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LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
BATON ROUGE 3, LOUISIANA

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

September 9, 1958

Professor Bernard Lowy
Escuela Nacional de Agricultura
Apartado 456
La Molina
Lima, Peru

Dear Dr. Lowy:

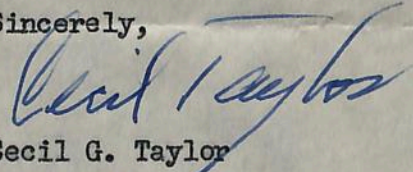
I appreciate very much your writing me to tell all the interesting things you are doing in Peru. We are of course pleased that you have this kind of an opportunity but quite understandably it excites a good deal of envy in us. Perhaps you have sent in some kind of report to Dr. Flint; in that way you could assure yourself of inclusion in the next issue of the BOTPOT.

Dr. Chilton and I are taking a look over the space problem in the Department of Botany, and we hope that by the time you are back or shortly thereafter we may be able to give you a little relief for your mycological herbarium.

Upon your return, after all of your experience conversing and lecturing in Spanish as well as taking part in the Instituto Linguistico you will be one of the real language experts on the campus. No doubt many of our faculty and students would like to hear a great deal about your experience in that field.

My personal greetings to Mrs. Lowy, and best wishes to you both,

Sincerely,


Cecil G. Taylor

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MEMORANDUM

Dean Taylor

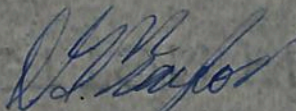
Faculty, Department of Botany,
Bacteriology, and Plant Pathology

8 June 1960

Professor Brown, Professor Colmer, Professor Flint, Professor Forbes,
Professor McCleskey, Professor Plakidas, Professor Wheeler,
Associate Professor Cook, Associate Professor Lowy, Associate
Professor Strawinski, Assistant Professor Exner

This is to inform you that President Middleton has approved my recommendation for the renewal of the appointment of Professor Chilton as Chairman of the Department of Botany, Bacteriology, and Plant Pathology for another three-year period to conclude with the academic year 1962-63.

May I express to you my appreciation for your cooperation in discussing with me matters of importance to the department, including the chairmanship. In turn, I should like to assure you of my desire to be of any assistance I can in creating the most favorable conditions possible for carrying on and strengthening the department's work.



Cecil G. Taylor, Dean
College of Arts and Sciences

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cc: Professor Chilton

L. S. U.

Memorandum

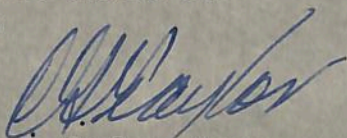
August 4, 1952

From: Dean, College of Arts and Sciences

To: Professor Bernard Lowy
Department of Botany

The travel allowance for the College of Arts and Sciences for 1952-53 makes it possible to provide reimbursement for you in connection with your trip to Ithaca, New York to the extent of the equivalent of round-trip first-class transportation. Please let us know what the exact amount will be.

As a participant on the program of your meeting, allowance can be made for lodging for you also. Please give an estimate for this item as well as the exact amount for first-class transportation.



Cecil G. Taylor, Dean
College of Arts and Sciences

CGT:j

In re request for travel funds to Ithaca:

Approved for equivalent of round-trip coach fare plus hotel lodging, provided funds for travel are budgeted for 1952-53. If these funds are liberal, it may be possible to reimburse for first-class transportation.

Cecil G. Taylor,
29 April 1952

October 3, 1951

Dr. Bernard Lowe
Botany Department
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Bernie:

I must apologize for not acknowledging the box of slides and enclosed letter that you sent me a long time ago. I sometimes wonder where all my time goes so fast with apparently so little accomplished. At any rate, thanks ever so much for sending the kodachromes for us to duplicate. Due to my procrastination, I never got around to having copied those slides that Dr. Martin and I picked out. I marked the several most desired with an "x" in pencil. Sometime if you are having any of them duplicated, I would appreciate your having one of each of those copied for us. We will of course pay the charges for copying. I sent the slides back to you today by airmail under separate cover, so you should have them by October 12 at least.

Congratulations on obtaining the position at Louisiana State. I was glad to write the letter of recommendation for you and I hope it did some good. At least you now have the job, and I trust it will continue to prove satisfactory to you.

Your letter did arrive from Buenos Aires, apparently without being censored. Living under Peron must indeed have been an unusual and probably a depressing experience. Conditions down there seem to be getting worse. Perhaps if Evita dies, the situation will improve somewhat.

Probably Dr. Martin keeps you informed of departmental news. We have perhaps 25 graduate students in residence although the number of assistantships has dropped off by a few. I have 12 in taxonomy and fewer in economic plants. Fay is teaching trees and shrubs and has about 18 students in the course.

Our best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Bob Thorne
Robert F. Thorne

STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA
IOWA CITY, IOWA

July 12, 1950

Mr. Bernard Lowy
Canal Zone Biological Area
Drawer C,
Balboa, Canal Zone

Dear Mr. Lowy:

Your letter was received with interest. I was surprised to hear of the paucity of collecting equipment at the island. Last week I had one of our vascula boxed up and prepared for shipment by parcel post to your address. It is en route, for I mailed it myself. It is well-crated, so should arrive in good condition. I hope it will reach you in time to be of some service to you.

It was good to hear that at least some of our bottles arrived at the island intact. I feared there would be some breakage. It would have been disastrous had the bottles been full of formalin. I hope you will be able to find some interesting material to fill those bottles that did make the long voyage safely.

I trust that the weather is now more cooperative. The sun should shine occasionally anyway, and lots of rain should favor the fungi. Will you be able to get some kodachromes of the rain forest and its constituent elements?

I have heard from Mr. Venning. His work seems to be going according to plan. His only mention of the weather was that they had not been getting nearly enough rain.

Best wishes for the success of your project. Let us know if we can be of further service.

By the way, I have a Panamanian in my field botany course. Perhaps you know the young lady, Miss d'Obaldia.

Sincerely,

Robert F. Thorne

Robert F. Thorne

December 20, 1952

Dr. Bernard Lowy
Department of Botany
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Bernie:

Thanks very much for the reprint of your paper on "The Genus *Auricularia*." I am very happy to have a copy of it. I think it is an excellent paper although I realize that I am no judge of mycological work.

Incidentally, the distribution maps add considerably to your paper. At least they appeal to my phytogeographical eye. We need a great deal more similar information on the distribution of other fungi.

Do you plan to attend the AAAS meetings in St. Louis after Christmas? If you do, I shall probably see you there. Mark Fay and perhaps some others and I are driving down next Saturday. The program should appeal especially to taxonomists.

Marion Ervin just stopped in on her way home and said to give you her regards.

Our best wishes to you and Mrs. Lowy for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Bob Thorne

Robert F. Thorne

1135 Wilshire Ave.

Cincinnati 30, Ohio, March 3, 1954.

Dr. Bernard Lowy
Botany Department
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge - Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy,

I would like very much to have your papers on *Auricularias*. Could you be kind enough to send me a copy of each, if you still have some available? I thank you very much in advance.

I am spending some time here in Cincinnati, with Dr. Cooke, to study his system of classification of *Polyporaceae*. I am particularly interested in the taxonomic problems in that family, besides my general interest in all groups of hymenomycetes.

Looking forward to hear from you soon, I am

Yours very truly

Alcides Ribeiro Teixeira

P.S. I am at Dr. Cooke's house, at 1135 Wilshire Ave.
Cincinnati 30 - Ohio

SEWARD PARK HIGH SCHOOL
SCIENCE DEPARTMENT
350 Grand Street
New York 2, N.Y.

December 14, 1955

Dr. Bernard Lowy
Botany Department
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy: It was especially good to hear from a fellow alumnus and to acknowledge **your** generous gift of five dollars toward the establishment of the Weathers Memorial Laboratory.

Those of us who knew Professor Weathers so well cannot forget the great influence he exerted on the lives of all of us. It was not alone the depth of his knowledge and his anxiety to convey a love for his subject to all of his students; but his sincere love of people that helped make each of us a better human being for having known him.

Your contribution has been placed in a special University fund devoted to the establishment and support of a research laboratory in Professor Weathers' name. In this way, we hope to create a fitting memorial to honor a man we shall never forget.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Charles Tanzer
Charles Tanzer, '33
Treasurer.

CT:cp

AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE OF TEXAS

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS

December 18, 1957

Department of
BIOLOGY



Dear Beanie:

I am enclosing a set of my reprints on Texas Agarics - just in case you should ever become interested in Louisiana Agarics. May I have copies of your papers on Auricularia, etc.

Hope everyone is fine and that you have a most joyous holiday season.

As ever,

Harry D. Thiers
Associate Professor

HDT/nm

**Jacques
de Tarnowsky**
REALTOR

COMMERCE BUILDING • BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

May 13, 1958

Dr. Bernard Lowfy
534 Highland Park Drive
Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Dr. Lowfy:

Please sign and return the attached copy should the terms of the following listing agreement be satisfactory.

In consideration of his services and a reasonable effort to lease my furnished home, I hereby constitute Jacques de Tarnowsky, Realtor, my exclusive agent until January ~~31~~, 1959 to lease my property, described herein, at the price of \$150.00 per month, and do further authorize said Jacques de Tarnowsky, Realtor, to accept a deposit on account of lease in my name. 29

It is understood that the lease is to begin on or before June ~~15, 1958~~ ^{6, 1958}

In consideration of the services of Jacques de Tarnowsky, Realtor, I agree to pay him in case of lease, or should he have a person ready willing and able to lease, a commission of five (5) percent on the gross lease rental, whether said rental or lease amount be the amount above stipulated or some other price I may agree to accept. Said commission to be deducted from the lease amount as it is collected.

I further agree to pay a commission of (5) percent on the gross sale price in event of sale of said property by myself or others during the active term of this listing. A \$25.00 fee will be charged for checking an inventory list (prepared by me) by Jacques de Tarnowsky, Realtor. *to the tenant secured by broker Jdy*

Address of Property: 534 Highland Park Drive.

OWNER

Dr. Bernard Lowfy



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75 SOUTH ORANGE AVENUE

SOUTH ORANGE, N. J.

March 2 1959.

My Dear Bernie

Your letter dated Feb 16, came to South Orange and found me at home, due to circumstances in my control, I did not go to Florida, as is the custom at this time of the year, as we are planning a trip late this month, to this time as Horace Greeley so aptly put it, "go west old man" and so to the west I go. Japan, China, Siam by the way of Hawaii, which should make an interesting trip, and the little Spanish I know, will be of no help this time.

The weather here has been nice, but ~~has~~ been unusually cold for a long period, but fortunately no snow to-date, but it is to be presumed that we will get our share, was surprised to find you back in Louisiana, but, trips long or short do have an ending, no doubt, you and your family were glad to get back home, of which

~~Here~~ there is no place a person should be found.

Very nice of you to write me, and the short time that we were to-gether was entirely too short, but a very interesting experience.

I wonder where our two young fellows that we met on the boat are now, back home? perhaps, at any rate, they helped make a very enjoyable evening; that was ~~a~~ wonderful, Como, no.

Give my regards to your charming wife, and let us hope, our paths may again cross.

Very Sincerely,
Hess

University of Cincinnati, famous for its Medical and Engineering Colleges, is one of the largest municipally owned Universities in the world.

Kodachrome by McCaa

Cincinnati, March 12, 1954.
Dear Dr. Lowy,

MAR 12 1954
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CINCINNATI, OHIO

This is to acknowledge with many thanks, receipt of the papers you so kindly sent to me. I took note in my "special book" about sending you some specimens of Americulinia porphyrea (Lév.) Tax. I hope I will be able to arrange some, as soon as I get home. The pilose surface is so characteristic, of a brownish red wally interesting, never seen in any specimen of a polytricha. But I will leave it to you to decide on the subject after receiving the specimens I intend to send you.

Sincerely, Al Taxon

Dextone Made Direct from Kodachrome and Ansco Color By Eastern Photo Service, N. Y.



Address

Dr. Bernard Lowy
Botany Department
Louisiana State Univ.
Baton Rouge

Louisiana

THE UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

MADISON 6, WISCONSIN, U. S. A.

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY
BIRGE HALL

Feb. 23, 1961

Dr. B. Lowry
Dept. of Botany
Louisiana State Univ.
Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Dr. Lowry:

Dr. Greene has turned over to me the lichens which you sent him in exchange. Thinking that you may want my determinations of this material I append the following comments. (cannot refer to your specimens by number as you apparently do not use collection numbers)

- ✓ *Parmelia perforata* (Jacq.) Ach. correct as named. contains atronorine, norstictic and stictic acids, a rare strain.
- Usnea florida* is *Usnea strigosa* (Ach.) Eaton
- Leptogium chloromelum* is *L. cyanescens* (Ach.) Koerb.
- ✓ *Chiodecton sanguineum* - as named.
- Cladonia cristatella* is f. *beauvoisii* (Del.) Vainio
- ✓ *Teloschistes chrysophthalmus* - as named
- Usnea longissima* is *U. trichodea*
- Physcia crispa* is *P. aegialita* (Ach.) Nyl.
- Cladonia gracilis* is *Cladonia subcariosa* Nyl., contains norstictic acid,

Sincerely yours,

John W. Thomson

John W. Thomson
Assoc. Prof. of Botany

GRAY HERBARIUM OF HARVARD UNIVERSITY
22 DIVINITY AVENUE
CAMBRIDGE 38, MASSACHUSETTS

June 5, 1961

Dr. Bernard Lowy
Agricultural Experiment Station
Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy:

Some time ago Dr. D. S. Correll sent to me the four ferns of
Bolivia that you had sent to him for identification. Their names are:

- P 1 Polypodium lanceolatum L.
- P 2 Asplenium fragile Pr.
- P 3 Polypodium sp. aff. pycnocarpon C. Chr.
- P 4 Polypodium angustifolium L.

Sincerely Yours,
Rolla M. Tryon
Rolla M. Tryon
Curator of Ferns

April 3, 1962

Dear Dr. Traynham:

In accord with our telephone conversation yesterday, I am submitting the following titles of papers to be presented before the Academy.

Luis A. Roure - The Rusts of Puerto Rico

Donald R. Reynolds - Life History Studies of Myxomycetes

I would appreciate having you include these papers in the program for Saturday, April 29, if this can still be arranged.

With many thanks,

Sincerely yours,

Bernard Lowy
Assoc. Prof. of Botany

P.S. 9 of course called you brother when I returned home, did he inform you?

TUBLITZ BROTHERS

Real Estate

75 SOUTH ORANGE AVENUE
SOUTH ORANGE, NEW JERSEY

SOUTH ORANGE 3-3030

July 20, 1961

My Dear Bernard,

Was I surprised to receive your booklet, which brought back memories of the few pleasant days we spent together in Bolivia and Peru. Not to mention the cabin we shared, on Lake Titicaca (Como No!), and the evening in Lima, nice people are good to meet and know, how are you doing at Boston Range. How is your wife and children all well I hope, thanks very much for remembering me, its good for my soul, say hello to your wife, and again thanks ~~the~~ Herta La Vista. Sincerely
Hanna