

[Written on Air Mail letter]

[Handwritten letter]

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Jagdeeshpur India

My dear Bill:

Sorry to report that I have been confined to bed here for the last six days with a severe attack of malaria, chills, & feel as though I have been pulled through a kind of hole. However I feel that I'll be in shape to travel [sic] on Friday [sic] to Delhi [Supposed word] to make the plane for Damascus where I'll join Paul again. It's a wonder that people live here at all. The missionaries are doctoring for one disease [sic] or another all the time. I have been very fortunate up to last week, because I have escaped sickness & disease [sic] of all kinds & began to feel that I was immune. I will be happy to be home again! I'll always be more appreciative of the heroic and self-sacrificing service of the missionaries after this. I maybe home a little earlier than Jan 10. Everything depends upon the situation in Palestine. If we should have free access to places there, then we'll stay a week at least. Our visits to Rome, Athens, Paris, Madrid, London however will be very brief. Bill, I wonder if you could secure from some picture depot [Supposed word] a few feet of film (in color of course) of tropical birds and animals? Birds like the Touchan [sic] & animals such as the tiger elephant etc. I think the movie man whom you brought to my office before I left has some along this line. Maybe you know others. A few shots of these will give color to the jungles of Borneo, India, and Malay when shown. Make some inquiry about this. Mr. Mouw tells me that castles [Supposed word] have a short film of a lion & tiger fight in the jungles. A lion escaped from the private zoo of a Rajah & [illegible] in with a tiger in the jungle. He (Mouw), says this gives spice & added interest. See about this too. I will have money over from by Traveller [sic] checks to care for this. I think the animal fight is in black & white but that won't matter. I trust the radio is picking up at this time. Am anxious to hear about this in letters that I'm sure are awaiting me in Damascus. I am endeavoring to make Rome by Dec 30, because of the special Roman Catholic services connected with the passing of half a ~~century~~ century. The Pope will, in all probability, announce the discovery of the finding of Peter's bones, & we must not pass

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up getting the pictures of the ceremony. Then I must go to Naples [sic] to see Miss Fairchild. Want to get some good pictures for the C.O.D. She is on their list. Trust you have kept after Timothy Pietsche, ~~Mr~~ & Mrs Narkado (?), Mr & Mrs Rolland Rice, Dr Welles & the others about their pictures they are to send us. Do not try to assemble the pictures for which I'm [sic] do not have the script. We'll do that when I return. Can't write script about India, Palestine, Spain now—anything critical & [illegible] will cause confiscation! We'll be seeing you real soon now. Just a few more weeks. Gee! But my seat is sore. Have had hypo-needles there twice a day. Bill a round-the-world trip has a lot of glamour on paper, but the airlines & the travel agents do not tell the other side of the story. The filth, the disease [sic], the consumption [Supposed word], the insects, & a million other things to jeopardize your 'health' & [illegible]. Best of everything,

Louie

*[Two Indian postage stamps on front of air mail letter]*

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