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# TELA RAILROAD COMPANY

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

January 3, 1958

Via Air Mail

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

Dear Doctor:

Before worrying you with this little matter, please let me wish both you and Mrs. Popenoe a very happy 1958.

The matter in hand is a small one. I am enclosing the "Contrato de Arrendamiento" for Estela Banegas that was made last year during the time that you were in charge of the EAP. Unfortunately, you omitted to sign the document and we are sending it to you, asking that you be good enough to do this and return it at your convenience. For your information, this lady will probably have to be asked to leave her "parcela", as she has been giving a lot of trouble.

I understand you will soon be starting out on your well earned tour. Here's hoping you thoroughly enjoy it.

Kind regards to you and Mrs. Popenoe.

Sincerely,

  
C. M. Shaw

Enclosure

TELA RAILROAD COMPANY  
Tegucigalpa Agency

Tegucigalpa, Honduras  
July 20, 1959

Air Mail

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua, Guatemala

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

It was very nice getting your letter of July the 14th, in which you tell me that Mr. Walter Turnbull is building a new home in Cuernavaca.

You ask whether I could let you have some of the Raspberry plants that Virgil Scott had at his home here. I am sorry to say that none of these are left; and for your information, Johnny Silver very kindly sent me a dozen from the States, eleven of which are dead, and I am nursing the last one hoping it will live!! If it does, and the raspberries are good, I will be more than glad to send Mr. Turnbull a few plants, but this (as you know) will take a long time.

Kind regards, and looking forward to seeing you in November,

Sincerely,

  
C. M. Shaw

Antigua, Guatemala, 14 July 1959

Mr Colin M Shaw  
Tela Railroad Co.,  
Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Dear Colin:

When we were in Mexico last week, we had a fine visit with our good old boss Walter Turnbull, who is building a new house down at Guernavaca and making a garden. He said, "I have some loganberries but I want some raspberries" And I told him that Scott got some raspberries from California, some years ago, which he had at his home - or was it at Las Torres - which did much better than the varieties we have grown here in Guatemala. I wonder if you know anything about this raspberry; I don't know where you are living but if you at Scott's old house maybe the raspberries are still there. If so, I could arrange to have someone from Zamorano get a few plants and send them to Mr Turnbull at Mexico City by air express. Will you drop me a line and let me know if there is any hope?

And now listen to an old friend, Colin: Don't you ever retire. You have to work harder than you ever worked in your life, and you don't get any pay for it either. If you are in Tegucigalpa this coming autumn I hope to see you; they tell me I have to go over to a meeting of the Board of Trustees of EAP in November. It is almost two years since Helen and I were last in Honduras. We miss the old friends and we miss Honduras in general.

With best regards always,

Sincerely,

Wilson Popenoe



Antigua, Guatemala, 7 October 1959

Mr C M Shaw,  
Tela Railroad Company  
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Dear Colin:

This will introduce my good friend Diego Serpa of Venezuela, who is a professor in the Facultad de Agronomia at Maracay and also consultant for the Fundación Eugenio Mendoza with which I have been collaborating.

Professor Serpa will want to visit Zamorano (which he has visited previously) and I think he will want to fly down to Lancetilla. I hope you can arrange for him to have a car to go to Zamprano (not the lechero - sometimes it doesnt get there until day after tomorrow) and if he wants to fly down to Tela, please advise the proper people at that end. I do not know whether or not Paul Allen has left for the Far East.

I shall personally appreciate any assistance you give to my good friend.

Sincerely,

Wilson Popenoe

TELA RAILROAD COMPANY  
Tegucigalpa Agency

Tegucigalpa, Honduras  
March 7, 1960

Dr. Wilson Popencoe  
Antigua Guatemala

Dear Doc:

I was very pleased to receive copy of your letter to Bill Paddock, and we will, of course, be more than glad to put you up either on the 15th-16th, or for that matter earlier, if you wish.

Dr. Paddock has just rung to say he has written to let you know they can put you up on the 15th. However, if you will be arriving too late to go out on that date, or for any other reason it may be convenient for you to stay here, please remember that your room will be kept for you.

Here's looking forward to seeing you and Mrs. Popencoe, and hoping we will have time for a little chat, kind regards to you both.

Sincerely,

  
C. M. Shaw

cc: Dr. Wm. C. Paddock

TELA RAILROAD COMPANY  
Tegucigalpa Agency

Tegucigalpa, D. C.  
June 20, 1962

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Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua, Guatemala

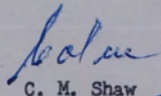
Querido doctor:

"Su carta del 13 de junio con la buena noticia de su proxima llegada" came as a pleasant surprise.

There will always be room for you at our quarters and should some unforeseen circumstance make this impossible, our spare room will always be at "su disposición".

Looking forward to having the odd high-ball with you so until then,

Saludes,



C. M. Shaw



Antigua Guatemala  
2 August 1962

Dear Colin:

Doris has asked me to meet her in Tegucigalpa August 13<sup>th</sup>. Says she will be leaving there on the 15<sup>th</sup>. Doubtless she has already advised you. I have a reservation on Taca flight 401 for Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup>. I imagine the TRR office is closed Saturday pm and Sunday, but you still have a guachimán, who will be *guachimán* and can let me in. I will appreciate it if you will tell Concha to have a room ready, keeping in mind first the requirements of Doris and Ronnie.

I enclose a letter which has just come from Lydia Duralap, which I hope will not give you too bad an attack of nostalgia. Keep it until I see you.

It will give me great pleasure to be with you and many other old friends again.

Ever yours

Wilson Popenoe