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Dear Sam -

We spent the week end in Cuernavaca and on Sunday we had a large luncheon party for the Drapers and the Foyles. I think there were almost 100, about half Mexicans and half Americans. The Foyles, Drapers, and the Katz who had just returned to Mexico spent Saturday night and Sunday at the house with us. We had hoped Hilda Brozos could spend the week end with us, but she had been held up here not being able to get a plane for Buenos Aires, but there was a cancellation and she was able to get on the plane Sunday for B. A.

This evening the "representatives del gobierno" and the confidential employees of Mexlight are giving a dinner for the Drapers in the dining room of the New Company Building at 7.30 and altho I have not been going out in the evening for a week, I feel I must go to the dinner.

The troops leave Thursday morning for San Francisco.

So far as I can tell Taylor is a very agreeable and competent man and I have now seen enough of him to have some first hand ideas. He is a scholar and a thinker, and a man of courage & principles, and his knowledge of Spanish will prove very useful. I am inclined to believe that he can accommodate himself to the work of the Company and I feel sure he & Murphys will get on together.

The last 4-5 days I have had little discomfort from this hernia of the oesophagus. I have no appetite and have to force myself to eat, and I know the damned thing is still there, but it certainly is better. I have been going out during the day but not at night - and that is rather dreary for Maria. The tooth that gave her real

trouble is better. I marvel what she can do
for having 100 people to lunch seemed no
chore at all for her.

Sam + Grace Katz who just returned from
the Stols last Saturday noon left again
this morning for New York + Washington and
may be away for a month. He has some
business to look after.

We are being inundated with Cuban
friends who are getting out of Cuba to
escape the tension. They all have lots of
money and don't know how long they will
have any. It is really criminal the way
our State Dept has handled this Cuban
problem, for in my opinion all that has
happened could have been avoided.

We have tied our hands so completely
with this non intervention idea, that now

it is more difficult for us to do what we
have to do, but there are still many ways
open to us to handle the problem, other than
military intervention.

I have read carefully the statements
made by the Russians and ourselves at the
end of the 12 day congress and while we don't
know really what happened in the final talks,
it looks as tho the visit has served some
purpose - even tho I can see the Russians
have not changed one iota their funda-
mental aims.

It is important how the English elections
turn out and it looks like a close
fight. It is important that Labor not
get in, for in my opinion the Labor
has learned a lot recently, a Labor
government in Britain would tremendously

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Complicate the situation now:

I have to cut this letter short as some
one from the Embassy has just come in
to talk over some matters with me.

Bob Weil, the ambassador is away, and
will be sent after the Lopez Matias
visit to the U.S. is over.

With much love & all good wishes to
you ~~and~~ from Mexico & me —

Yours fully

Ken