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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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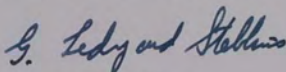
Dr. W. W. Ray
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Lincoln, Nebraska

Dear Dr. Wray:

I wish to thank you and your colleagues again for your cordial hospitality during my visit last week. I had a very pleasant introduction to an institution new to me, and hope that I can return some day. I am also looking forward to welcoming you as well as some of your colleagues to California, perhaps in connection with some of the meetings in 1957, but I hope before then.

Please give my warmest regards to Mrs. Ray for the most delightful party on Wednesday evening.

Yours very sincerely,



G. Ledyard Stebbins
Professor of Genetics

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