

*Leaves Book*



G. BALAZS  
c/o CHEZ BASSING  
PAEA Papeete (26km)  
TAHITI French Polynesia  
Society Islands



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Film  
#10



JUNE 19, 1964

Dear Mom + Dad -

Well, I've finally gotten some time to write a letter, - seems like we've always have something to do. We've been receiving your letters right along. Glad to hear you bought such a nice projector and that the slides look nice. Hope you received the roll of 20 that I sent with no letter.

Wednesday ~~evening~~ we got on the boat to the island of MAKE TEA which is about 160 miles from here and exists for the sole purpose of mining phosphate. We had a cabin and the boat arrived at dawn. It was really an interesting trip. We hiked back into the mining fields and took pictures. In fact we hiked all the way across the island! MAKE TEA is a "one of its kind" in the world cause it was shoved straight up from the ocean, - as you will be able to tell by the pictures. Needless to say they don't have many visitors. They bring workers there from all over the area. What is really interesting is the fact that the island will only last 2 to 3 more years of mining and then everything will be dismantled and hauled off and what will be left will be a good island. The boat left at 5 that day so we were back in Papeete at ~~5~~ 5:30 in the morning. Really a nice trip, and a rare one too. This will probably be the last letter I'll be able to write for a while because next week (28 or 29) we're leaving ~~on~~ on a boat for a group of islands called AV STRALS. These approx. 400 to 500 miles away and we'll be gone two weeks. These islands almost never get any visitors such as us (white people). There's only one boat in service and it only goes once a month. The woman at the office said they've never sold a round trip ticket such as ours. The boat takes the natives to + from. We'll be visiting 3 islands - the first of which takes 2 nites and 2 days to get too. We'll have a cabin to ourselves but it's not exactly 1st class, as you'll see from pictures later on. But the idea is if you want to go you go by this boat - or you don't go. On one of these islands is the remains of a fortress.

Dear Mom + Dad

fault by the ineptness of the bounty - it was the first place they touched after leaving the ship. They didn't stay long though cause the natives drove us out then they came to Tahiti. With this letter I'm mailing the next roll of film (36). The pictures of our trip to Maketea start about No. 11 and go to 34. As you can probably tell from this roll I'm changing my photographic talents to the field of children. In the last 4 or 5 days we've acquired quite a family around the house during lunch time and after school. NO. 5 TO 10 (APPROX.) AND 35 AND 36 were of our friends around the house. We want to give them prints of the pictures because it would really thrill them and most of all they've probly never had their picture taken in their life. Would you please have NO. 35 made into a print, (Jumbo size - according to Pacific Photo) it's the group picture. Also you'd notice that there are more pictures of one girl than any of the others. (between #5 and #10). Pick out a good one of ~~the~~ her and have it made up in a print. Not one of her drinking the coconut, but one of the other shots. I'm sure you'll know which girl I mean, she has an orangish dress on in (#5 to #10). You be the judge and have ~~some~~ made up that they would like - but ~~they~~ they wonder every day where they are - and it's sort of hard to speak to them since they don't speak English. ~~we~~ <sup>we</sup> don't speak Tahitian. We commute by means of our dictionary. <sup>(answered to question)</sup> When it is darker in some areas (such as in the market) in order to make the needle line up in the notch you must turn the speed to a slower position 125-60 or 30 or even lower. I certainly hope the pictures of these kids turn out good A.I. Well until next time love from both of us to both of you an huge.

P.S. Have the cost of the prints taken out of our account (if not bankrupt). Pack some paper around them in the envelope you mail them in. Probly an envelope like I send the film to you in would be best.

George + Linda

Don't forget the importance of the family - if we are the

Dear Mom + Dad,

Hope you are in the best of health. We are both fine, but that's all we can say for now.

Time here is really flying by. It won't seem like long until we will be returning home. We will hate to leave Tahiti.

So, my father's wife, saying that he has just had an operation for an ailment of his spine and a cyst in his lower intestine. He will be alright, thank goodness, but on his back for a while.

My brother and his wife, Janelle, are expecting a baby, but I don't know when. I am still trying to get their new address so I can write.

They recently moved to Pomona where he is trying to finish at Cal-Poly.

We received a very nice letter from the Marchis at the same time your's came. Thank-you so much for writing to them. They are such fine people.

I know you will just love the pictures of the children. They are the sweetest little things. We really enjoy their visit. When they come they always bring a couple of drinks and coconuts for us. Sunday George and one of the boys are going fishing and the little girls and I are going to make cookies. These children are really interested in us because we are so different to them. One of the little girls has a crush on George and is always sitting by him or watching him closely. When he pays attention to her she gets so shy and embarrassed. They will really prize the presents that you will send. The Tahitians don't often get pictures of themselves, but when they do get a photo they frame it and set it out for all of their friends to see. Well I must close for now. God bless you both and Muggie too. Love  
Lili



~~PAR AVION~~  
~~AIR MAIL~~

GEORGE BALAZS  
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PAPEA PAPERETE (26 Km)  
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**PAR AVION**  
*via air mail*

JULY 6, 1964

DEAR Mom AND DAD -

Well, I'm finally getting around to writing. Hope all is well with you at home. Everything is fine with us, - I don't know where the time is flying to and it seems like we're so busy everyday - doing what I don't know - but just busy. We didn't go on that boat trip like I told you we were going to. We thought it over and decided we would go after the FETE, cause sometimes these boats have trouble and aren't on schedule and we certainly didn't want to get back here after July 14th and we were in town Sat. and I noticed that it (BENICIA) <sup>BOAT</sup> hadn't left yet so we were smart!

Last week we took a couple of the kids into town and got passes for all of us to go on the MOON (NAT's pub). Boy did they ever enjoy that!! We took them all over the boat and what a time they had. They couldn't get over the elevator!! And they didn't have the least idea what the TV was. We were sort of expecting those pictures any day now cause we haven't heard from you for a few weeks. The next roll of film should be coming any day now cause there's just 2 or 3 pictures left on the roll. I don't even remember what all will be on the roll.

Today we got a letter from a friend of the Mapuche's that lives in the canal zone. She sent us lots of information that will be helpful to us and also invited us to call her when we get there and will take us on a tour of the zone. She said we wouldn't be interested in staying in Panama very long so we'll probably only stay long enough to get a PAN AMERICAN flight to SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA. Pan Am flies all through those countrys - so we found out at their office in town. But all this is still quite a ways off so we're not worrying about it or even thinking about it. Any place we go or see could only be second best to where we're living right now.

Saturday nites we've been going to the Cinema in PALARA (the next district from PAEA toward little TATI). The truck picks everybody up and takes them home afterwards. It's to bad we didn't know this months ago because it's really lots of fun. Last Sat. nite we took 3 of the

now cause there are many people that are coming  
for the FETE. Of which lot. but I think of opera  
the 14th I don't think that mind looking in very slow

(2)

kids. Two feel asleep in our laps before the main  
picture started but we still had a lot of fun.  
Linda's been going down to one of our neighbors  
(Greta) every so often and she's been teaching her to  
dance (the Tahitian dance). She's ~~real~~ real nice and  
she speaks perfect English. Her husband is in Chicago  
and she's going there around the first of August. I should  
say returning cause she already spent a year there. Her Aunt  
was, until he died, Cornelius Crane's mistress ~~the~~ here in  
Tahiti. you know - Crane's sink, toilet, wash basins, etc  
you probably have one in your house. When he died he left  
all his Tahitian property to her Aunt - and it's a lot, plus  
100,000 a year. Now her Aunt is almost an ordained  
Minister and takes care of a lot of children that have  
no home. Big switch, huh?

No - we don't need any more money - but if and  
when we do you won't be able to mail a check cause it  
takes about a month for any kind of check to the bank.  
If the occasion arises we can arrange something through the  
American Express office. There's one in town. Grandpa  
wrote us a letter we got a few days ago. Said he  
talked to you on the phone. He also said something  
about all of us going to Detroit when we get back. I  
don't think we'd want to do that when we get back. What  
you want us to do, freeze or something? It's winter here  
now and I haven't been cold yet. Did you find a car  
yet?? If you have you ought to go back while it's  
still warm and visit everybody.

\* NEXT DAY \*

I've finished taking the next roll of film so  
will be mailing it with this letter when we go to  
town tomorrow morning. We have to go to do  
shopping and the usual stuff. I sort of hate it

DEARS HOW ARE YOU DAD - (7)

now cause there's so many people that are coming for the FETE. It starts Sat. but officially opens the 14th I don't doubt that mail delivery is very slow cause of all the people. We got a letter from Grand Dad today and he is feeling much better now. He just needs more rest. His letter took 9 days to get here - to show you how slow the mail is.

Have you looked around any for a car for us?? Something between \$200 and \$450. We don't care how good it looks just so long as it runs good and isn't so big that Linda can't handle it.

We're really both sort of undecided as to what we're gonna do about coming back. One day we want to go to Panama and that way - the next day we talk about flying the same way back that we came. Crazy, huh? Well one thing is for sure, and that's that we'll have to make our minds up in the next 3 weeks. What ever we decide don't you be surprised - cause we're always ~~can~~ changing our minds around.

Must close for now. We both send our love to you. Write often and let us know what's happening.

Love,  
George & Linda

P.S. The kids were drawing on the back of this piece

Cowboy - T-shirt style P  
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**VIA AIR MAIL**  
**LUFTPOST**

July 19, 1967

Dear Mom and Dad,

We received your letter a couple days ago along with the envelope and pictures and the very nice card. We were both glad to hear from you and happy with the pictures although I wasn't too good. Hope not too many came out bad like that. We were also surprised and happy to hear about the new car. Had you got one? And you like it so much. Do I get to take it for a drive???

Well, I guess there's no sense writing any further without telling you the news. I tried to figure out how to say this but I can't - so I'll just say it. We've adopted a 5 year old Tahitian girl. — Well Grandpa and Grandma, how does that make you feel?? Next, we hope, - because we both love her very much and hope you will to. If I went into details I'd be writing a book so for now I'll tell you that we've been getting papers signed, ect. ect. constantly for the last 2 weeks. She was given to us by a family down the road not too far from our house after we asked for her. The mother and father are just as happy as her 6 brothers and sisters are that MARYLINE (MARI) will have a chance in life in America. Her full name is Maryline Tetearua Tetearoa and her mother is from BOA BOA (Bon the) and her father is from Tahiti. All pure Tahitian except her ~~mother~~ Great Grand father on her fathers side was Spanish (around 1890).

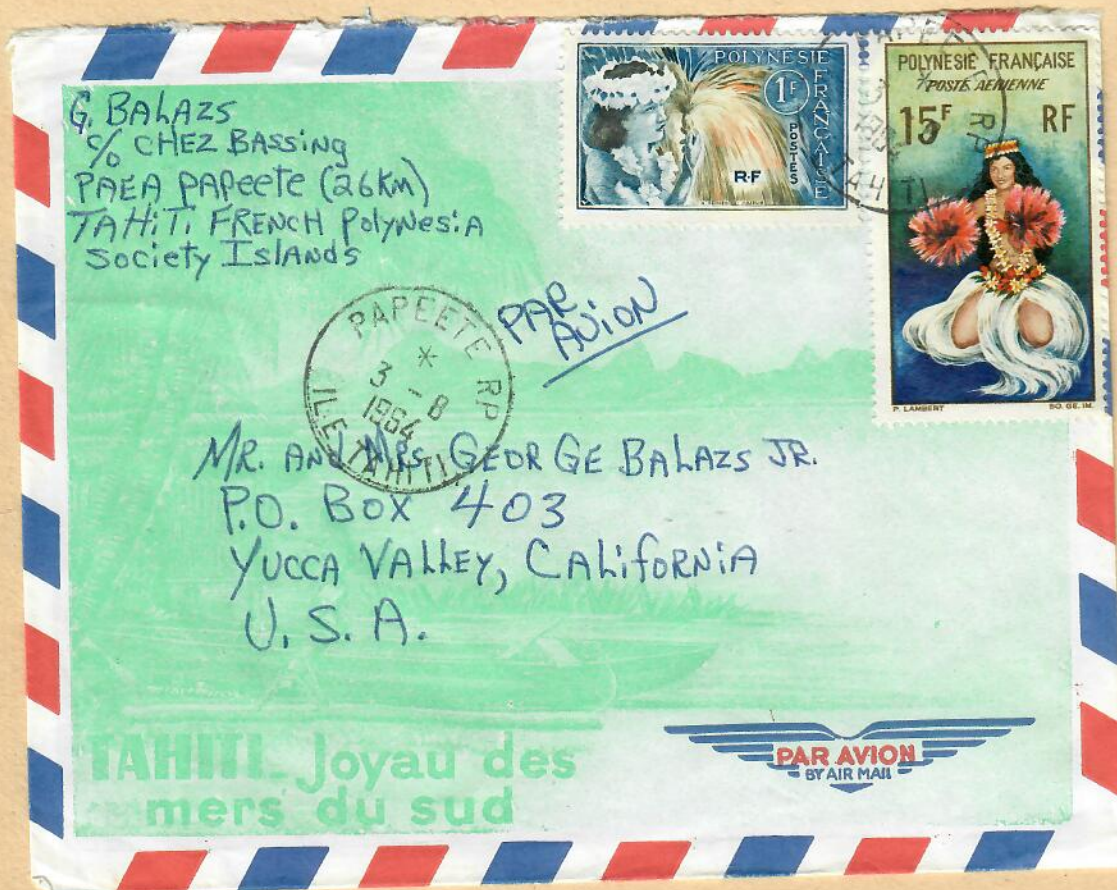
You've already seen her. In fact you have several pictures of her. One was ~~in~~ in the group you sent to us. The last one on the roll. A face picture with ~~an~~ all green back ground. Long black hair and

a big smile! This isn't anything new with us, we've  
been working on it for 2 months. The American Consul  
is getting us a non-quota immigrant Visa for us  
and he is based at Suva F.O. but was here, luckily, for  
the last 3 weeks. We're waiting for it - now when  
it comes we will fly back to Honi then to A. I. It  
should come around the 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> of August. If, and  
this is a big I.F. if it turns out we need a quota  
visa we will have to come without her and have  
her come by herself in 3 months (it takes that long for  
that type of Visa). Oh if you could only see all the papers  
passport, medical reports, etc. etc. we've had to obtain and  
fill out. But it's all been worth it. Even if we missed  
the F.O. T. boat at Honi. Hope you're as happy as we  
are with her. We've got a big job ahead of us but we  
know already that it will all be worth it.

We used your address for ours so if any  
body calls say the right thing. (We doubt very much if  
anybody will though.)  
Hope all is fine with you as it is with  
me. Love from the three of us,  
George, Linda  
and  
Mairi

P.S. Rush up on your French or your Tahitian and  
you'll be able to greet her at the airport of Laval.  
We'll be there to meet her at the airport of Laval.





DEAR Mom AND DAD - July 27, 1964

TAHITI

PIRAE. Lancement de l'épervier.  
NOT All HAS been working out  
in our obtaining THE NECESSARY  
PAPERS To enter MARY in the  
country. Our position now  
is undecided because we  
do NOT know if we will be  
able to obtain them. Regret  
to tell you AFTER receiving  
your two wonderful letters  
this morning. Will write and  
let you know WHAT HAPPENS  
when we find out. LOVE

LA ROUTE DE **TAHITI** Sport Lin ✈

PAR  
AVIO



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August 2, 1964

DEAR MOM AND DAD,

Well, we finally found out about everything, and it didn't turn out like we thought it would. The Consul that was here in Tahiti didn't have the "up to date" laws with him and as we found out the other day, Mari would fall under Quota imm. visa instead of Non-Quota. Which, in turn, means she has to wait at least 6 months, maybe a year, to get the entrance visa. So we're just going to let things ride and see what will happen when the visa comes. We've explained to the parents that "we haven't said that we will or won't send for her when it comes." We will just have to wait till that time and see where we are. We both think that things are best this way after all; cause we ran into a lot of other problems with her herself.

Received your card the other day from San Diego and were glad to hear you had a good time. I imagine you're home by now. What?? no fish? Yesterday we confirmed our boat reservations from here to C.Z. The boat comes here the 24<sup>th</sup> Aug. and leaves the 27<sup>th</sup> Aug. and we'll definitely be on it. It stops at the Marquise Islands for one day enroute, and we'll be able to get off and visit. Of course there's no docks, but a small boat runs people ashore. It's supposed to be at Panama about the 10<sup>th</sup> or 11<sup>th</sup> of Sept. - But I wouldn't be a bit surprised if it takes longer. Before we leave Tahiti were buying tickets on Pan Am from Panama City to San Jose, C.R. A flight leaves every day of the week, so we shouldn't have any trouble re-confirming. What books were Pipin looking at? the 1930 edition? Pan Am plus South Am. airlines flies scheduled through all the central American countries. We have an appointment with a volcano in Costa Rica? ha-ha? From C.R. we don't know exactly where we're going, but were gonna work our way toward Mexico City and Alcapulco. Then maybe LAPAZ or just straight to the border by bus. So in any event we'll end up in T.J., New Mexico, Texas, or Arizona - which one we don't know yet. We'll send post cards along the way but don't be too surprised if

you don't hear from us for awhile because I don't imagine  
the mail is too speedy through there.

Off yes - SEND us some M.-O.-N.-E.-Y. <sup>#U.S.</sup> about  
\$300.00 worth of it. The American Express office says for  
you to go to ~~the~~ an express office and have them send  
it down - Addressed to:

AMERICAN EXPRESS ~~to Banque DE~~  
GEORGE H. BALAZS  
c/o BANQUE DE L'INDOCHINE  
Papeete  
TAHITI  
Society Islands

Better talk to the man at the office up there some, - cause I'm  
not so sure if this guy down here was on the ball. You'd be  
more apt to get the true dope up there at an Express office. Just  
make sure I can end up with U.S. currency! I'm sure it  
can get here before the 27th. No?

In case you think we're going broke - were not. We've  
got \$350.00 in redeemable tickets (AIRFRANCE) - but I can only  
get the money in Los Angeles - NOT HERE.

Please deduct all necessary cost from our account.

Still enjoying the new car? Did you sell the old one - and  
for such a good price. To be honest with you we were both dis-  
appointed in 2 of the pictures you sent. The group picture and the  
one of the girl with the bars of the market behind her. One had too  
dark of a background - one too bright a background. The other 3 pictures  
we were very pleased with. Write and tell us the truth if many  
come out bad like those two. I've sorta lost interest in taking  
pictures since I've seen those two. Mainly because I thought #1 was  
going to be so good. Maybe #1 had light leak in when I put the film  
in the camera. - are many #'s bad like that one?? Are many #2 pictures  
very dark like the group pic?? Very, very poor color on those two!  
But the other 3 look good. Do the other 3 have better color yet on  
the screen than in the prints?

Well, Bye for now. Love from U.S.  
George and Fin

From -  
G. BALAZS

% CHEZ ~~LA~~ MARCH

PAEA PAPEETE (25.8 KM.)

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12 August

LE GROUPE "HEIVA"

aux Fêtes du 14 Juillet à TAHITI

L'ensemble HEIVA est célèbre à TAHITI pour la qualité de ses interprétations Folkloriques et a obtenu un large succès à PARIS pour la présentation des Danses Tahitiennes.

Hi Mom + DAD -  
Just picked up the BUNDLE  
AT L'INDOCHINE. HOPE ALL YOU  
SENT WAS THREE BECAUSE THAT'S  
ALL THEY GAVE ~~US~~ US. NEW ADDRESS  
TILL WE LEAVE HERE IS CHEZ  
MARCH (25.8 km). ALL IS WELL  
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AGAIN NEXT WEEK. I'M HOPING  
THE BOAT WILL BREAK DOWN OVER  
THERE SO WE'LL MISS OUR NEXT BOAT  
FOR C.Z. — THEN WE CAN STAY  
HERE!!! LOVE - GEO. AND LIN

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The day after  
we mailed the post card  
+ Roll of film  
August 14

Dear Mom and Dad,

We just received your letter post-marked the 11th, and were glad to hear from you. I think you can mail us letters up until about the 22<sup>nd</sup> and we will still get them. We're going to Bora-Bora the 18th and returning the 22<sup>nd</sup>. We thought we'd want to see those other islands just once more before going. There so beautiful coming in from sea. We're going on that same little boat. We've moved into one of the little beach houses down here on Marche's property until we leave. The woman we were renting the other house from wanted her back. We got the money at the bank yesterday O.K. Thank you. Ma - about how much material would you need for your dress (yards) The material is approx. a meter wide (a little over a yard).

The time sure is flying, and it seems like there's so much we want to do yet. We still want to rent another Vespa for a day and circle the island again. (Are 6th time). We will send you a post-card the day we leave for Panama. The ship is the "CALDONIEN", one of the ships on the French line of "MESSAGERIE MARITIME". We're having a friend of the Marche's meet us in Panama and show us around the Canal zone. We're also buying our tickets here in advance on Pan Am, to get from Panama City to San Jose, Costa Rica. When we're there we'll go see the volcano that's someplace around there.

Oh yes, we're packaging up our skin-diving equipment and mailing it home through the postoffice. It probly won't get there till after we get home.

Yes, we'll let you know when and where we enter U.S. Right now we ~~think~~<sup>FEEL</sup> it will be at ~~the~~ Tijuana because I want to go to LAPAZ for a few days. Maybe we'll be lucky and get a boat from LAPAZ to L.A. - you never know.

I can't think of anything else to write for now, so  
will write again when we hear from you.  
Glad you feel that most of the pictures are coming  
out good. We have about 60 more to take here  
and the other islands.

Bye for now,  
Love George

P.S. Am I going to be able to vote, or is it too late to  
register?? B.G. of course.

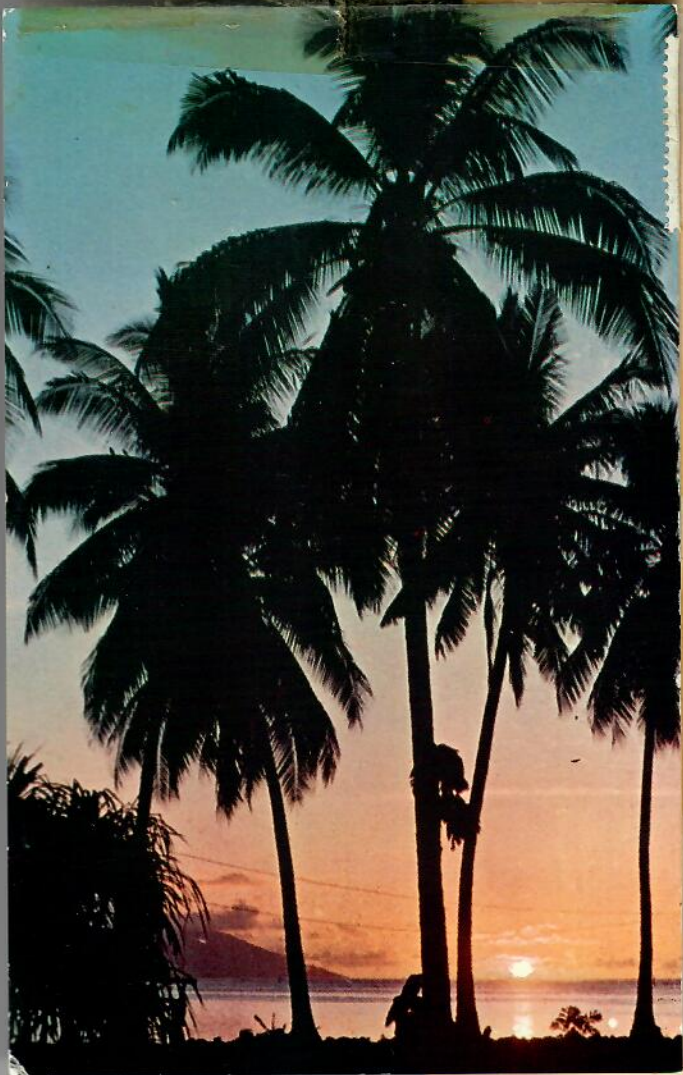
Dearest Mom & Dad,

Just a line to let you know that we are  
fine and in good spirits. We are sorry to be leaving  
Tahiti but we are looking forward to another trip.

See I sure do miss you two! We want very much  
for you to meet us. It won't be long now.

I can't wait to see you and our new car and our slides.  
We sure hope they are as good as you say  
they are. Well I will close for now because  
we have to catch a truck for town.

Love  
George



August 27

TAHITI. - ILE DE BEAUTE  
12. Coucher de Soleil sur MOOREA  
Avant de s'éteindre dans l'océan, les  
feux de l'horizon tels que les volcan  
GAUGUIN.  
The spectacular sight of Sun-Set over  
MOOREA ISLAND.

*PAR AVION*

TAHITI  
QUEEN  
SOUTH



Hello We got your letter  
yesterday. THE BOAT will  
be leaving in a couple  
hours. Will send you cards  
as often as possible along  
THE WAY. SHIP will NOT get  
to C.Z. UNTIL AROUND THE  
10th of SEPT.

Love,  
George and Lu'i

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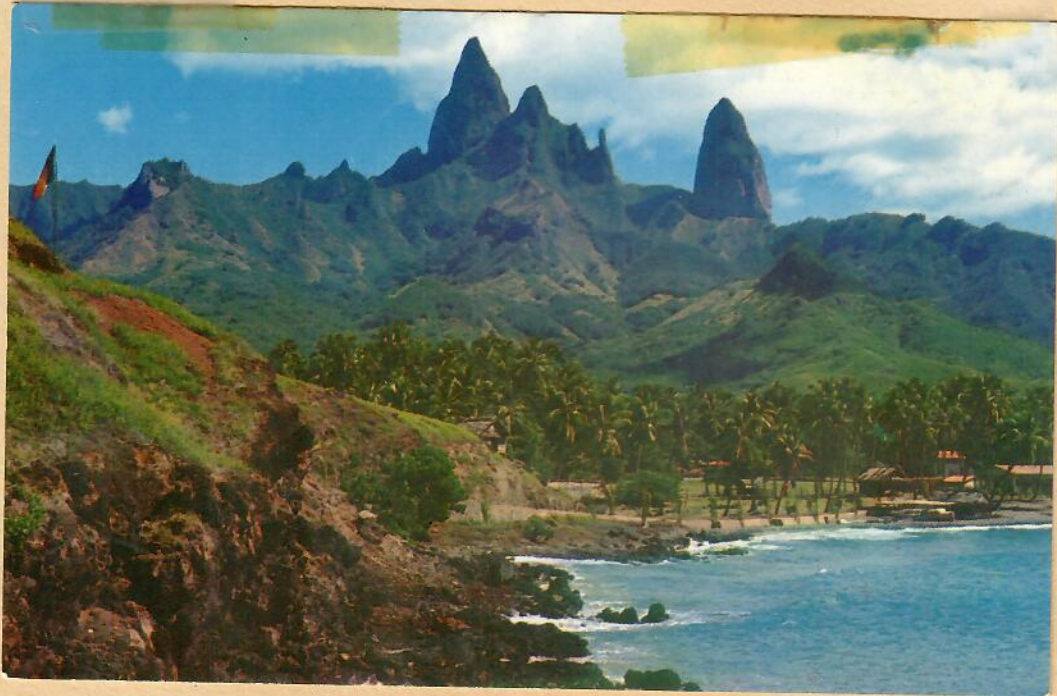
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LEFT TAHITI FOR  
CANAL ZONE, PANAMA  
AUGUST 27, 1964.



MARQUISES ISLANDS

AUGUST 30, 1964

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AUGUST 30

UAPU - ILES MARQUISES - POLYNESIE FRANCAISE  
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UAPU - MARQUESAS ISLANDS - FRENCH POLYNESIA  
with its imposing and picturesque peaks.

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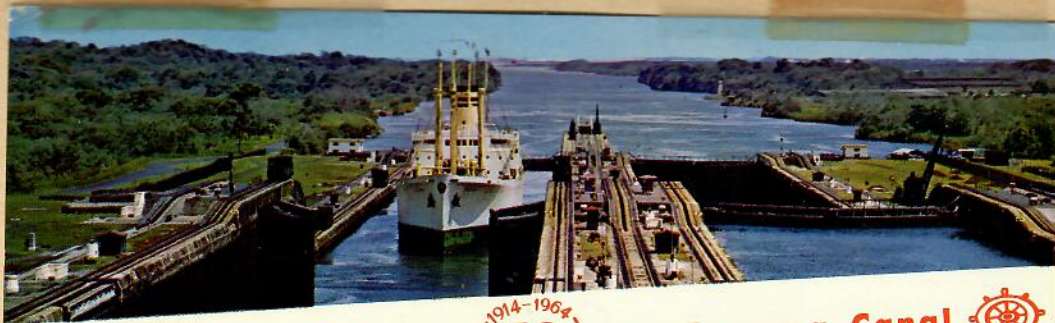


Hi,  
we're in the  
Marquises. Its  
really beautiful!  
we leave for Panama  
in three hours.  
See you soon!  
Love  
George & Jim

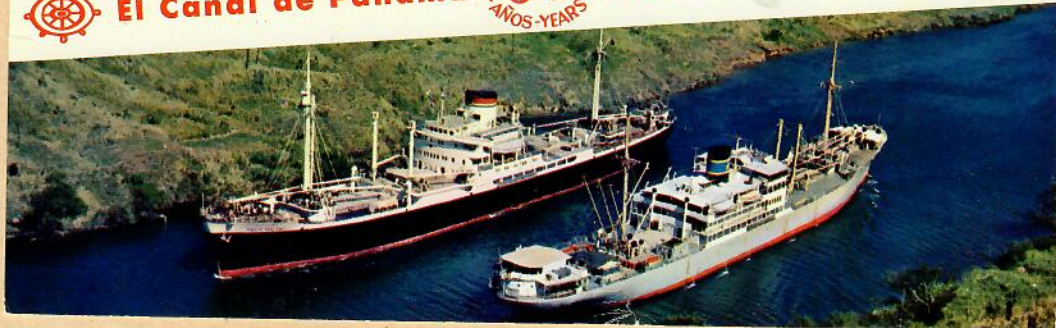
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SEPTEMBER 10, 1964



Sept. 12  
M.V. KUNGSOLM, Vapor grande de turistas, pasando por el Corte Culebra — CANAL DE PANAMA.

M.V. KUNGSOLM, large tourist liner, passing through Culebra Cut—PANAMA CANAL.

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1914-1964 PANAMA CANAL Golden Anniversary



TARJE POST CARD

Hi Folks -  
Just another note to let you know we're leaving here tomorrow morning for SAN JOSE. We hit every country along the way for one day. Our ticket only goes as far as Mex. City. Will try to take a bus from there. I have had a real good time here. Going to put that machine to rest. Will not write again until Mex. City. Arrive Mex. City 18th Sept.

Love, Geo. + Lin

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Esclusas de Gatun — Corte Culebra  
CANAL DE PANAMA  
Gatun Locks — Culebra Cut  
PANAMA CANAL

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Hello Folks -  
Ship arrived last nite about 9 after a very pleasant trip. We're met at the dock by friends. They had already obtain entry permit to allow us to stay at a guest house in the Canal Zone sector. Everything is fine with us and in a few hours we were taking a private tour of the canal and locks. Our guest house has bullet holes in the front porch. But there is no trouble now since January. Will leave for San Jose in a couple days and stay there a few days before Guatemala City.

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Volcán Irazú en erupción.

Eruption of the volcano Irazú.

Costa Rica, C. A.

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AIR MAIL



Hi -

Just spent a real nice day and nite in San Jose. Saw the volcano yesterday. It's about 50 km. from town. It isn't throwing as much ash as it was, but it's still throwing! Getting ready to leave for San Salvador now. Sorry we did not send congratulations for your 25th Anniversary.  
Love George & Linda

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HOTEL DE CIMA <sup>our</sup> hotel  
MAZATLAN - MEXICO



CRISTACOLOR



Dear Parents,  
We arrived in Mazatlan today from Guadalajara. We are having a wonderful time. Would you believe that there is as much smog in Mexico city as there is in L.A. Well there is and we have the pictures to prove it! Leaving here Tuesday we will call you, probably from San Bernardino, maybe the 26<sup>th</sup> perhaps sooner or perhaps a day later. We may go fishing tomorrow in a row boat with a sand dune. Just like John's.  
Love George & Lin

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Hi - Well, we've made it as far as Guatemala City. It's been very interesting and we've enjoyed the countryside. Yesterday we took a trip to the ancient city of Antigua, about 25 miles from here. It was nice but it's hard for us to get used to the beggars after Tahiti. Going to Mexico City this afternoon. Will be there a few days at least.  
Rye for now -  
Love Geo. & Lin

Antigua Guatemala, C. Guatemala, C. Impreso Centroamericano

P.S. Will probably go by bus from Mex. City

AIR MAIL

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