

POMMERANTZ

Cincinnati, Ohio,  
February 24, 1947.

Dear Inna,

Your letter of February 7 came two days ago. I am glad that the District Commissioner gave the necessary permission for the Jefferys to remain. As a result of my cable to the High Commissioner he would have received permission anyway. H. E. cabled me that they were not to be evacuated.

Your letter about conditions in Jerusalem and the country confirmed what I already learned from other sources. I saw Mr. and Mrs. Novomeysky in New York and they had had a number of cables and letters dealing with the situation. It is very hard for me to be away from Jerusalem and the School under any circumstances and particularly under these.

I am not worried about the School at all. With the Jefferys remaining there the burden of my cable to you with regard to the possibility of your moving back is obviated. Nor am I concerned about the people you and Dr. Jeffery in consultation may decide to let in or not let into the Hotel of the School. You understand me when I say that each applicant for admission to the Hostel must be judged only on his or her personal merits and nothing else. I am sorry that Iliffe had to leave and I hope that he will be able to return. I note that Runner left on the Marine Carp on February 14 and I assume that I shall hear from him in due course.

I am wondering if Hamilton ever sent that letter he was writing to me in regard to the photographs. If so, I am wondering if Schweig is making any progress towards printing them at the Museum. What progress, if any, has Schweig made with the photographs he is printing for me privately at his own home? I am very anxious to secure both groups as soon as possible. Will you please make it a point of keeping after Schweig. Have you sent the books to me that are on my desk and have the boxes for the Smithsonian been dispatched?

I had a long talk with Dr. Burrows and Mrs. Walton and I believe we discussed everything that was under consideration at the School when I left. Please keep me in touch in as full detail as possible of what is going on at the School and in the country. I am just starved for news about both and your letters will serve slightly to assuage my violent homesickness for Jerusalem and particularly for the School. Just this moment the mail brought an envelope from you containing the postcards from the Museum which I had left to be sent. With very best regards to you and Leo and to all the members of the School, and assuming that little David is all right, I remain,

As ever,

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