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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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Plant Introduction Section
October 27, 1955

Dr. Paul H. Allen
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Apartado 93
Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Dear Dr. Allen:

Recently I have had a reference to your interesting paper on the Poisonous and Injurious Plants of Panama. After several tries I was able to borrow a copy from the Library of Congress. The Agriculture Library does not have it, nor do we have a copy in the Section. Since we are doing so much work with people interested in potential medicinal plants, which include many poisonous plants we should be very happy to have some copies of your paper if there are any available.

You may be interested to know that I was able to get some *Ormosia* seed in the Zone, and some more through a collector in Panama. The chemical work is developing in an interesting and, we hope, useful way.

I had three months of collecting in Costa Rica, which I enjoyed very much, in spite of a great deal of rain. I hope to return in January.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Bernice G. Schubert

Bernice G. Schubert, Botanist
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