

say now, I do not say lightly, or unknowingly,
since I have been in the military as you
know and I know what war is like.
1. In the event of war I would kill any
American who put a uniform on in defense
of the American government - any American.
2. That in my own mind I have no
attachments of any kind in the U.S..
3. That I want to, and I shall, live a
normal happy and peaceful life here in the
Soviet Union for the rest of my life.
That my mother and you are (in spite of
what the newspapers said) not objects of
affection, but only examples of workers in the U.S.
I you should not try to remember me in
any way I need to be, and I am only now
showing you how I am, I am not all bitterness
or hate, I come here only to find freedom,
In truth, I feel I am at least with my
own people. but do not let me give you
the impression I am on another world, these
people are so much like American and people
the world over. They simply have an economic
system and the ideal of communism which

The U.S. has not shown. I would miss, have
been personally happy in the U.S.

I wish you would do me a favor
since that other had newspaper story about
me, I have been thinking it would like to
give people, who are interested in the situation
If you would, give the contents of the letter
(except that which is for your benefit)
to some reporter, it will clarify my
situation, use your own judgment, however.

I have no money problems at all.
If my situation was not nearly as stable
then, as it is now, I have had troubles
at all now along that line.

It is amazing how in Moscow now, which
make everything look very nice, from my
hotel window, I can see the Kremlin and
Red Square and I have just finished a
dinner of (Milk & Vegetables) just out of potatoes
to you see the Russians are not so different
from you and I.

HOTEL METROPOL
RM 201 ← (New room NO.)
MOSCOW, U.S.S.R

Адрес: Окленд
Улицы: ...
Почта: СССР



МЕЖДУНАРОДНОЕ

VIA AIR MAIL

ROBERT USWALD
7313 DAVANPORT ST
FORT WORTH, TEXAS.

U.S.A.

11/21/54

Spring '51

Dear Bob:

Well, I just got back off a short excursion to Camp Goodletts. The relations are still coming, as you say, together.

How is the 'living' business going?

Well, pretty soon I'll be getting out of the copy and I know what I want to do and how I'm going to do it, which I guess is the most important thing in life.

I know I haven't written in a long time please excuse me that, there's really just too much news here, but I would like to hear from you and the family.

Write soon

Your Brother
L. H. H.



VIA AIR MAIL

10/25/51



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Dec 17 1959

Rec'd Dec 17, 1959

ME KAUHAPUANA

VI. AIR MAIL

2/59

Robert Oswald
7313 Davenport St.
Fort Worth, Texas,
U.S.A.

Dear Robert,

I will be moving from this hotel, and if you will not write me here. I have chosen to receive all news with my post, so I will not write again, as I wish you to try and contact me, I am sure you understand that I would not like to receive correspondence from people in the country which I fled. I am starting a new life and I do not wish to have anything to do with the old life.

I hope you and your family will always be in good health

rec

1961
5/6/61

Two long ago I received a letter
in notes but I lost the address.
I would like you send it to me
you write.

We have a small plant near
factory and are being nicely
- general I have found the living
dormer has to be good but it's
a lot of things still to be done.
I hope to work you something
in time of you like. It was
you in one of the most interesting
type of house seen in my travels.
I should try to see in some time
some time next summer I would
- especially in the summer.
I hope this always is for now
to hear from you soon.

Regards to Walter and
Kitty.
Bob

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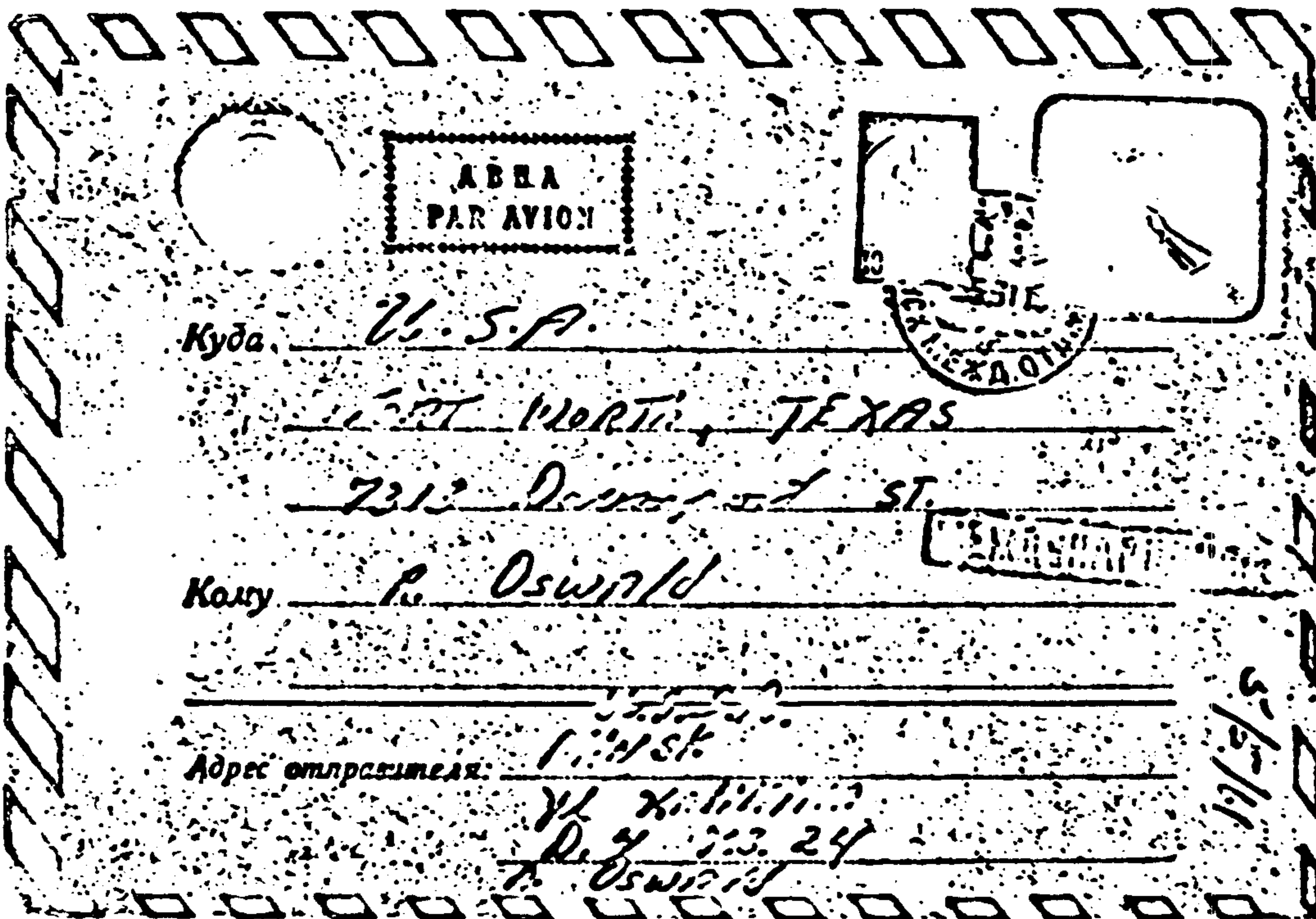
Dear Robert,

May 5 '61

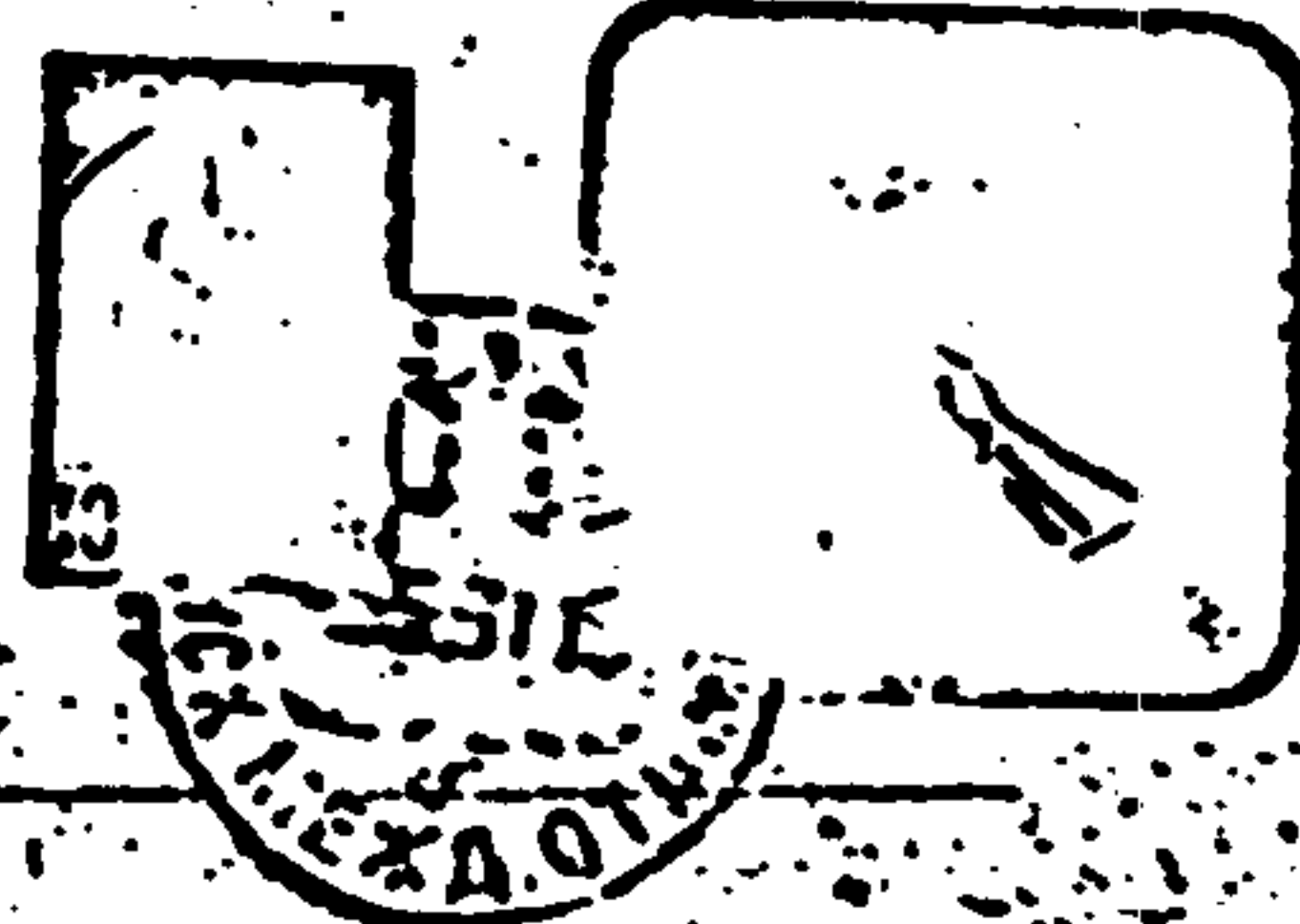
We have a long time since
I have written you, more than a year,
a lot has happened in that time.

I am now living in the city of
Munich which is located about 30 miles
west of Augsburg; Munich is the capital
city of the lower state of Bavaria.
I shall have been living here
already a year and three months.
I am to live in Munich yet I
wrote my first letter to you. I have
been working on the local radio-
television plant as a radio-writer.

On April 30 of this year, I
got married; my wife is another
young girl, she was born in the city
of Kempten, which is the second
largest city in the district. She went
to school and she was living with her
parents' uncle. She is much older
I meet with it.



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Куда U.S.A.
FORT WORTH, TEXAS
7312 Diamond St.

Кому R. Oswald

Адрес отправителя 1111 St.
W. Hill
P.O. Box 24
F. Oswald

5/5/64

May 31, '61

Dear Robert.

May 31,

I was glad to hear from you, and really surprised that you have a new son, that really is great. Congratulations to you and Vada.

My wife's name is Marina, I sorry I forgot to write it last time.

Marina works in a pharmacy at one of the hospitals here. (almost all girl and women in the U.S.S.R. have some kind of profession and work at it.) She sends her regards to you and Vada and the kids.

I'm glad you have a good job and are thinking about the future. My work here is also not too bad, but in the U.S.S.R. there is no unemployment so a job is not an exceptional thing. There's nothing you can send

me, thanks anyway, maybe you could
send something, real small to Maria
as a sort of wedding present I think
she would get a kick out of
something coming from the states,
and let of have some pictures
of the new baby, I still love
Cathy's picture, but I ^{guess} ~~guess~~
she is all grown up by now.
also a picture of the house,
since here 90% of living is done
in apartment houses, like we
have, they are comfortable, but
still a house is a home.

I can't say whether I will
ever get back to the states or not,
if I can get the government to
drop charge against me, and get
the Russians to let me out with
my wife, then maybe I'll be seeing
you again. But, you know it is
not simple for either of those two

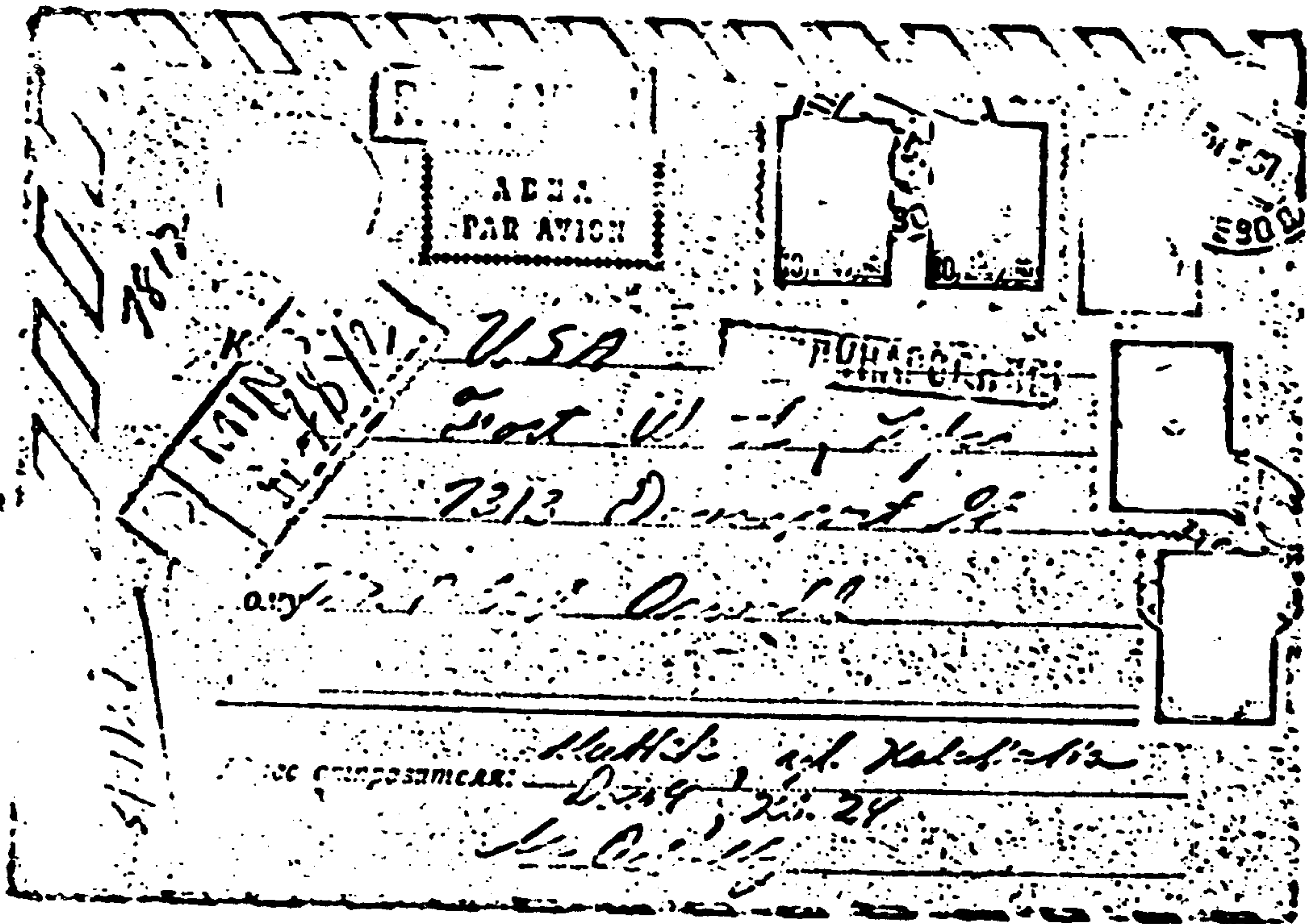
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thing. So I just can't say for now.
I am in touch with the American
Embassy in Moscow so if anything
comes up I'll know.
Well, that's about all for now.
My bells to Robert Lee Jr. from.

Your Brother
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Точную тысячу благодарностей
за поздравления. Я очень счастлива
быть членом Вашей семьи. Поздрав-
ляю Вас и Вашу жену с рождением
сына. Желаю много здоровья и
счастья Вам и Вашим детям.
Искренне Мария Освальд.

(I send a thousand thanks for
your good wishes. I am very glad to
be a member of the family. I congratu-
late you and your wife on the birth
of a son. I wish you and your good
health and happiness for all of you, forever.)
Maria Oswald



June 26 '61

June 26

Dear Robert.

Received your letter yesterday and was glad to hear from you and we were very interested in the pictures. Marina says you don't look very much like me in the picture, but I told her we look like two peas in a pot.

I assume the government must have a few charges against me, since my coming here like that is illegal, but I really don't know exactly what charges.

In a few days you should get a package from us. I'm sorry it shall be so modest, we bought some perfume and other stuff but the post office would not accept them because they are breakable.

I see you have a new car. It sure is nice looking. What kind is it? a Ford? When did you get it?

Marina says she would like to see America and meet you and the family.

I received a letter from ma.

yesterday she is working over ranch
in Cromwell Texas. Do you see
her?

Well that is for now.

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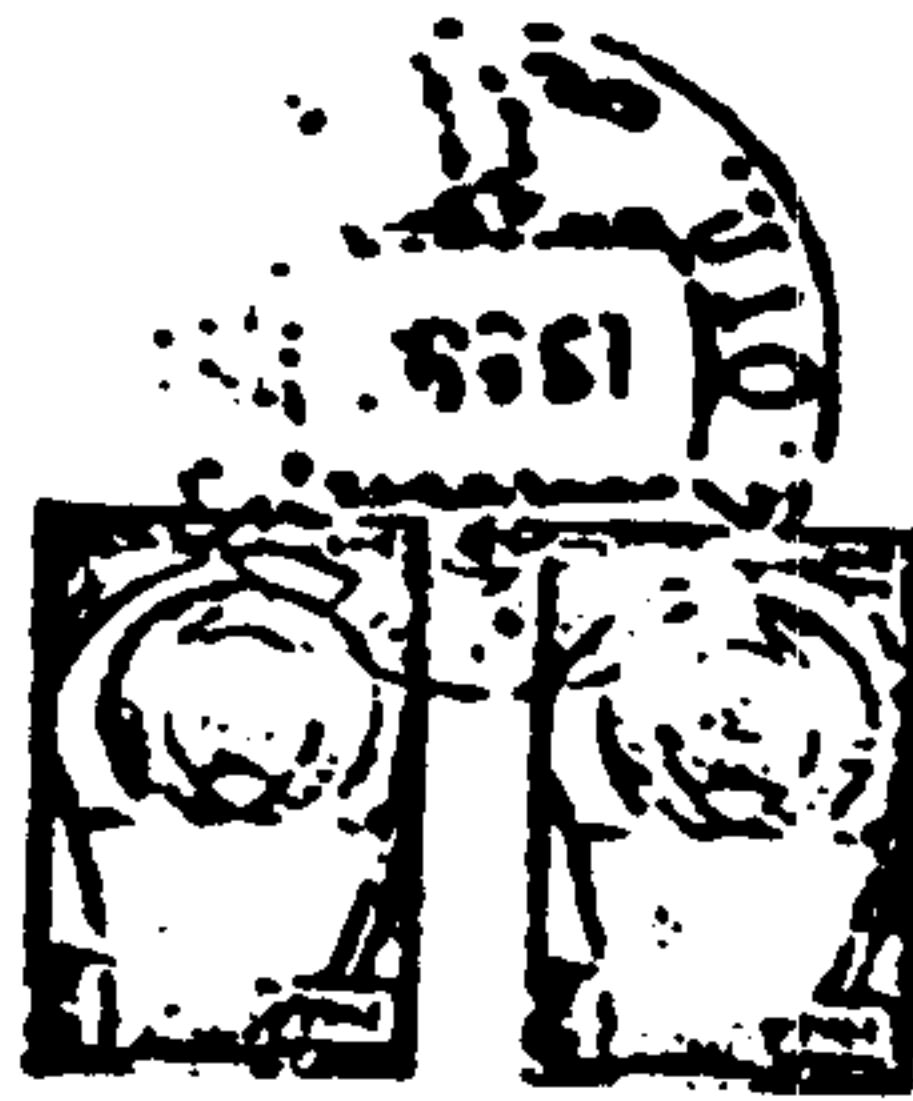
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Fort Worth, Tex.
7313 Dowryport St.
Robert Oswald



19/02/69

Article
of Kabatava
Dost, No 24
by S. Chabty



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Dear Robert,

On the 14th of Aug I and my wife went into the American Embassy, I cannot write you what I met on this, because it is too long. I read all letters going in and out. But anyway of course the American passport and we are doing everything we can to get out.

You said know what I did this is. I could write a letter about how many letters have come and how much they will be.

The Russian can be cruel and very cruel at times. They give a cruel explanation to my wife on the 14th day we came back from Moscow, they blamed everything because they were angry and said the same.

But we shall continue to try and get out. We shall not retreat. As for your passport we never received it, I suppose they were slow to the consulate. I hope someday I'll see you and talk but if and when you come, I'll come with my wife. You will imagine how wonderful we are about it.

Write often
Your Brother
Joe

P.S.
Mamma sends
her regards
to Vada and
you and to kid!

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MIL 53

PAR AVION

U. S. A.

FORT WORTH, TEXAS
7313 DAVANPORT ST.

MR R. OSWALD

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07/11/61

2. Minsk
ул. Коммунаров, 4, кв. 24
8. October '61

July 28th 61

Commission Exhibit No. 302 -

Dear Veda and Robert July 28.

Today we received your gift
and I am very glad to have such
a nice present. I like the necklace
very much.

Thank you for your thoughtfulness.
Earlier we received your photograph
of little Robert. It is a very
cute lot. It is surprising such
a thin and delicate woman can have
such fine and healthy children.
Now a little about ourselves.

We are getting ready to see you
and your children. I hope it
shall be soon.

To the very meeting,
With best wishes,

Morine

AUG 6 1951

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и философии
Ленинградского
университета

СТЕНОГРАФИЧЕСКАЯ

1951
MINSK 10

Robert Lowell
7315 Vermont St
The Woodlands, USA

1951
MINSK 10

Companion Exhibit No. 303 - Aug 21, 1961

Dear Robert:

Aug 21 '61
I bet you like today
in what you say you like
your luck, oh, glad to hear
you'll get me

although I did not
anything about the picture of
Robert, we did receive them,
didn't you get a thank you
note from Maria for the
pictures and also for those
pictures of Pa?

We had for me the
weather you get all my letters,
they have a lot of seasonal views.
I went hunting last
week end, we have a lot of pine
forest here, I shot an orange
throat whistling, what a beautiful
bird.

The weather is beautiful today
to write here. The summer
is very hot in telephone
I received a package from
mother a few days ago. He sent
me a razor and shaving cream
(shaving cream (with a lot of
tea for) and a lot of attention
he is not good to me
well, that's all for
now. Write often, from to wish
him,

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N. 62/3

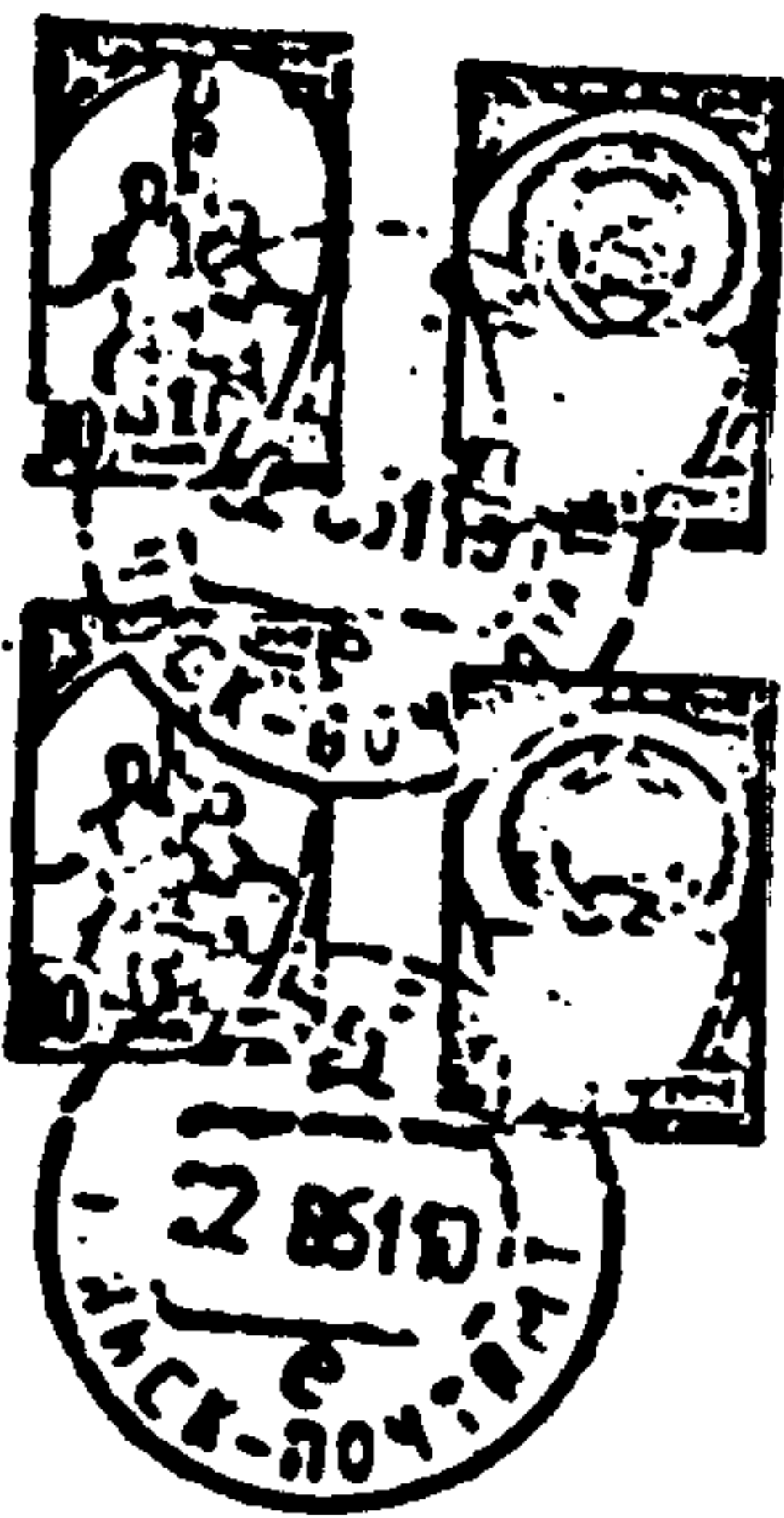
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U.S.A.
7313 Thompson St.
Fort Worth, Texas
Mr. Robert Oswald

Aug 24/1964

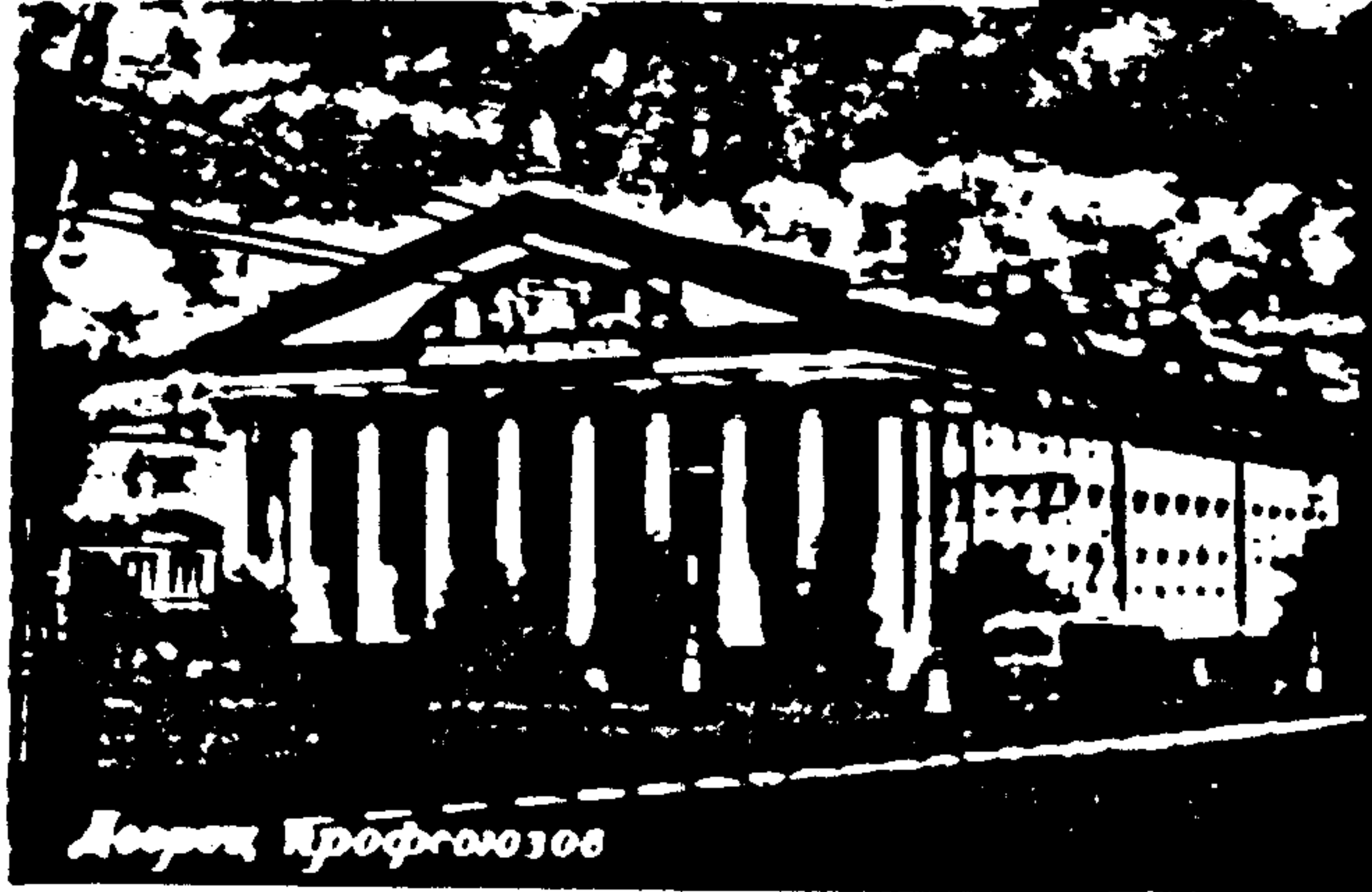
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A. A. Ochabky

Commission Exhibit No. 304



Commission Exhibit No. 304a



Commission Exhibit No. 304b



Sept 10, 1962

Dear Robert.

Well, apparently I was too optimistic in my last letter. Since you say you thought I would be coming is soon.

The Russians are holding me up, and are giving me some trouble about the visa, so for now I can only wait. In general for an ordinary Russian, it's impossible to leave the USSR, simply because he wants to. However, I and my wife have the possibility because of the fact I am still an American citizen and have the U.S. passport.

My Russian documents are good only until Jan. 4, 1962, therefore you can expect that they will let me go before that date, since I will not extend the length of time on these documents after Jan 4, 1962.

however, the Russians have been known
to hold people, against international
law, and against their wills,
but as I say, "time will show".

Mamma did not write that letter
herself, but the words were hers.
I only translated them into English.
Mamma doesn't know any English
at all, and at home we always
speak Russian.

Robert Leo sounds like he
is growing into a fine boy and
Cathy is also quite a grown up
little lady, already 7 years old,
It hardly seems possible, I
remember when mother phoned me
to say she was born, on Aug 22nd or 23rd,
I was in Calif., we were getting
ready to leave for Japan, and we
didn't leave a few days later.
A lot has changed since then!!
Well I hope everything is alright.

and your book isn't giving you
any more trouble. keep writing
Yours brother
Lee

Enclosed are some
views of Munich.

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SEP 18
1941

~~MINISK
SEP 16 1941~~

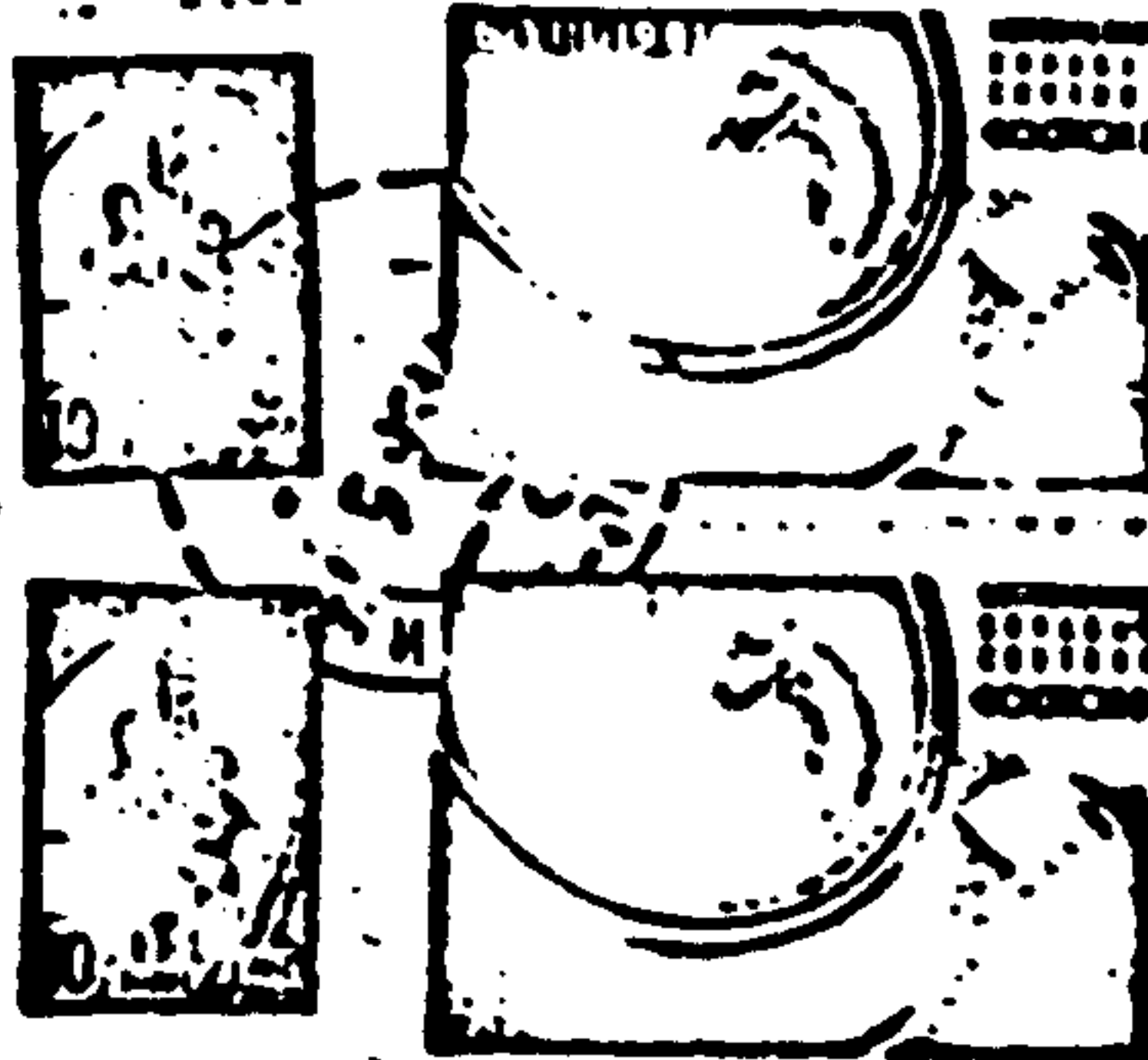
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Fort Worth, Texas
7313 Devonport St.
Mr. R. Crewell

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A. O. Challe

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Oct 22, '61

Oct. 22, 1961

Dear Robert,

Well, it's been a month or
more since I've written and also a
long time since I've heard from you.

Our deal about the split
Union is still going on, something
is holding it up, mostly about
my wife since she is a Soviet
citizen. But as so, it's hard
to get out of this place, in general.

Miriam is in the city of "KMKOB";
about 600 miles south east of Frank,
on her vacation, she's living with
her aunt, we both agreed a change
of scenery was good for her, she
comes back on the 1st of November.

From "KMKOB" she sent me
a beautiful gold and silver cup
with the inscription "To my Dear
Hubert on his birthday 10/15/61"

Very nice, Hubert? Love is sweet.

When is your birthday anyway
sometime in July isn't it?
How are the kids?
How is Vada doing?
Did you get my last letter with some
pictures of Maudie in it?
I think around New Year if
I'm still unfortunally enough to be around
here, I'll call you on the telephone
ok?
How is the hunting out at the
farm? Still good I bet.
I got a letter from the Embassy
the other day, they are keeping in
touch as to developments with
the exit visa.
From Nov. 7th the big
revolutionary holidays will come off.
They'll be alot of red flag waving
and fireworks like on the 4th of July
in the States.
Well, that's about all for now. Write
you brother. Love
Lee

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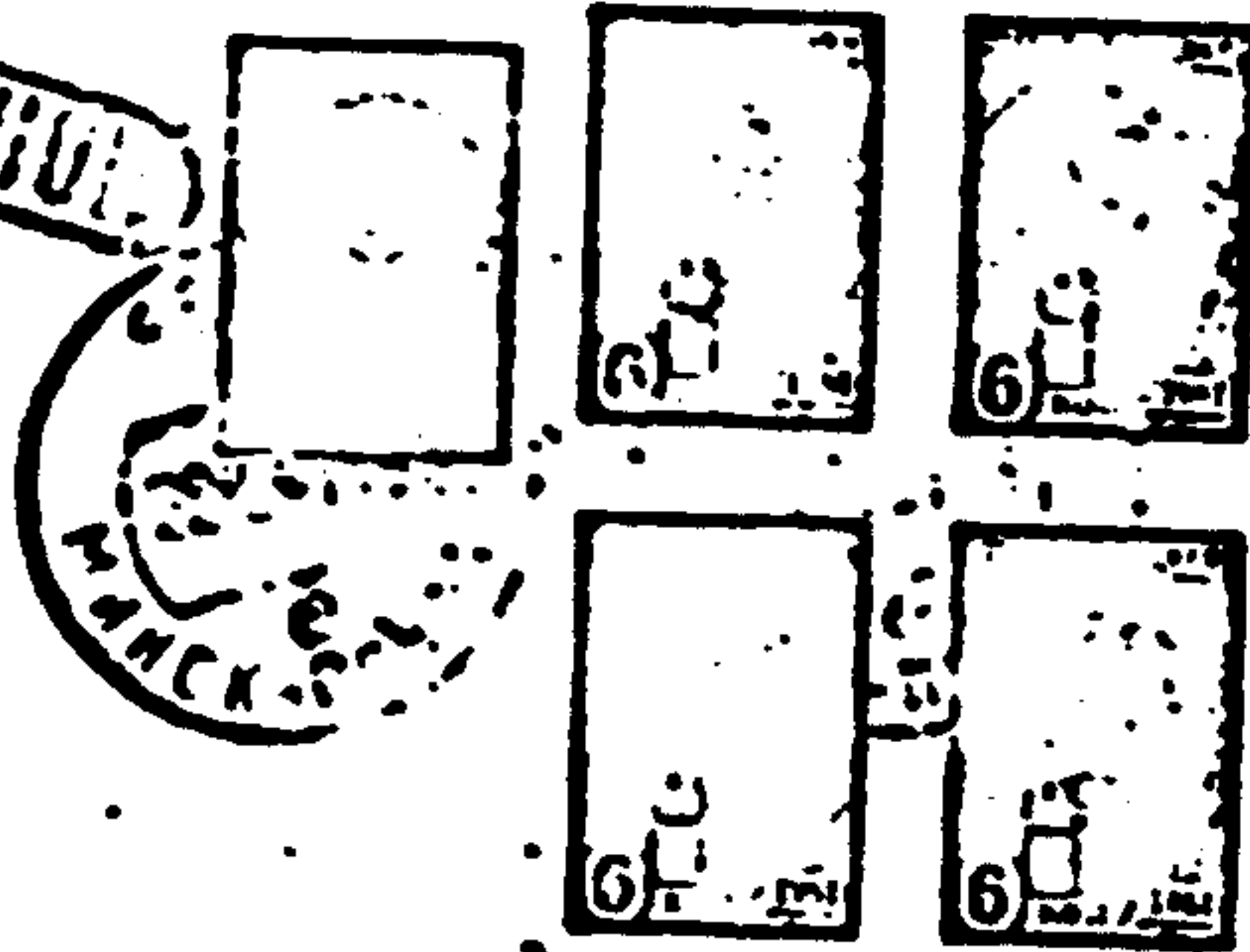
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U.S.A.
7313 DAVANPORT ST.
FORT WORTH, TEXAS

10/22/61

TO - MR. A. Oswald

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Число
46 Валентина
D. 4, № 24
а.г. Ошальс

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Commission Exhibit No. 306

Nov. 20 '61

Nov. 20, 1961

Dear Robert;

Received your last letter today,
glad to hear from you & noticed
you seemed to be worried about whether
we are seeing each other letters
and whether we can write each
other in the future, by all means
keep writing & I think we get
all of each other's letters, they
take 12-14 ^{days} from you to me.

There is still no word
on our exit visas.
We bought some children's
books for Cathy for Christmas,
and I'll be sending them along
in a few days, you should receive
them in a few weeks. The gift
all is Russian, but I'm sure she'll
enjoy the pictures.

It's already four months since
we put in our request for exit visas.

gives you an idea how slow they can
be. What will we be going to have a
party in March, it's not going to be
so convenient to come back to the
states and try to start life over again.

I'll chat about \$200.00 to fly
from Moscow to New York for two people,
I don't have that much money, but I'm
hoping that the Embassy will help
~~us~~ but when we get out via's.

We have had our first snow
here on Nov. 16 now everything will
be white until about April 15.

Maria asks Vada to send
her a few fashion magazines every
now and then if possible.

Why don't you send me your
size size, and I'll see about sending
you some Russian boots, they are
black, high [like riding boots in
the states] maybe you can cut a
piece of cardboard or string to show

in your sign (since in business my
wife would be in.)
Well that's about all for now.
Mama sends greeting to all the
family; you, Vada, Betty and Robert Jr.
Write soon
Lee

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U.S.A.

2313 Downport St.
Fort Worth, Texas

Mr. Robert Oswald

Rec'd
11/29/61

МЕЖДУНАРОДНОЕ



Метелк
ул. Колотуха
Д. 4, кв. 24.
А. Салтык

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Commission Exhibit No. 907

Nov. 30, '61

Nov. 30, 1961

Dear Robert;

We sent you a package with a few little Christmas presents for everybody you have already received the color books for Cathy. The package may be a little late you may not get it until about New Year. We sent the package only today.

We still haven't received any word about our visit.

Maria says that she can not visit until she gets to the U.S. and sees little Robert Jr.

If you like you can send me a football (they only have round ones here) just deflate it and send it to me like a letter. Also you can pick up a few diagrams of ^{clubs} at any falling station and send them along. These Russians seem interested in learning how to play and thought maybe you could help me out and together

will show them a little bit of American
spirit.

Our deal about the crisis is not
getting any better, and I think about
new year, I'll fly into Moscow, and
go to the Embassy about it.

As time goes on, our complaints, and
their inactivity, will bring things to a
dead end, on one side or the other will
break.

We sent you a can of a kind
of Russian candy, called "KHANNA"; it's
made from grain and sugar, so when
you'll open the package you'll know
it's candy. I eat a lot of it, if you
all like it, will send some more.

We'll send all this or about Dec
so you should receive it about
Christmas (I hope)

Yours Brother
D.S.

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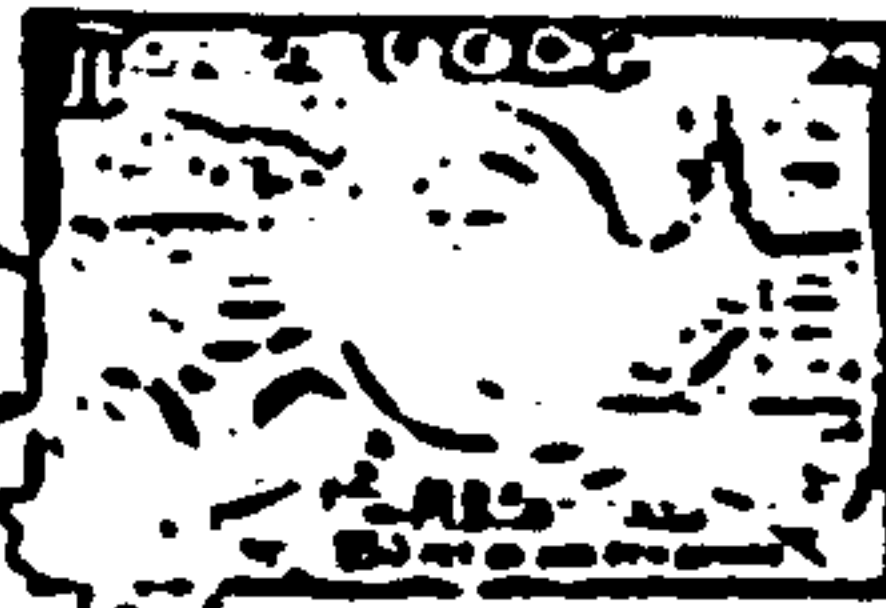
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7313 Damport St.
Fort Worth,
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Robert Oswald

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Nov. 1, 1961

Nov. 1, '61

Dear Robert,

I got your birthday card a few days ago. Thanks for the thought.

Mamma came back from her vacation on Oct. 28 so everything is back to normal here.

Well, it looks like I'm going to be a papa at the beginning of March. Of course, we want a boy, but you never can tell.

Our visas have still not come through, although, we have already waited for four months. These people are never so quick to grant visas to anybody.

We heard over the radio today that the present Russian government has decided to remove Khrushchev's body from the hall on Red Square. This is big news here, and it's very funny for me. It shows what these people are made of, one day a shirt sign is

...and another day somebody's document.
They employ a lot of "doublethink" over
his, and as when I listen to the
radio or to some of the political commentaries
we have here, I always think of George
Orwell's book "1984" in which "doublethink"
is the way of life also.

In any case, everything over here
is very interesting, and the people are
generally happy and nice.

I haven't been doing too much
sitting lately, I'm more a "time-body" now.
Hoping.

Well, that's about all the news
from mine.

Yours cordially
Bill

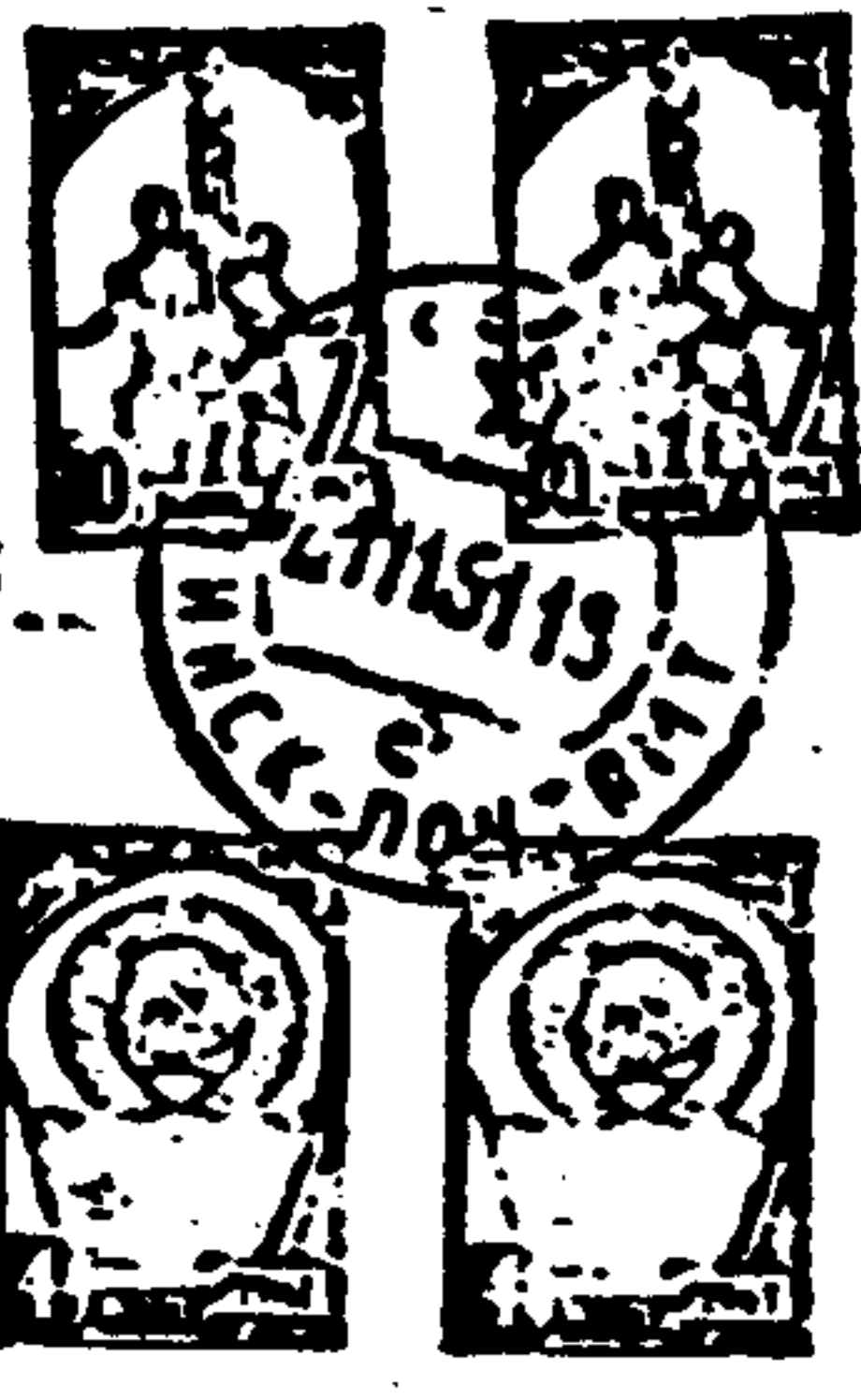
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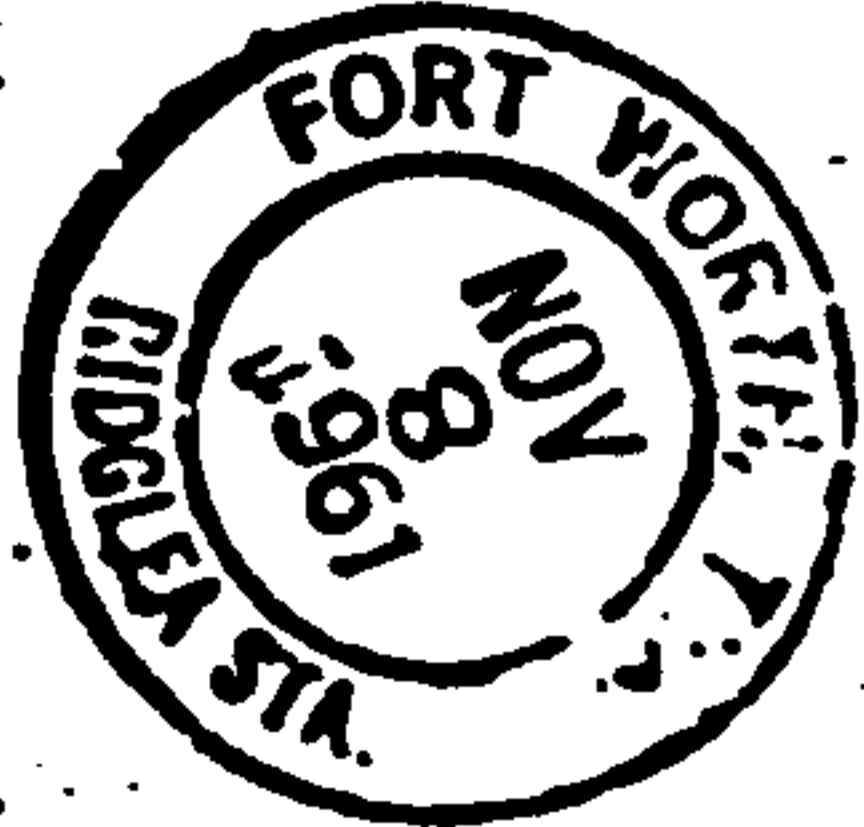
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Dec 12 '61

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Merry Christmas and
Happy New Year from
Lee and Marina
to Robert, Vada
Cathy and Robert Jr.
We wish you all good health.

March, 61

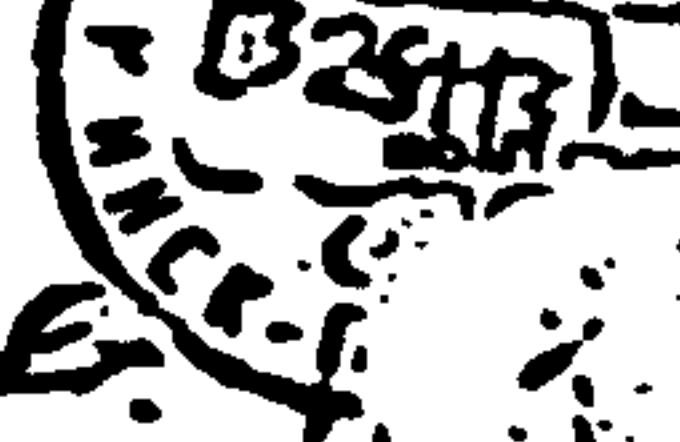
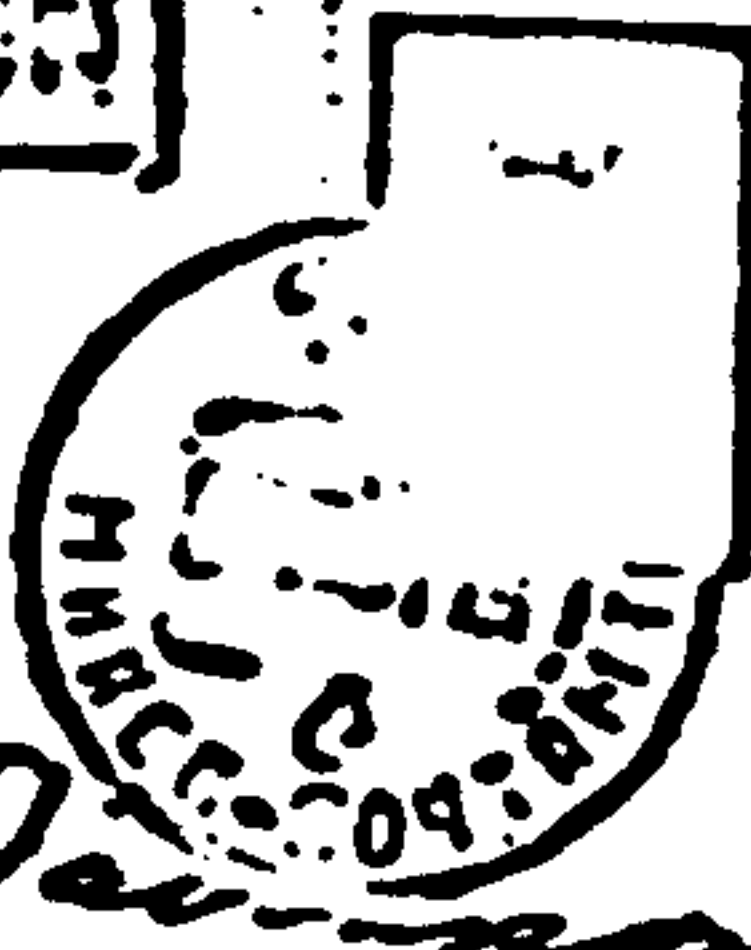
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Department of

Post North, TEXAS
R. D SWALD

10/11/64

Hand
of Robert
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O'Boyle

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12/12/64

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Dec. 14, 1961

Dec 14 '61

Dear Robert

Today I received your letter of
Nov. 28

First of all, I can confirm
what you thought about some
of your letters, I did not receive
any letters with certain questions.
It's quite possible they destroyed
it.

Did you get my letter about how
they took down the statue of Stalin?
Oh yes you say we hope the crisis
come through.

I got a package of books and
magazines today from Moscow, its very
interesting to read some of the
articles in "Time" about life and politics
in the U.S.S.R, most of the articles are
wrong, they are too uninformed.
I hope you get our letter

package by Christmas. Maria worked
on those table napkins for Vada for
two weeks.

at the post office they did not
allow me to send some "KUMUVA" (candy)
they said it was "pro-use".

It's mighty cold here, about 10
below zero, as far as I can tell.

The snow is all covered with
snow, but the pine trees and out greens
the river near our apartment house
is frozen now. We have a very good
view from our fourth floor windows.

Well, that's about all for now.
Maria sends her love, keep writing.

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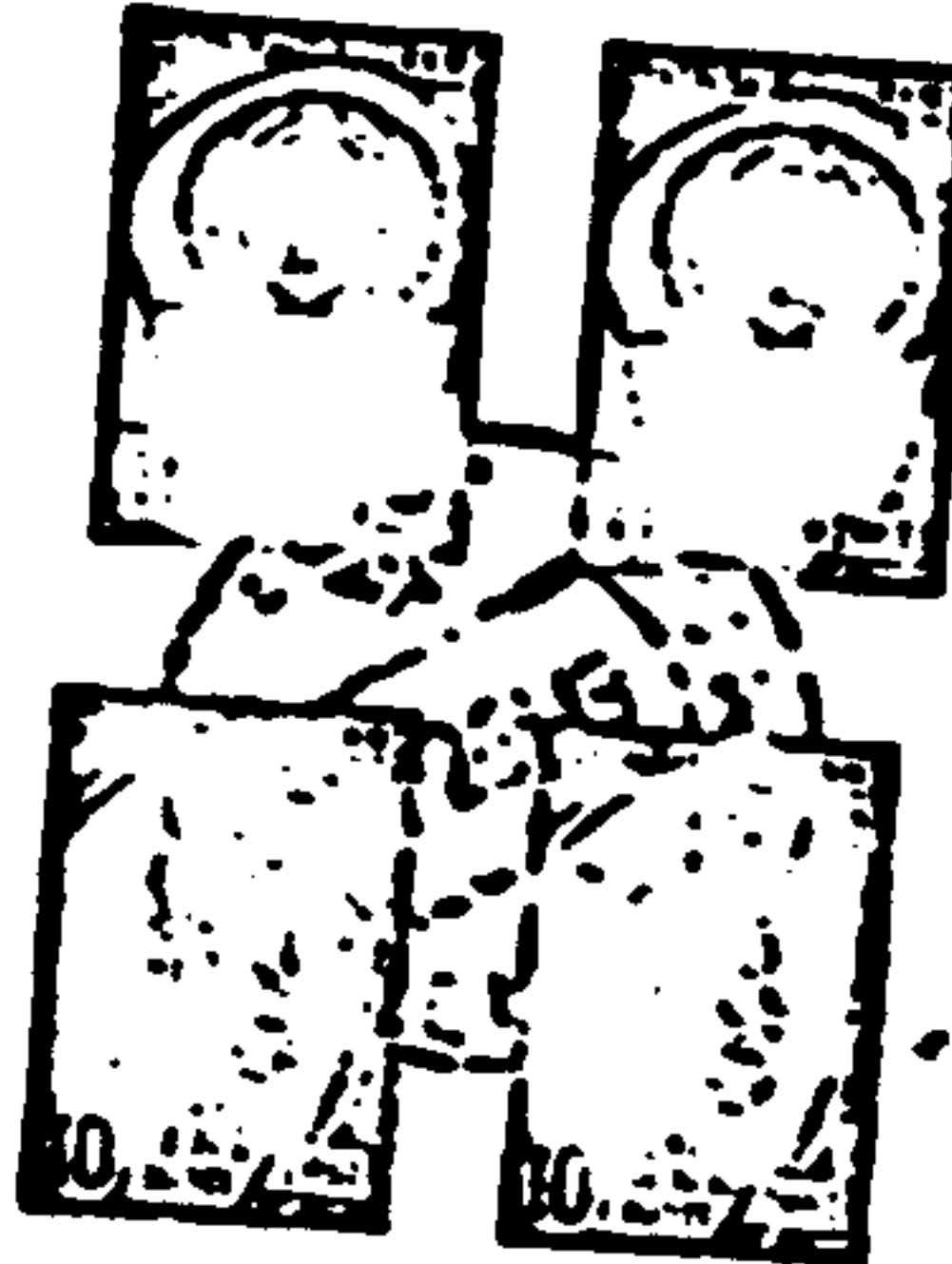
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7319 Devonport St.
Fort Worth, Texas
Mr. R. Oswald

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Handwritten notes:
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Dec 20 '61

Dec 20

Dear Mother,

Received today the third package of books and magazines in the last three weeks. Thanks alot I really do appreciate all of your help.

I had letters give you my new address they just changed the name of this street so the address is

~~Uli's 717 Karsunhischeki~~

Uli's 717 Karsunhischeki

HOUSE 4 BPT 24.

We still don't have any word about our visa.

The American Embassy in Moscow wrote me a letter and stated they think the Russians have to let us go. I shall keep you informed. What's about all for now

Love Xmas

P.S. your reads
her love and thanks for the money

PAR AVION

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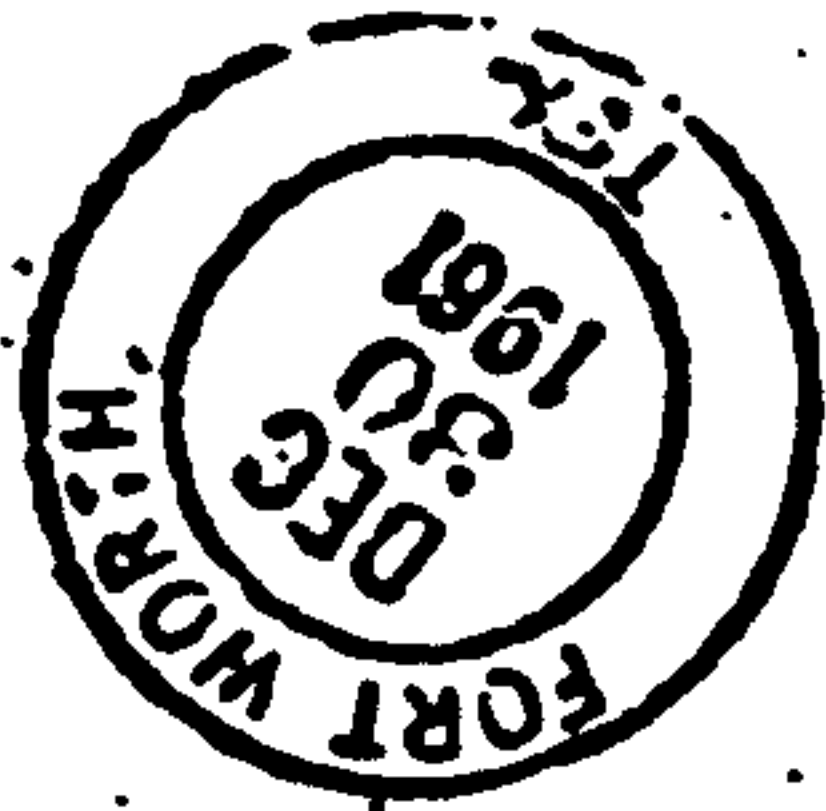
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Dear Bob,

Well, I've been told that
we'll get our visas about the 1st of
February, if everything goes quickly.

If we do get our visas we
should arrive in the U.S. before
the 1st of March. All of this
of course is a long way
the Soviet's like it to be large.

We spent a few days
at some friends place, I had
wanted to call you on New
Year Eve, but since they are
going to get our visas soon
I thought I'd wait a month
or so and maybe we'll get
to see each other.

I really don't trust these
people, so I don't think we'll do
in the U.S. before I become original
to give a good deal.

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We need ... , times
lot for ...
when we do ... shall
leave my place ... to ...
I really ... I'll feel
to be ...
Write soon.

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