

all the families who returned from Pakistan came out the year before me, my five years is up in March 1960. Mrs. Philbrick was very sick. Mrs. Salma was sick too & she fled with her two daughters while her husband came later by boat with the two boys. Ebs went home a year early because of sickness. They both had chronic dysentery & the little girl was often sick. We are a sick bunch!

Dear Mom,

Sad news again from the Murree Hills. Alec Moore, a new missionary with the Brethren group died here early Sunday morning the 19th. He had been in Pakistan for just six months; married for three months, and was 24 years old. His wife, Mary, is about 20 years old. They were from Scotland. His death was from encephalitis which is a disease of the brain.

We had a good conference again this year, with Rev. Geoffrey King from England as the visiting preacher. His messages on the theme of "Spiritual Health" were very good. The first one, on prayer, I thought particularly good.

Mary is having trouble for the third time with infection in her gums. It causes severe pain. She is taking penicillin 4 times a day, and later the infected area will have to be opened and drained. I have had some type of stomach and intestine trouble which may be flu, but it is not liver trouble as I had feared. My hemoglobin is low also, and that explains why I feel so tired. Philip is still going quite good. He walked at 10 months, 9 days, and by now fairly runs. He will be one on August 3rd. I almost forgot the big news! We are expecting a new little one about Feb. 1st. We already have the names chosen.

We will be coming home to N. Y. in 8 months, flying from here about the end of March. The passage will be about \$1300 for the four of us. That money is saved for us in our office, so we will not need extra for it.

Heavy rains again caused widespread floods in the northern and central areas of Pakistan. Leiah was damaged rather severely by heavy rains. One was recorded as 7 inches in one day. Many houses fell in and at least five people were killed. This is because so many of the houses are either partly or entirely built of mud. We had a letter from our next door neighbor there, who writes that the outside wall (courtyard) of our place fell, but as far as he can see there is no damage to the house itself.

Please pray for a young man near Leiah who was very interested in Christianity. He said that he believed that Jesus is the Son of God, and that, from a Muslim, is a miracle. The greatest sin in Islam is to say that anyone is equal to God. He wrote me a letter here in Murree, and I answered. Then recently he has not written again. I am afraid his family has forbidden him to see or contact me. There is a terrible fear of someone being converted. People would rather kill their own relative, regardless of how close, than to see one become a Christian. He is about 20 years old, and a teacher.

We are beginning to wish we could get back to Leiah. Murree is a pleasant change, but gets wearing at this time of year, when the rains come and housekeeping, particularly laundry, gets more and more problematic in our small apartments. We do, however, appreciate the variety of fruits and vegetables available here -- more like the things we get at home than any other time of year. We have had a lot of wild black-rasberries, and canned both sauce and jam for use this winter. Apricots and plums are mostly gone now, but peaches are really nice. Apples and pears are just coming on.

Received your letter a couple days ago. Thanks for all the news.

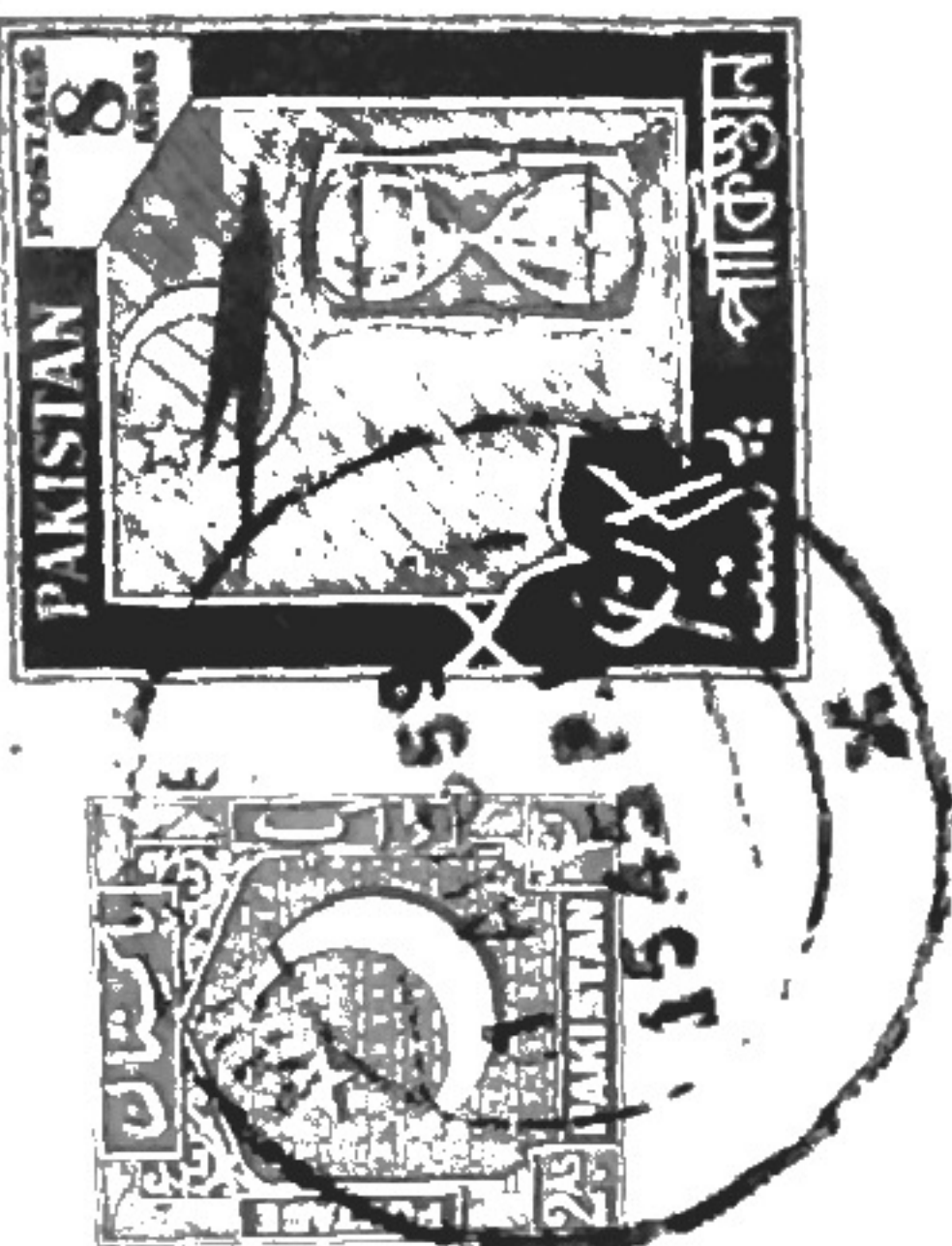
This is a new letter I sent out to a few people that I owed letters to.

The young widow in the first paragraph is doing very well. She is made of strong stuff as she seems to be over the shock of the loss & she says she will stay out here in Pakistan. She comes from the

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same area & is in the same Mission as the ^{Scottish} people who delivered Philip.

Mom when Aunt Laura settles down let me know her address.

Mary is still in the hospital in Pindi. She did not need further treatment as the infection was draining itself. The pain has left her face now it was due to pregnancy. We both got a severe stomach ache the other night. I just had a lot of pain, but Mary had diarrhea for 2 days. She is happy now. She is having one thing after another. She started to feed a little again a few days ago, but it lasted only a day. She had a stain only once in the morning. She seems to be well now. Mom, use the money you have for us when you send packages. I'm afraid if you send the money then you will spend more on packages also. Remember I want some chocolates, candy bars, cheese and a large tin of peanut butter & coffee. Not a box of chocolate, but choc. bars like the large Hershey bar etc. Also peanuts, one tin of popcorn, Tuna fish, two tins of mushroom soup, The Wisconsin cheddar cheese in a wooden box is the best. It rains about 5 or 6 times a day. We are going nuts trying to dry baby clothes. I do nothing but wash diapers & try to dry them & look after Philip. He had diarrhea for about 2 weeks. It has stopped now. Much love, Cecile & Mary.