

Monday Evening  
16 January 1967  
Saigon, Viet Nam

My Dear Family -

I have just come in from a late dinner. This afternoon while in the Education section of AID I ran into Marvin Klein - he was a student at Bradley when we were there and his home was on a farm just East of Bradley. He is here - in AID - and has been in Vietnam for one year. The first 10 months were at Danang - now he is about 200 miles up the coast from Saigon - at Huatrong - and is running the education program in what is called Region II. We visited briefly this afternoon - then arranged to meet here at the hotel this evening - which we did at 1930 - then he used his pass and we had dinner at the BOQ - Bachelor Officers Quarters. I had the first steak that I have had since leaving U.S. - a tenderloin for \$2.00 - and it was good. More importantly there was to talk with Marvin and to learn of his adventures and experiences working with province leaders in the elementary education program - going out into areas that are not secure at night - and only secure in the day time from 0700 to 1200 and from 1400 to 1900. He had many interesting stories to relate - of working with the people along the coast and also the mountain people - the MONTAGNARDS. Many Mal & I ate water with him and we kept him busy answering questions - it was 2200 when we finally got back to the big hotel.

This morning I visited the Deans of the Faculties of Pedagogogy and also Architecture - in preparation for a meeting on Thursday, January 19 - with all the Deans and a number of the faculty (other than a Dean) from each faculty. Protocol is important to these people and we must take our time - that is hard for me but I must be patient.

Mail today brought the second letter from home - telling of the snow - the accident going to Mayo's and all. I know these are difficult days for all of you but I am very proud of each one and know that you are more than able to do what is necessary and required to carry on. Your letters mean so much to me and it is wonderful to hear from you. Part of the afternoon was spent in getting our trip to Lantha set up - we are ready to go on Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup> leaving at 0700 and returning before dark. We will fly Air America and Bob La Follette will accompany us.

Next week I hope to get to Hue and to Dalet as well as the Oceanography Institute at Huatrong - we will see.

Today has been quite cool - our security guard the just day with us and she thought it was down right cold. In the afternoon the fellows listened to a re-broadcast of the Super Bowl game - Yea Packers I love Paul.