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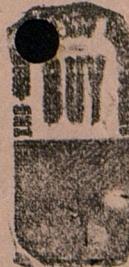
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Satgummi Estate 3
26th December '51

Dear Sir,

Herewith a list of all the
Mysore Government Ministers and
their addresses, copied from the
telephone directory as requested by you.

- I SRI: CHENGALARAYA REDDI. K., B.A. B.L.
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BANGALORE CITY RES: PHONE 2802

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- IV. SRI: DASSAPPA. H.C. B.A., L.L.B.
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VISVESWARAPURAM
BANGALORE CITY RES: PHONE 3186.
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MINISTER FOR PUBLIC HEALTH + EXCISE
LANGFORD TOWN
BANGALORE RES: PHONE 2183
- VII. SRI: SIDDIKAH. N. B.A., L.L.B.
MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS + AGRICULTURE
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D. B. Legge.

Tatgunni Estate
19th 5 - 57

Dear Sir,

We have not had any rain as yet and it is very hot, but one thing the nights are not so bad.

There are still quite some trees in all areas which are bare, no leaves or flowers. I am not in a position to tell you much about the crop, the berries in all areas are so small that they cannot be seen amongst the leaves, in some places the berries are bigger and in some places flowers can still be seen, but I am giving you a rough estimate of things. Experimental area crop is good. 2^½ acres not bad, long area bad again. Hilltop behind bungalow not bad, 34 area only certain sections are not bad others are poor, area across lake bottom strip nearer lake is not bad but upper strip real fencing is poor.

If we have some good rain without strong winds it will benefit our trees and then we will be able to say something definite about the crop position.

M^r. Roerich has asked me to write and explain what Madappas mason suggested doing about the studio roof, all the square waterproof tiles on the top are cracked right around as there has not been enough mortar put on the top after the tiles were laid, he does not want to use any cement at all only a few cart-loads of mortar (sand + lime mixture) as per the same details I had sent you before.

The other day the Bangalore representatives of Kilburn & Co came here, they gave me details on Franking machine, calculating machine and pieces of tarpaulins I will give you the same when you return.

The women have finished the cleaning of experimental and the other area, they are at present

in Satgaura area weeding and cleaning up.

The men are all in the Thalgatpur forest area cutting wood and removing the roots.

Today I received the official receipt from the Bodu Inspector for Rs 60/- we paid to the Reserve Bank, but he has not yet fixed any date for the inspection, the last time I went there he was out on tour so I could not contact him.

Titan-Uac state that the rubber sealing compound is in 56 lb containers at about 9 annas per lb but if we want smaller quantities they will pack it for us but the rate will be about annas 12 per pound. I have asked them to get one gallon for us as that is the smallest container to be given by them. They have not heard anything more about the Flit 406. They have again asked me for a written statement as to how this Flit 406 has acted on our plant disease and whether we find it any good or not as they want to send this to their office at Madras and to their Head office at New York.

The outlet gate valve of the big still is leaking and last year we got some metal cast onto the tongue which stopped the leak for some time, I have enquired all over and no one is able to repair our old Gunmetal valve, so I suggest we purchase a new one as the present valve is cast Iron and our oil + sludge etc will constantly keep eating the metal. I will find out the price of a new valve when I go to town again.

We have just got some of the material required for the factory and getting things ready slowly.

In the Chhot hatta some more seedlings have now broken into flower and the berries are forming, we have marked these.

I will close now with best wishes

Yours obediently
D. B. Hegg e

Tatgowni Estate, 5
15th March 1958

Dear Sir,

On the 14th evening I went with Solia to Bangalore, when we went to M^{rs}. Chaudhuri's she was in bed with a very bad attack of Asthma, while I was talking to her the Doctor came and he gave her an injection, he went and left his car home and came back and sat with M^{rs}. Chaudhuri to see if the injection was having the proper effect and then he went away.

M^{rs}. Chaudhuri was really feeling ill and it was distressing to see her gasping for breath but after the injection she was feeling better. I will call on her again on Monday and will keep you informed about her condition.

I saw Solia off at the station and instead of the train leaving at the scheduled time of 22.30 it left at 2300 hrs, the long distance passengers were not crowded at all. I saw the painting case being put in the brake and I had all the other things weighed and paid for them so that the railway people could not keep Solia on the road.

When returning to the estate on the 15th morning I met Ravniak's mechanic who travelled with me to the estate.

He opened the new pump and found something in the centrifugal side of it, after cleaning it out properly he fitted it up and now I must say it is really giving a very good performance, both the pipes of the condensers are full as if we are pumping water from the lake, so having been satisfied with the output we removed the Myers Bulldozer pump and made a direct link and this 1 H.P Advance pump is now pumping water direct to the bungalows, cookey lines and my house and to the overhead tank on top of the bungalow without the aid of the

Bull dozer pump. The flow of water is much better than that which was given by the Myers pumps. The four drums at the bungalow measuring 3'-6" x 2'-4" each (3-6 high x 2-4 wide) fill up in half an hour, the concrete hot water tank measuring 5'-10" x 5'-10" x 3'-6" high takes one hour 10 mins to fill up. This pump is only 1 H.P and we are using it to do the work of 2 pumps of 1 HP each, so in the 1st instance it is economical towards our electrical consumption. Raniyah wants your decision as soon as possible as to whether you are going to keep this pump or not, as we have dismantled the bulldozer pump we should have it properly repaired and keep it ready in case an emergency arises then we should have the Myers dry well attended to, if you intend keeping this advance pump please let me know where you want it fitted, over the old well or inside the berry shed as we will have to fix it permanently and as the present linking is only temporary we will have to make it all permanent and put all the connections underground properly.

It is still very hot and there is no signs of any rain, although it got cloudy and nothing happens.

The leveling of the 1st 200 yards down the wadoba hatti road has been completed and the women are now removing all the heaps and levelling out the place, I will have to put some men to do the drains etc.

The men will finish the area across the lake soon and I will send them to the frost area.

I will close with best wishes to M^r. Roerich & Self.

Please let me know about the pump as soon as possible
D. B. Legge

Yours Obediently.

D. B. Legge

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Tatgunni Estate

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Dear Sir,

Yesterday being Monday I called on M^{rs} Chaudhuri as usual, she seemed to be much better and was moving about the house a little. On enquiring from her as to how she was feeling, she said that she was feeling a little better but was still far from well, the asthma was still worrying her and that she had a cough which was making her feel ill. M^{rs} Chaudhuri asked me who had told me that she was ill, I told her that I saw her twice on Friday when the Doctor came and again after that and she said she did not remember anything.

While I was there the telegram came from M^{rs} Roerich so I at once knew that Shira had arrived and given you the information, because I told him to tell M^{rs} Roerich at once, on his arrival. On receipt of the telegram M^{rs} Brown went off to tell Nanya Anna to get Dr. Ganeshwaran to come and see M^{rs} Chaudhuri. When I went to M^{rs} Chaudhuri's on Friday the Russian Doctor who lives opposite the Indian Bank came to see her and give her an injection. I will go and see her whenever I am in town and will keep you informed as to her condition.

Ramiah's advance pump is still working over the well and pumping water direct to the bungalow, we are not using the Myers Deep well and Bulldozer pumps. The weather is very hot now and there is no signs of any rain.

Bunty is well and is having his food as usual and goes for his exercise.

Some more trees have been breaking through here and there in different areas and the flowers too are coming but we will have to wait and see whether these flowers will set or not. A little rain will help us.

The police are coming every night on their rounds and are signing the beat book, we have not been having any gun shot reports for the past few nights.

I will close now with best wishes to Mr. Roerich and self

Yours obediently

D. B. Ligge

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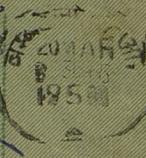
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S. Roerich 20/1
Jay Mahal Hotel

Bombay

मेजने वाले का नाम और पता :-

D. B. Ligge
Patagonia Estate
Bombay



7 Satgurni Estate
25TH March 1958

Dear Sir,

Yesterday Monday 24th I called on M^{rs} Chaudhuri as usual, she said she was still feeling very weak and that the cough although a bit better was worrying her now and then, the Doctor comes to see her every day and is giving her medicines etc, while I was there the Doctor came and took two blood slides which he is having tested for blood counts of anaemia etc.

M^{rs} Chaudhuri has asked me to write and inform you that M^{rs} Brown has not come to work from the 19th March, she sent word to inform M^{rs} Chaudhuri that her eyes were inflamed and has not been since then.

I went to the General Post Office and paid the Bill for the telephone calls which amounted to Rs 102/-, as M^{rs} Chaudhuri only had Rs 100/- I put the balance of Rs 2/- Then I took all the letters etc and redirected them to Delhi tied them all into one bundle and handed them in at the Post Office. Two local letters without any stamp were put into a stamped envelope and sent on to you.

We have been having a few spells of cloudy weather, but it has all passed off without any good showers, yesterday we had a slight sprinkling once in the morning and again at night, but it wasn't enough to wet the ground.

All over the estate one can see that there is a tendency for the trees to sprout, as they are very far

apart one is unable to make any comment on the subject.

The carpenter has brought two more men and they have started on removing the doors and windows for the old chocolate paint to be removed, they are carrying on with their work, but the carpenter says that he requires some turpentine and about half a gallon of varnish in order to mix the paint when it gets thick and as the paint is an oil paint he says that if we mix linseed oil the paint will not dry hard it will always have a tendency to be sticky. Who is to purchase the varnish and turpentine? am I to get it from Idusseus & Co or not?

We are now white washing the cooly lines and have started from the top line.

The levelling out of the area shown by you is going on, we have started from the road side and have gone on towards the dividing wall, digging up and levelling out the place and digging all the drains straight and making them a little deeper, when the upper half is completed we will go on with the lower half if time and weather permits.

The application of fertilizers to the area as suggested is nearly completed.

I have not heard from the Mysore Machinery's as yet in spite of my reminding them over the phone. I will write to them tomorrow.

I have got the 2" and 1" asbestos tape from Idusseus, now I will have to call in that man to fix up the small still and put in those copper rivets. What about

the money to pay this man after he has finished the work, am I to get it from Mrnd Chaudhuri.

I have put San Hanuman to look after the mango trees as we had a case of theft on 20/3. One Naroomah from Talguroni who worked on our temporary lists some years ago under the name of Mara was caught robbing a lot of small mangoes and taking them to Bangalore on a cycle. I sent for the Police who came here and took the man and gave him a good beating, after making him sign a statement that he was never to come into our estate again they let him go. He is living in Bangalore for the past 2 years.

Some days ago when I was in Bangalore I called on Richardson & Crudas and they tell me that they have not heard anything more about that spring which they have written to Madras about in spite of the reminder they have sent after our previous enquiry. They say that they will write to Madras again.

On 20/3 it was reported that some brooms (one bundle) the exact number not being known was stolen from the bungalow lot, you know the brooms we cut from Pardare and some one saw Yerkatappa that red turban man working in the bungalow disposing of some brooms in Bangalore so we put things together and cast the suspicion on him, Marappa was informed about this by me and he has asked me to keep the matter in suspense for some days till he collects some information and Marappa and the village chairman will come and give me the decision. I have suggested to Marappa that we pay Yerkatappa off in full and dispense with him.

Bunty is well, he gets his food and usual evath regularly, I see him every day.

The peacock and his foster mother are well.

Ramiah's 1 H.P. Advance pump is still working and is still pumping water direct to the bungalow, lines etc. We are awaiting your decision about getting the Myers Bulldogger pump repaired, removal or permanently fixing the Advance pump because the Mechanic said he would be coming back in about a weeks time to see what decision you have taken.

The Police from Thalgatpura are coming on their rounds every night.

I will close with best wishes to
M^{rs} Rorich and self

Yours Obediently

D. B. Legge

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Iatguroni Estate
1st April 1958

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of the contents of your Telegram from M^{rs} Chandhuri.

I have already written to Ramiah and asked him to furnish the required details and have asked him to send the same direct to you c/o Indian Bank.

Yesterday I received a letter from Richardson & Crudas stating that the spring which they have been trying to get for our refrigerator is not available anywhere so they will not be able to help in repairing the same. Can I ask anybody else who repairs refrigerators whether they will be able to help us in repairing the refrigerator or whether they can give us any suggestions about it. I received a sealed letter from Richardson & Crudas which was addressed to you which I have given to M^{rs} Brown to re-direct to you.

M^{rs} Chandhuri says that she is feeling a bit better, but still very weak and the cough has a tendency of worrying her now and then.

It is still very hot, we have not had any rain as yet, we had three very slight sprinkles which did not even wet the ground.

I have written to the Mysore Machinery Mfrs: but have not received any reply as yet.

The boiler Inspector has sent his usual reminder stating that our licence expires on 27.4.58, I will have to intimate him and fix a date for the examination.

I will have to try and get that donkey steam pump back from the Mysore Machineries whether it is repaired or not as we require it for raising the pressure for the hydrodynamic test.

Dod Akkamma who was on our roll died on Saturday afternoon, she used to live in Thalgatpur, if you remember me telling you that the Kaggalur Doctor said that she was suffering from Jaundice and said that she should go to the Victoria Hospital for treatment. They did not take her to the hospital. She was all bloated up.

The white washing of the cooly lines has been completed, we are now finishing the yellow ochre of the outside.

Marappa came to M^r. Channaburis with the estimate for the re-roofing of the cattle shed, he has quoted for both just re-roofing with the ordinary mangalore tiles but he has not included the cost of the tiles which will have to be replaced, and he has given an estimate for re-roofing with asbestos sheets.

The levelling of that area has been completed and all the stones have been collected and put into one straight line from the road up to the cross wires, the men are finishing up the digging the drains in that area.

I will close with best wishes to M^r. Rorich & Self

Yours obediently

D. B. Legge

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Sat gunni Estate,
6th. April 1958

Dear Sir,

The painting of the doors windows etc of the upstairs of the bungalow has been finished, the tin of paint supplied by you was not enough so I told the carpenter to purchase some more, he purchased another tin and completed the work.

Papa has been busy cleaning the place as they dirtied it a good bit while painting, the glass panes had cream paint on them which had to be cleaned carefully, besides there were spots of cream paint here and there. Anyway Papa has finished with the upstairs and has now started on the ground floor doing room by room.

Thurai is getting on with the garden, he has been re-potting things and has put down the cannas etc, the vegetable seeds will be put down in a day or two.

Bunty is well and gets his food etc regularly, I go to the bungalow and see him daily.

We have not had any rains as yet and the heat this year seems to be much more than in other years, even the nights are very sultry, the breeze which we used to have during the nights has stopped.

Maria is busy getting the boiler fitted up, he has made most of the joints, we will let all the joints dry so that there will be no leak for the inspection.

The area across the lake has been completed — all loose + stray stones have been collected and put into the old bins again. The next area up to the road going to the circle has been levelled out and the drains deepened and straightened, the men were put into the area where the fire burned out the trees and we planted the seedlings and the area outside the fence to fill in all the pits and level out the place. When this is finished we will shift the whole lot to the cleared portion of the forest area to level out and clean up there, so far we have not dug any pits in that area as the men say the ground is hard, they are waiting for a shower of rain. The women are in the experimental area weeding + sweeping the whole area.

Crop position cannot be commented on, some trees here and there have come into flower, but with this terrific heat the flowers are drying up. In the chowk halla area I went around and made a careful survey the other day, in all about a dozen trees have got their new leaves and five have flowers, but all five have male tree flowers, in all the areas quite a few male trees have got their flowers, in the area across the lake some trees have flowered and very plentifully but the flowers are drying up in the sun. If we have some rain all the trees should come into bloom at one time and I think things will be better, at present only a few

trus in each area are with their new leaves and flowers so one cannot say much.

I have handed in the Reserve Bank Chalan for Rs 60/- to the boiler inspector and have asked him to come on 29th April for the inspection, I have also asked him to bring his own pump for the hydraulic test as our pump has gone for repairs, but he will only give me the reply in writing in another two or three days. I will take Rs 25/- from M^r. Chaudhuri for the Boiler Inspector's Assistant, the Rs 50/- for the repairs of the stills I will take when necessary, am I to give anything to the boiler Inspector himself as you suggested before leaving.

I have just received a letter from the Mysore Machinery's stating that the estimate for the repairs of the pump was sent on 22.3.58 has it been sent to you; as I have not received it as yet and they say that they don't understand anything about the trays, after me going and explaining everything to them, I will write another detailed letter to them again.

One of the Refrigeration engineers who is at present attending to M^r. De cloze's Frigidaire says that this inspection fees are Rs 5/- and we will have to pay his bus fare there and back to come to the estate to see the Refrigerator there.

The Driver is doing the needful about the renewal of the vehicle tax, this year they have only given 10 days grace after which anyone will have to pay a penalty if they have not renewed their car registration.

on our ^{8th April being the Lascmi Pooja estate as we have been having every year, there will be the usual holiday.}

The heat this year is terrible, we have never experienced such heat at this time of the year.

I will close with best wishes to Mr. & Mrs. Rorich and self

Yours Obediently

D. B. Digge

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Tatgwnni Estate

13TH April 1958

Dear Sir,

From and including 9th April we have been having very cloudy weather with tremendous thunder and lightning with moderate showers, just enough to wet the earth nicely and in some areas the water has been able to flow a little & very strong winds,

This rain has certainly given our trees a little helping, all the trees are breaking into bud, and with a few more showers, I think the whole estate should come into flower & leaf at one time.

The cleaning of Experimental area has been completed and we have almost completed the Tatgwnni area, the men are all in the 100 acres levelling out and we have had to put in some new pigs as the old ones have been eaten by White ants or knocked over by cattle.

The very old bull of ours has suddenly taken turn to rest in the cattle shed, he will not move at all, we are giving him ragi straw and water, but he eats very little ragi straw as he has no teeth left, I don't think he will last long.

Last week when I saw Mrs Chaudhuri she said she was feeling better but still weak.

The men are going to start digging the pits in the 100 acres (cleared portion) next week, I am starting from the Gaodlu e hand a polyam road and will keep to level portions, we will have to complete the building of that stone wall which we have started, there is a small portion on both ends to be done.

There is a 500 acre plot on the east side of our estate known as Amrit Mahal it is for sale, they have three wells, pumps, 2 tractors, paddy, sugar cane, grapes etc and still a lot of unclarified jungle, there are some cooly lines etc, the owner died so the sons want to dispose of it as they are running a workshop and lorry service at Bangalore. I will try to find out further details.

The boiler has all been fitted up, but we still have some more cleaning to do in the fire box etc. I have to get one new stud for the front joint as the present stud is loose and the water oozes out under pressure.

The pony and the peacock are well.

The advance pump is working well but is consuming more current than the old pumps, they say it is pumping more water under pressure and is doing the work of both the old pumps. it is a high speed motor.

I will close with best wishes to Mr. Roerich & Self

Yours Obediently

D. B. Legge

Satgowni Estate

15th April 1958

Dear Mr. Roerich,

As per instructions from Mr. Brown
for a detailed letter stating what each one is doing
and the progress of the bungalow and garden etc.

Thimrai has been busy with the garden,
he has transplanted all the plants in pots, adding new
leaf and horse manure; The seeds which you have given
them have all been put into baskets, cases & beds, all the
seeds have come up with the exception of the "Double Linnia"
which have not come up as yet. The tree plants which
came from Doty have been put in the places shown by you,
one near the car shed, one in place of the Grape fruit tree and
one near the studio, all of them are doing well. The grass
seeds (Luzin) have been planted in the nursery and have
also come up. In the vegetable garden all the seeds which
take a very long time germinate have been planted first,
now everything has been put down in small beds, but have
not been transplanted into these big beds as yet.

Papa is busy attending to the bungalow, the inside
of the house has all been cleaned, now we are colour washing
the outside of the house.

The painting in the bathrooms has not been done
as yet, it will be started in a few days time as soon as
the colour washing is finished, then there is the polishing of the
furniture to be done.

When the carpenters completed the painting of the

doors and windows upstairs, Papa started with the cleaning there which took about 10 days as they had a lot of scraping and extra work to do as the carpenters left the place in a mess.

The ~~door~~ window curtains were sent for washing and the door curtains sent for dry cleaning as per your instructions and it is hoped the driver will bring them all back in the car when he takes it for the service station people to see.

The store cupboard has been put outside in the verandah and all the medicines etc put into it as the carpenters said he could not repair it and the cupboard from the verandah has been painted cream outside and white inside and put in place of the store room cupboard.

As I have already informed you before Richardson and Crudas are unable to get the new spring for the refrigerator, so it is working as before with rubber packing supporting it in place of the broken spring.

Bunty is well and is being looked after, he gets his food and exercise regularly, he gets his tonic and magnesia as per your instructions.

The peacock and his foster mother are well, they get their food regularly and are allowed to roam about in the enclosure as usual.

The cook has returned from his leave, he is helping Papa with the cleaning, painting and white washing. Kadala is also helping Papa in the painting cleaning etc, and as usual he takes Bunty for his walks.

Munici and the other man which we have put in red turban man are helping Thimrai in the garden.

Nanya is doing the colourwashing of the outside of the bungalow and oiling of woodwork etc.

The man from Kaggalipur who had agreed to supply the pots for the garden has only supplied the pots which came when you were here, he has still to supply about fifty pots more, but is always putting it off by saying tomorrow or Monday or Friday.

The Bulta fruit tree which was in flower when you were here has got some small fruit on it, altogether about twenty small fruit.

We are having very breezy weather and a lot of mangoes have been falling off, they are very acid and cannot be eaten in this green state.

The Driver goes about the estate as per your orders and checks on the watchmen, he also goes and sees the men and women working, when the cook was on leave the Driver bought the shin & vegetables etc for buntly.

We have brought in a lot of long leaves and flowers and have filled them into the pit near the Motor shed for leaf manure for next year.

The Driver has just brought the car back from Bangalore, he has to take it back tomorrow to the garage for the necessary repairs & adjustments.

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Every thing on the estate is going on
nicely, we have been having a few moderate
showers from 9th April which has helped things a little
The binaloe trees are all breaking into leaf
and flower, one we have a few more good showers
every thing will be green and then we will be able
to say something regarding the coming crop.

That very old bull of ours is in a very bad state
it cannot move about and is lying in the cattle shed,
it will not live more than another day or two.

Mrs Charnothuri is much better now, her
cough is alright and she is moving about the
house freely now.

Although we have had a few showers of rain
it is still very hot during the day and sometimes
during the nights it is very sultry.

And I will close with best wishes to Mr. Rocinch
and self.

Yours Obediently

W. B. Legge

Satguruni Estate ¹⁶

20 - 4 - 58

Dear Sir,

We have been experiencing very hot weather without any rain for some time now, but last night we had a small downpour which was very welcome but it has made the place hotter than before.

Our old bull died during the night, he refused to eat, although we tried to give him some ragi straw etc, we even tried putting marsh in his mouth which he refused but he used to drink water twice a day which we used to give him with the aid of a watering can, as usual we made a big pit and buried him in 1/4 acres. Pappa performed the poojas etc.

The whole of the estate is in bud, all the trees are in the process of getting their flowers and new leaves, if we get a few more good showers it will be very helpful, those few showers have been helpful as they have moved the whole estate and all at once.

I received a letter from Ramiah about the new pump and about the repairs to the two old pumps, I have given ~~these~~ letters to Mr Brown last Monday and asked her to forward them on to you.

Up to date I have not received any official confirmation about the boiler inspection, I have only received the receipt for the 60/- Challan.

It is difficult to say anything about the crop as not even one quarter of the estate has fully broken out in leaf & flower, a greater majority of the trees are still in Bud.

On Thursday 17th a representative of Calcutta Chemicals came here and wanted to see you about Sinaloe oil, I gave him your address C/o Indian Bank and asked him to write to you, which he said he would do.

The weeding & clearing Salgunni area has been completed and the women have finished the area from around the bungalows, back of my house and right up to the factory road, they have now started on the area to the right of factory road.

The men have done a lot of levelling out in the 100 acres and are now removing the big and small roots which were left back by the bulldozer.

The men are starting on the digging of pits from Monday.

Mrs. Chandhuri is better and is moving about freely now.

The seedlings in chowtalla are doing well, some have already broken into leaf & flower but most of them have mah tree flowers, these will have to be watched for a few years before we can definitely say that they are maha

I will close with best wishes.

The car has gone for repairs and is expected back today

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Yours obediently

D. B. Begg

Satgurwani Estate
27th April 58

Dear Sir,

The rains have laid off for some days now, but I am glad in a way because the agriculturists say that these rains are not good for existing crops and they are likely to destroy the crops + flowers etc, these rains are to end in about three or four days' time and then we will come into a spell of good periods of rain. Practically the whole estate is in leaf and flower at present and going over the area at present the flowering is quite good. The seedlings in Chour Halla and Pardarai and some trees here and there have not broken through as yet.

We are busy still clearing up the area of 100 acres as we have already dug the pits in the area from the village road to the hillock and the whole of the area in front from the stone wall to the hillock, now we have to do the portion to the right and the upper portion. So far we have got in 1200 pits up to the time of writing and the men are still digging pits which I will take into account.

The bole is ready planned and all the grants have been properly made, the Inspector asked me to call at his office on Saturday as he was going to fix a date for the inspection, it was a good job I went there because he has fixed the inspection for the 29th and he has sent the intimation letter direct

to the estate via:- Kengeri by post and this letter has not reached as yet. I have fixed up with the Assistant who is a new man to bring his own pump for the hydraulic lift, which he has agreed to.

There is a strong talk all over that the 1000 odd acres the other side of the muslim village which I went and saw spoke to you about has been suggested by the Forest Officials to be released in your favour and I hear that they have suggested an upset price of Rs 75/- per acre, but you can write to the authorities concerned once you get some official correspondence on the subject and offer them a lower price of about 25/- or 30/- per acre.

The women have washed cleaned and swept the experimental area Satguruni area, around and behind the bungalow the area next to the experimental area and up to the overflow drain of the factory lake and are now in 2 acres and coming along the long area.

In the nursery Kaliappa has been marking all the seedlings which have come into flower, most of the seedling which have come into flower have male tree flowers but we will have to watch these for a few years. Even in Chouttalla we are marking the seedlings.

I have "the Mysore Machines" written to you about that "donkey" steam pump and those trays for the crushing machine? I have written to them twice and again and they write to say that they

have written to Indian Bank, but up to date I have not received any letters from them.

Now that the trees have come into leaf and flower I suggest we put a few more watchmen (boys) to look after the area across the lake and other isolated areas to keep the cattle out or prevent them from eating the flowers & leaves.

We should now start putting up the barbed wire fencing to the posts already erected in the 100 acre plot because once we have some good showers we can already start putting in the bigger seedlings from the nursery and let them establish themselves now instead of planting them after the season and having to water them when the rains lay off. It is better we start now.

I will calculate and let you know the number of rolls of barbed wire needed and the price per roll at Bangalore.

The survey people came again the other day and wanted to check on the various plots of the Badamana-varthi kaval area of our estate as they are on the re-survey scheme; they wanted to see all the existing bonds and corner stones which I showed them.

We are now using the Myers deep well pumps as I have already written an express letter telling you about the Advance pump burning and Mr. Rao came here and saw it. I am waiting for your reply on the subject as to whether he can open it to examine it to see the condition

It is thundering and lightning as I am writing but the rain seems to have passed off.

Please let me know about the payment for the digging of the pits 1200 pits @ 5 per Re will be 240/-

With best wishes to M^{rs} Rorich
and self

Yours Obediently

P.S

D. B. Legge

M^{rs} Chanchuri is well, Bunty and the peacock are well and both the vegetable and flower seedlings are being transplanted into their respective beds as soon as they are big enough. Jirra is well and is helping Papa in cleaning and dusting the house. The car has been repaired and has come back to the estate after being at the repair shops for a period of 7 days

D. B. Legge

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Sat-guruni Estate
2nd May 1958

Dear Sir,

I thanks very much for your letter dated 24-4 received through M^r Chandhuri.

I have not been near Ramiah as I am waiting for your reply to my express letter which I sent you on 23-4 regarding the pump burning. We have connected up the old Myers pumps and they are working at present.

The Boiler Inspection was fixed for 29-4, we had everything ready and were waiting patiently for him when his assistant arrived to say that the Inspector had been called away on some very urgent business and was unable to come as per his appointment. He looked at the boiler and told us to clean the tubes again and has fixed the date of the inspection for 6th May Tuesday. I don't understand your paragraph about the boiler man and giving of Rs 100/- anyway I will take the amount as per your instructions from M^r Chandhuri and will attend to it.

Regarding the cheque for the advance of the repairs to the bull shed, make it out on the name of G. Marappa or you can make it out on the name of M^r Chandhuri who can cash the same and give Marappa the amount in cash and take a receipt for it.

Regarding the marking of the trees that have come into flower and fruit, we have already

started the marking in the old manner
X for the male tree and — for the female the marking
has been going on for some time now in both Chawla
Halla and the nursery.

Both the lakes have a little water in each
the factory lake has more water than the Kuppreddy
lake. Both the wells have got water in them and
there is no fear of water shortage just yet.

I have been writing to the Mys: Machineries
about the pumps and the trays and have at last
got a reply. They say that the estimate for the
pump has been sent on 16.4.48 and they have
quoted Rs 60/- + ST per tray. I am enclosing their
quotation letter for your information.

I went around the various areas yesterday
but it is still difficult to finally say anything
about the crop as yet. In some places the berries are
just forming, while in other places the berries have
already formed and yet some trees still have their
flowers while there are still some trees to break
through. The area across the lake, in the rocky
portion some trees have very good crops while some
have nothing. The upper portions as usual the
crop is nothing at all. The 2 acre plot I think
is better than last year. About the rest of
the estate it is hard to say anything for
the present.

Bunty and the Peacock are well, they are
being looked after and get food etc regularly.

The area to the left of the road going to the circle has been levelled and all the drains made straight with the aid of a rope but we will have to check the drains and put cross lines of stones here and there to break the flow of water. We have been levelling out the bigger mounds in the cleared portion of the 100 acre plot and are now busy removing all the roots which have been left back. So far there has been no very heavy rains so we cannot say anything about ^{the} way in which the water flows.

We have dug altogether 1305 pits, Maria is busy marking out the portion to the right and the upper portion which I think will contain another 1000 odd pits. I have taken a rough calculation of the amount of barbed wire required for enclosing the area where we have put up the stone posts already, about 7 rolls of barbed wire are needed per strand taking the length of a roll at 700 feet, I don't know whether you are going to put 3 or four strands of wire, then we will be needing some binding wire for tying the barbed wire to the posts. The last time I enquired the rates it was Rs 44/- per roll of 700ft + ST at 2%. I will enquire to see whether the rates have gone up or down.

The car is going to Bangalore to bring Mr. Nayakar to make the monthly payments to the estate staff.

Up to now we have not received any information regarding Elisa's salary, he has asked me to write to you about the same.

Thuniai is busy transplanting all the flower
and vegetable seedlings from their baskets & boxes
to their respective beds, he has finished all the
repotting except for the dalias.

Paya has finished all the colors washing
painting etc and is busy cleaning the house
and dusting everything.

I will close with best wishes to
M^r & Mrs. Rich and Self

Yours Obediently
D. B. Legge

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Sat-gwori Estate
3rd May 1958

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your letter dated 30-4 which came to me on 3-5 through Mr. Nayyar when he came to pay the estate wages, thanks very much for the same.

I posted an express letter to you to Delhi explaining everything in detail about the pump and am surprised you have not received it as yet. The letter was posted on 23-4.

On Monday Kadara started the pump as usual and the pump was said to be working properly and the water flowing on the usual manner, all of a sudden it was found that the flow of water through the pipes had stopped, so Kadara put on the switch at the bungalows and found that there was only half current, he went to the factory and found that the switch had not automatically tripped so he put off the switch and went to the well to find that the pump was smoking. The main wires leading to the pump had been burned for a distance of about one foot.

I called Malia and Kariappa and told them about what had happened, they saw the motor and told him nothing could be done at present.

I returned to the estate that evening a little after six o'clock and it was cloudy besides there was thunder and lightning when Kadara came and told me that this had happened, I told him that I would see it early in the morning as it was already getting dark.

In the morning I went and saw that the main wires leading to the pump were burnt and the rubber insulation was charred. I tried to start the other pump inside the factory, this would not even make a humming sound, then I switched on the motor of the crushing machine which would not work. It was very confusing because all the three pilot lamps were burning properly, but all the motors would not work. I tried everything and at last decided to call in an Electrician from Bangalore.

I went to Bangalore to call Mr. Rao of Gavipuram in the same compound where Miss Vajidai lives but he was out and his father told me that he would only return for his lunch about 1.30, so I went in search of some others but those people had no one to send immediately. I was forced to go back to see Mr. Rao again and to my good luck he was in. He heard the full story and dressed and came in his car immediately.

He examined the switch board and found that the pilot lamps were all burning but the motors would not start, he went and saw the new pump and cut off the leads which were burnt. He said that he could not say how far the burn had taken place unless he opened the motor and examined it, whether one coil had burnt or the whole lot of the coils had burnt or whether it was just the outer wiring, he would not open and inspect the motor until he had received instruction from you.

He said that whenever there was a development of this half current the starters usually do not trip on their own and in his opinion this was the cause of the burning, but he would give you a definite reply only after examining the motor.

Seeing the pilot lamps burning and none of the other motors working we had to send Maria up the pole behind the pump house and there two of the fuses were found to have been blown. After replacing these fuses we were able to start the other motors. The curious thing about it all was the pilot lamps burning when the fuses were blown, Mr. Rao seem to think that the wiring of the is not proper because when the fuses are blown the pilot lamps should not burn.

I had written all this to you by express letter and asked you what I should do, whether I should call in Ramiyah's man or allow Mr. Rao to come and see the condition of the pump by opening it.

Up to now I have not been near Ramiyah as I have been waiting for instructions from you.

It has been very cloudy for the past three days & we have been having a lot of thunder & lightning but very little rain. While I am writing it is drizzling and there is a strong breeze.

Last night we had a fairly strong breeze which broke the centre electric post, the post was rotten and all rust eaten in the centre and it gave way under the pressure of the strong wind

so far for the present we have removed the post and stretched the wire straight from the pole near the storm water drain near the factory door right to the pole near the big well, the distance being about 100 feet.

The pole on the road between the berry and factory is the one that broke.

The question of the crop is very hard to comment on at present as there are still flowers in some places and in some places the fruit are so small that they are not visible.

Chic Mai is not coming to work from 1/5 as she is going to Bangalore permanently. Muniswamy has also stopped away from 1/5 as he is going to his native village, so we have now got 44 men and 37 women on our list.

The Board Inspector is coming on 6/5 I will fix up everything with him.

I have sent you the estimate for the new bays and I will phone up and find out about the storm pump.

I have received Mr. Rocch's instructions about cleaning & painting the house etc and am having them carried out.

With best wishes

Yours obediently

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Jatgowni Estab,
14th May 1958

Dear Sir,

We have been having some rain every evening and the soil is very nice and wet, it is beneficial to our trees in one way, but in another it is not beneficial to us as it is making the grass and weeds grow up all over again.

Today Ramiyah's mechanic came and removed the burnt Advance pump, he brought a letter from Ramiyah asking for both the Advance pump and the other 2 HP centrifugal pump to be returned, we have got everything ready and are going to return the whole lot tomorrow. The water level in the lake has risen and now the water has come up to the foot valves, so there is no fear of any water trouble unless something happens, we can get the 3 H.P. motor re-connected some time next month and pump the lake water for the condensers, while we use the Myers pumps for the wells.

The berries are a little more visable now, and the Maitrees who have been instructed by Mr. Roerich to go around the estate and give a report about the crop in the various sections have given the following report:- 2½ acres crop quite good, 5 acres as usual scanty, long area as usual, area across lake-bottom and rocky portions good but the top nothing. Jatgowni area not so bad, Experimental area not so bad. Area to right of road leading to factory certain portions good while some portions have nothing at all. Back of factory scanty, hillock behind bungalow very scanty; Back area small trees fairly good while

bigger trees are poor, 14 acres poor, Pardare
the small trees are not so bad but the big trees have
not broken out properly. In all areas there are the
trees which came into flower late and are still in flower
and some berries are so small that they are not
visible, so we will give a detailed report from time
to time.

In Pardare I have put the three watchmen on
on cleaning up the place as all the foreign shrubs
thorns etc are coming up again. I have sent 2 women
to weed and sweep the roads etc in those areas.

The levelling of the area to the left of the road leading
to the sick and the area planted with sacking near the
fire area has been completed but we will have to check as
the rains are on and we will have to watch the flow of
the water.

We have started removing the mangoes as they are
ready, 3800 have been taken off and we will take off the
rest next week. They are being put into paddy straw to
ripen.

With best wishes

Yours obediently

H. B. Legge

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Jatgawri Estate
18th May 1958

Dear Sir

We have been having very nice weather, nearly every evening we get some rain and the ground is very nice and wet, the water level has risen in both the tanks but neither of them are half full as yet. We have also been having very strong winds for the past two or three days just before the rains, these ~~rain~~ winds are not good for us as they have a tendency to break some branches here and there and in some areas they seem to have a stronger effect when they have knocked off some very tender bushes.

In the fencing of the Kuppamuddy lake a big honge tree was knocked over, I have told the men to cut it up and bring it in.

The men have started on digging of the second lot of pits in the cleared portion of the forest area. Now that the rains have started with this heavy breeze, the wretched current trouble has started again, for the last three or four days the current has been going off many times a day without any warning. I have written a letter to the Suptd: "A" station about it.

The number of posts around the cleared portion is 156 and taking the length of each roll at 700 feet we will require 18 rolls of wire, as I have already written and told you the present Bangalore rate is Rs 54/- - 55/- per roll of 700 feet plus ST at 2%, so it will be better to see if we can get in Bombay or somewhere

else, as it might be cheaper.

The berries are more visable now although there are still flower here and there and these late flowers seem to be maturing better than the earlier ones. The crop position is better than last years, in my next letter I will give you a detailed report on it.

Kadara has not returned as yet, he has written to some estate people to say that he will not be coming back to work again. After you went away we have lost six men and two women, we can make a selection for replacements after next season.

We have finished the levelling out of the area to the left of the road leading to the circle and the area outside the long area where we have planted some seedlings, adjoining the fire area.

The stone wall which we have made at the bottom portion of the new area is holding back all the sand very nicely, in fact we will have to make the centre portion much higher.

I will close with best wishes

We have returned to Yours obediently
Ramiah the burnt advance
pump and the centrifugal D.B. Legge
pump with the 2 HP motor as he
sent for them.

D.B. Legge

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Sat-gowri Estate
25th May 1958

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter dated 22nd May 1958

- 1) The mysore machineries will make the trays as per our sample and the costers will be purchased from the local market and fitted on, they suggest using the ball type costers. The estimate has already been sent on to you, they quoted Rs 60/- plus sales tax for each tray. In case you want them to make the bottom out of heavier gauge metal it will be better you write direct to them. They are awaiting your order.
- 2) The soil is very nice and wet at present, it is a good time to do some planting in the new area, but our problem is keeping the cattle out from there ~~so it must be fenced~~ wired first.
- 3) All the pits have been dug, the first lot was 1200 pits and the second lot 1107 pits making a total of 2307 pits.
- 4) There are 156 granite post put up around that area 25' apart.
- 5) I will measure out the area to the north of the already cleared portion right up to the end and give you the figure when ~~necessary~~ ready. I take it that you want the measurement of the adjoining area to our cleared portion so that we will make it one complete plot.
- 6) The Driver will enquire again from Hindustan Levers if any drums have come, about 10 days ago I was there regarding the parcels and up to then no drums had come.
- 7) I will see that ~~that~~ Marayya uses only good wood as he has stated, the portion of the roof that has no tiles can be tiled with the old tiles which we have removed from the three quarts which we are demolishing, formerly occupied by Kadala Hanumantha & Nangappa.

- as those tiles have already been removed and stacked up
- 8) I have already written and told you that Mr. Raminah says if we require an "Advance" pump urgently he will have that burnt pump removed and sold back to us, but if we want a brand new pump to contact him after two weeks time as he is expecting a small consignment of things. He says he can only offer us a 1 HP and nothing better.
- 9) The water level of our lakes has improved and our centrifugal pump will take water from the lake for the factory use. We will have to ask the Electrical Department to re-connect that motor for the centrifugal pump just before we start our distillation.
- 10) I will put Nanya to check all the sheds, tables etc in the berry shed chippy shed and Factory.
- 11) The area cleared and levelled to the left of the road leading to the circle has been completed and the drains have been checked, no erosion has taken place in spite of the drains being made straight.
- 12) Gulga (Munia) who was working in the bungalow for some time is looking after the 14 Acres, so far we have not had any buffalo trouble but Gulga is all the time on the go chasing cattle belonging to the villages.
- 13) The stone cutter has not come as yet in spite of me sending for him so many times. I will send for some other man and have the holes made.

With best wishes

Yours obediently

D. B. Legge

Satgurwani Estate ²⁶
28th May 1958

Dear Sir,

We have been having very good rains and the soil is very wet and nice. I think it is a very good time for us to start the planting in the new area. As it is urgent we are purchasing wire enough for 2 strand all the way around the area (12 rolls of 700 feet) and some binding wire to tie the barbed wire to the posts, we can start on the planting and the tying of the wire so that we will be able to put in as many seedlings as possible.

Last night's rains was very good, a continuous heavy downpour lasting for many hours, the water level in both the lakes has risen considerably. The factory lake is about half full or more.

I have tried to get some cheaper wire but have not been able to, having received information that there was barbed wire in the second hand shops I went around and found that there is second hand barbed wire only small lengths and nothing with a galvanized finish, all rusty, which is no good for us.

M^r. Rao the Electrician says that our meter

board in the factory is very congested and the wiring in the back is not in the proper manner, in some places the wires had been bare and as this is all 440 volts it is very dangerous, he has given an estimate of Rs 275-00 for putting up a new board which will be fitted to two metal posts and not on to the wall. The board will be away from the wall so that one can carry out repairs easily without opening the board out every time. The posts can be supplied by us so that will bring down the cost and this figure is only an estimate, M^r. Rao will do his best to bring the whole cost down. As this is urgent and necessary I think it should be done.

The weeding has been done in all areas and now we are finishing the area to the left of the road leading to the circle, the area which we have levelled out. After this we will go around and clean up wherever necessary.

The transplanting of the seedling will start from the morning of 29th and we will select all the boring seedling first and take them across and then we will take the bigger seedling bed by bed and put them down. The marked male seedlings will be put on the outer rows.

I am going to the Mysore Machineries to order four trays for the crushing machine and we will order them without the costers, but I will

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ask them to make the bottom or to give as the quotations for the same. I will ask them to hurry up with the work.

I have started from yesterday on cleaning up the old nursery behind the old well so that we can put down any seedlings which come up in different areas.

We have not been able to get hold of Marappa as yet about the bulls shed, but I think we will get hold of him today and ask him to start the work as soon as possible.

The barbed wire for Rs 5/- per roll is not English it is Belgium.

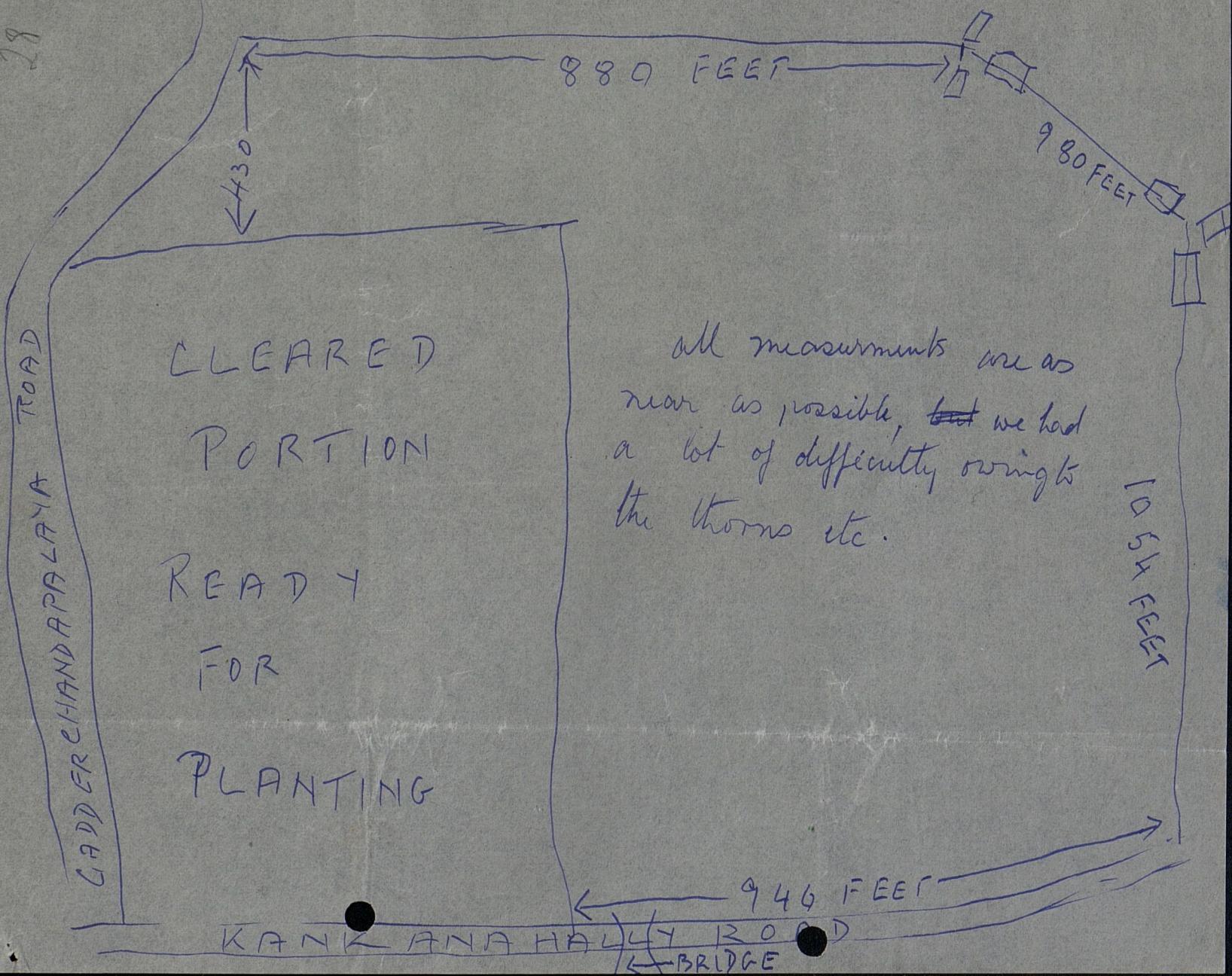
We have completely dismantled the three quarters which were formerly occupied by Kadara, Solanamuntha and Nanappa, the bricks have been stacked in an open place and the wood work, zinc sheets etc put away in the godowns.

We will not have any trouble with the water for the stables, I am fitting up the footvalves today because if we get rain tonight we will not be able to fit it up again.

I am enclosing with best wishes
the measurements of the Yards Aberdeenly
uncharred portion of the forest land

D. B. Legge

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Satgurwari Estate

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Dear Sir

Just a short letter to inform you that we took advantage of the good weather and planted out 518 five hundred and eighteen seedlings onto the forest area, the soil was very wet and some of the ~~soo~~ pits had water still standing in them which we had to drain out, we kept to the centre of the cleared portion as the wire has not been put up as yet.

As the rains have kept off we have put all the women on watering the seedling for half a day today.

We have purchased eight rolls of barbed wire and have started putting up the same, up till this evening we had put up four rolls, stretching all along the Gaddelchand a palayam road and the ^{top} portion too, we are only doing two strands at present the lengths of the rolls vary, and are shorter than what the shop people tell us, they are between 550 and 600 odd feet and so far we have not got any that is 700 feet or more.

The stone masons have bur. and cut the holes into the top flat surface of the stone pillars of the peragola.

As long as the rains lay off we will not do any further planting and we will put the women onto watering for half a day every second or third

day until the seedlings establish themselves.

We have only put about ten berry seedlings into that area, but in future we will keep all berry seedlings back in the nursery and plant out those that have no berries. For the stretch of the Idigh Voltage mains where ever we have pits we will select the shorter seedlings of the spreading type as we cannot allow the trees to go very high because the electrical department will object.

The weeding of that levelled area to the left of the road leading to the circle has been completed and we have now gone on clearing the circles in the area across the lake.

When we put the wires up in the new area we are going to plant with hedge all around as that will also help to keep the salt out.

It is very warm now, the water level in both the lakes has risen and we have no fear of water trouble.

We have ordered four metal trays for the crushing machine from Myson Mechanisms without the costers.

We have got in 12 rolls with best wishes of barbed wire, but as we have yours already found the shortage in rolls we will have to get a guarantee about D.B. Legge the next six rolls to see that they are 700 feet or more each and a rebate on these.

D.B. Legge

Satgummi Estate 30
5th June 1958

Dear Sir,

I wish to inform you that we have planted out a further batch of seedlings from the nursery to the new area, the first lot being 518 and the second lot being 532 bringing the total to one thousand and fifty. We have not planted any seedlings under the Saligh tension electric mains as all the seedlings which we have planted are of the bigger type and we will have to select the smaller bushy seedlings for planting under the electric wires.

The seedlings are not being planted too deep and are only covering the old marking of the earth. We are adopting the old method of digging a deep trench and taking the seedlings out carefully without damaging the roots. When we are planting them the roots are spread out in the normal manner and are not being tied together.

Now that the rains have laid off for a few days, we have put all the women on watering the seedlings, the water is being carried both by cart and by head load from the nearby pits which are full.

I phoned the Mysore Machineries and they told me that they have received your order and cheque and will inform us by post as soon as the

Work is completed.

Ramiah & Sons have not let us know if they have got any advance pumps in stock, I have asked Mr. Brown to phone them up besides I will go and see them when I am in Town again.

We have marked off a lot of berry seedlings in the nursery, but it is difficult to get to the centre rows of the beds. From the last planting we have held back all the berry seedlings in the nursery. I will check up the number of berry seedling and give you the number in my next letter.

So far we have put up ~~two~~ two strands of barbed wire around the new area. The barbed wire we are able to get is Belgium, 56 lbs per roll and is said to be about 200 feet but on opening it the lengths vary from 650 to 670 feet only but the weights are correct. 56 lbs. The English wire is marked 245 yards and is a little thinner but we cannot get enough of this as these rolls contain 200 feet. Mr. Rorich is reluctant to purchase the wire owing to the lengths varying so I think it will be better if you ask someone to get the rest of the wire from Bombay and send it by boat or Train. In Bangalore there is a great demand for barbed wire and the stocks are low.

These are a few points Mr. Rorich has asked me to write to you about urgently.

With best his ho
yours obediency
D. B. Digge.

*These will answer your
questions I'll follow them up -*

Dt. 5-6-1958.

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QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MR. LEGGE.

- 1.(a) Paid by cheque No 156/Z 042608
Rs.699-00 plus Rs.13-98 (S.T.)
Total = Rs.712-98 for 12 rolls
of Foreign barbed wire for
2 rows - Give length of
each roll?
- 9 rolls of barbed wire were 550-570 ft.
each.
3 " " " " " 700 ft. each.
- (b) Paid cash for 1 roll of barbed
wire at Rs.56/- plus Rs.1-12 (S.T.)
total = Rs.57-12 n.p.
Give length of roll?
- One roll purchased for cash has not
been opened as yet but it is marked
on the label 245 yards English make.
2. How many seedlings were planted
into the new area first time
and on what date?
29th May 1st batch of seedlings were
planted out into the new area,
518 seedlings.
3. How many seedlings were again
planted in new area?
3rd June the 2nd batch of seedlings
were planted out into the new area,
532 seedlings.
4. How many berry trees in both
lots of seedlings planted?
About 12 berry seedlings were planted
in the new area.
5. When these 2 lots were watered?
1st lot of seedlings were watered on
31st May and 1st June, heavy rain on
2nd night - all watered on 5th June
again.
6. What work has been done by the
Watchmen for that area and what
work are they doing now?
The Watchmen have planted cical seedlings
all along the village roadside upto the
bend, now they are planting big cical
along the Kankanhally Road fence and
milk hedge is also being planted all
along the village roadside next to the
cical seedlings.
7. How many berry trees in the
seedling bed?
The berry seedlings in the beds of the
Nursery have been marked wherever
possible, but there are some berry
seedlings inside the centre of beds
which are not visible, it is difficult
to give a definite figure, up to now
30 berry seedlings are marked.
8. What is the position of the
Factory?
In the factory some welding (brass brazing)
has to be done to the small still, the
condenser tubes have to be fitted and
the separating bottle joints have to be
made again.

(cont'd)

9. When will it be ready?

Factory can be put right as soon as some of the necessary materials are purchased; some things will have to be done just before the distillation starts - i.e., bottles, condensers, etc.

10. When will the berry shed be ready after Nanja fixes tables?

Nanja will do the repairs to the tables, etc., in the berry sheds as soon as he completes the work he is doing in the factory, etc.

11. When will the Electric Board be done by Mr. Rao?

Mr. Rao will take up the installation of the new switch board in the Factory as soon as the board is ready - he thinks some time next week and it will take about 2 days to complete the work.

12. How many rolls more needed to complete the 3rd line of barbed wire in new area?

The number of rolls of barbed wire required for the third strand of the fence of the new area will vary according to the lengths of the rolls, if the 550 ft. rolls are purchased 7 rolls should do - if the 700 rolls are purchased 6 rolls should do; some binding wire is also required.

13. Are the beds ready for new seedlings? The old nursery behind the big well is ready and clean for seedlings besides some bedspace is also available in the big nursery.

14. What is the position of weeding and how long will they take and when will they go to the Tatgunni area to do the final weeding?

Weeding is being done in the area behind the factory at present, then we will go over to Tatgunni area for a quick clean up.

15. How many small drums have we got?

Eighteen small drums have been returned from Lever Bros., the Bangalore Branch said that no drums or Railway Receipts for drums have been received as yet.

16. When will Ramiah have the new Pump?

Ramiah said to enquire again after another fortnight, since he is the only good Pump dealer in Bangalore and is not prepared to help us immediately, I think it is best we ask someone to look for an Advance pump in Bombay and we can get Ramiah's Mechanic to fit it up privately for us.

17. Are there any things needed for the Factory?

Things required for Factory are on a separate list. (attached)

18. When will the Factory be completely in order with the Pipes, etc?

The Factory will be ready as soon as the necessary materials are purchased.

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19. When will the Bull Sheds be ready?

All the wood work of the roofs of the cattle shed has been completed and as many old tiles as possible have been replaced, Marappa says he wants 300 more tiles and a mason for one or two days to complete the work.

20.(1) What work is being done by the Watchmen in the other areas?
Please state work done in each area and what work is being done?

- (i) Obli is in Chowkhalla cleaning up the place including the circles and roads.
- (ii) Kadara is weeding circles in Nallai writers block.
- (iii) Ramkrishna is weeding circles in Pardare.
- (iv) Thimappa is in the area across the lake, cleaning out thorns etc., and putting it in the gaps in the fencing.
- (v) Munia is looking after 14 acres and is cleaning out thorns etc.
- (vi) Chicanne is looking after the back area, and cleaning the same.
- (vii) Ooch Kadara is in the bottom portion of Experimental and the next area and is putting milk hedge up wherever necessary.
- (viii) Baba, Boja and San Hanuman are in the new area where we have just planted seedlings.

(Sd/- Mr. D. B. Legge.)

Reply to Question No.17 :-

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Material required for the Factory:-

3 lbs grease.
1 gallon lubricating oil.
6 hack saw blades.
1 new back saw frame.
2 srs. gunny twine.

Soap.

12 yards gunny cloth

Gland packing $\frac{1}{4}$ " thick - 6 ft. long
" " $\frac{1}{2}$ " " 10 ft. long
" " $\frac{3}{4}$ " " 6 ft. long
 $\frac{3}{8}$ " " 10 ft. long
 $\frac{1}{8}$ " " 12 ft. long

White lead 7 lb.

Linseed oil 1 tin

corks $\frac{1}{2}$ " dia. one dozen

Brass pipe as per sample 10 or 12 feet. - ? ! for what ?

1 Ball pane hammer 2 lbs. ?

Bett chips and pins 3 pairs.

1 lb. rozin

3 lbs. cotton waste

2 lbs. washing soda for cleaning bottles etc.

2 lbs. lead wool.

1 lantern for factory use - ? where is the old one ?

1 punch $\frac{1}{2}$ " hollow.

bolts and nuts with long threads

$\frac{5}{8}$ " one doz.

$\frac{1}{8}$ " "

One sheet firefly steam packing as per sample.

One piece good leather 2' x 2" for washers about $\frac{1}{8}$ " thick.

(Sd. Mr. Legge.)

Note - Before indenting
I will see what is absolutely
needed and what we have in stock.

Sd/- Mrs. D.R.Roerich.

Satgummi Estate
27th April 69

Dear Sir,

I have received the note about the drum washers and the telegram about Jayayanti and the chimney, thanks for the same. Jayanti has been here to make the necessary measurements and the chimney will only 12 feet long with the necessary angle rings for jointing, it will be 17 inches at the base for about six inches or so and then will be 16 inches in diameter to the top as usual it will have a metal cap on the top to prevent rain etc from going down, he says that there is "no need" for the steel wire guy ropes, the proper estimate he is sending on to Edward Road.

Since my last letter we have had no rain at all and the heat is awful, it gets a bit cloudy now and then but no rain at all, the nights are very still. The application of Fertilizers has been completed and we are now getting in more firewood as the stocks are very low.

The women are all on weeding the back are being completed they have finished Pardale Nallai writers plot and are in Chowkhalla

On Wednesday 23rd at 7 o'clock in the night a lorry brought the stones for the temple the stones are roughly dressed and the stone cutters will come here to dress them properly, but they

have not come up to date and neither have I paid them any more.

The silk farm people have sent word that the Eucyptolias trees and some other trees are to be auctioned within a short time and if we are interested to attend the auction and bid 374 Eucyptolias trees and 23 other trees so please let me know whether you are interested and want someone to bid for us and the highest amount we can bid.

Bunty is alright, he has his food without any trouble although the Doctor says that he still has a small percentage of worms.

The whole estate is gradually turning green again, some trees are still lagging behind, if we could only get a steady down road on Monday it will help the whole lot of the trees.

The men are digging pits in their spare time but the soil there is pretty hard so they are very slow with the job, some have only dug up the soft surface soil all along in anticipation of some heavy rain coming in order to wet the soil and make the digging easier.

The front wall of the cooks house has been knocked down and is being rebuilt as the slope of the roof was not enough, the wall is being rebuilt about 6 to 8 inches lower

The water level in our factory lake is going down fast, Kuppareddy lake is bone dry and the villagers have dug a small well in the lake in order to get water but it is a case of first comes get the water as after ten o'clock there is none.

R: The two drums which showed signs of leaking, the washers are absolutely gone one has broken off from the crack and is standing up, the other is cracked in two places, so the only thing left is to replace them, all the others are alright, both these drums have original seals/small bungs only three drums have plastic washers for the small bungs, the rest have original metal seals.

One more man has left us Hanumantha from Patgundi and one woman will be getting married tomorrow, I hear she will not be coming back.

The Owner of Amritch matal has purchased the land belonging to all the Waddale people in Waddirahalli about 130 acres in all so his lands come almost up to waddirahalli now, they are having the lands measured now.

In the right hand area of Tussagetta a great amount of the trees have got male flowers this year

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The nursery trees are being marked as the flowers are desirable as usual quite a lot of males are coming through again.

Just at 11.30 on Sunday morning Mr. Talwar & Cooke came to the estate they saw everything and made enquiries.

The Forest Department staff came to say that the Forest Department are making a census of sandal wood trees in the whole of the Mysore State and will be coming to the estate in about 15 or 20 days to check the sandalwood trees in the area. They want permission to do the same. I have told them that the sandalwood trees are only on the boundaries but they say that they would like to know if any existed in the estate I said no! so they require your permission as the Sandal is a government monopoly. Please let me know about this

With best wishes to Mr.

Raoor & Self

Yours obediently

D. B. Legge

Tatgummi Estate
11- 5 - 68

Dear Sir,

Last Monday when I returned to the estate from Bangalore there was a fairly heavy shower which lasted for about 45 to 60 minutes, it certainly soaked into the ground there was no flow onto the tanks at all, but during the week there was no rain at all except for Saturday when there was strong breeze and a very slight shower.

Major Galwar came to the estate on Saturday evening and showed me the telegram about bidding for the Eucalyptus and other trees, he just managed to get away before the breeze and rain.

This morning I went off to the Range Forest Office Kaggalipura and got details, the auction is to be held at the D.F.O's office Malleswaram at 3 o'clock on 14-5-68, so I will have to go there, according to the Forest Department they say that there is about 100 tons of fuel and have valued it at Rs 4000/- out of which will have to be deducted transportation charges and labour etc, but one will have to see what the bidding is like.

Every thing is going on nicely on the estate, we have stocked up the required amount of fuel for the coming season and have stopped, now we are getting in a stock of wood for the bungalow, from the different areas. ^{weeding}
I hope the women are still and cleaning now that the soil is damp ^ the grass etc

has a tendency to sprout so the welding has to be done more carefully.

Regarding those damaged plastic washers of the oil drums, Major Salwar said he was bringing some Nylon washers to be tried out on those drums, but has not brought them as yet in the meantime Kariappa has reported another plastic washer has cut or cracked, so this drum also has been put to lie down, so now three washers have cracked. You remember how the bottom of that plastic bucket developed a crack these washers have cracked in the same way.

I have sent Maria yesterday to Jayanti as they wanted to know how the bearings & rollers of the crushing machine were to be fixed. I am getting Mr. G. Souza to write them a letter asking them to hurry with the crusher and the chimney.

The fruit is coming in all the areas but one cannot say anything definite just now as many trees have flowers, some flowers and very small fruit and some fruit so if we have good rains now it will help the fruit to develop.

The mangoes which become ripe will have to be removed so please send us a list as to how to distribute them.

The condensers are not ready, what about the big condenser and welding of the aluminium drums, it is time we started on these also

The pits are all ready and we will plant out next week as soon as we get a shower of rain.

Brunty is well and there is no cause for worry over him, the Doctor will be come on 16-5 to worm him again.

No more news so will close with best wishes to Mr. Roerich & self

Yours obediently

T. B. Legge

Satgumri Estate
18-5-69

Dear Sir

On 14/5 I went to the Auction which was held at the F.F.O's office, as Marappa was not well he sent Planuma Narappa with me, there were only 12 bidders but from the Rs 500/- deposit the first bid went up to Rs 1000/- and kept going up by 100/- each, after 2000/- I bid 2025/- and then stopped but two men just kept bidding against each other and it finally stopped at Rs 3575/- plus octaves tax at the rate of 3% and a stamped paper on which an agreement is to be drawn up after confirmation of the sale. I think it is a very ridiculous price, at the auction H.O.P.L said there were 44 other trees but now the purchaser can only find 17 or 20.

On 15/5 + 16/5 we planted out 436 fernals into the pits, as we had good rain and I must say we are thankful that it has been raining every night since then, the first few showers were accompanied with very strong winds which broke a lot of silver oak branches and some Sinalve branches, those are all being cut up and removed to the stacks.

We have also dug up all the Lemon grass in the nursery, hoed up the whole plot, removed all the dry stuff and

replanted the whole lot, it has been done in a good time when the soil is nice and wet.

The Mr. Doctor and Major Salwar came on 16/5, Bruntly was attended to and given another dose of worm treatment, he is alright, his stool will be sent for examination next Friday.

The rains have helped all the flowering of the Linaboe trees, now all the trees have small and big berries, it is difficult to say anything about the crop just yet but I think that the crop this year will not be as good as last years.

The strong wind we have been having with rain has caused a lot of interruptions in the electric supply, we had no current for two days and when the current did come on the lighting and power was alright but something has gone wrong with the heating circuit, the Fridge and stove won't work. I reported to Major Salwar yesterday who promised to send Chotu Sab but he has not turned up as yet.

I have paid off the men for digging the pits.

In the bungalow I amrai and the others are busy putting down the flower and vegetable

seeks.

The stone contractor brought four stone cutters and sat here to see the job of dressing those stones finished. I have paid him the balance of Rs 175/- now we have to put up the pillars etc, Jayanti has not delivered the chimney or the crushing machine as yet. Maria went there last Saturday, as he wanted to know something about the crushing machine rollers and bearings, Maria explained everything to him, yet when he went to collect the deposit from Mr. t'Souza for the chimney he said that he wanted Maria as Maria had not been near him. I went there yesterday and found no one there except a new clerk, so I left a letter stating that you had asked for the factory to be fitted up as soon as possible. The trouble is he has taken on too many jobs at the same time.

We will be taking the mangoes out of the straw on Tuesday or Wednesday. and will take them for distribution, the first lot we took off was 1500 and there are more on the trees, Mr. t'Souza has got the list and we will do the distribution accordingly, we will have to see how many mangoes go bad in the grass.

Chota Sab has just been rectified the defect in the heating circuit, it was something wrong on the pole

The condensers are not ready yet, I think something should be done about the other condenser and the repairs of the aluminum ~~wire~~ drum should all be taken up immediately as there will be no time later.

No more news so will close with best wishes to Mr. & Mrs. Rockrich & Self

Yours obediently

J. B. Legge

Jatgowni Estate
26 - 5 - 69

Dear Sir

I have received through Mr. D'Souza a list of points you have sent me and will answer them, thanks very much for the same.

(I) regarding the order of 2 drums similar to the leaking drum, I will order it next week when I go to town.

(II) I will take the large condenser to Barawaj and have it repaired as soon as possible.

(III) The small condenser being made through Major Dalwai has not come back to us as yet.

(IV) I think the fuel is enough, besides we are getting more by dry trees etc.

(V) The Sinaloe Trees in Rossagetta have been marked, I will give you the number of males latter as these will have to be counted.

(VI) I have asked Major Dalwai about the Nylon washers many times and he has promised to get them.

(VII) I will have silver oak seedlings collected and put into the nursery.

(VIII) I will do my best to get casuarina seeds or seedlings and plant them out.

(IX) Newly planted seedlings have been watered, but one blessing we had a fairly good show last night (Saturday night)

(x) Yes we must have the condensers attended to.

(xi) I will have the large akash fitted with a big tap, the hole has already been made in it.

(xii) Will look around for three big taps if possible bigger than the ones we have.

(xiii) I called on Jayanti the other day and was surprised to see that the only work being done was ours, the chimney was being made, three sections had been made round and spot welded here and there and they were welding the sections properly then the angle iron girts would have to be fitted.

The tubs of the crusher had all been done, the main shaft had been done and the two bearing made to fit it. The old rollers had been put in the lathe and the mechanic was working on it, the boss or manager was not there but the mechanic said everything would be completed very soon.

(xiv) I will attend to everything in order that the factory will be ready.

The women are all on weeding and cleaning except when we had to put them on watering during the dry spell.

The men have been on cutting a stock of wood for Bungalow consumption, this has all been cut to size and is being tied in bundles and stacked behind the bungalow.

Carpenter has been sick for the

past 18 days or so, last I saw him making some frames for you. I have called on him twice but his son says he is sick, I wanted to take him to see the cart before taking it over. The cart was ready all complete but I refused to take delivery as there was one faulty piece of wood in the frame, so I am going to take delivery on Monday 26th.

Bunty is well, Kariappa took his stool to the Veterinary hospital, the results will be given to Mr. D'Souza on Monday.

I have built a shed inside the bulls shed in which the new cart will be kept to prevent it from sun and rain, for the present the roof of this shed is only made with cocoanut mats which we purchased, after you come we can decide about something better.

The berries are getting bigger in all the areas, but the leaves are so plentiful that it is very difficult to say anything definite about the crop. I think that the crop is not as good as last year.

In the bungalow Thimai is busy putting down the flower and vegetable seeds, those which have come up are being transplanted into their respective beds.

I have already put down a small bed of casuarina seeds and a bed of eucalyptus seed which I made and kept. We must see how they germinate.

There is quite a good amount of water in both Kuppareddy lake and our factory lake so there will be no trouble of water shortage.

Last night (Sunday) there was very heavy rain in Bangalore and our cart men say that there was very heavy rain at the estate also all night.

I have taken over the new bullock cart and sent it on to the estate.

No further news so will close with all good wishes to M^{rs} Roerich and self

Yours obediently

D. B. Legge

Tatguroni Estate
9-6-69

Dear Sir,

The distribution of the mangoes has been completed, the list will be sent by Mr. G'Souza.

The newly planted seedlings near the circle are doing nicely, they got into a good period and I must say that they have not shed their old leaves, but some new leaves and shoots are also coming on some plants, as the time was good we planted out all missing trees on the Truni Ceswara hillock, if you remember we left a good many pits empty last year we have filled these up and have replaced missing seedlings, all these have been watered as the rain has laid off for a few days now.

The women are weeding in all the areas except when they have to carry water for the seedlings.

The men have gone on to cleaning up the hillock which we have just planted as the rains have made some tamarind thorns etc sprout.

Jayanti promised to give us the chimney and the other things which are ready except the new rollers on Tuesday or Wednesday but I will have to see that the things are ready and we don't want to send the cart for nothing.

Haraway promised to have the condensers repaired by this week, I must enquire before sending the cart.

Bunty is alright he has his baths, food and exercise and there is no cause for concern over him.

Papa went to Edward Road regarding the distempering of the rooms but the Cawd has taken on the job.

The carpenters brought cotton beaters last week and made the mattresses into box type mattresses, he completed the job and I gave him a note to Major Salwar who paid him, I have paid all the three men bus fare too & fro.

The condenser made through Major Salwar was brought to the estate on 4/6 by our cart, we just filled it with water and it leaked a lot without any pressure, we picked up the whole thing and put it into the column, started the pump and found it leaking from all the welded joints, so Maria & I took it back to Major Salwar who sent it to some works ~~hop~~ near his office, Maria was with them till six o'clock that evening but the leaks had not stopped, then the brazing which is very rough will have to be either filed or turned down as it is very uneven and the tubes do not sit one into the other properly. I will take "the sample condenser for repairs as I think

we will need it, the leaking aluminum drum has been given to this same firm near Major Salwar office for welding, they welded it whereas it was marred while we were there and had to file it down evenly.

The Nylon washers have not been supplied by Major Salwar as yet, he told me that he would be bringing them to the estate when he comes on Sunday.

All the land coming under the pipe line from Cauvery to Bangalore is being acquired, the owners have been issued notices not to cultivate the land and they have to appear on 10% either in person or by Lawyer with their land papers & Tax receipts, Papa and a lot of our estate workers are losing land, I think they intend getting a Lawyer to represent their case as they are asking for more money.

It was cool for some days, but now that the rains have laid off and it has become cloudy again it is quite warm and sticky.

Six on Saturday 20% for half day and Sunday 21% full day I would like you to kindly grant me leave as it is our Silver Wedding Anniversary and I will have to go to Church. I will pay out the

weekly advances etc before
going.

Monday before posting I went
to Fayanti early in the morning
and he is delivering every thing
except the new rollers on Thursday
and the new rollers will be given
a week latter. They will come on
Friday to erect the chimney.

No more news so will
close with best wishes to
Mr^r Rodach & self

Yours sincerely

H. B. Legge

Satguroni Estate

16- 6-69

Dear Sir,

We have been having rain off and on and I have taken advantage of it and planted out the grass as per your instructions in between the newly planted seedlings, for this I have taken the grass from Nessegetta, leaving a little back. The grass in the nursery has already been dug up thrown out and replanted.

Women are all on weeding, they have finished Tatguroni area, 14 acres and have gone half way into Experimental area.

The men have gone into Chowkhilla to remove the thorns etc, as the 14 acres has been completed.

I sent Maria to take delivery of the new chimney and crushing machine trays from Jayanti, he did not take over the crushing machine parts as he was not satisfied with them and he asked them to make some alterations. Jayanti has not sent his mechanics as yet to erect the chimney. I have phoned Sharaway many times but he has not finished the condensers. On Monday 16th the cart will go to bring back the new condenser from Major Talwar and the aluminum drum which he had welded, there was no room in the cart when it went for the chimney and tubes.

Major Talwas has not given us the Nylon washers for the drums as yet, so we have made all the

drums lie down for the present.

Today the Pohot and his son are here fitting up the temple, as they had removed every thing when the new pillars etc were being put up. The pooga and cleaning ceremonies etc are being done.

The newly planted seedling in Chowkatta and on the Muni Eswara hillock are doing well.

Brunty is well, he has his food without any trouble, he is getting his medicine and pills regularly.

The Driver starts the car every morning and runs the car for a little while.

Sunday Morning Major and Mr. Salwar came to the estate while the Poogas were going on and they enquired about everything and went away, Maj Salwar says that the Nylon washers will be ready on Tuesday next so he will deliver them to us on Wednesday or Thursday.

It is still very sticky and there is quite a bit of humidity in the air, it is also quite cloudy and the peacocks call out early in the morning which is a sign of rain.

Fayia has been going daily to Colvard Road with two other men to do the distempuring both down stairs and upstairs, only the whitewashing of the Kitchen and Then Thambi's rooms etc have to be done, all the distempers was supplied by the owner of the house.

The Mysore State Road Transport bus stop has been shifted to a new Bus Station near the City Railway station and the fare up to our Estate has gone up from 70 to 80 paise.

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plus one has to go there to catch the bus which means another 20 paisa, the bus service is a very difficult problem now.

No other news so well close with best wishes to Mr. Roerich and self

Yours sincerely

T. B. Legge

getting on, They showed me cotton beaten the mattoos to be done and then we went and saw the seedlings. The seedlings are all looking well and being planted at the right time when the rains came, none of them have lost their old leaves as yet. The old and new plantings are looking very well.

On 30-5-69 a big car came to the gate and four gentlemen were in it, one of them introduced himself as Mr. Iyengar from Bombay and he wanted to see Mr. Rovrich as he said he knew her in Bombay, he introduced all the others as Dr. Iyengar and Mr. Iyengar's. I told him that you were away so they went back.

I went to Jayanti but found no one there as they had some very urgent work putting up a shed with metal trusses for C.I.M.P.O. at near the Aircraft Factory so I left a letter with the writer that everything was wanted very urgently.

As per your instructions through Mr. D'Souza I took that leaking aluminum drum to Kishor lals; they took the measurements and weight and I paid them ~~advance~~ ^{advance} for Rs 100/- They say a drum of that size & type will cost about Rs 300/- approx. so I only ordered one drum until you give the order for the second.

I had already taken the leaking condensers to town when your telegram came. I have given them to Harraway who

Dear Sir,

We have been having rain on and off, the soil is fairly wet and there is plenty of water in the factory tank, if we have a few more heavy showers, I think the tank will overflow.

The plantings which we made lately are looking very nice, we watered them the other day as the ground was getting dry but the same night we had heavy rain.

We have put up the four corner pillars of the temple, The Porchit came and made the necessary Pooya for the corner stone which was put up according to his time, The Porchit also made a Pooya for the new cart, we are waiting for the ground to harden around the pillars and then we will put up the other stones on top.

The milk hedging around the bungalow compound has been cut and all the cut pieces are being put into the fencing where ever necessary.

The women are all on weeding the long area was completed and area across lake was completed now they have gone into other areas where the grass is growing most.

This morning Major & Mr. Galwal came to the estate to see how things are

say that they will have them ready
in about 10 days or so.

The carpenter is here with the
cotton beaters who are doing the
mattresses.

Bunty is well he is having his
food etc regularly without any
trouble, when the Doctor examined
his stool last week he reported that
there were no worms.

I will go to Jayanti again
next week and hurry them
with the work.

The dry grass we have bought
for the bulls is not enough
and now there is no grass for
them to chew at nights and
when they go to town so Papa
is suggesting that we purchase
some Ragi straw from the
village but they are
negotiating a stack for Rs 235/-
I think it is too much, we should
get about half the quantity and
if we have more rain the
grass in Massagetta will grow
up again.

When I went to the Bank
this morning (Monday) to cash
the cheques I did not notice
that one cheque was not signed
and it was returned to me

it was cheque No AG-H15241
for Rs 1815:12 Jalgurri B.

I will manage until this cheque
is signed and returned, I am
handing it over to Mr. O'Souza to
be sent on to you

The number of males in
Nassagetta are

left area	230
center area	136
left area	173
narrow strip at top	31
	<u>570</u>

Will close with best wishes to
Mr. P. Rocich and self

Yours truly

S. B. Dugge