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YOUR TELNO 585: HAUTE CUISINE

1. REGRETTABLY THERE IS LITTLE QUOTE HAUTE UNQUOTE ABOUT MY CUISINE, AT LEAST IN THESE CIRCUMSTANCES. WE HAVE ONE MEAL A DAY, CONSISTING OF RICE AND PASTA ALTERNATELY. WE STILL HAVE QUITE A LOT OF TINS OF TUNA AND A FEW OF FRANKFURTERS, PLUS A LOT OF SPICES, MOSTLY TAKEN FROM THE SERVANTS' QUARTERS. UNFORTUNATELY, WE ARE VERY SHORT OF ONIONS, THOUGH WE DO HAVE GARLIC, AND HAVE ONLY A FEW TINS OF TOMATOES AND TOMATO PASTE. WE HAVE A LITTLE POWDERED MILK LEFT AND QUOTE GRAM UNQUOTE POWDER MADE FROM CHICK PEAS, I THINK, SO I CAN MAKE WHITE SAUCES. WE HAVE USED UP ALL OUR ORDINARY FLOUR, WHICH MEANS I CAN NO LONGER MAKE BREAD, AS I DID IN THE EARLY DAYS.
2. CURRIED TUNA AND TUNA LASAGNA ARE BOTH POPULAR, SO IS CRAB IN CHEESE SAUCE, WITH FLAKED ALMONDS(?). CURRIED FRANKFURTER IS RATHER LESS SO, THOUGH QUOTE SAUSAGE CHASSEUR UNQUOTE IS ACCEPTED.
3. THE CUCUMBERS AND WATERMELONS WILL BE THE FIRST FRESH FOOD WE HAVE HAD FOR TWO MONTHS. I SUSPECT WE SHALL EAT THE CUCUMBERS AS THEY ARE, WITH SALT, OR WITH AN OIL AND VINEGAR DRESSING.
4. I AM SORRY I CANNOT SEND A MORE IMAGINATIVE REPLY.

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