

8 Boldt Hall Room 210  
Cornell Univ.  
Ithaca N.Y.

16<sup>th</sup> Sept

Dear Elsie,

I arrived here two days ago, just about to settle down. The campus is beautiful, my room is nice but near to a sloping street & I can hear the drivers changing the gears almost thro the night.

I spent two days in Chicago after the convention and another week (very exhausting & expensive week) in New York.

Would you kindly write to:

Cornell Campus Store  
Barnes Hall Ithaca N.Y.

Attn: Mr. P. I. Krebs, Manager

and ask him to allow me to open an account there and bill you for the cost of the books. Please send me a copy of your letter. I have seen him & he advises me to tell you to write to him.

I have not yet seen Thru - How to receive my checks. Am almost in the red! Many thanks, sincerely. Yours -

September 17, 1958

Mr. Tran Qui Than  
210 Boldt Hall  
Cornell University  
Ithaca, New York

Dear Than:

Please find enclosed your check till the end of the month. It is a few days late, but we have had visitors again, and this always cuts into work being accomplished around here.

Just a reminder to send me the name of the Manager of the Book Store or the receipts for text books purchased, whichever you prefer.

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

EC:kc

Enclosure

P.S. I addressed a letter to Mrs. Eva Poysa asking her to route my request for a billing of all of your fees after registration. If there are any registration difficulties, perhaps she can tell you who ~~is~~ the responsible person is.

30 Boldt Hall 2m 210  
Cornell Ithaca N.Y.

20th Sept.

Dear Elsie:

Many thanks for the cheques.

Enclosed are the travel vouchers (3 copies)  
& out of state travel Authorization duly  
signed.

I have been extremely busy seeing  
many folks to arrange for my study.

Will write longer to Mr. Steinbarm  
when my program is fixed up.

Rounds to all our friends

Sincerely - Then

P.S. have not seen Du yet.

Elie

Cornell 11/11

September 30, 1958

Mr. Tran Qui Than  
Room 210 - Bolt Hall  
Cornell University  
Ithaca, New York

Dear Than:

Please find enclosed your per diem check from the 1st to the 15th of October.

We will be interested to hear what courses you will be taking this term and how things are going. We are very busy! Eleven new participants arrived last week and I am still processing the papers for the five other P.H.D. candidates.

Mr. Khanh has applied to Cornell for admission. The remainder of the people have scattered their applications to the four winds.

Have you run into Thu. No word since he got his last check.

Sincerely yours,

EC:ms

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

Enc: Per Diem check

Baldett Hall Rm 210

Cornell University

Dear Elsie

6th October 1958

Many sincere thanks for your letter of Sept 23rd  
and the cheque for \$20.00 & I will show it to you

Enclosed herewith are

- a statement of Registration of courses

- student Association information sheet

- an application for membership to Stat. Club

- an application for membership to Soc. of Management

As you see I have taken 6 courses altogether, totalling  
18 hours week. 4 courses are for credit & course 100 &  
the reading course I just audit there, though I'll  
do all the assigned work & I have to take the  
reading course to speed up my reading, as the  
assignment for each of the 5 courses is so great.

My major is Administrative Process and the  
2 other minors are Sociology, Finance & Accounting.  
I have also formed my Societal Committee with  
Prof Earl Brooks as chairman and Prof Nelson  
& William as the other members of the Committee.

I have bought so far only 3 books & one on  
Production and 2 on Sociology costing altogether 20.45.  
Should I have cash they would give me 10%  
reduction, thus ~~leaving~~ <sup>providing me with</sup> \$15.45 more to buy books in  
a year. However as my purchase is charged to  
your account, no discount is allowed.

I have got, out of my pocket, the following books

the organisation man	1.45
The hidden persuader	0.35
Roget College thesaurus	0.50 (Dictionary form)
Cultural Patterns	
Technical change	0.50

Perhaps you will be kind enough to find some way

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AIR MAIL.....

October 7, 1958  
(Dictated - Oct. 6th)

Mr. Tran Qui Than  
210 Boldt Hall  
Cornell University  
Ithaca, New York

Dear Than:

Please find enclosed a check -- I would forge the signature if it were anything but a check and I am sure that most of the banks could not tell my forgery of a Vietnamese signature from the real thing. But, it seems like an unnecessary risk to take, therefore, I am sending you said check and would appreciate your endorsement thereon....or another check.

It sounds as if Thu is finding Ithaca less progressive culturally than East Lansing and also more expensive to have tickets for what is available.

Vu Van Thai arrives this evening (October 6th) for four days and this will make V.I.P. 999 for the Vietnam Project.

I hope to have a report from you soon concerning the courses you are enrolled in.

I haven't had steak and salad for ages but did have delicious meal prepared by one of the participants on Saturday night.

Sincerely yours,

EC:ms

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

Enc: MSU Check No. 36484

9 Oct -

Dear Elsie :

Thank you for the cheque for 12 NS<sup>Rs</sup>  
& please find it enclosed herewith duly crossed.  
I hope you have received by now my  
letters & the various forms sent some day  
ago - I mention all the courses I am  
taking now in this last letter -

Hope you are keeping well

Sincerely

Thom

October 14, 1958

Mr. Tran Qui Than  
210 Boldt Hall  
Cornell University  
Ithaca, New York

Dear Mr. Than:

Please find enclosed your check for the period from October 15th to the 31st.

It has been very much like summer weather in East Lansing these past few days but we are sure that it will not last very long. The first event of the Lecture Concert series last evening was the New York City Ballet.

Sincerely yours,

EC:ms

Elsie Cunningham  
Administrative Assistant

Enc.: MSU check No. 38547

P. S. I shall attempt to get the reimbursement for the books you have purchased, however, I need receipts for such purchases. I do not see any provision under which we could pay for the initiation fee in this organization. There is a provision for participants returning to their home country receiving membership in organizations such as the Society for Advancement of Management. I believe that I can take the amount of this membership from your book allowance. Please complete the application if you desire this.

E. C.

Enc.: SAM appl. blank.

Dear Mr. [unclear]

Many thanks for the check for the period Oct 15  
to the 31<sup>st</sup>

The books mentioned in my last letter were  
those I bought when I was at M.I.T. I have  
unfortunately thrown the receipt away, however  
if this does not give you too much trouble  
I would appreciate your help in this matter.

Enclosed herewith is the application for  
Society for Advancement of Management  
already completed.

we are now in a period of peak work.  
There are a few mid term exam I have hardly  
time to do anything else besides reading &  
working for these exam

I think I should let you know about  
some changes in my doctoral committee.

I have been advised to take my major in  
the field of Economics for which I have got  
a fairly good background instead of embarking  
upon two new fields: one in Administration  
& one in Sociology. For this reason, I have  
dropped Sociology (minor) and changed  
Administration (formerly a Major) into a  
minor and taken Managerial Economics  
as major. The members of my new  
committee are changed as follows:

M.G. De Chazeau  
Prof De Chazeau (Chairman) Subject Managerial Econ (major)  
Prof Earl Brook (member) Administration of Proses (minor)  
Prof A. E. Nilsson (member) Finance & Accounting (minor)

My qualifying exam will be set sometime this month, probably on the 30<sup>th</sup> Oct.

I am sorry it could not make the right decision at the beginning, changing the subject at this time means that I have lost one month of work on my major subject. But I am glad I am now returning to a field (Economics) with which I am more familiar to begin with.

I have just seen The - The film Bolshoi Ballet was on last weekend. I most notably went to see it again twice. What an ardent admirer I am of that art.

Please give my best regards to Miss Chen & all our friends and I sincerely hope to be back to school with what we work in us - I am only 19 and I would like to work with you again.

P.S. Have you seen the Fairy in Colour? I am not sure if I like it, but I have seen it with you so I will - I hope we will have good reviews and all that.

October 28, 1958

Mr. Tran Qui Than  
210 Boldt Hall  
Cornell University  
Ithaca, New York

Dear Than:

Please excuse any typing error as I am engaged in typing the letters necessary to see that the per diem checks go out in time to reach everyone by the end of the month. I know that there is more memos and letters to be dictated and typed than my secretary can manage without our falling even further behind in this constant battle against the red tape.

I am hopeful that I shall be able to get the reimbursement you requested but after a session that lasted all afternoon on the problems (administrative and budget) of completing the 9999 forms and what one can and can't do I'm not too sure - the man responsible for auditing vouchers before they are paid tried to say that such and such is never paid on a certain form (including things like books purchased) and more particularly that receipts would be required for everything - comes the revolution and we'll have no more of this.

In any case hopefully the per diem checks will continue to arrive regularly and with no struggle so herewith please find the current one for the period from November 1-15.

I am sorry that you have had to lose this time but trust that you are now happily as well as busily engaged in the area of study most suitable to your talents - Xuan enrolled in 5 courses is wondering the relative marginal utility of a Ph.D. and wondering if you and Toan were suffering the same pangs!

Sincerely yours,

Elsie Cunningham

Enc: Check #40597

P.S. Find myself in the office at night - after promising myself that with the coming of secretarial help this would no longer be necessary - think I need some scientific management help.