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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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THE DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

December 17, 1962

Mr. Paul Allen
United Fruit Company
Tela, Honduras, CENTRAL AMERICA

Dear Paul:

Thank you very much for your reply to my letter of October 10. Even though it came too late to be of direct use, I was very happy to have your opinion on this project because the NSF decided to support it.

Both Juliet and I were very sorry to hear of Dorothy's troubles. We hope that she is recovering rapidly and that she will be as good as new again before very long. Please give her our very best wishes.

Your Christmas card was received this morning. I suspect that one of ours is in the mail for you or will be soon.

Cordially,



Const. J. Alexopoulos
Professor of Botany

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