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Research Foundation  
Oklahoma  
Agricultural and Mechanical College  
STILLWATER

April 11, 1947

Dr. Ray C. Friesner  
Department of Botany  
Butler University  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Dr. Friesner:

I wish to thank you very kindly for the recent number of the Butler University Botanical Studies which you sent me. I hope to have some separates to send you sometime this year.

Do you ever run across any seed of some of the native or cultivated legumes growing in your State? If so, I shall appreciate receiving a very small amount, depending upon the size of the seed, so that I could have perhaps about one hundred seed as a sample.

Any favor that I may be able to render you, I shall be glad to do it.

Very truly yours,

*Robert Stratton*

Robert Stratton  
Curator Herbarium

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April 16, 1947

Dr. Robert Stratton  
Curator of the Herbarium  
Oklahoma A. & M. College  
Stillwater, Oklahoma

Dear Dr. Stratton:

I shall be glad to try to collect seeds of legumes occurring in Indiana for you. I have some herbarium specimens set aside for you, but do not know, without going to the basement where I always do this sorting, whether the pile is large enough to warrant sending before the end of another collecting season. At any rate, I shall, sooner or later, be sending you some nonduplicating specimens. Please do not bother to write regarding them unless you should not be able to use them.

I have missed seeing you at meetings in recent years, chiefly, I judge, because I have not been able to attend the regular Association meetings.

Sincerely yours,

Ray C. Friesner



Research Foundation  
Oklahoma  
Agricultural and Mechanical College  
STILLWATER

May 9, 1947

Dr. Ray C. Friesner, Curator  
Department of Botany Herbarium  
Butler University  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Dr. Friesner:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the 70 fine specimens which arrived yesterday in good condition.

We are hoping to get out some exchanges even yet this spring, but we do not know definitely whether time will permit. We have quite a few ready for examining and sorting to our different collectors.

Thanking you very kindly for remembering me in this exchange, I am,

Very truly yours,

*Robert Stratton*

Robert Stratton  
Curator, Herbarium

RS:p



6030 N. Oakley Ave.  
Chicago 45, Ill.  
June 30, 1947

Dr. Ray C. Friesner  
Botany Department  
Butler University  
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir:

As I promised you, I am enclosing a Tribune map of Chicagoland, which goes well into northern Indiana when you refer to the reverse side.

After I left you and Dr. Deam, I botanized along the Monon Railroad into San Pierre. About  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile south of town along the railroad I found the enclosed *Oenothera*. I presume it is *Oenothera tetragona* var. *longistipata*, but it seems to be quite narrow-leaved. I was wondering if it couldn't be *Oenothera fruticosa* (old *O. linearis*). If such is the case, that would be something new for the state.

Our recent trip will always remain a treasured memory, and I wish to thank you for the many courtesies shown me at the time. I hope you and Dr. Deam can get up my way again later in the year.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely,

Floyd A. Swink