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Hunt Institute was dedicated in 1961 as the Rachel McMasters Miller Hunt Botanical Library, an international center for bibliographical research and service in the interests of botany and horticulture, as well as a center for the study of all aspects of the history of the plant sciences. By 1971 the Library's activities had so diversified that the name was changed to Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation. Growth in collections and research projects led to the establishment of four programmatic departments: Archives, Art, Bibliography and the Library.

St. Valerius Dr.

The Spinney.

My dear Helen,

Thanks for so very much
for my share in Kathleen's letter.

As she tells you, she is
really wonderfully well except
for occasional & always totally
unexpected "black-outs." She
makes a good recovery but of
course we are always a little
anxious at the time. I feel
I can never leave her for
very long.

In September we hope to
make arrangements for my
sister to come here & look
after her while Selby & I
fly to Portugal for a couple
of weeks. We so much enjoyed
our first visit & we have
made contacts there so that
it will be lovely if we can

go again. I hope we shall see
you over here the following
year.

I cannot believe that some
is going to be 21 on Jan 21st
- He has finished a sustained
training on an order of
the British Council in
Hague Street. He was shot
Friday last a flu in
Lodge & the case has
not out-ends

The house is full of spring
flowers - vetches too early -
it has been a wonderfully
mild but wet winter. However
we seem to be settling on
a cold spell now but I don't
think it can last long.

With love from us all to all
of you please be sure to call
on us when you are in England
next year & we shall always be
delighted to welcome any member of
the family.
Yours Affectionately, Vi

Rach 6th

1952.

The Spinners
Little Gaddesden
Berkhamsted.

My dear Helen,

I have not written to you before but of course we know one another by name & I believe sometime back during the war Lorna & Sally exchanged letters.

Kathleen who as you know is living with us, gave me your letter to read the other day. We are delighted to know that you & Wilson are coming to England this summer & do hope that we shall be able to arrange to meet.

You say that Wilson will be speaking in Loder in September. Do you know dates yet? We shall be away at the sea from Sept. 1st to 15th at the present time.

Hopefully when we share a house with a friend. Lorna will be going back to school sometime during the 3rd week in September (I am not sure yet of the date) but I do hope it will be possible to have you here for a few days before your return home. Kathleen will probably be in Whitchurch in Hampshire while we are away on holiday.

I am sorry there will be no Coronation this year: it would have been a wonderful experience for you. I believe it is more or less fixed for May 1953.

Lorna & the school mates all went up to the Royal Festival. It was a sad but 'wonderful' experience for them. I went to the dying-in-State in Westminster Hall & found it a very beautiful & moving experience.

Spring is just making itself

fell with us - Saw hoppers & crickets are all, the bees are flying & birds beginning to make their nests about their nests.

We do so much hope that you will be able to come to "the Spring" - it really is in a lovely part of the country & within such very easy reach of London.

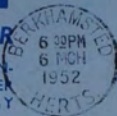
I was so glad that we met Nancy when she was staying at Elfford two years ago & we do look forward to meeting the rest of the family.

I have a sister living in Cyprus while her husband is in the Canal Zone. Her eldest boy James (aged 9) is flying home in the Easter holidays & we have to get him settled at his first boarding school. It will be a big experience for him.

BY AIR MAIL

AIR LETTER

IF ANYTHING IS ENCLOSED THIS LETTER WILL BE SENT BY ORDINARY MAIL.



Mr Popper,
Escuela Agrícola Panamericana
Apartado 93
Tequigalpa
Honduras C.A.

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Sender's name and address:-

Mr. Hughes
The Spring
Little
Berkhamstead
Herts.
1952
DE CORRESPONDENCIA

To open cut here

July 13th.
1955.

The Spinney,
Little Gaddesden,
Berkhampstead.

My dear Helen.

Herts

We hear that there is
a possibility of Hugh coming
to see us before returning
to America. We shall be so
pleased if it is possible & glad
to know that it will be
before Sept. 15th as Selby & I
are off to Portugal for a
short visit on Sept. 18th. We
are going to a little place
called Foz do Arelho about
30 miles N. of Lisbon. We shall
be in or on as soon as I am in joining
my sister & the family in France
on Aug. 8th & returning with the

to Spain & Majorca & returning to
Paris will take about mid. September.
She will then stay & will then
till November. My brother-in-law
is at SHAPE so I should
should have a good time. She
has voted very hard at
the Dressmaking Course for the
last two years so she is
having a good holiday before
she starts about looking for
a job. I am sorry to see
not over the - she is a nice
child.

I do hope to have had
a good holiday. What a pity
that this little island has
been just to have quiet -

glorious spell of Summer weather
do you are not coming on.
I hope we shall all manage
to meet some day. On your
next visit you must definitely
come along; this is a lovely
part of the country & a
very interesting country.

We are about to start
picking a bumper crop of
blackcurrants; fortunately we
have a market for them.

If we hear that Hugh
is coming I will let him
know how to get here; we
are only 30 miles from Loda.

Much love to you all
Yours very truly
Vi.

Lat. 500. 2141.

The Spinner,
Little Gaddesden,
Berkhamsted,
Herts

Aug. 9th
1955.

My dear Helen,

Kathleen has seen or
your letter to me with your
posting date.

I am so sorry that we
shall now be seeing you
Wilson it is true he hopes
that Hugh will be able to
span us a flying visit. I
think he would find The Spinner
easier to get at than Lohidund
& Kathleen will in all probability
be with us when Hugh is in England.

I send you this letter of free
line cord or train; we should
pick him up in Berkhamsted

if we knew the time of his arrival
- it is only a 10-15 minute run
by car from Beekmantown to here.

Lorna is already in Paris
staying with my sister at
Moulogne St. Amand (telephone
number I believe is 48). My
brother-in-law Lt. Col. Mallison
is at SHAPE (Logistics
Division) & I expect you could
make contact there if you
wanted to or had time.

They leave for Spain on
Sunday (Aug. 14th) & will be
back in Paris about Sept. 10th.
From then until the end of
Sept. they will be staying in
a flat in Paris but I do not
yet know the address. If Hugh
is in Paris at that time he

might be able to get in touch
with them. I will send the
address if I get it or he
could try writing Bernard
at SHAFÉ.

It is strange that we
are all chasing back a fruit
bottle collector in summer &
yet just managing to miss
one another.

I hope you have had a
lovely trip. I expect you are
tired but you will have much
to remember.

This has been a most
beautiful summer till us. Actually
we are pining for rain - in usually
green & colorful garden is very
dry we need some rain for
the fruit.

Best love to you all & I hope
that at least we shall

Dear Hugh's wife, but we would
much rather see him in person.

Yours very affectionately,
Vi