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## SMITH KLINE &amp; FRENCH LABORATORIES

1500 Spring Garden Street, Philadelphia, Pa. 19101 • 215 LOcust 4-2400

October 30, 1973

Ms. Ida K. Langman  
5515 Wissahickon Avenue  
Apt. B-202  
Philadelphia, Pa. 19144

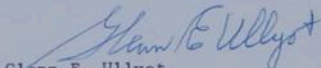
Dear Ms. Langman:

Indeed, I do remember you and the work you were doing on a bibliography on Mexican flowering plants. I have not seen the published article.

Several years ago, we discontinued our Natural Product program dealing with plant materials, although we have done a little work with one or two plant products since then. Thus, we would not have any opening for bibliographic work related to plant materials. At the present time, I know of no other openings, but if you would wish to send me your resumé I would be glad to bring this to the attention of our Personnel Department in case something else should turn up.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,



Glenn E. Ulliyot  
Director, Scientific Liaison

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Research and Development Division

Smith Kline & French Laboratories · 1500 Spring Garden Street, Philadelphia 1, Pa.

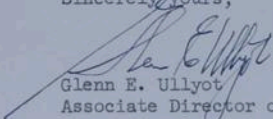
July 7, 1964

Mrs. Ida K. Langman  
Department of Biology  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Langman:

It was nice to hear from you again. Unfortunately, we do not have anything in our Natural Products Program which we might offer for your consideration. However, I have been in touch with Mr. Henry Longnecker, Manager of our Science Information Department, and I am passing your letter along to him. He thought he would like to consider the possibility of something turning up in the Science Information Department which would be of interest to you. You will hear from Mr. Longnecker at a later date.

Sincerely yours,



Glenn E. Ullyot  
Associate Director of  
Research and Development

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Smith Kline & French Laboratories · 1500 Spring Garden St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19101

July 15, 1964

Mrs. Ida K. Langman  
Department of Biology  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania

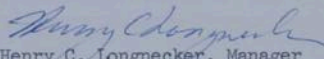
Dear Mrs. Langman:

Dr. Glenn Ullyot has spoken with me about your interest in exploring full time employment possibilities here at Smith Kline & French. In view of your wide botanical experience, I've taken the liberty of discussing your situation with Dr. Robert Raffauf, who, as you probably know, is a member of my department.

While we presently have no immediate openings in the department, I would appreciate your completing the enclosed application so that I'll have a better picture of your training and experience. I'd also appreciate your indicating what type of job opportunity you'd be interested in. I've enclosed a self-addressed envelope for your reply.

You can be sure that should we have an appropriate opening for a person with your background and interests, we will be in touch with you again.

Sincerely,

  
Henry C. Longnecker, Manager  
Science Information Department

HCL/jda

*see assistants Mr. Richard Williams 8/7/64*



SMITH KLINE & FRENCH LABORATORIES

1500 SPRING GARDEN STREET, PHILADELPHIA 1, PA.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

May 15, 1959

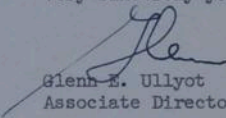
Mrs. Ida K. Langman  
3509 Baring Street  
Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Langman:

I am glad to learn that your bibliographic project is nearing completion. I am sure this will be a great source of satisfaction to you.

I am turning your letter over to Mr. Henry Longnecker, Head of our Science Information Department. Any work which would be of interest to you would be in his Department. Either Mr. Longnecker or I will let you know what the possibilities are.

Very sincerely yours,

  
Glenn E. Ulliyot  
Associate Director of Research

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SMITH, KLINE & FRENCH LABORATORIES · PHILADELPHIA 1

ESTABLISHED 1841

October 29, 1957

Mrs. Ida K. Langman  
3509 Baring Street  
Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Langman:

I was pleased to learn that you have returned to the States and that your work is progressing quite satisfactorily. We would indeed be very happy to see you but I agree it may be appropriate to finish your present work first. Please let us know when it would be convenient for you to come. We would very much like to have you join us for lunch.

Miss Correale recently sent me a clipping from a bulletin which referred to your work in Mexico. From that I had surmised your bibliography had been completed but now I realize it meant your work in Mexico had been completed.

Miss Correale sends her regards.

Very sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Glenn E. Ulliot'.

Glenn E. Ulliot  
Associate Director of Research

GEU:ref

Fepic Nay febrero 3-1957

Carla Gido:

Rosalina manda para Ud un caluroso saludo y le participa que recibí su carta fecha da el día 21 de Enero del presente año. Me imagino lo agotador del trabajo que se ha impuesto para preparar su Bibliografía. Pero gran satisfacción tendrá cuando vea cristalizados sus trabajos en una hermosa obra en la cual ha puesto su espíritu y conocimientos, trabajo para bien de muchas generaciones. Desearía saber cual es el título de ese libro y si pasando algún tiempo tendremos en esta Biblioteca una donación como las recibimos de otros países.

Me satisface saber que desearía volver a México y ojalá se le conceda pues solo rotando oro muy de prisa admiraría las bellezas naturales de este Maycuit. Le diré que ahora todos los mexicanos estamos sufriendo fuertes heladas y hasta nevadas en M.C. D.F. y sus alrededores, y por tal razón los vientos helados no llegan a Tepic. Según gráficas de los periódicos las características se interrumpieron Puebla y Cuernavaca y otros lugares quedaron incomunicados. Dicen que era un espectáculo hermoso pero yo no hubiera querido estar en esos lugares pues soy sumamente friolenta. Tengo 3 hermanas 2 prof. pensionadas por el Gov. y una Doc. en Obstetricia que ejerce con éxito #

Mis padres ya no existen pero todos somos  
unidos y vivimos felices ¿Ud tiene fa-  
miliares? Me imagino que sí, saludos  
para ellos. Con afectuosos recuerdos me

Despido

Rosalina L. Matena

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MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN

"SHAW'S GARDEN"

2315 TOWER GROVE AVENUE  
ST. LOUIS 10, MISSOURI

October 7, 1964.

Mrs. Oscar Langman  
248 Hardy Street  
Philadelphia, Penn.

Dear Ida,

Congratulations on finally finishing the page proof of your Guide. It will be a great satisfaction to see this thing finally within covers, I am sure, and I certainly look forward to seeing our copy.

Your curriculum vitae has been on top of a pile of agenda for some time so that I had repeated occasion to think about what you might do next. I regret to say I have not come up with anything except a rather pessimistic quotation--I had occasion to write the librarian at the University of California in connection with someone who had sent a curriculum vitae indicating a rather wide experience and other matters not too unlike your own regarding languages and bibliography. He thanked me for my remarks but said: "Your friend will have to learn that libraries are finding less and less money for people with that kind of background and training." Not everyone agrees with him, of course, as witness the APS and the Huntington and, I suspect, Harvard. But it is discouraging to think that if you could put in your curriculum vitae<sup>MLS</sup>, no experience, little knowledge, but outgoing, you would probably be hired the next day. I am sure you won't feel as acid about this as I do because you are less prone to damage your health by permitting yourself to get into an acid condition, but I think you must realize the facts to be more or less as I indicate they are. We get many of the professional library journals and I always read the placement sections. I cannot remember a single one where it was clear at least that someone with your skill was being looked for. Of course, you do not indicate that you like to work in a library anyway as a librarian, so may be all of my remarks are pointless anyway. *Would you?*

Now that I have said all of the above I wonder if the Middle American Research Institute at Tulane ought not to be interested in your qualifications. But, of course, Joe would have thought of it so my remark is not very novel. The University of Miami has found money to subsidize bibliography of Southwest Asia. It would seem more pointful to me if they found money to subsidize bibliography of South America. Of course, there is always Southern Illinois University, but let me be the last person to suggest that

you get involved with that mélange of ..., well, mélange. I shall keep thinking about you.

I hope things are otherwise going well for you and Oscar and send my best greetings.

Sincerely yours,

*George*  
George B. Van Schaack  
Librarian

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PS. No - 20 Edinburgh - Boulder. From  
June 27 to now have been 5 blocks outside  
the inner belt road!

MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN

"SHAW'S GARDEN"

2315 TOWER GROVE AVENUE  
ST. LOUIS 10, MISSOURI

January 10, 1962

Mrs. Ida Langman  
Botanical Laboratory  
Division of Biology  
The College  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia 4, Penn.

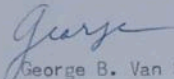
Dear Ida:

It was a pleasure to have dinner with you and Oscar last week and to be able to spend the evening talking over some of our common interests. But my visit with you as well as my whole visit in Philadelphia was much too short. I learned many things from Mrs. Phillips and Mr. Olson but regretably had very little time to examine the library in any detail. After lunch I went down to the American Philosophical Society and had an equally fascinating time there. It would be nice to know just what their source of specie may be for I should like to be able to tap it. I left there in a sort of swoon and went on to Washington, where I got another knock-out blow at Mrs. Bliss' library in Dumbarton Oaks. If you have not seen it, you should certainly make the effort to do so. The day in Pittsburgh was also very exciting for Mrs. Hunt has made a marvelous collection of books and has provided most tasteful and practical quarters for their study.

I return herewith the reprint of your bibliography which you had sent me last October. I am sorry to have kept it so long.

Best wishes to both of you.

Sincerely yours,

  
George B. Van Schaack  
Librarian

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P.S. I attach your note about Karl Mueller annotated to correct spelling, hyphenation and abbreviation.

MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN

"SHAW'S GARDEN"

2315 TOWER GROVE AVENUE  
ST. LOUIS 10, MISSOURI

September 28, 1960

Dear Mrs. Langman:

I believe that you may not have found Backeberg's article in the DA copy of *Cactaceae* because there were two parts in that year, each of them paged separately.

The reference you gave is correct; on pages 32 and 33 of the second issue for 1942 occur the maps and the text (here in German). Will you need to see this copy?

The article on *Washingtonia* does not occur on pages 123 - 130, but pages 123 - 126 and was written by L.C., namely, Ladislaus Cutak.

I have no information on Dr. Popenoe but I may be able to find out within the next few days where he is now living.\*

It is kind of you to say that you had missed me at Stillwater. I should have liked to ~~be~~ be there but my vacation was so long in coming that when it once started the 1st of August, I went off to the west for six weeks. I took a young German with me who did most of the driving so I rode in style and camped without more than a pleasurable amount of physical exertion. We saw rather too many of the spectacular scenic wonders of the Rockies and beyond, but it was a very pleasant trip and most restoring. We found the Ewans in Berkeley and they went with us to Yosemite for three days, including a fine hike in the high country.

Not that I am tired of answering questions, for you have really asked very few, but may I present my congratulations on the advanced progress you report with your bibliography? Please let me know if I can do anything further for you.

With kindest wishes.

Sincerely yours,

*George B. Van Schaack*  
George B. Van Schaack

\* They next write to *Cucurbita aquilaria panamericana*, Zamorano, Honduras. Letter to him never to be published.



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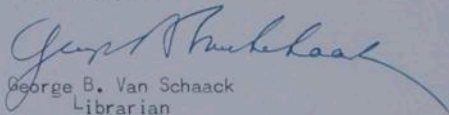
May 1st, 1959

Mrs. Ida K. Langman  
3509 Baring St.  
Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Langman:

I think the best way to handle the matter of the Deutsche Gaertner Zeitung that you want to see is to send it to you. Because of its fragile condition I should prefer to send it to you directly by express and have you return it similarly because I do not trust the interlibrary loan clerks to follow packing directions for such fragile books, but I am not sure that it would be convenient for you to receive it at 3509 Baring St. If it is convenient or if it could be sent to your office address please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

  
George B. Van Schaack  
Librarian

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3315 TOWER GROVE AVENUE  
ST. LOUIS 18, MISSOURI

February 2nd, 1959

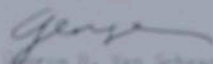
Mrs. Ida Langman  
3509 Baring Street  
Fowellton Village  
Philadelphia 4, Penna.

Dear Mrs. Langman:

You make our face red. Our catalogue lists Christy's book, but I cannot find it on the shelf. It seems never to have been charged out, so I don't know what may have become of it. The card, however, cites the book as having Sections 2 to 11, 1870-1889. Just what you may have seen when you were here I do not know. If the book turns up and gives any pertinent information I shall let you know.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

  
George B. Van Schaeck  
Librarian

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MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN

"SHAW'S GARDEN"

2315 TOWER GROVE AVENUE  
ST. LOUIS 10, MISSOURI

January 13th, 1959

Mrs. Ida Langman  
3509 Baring Street  
Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Langman:

Your letter of nearly a month ago has just reached me, having chased me to California and back.

We do have Bulletin des Sciences Physiques for the year 1839, incomplete but containing all of the botanical articles that appeared that year. However, which year do you want to see? You say you have seen 1839 in New York, but that you still want to see Vol. 2. According to the Union List of Serials, 1839 is Vol. 2. If it is our copy which you wanted to see I will send it to you because there is a long list of botanical articles which I could doubtfully evaluate for the information you want.

*See vol. 2  
1839-39*

Sincerely yours,

*George*  
George B. Van Schaack  
Librarian

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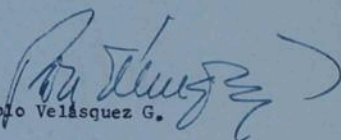
July 29, 1963.

Miss Ida K. Langman  
Botanical Laboratory  
University of Pennsylvania  
Philadelphia 4, Pa.

Dear Miss Langman:

Our mutual friend, Professor Hernández forwarded your letter dated June 3rd, 1963 regarding Plummer, C. C. Jicama (yam bean), 1943, so we could look in our catalog and indexes in order to find the correct bibliographical data, but we just couldn't find anything regarding to the above work.

Sincerely yours,

  
Pablo Velásquez G.

Enclosed please find your letter.

Our address is as follows:  
Agricultural Library  
The Rockefeller Foundation  
Londres 40  
México 6, D. F.

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UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL  
AUTÓNOMA DE  
MÉXICO

Ciudad Universitaria, 15 de marzo de 1958.

Mrs. Ida K. Langman  
3509, Baring Street  
Philadelphia 4, Pa.  
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Muy estimada Sra. Langman:

Hace unos días la Srita. Sara Martínez me mandó decir que usted estaba interesada en la tesis de Lanz Margalli, "Ensayo geofísico del estado de Tabasco".

Nos dió un poco de trabajo localizarla, pues no fué presentada en Filosofía y Letras, sino en la Facultad de Ciencias. Es por esto que no le habíamos enviado una respuesta más oportunamente. Los datos bibliográficos correspondientes son:

Lanz Margalli, Luis. Ensayo geofísico del estado de Tabasco  
México, D.F. 1939, 184 hojas a máquina 18 x 22 cm.

Si a usted le interesa consultar esta tesis, nosotros tendremos mucho gusto en enviársela a través de nuestro servicio de préstamo interbibliotecario, que se efectúa siempre entre institución e institución, en este caso sería, por ejemplo, la biblioteca de la Universidad de Pensylvania o la pública de Philadelphia, quién solicitaría la tesis en préstamo. La solitud deberá ser enviada a:

Srita. Alicia Perales  
Jefe de Servicios al Público  
Biblioteca Central.  
Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México  
Ciudad Universitaria.  
México, D. F. Zona 20

Siento mucho no poder hacer más para servirla en esta ocasión.  
La saluda muy cordialmente, su atto. y s. s.

*Rafael Vélez*  
Rafael Vélez.  
Coordinador de Bibliotecas



*International Union of Biological Sciences*

INTERNATIONAL BIOHISTORICAL COMMISSION

from the secretariat: CHRONICA BOTANICA HOUSE, WALTHAM 54, MASS., U.S.A. — Telephone: WA 5-0600 — Cables: FLORA

July 6, 1954

Mrs. Ida K. Langman,  
3509 Baring Street,  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mrs. Langman,

I just finished attending to a variety of time-consuming duties in connection with the Historical Section of the Congress and the I.U.B.S. meetings. I am certain that your address on the history of the Mexican gardens will be appreciated. I also wrote still about it to Robyns, the Chairman of the Botanical Gardens Committee of the I.U.B.S. which is meeting at the same time.

For a number of years (1935-1953) I engaged in publishing ("the Chronica Botanica Co.") and international relations work (Botanical Secretariat of the I.U.B.S.). There were connections between the two kinds of work, but they were minor.

Last year, I managed to turn over the Botanical Secretariat of the I.U.B.S. to Professor Lanjouw and I now only have the management of the Int. Biohistorical Commission.

\* During the past twelve months, we have been working hard to coördinate most (though not all) publishing and Int. Biohistorical Commission work as you will see from the enclosed memorandum which I may have sent already a few days ago. The planning of the "new" Chronica took so much time and effort that I have been a poor correspondent lately.

In the "new" Chronica, I will easily have space for an article by you about the various discoveries, etc., concerning which you reported on November 23, 1953. This letter was written in long hand. If it would be of help to you, I will return it. To this article, you may find it useful to add a general, introductory statement about the scope of your bibliographic project.

I am afraid that I also did not yet thank you for your letter of February 23 with the corrections and additions to Merrill's opus.

The letter of Dr. Pla of May 21, 1954, which you sent me the other day, refers to a review copy of the "Proceedings of the 7th International Botanical Congress" which he will receive shortly.

\* I enclose 3 duplicate references which may be of interest.

Could you easily give me the address of Dr. de Barbolla about whom you wrote to Schultes, earlier this year?

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Do you know anything about Augusto Bonifacio GHIESBREGHT? Was this a priest born in the Netherlands?

At the Arnold Arboretum, we have a 256-page paper bound "Indice de los nombres mexicanos / de las / plantas descritas en la obra del Dr. Hernandez", an index to the 4-volume edition of Hernandez which lists 4043 plant names. The index referred to does not have a title page and we do not know anything, whatsoever, about the author, place of publication, etc., If you have an entry about this in your bibliography, a copy of this would be appreciated.

Last year, while I had your manuscript on loan, I copied the following 2 entries which intrigue me:-

Sesse y Lacasta (Martín de): Oracion Inaugural. Mexico, 1778.

24 pp. (Copy seen at the Bibl. Nat. Mex.).

- "Para la Abertura del Real y nuevo estudio de Botanico dixo en esta Universidad el Director del Jardín y Expediciones".

- 5718.

Anonymous: Instruccion Hecha de Orden del Rei N.S. n.d., n.p., 24 pp;

a copy seen at the Bibl. de la Hacienda Mexico, evidently not in the United States. "Para preparar y enviar a Madrid todas las

producciones curiosas de Naturaleza en todos los dominios de S.M."

- 5728.

They may or may not be worth reprinting with some appropriate annotations. *To reprint these I would need the originals or loan which may not be easy!*

The following advice may come a bit late. I should, however, like to draw your attention to the fact that most people, who prepare a long bibliography, type their entries on sheets of the size as the enclosed sample. If the entry is short and simple, the sheet is cut in two over the fold, otherwise the whole sheet is used. The single or folded sheets (5½ x 8½") can easily be filed in boxes as a card index. This works easier, I think, than the method you employ! The folded sheets can even be used to file small slips, Library of Congress cards, etc. If one has a bibliography on sheets of this size, it is, generally, easier to make things ready for press.

With kind regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Frans Verdoorn.

UNIVERSITY of PENNSYLVANIA

PHILADELPHIA 19104

The University Press

3933 WALNUT STREET

October 21, 1971

Mrs. Ida Langman  
248 Harvey Street  
Philadelphia  
Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Langman:

After some further research, I found the documentation for the invoice of March, 1968. The charge of \$45.00 was originally incurred for proofreading the errata list. This is the probable explanation for the seemingly conflicting dates of the publication of your book and the date of the invoice.

My error in accrediting the royalties to your account has been corrected. \$23.75 will be transferred to the Morris Arboretum, accompanied by a corrected statement. Unfortunately, this action results in the full amount of the \$45.00 charge remaining in your account.

Copies of the corrected statement, the request to pay the proofreader, the invoice and the most recent statement of your account are enclosed.

I hope this will help in clarifying the matter.

Sincerely,

*Ann Vreeland*

Ann Vreeland  
Royalty Accountant