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

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U. S. Department of Agriculture,
Clerk of Department of Agriculture,
Washington, D. C.,

Dear Sir,

Can you
send me any work, or give me
information, concerning a reliable
book on the botany of Cal-
ifornia? I am making some
collections in this region, but have
nothing that will assist me in
determining genera and species,
and if you can help me out
in the matter, I shall greatly
appreciate your kindness.

Most respectfully yours,

Edward C. Thorntou

Lamanda Park,

C/o Villa Hotel, Cal.