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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.

Dec. 7, 1972

Mr. Wilson Popenoe
Antigua, Guatemala, C.A.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is an affidavit, which the Title Company has secured me will clear the title on the lot I purchased from you. It has to be signed by you and notarized by the American Consul.

The information in the affidavit was obtained from a proof of death and heirship that your mother-in-law, Maude, made out in 1959.

Your help in this

matter will be greatly
appreciated.

Respectfully,
Henry W. Wilson

Sept. 10, 1970

Popocate Wilson
Antigua, Guatemala
Central America

Dear Mr. Wilson:

Would you consider selling your
property (lot 7, block 14) in South
Houston, Texas?

at the present time I will give
(\$700.00) seven hundred dollars for
the lot.

For your convenience my
address is 2614 Oaks Drive, Pasadena,
Texas, 77502.

Respectfully
Henry W. Wilbourn, Jr.

Antigua, Guatemala 1 Nov 1970

Mr Henry W. Wellbourn
2614 Oaks Drive
Pasadena, Texas 77502

My dear Sir:

I regret the delay in replying to your letter of 10 Sept. I have just returned from four months in Europe.

The fact that someone is interested in Lot 7 Block 14, which my father-in-law bought many years ago as an investment in oil, and which I inherited from his widow, must mean that something is going on in that part of the world. A further indication is that I have just received a bill for school tax on this property - with a fine for unpaid tax in 1967, 68 and 69. This is the first time I have ever received a bill for school taxes. What is happening? Has the oil been pumped out, and you are going to have another subdivision in that neighborhood?

I have a friend or two in Houston, and might ask one of them to look into the matter before I consider your offer of \$700. Maybe I should hold on for a while, if you are going to have another Pasadena, California down there.

I am not interested in hanging onto this property - about which I knew nothing except that I get a small check every once in a while from the oil company; but I must know more before I consider a deal.

Sincerely,

Wilson Pepeneo

Nov. 17, 1970

Mr. Wilson Roper
Antigua Guatemala
Central America

Dear Sir:

I have contacted the
Pasadena Title Company to
check out the title and
see what can be done.

I will let you know just
as soon as possible.

Respectfully,
Henry W. Wilson, Jr.

Antigua, Guatemala, 2 March 1971

Mr Henry W. Wilbourn Jr.
2614 Oaks Drive
Pasadena, Texas 77502

Dear Mr Wilbourn:

Yesterday I was able to have the deed notarised by the American Consul in Guatemala City and I enclose it herewith. I trust everything is now in order.

Sincerely,

Wilson Popenoe

Sept. 20, 1972

Wilson Popenoe
Antigua, Guatemala
Central America

Dear Sir:

Recently I made an application for a title policy on the property I purchased from you. The title company needs some information as to the marital status of Napoleon Barsaloup on Dec. 6, 1910 and prior. In other words, was Napoleon married to any one other than Mary E. Barsaloup? If so what was her name and were there any

children?

If you don't know
the answers to these
questions maybe you
can refer me to some-
one that might know.

Any information
that you might be
able to give will
be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully
Henry W. Wilbourn

Antigua, Guatemala 27 Sep+ 1972

Mr Henry W Wilbeurn
2614 Oaks Drive
Pasadena, Texas 77502 USA

Dear Mr Wilbeurn:

Replying to your letter of 20 September, I cannot give you any information other than that you had on the documents I delivered to you in connection with the sale of the property. All I can say is that I never heard my wife Helen Barsaleux Pepenee say or suggest that Napoleon Barsaleux had been married more than once.

Before my wife Helen died (1961) she had been in touch, occasionally, with a few other members of the Barsaleux family who were living in Chicago and in Pasadena, California, but I have lost all contact with them and can not give you any addresses.

Sincerely,

Wilson Pepenee