

Musee de Hama,
Hama.
Syria.

20th November, 1965.

Mr Don E. Crabtree,
Route 1,
Kimberly. Idaho.

Dear *Don*,

Thank you very much for your letter of the 26th September. This was sent on to me while we were still in Malawi and I am sorry to have taken so long in replying but hope that you will understand that fieldwork is not really conducive to letter writing! We left Malawi on 9th November and are just beginning a month's excavation work on an early Acheulian site near here so that time is still in rather short supply - I hope you will forgive this somewhat scrappy note.

I am very glad that the INQUA conference was so useful and was most interested to hear of your many other activities. If you produce some of those magnificent Egyptian sickle blades I shall be most envious! I shall be interested to hear how your film goes. Clyde Smith hopes to have the one we made in Berkeley ready by April or so next year and I will let you know how things go when I get back.*

We expect to get back to England just before Christmas which we plan to spend with our daughter and new grandson who will be nearly three months old by then - it certainly makes one feel ancient. I have one or two things to write in England and the proceedings of the Wenner-Gren conference we had in July-August to get ready for the press and we do not expect to be back in Berkeley until the end of January - in time for the spring semester.

Betty and I certainly enjoyed very much indeed meeting you both and we very much hope that it will not be too long before we can do so again. I certainly hope you will let us know whenever you are in the Bay area and we will do the same should we come to your part of the world.

With very kind regards and best wishes to you both from Betty and myself,

Yours ever,

J. Desmond Clark.

* The Wenner-Gren has given us copies to make two shorts, rather than one long, film which is much better - one on fauna + the other on your fossil finds.