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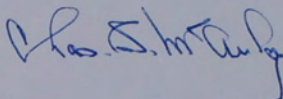
December 17, 1969

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I am pleased to enclose 1970-71 Steamship
Service Annual Pass.

May I take this opportunity to express
best wishes for the Holiday Season.

Cordially yours,



Encl.

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua, Guatemala

Confidential.

In reply refer to No.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF NAVAL INTELLIGENCE JFW:RAS
WASHINGTON

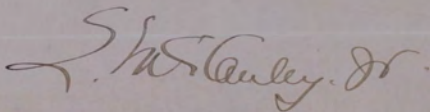
February 25, 1918.

Dear Sir:

In further reference to our conversation of recent date regarding advance money for your trip.

Please be advised that there has been placed to your credit at the Citizens Savings Bank, Pasadena, California, five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for this purpose, for which you will please render accounting.

Very truly yours,



Captain, U. S. Navy,
Assistant Director of Naval Intelligence.

Mr. Wilson Popenoe,
Altadena, Calif.

Together Again
Christmas 1962



Better late than never!

Bet you thought
we'd forgotten you friends.

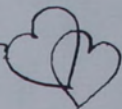
'Taint trees -

Here's ^{July 4th}
~~an Easter~~ "Christmas" Cheer
from

The John H. McClintocks'
Just for you.

218 South Royal Street
Alexandria, Virginia

1963

Out of the Nest 



Susan
and
Robert Vas Dias
~ 1961 ~
Robert - poet, writer
and editor
Susan - actress and
cat-lover
summers in Aspen
winters in New York

Jock
and
Nancy Dibble
~ 1962 ~

Jock graduates
Hobart '63;
hopes for M. A.
in English
Nancy from
Tonawanda, N.Y. -
school teacher



Still at Home



Deborah

↑
graduates '63
Halton - Arms;
college? where?
summer '62
in Norway -
interests: music,
classics, boys

Lucia

↑
sophomore
at Western
College, Oxford, Ohio
interests: social
service and love

Mike

↖
High school freshman
Main interests:
ice hockey,
crew and our
swimming pool.

The Old Folks

John busy with Inter-American Development Bank
and a new Labrador puppy (Lobey died in
December); Peter, with domesticity and
volunteer work for THIS (The Hospitality
and Information Service for the Resident
Diplomats). We miss Massachusetts but it's
fun to be back in Washington - we like our
Early 18th Century house - come see us!

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE OTHERS? ↓



HEADQUARTERS, 6TH INFANTRY DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL
FORT ORD, CALIFORNIA

November 21, 1952

Mr. Wilson Popenoe
Apartado 93
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Dear Friends:

I am happy to report that your son has arrived at Fort Ord and was welcomed into the 6th Infantry Division of the United States Army. During his training here, your son will become proficient in the use of all Infantry weapons and the technique of modern warfare. He will be prepared to defend your freedom and the lives and property of all Americans, and to take his place on the Armed Forces team, "Defenders of Freedom".

Your son in the next few weeks will be given the fullest instruction possible because we know that a trained soldier, tough in body and mind, has a much better chance in battle than an untrained or partially trained man. He will also learn discipline — the instant, cheerful discipline of the free American Soldier.

I feel that I am the head of a family here at Fort Ord of 25,000 busy people. In the Army it is "one for all and all for one". I want your son to work hard, learn fast and to keep himself fit physically, mentally, and morally.

I am enclosing a photograph of your son in the uniform of his country. I hope you will write to him at least once a week and give him your full support.

Faithfully yours,

R. B. McCLURE
Major General, USA
Commanding

Inclosure
Photograph

McCLURE
5507 CHARLES STREET
BETHESDA 14, MARYLAND

February 12, 1964

Dear Wilson:

Today, in the quiet of the very early morning as Mack and I drove down to the Smithsonian, we listened to the radio ---a Strauss waltz. I thought of you, as I always do, when ever a good waltz is playing. When Mack and I were first married and came to Washington we attended the Botanical Ball at the Willard Hotel, I think it was. There were Coville, Maxon, Safford, and you. What an exciting event this was for me -- ~~giance~~ in the capital, men in Tux (a far cry from the present-day botanical dinners held in a church with every one wearing ordinary clothes). I had even bought an evening dress for this occasion. But the TOP of the whole evening was a waltz I had with you. I felt as though I were on a cloud, so expertly did you carry me across that floor -- it seemed our feet hardly touched its polished surface.

We often recall those early associations with you -- your enthusiasms, the exciting stories of your adventures, your excellent company, your and Dorothy's visit to Mack in the Baltimore hospital, your well-wishing us as we set forth on the great adventure across the Pacific. . . . Then, of course, the wonderful time much later, in Zamorano. What delightful times we had with Helen and you. Your warm hospitality had never cooled a bit during all the years.

What a pity that 16 years have elapsed since then and we have not seen you. During this interval, all of us have had sorrows and anxieties of one sort and another -- the loss of a dear one, the separation from friends. But you see, we feel the same toward you as always -- and I whirl with you in memory across the ball room floor!

We, like you, now have grandchildren, and aren't they GRAND! We hope you see ^{you're} ~~them~~ often. We had to wait 2½ years to see our eldest and her three who came by bus and car for 3,000 miles to spend Christmas with us. (They live on the edge of the wilderness in Northern Saskatchewan.) If you ever come to Washington do call us so we can dine together and talk. ~

Mack's book on bamboo is in the hands of the Cabot

MCCLURE
5507 CHARLES STREET
BETHESDA 14, MARYLAND

Foundation of Harvard and due to come out this year. He is grinding away at a revision of the bamboo genera of the world for the new edition of Engler and Prantl's *Natürlichen Pflanzenfamilien* -- no mean task what with the fragmentary nature of bamboo specimens. However, he is, I am sure, the one man in the whole world who has seen and studied more living bamboos than any other person. When this terrific job is over in a year or two, there are still unlimited numbers of things to do about bamboo! Maybe then, we might get south of the border again.

Please know that we both often speak of you with great affection and hope that one day we may be together again.

Old time greetings from Mack and

Ruth

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Guatemala, 24 de enero de 1973
Ref. CP- 068-73

Dr. Wilson Popence
Casa del Oidor
Calle de la Nobleza
Antigua, Guatemala, C.A.

Estimado Dr. Popence:

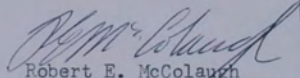
En nombre de Cal Poly y de la Fundación de Educación Agrícola de California agradezco a usted y a su organización la colaboración que se sirviera prestar para nuestro grupo. La visita de este grupo a Guatemala fue más fructífera por su fina participación.

Además de los aspectos educacionales de esta visita, ellos siempre recordarán a Guatemala por la cálida acogida brindada a ellos por personas como usted.

De una manera muy particular agradezco a usted en todo lo que vale su participación.

A la presente incluyo una lista del grupo para su archivo, pues en el futuro podría serle útil; ya que ellos le extendieron una cordial invitación para que usted visite sus operaciones en California.

Atentamente,


Robert E. McColaugh
Asesor en Educación Agrícola



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ESCUELA AGRICOLA PANAMERICANA

APARTADO 93

TEGUCIGALPA, HONDURAS
CENTRO AMERICA

Antigua, Guatemala, 8 March 1961

J.D. McCormack Esq.,
29 Woburn Square, London W.C.1, England.

Dear Sir:

Replying to yours of 1st March, I have no hesitation in recommending Mercer P. Russell for the post of Entomologist at the University College of the West Indies.

Mr. Russell was with me at Escuela Agricola Panamericana for two years or more. He left to go to the United States and work for a doctorate in applied entomology. You of course know that he is a graduate of the Imperial College of Tropical Agriculture. His father Robert Russell held a high position in research with the Standard Oil Company, which he left to become right-hand man for Nelson Rockefeller in the latter's agricultural program in South America.

I consider Mercer to be a man of excellent ability and good personality. His wife is a very fine character (and this means to me a great deal, in the tropics). Her father was and still may be, a medical officer in Trinidad. They have no children. I am sure Mercer will do a good job wherever he goes.

Sincerely,

Wilson Popenoe
Director Emeritus

UNIVERSITY of ILLINOIS
COLLEGE of AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION
URBANA, ILLINOIS

DEPARTMENT
of HORTICULTURE

August 20, 1964

Dr. Reid M. Brooks
c/o Amer. Soc. for Hort. Science
University of Colorado
Boulder, Colorado

Dear Dr. Brooks:

Just back from Mexico and Guatemala, I enclose your check list of Illinois-introduced varieties for inclusion in "New Fruit and Nut Varieties Register List 19."

At the Aldridge Nursery, Von Ormy, Texas, last week, I saw their three recent introductions that you may want to include in the next Register list:

Pears -- "Improved Kieffer"
Monterrey

Pecan -- Imperial (patented)

Probably worth trying
The "Improved Kieffer," Mr. Aldridge (Jr.) told me, had been briefly catalogued previously under another name by a Texas nursery now out of business. It appears to be a vigorous seedling of Kieffer, but is earlier, with softer fruit.

Monterrey is from near Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico; a chance seedling, probably hybrid between 'Pineapple' (the principal cultivated pear in Nuevo Leon) and some variety with European pear ancestry. The tree is much like 'Pineapple'; the fruit is larger, earlier, softer, but with crisp flesh; nearly free of grit cells, yellow skinned and of a more pyriform shape, with large calyx end giving it a distinctive appearance. It matures in late August at Von Ormy, just south of San Antonio. My wife thought it was the best pear she had ever eaten. I say it won't replace Bartlett, but should offer promise as a fresh market and canning variety in Texas, Mexico and the Southeastern States. It seems better than 'Orient'.

I did not examine Imperial Pecan, but it is described in the (wholesale) catalog of Aldridge Nursery. It is a large variety that is said to fill better than Mahan.

The main object of my trip was to introduce material of Central American Magnolias for observation and breeding in the U. S. I sent material of *M. guatemalensis* Don Smith and a Chiapas, Mexico species (possibly *M. Sharpii* Miranda) to the U.S. National Arboretum for propagation. I also brought back three Mexican tires on my car, but it was an enjoyable trip.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph C. McDaniel
Assistant Professor
of Horticulture

JCMcD/bw

cc: Dr. Wilson Popenoe, Antigua, Guatemala
Aldridge Nursery, Von Ormy, Texas

Doc: List of mat.
received May be of
interest to Job

Fairchild Tropical Garden

10901 OLD CUTLER ROAD
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33156
March 28th, 1972.

ESCUELA AGRICOLA PANAMERICANA

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Dr. R. P. Armour, Director,
Escuela Agricola, Panamericana,
Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Dear Dr. Armour:

Your letter of March eighth was waiting for me when I reached the Fairchild Garden. It has been possible to secure cuttings of what I consider ten of the more desirable clones. Three cuttings of each of these have been shipped through the usual garden procedures and I trust will reach you in good condition. The following clones have been included-

- Betty Hendry, A medium vigorous bright red variety making an attractive specimen bush.
- Bois d' Rose, a vigorous red variety with orange overtones on the newly opening bracts.
- Mahara, double red, vigorous forming large trusses of bloom. Disadvantage is that the flowers do not shed.
- Easter Parade, vigorous lavender clone, long arching canes may climb.
- Jamaica White, medium vigorous variety with white ruffled bracts flushed with faint pink on aging.
- Lateritia, Probably *B. spectabilis*, pubescent foliage, brick red color, may be difficult to root.
- Lady Mary Baring, vigorous yellow, one of the better yellows, tall arching canes.
- Mary Palmer, bright pink, medium vigorous, unusual variety because occasional white bracted flowers appear.
- Scarlet O'Hara, A good red with bracts larger than the usual Barbara Karst.
- Temple Fire, One of the few clones that remains dwarf and spreading, red with tinge of orange on new bracts.

I hope that these can be successfully rooted. If some fail perhaps we can try again another year.

With best regards,

L. MacDaniels
L. MacDaniels

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS
120 McCarty Hall
INSTITUTE OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

DATE: 6/20/68

TO: Dr. Wilson

FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

PLEASE NOTE AND RETURN.

FOR YOUR COMMENT OR RECOMMENDATION

PLEASE TAKE ACTION

Greetings -

Hugh really banged himself up a bit but is coming along just fine.

You should know with his three secretaries and all the other females he is acquainted with he will not lack for attention.

Come back to see us and don't worry about H.P.

Best regards
Martha McEwee

Stamford - Calif -

[Jan 15, 1953]

Dear Mrs Popenoe, -

I have just had your letter of the 24th of
of December -- I have been out of school
this last semester because of illness
and am only now back at school -
I will get in touch with Willard
Sheets and talk over the possibilities
of Miss Sally and he or I will
write you at once -- In my
painting class she went along
like a breeze - very understated
very talented and if I am not
misstating took 1st in two prizes -
I should say she had a real
chance in the art world ---
This last year because of illness

I have not been at school and
have not seen her - I think she
must be in Mrs Sheets class -

Thanks for writing you will
Hear from me later -

Very truly yours -

Henry Lee McBee -

Jan 11th 1953 -

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

DEPARTMENT OF VEGETABLE CROPS
DAVIS, CALIFORNIA

August 19, 1957
Air Mail

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Calle De La Nobleza Num. 2,
Antigua, Guatemala,
CENTRAL AMERICA

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

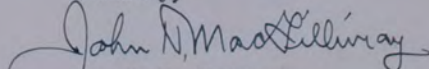
On my return from Taiwan, I was greeted by your card of May 24th announcing your retirement. I am sure you have seen much agricultural improvement in Central America as the result of your efforts. Your efforts to improve agriculture has always held my highest respect, and I am sure you deserve freedom from administrative duties and a chance to develop your horticultural ideas. I think you are fortunate that the people of Central America appreciate your efforts. The food and quiet of Antigua I am sure is to be preferred to that of Taiwan.

We had a very interesting experience in Taiwan. Frances and Donald seemed to enjoy themselves most of the time. We made some good friends among the Chinese, but it is a little difficult to be sure how much good was accomplished. The Chinese are most polite but science seemed to be moving at a rather slow pace. In the last few months I got some work started on transportation and storage of vegetables. There has also been a sum of money set aside for a cold storage building. I also repeated my work on nutrients per acre and per pound of food as applied to Taiwan conditions. It was a good example of a country where it will take a long time to show any striking progress. Perhaps the Foreign Aid might better be spent to operate a small college along American lines over a longer period of time. Perhaps this is too expensive, but there would be less waste of money.

When I was at Zamorano in 1949 you had a planting of palm trees grown for oil production. The trees produced both an edible oil and another type. These are unknown in Taiwan and they need more production of edible oils. I am wondering if you could give some average figures on oil production, method of propagation, and a source of propagating material. This might be a crop worth introducing into Taiwan.

Best regards to you and your wife.

Sincerely,



John H. MacGillivray
Professor of Vegetable Crops

Calle de la Nobleza No. 2
Antigua, Guatemala, 22 Sept 1957

Dr John H MacGillivray
Davis, California.

Dear John:

It is good to have news of you again. Obviously you ran up against some of the problems in Taiwan which we have been facing for about 40 years in tropical America! In a way, they discourage one, but from another angle, they offer tremendous opportunities. I have often told the boys in California that one of the reasons I like to work in tropical America is because I don't have to be a high-powered specialist to do something down here; if I had stayed in California I would never have amounted to anything because I haven't the brains to become a high-powered specialist.

I am with you 100% on that matter of small colleges along American lines. I wish we had a lot of them in Latin America. I can't say that Escuela Agrícola Panamericana has been a howling success, but I do think we have achieved some pretty tangible results and that our money has been pretty well spent. Don't you agree? Look at those 545 graduates of ours; 98% of whom are in agricultural work, and more than one hundred of them in extension work among small farmers. I go down to the grave (I hope not quite yet) with a feeling of satisfaction.

While it was hard for me to give up the job at EAP, as you can well understand, the time had come and I only hope that I will be able to do some useful work in the field of plant introduction - my first love. I am at it now. I have just finished a short contract in El Salvador and will probably tackle some more. Mainly new and better fruits.

You ask about the African Oil Palm. We started work on this at Langetilla in the 1920s and United Fruit now has nearly 20,000 acres of oil palms in several countries - Guatemala, Honduras, Costa Rica, and Panama principally. I do not get the figures but if you want to know about production, write to Dr N C Thornton, head of the Research Department, UFCO, at La Lima, Honduras. As to propagation it is only by seed, since *Elaeis guineensis* does not produce suckers like the date palm; but the time is, get the selected strains. I would think for Taiwan the best source would be Java and Sumatra and Malaya, where we got our seed many years ago. I believe the type they are now planting down here is called Deli and is one we got from Sumatra, thru the United States Rubber Co. Quite possibly you could get seed in small quantities from Dr Thornton; the Company is not trying to hold a monopoly on the good stuff but they have been using most of the good seed to increase their own plantations.

Maybe we will get up to California one of these days and drop in on you. Hugh is still at Gainesville - he expects to get his Ph D in February next, then come back to work on his pet project of shifting cultivations in Central America - now to stop shifting them, to put it briefly. Helen joins in best regards to all of you.

31 College Park,
Davis, Calif.
Dec. 17, 1961.

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I appreciated receiving your letter of early November and was sorry to learn of your wife's death and your health. I hope your health will improve and you will feel your old self again. I am sending this letter care of Anna's friend hoping it will reach you earlier.

Things have been about the same with us. Anna and her children have been here for a few days before Christmas. We expect to spend Christmas at Daniels and May is coming for a few days after Christmas. So we will have a busy Christmas holidays. One son-in-law is working for a doctor's degree in political science on the impact of the atomic research on scientists and the people of the United States. Another is a real estate salesman and the third a high school teacher. So we have a very democratic family. We have all been blessed with reasonably good health.

Californians have been hoping for rain this year since we have had three years of low rainfall. A few farms have suffered from a lack of irrigation water but mostly we have been steadily losing our reserves of water in dams. One dam finished in 1959 has never had enough water to be of any use. Shasta Dam has about two million acre feet and will hold about four and a half. The Monticello Dam west of Davis on Putah Creek is about three years old and still has never been full of water. It looks raining today and we are above normal with 5 inches of rain. It is surprising how much rainfall enters into the conversation in California.

This fall I have been working with a Farm Advisor at Half Moon Bay on a Brussel Sprouts problem. Half Moon Bay is south of San Francisco about 30 miles along the coast. In England they cut B sprouts plants haul them to the freezing plant to remove the sprouts. So it is a one harvest operation. We are testing two English varieties to see if we can reduce the number of harvests. The use of

labor by the various methods is also of interest, We are also testing "determinate" or uniform maturity on cabbage, broccoli, & lettuce with the hope for mechanical harvest.

Recently, Davis has been growing very rapidly, We have 3500 students almost half girls. Just the talked about a student body of 15,000 now they have raised it to 22,500. Our main limitation is housing for students. The are trying more farmland now to add to our 3000 acres. Davis is growing rapidly - 55 new families a month it is now near 11,000. Many of the people working in Sacramento live in Davis. In travel time they are as close to their work or closer than many areas of Sacramento. The talk is for 20,000 in Davis in 1975. Sacramento is about a quarter of a million people. California has sure changed a lot in the 25 years since I came here.

Tomatoes are still a big crop here. We are beginning to harvest these mechanically so this means both work on the machines and also on the varieties. We have made real progress, but not as much as the paper and magazine articles would indicate. One of the real problems is dirt on the fruit. Some fruit are crushed or dew on the plants wets the fruit and they get covered with dirt. The machines have been doing about 6 tons per hour instead of the 25 the engineers talk about. However, good progress has been made in the last two years.

Hope your health has greatly improved and you have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

John Mackillivray

P.S. I still have most pleasant memories of my three months spent in Central America.

FAO-150

Guatemala, 18 May 1959

Mr. A. H. Mackenzie
Representante Regional para C.A.
Junta de Asistencia Técnica de las N.U.
Apartado Postal No.1114
San Salvador, El Salvador

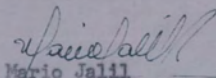
Estimado Sr. Mackenzie:

En mi poder su atenta carta fechada 14 de Mayo de 1959, la que doy contestación inmediata para informarle lo siguiente:

En la actualidad el Dr. Popenoe se encuentra en Venezuela, y al hablar con él días antes de su viaje me manifestó el deseo de hablar con Ud. en su regreso de Venezuela. Ultimamente su esposa me hizo saber que desde Venezuela saldrá a Costa Rica en donde asistirá a la conferencia de la Sociedad de Horticultores de Centro-América y el Caribe, no regresando a Guatemala sino hasta el 14 de Junio, época en que tengo plena seguridad que él se detendrá en El Salvador a su regreso de Costa Rica para hablar con Ud.

Trataré en lo posible de informarle a él a través de su familia el interés que Ud. tiene de entrevistarlo.

De Ud. Atentamente



Mario Jalil

Agricultural Officer (Horticulturist)

MJ:cl

CC: Dr. Wilson Popenoe ✓
Fundación Eugenio Mendoza
Apartado No.332
Caracas - Venezuela

Antigua Guatemala, 14 July 1959

Mr A H Mackenzie,
Apartado 1114,
San Salvador.

Dear Mr Mackenzie:

I had hoped to stop in Salvador on my return from Venezuela and Costa Rica, and to have a talk with you as I promised our good friend Mario Jalil I would do. But I found I had to go up to Mexico to take part in the III Curso Internacional de Horticultura, from which I returned only day before yesterday.

I do not know right now, when I shall be able to get over to San Salvador but I shall come as soon as possible, for there are several projects over there in which I am interested and on which I would like to help.

Sincerely,

Wilson Popenoe

cc Ing. Mario Jalil



AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
UNITED STATES A. I. D. MISSION TO GUATEMALA
AMERICAN EMBASSY
GUATEMALA CITY, GUATEMALA, C. A.

May 20, 1965

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua, Guatemala

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

Prior to Mr. Fiester's departure on Monday morning, he handed me your letter of April 19, 1965, and asked that I take it up with the Minister of Agriculture and arrange for a meeting with you to discuss the Barcenas School problem at a time that would be mutually convenient for all concerned.

The Minister expressed his sincere interest in the Barcenas School and said that he was very anxious to talk with you to find out what your general ideas were and suggested that we meet next Tuesday, May 25, in his office at 9:00 o'clock. I told the Minister that I would communicate this message to you and, if it were convenient for you, we would meet him in his office at that time.

I shall appreciate your advising me at your earliest convenience whether or not these arrangements are satisfactory so that I may confirm the appointment with the Minister for next week.

Meanwhile, let me assure you that I shall be looking forward with a great deal of anticipation to this meeting, and in the hopes that something concrete will come of our meeting so that the School will be improved to provide for a better training for the Agrónomos who will be carrying a great part of the load of the responsibility for the agricultural development in Guatemala.

With the warmest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Mack H. McLendon
Development Officer
(Agriculture) Act.

MHMcL:bbk

Quirigua
May 12th 95

Dear Mrs. Popenoe-

As I heard that the doctor was staying only a short time there I've picked on you, to write you a queer kind of letter.

A very old friend of mine, doctor Nelson Black wrote me from Miami asking if it was true that sometimes you allowed visitors in your home on a pay-guest basis. He was all fired up with the description he got from Dr. Fairchild of his stay there & he & Mrs. Black are leaving to come.

I have already written the doctor, & told him I did not believe that you & the doctor had anyone there unless occasional old friends like Dr. Fairchild, but I told him I would find out, & let him know definitely.

I also told him that I believed Mrs. Palmer had a house there which she allowed people to stay in on a pay-basis.

I have no friends in Antigua now, so decided to bother you, & hope you don't mind. If I am wrong about Mrs. Palmer or about any nice Hotels there

at present? I always stayed at the
Franchon, but I heard it had gone
out of business.

Dr. Black planned coming about
the middle of June, & will come
to live here until a visit in Antigua.

He is an elderly chap & has been
working extra hard with the army
Lads Club. He is an eye specialist
& lives in Miami.

I hope you all had a grand
reunion together, & that you will
stay some time yet.

kindest regards

Sincerely yours
M. P. Macphail.

Quirigua

May 16th 45.

My dear Mrs Popensel-

Your real kind letter of the 13th came in this evening, and very many thanks. I feel sure that your good friend, + his good friend - (evidently) Dr. Fairchild, had painted such a lovely picture of his stay in your home, that the old boy decided to treat his lovely wife to just the same kind of thing, if possible. Luckily, I had already told him that I did not believe that you good' folks had ever had "pay-guests", but I would find out all I could, as soon as I could, & pass it on. Now, Helen, after reading your letter three times, I decided that I could send it on to Black. I seldom give letters around, but this time, after lots of consideration, I feel that your letter to me is so kind, & explanatory, that the dear old couple will understand things easily, & save me lots of writing (which Dr. Bickford says I must not do for another month or two).

A quick analysis of Black's friendship with me is as follows - He was the "Big Eye shot" of Milwaukee many years ago. His wife died. His darling daughter (about 18 years old) took charge, & brought him down to me. We had a happy time together. Later the sweet daughter died of T.B. It nearly killed the old dear, but he kept his chin out, a youthful

sweetheart of his had about the same luck, & they decided to "hit it up" for better or for worse. It has been a delightful finish to two real sad stories, & I know you will understand why I bothered you. at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, and Otolaryngology, Black was the "Guest of Honor", & you can guess how proud I was when I got the copy of Transactions there. I'll show the doctor & you, one day, how he gave me credit, at this terrifically scientific show, for stumbling on to something the eye boys did not know then; "Night-Blindness" was the story, about which I knew nothing, & the specialists did not either, but all this has been straightened out since then, & gone into history.

Gertrude told me of the delightful visit she & her friend had with you and your mother. She tells me your mother may go out-by boat, & I hope she will be able to pay us a visit on the way. all the best, many thanks again

Sincerely yours,
H. S. Marchant

Rancho San José de la Laguna

Madrazo Hermanos

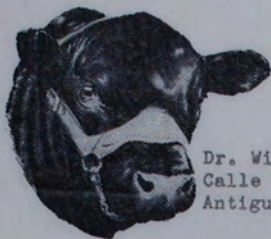
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México 10, D. F.

Mariano Escobedo No. 752
México 5, D. F.

Apartado No. 196
San Miguel de Allende,
Guanajuato.

May 4, 1965



Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Calle de la Nobleza No. 2
Antigua, GUATEMALA

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

About two months ago I wrote a letter addressed to Mr. John Popenoe, in Florida, whom I thought was you. But at the University of California, in Davis, Dr. Alderman gave me your correct name and address in Antigua, Guatemala. Please find enclosed a copy of the above mentioned letter.

I am writing to you because I would like to have information on varieties requiring around 500 chilling hours in apples, peaches, cherries, apricots, etc.

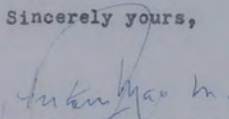
At the same time, I would like to let you know that we are starting in the nursery business and that we are growing varieties which according to the advise of Dr. Brown, from Davis, are low chilling among the deciduous fruit trees. I am at your disposal if you would like me to grow some for you.

I am hoping that you will be able to help us with the very valuable information you have acquired at Guatemala, and at the same time, I am offering you all of our experience, in case that it can help you.

The nursery is located at San Miguel Allende, Guanajuato, about 200 miles North of Mexico City.

Waiting for your reply, I am

Sincerely yours,


Antonio Madrazo, Jr.

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RANCHO SAN JOSE DE LA LAGUNA
Mariano Escobedo No. 752, Piso 16
México 5, D. F.

March 17, 1965

Dr. John Popenoe
Homestead, Florida
U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I have heard of the research work that you are doing on apple and peach trees for Tropical and Sub-Tropical climates, which indeed represents magnificent possibilities for our climates in Mexico and the rest of the world.

Since I am starting in the nursery business and the main worry is to sell fruit varieties which will develop well in our climates, I kindly ask you if you could give me some information on apple and peach varieties with a requirement of 300 to 800 chilling hours below 45° F. Please, I would also like to know the addresses of nurseries where I could get these varieties and scionwood for budding and grafting.

On the other hand, I would like to inform you, that I am starting to do some experiments at our orchard, where around 60 different varieties have already been planted, of apple, peach, cherry, plum and other. All of them are American varieties and our annual chilling hours average 800 hours.

Of course, if I can be of any help to you, I am inconditionnally at your disposal for any information you desire in the development of the trees at San Miguel Allende, Guanajuato, where the orchards are located.

Waiting for your reply and appreciating your kind cooperation, I remain

Yours very truly

Antonio Madrazo ⁴⁵ Martínez

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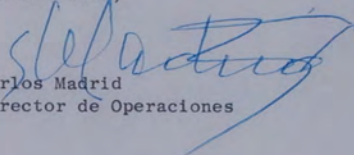
Dr. Wilson Popenoe
1722 N. W. 2nd Avenue
Gainesville, Florida
U. S. A.

Muy apreciado Dr. Popenoe:

Por instrucciones del Director Samper acuso recibo de su atenta comunicación del 6 de los corrientes en donde nos recomienda la posibilidad de publicar el libro sobre Riego del Sr. Stout dentro del Programa de Textos y Manuales del Instituto.

Sobre el particular me complace en informarle que he pasado copia de su comunicación al Sr. Roger Wolcott, Jefe del Servicio de Intercambio Científico, a cuyo cargo está el mencionado Programa con el ruego de prestar su mejor atención a la misma. El Sr. Wolcott informará a usted directamente y al Sr. Stout sobre la decisión que tome al respecto.

De usted atento y seguro servidor,


Carlos Madrid
Director de Operaciones

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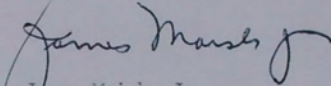
San José, Costa Rica
April 23, 1965

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua, Guatemala

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

A prominent doctor in San José has asked us for the names and addresses of three or four nurseries in the State of Florida which specialize in the cultivation of fruit trees, specially grafted avocado varieties. Marshal Fox, our Agricultural Attaché, suggested that you might be able to help us in this regard.

Sincerely yours,


James Maish, Jr.
Commercial Attaché

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30 January, 1958.

BY SURFACE MAIL.

Dr Wilson Popenoe,
Director Emeritus,
Escuela Agricola Panamericana,
Antigua,
GUATEMALA.
C.A.

My dear Dr Popenoe,

Many thanks for your letter of the 16th of December enclosing your interesting report on tropical and subtropical fruits. Reading between the lines it would appear to me that the famous "Manual etc." will be seeing a revised edition by the same author soon! It may interest you to know that your Manual is the standard reference on tropical and subtropical fruits at all Universities in the Union where horticulture is taught.

It is with pleasure that I enclose copies of our more recent publications on subtropicals, including the avocado.

With kindest personal regards, also to Mrs Popenoe,

Yours sincerely,

Ernest F. Malan
DIRECTOR. (ASSISTANT)

El Amatillo, Valle, Honduras,
Junio 21 de 1957. _

Señor Doctor Wilson Popenoe
Antigua Guatemala. _

Dilecto y fino amigo:

Hoy recibí sus amables letras, que ansioso esperaba, y así tuve el placer de conocer al Profesor Mario Jalil y al Ingeniero Agrónomo Edgar Puyol, ambos Ecuatorianos, ya que al Ingeniero Mario Nufio, anteriormente había conocido. Estas mentes jóvenes son de ahora para el futuro promesas efectivas que aportarán al progreso de la agricultura científica de éstos pueblos latinoamericanos. _

Son mis mejores deseos que en esa tierra de eterna primavera, regojan los frutos, bien merecidos, de toda la simpatía y afectos de todas aquellas personas que han tenido la dicha de conocerles. _

En su nombre, presté a sus recomendados todas las facilidades y atenciones necesarias, buscando un mejor efecto a la llegada de ellos a éste país. _

Por lo demás, Ud. sabe cuanta es la suma *W* aprecio con que los distingo, y en éstas condiciones estaré en éste lugar, en espera de sus apreciables órdenes, y en San Pedro Sula, donde por siempre les recordaremos con cariño

Envío pues, para Ud. y doña Helen mi saludo cordial y cariñoso. _

J. Alejandro Maldonado
J. ALEJANDRO MALDONADO.

Enrique Malo

CASILLA No. 235

CUENCA - ECUADOR

CUENCA, Ecuador
2nd. July, 1957

Mr. Wilson Popenoe,
Calle de la Nobleza #2
ANTIGUA, Guatemala, C.A.

Dear Mr. Popenoe:

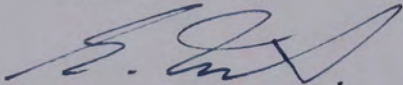
I duly received your card giving us your new address, for which I thank you, and reading the name of the street you are on has brought me the reflection that the old custom of nobility would in a way be justified in many cases for our actual times. Men such as you who have continually given of yourselves to the benefit of mankind in general, undiscriminatedly, deserve a special place among our kind, they should not be confused with such as those that have lived exclusively for their own selfish interest, a Calle de la Nobleza should be reserved to honor them as they justly deserve.

As you probably know Federico is at last with us in Ecuador, working in Tenguel for the United Fruit and seems to be getting along quite satisfactorily. Once in a while we have the pleasure of having him up here for a few days. I understand he is sort of specializing in Entomology which as you know is very much needed here, in the coast especially. I do hope they allow him time to study besides working.

My wife heartily joins me to wish you in your retirement all the joys and satisfaction of a full life of accomplishment and service and once again allow us to express to you our heartfelt gratitude for all you did for Federico.

With our best regards for you and Mrs. Popenoe,

Yours sincerely,



CZARNIKOW-RIONDA COMPANY
106 WALL STREET
NEW YORK

March 6, 1961.

Central America Institute of Agriculture,
Zamorano,
Honduras.

Att: Mr. Popenoe

Dear Mr. Popenoe:

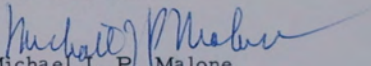
I am writing to you at the direction of Mr. Robert J. Kleberg Jr. of King Ranch, Kingsville, Texas, with whom we have been associated for sometime.

We are very interested to learn if you have any information relative to the types of crops that can be grown in the lands of the Caribbean area. Any information that you may have on lands in the Caribbean would find us very grateful.

We are particularly interested in information such as area in production, types of crops being grown, amount of government lands, unused lands, etc.

With thanks for your kind attention, we are,

Very truly yours,


Michael J. P. Malone
Vice-President

mjpm/mjc

CZARNIKOW-RIONDA COMPANY
106 WALL STREET
NEW YORK

June 23, 1961.

Dr. Wilson Popenoe, Director
Escuela Agricola Panamericana,
Calle de la Nobleza No. 2,
Antigua Guatemala,
Guatemala, A. C.

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

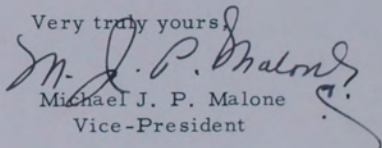
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Comayaguela, Enero 31 de 1961

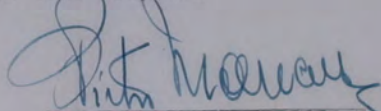
Mr. Wilson Fopence,
Antigua Guatemala,
Guatemala,

Distinguido señor Fopence :

Saludo a Ud., muy atentamente y a la vez me permito comunicarle lo siguiente. He sido informado por varias personas de esta ciudad que Ud., es un gran admirador del arte antiguo en general, por lo que me permito manifestarle que tengo 5 valiosos cuadros , es decir pinturas y que son, un cuadro que es el retrato del noble ingles Sir Eduard Hales, pintado por el famoso pintor Holandes Piter Lely, de quien le incluyo datos, esta pintura es toda una obra de arte lo mismo que el cuadro que representa a la Virgen y el niño, pintura del pintor Italiano Carlos Dolci, famoso cuadro y de quien tambien incluyo datos , que los puede encontrar en el Diccionario de Pintores, esta pintura fue restaurada en los Estados Unidos por el famoso restaurador Alonso Lanford, estas pinturas son una maravilla de arte , y tienen las respectivas certificaciones hechas por el experto en arte antiguo y autorizado del gobierno Mr. Roland de France y cuyos membretes le incluyo (Member Appraisers Association of America, Old and Modern Masters Objects D'Art Roland de France). Tambien le ofresco un cuadro del siglo 17, este fue traído por los españoles, de pintor no reconocido pero de una belleza impresionante y que representa el desdormimiento de Cristo, otro cuadro que representa Gutenberg y que tiene todas las características de un Rembrandt pero del que no poseo documentos, pero que Ud., que es conocedor del buen arte lo notara al verlo, este tambien restaurado en Estados Unidos y que tiene la siguiente procedencia, yo lo obtuve de los descendientes del que fuera presidente de Honduras General Sierra, en aquel entonces le fuera regalado por el presidente de Francia, como comprenderá es toda una obra de arte y por ultimo poseo una cabeza de Cristo que se tambien le gustará, y teniendo que venderlos antes de dirigirme a otra persona lo hago a Ud., pues se que posee una de las mas valiosas colecciones de arte y se que mis cuadros vendrian a enriquecer mas sus ya famosas obras de arte, si a Ud., le interesa mi oferta le agradecere contestarme lo mas pronto posible, y así mandarle fotografias de los cuadros arriba mencionados, o talvez Ud., pudiera darse una vuelta por esta capital, viendome obligado a vender estos cuadros ruegole me haga saber pronto su decisión por lo que le quedaré altamente agradecido.

De Ud., con todo respeto.

Pietro Mancuso
1a. Calle ,Casa N° 417
Comayaguela, Honduras.


Pietro Mancuso

Carlos Dolci, famoso pintor Italiano nació en Florencia (1618-1686) discípulo de Jacobo Vignali. Sus obras delicadamente construidas y la calidad de su tono, que las veladuras dulcifican, lo convierten en una especie de Murillo de su país. Entre sus famosas obras se encuentra la Virgen con el niño del que hizo varias copias, una se encuentra en Roma, una en Florencia, otra en Milan y otra en Londres. Como verá el hizo varias copias, la mía no esta registrada porque pertenecía a una colección privada.

Piter Lely. Pintor holandés nacido es Soest, cerca de Utrecht (1618-1680). Se llamaba realmente VAN DER FAES. En 1641 se trasladó a Inglaterra. El rey Carlos I le encargó su retrato. Después de la restauración. Carlos II lo nombró su pintor de cámara y lo hizo noble llamandose desde entonces Sir Piter Lely. Pintó retratos de las llamadas bellezas de Windsor, (hoy en Hampton Court Museum) almirantes y nobles británicos, algunos de los cuales se encuentran como reliquias artísticas en el (Royal Naval College) su tecnica esta influida por Van Dyck. En el año de 1650 pintó a Sir Eduard Hales, este cuadro fué vendido en el año de 1910 en los Estados Unidos por la suma de £420 (Libras esterlinas) fue restaurado en el año de 1947 y comprado de nuevo por la Galería de Arte de Josefina D'Guzzardi de Houston Texas, ahora propiedad del señor Pietro Mancuso quien posee los documentos de autenticidad.

ESCUELA AGRICOLA PANAMERICANA

APARTADO 93

Antigua Guatemala, 16 Febrero de 1961

TEGUCIGALPA, HONDURAS
CENTRO AMERICA

Sr don Pietro Mancuso
Comayagüela, Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Estimado señor:

Contestando a su apreciable carta del 31 de enero,
tengo que manffestarle que nosotros nos interesamos unicamente en
retratos originales, y al oleo, de personajes de la epoca colonial
centroamericano.

Siempre su muy atto,

Wilson Popenoe



WASHINGTON, D. C.
20008

[March 8, 1973]

3001 Birch St., N.W.,
Washington, D.C. 20015

My dear Wilson:

Yesterday, when I happened to look at the bulletin board at the Club, I was pleased to see that Wilson Popenoe will celebrate his birthday tomorrow, March 9. Permit me to extend to you most cordial congratulations and best wishes for many happy returns.

I say I was pleased because it recalled our many past associations, your visits to the Pan American Union, your participation in Pan American conferences, plus of course your admirable work in Central America. Following my retirement from the OAS in 1958 I extended my teaching work at Georgetown in the Latin American Studies Program. I discontinued teaching with the beginning of this year but have been asked to return next year for a course in Inter-American Relations and Organizations. I hope you are enjoying your retirement, but I am sure that if you are retired it is only nominal and that you have maintained and continued your interest and activity in agriculture and in Latin America.

With cordial regards and best wishes,

Sincerely,

Bill Manger

Dr. Wilson Popenoe,
1722 N. W. 2nd Ave.,
Gainesville, Fla.

Mayaguez Puerto Rico 1 de Octubre 1959

Doctor Wilson Popenoe.
Calle de la Nobleza # 2,
Antigua Guatemala.
Guatemala C. A.

Muy querido Doctor:

La presente lleva por objeto saludarlo y desearle al mismo tiempo el mejor bienestar posible en unión de Doña Elena.

Seguidamente me permito informarle de mi permanencia en Puerto Rico, pues hace ya dos meses que salí de Honduras como becario por ICA Administración de Cooperación Internacional para hacer estudios sobre Educación Agrícola en el Colegio de Mayaguez P.R. - Mi permanencia aquí será por 10 meses y luego saldré a los Estados Unidos para terminar allá mi entrenamiento, saliendo seguidamente a mi querida Honduras.

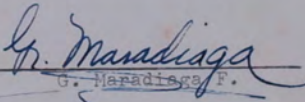
En los últimos 4 años he trabajado con SCIDE, habiendo obtenido hasta la fecha buenos resultados, gracias a su buena voluntad pues es Ud. al único a quien debo todas las mejores oportunidades que se me han presentado para trabajar y para adquirir los mejores conocimientos; sus recomendaciones han contribuido siempre en favorecerme y por tal motivo me siento agradecido con usted y tomo a bien informarle de mi posición actual.

Quiero también darle por medio de la presente los recuerdos de mis familiares y en principal los de mi mamá que siempre lo recuerdan con cariño desde aquel querido pueblecito de San Antonio de Oriente, para el cual fué Ud. muy servicial y vondadoso y esto será algo que vivirá eternamente en nuestros corazones como buenos hijos de quel pueblecito y en principal me toca a mí agradecerle y lo recosco como un segundo padre ya que fué Ud. quien me dió orientaciones y me proporsiono los medios para poder disfrutar de un futuro mejor.

Quiera Dios lo conserve bien de salud en unión de Doña Elena para bien de todos los que lo recordamos con cariño.

Mucho le agradeceré sus buenas orientaciones y consejos.

Repetuosamente.


G. Maradiaga, F.

Antigua, Guatemala, 18 octubre de 1959

Sr don Gustavo Maradiaga F.
Colegio de Agricultura,
Mayagüez, Puerto Rico.

Recordado Gustavo:

Cuanto me alegro saber que Ud ha triunfado y que actualmente está gozando de una beca en Puerto Rico, y despues va pasar un grato en Estados Unidos. Magnífico!

Nosotros estamos para salir a El Salvador y he ahí a nuestra querida Honduras, donde proyectamos pasar una semana saludando a nuestras amistades y conociendo los progresos de la Escuela Agrícola Panamericana. Y aunque creo que la carretera a San Antonio de Oriente ya no es transitable para el "Jeep", de todos modos llegaremos para saludar a su señora madre, y todos nuestros amigos en aquel simpatico pueblo, del cual guardaremos recuerdos cariñosos toda la vida.

Pues siga adelante, hijo, y si qualquier día yo le pueda ayudar con na recomendación o en otra forma, no tiene mas que avisarme. Doña Elena se une conmigo en muchos saludos.

Siempre su muy afmo

Wilson Popenoe

SERVICIO COOPERATIVO INTERAMERICANO DE EDUCACION

APARTADO 329

TEGUCIGALPA, D. C., HONDURAS, C. A.

DIRECCION CABLEGRAFICA:

"SCIDE"

16 de mayo 1961

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua Guatemala
Guatemala C.A.

Estimado Doctor:

Su ultima carta la recibí en Mayaguez, Puerto Rico y quedé pendiente para contestarle después de haber terminado mi jira y poder así contarle algo más de la experiencia adquirida en la misma.

Esta vez no es ese el propósito, sino hacerle presente en primer lugar mi más sentido pesame por la desaparición de nuestra querida e inolvidable Doña Elena.

Desde que yo regrese a Honduras he permanecido trabajando en la Escuela Normal Rural Mixta, en San Francisco de Atlántida, en donde estuve escaso de noticias pues hasta ahora muy despues me di cuenta de tan triste noticia.- Pido a Dios derrame sus bendiciones a usted y que el alma de la difunta descanse en la Paz del Señor.

En estos ultimos días he continuado trabajando con la misma institución SCIDE, como supervisor de las Escuelas Normales Rurales en la clase de agricultura.- En mi proxima le informaré acerca de mis progresos como luchador en bien de mi posición, gracias a su buena voluntad.

Quiero pedirle a Ud. querido doctor, me sepa perdonar por la tardanza en hacerle presente mis sentimientos.

Con muestra de consideración y reconocimiento me es grato subscribirme de Ud. su afmo. Ex-alumno.

G. Maradiaga
Gustavo Maradiaga F.

L. J. MARCHAND, M.S., D.D.S.
DENTAL ARTS BUILDING
GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA

PHONES
OFFICE - FRANKLIN 2-8193
HOME - FRANKLIN 2-4825

7/30/63

Dear Dr Pop -

The vase arrived in good shape.

The designs are lovely, and I thank
you very much for your
thoughtfulness -

With best regards

L. J. Marchand

2a. Avniida 12-12, Zona 10
Guatemala
19 February 1964.

Dear Dr. Popenoe -

I am afraid that Maria will never forgive you for having presented me your four pre-Columbian stones; she looked very disapproving on Saturday when I carried them off.

I hope that my gratefulness will make up for her black looks! One is in my tiny patio, and there it is in sight whenever I glance out at meal-time. The others are in the garden where they give me great joy while I putter among my plants.

A thousand thanks!

Sincerely yours,

Edith Parlo Marget
(Mrs. Arthur W. Marget)



MINISTERIO DE AGRICULTURA
Y GANADERIA

Managua, D. N.

Septiembre 5 de 1957.-

Dr. Willson Popenol.
Consejero de la
Escuela Agricola Panamericana.
El Zamorano Honduras.

Querido Dr.

Es un plácer para mí el dirigirme a Ud. y desearle se encuentre gozando de buena salud.

El objeto de la presente es para pedirle una información que solo Ud. me la puede dar. En mi país existe un grupo de - personas poseedoras de tierras que se encuentran a 5,000 pies de altura en el Dpto. de Matagalpa, con un clima bastante frio y húmedo, teniendo un suelo bastante franco y de buen drenaje; y ellos desean hacer experimentos con Peras y Manzanas, por lo que le ruego darne su opinion al respecto, y si le fuera posible cualquier otra información adicional que crea conveniente.

Como sé que todo éxito de los que tuvimos el honor de ser sus alumnos, lo llena a Ud. de satisfacción, comunícole que por haber cursado entrenamientos especiales en Costa Rica, Turrialba, y en Estados Unidos he sido nombrado Jefe del Dpto. de Sanidad - Vegetal del Ministerio de Agricultura y Ganadería, teniendo, pendiente un viaje a Chile el próximo mes de Julio a la reunión de Entomólogos y Fitopatologos de América.

Esperando oír noticias tuyas tengo el placer de suscribirme de Ud. con toda consideración y aprecio.

Su Ex-Alumno.

Carlos M. Marin J.
CARLOS M. MARIN J.

Jefe del Dpto de Sanidad Vegetal
Ministerio de Agricultura.

Mario: Que hacemos con esto?

Reb.



Antigua, Guatemala, 29 sept 1957

Er don Carlos M. Marin J.
Ministerio de Agricultura,
Managua, Nicaragua.

Recordado Carlos:

Su apreciable carta del 5 del mes en curso, dirigida al Zamorano, acaba de llegar a mis manos; estoy radicado ahora en Antigua, Guatemala, y me estoy dedicando al mejoramiento de la fruticultura en El Salvador y Guatemala. Acabo de pasar un par de meses en El Salvador como consultor técnico del Ministerio de Agricultura. Me es motivo de gran satisfacción el saber que Ud ha subido al puesto de Jefe del Departamento de Sanidad Vegetal en Nicaragua. Magnífico!

Ahora, respecto a su problema: La altura de 5000 pies es un poco bajo para el cultivo de perales y manzanos, pero bien vale la pena hacer unos ensayos en pequeña escala. Recomiendo que pidan catálogos a las siguientes casas: California Nursery Co., Niles, California, y Glen Saint Mary Nurseries, Glen Saint Mary, Florida. Estas son las dos casas que ofrecen variedades aptas para climas subtropicales y a precios razonables, y despachan por expreso aereo, bien empacadas.

De manzanos puedo recomendar la "Winter Banana", cultivada con mucho éxito aquí en Guatemala, la variedad "Yellow Delicious", muy popular en Mexico, y el "crab apple" variedad "Transcendant". En California no hay peras buenas para el trópico; mejor pedir las a Glen Saint Mary. Variedades que merecen un ensayo: Carnes, Hood, Kieffer, Orient, Pineapple y Baldwin.

Quiero agregar que hay buenas probabilidades que tendrán éxito con varios clases de duraznos de Florida, superiores a los "seedlings" que se cultivan comunmente en estos países. Deben pedir a Florida Angel, Jewel, Dorothy N., y Waldo. También es posible que podrán cultivar con éxito algunas ciruelas de Florida y California. Glen Saint Mary ofrece Satsuma, la cual se cultiva en el Salvador a 5000 pies. De la California Nursery Co. deben conseguir Santa Rosa, Duarte, Meriposa, y Wickson.

No pidan arboles muy grandes; los pequeños, de 2 a 3 pies, viajan mejor y ex costo del expreso aereo es menos.

Tambien deben ensayar los kakis o "Japanese Persimmons", y siempre de California, donde usan un patrón bueno para el tropico. Hachiya y Fuyu son dos variedades buenas. Estos arboles son de crecimiento muy lento pero la fruta es sumamente buena.

Con mis mejores deseos, quedo de Ud

afmo amigo y SS

Wilson Popenoe

copia al Prof. Mario Jalil

Route 2 Box 2080 2080
Escondido California

Sept 22 - 1960

Dear Wilson

I wrote Paul & asked him for your address, he sent it to me as I wish to make a trip to get away from irrigation & ect. for awhile.

Was over to see Wells Miller today in Vista, he had been in Hospital for 3 weeks, some heart trouble. Had just been to Australia to get some nut cuttings, he said that they had been down to see you at Antigua & that the Climate was fine, do you freeze there at all. I see by map that you have a high elevation I suppose you have lots of good water there, do you have to irrigate at all. I am in Reedy Canyon $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles north of

Escondido. Paul said that your Dad
had some property in Vista once,
what are the products that your
country ship out, are you bothered
by the Fruit Fly. What could
an old man do there to make
a living. Can you own land there,
as in U. S. A., do you like to fish.
I suppose you have good Lake fish
I haven't seen Paul for years except
on T.V. now & then. I read about
you in farm magazines now & then.
I haven't seen you since Topeka Kansas
where we were kids together.
Is you money about the same as in
Mexican ~~exchange~~ with our dollar.
Hope to see you someday Wilson
Thank you for any information
you may give me yours Cordially
Arthur L. Marks.

Antigua, Guatemala, 20 Oct 1960

Dear Arthur:

What a surprise to hear from you after all these years! And I am glad to know that my old friend Jim Wells is still alive; I haven't heard from him since he was down here, I guess. Please give him my regards.

This is no place for a man of my age - and you must be pretty near me in years - to come to make a living. I am retired and on a pension, which because I worked for the United Fruit Company 32 years is good enough to keep me going.

The climate here is fine. We are at 5000 feet but it never goes below 45 nor above 88. We have to irrigate during half the year; our rainfall is about 45 inches but we have it all in six months, May to November. This country's main export is coffee; also quite a lot of bananas and that's about all. Yes, a foreigner can own land here, no restrictions. As for the fishing, I don't know; I hardly ever go down to the coast where it is good but you can imagine that here in the mountains at 5000 feet we don't have any big streams and the fish they get out of our lakes are really not worth eating. P perch, I suppose they are; full of fine bones. No hunting here either. I am sorry to say; I used to do a lot of pigeon shooting during the 16 years I was Director of the Pan American School of Agriculture in Honduras. --Yes, our money is sound, so long as the dollar is sound. It is pegged to the dollar at par.

Cordially yours,

[c Oct 25 1960]

Dear Wilson

got your letter today and
 I thank you for the information
 Yes indeed we are getting old.
 But I have enough to live on
 if I watch my step. I have given
 my wife enough of her own
 property so she is O.K. and I have
 helped my kids out, but they
 seem to have troubles all the time
 It is getting so that it takes too much
 money to live here, for the young
 folks, anyway, as they seem to think
 that they have to live up to the Joneses
 as the saying is). I was in the wholesale
 Produce for years & I always did like
 the Fruit Business. My one Boy he
 was Major in Air force. got back safe
 (Fighter Pilot)

How about snakes + poisonous Bugs?

Is now Street Supt. in San Clemente Calif.
He likes the small town & they are doing
well there. My two girls married
and are both in Pascagoula Miss.
each has 4 kids their husbands are
in fish business, it is a very hot climate
& I am sort of looking around for a
better place for them to live if there
was any thing that they could do. One runs
a large seiner he is skipper & also a
navigator. I fished with others and my
own boats, during the war to help out.
I will be 75 years Jan. 20-1961 & I think
you are about the same, but I must
raise some trees or flowers, so that I can
keep alive, about what would it cost to buy
a small place in your climate & then how
much to live there, about the same I suppose
as here, if ~~our~~ money is the same. I was
fighting a fire today in the hills, those airplanes sure
help. What interest will money bring there. I hope
I haven't bored you with my troubles & I thank
you sove sincerely, W. C. Marks

Arthur L Marks
Route 2 Box 2080 Escondido Calif.

Antigua, Guatemala, 2 Novbr 1960

Dear Arthur:

Your letter has just come. Dont worry about snakes and poisonous bugs- mo more here than in California. You could ^{get} a small place in this area for about \$10,000 but the house probably would not be very modern and you would have to spend about \$3,000 more to put in a bath room with hot water. I have just put in one so I know. The cost of living ^{de}pends on how you want to live; If you want to eat California peaches the are \$1.66 a can; baked beans 85 cents for small cans; American catsup 85 cents a bottle; BUT if you want to eat grub produced in the country, pretty good beefsteak is 50 cents a lb, vegetables are quite reasonable, fruits also. Our currency is pegged to the dollar - one Quetzal is one dollar.

The climate is excellent anywhere between 3500 and 6000 feet - we are at 5100 here in Antigua. You cant beat it. But dont come here thinking you are going to make a lot of money, and dont expect to do much fishing or hunting.

So far as age is concerned, you have an edge on me; I will not be 99 until next March. I am well set here for the rest of my life; a fine large house and enough ground to grow a lot of flowers and a few fruit trees (mainly Navel oranges) and a Volkswagen to run around the country - especially over to Guatemala City, 26 miles, every week or two.

Ever yours,

PAUL J. MARKS

294 BEECHNUT AVENUE
SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA

PRIVATE AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

November 8, 1960

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Calle de la Nobleza No. 2
Antigua, Guatemala, C.A.

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I have studied your "Manual of Tropical and Subtropical Fruits" with keen interest. Inasmuch as it was published a number of years ago, I attempted to locate publications of a more recent date on the same subject. Mr. Lloyd Joley of the Plant Introduction Station at Chico, California recently told me that he believed your manual was still the best work on the subject.

Actually my purpose in writing you is two-fold: (1) I wish to learn whether or not you have publications or papers on further studies similar to those outlined in your manual; (2) Additionally, I am interested in the development potentials of Central American countries and seek information on this subject.

Number one above possibly requires no further explanation. However, I will explain number 2 so that you may offer opinions or suggestions.

From my studies I am led to believe that parts of Guanacaste in Costa Rica have a potential in agricultural development as well as being a good climate for the people. It is my thought that possibly here is an opportunity for the commercial growing of some of the lesser-known tropical fruits for world-wide marketing. It seems to me this kind of industry is now feasible considering that we are very near to much cheaper air freight by means of jet transports. Reliable information indicates that several of the major American air freight lines will have jet freighters in service within one to three years. This will probably also be true in Latin America.

It appears that this kind of rapid transportation would complement a fresh fruit industry furnishing such exotic items as mangos, cherimoyas and others. As you probably know, these delicacies are only rarely available in the U.S.A. markets, and are very expensive. I believe most of them come from Hawaii. If there were large acreages, adequate packaging, and good transportation, together with top notch promotion, then prices and availability should be more to the consumers liking. However, I know transportation to the large airport is a problem. Probably a combination of small aircraft and Le Tourneau wilderness

(Please turn to sheet 2)

Specialty crops, products and systems for premium returns.

November 8, 1960

freighters would accomplish the job until good roads are built.

Would you kindly advise if steps have been taken by any organization to develop an industry such as I have mentioned. I would also like your opinion on sizable plantings of avocados to be sold in Europe. I realize promotion would be all-important.

I have read recently of the United Fruit Company's efforts to foster smaller farmer-operator units. My thinking for development such as herein described is in that direction also. In order for you to more fully answer my questions I am enclosing a copy of a letter to the Consulate General of Costa Rica; also a copy of an outline of my studies. The Consulate did not answer but referred me to the Pan American Union who in turn merely sent their catalog of publications. None of the publications even remotely touches upon subjects pertinent to my questions. I presume those offices are busy with political problems.

I trust that I have made clear my intent, Dr. Popenoe. Be assured that I will greatly appreciate your opinions, suggestions and any help you may offer regarding sources of information.

Sincerely,

Paul Marks

Paul J. Marks

Enclosures (2)

Please reply to:

R. R. # 1

Saint David, Arizona

PJM/RE

2 enclosures w/ letter
Nov. 8, 1960, Dr. Wilson
Popenoe.

Paul J. Marks
294 Beechnut Ave.
Sunnyvale, Calif.

August 11, 1960

Consulate General of Costa Rica
420 Lexington Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Louise Field of the Twentieth Century Fund has suggested that your office might be helpful with certain information I am seeking on Costa Rica.

For several years I have enjoyed reading of your lovely country. I believe I've seen nearly all American articles about Costa Rica for approximately the past twenty years. However, recently, as a hobby, I've been putting together a development program, which I believe to be sound and feasible, for agricultural expansion in the State of Guanacaste. To give you some idea of the scope of my plan I am enclosing a copy of the brief. To continue this study I am in need of additional information as follows:

1. Maps of Costa Rica seem to be scarce. I would like maps showing topography, streams, elevations, soil types, roads, trails, railroads, airports and airstrips, villages, etc. (I realize all this may not be available.)
2. Please advise concerning the laws on the settling of land for farming purposes for Costa Ricans, for citizens of the U.S.A. and other countries.
3. Advise concerning financial and business arrangements with investors and businessmen of the United States; also, information on taxes.
4. Advise whether or not your government or the United Nations, or any organization, is presently pursuing studies which have a similar purpose to my efforts. I would appreciate as much information about this as you are able to furnish.

Your assistance with information and suggestions for this interesting study will be gratefully received. I feel that the planning may be useful at some future date either in Guanacaste or another similar area.

Sincerely,

PJM:MM
Enc. (1)

Paul J. Marks

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2 enclosures w/ letter
Nov. 8, 1960, Dr. Wilson
Popenoe.Paul J. Marks
294 Beechnut Ave.
Sunnyvale, Calif.STUDIES ON AGRICULTURAL EXPANSION
IN STATE OF GUANACASTE, COSTA RICA

I. Preplan development of arable lands.

- (a) Set aside certain portions for wilderness preserves for conservation and recreation (file W&1).
- (b) Create a favorable settlement opportunity for qualified people (Brochure CD-1).
- (c) Favor Costa Rican farmers and bring in immigrant farmers in small numbers for purpose of each learning from his neighbors.
- (d) Lay out small farm units. Retain and encourage the small farmer-operator system; do not permit large-scale operations. (Brochure CD-4).

II. Base all development on free and private enterprise system.

- (a) Financing (File DF-7).
- (b) Construction (TG folder).
- (c) Machinery contractors (File F-4).
- (d) Produce Haulers (File T-9).
- (e) Marketing (File JAM-1).

III. Crops.

- (a) Export; develop a new agricultural industry, commercialize new specialty crops with proprietary characteristics which will command premium prices on European and North American markets. (Brochure TA-3).
- (b) National consumption, increase production of needed kinds of food, diversify with mixed farming in certain areas. (Brochure TA-7).

Ze'ev Markus

INGENIERO AGRONOMO
Experto en Fruticultura
GOBIERNO DE ISRAEL

Ambato, Diciembre 4 de 1963.

Señor
Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua - Guatemala

Estimado Dr.

Es muy posible que Vd. ya no me recuerde y es por ello que me voy a presentar, soy el asesor frutícola encargado de la zona Norte de Israel y que tuve el placer de conocerle a Vd. y su Señera en ocasión de su visita a ese país y durante su estadía en Haifa.

Actualmente me encuentro prestando servicios en la zona de Ambato en el Ecuador y de acuerdo al contrato firmado entre los Gobiernos de Israel y Ecuador deberé permanecer aquí hasta Julio de 1964.

He leído con suma interés su último trabajo presentado en la A.S.H.S. Caribbean Region y varios de sus puntos de vista me han sido muy útiles.

Me encuentro trabajando actualmente en el desarrollo de un programa de fomento de la fruticultura en la Zona Central de la Sierra y en las continuas giras y visitas he llegado a formarme ciertas opiniones que me gustaría fueran revisadas por Vd.

Por ejemplo creo que en estas tierras montañosas donde el suelo horizontal para frutales es la excepción, no se le ha dado la debida importancia a la orientación de las pendientes, así para el cultivo de Manzanas e variedades de duraznos y peras con altas necesidades de frío es muy importante encontrar pendientes que miren al Occidente y por supuesto que la altura mínima en las condiciones del Ecuador no sea menos de 2.600 m^{ms} y la máxima en las mismas condiciones parece ser alrededor de los 3.200 mts.

Estoy actualmente empeñado en la implantación de viveros y dentro de un mes o dos voy a necesitar yemas de ciertas especies y variedades, le quedaria muy agradecido si Vd. pudiera indicarme a quién dirigirme para poder conseguir las.

Peras, Packans' Triumph - Duraznos, Spring Time y Blessing Gold

Tengo la esperanza de que Vd. encuentre el tiempo libre necesario para contestarme y me autorice para escribirle en el futuro consultándole sobre problemas que se me puedan presentar.

Por ser ésta mi primer carta no deseo cansar su atención es por ello que le ruego presente mis respetos a su señera esposa y reciba Vd. la expresión de mi más sincera consideración.

Sinceramente Suyo
Ze'ev Markus

November 16, 1959

Dr. Roy E. Marshall
Secretary-Treasurer A.S.H.S.
Department of Horticulture
Michigan State University
East Lansing, Michigan

Dear Dr. Marshall:

Through the efforts of Dr. Wilson Popenoe, our first Secretary-Treasurer, the Caribbean Region has been fortunate in receiving a donation from the United Fruit Company in the amount of US\$100.00. The enclosed copies of letters from Dr. Popenoe to Mr. Whitman and the letter from Mr. Whitman just recently received with the check, are self explanatory.

The check has been made out to the order of the American Society for Horticultural Science and I would, therefore, like to ask you if it would be possible for you to receive this check and then send me a check made out in my name for the same amount. The Caribbean Region does not have an account in a Bank here and we have carried the small amount of funds in a Cash Account handled through the courtesy of the business office of the Rockefeller Foundation's Mexican Agricultural Program.

It seems that it will now be possible to publish the Proceedings of the Caribbean Region Meeting again, possibly by January, and we would therefore, be very pleased if you can assist us to the extent outlined above. Plans are also progressing very satisfactorily for the 1960 Meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico. It would be highly stimulating if you could attend one of our Meetings sometime in the near future.

Very sincerely yours,

Ernest H. Cásseres
Secretary-Treasurer
Caribbean Region-ASHS

This is wonderful!
EHC

CC: Dr. Wilson Popenoe
EHC/epg

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UNITED FRUIT COMPANY

Edmund S. Whitman
Vice-President

Pier 3 North River
New York 6, N. Y.

November 12, 1959

Dr. Ernesto H. Casseres
Oficina de Estudios Especiales
Londres 40
Mexico, D.F.

Dear Dr. Casseres:

At the enthusiastic request of Dr. Wilson Popenoe, we are happy to send you, by this means, United Fruit Company draft in the amount of \$100.00 in favor of the American Society for Horticultural Science.

With this contribution comes our very best wishes for the complete success of your program.

Sincerely,

E. S. Whitman

402 Andreas St.
St. Augustine, Fla.,
November 2, 1959.

Dear friend Popenoe:

These few lines will serve to introduce to you my esteemed fellow townsmen, Mr. + Mrs. Howard E. C. Hawkins and Mr. + Mrs. A. J. Sackett, whose destination is Guatemala, and more particularly, Antigua. I am sure that you and Mrs. Popenoe will enjoy making their acquaintance.

As you will see from the foregoing address, Mrs. Martin and I are living in "la Ciudad Mas Antigua de la Florida", where we fled from the heat of
(over)

Gainesville upon my retirement
from the U. of Cal in 1952.

Next year Marta and I
plan to revisit Chile, Mexico
and Costa Rica, and make
our first visit to Guatemala,
where we shall hope to see
you and your charming wife again.

According to the monthly
bulletins that I receive from
Zamorano, everything is going
well at the School, and
will continue to do so, unless
Honduras develops its own
Fidel Castro.

Sincerely yours,
John S. Martin

ESCUELA AGRICOLA PANAMERICANA

Antigua, Guatemala, 25 Nov 1959

APARTADO 93

TEGUCIGALPA, HONDURAS
CENTRO AMERICA

Mr John F Martin
402 St Andreas St, St Augustine, Florida.

Dear John:

Yesterday we had the pleasure of a call from your friends the Hawkinses and Sacketts, who brought your letter of 2 de los ptes. It was a happy reminder of old times - your letter - and more pleasant still to hear that Marta and yourself may be coming this way next year. I showed your friends the little bedroom you will occupy, and told them to assure you that you must plan to spend a few days with us. I think we shall be here until summer; then we may go back to Spain again, but I rather doubt it.

Yes, Escuela Agricola Panamericana is going ahead, and the cooperation with the University of Florida which you started has developed very satisfactorily. I think about 20 of our grads have now come out from Gainesville with B S A's, after only two years up there; and only one ever got a D and that was in Swimming. That lad by the way came from Antigua and we don't do much swimming here.

Since "retirement" (I prefer the Spanish jubilación) I have kept pretty busy; first a year in Spain and Israel and the Canaries, then I went to Venezuela to organize a program of fruit improvement; another in El Salvador; then to Mexico very recently to give a short course in Horticulture, and now home again, where I am trying to get ahead on a book on tropical fruits for Salvat Editores of Barcelona - in Spanish por supuesto (which they will polish and it will need it).

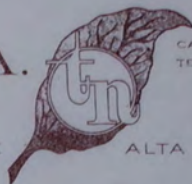
Helen joins me in old times regards, and do plan to stop with us on your way to South America. We will serve red beans or black beans, segun el gusto del cliente.



Howard E. C. Hawkins

Chief Freight Traffic Officer *Retired* St. Augustine
Florida East Coast Railway Company Florida

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Dr. Wilson Pompenoe
Antigua, Guatemala

47^a CALLE Y AVENIDA LOS PROCERES
APARTADO No. 78
TEGUCIGALPA, D. C. - HONDURAS, C. A.

Dear Dr. Pompenoe:

At the suggestion of one of your very good friends, Nick Agurcia, who is also a director of our company, we feel indeed privileged in being able to write to you on a matter we believe to be of importance, with the object of asking your kind advice and assistance on how we may most effectively proceed with our idea.

Being an occasional smoker of our cigars, you realize that a good cigar comes only from good tobacco, and Honduras, although in its infancy in this matter, seems to be able to produce some of the finest. Being one of the most mountainous countries in the free world at this latitude, we have hundreds and maybe thousands of high-land valleys with year-round rivers running through them to provide irrigation where Havana and other fine species of cigar tobacco plants have apparently found an ideal condition for their growing. We believe every vale, small or large, near in or far out, of small farmers or large, could be made to produce fine tobacco for the benefit of all. We also believe there is no limit to the markets available to this one hundred percent Honduran export product.

In order to promote this idea, we also believe that the technology which particularly applies to cigar tobacco must of necessity form part of an effective program. As we know it here, the art of tobacco growing (and curing) has come down from father to son, for the most part Cuban fathers and sons. We do not believe our campesinos are going to learn very fast from this system.

We dare to suggest, therefore, that a school to train agronomists as cigar tobacco specialists be established at Zamorano which would not only put capable technicians in the field, but also be able to produce healthy seed, experiment with new types, and in fact do everything else that a growing romance in agriculture requires.

Our company, with its modest resources, and we believe others, would be interested in financially supporting such a school at Zamorano and we would deeply appreciate your opinion and suggestion as to how to bring this matter to the attention of those who would most effectively promote the idea, if it is found to be beneficial and feasible.

With our utmost respect and best wishes.

Sincerely,

TABACALERA NACIONAL, S.A.

LUIS J. MARTIN
General Manager

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Antigua, Guatemala, 22 May 1972

Mr Luis J. Martin, General Manager
Tabacalera Nacional S.A.
Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Dear Mr Martin:

Your letter of the 10th interests me greatly. As Nicky has doubtless told you, I am no longer actively connected with Escuela Agricola Panamericana though (as he may also have told you) I just simply stay out of the picture, and go over there two or three times a year.

I am intrigued by the possibility of our doing something to further tobacco production in Honduras. Many, many years ago--(way back about 1935) our big boss Sam Zemurray told General Carias he wanted to do something to encourage the production of good cigar tobacco in Honduras, and the Company started a little experimental plot at Veracruz not far from Santa Rosa de Copan. I brought a tobacco man from Cuba and we tried for two years to turn out something better than Honduras was then producing, but I am afraid our man was not enough of an expert when it came to curing tobacco.

I have been extremely interested in what the Cubans have done in the Jamastran valley, and have smoked a lot of good cigars that you folks have put on the market. Years ago I spent a lot of time in Cuba and learned something about cigar tobaccos.

But to come to the point: I like the idea of Zamorano doing something to help make tobacco production in Central America a really big industry. The fact that good Danlys cannot be sold in the

United States at a price which is attractive to the average smoker, who knows little about quality in cigars but a lot about price, has discouraged all of us, I think. But some way or other. I feel that there must be a future for the fine tobaccos you have been turning out in recent years.

Now as to the possibility of a training school at Zamorano: this is something to be discussed, first, with Bob Armour, the present Director of the school and subsequently with the Board of Trustees. If I were running the school I would be interested in adding a special course in the growing and curing of tobacco, which it seems to me might be handled by one of the Cubans who in Honduras - several years ago I recall meeting two or three at Danli who were real experts - one of them had been with Hoyo de Monterrey and I believe another with La Corona.

I do not think all of our students would be interested in special training in tobacco production, of course, but it seems to me this work could be substituted, for those interested, for a certain amount of time now devoted to some other subject - part of the time now given to corn and rice and beans, for example - training in tobacco culture and curing which could be supervised by one of your staff without much expense to the school. You probably know that our school is having a tough time, these days, handling our operating costs because they have increased so materially and our income has not.

Bob Armour will be coming home from a short vacation in the States about the fourth of July. By all means go out and have a preliminary talk with him.

Cordially yours

Wilson Popenoe -
Director Emeritus

2545 Myra St.,
Jacksonville, 4, Fla.
April 27, 1963.

Mr. Wilson Popenoe,
Apartado 93,
Tequeigalpe,
Honduras, C. A.

Dear Mr. Popenoe:

I wrote the Macmillan Company and asked for written permission to quote three short paragraphs from your excellent Manual of Tropical and Subtropical Fruits on the subject of "Dates". I received a reply from Miss Sandy Butter, Permissions Department, stating they were not in a position to consider the request. Miss Butter, however, informed me the rights are your property, and for the permission I wish, I should contact you at the Honduras address she inclosed. Mr. Popenoe, it is indeed, an unexpected privilege, to be writing to the author of that great master-work. Moreover, your treatise on "Dates" was a revelation to me. But it was your observations and conclusions about them that was particularly impressive because they confirmed some of my own beliefs. These main points of interest are two short paragraphs on Page 200. One, compares the consistency of the date to other fruits; the other, follows it, telling how the Arabs come to eat them habitually. Then, on Page 197 or 198, you speak of the "ridiculously low rate of consumption for a fruit possessing the food value of the date . . .," and add, "There would seem to be no reason why it should not become an integral part of the diet of American families, being eaten not as a dessert or luxury only, but as a source of nourishment." Consequently, it is these passages I would like to refer to, that would add considerable weight and substance to a little article I hope to sell for publication, and therefore, I would like to have special permission to quote them directly from your fine work.

I had an opportunity to take notes on many places of interest when my husband, mother and I motored to California last October. One stop, was the Valerie Jean Date Shop, near Thermal, Cal. I thought the historical background of the little date shop and Mr. Russ Nicoll, the proprietor, would make an appropriate setting for a story if it revolved around Old King Solomon, a palm that has stood like a sentry outside the date shop since 1928. Naturally, I had to do some research on dates, which eventually led me to the library's reference books and your Manual. But my curiosity hasn't stopped there. Mr. Popenoe, do you happen to know Mr. Nicoll? I wondered, by chance, did you share any interesting experiences together that you would care to recall? Or, since the publication of your great work, have you formulated any afterthoughts pertaining to dates that shed further knowledge in connection with good health or longevity of life? I would be delighted and consider it quite an honor if you have any personal comments to make in this regard, and perhaps, serve as an excellent closer for my informative piece.

Respectfully,

Mrs. Roma Martin

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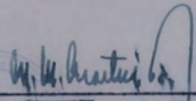

Dr. Wilson Popence
LA ANTIGUA, GUATEMALA, C.A.-

Tengo mucho gusto en dirigirme a usted, para saludarlo; así como también hacer extensivo mi saludo a su señora y - resto de la familia.-

Tal como se lo prometí el día de la cena en el restaurante 7 Mares, le estoy enviando las fotografías que tomé esa noche, las cuales espero constituyan un recuerdo grato de un grupo de exalumnos que siempre lo recuerdan con cariño.-

Siempre a sus apreciables órdenes y en espera de sus noticias, me suscribo,

Atento servidor.-


Manuel Máuricio Martínez,
Jefe del Departamento.-


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Agr. MANUEL MAURICIO MARTINEZ
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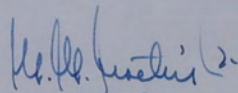
REP. DE GUATEMALA

Estimado Doctor:

Son mis mejores deseos que se encuentre muy bien en unión de su familia; después de saludarlo deseo hacerle una consulta sobre cultivo de mangos.

Tengo una plantación de unos 300 mangos HADEN y 40 JULIE, localizada cerca de Zacatecoluca, a 200 metros sobre el nivel del mar. La plantación ha venido produciendo relativamente poco, especialmente el HADEN, pero este año tuvo mucha flor la cual después de un tiempo se puso negra, por lo que creo sea Antracnosis. Me agradecería conocer de Ud. sobre que hacen otros fruticultores en igualdad de condiciones, para poder producir mangos. Me agradecería conocer si usan fungicida y con que frecuencia, etc., y si hay variedades resistentes.

En espera de su apreciable contestación me suscribo atentamente,



MANUEL MAURICIO MARTINEZ

American Embassy

Tegucigalpa, June 5, 1957.

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

Thanks a million for the sweet potato and strawberry plants. The sweet potatoes were all in the ground by Saturday afternoon. There were so many of them that I distributed some to a few of our neighbors and saw that they were planted also.

I have been working on these people for a number of years trying to convince them that corn should be a secondary crop. I advise planting vegetables which can be used for daily consumption, with corn only for their daily use for tortillas, chicken and pig food.

Against your advice to Jessie, I did make a round bed - six feet across at the base - three levels - all out of stone. Only managed to get in 71 plants - the balance (40) we gave to a neighbor who planted them in a bed (on our property). The strawberries should do better in a bed of that kind since they won't be drowned out when it rains. I do hope all the plants will take root and result in a good crop.

Thanks again, Doctor, for the plants and will let you know how they turn out.

Why don't you and your wife come out for a visit some Sunday? Just advise Jessie by telephone which Sunday, since she is occasionally on duty at the Embassy over a weekend, and I would not want you and your wife with me as the only cook! If you get a chance, do that, and we can talk over some old times.

Sincerely,

John -

John K. Mase

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March 7, 1963

- Dr. Wilson Popenoe
• 1722 N.W.-, 2nd Avenue
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I noticed in the local newspaper that you had been a speaker at Rollins College in February.

I am only sorry that I did not know it in time to invite you to drop in to Audubon House. I realize that you are busy when you come to Rollins for speaking engagements but I would have liked very much to meet you and talk over our general program, some time later perhaps or when I can get to Gainesville.

With best regards, and appreciating your interest in our society.

Sincerely yours,

C. Russell Mason

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November 17, 1939.

Dr. Wilson Popenoe,
United Fruit Company,
1 Federal Street,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

A hasty letter, self-typed, as my volunteer secretary is off this afternoon.

I am not sure whether we have ever met, though I remember meeting one of you in Washington many years ago, either you or brother Paul. I did have the pleasure of meeting Mrs Popenoe in the suburbs of Guatemala City in 1930; Burkitt introduced us. But of course I know you well by reputation, and through common friends, and I presume vice versa. Ted Kidder was just in, Joe Spinden was here yesterday, and I have a letter at hand from Sutherland. Kidder said you were due in Antigua in about ten days but thought I had better write you to Boston.

Sutherland said you were interested in more work in Santa Marta, and I would enjoy another expedition down there, but of course am more interested in new problems and new regions. And in that connection I'd like your information and advice.

On account of the situation in Europe, stymying our usual Near East expeditions, there will probably be some small sums available for work in America, and especially Hispanic America. Such sums must be spent for the enrichment of the Museum collections, by the terms of their gift, but this should be accompanied by elucidation of archeological problems. The higher-ups prefer to dig at Coclé, Panama, where there is a virtual certainty of getting good art specimens, but I believe that some other spot can be found which would also yield good specimens and at the same time be more worth-while scientifically. There is the same objection to work at Santa Marta. There are plenty of other regions in Colombia where the tangible results ought to be very good and where the archeology is quite unknown. Spinden said the Fruit Company has recently opened a field at the Gulf of Uruba. Do you know anything about that? Have they found anything there? Can you tell me anything about it? I believe the archeology of that region is quite unknown, and it should be important. One question is the attitude of the Colombian Government. From your residence at Santa Marta can you tell me anything about it? Their attitude when I was down there in 1923 was quite uncooperative and the general impression is that it is difficult to work there. How should one go about it? Another region where I always wanted to work is along the Sima. With your knowledge of archeology and of the whole Caribbeah region I am sure you have plenty of ideas which would help us immensely in planning the best place to work, and I would greatly appreciate it if you would write me your ideas

as fully as possible.

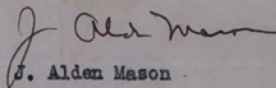
Do you think the Fruit Company would help us out with transportation? In Cutter's time the Company gave us many favors such as free transportation and free freight, but we have asked nothing for many years.

Have you copies of my reports on Santa Marta archeology in Field Museum series? The third part on the pottery is just out and I'll be glad to send you a copy if you'll designate the address. I also have a couple of copies left of Part 2 on Stone, Metal, etc., and will be glad to send you one if you don't already own it. Unfortunately I haven't a single copy left of Part I. I understand that you were located for some time at Santa Marta; I'd like to get back and see how my old friends there are. Are Trout and Sawyer around there yet?

I'll greatly appreciate your ideas, information and help. We'll probably have to decide soon in order to be ready for the approaching dry season, so a prompt and full reply will be most welcome.

Excuse my many errors in typing.

Cordially yours,


J. Alden Mason

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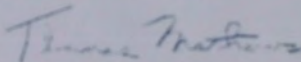
INSTITUTO DE ESTUDIOS DEL CARIBE
INSTITUTE OF CARIBBEAN STUDIES
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August 7, 1963

Mr. Wilson Popenoe
Escuela Agricola Panamericana
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

The University of Puerto Rico through its Institute of Caribbean Studies and the University of the West Indies through its Department of History and the Institute of Economic and Social Studies are preparing plans for a conference to be sponsored by Ford Foundation and held at Mona, Jamaica, April 15-19, 1964. The general theme of the conference would be social, economic, and/or political changes noted in the Caribbean during the first half of the XX century. We are writing you as a scholar and student of the Caribbean area to inquire about your own current research. The information we receive would be incorporated into the Caribbean Scholars's Directory, which we are at this point trying to bring up to date, and would eventually serve as a guide in the planning of the announced conference. Should the directors of this conference feel that the work you are currently undertaking would be a contribution to its general theme your original reply will be followed up by further communications. In any case you will receive more information about the conference.

Sincerely yours,



Thomas Mathews
Director

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, U.S.
WASHINGTON, D.C.

April 09, 1965

Respectfully referred to

Dr. Hugh Pope;

If you don't
get this, you
may be interested
in reading
this news

Very respectfully,

D. R. Matthews
By E. P. Pitts
Jr

M.C., District.

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GUATEMALA RECORD . . . POLITICAL HIGHLIGHTS

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NEW AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENTS CORE OF \$1 BILLION FIVE-YEAR PLAN

A massive infrastructure program to improve the vital segment of agriculture and to speed up other basic general development facets of the country, has been unveiled by the Guatemalan Government. Included in the massive project are new road construction, expansion in education, communications and housing. Spending for the first year breaks down like this: \$11.5 million for agriculture, \$14.4 million for road construction, \$2.9 million for telecommunications, \$7.5 million for electric power production, \$6.9 million for education, \$5.7 million for health and social welfare and the remaining \$8.6 million for undertakings in various other fields. A total of \$52 million in expenditures have already been included in the nation's current budget. In 1966 assignments will amount to \$66.4 million, with \$83.7 million for 1967. In the following two years the Guatemalan Government, also using credits from the Banco de Guatemala, will spend \$104.3 million and \$119.3 million, respectively.

The project will mostly benefit the Northern part of Guatemala which remains underpopulated, despite very good resources, because of a lack of transportation and communication facilities, as well as still primitive living conditions.

GUATEMALA ALMOST BACK TO DEMOCRATIC CONSTITUTIONAL ORDER

The "Group of 25" Assemblymen assigned to draft the new Constitution for Guatemala has completed its work. The document which contains 261 Articles, 9 Titles and 32 Chapters is now up for debate, and possibly revision, before the full Constituent Assembly which hopes to complete its work over a four-week span. Provisions added in the latest draft concern themselves with rights and obligations for private landowners and the right of all Guatemalans to hold a passport. It has also been established that Guatemalans can never be denied their citizenship and will not have to apply for visas upon entering or leaving the country. Regarding possible future amendments, one of the most important ones expected is the right of all women of legal age to vote. Should this Article be approved by the Assembly, Guatemalan women will be the first to have such privilege in all of Central America. Promulgation of the new Constitution is now to occur about March 15th.

JOINT ACTION AGAINST COMMUNIST INFILTRATION FOR ALL OF AMERICAS

The Governments of Chile and Argentina have proposed an Inter-American conference which would discuss ways of how to cope with the increasing Communist activity throughout the Americas. A general plan regarding the same problem has already been worked out by the Central American nations and Panama at the fourth Conference of the Ministers for Public Affairs and Security which was held in Guatemala City. A meeting of the Ministers of the Interior from all of the Americas, maintain Buenos Aires and Santiago, would lead to much more effective results in dealing effectively with this challenging situation. National interests adjusted to one main goal and joint efforts will help to create a much stronger barrier against Communist infiltration, the spokesmen declared.

GUATEMALA TO BECOME AIR TRAFFIC CENTER BETWEEN AMERICAS

Expansion of the new International Airport in Guatemala, to be highlighted by extensive modernization of existing facilities at la Aurora, on the outskirts of Guatemala City, will start in a few months, to be completed by mid-1968. The Guatemalan Government has budgeted \$1.2 million for additions to as well as updating existing building facilities of the Air Terminal, with emphasis on furnishing the most up-to-date in technical equipment. The project also includes a new road entry into the airport, a new water and electrical supply system and expanded sanitary installations. The Ministry of Communications stressed the importance of this undertaking, because it will open better and more convenient transportation facilities and help to make Guatemala even more attractive to visitors.

SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS FOR HUEHUETENANGO

Beginning April first, the Social Security Institute will extend coverage to workers in the Province of Huehuetenango. The move has been made in view of the numerous road construction and industrialization projects in the area which will also employ workers and engineers from the more populated Provinces in the South of Guatemala. Coverage will be provided for accidents during work hours as well as for off-job accidents. Maternity care, however, is not included. With the addition of Huehuetenango, the Guatemalan Instituto de Seguridad Social now covers thirteen out of the country's twenty-one Provinces. Plans for future expansion are under discussion and are expected to be unveiled in the nearest future.

REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR TOURISTS ENTERING GUATEMALA EASED

Visitors coming to Guatemala for less than thirty days will no longer have to appear personally at the General Immigration office in Guatemala City to register. Persons entering the country with a tourist card or a special travel card will have the same privilege. Visits over thirty days, however, require registration in person with passport and photographs. These liberalized provisions are expected to help bring more tourists to Guatemala.

A group of tourist experts from Potter International of Washington is presently in Guatemala exploring facilities, visiting various spots of possible major tourist attraction. Their objectives are feasibility studies for a planned tourist promotion program throughout the United States and Europe. Better and more hotels and restaurants could increase Guatemala's tourist income, which last year came up to \$2.6 million, tremendously, the experts contend.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSES FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

The Public Administration Center in Guatemala City has set up voluntary English language courses for Government employees. Special emphasis during the classes will be put on skills for bilingual secretaries, public administration techniques and translation of documents. Knowledge of English has become most important in Guatemala, since practically all Government agencies are using U.S. methods. In addition, there is need for an increasing number of experts for survey research, collection of statistical data and the organization of development programs. The project is being carried out in close relationship with the Agency for International Development (AID). These language courses are further expected to introduce to the public employee and make him familiar with ways of modernizing the nation's administrative system.

GROWING ACTIVITY IN UN; ROLZ BENNETT APPOINTED UNDERSECRETARY

Another recognition has come to a prominent Guatemalan diplomat in service of international diplomacy and peace-making efforts. Dr. Jose Rolz Bennett has been named Undersecretary for Special Political Affairs of the United Nations. Previously, Dr. Rolz Bennett served as UN High Commissioner for Dutch Guinea and as head of the Guatemalan Mission to the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador.

RELIGIOUS TRAINING TO BE INTEGRAL PART OF EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

The Roman Catholic Church of Guatemala has been granted an important new privilege in the educational sphere. One of the last Articles of the Constitution now under consideration by the Special Assembly established that religion classes, "an obligation of national interest", can be held during regular school hours at the expense of the state. Attendance is, however, non-obligatory. The Article was adopted over the objection of the country's small Protestant population which supported the maintenance of the traditional separation of church and state. Until now, religion classes had been permitted, but only after school hours, and in addition they had to be paid for by the Church.

A local public school is being built by Salesian Fathers from Italy, with the first mission of the Sacred Heart Convent in Carcha in the Province of Alta Verapaz, north of Guatemala City.

MODERN TELECOMMUNICATION TO LINK CAPITAL AND QUEZALTENANGO

At an estimated cost of \$670,000, to be financed by the Special Fund of the United Nations, a micro-wave system is to be built between Guatemala City and Quezaltenango, a major city 100 miles west of the Capital. It is the first section of a vast project which will eventually link all Central American countries by one micro-wave system - another important step towards complete integration of the five Central American nations.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA TO HELP RESTORE GUATEMALAN TEMPLE

With a contribution of \$860,000 from the Guatemalan Government the University of Pennsylvania Museum will complete the restoration of the temple ruins at Tikal in Northern Guatemala. Dr. Alfred Kidder, II, the associate director of the Museum, said his Institute, excavating in Tikal since 1957, by the end of 1966 will have spent another \$800,000 of its own funds in its work there. The restoration at the Tikal site is to be completed by 1970. The ruins, once representing the religious center of the old Mayan nation, date from 300 B. C. to as late as 900 A. D.

ELECTIONS IN BELIZE LEAD TO FIRST SELF-GOVERNMENT

The British colonial empire is about to lose one more country. General elections in Belize are setting up full self-government for the first time in 300 years. Expected to be named as Prime Minister is the People's Unity Party leader, George Price, who stands for complete independence. The opposition, the National Independence Party, led by Philip Goldson, contends that complete self-government should be held off until the country has achieved greater economic independence. Belize is claimed by Guatemala, which has renewed its demand recently at the General Assembly meeting of the UN in which Foreign Minister Dr. Alberto Herrarte argued that since Great Britain never fulfilled her obligations established in the treaty of 1854, which settled the colo-

EIGHT BRIDGES OF INTER-AMERICAN HIGHWAY INAUGURATED

The Inter-American Highway, particularly in the stretch touching Guatemala, is nearing completion. Eight new bridges with an estimated cost of \$571,000, marking better and easier road connection in the Western part of Guatemala, have recently been turned over for traffic by Colonel Enrique Peralta Azurdia. They are located at Los Cuaches, Pologua, Sija and Pucal, Nahuala I, Nahuala II, and Paxtulte. Especially under the auspices of the soon to be started tourist traffic, the new bridges will prove to be a great asset.

GUATEMALA TAKES STEPS TO CURB GROWING POPULATION

Private groups, including many physicians, have taken first steps to cope with Guatemala's annual three percent population increase. Clinics in Guatemala City as well as in the surrounding small towns have begun to offer free advice and birth control devices to mothers sent on recommendation of social workers and physicians. Guatemala's population of more than four million is presently growing by 10,000 a month. A local International Development Agency (AID) official said recently of this problem: "In Guatemala we have to run fast, just to stand still." Consequently, the local officials are much in favor of the planned family movement. Authorization to conduct research in population growth was given by a special amendment to the U.S. Foreign Aid bill of last year. Though there seems to be limited opposition to the project, it is not far reaching, according to reports from Guatemala. Even among the 92 percent of mothers belonging to the Catholic faith, only four percent said they would object to birth control.

150,000 TO BENEFIT FROM NEW WATER DRAINAGE SYSTEM

An important social and health project which will serve 23 villages is underway in the interior of Guatemala to construct, at a cost of over \$6 million, a new water drainage system including filter plants, to provide some 150,000 people with drinking water. Fifty percent of the cost will be assumed by the Inter-American Development Bank, with the Guatemalan Government putting up 30 percent and the Municipal Government to finance the remaining 20 percent. The use of unhygienic and dirty water has in recent years caused various diseases and created serious sickness problems. The present Guatemalan "care-taker" Government has made it one of its foremost goals to achieve a notable improvement in the sanitary and health conditions of the country.

FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW HEALTH AND SOCIAL WELFARE CENTERS

Extensive efforts are underway to further improve social and health conditions in Guatemala. The nation's budget for 1965 sets aside \$3.5 million for construction of some 26 new Health and Social Welfare centers. They will each house a kindergarten, and housekeeping facilities such as bakeries, laundries and kitchens. Trained social workers and nurses will be in attendance continuously to provide instruction for women and young girls, mainly to advance their vocational abilities and basic education for everyday life. Some of the Centers have been under construction since last year and will be completed soon. The Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare has recently accelerated the efforts on a larger scale, mainly to achieve better conditions especially in the less developed areas of the North and Northwest of the country. Social workers have noted that Guatemala's peculiar conditions have shown that attention, care and education alone will not provide for actual individual social progress unless proper facilities are also available.

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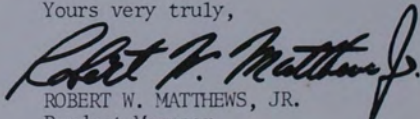
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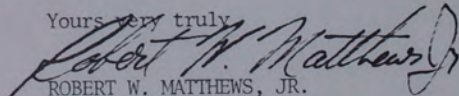
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JUNE 21, 1960

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
1a. Ava. Sur # 2
Antigua, Guatemala

Dear Doctor Popenoe,

We are visiting Antigua the first week in August and would like permission to visit your home.

We have read about your place in Library books and would like very much to see it.

Understand that there are certain hours that we may get permission and we would like to know when.

There will be two of us.

Very truly yours,

Helen Mavko
Mrs. Helen Mavko, Clerk-Treasurer

Mrs. William R. Maxon
3 Amity Place
Massapequa, New York

Dear Wilson,

Hope you had a pleasant Christmas and are all set for a happy New Year - We had a quiet day here, for Björn's Mother is critically ill and of course we are concerned - The two little nieces added a great deal of gaiety, which we all enjoyed - a celebration that two stabs at cats, tags to the ceiling and an insistent W. added another note to!

We've just finished reading "Fair Gods and Stone Faces" by Constance Sewin - Much of the text was far too involved for my limited mind but I did enjoy it and the beautiful pictures were fascinating. And it's so pleasant to read of the work old friends are doing in this exciting field. Having been a long time wife in the brief patch of scientific enthusiasms I know how challenging and absorbing their urge and interests are and even if they don't like some of the phrases, they love them all!

Had a letter from Ralph and one from Hazel who says he is quite well now, but his letter sounded all right. Had such a lot of nice letters from old Washington friends - most of his fairly tottery, but doing well above the tonils!

Happy New Year to you -
With love, Edith

C. Vernon May
P. O. Box 382
Hope, Idaho, 83836
September 27, 1972

Wilson Popenoe
Antigua, Guatemala, C.A.

Dear Mr. Popenoe:

About a year or more ago I subscribed to the North American Pomona, and you can imagine my delight to read the reprint of your letter to Mr. Major C. Collins, which appeared in our latest copy. Throughout the years I had read articles about the now famous Popenoe family but I had not heard anything about you, or your whereabouts, in some time.

You would remember, perhaps, my father as Jack May. He did some budding and grafting for the nursery. You may remember the tropical fruits preserved in apothecary jars which my mother prepared for the display in the office. Your letter has brought back many memories.

Our house was situated on Calaveras Street between the office and the lath house part, and the field planting portion of the West India Gardens. I was about six years old at the time, but I remember well your father, Paul, and yourself. I have pictures of my brothers and me taken on the "steps" of the office lawn, nearly sixty years ago now, although that hardly seems possible.

I remember the large mansion owned by a Doctor Lee, across the street from the West India Gardens. I can remember getting bags of seedling avocados from the nursery, which we used at home for hand soap, and then returned the seeds to the nursery for planting! I remember the long row of Pineapple Guava (*Feijoa sellowiana*).

Also, I remember that one of the nursery men gave me a very pot-bound Sapote tree which we planted near our house. The last time I saw it, about twenty years ago, it was about forty or fifty feet tall and eighteen inches through at the butt.

I remember the two large avocado trees near the front of the property, facing Calaveras Street, into which my father had budded seven or eight different kinds of avocados. I still have my father's budding knife with the horn handle, made by A. J. Jordan, Sheffield, England, bearing the trade-mark AA-1. And, although my wife and I have lived for the past six years here in the Panhandle of North Idaho, where a decent avocado can't even be purchased at the market, that same knife has seen yearly service on the apple, cherry and pear trees which do so well in this northern climate.

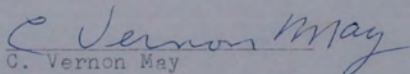
All of my life, tropical fruits have been of great interest to me, and I know my early introduction to them, as a boy, has been the reason. Before settling in this area, we spent about two years traveling about, looking for a new area to call home. During that time we spent a couple of winters in Mexico and made one trip to

the South Seas, and everywhere we went, the exotic caught my eye first and held it. It seemed almost unbelievable when we came to this rural area to find that a majority of the local people had never even tasted an avocado and wondered how you cooked them! However, the clean air and water, and the relative uncluttered space and unspoiled beauty of this area finally held us. Wall to wall people has become a drug on the market elsewhere. This is a very fine garden area, in our immediate vicinity we are blessed with a much milder climate than the surrounding area.

My parents died shortly after World War II and are buried in the Mountain View Cemetery across the street from West India Gardens. My two brothers' deaths followed shortly thereafter. But none of us had ever lost our interest in amateur gardening. During his lifetime, my younger brother took great delight in his small greenhouses and the propagation of camellias. I am the last of them; but, gratefully, I have been left many wonderful memories, and Pop May's green thumb!

It was a real pleasure to hear about you once more. And a greater pleasure to ramble down through the memories of past years, some of which I wanted to share with you.

Sincerely yours,


C. Vernon May

CVM:m

HOTEL ANTIGUA

ANTIGUA



GUATEMALA

Feb. 8, 1960

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I was sorry not to find you at home yesterday or a week ago when I called at your home. I wanted to renew my acquaintance with you and again express my appreciation for the very fine hospitality extended to me and Flore and me by Mrs Popenoe and yourself in Honduras last in 1956.

I am supervising, in behalf of a committee of our Govt. department, a joint study at INCAP on the composition of Latin American foods. I wanted to ask about ~~the~~ botanists familiar with these foods whom you might consent as to scientific names. Since I am returning to Guatemala City this morning and to the States on Thurs. I'll ask my associate at INCAP, Dr. Wu-Tseun Leung, to write you in this matter. We will greatly appreciate your advice.

With best regards to Mrs Popenoe and yourself

Sincerely

L. A. Maynard

LEONARD A. MAYNARD, Ph.D.
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La Avenida Sur
Antigua
Guatemala

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Querido Dr. Popenoe:

En ésta hora de dolor que lo embar-
ga con motivo de la irreparable pérdida de su dulce com-
pañera de hogar, quiero expresarle, en nombre de mi que-
rido hijo Ulises Mejía Briceño y en el mío propio, nues-
tra mas sentida condolencia, a la vez que tambien eleva-
mos al Todopoderoso una plegaria porque El todo Amor y
todo Bondad la tenga por siempre en su Reino y porque a-
quí en la Madre Tierra las violetas y los lirios, las a-
zucenas y las rosas perfumen eternamente el altar de su
tumba.

Comovidos deseamosle resignación
cristiana.

Comayagüela, D.C. 6 de abril de 1.961

Carmen V. de Mejía
CARMEN V. DE MEJIA

Colonia La Granja
5 calle # A-221
Comayaguéla DC

Antigua, Guatemala, 22 May 1972

Sr don Antonio Membreño
Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Dear Antonio:

Some weeks ago I received a letter from Excmo. Sr. L.P.F.L' Estruggo, H. Ambassador to Honduras, who was that time President of Sociedad Hondureña de Orquideología, but who was about to leave Honduras. He informed me that I had been named one of the Membros Beneméritos of the Society, which honor I appreciate greatly.

I have not know whom to thank, since the Ambassador has left, but know that you must be not only one of the principal members of the Society, if not the biggest shot of all, I am sending you this note to request that you will please convey my thanks to the Society at the next meeting, together with my hope that I may at some time, and in some manner, be of service to the group. The next time I come over to Tegucigalpa I am going to get in touch with you, and get some details about your activities.

How I miss Zamorano, and all of my old friends in Honduras!

Cordially yours

Wilson Popenoe
Director Emeritus

EDUARDO MENDOZA GOITICOA
INGENIERO AGRONOMO
Apartado No. ~~XXX~~ 2921
CARACAS - VENEZUELA

Caracas, 22 de marzo de 1963

Señor
Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Gainesville, U. S. A.

Mi querido Dr. Popenoe:

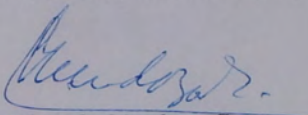
Con una tardanza extraordinaria contesto su importante carta del 14 de diciembre del año pasado, que por razones ajenas a mi voluntad sólo es hoy cuando le estoy escribiendo.

Tan pronto recibí dicha carta saqué copia de ella y la envié al Dr. Azcárate, así como a Serpa y a Calabria. Serpa procedió a traducirla y esperamos tratar el contenido de la misma, después que cada uno la haya estudiado, en la próxima reunión del Comité de Frutales de Mérida.

Sus observaciones son sumamente interesantes y estoy seguro que serán de mucha utilidad.

Le adelanto que los ensayos realizados con distintas variedades de uvas no han tenido mayor éxito.

Deseando que para esta fecha se encuentre en perfecto goce de salud y disfrutando el buen tiempo de Gainesville, lo saluda con todo afecto,



Eduardo Mendoza G.

EMG/mmm.

IGNACIO MERCADO FLORES.
POMOLOGY DEPARTMENT.
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.
DAVIS, CALIF.

8 April, 1964.

DR. WILSON POPENOE.
CALLE DE LA NOBLEZA No.2
ANTIGUA GUATEMALA, C.A.

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I am graduate student at U.C. Davis, with major in Pomology, native from Mexico, graduated from Escuela Nacional de Agricultura, Chapingo Mexico, I am studying the bibliography of the origin of the avocado. Since you are the author who has published more about on this subject. I am taking myself the freedom of consulting you.

Your last publication regarding the origin of the different races of avocado I have read is one published in the 1947 yearbook of the California Avoc. Soc. I would like to know if, after this publication, there are any more recent ideas about the clasification of the Horticultural varieties and their development from ancestral forms.

Thanking you in advance for the attention to my request I am

Yours very truly.

Ignacio Mercado Flores.

Antigua, Guatemala, 10 Sept 1964

Sr don Ignacio Mercado Flores,
Pomology Dept, University of California,
Davis, California.

Muy señor mio:

Your very interesting letter of 8 April has been on my desk for some time, but I have had so many visitors on my hands during the summer that I have not been able to answer it until now.

You ask about avocados: "Are there any more recent ideas about the classification of horticultural varieties and their development from ancestral forms?" Right down my alley, as we gringos would put it. As I have not published anything very definite recently, I am going to give you my views, always with the understanding that ten years from now, without doubt, somebody will come up with newer and better ideas.

I do not see any reason to change our classification of horticultural varieties, except that the name "West Indian" race is not very appropriate if we want to classify the races by geographical origin, for we know there were no avocados in the West Indies before the arrival of the Spaniards in this hemisphere. Back in the early days of avocado culture in Florida, Professor P.H. Rolfs who was one of the pioneers, called this the "West Indian-South American race". But after all, this is rather an academic matter and we might as well stick to West Indian.

As to the background of the three races, here is the way I see it at present, subject to change without notice, as they say on the railway time-tables:

There is not much doubt that the Mexican race is a well-defined geographical form, perhaps entitled to specific rank as was considered

by Chamisso and Schlechtendahl when they named it Persea drymifolia. I still think I was right when I wrote in "Manual of Tropical and Subtropical Fruits" "abundant in the wild state on the lower slopes of the volcano Orizaba". Probably it occurs elsewhere in Mexico, but up to date I have no reason to believe that it occurs as far south as Guatemala, in the wild state. As you know, it was taken to Ecuador and Chile in early Colonial times, most probably by the Roman Catholic missionaries.

The Guatemalan race is almost certainly native to this country. I have published on the wild avocados of Tecpan. Louis O. Williams considered this wild avocado to be a distinct species and name it Persea nubigena. A very similar if not identical tree grows on the top of Uyuca mountain at Escuela Agrícola Panamericana in Honduras. Dr Williams again thought this distinct from P. americana and named it Persea gigantea, but I understand a worker at the New York Botanic Garden has recently prepared a monograph on the Lauraceae and is reducing both these species to geographical forms of P. americana. I go along with this, although I am not a taxonomist, hence neither voz ni voto.

The wild progenitor of the Guatemalan race might well have extended into southern Mexico, but we do not have adequate evidence of this. Some way or other, it got up - or cultivated forms did - into Atlixco, Estado de Puebla, a long time ago, and through natural crossing with the Mexican race gave rise to a lot of fine varieties of which Fuerte is the most important commercially.

Now as to the West Indian race: A few years ago Paul H. Allen, a very capable botanist, found wild trees in the Colfito region of Costa Rica which he believed to represent the wild form of this race, which without doubt can be classified as Persea americana. Previously

I had seen similar trees in the Boquete region of Panama, and also in the Santa Marta region in Colombia. I had never felt sure that these trees were not escapes, because of the great variation in form and color of fruit. But all in all, I believe we have grounds for believing that the progenitors of the West Indian race are native in Costa Rica and northern Colombia. Perhaps farther south. For a long time we have gone on the statement of Garcilasso de la Vega that the avocado was taken to Ecuador by one of the last Incas, about 1475, but a recent student has shown that avocado seeds occur among material excavated in pre-Incaic ruins on the Peruvian coast.

Finally, here is a Persea which has every appearance of being a form of P. americana which we cannot tie in with our horticultural avocados. This is the one which I described years ago from the slopes of the volcano Irazu in Costa Rica and which is found, and not rarely, in northern Honduras. It is making us a lot of trouble (those of us who are struggling with the problem of wild avocados) because it has the strong anise-odor of the Mexican race in leaves and to make things worse, in the fruit, which is as large as many horticultural forms of the Guatemalan race (eight ounces or more), and has a thick, hard skin like the Guatemalan. As far as I know, this wild form has never become of horticultural importance, but the fact that it has the anise odor, which is not found in the Guatemalans, and the thick hard skin which is not found in the Mexicans, makes it a taxonomic nuisance - if I can use the term taxonomic in a horticultural sense.

Faithfully yours,

Wilson Popenoe

Dear Dr. + Mrs. Popenoe,

Oct. 4

[1973]

We are off to Tecpán
early this morning so I thought
I would drop you a note asking
if I could have the two peijies
that you have to spare. I have some
friends who would appreciate them
and have been admiring ours. I could
come to pick them up tomorrow
morning around nine o'clock to take
them to their new home, if that
is convenient for you.

Thanks ever so much —

Lili Metcalf

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ADDRESS REPLY TO:
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January 27, 1967

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Calle de la Nobleza 2
Antigua, Guatemala

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

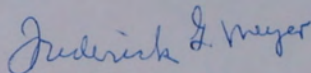
I have an enlarged photograph of you full length taken at Lancetilla the day we were all there together during the Plant Introduction Symposium.

If I would send you two copies, would you mind signing one of them and returning it to me? I would like to frame it for hanging in the herbarium of the U. S. National Arboretum. We have all of your early herbarium collections here going back before you went with the government, and would like to start a rogues galley of personalities.

I certainly did enjoy that Symposium. I hope something can be done to save that fine collection at Lancetilla.

I'll send the photographs as soon as I hear from you.

Sincerely,



Frederick G. Meyer
Research Botanist
In Charge of the Herbarium

Antigua, Guatemala
3 February 1967

Dr Frederick C. Meyer
U S National Arboretum
Washington D C 20250

Dear Doctor Meyer:

Sure, I will be delighted to sign a copy of the foto you took at Lancetilla. And I am glad you are interested in making the Lancetilla more useful than it has been for the past ten years. I believe that the visit of the Plant Introduction group may turn out to be extremely helpful in getting action in this connection.

You mention my early herbarium collections. About three years ago Dr Caroline Allen of New York Botanical Garden was working on a revision of the Lauraceae - a friend was working with her, I forget the name. Later Dr Allen sent me a section of the MS which covered Persea. I felt that they had never seen my collections from tropical America. In talking with her two years ago I realised that this was the case - they had seen the Perseas at the Smithsonian, but didnt know that my collections were at the National Arboretum. I had sent in, years ago when I was travelling down here for Dr Fairchild, quite a number of things which they really should have seen. I dont know whether or not the monograph on the Lauraceae has yet been published - I imagine it had.

With cordial regards,

Faithfully,

Wilson Popenoe

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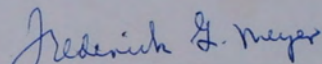
Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Calle de la Nobleza 2
Antigua, Guatemala

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I sent your photograph some time back, and wondered whether it arrived. Would be awfully nice to have your signature on it for our rogues gallery in the herbarium of "famous" plant explorers whose specimens are on permanent deposit at the National Arboretum.

We hear that the Plant Introduction Symposium volume is progressing. It will be nice to see it.

Sincerely,



Frederick G. Meyer
Research Botanist
In Charge of the Herbarium

March 30, 1965

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua
Guatemala, C.A.

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

We were fortunate enough to visit Guatemala for nine short days in 1961. While in Antigua, we stayed at the Posada, and Maria showed us through your extremely interesting, lovely "House in Antigua".

We have read your answer to the criticism of tourist accommodations in Guatemala. It seems a pity that in order to attract more tourism it is necessary to have Hilton type hotels, which automatically means Hilton type tourists. We love Guatemala the way it is, but, of course, an increase in tourism is very important to the economy.

My husband and I have a dream of living in Antigua. I have been teaching English to Latin adults here on a volunteer program for the last five years which was originally set up due to the influx of Cubans, but I have also had pupils from Peru, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, and right now have four Guatemalans in my class. I am wondering if I could continue to do this sort of thing in Antigua, and would very much appreciate it if you could find the time to drop us a line giving us your advice as to living costs, the possibility of finding a small house, teaching English, etc. I know you are a busy man, but we could not pull up stakes until the end of this year at the earliest, so perhaps you would be kind enough to write whenever you do have a moment, for which we would be very grateful.

Sincerely yours,

Charlotte and Harold Miller

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Oct 17, 1969

Dear Doctor Popenoe,

I appreciated
your letter very much.
I too, have fond memories
of the days I worked
in the Research Department
especially Soncetilla. I
have always thought that
my experience in Research
helped me to get the
position of V.P. later.
Doc, I am
being right across the

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river from New Orleans in
a small place named Guitra.
We like our set up very
much for several reasons,
but the chief one is that
we are near our daughter
& ~~the~~ only grand children
we have.

If you ever come
through here be sure and
let me know. Our telephone
number is 362-6685. It
is about a 20 minute drive
from here to Canal St. so

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Coming in to meet you
would be no problem.

Ruth, my wife, has
been very, very ill for
some two months but is
getting along better now
& should get out of the
hospital soon.

Thanks again Doc
for your letter. Here's
hoping our paths cross
again soon!

Sincerely yours
"Bing" Miller



[1959?]
Friday, February 20th

Dear Mrs. Popenoe,

When I told Louise City before leaving Chicago Wednesday that we were headed for Guatemala, she said I must be sure to see you if you were in Antigua when we reached there. Hence this letter.

My husband and I expect to be at the Hotel Antigua Tuesday and Wednesday nights, February 24th & 25th and we should be delighted if you and Dr. Popenoe would dine with us either of those evenings.

I am not sure that you remember
me from your days at the Art Institute,
but I think you were there while I was
President of the Antiquarian Society.
My husband is professor of medicine at the
University of Chicago and had a most
pleasant evening with Hans Meisler when
he was in Chicago last week. Of course
he spoke of you and your husband and
hoped we would find you in your
charming house, whose history I read a
few years ago with tremendous interest.

We have had a wonderful day
today and are looking forward with eagerness
to the rest of our Guatemalan visit - the
culmination of which will be Antigua.

With hopes of seeing you next week, I am
very sincerely yours, Florence Louder Miller

(Mrs. C. Phillip Miller)

July 1, 1961

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua, Guatemala
Central America

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

You will be quite surprised to receive this letter, but in a way I am equally surprised to find myself writing it although the reasons for my amazement are not entirely due to the passing of time.

The real purpose of this letter is to tell you of a project that concerns Honduras in general and some of the families in Zamorano in particular and to solicit your interest in it. Some of it you may already know, but almost three years ago we started corresponding with Julio Pineda to invite one of his children to live in our home and attend our local high school. The Pinedas were enthusiastic about the arrangements and the youngster, Elia B., came up in March 1959. She has proven to be an excellent student well on her way for a career in nursing.

Other families in our area became interested in the arrangements and we helped them to bring up two other children from Zamorano - Wilma Burgos and Ramon Alvarez - and through a generous invitation from Julio Pineda, two Oregon students have visited in Zamorano during vacation last summer so our plan is working in two directions.

This year we have found still other individuals who are interested - some who desire to sponsor students in their homes - so to bring about uniformity and to make contractual arrangements in a business like manner we have formed a non-profit Corporation called Exchange Students, Inc. The Corporation will also allow those who sponsor a student to claim him as a family dependent on our State and Federal income tax returns and to become identified with an organization qualified to accept donations and gifts that are tax deductible.

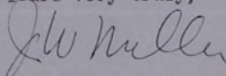
You undoubtedly know of the American Field Service program that brings foreign students to this country for study in high schools. Our program differs from the A. F. S. in that where they accept only older students who are fluent in speaking English and allow them to stay but one year, we will consider a suitable younger student; we do not require the student to speak any English and we will keep him longer than one year if he is capable of doing the work. Also, to the best of my knowledge, there has never been an A. F. S. student from Honduras or from several other Central American countries, while our program will deal with the Republic of Honduras almost exclusively.

Those of us active in this program (twelve adults here in central Oregon) are enthusiastic supporters of the theory that personal contacts such as ours, offer the only real hope for better relations, national - political as well as commercial, with Latin-America. Before real friendship can be achieved there must be a better basis for understanding and communication. We believe that through education and observation we can help to construct such a foundation.

We have had, and are now receiving, much encouragement from the schools here in Oregon, to expand our family to family arrangements. We are willing and eager to work toward an expansion of our program so I will be frank and say we solicit and hope for your support financially, morally or as you may feel inclined to give it. Our present goal is for funds to provide special items of clothing for our winter weather that is frequently sub-zero, school tuitions and registration; assistance towards the expense of transportation and some basic health, accident and term life insurance. We are also working towards a special fund to finance the training of a medical student from Honduras.

If you would like to have additional information I would be pleased to communicate with you further.

Yours very truly,



J. W. Miller, President
Exchange Students, Inc.

P. S. The Honduran families are not aware of the fact that this letter has been directed to you.

Harristt and I were extremely sorry to hear of the recent passing of Mrs. Popenoe.

Exchange Students, Inc.
656 E. Seward Street
Bend, Oregon
E. U. A.

Antigua, Guatemala
July 28, 1961

Mr. J. W. Miller, President
Exchange Students, Inc.
656 E. Seward Street
Bend, Oregon

Dear Jim:

Your letter of 1 July is most interesting. I feel sure your project is worthy of support and would like to get a clearer idea of how I might help it along. I'm not in a position to do much financially and it is pretty apparent that financial help is what you most need.

I am going up to the University of Florida next week. I shall probably give some lectures there and take part in some seminars. I do not know how long I shall stay and am planning only on one semester until we see how things work out. My address at Gainesville will be : 1722-A NW 2nd Ave., Gainesville, Florida.

Since you plan to centralize on Honduran students, I assume any financial help you get from this part of the World will most probably have to come from Honduras. As you know, money is not quite so abundant in that Republic as in some other parts of tropical America.

I shall be glad to hear from you further as your plans develop.

With best regards to Mrs. Miller and yourself,

UNITED FRUIT COMPANY

GENERAL OFFICES, 30 ST. JAMES AVENUE
BOSTON 16, MASSACHUSETTS

ROBERT O. MILLER
VICE PRESIDENT
AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS

June 28, 1962

TELEPHONE
HUBBARD 2-9700

Doctor Wilson Popenoe
c/o College of Agriculture
University of Florida
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Doctor Popenoe:

Many thanks for your letter of May 23rd regarding the future of Lancetilla. I can well understand your interest and your comments are appreciated.

We are all in agreement that Lancetilla, with its tropical economic plants, fruit and timber trees; the existing tract of several thousand acres of virgin rain forest (Tela watershed) adjacent; easy reach to highland forests at Lake Yojoa and Zamorano, plus the extensive herbarium collection at the latter place, is of exceptional value to tropical investigators. While we wish to operate the place at the lowest cost possible and would welcome financial aid under the proper conditions, we must be very careful that we do not do anything that will detract from its publicity and other possible values to the Company. Also, I will certainly not recommend anything that will affect the value of our collections.

This problem is now being given consideration by our department, as well as by Van Diepen, Dunlap, Thornton and others, and it is my opinion that something will be worked out which will allow the place to become a center for scientific research while at the same time protecting the Company's investment and interests.

Sincerely yours,

R. O. Miller

UNITED FRUIT COMPANY

GENERAL OFFICES, 30 ST. JAMES AVENUE
BOSTON 16, MASSACHUSETTS

ROBERT O. MILLER
VICE PRESIDENT
AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS

May 7, 1963

TELEPHONE
HUBBARD 2-9700

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
1722 N.W. Second Avenue
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I take pleasure in enclosing herewith
1963-64 United Fruit Company Steamship Service
Annual Pass No. 182 in your favor.

Kindly acknowledge receipt on attached
duplicate of this letter.

Sincerely,

ROMiller

Enclosure

Robert O. Miller
Vice President

United Fruit Company

321 St. Charles Avenue
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130
Phone 504-523-2351

May 15, 1967

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Calle de La Nobleza No. 2
Antigua, Guatemala

Dear Doc:

Concerning your request to Dr. Dunlap regarding possibility of publishing Trafton's "The African Oil Palm in Honduras" in "La Hacienda" magazine, this was approved some time ago but somehow the authorization got lost in the shuffle and Doc didn't receive it.

Doc Dunlap has just left for Maine on a short vacation but he has been informed of this and will undoubtedly contact you. At any rate, it is OK to go ahead and if you have any questions, or if I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Mark Trafton, Eddie Jones and other friends of yours located here in New Orleans join me in wishing you the very best.

Warm regards,

R. O. Miller
R. O. Miller

New Orleans, Louisiana
January 31, 1967

Mr. H. C. Cornuelle:

Dr. Popenoe who is closely associated with the magazine "Hacienda" has written to Dunlap about the possibility of getting permission from our Company to publish in that magazine the bulletin by Mark Trafton in 1941 on "The African Oil Palm in Honduras".

As you know, "Hacienda" is a prominent Spanish language magazine dealing with articles on tropical agriculture.

Popenoe considers Trafton's bulletin to be an excellent piece of work and feels that its publication would be a real contribution to Tropical American agriculture. He has asked us to determine if the Company would grant permission to have it translated into Spanish and published.

Personally we feel it would be an interesting article and of considerable credit to all concerned. We feel there is no information involved which can be considered of a confidential nature and only one or two minor points now obsolete might be brought up-to-date.

Please advise us your opinion on this.

R. O. Miller

CORA VAN MILLINGEN

CALLE DE TACUBA No. 17-7

TEL. 21 - 61 - 83

MR WILSON POPEÑO,
ESCUELA AGRICOLA PANAMERICANA,
TEGUCIGALPA, REP. HONDURAS.
Apartado 93.

Mexico, I.D.F.
April, 11th 1960.

Dear Sir.

The Director of the Royal Botanic Gardens of Kew, Richmond, advised me to write to for information on tropical plants.

I am writing to you from my home that was once on a hill rising out of a very fertile valley S.W. of the town of Veracruz, Mexico.

Now the valley has been converted into an immense lake and the hill is an island of the new Miguel Aleman Dam which now controls the flow of the Butterfly River (Rio Papaloapan) and the Crazy River, (Rio Tonto).

I identify myself with the plight of the native indians in this region, and as I am in a position to be of some help to the people of this lake, I am seriously in quest of information to help me in my endeavour to bring them a new outlook on agriculture.

I firmly believe that in spite of reduced land surface, the islanders can, by specialization acquire an income as great as that which they lost by the flooding of their land.

We have a tropical humid climate with temperatures ranging from a winter low of 56° F. to 76° and 90°F. or more in Summer.

I am interested in any information you may have to offer pertaining to:

1. Tropical aquatic or semi aquatic plants of commercial and nutritive value.
2. Cinnamon, Cardamon, Ginger and other spices.
3. Tropical quick growing edible fruit trees and shrubs.
4. Tropical nuts such as the Singhara nut, (Trapa bispinosa)
5. Tropical aquatic plants of outstanding ornamental interest.

The Water-hyacinth growing abundantly on the rivers of this district, has been found to be rich in protein. Are there other plants of this type usefull for fodder etc?

If it is possible this year I intend to embellish a sheltered section of the lake by planting a selection of exotic water-lillys, Could you supply me with seeds as well as those of Victoria amazonica and any other tropical Nymphaeaceae.

May I prevail upon your kindness and ask you to send me roots, cuttings and seeds as well as their price.

Please send me in advance a price list, ^{to the above address} so that I can make arrangements for them to be paid on arrival.

Either to: The British Chamber of Commerce, Av. Juarez 13. Mexico.

Or: Co. Sr. Ing Salazar. Director General de Agricultura.

Depto de Industrias Agrícolas. Balderas# 94. Mexico.D.F

I hope this is not putting you to a lot of trouble but this information is very urgent as the indians of this region are in great need of help.

Hopeing to hear from you at your earliest convenience,

I am yours truly

Cora van Millingen
Cora van Millingen.

Antigua Guatemala 27 June 1960

Cora van Millingen,
Calle de Tacuba No. 17-7,
México 1, D. F.
Mexico.

Dear Madam:

Please pardon my delay in replying to your letter of 11 April. I have been busy on a little job over in Nicaragua.

While I'm slightly familiar with the area in which you live, I am too far away to be of much real assistance. Right in Mexico city you have the extremely capable staff of the Rockefeller Foundation (Estudios Especiales) located at Londres 40. If you will call on Dr. Ralph Richardson, in charge of their agricultural and horticultural work, I know he will be able to refer you to one or two members of his staff who will be able to advise you and tell you where to get planting material, though I am not sure everything you have in mind is available in México. There is even less material available here in Guatemala.

Sincerely yours,

Wilson Popenoe

10 June 1945

Mr O J Mitchell,
1235 Huntley Drive,
Los Angeles 26, California.

Dear Mr Mitchell:

Paul writes me that you have sent him, for me, a beautiful copy of Cahnerwood's revision of J.L. Stephens' "Incidents of Travel", bound in full morocco, and a copy of Leslie Mitchell's "Conquest of the Maya". This is most generous of you, and I want to assure you that I am deeply appreciative. Stephens' work, though written a century ago, is still the best thing in print, so far as an authentic description of life in Central America is concerned. We have jumped from the mule-back era to that of the airplane, without the intervening stages; but otherwise things are much the same.

Both these works will be a valuable addition to the library in the House in Antigua, where I trust they will remain for another century or so. The older I get, the more I value Permanence and Continuity; and as a protestant, the more I admire the way the Catholic church has carried on. When I see a religious procession in Antigua, for example, it is easy for me to believe that the processions of 200 years ago differed very little from those of today. Perhaps I am growing into a cachureco - as they are called in Guatemala - a die-hard conservative!

Again with many thanks,

Cordially yours,

Pr. Popenoe:
This was not included
in your recent letter
KHE
18. Dec. 1973.

Messrs. "Escuela Agrícola Panamericana"

Dear sir -

I am sorry to trouble you, but my broken English letter.

I bought your leaflet "The Story of the Escuela Agrícola Panamericana" (Page 36, none date) last month in Tokyo at a second books store, and I read carefully repeated many times aroused sympathy, because I established and conducted (1929-1945) a agricultural training institute on Central Formosa of the wasted tableland, and we live under the same roof with boys and girls of farmers.

On these time we holding fast as your same motto "Labor Omnia Vicit" and "Reclamation of west land, that is exploitation of Human Spirit."

Since separated each other and became foreign country, about 30 years passed,

At present this institute discontinued, but all my dear students grow-up and established best home. I receive always their warm sympathy letters,

each other sweated with hard work on the Earth of Mother.

There is no doubt that you have warmly pleased
and gratitude from your many students as I.

I hope I know the later and present "Escuela
Agricola Panamerica". I beg with your material
send to me.

Yours truly

Yasuomi Mitsui.

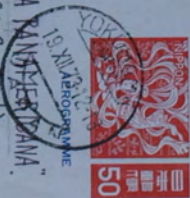
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KANAGAWA-KEN.
JAPAN.

Messrs. ESCUELA AGRICOLA PANAMERICANA.
(Under UNITED FRUIT Co. Control)
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Antigua, Guatemala, 17 January 1974

Mr. Yatsuomi Mitsui
2368 Terao, Ayase-Machi
Kanagawa-Ken, Japan.

My good friend:

Your letter of last December has just reached me here in Antigua, Guatemala, where I have lived since my retirement from the Escuela Agrícola Panamericana in 1958. I am 82 years old, but still able to do some work, mainly in connection with the development of fruit culture here in the highlands of Guatemala. In the last ten years I have introduced from the United States numerous new varieties of apples, pear and peaches. It is necessary to search for varieties which will grow in this subtropical climate.

I am enclosing a copy of the 1972 Report of Escuela Agrícola Panamericana which will give you an idea of what the school has been doing. We are proud of the record which is being made by our graduates. We continue to place much emphasis on "learning by doing" and on "Labor Omnia Vincit." I believe you would approve of our program, and certainly you would be impressed by the results we have achieved.

With all good wishes, I am

Fathfully yours

Wilson Popenoe ~
Director Emeritus



SECRETARIA DE RECURSOS NATURALES
ESCUELA DE CAPACITACION FORESTAL
(Escuela Nacional de Ciencias Forestales)
Siguatepeque, Depto. Comayagua
Honduras, Centro América

Ref: 1357/1731/14

Siguatepeque, 9 de junio de 1974

Dr.
Wilson Popenoe
El Zamorano

Muy estimado Sr. Popenoe:

Nos ha preocupado la inseguridad de haberles dejado ir a Uds. sin una persona acompañante de parte nuestra. Como han regresado al Zamorano? Lástima que el incidente con su chofer haya ensombrecido la feliz estadía de Uds. en nuestra casa.

Referente a nuestras conversaciones, quiero otra vez agradecerle el honor que he tenido, de usted personalmente al oír la confianza hacia mi trabajo y persona, y más aún, que Ud. y el Sr. Adams desearan que yo pasara a su prestigioso Centro de Formación Agrícola. Me honra sobremanera obtener esta oferta de usted, a quien yo siempre he admirado.

Como le he explicado, yo soy una persona, a quien no le gusta cambiar empleadores u organizaciones. Las Naciones Unidas me tienen bien encasillado y creo que será difícil obtener las mismas condiciones.

Sin embargo, como le dije, si la próxima oferta de la FAO, es en lugares inaceptables para nosotros, como Belén en Brasil o Pocalpa en Perú, declinaré no continuar con la FAO, y si la Asistencia Técnica Alemana, solicitada por el Sr. Adams, me pueda asegurar un empleo por 5 - 7 años, con condiciones semejantes a las que tengo con la FAO, gustosamente aceptaré su oferta. El Zamorano es un lindo lugar, y creo que a pesar de que su orientación es en el sector agrícola, se encontraría la solución que con mi experiencia en el campo forestal y de educación podré ser útil para Uds. y encontrar también mi felicidad y satisfacción profesional para el tiempo activo que me resta en mi vida profesional.

Llamaré al Sr. Adams, un día, cuando tenga un poco de tiempo para visitarle y hablar más en detalle sobre el asunto.

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En otra oportunidad Uds. necesitarán quedarse aquí por más tiempo, el alojamiento en nuestra casa no será ninguna dificultad, ya que unas pocas horas no justifican el sacrificio del largo viaje entre El Zamorano y Siguatepeque.

Muchas gracias por su visita y nos agrada saber como han regresado al Zamorano y cuánto tiempo se quedarán Uds. más en Honduras.

Nuestros mejores saludos a la Sra. Alice y a Ud. don Wilson, así como al matrimonio Adams.

Su afectísimo amigo.



W. L. MITTAK
Director del Proyecto HON 505

Antigua, Guatemala, 29 January 1969

Dr H. Mittelstädt
Wilhelm Pieck Strasse 72
Münchenberg (Mark)
Alemania (Deutschland)

Dear Doctor Mittelstädt:

Please pardon my delay in replying to your letter of 22/8/1968. I have in my own garden a tree of Methley plum which I know is authentic because I purchased it from the Bountiful Ridge Nurseries in Maryland, U.S. This tree is now carrying a dozen fruits which will ripen by April. BUT this early ripening is not characteristic of the variety. Normally it ripens here in June, but due to our lack of well-defined seasons temperate zone fruit trees suffer from what we call "lack of seasonality". You would best be guided by behavior of Methley in the United States. The enclosed clipping from the Bountiful Ridge catalog shows they rate it as next to the earliest, Bruce being earliest. Shiro also comes in rather early.

If you do not have Methley in your collection, I would be glad to send you ten scions by airmail, without cost to you. They should be shipped soon. I would send them now but I do not know anything your Plant Quarantine regulations. I cannot ship plant material to the U.S. without obtaining a permit in advance.

Sincerely yours,

Wilson Popenoe

MRS. JOHN W. MOFFLY
8847 NORWOOD AVENUE
PHILADELPHIA 18, PA.

June 24th - 1962

Dear Dr. Popeye: -

Many years ago I had the
pleasure of meeting you and Mrs. Popeye
at home at Audrey Carl Hopkins
at their house on the heights including
Kingston ^{Stony Mt.}. I was so interested being
just "read" the horse is "Antigua" -
and you told me how about the
true foot length to ask us to
hold you up. Should we come but
way - This year I did + the first
time I did (in Antigua)
has to stop at your house (with the
great huckers at home back here)

2. and your lovely old Maria -
told me you were in Florida and
that Mrs. Pope was had died, and
would I come back another day, 'twas
late then - + see the house? I would.
My last visit in Florida was to
your house - with Pat Crocker -
(who then drove me up to Lake Okechobee)
+ your Marie took me over heat
searching horse - just without address
is by heart that Mrs. Pope was no
longer there - enjoying its beauty, and
you - - happy of her.

The kitchen - and the garden -
and the Sugar's living room, and the
Schaller's with me - - all breath
the owner's presence - - on above her

3. Unusual quality of everything
within. And the love. Cite -- Pat
felt much not less that, & it reminded
me of the tiny comb - with the
green little cells.

Then at Lake Atitlan I read
Mrs. Pope's, I think, archaic
little History of the Caballeros
-- and felt I knew her, too -
after reading it, and the tributes
to her.

I was fortunate in Guatemala -
and met several families who
live - or come there - there re-
sided superb old houses - but
nothing - Genius. I wish you
were is coming always to

4. remember with pleasure.

I drove to Myrica City Kuanta
stopped to see Dr. Mrs. Franz Blom
(dear friend & dear friend of mine
at the University Museum here) -
they have a lovely house too -
full of antiques - that might well
have been lost had they not collected

And so - after many years I did
accept your invitation - only to find
you not at home - that the home
there and welcoming - the flowers -
include especially in full flower --
I hope they be so on your return -
and may it be a happy one, as
for my visit to it.

Sincerely yours.

Andrew K. Jeffrey

M. V. Molanphy
Guatemala, C. A.
14 Calle No 3-38, Zona 1

28th May 1957

My dear Doc:

Congratulations on well merited Director Emeritus of Escuela Agricola Panamericana. -- It is my fear that you will be called upon all too frequently for Consultation and Advice on many phases of Agriculture. -- However it is my hope that you may be spared to enjoy for many years the Sanctuary of Calle de La Nobleza Num.2, together with Mrs Popenee and your children.

With every good wish for you all, I am,

Sincerely,

M. V. Molanphy



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COMPANÍA ANONIMA

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Guayaquil, Sept. 10 de 1.969

Doctor
Wilson Popenoe
Antigua, Guatemala.

Muy apreciado Doctor:

Me permito molestarle con estas letras, haciendo uso del profundo afecto que le guardo desde esa época lejana, en que tuve la suerte de estudiar en la EAP, bajo su acertada dirección y sus sabias enseñanzas de la vida, que nos han conducido a todos los zamoranos por el sendero del bien y la prosperidad.

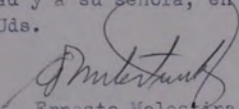
El motivo de la presente es comunicarle, antes que a nadie y con toda la felicidad que siento, que mi hijo mayor Ricardo, fué aprobado en examen que rindió, ante el profesor Pineda, para obtener una beca, de las que anualmente concede la Escuela, y tengo grandes esperanzas que sea ratificada por la Junta Directiva.

Considero que para Ricardo será una suerte estudiar en EAP, único lugar donde, a más de aprender practicamente la más moderna agricultura, adquirira, lo que es más importante, una personalidad, una entereza de caracter, una hombría de bien que lo guiara a travez de su existencia. Se aprecia más el valor de que se pueda estudiar en esa escuela, el hecho de la triste realidad de las universidades de nuestro país y de muchos otros, llenas de intriga, política, paros y huelgas de origen comunista o anarquista.

Quiero manifestarle que en el corto viaje que realice por Centro America, goce momentos agradables proporcionados por mis antiguos compañeros, pero me sentí profundamente emocionado hasta casi llorar en tres oportunidades: cuando llegue a la EAP, al visitar a Ud. en Antigua y en Turialba cuando ví el retrato de mi padre colocado a la entrada del salón del edificio principal.

Deseo agradecele la atención que nos dispense al recibirnos en su casa y pedirle nos disculpe las molestias que le causamos, principalmente por la hora tan inoportuna de la visita.

Aprovecho la oportunidad para desearte muchisima felicidad y a su señora, en su reciente matrimonio, y mis cordiales saludos para Uds.


Ernesto Molestina D.



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Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua, Guatemala.

Muy estimado Doctor:

Mi saludo con el más cordial deseo de felicidad para Ud., su señora y apreciada familia, en el nuevo año.
Los balances, inventarios y más ocupaciones de fin de año no me han permitido escribirle antes, como deseaba y de acuerdo a mi ofrecimiento.

He platicado largamente con mi hijo Ricardo, sobre su futuro, las posibilidades que tiene al momento y sus proyectos. El estima que necesita seguir estudiando, sea en el exterior la especialización agrícola que le gusta: la Horticultura, o caso de no poder salir del País, estudiaría Economía en la Universidad de Guayaquil, pues considera que esta Profesión se complementaría con sus estudios agrícolas, no habiendo en nuestras universidades las especialiaciones de Agrónomia que se conocen en otros países.

En cuanto a trabajo tiene algunas posibilidades como la de " Balao Chico", hacienda de la Fruters Sudamericana dedicada principalmente a Banano, Ganadería de Carne y Oleginosas y administrada por mi cuñado Rodolfo Arámbulo (Zamorano). Tambien tiene una propuesta de ABA, compañía dedicada a la preparación y venta de alimentos para animales.

Por el momento Ricardo se encuentra trabajando en mi pequeño negocio de producción y venta de Rosas, otras flores y plantas ornamentales, negocio que tengo desde hace algunos años y que se lo he cedido con el fin de que las utilidades sirvan para cubrir sus necesidades. El negocio es prometedor y con un poco de dedicación puede obtener buenos resultados.

Concretamente, refiriendome al asunto que trate con Ud. en la Escuela, debo manifestarle que Ricardo considera el mejor plan, el propuesto tan sabiamente por Ud. , o sea, el de ir a Homestead a trabajar cerca o bajo las orden del Dr. Simón Malo, con el fin de perfeccionarse en Propagación, estudiar bien el ingles para poder entrar a la Universidad y sacar su Master.



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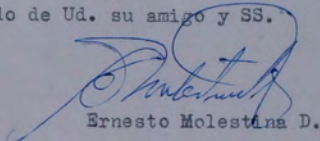
Ricardo queria viajar inmediatamente a Miami, aprovechando que en esa ciudad reside mi madre y una hermana, pero no es conveniente que vaya aventurar. Debe viajar con las conexiones necesarias a su profesion; ademas, para que le den visa de residencia en los Estados Unidos de America, necesita un certificado de que tiene empleo o de que va como estudiante, Actualmente, las visas para ese Pais estan limitadas.

Apelo, muy estimado Doctor, al ofrecimiento que tan benevolmente me hiciera, de escribir a Simón y de hablar a su hijo Hugh sobre las posibilidad de dar a Ricardo un trabajo agrícola y la oportunidad de estudiar en la universidad. Es motivo de pena no tener la posición económica que me permita costear los gastos que demanda esa clase de estudio en los Estados Unidos.

Ricardo es un muchacho de costumbres sanas, no tiene vicios, de buen genio, obediente y capacitado; y, ahora que ya esta tomando las cosas en serio podrá rendir bastante y estoy seguro que no va causar ningun problema.

Por los motivos anteriores, considerando su digna personalidad, por el aprecio que le profeso y por el afecto que Ud. siempre ha demostrado con mi familia, me he permitido escribirle en estos terminos, molestando su atención, con la plena seguridad de ser comprendido y ayudado por el Padre de los Zamoranos.

En espera de sus gratas noticias, quedo de Ud. su amigo y SS.



Ernesto Molestana D.

Antigua, Guatemala, 27 marzo de 1973

Mi querido Ernesto: [Molestina D]

He tardado mucho en contestar a su carta del 16 de enero, pues la situación tanto en Florida como en el Zamerano está algo confusa. Simón Malo tal vez no va a permanecer en Hemetead, y no hay otra persona allí que sepa hablar el español y podría entrenar a Ricardo. En Zamerano han habido muchos cambios de personal, pero estamos más fuerte en el ramo de horticultura que antes. No recuerde que habíamos pensado de solicitar para Ricardo una beca para nuestra Escuela, pero me parece que él tenía muchas ganas de ir a los Estados Unidos. Una visa para ir a trabajar allá es muy difícil como Ud dice, pero para ir a estudiar en la Universidad, es posible que podría conseguir una beca de la AID, si tiene la preparación necesaria. Me parece que Ud me dijo que ya cuenta con el bachillerato. La Organización de Estados Americanos también ofrece becas a jóvenes preparados para entrar en universidades norteamericanas o latinoamericanas.

Si todavía Ud no han hecho arreglos para que Ricardo entra en la universidad de Guyaquil, escríbame otra vez, sobre todo con respecto a la posibilidad de ir al Zamerano.

Siempre su afectísimo y viejo amigo

Antigua, 21 October 1970

Prof. Antonio Molina
Escuela Agrícola Panamericana
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Dear Antonio:

One of my friends here has brought me the enclosed small specimen which he wishes to have identified. This little plant grows on rocky slopes, they say; I do not in just what part of the country. I feel sure you can give its name; if you do not have it in the herbarium and cannot name it, will you please send it up to Dr. Williams. Many thanks,

Siempre su afmo

Wilson Peñee

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Dr. Wilson Popenoe
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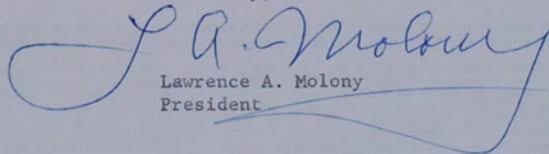
Dear Dr. Popenoe:

On December 12, 1963, International House will celebrate its twentieth anniversary as a civic organization dedicated to the promotion of world peace, trade and understanding.

We feel that International House has lived up to its stated aims, but also know that the future calls for greater progress and development.

As recipient of the Thomas F. Cunningham Award for 1955, we would greatly appreciate hearing your comments on the relative worth and merit of International House to the United States and the Latin American countries.

Sincerely,


Lawrence A. Molony
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Santo Domingo,
República Dominicana

Señor
WILSON POPENOE,
Antigua Guatemala, C. A.

Muy estimado señor Popenoe:

Mucho le agradezco su fina atención al contestar mi carta, informándome acerca de su muy interesante y útil obra "Manual of Tropical and Subtropical fruits". Siento muy mucho que usted no se haya decidido aún a traducirla, ya que debido a su enorme experiencia en la materia y a su profundo y vasto conocimiento de nuestro idioma y nuestras costumbres, haría un gran favor a nuestros países de habla española alrededor del Mar Caribe. Es cierto^{que} para mí es lo mismo en un idioma o en el otro, pero ruego a Dios que algún día decida el hacer la traducción, para bien de todos. Me es grato informarle que no solamente tengo una copia editada en 1927 por The MacMillan Company, de New York, sino que tengo además copia de los dos capítulos traducidos por el señor Morales Valcacer.

Quiero aprovechar la oportunidad para rogarle que me informe como cataloga usted una fruta que aquí llamamos "limón dulce". Tiene la misma forma de las frutas cítricas, pero su sabor carece de acidez alguna, ya que su sabor va desde desabrido, hasta bastante dulce, con un amargo muy suave a veces. La corteza es verde claro cuando están verdes y cambian a un amarillo claro al madurar. Esta corteza es muy lisa y brillante y la capa intermedia entre los gajos y la corteza es muy delgada y blanca.

Si en algo puedo servirle en este mi querido país, no dude un solo instante en informármelo.

Dándole nuevamente las gracias más sinceras por su cortesía, que yo de usted, muy atento y seguro servidor,

B.F.M.

April 6, 1964

Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Laskin
c/o Hotel Antigua
Antigua Guatemala, Guatemala

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Laskin:

I just learned from Tom that you expect to be in Antigua on April 12 and 13 and hope you will have an opportunity to visit the Popenoe house which was restored some years ago by Dr. Popenoe and his wife, and which you will probably find very interesting.

I am sending a copy of this letter to the Doctor, who may be there, but if not the original should be sufficient for the keeper to show you about.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Joseph W. Montgomery
JOSEPH W. MONTGOMERY

cc: Mr. Thos. B. Lemann
Dr. Wilson Popenoe

*Dear Pop: I hope all goes well with you
Joe*

Oct 18th 1974
Delano, California

Dear Deane Mrs. Papenoz,
after all these months, here
are some pictures I thought you might
enjoy - Sorry my photographic skill
slipped a bit when I burst to get
one of Alice & I would have loved having
one of you & I am among the nicest
and most inspiring people I've
met in my life. And right now
I'm so inspiring!



My three children and four grand-
children keep things lively but not
too lively - They all live near - #1 son is
practising law here in Orleans, #2 son
is in Santa Barbara and my daughter is
75 miles away, in Fresno.

I hope you are both well and happy,
and taking good care of each other!

Dorothy's permit will be up in Dec.

Best wishes

Mina Montgomery

November 14th, 1937.

Doctor Wilson Popenoe,
c/o United Fruit Company,
Guatemala.

Dear Doctor Popenoe:

There is no doubt in my mind that you will be surprised to receive a letter from me, but as both the late Mrs. Popenoe and yourself have done such excellent work in reconstructing a real Spanish-American Colonial home, I am taking the liberty of writing you, since I believe that you might be interested in some data concerning the people mentioned in Mr. Adamic's book, "The House in Antigua," which I have just received as a present from Henry B. Price, Esquire.

Captain Don Lorenzo de Montúfar y Enriquez de Villacorta, of the family of the Marqueses de Selva Alegre, my great great great grandfather, was born in Madrid, from where he came in the year 1666, with the Gobernador y Capitan General Don Sebastián Alvarez Rosica de Caldas, who was also accompanied by his two nephews, Don Bernardo Alvarez de Valdéz y Obregón, Señor de las Villas de Valdechoncha, San Martín y Bustillo, and Don Sancho Alvarez de las Asturias, son of the Conde de Nava, and a direct descendant of Fruela II, King of Asturias and León in 924 A. D.

Captain Don Lorenzo de Montúfar y Enriquez de Villacorta married twice; both times in Guatemala. His first marriage was in 1673 to Doña Agustina Bernal del Caño, who bore him two children of whom there are no descendants; the second with Doña Luisa Alvarez de Toledo, a direct descendant (7th. generation) of Don Jorge de Alvarado (Don Pedro's brother) and of the Indian Princess, Doña Lucia de Xicotenca, of the tribe of the Tlaxcalas of Mexico. Doña Luisa Alvarez de Toledo bore him five children, of whom only two married and had descendants, as the others were dedicated to the Church.

It is for this reason that only Don Juan Antonio and Doña Maria Manuela are named on the shield on Don Lorenzo's portrait.

Doña Maria Manuela de Montúfar married Don Josef Alvarez de las Asturias, son of Don Sancho, whom I have already mentioned in the second paragraph.

Captain Don Lorenzo de Montúfar died on the 15th of December 1711, and was buried in the "Bóveda de la Concepción," where members of the family were buried, and which is located in front and to the left of the main altar of San Francisco Church in Antigua.

A grand daughter of Don Francisco Rodriguez de Rivas, Doña Maria Josefa de Coronado y Rodriguez de Rivas, married a grandson of Captain Don Lorenzo de Montúfar, who bore the same name: Don Lorenzo de Montúfar y Montes de Oca. The latter's portrait was placed in Antigua's Museum not so long ago in recognition of his services to that City.

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L. R. Y J. M. MONTUFAR
GUATEMALA, C. A.

It might interest you to know why the portraits of Don Lorenzo, Don Francisco, and his son Don Diego, are not now in the possession of the Montúfar family. Off and on, between 1929 and 1930, the male members of this family were forced to leave Guatemala for political reasons. Thus heirlooms and other family possessions passed into the hands of the female members of the family, among whose descendants they in turn became scattered. The family portraits did not escape this fate; until finally the historical and genealogical interest of Baron Oscar du Tail, Marquis de Gestas, who married one of the descendants of Don Lorenzo Montúfar, brought them together again, including the portrait of the wife of Don Francisco Rodriguez de Rivas, - Doña Teresa de Velasco y Moncayo, - which unfortunately was later destroyed and is therefore now lacking from the collection.

I attach a copy of the Montúfar coat of arms, which I hope you will find of interest.

With personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Lorenzo Montúfar

Antigua, Guatemala, 30 June 1967

Mr Franklin Moore
United Fruit Company
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr Moore:

Of course you remember Tom Barbour, who was not only a member of our Board of Directors but a great friend of United Fruit. When I was in Boston early this month, I visited one of his daughters - Julia - who by some freak of luck has on hand 150 men's woolen jackets which she planned to give to some charity. They are handsome, not too heavy, of excellent material, and could be used to great advantage at BAP as prizes for scholarship or sports and so on.

Julia - Mrs S H Hallowell - offered to make Escuela Agricola Panamericana a present of them, if we would handle transportation from New York to the school. I don't know just how shipments of clothing for students are handled at present, but you will, and perhaps UFCO would bring them down to Puerto Cortez free of charge. If not, they could come with any shipment of clothing to the school.

I wonder if you would be good enough to arrange this for us? Mrs Hallowell's address is Sunfield, Beverly Farms, Mass., phone 927-0004. She offers to place these jackets in New York, ready for shipment.

You will know who should handle this matter, but I am addressing you because you are familiar with all the background.

With warm regards,

Faithfully yours,

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Sr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua

Distinguido Sr. Popenoe:

Adjuntamos fotostáticas de la carta del Sr. Phil Clark, la cual recibimos esta mañana.

Le rogamos ponerse en contacto con nosotros al número telefónico 85-548, para arreglar los detalles respectivos.

Sin otro particular, quedo de usted

Atentamente,

GUATEMALA SIGHTSEEING

Gary Moore
Gary Moore
Manager

GM:lc



GRAY LINE OF GUATEMALA ASSOCIATE MEMBER

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS
DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE
College of Agriculture and Home Economics
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April 24, 1970

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Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antiqua,
Guatemala, Central America

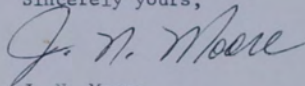
Dear Dr. Popenoe:

The Fruit Breeding Committee of the American Society for Horticultural Science is attempting to develop a special session on "Breeding Fruit Crops for Warm Climates" to be held during the annual meeting of ASHS at Miami Beach, Florida, November 1-4, 1970. As you may know, the Tropical Region of ASHS is meeting in Miami Beach the preceding week.

We would like to invite you to be a speaker in this session and give a report on "Temperate Climate Fruits for Tropical Highland^s, or a similar title on your research program. If you think that you could attend and participate, I would appreciate knowing as soon as possible. Details of time and place will be sent you later.

I hope that you can accept this assignment.

Sincerely yours,



J. N. Moore
Chairman, ASHS Fruit Breeding
Committee

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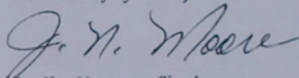
Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I have been informed by Dr. A. H. Krezdorn,
Program Chairman for the ASHS Miami meetings, that
I must submit a slate of speakers by May 15 in order
to get the fruit breeding symposium in the program.

Could you let me know by return mail whether or
not you think you will be able to participate in the
symposium.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,



J. N. Moore, Chairman
ASHS Fruit Breeding
Committee

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Antigua, Guatemala 3 May 1970

Dr J B Moore
Dept of Horticulture, College of Agriculture
University of Arkansas, Fayetteville.

Dear Doctor Moore:

Replying to your letter of 24 April, I am not at all sure that I will be able to attend the meetings in Miami next November. I am planning a long trip to Europe. If I do get home in time, I will want to talk before the Tropical Region of ASHS rather than what we call down here the "parent Society", much as I realize that a paper before the latter is in some ways more important.

I am delighted that there is going to be a special session on "Breeding Fruit Crops for Warm Climates." As a matter of fact, any talk I might give would hardly fit into this program, for my work has been limited - all my life - to the introduction and testing of new fruits. I am not a geneticist, just a pomologist of the old school.

Cordially yours,

Wilson Popenoe
Director Emeritus

Redlands, Calif
Feb. 4, 1970

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I suppose by now you have heard from Margaret. We had a little mishap on our return to Guatemala City in that they made us give them the key to the car at the garage so they could move it. We had a small amount of change in a purse for gasoline which was no great loss BUT we also had all our travel documents there too. Of course, no one knew anything about anything, etc.

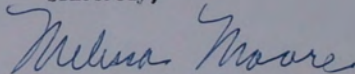
It took me all day going from one department to the other to get us straightened away - we finally made it to Chichi but too late for the market day.

The museum was thrilled with the gift of pottery. Margaret took her pick for her pottery class which was the nicest one.

I still have a memory of that wonderful meal and your gracious hospitality. I never knew your other wives but they would have to have gone some to equal your present senora. I do hope you to will come to California someday and pass through Redlands. I have a special place just waiting for you.

Again thank you for a wonderful day in an exotic spot - the stuff dreams are made of.

Sincerely,



Mrs. Melissa Moore
1053 West Sunset Drive
Redlands, Calif

July 21, 1941.

Dear Pop:

Your and Knowles letter from N. Y. advising of impending developments in Washington, naturally excited Adele and I. We are proud that you two have our interests at heart and thank you for standing in our corner. We appreciate it. This will serve to bring you up to date on developments and will probably end by requesting more information.

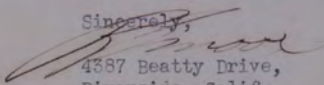
Received an official offer from D. F. Christy at a rating of Senior and \$4600. I replied to this to the effect that I could not afford to transfer to Washington at that salary but stated that I was interested in the position. Just recently I received another rather lengthy letter from Christy in which he described the position, second to the Chief of the Division of Latin American Agriculture, and ended with regrets that he was not in a position to offer more than the \$4600 quoted in the original letter. I replied that I was definitely interested in the position but questioned the adequacy of the salary, that I had informed Magistad of our correspondence to date, and that my decision would be contingent upon the advice of Dr. Magistad. The acting director of our laboratory received a letter from Magistad today stating that he does not think that I can afford to accept the Washington position at \$4600 and that I would probably be raised to that figure here next year. I will see Magistad early in August and have promised Christy a definite answer after that date.

These are my views at the present time. The Washington job needs doing and I believe that I could contribute to the success of the program. Aside from my belief in the need for the program, I would like the work and enjoy the Washington and Latin American Contacts. At \$5600 I would be convinced that the move would be giving the family a square deal and I would accept without hesitation but at the lower figure we would probably be taking a net loss. We are happy here, both at the laboratory which has a bang-up personnel and in our friends and the community.

Since a principal rating was originally considered we are disappointed in the official offer. Christys' offer smacks of finality and yet I wonder if the anti might not be raised if we sat tight. Also in view of the original considerations what would be the chance of early advancement if we went in as Senior? Your thoughts on this would undoubtedly be better than my guess. Your comments and advice are earnestly solicited. We will gratefully receive them in the spirit they are given -- dont hesitate to give us the benefit of your counsel.

Adele joins me in sending our best regards.

Sincerely,



4387 Beatty Drive,
Riverside, Calif.

San José, Costa Rica
September 23, 1941

VIA AIRMAIL

Dr. R. E. Moore
4387 Beatty Drive
Riverside, Calif.

Dear Dimpy:

Your letter of 21st July has just caught up with me. I have been making a flying trip over Northern South America in connection with the selection of a site for the proposed Inter American Institute of Tropical Agriculture and will not finish until next week when we reach Guatemala.

I had the pleasure of discussing the Washington job with Dr. Bressman and several others. Honestly, I do not feel that it is just the right thing for you. Living in Washington is very expensive but the main argument in my mind is this: I feel that the time is coming when you will return to Tropical America and be of great service down here in connection with the educational program which is now taking form. I know you would not want to come until your kids are up to the point when they would be going away to school. Anyway, that is not so terribly far ahead.

I feel that your experience and knowledge of field work is too valuable for you to waste the rest of your life tied down to an administrative job in Washington.

All this may not agree with your ideas at all but this is the way I feel about it.

Warmest regards to all of you.

Sincerely yours,

WILSON POPENOE



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Sat. Evening, Nov. 6 [1965]

Hi,

This is my time for sitting down and catching up a little. I know that you think I have forgotten you completely: Tain't So! I suppose Hugh has kept you mildly informed as to my wanderings during the summer. But just in case he hasn't let me start with the Michigan trip.

I took my 'little sister' from Palatka with me to visit my real family in Michigan. Ann is just ten years old, but just as sharp as they come, and a marvelous travelling companion! We all wandered up to the Soo to see some Great Lakes' Freighters go thru the locks and took a quick look at the Tahquamenon falls and drove the 'Big Mac' bridge over the Straits of Mackinac.

After taking her back to Palatka, I took off looking for work. After wandering around the state of Florida and finding nothing, I spent a couple of weeks in Atlanta. There I found more opportunity. I was talked into accepting a job with World Book, but as Hugh can tell you when I stopped in to see him, I was certainly somewhat less than enthused about it and never did become moreso. Finally, one of the textbook companies I had interviewed with asked me if I would consider an opening in the Eastern office. I flew to New York and overnight was hired by Scott-Foresman to work here in the Virginia-Maryland-Delaware area, as an educational consultant. In case you are as unfamiliar with this type of work as I was, I'll give you a small rundown on what it entails.

I will be travelling this tri-state area plus Washington, D. C. calling on the elementary schools, at THEIR invitation, to help them make the best use of the books they already have: Scott-Foresman books, of course! This means I will be talking with groups of from three and four to 150 or so. So far I haven't much first hand experience with this, I start completely on my own next week. The month of September was spent wandering all over the eastern section with other consultants. This month of October has been mostly state teachers meetings, and this past week they gave me to kind of get caught up with myself.

The salary is about twice what I was getting teaching school, I haven't left the field--I can still teach, All my travelling expenses are paid, they moved the trailer for me, bought me this typewriter (which although it is electric, still makes mistakes!) and will buy me a car as soon as I make up my mind what I want to get. I think you will understand when I tell you that I have already nick-named this company "Sugar Daddy"!!!!

For future development I already have my bid in for consultant work in the Latin American area as soon as possible (that includes Guatemala, no?) and I am also in on the ground floor for a major revision in Social Studies. I have already managed to throw in a few ideas, so let's hope for the best.

I had dinner at the Golden Ox the other night with some friends here in Washington and our waiter was from Jalapa! It was rather odd, he passed my chair just as I was putting my arm in my coat and he asked me if he could help me with my coat: In Spanish! I don't think he even realized and I know I answered him without thinking. So we had a happy little conversation during which he asked where I was from: He actually thought I was not norteamericano. And from his English I could hardly trace his Spanish accent. I am so happy to know that I can still speak it. I have a fear of losing it entirely, I know I have lost so much of it.

Do you like horse races? I live right next door to the Laurel Race Course. The races have been going strong for about a month and I haven't seen one yet, matter of fact, I think this is the last week, so I probably won't see one.

My neighbors are wonderful! Sally takes all my special deliveries for me (S-F must think the special del. more official), keeps an extra key and just in general keeps a good look out for the trailer for me while I am gone. Her husband in enclosing the space under the trailer for me and she is also doing some sewing for me. They hooked up the TV to their antenna, etc., etc.

The Cooks who live on the other side helped me get my oil hooked up and they are always asking if they can't do something. Another is a carpenter who is being paid by me to build in book shelves and a desk in the living room, but at least he is doing it and now! One of the hazards of working for a book company is being drowned in books.

I am taking the Washington Star and in it is the column that I am enclosing. Since you have some concern with avocados, I thought maybe you might give the little lady some clues, so real quick, now, sit down and right me a letter telling me all about how to grow aguacates and I'll pass it along--if you give me permission to tell where the information comes from!

Where are you going to be for Christmas? I am going to Michigan the 13 of Dec., and probably will not be back till after the first. I am in hopes that perhaps by spring vacation (and I am in hopes of having a week) I will be able to make the trip to Guate. In the meantime, don't you dare wander thru hre on your way to New York or some forsaken place like that without letting me know you are coming. You can't go anyplace around here without a layover in Washington and I would love to see you if only for a couple of hours at the airport. My address is: Susan Moorlag, 21 Cross St. Midway Park, Laurel, Maryland, 20810.... My phone is 301-725-2927.

Tell Hugh I said hello, and anyone that I happen to know and you happen to see in Guate. Tell Maria that I remember her, even though she may not remember me and I'll look forward to seeing all of you soon.

All my love,

Susan [Moorlag]



March 1, 1964

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

Thanks for the copy you sent us of the pomological descriptions you have just made, introducing the new avocado variety "Nena".

I wonder if it will be worth while to describe one more of the numbered varieties growing in our collection. It is the #19382 of which there are two trees in this grove and I am sure you remember them growing at the south-eastern corner, with their heads well above their neighbors. Well, one of these couple of healthy fellows is bearing a fair crop of big, nearly one pound average fruit. I am sending you three of these fruits with Dr. Fuller, so you can observe and taste its characters. No other variety is bearing now but there is abundant flowering and little fruits on most of the varieties.

Thanks again for that bunch of rose budwood you sent us from your home yard. A good number of plants have derived from those buds and are pushing up fast on their odorata's stalks.

We have also received the plants you ordered us from the California Nursery Co. We have already planted those 29 varieties of roses which came in perfect conditions. We have them in that area where we established the former Canmar collection. Watching them this morning I saw new vigorous growth starting all over them.

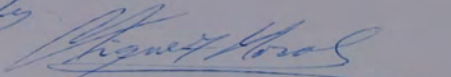


We also received the two strombosy varieties "Shasta" and "Kasson" which we planted in separated well prepared beds, with provisional covers. They show a very good start.

Regarding avocados, our new students have not been too lucky. We just can't get enough good budwood during this season, because of the profuse flowering of the trees. Some good buds have been obtained from last year's nursery but not enough, but anyway, the students have been able to get at least 50% take. I am convinced that there is no better method than "veneer" for grafting avocados.

On mango, the students have come out very well with about 90% exit and we spent about that much on mangoes which we have already grafted about one thousand mostly budless. The mango scions were prepared on the trees (defoliated) two weeks ahead.

Well Doctor Papinac, that's some of the information I had for you, but I don't want to take more of your time. So, I wish you have the best time while you are on your trip up in Florida and of course we are willing to have you visiting us again as soon as you are back to Central America.

Sincerely,


Federico G. Morales Valcárcel

Habana-Cuba

Sr. Federico G. Morales.
Simón Bolívar #163.
Habana 2,
Cuba.

Abril 15
1963

Dr. Wilson Popenoe.
Antigua
Guatemala.

Mi querido Doctor:

Por María y Jorge me enteré de usted y del dolor que ha sufrido con la pérdida de su buena Helen y quiero darle aunque tarde mi mas sentido pésame y en estos dolores no hay mas que acogerse a la resignación cristiana.

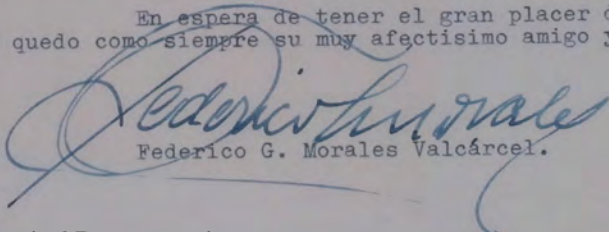
Me he enterado que usted esta propagando algunas variedades de Aguacate en España y me gustaría conocer de los éxitos y variedades por usted llevadas a ese país aunque ya yo no tengo fincas y solo me intereso de estas cosas como un recuerdo grato de los tiempos en que usted por maestro yo reproducía el "WILSON POPENOE", el "CATALINA", el "OTILITA" y otros.

Una noticia que para usted le resultará dolorosa es que el Dr. Gonzalo M. Fortun esta desgraciadamente loco.

Yo tengo varios ejemplares del Aguacate y del Mango que puedo ponerselos a su disposición para que los regale en España si usted lo cree conveniente. En ese caso yo le entregaría aqui los ejemplares a la Embajada Española para que ella se haga cargo de su envío pues por el momento no tenemos un buen servicio de Correo y no quiero correr el riesgo de que se pierdan.

Yo tengo mi hija la mas chiquita en Madrid casada con un Oficial de la Marina Mercante y le doy la dirección para que si le es dable le haga una visita y si algo necesita para que le sirva de Cicerone el marido. La dirección es la siguiente Dolores M. de Tormo- Parque de las Avenidas.- Calle Bolonia No. 3.- Madrid.

En espera de tener el gran placer de oír de usted quedo como siempre su muy afectisimo amigo y admirador.


Federico G. Morales Valcárcel.

FGM:hc

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Dr. Wilson Popenoe
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El Zamorano, Honduras

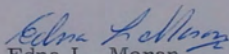
Dear Dr. Popenoe:

In the absence of don Chico, presently away on a holiday trip to Spain, I acknowledge receipt and thank you for your letter dated January 18th, 1964, and the package containing the Cleopatra mandarina seeds, received yesterday, which you were good enough to send him.

Since don Chico will not be back to his office till about mid February, I have already advised him about these seeds and he will probably instruct me, by return mail, on what to do with them.

Thanking you again, I remain,

Very truly yours,


Edna L. Moran

Secretary to Mr. F. de Sola

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TELEGRAMA

Antigua, 28 de enero de 1964

Señorita Edna Moran
H de Sola e hijos Sucs.,
San Salvador, El Salvador.

Semillas Cleopatra deben ser sembradas vivero de don Chico cerca
a la ciudad muy luego.

Wilson Popenoe

ESCUELA AGRICOLA PANAMERICANA

Mayo 22 de 1953.-

Señor Doctor
Wilson Popenoe,
Presente.-

Estimado Doctor:

Fue mi primera intención tratar personalmente con Ud. los puntos que dieron lugar a los bochornos comentarios durante la reunión de Profesores celebrada en el día de ayer para discutir el Horario de Clases del nuevo año lectivo. Pero he decidido hacerlo en forma escrita para dejar expresa constancia del profundo desengaño que no creí nunca merecer después de una labor ininterrumpida de ocho años de abnegación, eficiencia y capacidad profesional puestas al servicio de esta Escuela.

Dió la sensación, y así lo comentaron los demás miembros del Profesorado, que la reunión a que hago referencia, tenía de antemano un fin perfectamente delineado, como era el de poner en discusión el número de horas de clases que yo debería dictar. Por supuesto, tal discusión no pudo menos que causar general extrañeza, ya que en sesión anterior y sin ningún asomo de duda, el número de horas que debería dictar cada Profesor había quedado perfectamente acordado y aceptado con beneplácito por Ud.

En tales circunstancias, y como lo expreso en el párrafo anterior, la discusión planteada por Ud. y apoyada sin ninguna autoridad, por el Dr. Williams, tenía su nombre propio, es decir, colocarme en un plano de ataque, y evidenciar dos aspectos por demás hirientes:

- Primero, que debía dictar más horas de clase por el poco trabajo que tengo, o
- Segundo, que debo enseñar más tiempo porque los estudiantes están saliendo mal preparados en mis clases.

En relación con el primer punto, creo que no se necesita ser un técnico en la materia para reconocer que el volumen de actividades de campo que pesa sobre mis hombros bastaría para justificar y colocar sobre un plano muy superior de aprecio mi puesto en la Escuela. Soy demasiado modesto para discutir más este aspecto, pero la diversidad y cantidad de productos que el Departamento de Agronomía aporta a la Escuela, y el testimonio de permanente agradecimiento de los graduados por la forma como supe capacitarlos para el desarrollo de las distintas faenas agrícolas, son y serán el mejor galardón que pueda recibir como premio a mis labores de campo.

En cuanto al segundo aspecto, mis clases, no vacilo en manifestarle a Ud. que me siento orgulloso de ellas, y que fácilmente encontrará Ud. quien le dicte las clases de Ingeniería Agrícola y de Cultivos Agronómicos con el interés, vocación y lujo de competencia con que yo he venido desempeñándolas. Durante ocho años he sido Profesor, y en los últimos cuatro años he tenido a mi cargo las cátedras anotadas, y no sólo me cabe la satisfacción de no haber perdido ninguna hora, sino que en varias ocasiones y movido del ánimo de que mis estudiantes no tuvieran ningún atraso, les he dictado clases de noche, cuando por días feriados habíamos perdido el turno respectivo. De lo anterior pueden dar fe, el Profesorado y los estudiantes. Con gusto me someto a una encuesta dentro del estudiantado y entre los egresados para que emitan su concepto imparcial sobre la eficiencia de mis enseñanzas en las aulas.

No quiero ni deseo establecer comparaciones entre mi persona y el resto del Profesorado, que salvo una que otra excepción, es por demás competente y de gran dedicación. Pero sí quiero dejar constancia de que yo no dispongo, por efecto de mis labores de campo, de ningún momento libre durante el día para preparar mis clases, preparar exámenes, corregir tareas o exámenes. Yo tengo que destinar las horas de la noche para poder cumplir con eficiencia los deberes que atañen a mis clases. En otras palabras, pesa sobre mis hombros un trabajo diario de más de 14 a 16 horas, cuando de acuerdo con la Ley debería trabajar solamente ocho horas. Sin embargo, llevo ocho años sujeto a la misma brega, y jamás, como a Ud. le consta, he dejado sentir la más leve protesta.

Créame Dr. que después del incidente ocurrido, estoy profundamente desengañado. Erroneamente creí, que por ser actualmente el empleado y Profesor más antiguo, de mayor experiencia, y que después de haber probado a plenitud la eficiencia de mis servicios en la Escuela, yo iría a recibir un estímulo profesional dentro de las normas directivas que la rigen. Pero ha sucedido todo lo contrario; y más bien, se me quiere tener como a un empleado a quien hay que exigirle más porque después de ocho años se ha llegado a la triste conclusión de que no está haciendo nada.

Durante ocho años no he recibido ningún aliciente de estudio que me ponga a tono con los últimos adelantos de la ciencia agrícola, para después ponerlos al servicio de esta Escuela. Y si no me he quedado a la zaga y he tratado de que mis alumnos estén al día con la técnica agrícola, ha sido porque no me he dejado anquilosar por el ambiente y me he mantenido alerta y en permanente y consagrado estudio.

Por las consideraciones anteriores, y por otras más que sería prolijo enumerar, y en vista de que tanto Profesional como económicamente me estoy perjudicando lamentablemente, quiero presentarle y pedirle que se sirva aceptar mi renuncia irrevocable del puesto que vengo desempeñando en la Escuela. Dejo a su elección y sano criterio el que mi renuncia la considere en forma inmediata o la haga efectiva a la terminación del primer semestre de clases que se inicia en el mes entrante. Siempre he estado animado de la

al Dr. Wilson Popenoe..... 3a. Página

mejor buena voluntad y del más sano e irrestricto deseo de ayudarlo y de cooperar con Ud. en la marcha de la Escuela; por eso mismo, dejo en sus manos la elección de la fecha en que debo retirarme.

Con sentimientos de consideración y aprecio, quedo de Ud.,

Atento amigo y seguro servidor,

Luis Eduardo Morejillo Dosman
Luis Eduardo Morejillo Dosman
Ing. Agrónomo.-

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Smithsonian Institution
UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM
Washington, D. C.

February 16, 1938

Mr. P. K. Reynolds
United Fruit Company
Research Department
Pier 3, North River
New York City

Dear Sir:

Dr. William R. Maxon has asked me to reply to your letter of February 11 relative to the proper name of the banana. The statement quoted from Dr. Merrill give the somewhat erroneous impression that Musa paradisiaca L. and M. sapientum L. have commonly been regarded as distinct species. So far as I am aware, taxonomists have been agreed for the past fifty years that M. sapientum is only a cultivated variety of M. paradisiaca. Dr. O. C. Petersen made this statement as early as 1889 (in Engler's Die Naturlichen Pflanzenfamilien). A search of the literature would doubtless show that this view has been presented at a much earlier date. In 1891, Dr. Otto Kuntze (Revisio Generum 2:692. 1891) made the combination M. paradisiaca var. sapientum (L.) Kuntze. The most authoritative monograph of Musa is by Prof. K. Schumann (in Engler's Das Pflanzenreich IV, 45:19.1900), who used the name M. paradisiaca subsp. sapientum (L.) Schum.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) C. V. Morton
Aid, Division of Plants.

CVM rmc.

MORTON COLLECTANEA
UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
BOX 305 8204
CORAL GABLES 46, FLORIDA

September 10, 1957

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Escuela Agricola Panamericana
Apartado 93
Tegucigalpa, Honduras, C.A.

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter received from the National Science Foundation to the effect that they are unable to support my research proposal. It is probably just as well since my husband is now in poor health and I could not leave home for any length of time.

I understand that you are making a trip around the world. When in India, you may meet the author of the thesis on "...Development of Fruit Buds in the Mango." He is R.N. Singh, co-author with L. B. Singh, of "A Monograph on the Mangoes of Uttar Pradesh" -- a two-volume work on mango varieties with 155 illustrations, many in color. (Pub'd 1956; Horticultural Research Station, Saharanpur, India).

Have you seen the new CASHEW & PEPPER BULLETIN issued monthly by the Cashew & Pepper Export Promotion Council, Cochin-3, India? The reports of increased production and utilization of Cashew Shell Oil are especially interesting. I am about to recommend the Bulletin to the Fermentation Institute of the Brazilian Dept. of Agriculture from whom we have received an inquiry for cashew data. The oil by-product is probably not being given the attention it deserves in Latin America.

Indian horticultural literature puts us to shame. I have just received Cobley's "Botany of Tropical Crops" and Richharia's "Plant Breeding and Genetics in India", both exciting additions to our reference shelves.

Sincerely yours,

Julia F. Morton
Julia F. Morton, Vice-Director
Morton Collectanea
University of Miami

Encs: NSF letter;
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re Harvard class.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Office of the Director
Washington 25, D.C.

August 2, 1957

Dr. Reference

Mrs. Julia F. Morton
Division of Research and Industry
University of Miami
Coral Gables, Florida

Dear Mrs. Morton:

We regret to inform you that the National Science Foundation is unable to support your research proposal.

In evaluating each proposal submitted to the Foundation, a number of factors are considered. They include the following: the scientific merit of the proposal and its merit in relation to other proposals received by the Foundation in the same general field of science; the relation of the proposal to contemporary research in the field; the distribution among fields of science within the program of the Foundation; the geographical distribution of research support by the Foundation; and, finally, the funds available for research support. Thus, many excellent proposals cannot be supported for reasons aside from intrinsic merit, although this is an important consideration.

Even though we are unable to support this proposal, we would be pleased to consider other research proposals which you might wish to submit.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Alan T. Waterman

Alan T. Waterman
Director

B-4451 "Uses of Tropical
and Subtropical
Fruits"

Calle de la Nobleza no. 2,
Antigua, Guatemala, 22 Sept 1957

Mrs Julia F Morton
Box 8204, Coral Gables 46, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Morton:

Thanks for your letter of 10 September which has been sent over here from Tegucigalpa. As Dr Dijkman may have told you, I retired a few months ^{ago} having reached the age limit, and am now once more at our old home in Antigua, and devoting myself to a lot of things I have wanted to do for years but havent had time to do. You mention a trip around the world. We may make it, but we shall start in Spain where I want very much to help some friends get started with avocados and lychees and a lot of ~~other~~ things. I dont know just when we will head in that direction; they are after me to do some odd jobs here in Central America and since my first obligation is to this part of the world I cannot refuse. But I suspect we will be in Spain early in 1958.

I am sorry you did not get the necessary support for your proposed investigation of tropical fruits in the Orient. Maybe later. I am still more sorry to learn that Mr Morton is not in good health.

I do not see the Cashew and Pepper Bulletin, I regret to say. But I do see much of the literature which comes out of India. Some of it I feel is not as sound as it might be; other items are excellent. Inshal order a copy of Cobley's "Botany of Tropical Crops"; you can imagine that it will be right down my alley. I am working on a new edition of my "Fruticultura Centroamericana" which I believe will be useful down this way; the first edition of 2000 copies is exhausted.

With best regards always,

Sincerely,

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI
CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA 33124

MORTON COLLECTANEA
P. O. BOX 248204

August 27, 1974

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua, Guatemala

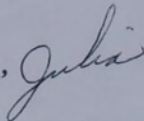
Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I very much appreciated your candid letter of July 1st.
And I followed your guidance in the review of the
Proceedings of the Symposium on Plant Introduction.
I couldn't make it too lengthy but emphasized that
it was not a glamorized account of plant exploration!
You will be content, I'm sure; though Ed may not be.

I have been working hard revising a draft ms. resulting
from our 3-day conference last March (National Academy
of Sciences) on unexploited crops with economic potential
for developing countries -- over 300 subjects! **

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,



Julia F. Morton, Director
Morton Collectanea
University of Miami

**I have tried to tone it
down -- point out the
problems & hazards.

2451 LeConte Ave.
Berkeley 9, Calif.
March 11, 1965

Dear Wilson Papenoe,

When I saw Kathleen
Waring lately, she showed me
Betty + Paul's Christmas card
of your home. Perhaps I may
see the original next month?

Louis Adamic's book
about it charmed me when I
read it. I never thought I
might see Guatemala. But
now, I am planning to spend
a week of my 30-day trip
to Mexico seeing that lovely land.

This will be some time in
April. I do not want to bother
you and your wife; but it

would be a pleasure to see
you both briefly, in your
beautiful home.

Of course, I could make
arrangements through the
United Fruit Co. in Guatemala
City, if you are not at home.

As Isabel Scherer, I used
to know you and your
brothers in Pasadena, and
have followed your career
with interest.

In México, I shall stay
at El Palanco, Edgar Poe St.,
México 5, D.F., beginning
March 27.

Caríñosos deseos a Vds,
Isabel Scherer Mosher

STANFORD UNIVERSITY
STANFORD, CALIFORNIA 94305

STANFORD UNIVERSITY MUSEUM OF ART

14 April 1973

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua, Guatemala

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

So much time has passed since we met, and I am sure that one reason for our tardiness in writing has been an unwillingness to put our visit behind us, which a letter would acknowledge it as being, and a desire to linger in the feeling of being there, which is enhanced by the time we spend going over the color slides that we took there, and titling and catalogueing them. But the time has certainly come to face the fact, as we have been facing our daily work, and to write from this real distance how much we appreciated our talks with you, and how often we think of the day we entered your doorway to see what has become for us the ideal arrangement of a way to live. I, particularly, think of the stories you told us of your early days in Guatemala, and how much they took the edge of strangeness off the experience of being there. Not that there wasn't plenty of strangeness, but hearing of your experiences made it seem more comprehensible. Our whole trip was wonderful and we hope we can come back again soon. I brought back a suitcase full of beautiful woven material, which I do not care to cut into a garment, but just keep it in a closet and go and look at it every few days, just as we look at the slides we took every so often.

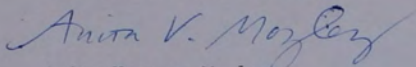
We are working on the book, slowly, and I think it will be fine, because the photographs are so fine. We want to present them very simply, and to accompany them by accurate notes. We find that the Bancroft Library at the University of California has a good Central America Collection, which started with the historian H.H. Bancroft, and has been well-kept up since then. So when Robert can get away from his experiment, which he has been running night and day and weekends too since early March, and I can get away from the Museum and the house, then we go across the Bay and work there.

Spring is here now, and our old rosebush must have at least 1000 blossoms on it, large and deep yellow, and the new climber that I put in last year (Cecile Brunner) now covers eight feet of fence. I am putting in various seeds, and along with them some anona (spelling?) seeds I brought back, though I doubt that they will grow here. But I will try them in a warm sheltered place. That was one of the most spectacular fruits I have ever tasted. I wonder why it is not imported? Occasionally I buy an avacado, although they are 40¢ each, and poor specimens compared to those we ate as often as we could there.

We met Dr. and Mrs. Annis, and spent a pleasant time with them at cocktails. His book is well-done, and very helpful. I note that Jorge Luhan is quoted in a recent series of articles in the New Yorker on traffic in works from archaeological sites that were got out of the country illegally. We also met John Hibbits in Quezaltenango, and very much enjoyed talking with him. We found that the coffee plantation that Muybridge photographed was near San Francisco Zapotitlan, and through the kindness of Mr. L. Feldmar, we were able to spend some time there. It is more changed in the plantation area than it is in the buildings, for the same building that appears in the 1875 photograph is still there, but now Mr. Feldmar plants bananas for shade, which gives the fields a quite different look from Muybridge's day. Judging from contemporary newspaper notices, and evidence I could gather at Las Nubes, I think that there must be some dramatic story connected with William Nelson, the first owner, and his agent Theo. Whitney, but it is certainly not one that can be taken up at long distance. It was wonderful to stay in the very building that I had for so long seen in the Muybridge photograph.

We will be sending along some photographs as they are printed. We had hoped to be able to send a bottle of good California wine, but it does not seem to be possible. Right now we send our thanks to you for hospitality and your conversation, both of which have meant a great deal to us.

With sincere best wishes,



Anita Ventura Mozley

HOTEL "AURORA"

ANTIGUA G.

C. A.

Sunday, Jan. 28. [1973]

Dear Mr. Popincze:

My wife and I are from Stanford University and are planning to publish a series of large photographs of Guatemala taken by Eadweard Muybridge in 1875. Muybridge was the foremost photographer of California at that time and visited Guatemala for a period of 6 months travelling all over the country taking a total of about 130 photographs of the buildings and the countryside.

We are here identifying locations and the conditions or existence of many of the buildings. In addition we are finding out more of the history than is readily available in the United States.

HOTEL "AURORA"

ANTIGUA G.

C. A.

We would very much like your help particularly with regard to the Antigua region. I am sure that much more change has occurred since the 1930's than earlier and your knowledge of the region would be very valuable.

If you would be interested in seeing the photographs, would you let us know at the Hotel Aurora where we will be staying until Tuesday?

Sincerely yours,

Robert F. Mozley

ROBERT F. MOZLEY

THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA



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DAVIS, CALIFORNIA

September 10, 1963

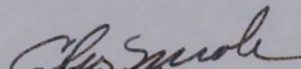
Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Director Emeritus
Escuela Agricola Panamericana
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

Thank you very much for your letter about Mr. Wickson. We are indeed considering his name, although the final decision has not yet been made.

I hope you will soon have occasion to visit the campus and see the many changes that have occurred in the past few years.

Cordially,


Emil M. MRAK

EMM:pab

cc: H. S. Cameron



SANATORIO NACIONAL PARA TUBERCULOSOS

TEGUCIGALPA, D. C., HONDURAS, C. A.

20 de marzo de 1962

Dr. José Jacinto Merens
Médico de la Escuela Agrícola Panamericana
Presente.-

Estimado Dr. Merens:

He tenido el gusto de recibir su atenta carta del 8 de marzo corrientes en la que se sirve solicitarle un Informe del paciente Edwin Mercado Maramilla, alumno de esa Institución.

Con relación a ello me es grato informarle que el Señor Mercado Maramilla hizo su ingreso a este Centro con un proceso tuberculoso en el pulmón izquierdo que necesitaba ser sometido a un tratamiento específico.

En el poco tiempo de tratamiento que lleva realizado hasta esta fecha, su estado general ha cambiado notablemente y en cuanto a su lesión pulmonar ha experimentado una gran mejoría, habiéndose localizado en esta fecha a la zona retroclavicular y 1° y 2° espacio intercostal de ese lado. Si, notamos la persistencia - aunque en una forma mucho más reducida de una pequeña cavidad retroclavicular que si no cediera únicamente con el tratamiento médico a que está sometido, tendría que pensarse en complementarle con un pequeño acto quirúrgico.

En síntesis pues, la mejoría lograda hasta esta fecha ha sido muy satisfactoria.

Esperando haber satisfecho su petición con la explicación anterior, me es grato suscribirme con toda consideración,

Atenta Servidor

M. Munguía Alenza

Luis Munguía Alenza
Director Sanatorio Nacional
para Tuberculosos

This is our Peruvian boy in Sanatorio. This is supposed to be a secret.

L.M.A./n.ch.

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COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION
DEPARTMENT OF PLANT PATHOLOGY

BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA 94720

April 12, 1966

Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua Guatemala
Depto. Sacatepequez
Guatemala, Central America

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I graduated from El Zamorano in 1954 and then, with your help, went to work for the United Fruit Company in La Lima, Honduras, as a soil surveyor. In 1957 the Escuela Agricola Panamericana provided me with a scholarship to attend the University of Florida where I obtained a B.S. degree in Agronomy 2 years later. After this I went back to La Lima to join the Sigatoka control program.

Since 1962 I have been a graduate student at the University of California, Berkeley, where I hope to obtain a Ph.D. degree in Plant Pathology at the end of this year. Then I would like to return to Central America, particularly Guatemala (my own country) where I believe my training could be of some value in the field of agriculture.

I would very much appreciate any information or advice that you could offer me in regard to where and how I should apply for such an appointment. Ideally, I would like to be associated with an organization such as FAO or OAS where local politics do not influence research programs.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Raul Munoz".

Raul Munoz

RM/fc

Antigua, Guatemala, 15 July 1966

Dear Raul:

Your letter of 12 April was very slow in reaching me because I have been away from Guatemala for six months. As a matter of fact, I was in Berkeley last month, visiting Knowles Ryerson (former Dean of Agriculture) but did not know that you were there.

Of course I remember you very well and have followed your career, more or less, until the time you went up to California. I have been very proud of the progress you have made, and am delighted that you will get the Ph.D. degree at the end of this year.

It seems to me that your best bet is probably FAO. Naturally, you would like to work in Guatemala and I would like to see you do so, but I doubt that the Instituto Agropecuario Nacional would be able to offer you a satisfactory post. You doubtless remember Mario Jalil, who has a fine position with FAO, headquartered in Rome. He would probably be able to put you in touch with the right people in that organization. Mario is a horticulturist, as you know, and has charge of their work in school gardening over a wide territory. I do not know how much FAO is doing in the field of Plant Pathology.

And how about Luis Carlos Gonzales - you probably remember him. I believe he got his Ph.D. in pathology, but am not sure. He is now in Costa Rica and doing well.

United Fruit has cut down heavily on its technical staff, as you doubtless know, so I do not suppose there is any chance there. I expect to return to Florida in two weeks, where I will be with my son Hugh, who is now Director of the Center for Tropical Agriculture of the University of Florida and in close touch with technical work in agriculture in tropical America. I suggest you write to me at 1722 NW 2nd Avenue, Gainesville, Florida, about the middle of August, telling me a little more about your training and what sort of work you think you could do down here, and I will talk with Hugh. He of course will not know much about the FAO program, but perhaps he can give us some good advice.

Sincerely,

Wilson Popencoe
Director Emeritus

Tegucigalpa, 6 de abril de 1961

Doctor
Wilson Popenoe
Guatemala

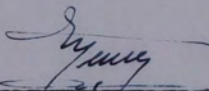
Respetado y estimado Doctor:

En el transcurso del tiempo que tengo de conocerlo muy pocas cartas le he dirigido, pero siempre he estado pendiente de informarme sobre su vida y la de su familia, despues que saí de la Escuela Agrícola Panamericana.

Los motivos que me han inducido a ésto, es quizá - por demás decirlo, ya que usted es un gran conocedor de los sentimientos humanos y analizado los míos, que siempre han sido y son sinceros para el benefactor, profesor y amigo de innumerable gente, que como yo, muchos le estiman y por lo tanto en estas horas tristes le acompañan en su dolor.

La noticia de la muerte de su querida esposa me ha entristecido mucho, recordando aquellos tiempos idos de la escuela, que élla, como una madre, siempre estaba pendiente del bienestar general y de todos sus alumnos, pero así es la vida y no nos queda mas que pedirle a Dios que la tenga en su ceno, mientras seguimos acortando el mismo camino de la vida.

En estas horas de dolor la Fe en Dios es el mejor consuelo.



Victor A. Muñoz

Pto. arruella. Corruco. Mayo. 1957.

Escuela agrícola Panamericana.

Tegucigalpa Honduras. C.A.

De esta forma expreso mis impresiones acerca de la persona del Dr. Wilson Popencol. Segun mi opinion la Escuela agrícola Panamericana a llegado a su alto grado de Prestigio internacional. Como una de las mejores instituciones agrícolas. Debido a la gran habilidad de su fundador y la vez Director Dr. Popencol. Pues es una persona altamente preparada en el Ramo agrícola y Conocedora de las necesidades agrícolas que afrontan los países de la América Tropical.

El Dr. Popencol a sabido compartir sus conocimientos ayudando a educar a muchos jóvenes de los países tropicales a hacerlos buenos y expertos agricultores.

Por las razones ya descritas creo que la E.A.P. Pierde al privarles el Dr. Popencol. su cerebro principal.

Quintín Muñoz C.

Graduado E.A.P. año 1953.

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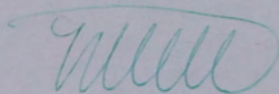
Señor
Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua Guatemala
PRESENTE

Estimado Sr. Popenoe:

En relación con el trabajo de su hija
Sally, tengo el gusto de comunicarle que el trabajo sale
costando la cantidad de US\$380.00.-

Quedo en espera de su resolución,

Atentamente,



Dr. Marco A. Muñoz Cavallini.-

MAMC/ras.--

Antigua, Guatemala, 25 mayo de 1971

Dr. Marco A. Muñoz Cavallini
San José de Costa Rica.

Muy estimado Doctor:

Hace días recibí su atenta notita del 5 de mayo.
Entiendo que Ud me había escrito antes, pero la carta nunca llegó a
nuestra casa.

Solamente deseo confirmar el presupuesto de US\$380 por el
trabajo que necesita Sally, y esta es su autorización para proceder
con el mismo. Estoy mandando una copia a Sally.

Siempre su muy atto y SS

Wilson Popenoe

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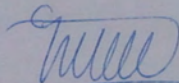
Estimado señor Popenoe:

Acuso recibo de su última carta en la cual auto
riza el trabajo para su hija Sally.-

En realidad lo necesita y a la vez agradezco la
confianza depositada en mí para tal labor.-

Le confirmo el costo de US\$ 380,00 y cuando se=
termine el trabajo le informaré.-

Atentamente,



Dr. Marco A. Muñoz Cavallini

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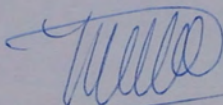
Señor
Dr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua Guatemala.-
S. O.-

Estimado Dr. Popenoe:-

La presente lleva un afectuoso saludo de mi parte ,
y a la vez le informa que el trabajo de su hija Sally ha si-
do concluído.-

Respecto al mismo, ella le dirá como le ha quedado.
Le agradezco la confianza que tuvieron en mí, tanto
usted como Sally, y espero la satisfacción de ambos por lo =
hecho.-

Atentamente,



Dr. Marco A. Muñoz C.

MAMC/jmu.--

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
OFFICE OF BUDGET AND FINANCE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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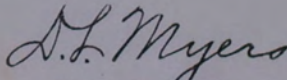
Mr. Wilson Popenoe
Collaborator
Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations

Dear Mr. Popenoe:

Conforming to a request from the Dir., Foreign Agr'l. Relations I transmit herewith Letter of Authorization No. 15-(FAR)-2 dated September 1, 1941 drawn on appropriation and providing authority as follows:- "120/25994.001 Working Fund, Agriculture, Foreign Agricultural Relations, (Emergency Management, Coordination between American Republics, War), 1940-1942."

Amend L. A. No. 15-(FAR), dated August 14, 1941, by extending the zone of travel to include such points in Guatemala and Mexico as may prove necessary, and extending the period of travel to on or about October 14, 1941. Authority for the use of air lines is extended to include above points if found to be necessary.

Very truly yours,



Dwight L. Myers,
Chief, Bureau Accounting Service,
Office of Budget and Finance.

Enclosure:

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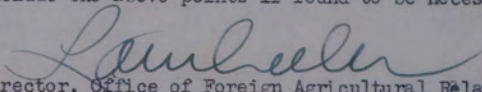
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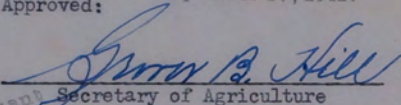
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Director, Office of Foreign Agricultural Relations

Approved: September 27, 1941.


Assistant Secretary of Agriculture

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