

took you can see what a beautiful and unique place it is. It is really a civilized oasis in the jungle. The manager placed the guest house (they call it a rest house) at my disposal--refrigerator with coco cola, whiskey, and a little emergency food, nice furniture, beds, shower, toilet, etc. and a negro servant. The negro had been keeping care of the rest house for 18 years. Only 30 feet or so away was their big outdoor swimming pool, beyond a lake with reflecting shadows of palm trees, and beyond a green golf course as neatly cut as a city park lawn. Brilliant flowers grew everywhere. I ate dinner at the regular dining hall and all this for no expense. I found out later that if they had known, they would have sent a man with me in a rail car to the classical Quirigua ruins about 30 miles distance. The United Fruit Company owns practically all of the banana plantations and has every convenience of lodging, transportation, feeding and time that would be required for the operation of a scientific program. I am convinced that to get the cooperation of this outfit in supporting our cause is the proper thing to do. They are such a big company that assistance amounting to a few thousand dollars would probably never have to be sanctioned above the level of the field plantations. It is really surprising how much of Guatemala is actually the United Fruit Company. The rest house is ten times better than any hotel I have so far seen in Guatemala. Outside of the United Fruit Company, the accommodations are horrible. At 4:30 boarded east moving train and headed back to Barrios. The trip back was even more pleasant than the trip this morning because the lights were soft and the skies were clear