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Dear Sam -

I appreciated your calling me at the
hospital in Houston. They were able to
arrest the dependency and the analyses
show that the bugs are on the run but
have not entirely disappeared. I'm not taking
any more anti biotics. They think I'm
building up an immunity to the bugs.
I'm very thin - weigh less than I have
for many many years. That is not so
bad because when I'm fully rid of this
business I should gain enough weight. The
doctor in Houston says the 6 weeks of
dependency weakened me very much and
that it will be very difficult to regain
my strength than after the bug

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stomach operation. I have to eat 6
small meals a day and I'll down 30
minutes after each as the bugs got
up into the little stomach, so that
it become inflamed and the food
went thru it like a sieve. All
in all it means a strange kind
of life. In getting back strength
very slowly and if I go out in
morning I don't stay for more than
an hour.

We are having tormented rains
almost all over Mexico. The dams
of the Company have plenty of water
and at Lerma the waters rose
so that the plant was threatened

but for the present the danger is over
there. In the first time in years, we
are not going to Casmarica for the
week end as it has rained so steadily
there.

We put in an 18 K.V. Steadily
plant at the house in Casmarica - a
Hercules (American) garden engine &
a Swiss generator. It will work auto-
matically. We have so many interrup-
tions and such low voltage that it
has made the week ends at Casmarica
less agreeable. It will cost a fair amount,
but at my age I think I can think of
our comfort - rather than what we
may lose when we die & our nephews

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and news. We won't know what
the policy of the government toward
the private companies will be until
the new President comes in on
Dec. 1, and in my opinion for some
time later. There are all sorts of
problems accumulating in this
country and the new President will
have his hands full. There is no
real Communist party in Mexico
but the Communists from the outside
have been very active and we have
had all sorts of disorders which
have not been exaggerated in our
press at home.

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Margaret was due back here a week
ago but on arriving in New York
his wife had to have an operation, for
I do not know what, and Draper tells
me this morning Margaret is expected
back Sunday.

I do not venture out for meals
these days but we are having a lunch
of the directors in Mexico today at
the Club Industrial to discuss what
can be done towards some financing
in pesos. The nation's state tried
all over the world is really fantastic
and unreal and can lead to
no good for any one. I do

mean that we should do some
financing in pesos - that is essential.
It depends on the way it is done.

Things have really taken a turn
for the better in Argentina if the
Government is strong enough to carry
through the new program on oil and
the electricity companies. The arrangement
to be made with the Code is not
ideal but is far better than anything
that seemed possible a year ago.

Marín is having a big dental
job done and has been to the
dentist 16 times in 3 weeks
& has two more weeks to go

the job is done.

I came across an address which
Audra Siegfried made at a Cotton
meeting in Italy in 1957 and implying
to get a photostatic copy of it as
it is really interesting & will send
it to you. The book is not available
as it was only a report of a Cotton
meeting.

I got the book you sent me
and am getting a lot of pleasure
out of it.

I wish we lived closer and could
see each other every day. There
is so much to talk about.

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I returned from Houston Sept
12 (Monday) and we went straight to
Carmichael and stayed until Wednesday
the 17th. The weather was miserable.
I like to see rain because it
means R.V. h. if it falls in the
right places but we have had really
no sunshine for months.

Warm love & good wishes
to you and the family. Again
thanks for the phone call & the
book.

Always fondly
Harry