

May 17, 1993

Dear Phyllis,

There isn't a better person to write Chris' story. Memorials are important, people must be able to have the facts to keep his ideals alive. For that is what he lived - and died - for.

Progress on Sahdhani's thesis: it is now completely typed into the computer. As it was about to print out a draft to work with, the printer shorted out. It's gone to the repair shop & should be back in a week's time. What remains is to translate the linguistically correct philologist's translation into Ag Economics english.

Last week I was invited to lecture at the Univ of California at Santa Cruz to the Department of Sociology. There a group of political economy oriented people + ~~people~~ those associated with the Center for Ecological Socialism (publishers of journal "Capitalism, Nature, Socialism") arranged for me to present two seminars and attend a dinner for interested faculty & graduate students. It was very nice to ~~meet~~^{meet} these people & have my ideas so well received. One of the students turned out to be ... Hungarian. She has agreed to help with the final aspects of translating Sahdhani's thesis. So, I am confident that it will get ~~done~~ finished. She says that she has

studied some of ec, & thus will know all of the terminology which my Arab friend so confusing.

The trip (3 hrs by train plus 1 hr by bus, ^{each way} and the return trip had an additional 2 hrs because the engine on the train ran out of water!) was very stimulating - but very exhausting. I returned on ~~Friday~~ Thursday night and spent the weekend lying down. My strength is better today & as my physical strength returns, so does my mental alertness. I shall resume my library research at the end of this week.

Once the printer has been fixed I shall be able to print out Salidhan's thesis & send the pages in question to ~~Marie~~ Zsazse for help in translation. I still hope to have it to you before winter is over.

I don't know if Chris had any US ties or visits. But should there be any way I can help from here with your research, do let me know.

Love

Kate

+ Brian



We will be moving to Boston
in January. ~~when we get there~~

My address will be:

Kenmore STATION
P.O. Box 15010
BOSTON, MASS 02215

We are delighted to be returning to the
East Coast, where we both feel at home
& so very close to Brian's family in
Canada. They consider Boston to be
theirs! All new to me. An adventure.

Dear Phyllis,



May

this Holiday Season
and the year ahead
bring you much joy
and contentment

I saw Carole Coburn at the African Studies
Assoc. Meeting in Boston. She was looking
healthy. Hope you are too!

Kate Showers

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South Africa.

Tuesday 28th March, 1994.

My dear Kate,

Today I went to see my attorney who was to pay my rent when I was away and looking through his file I found a letter from you dated the 17th May, 1993 and a cheque for R90,00 from someone at the same date - yes its stale. I was so angry and could not speak to him. Can you believe this?

I am so sorry. But I have heard from you after this. As I had Sahdhan's thesis and I have written to thank you. I recall a letter saying you were going to move. I wrote to you immediately. Now I am not sure of your address and hope this will find you in time.

How is your grandmother? Are you not far from her now? Where and what are you doing? Where is Brian? How has your health been? I trust you are in good health and enjoying whatever you do. I thought of you with all that snow. If you are close to Black Mountain you should visit Monroe and Fern.

I am ill, have been so since October - have not written anything just managed to get my research done. I plan to go to Zimbabwe soon where my daughter is working and she has offered to help me. Since I can work on the computer again I want to get my research on computer and then join Suks. She lost a dear friend Tsitsi Viera - you should remember her as a news reader. She died very suddenly of Aids and Suks is devastated. She has not returned from the funeral. Now she has work there for awhile and wants to escape the violence of SA. What can I say?

Will you not be coming to SA to monitor the elections - its the fastest growing industry. Lets hope we dont disappoint them and we have an election.

Lots of love to grandma, Brian and self,

Phyllis