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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.

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GRANDDAUGHTER ARRIVED MONDAY AFTERNOON NAME MARION AND
BORN ON MARION BIRTHDAY ALL THREE WELL LEONARDS STAYING UNTIL THURS-
DAY MISSING YOU TERRIBLY GRANDPA

HELEN [Owilton]
(Nancy's mother-in-law)

SI NECESITA MENSAJERO
llame a los telefonos
2774 - 4821 - 4822



275 Santa Rosa Lane (Mantocito)]
Santa Barbara California
December - Twenty - Second [1953]

Dear Helen - Loo,

Thank you for your charming letter,
I thank you for another one,

Written in reply to Bob's first to you.

How heart warming it was, all the way thru!
To some - the mutual understanding of love.

How precious your first gift to my son.

He was deeply touched, — ma I — just guess!

For my dear, I had a lot to do

With the way our boys carry thru

Their part of their man: eyes

I of the said - I was living with them

Trying in every way I could, to see
ways ad means to help them & the,
Good Husbands, ^{and so} - Happy Men.

I like & think, ^{and certainly pray,}
That - "Good old ~~it~~" - can ^{and may,}
Wean up in many a way.

To your charming rarely fine Jersey.
They do seem, so active.

Are not their little cards attractive?

And now - "active - attractive" - is just the
the best straw. And reminds me -

I really should say -
that that expressed in this sing song way,

Are not usual!

But at Christinas time
This sentimental old heart of mine
Just seems to open up.

And he went on putting all that in rhyme.
It's been going on a long long time.

Thank you for the friendliness in
your letter.

I had wanted to do the same of a you.

But mine has been a most astonishing life
climbs to the peaks, the very high peaks,
then down to the depths of the valleys.

Until one finds that it's much better
even at the price of seeming indifference,
to first erase ones human emotions,
and refuse to let them follow one.

What else avoid losing the present good - available?

Is it not better for, to be content to go
"and ones closet and pray in secret?"

While leaving ones mental sanctuary
open ajar — To all who care to enter?

Thus can be done where one,
is content with, sitting by the side of the road,
disinterestedly watching the world go by.

As you know our Tail is required to
carry a heavy load. Just now I am
a "bit put to it" - to ring uabge.

And in the world the boy can so shift
it - as I find his own clear way
& life contentment, culmination is
a better trial. But find it he will, in
some end in the mean time I must

build a good life for myself - a
life which leaves him free,
to stay in definite by with me,
yet always knowing he can be,
off on his own, and I can honestly
say - I'm glad to have him find

his own happiness. It's a tricky problem!
Send you a que?

His finding out a Barbara a delightful
place to live and hope before too many
weeks to start & look for land. Then I plan
our tiny house, room for our beloved "Shellie",
Bill's workshop & my flowers.

Again, thanks you, & would that
I ^{could} make that one good wish of a you come true,
that all your wishes would come true!

Affectionately,

Helin-Lo

(Helina Shirley Skuller)

P.S. No 1

I found your photo & her sister delightful.
How proud you must be of their gallant
charming way, of going about this job of

making life beautiful.

P.S. No 2.

Just read your letter!

We were all of one opinion of Sally's choice!! He was a poised, most attractive young man, ^{at the wedding} (and what a beautifully becoming tuxed suit he wore) And that little Sally.

She just took our hearts!!

P.S. No 3

This has been a very interesting early morning. Would it not be wonderful if we could carry the warmth of Christmas on our sleeves the whole year through?

But no, that would make us ^{all} too vulnerable to hurts!

Antigua, Guatemala, 22 January 1959

Dear Mrs Guillou:

It seems to Helen and myself that it is about time we got personally acquainted! We haven't had a chance up to now - at least I haven't. But we are leaving here day after tomorrow and expect to be in Pasadena on the 29th. Then we go on to San Francisco and back to Pasadena somewhere around the 10th of February. If you are going to be in Santa Barbara between the 10th and 20th we will try to find some way to get up there; I have some horticultural interests in that region and one of my colleagues will probably drive us up from Pasadena. So if we could drop in on you for an hour we would like very much to do so, and would give you warning in advance by telephone or telegraph.

We are so fond of Bob, and so proud of their little family that we want to tell you about them. Bob and Nancy are a fine team, very devoted to each other and the little totos are happy, well-trained children. And of course I want to tell you personally what a fine man you made of your son Bob! They just don't come any better!

We shall appreciate it if you will send a line to us in care of Helen's mother, Mrs. J.G. Barsaloux, 986 North Los Robles Avenue, Pasadena, telling us whether or not you will be in Santa Barbara around the dates mentioned above.

Sincerely yours,

Wilson Popenoe