

- 1) 24 Feb 1927 - (L.L.H.'s letter in own handwriting addressed to Prof.R.) (Report on Institutions) "I cannot speak too highly about L.(S.R.)'s work in Corona Mundi. In every way he has worked for its upliftment. He has taught me a great deal - I watch him constantly so as to absorb as much as possible. In hanging of pictures, in improving my aesthetic taste, I am deeply indebted to him."
- 2) Dec.12, 1930. (L.L.H.'s Report #2) "Mr.S.Roerich is cooperating in every way, in the ~~fix~~ friendliest way, bringing new tenants to the building and making many new friends for our institution. "
- 3) June 8, 1931 (L.L.H.'s letter in own handwriting). "There has come a complete break in the friendship of Svetik and Mrs Rambova. A certain amount of unpleasantness accompanied this break in their relationship, which showed Miss Rambova and T.M. in a very bad light. Svetig suggested that it would be best to release Miss Rambova from her lease which still has three and three quarter months to run. Up to Oct.1st, 1931. Svetig gives us art objects to cover this loss to the R.M.Appartments, as he personally wishes to assume the responsibility. To have her out of the building is surely for the best. "
- 4) Aug.19, 1931 (L.L.H.'s Report #11). "It gives us great joy to include an article which appeared in the N-Y-American Aug.15, 1931 and written by Mr.W.B.McCormick about the portrait Mr.S.Roerich completed before he sailed, of Mr.Horch".
- 5) June 6, 1931 (L.L.H.'s Diary letters) "Svetig's friendship with with Natasha R.came to an unpleasant ending. TM played the ~~part~~ perfect part of a betrayer. Svetig told TM what a fine person and good friend Katherine was. TM advised Svetig not to tell this to Natasha, however TM went and told this to Natasha. This started the break. "
- 6) July 18, 1931 (L.L.H.'s Diary letters) "Svetig is busily preparing for his journey - I shall miss him greatly."
- 7) July 1, 1931 (L.L.H.'s diary letter) "My brother Svetig has passed through difficult moments. I feel a great love and inner tie with Svetig. And I am happy that we spent much time in each other's company. Miss R., we understand, sails this Saturday. TM and NR have shown themselves in their full glory. We should all rejoice that they are not living in this building any more. In every way our Svetig acted like a Gentleman and showed the nobility of his spirit and in every possible way. TM and NR have tried to harm, demean and belittle him. Our Svetig treated them with the utmost courtesy and friendliness; and they in turn showed the smallness of their spirit. Svetig's friendship with N.R. really amounted to little, yet in every way they attempted to capitalize it. Svetig is the Victor in every way...I will help Svetig any time, any place in the world."

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Excerpt, showing how Mr.L.L.Horch used to signed certificates regarding paintings, for example to Belgrad:

I herewith certify that the paintings are original paintings by Professor Nicholas Roerich. I herewith also certify that I am authorized agent for Professor Roerich.

(signed)

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Louis L.Horch, President .

EXCERPT

(From copy of letter from E.J.L. to LLH, dated Naggar, Oct. 31st 1930, and initialed in E.J.L.'s own handwriting).

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I am very happy that a French physician is coming out here for the same of Mme Roerich, as the condition of her health has alarmed me greatly, Mme Roerich suffers at present from the vomiting spells, which she also had at Keyland, but which have great increased, since we are back at Naggar. A few days ago Mme Roerich vomitted with blood and this worries me very much. The strain of the vomiting spells has caused her a sharp neuralgic pain in the back and in the appendix thus disabling Mme Roerich to move.  
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Excerpt  
(original on hand).

Sunday, Naggar, Nov. 16, 1930

Dear and beloved Prof. Roerich and George,

From my telegram I have sent you today you know of the terrific fright we lived through this night. The worries on account of the detention of news about your arrival at Pondicherry and the constant expectation of news from you about your coming home have so reacted on Madame Roerich's heart that yesterday after a vomiting spell she had a swoon with the heart almost completely stopping. It happened after 11 o'clock at night. All people and servants returned and were asleep. We had to awake them all to warm water and to prepare some very strong coffee. We applied hot applications at hands and feet to help the circulation of blood, gave strong stimulants and treatment and brought the heart to function. I cannot describe to you the agony we were in until Mme Roerich recovered, not only we were in agony but all our servants were standing shivering and some of the most faithful ones were crying, fearing for Mme Roerich's life. The girls and I were up the whole night watching Mme Roerich closely. Towards the morning she had a little sleep but feels very weak and exhausted, endures pains in the heart and her pulse is weak and very irregular.

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My heart aches, dear Prof. Roerich and George, for Mme Roerich and you both. Rest assured that we shall stop before no means, we Americans, to vindicate your great and revered by all of us name.

In devotion and best love

your faithful Esther .

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INDIAN POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS DEPARTMENT

PONDICHERRY. 12 Nov. 1930  
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Handed in at Naggar, Date 12 Nov, 10/45. 37 words. Rcd here 11.35

ROERICH care Governor Pondicherry.

Great anxiety detention news your arrival caused severe attack Madame  
Roerich spreading kidneys endures terrible pains wire date doctors  
arrival Pathankot Did you receive our mail No letters from you  
Loving thoughts

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INDIAN POSTS AND TELEGRAPHS DEPARTMENT

PONDICHERRY. 16 Nov. 1930

Handed in at Naggar, Date 16 Nov. 15/25 70 words Rcd here 17.45

ROERICH Care Governor Pondicherry

Hasten by all means your coming. Greatly alarmed last night's  
new attack great strain incessant expectation of wire announcing  
your coming has aggravated Madame Roerich's condition causing swoon  
with stoppage of heart action. Used strong stimulants treatment re-  
stored heart action Stop Today exceedingly weak urge by all means  
your coming. Only this can remedy Stop Official forwarded my request  
for help to Delhi - Esther .

E X C E R P T S

28) From Mr.L.L.H's letter, February 14,1930. "My Own Dearest Beloved Mother, It is the greatest happiness for me that P.(Nettie) is now with you.....

Dearest Mother, how I bless you for writing these divine letters to us. ...To you, Dear Mother, we owe everything. You and Prof.Roerich have opened the Gates to us - you have shown us the higher path and have brought us to the Great Teacher. To thank you in mere words is impossible. Be assured, Dear Mother, that I will do my utmost to carry out Your Commands. Everyone of your advices and Suggestions came true. I will do everything in my power to bring greater unity into the circle.-Please point out to P.(Nettie) how you would like me to develop.- Professor Roerich has worked terribly hard and has accomplished wonders. I so wish he should not tire himself. Dear George has become an idol - he has appointments from morning until night. Dear Svetig is doing interesting research work and working hard on the coming auction. Oh how much I miss Dear O.(Esther).

Dearest Mother, P.(Nettie) will tell you all details - again my deepest thanks for all that you are constantly doing for us. Your beloved son - L.(Louis).

We all pray that your health will show improvement. "

- 1) President's Report No.17, May 28, 1931. item "House next door".  
 "As we cabled to you we purchased the house 321 West 103rd Street subject to the following conditions; The price paid for the house is 27,000, subject to a first mortgage of 13,400, held by the Guardian Life Insurance Co. We agreed to pay 4500 cash, of which 1500 is to be paid upon the signing of the contract and the balance of 3000 is to be paid within 30 days after signing of the contract and upon our taking title to the building. It is understood that the owner will give us a second mortgage of 9100 for five years without amortisation with interest at 6%. It was also agreed that taxes:real estate, water,etc. are to be prorated. As cabled to you Catherine has donated 1000 as a gift and has loaned us three thousand dollars. She has also made the provision that if it is possible she will donate still more of the three thousand to the institutions. We shall try very hard to rent out this house as it was purchased at a reasonable price. There is no reason why a very nice little income should come from it to the Museum. For instance, Dr.Kettner approached me without knowing anything about the house, and said that some of his students would like to live nearby. Perhaps they would be interested. "
- 2) President's Report #18, June 2, 1931/. "Purchase of house, 321 West 103rd Street. - Yesterday a contract was signed for the purchase of the house next door. We shall take title on June 29, 1931 and the present owners will leave the building on Sept.15,1931. As soon as we take title on June 29th, we shall get in touch with many real estate agents, for the purpose of renting it out. "
- 3) Minutes of the Board of Trustees of Roerich Museum, May 28,1931.: para 16:  
 "Mr.Horch Reports the purchase of 321 West 103rd St. for \$27,500 Catherine Spencer donated \$1,000 and loaned \$3,000 for the necessary cash payment"... Signed L.L.Horch,N.S.Horch,M.M.Lichtmann,Sina Lichtmann and Frances R.Grant.
- 4) Cable received on May 28th and 29th May 1931:  
 "Adjoining house purchased for twentyseven thousand dollars of which fortyfive hundred payable in cash - Horch"  
 "Catherine donated onethousand dollars and loan threethousand dollars for purchase of building - Horch".  
 These were acknowledged in our Minutes #24, Roerich Museum Meeting, May 26-29 1931 and "Sincere thanks were expressed for the donation".
- 5) President's Report , June 8th, 1931:  
 para 2 " Catherine Spencer:  
 "Miss Catherine Spencer requested the return of \$500 against the money loaned and this was granted. This was withdrawn against the \$10,000 which as has been mentioned in previous letters is a temporary loan to the Institutions. "
- 6) President's Report #4, June 25,1931:  
 "Catherine Campbell.  
 Miss Catherine Campbell gave instead of the \$650 about which I wrote you some time ago, a check for 700\$. Today Miss Campbell presented another \$300 to Urusvati, which is to be used for any purpose, which may seem fitting to the Trustees. Miss Campbell rejoiced greatly that the donation of \$650 as mentioned in the Minutes of the 26th Meeting of Urusvati will be used for special studies of Tibetan Medicines.

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Excerpt from Minutes of the 109th Meeting of the  
Trustees of Roerich Museum,

July 1st, 1931

- 39) Regarding paragraph 3 of the same suggestions, since the arrival of Professor and Mme Roerich's request we have been trying to collect and assort all manuscripts, letters etc. in order to put them into the vault. Already quite a number of letters and manuscripts have been put in there and we hope shortly to complete it.

(signed) Louis L. Horch

(signed) M.M.Lichtmann

(signed) Frances R. Grant

(signed) Sina Lichtmann .

ANNEX #26,

L.L.Horch.

March 29th, 1933,

\$200,000 represents Purchases of Paintings. The \$200,000 Principal or Capital was donated by Prof. Roerich with the understanding that 4% interest per year should be paid to Prof. R.

The \$21,086 are Trip Expenses of Prof. Roerich to the United States and Return to India (1929-1930). The Capital Sum of \$21,086 was donated and Interest of 4% to be paid to Professor Roerich.

At the time when these financial transactions were made the Capital sums of \$221,086 and \$636,271.55 were donated outright and Interest of 4% per Annum was to be paid to the Donors. These are transactions of the same type as "Trust" and Annuity agreements. Donations of Capital the Auditors felt, could not be placed on the Books as Loans. However as the Interest has lately not been paid to the Donors the Writer will ask the Our Attorneys if on account failure to pay the Interest the Capital Sums now fall due and the Item "Donation" could be changed to "Loan".

The Item of \$300 referred to in this Paragraph is a Loan of Prof. Roerich's made by him to the European Center.

We shall send Mr. L. Kirstein the data about Stravinsky and "Sacre du Printemps" which Prof. Roerich was kind enough to send.

Separately

ANNEX re. R.M. Minutes #18 Par. 1.

The Item "\$1,057,657.55 under Surplus Column consists of the following items:

* L.L.Horch Nettie S. Horch (outright Donation)	\$400,000.
L.L.Horch and Nettie S. Horch (donation of Capital with Interest of 4% per annum payable)	636,271.55
N. Roerich (Donation of Capital with Interest of 4% Payable)	21,086.
Loan of N. Roerich (Since repaid) (Date.....)	300.

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 \$1,057,657.55

\* The change in this figure will be explained personally.

These figures only refer to the year ending September 30th, 1932. The Receipts of the Sales of Old Masters was shown in the Period October 1st, 1929 to September 30th, 1930.

The Item \$117,000 given to save the Institution goes back to prior to October 1st, 1929.

The revaluation of the expedition Item will have to be personally explained to you.

The Nicholas Roerich Paintings and Art Collection Incorporated Assets are kept separate.

## 1) Minutes #312, Jan.1,1935.

p.2 - "Mr.Horch deeply values Mme Roerich's good wishes and thanks her for her constant encouragement and wise indications, which were of inestimable help and without which the Victory could not have been won." ( Re Reorganization).

## 2) Minutes #324, Feb.10,1935

p.1 - "Mr.Horch wishes to express his deepest appreciation and reverence for the received indications and the guidance of Mme Roerich. Without this inspired Help no Loan would have been secured." ( Re Reorganization-Loan).

## 3) Minutes #328, Feb.24, 1935.

Mr.Horch's Statement: "Mr.Horch wishes again to express his deepest thanks to Mme Roerich for her constant encouragement and for her fiery indications, without which this victory could not have been won. Mr.Horch also wishes very warmly to thank Prof.Roerich and (in the copy of the Minutes received these last three words had been crossed out, but are quite visible) the other Trustees who so nobly stood ~~by~~ side ~~of~~ by side in this great fight for the protection of this Temple of Beauty."

## 4) Minutes #217, June 4,1933.

p.30 - "Mrs Horch is deeply grateful to Prof.and Mme de Roerich for their encouraging statement regarding the flourishing of the Roerich Society's activities. Mrs Horchwishes to express homage and tribute to Prof.and Mme de Roerich our Honorary Presidents, around whose inspiring and creative message and guidance, all Roerich Society Branches are conceived and developed. Mrs Horch is especially grateful for the spirit of courage and joy which our leaders have imbued us, and which we have aimed to transmit to our new friends and co-workers."

## 5) Minutes #246, Dec.31,1933.

p.32 - "Mr.Horch states that at the last Meeting of the Trustees in the year of 1933 the Chairman thanks the Trustees for the work accomplished in 1933. The highest achievement accomplished was the Roerich Peace Banner Convention on Nov.17th. The Chairman feels that with the glorious guidance of Prof.and Mme de Roerich and a full-hearted cooperation of the trustees the year 1934 will far excell the year 1933. We know that the Banner of Prof.de Roerich will be unfurled in this coming year. On this closing day we hail joyously our great Leaders, Prof.and Mme de Roerich. The Trustees heartily and enthusiastically join the Chairman in the same invinsible faith, in the great future of the Roerich Pact and Banner of Peace, and all our actions under the great guidance and Leadership of Prof.and Mme de Roerich. "

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## 6) Minutes #103, June 18th 1931

para 13. "Referring to para 50, the Trustees realize fully the serious financial damages caused by the failure of the American Bond and Mortgage Co. Their returning to us over \$300,000 of unsold bonds on which we took a loss of over \$150,000. Besides which their huge finance charges of 10½% for floating our Bond issue and their usurious charges of approximately \$142,000 for building charges, have been grossly affecting our works, which otherwise are on such sound bases." (Re Reorganization)

## 7) Minutes 171, April 3, 1932

para 12

The following wire was sent to (all persons concerned with the reorganization): "We have received notice from Mr. Rickaby of Simpson, Thatcher and Bartlett that you have decided immediately to appoint receivership on the 103rd Street and Riverside Drive building Stop Trustees of the Roerich Museum wish to warn you of the disastrous effects of such action for our entire building and the bondholders for which we will hold your committee responsible Stop As already expressed to Mr. Rickaby we are ready to put up necessary sum for settlement of debts. Stop As you are well aware our present situation is due to failure of the American Bond and Mortgage Co to fulfill its obligations to us in returning \$320,000 unsold bonds to us Stop We also wish to warn you that you are taking this actions during the active development of our campaigns for funds, while we are appealing for total tax exemption and on eve of the renewal of leases and your action threatens to destroy success of all these movements. In view of these circumstances and since an assignment was made out only two weeks to the Manufacturers Trust Company, Trustees of the Mortgage, we wish to state that this action is entirely unjustified and we will hold the members of your committee responsible Stop In view of our readiness to settle our debts we therefore urge you to revoke immediately your decision for appointing a receivership which we understand is to take effect on Monday morning, April 3rd. In behalf of Trustees Roerich Museum - Louis L. Horch President."  
(Re reorganization).

## 8) Minutes 174, June 11, 1932.

para 8

"Being that Mr. Horch was always in charge of the building, he will ask for \$12,000 remuneration outside of educational expenses.

## 9) Minutes #179, August 6, 1932.

para 20.

"The payroll of Roerich Museum Apartments has been decreased to approximately \$61,000 per year. This was formerly 109,000.-"

## 10) Minutes #180, Aug. 17, 1932.

para 4

Telegram to Hon. John Curry, Aug. 10, 1932: describing illegal receivership: "His (Philip Curry's) three months of illegal ~~receivership~~ encumbrance as receiver were filled with disaster, demoralisation and corruption in this building, and brought protest from tenants, bondholders and cultural leaders".



EXCERPTS FROM OUR MINUTES SENT TO NEW-YORK

- 13) Minutes #5 Roerich Museum, Naggar. Nov. 4th 1931  
para 11: "With reference to the revised budget d/ Oct. 13th we request to send us a budget of economy, with all possible deductions, realizing the full seriousness of the moment. "
- 14) Minutes 29 Roerich Museum, Naggar, April 29, 1932.  
para 3: "In the activity of the School one should also avoid everything that could involve into new expenses. Theatrical performances, which may require expenditure should be well safeguarded in time in order not to cause the institutions any new expenses. The unheard-off difficult time only fully justifies that work which nourishing spiritual expression, does not cause unjustifiable expenditure."
- 15) Minutes #33, Roerich Museum, Naggar, May 18, 1932.  
para 2: "From the copy of Prof. de Roerich's letter to Dr. Chklaver you will see how Prof. de Roerich continuously reminds Paris, how America has financially suffered and in particular how our closest friends and co-workers, and we ourselves have been affected."
- 16) Minutes of the 36th Meeting Roerich Museum Naggar, June 8th 1932.  
para 1: "Prof. N. de Roerich opened the meetings with the following address: 'During the restrained material circumstances one has to think that spiritual work should not dry up also. If many things cannot be done quantitatively, then anyhow no one can forbid to do something less, but of a high quality.'"
- 17) Minutes #46 of the Roerich Museum, August 16, 1932.  
para 8: "Taking into consideration Miss Frances R. Grant's communication about the drop of sales of books, we remind once that the Press can publish now books either paid by someone or guaranteed by subscription."
- 18) Minutes #24 of Roerich Museum, Naggar, March 15, 1933.  
para 10: "As regards the economy, which at present is so necessary we highly appreciate the spirit of Mrs Lichtmann's letter in this matter. Of course in the question of economy all must be guided by strictest commensurement, as to what economy will be beneficial in the long run and will not cause losses and harm, rather than benefit, in its final result".

~~12) Minutes~~

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19) L.L.H.'s Diary Letters. Jan.3,1931 "Cable received no pictures for sale in Museum except "Sacre de Printemps". Certainly this is correct We cannot sell what belongs to the Nation."

20) L.L.H's Diary letters. Feb.4 1931. "Received the beautiful letters from our Guru (N.R) and Tara (H.R.) I deserved a much severer letter, then the the beautiful letters received. From the moment almost when I met Prof. R. I had only one wish namely to gather all Paintings of Prof.R. in one place, so that no one should ever get them. To keep these Treasures for Humanity for all time! And what did I want to do, to sell a few of them to help some temporary condition. I am heart broken at my great stupidity! How sad I was when some pictures were sent on Loan to South America! It is sad to think how small my thoughts became. When once one thinks in this low Scale one naturally makes other mistakes. Just as stupid was to use different Lighting in the Museum. Certainly I want to go only by the High Road of Hierarchy - and it is the great priveledge to go by this Divine Path. To respect and honor every Indication by the Guru and Tara and to protect their Name with my life.

One special priveledge given to me was to take all financial worries of the Hands of the Guru and in a moment I spoil anything. To be economical in our Institutions instead of seeing where the real Economy was needed, namely in the Hotel. I can assure My Teachers, that this row of errors made by myself exclusively were not made intentionally or consciously. I am guilty of these errors and I shall torture myself to learn how to think and act better. Also before acting to look at all possible consequences, Once at Santa Fe I made an unprepared speech and this speech was very bad. Now I always prepare speeches and this error once made at Santa Fe, never fails to rise before my mind. -"

21) L.L.H's Diary letter, July 21,1932. "I saw Ernst later in the afternoon and he told me he could not bring these serious charges, although he admitted that we received 'a raw deal' from the Bank and Rickaby. He felt a certain 'Emotion' for J.Johnson, Trust officer of the Manufacturers Trust Coy, also for X, who may get into some trouble and he would not like to see Rickaby disbarred!!! Ernst has real sympathy for Rickaby!!! Ernst known as a great fighter and fearless attorney, becomes apologetic when it comes to fighting a big bank!!! Ernst knows in his own heart that the whole thing is a conspiracy. I am greatly disappointed in Ernst. This was a great opportunity for him. Ernst prefer to protect his own personal friends in the Manufacturers Trust Coy".  
 July 25,1932. "Ernst is sympathetic to the Manufacturers Trust Coy - his fee also concerns him. " - "Mr.Lyeth is the man before whom Ernst Greenbaum and Schur bowed with such reverence, they were warned by us time and time again of Lyeth's duplicity" - "Ernst left New-York without saying goodbye".  
 July 27,1932 "We were especially concerned because Schur is a young inexperienced lawyer and he is certainly no match for the experienced and crooked Lyeth. Of course Stern coaches Schur what to say to Lyeth, still many stupid things were uttered by Schur to Lyeth. " - "Stern mentioned to us that when Lyeth asked Schur why are you insisting on the delay of the appointment of the receiver until August 1st?, Schur replied:"because we feel more secure" - how stupid and ridiculous. - The best answer was that Ernst and Greenbaum only returned beginning of August".  
 July 28. 1932."Early in the morning I again called up Schur and asked him to write a letter to the judge, but he again refused stating he wishes to wait - a very stubborn young man. This is so often my greatest worry to make others execute our Orders - this often takes great tact, patience and

diplomacy."

July 29, 1932. "Schur, Ernst, Greenbaum are all away on vacations - it is a good thing we do not depend on them alone, we would be lost - imagine if Lyeth breaks his agreement and should apply to-day for a receivership, not one of our attorneys are here!!!"

August 1, 1932. "Certainly Greenbaum is not a great genius, when it comes to law and he must become very careful in dealing with the suave Lyeth. I always feel Greenbaum talks too much and gives too much of our business away to the other side - but he is being trained and he is learning. "

Aug. 9, 1932. "Our attorneys believe in Mr. Lyeth, I told them they were children! Lyeth is just playing with them as if they were babies.

(From L.L.H.'s Diary-Letters).

- 22) Sept.21,1932 "Schur of Ernst's office told me to-day that it is always best to let the other side strike first!!! (A fine aggressive lawyer!!!) "
- Sept.23,1932 - "Hartmann advised me that he may serve on another committee where he would work with Rickaby on the same committee!!! I will speak with Ernst regarding this matter."
- Sept.26,1932 - "I asked Ernst's opinion about Hartmann also being on a Committee with Rickaby? Ernst replied 'that's perfectly O.K., I am also on a Committee friendly to the Manufacturer's Trust Co.' !! His love for the Manufacturer's Trust Co can easily be understood. First - Hartmann on same Committee with Rickaby, two - Ernst on another Committee with the Manufacturer's Trust Co, three - Stern and Lippman might be together with Carter, Ledyard and Milburn. This last part is still under consideration. Despite these interrelationships we shall win. "
- Oct.7,1932 - "Hartman showed his true self. Always ready to sit down with the enemy, instead of disabling the enemy. - This time Hartman did not get away with his 'sitting down' with Rickaby - Hartman is also jealous that Ernst received this publicity. "
- Sept.15th 1932. - "In the afternoon a meeting at Ernst's office and I do not deny that I was greatly surprized at the change of attitude of Mr.Lippmann - he acts like a chameleon.- He suggested not to serve the summons in our action against the Rickaby Committee, because he felt, that he may soon meet Rickaby!- Perhaps play golf with him and perhaps he could persuade Rickaby to talk things over!!! The same old yellow streak and cowardice."
- 23) 28 Nov.1931 "I feel very badly about Kramer and it is my fault. This man is of all lawyers the lowest trickster".
- Dec.21,1931 "Kramer's actions certainly do not inspire one. We have had luck with attorneys, - Kramer always tries to scare one and then if he he arranges something, to appear as the Hero. He certainly has a mean disposition.
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- 24) January 14,1932. "If she (Sutro) will loan money to the R.M., she will never loose anything."
- 25) Oct.10,1931. "P.(Nettie) and myself feel to donate \$500,000 of principal and interest - when we purchased the paintings it truly never entered our minds to receive interest on this gift. We considered it the greatest priveledge and honor that we had funds at our disposal to be able to do it. P.and myself felt exactly the same way about a number of other funds which we expended for the Institution. It was our joy to be able to give without a thought of ever receiving back the principle nor interest! It would take books and books to write in them what we have received! "
- 26) Oct.13,1932. "Congressman Bloom came and like all politicians - he wishes to help us in many ways - before election. After election it is another story."
- 27) Oct.18,1932 "My deepest love to you, dear Parents! Without you nothing would be possible. We owe everything to you".

From L.L.Horch's Diary Letters.

Nov.9th 1932 "Another great joy and about which I cannot write too often is the coming close of Katherine and Inge. They are worthy coworkers. "

March 20, 1934 "K.gave financial assistance to the Institution in times of great need. And 'seemed' to give these sums in the right spirit. She came often to our home and we treated her like a younger sister. Facts have proven that she misused our friendship. Her distortions about Lumeo, our friendship and donations are truly amazing. I am greatly displeased to learn that she speaks "of what she has given to Lumeo instead of appreciating what Lumeo has given to her". Be assured that I have always stood up for my brother Lumeo and always will. In a most tactful way the relationship between K and ourselves is being changed. This supposed 'friendship' has taught me an unforgettable lesson, because from now on no one will ever be able to come close easily to our home. We can have many friends, but we shall keep them at a distant."

Excerpt from our Minutes RM #5, Nov. 2nd 1932:

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para 4) Do all the following writers-well-wishers from our list, enter the list of Miss F.R. Grant and is contact with them all maintained? If any of them is not in Miss Grant's list, then please let us know the reason.

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| 1-Washburn Freund    | 16-Henry McBride      | 31-Anabel Parker McGan |
| 2-Allan MacEvin      | 17-Olin Downes        | 32-Deming Seymour      |
| 3-F.Coburn           | 18-Royal Cortissoz    | 33-Preciado            |
| 4-John Dixon         | 19-Breda Eddie        | 34-Sulamith Ish-Kishor |
| 5-Lucie Kahlhuhn     | 20-Rutfern Mason      | 35-Rabette             |
| 6-M.Williams.        | 21-J.Kaufmann         | 36-McCormick           |
| 7-Bushnell Diamond   | 22-Oliver Sayler      | 37-Christian Brinton   |
| 8-Sholem Ash         | 23-Aug.Owen Patterson | 38-Mary Fanton Roberts |
| 9-Rev.Emmons         | 24-Dr.Koralnik.       | 39-Maud Schenck        |
| 10-F.Hopkinson-Smith | 25-Lucien Moorhouse   | 40-Sylv.Viereck        |
| 11-Denis Roche       | 26-Bessie Hendricks   |                        |
| 12-Strone            | 27-Tessie Glasier     |                        |
| 13-Miss Gladys Baker | 28-Arthur Wilhelm     |                        |
| 14-Burliuk           | 29-Eugen Stinson      |                        |
| 15-A.W.Powell        | 30-Daniel Koerner     |                        |

EXCERPT from:-

MINUTES of the 240th Meeting of the Trustees of Roerich

Museum, held on Dec. 17th 1933 in New-York City.

Present: Louis L. Horch, Chairman, Nettie S. Horch, Sina Lichtmann, Frances R. Grant  
M.M. Lichtmann.

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para 7. Re pa 8 (of the Banner of Peace Committee Meeting at Urusvati Head-  
quarters, India, of Nov. 17th) - Mr. Horch thanks deeply Prof. de Roerich  
for his expression of the work done by the Chairman and the Organizing  
Committee and he assures Prof. de Roerich, that it was Prof. de Roerich's  
great guidance, his constant brilliant advices and suggestions, which  
were so generously given by him, that inspired everyone connected with  
the work of the Convention to do his utmost. Mr. Horch further assures  
Prof. de Roerich that no step shall be left unturned here to bring  
about the actual adoption of the Banner by Nations. Mr. Horch is cogni-  
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Excerpt from MINUTES #90, Naggar, Nov.20,1934.

para 10) "Referring to New-York Minutes #291,p.19 & 20 - a letter concerning the apartment of the 25th floor with some suggestions has been written to the Trustees by Mme de Roerich".

These Minutes were signed: Mme H.de Roerich  
S.Roerich  
E.J.Lichtmann  
V.Shibayev

excerpt from MINUTES #94, Naggar, January 17th 1935:

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MINUTES of 324th MEETING OF TRUSTEES OF ROERICH MUSEUM  
Held on FEBRUARY 10th, 1935.

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Mr.Horch greatly appreciated Madame Roerich's statement in her letter that she hopes that all those who trusted us will have their money repaid in the future. Mr.Horch joins Madame Roerich heartily in this. --

The Bondholders have been told by Mr.Horch that stocks have declined much more than our Building Bonds. In most cases the corporations which issued stocks do not exist anymore. Also, that shortly some interest will be paid to Bondholders again. The depression was world-wide and cannot be ascribed to us.

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case.

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- 2) "With the deepest thanks of my Heart to you, beloved Mother, for all you are doing for me, remain your very devoted and grateful son L." (Letter from Mr.L.L.Horch, dated December 26th,1934).
- 3) "My Own Beloved Mother, - - Deepest thanks for all your care and thoughtfulness! which you so generously bestow on me. - I keep all Your Words aflame in my Heart. All credit belongs to you, mother, because you gave me the Courage and Knowledge and your Fiery Words are leading me forward. I will do my best to help build the great Bridge. Hearty thanks for the musk and which I shall take as indicated by you. - - "  
 "Also hearty thanks for your strengthening our position here in the circle. I rejoiced to read in your letter that "Precisely, My Own, the great unity of Auras will give the most wonderful results". My life is devoted to proclaim the flaming I age of you, Beloved Mother - this is my greatest Joy!! May you be pleased with our Work in the coming year! With my best thoughts and deepest Love and a very very happy New-Year remain your very devoted Son L." (From Mr.L.L.Horch letter,Dec.21,1934).
- 4) "My deepest thanks to you,Mother, Be assured that I will do utmost to carry out this mission in a beautiful and dignified manner". (From Mr. L.L.Horch's letter, Dec.14, 1934.)
- 5) "My Own Beloved Mother, Beloved Mother, our innermost thanks to you for your cables and thoughts expressed therein! ! I cannot tell you how much your precious care meant to us." (From Mr.L.L.Horch's letter Nov.30, 1934.)
- 6) "We pray that your health so needed for the progress of the Work will improve in the New Year. Let me again warmly thank you for your wonderful support extended...To serve you, Beloved Mother, is our greatest joy and we hope that in the coming year we shall successfully carry out your wise Indications. With deepest love and highest reverence remain your devoted son L. " (From Mr.L.L.Horch's letter Nov.22,1934).
- 7) "Many hearty thanks, Beloved Mother,for so firmly establishing the Office of the President. As your Representative I will do my utmost to carry out Your wishes precisely, promptly and with Dignity. The directness with which you meet all the problems,presented to you, is simply wonderful and attests your Leadership. (From Mr.L.L.Horch's letter Oct.26,1934).
- 8) "To proclaim Your Great Lofty Name is the greatest Joy for me. I smell aflame, when I speak of You, Beloved Mother. To everyone I ever met, I spoke of You, because I felt that you were the Inspirer of the Works and that my real Bond was with You, Beloved Mother. I owe everything to you. All was only given to us on account of you. Before I undertake anything, I first direct My thoughts to..you - Owing everything to you, you cannot even imagine what a joy it is for me to proclaim your Name. (From Mr.L.L.Horch's Letter, Oct.19,1934).
- 9) "My Beloved Mother, is always helping me - always since I met you, you are always foreseeing things for me. I cannot repeat too often to you, Beloved Mother, that I owe everything to you.Whatever good I have done,

you are the one who first pointed it out to me. I can never forget the patience you had in pointing out important Paintings to me while going through the Museums in Europe!! It was you who pointed out the real beauty to me! I do want you to know how forever I shall be grateful to you. Every indication or suggestion from you is Law with me.. I know that I will never stop until my beloved Mother's Name resounds throughout the World..I know that You have been the real Inspirer of the Works! N.and myself made our contribution only on account of you, Beloved Mother.- I rejoice beyond words that you are the Vicarress and are directing the Works now and I shall be so happy to carry out your will. " (From Mr.L.L.Horch's letter, Oct.4,1934).

- 10) "My Dear Beloved Mother,- Many Hearty thanks for your letter! I deeply valued your reference in your letter about the President's Duties. Be assured that in every way possible I shall try to bring Honor and Glory to this high office. My deepest thanks to you for the Confidence you have in me." (From Mr.L.L.Horch's letter Aug.16, 1934.) concluded: "Again my warmest thanks to you, Beloved Mother - your fiery words thrill and uplift me. I loved your expression that 'severe truth is much more valuable than praise' - With deepest Love, your devoted son L."
- 11) "I deeply appreciate the great trust and responsibility you have given me in your last letter and I assure you I will use my best efforts to hold high the name and dignity of Guru,Tara and the Institution.. With deepest love and heartiest thanks for all your wise Indications, which I value so highly and which I am trying to bring into life.  
I remain your devoted son L. " (From Mr.L.L.H's letter July 6, -1934).
- 12) "Oh,how fortunate I am to have such a glorious Mother!! Your care and thoughtfulness for our welfare and Progress - even to the most minute details are touching beyond expression. You letters have the most penetrating effect upon me - they always bring tears to my eyes and give me unbreakable courage. Many thanks, Beloved Mother, for your reply in regard to Perrogatives, as well as some of the other major problems which you solved for us in such a noble and great manner".  
(From Mr.L.L.Horch's letter, June 27,1934.)
- 13) "It is impossible for em to accept the success for the Protection of the Stronghold for myself, because I knew I owe it all to Divine Guidance to My Own Beloved Mother and Father" (From Mr.L.L.Horch's letter April 12,1934).
- 14) "The new Paintings of Sv. are wonderful - he is a great Artist in every way! The 2 great Portraits of his Father will be placed within a few days in the Musgum . Many thanks, Beloved Mother, for your beautiful gifts, which are greatly appreciated. Beloved Professor Roerich has brought a new Light to us and we are grateful to.. you for his presence here." (From Mr.L.L.Horch's letter March 20,1934)/
- 15) "My dear Ones, Your letters always touch me to tears. I hope some day the Circle will do something you will be proud of. How happy we are that Prof.Roerich, George and Svetig are coming. I cannot express it in words. America, I am sure, will show her appreciation, as only America can show it, for the great work you are doing for her.  
(From Mr.L.L.Horch's letter, March 4, 1929).

- 16) "In every spare moment I fly into the future. How anxious we are to see you. We owe everything to you. Much much love your son L. "  
(From Mr.L.L.Horch's letter Nov.5th 1928.)

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The above-mentioned excerpts represent only a small part of endless superlative utterances in the same style, as in the letters from Mr.L.L.Horch himself, so also in the letters from Mrs N.S.Horch and Miss E.J.Lichtmann. And now having for thirteen years up to the middle of 1935 expressed gratitude and highest appreciation for the valuable guidance and assistance to Prof.and Mme de Roerich, Mr.L.L.Horch suddenly,already after the return of Miss E.J.Lichtmann to New-York, without any change of policy or attitude on our part, performs a volt-face and expresses the following absurdly contradictory to his own previous conviction and statements, sentences:

- 17) "Mr.Horch wishes to remind the Trustees that during all these years Prof. and Mme de Roerich have imposed upon us the necessity of accepting all their ideas, suggestions and plans, backing them up with "indications". We were forced to accept their advices and opinions even though they often did not meet our sense of logic, reason and common sense "(Minutes #350 N.Y. August 29th 1935, signed L.L.Horch, S.Newberger and E.J.Lichtmann).
- 18) "In conformity with my recent letters and entries in the Minutes, I wish to advise you further that your ways of action are not my ways and that our relationship has come to an end. We shall no longer accept your leadership and the breach between us is irreconcilable. We have ample causes to reach this conclusion. In serving the works under your leadership, we have expected that high spiritual principles would be brought into actuality, but instead in the works we have experienced the most deplorable and the reverse aspects of human relationship and life. Under the guise of spirituality we have witnessed the service to egotism and self-glorification. Your attitude and actions towards us have been most unjust and your lack of appreciation of all that I have done for you and your family and the works, which glorified your name - is unparalleled". (From Mr.L.L.Horch's letter to Professor Nicholas and Madame Helena Roerich, dated September 27th 1935.)

Such lack of logic and principles as evidenced by all the above contradictory statements, compels to conclude that one has either to do with a maniac, or with a premeditated evil machination for ulterior purposes, and in that case all previous superlatives were deceit and treason .

Dec.12, 1935.

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Excerpt, page 4, from a letter probably end of March 1935.

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In your letter you again state that you wish me to meet G. with full knowledge of Mod. and with her participation.-

Yesterday Mod. stated to me that she wishes to handle matters herself with G. - It seems to me it is much better to let us continue to meet G. without Mod's knowledge , as I believe much more will be accomplished.- Mod. resents any Interference.

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Waterston Bond

Please pay attention to the passage about taxes in this letter of March 20, 1935. It is very characteristic that LLH having received our information that on March 20th we go into the desert, writes to us about that which he usually did every year himself. It is also characteristic that he writes that extension has been granted without stating for what period. In my own handwriting I had informed him that I receive \$237 for every two weeks. Upon return to India my first step was to cable to Mrs Lichtmann about my taxes for 1934. I could no longer write to LLH as he had already suddenly in a most rude form severed connections.

Excerpt f rom LLH letter March 20,1935

"In case you wish to file an income Tax Statement for the year 1934, an extension has been granted to you to file it. If you desire me to take care of it for you, please write me your income and expenses for 1934.

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Excerpt from letter to LLH to Mme R., dated New York March 29, 1935

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Oj. and myself visited S and we informed him of the new attacks. We presented him with the Newspaper (sent us by N.K.) which contained the attack against the Pact. He hinted that this matter is now in the Hands of the higher Representative at W. and that G. had taken steps there - S. called those who had "slandered" - "mad dogs and insane".

He was inquisitive to know as to why the visit to H. took place, as it is known as "the worst melting pot". We emphasized strongly that this had been in the Plan of the expedition and that the authorities at T. had encouraged the visit to that place. S. also mentioned the harm the 2 Botanists had done.

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To UNITAR HORCH NEW-YORK

*Sept  
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Referring your fourteenth August please cable exact address where  
money should be transferred.

From New-York.#3113, Original Number AC-181, 19 w. Date 7. Time 704 pm  
LC Roerich Hongkong Shanghai Bank Peiping

*Sept  
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Friend Request send money my name Chase National Bank eighteen Pinestreet  
Newyork Horch

From New-York.#4093, Original Number ac574, 10w, Date 12. time 12.03 pm  
LC ROERICH HONGKONG SHANGHAI BANK PEIPING  
Money Received transferred Frient - Horch

*Sept  
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*London Waterston B.*

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8. Mr. Horch would like in every way to help the Coop. which offers such a splendid opportunities. The Coop. is of greatest significance. Mr. Horch mentioned that W. Street people have advised him that more complete details are needed in order for them to consider this proposition. The same sources indicated that complete certified financial statements are needed showing the Income and Expenditures for the last 3 to 5 years. Legal documents, blue prints and other details which are usually provided for the securing of a loan, are thus far not available.

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para 5 - Mr.Horch states the only reason the Proceedings came out later than expected was lack of funds. Temporary loans had to be made from other funds to help the grave situation of our finances. The Trustees had approved this procedure.