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Dr. John C. Cutler
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APO 839
c/o Postmaster
New Orleans, Louisiana

Dear Joann:

The trip back to the states was uneventful. Stopped over at New Orleans to visit the leprosarium and find conditions considerably different from those encountered in Guatemala. I would appreciate one or two reprints from Doctor Galvez on the incidence, diagnosis and treatment of the pedalic form of leprosy.

Serums for checking will be prepared and forwarded via APO as soon as possible.

Mr. Morrison is taking steps to purchase a new refrigerator for the laboratory and will buy one for Mr. Portnoy if he still wants one.

Antigens for the Sanidad laboratory may be supplied unless the demand reaches excessive proportions.

Mr. Morrison will write to Mr. Portnoy regarding the Civil Service changes and the things that Joe should do in order to keep up his retirement payments.

Mr. Morrison will purchase one or two typewriters on the open market. They will have a standard keyboard.

Orders have been requested for Mr. Portnoy to travel in Guatemala.

Kimball Glassware Company has been contacted in regard to the pipettes which are not graduated to the tip. It is requested that the unsatisfactory pipettes be returned to this laboratory for exchange.

Next week I plan to be in Washington and will discuss with Doctor Brady the possibilities of using the Army Transport Service and mailing privileges for the laboratory.

Mr. Harris plans to write Joe regarding the treatment for the sticky table tops.

No funds are available here for the prepayment of express or air freight charges to Guatemala. Such shipments may be sent COD or, if it is desired, limited funds could be forwarded to this laboratory for future prepayment charges.

Carolyn certainly enjoyed her visit with you in Guatemala, and we appreciate all the things you did for us.

I plan to make a microscope lamp which you can use for future darkfield studies in the field. This unit will obtain

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energy from the car battery and the bulb will have a rating of 32 to 60 candle power. It should prove more satisfactory than the light obtained with the flash light.

Sincerely,

RC.

H. C. Arnold
Senior Surgeon, USPHS

I am forwarding A.P.O. - 2 light bulb - 6 Volt.
for the Scope light that Miss Walker uses, also
2 five ft. lengths of low voltage wire and two
clamps attached. Unscrew the wire connection
for 110V and replace with the low voltage
wire and change bulbs and you'll have a
good light from an automobile battery for
your trips. If you can't borrow or rent a
car battery, get send enough L.V. wire for a
20-30 or 40 ft extension to hook on the
car at the site. I'll try to get a more
powerful bulb, if possible. *cc.*

RCA:tew Dr. Cutler do you suppose you could send up two copies
of your monthly report. It would help. I now have to
make a copy to forward with the monthly report.
Thank you. Teresa C. Weiss.