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Hunt Institute was dedicated in 1961 as the Rachel McMasters Miller Hunt Botanical Library, an international center for bibliographical research and service in the interests of botany and horticulture, as well as a center for the study of all aspects of the history of the plant sciences. By 1971 the Library's activities had so diversified that the name was changed to Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation. Growth in collections and research projects led to the establishment of four programmatic departments: Archives, Art, Bibliography and the Library.



Merry Christmas

and a

Happy New Year

Henrietta A. Allen

I am wishing for you a healthy
and happy 1966 without hurricanes.

I so much enjoyed seeing you
both during 1965. It was a
memorable visit and I shall
always remember your hospitality.

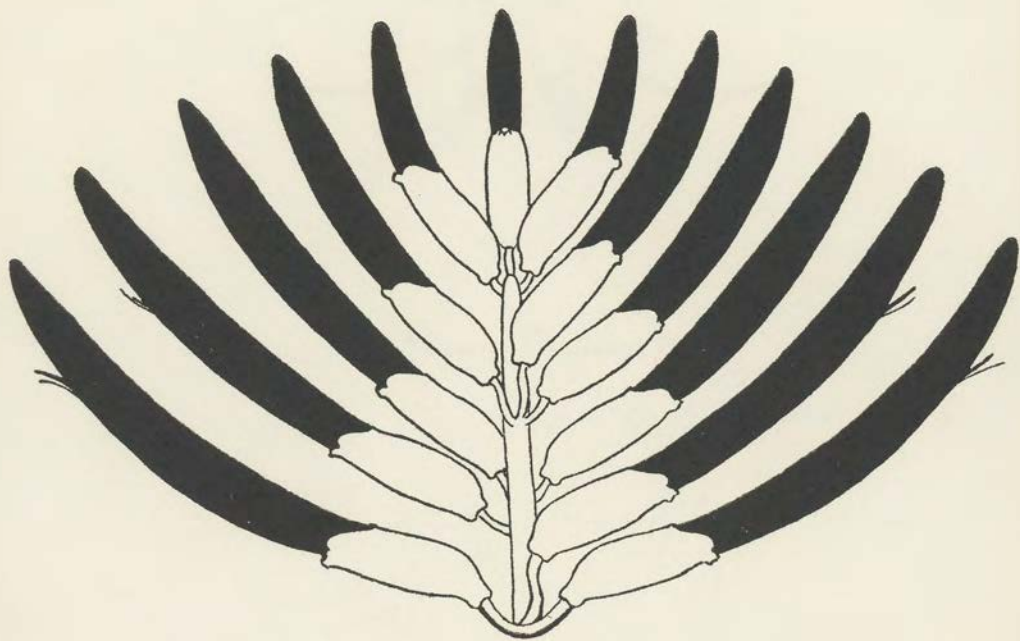
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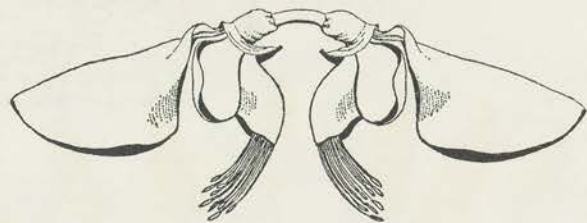
I had word of you from the
Prenches, along about September, and
hope that you are still well.

My pet goat is still with me so
now we are going back to the old,
old, old drug for goat and a very
strict diet. Hold your fingers
crossed and maybe it will
work.

St. Louis Winter has been
very mild and almost as
warm as yours.

Much love to you both.





Seasons Greetings

Lorothy Allen

I would say the cycad came from

the F. T. G., no?

I hope you are both well.

Erythrina Berteroana
Erythrina glauca

Wignette which I
had done for the
book Paul was writing
on ~~Salvadora~~ *Salvadora* *Alba*.



Dear Sis and Lou.

My sincerest thanks for sharing,
with me, your sunshine, nest and
feeder. The most serene spot in all
of the Miami area!! Also thanks for
the lovely little Mepicra, amber pitcher
and the mushroom. On my camphor
chest, in the living room, I have an
Indonesian, carved-wood-seated lady, who
is looking down and badly needed
something to look at - sooo now she is
looking at your exquisit amber mushroom!!
Everyone loves it - me to!!!

You have been much in my thoughts.
When I arrived in Orlando and found
how close it was to Winter Park - I tried
every day to telephone Ralph and Happy -
but no answer. The day I left Orlando -
the Winter Park Sentinel carried
photographs and a nice article about Ralph's
receiving an award - "He has been elected
an associate of the National Academy of
Design. The Award is given for past honors
and seldom is it given during the lifetime
of the artist." Isn't that wonderful!! My
friend Ruth Erbe sent the article up to me.

I do hope I did not wear you two
out - and again many thanks for
everything.

Much love,



Thinking about you and wishing
you both a healthy and a happy
Holiday Season.

Dorothy Allen

The kittens - hope you are both
well and not working too hard.