



Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation  
5th Floor, Hunt Library  
Carnegie Mellon University  
4909 Frew Street  
Pittsburgh, PA 15213-3890  
Telephone: 412-268-2434  
Email: [huntinst@andrew.cmu.edu](mailto:huntinst@andrew.cmu.edu)  
Web site: [www.huntbotanical.org](http://www.huntbotanical.org)

The Hunt Institute is committed to making its collections accessible for research. We are pleased to offer this digitized item.

#### *Usage guidelines*

We have provided this low-resolution, digitized version for research purposes. To inquire about publishing any images from this item, please contact the Institute.

#### *Statement on harmful and offensive content*

The Hunt Institute Archives contains hundreds of thousands of pages of historical content, writing and images, created by thousands of individuals connected to the botanical sciences. Due to the wide range of time and social context in which these materials were created, some of the collections contain material that reflect outdated, biased, offensive and possibly violent views, opinions and actions. The Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation does not endorse the views expressed in these materials, which are inconsistent with our dedication to creating an inclusive, accessible and anti-discriminatory research environment. Archival records are historical documents, and the Hunt Institute keeps such records unaltered to maintain their integrity and to foster accountability for the actions and views of the collections' creators.

Many of the historical collections in the Hunt Institute Archives contain personal correspondence, notes, recollections and opinions, which may contain language, ideas or stereotypes that are offensive or harmful to others. These collections are maintained as records of the individuals involved and do not reflect the views or values of the Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation or those of Carnegie Mellon University.

#### *About the Institute*

The Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation, a research division of Carnegie Mellon University, specializes in the history of botany and all aspects of plant science and serves the international scientific community through research and documentation. To this end, the Institute acquires and maintains authoritative collections of books, plant images, manuscripts, portraits and data files, and provides publications and other modes of information service. The Institute meets the reference needs of botanists, biologists, historians, conservationists, librarians, bibliographers and the public at large, especially those concerned with any aspect of the North American flora.

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.

Christmas, 1964

Merry Christmas!

We tried to add a little local flavor to our Christmas card this year by taking the photo along the Mississippi River. The children are actually standing at the river's edge in Illinois, and you can see across into Iowa, including part of the Davenport skyline. The weather was quite warm, even though it was the middle of November. We had hoped that we could get some snow in the scene.

The past year was kind of a rough one on us healthwise. We certainly appreciated receiving letters from many of you. Marilyn and I are still not completely recovered, but Christine seemed to return to normal during the summer. As a result, I have held back on my traveling until just recently. Last night was the annual Bendix Christmas dinner dance. Marilyn looked beautiful in a new green satin dress, but we didn't feel peppy enough to dance.

As to be expected, the children are anxious for Christmas. Christine and John trying to make Anne sit still to play the manger scene while they drape blankets about themselves, certainly make us stop in our tracks to see if they'll get cooperation from Anne (1-1/2 years old). John cried when he talked to Santa. It seems that 3-1/2 years is a difficult age! Christine, who is now in first grade, knows all the Christmas songs in preparation for the St. Vincent's School Christmas program. Carl (9 years old) and Tommy (12 years old) can't find enough minutes each day for school, homework, football, basketball and sleigh-riding. Kathy (13 years old, 8th grade) has many outside interests -- secretary of the student council, Campfire Girl and cheerleader for the school basketball team. Apart from school, she attends art classes at the Municipal Art Gallery, a sewing class and is developing a Science Fair project for the Jr. Quad-City Science Fair next spring.

All our family sends wishes for a very, very Merry Christmas and happiness in the New Year. We certainly look forward to the time when we can visit with you.

Very sincerely,

Tom and Marilyn

We saw Dr. Martin for a short visit last summer before his trip to Europe. Tom returned to USA for one week to attend a management course conducted by the Dept. of Marketing. How building is progressing - you'd never recognize me area! Last night's paper told of their 10 million <sup>dollar</sup> building program. Tom is in Dallas this week to give a talk. We appreciated your new year note! Our assistance to infection is improving but we're still on a high protein diet.



25 October

Dear Dr. Lowy —

If the present US and SAC  
alert allows, I shall be at your  
office about 1 PM on 3 November,  
looking forward to meeting  
you.

Sincerely,

Capt. Sturtevant

213 University Drive, East Lansing, Mich. 8-6-53.

Dear Dr. Lowy:

I have not yet received my separate of the  
Comptosia articles. I'll gladly send you  
a copy when they arrive.

I hope to see you in Madison

Very truly

Ernest A. Koenig

213 University Drive, East Lansing, Mich. 12-4-52.

Dear Dr. Lowy:

Many thanks for the fine separate on Auricularia.  
You are doing a fine piece of work on these fungi.

Very truly yours

Ernest A. Koenig

Note mail address. I still work 35+ hours in my office  
laboratory at the College.



Dr. Lowy -

Military personnel are restricted  
to a 50 mile radius - and  
that precludes my visit Saturday.  
I'll write when the situation  
eases a bit.

Sorry,

Capt. Butler



The  
**BANKERS & MERCHANTS TRAVEL SERVICE**

511 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK 17, NEW YORK

TEL. MURRAY HILL 7-6938

A. A. MORSBACH  
PRESIDENT

CABLE ADDRESS  
TRAVBANMER

August 1, 1953

To Members of the  
Botanical Society of America

VIII INTERNATIONAL BOTANICAL CONGRESS  
Paris - July 2nd-14th, 1954

Perhaps you are considering attending the above Congress as a delegate from the United States. Since no arrangements have been made for a delegation to travel as a group, and each delegate must make his own individual arrangements, we would like to offer our services in handling your transportation.

Applications for Trans Atlantic accommodations exceed the capacity of all vessels operating and it is unlikely that Tourist Class accommodations for the Summer of 1954 are available even at this time. Cabin class reservations can still be made, but immediate applications are imperative.

A list of minimum steamship rates to British ports is attached. There are vessels operating to Mediterranean ports also, if you would like to visit countries in that area prior to the convention. A list of the air fares, Tourist and First Class, to the major cities of Europe is also enclosed.

While the situation in first class steamer accommodations and Trans Atlantic air flights is considerably less acute, early applications are required for the widest choice of accommodations and selection of the most suitable departure dates.

No doubt you will wish to visit as much of Europe as possible prior to or following the Congress. It is in this matter that we can be of the greatest assistance, aiding you to utilize the time at your disposal to the greatest advantage, seeing as much of Europe as possible.

If we can be of service to you please complete the enclosed card and return it to us immediately. If you wish additional information we shall be glad to furnish it. You will be under no obligation even though tentative reservations made at this time must be cancelled later.

Very truly yours,

*A. Morsbach*  
A. Morsbach

The BANKERS & MERCHANTS TRAVEL SERVICE



1953

STEAMSHIP RATES TO BRITISH PORTS

<u>From Montreal</u>	<u>To Liverpool</u>	<u>Minimum Rates</u>		
		<u>First</u>	<u>Cabin</u>	<u>Tourist</u>
EMPRESS OF SCOTLAND		\$257.00	-	\$161.00
EMPRESS OF FRANCE		245.00	-	157.00
EMPRESS OF AUSTRALIA		235.00	-	157.00
<u>From Montreal-Quebec</u>	<u>To Liverpool</u> <u>Southampton</u>			
ASCANIA		215.00	-	145.00
FRANCONIA		233.00	-	155.00
SCYTHIA		233.00	-	155.00
SAMARIA		233.00	-	155.00
<u>From New York</u>	<u>To Southampton</u> <u>Plymouth (1)</u> <u>Liverpool (2)</u>			
QUEEN ELIZABETH		375.00	235.00	170.00
QUEEN MARY		375.00	235.00	170.00
CARONIA		330.00	220.00	-
MAURETANIA		325.00	220.00	165.00
BRITANNIC (2)		280.00	-	165.00
MEDIA (2)		260.00	-	-
PARTHIA (2)		260.00	-	-
LIBERTE (1) E/B		345.00	235.00	175.00
ILE DE FRANCE (1) E/B		340.00	235.00	175.00
FLANDRE (1) E/B		320.00	-	175.00
NIEUW AMSTERDAM		325.00	220.00	170.00
VEENDAM		230.00	-	165.00
RYNDAM		250.00	-	170.00
MAASDAM		250.00	-	170.00
UNITED STATES		365.00	230.00	175.00
AMERICA		330.00	220.00	170.00

The above fares are Summer Season rates and are applicable Eastbound April 13th to August 1st, inclusive, and Westbound June 29th to October 17th, inclusive. Rates to French ports are slightly higher than to British port - \$10.00 First Class, \$7.50 Cabin Class and \$5.00 Tourist Class. There are no reductions on Round Trip bookings. Round Trip rates are double the one-way rates.

A French port tax is applicable on all bookings to or from Cherbourg and Le Havre as follows -

	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Children</u>	<u>Infants</u>
First Class	\$13.00	\$11.00	\$1.00
Cabin Class	8.00	7.00	.75
Tourist Class	5.00	4.00	.50

Children over one year and under 12 years pay one half fare, over 12 years full fare.

1 9 5 3

AIR RATES TO EUROPEAN CITIES

<u>Between New York and</u>	<u>First Class</u>		<u>Tourist Class</u>	
	<u>One Way</u>	<u>Round Trip</u>	<u>One Way</u>	<u>Round Trip</u>
Amsterdam	\$415.00	\$747.00	\$295.00	\$531.00
Brussels	415.00	747.00	295.00	531.00
Copenhagen	432.70	778.90	313.10	563.60
Frankfurt	432.70	778.90	313.10	563.60
Geneva	432.70	778.90	313.10	563.60
Glasgow	376.00	676.80	258.00	464.40
Lisbon	401.00	721.80	364.40	656.00
London	395.00	711.00	275.00	495.00
Madrid	429.70	773.50	341.40	614.60
Munich	444.60	800.30	323.90	583.10
Nice	458.30	825.00	325.40	585.80
Oslo	432.70	778.90	313.10	563.60
Paris	415.00	747.00	295.00	531.00
Rome	482.20	868.00	344.60	620.30
Shannon	366.00	658.80	246.00	442.80
Stockholm	457.70	823.90	338.10	608.60
Vienna	471.00	847.80	339.30	610.80

While the above Round Trip fares apply to the indicated cities one can book out-bound to one city and return from another and the applicable Round Trip rate will be one half of the Round Trip fares.

CHILDREN & INFANTS - Children between 2 and 12 years of age and infants occupying a separate seat are carried at 50% of the published adult fare. One child under two years of age, when accompanied by an adult and not occupying a separate seat, is carried at 10% of the adult fare.

MEALS - In both First and Tourist Class services to and from Europe complimentary meals are served while aloft or on the ground at conventional mealtime.

BAGGAGE - Passengers paying the applicable fares are allowed the following free baggage allowance which shall include both checked and unchecked baggage -

First Class	30 kilograms (66 lbs.)
Tourist Class	20 kilograms (44 lbs.)

Children paying one half fare are granted a free baggage allowance on the same basis as a passenger paying the adult fare. All baggage in excess of the above free allowances will be charged at 1% of the normal first class one-way fare per kilo for the first 10 kilos (22 lbs.) and one half of 1% for the balance from origin to destination or stopover.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION  
BUREAU OF ENTOMOLOGY AND PLANT QUARANTINE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.  
209 RIVER STREET, HOBOKEN, NEW JERSEY

March 30, 1950

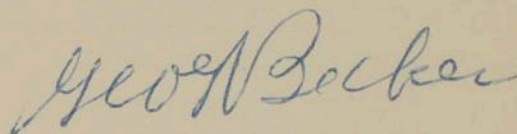
Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Botany  
State University of Iowa  
Iowa City, Iowa

Dear Doctor Lowy:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated  
March 23, 1950, addressed to Washington.

No permit is necessary for dried plant material in-  
cluding dried fungi which is enterable without  
permit as "herbarium material" and should be so  
labelled.

Very truly yours,



In Charge  
Import and Permit Section

# EDITORIAL UNIVERSITARIA

APARTADO 80 - UNIVERSIDAD

TEL. 17 - EXT. UNIVERSIDAD

March 16, 1950

Mr. Bernard Lowy

Instructor of Botany

State University of Iowa

a Editorial Universitaria

DEBE:

TIP. PORVENIR

1 copy Mycological Explorations of Venezuela, Chardon

2.00

2.00

EDITORIAL UNIVERSITARIA  
UNIVERSIDAD DE PUERTO RICO  
RIO PIEDRAS, P. R.

By: *Carmen Bermudez*  
*Secretary*

29/12/52

Dear Dr. Lowy,

I write to enquire whether you can very kindly send me copies of your recent papers on Aspicularia in 'Mycologia', vols. 43 & 44 - as they are not readily available in these laboratories.

Enclosed are two papers of my own, in the hope that they may be of some interest to you.

Yours truly,

J. E. T. Sand

Dr. B. Lowy.



CANADA

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Laboratory of Forest Pathology,  
102 - 11th Avenue East,  
Calgary, Alberta.

December 30, 1952.

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

Dear Dr. Lowy:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of the following  
publication which you so kindly sent:

"The Genus *Auricularia*." as reprinted in *Mycologia*,  
Vol. XLIV, No. 5, 656-692, Sept.-Oct., 1952.

Thank you.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "R.J. Bouchier".

R.J. Bouchier,  
Technical Officer.

/ph

MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE  
EAST LANSING

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY AND  
PLANT PATHOLOGY

October 29, 1952

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

Dear Dr. Lowy:

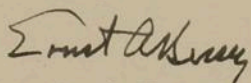
Very many thanks for the fine prints of the photos from the Foray which I received yesterday. I enjoyed the Foray exceedingly and these pictures bring back very pleasant memories.

I have finished looking over the rather few fungi that I collected. As is to be expected some of the things I picked up turned out to be insect injuries and not fungi while a few of the fungi were immature so that I could not identify them. I reported only 29 species to Dr. Korf, who is, I believe, preparing a list for Mycologia of the more interesting fungi collected by the participants in the Foray. A few of mine were rather unusual species.

It was a great pleasure to me to meet the up and coming newer generation of mycologists. Ever since my two years at L.S.U. (1908-1910) I have been especially interested in those coming from that institution. So it was a pleasure to meet you. I hope we may meet again. If my health remains good I hope to attend future Forays for some time, at least until I begin to become old.

With the kindest regards

Very truly yours

  
Ernst A. Bessey

Mail address: 213 University Drive, East Lansing, Michigan

APRIL

May 24<sup>th</sup> '53

Dear Bernardo,

I was going to write to you at a time when I could also send a reprint of my article in Mycologia. I've been waiting since January and they haven't gotten around to sending the reprints yet. So I thought that I had better write and send the reprint later.

I am also enclosing the slide of *Martin* that I promised. It lost a little color in the copying process but isn't too bad.

Spring has probably been in Louisiana for some time now. Here in Iowa it's only a week old. The spring flowers are just coming up. Rather late this year even for Iowa. Today the mycology class is going on a field trip to find

Some plant pathogens.

I just turned in the final copy of my thesis to the graduate office and will take the finals May 14<sup>th</sup>.

The jobs haven't been coming in too well and I don't ~~who~~ know where I'll end up yet. I hope I won't have to wait till sept. before finding a good place. Carrol, Fay, Farrow, Hacskaylo, and Riley are all graduating this year. Riley has been hired to do research work in the radiology lab here in the med. labs. None of the others have any definite job offers.

Martin is looking the same as ever and has been getting a lot of work done on his Panama Fungi.

Have you been doing anything

3.  
interesting in Louisiana? I suppose your  
teaching schedule keeps you from doing as  
much research as you would like to do.

The Foray is scheduled for Sept 6-10  
in Wisconsin this year. I hope I will get  
to see you then. This time I'll come  
prepared with my camera and a copy  
of Pogo.

As ever,

Tom

July 14, '52

Dear Bernie,

I have forwarded your corrected galley proof to Panama. Dr. Martin says that he is doing his Mycologia work in spare time but from the letters he has sent to me it doesn't sound as though he has much spare time. He and Weldon <sup>are</sup> spending most of their time collecting fungi so that they can compile a complete Fungi of Panama. He said their progress is being slowed down somewhat by an excessive amount of rain.

Ragab has departed for the land of the Sphinx and the place doesn't seem the same without him. In fact the whole place is rapidly changing. Riley, John Hacskayto, and myself are to only "old timers" around.

Ragab visited Sam before he left and says that Sam appears to be in pretty bad health.

Dr. Hoewing is in the hospital again for about the 3<sup>rd</sup> time since you left. He has a bad heart condition and has lost the use of one eye.

I expect to finish in February if all goes well.

I would like to hear about how your work is going. Maybe get some advice on how to handle a new class in Mycology —

I expect to see you in New York this fall, until then —

as ever,  
Tom

The two papers you asked for are enclosed.

STATE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA  
IOWA CITY, IOWA

Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>  
1952

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

Dear Bernie,

I received your letter and photographs today. Thought I had better write an answer while I have the time. I am in the Myc. Lab. giving a written and practical test to the class. The set-up should be familiar to you, having been once subjected to such an ordeal.

Martin is<sup>in</sup> Philadelphia attending a A.A.U.P. meeting. He will be gone for about 4 days.

Not too much in the way of news from the department. About the only noticeable change since you left is an attempt by

2.

certain members of the faculty to gain back some of the popularity they lost in the past few years.

We had 75 days without rain so the mycology class couldn't do any field work. Last week the dry spell ended with 4.7 inches of rain in one day.

It doesn't look as though I'll get done in February. Martin wants me to extend the thesis somewhat and he thinks that there will be better job openings later on in the year.

Ragab hasn't written to any one since he left. Not even his Egyptian friends

have heard from him. Although they have heard that his wife was in very serious condition as the result of a Caesarean operation. This evidently took up much of his time. Wife and child are reported as doing well now, so we'll probably hear from them.

While we are on the subject. Marilyn had an 8 lb. boy Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> (The Boss' Birthday). So in my 3 1/2 years at S.U.I. I have gained 1 wife, 2 children, 2 more inches around the waist and have lost 50% of my hair.

4.

I hope your work is coming along well and would like to hear about it once in a while

I was very pleased to receive the picture. They turned out very nice. I'm sorry the color film didn't ~~turn~~ turn out as well. I haven't forgotten that I promised to send a color slide of the boss. I should have that in 2 weeks.

祝你

快樂

Yours

Dr. M.A. Ragab  
Dept. of Botany  
College of Agriculture  
Giza, Egypt

T. BULAT

MUNDELEIN COLLEGE

SHERIDAN ROAD AT THE LAKE  
CHICAGO 40

12 February 1955

Dear Bernie,

It was nice to get your letter. Just "Baton Rouge" on the envelope made me forget for a moment that we have real Iowa City, 5-below zero weather here, with a lake breeze to help it along.

I am sorry that Heterochaete is so coy. I suspect that it is something of a hitchhiker, even in Louisiana, and is much more at home in more completely tropical climates. Everything that I worked with is at the University of Iowa. I have not attempted to establish a collection here, because the tenure of religious is a somewhat uncertain thing, and I might find myself tomorrow a thousand miles away. I think that most things are also at NYBG; Martin shares quite freely with Rogers.

How are your wife and your little daughter? I did not meet your wife, but I rejoiced with you at the birth of your child. I hear from Elliott, Ina Fitzgerald and Sylvia Rudman, and occasionally by remote processes from Wayne McIlrath at the Univ. of Chicago. Sylvia has two children. Bodine's death was a surprise, although I saw him in the summer of '53 and thought he looked poor then. I did not hear who is now head of that department. Who will follow THE BOSS??

With best wishes,

Sister M. Cecilia, B.U.M.



# LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY

385 Flatbush Avenue Extension • Brooklyn 1, N. Y.

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS & SCIENCES

October 1955

*Honorary and Alumni  
Committee*

*Chairman:*

DR. RALPH H. CHENEY  
Professor of Biology  
Brooklyn College

DR. MILTON BANKOFF '38  
President, Doctor's Hospital  
Michigan City, Indiana

DR. MORRIS BIEN '55  
New York City

DR. PHILIP F. BONHAG '44  
Associate Professor of Biology  
University of California

DR. EDWARD ESSNER '47  
National Cancer Institute  
Bethesda, Maryland

DR. DAVID FINKELSTEIN '43  
Technical Editor  
New York City

DR. GERALD S. KANTER '47  
Department of Physiology  
Union University, Albany

MR. FRED KLANIT '47  
Community College  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

DR. HAROLD M. MESSER  
Associate Professor of Biology  
Gettysburg College, Pa.

DR. RICHARD E. TASHIAN  
Department of Tropical Research  
New York Zoological Society

DR. IRA WENDER '46  
New York City

DR. DANIEL WIDELock '32  
Assistant Director  
Bureau of Laboratories  
N.Y.C. Dept. of Health

*Professional affiliations for  
identification purposes only*

*Active Committee*

Biology Department  
Long Island University

DR. JOHN C. BAIARDI, *Chairman*  
MR. MURRAY STOCK, *Secretary*  
DR. CHARLES TANZER, *Treasurer*

*Student Committees*

ANAPHY SOCIETY  
DARWIN SOCIETY  
LANCET SOCIETY

Dear Friend:

I am writing to you on behalf of the men and women who cherish the memory of our dear friend and colleague, Professor Curtis L. Weathers.

The loss of this inspiring teacher and leader is not easily overcome. Throughout his life he gave willingly and generously of his time and abilities and spirit. His death came with tragic prematurity, but his accomplishments have earned him a permanent place in this University.

To perpetuate his name for generations yet to come, a group of his former students, colleagues and friends have begun planning a fitting and lasting memorial - one designed to reflect his limitless enthusiasm in fostering the growth of his department.

It is felt that we could best demonstrate our admiration for Professor Weathers by establishing here at Long Island University a Research Laboratory in Biology named in his memory. This laboratory would become an integral part of the new Graduate Department of Biology inaugurated this fall.

The laboratory would bear a large bronze plaque inscribed in such a manner as to reaffirm our devotion to his memory and to the high principles of learning and living to which he so earnestly dedicated his life.

We feel that you will want to share in this project. You can do that by contributing to the memorial-laboratory fund drive. For your convenience a card is enclosed with this letter on which you may indicate the amount you wish to donate. If you find it inconvenient to make an immediate contribution, we shall appreciate your pledge for a contribution to be made by March 1, 1956.

We trust we can count on you.

Sincerely,

John C. Baiardi, Ph.D  
Professor of Biology  
Chairman: Weathers Memorial Drive

*85 sent on 12-9-55*

# Edisto Experiment Station

BRANCH OF

Clemson College

POST OFFICE BOX C

BLACKVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

August 4, 1955

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Dept. of Botany  
L. S. U.  
Baton Rouge, La.

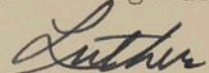
Dear Dr. Lowy:

Would you please advise me concerning your technique in isolating the Choanephoraceae from the soil. The genera that I am interested in are Blakeslea and Cunninghamella since I have plenty of Choanephora from squash in this area. I found this genus <sup>to be</sup> quite pathogenic to tomato fruit and I would like to extend this study to these closely related genera. If you have cultures of these, I would certainly appreciate your effort in sending them to me. Have you seen the genus, Cokeromyces, described by Shanor in Mycologin in 1950 (page 271-278)?

We are liking South Carolina very well. The mosquitoes are absent but the gnats are quite abundant! Our new daughter, Anne Elizabeth, is two months old today and growing like a weed. Deborah Leigh, our oldest, is giving us some trouble - jealousy.

I hope your work is progressing satisfactorily. I would be very delighted to receive any reprints of your work.

Best regards,



Luther W. Baxter

LWB:ilb

# Edisto Experiment Station

BRANCH OF

Clemson College

POST OFFICE BOX C

BLACKVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

September 22, 1955

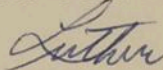
Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Plant Pathology Department  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Dr. Lowy:

Thank you very much for the letter of September 19 including the M. D. A. formula. It is interesting to note that we have a traveler among our mist. Between you and Velez of Porto Rico, I have a very difficult time maintaining my correspondence. I hope you had a most enjoyable summer and that you may have similar opportunities in the future.

I also wish to thank you very much for the reprints.

With best regards,



Luther

LWB:ilb

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE  
NORTHERN UTILIZATION RESEARCH BRANCH  
PEORIA, ILLINOIS

December 13, 1955

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Botany, Bacteriology  
and Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy:

Since the culture you recently sent us for identification was a Penicillium, it was turned over to me by Dr. Hesseltine. I have determined the organism to be Penicillium jenseni Zaleski. Although your strain is somewhat more lightly sporulating on Czapek's than is typical, it appears to fit this species better than any other.

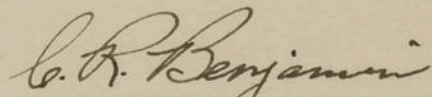
I am interested in your observation that the strain may be a sugar cane pathogen and would appreciate a reprint if you publish on the work.

If you are not already aware of the fact, you may be interested in knowing that Arthur Welden is now teaching at Newcomb College of Tulane University. I understand that we all had a major professor in common.

Best regards.

31

Sincerely yours,



C. R. Benjamin, Mycologist  
Culture Collection Unit  
Fermentation Section

THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS  
LAWRENCE

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

Dec. 13, 1956

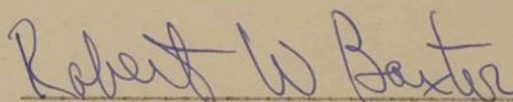
Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Botany  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy:

You have been recommended to us by Dr. Donald P. Rogers as a possible candidate for the position of mycologist on our staff beginning September 1957. This is a permanent position at the rank of assistant or associate professor and a salary of \$4,500 to \$6,000 for nine months depending on training and experience. The job offers excellent opportunities of generous financially supported research in addition to a moderate teaching load.

If you feel you would be interested in the position, we would appreciate receiving your application with a brief outline of training and experience at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,



Robert W. Baxter, Chairman  
Department of Botany

RWB/kt

FRIESIA  
NORDISK MYKOLOGISK TIDSSKRIFT  
UDGIVET AF  
FORENINGEN TIL SVAMPEKUNDSKABENS FREMME

SEKRETARIATET:  
ROLIGHEDSVEJ 23, KØBENHAVN V

TELEFON:  
CENTRAL 10273

KØBENHAVN V., den December 10th, 1956

Jour. 251/56

Dr. B. Lowy, Curator

Mycological Herbarium  
Dept. of Botany and Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter of December 5, 1956, we are sending you under separate cover a copy of the English translation of Elias Fries' Autobiography.

Please find enclosed an invoice (Dan.cr. 11.-)

Sincerely yours

*N. Fabritius Buchwald*

N. Fabritius Buchwald

Professor

UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL

Tel. No. 3-6235.

T. E. T. BOND, D.Sc., Ph.D.  
Senior Lecturer,

HORTICULTURAL SCIENCE LABORATORIES,  
BRACKENHILL,  
LEIGH WOODS,  
BRISTOL 8.

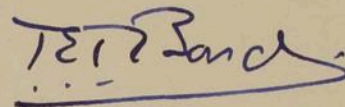
24th November, 1956.

Dr. B. Lowy,  
Mycology Dept.,  
Louisiana State University,  
Baton Rouge,  
Louisiana,  
U.S.A.

Dear Dr. Lowy,

I must apologise for not having written before to thank you for your reprints on 'Tremellaceous fungi.....' from Lloydia and the other journals. These will be especially valued for their illustrations of basidial morphology.

Yours sincerely,



MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

OF AGRICULTURE AND APPLIED SCIENCE • EAST LANSING

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY AND PLANT PATHOLOGY

November 25, 1958

Dr. B. Lowy  
Escuela Nacional de Agricultura  
Apartado 456  
La Molina  
Lima, Peru  
SOUTH AMERICA


Dear Dr. Lowy:

It was a pleasant surprise to hear from you in Peru. You must be having some very interesting experiences in that country, and I certainly envy your being there. One of these times, in the near future, I hope to be able to get to some of the areas in South America, too.

In your collecting trips if you happen to run across a large size puffball, would it be possible to send a small specimen of several inches across back to us, as we are studying the germination problems on this organism.

With best wishes for a successful trip back in February.

Sincerely yours,

  
E. S. Beneke  
Associate Professor, Mycology

ESB:cs

NEW YORK STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION  
CORNELL UNIVERSITY  
ITHACA, NEW YORK  
DEPARTMENT OF PLANT PATHOLOGY

~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

April 22, 1958

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

Dear Dr. Lowy

I shall be very grateful to you if you could spare a reprint of your paper "Illustrations and Keys to the Tremellaceous fungi of Louisiana" which appeared in Lloydia 18:(4) 149-181. Thanks in advance.

Sincerely yours  
*L.R. Batra*  
L.R. Batra.

**81 KENYANS TO HOLD  
U. S. SCHOLARSHIPS**

Special to The New York Times.

NAIROBI, Kenya, Aug. 5—  
Tom Mboya, nationalist leader,  
has chartered a special plane to  
fly eighty-one Kenyans to the  
United States Sept. 11 to take  
up four-year scholarships at  
American universities.

Mr. Mboya said today that  
during his recent American lec-  
ture tour he had arranged the  
scholarships, each for a mini-  
mum of \$2,000. Some were  
granted by universities, some by  
individuals. Since Mr. Mboya's  
return, African clans and fam-  
ilies have raised funds to help  
finance the students' travel.

Jackie Robinson, New York  
restaurant chain executive and  
former baseball star, provided  
\$4,000. Mr. Robinson said he  
was sponsoring the scholarships  
because he wanted African  
students to visit the United  
States to see the American way  
of life.

One of those on the Robinson  
grant will be Samuel Ramtu, a  
medical student, who will study  
at Michigan State University  
for four years.

The rest of Mr. Robinson's  
\$4,000 grant will be divided  
among students who have  
partial scholarships. They are  
Naftal Gichaba, Eston K.  
Mngola, Francis Mulia, Griffin  
Amimo and others not yet  
named.

William Scheinman, president  
of the African-American Stu-  
dents Foundation Inc., said that  
about forty colleges had  
awarded scholarships to the  
African students. Six indi-  
viduals in Chicago have agreed  
to give \$500 apiece, he said, and  
one Chicago couple will provide  
free room and board for three  
African students.

\*\*\*\*\*

AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS FOUNDATION, INC.

SUITE 4710 70 PINE STREET  
NEW YORK 5, NEW YORK

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

PRESIDENT  
WILLIAM X. SCHEINMAN  
VICE-PRESIDENT  
GEORGE HOUSER  
VICE-PRESIDENT  
FRANK C. MONTERO  
SECRETARY-TREASURER  
JOHN H. BALL

AFRICAN ASSOCIATES

HON. TOM MBOYA  
MEMBER, KENYA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
KARIUKI K. NJIIRI  
MEMBER, KENYA EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Louisiana State University,  
Baton Rouge, La.

September 2, 1959

Dear Dr. Lowy:

We are writing you about an urgent matter which we feel confident will appeal to your sense of fair play.

Recently, twenty-eight year old Tom Mboya, the brilliant young African leader came to America to interpret the aspiration of the African people for freedom. As Chairman of the All African Peoples Conference, Tom Mboya's voice and influence extend far outside his native Kenya.

In his whirlwind tour from coast to coast he dramatized the need for higher education of the many young Kenyans for whom opportunities are non-existent under the repressive colonial system. In Kenya today higher education is not available to Africans.

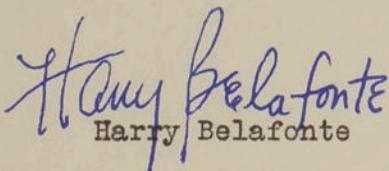
The response to Tom's appeal was with typical American generosity. From over forty institutions of higher education - including Harvard, Georgetown, University of California, Michigan State College, University of Hawaii, Howard University - eighty-one scholarships have been offered. The students have already been carefully chosen and are fully prepared. This will be the largest number of students ever to come from Africa at one time.

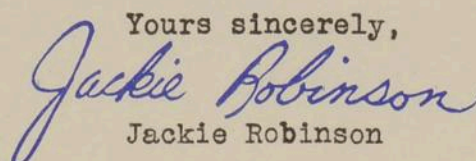
In their own country, in a spirit of self help, African tribes and families have raised money to help bear their share. But because of the great distance - almost 8,000 miles from Kenya to New York - transportation cost is far beyond their resources.

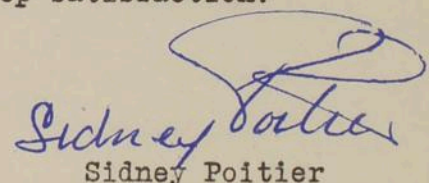
Tom Mboya has appealed to us for help. We have undertaken to charter an airplane which is scheduled to depart from Nairobi in mid - September. This charter will substantially reduce transportation costs and insure that the students will arrive in the United States on time to leave for college campuses.

The total cost of this project is \$39,000. We have personally pledged part of this sum but we cannot do it alone.

Will you respond generously to this urgent appeal by sending to us, today, your check payable to the African-American Students Foundation, Inc., to help with project Airlift-Africa. We are sure your generous response will give you deep satisfaction.

  
Harry Belafonte

Yours sincerely,  
  
Jackie Robinson

  
Sidney Poitier

September 16, 1959

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Botany, Bacteriology, and Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Bernard:

After giving thought to the consideration of the location of the foray for next August, I believe that our best decision is, as I have previously indicated, to hold the foray at Louisiana State University under your direction. You may want to have a couple other members on the committee to help out in making local arrangements. - *Information should be sent to Benjamin (California)*

I have some previous information from forays which I could send to you. Some of this is already published in the earlier Newsletters which you may have. I am trying to find the exact date for the meetings next August in Stillwater, Oklahoma. I believe the meetings start around August 29. As soon as I get the exact dates I shall let you know in case you do not have the information.

I hope that the local arrangements will not be any special problem so that the members can attend without too many complications developing for housing, etc.

We should have a tentative announcement in the December issue of the Newsletter so that the information should be available for Richard Benjamin around the middle of November. I shall be glad to help in any details that can be done from here to help reduce your job on this committee. I am assuming that you will be willing to accept this if everything is suitable at the university.

With best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

*Tex*  
E. S. Beneke  
Vice-President  
Mycological Society of America

ESB:cs

# The Mycological Society of America

Founded December, 1931

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

April 13, 1960

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Dept. of Bot. and Pl. Path.  
Louisiana State Univ.  
Baton Rouge 3, La.

Dear Bernard:

I shall start working on the next issue of the Newsletter before too long. If you would like to include a short note on the Foray, please let me have it by the end of this month.

Best regards,

Sincerely yours,

*Ben*

R. K. Benjamin

SURF & SAND  
COTTAGES  
PENSACOLA BEACH

CHECK OUT TIME  
11:00 A.M.

Nº 12288

June 16 19 60

RECEIVED FROM

Mr. B. Lowry  
Fifteen and no

\$ 15.00

DOLLARS

Cottage No.

464

From

6/24

To

7/2/60

Other:

Deposit \$15.00

*M. H. Brown*

Signature

SURF & SAND  
COTTAGES  
PENSACOLA BEACH

CHECK OUT TIME  
11:00 A.M.

Nº 12571

7/2 1960

RECEIVED FROM

Mr. B. Lowry  
One Hundred Twenty one 9/8

\$ 121.99

DOLLARS

Cottage No.

302

From

6/24

To

7/2/60

Other:

Rent 133.00  
Tax 3.99  
Dep 13.00  
\$121.99

w. AIR CONDIT.

*M. H. Brown*

Signature

EFFECTIVE DATE APRIL 1, 1960

			NOV. 1 TO APRIL 1	APRIL 1 TO MAY 15	MAY 15 TO LABOR DAY	LABOR DAY TO NOV. 1
ONE BEDROOM	2 persons	Day	7.50	9.00	13.00	8.00
Gulf and Sound Side		Week	45.00	54.00	80.00	48.00
ONE BEDROOM	2 persons	Day	7.50	9.00	14.00	8.00
Sound Side—AIR CONDITIONED		Week	45.00	54.00	87.00	48.00
TWO BEDROOMS	4 persons	Day	9.00	12.00	16.00	10.00
Sound Side		Week	54.00	72.00	100.00	60.00
TWO BEDROOMS	4 persons	Day	9.00	12.00	18.00	10.00
Sound Side—AIR CONDITIONED		Week	54.00	72.00	115.00	60.00
TWO BEDROOMS	4 persons	Day	10.00	13.00	18.00	11.00
Facing Sound		Week	60.00	80.00	115.00	66.00
TWO BEDROOMS	4 persons	Day	9.00	13.00	18.00	11.00
Gulf Side		Week	54.00	80.00	115.00	66.00
TWO BEDROOMS	4 persons	Day	9.00	13.00	20.00	11.00
Gulf Side—AIR CONDITIONED		Week	54.00	80.00	130.00	66.00
TWO BEDROOMS	4 persons	Day	10.00	15.00	20.00	12.00
Facing Gulf		Week	60.00	90.00	130.00	72.00

Each Extra Adult, Day \$2.00; Week \$12.00. Each Extra Child, Day \$1.00; Week \$6.00.

All cottages completely furnished with linens, kitchen utensils, dining facilities and daily maid service.

MOTEL ROOMS—\$5.00 to \$8.00

[JUNE 24 - JULY 2]



**SURF  
'N  
SAND**

P. O. BOX 9038 - PENSACOLA BEACH, FLA.

TELEPHONE YE 2-2291  
2-2222

MR. & MRS. M. H. BROWN MGRS.

**COTTAGES  
THE "400" STRIP**

**SWIMMING POOL**

**BEACH HOMES AND MOTELS ON BEAUTIFUL GULF OF MEXICO**

June 16, 1960

Dr. B. Lowy  
La. State University  
Baton Rouge, La.

Dear Dr. Lowy:

Inclosed find receipt for \$15.00 which is your deposit on a two bed room cottage on the Sound Side for June 24 to July 2, 1960.

We look forward to your arrival.

Very truly yours,

SURF 'N SAND  
*M. H. Brown*  
M.H. Brown, mgr.

MB:hb

BEACHES ON PLACID SANTA ROSA SOUND AND THE EXHILARATING GULF OF MEXICO  
SORRY NO PETS

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE  
CROPS RESEARCH DIVISION  
BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND

June 20, 1960

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

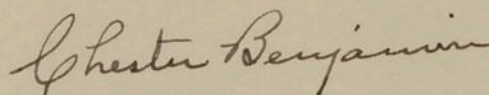
Dear Dr. Lowy:

Mr. Stevenson has referred to me your letter of June 8 concerning your desire to borrow our Puerto Rican rusts for Mr. Roure.

We would be very happy to lend you anything specific which you may require in this regard, but since the specimens are quite numerous and scattered throughout the various herbaria we would prefer that Mr. Roure designate what specific reference specimens he needs.

We are not sure who from here will attend the foray, but the NFC will have at least one representative attending.

Sincerely yours,



C. R. Benjamin  
Principal Mycologist  
Mycology Investigations  
Crops Protection Research Branch

Please address reply to:

The National Fungus Collections  
Plant Industry Station  
Beltsville, Maryland

RANCHO SANTA ANA BOTANIC GARDEN  
1500 North College Avenue • Claremont, California

6 Sept., 1960

Dear Bernard:

Here is the formula for King's  
cement which you requested at  
Stillwater.

Sincerely,

*Ben*

R. K. Benjamin

November 30, 1960

Dr. Bernie Lowy  
Department of Botany, Bacteriology,  
and Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Bernie:

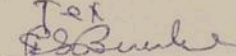
Since returning from Brazil, I have heard from several people that attended the meetings last September that the foray was very successful and well arranged. I wish to express my deep appreciation to you and the others that helped to make this so successful for the Mycological Society of America.

Since I was not able to get back in time, it has occurred to me that you should have a summary of the results of the foray for Richard Benjamin for the Newsletter which will come out at the end of December. This is primarily concerning the attendance, interesting comments, or a brief summary of the activities of the foray for the Newsletter. I shall be glad to help on anything that I can do from here if you want me to do so. I think it would be better to have your name attached as chairman of the committee rather than have mine involved in it, as I did not actually do very much in making any arrangements this year as I have done in the past.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

1. Jex 11



E. S. Beneke, President-elect  
The Mycological Society of America

ESB:cs

cc: Dr. R. K. Benjamin

December 8, 1960

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Botany, Bacteriology and  
Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Bernie:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 5 and the photograph of the group. I was thinking that it would be very worthwhile to have this well-developed photograph in the Newsletter if Benjamin wants it in December. As you know, I tried this in the previous year's December issue and it came out fairly well, but the positive print was not too good. However, the one that you have is an excellent reproduction and should print very well. There is practically no extra charge for doing this in the offset process that I had here, so Benjamin might want to do the same thing.

I am also glad to know that you are sending a brief statement for the Newsletter to Benjamin.

I did have a very successful stay in Brazil and also had a chance to be in Peru for a while, where you used to be from your comments in the letter. This was an interesting trip and I hope to go back sometime in the near future.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

"Tox"  
E. S. Beneke  
Professor

ESB:cs

YALE UNIVERSITY  
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY  
OSBORN BOTANICAL LABORATORY  
NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT

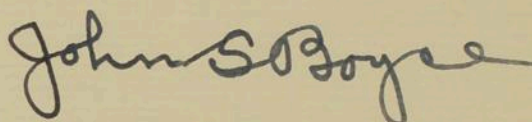
31st May, 1961

Prof. B. Lowy,  
Department of Botany,  
Louisiana State University,  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

If still available I would appreciate a reprint of the paper by you and A. L. Welden entitled, "Synopsis of Louisiana polypores", that appeared in the American Midland Naturalist vol. 61, no. 2, 1959.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John S. Boyce". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

John S. Boyce,  
Professor Emeritus of Forest Pathology.



DIVISION OF  
PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCE  
Department of Biology

NORTHEAST LOUISIANA STATE COLLEGE  
MONROE, LOUISIANA

May 29, 1963

Dr. B. Lowy  
Department of Botany and Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy:

Thank you for the information about the Mycological Society. I have received the last two issues of Mycologia.

Our library does not have Botanical Review; therefore, I would like to borrow your reprint of W. B. Cooke's paper. We have this journal on order, but have not begun receiving it yet.

I had hopes of visiting you at L. S. U. before you left for the summer, but so far I haven't found the time. I will finish with exams Tuesday, June 4, and can come down after that date if you will still be there and will have a couple of hours to discuss mycology. I would like to check with you for additional references for identification of the basidiomycetes and also look over the arrangement of your herbarium.

Thanks again for your assistance on these mycological problems.

Sincerely yours,

*Elton R. Barrett*

Elton R. Barrett  
Assistant Professor of Biology

ERB:jah

*assumed 3-V by manuscript.*

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
ANN ARBOR

UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL  
DEPARTMENT OF DERMATOLOGY  
ARTHUR C. CURTIS, M.D., PROFESSOR AND CHAIRMAN

REG. NO.

February 6, 1961

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

Dear Dr. Lowy:

Dr. Yousef Al-Doory has given your name as reference on his application for a position in our laboratories.

We would appreciate any pertinent information you can give us concerning him.

Thank you for your courtesy.

Sincerely yours,

*Florante C. Bocobo*  
Florante C. Bocobo, M.D.

February 9, 1961

Dr. Florante C. Bocobo  
University Hospital  
The University of Michigan  
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Dr. Bocobo:

I am glad to make a statement in behalf of Dr. Yousef Al-Doory.

I knew Dr. Al-Doory as a graduate student in our department from 1952 to 1954 during which interval he took a year of general mycology under my direction. He made an excellent record in this work. He impressed me as being a serious, mature and careful student. After graduation he returned to his home in Iraq and shortly thereafter made a survey of the soil fungi of the Baghdad area. Part of the results of this study was published in *Mycologia* 51(3):429-439. 1959. He later returned to the U.S. and was employed by the University of Oklahoma as a Research Associate in Medical Mycology. I believe he was the recipient of one or more grants from the government of Iraq to assist him in his studies here. During the summer of 1960 he completed Dr. Conant's course in Medical Mycology at Duke University. In my opinion Dr. Al-Doory is a well disciplined, reliable and intelligent worker who has special qualifications in the field of medical mycology and in the taxonomy of the Imperfect Fungi. He is cooperative and gladly assumes responsibility. I can unhesitatingly recommend Dr. Al-Doory to you as a professional person of high calibre.

Sincerely yours,

Bernard Lowy  
Assoc. Prof. Botany

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES  
BOTANY, BACTERIOLOGY AND  
PLANT PATHOLOGY

AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION  
PLANT PATHOLOGY

Woodward Medical Personnel Bureau  
185 N. Wabash Avenue  
Chicago 1, Illinois

January 26, 1961

Gentlemen:

I am glad to make a statement in behalf of Dr. Yousef Al-Doory. Dr. Al-Doory was a student of mine for a period of one year in my graduate course in mycology. (offered at Louisiana State University.) He made an excellent record in this work and impressed me as being a serious, mature and careful student. His subsequent experience in medical mycology further broadened his competence and I would judge him to be a reliable, well disciplined and intelligent worker having special qualifications in the field of medical mycology and in the taxonomy of the Imperfect Fungi. I can strongly recommend him as a highly competent professional person and as an individual with a pleasing and likeable personality.

Sincerely yours,

Bernard Lowy  
Assoc. Prof. Botany

Recomm. to Nat. Acad. Sci. } 22-II-61  
Nat. Res. Council  
2101 East Ave, N.W.  
Wash. 25, D.C.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE  
CROPS RESEARCH DIVISION  
BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND

April 4, 1962

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

Dear Bernie:

Thank you for your letter of March 15 concerning your return of the Tremellales sent to you on loan. The package has been received in good order and I thank you for the annotations that you made.

Best regards.

Sincerely yours,

*Chester*

C. R. Benjamin  
Principal Mycologist  
Mycology Investigations  
Crops Protection Research Branch

Please address reply to:

The National Fungus Collections  
Plant Industry Station  
Beltsville, Maryland

HEADQUARTERS  
1ST COMBAT EVALUATION GROUP (SAC)  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE, LOUISIANA

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF : Captain Stuart E. Burttt  
Academic Division (SSS)  
SUBJECT: Request for data on the fleshy fungi

20 July 1962

TO: Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Botany and Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University

Dear Dr. Lowy,

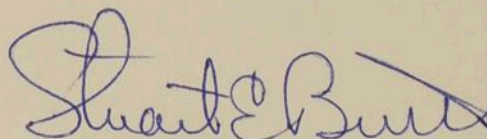
I have been referred to you by F. T. Wolf, of Vanderbilt University. Recently I have begun a comprehensive study of the more prominent fleshy fungi of Northwest Louisiana, and find my field collections to be outstripping my capacity for identification. In short, I require more specific taxonomic reference works. I am hoping that either you or L.S.U. will have a text or monograph of the fungi of the area so defined.

I have all of the Coker texts of North Carolina University, the Christensen keys by the Burgess Publishing Company, and the Smith text and Thomas book. Is there a more-localized reference which would serve my proposed studies more effectively?

Dr. Outland and Dr. Erwin, of Northwestern State University, are supervising my work, which aims at a key of the local species.

I will be grateful for any aid you may be able to provide. I could also put to use a source of collecting techniques, especially one which describes means of spore examination, collection, and identification.

Sincerely,



CAPTAIN STUART E. BURTT  
1st COMBAT EVALUATION GROUP  
BARKSDALE AFB, LOUISIANA

**PEACE IS OUR PROFESSION**

August 17, 1962

Captain Stuart E. Burtt  
Academic Division (SSS)  
Barksdale AFB, La.

Dear Capt. Burtt:

Your letter of July 20 has just reached me here in Mexico where I have been on a mycological mission since the middle of June.

I am glad to know of your interest in the fleshy fungi and offer you any assistance I may be able to give. You have been collecting some of them on and off for several years and have some identified as well as unidentified material in the herbarium which you are welcome to look over whenever you like. By way of literature, we have nothing specifically treating the fleshies of La. but there is one work that will no doubt be very useful and which you should consult if you have not already done so. This is L.R. Hesler's "Mushrooms of the Great Smokies" which has keys and excellent photographs to some of the common species, many of which are also found in La. Of course, you will need more than this, including the works of Kaufmann, Lange and Bresadola, but you have got to get started somewhere.

I would be glad to see you if you care to stop by at the herbarium where we could talk about mushrooms. I expect to be back at the University about September 15.

Best wishes and apologies for this delayed answer.

Sincerely yours,

B. Lowy  
Curator, Mycological  
Herbarium

HEADQUARTERS  
1ST COMBAT EVALUATION GROUP (SAC)  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE  
BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE, LOUISIANA

REPLY TO  
ATTN OF: Capt. S. E. Burt  
Academic Division

SUBJECT: Request for Information

October 22, 1962

TO: Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Dept. of Botany and Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University

Dear Dr. Lowy,

Thank you for your field letter of 17 August. I, too, have been afield these past two months. I missed Bressadola's, but collected in the United Kingdom, Denmark, and Germany. I also spent some pleasant hours in the Royal Horticultural Gardens at Kew.

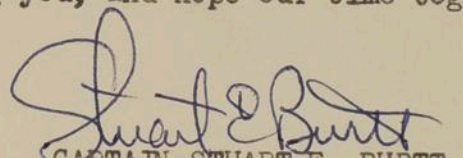
My study progresses--collections far outnumbering positive identifications, however. The work by Kaufmann is now out of print. Lange's study is --so far, unobtainable. I have all of Coker's works, and Smith, and Christenson. In particular, I need a good Agaric key, quite possibly Singer's work. I received a letter from him that it has been recently republished, but have not yet had availability confirmed by the publisher in Germany. Found a huge agaric yesterday, about two pounds and ten inches across--pure black. No sources yet identify it. So, I'm stuck for a key, preferably one with spore microscopy notes or drawings.

I would appreciate a bit of your time, and access to those specimens you mentioned. My personal collection now amounts to well over four hundred descriptions.

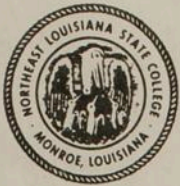
I shall be available for travel to Baton Rouge on Friday or Saturday, the 2nd and third of November, as well as the 10th and 12th of November. The 19th is also free. If one of these days would be convenient, perhaps you could drop me a note to that effect. I will plan to arrive whenever convenient for you, and if the afternoon is preferable, I can collect a bit on the way down.

I am looking forward to meeting you, and hope our time together will be mutually profitable.

Sincerely,

  
CAPTAIN STUART E. BURTT  
1st CEG  
Barksdale AFB, Louisiana

PEACE IS OUR PROFESSION



NORTHEAST LOUISIANA STATE COLLEGE  
MONROE, LOUISIANA

Department of Biology

February 16, 1962

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy:

The Biology Department at Northeast Louisiana State College will conduct a summer institute for biology teachers in 1962. This institute will be devoted to study of the plant kingdom. Money has been designated for the purchase of a number of reference books for use in the institute. Since we are short on mycology references, plans are being made to purchase several references in this field. References are needed for all groups of fungi. We would appreciate a list of available references which you would recommend for any or all groups of fungi.

I am attaching a list of the references which are presently available in our library.

We are also planning to invite several guest lecturers for the institute. Would you be interested in presenting a lecture and possibly conducting a lab one day during the institute if an acceptable time can be worked out? We might also include some time for collecting in this area if your time permits.

Sincerely yours,

*Elton R. Barrett*

Elton R. Barrett, Ph.D.  
Assistant Professor of Biology

ERB:ld

Attachment

Alexopolos - INTRODUCTORY MYCOLOGY

Bessey - MORPHOLOGY AND TAXONOMY OF FUNGI

Bonnor - CELLULAR SLIME MOLDS

Clements and Shear - GENERA OF FUNGI

Hagelstein - MYCETOZOA OF NORTH AMERICA

Overholts - POLYPORACEAE OF THE UNITED STATES,  
ALASKA AND CANADA

Sparrow - AQUATIC PHYCOMYCETES

Waksman - ACTINOMYCETES

Wolf and Wolf - THE FUNGI

February 20, 1962

Dr. Elton R. Barrett  
Department of Biology  
Northeast Louisiana State College  
Monroe, La.

Dear Dr. Barrett :

Thank you for your invitation to participate in the summer Institute program at Northeast Louisiana State College. I would be glad to cooperate with you in this project, but the time available to me is rather limited. As soon as possible after the end of classes this semester I plan to leave for Mexico on a project sponsored by the American Philosophical Society, which will enable me to make a study of the tremellaceous fungi of Mexico and the Central American tropics for a period of three months. I expect to leave Baton Rouge not later than June 11, which will allow me a few days (probably June 6-9) for possible participation in your program. According to our academic calendar, classes end on 29 May and I shall have to be on hand for several days for final examinations. If the Institute will be in session during the dates June 6-9, we may go ahead with further plans and I will be glad to outline a tentative program for one day of mycological activities.

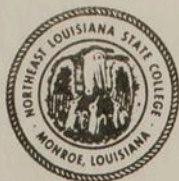
Regarding the list of references which you ask me to recommend, such a list will, of course vary with your needs and available funds. I am enclosing with this a short selected list of references of very general utility which would be valuable additions to a beginning mycological library. All are in English and the purchase of the total list would cost approximately \$100, a fairly modest investment.

Sincerely yours,

Bernard Lowy  
Assoc. Prof. of Botany

Suggested list of mycological references

- Ainsworth, G.C. 1961. Dictionary of the fungi. (5th ed.) Commonwealth Mycological Institute. Kew, Surrey, England.
- Barnett, H.L. 1960. Illustrated genera of Imperfect fungi. (2nd ed.) Burgess Publishing Co., Minneapolis.
- Coker, W.C. 1923. The Saprolegniaceae with notes on other water molds. University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill.
- \_\_\_\_\_ & J.N.Couch. 1928. The Gasteromycetes of the Eastern United States and Canada. University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill.
- \_\_\_\_\_ & A.H.Beers. 1951. The stipitate hydnums of the Eastern United States. University of North Carolina Press, Chapel Hill.
- Cummins, G.B. 1959. Illustrated genera of rust fungi. Burgess Publishing Co., Minneapolis. decay
- Fergus, C.L. 1960. Illustrated genera of wood ~~destroying~~ fungi. Burgess Publishing Co., Minneapolis.
- Funder, S. 1961. Practical mycology. Manual for identification of fungi. Hafner Publishing Co., N.Y.
- Gaumann, E.A. 1952. The fungi. (translated from the German by F.L.Wynd) Hafner Publishing Co., N.Y.
- Gray, W.D. 1959. The relation of fungi to human affairs. Henry Holt & Co., N.Y.
- Hesler, L.R. 1960. Mushrooms of the Great Smokies. The University of Tennessee Press.
- Johnson, T.W. 1956. The genus Achlya. Morphology and taxonomy. The University of Michigan Press, Ann Arbor.
- Large, E.C. 1940. The advance of the fungi. Henry Holt & Co., N.Y.
- Lister, N. 1925. A monograph of the Mycetozoa. Oxford University Press, London.
- Ramsbottom, J. 1954. Mushrooms and toadstools. Collins Clear-Type Press, London.
- Skinner, C.E., C.W.Emmons & H.M.Tsuchiya. 1947. Molds, yeasts and actinomyces. (2nd ed.) John Wiley & Sons, Inc., N.Y.
- Smith, A.H. 1949. Mushrooms in their natural habitats. Illustrated with stereo-photographs in full color. (1 text vol., 1 vol.illus.) Sawyer's Inc., Portland, Oregon.



NORTHEAST LOUISIANA STATE COLLEGE  
MONROE, LOUISIANA

Department of Biology

March 23, 1962

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy:

Thank you for the list of references. I am planning to order most of those for an addition to our mycological library.

I had delayed in answering your letter in order to make final plans for your participation in our institute. Classes start here June 6, and we have made plans to start the group out on the fungi. We would like for you to come and work with the group either June 7 or 8 if this time is still available in your schedule. We will try to introduce the class to the groups of fungi in the first meeting, then you can take it from there and discuss anything you wish about fungi.

The institute pays an honorarium of \$100 per day to visiting lecturers, and the lecturer defrays his own expenses. I have an extra bedroom at my house and will be happy for you to stay with us, or I will make motel reservations for you if you wish to come up the night before the meeting.

If these plans fit into your schedule and you can participate in the institute, Dr. Prince, the institute director, will extend you an official invitation.

I am looking forward to working with you this summer.

Sincerely yours,

*Elton R. Barrett*

Elton R. Barrett, Ph.D.  
Asst. Prof. of Biology

ERB:ld

March 26, 1962

Dr. Elton R. Barrett  
Department of Biology  
Northeast Louisiana State College  
Monroe, La.

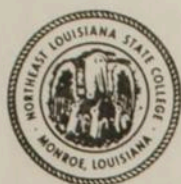
Dear Dr. Barrett:

As my schedule now stands, I shall best be able to set aside Thursday, June 7, for participation in the Institute. If you could let me know the number of students expected to attend, it would help me in getting together some mimeographed and other material that I plan to use.

Thanks for your gracious invitation to spend the night at your home. However, it would be more convenient for me to plan to drive up on Thursday morning since the last few evenings in Baton Rouge before my departure are likely to be pretty fully occupied. If this arrangement is satisfactory we may go ahead on this basis.

Sincerely yours,

Bernard Lowy



NORTHEAST LOUISIANA STATE COLLEGE  
MONROE, LOUISIANA

Department of Biology

April 24, 1962

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

Dear Dr. Lowy:

Confirming your correspondence with Dr. Barrett, we would like to have you as a visiting lecturer for our Biology Summer Institute on Thursday, June 7. We can pay you our regular honorarium of \$100 for the day's work from which you would be expected to meet your own expenses.

To assist you in planning for the day, perhaps it would help to know that we anticipate having about 32 students in the Institute. Classes for these students will begin at 8:00 A.M., and I believe that Dr. Barrett and Dr. DePoe have planned a fairly full day for you.

We shall be looking forward to your visit and your able assistance.

Sincerely yours,

B. E. Prince, Director  
Summer Institute for Field Biology

BEP:ld

cc: Dr. E. L. Barrett

April 30, 1962

Dr. B. E. Prince, Director  
Summer Institute for Field Biology  
Northeast Louisiana State College  
Monroe, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Prince:

This is to acknowledge the receipt of your invitation, which I am glad to accept, to participate as a guest lecturer in The Summer Institute.

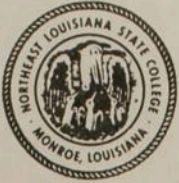
I plan to arrive in Monroe by plane at 7:30 A.M. (Southern Airways Flight No. 392) on Thursday, June 7 and shall bring with me a few things for class use, including specimens and books. It would be very helpful if I could be met at the airport to expedite arrival at the College with the least possible delay. I am assuming that all the usual laboratory equipment will be available. The only special item needed will be a stain, which perhaps Dr. Barrett could make up for me in advance. If possible, I would like to hold all sessions (including lectures) in the laboratory which should have a sizeable table area that may be used for laying out various exhibits. I am tentatively thinking of including a short field trip as part of the afternoon session, perhaps on the campus grounds or to some nearby wooded area that you or Dr. Barrett may recommend. Specimens could be brought back to the lab and identifications made.

I am looking forward with pleasure to meeting you in June.

Sincerely yours,

Bernard Lowy  
Professor of Botany

1j1



NORTHEAST LOUISIANA STATE COLLEGE  
MONROE, LOUISIANA

Department of Biology

May 4, 1962

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Botany  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge 3, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy:

Dr. Barrett assures me that he will meet the 7:30 plane on Thursday morning, June 7, and provide you with transportation to the college.

You mentioned that you would need a stain which Dr. Barrett could perhaps make up for you in advance, but you did not state which stain you will require. May I suggest that you contact Dr. Barrett and advise him of your needs. I feel sure that he will be able to prepare the stain for you.

We shall look forward to your visit.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "B. E. Prince".

B. E. Prince, Chairman  
Department of Biology

BEP:ld

May 17, 1962

Dear Dr. Barrett:

I am mailing three packages to you today which I would like to have you hold for me until June 7. They contain keys and other information for class distribution.

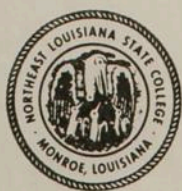
The stain to which I referred in the letter to Dr. Prince is phloxine, made up by mixing 0.5gr. of the stain ~~with~~ 1 liter of distilled water. If you don't happen to have this, cotton blue will serve very well. Each pair of students should have a dropping bottle of the stain available.

In writing to Dr. Prince I mentioned the possibility of having a short field trip some time during the afternoon session. If you think this can be worked out it would be helpful if each student had an inexpensive picnic type or market basket to carry into the field along with a supply of waxed paper or newspaper cut to appropriate size. Would you be good enough to look into this and make necessary arrangements?

With best regards,

Sincerely yours,

B. Lowy



NORTHEAST LOUISIANA STATE COLLEGE  
MONROE, LOUISIANA

Department of Biology

June 1, 1962

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy:

I received your notice of the change in time of arrival and will be expecting you at 8:00 a. m., Thursday, June 7, at the Monroe Airport.

So far I have been unable to obtain either of the stains you requested. If you can bring a small quantity of stock solution, our assistant can prepare the desired dilutions during the lecture. We will be happy to reimburse you for the price of the stain.

We are looking forward to working with you in the Institute.

Sincerely yours,

*Elton R. Barrett*

Elton R. Barrett  
Assistant Professor of Biology

ERB/ncf

# Southeastern Louisiana College

COLLEGE STATION

HAMMOND, LOUISIANA

May 11, 1961



DEPARTMENT OF  
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

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

Dear Dr. Lowy:

The Department of Biological Sciences at Southeastern Louisiana College is applying for a National Science Foundation Institute for the Summer of 1962. This Institute will be composed of Junior and Senior High School teachers, all of whom have had approximately twelve semester hours of biology in undergraduate school. We feel this inadequacy would be lessened after having participated in the proposed Institute.

Two course offerings are planned: one in field zoology and one in systematic botany. These two courses offer opportunity for inclusion of many basic principles in biology, and we feel the participants would be more competent teachers upon completion of the offerings.

A few selected guest lecturers would add interest and stimulate further learning. We are cognizant of the difficulty involved in foreseeing what times will be available during the summer of 1962, and realize any commitment is tentative. A preliminary schedule for each lecturer includes one or two hours of lecture and several hours in a question-answer session, or informal discussion. The topic would, of course, be in your field of specialization and could be determined at a later date. An honorarium of \$50.00 will be presented.

# Southeastern Louisiana College

COLLEGE STATION  
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA



DEPARTMENT OF  
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

May 11, 1961

We would be honored to have you spend one day with us in the capacity of guest lecturer. I would like to emphasize the uncertainty of this commitment on your part. First we must get approval from the National Science Foundation before proceeding any further, then, if approval is granted, we would confer with you and set a mutually agreeable date. Therefore, any commitment is not binding since many unforeseen factors could arise between now and the summer of 1962.

With these uncertainties in mind we would like to have you agree to participate in our Institute.

Since we are at present involved in the preparation of the proposal, and early answer would be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Robert W. Kelly'.

Robert W. Kelly  
Assistant Professor of Biology

RWK/rd

May 16, 1961

Dr. Robert W. Kelly  
Department of Biological Sciences  
Southeastern Louisiana College  
Hammond, La.

Dear Dr. Kelly:

Thank you for your kind letter of May 11 inviting me to participate in the NSF Institute program in systematic botany planned for the summer of 1962.

My plans for next summer are still unsettled but I do not expect to have teaching duties here at the University. I tentatively look forward to the possibility of continuing my studies on tremellaceous fungi either in Mexico or in Central America for at least part of the summer, but in any case, I shall have to be on hand some of the time to direct the thesis work of one of my graduate students. I will gladly contribute in any way I can to your program provided that the actual date of my participation does not have to be rigidly set far in advance.

With all best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

B. Lowy  
Associate Professor

mrp

# Southeastern Louisiana College

COLLEGE STATION  
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA



May 10, 1962

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

Dear Dr. Lowy:

In our previous correspondence, I received your tentative agreement to speak to our Summer Institute in Field Biology if the proposal was acceptable to the National Science Foundation. The proposal was accepted and I should like again to invite you to participate in our Institute as a guest lecturer.

We will have 48 high school teachers in the program, all of whom have had less than 20 hours of biology. Our plan is to cover the major groups of plants and animals with our primary objective being one of familiarization with local flora and fauna. We hope they will be able, after having completed the course, to correctly identify and have some knowledge of the life history and ecology of common forms.

Each lecturer will be asked to talk, with illustrations if desired, approximately one and one-half hours. Following this, there will be a coffee break and then about one to two hours for questions or discussion.

The topic is one which is more or less left to your discretion, possibly a general approach to mycology with emphasis on those forms which could be identified macroscopically.

The date and time I have tentatively set for your talk is Thursday, July 5th, 1962, at 8:00 A.M. If this date is not satisfactory, please let me know what other days would best suit your schedule.

The honorarium authorized by the NSF will be \$50.00 plus travel expenses at the rate of seven cents per mile.

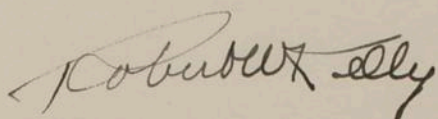
Dr. B. Lowy

-2-

May 10, 1962

I trust you can accept this invitation, and I shall look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert W. Kelly". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Robert W. Kelly, Director  
NSF Summer Institute

RWK/sk

May 12, 1962

Dr. Robert W. Kelly, Director  
NSF Summer Institute  
Southeastern Louisiana College  
Hammond, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Kelly:

I appreciate and thank you for your invitation to participate as guest lecturer in your NSF Institute program. Since our correspondence of a year ago, because of developments during the interim, I now plan to spend the entire summer, beginning June 11, in Mexico and Central America. In March, I was invited to take part in the Summer Institute at Northeast Louisiana State College and I shall be there on June 7, one of the last days available to me before I leave for Mexico. I have one other day free, Saturday, June 9 and I shall make every effort to accommodate you then, should this be suitable to you. Please let me hear from you as soon as possible, so that I can adjust my schedule accordingly.

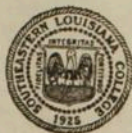
Sincerely yours,

Bernard Lowy  
Associate Professor

ap

# Southeastern Louisiana College

COLLEGE STATION  
HAMMOND, LOUISIANA



May 14, 1962

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Associate Professor  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy:

Thank you for your prompt response in reference to our Summer Institute. Our session does not begin until June 11, 1962, which corresponds with the day you leave for Mexico.

I appreciate your willingness to participate, but it apparently will be impossible this year. Perhaps we can get together in future Institutes.

I hope you have a pleasant and profitable summer.

Very truly yours,

Robert W. Kelly, Director  
NSF Summer Institute

RWK/sk

December, 1963

Merry Christmas!

It seems only a short time since we wrote our last annual Christmas letter to all of you, but here again is the holiday season. We are all looking forward to pleasant Christmas vacation days with the children, Grammie and Grandpa Stutz and Grammie Bulat who will come from Chicago for Christmas.

Many good and bad days have appeared at our house during the past year. After I wrote to you last December, four more cases of mumps developed. Tom was the last to have them. Fortunately, I had them as a child so I could easily care for "six sick" patients. We spent a very quiet holiday season!!

In May our little Anne Marie was born, and I'm sure babies don't behave any better than she has. She is so good that sometimes I can almost forget to fit her in the daily schedule. June, July and August followed with many little hands helping Anne and me. Maybe after that she's only too happy to just sit and watch activities.

Although most of Tom's work is now managerial, several events usually occur to add a little spice. One was an invitation from the Canadian government to present a paper in Edmonton on oil extraction from sand deposits using sound waves. Another was to install and operate a sonic device for decontaminating nuclear fuel rods at the large atomic reactor in Charlevoix, Michigan. This was particularly interesting because it all had to be done under 30 feet of water which was a barrier for the intense radiation. Tom handled this project himself because of his experience in working with radioactive materials. Luckily it had to be done in July when our vacation to northern Michigan was planned. We once again spent a relaxing two weeks on the cool, sandy shores of Lake Michigan.

The children love school -- Kathy, 7th grade; Tommy, 5th; Carl, 2nd; and Christine, kindergarten. Kathy has appeared twice on TV for school activities; Tommy once again appeared in a St. Ambrose-Marycrest College play, The Kingdom of God; Carl is the best reader in his class; and Christine likes kindergarten so much that she says she is going to flunk for next year. John is almost three years old and could live outdoors so he doesn't mind watching the others go to school.

On September 3rd the children went back to school, and Tom was taken from work in an ambulance for the hospital. He was walking out of the office to start a trip to San Francisco when his entire body became numb. At the hospital the first diagnosis was a brain tumor, but after a series of angiograms,

2728 Western  
Davenport, Iowa

xrays and electrocardiographs nothing could be found out of order. The next night Christine and I had similar attacks. After agonizing weeks of tests, medicines, aches and pains, a specialist from the University hospital at Iowa City diagnosed the disease as a virus attack of the nervous system called Myalgic Encephalomyelitis which is similar to polio in its action. Fortunately there will be no after effects, but recovery takes from four to ten months. In our case they estimate seven months. In the meantime Tom is back to work on a half time basis, and I am trying to get by with a minimum of household chores.

In the past we've had such pleasant chats together. Instead of this letter I wish our family could greet all of you in person and wish you a very blessed and happy Christmas and an even more pleasant New Year. Again we'll have to hope that a future trip will make a visit possible.

Very Sincerely,

Tom + Marygn

April 23, 1970

Mr. Z.A. Barker, Chief  
Technical Services  
U.S.D.A. Plant Quarantine Division  
Federal Center Building  
Hyattsville, Maryland 20782

Dear Mr. Barker:

In anticipation of a collecting tour in Guatemala and Mexico this summer, I would again like to ask for your help.

I expect as usual, to be shipping my dried specimens back to the university via the Quarantine Division. I still have on hand 10 of the 24 yellow and green labels (PQ-545P) which you issued to me on Feb. 17, 1965, before I left for Brazil. If these are still valid I would like to use them (in all likelihood I will not <sup>need</sup> more than 10 for this trip) and would appreciate as always, having your covering letter granting permission for their use.

Sincerely yours,

Bernard Lowy  
Professor of Botany

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE  
PLANT QUARANTINE DIVISION  
FEDERAL CENTER BUILDING  
HYATTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20782

October 7, 1966

AIRMAIL

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Botany  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

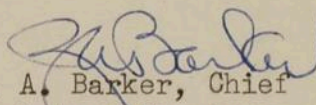
Dear Dr. Lowy:

We are forwarding a copy of your October 3 inquiry to this Division's representatives in New Orleans on the chance that your specimens have just recently arrived.

Occasionally, shipments may be diverted to a Customs general order warehouse when there has been no entry made within a set length of time. However, we doubt that this is the case with your collections since the boxes were addressed with the labels furnished by this office.

A shipment is easier to trace if the shipping date, the vessel, the way bill number, or other identifying marks can be furnished. If your Brazilian colleagues have given you such information, we suggest you forward it to Mr. James N. Smith, Inspector in charge, Plant Quarantine Division, Room 207 Customhouse Building, 423 Canal Street, New Orleans 70130. His telephone number is A/C 504-527-6731. With this information he may be able to assist you in tracing your shipment.

Sincerely yours,

  
Z. A. Barker, Chief  
Technical Services

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE  
PLANT QUARANTINE DIVISION  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.  
Federal Center Building  
Hyattsville, Maryland 20781

April 20, 1964

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

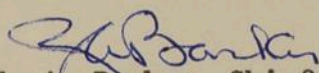
Dear Dr. Lowy:

This letter will serve as your approved permit to import dried fungus specimens.

As you requested, we enclose twelve green and yellow mailing labels (PQ-545-P) issued on the New Orleans, Louisiana inspection station.

Should it be necessary for you to bring some of the material with you as accompanying baggage, we suggest you present a copy of this letter of approval to customs and plant quarantine inspectors at the time of your baggage inspection.

Sincerely yours,

  
Z. A. Barker, Chief  
Technical Services

Enclosure

October 3, 1966

Mr. Z. A. Barker, Chief  
U.S.D.A. Agricultural Research Service  
Plant Quarantine Division  
Federal Center Building  
Hyattsville, Maryland 20781

Dear Mr. Barker:

Before leaving Sao Paulo, Brazil in June, 1966 I had 6 large plywood boxes of dried fungus specimens shipped by boat to L.S.U. These bore the green and yellow labels which you were kind enough to issue to me. I am beginning to worry about the fate of these boxes which contain virtually everything I collected in Brazil.

My colleagues at the Instituto de Botanica in Sao Paulo assure me that the shipment went out in June, 1966. Could they be held at quarantine for some reason? I am writing to you in the hope that you may be able to give me some information on this matter. I would greatly appreciate hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

B. L. Lowy  
Professor of Botany

rm

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE

Plant Inspection Station  
P. O. Box 20037  
Airport Mailing Facility  
New Orleans, Louisiana

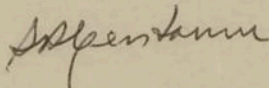
Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Botany Department  
La. State University  
University Station  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

February 10, 1966

Sir:

This box of fungi specimen is released on a letter of instructions to this office from Z. A. Barker, Chief, Technical Services, dated February 17, 1965. This was done in spite of the fact that your exporter failed to use the Green/Yellow tags which was part of the permission to import the specimen. Therefore, please have your broker or shipper use the proper tags on the packages sent to you in the future.

Thank you,



S.A. Centanni, Inspector, PQ Div.

August 9, 1966

Mr. S. A. Centanni  
U.S.D.A. PQ Division  
Plant Inspection Station  
Airport Mailing Facility  
New Orleans, La.

Dear Mr. Centanni:

I have just returned from Brasil after a years absence and found your letter dated Feb. 10, 1966.

I want to thank you for facilitating the forwarding of the box of fungus specimens which did not have the green and yellow label attached.

I left specific directions with the shipper to use this official tag, about 2 dozen of which were issued to me prior to my departure for Brasil in June, 1965.

I am expecting soon, several other shipments of specimens from **S**ao Paulo, Brasil, and hope that my directions for packing and shipping have been carried out.

Once again, please accept my thanks for your kindness.

Sincerely yours,

Bernard Lowy

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE

BATON ROUGE · LOUISIANA · 70803

College of Arts and Sciences

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

April 24, 1974

Dr. R.W. Beardmore  
USDA  
Animal and Plant Health Service  
Federal Center Building  
Hyattsville, Maryland 20782

Dear Dr. Beardmore:

In anticipation of a collecting trip I expect to make to Mexico and Guatemala at the end of May, I once again appeal for your help in allowing me to use the green and yellow quarantine labels (PQ-545-P) for mailing dried fungi and other plants back to the university for study.

In March 1972, before I left for Peru, you sent me about 24 labels, 10 of which I still have. These should be sufficient for my purposes this summer and unless you indicate otherwise, I could take them with me. Please let me know whether it is OK to use these. If not, I would appreciate your kindness in issuing new one to me .

With many thanks,

Sincerely yours,

*B. Lowy*  
Bernard Lowy  
Professor of Botany

May 6, 1974

Dear Dr. Lowy:

This endorsement will serve as your permit authorizing you to import the above specimens.

You may continue to use the PQ-545-P, green-and-yellow mailing labels, issued to you on March 24, 1972. After verification of the specimens at this Division's New Orleans Inspection Station, the packages will be readdressed and forwarded to you under the original postage.

Should you bring some of the specimens with you, show this endorsement to examining inspectors at the port of entry.

Sincerely,

*J. W. Lightfield*  
J. W. Lightfield  
Pest Survey and Technical Support

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE

BATON ROUGE · LOUISIANA · 70803

*College of Arts and Sciences*

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

April 24, 1974

Dr. R.W. Beardmore  
USDA  
Animal and Plant Health Service  
Federal Center Building  
Hyattsville, Maryland 20782

Dear Dr. Beardmore:

In anticipation of a collecting trip I expect to make to Mexico and Guatemala at the end of May, I once again appeal for your help in allowing me to use the green and yellow quarantine labels (PQ-545-P) for mailing dried fungi and other plants back to the university for study.

In March 1972, before I left for Peru, you sent me about 24 labels, 10 of which I still have. These should be sufficient for my purposes this summer and unless you indicate otherwise, I could take them with me. Please let me know whether it is OK to use these. If not, I would appreciate your kindness in issuing new one to me .

With many thanks,

Sincerely yours,

*B. Lowy*

Bernard Lowy  
Professor of Botany

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE

BATON ROUGE · LOUISIANA · 70803

College of Arts and Sciences

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

March 20, 1972

Dr. T.G. Darling  
USDA  
Plant Quarantine Division  
Federal Center Building  
Hyattsville, Maryland 20782

Dear Dr. Darling:

In June I shall be going on sabbatical leave for a period of about 6 months and plan to do field work in Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Peru and Ecuador.

I would again like to ask your help in issuing to me about 24 yellow and green labels (PQ-545 P) which will permit me to ship dried specimens of fungi and other dried plants back to the university herbarium.

In recent years, I have frequently carried with me, on my return home, a number of specimens which I did not have time to send by mail. Your letters permitting me to carry such material through customs have been indispensable and I hope I shall enjoy the same privilege again.

With many thanks,

Sincerely yours,

*B. Lowy*  
Bernard Lowy  
Professor of Botany

March 24, 1972

Dear Dr. Lowy:

This endorsement will serve as your permit authorizing you to collect and import the above specimens. You may show this endorsement to examining inspectors at the port of entry. They will gladly assist you with any entry formalities for the approved material.

Sincerely,

*R. W. Beardmore*

R. W. Beardmore, Assistant Chief  
Technical Services Staff, AQI

24 Enclosures:  
PQ-545-P  
cc: M. W. Love

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE

BATON ROUGE • LOUISIANA • 70803

*College of Arts and Sciences*

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

March 20, 1972

Dr. T.G. Darling  
USDA  
Plant Quarantine Division  
Federal Center Building  
Hyattsville, Maryland 20782

Dear Dr. Darling:

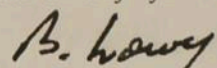
In June I shall be going on sabbatical leave for a period of about 6 months and plan to do field work in Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Peru and Ecuador.

I would again like to ask your help in issuing to me about 24 yellow and green labels (PQ-545 P) which will permit me to ship dried specimens of fungi and other dried plants back to the university herbarium.

In recent years, I have frequently carried with me, on my return home, a number of specimens which I did not have time to send by mail. Your letters permitting me to carry such material through customs have been indispensable and I hope I shall enjoy the same privilege again.

With many thanks,

Sincerely yours,



Bernard Lowy  
Professor of Botany

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE  
PLANT QUARANTINE DIVISION  
FEDERAL CENTER BUILDING  
HYATTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20782

May 24, 1971

Reply to  
Attn of: AQI-62

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Botany  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

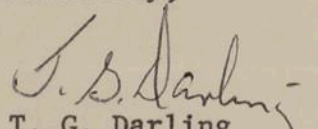
Dear Dr. Lowy:

This letter, in response to your May 19 request, will serve as your permit. It authorizes you to send collected fungus specimens from El Salvador, Guatemala, and Mexico to New Orleans for deposit in the herbarium. It is valid until June 30, 1972.

You may continue to use the PQ-545-P, green-and-yellow mailing labels, issued to you on May 5, 1969. After verification of the specimens at this Division's New Orleans Inspection Station, the packages will be readdressed and forwarded to your office under the original postage.

Should you bring some of the specimens with you as accompanying baggage, you may present this letter of approval to the examining inspectors upon your return. They will gladly assist you with any entry formalities.

Sincerely,

  
T. G. Darling  
Assistant Director

P. S.: Willis Wheeler retired in July 1970.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE  
PLANT QUARANTINE DIVISION  
FEDERAL CENTER BUILDING  
HYATTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20782

April 28, 1970

Reply to  
Attn of: PQ-62

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Botany  
and Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

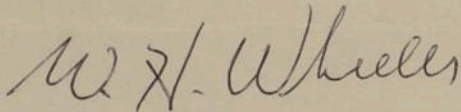
Dear Dr. Lowy:

Enclosed are 15 green-and-yellow mailing labels (PQ-545-P) issued on the New Orleans Inspection Station. After verification there, the dried fungus specimens will be readdressed and forwarded under the original postage.

The other labels issued to you on February 17, 1965, should be destroyed.

Should you bring specimens with you as accompanying baggage upon returning from Guatemala and Mexico, you may present this letter of approval to examining inspectors.

Sincerely,



W. H. Wheeler  
Acting Director

15 Enclosures

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH SERVICE  
PLANT QUARANTINE DIVISION  
FEDERAL CENTER BUILDING  
HYATTSVILLE, MARYLAND 20781

February 17, 1965

AIR MAIL

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Professor of Botany  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803

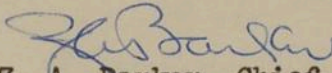
Dear Dr. Lowy:

Enclosed are twenty-four green and yellow mailing labels (PQ-545P) issued on the New Orleans Inspection Station. After verification, the fungus specimens will be forwarded to your address under the original postage.

If, upon your return from Brazil, you bring herbarium specimens as accompanying baggage, you may present this letter to Customs and Plant Quarantine Inspectors at the time of baggage inspection as evidence of approval for these collections.

You may also use the three labels previously issued to you on April 20, 1964.

Sincerely yours,

  
Z. A. Barker, Chief  
Technical Services

Enclosures - 24 PQ-545P labels

RANCHO SANTA ANA BOTANIC GARDEN  
1500 North College Avenue • Claremont, California

LEE W. LENZ  
DIRECTOR

PHILIP A. MUNZ  
DIRECTOR EMERITUS

17 May 1968

Dear Bernie:

Here are copies of my  
papers done during the past  
several years. Hope some of  
the stuff is of interest to you.

Somewhere in the back of my  
mind I think I was told that  
Spezzolini's *Loboulbeniales*  
slides are stored at La Plata —  
Arch. Spezz. Do you know  
about this for sure?

Respect

Ben

RICHARD K. BENJAMIN

LABORATOIRE DE MICROBIOLOGIE  
ET MYCOLOGIE

5-4-65

FACULTÉ DES SCIENCES  
DE LYON

16, Quai Claude-Bernard

Tél. : 72-05-45

Dr. B. LOWY

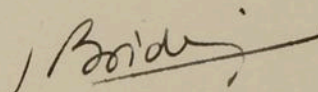
Dept. of Botany  
Louisiana State University

BATON ROUGE (La)

Cher Collègue,

Je me permets de vous adresser  
un specimen africain et je serais heureux  
de connaître votre opinion à son sujet.

Avec mes remerciements anticipés,  
je vous prie d'agréer, cher Collègue,  
l'expression de mes sentiments les  
meilleurs.



J. Boidin  
Professeur

LABORATOIRE DE MICROBIOLOGIE  
ET MYCOLOGIE

FACULTÉ DES SCIENCES  
DE LYON

16, Quai Claude-Bernard

Tél. : 72-05-45

.....  
Lyon, ce 22 Avril 63

Dr. B. LOWY

Département of Botany

Louisiana State  
University

BATON-ROUGE

U.S.A.

Cher Collègue,

J'aimerais obtenir des spores  
d'Auricularia fusco-succinea ( et éventuelle-  
ment d'A. polytricha) pour mesures précises et  
pour cultures haploïdes. Est-il possible de  
récolter actuellement des Auriculaires dans  
votre région? et de les envoyer par avion afin  
de les faire sporuler à Lyon?

Je vous remercie d'avance de ce  
que vous pourrez faire, et vous prie de croire  
à mes sentiments très cordiaux.

.....

*Campus Correspondence*

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

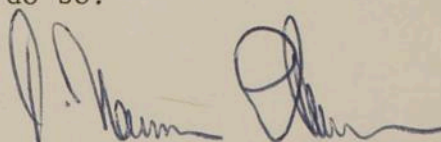
*from:* J. Norman Efferson, Dean  
College of Agriculture

December 7, 1967

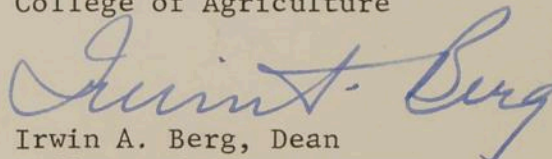
*to:* Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Botany & Plant Pathology

This is to request that you attend a meeting of the faculty of the Department of Botany and Plant Pathology on Tuesday morning, December 19, at 9:30 a.m., in Room 71, Agriculture Administration Building.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss possible changes in the administrative organization of the department. We urge you to attend if it is possible to do so.



J. Norman Efferson, Dean  
College of Agriculture



Irwin A. Berg, Dean  
College of Arts & Sciences

Merry Christmas



The  
BULATS

December, 1968



THOMAS J. BULAT  
2728 WESTERN  
DAVENPORT, IOWA  
52803

Hello!

Winter has definitely come to Davenport. The temperature is zero, hard little snowflakes are swirling around our house and the Mississippi is frozen solid. The children clamor to go outside, but within a short period of time they come back with cold toes and red noses.

The year seems to have gone by quickly because we've all been busy and relatively healthy.

One of the notable happenings was a triple tonsillectomy. Carl, John and Anne all shared the same hospital room after an assembly line operation. Everything "came-out" all right. Kathy is doing well as a senior at Central High. Tom is a sophomore, but was able to make the varsity tennis team and won first place in the Quad City Science Fair last March. One of his awards was a set of Worldbook Encyclopedias.

During July we spent a pleasant vacation at the YMCA Camp of the Rockies. The older children climbed to several peaks this year. We looked for a larger home during the summer, but decided we had grown too comfortable in the old homestead. We merely made some alterations to give the students more study room. Needless to say, this kept Marilyn busy along with her activities at Marycrest College. I had an interesting trip to several countries in Europe. The most enjoyable stay was six days in Copenhagen to attend technical meetings on Ultrasonics. I've also been giving occasional lectures at the local colleges which is a nice diversification from the industrial work.

We have already received some of your cards and notes which the entire family enjoys going over in the evenings.

We all wish you a Merry Christmas and a very pleasant New Year.

We were pleased to hear about your publication last year! Often envy you in the deep south where you can hike all year.

Tom, Marilyn.  
Kathy, Tommy, Carl  
Chris, John & Anne

THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENTOMOLOGY  
ATHENS, GEORGIA 30601

December 13, 1968

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

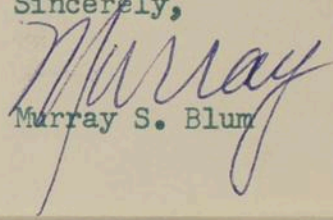
Dear Bernie:

One of the undergraduate students working in this department is interested in mycology and I have recommended that he pursue his graduate studies at LSU under your direction. His name is Stephen J. Tamsett and he is a native of New York State. He will receive his bachelor's degree in microbiology next year.

Steve is a very personable individual and I believe that with direction such as you can provide, he can develop into a good scientist. He is enthusiastic and has proven to be a responsible laboratory technician. He is somewhat immature but since he is quite young, I do not consider this to be a serious handicap. In short, I hope that he contacts you and has the opportunity to learn some mycology under your guidance.

I hope that the situation at LSU has improved. Life here is hectic but if I am able to go to Brazil next month, the year will start out with great promise.

Sincerely,

  
Murray S. Blum

Baton Rouge, Louisiana  
June 18, 1969

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
536 Highland Park Drive  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy:

As you will recall one of our vehicles backed into your car on the campus of Louisiana State University on April 14, 1969, denting the right rear fender. You were advised that we would need a minimum of two estimates of the cost of repairs in order to process your claim for damages.

We have not received any bid from you as of this date. Your cooperation in helping us settle this claim would be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

*Wiley L. Burns*

Svg. Installation Foreman

WLB:pg

*348-14714*  
*Office*

*~~926-8899 (home)~~*

*I called Mr. Burns on 23-VI to tell him I could not take the time to get estimates etc. & I was willing to drop the matter. *BL**

THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN  
BRONX • NEW YORK 10458  212/933-9400

July 3, 1969.

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
c/o Dr. T. Herrera  
Instituto de Biologia  
Aparta do Postal 70-233  
Ciudad Univeritaria  
Mexico 20, D. F.

Dear Dr. Lowy:

Thank you very much for the review of Mr. Wasson's latest book. I am very pleased to have this review and am scheduling it for the July-August issue of Mycologia.

I wanted this book to be reviewed for Mycologia but lacking a review copy, I have not asked anyone to review it. So your review is very opportune.

Sincerely yours,

*Alma W. Barksdale*

Alma W. Barksdale

Book Review Editor, Mycologia

THE MUSEUM

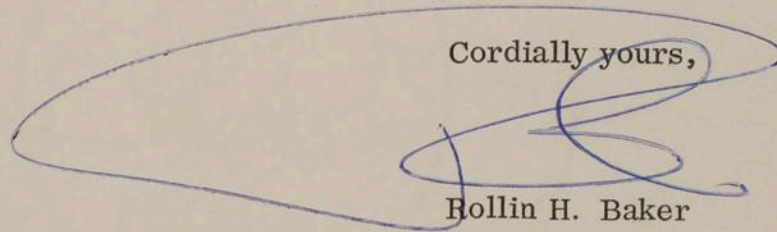
August 27, 1969

Dr. Bernard Lowy, Curator  
Mycological Herbarium  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70800

Dear Dr. Lowy:

It was certainly a lucky break for us to have a chance to meet you in a hotel in Tuxtla. We took you up on your suggestion to visit that tropical forest area a few miles west of the city. We had remarkable success in studying vertebrate life and came away with some excellent material and data. I agree with you that that ~~was~~ a fine tract of arid tropical forest. It seems a shame to see it slowly chopped away by the woodcutters.

Cordially yours,



Rollin H. Baker  
Director

dk

*My regards to Geo. Lowery*



NORTHEAST LOUISIANA STATE COLLEGE  
MONROE, LOUISIANA 71201

SCHOOL OF  
PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES  
Department of Biology

September 26, 1969

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Department of Plant Pathology  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Dr. Lowy:

I have been looking for records of Morchella species from Louisiana. So far I have not found any record of specimens of Morchella from this state. If you have any record of such specimens, or where such records might be found, I would appreciate such information. I am trying to determine the distribution of Morchella and closely related species in this area.

Northeast Louisiana's extended dry spell--from May until now with only occasional showers--made fungi rather rare except for plant pathogens. We had a lot of questions about plant diseases, especially those affecting the water absorption and water movement.

Hope you have a good year.

Sincerely yours,

Elton R. Barrett  
Associate Professor of Biology

ERB/cbw

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE

BATON ROUGE · LOUISIANA · 70803

College of Arts and Sciences — Agricultural Experiment Station

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY AND PLANT PATHOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF PLANT PATHOLOGY

18-III-1970.

Dear Dr. Bas,

I hope you will forgive my long delay in acknowledging the receipt of your monograph on Amantia section Lepidella. A series of circumstances have obliged me to postpone writing to you before.

I want to thank you most sincerely for your kindness in sending me a copy of your book. Although I can claim only a superficial acquaintance with the subject of your monograph, I am at least able to appreciate the enormous effort that such a work entails. I congratulate you on the publication of this important contribution to our knowledge — so meticulously elaborated and handsomely illustrated.

With best wishes,

Cordially yours,  
B. Lowy

1970

We VISITED DR. MARTIN This fall.  
He is very WEAK AFTER HIS LAST Heart  
ATTACK but STILL KEEPS active  
SEVERAL hours a DAY at THE OFFICE.  
WE TALKED ABOUT YOU and SOME OF  
THE OTHER "OLD TIMERS". Our  
FAMILY is growing up fast. KATHY  
is a SOPHOMORE in College and  
Tom will BE STARTING IN THE FALL.  
We hope that the NEW YEAR will  
BE a happy one for your family —

*May the peace of the Christ child  
abide with you now and forever.*

Tom and Marilyn Bulat

March 20, 1970

Curator of Mycological Herbarium  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Sir:

I have become very interested in the clathrate phalloids and have been involved with extensive literary research in this field at Michigan State University where I am studying mycology under the direction of Dr. E. S. Beneke.

I would be very grateful if you could supply me with the following information: I would like to know what phalloids your herbarium contains and when and where they were found. Presently I am especially interested in Pseudocolus, (Colus), and Anthurus. Since I may have overlooked some references, I would be indebted to you if you could supply me with any reference sources on any of the phalloids with which you are familiar. Also if you have any reprints which would help me, I would pay you for such.

I anxiously await hearing from you.

Thank you for any help you can give me.

Very truly yours,

*William R. Burk*

William R. Burk

April 3, 1970

Dear Mr. Burk:

The members of the Phallales that I have encountered in Louisiana are the following, which may be found from January-March, for the most part. Dictyophora duplicata(Bosc) E. Fisch., Mutinus curtisii(Berk.)E. Fisch., Mutinus ravenelii(Berk.& Curt.) E. Fisch., Clathrus columnatus Bosc. Of these, Dictyophora is least common. These and other Gasteromycetes of Louisiana were listed and a few illustrated (including C. columnatus & M. curtisii) in Proc. La. Acad. Sci. 18: 45-53. 1958. In Mycologia 50(5): 792-794. 1958, I have a note on an anomalous collection of Mutinus ravenelii.

Sincerely yours,

B. Lowy

Mycology Laboratory  
Department of Botany  
University of Illinois  
Urbana, Illinois 61801

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

Dear Dr. Lowy:

At present I am trying to identify and study a series of Philippine basidiomycetes at Dr. Rogers's laboratory. Dr. Rogers's reprints of your papers on this group have been valuable in my work. If you have available reprints, I would appreciate very much receiving them. Thank you very much.

Respectfully yours,

*Daisy T. Boquien*  
Daisy T. Boquien

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE

BATON ROUGE · LOUISIANA · 70803

College of Arts and Sciences — Agricultural Experiment Station

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY AND PLANT PATHOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF PLANT PATHOLOGY

21-IX-1971.

Dear Ben,

I am submitting the enclosed manuscript for your consideration as a regular article in Mycologia.

I do not know whether you have received the sad news of Dr. Martin's death on September 11. It would, of course, be fitting to have a notice in the next number of Mycologia.

Cordially,

Bernie

College of Arts and Sciences  
OFFICE OF THE DEAN



Date 12/28/71

To Mr Bernard Lowy, Botanist

Thanks for letting me see  
them, Bernard. I found the mushroom  
stones article most engaging.

A Freudian psychologist would  
favor the phallic symbol idea,  
I think; lines associated with  
fertility practices.

*Jo*

- For distribution
- For your disposition
- For your information
- For your recommendation
- For your files
- Please return

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE

BATON ROUGE · LOUISIANA · 70803

College of Arts and Sciences

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

December 28, 1971.

Dear Dr. Berg:

Thanks for your kind note. Yes, the phallic symbol theory concerning mushroom stones was one of the earliest to be advanced, but supporting evidence for it now is not strong.

I am returning your copy of the monograph since I had already inscribed it to you, meaning to have you keep it, even though it is one of those things you will presumably not use every day. I feel greatly indebted to you because without your help, the book would have no maps (see pp 152-153), an indispensable part of the work, so I chose this way to express my sincere thanks.

Well, don't feel too badly about it - just keep the book. I might have to resort to the use of psilocybine if you return it again! Just think of the scandal!

With best wishes for the New Year

Bernard

PS - As punishment for your rejection of my magnum opus, I have included another paper - which you are also prohibited from returning.

# MYCOLOGIA

OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE

MYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA

PUBLISHED BY

THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

RICHARD K. BENJAMIN

Editor-in-Chief  
Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden  
1500 North College Avenue  
Claremont, California 91711

CLARK T. ROGERSON

Managing Editor  
The New York Botanical Garden  
Bronx, New York 10458

15 Feb., 1971

Dr. B. Lowy  
Dept. of Bot. & Pl. Path.  
Louisiana State Univ.  
Baton Rouge, La. 70803

Dear Bernie:

I have had your paper on mushroom stones reviewed by only one person other than myself. This person, who has a long-time interest in ethnobotany, has made only a few comments which are inclosed with the two copies of the ms I am returning. I have retained the plates.

My own remarks are noted in red on the review copy. These have mostly to do with format. I presume that you want this paper to appear as a regular article. Add your address and a summary. Also, at least two of your footnotes (2 & 6) could be included in an acknowledgments section and all but no. 8 could be incorporated into the text. As you know, Mycologia tries to reduce the use of footnotes to a minimum.

Organize the Fig. for four legends--

Figs. 1-3. Mushroom stones. 1. Tripod. Height .....etc.  
2. Tripod.....etc. 3. Primitive .....etc.

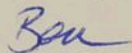
Figs. 4-5. Mushroom stones. 1. etc.

Because there will be four separate legends, your explanation of archeological periods probably should go with the first with the statement that it applies to the others as well.

When your revision is ready, return two copies.

Best regards.

Sincerely,



R. K. Benjamin

I have no particular comments to make. The paper does what its title suggests--report additional mushroom stones from Guatemala and reviews again some of the theories as to their original use.

I wonder whether their possible phallic nature or association has not been overly played down in recent years. Sapper's dismissal of them as phallic symbols merely because of "obvious morphological reasons" does not seem reasonable since many Meso-American forms were highly stylized by the artists. In the case of the mushroom stone reported in this paper showing the woman kneeling before an inclined metate it might be questioned whether the object was a metate. The one depicting a pregnant woman is particularly interesting and perhaps significant.

It would seem that their use as land markers was clearly a recent development and could be explained by their relative abundance, shape and, at least in some cases, their weight.

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE

BATON ROUGE · LOUISIANA · 70803

College of Arts and Sciences — Agricultural Experiment Station

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY AND PLANT PATHOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF PLANT PATHOLOGY

February 22, 1971

Dear Ben:

Many thanks for your corrections and suggestions. The paper has been retyped and the corrected version, which includes a few additions, is enclosed together with the copy having your editorial changes. One footnote remains, the others having been dealt with as you suggested.

I would like to have the original photographs returned whenever you are ready to do so.

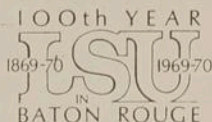
Sincerely,

*Bernie*

B. Lowy

PS — I plan to leave for El Salvador and Guatemala during the first week in June for further work on mushroom stones and to collect fungi. I don't expect to return before the last week in August. If you think it is likely that proof will be sent during this interval, I think I can find someone here to handle it in my absence. Please let me know.

*Bl*



MYCOLOGIA  
Office of the Editor  
Department of Botany  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kansas 66045

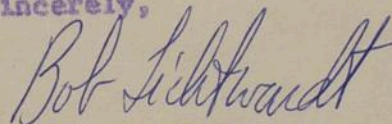
2 February, 1971

Dr. Bernard Lowy  
Mycological Herbarium  
Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, La. 70803

Dear Bernard,

The manuscript you have submitted to MYCOLOGIA is being forwarded to Dr. Richard K. Benjamin, Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden, 1500 North College Avenue, Claremont, California 91711, who is assuming the office of Editor-in-Chief of MYCOLOGIA beginning with the 1971 volume. Please address future correspondence about this manuscript to him.

Sincerely,



Robert W. Lichtwardt  
Editor

"New Records of Mushroom Stones from Guatemala" by Lowy  
(11 pages and 10 figs.)

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE

BATON ROUGE · LOUISIANA · 70803

*College of Arts and Sciences — Agricultural Experiment Station*

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY AND PLANT PATHOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF PLANT PATHOLOGY

January 29, 1971

Dr. Robert W. Lichtwardt  
University of Kansas  
Lawrence, Kansas 66045

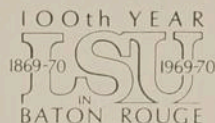
Dear Bob:

With few exceptions, ethnomycology has generally been ignored by mycologists. In the hope of stimulating further interest in this area of study by mycologists, I submit the enclosed paper for your consideration as a contribution to *Mycologia*. The xerox copies of the plates are poor but they may serve the purpose of reviewers who will be able to get at least a gross idea of what these stones are like.

Sincerely yours,

*Bernard*

B. Lowy



LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE

BATON ROUGE · LOUISIANA · 70803

*College of Arts and Sciences — Agricultural Experiment Station*

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY AND PLANT PATHOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF PLANT PATHOLOGY

22-X-1971

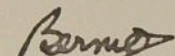
Dear Ben:

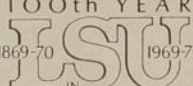
Thanks for your acceptance of my manuscript. Yes, I plan to pursue further work with the codex, including a comparative study of its counterpart in the Madrid. But the large number of illustrations that would be required (a minimum of 48) will be a problem.

Since my first acquaintance with mushroom stones in Guatemala in 1963, I have maintained an active interest in them and in related ethnomycological matters. When I returned from my "trip" to Huautla de Jiménez in 1969, my students bugged me about it and more or less in self defense I wrote the enclosed paper which was recently published in a new bilingual journal, the "Revista Interamericana", of which I am a Consulting Editor.

I recently saw your paper, the "Introduction and supplement ..." to the Laboulbeniaceae, with its formidable key. I remember seeing a few of your handsome photographs of labouls when you were visiting in Dr. Martin's office circa 1950. I read with interest your statement (p. 18) to the effect that Spegazzini "had a broad knowledge of the group ..", something that needed very much to be said. I think there has been a misunderstanding of Spegazzini's contribution since Fitzpatrick's apparently gratuitous comment that Spegazzini's monograph "lacked the excellent character of Thaxter's work and was spoken of disparagingly by him. He said "it made him feel as if a cow had been wandering in his rose garden." " I always doubted very much that Thaxter would be capable of such a statement. I called Dr. Stanor's attention to this some years ago and he agreed with me that it seemed like a very unlikely thing for Thaxter to have said. Yet it is printed in Fitzpatrick's mimeographed notes. I believe the comment left its mark and many students who never consulted Spegazzini's work simply let it go unchallenged. In 1950 Professor Juan C. Lindquist showed me some of Spegazzini's original drawings in La Plata and I was pleasantly surprised to see their excellence, which I thought compared very favorably with Thaxter's plates. As you say, Spegazzini's drawings "are really quite good" and now at least a new generation of students will know the truth of it.

as ever,

  
B. Lowy

100th YEAR  
1869-70  1969-70  
IN  
BATON ROUGE

# MYCOLOGIA

OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE

MYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA

PUBLISHED BY

THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

RICHARD K. BENJAMIN

Editor-in-Chief

Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden

1500 North College Avenue

Claremont, California 91711

CLARK T. ROGERSON

Managing Editor

The New York Botanical Garden

Bronx, New York 10458

20 Oct 1971

Dear Bernie:

I accept your defense of the  
index ms and will accept it as  
is. I see no reason for a  
color plate here. You undoubtedly  
will continue with this work  
and <sup>would</sup> publish. The color illustration  
~~is~~ at a later date.

This paper probably will appear  
the July-Aug, 1972, issue of  
Mycologia.

Best regard

—  
Sincerely

Thank you for  
color print!

Ben

# MYCOLOGIA

OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE

MYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA

PUBLISHED BY

THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

RICHARD K. BENJAMIN

Editor-in-Chief

Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden

1500 North College Avenue

Claremont, California 91711

CLARK T. ROGERSON

Managing Editor

The New York Botanical Garden

Bronx, New York 10458

13 Oct., 1971

Dr. B. Lowy  
Dept. of Bot. & Pl. Path.  
Louisiana State Univ.  
Baton Rouge, La. 70803

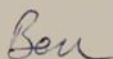
Dear Bernie:

I forwarded your paper on mushroom symbolism in Maya Codices to a friend of mine who has long been interested in Mexican history and the Codices. He has made a number of suggestions that I am sure you will want to consider. For this reason, I have not sent the paper to a second reviewer

I have retained the original figures pending receipt of your revision (two copies).

Best regards,

Sincerely,



R. K. Benjamin

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY  
AND AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL COLLEGE

BATON ROUGE · LOUISIANA · 70803

College of Arts and Sciences — Agricultural Experiment Station

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY AND PLANT PATHOLOGY

DEPARTMENT OF PLANT PATHOLOGY

18-X-1971

Dr. R.K. Benjamin  
Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden  
1500 North College Avenue  
Claremont, California 91711

Dear Ben:

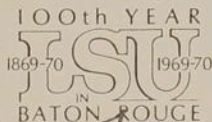
I have carefully considered the 23 points made by the reviewer and my answer to each is enclosed. At least 8 of the points ask for a "source" or "reference." I do not know whether to interpret this as a lack of information on the part of the reviewer or whether he implies that the points I make (1-7) are of a controversial nature - which they are not. The information concerning de Landa properly comes under the heading of well established knowledge. It may be found in many sources, although I have relied chiefly on Tozzer (whom I cite), the outstanding scholar on de Landa. I do not mean to imply by this that we know everything about de Landa but what I have said about him is all verifiable and discussed in great length by Tozzer. Regarding the other points made by the reviewer, within the context of the purposes of this paper, they are either trivial (ie 10, 14, 15, 19, 22) or else go beyond the scope intended in my presentation. For example, the reviewer's question 13 asks for a detailed analysis of the Galindo Codex, including the colors used, the nature of the paint, the technique of the artist, all of which I agree is pertinent, but not within the scope of this brief paper. I think, by the way, that the reproduction of figure 2 in color would be very useful and answer in part some of these questions. I have in fact made a plate by plate comparative study of the Madrid and Galindo Codices and noted the chief similarities and differences between them, but these observations are uncalled for in this paper. I have said (ms p. 3) that the Galindo Codex is "a reasonably faithful transcription" of part of the Madrid Codex, which is reproduced "with surprising fidelity." I think that a comparison of plates 1 and 2 will bear this out. There may be a legitimate difference of opinion regarding my interpretation of the mushroom but I believe that the weight of the evidence supports it.

Having considered the points raised by the reviewer, I do not believe that changes in the manuscript are justifiable. I stand behind each statement I have made and bear the sole responsibility for everything I have said. Please let me know whether you will accept the manuscript in its present form.

as ever,

*Bennie*  
B. Lowy

*P.S. I have enclosed a color slide and print of fig-2 for your consideration. Although printing it would be costly, I think I could get support for it. The print is a personal gift to you, but I would like to have the slide returned.*



1. Better to give full title: Friar Diego de Landa, Bishop of Yucatan.
2. Source of information?
3. Reference?
4. Source of information?
5. Authority?
6. Reference?
7. Is this the author's opinion or is it generally acknowledged? If generally acknowledged, references should be given.
8. The codices should be given their official titles: Codex Dresdenensis, C. Peresianus, C. Tro or C. Troano and C. Cartesianus, the latter two being parts of the same document are often referred to as C. Tro-Cortesianus.
9. This point is very important. How does it differ from C. Tro-Cortesianus?
10. If it is a copy is the designation correct? I doubt it.
11. Source of information?
12. Above you referred to it as the "Guatemalan Codex"--here it is the "Galindo Codex." If it is a copy as you say, then is it a codex? This obviously is a variant copy of the C. Tro-Cortesianus and should be so recognized. Copies of other codices are not uncommon.
13. Information should be given about the painting, colors, type of paint used if this has been determined, how does it compare with the original as far as technique is concerned, ability of artist, etc. Could it be dated by any of the techniques known to the bibliographer?
14. Is there just one painting on a panel "all the 24 paintings" or does each panel have several paintings?
15. See No. 9. There you said that it was a "reasonably faithful transcription of part of the Codex Madrid..." here "from which it has presumably been copied."
16. See No. 9. What are the details that are not found in the Madrid Codex?

17. References?
18. Above you suggest that it represents a mushroom. Here you state it as a fact.
19. "abanico" has other meanings, though perhaps none more appropriate than fan.
20. Is Amanita muscaria the only species of mushroom that could be associated with this rather crude drawing?
21. See No. 18.
22. By what people, or in what language?
23. As you say, the evidence here presented is suggestive but that is all. Can you say categorically that no mushroom cult exists in Guatemala?

Notes on reviewer's comments

- 1-7. 1. Putting "Friar" before Diego de Landa's name is unnecessary, inasmuch as I identify him sufficiently as a "prelate." He did not become "Bishop" until 1573, 11 years after the events I summarize. Consequently, it would be incorrect to refer to him by this title, in my context.
- 2-7. I am astonished by these questions which relate to information that is common knowledge and so recognized by all who have studied the history of the conquest. Is it customary to give a citation for Columbus, 1492 ? In fact, it can all be found in Tozzer, but I do not think it necessary or appropriate to give a citation for each statement.
8. My reference to the Codices is in keeping with the common usage of Mayan scholars. My footnote 2 explains a point which the reviewer apparently did not read, since he repeats it in his number 8! His reference to the "Codex Dresdenensis" shows that he is not well acquainted with these documents. Such a designation has never been used ! It is the Codex Dresdenensis.
9. This is meant to be a preliminary report, not a detailed comparison of each plate of the Galindo with the corresponding plate of the Madrid. Although I have made such a study, this is not the place to present the results in extenso.
10. Yes ! A known copy of a completely different Codex is on file at the Tulane University library. In spite of the fact that it is a copy, it is still referred to as a "Codex." This also answers part of 12.
11. Same comment as in 2-7.
12. See 10.
13. See 9. Reproducing plate 2 in color would answer some questions raised here.
14. Plate 2 is characteristic of the entire Codex. I do not think that a preliminary paper needs to go into detail of this kind. Including this point does not, in my opinion, warrant changing the ms in order to include it.
15. I do not see how these statements are incompatible. They are a reasonably faithful transcription and I presume they have been copied from the Codex Madrid.
16. See 9.
17. I clearly refer to Villacorta .
18. I have tried to make it very clear that in my interpretation, the object referred to is a mushroom and that in all likelihood it represents Amanita muscaria.
19. In the context in which "abanico" is used in Villacorta, it is not possible to mistake it for a meaning other than "fan."
20. Within the limits of the configuration of the mushroom as shown in the codices, and especially in view of the potent symbolism, I believe that A. muscaria fits it best.
21. See 18.
22. The language is Quiché, but of no great consequence at the moment to my thesis.
23. "...has apparently disappeared...." would be better here.

Miscellaneous notes

P. 2, paragraph 2, line 2: the word "certain" has been crossed out and "known" substituted. I see no advantage in this, since it is certain that the 3 Maya Codices escaped the conflagration. The word "certain" should be restored.

P. 3, line 1: "Guatemalan codex" has been bracketed with the suggestion that the word "work" be substituted. The document in question is a codex, even though it is a copy.

