

MR. VLADIMIR A. SHIBAYEV,
"JESMONDENE",
TY RHIW TAFFS WELL,
CARDIFF,
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Taj Mahal Hotel,
Bombay,
10th July '53.

We were very glad to have your letter and the photographs of your trip. The photographs are delightful and we are glad to have them.

We shall not visit Delhi until December or January '54 and we shall then get in touch with you. We are on our way to Bangalore and our address there is: C/o The Indian Bank, Ltd., Cantonment, Bangalore, Mysore State.

While in Bombay I was not well, but the situation was quickly controlled and all symptoms of illness have been overcome.

How was the mean temperature in Delhousie. I always believe that a hill station must have a view on snow covered mountains. Somehow hills without snow do not seem like mountains to me.

Last winter in Kalimpong I have painted many paintings. I always find that I work best in the mountains and Kalimpong has the beautiful Kanchen Junga and Tibetan Range, somewhat like the view from Hill Side. I prefer Kalimpong to Darjeeling. It is smaller and being on the direct route to Tibet, it has the advantage of all the trade caravan and Tibetans.

As soon as I have some photographs of my paintings, I shall send some to you. We were delighted to hear that Alan is doing well in Kingston. I am glad he finally decided on sculpture, because I remember he liked it when he was small.

We both send you and to your wife our best greetings and hope you are now completely established in your Delhi house.

With all good wishes,

V. A. Schikayev.
Delhi

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13th January 1966.

Our very Dear Bragging Astronomer,

We are most grateful to you for having sent to us Raphael's Prophetic Almanac and Old Moores Almanac. You have been very prompt and we are grateful. I would greatly appreciate if you would kindly send us urgently Raphael's Astronomical Ephemeris of the Planets' Places for 1966. Sometimes they used to include it into the actual Almanac and it makes an important part of the reading.

We are still under the great shock of our Prime Minister's Lal Bahadur Shastriji's passing. In the short time of his tenure of office, he has proved himself not only a man of great wisdom but a man of great understanding and strength of will. His mode of life and his passing, are a great example of true dedicated leadership. Somehow he reflected the feelings of the people of India. There was a spontaneous wise approach to all the problems and his passing is ofcourse a tremendous loss. Had he lived for another few years he would have accomplished a great deal by way of unification and implementation of so many outstanding reforms. Many problems would have been resolved in a way that is acceptable to all. He had a great gift to negotiate and solve problems. His wisdom stemmed from the land, from the people and therefore it reflected the feelings of the people at large. We shall remember him with a feeling of gratitude and try to implement that which was left undone by his passing.

If only Peace could be brought in some measure to this unfortunate planet of ours, how much could have been achieved by way of resolving all those pressing problems which we ourselves create out of ignorance, greed and jealousy. If one thinks of the wealth that is squandered away on armaments which become obsolete and have to be replaced at gigantic costs. Armaments which cannot enrich life and only serve at best to protect what we have already acquired. The sooner man renounces the idea of armed conflicts, the quicker will come the regeneration of mankind and poverty will be eliminated to a large extent.

As it is my first letter to you in this year,
I take this opportunity to send you and to your wife
my very best wishes for a bright and happy year, full
of achievements, full of creative happiness.

Dear Gail Chenoweth & Margaret
Berg & Margaret Deane & Margaret Deane
S. R.
(SVETOSLAV ROBRICH)

Mr. Vladimir A. Shibayev,
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Read the Chapter "Action" from Prof. Raerich's 2nd 5
book "Paths of Blessing" in Russian -

4th March

Published 1924
New York.

1966-

Friends, I shall now
reel to you from my
Father's Nicholas Roerich's
book Paths of Blessing
the Enay- ^{activity} ~~Action~~

and word
activity is Shibayo had it - but S.R. feels
word should be "action" i.e. the name of article

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5th September 1966.

My very Dear Brother,

We were delighted to have your letter of September 1st. I am grateful to you for your research in Brushes and I shall be expecting the parcel with great interest.

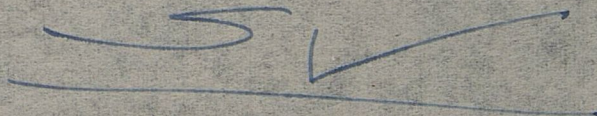
Whenever you send a parcel containing anything, except books, please write on it "Unsolicited Gift" as it saves a great deal of difficulties with the customs. We are living in a complex labyrinth of rules, counter rules and amendments, as they change constantly and have always the tendency to multiply a hundred-fold. It is difficult to keep abreast of the latest position.

Yes, it is unfortunate that humanity can annihilate space, but cannot reduce the tension between men. The distance between individuals seems to grow longer and longer and everyone faces with surprise the unsurmountable wall put up by nothing else but our own faulty thinking.

I shall be very happy to have your collection on "The Art and Science of Thinking", it is an excellent theme and I am sure you have done a very good job of it.

It is always a joy to hear from. I shall write to you again in the near future.

Our affectionate greetings to both of you,



(SVETOSLAV ROERICH)

P.S. SEND THE BRUSHES BY SEA MAIL

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16th August 1966.

Dear V. G.

We were very happy to have your letter of July 28th with the enclosed page from an article by Ada Rybachuk. Yes, write to her, tell her that you were happy to read her article and see her obvious regard for Nicholas Roerich. You can write to her that you have been associated with Prof. Roerich for many years and it always makes you happy to hear that his name is esteemed by people in far off corners of the world.

I do not know whether you will have time, but I would like to know whether in England now you can get Brushes for Painting of the type that were used by Prof. Roerich and myself and were manufactured in England. They were the ordinary House Painter or Decorators Brush made of Hog's hair. They were from 3 to 4 and 5" in width, they were flat with a short handle. One kind of these Brushes were manufactured by some concern called Harris. Wherever that establishment may be, I am sure that they are being manufactured in many parts of England since they are nothing unusual, but they must be of a really good quality, that is to say, the hair should not come out at the first try. Kindly find out and let me know.

Here it is becoming more and more difficult to get a certain type of supplies and it may become even more difficult after some time. Life has ofcourse expanded, it is becoming much more complicated, I should say more difficult and what seemed to be natural and easy some years ago has now become complicated and uncertain.

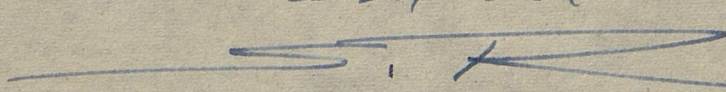
In Russia a number of books are being written and prepared on Prof. Roerich and we hope some of them may be out before long. Speaking of this, have you got a copy of the English edition of "Altai-Himalaya" which was published in England? We wanted to have certain particulars of this edition as we do not seem to have a copy of it here. An extensive compendium of all Father's written and published works including articles, essays, etc. etc. have been prepared in Soviet Russia and we hope it will be published shortly.

We have returned to Bangalore and now I am faced with tremendous amount of unfinished work which has to be completed as soon as possible. Do write to us soon, it is always a pleasure to hear from you.

You shall be glad to know that in Kulu the water has been brought from the spring in the forest behind the house and is now happily circulating throughout the building. All the bath-rooms have been nicely equipped and provided with hot water.

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many additions and improvements are being made to make
life easier in an otherwise complex world.

With our affectionate greetings
to you both and all best
things

(SVETOSLAV ROERICH)

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26th September 1966.

My Very Dear Brother.

We were delighted to have your letter of September 16 and to have all your news. We have received the ephemerides and we are very grateful to you for having sent them. Now we shall look forward to the Raphael's Almanac 1967. Here it is not available any more like so many other things that have receded from our life and made our scope all the poorer for a certain lack of contacts.

I am very grateful to you for having sent the Brushes and I shall be looking forward with great interest to receive them and try them out. I am also looking forward to your work on "The Art of Thinking". I am very anxious to receive it.

Kindly let me know the particulars of Father's Book - "Altai Himalayas" published in England, how many pages, when published, whether there are any illustrations and also what Bombay edition of the "Altai Himalayas" have you in mind, as I only know of the "Himalayas - Abode of Light" ?

Mr. Belicov is compiling a book of all writings of Father, all the published and unpublished works and we could not locate anywhere the English Edition of "Altai Himalayas" and also the Japanese Edition of "Adamant". I shall be grateful for the particulars of "Altai Himalayas".

I shall be writing to you a much longer letter, but for the moment I have to close. With our very warm and brotherly wishes to you both,

S. R.
(SVETOSLAV ROERICH)

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21st November 1966.

My dear Brother

Today we have received simultaneously your two very welcome sendings, the Almanac and the Brushes which look very inviting and shall be tried out by me in the immediate future - thank you so much. The White brush is of a good size and I will appreciate if you let me know how much the actual cost is. The set of smaller brushes is of the kind we have been using before, but I would need some of wider sizes. Have they got 5" or even 6" brushes in that quality? I do not know who makes them, but it is written on them "Pure Bristles" and the bristles are black. If these people have a catalogue or some sort of price-list, I would like very much to have it. In the meantime if there is anything that we can send you from here, please let us know and we shall be very glad to do so.

In my former letter I wrote to you about Windsor & Newton colours, I hope you will be good enough to find time to look into this matter and let me know when you have obtained some results.

Here life is proceeding as usual with its many ups and downs. There have been many complications and unrest of which you must have heard on the radio, much of it I suppose was unnecessary, but the feelings of people are aroused by a certain dislocation of life due to high prices and shortages in food. These things are inevitable under the circumstances, but they are aggravated by a great deal of publicity which has been exploited by rival political parties. Let us hope things will settle down somehow and a constructive period may set in to permeate the economy to develop normally without undue strains. Winter must be setting in in England. Here we have bright sunny days, flowers are coming and there is a general cooling at night.

As I wrote to you before Kulu is being attended to and we have been trying to improve it as much as possible. Things take a long time in those parts still - cement is very expensive and even not obtainable, everything takes so much longer and labour has become almost impossible to get due to all sorts of Government Projects that absorb all the surplus labour. Prices have gone up and life is following the general pattern of every similar region. As you know we are now in Himachal Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh has become one large contiguous region. This is better for us as Kulu will benefit from the common hill development pattern.

Do you remember the little place of Pandoh on the Beas river halfway between Mandi and Kulu? The upper end of the Beas diversion tunnel with the dam will be located at Pandoh. The place has been completely transformed into a little town of

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modern buildings to house the Hydro-Electric Colony with little trains running up and down and all hill sides being cut off to provide the platforms for construction. It is a very remarkable development as it has come up only within the last three years. When we were there in 1961 there was still nothing. After that we have not driven through that part for three years and now we found a whole city. It is always a joy for me to see these developments and how quickly things can be achieved where there is an united and concerted action. Of course these developments do affect the inner traditional life of a place and nature with her beautiful wild life and typical forms recede before man's progress.

*We send you to the
our affectionate greetings
and all the best wishes. SV.*

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Mysore State, South India.

5th December 1966.

My dear Mr. Shibayev,

I was very happy to receive all the catalogues which you have sent, but your writings on thought have not reached us - I presume because you have addressed it to the wrong bank. I am sorry to say there is no National Bank here, please send us another copy, this loss is most unfortunate.

As regards the catalogues I only notice in Windsor and Newton catalogues, among their water colours a permanent Majenta colour. If one could secure this paint in powder form it would do. Anyhow what I want is that what they call the Permanent Majenta as it is a stable colour. I always found these people rather reluctant to give their basic material, I suppose because there are some trade secrets in it. Majenta cannot be successfully made out of mixed pigments. I am sorry to give you all this trouble, but I would greatly appreciate a stable pigment that is somewhat of the Majenta shade. I have tried Polymer colours and they are good, but very limited in their shades and as you know in Father's and my paintings, colour is the most important factor.

I shall write to you a longer letter in a few days time and in the meantime with many thanks and our warmest wishes and greetings,

Svetoslav Roerich
(SVETOSLAV ROERICH)

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P.S. About the book "Jinalaga" I mean the English Edition by B. Altai Jinalaga (American Edition).

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12th November 1966.

My Very Dear Brother,

Today being Diwali Day I take the opportunity to send you both our best wishes and hope that the coming post Diwali period will bring us some, however small, cause for rejoicing. Clouds are threatening on all sides and if it is'nt one thing its something else and there seems to be no end to all the complexities that life crystalises out of man-made misunderstandings. Unless man firmly realises that there can be no solution to all the internal and international problems unless he is willing to deal with them on the plane of goodwill and mutual respect and understanding. Goodwill is the key to all human relations and nothing else can take its place. Even if the majority of mankind cannot reach the stage of co-operation at least the leaders should be prepared to come to an understanding and lead their respective constituencies or nations along the constructive path of common goodwill and respect for each others views. It seems strange that at this time of great scientific discoveries and wonderful technological advance that we are still far removed from the simple and elementary conception of mutual co-operation, but it seems that the most difficult thing to change is the human heart and yet it is the only fundamental principle of any lasting advance and achievement in human relations.

We have not as yet received the Ephemaries which you have so kindly sent to us, but we are looking forward to it reaching us soon.

If you ever go to London I would like you to drop in to Windsor and Newton's show rooms where they sell artists material and find out from them if they have in powder form a certain Majenta colour which is of a stable compound. The French firm Le Franc are manufacturing a number of Violet Reds related to the Majenta colours which they have in their oil colours but will not sell in powder form whatever the reasons may be. I have tried to get it from them several times but they simply refuse to sell these colours in powder form, yet they claim in their catalogue that they are absolutely stable. Windsor and Newton had a Majenta tone which was very close to the Le Franc colours, but I do not know whether it was stable as the Le Franc colours are. Could you find out for me if any pigments in powder form related to the Majenta tone are available with them as I would like very much to have those colours for my work? Will you please find it out even perhaps by correspondence if not in person and let me know the results. If you succeed I shall be very grateful to you. I repeat, that the Le Franc in Paris have the Red Violets or Majenta equivalents which are quite stable according to them, but they will not sell them in powder form as I need them.

We are very grateful to you for sending us the clippings from the Russian magazine "SOVIETSKY SOYUZ". I have also received the magazine from Russia.

You shall be happy to know that a number of books on Father are in preparation there and we expect some to be published early in the course of next year. One will be a large album of reproductions of paintings by Kniazeva in collaboration with Mr. Belicov.

As I said before, I shall be grateful to you if you could look into the matter of the pigments that I need and let me know accordingly.

We send to you both our affectionate greetings and again send you everything best.

*I shall be writing to you again shortly.
affectionate greetings*

S.V.

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19th December 1966.

My Very Dear Brother,

I have just received your collection of "Art & Science of Thought". I congratulate you on your work which you have very ably compiled. I feel that you should write on the front page *'Irene Dines Hughes'* after the title line:

Already in Soviet Russia some of these aphorisms, as they call them, have appeared in magazines for young people and I understand that many more will come out. So I feel you should send these to some friends like Mr. Belicov, as he will be also interested in it. After all he has all the books of the teachings and knows them well nigh by heart. I have found a few typing mistakes as on page 64 para 549, 7th line down *Погруженно*, page 33 para 549 line 3rd down *Максимумно* *Мак-ре*, page 50 para 173 line 1st should be *Идеализма*. There may be something else which I was unable to detect so far, so please check it carefully. I think you have done this work very well, felicitation. Perhaps you could mention in a separate para that the quotations were taken from such and such books just giving their names and years as you have it in your Index.

You may not know, but a number of books on Father are being written now in Soviet Russia and also a number of his articles will be brought out in the near future. More and more letters and articles of his appear in print and there is an ever increasing interest in his thought and work. It is essential that these new thoughts should percolate through every channel and create a new approach to so many fundamental truths. I feel that the time is coming when a great deal of public interest will be awakened in these fundamental teachings.

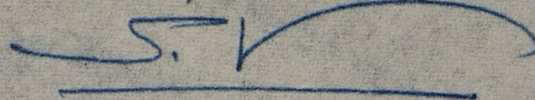
In Kulu we expect greater developments after its merging with Himachal Pradesh. The former association with Punjab was quite somnolent and left a lot to be desired. Unfortunately these areas have been relegated to a position of secondary importance and little has been done from a point of view of development of the valley itself.

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Conditions within the country are fluid, difficult, ofcourse a great deal is pre-election campaigning and turbulence, yet one never knows when negative and restive forces may create a very trying situation which would have repercussions at a later stage. There are fasts and counter-fasts and every type of coercion complicating infinitely the whole horizon of normal relations and goodwill.

I will close now with all our best wishes to you both for Christmas and the coming year. Let us hope the year may have some constructive break through

With Warm and affectionate regards,



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26th December 1966.

My Dear Brother,

In continuation of my letter of the 19th, I think it would be nice if you could have the same book of "Thought" in English as that could be published and I am sure it would be an important contribution in that language.

Some of the passages have already been translated into English though I do find that some of the language can be better and more colourful. I feel that the Good Teachings should be circulated more widely and prepare the way for the other teachings which will be published at some later date. I feel that time has come when more and more of these writings should circulate. I think your compendium is useful in many ways and I was very happy to see it.

Since this letter will be our last before the New Year, I take the opportunity to send you both our very best wishes for the coming Year and wish you to find fulfilment in all you are striving for. The other world is so near, all we have to do is to attune ourselves to it and we shall be in full rapport with it.

With warm greetings,
S R.

(SVETO SLAV ROERICH)

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23rd January 1967.

My Very Dear Brother,

Let me thank you for the copy of the Old Moore's Almanack 1967 which you sent me and which has arrived safely. It is very kind of you to have sent it to us.

I hope you have received my letters and have read some of my suggestions regarding your extracts from the books of the teachings on 'The Art of Thought'. When a few little mistakes have been corrected and a further check has been made, I would appreciate to have a few copies of it which I wanted to send to some friends. Remember, I have suggested to have your name on it which I feel in some ways right because the work has been done by you and it is good to have on record that it is you that have also worked on it and were associated with it.

I hope when you have time you will attend about the Pigments which I have written to you about and I hope you will be successful.

This being my first letter to you in the New Year, I take this opportunity to wish you and to Alice and your son my very best wishes and the fulfilment of every wish of yours. The year may be a very complex one from the point of view of events, but let us hope reason will prevail and no major calamity breaks out.

*With affectionate
Thoughts.*

SV
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Mysore State, South India.

17th February 1967.

My Very Dear Brother,

We were happy to have your letter of February 10. I am very glad to know that you were able to find the "Permanent Magenta" shade from Winsor and Newton and I am very grateful to you for sending some of it to me. I shall look forward with great interest to receiving it. Please write that it is an unsolicited gift as it would simplify the matter of its receipt here, otherwise there are unnecessary delays and complications which can result in the loss of the material sent. Very often correspondence becomes more than voluminous and defeats the subject in question.

The two brushes which you have kindly sent to me on January 5th have not as yet reached us, but needless to say I am very grateful to you for your kind thought.

Now on the subject of your compilation from the teachings (The Art of Thought), I am very sorry to hear that S.G.F. has not approved of your work, I do not know what actually motivated her letter to you as she has not written anything to me on the subject nor have I discussed anything with her from this end. I am not on the board of the Agni Yoga Society and have no contacts with that organisation as such in any capacity. However, I hold the copyrights for all Father's and Mother's books, hence I should have a definite right to voice my opinion in the matter. If S.G.F. feels that the particular sign of Maitreya Sangha should not be used on any other publication except the one which has come out of their own publishing organisation, you could use a different sign which would be as appropriate as it is as authentic as the other sign and has come directly from the same source. I can send you a cut of the above sign which you can use and which may if you also think so solve the problem. I have always felt that the GOOD TEACHINGS SHOULD SPREAD as wide as possible and it is not all important by what venue they should spread provided they are spread in their original form and for a good purpose. Hence do not worry my dear Brother, your work has been well done and I am sure will make many people happy and contribute to a broadening of consciousness.

We are in the throes of election fever, but on the whole it has been more peaceful than anticipated. Many very complex tendencies have lately emerged but none of them are strong enough to really make themselves felt. In a few more days everything will be over and we shall settle for another period of five years. We must try with all our strength to realize that which is the most important in life and cultivate it with every power we possess.

I close now with every good wish and affectionate thoughts to you and Alice from us both.


(SVETOSLAV ROERICH)

P.S. Your transcription, "Pygmaeus Bent"
 in previous letter is good, but 1 letter on
 line 21 from top one can omit 8 word
 "Boemora" the other 2 are "Pygmaeus Bent"
 "Pygmaeus Bent" "Pygmaeus Bent"
 The is of course a very minor point.
 Otherwise it is well written. S.V.

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27th February 1967.

My Dear Brother,

I have just received your letter of 23rd February with the enclosures.

Your letter to the President of the Agni Yoga Society is correct and I hope that the President will gladly exceed to your request.

The introduction which you have sent to me with this letter is good, but I would change a few small words, as on line No.3 from the top I would put India before Ancient China and have China follow Ancient India. I note that use is made of the word 'great' several times and I feel we can reduce it, like for instance on the line 9 from the top we can omit 'great' before the word Raja Yoga. On the line 10 you can omit the word 'great' before Currents of Thought otherwise it is well written and you can use it as an introduction. The sign which I am sending you is not the sign which you refer to but is the old symbol which includes all the other symbols too and comes from the same Source. Probably it will be familiar to you. Let me know if the size I send you is alright for you as I have them in two sizes.

Yes, the GOOD TEACHINGS must spread and bring happiness to so many other people, give them hope and a new outlook on life. You can use Orange or Blue for the cover whichever is easier to obtain.

You certainly may use Father's painting "The Fiery Thought", you have my full permission and I think it is a suitable illustration of the subject matter.

I am again going through your previous forewords and I shall write to you very shortly my thoughts on the subject, but the one you have sent me in this letter is good, except for a few small corrections which I have suggested.

I am very grateful to you for the active interest you take in trying to secure for me the pigment from Winsor and Newton.

I close now as I am anxious for this letter to go off to you immediately. We are all well, over-burdened with all sorts of activities and getting acclimatized to the results of our new elections.

With our affectionate thoughts to you and Alice and all best wishes for the success of your work,

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13th March 1967.

My very Dear Brother,

I am very happy to have your letter of March 3rd. You must have received by now already the Copper cut which I have sent to you. This particular sign, as you may remember, is directly connected with the stone. I feel that the outer square could be thicker as in the signs of the books, approximately double the present thickness on the Copper cut. I shall let you know how many copies may be needed by me, but you can send me about 25 copies at the present moment.

I have not heard from Mrs. Fosdick for some time.

Here we are digesting the results of our election. Let us hope the new circumstances and amendments will work out satisfactorily. It will be more difficult but perhaps it will also create a greater sense of responsibility. After all India is a very vast country almost the size of Europe and as such contains many very complex problems.

I hasten to send this off, hence I shall not write any more for the present.

*Off with great feelings
Always Yrs. SV.*

(SVETOSLAV ROERICH)

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29th March 1967.

There are a number of things I want to thank you for as they have all come together probably for Easter. First of all I want to thank you for the Permanent Magenta which arrived safely and was very much appreciated by me. I shall duly use it and let you know the results obtained, but it seems to be a very good pigment.

Talk No.7, the little pamphlet on Philosophy and thought I have read it with interest. There are a few small mistakes which I would like you to consider as you may be able to correct it for any future publication or use.

In Para 41 the first word of the line 'strikes' is spelled "strikaes". In Para 75, 76 where did you take the English from? It seems to me that after the sentence 'justly will they ask' the next sentence should really read 'how does the meaning of thought differ in the new age?' "If thought is so persistently affirmed it means that a special designation is given to it in the rejuvenation of life." In Para 91 in Russian it says *канп 376*, I always felt that the form should be *канп 376*. In Para 110 in the English, the sentence 'they have but to think about them' is missing in the Russian Para 110. Para 106 in Russian *should read* *Хаомуренае* "

These are a few of the corrections which should be introduced in the next printing.

I just received your volume "The Art and Science of Thought" with the new sign. I think it looks nice and I congratulate you on your work. I shall be very happy to read it.

I take this opportunity to send you my Easter greetings. Let all the best come to you and always remember that it is our awareness of the higher forces and energies that draws them to us and makes them a reality. The same is in a radio we only have to tune in and energize the set - the principle is the same.

The sign has come out well and as I said to you this sign has many meanings. In it you see the chalice and the flower, you have a letter M formed of the two lower circles and the upper circle of the flame rising from the chalice with two flowers coming out from the sides of the sign. As you say it is a tree of life, the symbol of life and it has been, as I have already told you, directly connected with the stone, hence its use here is appropriate.

* I think it is only since that the "charges to be" and I think it was for stylistic considerations!

Some times when reading 'the Teachings' I found that the English translation does not quite convey the meaning meant in Russian.

I close now as I am anxious for this letter to reach you early and to let you know that these sendings of yours have reached me safely and I very much appreciate them.

With our warmest and affectionate greetings to Alice and yourself,

All the best to you
SV

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31st March 1967.

My dear Brother,

I have just received your kind sending of two brushes and a sample of Magenta Colour. I am most grateful to you for sending this to me. They look good and I shall be glad to try them out.

I have just sent you a letter about your lectures where I found a few mistakes which should be rectified. I am sure you will do it without any difficulty. As regards the Russian word

*Yanpore. I think it is a corruption of
the word "Yanpore" which is used.*

If there is anything that you would like to have from India I will be very happy to send it to you.

Here conditions are still unsettled. After the elections lot of problems and problems that are difficult of solution. Sometimes I feel very apprehensive, but there is nothing that one can do in the common stream.

We send to you and to Alice our very warm greetings and every good wish.

With affectionate thoughts,
SV.

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1st May 1967.

My Very Dear Brother,

I have just received your reprints of the
"Fiery Thoughts" and I was very happy to have them.

We are shortly leaving for North India and the
Kulu Valley. Kulu Valley is always a place of delight
but a great deal yet remains to be done there.

Conditions here are very difficult with a great
many complications in every field of life and dark
clouds are hanging low. Let us hope things will somehow
strengthen out, but it requires a very strong leadership
to steer the good ship in these trying days.

We send to you and to Alice our warmest greetings
and hope to hear from you soon.

With affectionate thoughts
SV

(SVETOSLAV ROERICHI)

P.S.

All your brushes which you have kindly sent to me
have been tried out and have proved to be very good.
I am grateful to you for having sent them to me.

(S.R.) *SV*

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24th July 1967.

My Dear Brother

We have just returned to Bangalore from our northern tour and spent about a month in Kulu which was as usual very satisfying. Life in Kulu is changing but the Valley remains the same.

I have gone to many temples some of which I have never visited before - have taken many photographs and was happy to secure a great deal of important new material. One disappointment was the temple of Harimba at Manali which was badly disfigured by a well-wisher who put up a large reinforced concrete frontage and wrote his name in large letters over it. The whole thing is in bright red and green concrete and to match the beautiful new Elevation even the bit of old carvings left around the door has been thickly painted with bright red and green oil paint. The beautiful bronze handle from the door has been sold by a well meaning Poojari, so also some of the figures inside the temple. I will write to you later about other details of our trip.

Upon my return I have received the 25 copies of your work "THE ART OF THOUGHT" and I was very happy to have them. I send you my sincere thanks.

I have one small request to make of you which is rather important for me and which I would appreciate if you could help me in securing. There is a colour of Winsor and Newton called Winsor Emerald which is a very bright green shade. It would be very important for me to have it in its powder form like the magenta Purple which you have kindly sent me already. Let me know how much it is. It is a new shade but apparently very stable and much better than the old Veronese Green. I have this shade in Winsor and Newton's oil colours in tubes, but I need it in Powder Form, for my tempera paintings.

I am starting my painting work again and I have a large series of paintings at hand. They have been asking me for an exhibition of my paintings in Russia, but I have postponed the issue as I feel I will need some more paintings.

I shall write to you in my next letter all the news of our life here. A great deal you must know from newspapers and other sources.

This is just a letter of greetings. Please do not forget to let me know about the Winsor Emerald pigment in powder form as I have to use it in one particular painting of mine.

We send you both our warmest and affectionate greetings and look forward to hear from you in the nearest future.

*My best thoughts and warmest
greetings with love. S.K.*

S. ROERICH.

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11th August 1967.

My Very Dear Brother,

In continuation of my letter to you I would like to answer a few points of your letter to me of May 7th which remained unanswered so far.

1. Yes of course you can use the sign of Flamma for your publications and I shall be glad to be the Honorary President whenever you start the magazine.

2. The exact number of Queen's Gate Terrace was 25 A ^{259.} and not 25. It is always good to have bigger plans - big plans attract larger possibilities.

3. I will get you some slides of India and I hope they will be useful to you. I do not know whether one can get the bigger slides, but I know that the smaller ones are readily available.

4. I have not seen the book "The Flying Saucers are real" by Donald Keyhoe but it is true that the particular phenomenon observed by Father and members of the expedition was very clear and the interesting point was the change of direction in the flying object when it turned at right angle and flew away at a leisurely speed. Father described to me this episode many times with considerable detail - the object was of a silvery white colour and was lit up by the rays of the sun.

5. The sign which I sent you - This is the sign on the velvet cloth, which must have been a hanging in which the casket was wrapped.

6. You must have already received the English volume of Mother's letters from America. I have just received them and I think it is a splendid publication.

7. It is natural that George Chklaver should appreciate your work "Thoughts". We correspond regularly and he has been evincing a very sincere and growing interest in the teachings.

8. What you write to me confidentially about your membership being paid for by a well wisher in the Museum, I do not know who has done so, but if it has been done it is only right and you should accept it as a spontaneous gesture of a friend.

9. If possible I shall appreciate if you send me the samples of the bright Orange colours which you have used in your letter. Please find out if they are stable to light.

conditions here continue to be very difficult and confusing. Sometimes one has very disturbing thoughts on the subject. The extraordinary complications of many issues makes

them hard of solution. With the vast mass of population planning has to be done very carefully looking far ahead and taking into consideration the vast inertia which pervades the masses.

*With our warmest thoughts
to you both with affection
S. R.*

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30th August 1967.

My Very Dear Brother,

Many thanks for your letter of August 20th. I was very interested to learn about Alan's trip to Canada. It sounds very interesting but my own reactions to the recent craze for excitement at all costs and by all means is one of doubt. After all the most precious thing we have is a well directed concentrated trend of thought and for this purpose we must cultivate our inner life which makes us satisfied and happy with our own inner world. By piling up and superimposing one extraneous excitement over another would tend to make us depend more and more upon outside stimulation to such an extent that our own inner life would become impaired and we become victims to outside factors just like in drugs, drink and any other artificial stimulant. It has been an old practice among men from time immemorial to try to obtain emotions by artificial means such as purchasing Cocaine or Mari-Juana, Opium and other stimulants of our sub-conscious.

Of course all these experiments in new sensations have some value if we use them for the study of man's inner resources but they should not become a habit and make man dependant upon them. The state of our mental lucidity can only be achieved through an inner integration and it can give us an access to realms which we can never suspect as being within the inner-most recesses of our spirit. Only inner cultivation, pains-taking, patient and diligent can open up in us the inner centers of contact with other planes and it is this inner cultivation which can bring to us a permanent state of felicity.

We were happy to have the photograph of Alan and his wife. We both wish them every happiness in their new life.

What you write in your letter about the modern generation and the trends of life in modern England is not an isolated phenomenon but is a common feature of most advanced countries. The future is certainly not a very bright one no matter from what angle you look at it and I am afraid humanity will not be able to escape the dark prophecies made in so many parts of the world and at different times.

As regards the numbered items in your letter:

1. I think in the magazine 'FLAMMA' you could perhaps make use of some of Father's articles that are always timely.

2. I hope you will be able to see the Mahatma letters.
3. I am very grateful to you for having ordered the Winsor Emerald Powder. I shall look forward to it with great interest. I shall also look forward to "The Trinity of Thought - Light and Matter".
4. The Flying Saucers may be physical and at times can be manifestations of another plane. As you well know such manifestations can easily take place under certain circumstances, like for instance, Telekinesis when physical matter begins to obey and operate under different laws which can be evoked or reproduced under certain circumstances.
5. I am so happy you have received Mother's letters. Like the first volume it is a very fine publication. I am sorry your review, which must have been very good, was not published, but I would like to have a copy of it if you can send it to me.
6. Regarding the stability of fluorant colours we must find out this particular point as it is very important.
7. We shall send you some photographs from Kulu which will be of interest to you.
8. The work on the reproductions and Monograph is still going on.

Yes, it would make us very happy to see you and your wife. Let us hope it will be soon.

I will write to you later about the details of our trip as it is not possible for me to include it in this letter.

*I close with our affectionate thoughts
& greetings to you both
Yours.*

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16th October 1967.

My very Dear Brother.

Your letter of October 12th. I was very sorry to hear that Ally is not well. It must have been a great shock to you all and we pray that she may recover completely before long. I know how very painful and trying it can be, but one can count upon the full recovery though gradual. In this she has to fortify herself with patience and inner determination. These trials are sent to us and are a great boon in a disguised way. Pain well borne is a source of great moral and spiritual strength. We shall send her our best thoughts for a complete and early recovery.

I did not write to you that Devika also had trouble with her right ear as a result of a virus infection which came after an attack of Flu. It has caused a buzzing in the ear which was very trying and which the doctors were trying to resolve though it is of a very persistent nature and only shows signs of very slow improvement. She has no pain and the hearing has not been affected at all but it has been very trying.

I am grateful to you for all the trouble you have taken about getting me the Winsor Emerald. I would like you to ask your people whether it is possible to get that colour in either liquid water colours or guache colours. Please let me know whether it is available in this form and what are the prices of it.

I do hope you can resolve your personal problems somehow, but do let me know of any developments at your side.

Coming to Kulu, we have this year visited a number of Temples and places we have not been to before and I must say it was most rewarding especially to find the old wooden carved temples around Jagat Sukh and Manali where a certain pattern of temple buildings was carried out for many centuries. I have taken a number of interesting photographs and found scattered many important stone sculptures though most bronzes have been already removed from the Valley as well as whatever paintings there might have been in the Valley at one time. Speaking of paintings it is surprising what comparatively large numbers of paintings were in the Valley and were brought out by the rising demand and prices which have cleaned out everything and dispersed them throughout in India and abroad. It is remarkable how many art objects were hidden away throughout the Western Himalayas and were never brought out except by the demand created by collectors and dealers. Many valuable things come from Ladak where the fine climate preserved the art objects much better than at lower altitudes.

I am grateful to you for sending me the copy of your review and I shall read it with great interest.

I found in the recent volume of Mother's letters a few passages which could have been more correctly or better rendered in English, but I suppose it does happen sometimes when one searches for a more exact or literary translation.

I do hope your difficulties will pass and I expect your next letter will give us the happy news that Ally is already feeling better. With our affectionate greetings to you both,

and all best thoughts SV.

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30th October 1967.

My very Dear Brother,

I do hope this finds Ally much better. We send her our best thoughts and pray for her early and complete recovery. I know what a trying time she must be going through, but these trials are a sort of purification and afford us an opportunity for greater introspection. As I said before sufferings well borne are a short cut to spiritual advance, the greatest merit accrues through them.

If you have a chance do please send to me Raphael's Ephemerides and World Predictions, also please send me the positions of the stars which sometimes is incorporated with the World Predictions and sometimes comes in a separate little volume. I will very much appreciate your sending it to us.

As I said before I only use absolutely permanent colours that have been tried out and found stable in every way. There are many attractive bright colours which unfortunately are evanescent and therefore cannot be used.

I have been making good use of all the brushes which you have kindly sent to me and I must say that I find the broad brushes of 5" and 6" and more very good and they helped me in a number of my new paintings which I have recently finished. Many more paintings now are waiting their turn and I shall be sending you some photographs of them.

Do please let me know which particular views of India you would like to have in slides. There are a number of them available, but I would like to have some direction from you. I shall be writing to you after a little while, but I must close for the moment as I am expecting some friends shortly.

We both send to you and Ally our affectionate greetings and all the best. I was thinking over all your problems and I hope a good solution will present itself.

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8th December 1967.

My Very Dear Brother,

I have not heard from you for sometime and I was worried as to how you were. You wrote that Ally was not well and I do hope she got over her troubles.

Devika's ear is not well yet, but she is under active treatment and we hope eventually she will get over it completely. There are so many diseases, so many troubles everywhere and one feels that new conditions of life are creating their own problems and apparently there never will be a solution as we shall always be moving from measures to counter measures.

I have done many paintings and there are many more to be done in the present series. Let us hope I find the time to complete them all before long. How is the progress of your own work? I understand Mr. Conlan is translating 'Infinity' into French. I am sure he will make a fine work of it.

I do not know whether you have ever been able to secure for me the Winsor Emerald, it is a colour that I particularly wanted for a certain work of mine. Also the Raphael's Almanac and Ephemerides.

Here we are experiencing winter rains - the result of cyclonic activities along the Madras Coast. It is raining the whole of today and it has become damp and cold.

You wrote to me in one of your letters that you would like to have some slides of India. I am not certain which size is the size required by you as there are many sizes now in the market; also let me know which particular areas or subjects are of interest to you? Here we have a number of slides of South India which are quite interesting, but North India has also many beautiful places.

As regards the country and the conditions prevailing at the present moment, you must know of some of our problems and complications. I do not know how some of these problems will resolve themselves, but it does look rather ominous at times. Do let me know how you find the conditions in England? Do you notice any changes if so in what particular direction? What you once wrote about the attitude of the younger people not wishing to work and apply themselves earnestly is very significant and is true of many countries. It is a common phase through which most countries are now passing and the future cannot be very promising. Has the cost of living gone up of late in England and if so how much? What is the general attitude of the people? Among younger generations like the students of your University what is their general attitude towards life and do you find any spiritual interests or pursuits among them? Unless we find a new balance between the physical and spiritual

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aspects of Life, a new approach to our cosmogony and ethical balance we shall very quickly come to a sort of dead end from which there shall be no escape except into gradual perdition.

Do let me hear from you soon and let me know how Ally and yourself are. I shall try to write to you before Christmas hence I shall not add my Christmas wishes in this letter.

*With our warm greetings,
always S.V.*

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11.12.67

Дорогой Игорь, Владимир Александрович,
Спасибо большое за ваше письмо от
5 Dec. Спасибо вам за все. Ваши письма
они все конечно радуют. Особо спасибо за
Win sor Emerald - буду изучать с особым
интересом.

За ваши вопросы ответить не легко т.к.
есть особые преобладающие обязательства.
Я конечно не вмешиваюсь в дела В.П.У.
Этот особый мир, но все же есть
различия и в общем итоге есть
и очень хорошие достижения. —

Конечно много хотелось бы сделать,
но все же вы знаете как много бывает
трудно. Недалеко отсюда, все то
от него отпадает и т.д.

Есть у меня секретари, но это всё только
технические помощники.

Е.И. оставила мне в свои писания и сама
лично просила посмотреть, тогда все
софранилось. И очень много.

Ушла Е.И. внезапно во сне так же
как и Н.К. - Раша смотрит за
квартирой Ю.Ф. Это как бы "мандаринская
квартира" - Томасинство книги перешло
в Ишт. Порог. Адам - где отдалось
Робинет - Таммотека имени Ю.Ф. -
На квартире висят картины Н.К. как
это было и при Ю.Ф. и вообще софранилось
один прошлого. Раша смотрит
хорошо за всем. У ней много друзей,
есть "родословная дага". Летом она
проводит кактусы и на гераль
и на растительном Море. Мое же в Савва Тору.

Е. И. забывает мне все и я
 временно все забываю. Ведь мы
 только временно зашевелились.
 Но все же наша ответственность
 велика. Как я уже писал главное
 затруднение найти сотрудников,
 подкадровых, серьезных, работающих. —
 Здесь и там не видно, все
 занято великими научными и
 те "научными" проблемами и
 тем уже растущим, исчерпавшим
 интеллектуальным уровнем. —
 Будем надеяться. —
 Вот пишу в Н. У. все же ога

Толщина Швейцарских репродукций
Лавон Ф. К. 3 не видет. Только
открытки. Недавно мне
прислали серию русских
открыток Ф. К. Там 8. - не
мохо. Но дух картин
еще сильнее того момента
Ф. К. еще много мне того
отправит.

Всею светом и
Радостно
Рад. С. Ф.

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15th December 1967.

I am happy to have your letter of December 5th and to know all your news. It is very distressing to hear that Ally is still not well - these things take a very long time, but one must persevere and never give up hope.

I shall be gratefully expecting all the things you sent us. Let us hope they reach us in good time though we shall have to wait for 70 days.

About the life in India you know from the press and the radio. It is very involved and everyday seems to bring greater complications, for that matter there is hardly any place now in this world that is free of some sort of difficulties, some sort of troubles. It is for us to overcome these troubles and find our own equilibrium and that state of felicity which Buddha described as 'Nirvana' which is nowhere but with us nor can we expect any 'Nirvana' in the next world unless we have already obtained it here. That which we have here will follow us and will be the true state of our being because it is within our powers here on earth to create the conditions which become the permanent possession of our self. The moments of spiritual happiness, the moments of spiritual felicity that all of us have experienced at one time or another in our lives, these are all those transcendental contacts when we rise in our spirit on to a higher plane and experience vibrations of another plane. These are very real, the interactions of one plane with the other which is made possible by our own inner change of vibrations. This is something that science is reluctant to accept but it will have to accept the multiplane structures of the Cosmos. All they have to do is to think with a little attention and analyse the properties of Infinity and Eternity - Trans-Infinity and Cis-Infinity. That Cis-Infinity contains everything. As soon as science crosses on to the next plane everything will become much easier and simpler as it will solve automatically so many unresolvable, for the present, conditions such as the theory of the anti-matter which is nothing but matter on a different plane. Remember we have witnessed together many phenomena of Telekinesis. In any spiritualistic materialisation there is the interaction of two planes and two forces when a finer force becomes objectivised by the attraction of certain atoms and molecules of matter of our plane and becomes materialised or is objectivised from the subjective state. We have seen so many of these phenomena and given the proper circumstances how simple and natural these phenomena can become.

I will close now with every best wish for Christmas. This beautiful holiday full of the greatest significance and transcendental meaning.

*With all the love
to you both.*

— S. —
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in address

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14th February 1968.

My very Dear Friend,

The other day we received your very welcome gift of the Winsor Emerald and the Brush which you so kindly sent us. The pigment is the pigment that I wanted to have and it made me very happy to receive it, so is the Brush - it is a very very useful Brush for my work. Thank you ever so much.

We have not so far received the Raphael's Almanac and the Ephemerides but we hope they will also come here safely. When did you send them from London? Madam was getting worried. We did not have any letters from you for sometime and we were wondering how you were and also how is the progress of Ally's recovery. All these symptoms take a long time to resolve themselves and it is very difficult to accelerate the natural processes. We send you both our best wishes and hope that everything, all difficulties, all troubles will resolve themselves before long.

As you well know we have many difficulties now in this country and these are only natural reverberations of processes inherent in a vast mass of humanity trying to find its bearings and adjust so many problems and difficulties that crowd upon the scene of life. Let us hope the many outbursts that we see at present will not assume too grave a proportion, but that is all in God's hands.

I shall be expecting an early letter from you with all your news and in the meantime we both send you and Ally our warmest greetings and all best wishes.

*With Everything 'Love'
always,
SV*

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4th March 1968.

My very Dear Brother,

I have not heard from you for some time and I was somewhat concerned at your silence. How is everything with you? How is Ally's progress of recovery? It always makes us happy when we hear from you and I hope no mail was lost.

Up-to-now we have not as yet received the Raphael's Almanac and Ephemeris which you have so kindly sent to us. I begin to fear that it has gone astray or lost and I would greatly appreciate if you would kindly send me the Almanac and the Ephemeris by Registered Air Mail Book Post. I would not bother, but we need it at this end.

Many changes are coming all over the world, many clouds are gathering and what seems like a solution sometimes is only beginning of some future trouble.

I have completed my series of paintings which I had planned for this season and am now preparing for my next work in the summer.

I shall let you know well in time when we shall be going to Kulu so that you may write to us there. I send you and to Ally our affectionate greetings and thoughts.

*Take good care of yourself -
Yours in thought*
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8th March 1968.

My very Dear Brother

We have just received the Ephemerides and the Catalogues and we are very grateful to you for having sent them to us. In my last letter to you I have just been mentioning them and I am happy that they have reached here so quickly after my letter.

I am anxious for this letter to go off to you immediately hence I close with many thanks again and every good wish to Ally and yourself.

With my affectionate regards
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My very Dear Brother,

Your second sendings of the Ephemeris has just arrived and I am very grateful to you for having done so. Though the first one has just crossed my letter to you, these two sendings will be most useful to us here. Thank you very much for sending them.

This is just to acknowledge their receipt and in a day or two I will be answering at length your letter to me with all the questions which are embodied in it.

We were delighted to have all your sendings and I take this opportunity to wish you every success with your new ventures. You will forgive me if I may write some of the details in Russian.

*My affectionate greetings to
You & Elly. SV*

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My very Dear Brother.

I am very grateful to you for sending me the copy of "Flamma" which I was glad to receive it. I am happy to see the good work that you are doing and one day I shall sit down to answer many of your questions which I have not answered up to now. The reason for it is that I was kept so busy with all sorts of extra work that I could not find a long enough stretch of time to concentrate on these questions.

We have returned to Bangalore and I am actively engaged in my paintings which I hope to complete in the course of this season. Bangalore as you have known it in your days has greatly changed. It has become a large city with one million seven hundred thousand inhabitants and will be two million before long. Lot of industries have grown up but the place is not congested yet as the city has spread out in all directions. Where our estate is which is 10 miles from the Old Residency Building or the Central Post Office or West End Hotel along the Old Mysore Road, new industries are coming up within a couple of miles of us and even beyond us. The face of the country is changing, there are much fewer trees and Bangalore is well connected by air with all the important centres of India. Culturally it still lags behind, but we hope that it will also pick up in the near future. Many cities in India have grown so much that one can hardly recognize them. A city like Delhi has grown in all directions and has spread over an enormous perimeter holding millions of people but I must admit some of the new buildings and the new residential areas are very attractive. The road to Kulu is through Chandigarh and is now 350 miles from Delhi by road or 1½ hrs. by plane, yet even that seems fairly distant. On the whole the development has been very considerable but when you think of the vast ocean of population, a great deal remains to be done. The problems are enormous and one must have patience and again patience.

How is Ally's health now, is there an improvement in her condition and does she still undergo the treatment? Devika has been undergoing an active Physiotherapy treatment which has done her undoubtedly considerable good. You must write to us soon and let us have all your news and details.

Frances R. Grant has been staying with Katherine in Switzerland. Have you heard anything from Katherine or Inge? Katherine has been actively increasing the collections of the Roerich Museum by purchasing a number of important paintings of Father's. Have you got the set of coloured Post Cards which were printed in Switzerland for the Roerich Museum?

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The other day I have sent you a copy of the latest Monograph on Father brought out in Russia. The reproductions are not very good, but it is a mass edition of 100,000 copies all of which were sold out already as we understand. Another big edition with good reproductions and of a much more elaborate set up will be coming out soon and I am looking forward to it.

I must close this letter with my very best wishes to you and to Ally

Write soon, with affection,

SV

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3rd October 1968.

My very Dear Gosh,

I have just received a copy of your final preview of the manuscript - "Introduction to Agni Yoga" for printing.

I would like to point out that you have well selected the material and it makes it an interesting reading, but there are two conditions which we must bear in mind and which I would like to bring to your attention to avoid any unnecessary ill feelings or complications at a later date.

On the cover you make use of the sign MAITREYA SANGHA and I do not know whether it is right to use this sign in this connection since this particular sign was used on all the complete books of the series as a distinctive mark. I feel ethically we must ask Mrs. Fosdick whether this sign can be so used by you and I also feel that it is perhaps right to say that the material has been gleaned from the books on the Living Ethics and the Agni Yoga series.

At the back where you write, where obtainable you mention the Agni Yoga publications at New York as a place where this little book is obtainable - Does Mrs. Fosdick know that you are going to distribute this book through them? You remember I had sent you another sign for your publications so as not to infringe upon the other publications and in essence the two signs are from the same source and of the same importance. I am writing this to you so that we may avoid unnecessary heartaches. Also please check the text for any possible mistakes as though I do not have time to read the text carefully, on page 3, line 6 from the top instead of "Your question" you have "You question". There may be more, but as I said I have no time at the moment to read through the little book carefully. As I said before you have made a good selection of the material, it is attractively collated.

This year is a significant year for you and I feel certain that you shall claim especial attainments in the realm of spiritual progress. I shall send you my best thoughts and every good wish for the fulfilment of all your hopes.

Please transmit to all your friends our very cordial greetings. How is Ally's health? Please give her our best wishes and affectionate greetings.

*Every thing best to you
Yours L.V.*
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4th October 1968.

My Very Dear Brother,

I forgot to add in my last letter that I was not certain to which blocks of reproduction in Kulu you were referring in your letter. There were only a few blocks of Urusvati Journal. I am not aware of blocks of Father's paintings, but in case you know where they were please let me know urgently.

As you remember practically all the Archives had been taken by George except for the special Archives which were with me and up to now I have not been able to find any blocks of paintings, except a few blocks of my paintings such as "Karma Dorge", "The God's are Coming" and reproduction of my portrait of Father which was in Paris. Can you tell me please what other blocks you remember and where did you see them last. Yes, also there were three Copper blocks of my Father's portrait in the Roerich Museum (with the casket) but there are only three blocks instead of four as there should have been. The fourth block was not to be found any where.

I am now accumulating blocks of my own paintings for a Monograph. It is very difficult to obtain really good blocks, but I always hope for the best.

Have you received the Monograph on Father's Art which I had sent to you by Air Mail sometime ago?

I close now with my affectionate greetings

and Every Day here
S.V.

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