

Manali
Kulu

19th August 1932.

Dear Mrs de Roerich

This is just to thank you for all your kindness to my wife and me during our stay in Lakoul, and especially during my illness when I caused you so much trouble. I was always on your side before but I can assure you that I am more firmly on your side now and shall spare no effort to help you to attain your ends.

It worried me to think of all the trouble I was giving you and that I was wasting your time, but I shall try to do everything in my power to repay you for all you have done, so perhaps your time may not have been wasted!

I can assure you that my wife and I have felt very deeply the kindness we received from each one of you and we are acutely conscious of the great debt we owe you.

We hope that your stay in Lakou will be peaceful and that you will return in better health.

No doubt you know that Jodpa is not to be trusted, but it is better to keep in with him as he could be a troublesome enemy.

I am afraid Takhar Pratab Chand will take his cue from Mr. Gill and you cannot expect any help from either of these individuals.

I shall write my impressions and the facts I have gleaned to Mr. Thapar.

My wife desires me to thank you for your kind letter & also for the vegetables and lovely pears which were awaiting us on our arrival. She will write to you by the next mail.

Thank you again a thousand times for all you have done for us.

With kindest greetings from us both

Yours very sincerely

J. D. D. D.

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Manali
10th August 1935

Dear Mme de Roerich,

I thank you very much for your kind letter of yesterday's date and am very glad to know that you are satisfied with the result of our efforts. I feel sure that our success was largely due to Mr Shibayev's meticulous care with regard to his personal appearance. Had he been about to make a proposal of marriage he could not have been more particular. Each hair of his imposing moustache was carefully placed in position. I am not prepared to swear that he didn't use lipstick and face powder!

I am truly thankful that the case ended without our having to go to Dharmsala and also that no one can claim that the case was given against us. I do not think others have received much encouragement to take us ~~to~~ into Court in future.

We were extremely sorry to hear that you have been so upset, and sincerely hope that the cosmic disturbances will become less violent and that you will be permitted to enjoy better health.

We had a very severe thunderstorm accompanied by torrential rain last night, and were thankful to find our bungalow still standing this morning.

I will tell Mrs Merrick that you hope to meet her personally. I have already told her of your illness and warned her that you may not be able to see her. She is coming to lunch with us today.

It seems strange that Zodpa should have gone through to Dharmsala without coming to see any of us.

Again many thanks for your kind letter, and I hope we may soon be able to rejoice in the good news that your health is better.

With our heartiest greetings to you all

Yours very sincerely

J. Mahan

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COLONEL A.E. BANON,
MANALI,
KULU,
PUNJAB.

18th February 1941

My dear Mme de Roerich,

The enclosed came this morning by registered post.

After a glorious day yesterday we have now got snow again. It rained most of the night and started snowing this morning. It is now about 4 inches deep and it is snowing heavily.

Major Banon leaves Kulu tomorrow for Bangalore where he is to be attached for duty on a Prisoners of War Camp. Now Herbert will have all the wives and properties to do what he likes with.

I hope you are all keeping well in Naggar. Our servants are having influenza and babies. Our Khitmagar's wife had a baby two days ago and the Bearer's wife should have had one about the same time, but hers seems to be a delayed action bomb and we are still in suspense, at least she is.

With our heartiest greetings to you all

Yours very sincerely

A.E. Banon

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COLONEL A.E. MARON,
MANALI,
KULU,
PUNJAB.

11th May 1942

My dear Madame de Roerich,

I received the enclosed letter by to-day's post, unfortunately too late for me to send it to you to-day as all the men are now working in their fields and all our own men were up the hill trying to repair our khul. I hope to be able to send it off early tomorrow morning.

I hope Mr. Svetoslav will have a good journey up though I am afraid the road is still bad.

I wonder if you heard Mr. Churchill's speech! It sounded more hopeful. The war news seems a little better.

With our heartiest greetings to you all

Yours very sincerely

A.E. Maron