

March 2/58

Dear Family - I am trying to write you before I go down
town to the Company. We enjoyed and appreciated your
letter of the 3 March and happy to know that all
is well with you & the family. Am so happy that
your mother is over the effects of the operation
and that your father is well and occupied.
Marion & I think of you all so often and miss
seeing you.

I spoke with my doctor yesterday & he thinks
I should be able to go north in May & June. The
urinary & intestinal infection seem to be
clearing up and the Malta fever seems to
be better about as you know it may take
months more to clear it up. I have to
take these shots but the doctor says he
can arrange for me to take them while I

any way. I have no desire to travel for
the present, but a change will do Marion &
me a lot of good. Marion is well, but naturally
I keep her worried. The damned fever comes on
every day regularly as a clock usually in the
afternoon, but at times it lasts all day. In any
event it is apparently getting better.

Mexico continues to look good but this year is
not going to be as good as last. The new
tendencies that have developed here in the
last few years, - less considerable treatment of
business and more & more government in
business, and intervening in business, naturally
destabilize the nation and give more the foreign
minister.

Our labor contract expires March 15, and
the matter is now in the Labor Dept, and
if a settlement is not reached by April 12

the Sindicato will order a strike. The head of
the Sindicato was a Communist, and I think still
is a heart, so he is a problem not only for the
Company but for the government. How it will come
out I do not know - but you know the
Company is always screwed! The so called
election is on July 6 but the real politics of
the new administration will not be clear for
a year. Most people are very optimistic,
but I keep my fingers crossed.

The weather here now is good and we are
having really warm days. I hope we will
have a good rainy season - quite possible?

If not, in spite of the Lecheria addition
coming by April 1, we shall have trouble
meeting demand. The Lecheria addition will

be completed at least three months before
time. The Fingambalee plant of the Federal
Power Commission was almost 3 years late in
coming in.

The recession at home is real, no matter
what polite and nice words are used to describe
it. The government spending will help to make
things easier, but it is no real cure. We
are geared a little too high & I hope
the postwar period will not be too serious.
The repercussions of our problems will of
course be felt here in Mexico, and every
where, but the economy here has broadened
so much, that the repercussions in Mexico
will not be as bad as in past similar
periods.

The Republicans as a whole haven't done

to hell at home. Dulles, Beeson, and Bill
Martin have really done a good job and
have courage & wisdom. I know you don't agree
about Dulles, but we could not have done better
in that field than with Dulles. He is everybody's
whipping boy, but sticks to his job. The President
is not a cold man, and that takes a lot out
of any man. It is a great misfortune but we are
all human. There confidence in the 'on, but
in the meantime the Sherman Adams, Cutlers,
and Hoggerty's are assuming responsibilities
beyond their capacity. Whether the President
will resign, I do not know. He is an
unpredictable man, and his illness and
worry, are making him difficult and
crochety. All this is natural but if

happens he is President of the country carrying
the greatest burden in history.

I'm glad Simon Rose is so well settled.

Marian joins in love and all good wishes
to you all. I hope we may see you in May
or June. I will keep in touch with you. I
hope you has enjoyed her trip to California.

Always faithfully

George