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Nitin at Poonthan on 11 April, 1905.

Dear Madame de Rerich,
in Bombay at the end of February
Svetoslav very kindly invited me to pay
a visit to his home at the end of March
or during April. I know that he has been
detained in Bombay & Delhi by the work
he has undertaken, but he said I was to
pay you a visit even if he himself could
not get back before I arrived.

I have to reach Delhi on 26 April
to be ready to fly to the United Kingdom;
and I have a feeling that a visit to your
sanctuary is the intended culmination
for the two years I have been in India
this time. I am led to this conclusion
partly because, on reading your husband's
articles and your own several publications,
I find that you are enunciating just the
point of view ~~that~~ which was mine

in England before I left. Indeed
I left partly because of the incompatibility
of our position and the prevailing
mental conditions fostered by the
cosmopolitan London & American Press.
I felt I must step outside to obtain
a birds-eye view. There can be no better
cure than truth. and no better guns
than yourselves.

It was for this reason that I sent
you a telegram giving my address at
13th as go to Sir T. Chaud & Sons Rd
Lahore and announced my intention -
of which I hope that Sotostan had warned
you of visiting me. If you do not
communicate with me go to Sir T. Chaud
to post me off, I will leave Lahore for
Patentot by the evening train at 13th
If I am fortunate enough to get through in
one day, might reach Nagpur on the
morning of the 1st but I expect the 15th is
more likely. I look forward most keenly to the
privilege of making the acquaintance of

Congress members who should arrive.

I will telegraph

27 Apr. 45 THE VICEROY'S HOUSE,
NEW DELHI.

Dear Madame de Louch,

I hope that you will be
able to forgive the delay in committing to
paper expressions, however inadequate, of
my lasting gratitude for all your great
kindnesses. Knowing that the expressions
could not be worthy of the kindness, or ^{worth} of the
gratitude as I feel it, I have waited until
I could reach a writing-table in a dignified
setting for what at least lends an ^{air of} quality
(dignity) common also to the home which you
have made. It was a great privilege
to be admitted as a guest into a private
home where the old high standards in all
things have not been abandoned as in most
of the rest of the world outside Muscat.
I had a feeling that my visit to you was not a
meaningless coincidence; and although I
did not receive from you any explicit directions
how to conduct myself in the world, the

guidance is implicit in the spirit
which informs your lesser Shambhala
at Naggar.

At Mandi the Yuvraj's commanding
officer (a young pink and white major
of 24 also!) was staying and I met
him at dinner.

It was colder at Nagrota than
anywhere else and raining! I was glad of
the "Pashmina" coat.

Lahor was delightfully cool with
showers at night.

I have to leave at 5.0 am
to-morrow for Karachi, I find. And
I hope to see my Brother at Bassa on
Sunday!

Please say my respects to the
Professor & to Doctor George. I do hope the
Professor's mare is now well again.

You have all given me treasures to read.

I am particularly looking forward to L'Isle's
Christianity. Thank you once again!
Please remember me to Dr. Yalovchenko. Yours to command
Michael Scott.

5 May, 1946.

Brooks's, St. James's, S.W.1. 3

Dear Madame de Ranch,

it is now just over a year since
I was with you enjoying your distinguished company and
magnificent hospitality.

Here is some news which may
interest you, and Georges in particular, for I remember how
you pointed out Guénor's faulty apprehension of
Buddhism.

A friend, to whom I had
mentioned his weakness and taken the liberty of citing
my August authority, writes "What you tell me of the
Ranachs is very interesting ... As regards Guénor's views
on Buddhism you and they may derive some satisfaction
from the following news sent me by a friend who had just
finished translating the 'Introduction générale à l'étude des
doctrines hindous' into English. « I sent R. G. a long series of
notes taking the allusions to Buddhism one by one and examining
them in the light of present knowledge and I am happy to say that he
heard a few days ago from Cairo that he is revising the whole chapter
dealing with this question and so I hope that all the passages referring to it
will be amended. Coomaraswamy helped by producing masses of
additional pieces of evidence from sources that myself had no direct
knowledge of. The whole question had been confused from the start
by the Orientalists' deformations which had to be combated, but which
did, I think, result in a certain prejudice entering in which prevented
a careful examination of the original sources so that a number of rash
generalisations and also of inaccurate statements on points of fact
resulted. It will be a great thing if this question can now be cleared up. »
My friend, I should perhaps add, is himself a Buddhist - who might conceivably
be known to the Ranachs. His name: Maroo Pathis."

This is written on the Island of Mind in W. Scott after 3 weeks of the most beautiful
coloring & that could be imagined! Be, I must return this book to my hospital
so more official treatment & my face and back. I would be very grateful if Dr. Yuleyanko
can & will do so. To him my regards.



AIR LETTER

BY AIR MAIL

1945 AIR MAIL
POSTAGE IS PAID ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS CARD

Is the news true that Svetoslaw is married?

Please tell him that we await him at Government House 50 shot gun cartridges ("No. 4" shot) 12 bore. They were really intended to facilitate your shooting for the pot at Naggar. Now they are the only form of wedding gift I can offer at this distance. If they are no use to him now and if Georges is in Bombay before him after the receipt of this letter, Georges could doubtless claim them. They are in charge of Mr Edmund D'Souza, Military Secretary's Superintendent, Govt. House, Bombay, waiting to be collected.

I trust that you are all well. Please convey my respects

to Professor Lorich and to Georges (I have not yet seen his friend Vladimir Minorsky) and my warmest good wishes to Svetoslaw for his happiness and believe me yours very sincerely Michael Scott.
P.S. I was invalided back from Palestine in November but managed to visit Luxor, Assuan & Tel el Amarna first. I hope the news of the Regime of General Alexandria with my warmest regards yours sincerely Michael Scott.

This "privilege" Air Letter will not be censored in units but will be impressed with the unit censor stamp.

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Signature
Name only

M. Scott.

REGD AIR MAIL