

" HALL ESTATE"
NAGGAR,
KULU VALLEY.
PUNJAB. N. INDIA.
7th. June. 1965.

Our dear friends,

We received the note from you about the Russian Language & Literature Course which you sent us here. It is very nice to have it, especially when we are here. Both of us read it with great interest, and I shall keep it with all other things pertaining to Prof. Roerich. I enclose this rather fine article on the Art of my husband which was written by a well-known Art Critic in the U. S. A., do let me know if it reaches you, but write to Bangalore as we shall be returning there in July. Here it is so beautiful, due to rains the mountains are full of fresh snow, and it is so fresh. Snow in late April spoilt the fruit crop, no fruit at all in all Orchards here this year, except for some Apples etc. Much work is being done, and we shall be sending you some photographs when we shall return. The Samadhi now looks very nice, and next year with the new beds made and the slate paths etc, it will be very nice. Vishnu and his family are well, everyone has grown up, and the boy of Miana does work here, he was trained at an Orchard and knows something of planting etc. he is young and tries his best. Many new Apple trees have been planted and have taken well. It is such a pity that we have to go away from here, so much work is done while we are here!

We send you both and the children our very warm wishes and greetings from these mountains,

Ever yours affectionately,

Devika Rani

(DEVIKA RANI ROERICH.)

Mr. V. Shibayev,
"JESMONDENE",
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CARDIFF,
WALES,
U. K.

*you must be the most
happy
I hear's voice*

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Our very dear friends,

This is just to let you know that yesterday we received your nice letter of the 17th. March. which made us very happy. We shall think of you and send to you from today wishes of success for your work, ofcourse, the classes will be very much appreciated, and they will have every every success. It is really wonderful to think that you have evolved such a very unique and interesting method of teaching Russian to these students, and we feel sure that they will learn in a fine way, and be really interested. It is very refreshing to know of this new way of not only teaching a language, but giving a wide and whole all round knowledge, their own self becomes more enlightened. I am sure that there is no other Institution there who can do such very good work. You must be a treasure to the Cardiff University! Do not worry about Mohim my brother, I only hope that he somehow contacts you both, he may feel shy, but still, when you took all the trouble to go and call on him, I hope that he will return the call. I only hope that he gets well, and that it is not some terrible thing like Cancer? He is a lonely fellow from childhood, which is sad, but that is life, my parents gave us of their best, they could have not given us a better education and training than they did. All I have learnt, all that is best in me is due to both my Mother and Father, it is they who gave me the love of the beautiful, and so much of which I cannot write in such a short letter. We are very sad to know that your son is divorced, but as you say, he is very busy with his work, and if he is happy this way, well, why not? I remember that you both were so very happy with your grandchild, and this made you very happy. Do you ever see the child now? But such things happen in life, so many changes and so many different aspects which one really cannot understand nor stop. Just look at my brother's case, he was so loved by Mother and me, and has a very fine and good nature, but of all the people, he stopped writing to Mother! It is true that time and so on makes one far, distance too, but when she died, I I was never asked even how she passed away! So each to his own Karma, this I know, that he is really a fine person, good, and does his work as best as he is able. Now the portrait of Nehru is finished, and soon it will be sent to New Delhi, there to remain in the hall of portraits of Parliament which is the central hall there. How nice that this portrait is a painting of Roerich. We shall not however leave till about the end of April, God only knows if things will be peaceful- Pakistan is again getting hot, East Pak: wishes to be separate from WestPak. the prediction is that there will be no Pak: at all in 1970. so let us see. But one Pundit did say that some other country would rule Pakistan- God help everyone if it is China! Do not worry about the little typing mistakes in the article you sent for S.R. to read. He will writ -e to you himself when he has a little time- just finishing things so that he may leave things in order when we are away- it takes very long to do things here. Bangalore is terribly hot, and one sees no sign of rain at all. Let us pray there will be rain here, no food for the people, and if it rains, then there is a chance that some food grains may grow.

We send to you both our love and every best wish, for everything you wish to do, may you both have Peace!

Ever yours affectionately,
Srinivasan R.