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September 18, 1948

State Division of Forestry
410 Rosenberg Building
Santa Rosa, California

Attention
Mr. A. F. Wallen or
Mr. Francis Raymond

Gentlemen:

At the suggestion of Professor Fritz I am seeking your assistance in the following connection.

The officials of the Second South American Botanical Congress which meets in Tucuman, Argentina, October 10-17 have invited me to be President of a Section of the Congress. I am to be a guest of the government so far as transportation and maintenance are concerned and this University has given me leave of absence to accept the invitation. After the Congress I shall continue the plant collecting carried on during four previous visits to South America in Argentina, Chile and Peru until December 15th.

In addition to a technical paper in the Section on Cytogenetics I wish to present a more popular lecture on Sequoia (including "Metasequoia") at the Congress and before scientific societies elsewhere in South America. My friend Mr. Drury of the Save the Redwoods League will loan me 35 mm Kodachrome slides of the Redwood vegetation to illustrate this lecture. He is not sure how many he can assemble, possibly not over thirty. For ~~the~~ past week I have daily expected to receive them but as yet they have not arrived.

In any case I should like, if possible, to have more than thirty slides. ~~When~~ Professor Fritz suggests that possibly you may have slides which are not continuously in use and which I could borrow for two months. Lumbering and milling and forest conservation would be important to show as well as general views of the redwood forest association. South Americans are intensely interested in California and its natural resources.

The time, unfortunately, is short because I am leaving for South America on October 4th and must prepare my lecture on the basis of the slides I will have available and have it translated into Spanish before the date.

With much appreciation in advance for any assistance you can give me in the above connection, and with best wishes

Sincerely,

THG:T



STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF FORESTRY

North Coast District

Santa Rosa, California
September 21, 1948

Post Office Box 291

Refer to Number
AFW 9-21

Director T. H. Goodspeed
University of California
Botanical Garden Expeditions to the Andes

Dear Mr. Goodspeed:

I am forwarding, under separate cover, thirty-two Kodachrome transparencies of different redwood scenes. These may be used as you see fit, but would appreciate their return as soon as practical.

You will note attached to this letter a brief description to accompany each slide which may be of some help to you when preparing your talk. We have quite a large library of slides, and should you desire specific views, we may have them on file.

We trust the slides we send will be of some help to you.

Sincerely,

F. H. RAYMOND
Deputy State Forester

By

Arnold Wallen
Arnold Wallen
Forest Technician

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Att.

October 14, 1948.

Mr. Arnold Wallen,
Division of Forestry,
Post Office Box 281,
Santa Rosa, California.

Dear Mr. Wallen,

Dr. Goodspeed was extremely appreciative of your prompt and effective response to his request for Kodachrome slides to be used to illustrate his lectures on the genus Sequoia to be given before South American audiences during the next two months.

The majority of the slides were just what he needed and it was very helpful to have the descriptive material accompanying them.

A few of the slides which Dr. Goodspeed did not use I am returning to you today; the twenty which he took to South America with him will be returned in December.

With many thanks for your cooperation,

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Goodspeed

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Dept. of Botany
Berkeley 4, California
February 8, 1949

Mr. Arnold Wallen
Division of Forestry
Box 291
Santa Rosa, California

Dear Mr. Wallen:

I am returning under separate cover the twenty 35 mm slides which you kindly loaned me for use in South America last October.

The slides were used very effectively at the South American Botanical Congress in Tucuman, Argentina and later before the Division of Forestry of the Argentine Ministry of Agriculture, conservation societies and the famous Argentine Rural Society. In Chile and Peru I also used them to illustrate a lecture for the Ministries of Agriculture and for a number of botanical and other societies.

With appreciation of your cooperation and with all good wishes

Sincerely yours,

THG:T

#9
1000 Sutter Street,
San Francisco, California,

July 22, '48

Department of Botany, Berkeley

Dear Sirs:

Will you kindly inform me if Professor T. Harper Goodspeed has brought out his new book upon his South American journeying in search of botanical specimens. I have been reading *The Plant Hunters in the Andes* and have learned so much from it.

I am a member of the Class of '02 and the botanical gardens were not very much in those days, I took several courses under Dr. Satchell. Is the public allowed entrance to the botanical gardens to-day? I would like to visit them.

Sincerely Yours,

Mrs. Lillie M. Waller-Walker.

Say nothing
since the Hunter
enclose never reprints or SA
Say garden hours 9-4
daily including Sunday

August 19, 1948

Mrs. Lillie M. Waller-Walker
1000 Sutter Street
San Francisco, California

Dear Mrs. Waller-Walker:

I have your letter of July 22 requesting information concerning publication of the account of our South American plant hunting expedition. There has been no book published since Plant Hunters in the Andes. However, I am enclosing a number of reprints of articles dealing with the more recent South American exploration, which may have some interest for you.

The Botanical Garden, in Strawberry Canyon, is open to the public daily, including Sundays, from 9 to 4.

Sincerely yours,

THG:t

Enclosures

WILLIAM W. WALLIS
7721 BEACH VIEW DRIVE
NORTH BAY ISLAND
(MIAMI BEACH 41.) FLORIDA

Dear Dr. Foadspeed: Apr. 13, 1956.

You may remember my name in connection with correspondence you had a few months ago with our mutual friend Buddie Kelly; part of which concerned my interest in living material of some South American and other plants.

As a youngster my interest in plants led me into employment at the US Natl. Museum (~~1907~~ 1907-1912 - in the general office) & US Bird Survey (1912-13) and growing through the years, until now, altho I can not pass exam as a technical botanist, I do claim to understand "what they are talking about." However, (at age 65) I have prudently had to shrink my interest in live plants down to the size of my modest grounds. I am particularly interested in the smaller plants, more or less new to this area, that will thrive naturally, & without too much attention. Our temperature extremes (last 5 yrs) are 39° to 90° both side. Soil is limestone base - & city water to pH 8.6-8.9! At present, among good results are many gemoneriads, aloes, Kalachoe, arroids,

Acanthaceae, amaryllids, bromels. ^{rubra} ^{and other} ^{succulents}
I have so far tried only one *Alstroemeria*,
(*A. speciosa*) a low growing sort, which is
steadily spreading (fls. brown-red tips,
on white). This plant was received thru
Fairchild Tropical Gardens, and source is
unknown. ^{Xome} Also I have been unable to find
any mention of this species, altho I have
entire file of *Herbertia* (+ *Rant Life*) (except
(1937 yearbook) _____ Sincerely W.W. Wallis

Dear Harper:

I have been visiting Mr. Wallis for a few
days and want to add a word to what he
has written in sending my greetings.

He very much wants to try out
Alstroemeria in his gardens and I do hope
you can send him a plant or two. I am sure
he would like to try out other things.

Buddie

for Key West

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

This letter was put together in rather a hurry due to Buddie
deciding to take a plane available on short notice.
I have just left him at the airport. His new
Key West address is 620 Eaton Street, an apartment.
I am long accustomed to propagating a wide variety of plants
from seeds or small ~~but~~ bits of material & will be grateful for
anything, with report of ^{publications} ~~desp.~~ ^{Would also appreciate list of plant}
publications. Yours truly W.W. Wallis

2079 Life Sciences Bldg.
University of California
Berkeley, California
April 26, 1956

Mr. William W. Wallis
7721 Beach View Drive
North Bay Island
Miami Beach 41, Florida

Dear Mr. Wallis:

Many thanks for your letter of the 13th including a note from Buddie Killip. I was glad to have his address and have written him.

I am sure that we can send you material for your garden and will see to it that a selection is made and forwarded to you.

As perhaps I told you earlier our *Alstroemerias* grown from seed we collected fifteen years ago in South America are badly mixed because of hybridization. When we were down there in 1952 we made more collections and if they have seeded or will seed this summer I will send you seed. I would be glad to have seed of the species you grow.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

THG.T

WILLIAM W. WALLIS
7721 BEACH VIEW DRIVE
NORTH BAY ISLAND
(MIAMI BEACH 41.) FLORIDA

April 30 1956

Dr. T. H. Goodspeed
2079 Life Sciences Bldg
University of California
Berkeley 4, California.

Dear Dr Goodspeed:

Many thanks for your letter of April 26 in regard to sending me plant material and seeds. We are daily expecting our friend Killip to stop with us on his way to Washington, as he usually gets there in time to attend the "Spring Field Meeting" at Plummers Island (Wash. Biol. Field Club) which is set for Sunday May 6. (I am also a member, since 1912). His address in Washington is Care of Smithsonian Institution, Washington 25, D. C.

I, too, expect to leave for Washington on May 15, ferrying a family car, and returning in about ten days by air. This is mentioned with the suggestion that any sending of plants may be arranged to arrive before May 15 or after May 25. (At this point, will say that I will be glad to reimburse for cost by which ever means of transportation is thought best.)

My one species of *Alstroemeria* (*A. speciosa* (?)) was received in Augnd and bloomed in Feb '55, without setting seeds. Although the stock has much increased and plants are in good growth, they have not bloomed this year. When they do, I will try to get seeds to send to you; or I will be very glad to send plants. I believe I can find out about shipment rules and certificates, etc. required for shipment into California, from my son-in-law, who regularly ships plants there from his nursery in Orlando. I am enclosing recent lists of his plants just on the chance that they may be of interest. Please let me know if you would care for any of this material; but advise anyone else who may see the lists not to send in orders without writing ahead, as much of his production is sold well ahead.

A question about alstroemeria seeds. I have had very poor germination (practically nil)* from purchased seeds, and have wondered whether 1) they are short-lived as in some other amaryllids, or 2) or if maybe they needed refrigeration treatment?

Yours sincerely
W. W. Wallis

2079 Life Sciences Bldg.
University of California
Berkeley 4, California
May 9, 1956

Mr. W. W. Wallis
7721 Beach View Drive
North Bay Island
Miami Beach 41, Florida

Dear Mr. Wallis:

I have yours of April 30. We will be getting off to you a shipment of material in a week or two and I hope that it proves to be of some interest.

When your *Alstroemeria* seeds we would appreciate a sample. In our experience plants unless grown in pots and shipped with "roots" intact will not travel successfully. We have had no difficulty with germination of seed without pretreatment although it has been slow and scanty.

Your son-in-law's *biolist* is interesting and we may wish to receive a few items.

I am sure your days at Plummer's Island were rewarding. I remember a week end there with Buddy many years ago.

With best wishes,

Cordially,

THG:T

August 27, 1948

Mr. Chesley Walter
1419 Broadway
Oakland, California

Dear Chesley:

As perhaps you know I start for South America, for the fifth time since 1935, on October 4, primarily to accept a rather flattering invitation from the South American botanists to become President of one of the Sections of their Second Congress which meets in Tucuman, Argentina, October 10 to 17. Since the Congress offered to pay our round trip transportation by air and maintenance during its sessions the invitation was difficult to refuse. Actually, the University has given me leave of absence until December so that after the Congress I can take advantage of the opportunity to carry forward for two months the work of the Fourth botanical expedition to the Andes which I organized when we were in South America in the summer of 1946.

These four expeditions represent one of the largest and most successful areal reconnaissances of the past fifty years. I take most personal satisfaction, however, in the contributions made to the South Americans themselves through the increased knowledge we have provided of their floras and particularly of new or previously little known plants of potential economic importance. The enclosed reprints will give some further idea of what we have accomplished down there.

In part because of injuries sustained in South America some years ago which have not too successfully yielded to treatment I cannot this fall do as much of the collecting at high altitudes and under other unfavorable conditions as I have done in the past. Therefore, to accomplish what I propose I must be able to hire local assistance. Because this is a rather personal problem I cannot present it to scientific foundations and institutions which have contributed to the University a considerable proportion of the \$70,000 which past expeditions have cost. I am, therefore, approaching a few of my friends who are interested in increase of goodwill and understanding between the Americas in the hope that I may be able to secure all or a part of the \$1800 which I estimate I will need to make my project a success. Contributions are to be made through me to the Regents of the University and are therefore deductible from income tax.

With all good wishes

Cordially yours,

THG:T

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April 20, 1953

Berkeley Campus
Botanical Gardens,
Berkeley, Calif.

Dear Sirs;

I have been referred to you as having an unusual collection of Columbines. Could you tell me about the best time to visit to see them in bloom? Also would appreciate any pamphlets available or further information about types you have etc.

Thank you very kindly in return for any help you can give me.

Very Sincerely
Mrs. R. Wanderstadt
28 Delmar St.
San Francisco 17, Calif.

University of California
Berkeley 4, California

Mrs. R. Wanderstadt
28 Delmar St.
San Francisco 17
California

Dear Mrs. Wanderstadt:

I have your letter of April 20 concerning a collection of columbine grown at this Botanical Garden. Unfortunately your information was incorrect and we do not maintain such collection.

The unit collections of Rhododendrons, Pelargoniums, Orchids, Cacti and Succulents are quite complete and you might find some interest in seeing them, particularly at this season when some are in flower.

Sincerely,

THG:T

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ONDERWERP:

Professor Dr T.H. Goodspeed,
University of California,
Botanical Garden,
Berkeley- California.
U.S.A.

WAGENINGEN, July, 21

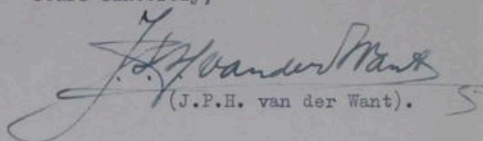
1951

Dear Professor Goodspeed,

Through the courtesy of Professor Clausen I received some years ago seed of some *Nicotiana* species, including *N. forgetiana*. From another source I received among others *N. angustifolia*. Although I am a plant pathologist and not a taxonomist, I read with great interest your paper on the taxonomic organization of the genus *Nicotiana* (1945), but I did not find the two species mentioned above. Perhaps you may give me any further information on these species, their authors and in what subgenera and sections of the genus they have to be placed.

Furthermore I kindly ask you whether it is possible to supply me with seed of the 5 species from the section *Tomentosae* in the subgenus *Tabacum*, viz. *N. tomentosa*, *N. tomentosiformis*, *N. otophora*, *N. setchellii* and *N. glutinosa*. I should be very glad to have these species for my virus work.

Yours sincerely,


(J.P.H. van der Want). 5

Send seed

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Berkeley 4, California
December 3, 1951

Dr. J.P.H. van der Want
Binnenhaven 4a
Wageningen
Holland

Dear Dr. van der Want:

I regret that your letter of July 21 has not received attention.

At the time my 1945 article on the taxonomy of Nicotiana was prepared the status of N. forgetiana was still in doubt. I now recognize it as a valid species: N. forgetiana Hort. Sander ex Hemsley, in section Alatae, subgenus Petunioides.

Concerning N. angustifolia it would be impossible to identify the material you have without seeing it since that name is a synonym of a number of Nicotiana species.

I am happy to send you the seed with your request.
With best wishes,

Sincerely,

THG:t

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ONDERWERP:

Professor T.H. Goodspeed,
Director Botanical Garden,
University of California,
BERKELEY, 4,
California (U.S.A.)

WAGENINGEN, 1. February 1952.

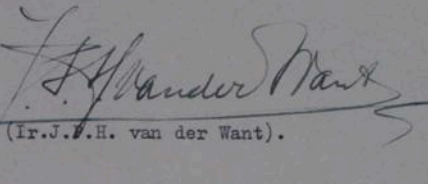
Dear Professor Goodspeed,

Many thanks for your letter dated December 3, 1951 in which you promised me to send seed of the 5 species belonging to the section Tomentosae. However, so far I have not received it.

As it is our intention to use the members of this section for our virus studies this summer I hope you will be kind enough to send it as soon as possible.

Hoping not to trouble you and thanking you in advance,

Sincerely yours,



(Ir. J.F.H. van der Want).

Gelieve bij beantwoording, datum en nummer van deze brief te vermelden

Berkeley 4, California
March 14, 1952

Dr. J.P.H. van der Want
Binnenhaven 4a
Wageningen
The Netherlands

Dear Dr. van der Want:

Enclosed herewith are packets of seed of the five species of section Tomentosae.

Response to your request for duplication of seed sent you in December has been delayed because of Dr. Goodspeed's absence in South America. Perhaps in the interim the first sending has arrived.

Sincerely,

Secretary

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Mrs. M. Thompson,
Secretary,
Botanical Garden,
University of California,
Berkeley 4, California, U.S.A.

ONDERWERP:

WAGENINGEN, 24 March

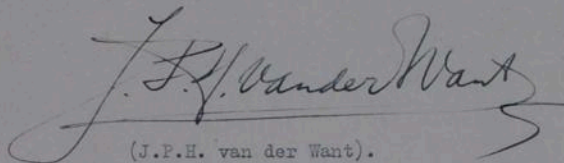
1952.

Dear Mrs. Thompson,

Many thanks for your letter dated March 14
and for the enclosed packets of seed.

I am sorry to say that the seeds which you
sent to me in December did not arrive.

Yours sincerely,



(J.P.H. van der Want).

Gelieve bij beantwoording, datum en nummer van deze brief te vermelden

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ONDERWERP:

Professor T.H. Goodspeed,
Director Botanical Garden,
University of California,
B E R K E L E Y 4, California.
U.S.A.

*sent
June*

WAGENINGEN, May 13th 1953.

Dear Professor Goodspeed,

Last year you was so kind to send me seeds of the 5 species belonging to the Tomentosae section of the genus *Nicotiana*. Owing to unfavourable conditions in our glasshouse during the past winter we did not harvest seeds from these species. So I should be very much obliged when you could send me once more samples of seed of these species. I hope this will not trouble you too much.

Sometime ago I read the announcement that your book "*Nicotiana*" is in the press. Did it come out already? We ordered a copy from the bookseller as we are very interested in it.

Thanking you in advance,
yours sincerely,
for the Director,
the Virologist,

J.P.H. van der Want
(Ir J.P.H. van der Want)

Gelieve bij beantwoording, datum en nummer van deze brief te vermelden

July 26, 1950
Berkeley 4, California

Warren's Nursery
2200 Fifth Street
Berkeley, California

Dear Mr. Warren:

Mr. Dutton reports that the Botanical Garden is once more in your debt, this time for a number of fine fuchsias which will be a distinct addition to our collection.

With thanks and much appreciation of your continued interest and cooperation,

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

Dept. of Botany
Berkeley 4, California
February 21, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Watchers
c/o American Embassy
Bogota, Colombia

Dear Friends:

It was nice of you to remember us with a card from Guatemala and good to know that the grand tour is going well. The following may be of service or interest.

Cali -- We have always stayed at Hotel Alferez Real but there is a newer one. If you stop at the Alferez Real give our greetings to Don Mario, the lord of the dining room! Ing. Agr. Hernando Lopez Torres lives at Calle 7 #5-71. He was a Fellow of the Rockefeller Foundation for a year at U.C. during 1947-48, a protegee of ours and a great friend of my mothers. He will be delighted to see someone from Berkeley. He is a Professor of Plant Pathology in the Agricultural College which has just moved from Cali to Palmyra. I think he plans to live in Cali. Some of his relatives have been at Mills.

Medellin -- The Nutivara is one of the finest hotels in South America but expensive. Perhaps there are less pretentious ones that would be acceptable but those we saw looked a bit overly "native". Arrange to have someone show you some of the orchid gardens.

Lima -- We have always stayed in Hotel Maury but it might be a little too rundown for you. However, it is the best place to eat in Lima. Hotel Bolivar is the famous tourist spot but Hotel Crillon is newer and said to be better. Dr. Alberto Geisecke, American Embassy, would be friendly and helpful. His remarkable career as Alcalde of Cuzco, Rector of the University there, adviser to Ambassadors, etc., was written up in Readers Digest a year or two ago. Dr. Nicolas van der Walle (the Consulate of Holland can give you his telephone number) is an old friend of ours. He was retired some years ago as a doctor in the Dutch East Indies service and has been living in Lima. He knows Peru rather well and would be happy to see you. We are fond of "Bill" Salazar and the Sra. He runs one of the most reliable silver and antique shops on Giron Union just above the Plaza San Martin. Ask to see his upstairs annex across the street.

Cuzco -- Government Tourist Hotel is said to be excellent. Dr. Cesar Vargas Calderon is Professor of Botany at the University. He had a half year at U.C. on a U.S. government fellowship during the war. A typical serrano who has made some thing of himself in a rather Dark Ages intellectual

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environment. We have known him since 1938.

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Arequipa -- The Government Tourist Hotel is more modern but Quinta Bates is world famous. In any case you should try to see Tia Bates and if you do please give her our love.

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Santiago -- We like Hotel Crillon and if you can stand the street noises a room in the "old part" is most comfortable. You will want to see Santiago College for Women (in suburb Los Leones) and get into touch with the Director, Miss Elizabeth Mason, our very good friend. As elsewhere in all larger cities in South America the American Cultural Institute is worth more than one visit.

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alle
he is a well
known aviator
& knows the natural
history of Chile
in detail.*
Valparaiso -- Hotel Astur or better hotels in nearby and famous Viña del Mar. Dr. Edwyn P. Reed (Casilla 1802, or in telephone directory) is an old and valued friend with whom we are constantly in correspondence. His father was brought to Chile in 1870 to teach Natural History in the Naval Academy and married a Chilean woman. Edwyn is more English than Chilean, a delightful, somewhat uninhibited gentleman with a splendid family of seven sons. You will like him.

Buenos Aires -- We stay at City Hotel because it is central and the service and restaurant are excellent. If you should stop there please remember us to the Manager, Sr. Favetto, and especially to the Porters! Dr. Lewis Hackett (address The Rockefeller Foundation, Diagonal Julio A. Roca 610, Buenos Aires) has for many years been head of the Foundation's public health work in most of South America. He spoke before the Pan American Association a year or two ago and would be glad to see you. We last saw the Hacketts in Lima in December.

Montevideo -- We hope that you can see our dear friends Dr. and Mrs. Ergasto Cordero. He is Director of the Natural History Museum and one of South America's most distinguished biologists. Was a State Dept. guest in U.S. in 1948 and spent some time in California. Both of them are most charming. If you can't see them perhaps you can telephone to them and give them our most affectionate greetings.

Sao Paulo -- Although we don't know Brazil at all (a day in Rio, only) Hotel Esplanade is highly recommended.

We hope that some of the above will be of use. Have a wonderful time -- we envy everybody who is off to our old South American haunts, even though we have just revisited them! A lot of the very best to you both from us both.

Cordially,

THG:G

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

APR 5 1957

Dr. T. H. Goodspeed
2079 Life Sciences Building
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

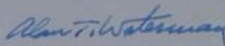
Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

We regret to inform you that the National Science Foundation is unable to support your research proposal.

In evaluating each proposal submitted to the Foundation, a number of factors are considered. They include the following: the scientific merit of the proposal and its merit in relation to other proposals received by the Foundation in the same general field of science; the relation of the proposal to contemporary research in the field; the distribution among fields of science within the program of the Foundation; the geographical distribution of research support by the Foundation; and, finally, the funds available for research support. Thus, many excellent proposals cannot be supported for reasons aside from intrinsic merit, although this is an important consideration.

Even though we are unable to support this proposal, we would be pleased to consider other research proposals which you might wish to submit.

Sincerely yours,


Alan T. Waterman
Director

Proposal No. B-4111
"Phytogeographic Problems
in Temperate South America"

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16 November 1953.

Dr. T.H. Goodspeed,
Director,
Botanical Garden,
University of California,
California,
United States of America.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed,

I have been interested to note that you have written a paper on Notes on the Vegetation and Plant Resources of Chile, published in Plants and Plant Science in Latin America, vol. 16 of Chronica Botanica.

I should be very glad if you would send me a reprint of this paper, and of any others which you may have written on the Botany, Economic Botany, Ethnobotany and Geobotany of Central ^{South} America.

With greetings,

Sincerely yours,

J.M. Watt

J.M. Watt,
Professor of Pharmacology & Therapeutics.

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4 January 1954.

Dr. Th. Goodspeed,
Department of Botany,
University of California,
Berkeley, California,
United States of America.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed,

I am very grateful for the receipt of a reprint of your paper "Notes on the Vegetation and Plant Resources of Chile", and for your indication of future papers on Chile and Peru. If you can spare me a reprint I shall greatly appreciate copies of these Phytochemical studies.

Sincerely yours,

J.M. Watt,
Professor of Pharmacology & Therapeutics.

2079 LSB
June 2, 1952

Mr. R. A. Weaver
Office of Architects and Engineers

Dear Mr. Weaver:

Confirming our recent telephone conversation I am enclosing plans for toilet facilities in the Botanical Garden prepared at my request by Dr. Charles G. Hyde. Also enclosed is a survey of the area in which the tile from the septic tank would be laid.

These plans were prepared some time ago and the space called "Tool and Work Room" can now be eliminated.

For the sake of appearance, in a natural setting, I feel that a wooden structure painted an appropriate shade of green rather than a stucco structure would be desirable.

The proposed site can best be indicated if someone from your office could meet me or Mr. Dutton, Supt. of Cultivations, at the Botanical Garden at your convenience.

Subject to a decision as to most desirable site and possible reduction in size or equipment of the proposed structure I think that the appropriation available will be sufficient to provide the necessary toilet facilities.

Sincerely,

THG:T

Dear Sirs:-

Can you give me
any information on
the propagation &
culture of *Ipomoea*
Tuberosa. (Ceylon Morning
Glory). I have been able
to get one started
after several tries.
I dont know how long
it will grow.

Yours Respty.

Otis H. Webb
1300 - Estudillo
San Leandro
Calif.

University of California
Berkeley 4, California
May 18, 1953

Mr. O. H. Webb
1300 Estudillo
San Leandro, California

Dear Mr. Webb:

I am sorry that your postal card concerning the propagation and culture of *Ipomoea tuberosa* was not earlier acknowledged. I know of no horticulturist in this vicinity who has had experience with this species. Certainly we have not at this Botanical Garden.

Regretting that I cannot be of service to you,

Sincerely,

THG T

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June 9, 1948

Prof. J. H. Goodspeed
University of Calif.

Dear Professor Goodspeed:

Thanks for your letter of May 27.
I will be pleased to receive the pictures.

I suggest if it is possible without using too much valuable space, that you leave your caladiums in the soil in which they grew. Otherwise cure them thoroughly and leave on racks in a cool ^{dry} place until ready for them. It is also well worth while to dust well with sulphur when you lay them away.

Sincerely,
F. W. Webb, Sr.

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Dear Professor Goodspeed:

In case you do not get
this journal I am mailing this
number to you as I am sure
that you will be interested in
the article on p. 211.

Please return this journal at some
future date as I file all of them.

Sincerely,
J. W. Webb, F.R.H.S.

J. W. Webb

*Montezumia
glyptostroboides*

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August 19, 1948

Mr. F. Webb
Bear Hollow Caladium Farm
Lake Placid, Florida

Dear Mr. Webb:

Many thanks for sending me the copy of the Journal of the Royal Horticultural Society, which I am returning separately. I was a member of the Society for many years, but shifted to a membership in the Linnean Society, the publications of which interest me more.

I am still trying to get for you the photographs of our Caladium exhibit at the Oakland Spring Garden Show.

With thanks for your sustained interest and cooperation, and best wishes,

Cordially yours,

THG:t

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Sept. 13, 1948

Prof. J. H. Goodspeed
U. of Calif.

Dear Professor Goodspeed:

I have just received a letter from —
Lily Bulb and Berry Nurseries
R. Latti - Proprietor,

P.O. Witte - Elsbosch,
Dist. Humansdorp, South Africa, who
wishes to exchange bulbs and plants
both wild and cultivated and I thought
you might be interested.

I received the journal which you returned —
Thanks.

Cardially yours,
J. W. Webb, Jr.

Thank -
Glad to have
this possible
exchange

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October 5, 1948.

Mr. T. W. Webb, Sr.,
Bear Hollow Caladium Farm,
Lake Placid, Florida.

Dear Mr. Webb,

Thank you for your letter of September 13th. with the address of the Lily Bulb and Berry Nurseries in South Africa. We appreciate your thinking of us in this connection and are glad to have this possible source of exchange.

With all good wishes,

Cordially yours,

THG/EN

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Oct. 11, 1948

Prof. J. H. Goodspeed
U. of Calif.

Dear Professor Goodspeed:

I have your letter of Oct. 5th.

I am very sorry that I have not been able to get the native plants which I promised you a year or more ago. I have not felt equal to the task as much, I would enjoy it. I arranged for two Seminoles to do it but their picking came on before they got around to it, now the high water again. I'll get them some way, so help me.

At what time would you like your caladiums shipped? I'll have several new ones this year and quite a number next year. I have about

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20,000 seedlings which will show color next year and I can hardly wait for them. I am now specializing in propagation of strap and lance varieties and when I get enough of some varieties to send you'll say, "there ain't no sick animals."

The Prof. T.H. Goodspeed is not a strap, but I think it is the most beautiful red I have ever seen - good bulb producer too, I will send you one this year. I have 14 of them now. They will be on the market in 1950-51 season if I have good luck with them.

My very best wishes,
H.C. Webb, Jr.

We will store your bulbs without extra charge, until you are ready for them.

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October 14, 1948.

Mr. T. W. Webb Sr.,
Bear Hollow Caladium Farm,
Lake Placid, Florida.

Dear Mr. Webb,

Your letter of October 11 has arrived during Dr. Goodspeed's absence in South America, where he is attending the Second South American Botanical Congress in Tucuman, Argentina, and will be brought to his attention when he returns to Berkeley early in December.

I know that Dr. Goodspeed will appreciate your thoughtfulness in keeping in mind his interest in securing native plants and he will be happy to have them whenever it proves possible for you to obtain them.

The Caladiums could be shipped at any time that is convenient for you and will be cared for at the Botanical Garden for Dr. Goodspeed, if they arrive during his absence. We shall all be interested in seeing your specialties and new varieties including the Prof. T. H. Goodspeed.

With thanks for your letter and with best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Dr. Goodspeed

MT/EN

Mr. T. W. Webb, Et.

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Dec. 29, 1948

Dr. J. H. Goodspeed
Berkeley, Calif

Dear Dr. Goodspeed,

I am shipping your 1/2
caladium bulbs today. I waited
longer than I intended to on account
of cold and the Christmas rush.
You will find several new ones and
about two corrections in names of
last year, at least I think two or three
names were switched last year, if
you follow the list this year you will
be able to discover any mistake if there
were any.

I am sending four Dr. J. H. Goodspeed,
but only one small bulb of the Nov.
Earl Warren as it is a seedling of last
year and I was only able to multiply it to

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This picture was made Christmas Day 1945

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Ted, Jr. and Bill

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three this year. I am also sending
a new white strap, "Frank Wharton"

I have about 40,000 seedlings this year
and they look as though they are going
to produce many worth while varieties.

From last year, I have about 150 ex-
ceptionally fine varieties out of about
8000 plants. Some will perhaps be so
near like other varieties that they will
not warrant a name.

Could you give me some names of
well known horticulturists which I can
use ^{as names} for some of my future varieties?

I hope your trip to South America
was a success, and I wish you a
successful 1949.

Very truly yours,
T. W. Webb, Sr.

P.S. - my son, Ted Jr. graduated last year at 16 and chose
the navy for three years rather than be drafted out of college
at 18. He left for San Diego the day after his 17th birthday
Dec. 4. He is looking forward to studying Horticulture under
you when he is ^{in Botany}

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February 24, 1949

Mr. T. W. Webb, Sr.
Bear Hollow Caladium Farm
Lake Placid, Florida

Dear Friend:

I am sorry that your kind letter of December 29th and the more recent receipt of the splendid collection of Caladium material has not earlier been acknowledged. As perhaps you know, I was in South America last fall and returned just before Christmas with the result that there has been a large accumulation of work to be done in recent weeks.

I appreciate your naming one of your fine Caladiums for me, and I look forward to seeing it in maturity. The other new variety you refer to should certainly prove interesting.

Since our greenhouse situation has been greatly complicated because a new 35' x 100' house which was to have been completed some time ago is still under construction, in the circumstances I have taken the liberty of turning to the greenhouse superintendent of the City of Oakland park system the tubers you sent me. The understanding is that from the plants produced I will have what I want both for display in our orchid collection and possibly for use in our exhibit in the forthcoming California Spring Garden Show. The remainder of the plants will be held in the display greenhouses in Oakland and will, I am sure, attract plenty of attention. In all three cases there will be labels or signs acknowledging your generosity in providing this beautiful material.

You certainly should have success as well as a great deal of labor in making selections from the many thousands of seedlings you propose to grow. There appears to be almost no end to the variations that your Caladium will produce.

With many thanks again for your renewed interest and cooperation and with every good wish for your success during the coming year.

Cordially yours,

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May 27, 1949

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

I have not been able to make the trip into the Everglades, so I am mailing a list of things (plants) which might interest you.

I thought I could get the plants related to Caladium from them, but to hunt them up myself seems to be the only way.

I hope your Caladiums did well this season.

Very truly yours,
F. W. Webb, Jr.

We will store your bulbs without extra charge, until you are ready for them.
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July 12, 1949

Mr. T. W. Webb, Sr.
Bear Hollow Caladium Farm
Lake Placid, Florida

Dear Mr. Webb:

Many thanks for your recent letter and your effort to obtain wild caladium relatives. I was glad to have the list.

Your caladiums were much admired this spring, and I thank you sincerely for your continued interest and cooperation.

Cordially yours,

THG:hm

T. H. Goodspeed

April 27, 1950

Mr. T. W. Webb, Sr.
Bear Hollow Caladium Farm
Lake Placid, Florida

Dear Mr. Webb:

I am writing for Dr. Goodspeed who is out of town this week of University vacation for a brief rest. Mrs. Goodspeed passed away last week following a long extended illness which has made the past year a difficult one for the entire family.

Dr. Goodspeed has had a request from the University at Istanbul, Turkey for plant material to help advance the Botanical Garden there. Included in the list of plants requested as suitable to the Istanbul climate is Caladium. Dr. Goodspeed felt that you would welcome an opportunity to contribute to this worthy project and that you might care to send material of a number of species of Caladium direct to Istanbul. Because of transportation costs which Dr. Goodspeed would want to reimburse you he has suggested that the shipment be kept to twenty to thirty fair sized tubers. They should be sent to the following address:

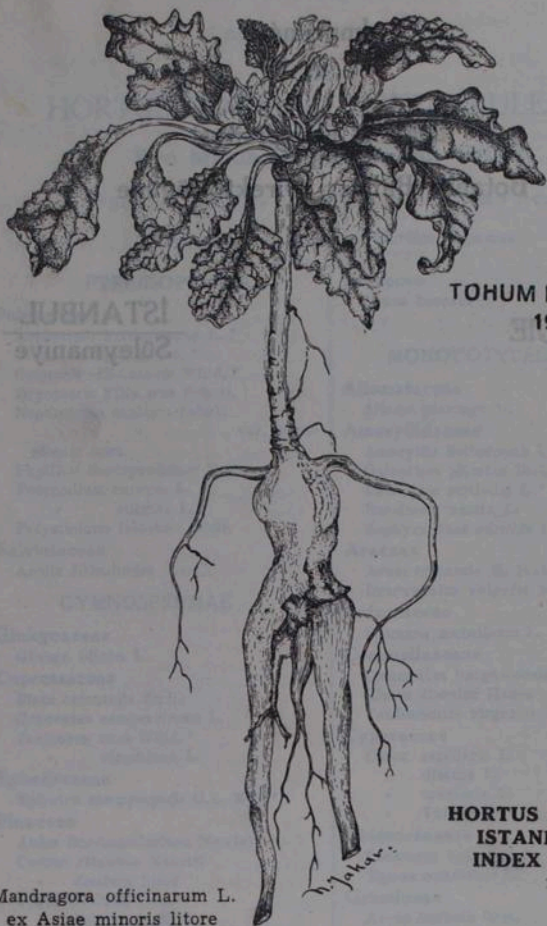
Prof. Dr. A. Heilbronn
Istanbul Universitesi
Botanik Bahcesi Direktoru
Suleymaniye
Istanbul
Turkey

Your beautiful caladiums are always much admired here. With appreciation of your cooperation in the past and in the present project, and with all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

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TOHUM KATALOGU
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HORTUS BOTANICUS
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Mandragora officinarum L.
ex Asiae minoris litore
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April 5, 1950
W.C.

Mrs. Mildred Thompson, bety
Dr. Goodspeed
University of Calif.

Dear Mrs. Thompson:

I am very sorry to learn of Dr. Goodspeed's
misfortune. I have been confined since last
Sept. with arthritis of the spine - 10 weeks in
a body cast. I am now in a wheel chair.
I have not been in the packing house this
season.

Everything in the larger bulbs are sold out
and we are sending two each in the small sizes to
Dr. Goodspeed, so he can send them to Berkeley as
we have so much trouble with export packages
through our one horse exp. Agency here.

My sympathy and best wishes
to Dr. Goodspeed.

Very Sincerely yours
W. C. Webb, Sr.

We will store your bulbs without extra charge, until you are ready for them.
We will not be responsible for bulbs kept in any storage other than our own.

Berkeley 4, California
June 15, 1950

Mr. T. W. Webb
Bear Hollow Caladium Farm
Lake Placid, Florida

Dear Mr. Webb:

Thank you very much for your gift of Caladium tubers. The majority were sent some time ago to Turkey and will I know be much appreciated.

I held out a few tubers to renew our representation of your splendid material in the Botanical Garden here. They are growing nicely and I am certainly proud to have my name attached to what seems to me to be one of the most attractive of your productions.

The news of your illness was distressing. I hope that long since you have entirely recovered.

With thanks again and all good wishes.

Cordially,

THGLT

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION
BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY, SOILS, AND
AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING



U. S. Fiber Crops Field Laboratory
3960 Lemon St., Riverside, California
June 18, 1950

Prof. T. H. Goodspeed
Department of Botany
University of California
Berkeley, California.

Dear Prof. Goodspeed:

Irma informs me that you can supply us with a number of Phormium tenax cuttings. Since we are badly in need of phormium plants, I certainly appreciate this offer. I will be in Berkeley Friday the 23rd of June and will obtain the cuttings at that time, if convenient for you.

With best regards,

Sincerely yours

Miller

J.M. Webber, Cytologist

~~Commit ret.~~
~~Paul Hester~~

January 26, 1954
221 No Rampart Blvd.
Los Angeles 26, Calif.

Dear Dr. Jandresch, Rampart

I am looking for a job, and I should very much like to work in your Botanical Gardens. I was there once again last October, when the thought occurred to me I talked about it to one of your gardeners, a tall husky man, whose name I don't recall. He was very obliging and suggested that I talk to you about it.

Although I am not a botanist, I have a great deal of experience in bulb growing, I specialized in so African bulbs, and I am a very good gardener.

May I suggest Dr. E. B. Balbach in a way of a reference. I am writing him at the same time to make it simpler - he is a good friend of ours. Do write me soon, please.

Sincerely

Lina Littschwager Weikmann

Berkeley 4, California
January 22, 1954

Miss L. L. Weinbaum
221 No. Rampart Blvd.
Los Angeles 20, Calif.

Dear Miss Weinbaum:

Thank you for your letter of January 20.

All positions in this Botanical Garden are filled for the current academic year and I do not anticipate any change in our staff for the following year. I will, however, be glad to place your name on file.

Sincerely,

THG:T

OLIN WELLBORN, III
714 WEST OLYMPIC BOULEVARD
LOS ANGELES 15, CALIFORNIA

February 4, 1948.

Dear Harper:

Many thanks for the most interesting botanical publications which I received yesterday and also for the copy of your splendid article on present day Western Hemisphere policies and prospects which appeared in the Argonaut of April 11, 1947. I had already read your article but it was well worth reading again.

The publications on rhododendrons are not only in demand in my own household but also in my mother's and I am sure they will be both instructive and beneficial.

The next time I am in San Francisco I shall give you a call on the phone and see if we can't get together for a little visit. I would like to know more about the South American expeditions.

My best, if you please, to Mrs. Goodspeed, and the usual warm regards for yourself.

Sincerely,



Dr. T. Harper Goodspeed
Professor of Botany
University of California
Berkeley, California

August 27, 1948

Mr. Olin Wellborn III
714 West Olympic Boulevard
Los Angeles 15, California

Dear Olin:

Since receiving your kind letter of February 4 I have looked forward to the possibility of seeing you when you came North and particularly in order that I might present the following matter to you.

The South American botanists have honored me by designating me President of one of the Sections of the Second South American Botanical Congress which meets in Tucuman, Argentina, October 10 to 17. Since the Congress offered to pay Florence's and my round trip by air and maintenance during its session the invitation was difficult to refuse. Actually, the University has given me leave of absence until December so that after the Congress I can take advantage of the opportunity to carry forward for two months the work of the Fourth botanical expedition to the Andes which I organized when we were in South America in the summer of 1946.

These four expeditions represent one of the largest and most successful areal reconnaissances of the past fifty years. I take most personal satisfaction, however, in the contributions made to the South Americans themselves through the increased knowledge we have provided of their floras and particularly of new or previously little known plants of potential economic importance.

In part because of injuries sustained in South America some years ago which have not too successfully yielded to treatment I cannot this fall do as much of the collecting at high altitudes and under other unfavorable conditions as I have done in the past. Therefore, to accomplish what I propose I must be able to hire local collecting assistance. Because this is a rather personal problem I cannot present it to scientific foundations and institutions which have contributed to the University a considerable proportion of the \$70,000 which past expeditions have cost. In the circumstances and because some years ago you were good enough to take a generous interest in my South American proposals I am hopeful that you may care to supply all or a part of the \$1800 which I estimate that I will need to make my current South American proposal a success. Contributions are to be made, through me, to the Regents of the University and are therefore deductible from income tax.

With many thanks for your past cooperation and with all good wishes

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January 28, 1955

Dr. H. R. Wellman
101 Giannini Hall
Campus

Dear Dr. Wellman:

Because of my long contact with the botany and agriculture of the west coast of South America I was, of course, interested in what was said in the newspapers here and in Chile concerning a cooperative effort, involving this University, to advise and assist Chile in development programs of agricultural education and scientific research.

The enclosed resume of my South American background may indicate that I could be of some service in connection with the Chilean proposals. If so, I should be glad to comment more in detail upon certain aspects of my past services to the Chilean Government which appear to articulate with and to some extent to have anticipated certain of the announced aims of the Chilean program.

As you know, I was retired in July 1954 and reemployed full time for the current academic year. Concerning the question whether, as a Carnegie beneficiary, I shall be offered reemployment for another two years (or until age 70) I have no knowledge. In any case I should prefer to continue to make my South American training and experience pay some dividends in terms of increasing mutual understanding and goodwill between the two Americas.

Sincerely,

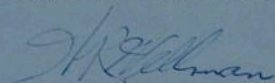
THG:T

February 1, 1955

PROFESSOR T. H. GOODSPEED -

Many thanks for your letter of January 28, indicating your availability for service in connection with the Chilean contract. For the first year it is proposed to send to Chile a specialist in farm irrigation and a specialist in farm management. In addition, Dean Hutchison may go to Chile as a consultant for a period of three or four months in connection with the curricula of the colleges of agriculture there.

If the Chile government should request a botanical scientist for service under the contract I will certainly get in touch with you.



Duke University
DURHAM
NORTH CAROLINA

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

October 6, 1955

Professor Thomas H. Goodspeed
Department of Botany
University of California
Berkeley, California

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

In view of your extensive *Nicotiana* research program, I wonder if you might be able to donate seed of certain North American species in that genus. Dr. Dwight Billings and I are undertaking an ecological study of *Nicotiana trigonophylla*, *N. palmeri*, *N. attenuata* and *N. nudicaulis*, and are trying to obtain seed from these four species. We would be most grateful for any help you might be willing to give.

Sincerely yours,

Philip V. Wells

Philip V. Wells

pvw:gg

2079 Life Sciences Bldg.
University of California
Berkeley 4, California
April 26, 1956

Dr. Philip V. Wells
Dept. of Botany
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Wells:

We are now able to provide seed of the species of
Micotiana requested in your letter of last October.
They are enclosed.

Sincerely,

THG:T

Duke University
DURHAM
NORTH CAROLINA

May 23, 1956

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

Prof. T. H. Goodspeed
University of California
Berkeley

Dear Dr. Goodspeed,

Thank you very much for
the seed of 4 species of N. American
Nicotiana.

I wonder if you could answer
these questions:

1. To what extent is the wide
distribution of *N. attenuata* due to
Indian cultivation?

2. Do you believe that *N. nudicaulis*
is an allopolyploid of *N. trigonophylla* X
N. attenuata? (or pre-*attenuata*)

3. Is *N. palmeri* a good species?

Sincerely yours,
Philip V. Wells

2079 Life Sciences Building
University of California
Berkeley 4, California
July 3, 1956

Dr. Philip V. Wells
Dept. of Botany
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina

Dear Dr. Wells:

Concerning the influence of Indian cultivation on the distribution of *Nicotiana attenuata* I would refer you to p. 430 of my recent volume on *Nicotiana* (*Chronica Botanica* 16, 1954).

As indicated in that volume the evidence suggests that *N. nudicaulis* is of amphiploid origin involving progenitors of section *Trigonophyllae* and of section *Acuminatae* (cf. pp. 293-294 and index).

Concerning the identity of *N. palmeri*, it is obviously close to *N. trigonophylla* and it is possible that when many more collections are made it would be found to represent an extreme in a range of variation in the latter species. However, with the evidence at present available to me, I consider it worthy of specific rank (cf. pp. 387, 388).

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

THG:Y

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May 9th, 1957

The Botanical Garden
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

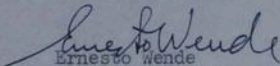
Dear Sir:

Dr. Martin Cárdenas asked us to send you several botanical specimen which he collected on a recent trip to Perú. The specimens were sent to you by Airmail in a package through the San Francisco Bureau of Plant quarantine. The following specimens were sent to you:

- 1.- Tephrocactus sp. Near La Rya - Perú
- 2.- Tephrocactus Lagopus La Rya - Perú
- 3.- Opuntia vestita La Paz - Bolivia
- 4.- Three samples of succulent plants.

I trust you have received the specimens in good order.

Sincerely yours,



Ernesto Wende
Assistant to the Director
Servicio Agrícola Interamericano
c/o American Embassy
La Paz - Bolivia.

Address: Dr. Martin Cárdenas
Servicio Agrícola Interamericano
Cochabamba - Bolivia

EFW: mto.

2089 Life Sciences Building
University of California
Berkeley 4, California
June 4, 1957

Mr Ernesto Wende
Assistant to the Director
Servicio Agricola Interamericano
c/o American Embassy
La Paz, Bolivia

Dear Mr. Wende: re Ag. Econ. 163-57

Please accept my thanks for your cooperation in the forwarding of living plant material secured for this Botanical Garden by Dr. Martin Cardenas.

The plants reached us in good condition.

Sincerely,

THG:T

Berkeley, California

May 4, 1951

Mr. Frank W. Wentworth
1864 Yosemite Road
Berkeley

Dear Frank:

Pursuant to our recent conversation I am enclosing excerpt from a letter written by a collegus in the College of Agriculture at Davis to a series of Washington agencies which might have supported my Chilean proposals. The replies have been negative. Because I told those in Chile who asked me to start development of their Botanical Garden project that I would attempt to finance my visit through Washington they now assume that such financing has been arranged. Indeed the Chilean newspapers have published the statement that I am coming without cost to Chile.

In the circumstances I propose to go to Chile for three months beginning in September or October. In addition to advising on the Botanical Garden proposal I will continue my botanical explorations of the Chilean and adjacent Argentine Cordillera. To do so I must take with me a trained collector both to accomplish as much as possible in a limited time and because it is unsafe to be alone on such expedition.

To carry out this project I will need \$7000 for transportation, maintenance, collecting equipment and supplies and for shipping of collected plant materials to Berkeley. I have \$2000 in hand.

The proposed botanical expedition will, I am sure, be designated as an official one by the University and donated funds will be accepted by the Regents to be expended on my requisition.

Any suggestions you may have concerning possible sources of support will be much appreciated.

Cordially,

THG:T

BOTANISCHER GARTEN UND MUSEUM
BERLIN-DAHLEM

Berlin-Dahlem, den 29. Okt. 195
Königin-Luise-Straße 6-8
Fernsprecher: 76 30 98

Es wird gebeten, alle Antworten und Sendungen zu adressieren:
„An die Direktion des Botanischen Gartens und Museums“

Sehr geehrter Herr Hr. Goodspeed,
in der Anlage sende ich Ihnen die beiden
Tausendstelzerstücke und bitte um Berücksichtigung soweit
es möglich ist. Für Ihr freundliches Überbieten bezüglich
dankend bin ich mit vielen Grüßen
Ihr ergebener
D. Wundermann



JGGossett/rs

THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AMERICAN EMBASSY
Bogotá, Colombia
September 8, 1948

Dr. T. H. Goodspeed,
2079 Life Sciences Building,
University of California,
Berkeley 4, California.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

After receipt of your letter of April 21, we again inquired at customs concerning your package. Customs was unable to find the package at the time and only now, as the result of a subsequent move of the customs warehouse, have we relocated it. We were able to get it out without cost and are shipping it to you via the Plant Inspections House. It will take about two months for the package to reach Plant Inspections from here and perhaps some little delay will occur there, but we trust that it will eventually reach you in good order. I am writing Plant Inspections to bill you for any costs incurred there and postal charges.

Sincerely yours,

For the Ambassador:

Kenneth Wernimont
Kenneth Wernimont
Agricultural Attaché

Stockholm December 9th 1955.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

At its meeting on December 7th the Swedish Royal Academy of Sciences has unanimously resolved to matriculate you among its Foreign Members. The Academy also has given me in charge to corroborate that fact by forwarding to you the Diploma which, as soon as it has been produced, will be sent to you.

Our Society is most happy in conferring on you this token of profound respect, called forth by your masterly researches in the domain of Botany, which have for ever enrolled your name in the Annals of this Science..

Yours faithfully

Arne Westgren
Secretary

Dr. Thomas Harper Goodspeed
University of California
Berkeley, Cal. U.S.A.

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2079 Life Sciences Building
University of California
Berkeley 4, California
December 14, 1955

Dr. Arne Westgren, Secretary
Swedish Royal Academy of Sciences
Stockholm 50
Sweden

Dear Dr. Westgren:

I am extremely gratified by the announcement contained in your letter of December 9 that I have been elected a Foreign Member of the Swedish Royal Academy of Sciences. This is a great honor and I am very appreciative of it and of your kind references to my botanical accomplishments.

You may be interested to know that the background of my cytotaxonomic research was obtained during the year that I spent as a stipendiate of the American Scandinavian Foundation (1922-23) in the laboratory of the late Dr. Otto Rosenberg at Stockholm's Hogskolan. I have had the opportunity three times since to be in Sweden and derive benefit from contact with my botanical colleagues there.

It is, therefore, particularly gratifying to me that from the country to which I owe so much scientifically I should have received this signal recognition.

Faithfully,

THG:T

1648 Willowhurst Ave;
San Jose, (25) Calif.
September 2, 1957.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed;

Thank you for the sympathetic letter that you wrote me at the time of father's death. Louise and I have had a hard time readjusting our selves to life with out him.

Now we are planning a three months trip to Lima, Peru, by steamer.

We are on the seventy year mark, and in fair physical condition. I am asking your advice, and shall abide by your judgement.

Can we make the trip and live there for three months for two thousand dollars, more or less?

Would the trip be one of interest to us with our limited background? So far the limit of our explorations has been Hawaii.

If you can find time to advise me, I shall be very grateful.

Stewart D. Weston,
1648 Willowhurst Ave.
San Jose (25) Calif.

Sincerely,

Stewart.

Berkeley 4, California
October 1, 1951

Mr. Stewart D. Weston
1648 Willowhurst Ave
San Jose 25, California

Dear Stewart:

Please forgive me for being so slow in answering your letter concerning the proposed trip to South America. I have been getting information on current conditions in Peru where I have not stayed for more than a very brief visit since 1942~~3~~43. Actually you can get from a large Travel Bureau, like Lachelt (Financial Center Bldg., Oakland) more up-to-date information than I can give you.

The round trip fare San Francisco to Lima on a Grace & Co. boat will be a minimum of \$1600 less 10% for the two of you.

Have you considered Guatemala which is a far more interesting country than Peru and much more convenient to get around in for the tourist? Another possibility is a trip around South America by boat or at least to Valparaiso by boat, over the Andes to Buenos Aires by train or plane and back from B.A. to San Francisco by boat. Usually, such a boat trip is less expensive than any other type of vacation because the boat is your hotel and all costs except sightseeing in stopovers are covered. Also the voyage from San Francisco down the west coast is delightful in my experience. I believe that such a trip would cost approximately \$2500 for the two of you.

Wish I could be of more help but if I were you I would write to Lachelt or see some San Francisco travel agency. Lachelt always makes all arrangements for me when I go to San Francisco or Europe.

With best wishes

Cordially,

THG:T

Portsmouth, N. H.
November 1, 1949

Professor J. H. Goodspeed
Department of Botany
University of California,
Berkeley 4, California.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

We have had good weather and a fine trip to date. Occasionally there is a little rain or fog, but that only makes us feel at home. One certainly sees the character of the country travelling by daylight in a car. The deciduous forests, changing in composition from middle United States to northeastern Canada, have been interesting. And as for standing, dry corn, I shall remember field upon field of it, always! One hears of the corn belt, but it is not the same as seeing it.

We were delighted with French Canada. At the Montreal Botanical Gardens I saw their tremendous greenhouses with fine collections of certain groups. In Quebec we pattered about the narrow winding streets and felt we were in another world, a world in which one would soon learn French.

Today our destination is the region of Cape Ann, my grandfather's early home. At seventeen he set

out for California, never to return East except for a visit forty odd years later.

I enclose an application for leave to complete the three months. As nearly as we can calculate, at the rate we can travel comfortably, it will take the full time tentatively planned before leaving, to return via Florida and the southern route. My last day at work was Friday, September 16. In the enclosed application the November date is left blank as unfortunately I did not check the exact number of days ^{of accumulated vacation credit immediately} before leaving. The credit will be slightly over 37½ working days as that was the official figure given Mrs. Thompson by Mr. Benedict's (?) office for some time in August. Would Mrs. Thompson be so kind as to check the record of that office and fill in the date on which the leave should begin?

Dad has continued well. I am grateful that we can have this trip together, and particularly for your thoughtfulness in the matter.

With our best regards to you and Mrs.
Goodspeed.

Yours sincerely,

Helen-Mar Wheeler

Portsmouth, N. H.
November 1, 1949

Dr. Lee Bonar,
Acting Director, Botanical Garden
University of California
Berkeley 4, California.

Dear Professor Bonar: -

If it be possible, I should like permission
for leave from the University of California,
for travel, from November to December 16,
1949 inclusive.

Very truly yours
Helen-Mar Wheeler,
Research Associate in Botany
and Senior Botanist,
Botanical Garden

November 2, 1949

Dear Mrs. Thompson:

Please excuse the paper. It is the only kind near at hand at this hour. Yesterday I mailed a letter to Dr. Goodspeed with application for leave thru Dec. 16. In it I mentioned $37\frac{1}{2}$ working days accumulated vacation credit as of some time in Aug. It occurred to me as soon as the letter was posted that the figure probably was $35\frac{1}{2}$ and I felt somewhat embarrassed. In the commotion of getting off I did not check the status as of Sept. 16, the last day I was at work, hence I had to request Dr. Goodspeed to ask you to please check the ^{now} date the leave should begin to keep the record straight. The correct amount of accumulated time should show up, therefore, in any event, but it may be slightly under, rather than over the figure mentioned.

It seems to me I am always asking a favor of you rather than sending you any sort of proper travel note. The time passes more rapidly than seems natural when one is driving, for we go to bed very early in order to keep rested throughout.

At the moment we are in the heart of New England, on the coast a few miles from Boston. We are spending the night in my great, great grandmother's house as the guest of two very interesting cousins. Both are retired now. One taught art at Wayne University, Detroit for many years, the other had her own private school in the same city. We had Tabatha ~~Poor~~ in common. From the stories they tell of her, she must have had some spunk.

This morning we are looking forward to seeing the old Witch House which was in our family for many years.

New England is charming. It doesn't seem quite real, but rather a page out of a story book. The houses are square and white with dark shutters - typical Colonial. The meadows are green as if sown to lawns. Everywhere bushes and trees in in gold, russet and flaming red. In addition there are picturesque coos and inlets with little fishing boats. As one man said: "from June through October it is heaven here. After that

anything can happen!" Last year they had no winter at all they say. The year before they were deep in snow all winter long.

It has been very interesting to come from the hamlets of Quebec province, each with the little homes clustered about a huge, stone, Catholic church with tall spire visible for miles to bustling New England towns with severe, white wooden Congregational churches with steeple and columns. The Catholic always are open, of course. Candles are burning. Visitors are encouraged. Especially it is hoped they will leave a small donation for upkeep. The Congregational are shut. Indeed on the last one, in addition to a notice of a town meeting there was posted a notice against loitering on the front steps.

Everywhere there are historic houses. Even though occupied, people like to have a little sign indicating the position in history. Everywhere are old cemeteries. One we stopped at was set aside in 1639. Much of the carving on the stones was becoming obliterated, but the general style of the old stones was interesting. Over and over one saw the head and wings

of an angel at the top and
beneath it "Here lies ye body of"
The ye is usually written \int to
save space.

We are told that when we
go south to Florida we probably
will not be minded so much, as
our license is California. But when
the New England people go there they
are still "those d— farks".

Closing in haste

Sincerely,

Herbert Wheeler

January 17, 1949.

Dr. Louis C. Wheeler,
Head, Department of Botany,
University of Southern California,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Dr. Wheeler,

My friend and former student, Dr. J. W. McKay, has asked me to address you in behalf of his candidacy for a position in botany at your institution. This I am happy to do because I have a high regard for Dr. McKay's capacity as teacher and investigator.

His record as a graduate student here was exceptionally good, in part as a result of his adequate fundamental training in plant science and in part because of his intellectual aggressiveness. Dr. McKay's acknowledged success in cytogenetic and allied research in the government service would, I believe, have been equalled by his success as a teacher had he continued his initial academic contacts. This belief is based upon his record in instruction in this department and my knowledge of the helpful, human quality of his personality. Certainly he will bring to a teaching position in his own and related fields an unique background of training and experience and his teaching should have singular effectiveness because he will be able to relate fundamental theoretical concepts to practical problems of plant production. He has a reputation for ready cooperation with his associates, has a good sense of humor, is conscientious and loyal.

Mrs. McKay also obtained the Doctorate in this Department. Like her husband she has a pleasing personality.

I am glad to recommend Dr. McKay without reservation as a candidate for the position in question.

Sincerely,

THG/EN

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
3516 UNIVERSITY AVENUE
LOS ANGELES 7

Feb. 16, 1956

Prof. T. H. Goodspeed
Dept. of Botany
University of California
Berkeley 4, Calif.

Dear Prof. Goodspeed:

This is a request for information concerning Mr. John ("Jack") Whitehead who served under you as superintendent of the Botanic Garden, University of California, Berkeley. Any information will be kept strictly confidential.

Mr. Whitehead is now serving under my direction caring for the garden and greenhouse here. He is proving increasingly difficult because of insubordination and unauthorized independent action. In order to guide myself in taking appropriate action it would be helpful to me to know whether you had any difficulties with him during his incumbency under you, and his reason for leaving his position at the University of California, Berkeley.

Any information which you may be kind enough to give me will be appreciated and the confidence respected.

Yours truly,

Louis C. Wheeler

Louis C. Wheeler
Associate Prof. of Botany

Berkeley 4, California
April 25, 1956

Professor Louis C. Wheeler
Dept. of Botany
University of Southern California
3518 University Avenue
Los Angeles 7, California

Dear Prof. Wheeler:

Please forgive my seeming lack of attention to your letter of February 16. It became misplaced and has only recently reappeared.

Your experience with the gentleman in question corresponds exactly to mine. Indeed, I did not expect that he would last with you more than a few months and since he did I assumed that he had had a change of heart.

He voluntarily resigned his position here to accept one with you which appealed to him because, according to my remembrance, it included a certain proportion of time for research. His resignation was a great relief to me.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

THG:T

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*approve letter
glad to be asked to do*

38 Avila Road
San Mateo, California
May 25, 1954

Dr. Harter Goodspeed
University of California Botanical Gardens
California

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

Mrs. Gallagher, our new President, has asked me to write to you requesting that you continue to honor us by serving as a member of the Advisory Committee to California Garden Clubs, Inc. This committee, as you know, is listed for the benefit of our general membership in both our state roster and official monthly magazine, Golden Gardens.

Your continued support and cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Cordially,

Mrs. Clem Whitaker, Jr.
Mrs. Clem Whitaker, Jr.
Corresponding Secretary

2079 Life Sciences Building
University of California
Berkeley 4, California
October 7, 1954

Mrs. Clem Whitaker, Jr.
38 Avila Road
San Mateo
California

Dear Mrs. Whitaker:

I should long since have acknowledged your letter of May 25 which was apparently misplaced in my correspondence file and overlooked.

I very much appreciate the honor of serving as a member of the Advisory Committee to California Garden Clubs, Inc. and will be glad to continue to serve in any way possible.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

THG:T

2079 Life Sciences Bldg.
University of California
Berkeley 4, California
April 25, 1956

Dr. Douglas Whitaker
The Rockefeller Institute
New York 21, N.Y.

Dear Douglas:

Many thanks for your recent letter. I join with the other Sons of Toil in wishing you well in your new post which, unfortunately, deprives us of our pleasant association with you. Hopefully, as a guest we shall see you at the Grove in years to come.

As you may know I have been in South America many times in the past twenty years making studies of the character and distribution of little known floras, particularly on the West Coast. Partially to repay the cooperation received from South American governments I have given lectures in universities and technical advice to Ministries of Agriculture. One of my cooperative projects is the development of a National Botanical Garden and research station near Valparaiso.

Friends in Chile write that the Rector of the University of Chile, Dr. Gomez, is visiting the United States under the auspices of the Rockefeller Foundation. He proposes to take an interest in the Chilean Botanical Garden and may care to see our Garden in Berkeley when he visits California.

Although I know that it is not in your bailiwick could you suggest the name of someone in the Foundation who could give me Dr. Gomez' itinerary and possibly make a tentative appointment for him with me.

Once more, all success. With best wishes,

Cordially,

THG:T

THE ROCKEFELLER INSTITUTE
NEW YORK 21, NEW YORK

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

April 27, 1956

Dr. T. H. Goodspeed
2079 Life Sciences Building
University of California
Berkeley 4, California

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

This morning I received your letter of April 25 and thank you for your good wishes in my new post.

I have found out that Mr. Kenneth Wernimont at the Rockefeller Foundation (49 West 49th Street, New York, N. Y.) has Dr. Gomez in tow. In fact, I talked with him on the phone a few minutes ago and Dr. Gomez was sitting at his elbow.

I told him of your interest in contacting Dr. Gomez in Berkeley and he has agreed to write you. Mr. Wernimont tells me that the plan for Rector and Mrs. Gomez to travel to California is not completely determined in all respects. The Gomez's are leaving New York on the morning of April 30 for Washington and the Foundation will be in touch with them from time to time before their trip to California.

The present plan is for them to arrive in San Francisco early Sunday morning, May 27. They will spend Monday, the 28th, in Palo Alto; then they will go to Davis on Tuesday, the 29th. They will be in Davis and Berkeley on the 29th, 30th, and 31st. A detailed schedule has not yet been worked out for them for the three days during which they will be in Davis and Berkeley. The Foundation is trying to make arrangements through Dr. Wellman at Berkeley because of the interest in agriculture of Dr. Gomez. Mr. Kenneth Wernimont is writing not only to you but also to Dr. Wellman and will tell Dr. Wellman of your interest in being hospitable to Rector Gomez.

I attempted to telephone this to you a few minutes ago but found that you had left your office and might be away for the week-end. Consequently I am sending it out airmail.

Sincerely,

Douglas Whitaker

2079 Life Sciences Building
University of California
Berkeley 4, California
May 3, 1956

Dr. Douglas Whitaker
The Rockefeller Institute
New York 21, New York

Dear Dr. Whitaker:

Many thanks for your thoughtfulness in giving me the information concerning Dr. Gomez contained in your letter of the 27th.

I will look forward to hearing from Mr. Wernimont directly or through Dr. Wellman.

With thanks again and best wishes,

Sincerely,

THG:T



DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

CENTRAL EXPERIMENTAL FARM

OTTAWA

October 15, 1948.

Dr. T. H. Goodspeed,
Botanic Garden,
University of California,
Berkeley, California,
U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

In attempting to check the classification of numerous species of Nicotiana being grown in our species garden, I have been unable to obtain an adequate taxonomic key to determine the correct species names. "Studies in Nicotiana" by H.M. Wheeler, 1935, gives a key to some fifteen species but I would like to obtain one covering the fifty-eight species as you have organized them in your 1945 paper appearing in the Botanical Review, Vol. 11, No. 10.

If such a key to the species is available I would greatly appreciate receiving one or, knowing where one could be obtained.

Also, I would be much obliged if you could have a small sample of seed of Nicotiana tomentosiformis sent to me.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "F. H. White".

FHW/EH

F. H. White,
Agricultural Scientist.

November 17, 1948

Dr. F. H. White
Tobacco Division
Central Experimental Farm
Ottawa, Canada

Dear Dr. White:

Your letter of October 15 addressed to Dr. Goodspeed has been received during his absence in South America where he attended the Second South American Botanical Congress in October and is now reorganizing the work of the Fourth University of California Botanical Garden Expedition to the Andes begun in 1946.

Unfortunately a taxonomic key covering the fifty-eight species of Nicotiana is not at present available. In addition to the Key to which you refer given by Dr. Wheeler to the Australian species is an older one by Millan to the Argentine species which you may find of use. You may be familiar with the latter key also: Millan, A. R. 1928. "Las especies del genero Nicotiana de la flora argentina." Revista de la Facultad de agronomia y veterinaria de Buenos Aires, entrega II, tomo VI.

A key to the fifty-eight species of the genus is in preparation here and will be included in Dr. Goodspeed's monograph of the genus to be published probably by the end of the year 1949.

As requested in your letter I am enclosing a small packet of seed of N. tomentosiformis.

Sincerely yours,

MCT

Secretary to Dr. Goodspeed

Prof. Will
Molina UCLB

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Dear Mr. White:-

We will be glad to send you a bundle of cuttings of *Nalaequonia glyptostroboides* by express, collect.

Using the different kind of wood on these cuttings you will find that they will root readily. We use a mixture of terralite and sand but sand alone will give good results but slower ones.

If you do not have success with this material please let me know and we will duplicate the shipment or if possible, send you a shipment of rooted cuttings.

Sincerely

T.H. Goodspeed

c/o Mr. Philip E. Thomas,
31 Academy Place,
Canandaigua, New York.
April 18, 1949.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

We have finally landed in Canandaigua where we are staying with Alice's sister and her family. We'll be here a couple of weeks or thereabouts. Dates hardly mean much to me these days as we are everlastingly on the go.

This tip has been a revelation to me in so many ways that I have difficulty writing coherently about the experiences we have had. It is difficult to write of people and places without creating wrong impressions. However, of one thing I am sure and that is that the University of California Botanical Garden at Berkeley has nothing to be ashamed of and stands comparison with any garden seen in the eastern United States. Certain it is that I have seen no more beautiful setting for a garden than yours in Strawberry Canyon. As a matter of fact I have seen no garden with such interesting collections of botanical plants as those at your botanical garden. I have been greatly disappointed in all the gardens I have visited and the seat of the trouble seems to lie in two directions: a decided lack of botanists in living plant material and an almost complete absence of properly trained assistance.

The first botanical garden we visited was at Fort Worth, Texas. There is a lot of ground rather poorly landscaped but a good rose garden tastefully worked out on a hillside. It is formal and planted to horticultural varieties and not, as in Berkeley, to species. There is a fine cactus and other succulent rockery here but the plants are all dead or dying and look pretty sick. There are folders all over the place setting forth the educational purposes of this botanical garden but there is little to back up the publicity of these folders. There is a small greenhouse with a lot of rubbish, and that rubbish poorly grown and labelled with common names only, in no sort of arrangement. The man in charge the day of our visit said that the thing to see was a wonderful bed of pansies outside. Ye Gods! did I come east to see a bed of pansies at a Botanical Garden?

I was rather impressed at the Missouri Botanical Gardens. I met Dr. Woodson who was very kind and turned me over to Gus Melquist. Gus was teaching a class of amateurs in horticulture so I had some time to look over his greenhouses. Cutak, whom I have known for years, came along and he showed me over the large conservatories and growing greenhouses. Gus and Mrs. Melquist took us to lunch. The best collection of plants at Missouri Botanic is the Bromeliads. There is a large number of species and the plants are excellently grown in peat and leafmold. There is a good collection of cactus and other succulent plants in open beds but the garden falls down in not having the smaller species grown and exhibited in pots. Generally the large conservatory type greenhouses are devoted to palms, ferns, cycads, and such tropical plants. Water lilies are a feature here but were in the dormant stage at the time of our visit. Melquist's greenhouses are used mostly for his research in genetics.

Washington is a great city, one that we enjoyed very much indeed. The famous cherry trees were at their best while we were at Washington. We stayed in Alexandria while working in the National Herbarium and enjoyed our trips, morning and evening, to and from Washington. There is a nice, neatly kept Botanical Garden in Washington all under glass. Very few plants are in pots as rockery arrangements seem to be the fad here at present. The whole affair was nicely done and the plants were clean and in thriving condition. The palms, arranged in rockery fashion

2. good in sign and number of species. One of the features of this Botanical Garden is a large greenhouse entirely devoted to economic plants and it was quite educational even to a Californian used to seeing olives, citrus fruits, and semi-tropical plants that made dwarfs of the plants exhibited here. The orchid houses are separated from the larger exhibition houses and some nice things were in flower: Calanthe veitchii, Coelogyne massangeana, Oncidium papillio, and one of the finest white flowered orchids I have seen, Cattleya intermedia alba. The benches are slatted and the orchid pots placed on top of inverted pots so that there is more circulation of air and somewhat better spacing of plants. About a foot under the growing bench is another bench filled with charcoal and the damping down water is applied here. Certainly the orchids seemed to be in good condition and very healthy. The cactus and other succulent plants were fair but these plants seem a little bit out of place in eastern Botanical Gardens. Here, as in most of the institutions visited the labelling was very poor. We found the ferns and fern allies very well arranged at the National Herbarium and Killip made us very much at home. Morton is curator of ferns so we had more to do with this Californian from Fresno and the University of California than anyone else at the herbarium. We worked at the herbarium eight and a half hours a day - Alice assisted me - and found the specimens so well arranged and easy to get at that we got done in two weeks all that I expected to do in the whole month of April. We met several of notables here: Swallen, Mrs. Chase, Correll, and so forth. Everyone was nice to us and very helpful. On the evening of our last day at the herbarium Killip invited us to have dinner with him at the Cosmos Club. We accepted and then there started a real wild night in Washington. After dinner and a few drinks at club we started a mad rush around Washington that finally landed us at Killip's apartment where we spent some time. Killip is a very good friend of yours and, after seeing, from West Virginia to Washington, every house where Washington slept, it was a relief to be shown the bed where Harper and Florence Goodspeed slept as pointed out by Killip. Really we all had a wonderful time, so wonderful that it took me a couple of days to get over the experience. Of course, we saw Congress in action, the National Art Gallery, and all that sort of thing. Killip and Alice are about an age, both were born and brought up in Rochester and knew the same people, and they were students at the University of Rochester, Killip '11, Alice '15. After this discovery was made Whitehead was an outsider and plants a mere matter of casual interest.

At New York Botanical Garden we were entertained by Camp and he showed us the high spots of the garden outside and the growing units. He also allowed me to do a little work on Selaginella. We had lunch at the herbarium and met Dr. Stout who wished to be remembered kindly when I wrote to you. However, I was greatly disappointed about New York Botanical Garden. I had always thought of this as being the best botanical garden in the United States. Outside it is rather good but the large conservatories are a mess: plants small and poorly grown and without any sort of arrangement, the beds weedy and most untidy, and the labelling poor indeed. At one time there was, first under underwood and then with Benedict, a very wonderful collection of ferns and fern allies. Now there is nothing in the fern house except a few tree ferns and a bunch of junk. About ten species of tropical selaginellas are in the collection and about half of them wrongly labelled. The man in charge said the labels fell from the pots and, as he did not know either the ferns or the selaginellas, he had to guess where to place them. There is, however, a remarkable collection of the genus *Echeveria*, even a better collection than the one we had in Berkeley. Camp is quite a character and vitally interesting. He explained about the work he is doing with American azaleas through which he expects to perfect a race of horticultural azaleas comparable to the Ghent Azaleas. Here, at New

3. York Botanical Garden, there are courses in practical horticulture. A section of the garden is set aside for this work and here students actually do the work under practical instruction and supervision. This work may or may not be taken in connection with classes in horticulture and elementary botany.

At Boston we visited the Massachusetts Horticultural Society where Mr. Arno M. Wehring, the Secretary, was more than nice to us. This is a great institution and there is a wonderful horticultural library open to members and visitors. Mr. Wehring is going to be in Oakland for the flower show and I hope you'll have the opportunity of taking him to the Botanical Garden so that he'll see something of the way we do things on the Pacific Coast. Boston, horticulturally and botanically, is the place above all places for libraries: the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, the Gray Herbarium, and the Arnold Arboretum all contains so much reference material that one could spend a life time on research. At the Gray Herbarium we worked on Salicpinella for two days and were given the run of the place by Reed Rollins and Mr. Weatherby. I. M. Johnston showed us over the Arnold Arboretum where we met Dr. Merrill and had a great time with Mr. Rehder. This old German gentleman is the salt of the earth and took great pains to show us the library and the records and the work he is presently engaged with. A new book will be published very soon that will, in some way, elaborate and explain the "manual." The Arnold Arboretum is nothing like I expected. The whole place has been re-arranged and plants thrown out so that maintenance can be undertaken mechanically due to shortage of properly trained labor. It's really a great pity that botanical gardens in the east are being neglected because of lack of skilled men and women but such is the case. The Botanical Garden at Harvard is abandoned altogether and, at the present moment, apartment houses are being built upon its former site.

This abandonment of botanical gardens, or at least, their neglect spreads also to many of the large estates. We spent a week end on Long Island and there the large estates are on the way out. We passed the home and estate of Mr. Coe, the gentleman you had correspondence with regarding Casselia reticulata. He is a very old man and has willed his home and all the estate to the New York State Institute of Agriculture on Long Island.

Since being here we have been down to Ithaca. The campus at Cornell University is one of the most beautiful I have seen. Dr. Clausen is in Mexico on a plant collecting trip so I did not see him. Mr. Uhl, department of botany, and Mr. Porter, landscape design, did all possible to show me the work and plants here. The greenhouses, not exhibition but working houses, contain the best arranged and most properly attended to plants I have seen at any institution in the Eastern United States. We had lunch at Willard Straight Hall.

This must sound as a terrible letter as I have written it on the typewriter without any sort of plan or preparation. I know you'll overlook its crudeness and forgive the errors. We really have been on the go all the time since leaving Berkeley. Please give our regards to Mrs. Goodspeed, Mrs. Thompson, Bob, and all my other friends there at the University. I especially wish to thank you for the letters you gave me and for being just you as the mention of your name quickly opened for us many doors that, I'm sure, otherwise might have remained closed.

We shall be here, at the above address for a couple of weeks yet.

Sincerely yours,

Jack Hutchinson

c/o Mr. Philip E. Thomas,
31 Academy Place,
Canandaigua, New York.
April 28, 1949.

Dear Mrs. Thompson:

Thank you very much for the prompt attention given the matter of my check. Maybe you do not know it but the truth is that money when travelling over the country is sometimes almost a necessity. In the matter of the second class mail being held by Mrs. Chilcote I am sure most of it is just so much junk and you do not wish to bother with it anyway. Let Mrs. Chilcote keep it for me if she so desires.

We are still in Canandaigua but expect to leave shortly. Alice is almost certain to go back by train so as to see about her folks. This means that I shall drive back alone. If this happens I shall have time to see more botanical gardens and more people interested in plant work. I have not decided about the route to be taken yet but I expect to visit Chicago and to return to St. Louis for a couple of days. It will be all right to address me, if so desired, at the above address as Mr. Thomas is a good business man and will arrange to have my mail follow me as I travel west again.

We have met some very nice people here, where, indeed, the people seem much more old-fashioned and natural than in the west. Most people have long established homes and farms here and so are not the move-about types we have in California. We certainly have had some great times here in Canandaigua as Alice has not been home for nearly twenty years and she has been splendidly entertained. It's quite an experience being looked over by your wife's relatives and old friends. All I can say is that at least they all have treated me very decently. Of course, we have been all over the place as day after day we are taken about the country. In fact, even as I write this, I am waiting for friends who are going to drive us up one side of Canandaigua Lake. I have to snatch little moments of time between events to keep up with my correspondence.

As to the matter of settling down upon return to California I feel that by the time I get back there I shall be so full of recent travel experiences that I'll settle down wonderfully with the feeling that I have had enough to last me a lifetime. Really Alice is more adventuresome than I am as she never seems to tire of travelling while I like to stay in one place long enough to get acquainted a little.

No I do not think of myself as being homesick for the garden but it is only natural that I should more than occasionally think of it. It's a beautiful garden and one that right now ought to be very pretty indeed. Do not worry over much about not getting into the new greenhouses right away as there is not the slightest need to move there until fall. Any way I know the garden is in good hands and that it will grow and prosper as the years go by. I'll bet you're all very busy with the Oakland Spring Garden Show and that it will be good this year.

But, I hear my friends at the door yelling for me to go to the lake so I'll say good-bye and, once again, many thanks for the promptness of your letter. Regards to all in the Botany Department.

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Manti, Utah.

May 19, 1949.

Dear Mrs. Thompson:

It seems that I write more notes and such like to you than to anyone else and all because I simply cannot get over depending upon you for assistance in one way or another. This little note is to let you know that we are on the way to Long Beach where we shall stay with the folks until properly settled. The address I am sure you already have but, just in case, here it is:

C/o Mr. J. M. Copeland,
1051 Gardenia Avenue,
Long Beach 13, California.

If there by any chance be any mail, or if there be any occasion to get in touch with me by anyone at all, I'll be reachable at the above address until I let you know of a change. Thank you for all the prompt and kind attention you have already shown me.

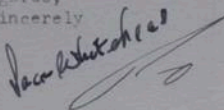
As you may see from the above address we are well along towards the end of our holiday tour. The whole experience has been enjoyable and wonderful, and, I hope, profitable in some small way. We have been well received everywhere and Dr. Goodspeed's name has opened the way for us in ever so many experiences. The middle west is without much plant interest though we did spend a good day at the Chicago Natural History Museum and got some notes there. The Museum itself is well worth a lengthy visit and the herbarium is especially rich in Mexican and South American material. Unfortunately Standley, whom I know slightly, was in Central America but Dr. Just, a keen young fellow, was greatly co-operative. Chicago, as a city, is an odd mixture of things pleasant and interesting and of things most unpleasant and not at all interesting. We put Alice's parents on the train for Long Beach here after having given them a fast thrilling drive from Canandaigua and an even more thrilling experience going through traffic in the great cities of Gary, East Chicago, and Chicago itself. We have heard since that the folks survived the ordeal and arrived in Long Beach well and happy.

Through Nebraska, Wyoming, and now Utah I have been doing a little plant collecting but only of the things that are outstanding and of easy reach. As a matter of fact, we are always about a month or six weeks ahead of the plants. I should certainly like to get into these mountains and valleys when the plants are at their best. We went through the famous alpine plant region of the Medicine Bow Range in Wyoming the other day and had a few lessons, from Mother Nature herself, on rockery building and planting. We found only a few plants in flower but the whole setting was one of great joy and wonderment. Utah is a fabulous country of colorful scenery all everlastingly under the shadow of the great snow-clad Rocky Mountains. The mountain valleys are little lands out of Paradise, always so fertile and green, restful and pastoral, at this time of the year. The mountains are completely beyond description.

But, Alice is all packed and ready to go for another day's adventure along the open road. It's great fun and we do see things and people travelling this way but it will not last for ever and soon again Whitehead shall have to go to work. I may be up in Berkeley sometime soon but my plans in Los Angeles are still indefinite. In the meantime, until I see you, our very best regards to Dr. Goodspeed and the gang and please let me know if I can in anyway be of assistance to any of you as, you know, I am always most willing to co-operate in any way possible.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely



May 24, 1949.

Mr. John Whitehead,
c/o Mr. J. M. Copeland,
1051 Gardenia Avenue,
Long Beach 13,
California.

Dear Jack,

Many thanks for your good letter which has far too long remained unacknowledged. From it and letters to Mrs. Thompson I judge that your cross country trip, both going and returning, has been a real success. From your comments it appears that things botanical and horticultural east of the Rockies are not too far ahead of what one finds on the Pacific Coast. I have gotten the same impression more than once during the last ten years.

The Garden looks well and the season has been favorable for getting spading, etc. done in good time but last week's heavy rain will start the weeds again. Bob has, in general, risen to the occasion effectively and appears to be well satisfied with his position. He has made a good impression in L.S.B. The three Garden Show exhibits won firsts and were admired by those who were able to appreciate the quality of what was shown. The Show was a better spectacle than for some years past but cost too much to stage. Perhaps sometime we can have a garden show.

Our best to you and Alice,

Cordially,

1051 Gardenia Avenue,
Long Beach 13, California.
May 25, 1949.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

We are now back in California, not such a bad place to be either, and getting ready to settle down to work again. I know I should begin this letter by asking you about the Botanical Garden and how everything there is going but you know I am too much interested in the garden to ask questions that might make it seem as though I were trying to interfere in the affairs of others. I am out of the garden altogether but still terribly interested in all that goes on there. From all I have seen over the United States there is a feeling in my heart that the garden at Berkeley can be, and should be, one of the outstanding gardens of the country. There is already a very good and promising start. Keep up the good work! I have not heard a word about the garden from anyone since my leaving there. However, this letter is one about the trip as we have made it since I last wrote to you.

We spent about four weeks with Alice's sister and her family at Canandaigua, New York, right in the middle of the beautiful Finger Lakes region. We went there when the trees were all black and without leaves and but few plants stirring under the urge of Spring. By the time we left Canandaigua all the trees were in full beauty of leaf and flower, the deciduous shrubs had burst into blossom, and many little wild plants had opened their pretty flowers. It is quite revealing and most beautiful for a Californian to witness this Springtime awakening in the East. This is a lovely country of lakes and streams, rolling hills and broad valleys, deciduous trees and conifers in scattered woods, and farms and gardens. The small towns, and there are many here, are always so clean, tidy, and homelike, with nice gardens and always great trees along the streets. Fortunately we had, with the exception of a little rain, wonderful weather all the time we were in Canandaigua. I saw many eastern plants come into flower here that were new to me and this was interesting. On a picnic one day we went into the wooded hills near Canandaigua and there, for the first time in my life, I saw growing wild a "Ground Pine," Lycopodium lucidulum. I did not collect this one, however, as, when out with John Morrison one week-end, I got five species as living plants and now have them in mason-jars here in Long Beach. We also collected the pretty little Selaginella apoda. Mostly the ferns were not far enough advanced in growth for collection or identification but I saw most of the eastern species of ferns as they appear in the very early stages of growth. Far away from New York State I collected another little Selaginella, S. autica, in a mountain canyon near Zion National Park. Generally I did little collecting though there were a few things along the roads in the western states that I picked up for reference. Canandaigua is an old town and interesting historically but there are few gardens of note. One exception is that on the grounds of the present Veterans Hospital. Years ago, some sixty or so, this place was laid out for wealthy bankers named Thompson and was one of the show places of the country. It is large, entirely enclosed by a great wall built by artisans brought from Europe for the job, and has many beautiful separate gardens, as for instance, a Japanese Garden, a Florentine Garden, an English Formal Garden, a Rose Garden, and a very well built and laid out Rockery. At one time the garden and its attractive mansion were kept up by a large staff of gardeners and servants, (the men who originally laid out the place for a firm of Boston landscape architects took me around and explained the mysteries,) and was the great pride and joy of the owners. Now the garden is not well kept up and, with the exception of the rockery, is going down the hill fast. The rockery, strange as it may seem, is very well planted and tidy and well maintained. The mystery is that one of the mental cases, an old German, is crazy about this garden and spends all his money and time on it. Maybe!

2. Oh, well, let it go!

There are some good and nice private gardens around Rochester, some thirty miles or so from Canandaigua, that I had the pleasure of looking over. One of the famous old nurseries of the East was that of Ellwanger and Barry. The owners finally made enough money so that they got out of the business altogether. They made the money, not in the nursery business, but in real estate. Mrs. Ellwanger, one of the descendants of the firm, lives in Rochester and has a delightful old fashioned garden, yew hedges, long, narrow herbaceous perennial borders, and all that sort of thing. Another more modern garden is owned by a Mrs. Thomas Spencer and has an English gardener. This garden is built around old apple trees and has special plantings of spring flowering bulbs and ferns and other shade loving plants and a very neatly arranged formal garden. Rochester has a good park system mostly devoted to recreational purposes. There is, however, one park that should be recognized for what it really is, a good Botanical Garden. Highland Park was designed and planted by a John Dunbar, a countryman of mine trained in Scotland. This park is the home of the famous lilac collection and we were fortunate enough to see the hundreds of lilacs, large bushes in all sorts of varieties, in full bloom before we left for home. Truthfully the lilacs were beautiful but they did not interest me very much. What did interest me were the fine and full collections of shrubs, trees, deciduous and evergreen, and the fine way the whole park was landscaped. There is a fine collection of Rosa species here and the wild rose garden made me think of yours at Berkeley. Here they have the advantage of having lawn covering in the rose garden and this means that the whole planting looks more natural than ours and the student can wander around to read the labels. The plants are well labelled. I made a list of the species in Highland Park and am taking the liberty of sending a copy to you for your reference. You have some species missing at Rochester and they have a few that are not in the garden at Berkeley. Besides the species listed there are innumerable varieties of some species and they might be worth looking into. By the way, only as a matter of interest, I met Elizabeth Dunbar, the daughter of John Dunbar and a class mate of Alice's at Rochester University.

At Rochester University, visited with my brother-in-law, one day, I found that, in the library was the complete library of the old nursery firm of Ellwanger and Barry. I thought of Harry Butterfield and his love of horticultural history and I envied this library the fine collection of old English horticultural periodicals. The librarian told me that there are about sixteen hundred numbers in the collection.

John Morrison wished to be especially remembered when I wrote to you. We first saw John at Syracuse University where he is teaching in the School of Forestry. He seemed very happy in his work, mostly teaching and taking care of recreational affairs, and took a great deal of time and trouble to show us over the Institution. Next week-end we spent with Florence and the two fine boys and John acted as guide on two days that we hunted for plants. The Morrisons live in Cazenovia, some thirty miles from Syracuse, on a small but very nice farm. They have a large house and quite a few acres of land on which they grow nothing in particular - mostly nothing at all. They have a "woods" of fair size and it is perfectly marvelous the plants that are to be found in them. Florence still teaches in a little town school, kindergarten, I believe. The boys have grown a lot and are nice healthy, very active kids. We had a great time getting over as much country as possible so as to allow me to get a quick view of the vegetation. Two things stick out in my mind. One was chasing plants in a blueberry bog, cold as the devil with water to above the knees, and finding very little of interest. The margins of the bogs, on the other hand, were full of fine plants, pitcher plants, ericaceous shrubs, mosses, and other things and one did not need to be swamped every minute while admiring the plants. The other grand experience was seeing in wonderful condition the American counterpart of the Hartstongue Fern.

3. Phyllitis scolopendrium, on rocky slopes in several localities. I am not so sure this fern is but a variety of the European plant. In the field it has several differences and should be grown in cultivation and studied systematically more than has been done in the past. It is protected in New York State so - well, enough said! John and Florence were much interested in all I could tell them about you, Mrs. Goodspeed, Helen, and Steve. They were especially interested in Steve doing so well at Santa Barbara.

The return trip home was not without interest. We spent a day at the Chicago Natural History Museum where Dr. Just allowed us to look over the Mexican specimens of Selaginella. He is a bright young fellow who was very co-operative in his assistance. Another young man who seemed much interested in his plant work was Steyermark. He is keenly interested in growing plants and, at his home near Lake Geneva, has hundreds of wild plants naturalized. Standley was in Central America so I did not see him. Chicago is a wonderful city in some ways and a terrible one in others: I do not seem to understand the place at all. We drove along Lake Michigan one evening to Evanston and there saw a really nice Illinois city and some wonderful homes. Illinois is a good farming State and a great industrial one too.

In the Chicago Natural History Museum we saw an artificial exhibit of the alpine plants of the Medicine Bow Range in Wyoming. In a few days afterwards we were in this region in reality. It is a great land of scenic wonderment and no doubt full of greatly interesting plants. We found a few early stragglers but actually were just a good six or eight weeks too soon for the real display. At Chicago the experts there seem to feel that the exhibits of plants excel the glass flowers of Harvard's Peabody Museum. In a way they may be right as there is a good exhibit of plants by families that is excellent. However, these glass flowers are pretty good. I scoffed at the idea of wasting my time on these glass flowers but actually learned a lot in the three hours or so that I spent on them.

On the trip home there was no place nearly as interesting as the State of Utah. I have recently become rather interested in the Mormon Church and the Mormon people. In New York, near Palmyra, we visited Cumorah Hill where, it is said, the Angel Moroni revealed the tablets to Joseph Smith. In Utah we saw many of the old Mormon towns with the cutest little hand made brick houses with roofs of hewn shingles. We read the history of some of these towns in the making. We saw the beautiful Temples at Manti and St. George. And, we visited the winter home of President Brigham Young of the State of Deseret, at St. George. Alice does not approve of my leaning towards Mormonism unless I take it in modified form. It's interesting nevertheless. We visited Bryce and Zion Canyons and found much of geologic interest if little in plant lore. I wonder how well Utah has been explored botanically? It's a large State and there are all sorts of high mountains and very deep valleys.

We are now resting up in Long Beach before going to the University of Southern California. I am getting some writing done as I took a great many notes on the trip and they have to be organized if ever to become of use. We had a wonderful trip, saw much beautiful country, met some very fine people, and had some enjoyable and, I hope, profitable experiences. It's all over now and there little else to do but get ready to settle down with all the happy recollections and wonderful memories.

Please convey our very best wishes to Mrs. Goodspeed and all at the Botany Department and especially at the Botanical Garden.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Fosberg

1051 Gardenia Avenue,
Long Beach 13, California.
June 26, 1949.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

Yesterday I attended a meeting of the Herb Society of America at the Huntington Gardens in Pasadena. While there I met several women from the Bay Area who were delegates to this meeting. It was here that I heard, for the first time, of the very serious illness of Mrs. Goodspeed. I was extremely sorry to hear of this but somewhat relieved to know that Mrs. Goodspeed has recovered from her ordeal. Of course, I know little or nothing of the seriousness of Mrs. Goodspeed's illness other than I was told she was very ill indeed. Please allow me to express our sympathy to Mrs. Goodspeed and to you and our sincere hope that she will soon be herself again.

This is not really a letter of any account. I simply heard of your trials and soon realized your worries about Mrs. Goodspeed and felt that I should drop you a little note of sympathy. There is little else I can do at this distance. Both Alice and I remember how kind you were to us when under the weather and were indeed deeply touched when you offered to do the shopping for us when indisposed only slightly.

Some other time I must tell you about the Huntington Gardens as I saw them yesterday after sometime or twelve years absence. After I got away from the Herb Society women the new Superintendent, Mr. Townsend, took me all over the place and explained matters rather fully. It's the same old story - a lack of proper financing for upkeep and the difficulty of getting decent help. But, more of this another time.

Both Alice and I wish Mrs. Goodspeed a rapid and complete recovery and hope to hear some good news soon.

Sincerely

Jack Hitchcock

June 27, 1949

Mr. Jack Whitehead
1051 Gardenia Avenue
Long Beach 13, California

Dear Jack:

I have been quite remiss in acknowledging your interesting letters which gave such a complete picture of your eastern-western journey. The explanation is that for the past month Mrs. Goodspeed has been in ill health. She underwent an operation three weeks ago and is now resting at home. I have naturally been much concerned and correspondingly busy.

You obviously covered a great deal of territory and saw most of the things which you had planned to see. I was particularly interested in your account of John Morrison's present situation and was especially glad to have the list of species roses in the Highland Park Garden in Rochester. Such lists I will turn over to Dr. Wheeler who soon I hope will be able to give full time to the position she has had for some years as Senior Botanical Garden Botanist. The new office and laboratory will be her headquarters. I have begun to use it and graduate students are finding it convenient.

The Garden is prospering under Bob's care. He has risen to the occasion in excellent fashion and has everything well in hand. We have acquired some trained gardeners and hope when the budget comes in this week that there will be an allowance for at least one additional one. At Bob's suggestion we are experimenting with the assignment of Garden areas to particular persons and up to this time the arrangement has been highly satisfactory. Ford was given a dinner by the members of the staff and with great reluctance on his part and ours finally has disappeared from the scene. Bob has taken him to the Welfare Commission and his state pension will be available soon. Apparently hashas made some arrangement with the people with whom he lived freely to reduce their charges so that he will go on living in the same place. According to Bob they will be doing nothing more than repaying the financial help which Ford has long been supplying. We are saying nothing about this arrangement or the Welfare Commission might subtract something from his pension.

Everything seems to be about as usual in LSB. The summer courses in Botany are heavily attended as usual. I am to be on sabbatical leave for at least the first half of the coming academic year although I will doubtless be in Berkeley most of the time.

Do you wish us to continue holding the ferns you selected? Wagner tells me that the fern collection in general is being well cared for. All your friends here join in best wishes to you and Alice.
Cordially yours,
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June 29, 1949

Mr. Jack Whitehead
1051 Gardenia Avenue
Long Beach 13, California

Dear Jack:

Your letter of June 26th just received must have crossed my last to you.

I am very appreciative of your sympathy in regard to Mrs. Goodspeed's condition which is truly serious. We are hopeful, however, that the operation will relieve it.

In order that she may have less to do about the house we have bought a much smaller establishment on Arlington Avenue almost directly east of our present home and very convenient to the bus line. Ellen and her husband will take over our present residence -- an arrangement which is most acceptable to them.

With many thanks again for your kind letter and with all good wishes to you and Alice

Cordially yours,

THG:T

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
ALLAN HANCOCK FOUNDATION
UNIVERSITY PARK
LOS ANGELES 7

July 15, 1949.

Dear Mrs. Thompson:

I know that I should have written long ere this to thank you for the mail and other things you have done for me since our return to California. Truth of the matter is that I have been so busy running about getting settled that there has been no time for such correspondence.

At the University I have not much of a program worked out yet. There is a lot to do but we are waiting for the first of September when the new budget goes into effect and some new plans may be put into operation. In the Botany Department we have had the plans for a new greenhouse approved and bids are being asked for now. Dr. Wheeler plans to begin teaching classes in the "lab" section of the greenhouse sometime in September and is all steamed up with the possibilities. Summer session is going on now and regular activities on the campus are somewhat suspended.

The fern herbarium at the Allan Hancock Foundation is not so much but even so there is quite a bit of work in getting it into some sort of working condition. Little by little it will come to be of some use to the institution. I have so little opportunity to actually work with plants myself that I have annexed the greenhouse here for my own personal care and have now some orchids, mostly Mexican species, some ferns, and some odds and ends. I shall do more later on when there is some sort of plan for the use of the greenhouse. There has been a new director appointed but so far he has announced no changes. Changes are bound to come so, until then, it is a little difficult for me to know just what the greenhouse is to be used for. I feel that the whole set-up at the Foundation will be given an overhauling when Dr. Buchanan actually takes over. I have an office at the Foundation now and it is already cluttered up with unfinished business and somewhat of a mess.

I no longer drive between the University and Long Beach. Two hours loss of time each day, the expense of operating my car, the traffic hazards, and the wear and tear on the driver all made this sort of commuting impossible. First we were going to buy a place near the University but everyone seemed to think this a poor time to buy. Now we have rented an old house at 424 West 69th. Street, Los Angeles 3, California. It is somewhat behind the times but is comfortable and quiet and we are happy enough. Alice is having a great time shopping for furnishings. We have the kitchen, bedroom, dining room all pretty well furnished but the living room is still in need of a table and some chairs. I have taken over one bedroom for an office and it is all fixed up. I even painted the floor all by myself the other day; I could not kid myself into liking the taste of the previous occupants. All this sort of thing costs money and it takes such a lot of time. Every evening I have to do this, that, and the other thing before Alice will give me my dinner. It's quite a different matter now in our way of living. Alice likes a house but I prefer the apartment idea where there are no laws to cut and water and the landlord takes care of the repairs.

We go to Long Beach every Sunday to see the folks who are pretty well and not in need of constant attention. This sort of idea seems satisfactory for the present, pleases Alice and the folks and I don't mind.

Again, many thanks for the kindness and favors of the past and our best regards to you all there in the Botany Department.

Sincerely

Janice for Head
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October 20, 1949.

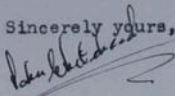
Dr. T. H. Goodspeed,
Director, Botanical Garden,
Life Sciences Building,
University of California,
Berkeley, California.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

May I presume upon your time and generosity by presenting the bearer of this note, Mr. Peter Rubtzoff, a young European in whom I have recently become interested through Dr. Wheeler of our Botany Department. Mr. Rubtzoff has but recently come from Europe and is a little bewildered as yet. He has had good background biological training, a good general education, and sincerely wishes to further his education here in the United States. He is greatly interested in plants and plant work. I feel that this young man is in need of encouragement and worthy of assistance. I can think of no one so well qualified as you, so patient and generous, and with such a wealth of experience with young people who might be willing to lend this encouragement and assistance. We might be able to do something for Mr Rubtzoff here at the University of Southern California were he to decide to stay here. However, he has relatives in San Francisco to stay with and might do very much better for himself in the Bay Region than in the cluttered up mess that is Los Angeles. Mr. Rubtzoff has a letter to Dr. Clausen at Stanford from one of his European professors so may get some assistance there. Anyway, I have been impressed by the sincerity and purpose of this young man sufficiently to impose upon you. I am sure you will be impressed when you talk to Mr. Rubtzoff and look over his letters and records. He might be a most useful assistant at the Botanical Garden where his interests and training could be put to work. However, this young man is able to present his own problems and quite capable of putting your advice into action.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,


John Whitehead,
Horticulturist.

424 West 69th. Street,
Los Angeles 3, California.
December 1949.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

Just a little note to wish you and yours a very Happy and Prosperous New Year. We have had a nice Christmas and are looking forward to the New Year with pleasant anticipation. Alice spent Christmas with her parents in Long Beach most happily. I had a cold so did not go lest I take my cold along and spread it about. Alice is happy to be near her mother and father who have not been very well recently though they seem to have rallied somewhat for the holidays. It is nice that Alice is able to more or less look after her folks as they need someone near at all times. In fact, Alice has been a busy little person since coming down here. Besides her parents she has had to furnish the house we rented and still has more to do before we are quite satisfied with the place. We are comfortable and rather much at home now. I need not drive to work as it is more convenient to go to and fro by bus. This makes for less traffic responsibility and is more restful than fighting this Los Angeles traffic during the rush hours. At the University things are working out now. I got there just in time to have a new Director of the Allan Hancock Foundation throw a monkey-wrench into my plans by announcing that land plant work was out. However, after talking to the new Director and to Captain Hancock I had a feeling that the changes in plans did not affect me adversely so I went along. Since then, after several talks with our Director, I have built up a feeling that my position at the University may become rather interesting. But, one can hardly bank on anything in these days of wondering what comes next. My office is in the Allan Hancock Foundation building. I still have my work with ferns in the herbarium. For the University proper I have been working on a master plan for landscaping the campus generally and otherwise advising on matters horticultural. The Botany Department also

2) assists in paying my salary so I assist in several ways there. I have just finished having a greenhouse and "lab." building built for the Botany Department. It is fully controlled automatically as to heating, ventilating, and humidifying and should be very helpful in teaching and plant work generally. Everyone seems pleased with the greenhouse and we start growing plants there after the holidays. Dr. L. C. Wheeler is Chairman of the Botany Department here. He is a young chap with a rather strange personality but brilliant in his field and I like him very much. Roy Metcalf is here teaching a night class on plant materials designed for students in architecture or landscape design. I see him quite often and he seems to be getting along very well. Mostly we talk about old friends and experiences up north and you usually get to be talked about. Both Roy and I feel that we owe a lot to you and we both appreciate this very much. I have been so uncertain about all at the Allan Hancock Foundation that no move on my part has been made about the ferns you so kindly set aside for me at the Botanical Garden. I did not have the heart to write to say let them go and yet I knew how impossible it would be for me to care for living plants here. Of course, you understood my situation and no doubt have turned the collection over into general garden activity and let it go at that. I feel disappointed about my ferns but there is nothing to do about them now but let them go. As is perhaps always the case in new positions several of the promises made were not kept as they were made by persons who did not have the proper authority or by persons who gracefully crept our from under responsibility. There is a lot of interest here in Los Angeles in plant work. However, in spite of all I heard before coming down here, I do not think the interest is as great as around the Bay Region. Our Horticultural Institute, for instance, is not nearly so good as the California Horticultural Society in San Francisco. It is about the same in general ways, meets in a nice place, and has a large membership but it does not have the interest or vigor of the northern society. The gang at

3) the Botany Department of U. C. L. A., has a big hand in running the meetings. There are exhibits of plant materials as in San Francisco. These exhibits are nearly always botanical in nature and come from the old Vavra Estate, Huntington Gardens, Santa Ana Botanical Gardens, and so forth. The enthusiastic amateur element so much in evidence in the north seems lacking down here so well-grown novelties are hardly ever exhibited. The old Vavra Estate is not the wonderland it used to be when your friend Mr. Vavra was alive and active. The University does as well as possible in keeping the garden going but it certainly is going back rapidly for lack of proper and sufficient care. Dr. Mathias is in charge now and she is enthusiast about the place. She was generous in giving me almost a whole afternoon some time ago and we spent a profitable afternoon. I go to Huntington Gardens rather often. Mr. Hertrich is an old friend of mine so we get along. He is not active now but still keeps an eye on all that goes on. A young man from New York Botanic, Townsend by name, is now in charge. He is a fine young fellow but not the horticulturist that Mr. Hertrich is. The gardens are not kept up as they once were but they are by far the best gardens in the southern part of California. I have been to the Los Angeles County Arboretum a time or two. The whole thing is a waste of time and effort. There is the setting and planting for a wonderful park but there is nothing suggestive of a botanical garden past, present, or future about the place. And, anyway, I'm told that there is no money to do anything with. So, what? More wasted effort! Please remember us both to Mrs. Goodspeed and to Ellen and Steve and Grace and we both join in wishing you all a very Happy and Interesting New Year.

Lade to Whiteland.

February 2, 1950

Mr. J. Whitehead
424 West 69th Street
Los Angeles 3, California

Dear Jack:

I am in your debt two letters. Many thanks for them.

The young European who you sent to see me in November was much disappointed to find that only citizens could be on University pay-rolls. I was sorry because he seemed an intelligent and likable young man.

I am glad that in general at least the new position is working out to your satisfaction. I was much interested in your reaction to things horticultural in Southern California and particularly, to the Los Angeles Arboretum project. The Durant Park area (460 acres) in East Oakland has now finally been acquired by the State Park Commission for an Arboretum permitting the Oakland Zoological Society to continue to maintain its Zoo on a small portion. I am going to have something to say about the character of development and I appreciate how essential proper financing of such a project is. The U.C. Botanical Garden is progressing favorably. Bob is doing a good job in every way. A considerable construction program is in prospect as demands for plant material are constantly increasing.

The fern collection is intact and growing well. Additions have been made by Wagner who with Copeland has supplied determination so that every pot now has a permanent label. We hope to build a special fern house as a part of a new lath house so that the collection can be increased in case the proposal for a new court of ferns eventuates.

It is good that Mrs. Whitehead is better situated to see and care for her parents. Mrs. Goodspeed improves a little and is very happy in our new home on Arlington Avenue into which we finally moved a few weeks ago. Ellen and her husband have the old place. ~~With~~ best wishes to you both from all your friends here,

Cordially yours,

MCT:hh

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
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October 13, 1950.

Dr. T. Harper Goodspeed,
Director, Botanical Garden,
Life Sciences Building,
University of California,
Berkeley 4, California.

Dear Dr. Goodspeed:

I hope that you have returned from Europe by this time as I am in trouble over a plant that seems to be a "tobacco." I do not seem to remember anything just quite like this at the garden but I am sure that you can spot it at once and say, at least to yourself, "how can Jack be so dumb?" Well, I am! I am sending this specimen under separate cover and if you determine it for me I shall be greatly obliged.

I hope you had a delightful and profitable European trip. Dawson and others have told of seeing you at the Congress meetings. I know you well enough to feel sure you that made the very best of your opportunities while travelling abroad.

Alice and I were very sorry to hear of the passing away of Mrs. Goodspeed. We know how close you were and ^{How} companionable and helpful Mrs. Goodspeed always was. It is very sad to part from one's loved ones but sometimes parting is so much ^{More} merciful than long suffering. Alice and I do extend to you our heartfelt sympathy.

Everything here at the University seems to be fine except the football team. If we lose the game to California next Saturday the coach and everyone connected with the team is going to be fired. I have had occasion to look at the grass in the field a couple of times so I'll get fired too. At least, so say the students here. I have been pretty busy advising on the landscaping of three new buildings here. It has been pleasant as I work directly with the Consulting Architect's office. The new botany greenhouse is now full of plants, most of them so much junk from a Botanical Garden viewpoint but very helpful in teaching. At the Allan Hancock Foundation I have charge of Land Plants in the Herbarium and here I have as my co-worker Yale Dawson who works the Marine Plants. We get along very well together.

It's odd the way things work out. The folks were so very ill while we were in Berkeley that I had to worry all the time about our being not quite near enough to Long Beach. Since we have been here Alice's parents have been remarkably well. Alice goes down at least once a week to see that all goes well. She likes Los Angeles while I hate the place.

Please accept my kindest regards and best wishes to you and all in the office and at the garden. *always a very nice "hello!" to Mrs. Thompson!*

Sincerely,

Jack Whitehead

Jack Whitehead, Horticulturist.

Berkeley 4, California
October 25, 1950

Mr. Jack Whitehead
University of Southern California
University Park
Los Angeles 7, California

Dear Jack:

Glad to hear from you and to know that all goes well with you and the family.

The plant you sent is Nicotiana rustica L. Of much less importance than N. tabacum it is called a tobacco plant. Originally an Andean species found today in Peru, it has been introduced in many parts of the world where it is in Indian or peasant cultivation to some extent. Apparently it has been rather widely grown by Mexican Indians — possibly by their pre-Columbian ancestors also — and has escaped from such cultivation.

It appears that your combined responsibilities produce favorable working conditions and that you are enjoying yourself. This is a source of satisfaction to your many friends here.

With best wishes to you and Mrs. Whitehead in which all here join

Cordially,

THG:T

2079 Life Sciences Bldg.
University of California
Berkeley 4, California
March 25, 1957

Who's Who in America
Marquis Publications Building
Chicago 11
Illinois

Gentlemen:

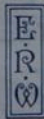
Unfortunately my copy of the last additions and corrections
in my biographical data, submitted some months ago, has been
misplaced.

On the enclosed card I am indicating additions having to do
with the last three months only, but I would appreciate
your checking previous corrections and additions to be certain
that my emeritus status in this University and my current
home address (661 Woodmont Ave, Berkeley 8) were included.

Sincerely,

THG:T

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Orchard Hills.
Atherton.

March 19.

Professor Thomas H. Gaadeped
2079 Life Sciences Building
University of California

Dear Dr. Gaadeped:-

Mr. James Beppitt was kind enough to give me your address, and wrote me that you would give me information about some trees that interested me, on a recent South American trip. I imagine you are familiar with the magnificent coihue trees that grow in profusion all through the Chilean and Argentine Lake regions, and I have wondered ever since my visit, whether they could be introduced into California with the exception of our own Sequoias. I think they are the most superb

trees on earth, and while I was at
Slas-Slas, on the unpronounceable
Lake of which I enclose a picture, I
had the opportunity of meeting the head
of the Argentine National Park System.
He is a venerable gentleman, also with
a now-difficult name, a very kind
person, and he offered to procure some
seedlings for me. However, as I was
leaving the following day, there was
no time to dig them up, and besides,
I was afraid there would be difficulty
in getting them over the borders of the
various countries we were passing
through, on our protracted trip, as well
as in getting them into our own country.
The trees are apparently free from
disease, excepting ^{for} a growth resembling
canees, a herb from which the natives
carry curio.

The address of the Park System is
Administración General de Parques
Nacionales.

Santa Fe 690

Buenos Aires, Argentina,

and the president urged me to take the matter up with Washington, but when I mentioned the agricultural or horticultural division of the University of California, he was very enthusiastic. Of course our conversation was very difficult, as he spoke no English, and my Spanish is limited to show-ten words.

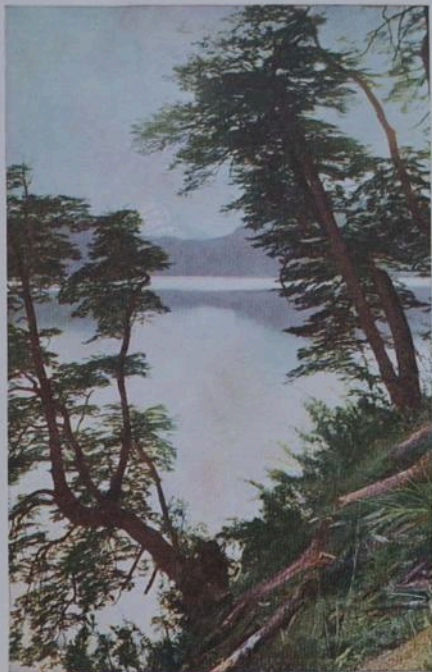
I should be very grateful for your opinion and knowledge about the trees.

Sincerely yours,

Eli R. Laird

P.S. Of course the photograph does not do justice to the wonderful ferns.

Ever, Eli R. Laird.



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Berkeley 4, California
March 25, 1952

Mrs. Eli H. Wiel
282 Polhemus Avenue
Menlo Park, California

Dear Mrs. Wiel:

Thank you for your interesting letter of March 19 received just after my return from my sixth botanical expedition to the West Coast of South America and my fifth to Chile. This last Chilean visit was at the request of the Chilean Government to assist in development of a National Botanical Garden near Vina del Mar.

As you say the trees in the temperate rain-forest of the "Lake Region" of South Chile and Argentina are impressive. This forest is composed primarily of species of *Nothofagus*, the "False Beech." One of these species, *N. dombeysi*, is locally known as El Coihue and is the one shown in the postal card you enclosed.

In the Botanical Garden here El Coihue and a number of other species of *Nothofagus* have been under cultivation for a number of years. Some grow better than others and all require acid soil and much water so that only in favored situations in central and southern California can they be expected to do well. In northern California and farther north they should be more successful and I have been cooperating with growers there in their introduction. I expect soon to have a large selection of seeds to distribute and I am sure that botanical gardens in the eastern United States will also welcome the opportunity to test their adaptability there.

Perhaps you were able to see the finest of the trees of the southern Andes called El Alerce and botanically *Fitzroya patagonica*. Unfortunately it never existed in quantity and is being too heavily cut for lumber. Its wood is much like that of our Redwoods and it grows to 175 feet in height with a basal diameter of 10 to 15 feet. Its growth is very slow and the age of mature trees has been estimated at over 2000 years. The seeds of El Alerce that I have been able to obtain have not germinated. I hope in the future to be able to organize another expedition to South Chile and Argentina to collect seeds of it and of the many other little-known elements of that remarkable vegetation, some of which have potential ornamental and forestal significance for this country.

I am sending you a copy of my book "Plant Hunters in the Andes" which may interest you. One or two of the chapters deal with the "Lake Region."

With thanks again for your letter and with best wishes

Sincerely,

THG:T

book, and recognized in the illustrations
some of the specimens I had tried so hard
to identify, particularly the stunning
"Gunnera" leaves, which some one had told
me were called "naka". I particularly remember
them at the enchanting excursion to "La
Toza" near Puerto Barrios. I want to thank
you most sincerely for your beautiful book,
which is a wonderful addition to my library.

While in South America I got some good
shots of Ludiars in Curco, and the Machu
Picchu ruins with my Stereo Realist-camera.
I am a completely inexperienced photographer,
but the pictures are attractive only because
they stand out in relief. If you are ever
on this side of the Bay, I should like so much
to show them to you, and to offer you some
hospitality in return for your great kind-
ness.

Yours with deep appreciation,

Ella Z. Lovell

Berkeley 4, California
June 2, 1952

Mrs. Eli H. Wiel
282 Polhemus Avenue
Menlo Park, California

Dear Mrs. Wiel:

Forgive my failure to acknowledge your kind letter. My mother's recent death, involving some readjustment of my personal affairs, and the completion of a scientific monograph long overdue at the publishers, have occupied me almost to the exclusion of everything else.

I am glad that you found something of interest in "Plant Hunters in the Andes." From last winter's Chilean expedition we brought home seeds of a number of potentially valuable new introductions for California gardens. I am now awaiting a large seed collection from Southern Chile and the "Lake Region."

We have a considerable surplus of plants of the beautiful South Chilean climber called "El Copihue," the national flower of Chile. It grows and flowers well for us on oaks and redwoods. At your convenience I would be glad to bring some of them to Menlo Park. I had thought of doing so last Sunday when I went to Mrs. Sigmund Stern's at Atherton but the time was too short.

I have had the pleasure of knowing your sister-in-law when I have been with Mrs. Milton Esberg at Ross.

With best wishes

Cordially,

THG:T

MRS. ELI H. WIEL
282 POLHEMUS AVE
ATHERTON, CALIFORNIA

Monday.

Dear Mr. Goodspeed:-

Enclosed is a miserable map
by the world's worst cartographer -
but as I am rather puzzled as to
which direction you are coming
from, I have given two approaches.
If you come from the S.W. via San Mateo
bridge, ^{down El Camino} turn toward the foothills
at Five Points in Redwood City, on
Highway Road, until you get to the Avenida
de las Pulgas, a rather broad road
with a road-house "The Acacias" at
the corner. Turn left, go about half a
mile until you get to Polhemus, which
comes in at left, and my place is at
the top of the hill, second from left - a
green gate with "Orchard Hills" on it.

On the other hand, if you come over
the Dumbarton, and approach from the
South you turn up Robertson Ave.
from El Carrizo Real, turn right
at Selby Lane (before you come to
Mrs. Stern's house) go one block to Pal-
kemus, and my house is on the right,
at the top of the hill.

Be sure you get lost en route
telephone me - Emerson 6-4216 - and I
will come to your rescue. Am used
to such messages - it's really more
confusing than the guides!

So sorry Mrs. Koppitt is not able to
come, but am looking forward to
seeing you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Ella P. Wright