

car until Dec. 6. Fortunately a boat was leaving that day but had already been packed and was ready to leave. The United F. Co were very kind and by taking off some of the freight that was already on the boat were able to get the car aboard. The outfit that was supposed to arrange for the shipment of the car was managed by a Central American group of Spanish people and from what I find out later, they are frequently irresponsible for handling details (such as getting a car on a ship!). Thanks to the United Fruit Co., the car is on its way on the ship Cubakama. ^(cost \$480.00) The exporter Co that was supposed to handle the car had the courage to bill me \$10.00 for their services!

I expected to do some last minute purchasing and ^{buy} American food before leaving the states but this new emergency did not allow any more time than to get the car immediately down to the boat, so I will have to barter with the natives in Guatemala for food and other items of equipment.

While in New Orleans visited the old French section of town and many old second hand book stores. They have a few Audubon originals at \$600.00 a piece. Thought I would pick up a dozen or so on my return trip. This city is really unique and cannot be compared with any other city in the United States.

Called Annette by phone from New Orleans and had a chance to talk with Chris & Jay. Jay held up the telephone until I promised him a bicycle for Xmas.

On the 25th of Nov. I sailed from New Orleans on the S.S. Chiriqui which is a pleasure cruiser that visits Havana Cuba on its way down to Guatemala.