

March 13, 1966

Dear Dr. Stenzel,  
We were so proud to receive invitation to wedding of Yveta & John, & were sorry not to be able to attend.

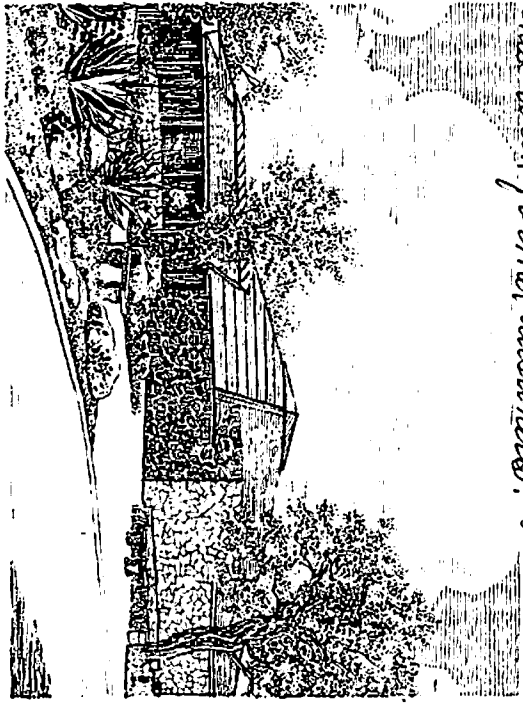
Bob departed, via car, from Amarillo Jan. 18 for Bangkok, Thailand, Government Office of Thailand representing S. D. Goddard for a dividend work with their Rapa Rapa program Dept. officials re dam & irrigation sites analysis. Bob was sent as such representative.

A few days after he left, on air & ice "air raid", here in Amarillo. My net hearing had "training" re driving in such, so I remained grounded. At our home address, except when local friends would come over, oh I could ridd elsewhere with my framed natives.

Bob agreed to go to Bangkok for sixty days. Yes enjoyed many fields, trees as well as local concert shows there. Helicopter, plane, train, boat, jeep & pack trips, natives often needing to cut a route thru jungle growth. First weekned he & official (Lt. Col. Military Guard & army. S. D.) - about Ft. Siguing Bangkok, departed for remote N. Yungp. mountainous area & - uninhabited, except for wild life. Tigers, deer, elephants & snakes are plentiful, but they were used that bear & wild cow - would be the most dangerous to confront. I depart from Amarillo Mar. 19 to meet Bob in Hong Kong for a few days, & then

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\*As good as distinct, I like to exchange Austin orchids with former Austinites!

to Tokyo for a week or ten days, then we return to Amarillo. Bob has sent ~~at~~ nine packs of slides (in color) back home. I'm waiting to see them when he returns. Surely wish you could join us for a good visit, slide viewing & good old recollectin'. Last letter I've received from Bob was of Feb. 28, so imagine they've been in remote areas since.

Sarah Ann (Mrs. Jas. C. Jeffries), our daughter, is still enjoying married life in Houston & her employment, now, as Librarian - Public Relations Director for Riviana Foods, Inc. (Formerly River Brand Rice, before they consolidated with other business) -- international scope of business. Her husband, Jim, is a Jr. this year in Texas Dental College, Houston. His last class grade av. was 4<sup>th</sup> from top, & this year on mill exam given to students of Jr. classification he made the top grade of students required to take such (Jr. class students).

Bob's father passed on last fall & his mother chooses to remain at their Houston home. She's just returned to Houston from a nice visit with friends at Apache Junction, Ariz. for about a month.

I surely hope that Yetta & John are enjoying their new married life & find Scarsdale N. Y. very pleasant. Time flies -- & I'll admit I preferred their being in Scarsdale when I'd mail our wedding remembrance with best wishes for many happy & successful years ahead. I've just gotten speech "off" to them. As I didn't know their silver pattern, I wish Yetta to understand that I'd appreciate her exchange for any other matching piece she might prefer.

I received such a delightful letter from Dr. Ballard soon after Bob departed. I wish -- & this is my personal expression -- that we had more of our former top quality staff & executive affiliates with Texas Univ. It's great that Dr. B. has remained.

Best of all to you, & hope we'll see you here summertime.

Sincerely,  
Mary Ann (Mrs. R.C.) Redfield