

PHILOSOPHY DEPT.

November 23, 1966

Professor and Mrs. Jose Ferrater Mora C/o Queen Elizabeth Hotel, Montreal, Quebec.

Dear Professor and Mrs. Ferrater Mora,

Welcome to Montreal.

I am sorry that no one was able to meet you at the airport but everyone in the department has a nine a.m. class on Thursday morning.

The lecture is scheduled at 8.00 p.m. temperew evening. Dinner will be served at 6.30 p.m., cocktails at 6.00. I will call for you at the hotel between 5.30 and 5.45 p.m. An informal coffee reception will be held after your lecture, so you can expect to return to the hotel about 10.00 p.m.

I have enclosed some information that I think might be useful for your visit. If I can be of further aid, please call me at 482-0320 (Ext.248) or 486-1098.

## Sincerely,

Maya.

J. D. Morgan Secretary Department of Philosophy

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GREATER MONTREAL, with its population of 1,700,000 is the Metropolis of Canada, is the ninth largest city of the Americas and occupies an outstanding position in the economy of the Canadian nation.

Its historical background, geographical position, unusual bilingual characteristics (over two-thirds French), its cultural and intellectual standards are much appreciated attractions to the visitors in quest of new horizons.

Historically, Montreal is associated with the settlement of many American cities and districts bordered by the Gulf of Mexico, the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans. Rivers, cities and parks were named after their discoverers or founders. Most of these daring and undaunted adventurers and "voyageurs" were born within the walls of Ville-Marie, as the city was originally named. Buildings in down-town Montreal (the financial district) built during the French or early English régimes are marked by historical tablets which stand as true chronicles, dating back to 1642, when Montreal was founded by Paul Chomedey, Sieur de Maisonneuve. A well advised visitor will learn more about Old Montreal by a visit to the Chateau de Ramezay, (opposite the City Hall) than through the medium of many books.

Geographically, Montreal occupies a unique position in the world. It is located on an island which is linked to the mainland by thirteen (13) bridges, and by modern highways leading to all parts of Canada and the United States. In the center of the city, lies the most outstanding park in the world; it is located on a mountain named Mount Royal, which has an altitude of 800 feet, in a wooded area of 480 acres. Mount Royal provides within the City wonderful ski trails, toboggan slides, a skating rink at Lac Castor (Beaver Lake) located on the slopes, wonderful paths for hiking and riding, which afford one a gorgeous panorama of the city and of the famous St. Lawrence river.

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Montreal has the distinction of being the largest inland seaport in the world,

being 1000 miles from the Atlantic Ocean, and the second largest seaport of the American Continent, ranking next only to that of New York. Montreal is also the world's greatest cereal shipping seaport and the terminus of a dozen of -----the world's major shipping lines.

The cultural future is assured through the two universities - McGill, with its renowned schools of medicine and engineering, and the Université de Montréal, largest French university outside of France, which maintains the French element in our dual national cultures.

Montreal is renowned for its churches of all denominations, its shrines and its hundreds of spires. It is the delight of the lover of religious architectures. But its French mentality assures merriment and the pleasure of French and Canadian cuisines.

Dorval is Montreal's airport and the airlink with the United States and South America; it is also the terminus of four Transatlantic airlines. Montreal is the aviation centre of the world.

Modern moderately priced hotels, provide up to the minute service and bilingual atmosphere which is typically Montreal and French Canada. Professional baseball, football and hockey teams, stadium and forum, numerous golf courses, yachting, horseracing, snow-shoeing, tobogganning, the national sport - hockey- permit visiting sportsmen to gratify the height of their ambition in this true sportsmen's mecca.

## 1. General Sightseeing:

The hotel will be able to tell you if bus tours are still available. If they are, this is often the best way to see the most in the least amount of time.

## 2. Restaurants:

<u>French food</u>: One of the best in the city is EIFEL TOWER - within walking distance of hotel - THURSDAY night gournet dinner - reservations necessary. (VI-4-9525) 1422 Stanley Street, north of St. Catherine

- Sea food: <u>DESJARDINS</u> 1175 Mackay Street, Reservation: (UN-6-9741)
- <u>Spanish</u>: <u>CASA DEL SOL</u> Drummond Street (4 blocks from hotel)

"Old Montreal" - French Canadian food: LE FOURNIL St. Paul Street East.

3. Educational Institutions:

McGill University 3 blocks north of Hotel. Head of Philosophy Department: Raymond Klibansky

Université de Montréal, 2900 Bl. Mont Royal. Largest French speaking university in North America. Head of Philosophy Department: Lucien Martinelli

Sir George Williams University: Drummond Street and St. Catherine 4 blocks from hotel grew out of YMCA adult education program.

## 4. Parks:

Botanical gardens. End of Sherbrooke St. East.

Mount Royal after which the city is named.

5. Concerts:

Vladimir Lancman (Violinist) in recital at Place des Arts on November 24. (walk 2 blocks North to Metro Station - take the Metro - direction Frontenac, get off in 2 stops.)

6. Points of Interest:

St. Lawrence Seaway. It is world famous. Notre Dame Church - Is one of the most beautiful in the world. Chateau de Ramezay - was built in 1705 and is of historical importance.