

Sept 12th

Mansfield Lodge 1
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My dear Professor Roerich:

So much for your letter, thank you
are generous to send me those beauti-
ful reproductions. We are both of
us most grateful indeed.

Yes, it is come, & I
feel quite stunned - as in a dream when
one is paralysed before an oncoming
train. To be crushed seems so inevitable
now that one has almost stopped
thinking about it - Only when see
the first sunlight catching the snow of
a far distant peak half muffled in
cloud I feel that even tho' all my
friends & loved ones are killed, there
will still be something - a stark

essential almost - left in life - but
at other times one can only try to forget
what is happening & what may
happen. Of course I am surrounded
by people who are undergoing pain
so much much greater than mine,
& one just feels if only, only one could
help to relieve their suffering - Well
one thing I've done that has helped
to distract the minds of several
anxious & sorrowing mothers is to lend
them your monograph - & looking at
its beautiful pictures & marvellous
colors I think they do feel a glimmering
of the great eternal Beyond that is
there always above our troubles &
sorrows.

It is most generous of you
& M. Svetoslav to donate a picture
each in aid of red cross - That
is a gift - Oh yes, one feels one

must do just whatever one can² -
to help to relieve the horrors of this
war. And then if anything could
be more frightful than war it is
the ~~terrifying~~ tyranny of the Hitler regime
- of course one feels one must go on
to the very end rather than how before
such an effigy of brutality dishonesty
- really evil - as he seems to be -
poor, wretched man.

Our plans are all de travers
with this war, but come what may
I must & will go to Kulu - if only to see
the Lall's little Usha. ~~Also~~ it will be
wonderfully refreshing to meet all of
you again - in this sick world it is
a real cure to meet people who have
really found their own balance.
Well a tennis party is arising &

I must stop as a ~~termis~~

Later & in haste —

Well au revoir & thank
you so very much for your
letter & pictures.

Please give my love to all
your family.

yours sincerely
April.

Dear M. Roerich;

It really
 is too sweet of you to offer to
 send down your pony for my
 Father, & how willingly would I
 accept your suggestion, for his
 heart has been slightly affected
 recently - But - he's a wretched
 stork-like Englishman & tho' I know
 he will feel very grateful indeed
 for your offer, I also know there is
 not a chance of his agreeing to come
 up on any but his own two legs.
 Thanking you again very much indeed,
 Yours sincerely
 April, Bang.