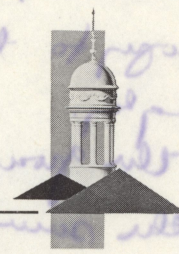


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My Dear Family -

Friday the 13th - and the day is over as far as our work is concerned - now a few minutes with you. Let me tell you a little about the daily schedule that I have worked out for us.

0700 we meet in front of the hldg - our cars (hopefully) are here and we leave for breakfast

0800 Start the day's work routine - crossing the circle and opening our office in the Restate.

1200 lunch

1230 to 1430 mid day siesta - almost every one takes a

break - so do we - takes I slept hard for 30 minutes - awakened refreshed and ready to go.

1430 - 1830 back at the work routine

1900 - Supper and followed by free time - such as bills writing, etc.

we plan to follow this routine 7 days a week with the exception of Sunday morning when we will leave the entire morning free for each person to plan as he wishes - our work day on Sunday will start at 1430 and go about time on will proceed as a regular day.

We all seem to work best with a routine like this - so I hope it works out ok.

I spent most of today trying to set up our schedule for the remainder of our time we are here - with deadlines that should be met, etc. Tomorrow I will present it to the team members and get their reactions to it - then have it typed (our

Secretary, a Miss Joan Smith, is supposed to start work on Monday) and I'll send a copy to the office - asking that they make copies and distribute accordingly.

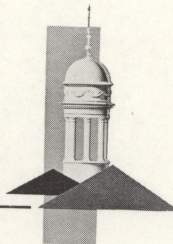
I have divided the group up into 3 sub groups from data gathering portion of the survey and we had our first session this afternoon - talking about the kinds of input needed and how we might proceed.

Today has been a beautiful day - temperature has been in the mid 80's (I am guessing because I have not seen a thermometer) and the humidity has not been too high. It has been like a good hot summer day at home.

We have been eating at various places although most of the group went to stay with the International House - a sort of officers club for non military personnel. The food there is OK and of greatest importance to them - it is like American food. I would just as soon experiment & try different things but I'll be able to do that as time moves ahead.

I had a real thrill tonight when I came into my room. I stopped by the room where the "monogami" stays and he invited me in & introduced me to his wife - they were married just last week - about 150 miles from here - he also showed me pictures of his wedding and I then invited him to come in & see the picture (last year's Christmas card) that I have of you. He wanted a copy and asked if I had a "second" picture that he could have - so I want you to send me another please - ~~also~~ in fact I'll send several - copies of our 1965 Christmas card with the family "portrait". It pleased me to know that he was interested and that he took the initiative to ask for a picture. He said he would give me a copy of the picture of him and his bride if I wanted - so we will trade when you send the picture to me.

These people seem to sense very quickly if you are sincerely



interested and genuinely friendly toward them - the reverse is true for they know of you and distrustful and suspicious.

I am back on regular schedule as far as my sleep is concerned - up until a couple days ago I would awaken at 4 AM and we would awaken - now I go to sleep at 10 PM and usually awaken at 6:15 or 6:30 -.

Bob LaFollette has been wonderful - he is so thoughtful and has been extremely helpful in our orientation and briefing.

Tomorrow we meet the Rector of the University of Cambodia - Rector Ho (I call him the big green giant) and a week from today we plan to go to Cambodia - located in the Mekong Delta.

Now I must close and do some washing before going to bed. We went to the PX this afternoon and I got some soap to do my laundry so I am in good shape.

My love to each of you.

Dad.