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*Frederick Roerich*

July 21, 1939

Mr. James Hull  
1230 North Edison St.  
Stockton, Cal.

Dear Mr. Hull:

Your letter addressed to Mrs. Lichtmann was received here in her absence. She is traveling at present and asked me to open all mail and take care of correspondence for a few months. I will forward your letter at the earliest opportunity, but in the meantime I am taking this opportunity to write to you myself.

I have been wanting to write to you for many months, and if this is your permanent address now, I will send it to the headquarters of Flamma, as I am not sure whether you have been receiving the quarterly regularly.

I am glad that you have come in contact with Helen Seidel, but I must correct slightly the information she gave you about the Roerichs. She, no doubt, wished to give a pleasant and favorable picture of the situation, but it is not exactly true that they are all in good health. Mme. Roerich has been very ill for the last couple of years and this has been so serious in recent months as to cause us a great concern. In comparison, Prof. Roerich has been much better but he also was quite ill recently but has now recovered, I believe. George and Svetoslav may have been traveling at the time you spoke with Mrs. Seidel but it has been my understanding that they are still in India, and I do not believe that they have been in Europe during these rather difficult few years.

Mr. Lichtmann has been engaged in the establishing of a new center in Santa Fe for some time. Miss Grant is here,--in fact just a few days ago I was with her and another co-worker at a conference with the lawyers regarding the law cases, with which you are familiar. Our battle still continues, as you can see, and the affairs of the Roerich Museum are still in quite a troubled state. I appreciate your interest and will be glad to keep you informed.

My brother has established the headquarters of Flamma Association in Liberty, Indiana, and has been directing all activities from there, as you probably know.

Don Kimmell has a photographic studio near here and I was over there a week or so ago, but I have not seen him lately as I have been so busy with my professional work which takes me in and out of New York continually.

Although it is pretty late to be talking about last Christmas, I want you to know that I presented my little niece with a copy of your book, "The Stagestruck Seal", and she was so pleased with it that she took it to school and had the teacher read from it to the class.

I hope your work is proceeding successfully and will be glad to hear from you any time.

July 21, 1939

Cordially yours,

Mr. James Hull  
1230 North Madison  
Dudley Fosdick

Dear Mr. Hull:

Your letter addressed to me, which was received here in New  
England, has been forwarded to you. It is gratifying to hear  
that you are taking an interest in the book, and I will  
forward your letter at the earliest opportunity, but in the  
meantime I am taking this opportunity to write to you myself.

I have been waiting to write to you for many months, and if this  
is your permanent address now, I will send it to the publishers  
of "The Seal", as I am not sure whether you have been receiving the  
paper regularly.

I am glad that you have come in contact with Helen Kimmel, but I  
must correct slightly the information she gave you about the  
book. She, no doubt, wished to give a pleasant and favorable  
picture of the situation, but it is not exactly true that the  
book is in good shape. The book has been very ill for the  
last couple of years and this has been so since in recent months  
as to cause us a great concern. In consultation with Mr. Kimmel  
has been much better but he also was quite ill recently but has  
now recovered, I believe. George and Elizabeth may have been  
traveling at the time you spoke with Mrs. Kimmel but it has been  
my understanding that they are still in India, and I do not believe  
that they have been in those parts these latter months.

Mr. Kimmel has been engaged in the establishment of a new center  
in Santa Fe for some time. This center is now in the process of  
being organized and I was with him and another co-worker at a conference  
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