im Oktober kommen und ich freue mich, sie wiederzusehen, zu Renny war sie so nett. Ernst Ludwig sprach ich am Telephon und kurz einmal im Geschaefft. Ich freue mich immer, wie anhaenglich er ist. Nun gruesse mir Melanie herzlichst (Jemand sagte, die Waldsteins muessten bald kommen, wegen der Citizenship, ist das wahr?) Auch fuer Heinrich und Frieda viele Gruesse,

Dir alles Liebe, stets Deine

Sam

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Translation from German.3928
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X X
 SENDER:- Mrs E.J. TUCHMAN
 111-45 76th Drive
 Forest Hills N.Y.

ADDRESSEE: Mrs C. OPPENHEIM
 38, Mapesbury Road
 LONDON N.W.2. England.

DATED:- 15 September 1952

My dear CAROLA,

I was so pleased to get your nice letter, and also that you thought of ALFRED's birthday, that was very nice of you. I hope that your stay in the country has done you good, and that you can now better endure the life in the big city. I can well understand that you still miss BASTEL, in the first months so many people try to distract one, and afterwards one must deal with the everyday life for oneself. MARTIN's death was a great shock to us all. He had never ailed (except of course for his eyes), but some days previously he had an oppression of the breast, that was undoubtedly connected with it, they had no idea of it, and no doctor was called in. Of course it is a beautiful death for him, just as he would have wished; but for ANNA and ERIKA the shock was terrible even the next day they could not believe it, even after days had passed. I think that ANNA would appreciate it very much, if you wrote her a few lines, she is very grateful for any sympathy. The address is 101 80th Road, Kew Gardens N.Y. I presume that you have heard from GABI that RENNY is expecting a baby in April, of course we are all very pleased, she is very careful and did not work for the first 3 months, some weeks she was very bad, but she had injections, which did her a lot of good, now she feels very well. HELEN's arm is healing very slowly, the last X-ray showed some progress. The IGLAUERS Boy is better too, he should soon get braces crutches, and then try to run, then he should soon be home, it will be a problem with the school too and everything to get him settled again. Are GABI and JOHN going back to England soon? I can imagine how much you miss them, GABI's warm personality is so nice, I liked having her here so much, and she really missed her. ELISABET should come in October, and I am glad to be seeing her again, she was so nice to RENNY. Ernst LUDWIG and I had a talk over the phone, I am glad he is so faithful. Now greet MELANIE for me heartily, (Someone said that the WALDSTEINS must come soon, on account of the citizenship, is this true?) Also many greetings for HEINRICH and FRIEDA.

All my love to you,

(Signature) "EMMIE"?



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19 Sept. 52

Dear Mr. Cairncross,

I must apologize for the delay in answering your letter of the 29th. of August. I am afraid that we are not interested in the publication of poetry, at least, that is not quite accurate, we are interested in the poetry but, alas, cannot afford the publication of it. We feel that the Racine would have rather to limited an interest and therefore it is not much use you sending it. Thank you for giving us the opportunity,

yours faithfully,

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Note for PF.72493

Mr. Harlow, G.P.O., telephoned to say that CAIRNCROSS had submitted a redirection notice (as from 16, Lansdowne Court, W.11.) for his mail to be forwarded to 38, Mapesbury Road, N.W.2. Harlow presumed that the warrant should be operated henceforward on this new address.

After consulting the file I agreed that the warrant should be transferred as suggested, and asked that the arrangements should continue whereby letters from abroad to this address were picked up on the authority of the "emanating from" part of the warrant. I also asked Harlow if he could find out where the redirection notice had actually come from.

C.A.G. Simkins

C.A.G. Simkins

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PF.702335/D.C.

16th August, 1952.

Dear Winnifrith,

Alexander Kirkland CAIRNCROSS.

You telephoned to Mitchell a few days ago about the proposed appointment of the above named to the Royal Commission on Scottish Affairs.

As you know, he is an elder brother of John CAIRNCROSS with whose case you are familiar. Although we consider that we have achieved all that is feasible by way of action in that case, we do not regard it as finally resolved. There is, perhaps, a possibility of embarrassment if John CAIRNCROSS' connection with BURGESS became publicly known while his brother was serving on the Royal Commission. At present this seems a rather remote contingency.

With regard to Alexander CAIRNCROSS' own political sympathies, we have a report from a reliable source that he was a communist when he was up at Cambridge about 1934/35, but with one exception there is no record of any communist connections since that date. According to most of our recent information, he is well balanced and objective and shows no sign of being an apologist for the U.S.S.R. or sympathetic towards communism. Earlier this year he attended the Moscow Economic Conference, and on his return he broadcast his impressions of Moscow in a fair and objective manner. (These were published in "The Listener" on May 29th). Against this, however, we have lately received an unconfirmed report that Alexander CAIRNCROSS is a member of, or closely associated with, the British Soviet Friendship Society. Although membership of this Society does not necessarily imply communist sympathies, it raises a strong suspicion

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to this effect.

Yours sincerely,

R.H.Hollis.

A.J.D.Winnifrith Esq., C.B.,
Treasury Chambers,
Great George Street, S.W.1.

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Madame et Monsieur W. Lessing
 12 Princes House
 Kensington Park Road
 London W. 11
 England

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F. Bussat 39. Arshua Auger
Montouze (Seine)
France

7 0010 H

Hello darling, how are you? Have you
been on holidays and have you had
a good time. I hope you will tell me very
soon you you will
come to Paris for it's
very long time I did
not see you - I will be
please to hear from you and in this hope
I send you out best
Faithfully
Miss Muelle Faustone
Love and kisses
(Francis)

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7 0010 H

Dear Aunt and Uncle -
we hope you are keeping well and wish to hear
from you. Just our holidays are finished
and we had a marvellous weather though
I have a terrible sore throat during a week.
I have good news from M. M. Fainstone
America. Mummies in Colorado
in holiday & Colorado
Spring and Denver & Harry
will probably go to California or Syria to see
the family. As I have forgotten your address
I include this card in Charlotte's letter.
Lot of love and kisses from your affectionate
niece Fanny.

60 - SCÈNES ET TYPES BRETONS

Costumes Bretons

Fanny

Francis

7 0010 H

Dear Charlotte and Walter.
We are at the end of our
holidays. Francis
was very happy on the
beach. Now ^{he} is going to
Alsace for 2 months.
I hope you are keeping
well both of you and we
expect to see you in Sep
ember. Lot of love
and kisses from
Francis

Ediths Verily-Peppin - Mortagne-sur-Saône (Vendée)
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Mrs M. W. Lessing

(This beach is just
in front of
St Nazaire
maybe Charlotte
you've seen it in
1947 when ^{you} were at
St Marguerite.



J. Cairncross, Esq.,

~~16 Lansdowne Court,~~

~~Lansdowne Crescent,~~

~~London, W.11.~~

12 Princess House

G. 317.

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From The Secretary of the Faculty Board of Modern and Medieval Languages

C.U. Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages
Quayside
Cambridge
Tel. 57602

29th July, 1952

Dear Sir,

I regret to inform you that you have been unsuccessful in your application for the posts of University Lecturer in French and University Assistant Lecturer in French.

Yours faithfully,

DH Green

J. Cairncross, Esq.,
16 Lansdowne Court,
Lansdowne Crescent,
London, W.11.

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19.8.52

MRS. RICHARD SANGER
808 WEST END AVENUE
NEW YORK 25, N. Y.



Mr. John Cairncross
16 Lansdowne Court, Lansdowne Crescent
London W. 11, England
12 Princess House

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30 JUL 1952

MRS. RICHARD SANGER

808 West End Avenue, New York 25, N. Y.

July 15, 1952

Dear John, the whole Sanger family sends to you our heartiest congratulations to your birthday and many, many ^{happy} 'blarries.' I am sorry that I did not answer your last letter and thank you for the snap shot you sent from both of you. But as you may know by now through your in-laws with whom I phoned some time ago Mr. Sanger was pretty sick with a heart-attack and was in the hospital for a quarter of a year. But I am glad to say that he has improved since then but still has to make it easy. He is out in the country now and will stay there till the hot summer is over. I am

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carrying on the business and go out to visit
him every weekend. George is coming from Boston
every second week, he feels quite happy that in
Beth Israel Hospital where he specialises in obstet-
rics. He has still at least 2 more years to stay
that. How are you and Daby? Some friend told us
that you are planning to go to Switzerland. Is this
true? Let us know what you are and what you
are doing. We hope that both of you are fine
and that we will have a chance to meet Daby
in a near future. Her mother was in our building,
when she was over here too bad that we have not
met her. Halke's daughter, Putkai is now in London
from Johannesburg on a business trip. Do you still
remember her? They are doing fine there.

Have a nice birthday and best regards from all
of us to both of you.

Love + Lisel +

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Telephone Nos.
REGENT 6050.
WHITEHALL 6789.

BOX No. 500,
PARLIAMENT STREET B.O.,
LONDON, S.W.1.

Your Ref: PF.72493/B2A/DS.
Our Ref: SS/425/56.

Scientific Services.
24th July, 1952.

Dear Stephens,

Reference your further letter of 10th July, 1952, returning the copy of "The Modern Quarterly" for further examination.

We can find positively no evidence to indicate that this periodical had been interfered with in any way. The contents have also been submitted to a comprehensive range of tests for the presence of secret writing or other invisible marks.

No evidence of any such writing or other marks could be found.

It should of course be pointed out that no one test can be applied to the whole area of all the pages in view of the need to apply other tests. If therefore a very small amount of secret writing had been present, say, on one page, it could so happen that the correct developer applied for the writing did not cover the particular small area bearing the writing.

The periodical is now badly mutilated and bearing much technical evidence of our counter methods. For security reasons therefore it is proposed that the remains should be retained by this Section.

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Yours sincerely,

D. Stephens, Esq.,
B.2.A.

R. E. Hedges

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interested in Tom's career
I am so glad you are happily
married, my love to you both

Sincerely Tom
Gene Holtor



12 James House

John Cameron Esq
~~46 Lansdowne Court~~
~~Lansdowne Crescent~~
London W11
England

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SENDER'S NAME AND ADDRESS — NOM ET ADRESSE DE L'ÉMETTEUR

G. Holtor
3625 Galiano Rd
Vancouver
B.C.

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3625 Galvano Rd
Vancouver

BC
July 14, 1952

My dear John,

This is to tell you that my darling passed away on Saturday July 12th. My heart is too full to talk about it now, but he had been in poor health for the last year, however he took a convulsion at 11 AM ^{on the 12th} recovered & got up & sat in his Pyjamas during the afternoon waiting until evening to go in hospital for a check up to find out all about it. I took him in the car to the hospital & he while not feeling well was cheerful & joking. He appeared quite

happy when I left to go home for supper & soon after I got a call from the Hospital to say he had had another attack. I jumped in the car & when I got there I think he knew me but he couldn't talk & he passed on at 4:30 AM.

I do so hope I made him happy, he used to say our life together was the happiest of his life & I am sure no woman was ever more loved by a man than I was, but Oh John, our life was much too short together, we had so much we wanted to do together I was hoping to earn enough to take him back to his beloved France for a visit but it was not to be. Thank you John for writing him he always was so

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17th July, 1952.

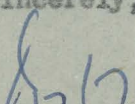
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Dear Mann,

John CAIRNCROSS

Please refer to your letter dated 29th March, 1952, under the above heading. You may be interested to know that James Findlay HENDRY has been discharged from his employment at the British Legation in Vienna and has probably returned to the U.K. now.

Yours sincerely,


D. Stephens

R.J. Mann, Esq.,
A.L.O. Scotland.

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Reference PF. 72493

Note

Walter Benno LESSING
(Summary extracted from Home Office
file L.2208)

Walter Benno LESSING, a German Jew since naturalised British, was born in Nuremberg, Germany, on 13.10.18, and is the son of Hans Bruno LESSING, former managing director of the Dresdner Bank in Berlin and of Lili Julie LESSING, nee ROSENFELD. He came to the U.K. in 1933, matriculated at London University, and subsequently served in a number of banks in India. He first applied for naturalisation in April, 1939, but the outbreak of war caused a decision to be deferred. He was exempted from internment during the war, later served as a Sergeant in the Intelligence Corps and was for a time with P.W.I.S. in Norway. While in the Army he took advantage of the simplified naturalisation procedure evolved for service personnel and was granted British nationality in 1946.

He is related to A.T. LESSING, Barrister-at-Law, and former M.P. and R. LESSING, Ph.D., Consulting Chemist, both of whom are British subjects.

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D. Stephens

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17.7.52.

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Request for Information regarding Aliens from Home Office Records

Our Reference... PF. 72493/Supp Section... B. 2. A./DS. H.O. Reference... L 2208
(if known)

- 1. Surname... LESSING Christian Names... Walter Benno
- 2. Address(es)... 12 Princes House, Kensington Park Road, W. 11.
- 3. Born... 13.10.1918 at... Nuremberg Sex... M.
- *4. Nationality... Naturalised British At Birth...
AZ. 19169 issued 22.8.46. at London.
- 5. Occupation... Company Director.
- 6. Passport Number... 118373/51.

Williamson Date... 11.7.52.
Signature

N.B. Use a separate form for each name. *Only Aliens are recorded.

To R.1. for Representative at H.O.

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Signature... D. E. Gault Date... 15. 7. 52

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10th July, 1952.

PF. 72493/B2A/DS.

SS/425/41

Dear Hedger,

Ref. 5. 208b.

Please refer to your letter reference
SS/425/41 dated 21st April, 1952.

This matter has been reviewed and we would
be grateful if you would subject the copy of "The
Modern Quarterly" in question, which is returned
herewith, to further examination to ascertain whether
it contains:

1. Any kind of marking or has been
interfered with in any manner.
2. Any writing or marking in secret
ink.

We appreciate that further tests may involve
considerable mutilation.

Yours sincerely,

D. Stephens

D. Stephens.

R. E. Hedger, Esq.,
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REQUEST FOR PASSPORT OR PERMIT PAPERS.

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R.1 (LONDON) for H.O. representative.

Please obtain:—LATEST PASSPORT FILE

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for the following:—

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Please see

SURNAME: LESSING

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CHRISTIAN NAMES: Charlotte wife of Walter B.

PLACE AND DATE

OF BIRTH:

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attached

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ADDRESS: 12 Princes House, Kensington Park Road, W. 11.

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TRAVEL ABROAD:

*NUMBER AND DATE

OF PASSPORT:

Section.....B.2.A......

Signature.....D. Stephens......

Date.....4.7.52......

* Where known.

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Extracts from Passport papers
918567/48

Name: Charlotte LESSING nee FAINSTONE.
Born: London on 14th May, 1924.
N.R.I.C.: BKDY-331-5
Profession: Journalist
Address: 22 Pembridge Gardens, London, W.11.
Nationality: British by birth.
Married: On 25.5.48. to Walter Benno LESSING.
Dated 26.5.48.

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REQUEST FOR PASSPORT OR PERMIT PAPERS.

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R.1 (LONDON) for H.O. representative.

Please obtain:—LATEST PASSPORT FILE

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for the following:—

OUR FILE No.: PF. 72493/Supp/B2A/DS.

SURNAME: LESSING

CHRISTIAN NAMES: Walter B.

PLACE AND DATE
OF BIRTH:

PROFESSION:

ADDRESS: 12 Princes House, Kensington Park Road, W. 11.

*PARTICULARS OF
TRAVEL ABROAD:

*NUMBER AND DATE
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Signature..... A.D. Stephens......

Date..... 4.7.52......

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Extracts from Passport papers
118373/51

Name: Walter Benno LESSING
Born: Nuremberg on 13.10.1918
N. R. I. C. AMA 5805974
Profession: Company Director
Address: 12 Princes House, Kensington Park Road, W.11.
Nationality: British by Naturalisation.
AZ.19169 issued 22.8.1946 in London.

Personal Description:

Height: 6ft.2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ins.
Colour of eyes: Brown
Colour of hair: Black

Dated 16th August, 1951.

Passport required for Travelling to: British Empire, all countries in Europe including the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Turkey, Egypt and U.S.A. Purpose: Business.



BY AIR MAIL
PAR AVION

E. H. Lessing
7-11 Tonnele Ave
Jersey City 6, NJ



G.C.

Mr. W. B. Lessing

12 Princes House
Kensington Park Road

London W.11.

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Sunday June 29th, 1952.

Dear Bubele,

thanks for the telegram (it was a very good idea to send it to the office and was quite a relief to receive) and for the express letter. I am glad that everything could be arranged as comfortably as humanly possible, and hope very much that Papi is feeling allright and gaining strength quickly.

I am glad that you mentioned the secondary exit and that none would be required. I had wondered about that, not about a permanent one (which I should think is required only when the lowest part of the intestine including the circular muscle is removed) but about a temporary one until the colon is strong enough again. One question: was the removed lump examined in the laboratory during the operation, and could it have made a difference as far as the operation was concerned if it had been found malignant?

Could you know anything I could send Papi or do for him here? I am feeling rather bad about not being able to be of any help to you at all. How is Mami, did she have to "eat" an awful lot? Can she go to the Clinic and back by herself, or only with Mrs. Snell, or with Charlotte or you? Are you sleeping upstairs for a while as you mentioned?

Don't mind about the postage, I only mentioned because of possible delay to letters.

Nothing much to write from here, weather was absolutely gruesome last week, with 92° twice until 11 o'clock, and my room was so hot that I decided to buy an air-conditioner. Costs a lot, about 300.-, incl. installation, but should be worth while.

Hope you are allright and not overtiring yourself. Please continue writing, if only a few lines.

Lots of love ~~mf~~ and many Grukus for you and Charlotte,

You & Charlotte

PS: if opportune, could you get some flowers for Papi's room for me, and let me know how much. Also: if you could get some nice flower pot (may-be something that lasts a while), both for Mami and for Papi, for the 7th (40th engagement day). Thanks a lot.

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Postmark, Stockholm
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LUFTPOST
PAR AVION



Mrs Gabriele Cairncross
16 D. Leasing.

12 Princes ^{Howe} ~~Landsdowne~~ Court
~~Landsdowne Crescent~~

England. W. 11. London W. 11.

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Dear Gubi,

Thank you very much for your long nice letter - it made me very glad! And I think it is funny how we two after so many years still are "talking" to each other as we meet yesterday - do you not think that is wonderful!

Now it is snowing and the children go skiing every day. But I am longing for the spring and warmth and flowers and to be able to go out without putting on lots of wool-things.

That journey to America did not come out this spring. Carl Blaf could not leave his work at home for so long. So we will see

What is happening to the autumn,
but it does sound wonderful to
come to you and drive to Oxford
and once again meet an English
Spring. The trouble is that I
have only got a girl of 14 years
to help, and Thomas is now 9 and
Colo $7\frac{1}{2}$ and Gert 5 years old. The
two eldest are at school between
8-2 in the day of course, but
there is a lot to do. And the
girl ("helpen") is too young to have
the responsibility of the family.
My mother-in-law is dead
(as you remember) and my mother
has not got strength for her-
self even. She has still got
her terrible head-ache, and
then she can't see anything
move or hear any noise at all.
And here is terribly busy in-
deed. But I should love to
come to you and get to know
your charming husband. Poff
was so ~~tot~~ charmed of you
both and said he spent a very
nice and interesting evening

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in your home. But Gerti, you have not yet got any child, why do ~~not~~ you not take the opportunity to come and see us. The Swedish Spring is very nice too and quite remarkable with its long days. You know midsummer 23/6 it never gets dark - you can see to read all the night without any artificial lights. And we are building a boat with motor and even to sail without motor. You understand what I mean (Carl Graf has thrown all my Swedish-English dictionaries away!) So I can't look a single word up. The boat is 9 meters long and 2.70m broad and there is 4 beds. Gerti has to lay on the floor. There is even a small pantry. So during vacation we are planning to go to Dalarn. As you can see on a map Västerås has the sea "Mälaren" and we can go all the

way, passing Stockholm out into
the archipelago to Dalarna. It takes
about 2 days. We can even go to
England (Calais-Dover). But we
have to practise first. - We have
for several years spent our vacation
on Gotland, our biggest island on
the east coast. There is a very
nice place with plage, pool and
a charming hotel called "Snäckgårds-
baden" (it is the very best in Sweden)
and there we met for 4 years
ago a very nice scottish
family by name Pinkerton
(we are still writing to each other),
they are living near Glasgow
- Jacton. Carl Blom has visited
them once when he went to
Scotland in business. (You were
in America). So I do like the
scottish people very much.
- What I was going to say:
do come to us instead. I am
sure it will make your hus-
band good! Come in June!
By then our boat is ready and
we have sun and flowers!

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Something came between, and this letter is old, but I send it away anyhow. - 'It is soon July and yet the real summer has not come - cold and rainy every day. And the boat is not ready yet. It will be the 19th of July and we shall wait to take our holiday then and be sailing for a fortnight. Yes, nothing turns out exactly as one wants it to do. Last week Märta Åkerland was here with her two children - one boy 3½ and a little girl of 2 years old. We had a very good time chatting of old days. - My invitation on last page I hope you seriously will think over!

Love from all of us to you,
dear Gabi and your charming little
sund!

Yours

Peretti

