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# *Fifth* WORLD FORESTRY CONGRESS

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

May 26, 1960

AIR MAIL

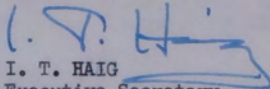
Mr. Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua  
Guatemala

Dear Mr. Popenoe:

Mr. Damon Spencer and I are sponsoring Mr. Arthur T. Semple's application for membership in the Cosmos Club. It is my understanding that you know Mr. Semple personally and if you do and are willing to do so, a supporting letter from you with regard to his application would be very helpful. In this connection, I am enclosing a bibliographical record of information on Mr. Semple including his major publications.

I hope that you will join with Dr. Spencer and myself in sponsoring his application for membership.

Very sincerely yours,

  
I. T. HAIG  
Executive Secretary

COSMOS CLUB

Proposal for Membership

Arthur T. Semple, Inter-American Institute of Agricultural Sciences,  
Turrialba, Costa Rica

Profession - Agriculture

Place and date of birth - Dawson, Illinois - March 28, 1895

Occupation or Position - Faculty of the Graduate School of the  
Institute at Turrialba

Education - University of Illinois, BS, 1916

Activities and Connections, with dates - Agricultural research in  
the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture 1916-17 and 1919 to 1943; Mgr.  
Columbiana Ranch, Ealed, Ill. 1917-18; Agriculturist, OEW, 1943-45;  
FAS, USDA 1945-47; Agricultural Officer FAS, 1947-1956; Animal  
Husb. ICA Jordan 1956-58; Pasture Specialist; IAIAS, Turrialba,  
1958-present.

Publications -

1. USDA Misc. Pub. 194 - A pasture handbook by Semple, Vinall and Woodward.
2. " Tech. Bull. 417 "Beef Production and quality as influenced by  
crossing Brahman with Hereford and Shorthorn cattle" by Black, Semple  
and Lush."
3. "Grasslands of Argentina" Agriculture in the Americas Vol. 5 pp.70-2 &75.
4. "A look at Ethiopia." Soil Conservation Vol. 10 No. 7 pp 154-157.
5. "Woody Legumes for the poor soils of humid equatorial lowlands."  
A. T. Semple and R. L. Pendleton. "Indian Farming" 1950, 11 pp. 223-5.
6. FAO Agricultural Study No. 16 by A. T. Semple. "L'ame lionation des  
herbages dans le monde" 169 pp. Illustrated. 1956.
7. "Some grass species of Ethiopia" A. T. Semple, Journ. of the British  
Grassland Society. 4 (2) 105-110. Illus. June 1949.

TELEGRAMA

Antigua G, 11 dicbre de 1963

Srta JOYA HAIRS

Tercera Avenida 14-64 Zona 1

GUATEMALA

Debido visita Francisco de Sola no podré asistir cena sabado siéntolo  
muchísimo

WILSON POPENOE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20523

September 9, 1966

The Trustees of Escuela Agricola  
Panamerican  
1271 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York 10020

Gentlemen:

Recently the President in a Memorandum for Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies directed that every effort be made to restrict travel in view of the high costs of the conflict in Vietnam and in the interest of avoiding inflationary pressures at home.

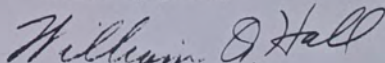
Specifically the President wrote "...It is not my intention to defer or eliminate the essential; for example, travel for law enforcement, or for necessary supervision of field establishments, are costs which -- if the activities are to be carried on efficiently -- must be borne. On the other hand, it should be possible to reduce travel that might be desirable rather than essential, such as for attendance at professional conferences or meetings."

In responding to the President's directive as it pertains to direct-hire employees, A.I.D. now requires that all travel be approved by a Presidential appointee which limits approval within A.I.D. to the Assistant Administrator or equivalent level.

While the Presidential directive did not specifically refer to A.I.D. contractors or their employees, the intended purpose is to reduce expenditures in all areas of program implementation. There is no intention on the part of A.I.D. to modify current contract provisions with respect to travel requests and authorizations. However, recognizing that the purposes addressed by the Presidential directive can be achieved by attention to travel by contractor employees, we are requesting by this letter that A.I.D. contractors adhere to the spirit of it when making future decisions concerning essential travel.

Please feel free to get in touch with me if you require further information. I will appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,



William O. Hall

Assistant Administrator for Administration

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20523

September 9, 1966

The Trustees of Escuela Agricola  
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1271 Avenue of the Americas  
New York, New York 10020

Gentlemen:

Subject: Clearance Requirements for U. S. Citizens Employed by Firms  
and Organizations Under Contract with A.I.D.

Questions have arisen as to personnel clearance requirements for persons engaged in the performance of contracts to which A.I.D. is a direct party. This letter briefly summarizes the general requirements, subject to the specific terms of each contract.

Each contractor is responsible for making investigations and inquiries and for taking appropriate precautions to assure that all personnel assigned to work under a contract are well qualified and fully suitable for the assignment. A.I.D. expects each contractor to conduct a substantial preemployment review of the background of each person assigned to work under or in connection with a contract. Where clearances are required, the contractor will submit only the names of persons whom he believes are well qualified and fully suitable for their proposed assignments. Adequate performance of these responsibilities is a significant factor in determining a contractor's qualifications for the award of A.I.D. contracts.

Personnel Clearances

Personnel clearance by cooperating government and A.I.D. Missions is generally required for all contractor employees who are to serve tours abroad. For this purpose, A.I.D. requires that biographical data be submitted for each person who will be so assigned.

A.I.D./Washington clearance is also generally required for all third country nationals. Nationals of the cooperating country who are residing in that country are cleared at the discretion of the A.I.D. Mission Director in the cooperating country.

Security Clearances

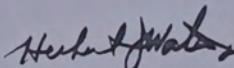
Security clearances are required for persons who occupy sensitive positions. Sensitive positions are those whose occupants require knowledge of or access to security information; or whose occupants will establish such relationships with the U.S. Government employees or other persons that they may be exposed to security information regardless of their need for it, or could otherwise bring about a material adverse effect on the national security; or whose occupants have responsibilities the performance of which could bring about a material adverse effect on the national security; and any other positions so designated by A.I.D. Only United States citizens may occupy sensitive positions.

A.I.D. will notify contractors and potential contractors of sensitive positions and of types of positions which may be designated as sensitive, and will provide them with appropriate forms to be filled out by prospective incumbents.

The position of chief of field party or its equivalent is usually sensitive. In some situations, all contractor personnel will require security clearance. Such a requirement currently exists in Viet-Nam, Laos, and Thailand.

Questions about requirements and procedures applicable to specific contracts should be directed to the contracting offices responsible for those contracts.

Sincerely yours,



Herbert J. Waters  
Assistant Administrator  
for Material Resources



What's  
this?

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A Xmas Kiss  
from  $\Sigma$  "Halle"?



Wir danken Ihnen für Ihre Karte  
und entbieten Ihnen ebenfalls unsere  
besten Glückwünsche zum Jahreswechsel

Schweizerische Bankgesellschaft

*E. Haller*

Blick vom Rigi-Känzeli  
gegen Pilatus, Bürgenstock  
und Stanserhorn

2/4/71

Sunfield  
Beverly Farms, Massachusetts 01915

Dear Doctor Popov,

You must be somewhat curious as to my identity. My name is Thomas Barber Hallouell and I'm Julia Hallouell's son. My reason for writing to you is because I'm very interested in being somewhere in Central America this summer. Currently I'm enrolled at Harvard College and a roommate, by the name of Steven Thomas, and

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myself as trying to find summer employment  
there. I've exhausted archaeological possibilities  
and upon mother's suggestion am writing  
to you to enquire if the United Fruit  
Company has any summer openings in  
that area. I must admit that I've called  
the company's Boston office and received  
a negative reply, but their quick break-  
off has yet to quell my determination.  
If I could ask a favor from you to  
see if there is a possibility of finding  
a couple of job opportunities, I would  
be much obliged. Mother is only fairly  
well as she is suffering from a back  
ailment, but sends her love, as does  
dad.

I hope this request does not put you  
out too much. But if you should come  
up with anything, could you please  
write me in Beverly Farms. My grateful  
thanks to you; take care.

Sincerely

Thomas B. Halliwell

3/3/71

THOMAS B. HALLOWELL  
BEVERLY FARMS  
MASSACHUSETTS 01915

Dear Dr. Popenoe,

My sincere thanks for all your efforts I really appreciate it. With what the United Fruit Company in Boston had told me, I can truthfully say that my hopes for mine and Steve's employment in Guatemala this summer were not high. I've never visited Central America and I thought this a possible avenue in which to investigate. All is not lost however, as the lack of job opportunities will only serve to delay me not stop me entirely. Again, I cannot thank you enough for your consideration. I've heard a good deal about you, and hope sometime in the future that we may get together.

Since my first letter, mother has been slowly improving, and things

look good. She was never one to carry a sickness too long anyway. Hopefully she will be completely recovered in a few months.

My apologies for not having writing sooner, but I've been cooped up in Cambridge for the last few weeks. Harvard consistently finds numerous ways to occupy one's time, so I make it home only infrequently.

Again, my sincere thanks,

Take care, stay well

Sincerely,

Tom Hollowell

P.S. Moom sends her love, and best wishes.

DEPARTMENT OF  
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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION  
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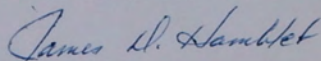
Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Apartado 93  
Tegucigalpa, Honduras  
Central America

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

In order that we may complete our files and close this case, please read the statement on the enclosed Form OA-C795, sign your name, and return it to us.

Upon completion of this form, we shall consider this case closed.

Sincerely yours,



James D. Hamblet  
Chief, Adjudication & Accounts  
Section

Enclosure

San Jose, Costa Rica  
June 25, 1956

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Escuela Agrícola Panamericana  
Apartado 93  
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

It was certainly extremely kind and generous of you and Helen to send us the excellent painting by Velasquez. I have seen several and I fully agree with Helen that this is one of his best. We will keep it as a very nice "recuerdo" of the Popenoes.

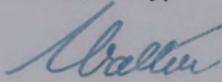
I am also very pleased that the Garavito painting was sent for us personally. As I told you before we are very fond of it and will be proud to have it in our home.

Mr. Yoder is, I think, a very fine person and I will remind him of the trip to Esmeraldas you made with him in 1920.

Your retirement next year will be a great loss to the School but I know you must be looking forward to settling down in your beautiful home in Antigua. Possibly we may call on you there some day and it would be a great treat to have you visit us in Guayaquil.

Nan and I send our kindest regards and best wishes to both of you.

Sincerely,



W. M. Hamer

# Florida State Horticultural Society

OFFICE OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT  
Krome Memorial Section  
USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service, 2120 Camden Road  
Orlando, Florida

June 14, 1957

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VIA AIR MAIL

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

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

The Executive Committee of the Florida State Horticultural Society met at Winter Haven on May 27 to discuss details for the forthcoming horticultural meeting. According to a letter from Mr. Robert Norris, President for 1957, I was requested to arrange for two guest speakers for the general session.

Mr. Norris was familiar with the fact that I was planning to extend an invitation to you to appear on the Krome Memorial program. Apparently this fact was mentioned to the Executive Committee, because the Committee unanimously suggested that, if possible, we obtain you as a guest speaker for the general session. The Committee also suggested that Mr. W. T. Pentzer, Chief of the Biological Sciences Branch, Agricultural Marketing Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., be the second speaker.

The general meeting is scheduled for the morning of Wednesday, October 30. As you know, the Florida State Horticultural Society will meet at the Empress Hotel, Miami Beach, October 29-31, 1957.

As Vice-President of the Krome Memorial Section I would welcome a paper for that Section. I can also assure you that the Executive Committee and the members of the Society would welcome your participation as guest speaker for the general session. Would you please let me know at an early date whether or not the Florida State Horticultural Society meetings can be worked into your schedule?

I am happy to report to you that your nephew, John Popenoe, is doing excellent research work as a member of our staff.

With kind personal greetings,

Very truly yours,

*Paul L. Harding*  
Paul L. Harding  
Vice-President  
Krome Memorial Section

CC - Mr. Robert E. Norris  
Dr. Ernest L. Spencer

PLH/hld



21 Avenida Roosevelt  
San Salvador, El Salvador, C A

[c July 1957]

Dr Paul L Harding  
USDA, 2120 Camden Road  
Orlando, Florida

Dear Doctor Harding:

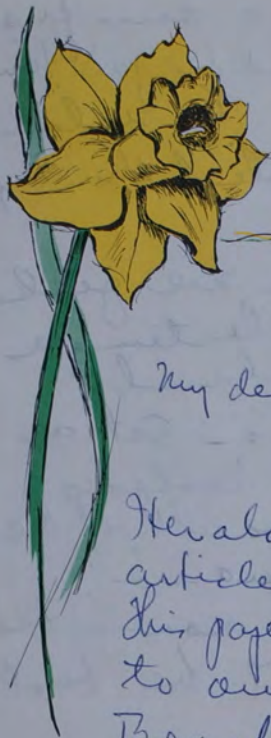
I am sorry to have been slow in replying to your invitation of 14 June, but I have been hoping I might feel safe in accepting. I am sorry to say I dent. I have taken on a job with the government of Salvador, temporary but of rather uncertain duration. We are working up a program of fruit improvement for this country, and I shall not be satisfied with just a ppogram. We must get it on its feet some way or other, and this means a couple of good propagators and they are as scarce in Central America as good sandy loam in Dade county.

I sent a paper for the Krome Memorial Section last year and really do not believe I have any material suitable for another paper. I will think it over, however. I hope from now on to have some free time to devote to plants; the last 15 years I have had none whatever.

Thanks for the favorable comments regarding John. When we were together in Mexico last April I was happy to see that he seems to have a real interest in tropical fruits.

Sincerely,

Wilson Popenoe



# Daffodil Hills

1131 N. 28th STREET  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

Dec. 7, 1963

My dear Mr. Popenov:

Sunday's Miami

Herald, Dec. 1, 1963 carried an interesting article about you and Guatemala. This paper was bought by us en route to our summer cottage at Laguna Beach Fla, after having island hopped for over six thousand miles to American and British Virgin Islands.

My husband a surgeon, Mayo Clinic fellow trained by Dr. Will Mayo, and a year studying in Europe has retired from his Birmingham Clinic and Hospital. He has ~~arthritis~~ rheumatism and many aching joints needing hot weather and interesting life. My aunt Dr. Minnie L. Maffett, a surgeon retiring from her practice in Hillsdale, N.J. is looking for warm

weather. My sister, and four of our friends  
will come with us full time or part time.  
We found ideal weather in the islands.  
Our activities were so limited Mr. Haig's  
became restless.

Mr. Smiley's article made me feel  
you could help me in selecting a  
place in your beloved land.

We want to take two cars - get a  
local driver for a visit to Mexico.  
Then fly to Guatemala. Would it be  
best for us to fly from Miami?  
Could we get a three room (bed)  
furnished house? Would it be best  
to stay at a hotel.

If you are a physician, I feel I am  
not imposing on you for help.  
We want to leave here before the  
holidays.

Will you be kind enough to answer  
me quickly?

With deepest appreciation for any  
help you might give to me, I am

Sincerely yours,  
(Mrs. Estes H.) Florence Parker Haig

Laguna Beach Fla

[from Florence Porter Hedges]



## Daffodil Hills

1131 N. 28th STREET  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

Jan. 2, 1963  
(1964)

My dear Dr. Popovoz:

Happy New Year  
to you! Thank you for being  
so good & writing to me. The  
other night I thought a beautiful  
saying and hope it's original:  
"Happiness can't getter into a  
heart with closed shutters".

I know your shutters are always  
wide open and have received  
the silver beams of friendship I have  
sent to you. Our coast cottage has  
been sunny and bright. We have had  
several busy days trying to locate  
sunshine. About the middle of the  
month we shall go to Brownsville  
and Tampico for some fishing. We  
have two boats, one a cruiser 32 ft  
but I am afraid the trip wouldn't  
be pleasant to go by such a small  
boat. Prior to my marriage I was  
a college teacher in the field of education.  
I married a beautifully haired surgeon  
who has been very successful in  
aiding mankind. Now to see his love  
part of his health makes me want to  
give him the highest degree of happiness. F.R.H.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY  
WASHINGTON

DIVISION OF  
CEREAL CROPS AND DISEASES

December 22, 1941

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua  
Guatemala  
Central America.

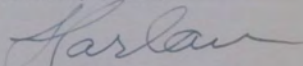
Dear Popenoe:

I seem to have two sons that have the urge for tropical agriculture. The older one (Bill) whom you met is in Bolivia on a survey party. The younger one (Jack) finishes his doctor's degree in California probably in April. He has majored in Genetics and minored in Pathology. He has made quite a brilliant record at the University, and is now contemplating asking the National Research Council for a fellowship to go down and study tropical agriculture with you. This last liberty was taken at the suggestion of myself and Jim Kempton. I hope you do not mind our officiousness, but there was not time to ask.

Jim has raised the question as to whether it would not be more to the boy's advantage to take a job in the Abaca industry direct. We understand that this is infor Government supported expansion in the very near future.

With best regards, and if you do not like this we will have it out the next time you come to Washington, I am

Sincerely yours,



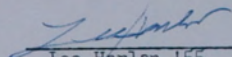
H. V. Harlan  
Principal Agronomist  
Barley Investigations.



Holmes Hall

[9 March 1973]

Congratulations to a very special alumnus  
on this your  
Eighty-first birthday!



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Lee Harlan '55  
Director  
Alumni Relations



C/O Atkinson and Co  
Casilla 2580 LIMA PERU SOUTH AMERICA  
20th February 1964

Dear Dr Popenoe,

I remember with great pleasure my visit to you last spring. On returning to Peru, I remembered your work and looked out for material which would interest you. There is a Peach grown here with I should say no chilling requirement at all, since it is happy among bananas and other tropical things during the so called cold season. There is also a nectarine which I have only seen once.

Would you be interested in the peach? If so I could send you material.

I should much appreciate planting material, ( budwood possibly of your peach, and the Queensland tropical apple. Also a few seeds of your Rubus types.

Yours sincerely

*S. C. Harland*

Professor S. C. Harland

P.S. I have a plum which does marvellously here. It has a wine taste but is very sweet. Could it be the Japanese plum? Satsuma or something like that. Have you got it in Florida? What is best way of treating peach stones and plum stones for germination?

*Dr John Popenoe*

*Agricultural Experiment Station  
Homestead Florida*

F. A. HARPER  
WILLIAM VOLKER FUND  
BOX ONE-ONE-THREE  
BURLINGAME, CALIFORNIA

September 30, 1958

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

You will note my new location here on the peninsula south of San Francisco, where I have just moved to a new and exciting job of research -- broadly, in the area of "human welfare problems."

We have bought a house in the flats near Stanford University, at a 30 ft. elevation, with a lovely lot and a little spare space on which I expect to exercise some of my latent agricultural-experimental interests on a very small scale.

Among my thoughts already is that of the possibility of getting a very few items which would serve as interesting specimens in the little garden -- things that would tolerate, even if not fully thrive, in this climate. Any suggestions, as well as where they might be procured as a reliable source? I was wondering, for instance, about a banana or two, and perhaps plantain? And I wondered about that delicious fruit (its name I can't at the minute recall, of which we were given a sample in LaIdma which was said to have some commercial possibilities via air to New York); etc.

Peg sends her best wishes to you and Helen, along with my own.

Sincerely,  
*F. A. Harper*  
F. A. Harper

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Escuela Agricola Panamerica  
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

454A Peninsular Avenue  
San Mateo, California

January 15, 1959

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

Will you please send me the issues  
of FAMILY LIFE (payment enclosed)?  
Thanks.

Am I correct that you are a brother  
of my friend, Wilson?

We are in work here that is in many  
ways closely related to your work,  
and one day I hope to pay you a visit  
-- as soon as I can get oriented in  
my new position here.

Sincerely,

F. A. Harper

Dr. Paul Popenoe  
5287 Suhset Blvd  
Los Angeles 27, California

[Oct. 25, 1973]

MRS. EDWARD HARRIS, II  
200 SOUTH GOODMAN STREET  
ROCHESTER, NEW YORK 14607

My dear Dr. Pappeoz:

This rather formidable paper  
will, I hope, remind you of the pleasure  
that you gave to us when we were in  
Rochester.

My son Edward (Jed) is the one  
who was, at one time, visiting Kaseaf  
at Esquitha and was so delighted to  
have a talk with you. He and his  
wife went down to Esquitha and  
didn't feel that it had changed for the  
better!

Your generosity in giving your house  
to strangers is very unusual and I  
shall think many times of your  
charming surroundings and of your  
kindness.

May you have a happy winter.

Gratefully yours,

Bruce Richardson Harris

Thursday, October twenty-fifth

Apartado #4.  
El Prado. Tiquisate.

1st. February 1967.

Dr. Wilson Popenoe.  
Calle de La Nobleza.  
Antigua, Guatemala.

Dear Doc;

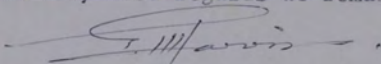
We see by the notices that you are still being given honors and for this we send our congratulations.

What brought you to mind also. I was researching some old back correspondence for a stamp article the other day when I came across a letter and a receipt made out in the name of my wife for the purchase of a folio of Orchids. She purchased these from a clergyman friend in England and left them with me when she went back to England.

Thinking back, I remember giving this folio for your safekeeping years ago when we were together in Tiquisate. We are wondering if you still have this in Antigua. Whilst we are not anxious to get them back here whilst they are in your safe keeping we would not like them to pass into other hands.

We still have a house here in Tiquisate and would be only too pleased to welcome seeing you if you are ever down this way.

With our very best regards we remain,



George and Gwen Harris.

Antigua, 7 February 1967

Mr George Harris,  
Tiquisate.

Dear George:

Replying to your letter of the 1st, this is the situation with regard to the Bateman orchid illustrations;

I had them nicely framed by a cabinet worker in Tegucigalpa and hung them at Zamorano, part of them in my house, the rest in the Herbarium. Where they were much admired down the years.

This was a long time ago. As the years went by I came to feel that you had lost interest in them. When Paul Allen left Escuela Agricola Panamericana I let him take some of them to the States with him, because he had worked with the species illustrated in connection with his "Orchids of Panama" and greatly wanted to have some of these classic illustrations of Bateman's. Paul is now dead, and I do not know just where the pictures are but probably can find out from his widow. I have two here in Antigua; there are several still at the Herbarium in Zamorano - or were when I was last there.

I fear that the long time which has elapsed since you put them in my hands made me forgetful of the original obligation - that none of them should pass into other hands. Now, what shall I do? Will you let me reimburse you for them? This would be the easiest way out for me, as I doubt that I can assemble all of them again.

Please let me hear from you promptly, as I may be going up to the States in early March. I am considerably upset about this matter and want to make amends in any way I can.

El Prado, Tiquisate.

28th. February 1967.

Dr. Wilson Popenoe,  
Antigua.

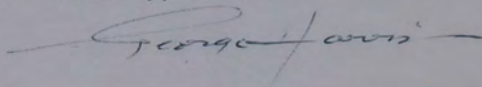
Dear Doc;

We received your letter of the 1st. telling us of the situation regarding the Bateman orchid collection. I have not answered before for frankly I did not know what to say. It was a shock to us to know that the plates had left your keeping. I had not given it much thought over the years for I knew that they were in good hands and would be well looked after. I feel as bad as you do about this for they were left in my keeping by my wife when she went over to England.

You ask "What shall I do.?" It is not so much the monetary value of them that we are upset about as the knowledge that it looks as though we have lost them. Perhaps you will be able to see what happened to the States copies. When you say that you had them framed I am wondering what happened to the signed holder and the unfinished plates.?

If it at all possible we would like to recover the plates but if you think that this is out of the way we shall have to think of some other solution.

Sincerely,





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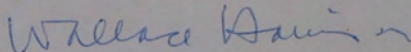
May 26, 1945

Dear Mrs. Popenoe:

I have just heard of your resignation from the Coordination Committee for Honduras and understand your feeling that because you are unable to participate actively in the work of the Committee, you should leave the way open for appointment of some one else in a better position to do so.

I want you to know that we here appreciate your past cooperation with the Coordination Committee for Honduras in the program which has gone far to strengthen relations between the United States and the other American republics.

Sincerely,



Wallace K. Harrison  
Director

Mrs. Wilson Popenoe  
c/o Coordination Committee for Honduras  
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

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Hartman



El Anotador,

El Telegrafista,

*Hartman*

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DAVIS, CALIFORNIA 95616  
March 18, 1971

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua, Guatemala  
Central America

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I was very pleased to receive your letter of March 11. I do, indeed, recall our correspondence some years ago about the non-fruiting situation of olive trees being grown in tropical America. We have, in fact, pursued this subject to a considerable depth and have had several graduate students studying fruitfulness in olives as triggered by low temperatures. I am enclosing several reprints of studies done along this line in which I am sure you will be interested.

I feel there is a strong varietal difference in winter chilling requirements of olives, with those we grow here in California, as well as those grown in Spain, Portugal and Italy, having a pronounced chilling requirement. Other varieties, such as those grown in Peru, and some grown in southern Greece, have a much lighter need for winter chilling.

In regard to your questions on rooting cuttings for roses and poinsettias, I am not sure that setting the cuttings at an angle has any strong physiological basis. I am wondering if the people who do this have made comparisons with cuttings set in a vertical position. However, some nurserymen who make small root grafts do set them at an angle such as this in a bed which has bottom heat. For this they feel they get better healing of the graft union than if the cuttings were set upright. Some people, too, feel that they can get more cuttings in a limited space if they are inserted in an angle rather than vertically. Most large scale nurseries that I know of, who are propagating plants by hardwood cuttings, set them in a vertical position. There may be some good physiological reason for the angle planting of which we are not aware. It would be interesting to have your gardeners plant them both ways and see if they do really get a difference in such a comparison.

I appreciate very much your writing to me again and wish to convey to you my best wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads 'Hudson T. Hartmann'.

H. T. Hartmann  
Professor of Pomology

HTH/bme  
Enclosures

Clarence M. Harvey  
336 North 10th St.,  
Montebello, Calif.

LC June 1960

Dear Wilson:-

I was very happy to think That my Mother-in-Law had the presence of mind or thoughtfulness on the spur of the Moment to tell you that I just left for the ba Security First National Bank and what an agreeable surprise to see you again with your good Friend the Doctor, I have forgotten his name Unfortunately.

CARNATION<sup>s</sup>; I have grown quite a few myself and my experiance with them, has been as follows; Some types are subject to Split Calyx with the best care, however they d do better in rather a sandy soil and want to be finched back when reached Six or 8 inches tall, the idea being to get a nice bushy plant be-fore too much lengthy growth take place and then when a growth of 16 inches has been reached they are to tie up and by so doing you will find that will make better Plants. I spent almost 26 years with <sup>C.H.</sup> ~~the~~ as salesman. and Fred Howard was a very fine <sup>M.H.N.</sup> to work for, the good soal passed away in Aug, 1948, and my good Friend Shufeldt passed away in NEW MEXICO, on his ranch During the month of January 1949.

Shufeldt and always had a lot to talk about, in fact, I remember on one occasio<sup>n</sup> we carried on a conversation all night until sun up, in Peten, Guatemala, that during the Chicle Business, its a long story. I have many interesting events relate as regards my experience in Mexico and central America. I am 82 years old and some times feel as if I could <sup>go</sup> 5 or 6 years more "pero quien sabe" However, I hope we can get together again and have a good old chat on past events and I would love to pay you a visit at Antigua, the las time I was there was in 1928, Shufeldt had rented a horse and Bugy we drove from G. City to Antigua and I have most pleasant recollections of the trip.

If I can can-pick up a catalogue Will send along. I was interested in what you said

Cannas, Fred H. did a vast amount of work with them for years. I

Staid with the FIRM until I was 77., Well, here is hoping that we

meet again before too long, so ~~good~~ bye for now, Please write me

from place to place as you move along, it would afford me a lot of

Pleasure\* Take good care of yourself and I will try to do the same.

Antigua Guatemala 27 June 1960

Mr. Clarence M. Harvey,  
336 North 10th St.,  
Montebelo, California.

Dear Clarence:

I did not have much luck with the carnation plants I got that day I saw you in Montebelo. Only two survived and the first one of these came into bloom last week. It is a pretty thing but like most of the others splits very badly. I have just about decided that our only hope lies in growing varieties which do not split, and fortunately we have two or three of these which are pretty satisfactory.

You remember I told you how much we have enjoyed the cannas produced by Howard and Smith. I brought them over here from Honduras along with half a dozen other varieties, and get a good deal of pleasure out of giving away planting material. Incidentally, back about 1930 when I was living in Guatemala city I got a lot of cannas from California, one of which was labeled Howard and Smith's number 14. This variety was the strongest grower of the whole bunch and I passed it around to friends in several parts of Guatemala. The indians seem to like it, and now you can see it around their houses all through the highlands. I believe this variety was eventually named Salmon Queen, and I think I saw it in a nursery at Pasadena the last time I was home.

We have a lovely garden here now, specially as regards roses, amaryllis and lilies.

Every few years I go in for geraniums, and they do well until the Summer rains get us when they all die just as they are doing right now.

I have been going over a lot my old photographs from Mexico and have clipped out the enclosed just to remind you of old times.

I trust you are hanging onto your health and send you my warmest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Wilson Popenoe

Jan 23 - Boat

KINGSTON,

April 26th 1940

Mr. F.A. Hatch  
Assistant Vice-President  
United Fruit Company  
1 Federal Street  
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Hatch,

I have yours of the 16th regarding possibilities for production of edible oils on the Atlantic Coast of Costa Rica. Mr. Chittenden and I went into this subject at the time of my visit to Costa Rica in January-February. Naturally I am not so fully informed on what has been done in the past as some of our friends - Fernando Castro for example. It is my feeling that the whole problem requires two or three years of experimentation before the time will be ripe for deciding whether or not a commercial oil factory can be established with reasonable prospects of success.

Peanuts have been grown in that region, and I myself saw a promising patch at Guapiles, but, as you know, rains in that area may come at almost any time. Should the crop mature during a wet period I am not certain it could be saved. We were unsuccessful with peanuts at Lancotillia because they matured during wet weather.

Sesame is produced mainly in the semi-arid regions; this looks rather against it as a crop for the extremely wet climate of the Atlantic Coast. I was unable to learn of any extensive tests which had been made in that region. Lacking this information the only thing to do would be to carry out a small scale try-out in several areas.

There are one or two other plants which produce edible oils, notably the soya bean and the sunflower. My recommendation would be that small scale but thorough going carefully recorded experiments with all these crops should be set on foot as promptly as possible. Even if they have all been grown on the Atlantic Coast in past years, I doubt that the information at our disposal is sufficiently complete and convincing to serve as the basis of further action.

The present situation of agriculture on the Atlantic Coast is so serious that every possibility should most certainly be investigated fully. I am strongly in favour of experimental work on oil producing plants and would like very much to take part in organising and carrying out the work.

Yours very sincerely,

*W. G. Spence*

522 45a. Avenida Sur  
San Salvador  
El Salvador  
Aug 8, 1963

Dear Dr. Popenoe,

This is just a note to let you know how much I enjoyed meeting you last Sunday when David Burleson and I were in Antigua. We both agreed that it was the most delightful day we had had in Guatemala thanks to your hospitality and company.

We have returned to San Salvador now after several more days at INCAP and are back to work. I'm sure that long after I have returned home to the United States and the many memories of this summer have faded I will remember your charming home in Antigua and our day with you. With many wishes for pleasant trips to Honduras + Spain!

Sincerely,  
Elizabeth Hatton

Dec 15-

Dear Mr & Mrs Papense,

"I have been postponing writing a thank you" until I could get the enclosures. The transparencies are better than the prints, but I think they turned out pretty well. In fact we feel very satisfied with our photographic record of Guatemala. We have enjoyed re-living the trip vicariously. We do hope we'll have a chance to return to your beautiful country again. We enjoyed every bit of our stay & feel it just wasn't long enough."

I've been reading books on Guatemala since our return. One of the first was "House in Antigua" by Adams. Then "Land of Eternal Spring" by Aguirre & "Maria Palena" by Miles. Now I'm working out more textbook types - "Guatemala" by Whetten & "Four Keys to Guatemala" by Kelsey.

We really enjoyed our visit



to your beautiful home & thank  
you for your hospitality.  
We wish you a very Merry  
Christmas & a happy & healthy  
New Year\*

Sincerely

Margaret J. Hawkes  
(Mrs Joseph B.)



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437 CALIFORNIA AVENUE, PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA - 321-4796

April 1, 1965

Dr. Wilson Poponoe  
Antigua, Guatemala  
Central America

Re: Problem #3694

Dear Dr. Poponoe:

A Problem from Honduras has come to our attention. Frank Gardner, Research Horticulturist in subtropical fruit in Orlando, Florida has suggested that you might be just the person to reply to it.

As you may know, DATA International is a non-profit assistance program existing for the sole purpose of providing problem-solving help to meet the needs of individuals in 117 countries throughout the world.

You would be a very valuable addition to our consulting group if, from time to time, you could work on agricultural problems coming from tropical areas. In the hope that you may be willing to do this, we are enclosing a resume so that you can let us know your areas of experience.

Whether or not there are any constructive suggestions for Mr. Knight, we would appreciate your opinion on his problem.

Cordially,

Douglas K. Hayward  
Projects Coordinator

DKH:rm

Encls.

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June 23, 1965

Dr. Wilson Poponoe  
Antigua  
Guatemala, C.A.

Re: Problem #3694

Dear Dr. Poponoe:

Thanks from DATA for working on this problem  
pertaining to the fruit of the calabash tree.

We have sent your remarks along to Mr. Knight  
in British Honduras. We appreciate the diffic-  
ulties inherent in being a long-distance consultant.  
Any further information or comments from him  
will, of course, be forwarded to you.

Without the generous help of consultants such as  
you, DATA could not operate and those with prob-  
lems would have much greater difficulty finding  
a source of relevant information.

Cordially,

*Douglas K. Hayward* (sk)  
Douglas K. Hayward  
Projects Coordinator

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COSMOS CLUB  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

December 29, 1922.

Mr. Wilson Popenoe,  
Bureau of Plant Industry,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am pleased to inform you that you have been appointed a judge of election on the day of the annual meeting January 8, 1923.

The other judges are J. H. Gore, Chairman, and F. G. Carpenter.

Very truly yours,

*V. L. Hayward*

Secretary.

I [U827 Hillcrest Drive Lima Ohio 45805] [19 Dec 1968]  
Dear Dr. Popenoe,  
yes, as Mary Jane  
said, you really can write  
and L. S. Bailey's Compendium is  
fabulous. It enabled me to make  
a study of the Japanese Cherries  
last spring. My most interesting  
find was what I believe to be  
FUGENZO (*PRUNUS* SEABATA). These  
two inch diameter translucent, fluffy,  
ruffled rose pin & flowers that were  
borne in abundance were really a  
sight to behold. I might add I also  
had a copy of Rusell's Oriental  
Cherries to aid in this identification

Also, have been making  
a study of the varieties of  
*Acer japonicum* and *A. palmatum*  
~~the two pages~~  
See insert please

II As you probably know the Dawes  
Brothers, owners of large holdings  
in Pure Oil stock & related to  
Charles G. DAWES who was the  
vice-president of the U.S. have  
established an arboretum near  
Newark, Ohio. They have one  
plot of possibly original timber  
where the Northern Red Oaks are  
125' or more tall. Quite a sight!  
Also - they had a Japanese  
Landscape Architect come and  
spend eight months designing  
a Japanese Garden. So, to  
them, I owe my chance to  
explore the Japanese maples. We  
were there in the autumn and the  
coloration of *Acer japonicum* (Full  
moon), *Acer palmatum* var  
*atropurpureum* was a never to  
be forgotten sight.

Such opportunities give me  
a tiny insight into the fantastic  
sights you saw all the time,  
during your lifetime.  
Best regards,  
George A. Heffner

Dear Dr. Peckham :

Thinking of you at

CHRISTMAS--

as always--and wishing you

EVERY HAPPINESS

in the NEW YEAR!

Meeting you & Dr. & Mrs.  
city (1963) was a most  
important occasion. My husband

Thanks <sup>(YOUR)</sup> ~~your~~ writings in  
L.F.F. Bailey, Cyclopaedia of Horticulture  
we take of talking about inspired  
plants with you was one of the  
best experiences of a lifetime.

Belle of George are now at  
Miami University, Oxford, Ohio of  
~~like their father~~  
we are interested in biology.

We hope that your health  
is good & that you can  
continue your wonderful work.

Sincerely yours,  
George, Mary Jane  
Belle & George Hoffman

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For You  
at Christmas



June 4, 1972

Dear Mrs. Popenoe,

Now that we are home again  
and have settled in once more,  
there is at last time to reminisce  
our lovely visit and luncheon  
with you and Dr. Popenoe in the  
charming "House in Antigua" with  
Lilly and Viktor Pokorny. Certainly

275 Alvarado Road  
Berkeley, California

Mrs. Clifford Victor Heimbucher

You were most kind to have us on  
the spur of a moment as it were.  
And to have created such a party,  
with charm, conviviality and friend-  
liness made it a treasured day indeed.

Now we hope you will come to  
Berkeley where we may in some  
manner bring together an interesting  
group of friends to share with you.

Our thanks again for a special  
day.  
Sincerely,  
Verda Heimbucher

Absender:  
(Vor- und Zuname)

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yours:

*K. Helbig*

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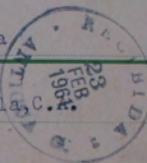


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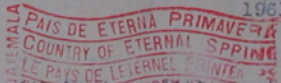
Dr. Karl Helbig, Hamburg-Altona, Bleichenallee 22 . 21-Febr. - 1961

Dear Doctor Popenoe,

I hope you are all right and live ~~with all the conditions~~ at Antigua (which I visited too in 1954, stayed also in the house of Mr. Magin, from Hamburg,; you know him?). Do you remember myself and my trip from Zamorano to the Mosquitia? Some time ago was published:

Karl Helbig: Die Landschaften von Nordost-Honduras  
Ergänzungsheft Nr. 268 zu Petermanns Geographischen Mitteilungen. 270 pag., 39 ill., 30 fig. in the text, and 12 maps (5 of them coloured: Vista general 1: 500 000, geology, vegetation, economy, administration & population). US\$ 12,50

I think, ~~there~~ <sup>not</sup> there will be no other work from northeastern Honduras, complete like this. I wrote to the Tela Railroad Comp. to all offices, universities, consulates, etc., of Central America... but no one answered! They all together ~~do not~~ seem ~~to~~ be interested to buy it. - I also wrote another book: "Von Mexico bis zur Mosquitia" (From Mexico to the Mosquitia),



ESCUELA AGRICOLA PANAMERICANA

APARTADO 93

Antigua, Guatemala, 27 February 1968 GUATEMALA, HONDURAS  
CENTRO AMERICA

Dear Doctor Helbig:

Of course I remember you, and that remarkably hard trip you made from the Mosquitia up to Zamorano! I am glad to hear from you again, and I want your publications. I am enclosing my check for the two books you mention, which please send me by mail addressed simply Antigua, Guatemala. And if you can not cash my check in Hamburg, tell me and I will send you the money in any other form you indicate; and if the check does not cover the postage, tell me and I will send another remittance.

Although I am officially "retired" I am keeping very busy, with work in Guatemala and Salvador and Nicaragua and Venezuela and even in Spain! My home is of course here in Antigua, which is a fine place to live; good climate and good food and expenses not too high. If you ever come out to this part of the world again, we have a little guest house where you could feel at home as long as you wished to stay.

Sincerely,

Wilson Popenoe

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Dr. Karl Helbig, Hamburg-  
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27 March 1961

To  
Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua, Rep. de Guatemala, C.A.

Dear Doctor Popenoe,

I am very glad with your letter of February, 27, which tells me that you are all right of health and always busy with your useful work. You have done a good choice, I think, to "retire" at such a splendid place like Antigua; I saw it during my trip through Guatemala in 1954.

Thank you very much to order the two books of mine "Die Landschaften von Nordost-Honduras" and "Von Mexico bis zur Mosquitia". I sent them by mail; but I guess there will pass several weeks till they ~~xxxxxxx~~ will reach you. When I received your check, just the value of the US\$ in exchange with the German Mark was sinking, by order of our (or your? quién sabe!) Government; pero no tenga cuidado, no hay de qué!

Meanwhile was published an other article of my own production: "Die Landschaft Soconusco im Staate Chiapas, Süd-Mexico, und ihre Kaffeezone" (The district Soconusco in the estate of Chiapas, Southern-Mexico, and it's coffee-zone). 131 paginas, 3 maps, 18 figures, 42 illustrations, US\$ 3,50. You know the Soconusco with all the coffee-fincas? I think, you know. In my booklet I give the history, the landscape (paisaje), the economy, traffic, the changes following the laws of land-reforms (Código Agrario de los Estados Unidos Mexicanos), with mapped examples of fincas, etc. The work is resulting of my studies done in Chiapas during the years 1957/58. If you are interested, please, let me know.

More than all, I wish to thank you very much for your kind invitation in your little guest-house! Ojalá - one day I shall be able to make use of your magnanimous offer!

Sincerely,

Karl Helbig

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15th March 1971

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Dear Dr. Popenoe:

Some years ago I saw your book on Tropical Fruits in a nursery here and ever since then I have been trying to get it everywhere with no results.

A few weeks ago a customer told me you were living in Antigua and that is how I am writing to you hoping you will help me telling where can I buy your famous book.

## HERRAMIENTAS XACTO

PECES TROPICALES Y  
GOLDFISH

I have taken the liberty of writing to you without knowing you personally and hope you will excuse me as I am doing these after writing to New York, London, Hong Kong, Malaya and a few more places with no results.

For your convenience I am enclosing a self addressed envelope with a U.S. Stamp inside.

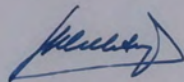
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ADORNOS

Hoping to hear from you and thanking you very much, I remain,

ALIMENTOS PARA  
PECES Y AVES

Yours very truly

CANARIOS Y  
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V.J. Hellebuyck

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2d. of April 1971

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua, GUATEMALA, G.A..

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

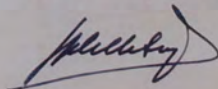
I have received your kind letter of the 23rd of last month and the copy of "Fruticultura Centroamericana" for which I thank you very much and kindly ask you to send an invoice for it and check will follow.

This book is for my own use but I was thinking that as I sell pets I could possible sell the books too, as customers who like pets also like plants. Nowadays here there is a lot of farm owners interested in the cultivation of the grape vine and also in fruit trees and this book will no doubt be of great help for them.

I am not a farm owner with large properties but I am curious and like all scientific things so when I went to Tailand and Hong Kong last year I ate some fruits I had not seen before and I brought back the seeds that I planted and now I have a few young trees I would like to know the names of and that is why I was trying to get your book. Now with this book you sent me and that of W.H.Chandler I have been able to identify I think, the Longan of which I have two trees, three small annonas I dont know what spieces they are, and 12 of a pear shaped green orange sweet and white inside. They have told me in Brasil they call it Sambon but I am not sure.

Please let me know if I can order 12 of your books and their cost including postage, and thanking you very much again,

Yours very truly



V. J. Hellebuyck

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19th May, 1972.

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua, Guatemala.

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

It is over a year now since I got your letter where you told me about the new book you were preparing and I am still interested on it and probable many other people are waiting for a book like that.

I went to Europe last year and in Paris I bought at a fruit stand some Mangustan, Rambutan, Kiwi or Groselle de Chine and others of which I brought back the seeds so now I have three Mangustan young trees, the Kiwi came out but died a few days later and the Rambutan seeds got spoiled during the trip back so I am sorry because I wanted to have a Rambutan tree. Do you think I could get Rambutan seeds from Escuela Agricola Panamericana or at Estacion Experimental de Lancetilla (of which I have no adress) ?

During all this time I have found some other fruit here locally, one is a little berry red black in color about  $3/8$  " in diameter sweet and called CERETO. Also a little apple like fruit with a strong smell yellow and red from 1" to 1 1/2" in diameter good taste and grows from a tree with thorns on the end of the branches. It is no doubt an imported tree and have been told there are a few large trees in Usulután.

Do you know the family of the Capulin and the Cirin both very common here that perhaps could be used for crossins to improve the Cereto.

Well I think this is enough for today and hope I will hear from you and that you are in good health and with best regards,

Yours Sincerely

V. J. Hellebuyck

Antigua, 25 Octubre de 1940

Señor don Gustavo Helmrich,  
Finca Samac, Coban.

Muy estimado amigo:

Adjunto los resultados de los analyses de sus Cinchonas. A mi me parecen sumamente satisfactorios; de los arboles tipo "Ledger" ninguno tiene menos de 6% de quinina, mientras que el mas alto es 12%. De esos que dan actualmente 6, 7 y 8%, creo que muchos darán mayor porcentaje cuando tengan dos o tres años mas de edad.

Señor Rosengarten y yo pasamos regresar a Coban dentro de pocas semanas, para tratar con Ud. el asunto de eliminar los palos que no son tipo Ledger, y para hacerle a Ud una oferta respecto a las semillas que resultarán cuando ya no hay peligro de polenización de los arboles Ledger con polen de tipos inferiores. Asi es que espero tener el gusto de volverle a ver muy pronto.

Mientras tanto, me es grato subscribirme, con muchos recuerdos a Ud y su estimable señora,

Muy afmo. y SS

Wilson Pounce

b/c Mr Lukens  
Mr Rosengarten

[ca. 1920-1921?]

71 James St  
Englewood  
New Jersey  
November 21/20

Dear Mr Pappeoe:

I would have written you before, but have been a little worried about my health, and find that I have to undergo a serious operation at Saint Lukes Hospital New York on the 23rd of this month.

I am sending a letter for Nelson which I beg you to send him.

Your boy has been a dear friend to me and I would like to be able to thank him in the future I will have more of him, and I hope if I pull through now I

Can pass a part of  
my life in California  
and be near him, if he  
ever makes up his mind  
to settle down.

I hope you are well,  
and I assure you I was  
very glad to meet Nelson's  
father and hope I will  
have the same pleasure  
over again.

My kindest regards  
to you, and please  
remember me to the  
lady that keeps your  
locker.

Yours Sincerely,  
Bob.

[Hempstead]

F.O.P.: Please file  
with my letters

71 James St  
Englewood  
New Jersey  
November 21/20

Dear old Pop:

I suppose you have heard by now of my trip to California, and you are right about Pop, it sure is a heaven of a place and I want to get the old lady and kids up there as soon as possible. It was a great deal of pleasure for me to visit your father especially as he is so much like you. I saw lots of records of Guatemala and also Kerpog Kewekuj around the new house (that you don't know yet) which made me quite homesick. I surely did enjoy my trip to California.

I am sorry to tell you that I have to undergo in Saint Luke's Hospital in New York on the 23<sup>rd</sup>

a very serious operation on the kidneys and etc Dr warns me that it will be a touch and go affair, I am keeping a stout heart and trusting to my big body to pull me through.

It makes me sad however even to think that the operation will not be successful and that I may never see again my dear little kids and Lulu. If I do go under old man I expect you to always keep up your friendship with the old lady and kids and in some way keep in touch with them. It will do them good and I know your advice and help will be useful to

Lulu. I want my kids  
to know you well & when  
they are bigger, and want  
them to appreciate & feel  
like you as I do.

You have been a  
good old friend to me  
& Pop and the kids of  
friends I have always  
loved and am sorry  
if this operation cuts  
short our friendship which  
has given me always so  
much pleasure.

Keep well old Top and  
I wish you all the best  
and happiness possible  
Don't forget me to soon  
and with a strong hand  
clasp.

Your friend  
(Bob.)

[Hempstead]





lmcx 1339 lo 24lr.

Coban, 13 sep/73.

Gustosamente reservamos dos cuartos para sus amigos Ojalá  
pudieran llegar ustedes también, saludes.

Florence Hempstead.

6 Feb. 1975

Dear Mr. Popenoe:

The other day I had the fine opportunity to visit your beautiful home, and I noticed your library. I am very interested in the books on Spain, and on Guatemala. Living here I miss having access to good libraries . . . and because of your generosity in opening your home to the public, I am hoping that perhaps I could be granted the favor of being allowed to come a few hours each week to read in your home.

I live just across the street--1<sup>a</sup> Avenida Sur #9. I will stop by Monday or Tuesday to find out if this would be all right, unless I hear from you otherwise.

Sincerely,

*Cathy Hendricks*

Cathy Hendricks

Antigua, 26 March 1973

Dear Udo and Marga: <sup>[Henrichs]</sup>

I greatly appreciate your birthday greetings which came some days ago, and yesterday there was a letter for Liesel from you which I assume was also birthday greetings. I sent it over to her in Honduras where she has been for the past week, attending to matters connected with her business. She will <sup>be</sup> here tomorrow, I hope, just in time to celebrate her birthday at home.

The little picture of Nürnberg on your card made us talk about the happy days we spent with you in Würtemberg and here in Antigua. We wish you could come here again and stay a month with us. The little Volkswagen is still in good condition - it has only run 38,000 kilometers in the four years we have had it.

We have been very busy all this year; so many visitors! My health has not been very good - what can one expect at age 81? And Liesel has been very tired recently. But we continue to talk about going back to Europe in June, when the roses will be in bloom in Esslingen. I pray that we may be able to do this; the countryside will be so beautiful at that time and the roses will be in bloom.

It has been very dry here in Guatemala and the crops last year were so poor the country is having to import corn to make textillas. I am afraid we cannot expect much rain until the middle of May. But, Oh! the tourists that came to see our house! Sometimes more than 100 in one day. Many are from Europe, especially Germans, French and Italians. I am sure Liesel will write you as soon as she is here, Next week we have to fly to Costa Rica, but we will not be away for more than ten days.

Affectionate regards to you both, from

393 Bellaire Drive  
New Orleans, La.  
Dec. 19, 1970.

Dear Dr. Popenoe,

I have been waiting to write you for some time and I thought it was time that I did so.

Miss von Waltherr showed me a letter you had written her some time ago regarding a trip that you were making to Europe together with Mrs. Popenoe this last summer.

Rose Feingold, Cornelia and I made a trip to Portugal, Spain and Morocco in June of this last year. We spent one day in Malaga. We visited the museum and church. Then we looked around for a place to have lunch. We saw a restaurant close by, which looked good to us.

In a glass case near our table we saw avocados. We decided to order some for lunch. I inquired about where they were grown and was told that they were grown a few miles from there. They were darn good avocados.

We were told that a Dr. Popenoe from Guatemala was instrumental in getting the avocado planted in that area and that a wealthy man from Chile was putting his money into the venture. We would like to have gone out to visit the groves but there was no time to do so. It is a small world, don't you think?

There is a possibility that we might visit Guatemala next summer. It would probably be in August and we would have Gizella and a friend of hers with us.

We wish you both a very happy holiday season.

Sincerely,

*T. C. Hemickson*



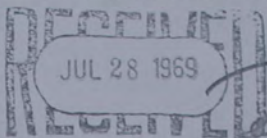
*The avocado we ate had this label on it*

1/29  
20 Calle # 16-55 Zona 10  
Guatemala City, Guatemala

July 9th, 1969

Mr. R. P. Armour  
Director  
Escuela Agrícola Panamericana  
Apartado 93  
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

ESCUELA AGRICOLA PANAMERICANA



Dear Mr. Armour:

This is a thank you note to let you know that anything we can say is an understatement of the gratitude and appreciation we have of your hospitality. Our hasty departure was due to the concern we had for a successful grafting of the avocado scions. We crossed the Honduras-Salvador border without incidents. The news today keep reporting of an ever tenseser situation there.

We started grafting on Sunday the 6th of July and the last batch of scions were grafted yesterday Tuesday the 8th of July. We had rather fresh weather all along and the scions appeared to arrive in good condition to the site. Of the 2,360 scions we were able to graft 2,578 trees - a preliminary count - since we did some shield budding ("escudete") grafting on the more desirable varieties (Fuerte & Hass). In a few weeks we will have a better idea of our success or failure in this venture.

I am enclosing a few fresh cardamom seeds on which Ing. Zaccagna expressed some professional interest. They should be planted as quickly as possible since I am told they lose their germination capability very quickly. By separate cover I will send a small box I am preparing with some cardamom plants. Depending on the success of this shipment and your desirability of further material I will try to obtain for you some grafted allspice (*Pimenta officinalis*) trees from the Guatemalan Ministry of Agriculture station at Brillantes.

Thank you again and I look forward to the day I have the opportunity to once again visit Zamorano.

Yours,

Arturo Herbruger  
Finca San Miguel Los Naranjos.

26 April 1970

Dear Dr Popenoe,

It was very nice to hear from you and to know that you are well and flying about the world. Thank you both for your interesting news of yourself and for your good ~~wise~~ advice. I shall write to my old friend Forsyth

and to Antonio Molina.

The book on "Vegetables in South-East Asia" is being printed in Hong Kong and will be published by George Allen and Unwin c. 530 pp. I doubt whether it will appear for 6 months.

The University of Hawaii press are interested in my book on chubers, largely written, but for which I want to make more drawings, especially of C & S. American plants.

So if you would like to see Guatemalan plants in the book please visit your garden or collect some seeds for me!

I am particularly interested in Passiflora Bonarea, Cobeeia and the daisy daisy Hidalgo all of which you must know.

With grateful thanks for your letter. Don't bother about the seeds unless on your doorstep.

Yours sincerely  
Geoffrey Herklotz

TO OPEN SLIT HERE

SENDER'S NAME AND ADDRESS

G. A. C. Herklots  
Vanners  
Chobham  
Woking  
England



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YELLOW PAGES



Dr Wilson Popenoe  
Casa del Olor  
Antigua  
Guatemala  
Central America



Guatemala, 14 de Septiembre 1971.

Señor  
Wilson Popenoe  
1a. Av. Sur #.2  
Antigua.

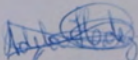
Estimado Señor Wilson:

De la manera más atenta tengo mucho gusto en enviarle mi cordial como atento saludo, esperando se encuentre gozando de buena salud al lado de sus seres queridos.

El motivo de la presente es para hacerle de su conocimiento que fuí con la Sra. Mertins, ella está de acuerdo en hacer la armadura de plata a las seis cajitas de jade con el mismo valor de Q.15.00 cada una. El trabajo lo entregará en 25 ó 30 días, pero necesitará un adelanto de dinero para comprar plata, de lo cual dará recibo.

La Sra. Mertins hacía los trabajos de plata que el Ing. Chollat (Q.E.P.D.) le encomendaba hacer para su terminación. De todo esto platicaremos el sábado 18 de los corrientes para llegar a un acuerdo.

Esperando así, darle entera satisfacción, le ruego aceptar la expresión de mis mejores sentimientos,

  
ADELA HERNÁNDEZ L.  
20 Calle 35-44, Zona 5  
Guatemala, C. A.

Guatemala, 5 de Octubre 1971.

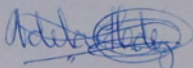
Señor  
Wilson Popenoe  
la. Av. Sur #. 2  
Antigua.

Estimado Señor Wilson:

Tengo mucho gusto en enviarle mis cordiales saludos así como mis buenos deseos por su pronta recuperación de salud, que es mi sincero deseo.

Suplícole me haga favor de indicarme a vuelta de correo si puedo llegar este sábado 9 de los corrientes por la tarde ó el próximo sábado, para hacerle entrega de las cajitas, de las cuales le informo que les hicieron la chapita y quedaron muy bonitas como era su deseo.

En espera de sus gratas noticias, quedo de usted con distinguida consideración,



ADELA HERNANDEZ L.  
20 Calle 35-44, Zona 5  
Guatemala, C. A.

Antigua, Guatemala, 30 Dec 1940

Memorandum for Don Carlos Herrera

We would like to suggest that you consider San Jose' Patzulín for Cinchona cultivation. This finca, which lies immediately West of Finca Patzulín of Gordon Smith and Co. ranges in elevation between 3500 and 6000 feet (we are reliably told) and has only one caballeria in coffee, the remaining lands, perhaps 12 or 13 caballerias, being in montaña.

We have not gone over this property in detail because we did not want to show too much interest; but we believe it to be one of the very best properties we have seen, so far as Cinchona possibilities are concerned. The soils so far as we have seen them are unusually good, and the property is said to be free from the heavy winds which sweep the area farther toward the San Felipe-Quezantenango road.

We understand that this property belongs to Cãudio Lopez, whose son Francisco Lopez Escobar is in the Spanish Legation. If you are interested in the property, and find that you could obtain it at a reasonable price, we should be glad to make a more detailed examination of the lands and report our findings.

Sincerely yours,

Wilson Popenoe

ESCUELA AGRICOLA PANAMERICANA

APARTADO 65

TEGUCIGALPA, HONDURAS  
CENTRO AMERICA

20 de Septiembre de 1957

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

Querido Dr. Popenoe y Sra.:

Fuè una grata sorpresa recibir su carta.

La casa grande nos fuè dada en tiempo para que llegaran los gemelos, los cuales estàn gozando de perfecta salud,; lo único malo, es que las malas noches y los gastos son dobles.

Nosotros recibimos una nota de Mrs. Popenoe desde California y esperamos que esté ya en Guatemala.

La reforma total de la Cremería, creo que no será hecha hasta el año entrante, pues hace pocos días se hizo el pedido del equipo, pero hemos empezado a construir el anexo o el despacho de carnes.

Isabel y Yo siempre hacemos muy buenos recuerdos de Uds. y mantenemos un agradecimiento eterno por su actitud para con nosotros.

~speramos verlos por aquí pronto, mientras tanto, reciba en unión de doña Elena, un afectuoso saludo de los Herrera (7'')

*W. and Elena S.  
Herrera S.*

Dear Dr. Popenoe.

We are delighted you can come  
on Tuesday - I would have said Monday except  
that we have an appointment on Monday afternoon  
in Indianapolis.

We, too, want very much to  
have a chance to visit with you - and if the  
Government claims you on Tuesday we will  
simply make a new plan before Friday when  
you leave - <sup>maybe</sup> for a tea? or for lunch or dinner -  
we will let you set the alternate time if it  
becomes necessary to change -

I - we do not hear  
otherwise we shall expect you Tuesday. Since we

may not see you again lets make it  
earlier - three thirty - ?

We have fallen in love with  
Antigua, the place, the people,  
the gardens, and flowers - the weather  
and the Indian villages hereabouts.

We do look forward to seeing  
you —

Cordially

Jean Hersey

It is a pleasure to hear from you and if the  
Government is not too busy we will  
write you before I visit when  
you leave - if you have a chance  
it will let you see the alternate time of it  
- again to be necessary to change  
if we do not hear

otherwise we shall expect you Tuesday. Since we

Case weed  
Sunday

Dear Dr. Popenoe,

We were so sorry to miss you  
again. Sara wanted to Christmas shop -  
So again we were out when you came -  
Thank you for the wonderful little booklets.  
Sara was very appreciative and so were  
we -

Would you come over this  
afternoon at four for tea with Bob  
and me? If today isn't convenient could  
you come Tuesday at four? Which would  
you prefer?

We have had a fine letter from  
the weeds recently and are certainly enjoying  
their house - Cordially Jean Hersey

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DEPARTMENT OF POMOLOGY

DAVIS, CALIFORNIA 95616

AIR MAIL

September 4, 1964

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Calle de la Nobleza Nom. 2  
Antigua, GUATEMALA  
CENTRAL AMERICA

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

Knowles Ryerson has asked me to reply directly to you concerning your query about Santa Rosa plums failing when they reach 12 to 14 years old.

It is quite apparent that deciduous trees behave very differently in the high altitudes of the tropics than they do in temperate zone climates. When the trees are young and growing vigorously they respond much better under conditions of insufficient winter chilling, and the trouble you observe may simply be due to a slowing down of growth and a need for greater chilling under such conditions. Have you ever tried cutting the trees heavily to stimulate vigorous new growth?

Other factors which may be involved are discussed briefly as follows. In some areas of California it has been noted that as Santa Rosa trees go off on their own roots they may become relatively unproductive. We do not know the cause of this and no attempt has been made to investigate the situation, for most plums are grown in such a manner that they would stay on the rootstock on which they were propagated. Another factor which has become of importance in the last few years is the apparent infection in Santa Rosa and other plum varieties by a virus called rusty blotch which appears to lead to an unproductive condition, at least under some climatic conditions. We are investigating this problem, but at the present time are uncertain whether the unproductiveness and rusty blotch are highly correlated or not. Some trees show very little symptoms of rusty blotch, but still appear to be almost completely unproductive. In this latter case there is a failure of fruit bud formation so that the bloom is extremely light and scattered and this may be the main reason for lack of fruitfulness, rather than failure of set.

Another possibility might be a mineral deficiency, particularly boron deficiency. I would assume from your comments that the trees are

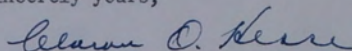


September 4, 1964

growing satisfactorily and unless they are showing some evidence of boron deficiency, I doubt that this would be a matter of importance. However, it has been shown several times that pollen produced under boron deficient conditions will not germinate as well as that where the supply is normal, and possibly under your conditions a mild boron deficiency would result in reduced viability of pollen. I would suggest that this would be the least probable cause of unfruitfulness, particularly if the trees are blooming satisfactorily. I think that boron deficiency would show itself by foliage symptoms and by reduced flower bud formation before it would have a major effect on fruit set.

I am sure that these suggestions are not too helpful, but I offer them for what you may glean from them as related to the conditions under which the trees are growing.

Sincerely yours,



Claron O. Hesse  
Pomologist

COH:sjg

cc: K. Ryerson

Antigua, Guatemala, 10 Sept 1964

Dr Claron O. Hesse,  
University of California, Davis.

Dear Dr Hesse:

Accept my cordial thanks for your very interesting letter of the 4th about our trouble with Santa Rosa plum. No, we have not tried cutting back the trees to stimulate vigorous new growth - at last I have not observed that this has been done anywhere here. As a matter of fact, it would hardly be in line with local practice, which does not include any pruning at all!

Your other suggestions are very helpful, and will give us something to think about. If I get a chance to continue our observations on this variety I may want to write you again. I shall greatly appreciate your cooperation in this and perhaps other matters. Knowles Ryerson may have told you that - like himself - I am supposed to be on the retired list but refuse to let go.

Some months ago I received an inquiry from a post-grad in your department which I have been able to answer only today. Since this man may no longer be with you at Davis, I am enclosing the letter (which I leave open in case you care to read it) and will thank you to hand it to him if still there, or forward it if you have his present address.

Cordially yours,

Wilson Popenoe

Puerto Asuncion, Mayo 3-1957

Dra.

Wilson Popenoe

Escuela Agrícola Panamericana

Tegucigalpa, Honduras

mi muy estimado insectos.

Con motivo a su jubilación de decir estas palabras de agradecimiento y gratitud a la máxima y distinguida autoridad en horticultura cuya reputación en la agricultura tropical es mundialmente conocida.

La Escuela Agrícola P. institución que fue inaugurada el 12 de octubre (veía de la noche) 1944, al servicio de la juventud latinoamericana bajo la prestigiosa dirección del Dra. Popenoe, cuya labor dedicada a un alto fin, a la enseñanza agrícola formando juventudes para la lucha material y espiritual, capaces de convertir la tierra en fuente de riqueza y bienestar para el hombre; donde viven estudiantes de diversos países unidos por un ideal de superación el amor y unido a la tierra, aplicando la técnica agrícola para elevar el nivel de vida.

Su recuerdo vivirá para siempre en el seno de la escuela y en el corazón de todos los egresados del Panamericano.

[re Gregorian mss. sent by Pop. to Smith College.]

SMITH COLLEGE  
NORTHAMPTON, MASSACHUSETTS  
DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

IX. 12. 1961

Dear Fr. Popmae:

Your magnificent Gregorian manuscripts  
are safely here with me and  
I write to say how very much they  
mean to me and to thank  
you for such a lovely gift -  
They will be properly framed  
and will be treasured as one  
of the crowning achievements  
of Western music, which  
indeed they are.

The two weeks in Bratunak were

one of the most perfect  
vacation of my life -

The people, the terrain, the  
air, the courtesy and  
friendliness of all we met  
formed an impression quite  
unique to me.

I wish you every happiness,  
the best of health, and  
don't forget me - for I'm  
coming back to see you!

Sincerely yours

Ive Dee Hitch [Ive Dee Hitch]



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March 14, 1965

Dear Dr. Popenoe,

Thank you so much for giving Aunt Betty one of your music manuscripts to send to me, - it is such a large, double-spread one! It will certainly look fine on a wall when I have a chance to get it mounted, or framed.

I thanked her by telephone and told her that these are pages of choir books. Since they couldn't afford hand-written manuscripts for each choir member, they made a large choir book to set up in front of the choir while teaching them the chants.

Sincerely yours,

Fred Eager

ARTHUR M. HILL, JR.

P. O. Box 306 - Vero Beach, Florida - 32960

Telephone: 562-2388

September 9, 1965

Dr. Wilson Popenoe,  
Antiqua, Guatamala,C.A.

Dear Sir:

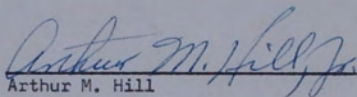
I am at some quandry. I feel that I know you tho I have ,Idon't believe, never ever met you. We have had many mutual friends . I have studied your works for the past thirty five years, and have great interest in the fine work you are presently doing. My interests are more to Tropical and Sub Tropical Fruits including Tropical Horticulture, in research and commercial applications.

My quandry is that my wife and I are planning a trip down thru Mexico to Guatamala to Puerto Barrios taking a Auto Ferry to Miami and I wish to ask you what we may stop by and visit for an hour or two about your work.

Will you please take the time and suggest a few names and addresses of interesting places to study in southern Mexico and Central America?

Last fall I had a very interesting conference with Dr. Weir at University of Minnisota Horticultural Development Station at Excelsor , Minn., concerning his Stations development of the new Red Delicious Apple.

Thank-you for your courtesy,

  
Arthur M. Hill

AMH:ma



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July 18-57

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Zamorano, Honduras

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Popenoe:

Perhaps this should be addressed to Guatemala, Spain or El Salvador. However, I thought it best to direct the letter to the Pan American School and am keeping my fingers crossed that it will eventually be delivered to you.

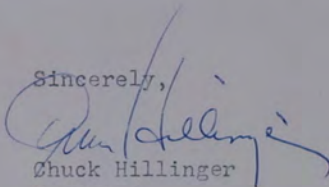
Arliene and I enjoyed our brief visit with you at Zamorano, and suppose we have the distinction of being the last Americans connected with a newspaper to interview the Popenos at the school you have made so famous.

I thought you might be interested in seeing copies of the story I did for The Times, and also the two that preceded it in the current series appearing in this paper. If I write anything else on the school, I will forward tear sheets to you. That role of pictures turned out very good, and I would very much like to spot a magazine story somewhere.

Again, thank you for your time and interest -- and that dandy dinner dished up by Mrs. Popenoe, the best, by gosh, we encountered on our month long trip through Middle America.

Best Wishes in whatever you undertake in the future. If you find time to visit Los Angeles someday, Arliene and I would be most honored if you would spend an afternoon with us at our humble beach home. She's a pretty good cook too.

Sincerely,



Chuck Hillinger

Reporter





RESTAURANTE

El PATIO

11 CALLE No. 3-49, ZONA 1  
GUATEMALA CITY, C. A.

17<sup>th</sup> of Sept 1965

Señor Sr. Papouze,

Would you be so kind please  
to give permission to my daughter  
Liliane Hirsch with leader and  
about 14 pupils from the English-  
American School to see your  
beautiful collections and your lovely  
home. I can guarantee they will  
not touch anything.

Thank you very much  
for your kindness

very respectfully  
Yours

Joseph Hirsch

Joseph Hirsch

GASTRONOMO

Tel 81901

MANAGER  
"EL PATIO"

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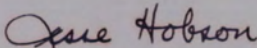
Dr. Wilson Popence  
Antigua  
GUATEMALA

My dear Doctor Popence:

For the two years and nine months that I have been affiliated with United Fruit Company I have heard your name mentioned on many occasions and mentioned most favorably and gratefully. I have long looked forward to the pleasure of meeting you personally and to learning first-hand from the "Dean of Tropical Science" so many of the important things I do not yet know and to gain from you some of the perspective which you have acquired through productive years of service to tropical agriculture. I did have the pleasure of meeting your son briefly and also of visiting your home in Antigua on one occasion -- unfortunately during your absence.

Our mutual friend, Ed Whitman, has told me about your desire to receive a copy of Dr. Simmonds' book on bananas as soon as it is published. We are expecting to receive several advanced copies just as soon as they are available from the press. It will be my pleasure to forward a copy to you at the earliest opportunity.

Sincerely yours,



Jesse E. Hobson  
Vice President and  
Director of Research



JESSE E. HOBSON  
VICE PRESIDENT  
DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH

UNITED FRUIT COMPANY  
DEPARTMENT OF RESEARCH

80 FEDERAL STREET, BOSTON 10, MASSACHUSETTS

April 26, 1960

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua  
Guatemala

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

Ed Whitman has asked me to add your name to the mailing list for our Research Newsletter and I am of course delighted to do so.

The May 1960 edition will be ready with two or three weeks, and meanwhile I am sending you a number of back copies.

Sincerely yours,

*Jesse E. Hobson*

cc: Mr. E. S. Whitman

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20550

16 July, 1965

Dear "Pop",

This special issue of PRINCIPES  
may be of interest to you.  
I appreciated your comments  
re Paul Allen in the issue  
of CEIBA, which I presume you  
had sent some time ago.

I hope this finds you in good health.  
Saludos from the Hodges —  
and say the same to María y  
hija — if still with you.

Walter Hodges [Hodges]

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Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
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Jan. 30, 1974

Dear Pop,

Only a day after my recent letter I found an extra, squeezed-in, stop in Guatemala would not work out, much as we would like to work it.

So — we must fly right by to San José. After "retirement" next November our time will be more our own and we hope we'll be able to do a little more travelling!

All the best in health for this New Year. Cordially,  
Walter Hodge



WALTER H. HODGE  
139 ELLIS HOLLOW CREEK RD.  
ITHACA, NEW YORK 14850

February 25, 1974

Dear Pop:

We arrived back from Latin America to find your letter of January 29th. I guess we had forgotten how slow airmail is these days to places south of the border. In any case, it was nice to hear from you and to learn that plant explorers still manage to get together in Guatemala. It would have been fun to join with you and the Ryersons in driving the Guatemalan countryside.

Our trip took us to Costa Rica (San Vito de Java), Panama and Margarita Island in Venezuela. We enjoyed the warmth of the tropics at this season and the chance to see some green plants. We'll keep your notes on file for perhaps a future trip to Antigua.

Our very best to you and yours.

Sincerely,

Walter ( & Bonnie )

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua, Guatemala

Antigua, Guatemala 15 October 1971

Mr Willard Hodgson  
Primera Avenida 12-41 Zona 10  
Guatemala.

Dear Willard:

I have been wanting to talk with you about the aguacate project of the Fundacion del Centavo but have not had an opportunity. Before you take any definite steps I believe the matter should be discussed fully, but lacking this, I think I had better set forth my reaction in brief.

Not much money will be made out of a large planting unless and until we find a better outlet for our production than we have at present. There has been much talk of processed fruit for export. This possibility has been the subject of much investigation in the United States, Mexico and elsewhere <sup>without</sup> promising results up to the present time. We know that we have a limited but good market for exporting fresh aguacates to other Central American countries and possible Colombia and Venezuela. There is talk of exporting to Europe and even Japan. I do not consider it safe, as yet, to make extensive plantings on the basis of exporting to such distant markets and we know that the United States market is closed to us. I don't know about Canada but I would think it likely that California and Florida would beat us to that market.

If you should decide to plant 1000 or more trees you should give serious consideration to the following problems:

Suitable land in a suitable climate. There are a lot of factors to be taken into account. I understand Jorge Benitez has been over the land you have in mind at Chiquimullilla. If Jorge has approved the

planting varieties which are not good producers, or produce fruit which is not of good commercial (export) quality, or are not suited to the climate of the particular region. These three points are of vital importance and you need the best possible advice in facing them.

Management of the orchard. It is one thing to have an avocado tree in the backyard and another to manage a large commercial orchard. You will probably not find a man who is qualified, who will live on the property and run it well at a salary you would want to pay. Your only answer would be to hire someone like Jorge Benitez to visit the property one day each week and supervise the cultural operations. There will be need for a good fertilizer program and most probably, a spray program to control insects and fungous diseases. Maybe not during the first few years, but eventually.

Marketing. We have no experience here in the preparation of aguacates for export marketing, or even local markets if we are going to put high class aguacates on the local market attractively packaged to bring a better price than local seedling fruit. Mexico has been very successful in doing this.

Since I understand your purpose is to make money for use of the Foundation, I would personally recommend leaving aguacate production for consideration five years from now, and at the moment I would go in for growing corn. By choosing good land - and there is lots of it in the country - and by using good seed and plenty of fertilizer, you could get 2 to 3 times the yield per manzana which the small farmers are getting today, and I believe you could make real money, and you begin to make money in less than a year instead of waiting 5 or 6 years for doubtful profits as will be the case with aguacates. You know that I believe in the aguacate - I have worked with this fruit 50 years - but I think in your case you had best start with a crop with which we have

R. A. HOLCOMBE

October 21, 1957

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

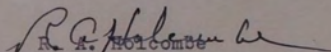
How nice it was to receive your note of congratulations. I really appreciate it. The decoration was very nice and certainly something of a commendation for the Chiriqui Land Company.

Although I have been unable to follow the careers of all the Panamanians who graduated from Zamorano, I do know about the activities of quite a number of them and they have contributed a great deal to their country and through them and the hundreds of graduates you turned out at Zamorano, your name and fine work will live on for many, many generations to come.

Should you ever find yourself passing through Panama, I hope you will be able to drop by and pay us a visit. We really do have some fine bananas and hope to ship around 7,500,000 this year.

Thanks again for your letter and I wish to extend all good wishes to you.

Sincerely,

  
R. A. Holcombe

Dr. Wilson F. Popenoe  
Antigua  
Guatemala

# New England Life

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November 23, 1970

Mr. Wilson Popence  
Call De  
La Nobleza 2  
Antigua, Guatemala  
Central Americal

Dear Mr. Popence:

Policy: 858645

We have your letter with regard to this policy and it has been referred to:

M. Greely Summers, CLU  
Suite 2121, 225 Franklin Street  
Boston, Mass. 02110

You can be sure that you will hear from us soon.

Sincerely,

*Philip L. Holden*

April 22, 1966

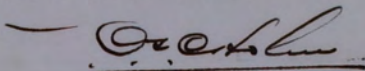
Dear Dr. Popenoe:

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Frank Rodriguez, a quiet and enthusiastic young American, arrived here from the U.S.A., via Mexico, and in his way to Guatemala City; he wanted to see you but he was somewhat in a hurry and I could not accompany him to show him your house, and left the enclosed note for me to deliver it to you.

Mr. Rodriguez has been in Guatemala a couple of times before, and this time he comes decidedly to establish in the country with the purpose of opening a new industry - seeds for export, and wishes to have your valuable opinion on the subject.

If you can conveniently receive him, will you please let me know so that I may contact him and advise him accordingly, the day and hour most convenient.

With kindest regards and best wishes,

  
Oscar A. C. Holm

*Sure!*

P.S. Frank Rodriguez is a friend of ours; he is a decent chap, and his family in the USA is well off.

H A H

650 W. Hayes on Ave  
Claremont, Calif., July 12  
[1963]

Mrs. Wilson Popenoe

Antigua  
Guatemala City  
Guatemala

Dear Mrs. Popenoe: "The bad penny turns up"  
I am living here at Claremont Manor a  
Retirement Home. We came here in April, 1962,  
from New York City. Mrs. Holmes died  
here last August.

Mrs. and Miss. Claude Kellogg, whom  
we knew in Mexico City came a few  
months after we did. We soon learned  
we had friends in common, you and  
your good wife. They tell me about  
you and their visits on the ship, and  
we talk them of our visits at the  
school.

I am supposing you are living

in the House of Antigua.

My group of essays on people who  
have made a valuable contribution  
to an educational and social betterment  
to South America, I had to lay aside.

I am revising it as I have an offer  
from publishing it with the new title,  
"The Precursors of the Peace Corps in  
South America".

At the moment, it means a subsidy. There  
is the rub.

I need information about your  
activities since your retirement. I  
have a news clipping of your European  
trip. I remember how loath you are to  
talk about yourself, but please lay aside  
your modesty and give me some salient  
facts of these later years.

You are Mrs. Popence none more than  
kind. The memory of that visit is precious.

Sincerely,  
Lester Thomas Holmes





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April 18, 1972  
OOCH/00407

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Escuela Agricola Panamericana  
Antigua, Guatemala

Dear Dr. Popenoe,

I am a Fruit Extension Specialist, Ministry of Agriculture, Israel, you probably remember my father, Zvi Homsy, an owner of a subtropical fruit tree nursery (you have also mentioned him in one of your articles).

I am staying for several weeks in Nicaragua as a consultant to TAHAL. I hope I am not imposing too much upon you by asking your advice on the following: I have intended to visit your school for one or two days at the end of May. I have also intended to visit the institution in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, between the 18-20th. of May. Unfortunately, I have no contacts there and I have no idea to whom to write there.

My main interest is avocado, mango and citrus and also other tropical fruit crops. Of course, my intended meetings (or visits to experimental plots, etc.) will have to be brief, because of the intended short visit.

I shall greatly appreciate your helping me with advice and contacts concerning the above.

Thanking you in advance for the trouble you have to take, I am,

Yours, sincerely,

*S. Homsy*

Shaul Homsy  
Fruit Culture Consultant

cc.: Mr. Robert Armo - Head of Escuela Agricola Panamericana  
Mr. David Shoham - TAHAL Team Leader

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Antigua, Guatemala 1 May 1972

Mr Shaul Homsky  
Apartado 2312 Managua, Nicaragua.

Dear Shaul:

I returned home from Honduras a few days ago and found your letter of 18 April, also the one to Robert Armour which I have forwarded to him. Bob is the present Director of Escuela Agrícola Panamericana of which I am Director Emeritus.

I know you will want to visit the school as we have a good collection of mangos there, also quite a lot of citrus; we are weak on avocados due to the ravages of Phytophthora. I think Bob will write you, urging that you visit the school (which is locally referred to as El Zamorano; you have probably met some of our graduates in Nicaragua) but even if you don't hear from him you should go to Tegucigalpa from Nicaragua and spend a day or so at the school. Then I suggest you come on over to Guatemala. I can show you some interesting avocados in the vicinity of Antigua, also some citrus and if you are interested some varieties of apples (including Anna from Israel) and peaches and pears.

I sure remember your father's nursery, just about the nicest job I have ever seen anywhere.

Cordially yours,

Wilson Popenoe



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6 of May, 1972  
OPSH/00433

Prof. Wilson Popence  
Antigua, Guatemala  
C.A.

Dear Dr. Popence,

I was very glad to have your answer of May 1st. regarding my suggested plan for visits.

I am still expecting the reply from Mr. Armour. My trip to El Zamoraro could be made by a car from here, or by air, at the end of my stay in Nicaragua (at the last week of May). In any case, I shall phone you (or send a cable) the moment my exact schedule will be finalized.

Many thanks for your kind attention and help. Looking forward to meet with you, I am,

yours truly,

*S. Homsky*

Shaul Homsky  
Fruit Cultivation Specialist

cc.: David Shoham - TAHAL Team Leader

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Antigua, Guatemala, May 10 1972

Mr Shafl Honsky  
Apartado 613  
Managua, Nicaragua

Dear Mr Honsky:

Your note of the 6th has just come. We are looking forward to your visit here.

I assume it is possible you might come by car from Honduras. In that case you will have no difficulty in finding our house in Antigua. It is close to San Francisco church, diagonally across the street from the Club Antigüense. If you come by air, there are plenty of taxis waiting at the airport; they ask \$12 to bring one to Antigua but if you tell them you are coming to the Popenoe house and that I have told you they always bring me for \$10, it will probably work.

You cannot easily reach me by phone; we have none in the house but there is one in the Club Antigüense and if you call there during work hours they will usually come over and get me if I am at home. Best thing is to send a radiogram - I don't think they are using the telegraph any more.

Come direct to our house; if we do not have house guests we will put you up; if we do have guests I would suggest the Hotel Aurora which is two blocks from us and is half the price of the Hotel Antigua and plenty good enough for us horticulturists. Seven or eight dollars a day against sixteen at the Antigua.

Sincerely yours,

## CUERPO DE PAZ

a/c Embajada de los EE. UU.  
Ciudad Guatemala,  
Guatemala, C. A.

October 19, 1965.

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
1. Av. Sur No 2.  
Antigua Guatemala.

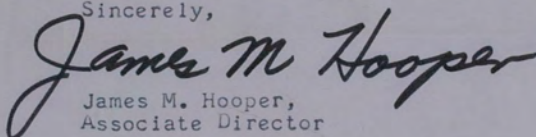
Dear Dr. Popenoe:

A group of thirty-eight new Peace Corps Volunteers will arrive in Guatemala October 20, 1965.

Sunday, October 24, we are planning to take all of the new Volunteers on a field trip to Antigua and would like for them to meet you and to see your house, if possible. We shall leave Guatemala at 1:30 P.M. and should arrive in Antigua at approximately 2:30 P.M. If it would be possible for them to meet you anytime after 3:00 P.M., I would appreciate a letter from you confirming the time most convenient for you.

Thanking you in advance I am,

Sincerely,



James M. Hooper,  
Associate Director

JMH:ydr

TELEGRAMA

Antigua, 21 Octubre de 1965

JAMES M. HOOPER

CUERPO DE PAZ, EMBAJADA DE LOS EE.UU.,  
GUATEMALA

GUSTOSAMENTE RECIBIRÉ SU GRUPO DOMINGO CUALQUIER HORA DE  
LA TARDE

WILSON POPENOE

Antigua, Guatemala 25 October 1970

Lucille Hepkins, Tax Collector  
Pasadena Independent School District  
Box 1318, Pasadena Texas 77501

Dear Madam:

Attention Mr Kent Risinger, Deputy

I have just received your Delinquent Tax Statement and am enclosing my check in the amount of 17.62 dollars U.S. by which I really ought not do without having you explain why this is a delinquent tax which it is the first statement I have ever received from you regarding school tax on Abstract or Lot. No. 7, Block 14 on which I have been paying regularly tax bills received from another source, I believe it was County, ever since this property was transferred to me under the will of Maude Barsaleux, my mother-in-law, who died some years ago in Pasadena, California.

It is, I believe, your fault that I am required to pay a penalty and interest on this tax, for 1967, 1968 and 1969. Please explain this before you send me any more statements in this connection.

Sincerely,

Wilson Pepenee

Please note that my address is Antigua, Guatemala, not Antigue. If previous statements have been sent to the latter address they might not have reached me. Please check.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA  
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

CITRUS EXPERIMENT STATION  
DIVISION OF PLANT PATHOLOGY  
RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA

Dec. 4, 1941

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua, Guatemala

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I am very sorry that my work has taken a turn which makes it seem inadvisable for me to go to Costa Rica as planned in February.

I had been working along with a number of our people on the decline disease which kills our avocado trees in the heavy lands where they get too much water and it appears that we are on the point of making some very useful progress in our understanding of it. I had thought I could close this out quite soon but it seems now that I can not possibly get away before May and perhaps not then.

In addition, I have been expecting to close up some work on the diseases of the guava which I am doing to accompany Dr. Webber's material on varieties which he has here at the Station.

Also, during the last few days a disease of olives has come up which must surely have some attention. The old leaf spot or Peacock Spot of olives which appeared only to be a scientific curiosity has attacked the fruits in the Fallbrook area and the affected fruits are rejected as ripe pickles.

I am not sure that you have heard of the olive situation in San Diego County but the orchards planted some 50 or more years ago and completely neglected are being reclaimed with great profit under present price conditions. It seems probable that we can control this leaf spot on the fruit quite easily but it means that we shall have to give it some rather close attention and I feel that I must stand-by with this study so it is with very much regret that I have written to Mr. Pattee and to the State Department, who now have the matter in hand to tell them that I do not see how I can go to Costa Rica before May. If they should still want me at that time perhaps I can manage to get away. I am sorry to have to do this but it seems to be necessary from the standpoint of work.

With very kind regards,

Very truly yours,

*Wm. T. Horne*

Wm. T. Horne  
Professor of Plant Pathology



Dear Mr. & Mrs. Peepence,  
I am very glad to hear  
of the success of your  
visit to the botanical  
garden.

Casa de Las Mil Flores  
3a Calle Oriente No. 13  
Antigua  
Guatemala, C. A.

May 24  
[72]

My dear Dr. and Mrs. Peepence,  
It was such a pleasure  
to meet you, while we were  
visiting in Antigua. Thank  
you for your gracious  
hospitality in your

Dear Mr. [unclear]  
I was glad to hear from you  
and to hear that you were  
well. I hope you are  
enjoying your trip to  
the [unclear] and that you  
are having a good time.

Very truly,  
yours,  
Miss [unclear]

Ms. A. 9. 2. 10

interesting home. I shall  
never forget the beauty  
of the gardens — nor  
that delicious cake and  
pie!

Cardially,  
Violet Lowell

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Pezance,  
I am very pleased to hear  
from you and hope you are  
all well. I am well and  
hope to see you soon.

Casa de Las Mil Flores  
3a Calle Oriente No. 13  
Antigua  
Guatemala, C. A.

[11- V/72]

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Pezance,  
My friends and I  
would prefer to visit with  
you at 3 P.M. Tuesday  
instead of 9 A.M. as we  
decided. If this is

Dear Mr. ...  
I have the pleasure to ...  
and to ...  
I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
Your obedient servant,  
J. C. ...

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J. C. ...

agreeable with you,  
kindly advise please,  
Recd. Sincerely,  
O. J. Gray

Dear Grand Mrs. Papanae:  
I would like to have  
cocktails with me Monday, after  
5 pm. ~~Mr.~~ Mrs. Portney can  
leave the office, as you

Casa de Las Mil Flores  
3a Calle Oriente No. 13  
Antigua  
Guatemala, C. A.

[1972]

Dear Grand Mrs. Papanae:

Can you have cock-  
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might wish to come  
with them. I kindly  
answer by letter.  
Hal Gray

November 6, 1963

Mrs. Ma. W. Howells, Chairman  
Medal Awards Committee  
Garden Club of America  
598 Madison Avenue  
New York 22, N.Y.

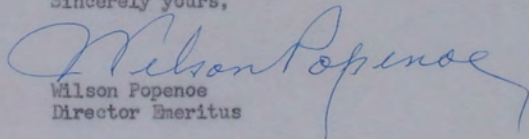
Dear Mrs. Howells:

Our mutual friend Elizabeth Kay writes me that Nell Jennings will be proposed as this year's recipient of the Medal of Honor. How well she deserves this recognition!

I write with feeling, for I have known Mrs. Jennings for many years, and can not adequately express my appreciation of all that she has done for tropical horticulture through her continued interest in, and support of, the Fairchild Tropical Garden; and now through the establishment of the Robert Montgomery Foundation.

How I wish David Fairchild were still with us, to join in recommending this award! It would have given him tremendous satisfaction.

Sincerely yours,

  
Wilson Popenoe  
Director Emeritus

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Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
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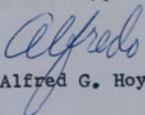
Dear Wilson:

We have learned through Miss Jess McPhail that Mrs. Popenoe recently passed away. We are very sorry to hear this and offer our warmest sympathy.

We are working on a program of lightweight aggregate plants for Latin American countries and hope to be working in Central America and South America again before too long. If such is the case, we may be dropping by to say hello.

Very best wishes from the Hoyls.

Sincerely,



Alfred G. Hoyl



*W. C. Hudlow, Jr. & Associates*

1300 Block, Market Street  
P.O. Box 11208, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37401 U.S.A.

February 25, 1974

Dr. Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua, Guatemala  
Central America

Dear Dr. Popenoe:

I cannot tell you what a great pleasure it was for me to have an opportunity to visit with you and your very charming wife while in Antigua last week. I was particularly appreciative of the time spent in our discussion regarding the new soybean varieties and I enjoyed so much the visit through your home which I must say is the most unusual experience I have had while visiting in Central America.

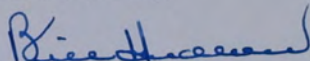
Upon my return I was delighted to receive your letter in which you enclosed the brochure on the new soybean varieties for the tropical latitudes.

It was most interesting and I would look forward to having an opportunity to visit with your son, Hugh, either by phone or by correspondence as I feel that the land Norma has available for row cropping is as suitable as any I have seen if her moisture conditions improve and do not extend in the dry cycle which she has had for the last three years.

As soon as I have an opportunity I am going to call Hugh and discuss my thoughts with him and see if he can be of any further help.

Again let me thank you for being so nice to us and taking us into your home even though it was not officially open. If I can be of any service to you at any time here in the States please call upon me.

Yours sincerely,



W. C. Hudlow, Jr.

WCH, Jr.:ke

The Spinney  
Little Gaddesden  
Herts.

My dear Wilson. 6.1.38.

How awfully good of  
you to send me this  
really lovely book. I do  
appreciate it very much  
indeed. & it is so good of you  
to send us one each - I  
have not read it all yet  
& am waiting till we  
get home. It is rather  
difficult to read much  
here. So much is going on  
all the time & Lorna,  
Selby's adopted baby, used  
now 18 months takes up  
every one's time & attention.

Cheltenham or Malvern  
& several others see <sup>mentioned</sup>  
more moderate in  
charges, would make  
Nancy into a girl of the  
sort. You would like  
much better. So I think  
it well to write & tell  
you what she says about  
it - She says Bedgely  
where she was taught  
& has since given lectures  
is not the school it was  
It has also become a  
school for our very  
wealthy children they  
get such Irish & Gall.  
Kathleen & I are thinking

of moving from Cornell  
It is a long way from  
all our relations & we  
have been thinking of  
moving for some time  
but we waited till  
this Christmas to talk it  
over with Selby as the  
house we are in belongs  
to him & we must have  
his permission to sell it.  
The next thing is to find  
a purchaser who will  
give us enough to buy  
another house as we  
have nothing to buy  
it with till we do.  
We are not in a great  
hurry to move as we

love it - when they were  
old enough. I am very  
pleased to have it: & I  
do thank you most  
heartily for it. The others  
have all been for a week  
& I wanted to write  
this so stayed in I  
was then coming in  
dop & all so will not  
write more. I hope  
you have had a happy  
Christmas, all of you &  
send love & best wishes  
for 1938

Your affec. aunt  
Bessie Hughes,

Washington Academy of Sciences

1530 P STREET, N. W.  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20005

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November 1, 1965

Dr. Wilson Popence  
Antigua, Guatemala  
Central America

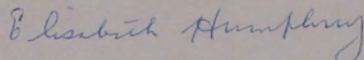
Dear Dr. Popence:

Your letter of August 17 to Dr. Farrow was appreciated and has been referred to me for clarification of your status in the Academy.

According to our records you last paid dues in 1959 and Emeritus status was given to you in 1960. You will note in the inclosed copy of the pertinent By-Law that as an Emeritus member you may subscribe to the Journal at cost price, \$3.75.

We look forward to hearing further from you.

Sincerely yours,



Elisabeth Humphrey  
Assistant Treasurer

Enclosure

By-laws Relative to EMERITUS Requirements

from the  
By-laws of the Washington Academy of Sciences  
(last revised in September 1963)

Article II--Membership, Section 8.

Members or fellows in good standing who have attained the age of 65 and are retired, or are retired before the age of 65 because of disability, may become emeritus. Upon request to the treasurer for transfer to this status, they shall be relieved of the further payment of dues, beginning with the following January first; shall receive notices of meetings without charge; and, at their request, shall be entitled to receive the Academy periodical at cost, <sup>13.75</sup>

TELEGRAMA

TELECOMUNICACIONES NACIONALES  
GUATEMALA, CENTRO AMERICA

Dr Wilson Popenoe

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Quezaltenango 15 jul/67.

Doctor suplicole conseguirle la beca a Oscar está muy interesado. Saludele.

Elizabeth de Hun.



TELEGRAMA

Antigua G, 8 de julio de 1967

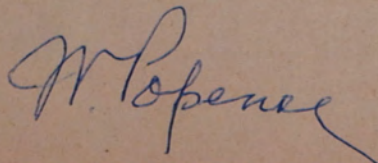
OSCAR REVE HUN

21 avenida 7-92 Zona 3

QUEZALTENANGO

Ojalá podrá visitarme Hotel Model lunes tarde

WILSON POPENOE

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'W. Popenoe', written in dark ink on the aged paper.

Quezaltenango, 10 de Agosto de 1967

Doctor  
Wilson Popenoe  
Antigua Guatemala.

Muy estimado Doctor:

Aprecio demasiado, su interés en ayudarme para seguir mis estudios en Florida y agradezco muchísimo la última información referente a sus gestiones.

Me sorprendió enterarme que Elizabeth le envió un telegrama sobre nuestro interés en la beca, ella y las hijas, están recibiendo inglés desde hace unos veinte días.

Con relación al idioma inglés, reconozco que para no fracasar, hay que llegar allá, dominándolo. Bajo ése concepto, me he interesado y todas las tardes recibo una clase, ya sea que el viaje se haga realidad o nó, siempre vale la pena aprenderlo más.

Hace varios años y no se porqué motivo, solicité a la Escuela un detalle de mis notas, de las cuáles, estoy seguro jamás se han enviado a Gainesville.

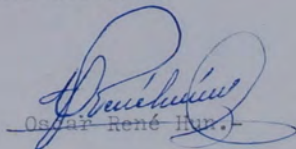
Como podrá observar, conforme fueron pasando los años, mis notas fueron superandose. Lástima que por mi edad en aquél entonces no me preocupé lo suficiente como para haber hecho los méritos necesarios requeridos por la Universidad de Florida.

Dudo que Pelén haya enviado alguna vez mis notas a Gainesville, si esto se hizo alguna vez, no se hasta donde resulte posible hacer los arreglos favorables. Como Usted lo indica en su carta, lo dejo en sus manos, sin que esto resulte en grandes molestias para usted, pues bastante ha demostrado con la voluntad de ayudarme; actitud que de nuevo agradezco sinceramente.

Le envío el resumen de mis notas si esto puede adelantar algo el estado de las cosas y vea donde se pueden hacer algunos ajustes para calificar a los requerimientos de la Universidad.

Tan pronto tenga noticias sobre el resultado de las gestiones, le ruego comunicármelo. De salir la beca, tendré suficiente tiempo para arreglar con anticipación todas mis cosas y en caso contrario, fijarme otras metas, ya que por el momento estoy en un impase, pues mi única meta es en la que Usted está interniviendo.

Gracias de nuevo y mientras recibo sus siempre gratas noticias, me suscribo, su muy atento servidor.

  
Oscar René Hur.

Antigua, Guatemala, 15 August 1967

Dr High Popéncé  
University of Florida  
Gainesville.

Dear Hugo:

Referring to my previous letter regarding the desire of my former student Oscar René Hun of Cobán, to attend the University of Florida with the ultimate objective of a B.S.A. degree.

I now find that Hun did not send his transcript to Gainesville; when I wrote you previously I was mistaken about this. It now seems to me that this is what happened: Hun talked with a member of the staff of EAP about getting one of the Rockefeller becas, and based on his transcript he was told that he did not qualify. There is no argument, because his notes for the first two years were not up to the standard we require for a beca.

But from the transcript, included with this letter, you will see that his notes in the third year were quite satisfactory. Hun has explained this to me. He was quite young when he entered Zamorano. He had not yet begun to take things seriously; It was not until the third year that he woke up, and began to do what he should have done from the start.

Now, here is the situation: Can Hun be admitted (after having learned sufficient English to pass the necessary test) on the usual basis, no beca, unless he might get free tuition, and even that is not essential. He has earned enough money since leaving Zamorano to finance himself and family at Gainesville for two years, which I am sure is all he will need to earn a degree. I want to assure you that I have every confidence in his ability to make good in classroom work; if I did not think so, I would not be backing him.

If the requirements at Gainesville are now so strict that you feel he simply cannot be received, do you think he would stand a better chance at the University of Arizona or elsewhere in the South or Southwest.

After you have given this matter serious consideration, and if necessary, you have discussed it with the proper authorities, will you please write Oscar René Hun, 21 Avenida 7-92, Zona 3, Quezaltenango, Guatemala? I ask you to write him direct as I may be over in Honduras.

Since leaving Zamorano, Hun has shown that he is capable of doing very useful work in Central America. I am strongly in favor of giving him a chance to get further training because I know he will use it for the benefit of Central America as well as himself.

Ever yours,

BY AIR MAIL

AIR MAIL

LETTER CARD

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Dr. Wilson Popenoe

Antigua

Guatemala

Central America.

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H.R. Hurov

Central Agricultural Station

Tuaran (via Jesselton)

British North Borneo

Sender's Name and Address:—



November 8, 1957

Dear Sir,

I would appreciate if you could tell me where I could purchase your book on tropical fruits and also other books on tropical fruits.

I would also appreciate if you could tell me what environmental factors influence the flowering and fruiting of tropical fruits? Do specific tropical fruits (e.g. mango) flower at different times in the northern hemisphere, and in the southern hemisphere?

I am a Canadian from Calgary Alberta and I am extremely interested in the commercial possibilities of tropical fruit. What undeveloped tropical fruits, do you think, have the best commercial possibilities in America, and are thus worth specializing in?

Your attention would be greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

*H. R. Hurov*

H.R. Hurov

Antigua, Guatemala, 13 January 1958

Mr H R Hurov  
Central Agricultural Station  
Tuaran (via Jesselton) British North Borneo.

Dear Mr Hurov:

Replying to your letter of 8 November last, I am sorry to say it is now extremely difficult to obtain a copy of my "Manual of Tropical and Subtropical Fruits" which is perhaps just as well, as the book was first published in 1920 and much of the information it contains is out of date. The best recent work is "Evergreen Orchards" by W.H.Chandler, published by Lea and Febiger at Philadelphia in 1950. I believe the price is \$6.50.

I am sending you under separate cover a copy of my recent publication "Fruticultura Centroamericana" which I hope you may find useful even though it is in Spanish. You should be able to get some good bulletins - if you have not already done so - from the Hawaii Agr'l Experiment Station, the Florida State Agr'l Experiment Station and Gainesville and the California Agricultural Experiment Station at Berkeley, though these two latter deal mainly with subtropicals. The Florida station however has recently issued a fine bulletin on mangos.

Sincerely,

Wilson Popenoe  
Director Emeritus