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TO *Mrs Devika* Recd. here at \_\_\_\_\_ H. *7* M. *20*

*Devich Crokety Kps*  
*- Thinking of you always send you love blessings*  
*best wishes many happy returns writing tomorrow stop*  
*- Kanji*

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12<sup>th</sup> April 1953

My dear Devika,

You & Sreedhar have to forgive me. Did you get my telegram on your birth-day. But my "to-morrow" (I said, "merhuji to-morrow") - came to-day after a fortnight. I have taken up more jobs (pro) - out on an average, I get no more than 30 minutes for lunch - spent my work at 9 & turning it off at 6-30 - by which time I am worse than dead - But work has been good - & difficult & strenuous. The biggest casualty is



letter-writing. But on top of it, how  
much one has to read - to keep up  
with the constantly-changing  
world-situation - Stalin has  
at least four - & is almost forgotten.  
& Malenkov is singing a different  
tune. What he means to do - no  
one can say. What do you & I think  
of it all? Give me your reactions.  
The Americans are feeling un-  
comfortable at the prospects  
of peace - they have will have to step  
down their production - & face  
some kind of unemployment.  
England & France will drop  
their rearmament programs.

Then Bakislan is in a  
hopeless condition. I see military



Govt. taking over Patidar  
- as in Egypt.

Have you followed Times of  
India - Maraji' controversy  
re. advertisement in the paper.

There is nothing to compare  
between Maraji' & J. L. Jan  
- though they sympathize  
with Frank & The Times of  
India.

You always want me to  
sit on the Housing Board -  
How can I? Read what  
Maraji' told me about the  
man he has made Chairman



of the Housing Board. Over &  
above being curried of  
dollar fraud, not clear  
that has just settled with  
the Income Tax authority  
Tribunal for a paltry sum  
of Rs 15 lakhs. Bombay Govt's  
reputation for sanity  
& integrity has gone -

How are you both getting on?  
Write to me soon, & tell me  
when you are returning  
to Bombay, on your way  
to Bangalore. Take me to  
Bangalore for a real  
holiday - I am looking



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forward to it - And if I  
don't take a holiday soon,  
I will collapse - I am so  
Tired.

My wife's operation was  
all right middle of February  
but she has a ~~stomach~~ ~~stomach~~  
infection, which is on Thursday  
her. She was at the hospital  
just for a week.

When will you ask me to  
come to Bangalore. A week's  
holidays - real holidays - would  
put me right - that is, put  
me all the rest I need. Other.



wise, my health is excellent -  
I2 is just rest - I want. So  
let to Bangalore soon.

Wheeler is going to take up  
Defense responsibilities - a week  
for Gandhi the Minister for  
Foreign Affairs

Did you know Krishna Rao  
had a nasty motor cycle  
accident - Wrecked by  
leg - it is still in plaster  
& he is taking him to Ceylon  
for treatment. I went to see  
he & the son - a fortnight back

Write to me soon - to tell me  
you have proficien in that  
haven't written to you all last  
week - since you left Bombay  
with love to you & your  
Kaoji



26 April 53

My dear Devika,

Thank you so much for  
your letter - I was happy to get it.

The most important news I  
can find you is that Eva, my friend  
(in Malaya) passed through Bombay  
yest for 12 hours - with her husband  
on her way to my airport to London -  
- S.S. Carthall -

The rest of the news is in my  
note (enclosed) on Pakistan - With  
& tell me how Sr + you like it - & if  
I have drawn a correct - or an  
exaggerated picture -

All my mind is now  
on Bangalore - & when you come



to Bombay. You can tell me when  
it will be convenient for you  
to have me there. If you <sup>could</sup> think  
I am an easy person to look  
after, you are very much  
mistaken. You will find this out  
for yourselves.

I would like to go to London - &  
would certainly go - but it is  
~~not~~ too expensive.

To-morrow I shall go to see  
Taj when I will find out  
about Vachek's gang -

Tell me when exactly you  
will be in Bombay - & how many  
days - I am keeping busy here -  
Love to G. & yourself. I am always



thinking of you both - and I know  
what good friends we three are -  
Believe me, I think of you all the  
time - almost to the point of  
craziness. I have received all  
kindness from my friends,  
& in my small way, I do return  
the "debt" -

Yours ever affly  
Kanji



28 April 53

My dear Anita -

Just a short note -  
about Vachek.

On May 3<sup>rd</sup> he is leaving for the  
States - where I am told he has  
already secured a job - also  
he is sure of getting a United  
States Citizenship -

With love to both of you

Yr ever affly  
Kamp



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BOMBAY, 26.

8  
20<sup>th</sup> August 1953

My dear Dwika,

Here is the first part of my  
note on Kashmir. The second  
part will be ready to-morrow,  
so I shall post it to you on  
Saturday.

This morning I had a  
letter from C.P. in which he  
says:—

"

It is always a delight to spend  
some days with you as you are  
one of the few persons of our  
contemporary connections  
that have kept their hearts  
young and their brains  
comprehensively interested



and active. God bless you!"

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Why is my heart young,  
why have I kept my brains  
interested & active?

I shall not answer the  
question - but would like  
you to answer: please let  
me your answer to these  
questions!

With all my love

ever yours affly

Kemp



26 May. 53

My Dear Devica -

Here is the second part  
of my Kashmir note -

I have written the third part,  
giving report of my talk  
with Saadiq, the President of

The Kashmir Constituent  
Assembly. He is a Communist.

I am as busy as ever - But

this afternoon, I am going to

Bombay on Gas Co. work to  
see Miraj - & will return

to Bombay on Friday -



afternoon - I + wife will have  
break from work here -  
& is therefore to be welcome.

How are you both? I  
am thinking of you  
fervently - & want very  
much to come to Bangalore  
I hope September will  
bring me this luck -

I hope to hear from you  
soon.

With all our love  
Yours ever aff,  
Kang



3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 1953

My dear Devika,

Thanks for your letter.  
It is not because of C.I.  
that I stuck to Bombay.  
My jobs kept me busy —  
and I had to represent our  
Office at International Confs,  
Cauciliatani, Lahore Mumbai  
— and for once I am trying  
to be a regular Bania —  
i.e. make as much money as  
I can — & so you now know why  
I could not come —

Here is the fourth part



of my note on Kashmir -  
The third - my talk with  
Sadiq - I have no more  
copies left - and I am doing  
more copies made.

You see, how much I have  
written about Kashmir,  
but for my trip in Bombay  
& Poona -

now here is some news -  
I have booked my air-passes  
for Bangalore for Thursday  
10th - leaving Santa Cruz  
at 7 am. & reaching Banga-  
lore Alrahaive about 11  
(eleven) same morning. So  
we shall have plenty of time to  
talk - & rest. I need rest, & I am



sure, the change to  
Bangalore will do me as  
the food - & my heart may  
be all the younger, & my  
brain less rusted than it  
is to-day -

I will write to you again  
by Munda - to say that I  
am definitely coming. I  
am definitely coming, so  
it means, I will confirm  
this by telegram -

With all love & regards  
Kang



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Did you read in the Times  
Frank's six  
articles on Sarkis saw. 16<sup>th</sup> Sept '53  
They are excellent. I will return  
them with you  
my dear Durka,

after a week of uncertainty  
to-day I saw day-light - & immediately  
wired to you - that I will fly to Ban-  
alore on 24<sup>th</sup> Sept (Thursday) morning  
& reach there at about 11 - This  
is final, & if I do not keep this  
arrangement, my face will be  
completely blackened, & I will  
never have the courage to show you  
my face - Fortunately, there is  
a lull in Mr. Dalhousie's trouble - & I  
feel quite free mentally, & there are no  
particular clouds on the horizon  
- and I am simply looking forward



to enjoy my well-earned, long-post-  
poned holiday - & I know how  
staying you & throwing myself  
whole-heartedly under your  
guardianship & orders, I will  
return to Bombay a happier &  
more cheerful man - ready  
for more & more work.

~~As~~ You know last week,  
there was a possibility of my  
flying to Madras to see Rajah,  
on the Tel Box work, but I was  
not so keen as first, & the idea has  
been given up - for the moment.

Enclosed is Part III of my Kashmir  
note - & copy of my letter to Aunt.

I send you & S. my love - all my  
thoughts are with you & I should love to  
am looking forward to meet you on the 24<sup>th</sup>  
at the <sup>new</sup> <sup>camp</sup> <sup>at</sup> <sup>Kanpur</sup>



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29 SEP 53  
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ARRIVING TOMORROW WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON = KANJI =

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9<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1953

My dear Devika

The plane-journey was uneventful.

Chanda & Sillas met me at the airport.  
I had finished for you 3 Sankarshas  
on the plane, & the remaining two  
Chanda & Sillas ate - also the two cakes.

Bombay is awfully hot - and I  
almost died in the evening for

Tatgunoni.

all your orders have been carried  
out - I went straight to Medal Box  
& gave Rajhara your letter & money.  
I gave Dinshaw the small box S.R.  
has handed over to me - Then when I  
was with Frank, I sent Maudy the  
ack-note - and by the time I went  
up to see him - he had, he said, already



sent you the tele<sup>22</sup>gram - Then I got busy  
with work - and I was worse  
than dead when I returned  
home at 5.30 - and therefore had  
not an ounce of energy left for  
a telegram or a letter - So this  
morning, I have stayed at home,  
& will go out to office only at 3.  
Then at 5, I have to Bajpai's  
'At Home', to meet Bajew & Prasad  
& Nehru will also be there

All this morning, I have been  
writing letters - & answering  
telephone calls -

I have no words to tell you  
how grateful & how touched I  
am for your & R's kind hospitality  
& friendship. It was a real, real



holiday, one of the pleasant  
fortnight I have spent in my  
● life - A real holiday, away  
from all the cares of the world -  
- a great source of inspiration  
& spiritual "fueling" - , which,  
over & above the physical & mental  
rest, will help me in the work.  
● So once again, many many  
thanks, & like the Greeks, I ask for  
more, that is, I hope, we shall  
meet again & again.

all my acquisitions from Ranga-  
cove have been appreciated - Lilwa  
beamed with joy at the sari, & all  
the things you gave for her & all the



boxes - and everything else I  
brought -

By this time you must have  
received, & redirected to me back  
here. Chanda's letter to me says  
do you go to the Bank.

There is no special news  
from here - all is well, & I  
feel fit & strong after the  
rest-cure and compulsory  
feeding - I will keep on  
writing to you - and as soon as  
I get through my arrears of  
work and the work in hand,  
I shall start on "Ruthie".

I have plenty to do.  
Over again, my dears - & with love to  
both of you -  
your ever aff's  
Kathryn



C. I. no  
see in  
Bombay  
from  
1st Dec  
-  
When do  
you come  
here?  
ll

17<sup>th</sup> Oct 53

my dear Devika,

Wish you the best of luck  
for Dussrah - Thanks for your  
letter - Do read my letter to Shanta  
- there is nothing daughten- y  
about it! I am much too careful!  
I have never got caught in writing  
silly letters! All is well  
with me, but don't tempt me too  
much - If you say you miss me,  
I shall catch the next plane to  
Bangalore: oh, I can't - because  
there is too much, too much work  
here - & since I came back, one more  
- for the moment, temporary - hard  
time job has come to me! I hope  
it will render a life into perma-



next month's retainer. - How long  
know the firm? I.C. I - 2+ came  
to me through Swilt (a good friend  
of mine) of Glaxo (He is No. 1. there)  
- Swilt was counselled as Chairman  
of Chamber of Commerce, & he  
told I.C. I I was the best fellow  
to get them out of labour trouble,  
& things have gone pretty well  
so far.

Through over-feeding me with  
excellent food, with all kinds  
of concentrates A-B-C-2 D  
vitamins, I have come here to  
Bonulla, with too much energy  
& urge for activity - & I had to  
expand them - & so this week, I  
have worked right from 9 am



fill 7 pm. & have almost exhausted myself. So I welcome to-day's holidays - so that I can rest - & write to you -

Here is some more news. I'm <sup>happy</sup> with Peter Jayasing, publisher, Asia Publishing House - He is a great friend of Frank - He has taken up the idea of publishing my book on Rature - but he wants at least 225 pages (about 60000 words) - whilst I intended to write about 60 pages (16000 words). He has given me his contract form to sign. He gave me excellent suggestions, & Frank tells me, I could do it!



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"but we all agree that whilst the  
heroine". The chief characters  
will be Ruthie, the book was  
concerning the full story from 1914  
onward of not only Ruthie (she  
she died in 1929), but also of  
Girnah, Aunty Besant, Luda,  
& my humble self! looks terribly  
intriguing - does it not? Peter  
wants me to give him the first  
two chapters - & a synopsis of  
the other 10 or 12 chapters - & then  
things will go ahead. Frank  
has promised all help - sugges-  
tions, corrections, editing etc.  
& he says I could write 2000 words  
a day (= 2 columns of Times of India) &  
complete 6000 words in a month  
That is fast arithmetic, but



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easier said than done; if I had any of my favourite daughters with me - or rather the favourite daughter - who mark have reached San Francisco by now - I could most certainly finish the job in one month - August. Next week looks quiet & easy for my labour work - so I will finish 3 hours a day - & start writing. & for this, I want your best wishes & blessings - & I know, I have them in abundance.

Robust (with a bow) & Svedras confidence, is what I need. -

I saw Manoj on Thursday. He was intensely interested in the



James, I told him I & you were  
 going to send me the Bancroft  
 - please remember him to do so  
 immediately - three copies, please  
 and also the snaps taken  
 at the Lake etc - of all the 3 of  
 us, & others (including the little girl,  
 whose face I liked!)

Enclosed are two notes of talks  
 with C. R. - & the habour committee.  
 I'm sure you will be interested  
 in them, so if you want to show  
 them to him, you can do so. Also  
 list of publications of Asia Publishing  
 House - all nice well printed (big  
 type) - & excellent strong covers.

I think I have told you more or  
 less - everything. I lunched with  
 the new American Consul - General on Monday. He is  
 not too happy - He is a good fellow. Rather slow.  
 Keep me writing to me - & give me all the news  
 with love to S & you. You will  
 all  
 Kang



Friday Oct 30 '53

Mr. Dear Dinka, Thank you so much for your  
 letter of the 24<sup>th</sup>. This week too, has been heavy;  
 on top of it, there is the heat wave, temperature  
 being 96°. Today is quiet - & I have to write  
 two letters - one to you, the other to Vera - from  
 whom already I had 2 letters from San Francisco.  
 You should read those letters, but for obvious  
 reasons, you can't, specially with S.R.  
 looking over your shoulder - & making his  
 crazy comments. One more job, I have to do to-  
 day - & that is to make sure that the two  
 letters don't get mixed up - & put into the  
 wrong cabs; yours in hers; & hers in yours.  
 I am always, always thinking of you & S.R. &  
 wish every possible luck to both of you,  
 & that all your great wishes & hopes should  
 materialize - when you have the studio & the  
 house - & the good weather, I can come & stay  
 with you - & be lazy & relaxed - except for  
 writing - & you would have to lock me up in a  
 room for a few hours - so that I am forced  
 to write.



I see Frank regularly; this week, or Monday, Tuesday,  
& yesterday (Monday); hire a car, see them  
to each other; same last week, & the week  
before: there is so much to talk to each  
other; but curiously enough - hardly  
anything about the Tracene woman -  
in spite of the fact, both last week, & this  
week, she had come to see Frank when I  
too, was in the office - So I discussed her  
without any reference to his letter or  
telegram to him. Frank said, she was a bit  
of a snob, & therefore unwholesome with  
people with whom she comes into contact.  
She & her husband (he was with her, the  
second time) talked to me a few words.  
She looked rather strained, & he, badly  
aged. I asked her, who the next President of  
France would be, Laniel or Bidault,  
& she said "ask my husband!"

This I.C.I. job for quite tough, & it  
almost looked like a cross between Wood-  
hull, Marshall Colver, & Edgar Wallace;  
I had to play the heart of Jeves - & I did  
excellently well - & there is therefore reason



to hope - it may lead to a regular, months, permanent arrangement. I have got them out of their big difficulty - & next week, I believe, they will talk to me about my terms. They are good people to work with, all of them couple of men - & they asked me if I would be willing to travel - as need arose - to Madras, Calcutta, & Coimbatore. They have almost the same problem in Madras as the Madras Box - & I am glad to say my visit to Madras last month brought the necessaries - food - rent - & Madras Box gave me an nice cheque with their thanks for my effort.

I had written most privately letters to C.R. & the Habana Minister, both of them promptly replied. C.R. says "Your incomparable energy excites my admiration". You better come to Bombay soon, or call me to Bangalore



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and put a black-mark on the tip of my nose, & "kajal" in my eyes - I would look a picture, & then nobody would ~~then~~ throw an evil eye on me, my energy, my health - which, thanks to your kind care & hospitality - continues to be excellent.

Yesterday, I had an interesting letter from Aunty - So you see, this week, I had a heavy mail - beginning with your letter.

I am not looking forward much to Divali next week. For both C.P. & Chiraman Jaram have written that they will be here then. C.P.'s girl-friend wrote to me last week asking me to lunch - I replied, as well as hopelessly crowded, & I could not afford the luxury of a quiet lunch. This week, she asked Frank (whom she has met only once - when we dined with C.P.) to dinner - to discuss Bhandari! Frank replied, saying he was too busy.



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I do hope this I.C.I. job will come  
through, as that will give me oppor-  
tunity of travelling all over India, &  
I would include New Delhi &  
Bangalore for halts - going (fly) <sup>up</sup>  
from one place to another.

Yesterday, I had an hour's quiet talk  
with Krishnaji. Pupul & her 2 sisters  
were in the house, but I had requested  
a tête-à-tête talk - I was more than  
usually disappointed - I don't know  
what has gone wrong, for I still think  
he is something extraordinary  
big - & very high up & don't seem  
getting more cynical - I will have a word  
to him when he returns to Bombay  
for a longer stay; he went to Madras &  
Madnapalli today.

Now - the most important & operative  
part of this letter: I must have the



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snaps sam - So do send them with  
Rafraan - Then could you also  
send with him Frank's Book on  
China - if you have finished  
it (only if you have finished it),  
& then the pamphlets which  
Sir. Franked - all men are  
very important - So don't forget.

Daughter or no daughter, this has  
been a long letter - & everything you  
write to me, I shall reply immediately  
with equally long letter. What about  
calling you "Mrs. Son."

Did you read in the papers that  
all the Marwaris & workers with in  
the India United Mills are in trouble  
- for fraud, corruption, mismanagement,  
& all the 8 of them will go to jail - I hope  
this will - These include, Marwaris



and Kudital Seksaria. I have  
written a 12 page note on their  
papers - & the Govt. Investigator's  
Report also recommends proce-  
cution. I will send you a copy,  
as soon as I get more copies  
typed

Enough for to-day - keep thinking  
of me - & I am always, you know,  
thinking of you & G.R. & contin-  
ously send you both my love. It is  
an inexhaustible pile of love &  
fond wishes. Always

Yours affly  
Kees



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21<sup>st</sup> July 1954

My Dear Devika -

You have to forgive me - for very good reasons: First, it is sheer waste of time & energy to quarrel or find fault with a crazy man - which I am, & secondly, because I have had too much to do - so I asked Raghavan to tell you so - I was sorry to hear from him - you were not keeping good health: do hope you are all right now. What was the matter? If you had stayed on in Boulder, & we could have met often, instead of seeing away written an hour or



My return to <sup>2</sup> Bombay, you would  
not have fallen ill - I am thinking  
of you & I am carrying you  
all helpful thoughts -  
Bombay is millions of  
miles away for me this year  
Just, can't do it. Completely  
tied down here - unless some  
Lahore trouble in Madras  
calls me there!

Here is my Talk on Peasants  
at the Pottery Club yesterday.  
I don't do you & Svetoslav like  
it - You know I have to go  
there again next year. Good?  
Write to me soon - & tell me  
all about yourself.

C. P. was here for 6 days -  
you must have seen he



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has taken a new job - Vice-  
Chancellorship of Bawara  
Kadwa University - Plenty  
of work for him there -

With all my love  
yours ever affly  
Kanji