

and swallow them, then after chewing down about a yard of thread pulled it out again with the 10 razor blades tied every few inches along the thread!

During the day the library is open, the swimming pool is available for use, the sun decks ~~for~~ are used for tanning and the deck chairs always popular for us old ones. They issue a daily newspaper which I do not think much of. As every passenger is first class, it allows one to go wherever one wishes.

During part of this morning I watched the Cuban dockmen unload some equipment and freight from the ship. Most, if not practically all the freight was flour (Texas Star) and other food products. These Cubans are challenging each other every few minutes and I have never heard one yet that carried on a conversation without being capable of being heard 2 blocks away.

If I do not get off the ship this evening for a stroll through the city I will plan on taking a regularly scheduled tour to Morro Castle on an island no far from Havana. Somehow the other tours through the city did not appeal to me and anyhow it would have set me back \$22.70. I'll reserve seeing Havana with you next year.

Up to date I have seen very little wild life - some porpoises which swim along in front of the ship, gasping for air at the surface every few seconds and splashing the water as they duck back into the water, a few gulls, many schools of flying fish, little bits of "kelt" and a few jellyfishes. The sharks are supposed to be common around Havana but as yet I have not seen any.

My plans are to leave Havana 12 noon Monday and arrive at Puerto Barrios on Wednesday where I can be contacted for emergency at the office of the United Fruit Company. There may be the possibility that I will be there for a few days