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January 7, 1957

MRS. JOHN B. JOHNSON, JR.
3258 NORTH SUMMIT AVENUE
MILWAUKEE 11, WISCONSIN

Dear Dr. Giv:

I am returning the form which you sent to Mather for her subscription to the *Biologist*.

Mather passed away last August. It was very sudden. Which was wonderful for her, if she had to go. We were very fortunate, because John and the children and I had just returned from a wonderful visit with her.

You may be interested to know that she was working on mosses at the time of her death. They were the specimens of M. Diaz-Pifferer of Cuba, and she was looking forward to a visit from

him.

I will never forget the fun she had
going on the field trips with your class.

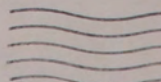
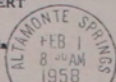
Sincerely,

Cloyd S. Johnson

DR. PAUL O. SCHALLERT

Box 262

Altamonte Springs, Florida



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Dr. L. F. Bier
Biology Dept
William Jewell College
Liberty
Missouri

25/11/58
Sent 160

I will write check for the
Box 262 foreign Bryophytes. Jan 31, 1957
Altamonte Springs, Florida

DEAR FELLOW BOTANIST:

For many years I have been collecting and exchanging botanical specimens for my large private herbarium which now contains well over 100,000 specimens of vascular, as well as many of the lower orders, such as: ALGAE, FUNGI, LICHENS, and BRYOPHYTES. From this collection I am offering for sale any family, genus, or group, at the following prices, postage extra:

specimens mounted, for in clean folders, Per 100 \$20.00
specimens, unmounted, (in bundles of between 100 & 200) without any specifications: \$10.00
all lower orders, placed in envelopes, mostly cosmopolitan, Per 100: \$10.00

I can also put up bundles of 100 specimens containing a mixture of algae, fungi, lichens, hepatics, mosses, and vascular plants. These bundles are priced at \$10.00, and are particularly fine for High School and College Teachers. When remittance accompanies the order, I will pay the postage.

If you are interested in any of these offers please advise me of your desiderata, and I will respond promptly as far as specimens on hand are available.

Here I added 22 from Australia. I will
take all of your 200 at this time and send
you to even score later.

Yours Sincerely
PAUL O. SCHALLERT, B.S., M.A., M.D.

2031 W. Bond St
Denison, Texas
February 7, 1957

Director of Herbarium
Williams Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Sir:

I am the biology teacher in Denison High School, Denison, Texas. I would like to exchange around 200 unmounted herbarium specimens if you would care to do so. I have plants identified from Colorado, Virginia and Texas, for exchange. I can exchange 200 plants from Colorado or 200 from Texas and about 150 from Virginia and areas near Virginia. If you wish I could send some specimens from each area.

My specimens are all spermatophytes and are in good condition. My collections are general in scope.

If you do not wish to exchange, I will appreciate having the name of any collectors you think might be interested in an exchange. I am trying to build up a good high school herbarium and have about 5000 specimens at present.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Gentry

Harold Gentry

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2031 W. Bond St.
Denison, Texas
February 19, 1957

Dr. L. J. Gier
Director of Herbarium
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Sir:

I received your letter and am happy to make the exchange for the plants you mentioned. I have been out of school for the past week with the flu but seem to be all right now.

I will be glad to get the 155 Florida plants and will send the Virginia plants for them. I am sending 200 Colorado plants I have in a set and 200 Texas plants. These will be sent within a week or ten days. If you do not have the plants to exchange now for the Texas plants, I will be glad to get these you will collect this summer.

Please send your plants to the Denison Sr. High School, 1901 S. Mirick Ave., Denison, Texas.

Thank you for the exchange.

267 from Schaller
4 from Gier
(nos. 5099, 5880, 6772, 726)

Sincerely yours,

Harold Gentry

Harold Gentry

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- 86
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- 98
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2031 W. Bond St.
Denison, Texas
February 25, 1957

Dr. L. J. Gier
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Sir:

I have mailed 555 plants to you, today. I hope they prove
satisfactory. They should reach you soon.

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Sincerely yours,

Harold Gentry

Harold Gentry

HG/mg

2031 W. Bond St.
Denison, Texas
March 3, 1957

Dr. L. J. Gier
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Sir:

I received your plants and was glad to get them. Many thanks for the exchange. Several of them filled in gaps that I was glad to get. I appreciated getting the Yugoslavia plants as I have none from there.

I am curious to know if you had a specimen of *Gilia penstemonoides* Jones. I have sent it to several herbaria and none of them had it. I was fortunate to be with Dr. W. A. Weber when he found it.

I hope the plants I sent arrived in good condition. I failed to mention that they are not poisoned but have been sprinkled with D.D.T.

I will be glad to get the others anytime you send them. Again I thank you for the exchange.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Gentry

Harold Gentry

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BRITISH BRYOLOGICAL SOCIETY

F. A. SOWTER, F.L.S.,
9, NORTH AVENUE, LEICESTER.

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Dear Dr Greis,

Many thanks indeed for your kind
letter. I do hope your wife is continuing to
progress & that she will soon be quite fit
again.

Thank you too for looking in to the
question of my subsidising to the A.B.S. & for
writing to Dr Anderson. I shall write to him
as well as I feel quite sure that he wishes
me to continue to pay his sub. & also the Duke
University sub. to the A.B.S.

May I please ask you to note my new
address (after April 1st) :-

Stoughton Lane,
Stoughton,
Leicester.

I hope no day I may have the pleasure of seeing
you at that address. Again thanks & kind
regards

Yours very sincerely
Freda Sowter

Roux le 29-3-1957

Monsieur L.G.Jier
Secrétaire de la société de Bryologie américaine

Monsieur,

Je serais très heureux de devenir membre de la société de Bryologie américaine, acceptez vous les étrangers? Si oui, soyez aimable de me faire savoir quelles sont les formalités à remplir pour devenir membre et recevoir la revue.

Je suis membre de la British Bryological Society, et de Taxon.

Je travaille les mousses et hépatiques de Belgique et possède de nombreux doubles que je serais heureux d'échanger avec une institution américaine que la chose intéresse.

En attendant de vous lire, veuillez croire Monsieur, à l'expression de ma considération très distinguée.

G. Leonard

Guy F.N. LEONARD
4, Rue des Chèvres
ROUX

BELGIQUE
(EUROPE)

and W. 4.57

2031 W. Bond St.
Denison, Texas
April 2, 1957

Dr. L.J. Gier
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Sir:

I am sorry that I do not have any cryptogams for exchange. I collect a few ferns but have no mosses at all. I hope to be able to carry out another exchange with you in the future as I collect every summer in many parts of the country.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Gentry

Harold Gentry

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BRITISH BRYOLOGICAL SOCIETY

EDITOR
F. A. SOWTER, F.L.S.,
9 NORTH AVENUE, LEICESTER

Greenholme,
Stoughton Lane
Stoughton
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Dear Dr. Gies,

Many thanks for your kind letter.

I hope you are now quite fit & that your wife is better.

I hope you have been able to sort out my & the Duke's account with the A.B.S. & no doubt Dr. Anderson will have paid the equivalent of the amount I have paid on their behalf to the B.B.S.

May I please ask you to note my new address as above?

Also may I point out that I did not receive Pt 4 of Vol 59 of the Bryologist.

Today I receive Pt 1 of Vol 60 & am finding it very interesting.

I have just returned from the B.B.S. meeting at Beamsley, Devon. We had a very enjoyable time in good weather & we saw some nice bryophytes.

Again thanks & kind regards.

Yours sincerely
F. A. Sowter.

The Florida State University

Tallahassee

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
DIVISION OF BOTANY

May 6, 1957

Dr. L. J. Gier
Department of Biology
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

I have been appointed as an Associate Professor of Biology at Southwest Missouri State College beginning in September. Although I have worked with Jack Sharp in Tennessee and Dr. Ereen here in Florida, there will probably be a lot of bryophytes in the Ozark region that I am not too familiar with. I wonder if you would like to exchange some Missouri mosses for some of my Florida ones. I have a great number of duplicate specimens of tropical species which I would be glad to send to you. In this way I would be able to build up some good Missouri specimens which I can use for reference material. I also have quite a few duplicates of my Japanese collections which I could exchange with you. You have already sent me reprints of your publications of Missouri bryophytes which have now become especially interesting to me.

I am looking forward to working in a new area and to the opportunity of meeting you personally.

Sincerely yours,

Paul L. Redfearn, Jr.
Paul L. Redfearn, Jr.

*Ans'd 6.26.57
ans'd 11.3.57*

Duury College
Springfield, Mo.
V-8-1957

Dear Dr. Guir:

Enclosed is a report on collections made last Saturday in Webster County. It is not likely that I will get into that county again. Panther Den is a pit 100 x 150 or 200 ft., 50 ft. deep, with water in the bottom said to be 60 or 70 ft. deep. The walls are vertical or overhanging. It is due to the falling in of the roof of a cave or underground river. Collections were made only on the surrounding banks. I can loan any specimens you may wish to see.

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Thanks for notice of BPP convention. I had not heard of it, but learned a day or so ago that Dr. Bond knew about it. No one is going from here.

I am much disappointed to find that we cannot get to Liberty and Parkville. Commencement will be on May 26. We expect to leave on the 27th to Grinnell, visit my younger daughter in Decatur, Ill., and reach a Nature Camp in n.-e. Alabama June 4.

This has been an interesting experience, beset with difficulties, and frustrated by cold and rain. We have learned a lot about the region and the people. I believe we are still glad we came. A set of color photographs of our home in Florida, received yesterday, increased our "Heimweh"!

Glad to hear that Mrs. G. continues to improve in health. She will outlive you yet.

Best wishes

H. S. Conard.

Webster County, Mo.

V-8-57

Porella platyphyllloidea
Reboulia hemisphaerica
Anomodon attenuatus dupl.
 rostratus
Atrichum angustatum
Aulacomnium heterostichum
Bartramia pomiformis
Brachythecium oxycladon
 viridare dupl.
Campylopus chrysophyllum
 hispidulum
Cirriophyllum boscii
Desmatodon obtusifolius
Ditrichum pallidum dupl.
Fissidens cristatus
Grimmia apocarpa alpicola
Homomallium adnatum
~~*Hygroamblystegium flavicula*~~
 brevisolium
 orthocladon
Mnium cuspidatum
 serratum (=marginatum)
Plagiothecium geophilum
Thuidium delicatulum dupl.
Tortella humilis
Weisia viridula

dupl means that I have a duplicate which you can have.

H. S. Conard May. 8 1957

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MAY 23 '57

11008 Cherry Hill Rd.
Adelphi Md.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH ADMINISTRATION
BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY, SOILS, AND
AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING

DIVISION OF
PLANT EXPLORATION AND INTRODUCTION

PLANT INDUSTRY STATION
BELTSVILLE, MARYLAND

May 11, 1957

Dr. L. J. Gier
Dept. of Biology
William Jewell College
Liberty Mo.
Dear Dr. Gier:

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MAY 28 '57

I should like to apply for membership in the American Bryological Society and enclose herewith my check for dues. I presume that my subscription to the Bryologist would start with the first number (March) of the 1957 volume.

According to Dr. Corard's "How to Know the Mosses", the Society has issued a Check List of North American Mosses and Liverworts. I should very much like to have a copy of this if it is still available. Sincerely yours,
F. J. Hermann

Sender's name and address :-

Professor of Botany,
Patna University,
Patna-5(India)

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Liberty, MO., U.S.A.

William Jewell College,

American Bryological Society,

Dr. L. J. Gier, Secr.-Treas.

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R.P.Roy
M.Sc., Ph.D. (Cantab), F.L.S. (Lond)
Professor & Head of the Department.

Department of Botany,
Patna University,
Patna-5 (India).

Ref: No. 128/L.Bot.

The 22nd May, 1957

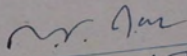
Dear Dr. Gier,

Thank you for your letter. I am subscribing this journal (Bryologist) through M/S Franklin Square Agency, Englewood, since 1956. I have also placed order for the back sets from Vols. 1 to 51 with Dr. L.E. Anderson after seeing the price list sent by you. The rest of the volumes from 52 to 58, you please send through M/S Book Corner Ltd., Patna (India). I shall be happy to keep myself in touch with the activities of your learned society which is really doing a very valuable work in the field of Bryology.

Thanking you again.

Dr. L.J. Gier,
Secr.-Treas.
American Bryological Society,
William Jewell College,
Liberty, MO., U.S.A.

Yours sincerely,


(R.P. Roy) 22/5/57

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
SEATTLE 5, WASHINGTON

May 23, 1957

Dear Dr. Lier:

Enclosed find \$10.15, of which \$5.00 is for 1957 subscription for Clara Barnes about whom I wrote you (of address Firland Hospital, Seattle, Wash. Zone 55.)

The \$5.15 I hoped for the Abramoff's in Leningrad, as an exchange for U.S.S.R. bryophytes. But I have not heard from them in 2 months or so. If you know of any one else who would be a good member, apply it. I really owe it for last year, when I could find no one for it. Or put it in the treasury as a gift.

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Miss Barnes tells me
she has not received
the March number, perhaps
awaiting my check. T.C. Frye

2031 W. Bond St.
Denison, Texas
June 11, 1957

Dr. L. J. Gier
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Sir:

I received your plants and was glad to get them. I have been very busy closing school for the summer and have not had time to check them; however I did get to look at them. I noticed quite a few grasses for which I am very glad to get. I am rather weak in identifying grasses and will probably send you several in the future for verification if you have time to look at them. I did not count them, but I am satisfied that our exchange is even. Many thanks for the exchange.

Sincerely yours,

Harold Gentry

Harold Gentry

amid 7/12/57

wrote 11/2/61

Ernest Jesse Palmer
321 South Main Street
Webb City, Missouri

June 20, 1957.

Dr. L. J. Gier,
Dept. of Biology,
William Jewell College,
Liberty, Mo.,

Dear Dr. Gier:

Your letter came yesterday, and I am glad to hear that you have had a good collecting season. In contrast to the past several dry years, we have had more than twice the normal amount of rainfall here so far this year. It has often been difficult to get out on collecting trips on account to the weather. But we have been on several one and two-day trips, and I have gotten some interesting things.

Yes, I will be glad to look over some of your collections, particularly the Crataegus and other woody plants from Missouri, or any others that are puzzling or of special interest. I keep busy all the while with plants and other work. But I should be able to return plants to you without too much delay. A package of Crataegus and other things came from the Chicago Natural History Museum a short time ago, and I have just finished with them. And I have notice of a lot of Crataegus coming from Ohio. The geologists at Molla and at Columbia are also much interested in my fossil collections here. And Dr. Unklesbay wrote that he plans to come down in late August or September to begin work with me on some of them. Dr. Searight, of the State Geological Survey, and I have a little paper in press naming a local Pennsylvanian formation in this vicinity and mentioning the fauna from it.

Our daughter, Grace, has been here for about a week, but she will leave on Monday for a National Youth Foundation camp in New Hampshire where she will teach nature lore and arts and crafts through the summer. We had expected the oldest boy here from Antioch College this week. But he called up yesterday to say he could not come, as he has taken a new job as one of the leaders of a trip to the West of "Explorers Caravan". He will be gone a month, and then will go back to Mt. Washington before returning to Antioch College. The youngest boy, Theodore, will also not be able to get home before Christmas. He has enrolled in the graduate school at Johns Hopkins and is spending the summer

working on a projectⁱⁿ connected with his course.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. Gier has recovered from the effects of the operation. We have been fortunately quite well so far this year. We rather plan to go to Baltimore to visit Theodore- perhaps in August. Dr. Delzie Demaree writes that he wants to come up to go on a botanical trip with me in July; and I have rather been expecting Dr. McGregor and a party from Lawrence to come by here. But I do not have a definite date. If you are coming or can arrange to come this way, we would be happy to see you; and if you had time, I could show you a few interesting localities near here.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest J. Palmer

Ernest J. Palmer.

P. S. It has been a good year for mosses among other things, and I have collected quite a number. Though there may not be much of interest except for local records. Thanks for the stamps.

E. J. P.

Ernest Jesse Palmer
321 South Main Street
Webb City, Missouri

July 12, 1957.

Dr. L. J. Gier,
Dept. of Biology,
William Jewell College,
Liberty, Mo.,

Dear Dr. Gier:

The specimens of *Crataegus* and of other genera which you sent some days ago are now packed and ready to be returned to you, and they will go forward today or Monday. You did enclose return postage when you sent the specimens. So I am returning balance that you sent in a later letter. Not all of my correspondents are so considerate; and in a good many cases I have to pay the return postage.

In most cases I have put determination slips with the plants. But in cases where the specimens were correctly identified and the labels were clear, I merely endorsed them.

A few specimens were insufficient or too poor for definite determination. And, since I claim no infallibility in naming plants, it is possible that a few of my determinations may be questioned. But I believe there is no doubt about nearly all of them. In such genera as *Pyrus*, *Crataegus* and other large and difficult ones it is difficult to be sure of the identity in some cases without full and adequate material. I do not like to determine *Crataegus* specimens without either flowers or fruit. Of course some species can be named from the leaves alone; but many others cannot. In *Pyrus* (*Malus*) terminal shoot leaves should always be taken with a specimen; as they are very characteristic of the species and varieties.

The early collectors, of course, often made scrappy specimens. And it is understandable when we consider the conditions under which they often worked and traveled. But there is little excuse for it now. Material is cheap and usually abundant; and students should be taught to make full good specimens, to include, if possible both terminal leaves and leaves of flowering branchlets as well as either flowers or fruit. And one should always be careful to see that some of the leaves show both upper and lower surface.

Some older specimens in many genera, even though correctly named at the time, have names that are no longer used

for the species; and this is sometimes confusing. And, unfortunately, there have been many recent changes in nomenclature; and authorities do not always agree on names. I assume that you are trying to follow the new eighth edition of Grays Manual for names. And so I have conformed to that. But it irks me to place such diverse and well marked general of the Rosaceae as Malus, Sorbus, Aronia, &c. under Pyrus. Of course this involves a matter of opinion. But I think such grouping is most confusing and against all evidence and good practice.

In some collections of *Pyrus ioensis* I see that the collectors have followed the New Britton & Brown in giving the authors as (Wood) Carruth. instead of (Wood) Bailey, as in Gray. I do not have the literature here to go into it. And it is possible that Carruthers made the combination before Bailey did. But if that was the case, I cannot understand why Wernald or Rehder did not know about it and use it. For Rehder was one of the best authorities in the world on bibliography and authorship. Perhaps there was a question involved as to whether an earlier publication was valid for some reason.

On the list I am enclosing you will find notes on some of the specimens. I always like to keep a record for myself of collections I work on.

We are getting some real summer weather now. And since it is about two weeks since our last rain, things are beginning to wither in the intense heat. We still have a lot of things in the garden; but they won't last long unless it rains.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest J. Palmer
Ernest J. Palmer.

P. S. Delzie Demaree was here for two days last week, and we had a good time botanizing and recalling old times.

E. J. P.

1344 South Second St.
Stillwater, Minnesota
October 2, 1957

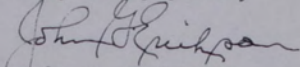
Dr. L. J. Gier, Secretary
American Bryological Society
Department of Botany
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

I should like very much to become a member of the American
Bryological Society, if I qualify for membership.

Would you please send me details regarding membership?
Thanks very much.

Very truly yours,


John G. Erickson

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ant Oct. 8, 1957

Crater Lake National Park,
Fort Klamath Rural Station,
Klamath Falls, Oregon
7 October 1957

Dr. L. J. Gier,
Secretary-Treasurer,
The Bryologist,
William Jewell College,
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

Please find enclosed \$0.60 to cover what I understand is the cost of one copy of The Bryologist, Volume 35, Number 1.

Thank you for your attention and assistance.

Yours very truly,

Richard M. Brown

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X.31.57

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP, AMERICAN BRYOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The Secretary of the American Bryological Society may present my name for election to the Society in accordance with the Constitution. I enclose dues for 1957-8*

Name in full JOHN G(ERHARD) ERICKSON Date Oct. 14, 1957
(Place parenthesis around parts of name usually omitted in correspondence)

Mailing address for The Bryologist 1344 SOUTH SECOND ST., STILLWATER,
MINNESOTA

Position and Institution — Degrees Ph. D.

In what bryological subjects have you special interest or work in progress? I am by training and vocation an organic chemist and not a professional botanist. See below

In what localities have you carried on bryological work? —

If no bryological work has been done, in which group are you especially interested? Lichens

*Dues are Five Dollars per year, payable by December in advance, in U. S. Dollars or equivalent.

*mem. card sent
11.23.57*

*P. 67
OCT 24 1957*

VILLE DE MONTRÉAL



CITY OF MONTRÉAL

DIVISION DES PARCS ET DES JEUX
PARKS AND RECREATION DIVISION

LE JARDIN BOTANIQUE DE MONTRÉAL
MONTRÉAL BOTANICAL GARDEN

4101 EST. RUE SHERBROOKE,

Montreal, Friday, October 25, 1957.

Dr L.J. Gier,
William Jewell College,
Liberty, Missouri,
U.S.A.

Dear Dr Gier,

In my hurry to get out the statement mailed to you earlier this week, I overlooked noting that the specimens distributed from List LXVIII were not recorded. From that list you selected 3 specimens which fortunately we were able to provide you with. Therefore, the debit portion in that statement should be emended to read: 50 specimens.

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Your prompt reply is still eagerly anticipated.

Yours truly,

James Kucyniak.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
COLUMBIA

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCE
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

November 26, 1957

Dr. L. J. Gier
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

I wish to thank you for sending the two moss specimens which were sent quite some-time ago.

During the past several years, I've been working on a manual of the Missouri grasses. Before I could say such a work is complete, I should examine any herbaria throughout the State. The last two years I've been stressing the MBG and also the Chicago Museum.

Would you indicate to me if you have a grass collection, and if so, approximately how many specimens? If this could be done, it would be greatly appreciated. At some future date, I should like to visit your collection. If per-chance these might be sent instead (express collect) assuming you have no policy against it, I would be quite happy about that. If on the other hand, it would make a considerable job in expressing, please indicate, and I would visit your collections instead.

Sincerely yours,

Clair L. Kucera
Clair L. Kucera
Associate Professor

CLK:jfs

Nov. 30, 1957

Dear Kucera,

Your letter of Nov. 26 received today. We have a grass collection and we shall be glad to have you examine it. We probably have at least 1,000 sheets of Missouri grasses, as a guess. One of my students worked this collection over last year as a special research project and it was our plans to publish on the grasses of Clay County. The manuscript is all written but I want to recheck it against the specimens before it is sent in for publication. I will not have time to do that before next semester, however.

All of our Missouri grasses, except a very few, have been checked by Steyermark. I have a plant cane (bamboo?)

which grows along the river here but Steyermark said it did not grow here. I collected some more of it a year ago but haven't sent it to him yet as I wanted to re-check it myself first. I have had little time for personal research for four years while I have been secr.-treas. of the mycological Society. I also picked up a few this summer in field bibliography that have not been checked yet.

The Missouri specimens are all separated out and the Clay County ones separate from others for Missouri so I could send them to you if you wish. We will be very glad to have you come here and study them if you care to. We would like to have you visit us, anyway. Suit yourself about that, however.

Yours truly,

L. J. Gier

Kansas Wesleyan University
Salina, Kansas, U. S. A.

Your cooperation in connection with a research project which is being undertaken by the Natural Science Division will be most appreciated.

Specifically, the project is an ecological one dealing with the genus *Gleditsia* (Honeylocust). We should appreciate receiving mature fruit of this tree (approx. three dozen pods) which contain a reasonable number of fully developed seed. We should also appreciate freshly clipped twigs (approx. 1/4" x 8") from the tree from which the fruit is collected.

Please mail the material to Prof. Albert Robinson, Jr.

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Dear Dr. Gier:

Dec. 3, 1957

If you could supply me with the material mentioned above, I should be very grateful. It is immaterial whether the trees from which the material is obtained are planted or are growing wild.

Very truly yours,

Albert Robinson, Jr.

9. XII. 1957

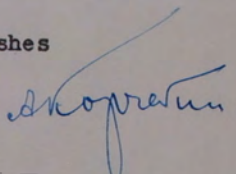
L.J.Gier, Secr.-Treas.
American Bryological Society

Dear Sir,

I have just received a check from you for mail to American Bryological Society for my dues and for subscription to the Bryologist 1958, vol. 61 - \$5.15. But on 29. IV. 1957 you informed me, that there remaind \$10.85 on my balance in A.B.S. and you had promised to credit that sum, as dues for 1958 and 1959.

Yours truly and with best wishes

A.A.Korczagin



U. S. S. R.
Leningrad, 164
University Quay, 7
University
Chair Botanical Geography

December 11, 1957

Dear Dr. Ziev:

The identification of your *Chara* specimen No. T 566 is *Chara zeylanica* v. *Mischautii* H. + J. Zieve. I am sorry to be so long in answering you but I agreed suddenly to teach two large bacteriology laboratory classes at the Pharmacy School of Butler University this fall. We were gone a month during which we attended the A. I. B. S. meetings at Stanford Univ. and returned to face the two classes for which I had not had time to prepare, so things have been rather hectic up until the present.

We hope that you and yours have

a merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Sincerely,
Fay Kenyon Daily

Thank you very much for the specimen.
I hope I am favored with future ones.

ZDENĚK PILOUS
HOSTINNĚ
Kemenáského 433
Czechoslovakia

Hostinné, dne 11.XII.1957

Dear Sir,

answering your last letter I beg to inform you, that I have no possibility to subscribe The Bryologist for the next year, although I would like very much to do so.

Therefore I beg to offer to you the Podpěra's C o n s p e c -
t u s M u s c o r u m E u r o p a e o r u m, Written in Latin. This
book, containing 680 pages in of an extraordinary importance for every
bryologist, but it is not obtainable out of Czechoslovakia. Its price
is \$ 10,20. I am sure, that you would be very satisfied about this book.

In the affirmative you would send the amount mentioned as
subscription fee for The Bryologist in favour of me.

Awaiting with interest your answer I am, dear sir,
yours trully

Jan 9 1958

paid \$18.62 for Pilous Jan 1958-59

credit \$3.17 on 1958

Pilous

check # 256
\$10.20

Dec 31.57

DR. THOMAS S. GITHENS
APT. 1108 THE CAMBRIDGE
WISSAHICKON AND SCHOOL LANE
PHILADELPHIA 44, PA.

and
1/6/58

Dear Dr. Gier,

Thank you ever so much,
both in my own name and that of
the Academy, for the specimen
of *Physcomitrium colenchymatum*.
Is this a "type" collection?
I ask because these go into a special
file at the Academy.

I hope this finds you and yours
in good health, and with best wishes
for the new year,

Very sincerely,
Thomas S. Githens

The American Bryological Society

THE BRYOLOGIST (EST. 1898)

Department of Botany
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina
January 22, 1958

Mr. L. J. Gier
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

Your letter of January 16 was delayed until today because of additional postage due. However, I now have the checks which you enclosed. They are as follows:

from Univ. N. C. \$5.00
from Franklin Square \$10.30
 (for Minsk and
 Kiev, USSR)

I certainly appreciate your consideration in answering the current inquiries which have been sent to you. As you know, the job in its early stages is quite time-consuming. By now though, I am familiar with the files and have developed routines to handle most of the usual business. Hereafter I expect to keep up the business in a much shorter time.

Let me thank you ^{again} for your help.

Sincerely yours,

Virginia Bryan
Virginia S. Bryan
Sec.-Treas.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF NORTH WALES

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT :
PROFESSOR P. W. RICHARDS, M.A., Sc.D.
TELEPHONE : BANGOR 312

DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY,
MEMORIAL BUILDINGS,
BANGOR,
CAERNARVONSHIRE.

January 23rd., 1958

Dr. L.J.Gier
Secretary-Treasurer, American Bryological Society
William Jewell College
Liberty, Mo.
U.S.A.

Dear Sir,

I have received your letter of December 10th. I certainly was not aware that my subscription to the American Bryological Society had been paid by Dr. Conard for "several years". I was informed very courteously in 1953 that my subscription for 1953 and 1954 was being paid by him and was seriously embarrassed by the information. After consideration, realising that the gesture was well meant, I accepted the gift and wrote to Dr. Conard thanking him. I had no intention that he should continue doing so and I consider it a gross discourtesy that the society should have continued to accept payment from him on my behalf without informing me.

I received a letter about a year ago from you referring to a payment from Dr. Conard for 1957, and there referring to "several years". I am afraid I assumed 1) that the "several years" was a slip on your part, and 2) that your letter had crossed one of mine sending a draft for \$5.15 dated, according to my bank statement, November 20th, 1956, and that you ^{would} correct matters on receipt of the draft.

As far as I am aware I have paid such demands as have been made to me and the trouble appears to have arisen through the failure of the society to send demands for ^{my} subscriptions. As you ought to know as Treasurer, it has been impossible to obtain dollar currency in this country without a formal and specific demand note to show the purpose for which the currency is required. One can scarcely be expected to remember to write and ask for a demand note each year.

I resent the implication in your last letter that I am only prepared to remain a member of the society as long as I receive membership as a charity. Moreover, having ~~888~~ accepted the charity on my behalf without informing me, you have, in my opinion, no right to make such a suggestion.

/over

I should be glad if you would

- 1) Acknowledge the draft of November 20th 1956.
- 2) Send me a formal demand note for my subscription for 1958 and for such years after 1954 as Dr. Conard has paid, and I will then arrange with my bank for payment.

Please let it be clear that I intend no discourtesy to Dr. Conard, who appears to have been duped as much as I have, but I will in no circumstances accept payment from him other than for the years 1953 and 1954.

It would be very helpful if the society could do as some others and appoint a British bank as its agent. It would then be possible for members in this country to give standing instructions to their own banks to make the necessary payment on a fixed date each year. To do this is impossible for a payment that has to be made overseas.

Yours faithfully

P. Greig-Smith

P. Greig-Smith

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Wrote him 4/Jan 58

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
DIVISION OF AGRICULTURAL SCIENCES
COLUMBIA

SCHOOL OF FORESTRY

March 6, 1958

Dr. L. J. Gier
Department of Biology
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

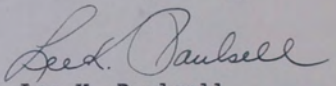
Dear Dr. Gier:

You may recall that several months ago Dr. Robert E. McDermott consulted with you on the identification of some lichens and bryophytes from our fire study plots in south-east Missouri.

I am enclosing Research Bulletin 640 which includes the data he discussed with you in case you might be interested in seeing it.

I wish to express my personal gratitude to you for your help.

Yours very truly,


Lee K. Paulsell
Asst. Prof. of Forestry

cc: R. E. McDermott

LKP/bp

The American Bryological Society

THE BRYOLOGIST (EST. 1898)

Department of Botany
Duke University
Durham, North Carolina
April 23, 1958

Dr. L. J. Gier
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

As a result of circulating the 1958 membership list for ABS, I have been questioned about the status of Mrs. Conard. Her file card is marked "honorary" and included in the section of the file for "Honorary Members."

When the question came up, I searched the file of secretary-treasurer reports, but could find no reference to her as an honorary member. In fact the only reference to her is in the minutes of the 1955 meetings: "Re Louisa Conard - Recommend she be added to list of members."

Can you tell me when she became an honorary member?

Does the above reference from the 1955 minutes mean that she was issued an invitation to join - a special invitation? Does she not pay dues?

This is a time-consuming job, isn't it? Thanks for forwarding so much mail. I manage to stay pretty well up to date on society business, due to some extent, to the good condition of your files and your very helpful advice.

Sincerely,

Virginia S. Bryan
Virginia S. Bryan
Secretary-treasurer

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Ernest Jesse Palmer
321 South Main Street
Webb City, Missouri

April 24, 1958.

Dr. L. J. Gier,
Dept. of Biology,
William Jewell College,
Liberty, Missouri,

Dear Dr. Gier:

Thank you for your letter of April 18th with list of determinations of my mosses and other cryptogams collected last year. While most of them were repetitions of former collections so far as the species go, there were a few that I had not recorded before and I hope that some of them were at least new county records for you. I have just finished adding the names and filing away the material.

Your plans for study at the Oregon State College under the fellowship grant sound interesting, and also for papers on your local flora. Steyermark and I have a little paper in press on new discoveries in Missouri. And he plans to believe to write an independent paper on his discovery of the rare *Geocarpum minimum* in St. Clair. Dr. Dwight M. Moore has just written me that he has also found it in two counties in southern Arkansas. So I no longer have a monopoly of it at the type locality here.

Steyermark left the Chicago Natural History Museum on April 1st. He is to be at the Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Ill., as a visiting professor teaching taxonomy until June 8th. And he then plans to be at the U. of Missouri to teach in summer school from June 10th to Aug. 1st. He had no further plans when he wrote. But I should not be surprised if they find a place for him at Columbia, Mo. The termination of his connection with the Museum came very suddenly and unexpectedly, I believe. While he has not mentioned it, I have a suspicion that there was some friction and dissatisfaction over his giving so much attention to the Missouri Flora. And if so, it is too bad.

Mrs. Palmer and I are now planning to make a trip east early in June. Our youngest son, Theodore, gets his master's degree at Johns Hopkins on June 10th, and he wants us to be there. He will come home for a short time. But may go to summer school at the University of Colorado. In September he expects to enter Harvard on a

National Science Foundation fellowship, to work for a doctor's degree. He was also awarded a Woodrow Wilson fellowship; but chose the other. We will probably fly east. But Theodore, who has just bought an old car, may be able to bring us back. There are a number of places and people I would like to see. But I don't know how much we can manage.

Dr. Unklesbay, of the Geology Dept. of the University of Missouri has just sent me copy of a little paper on the Cephalopods of the Burgner Formation of this locality. It is based on fossils that I collected, and he has included me as joint author. One of his graduate students is also working with him on the Brachiopods of this formation, from my collections. Dr. Searight and I published a short paper naming and outlining the formation last year. So now I must get to work on the mss. and on answering the letter about it.

Sincerely yours,

Ernest J. Palmer
Ernest J. Palmer.

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Apr 27-1958

Dr. L. J. Bier,
Liberty, Mo.

Dear Fellow Botanist, - As you know I am 79 yrs old and feel that I should keep on disposing my large private herbarium.

Dr. Sharp has taken the Mex. Bry. and 100 Jap. Bry. recently -

Now I must dispose of all of my Bryophytes of which I have at least 1200 - Not many duplicates either. Many from Scand. German and Great B. also Finland, Jap. etc.

I will give you the first chance - at \$10.00 per hundred F.O.B. here.

I also will sell all my lichens and fungi? Do you know any buyer for these? Please let me know soon? Yours truly Paul O. Schallert

Bugs & lichens @ 5¢ ea.

100 or more dupls for similar or for
bugs & lichens?

DR. ALBERT W. HERRE
507 CALEDONIA STREET
SANTA CRUZ, CALIFORNIA

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
SCHOOL OF FISHERIES
SEATTLE 5, WASHINGTON

May 7, 1958

Dr. L. J. Gier,
Dep't of Biology,
William Jewell College,
Liberty, Missouri.

Dear Dr. Gier:-

My last number of The Bryologist is the December, 1957, one. I do not seem to have received No. 1 of volume 61. What do you know about this?

I am plugging away on the Usneas of the United States and Canada, after an enforced idleness most of the winter, due to pneumonia. Hope to get out two papers, one on the Usneas of the Pacific Coast north of Mexico, and the other on all the Usneas of the United States and Canada.

Because of my illness I was unable to go back to the School of Fisheries this quarter. So from now on shall devote my entire time to lichens.

Yours sincerely,

Albert W. Herre
Albert W. Herre

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Wrote V. 24.58

507 Caledonia St.,
Santa Cruz, California
May 27, 1958

My dear Colleague:-

In reply to yours of the 24th. inst., which just arrived, will say that I shall be pleased to look at your Usneas. I would say off hand that the determinations of nearly all should be revised. Tuckerman followed Elias Fries, who called nearly all European and North American Usneas *U. barbata*, and then further divided that species into four or five compartments into which all Usneas must fit. Thus any small sorediate Usnea was called *U. hirta*, and all other small Usneas were *U. florida*, whether they ever had apothecia or not.

As a matter of fact, we applied names almost at random for we had no definite criteria as standards. I followed Tuckerman blindly as did Fink and all the rest. Several years ago I got in touch with Motyka, who sent me his monograph of the Usneas of the world. With the help of the herbaria at the Missouri Botanical Garden, Yale, and the Farlow herbarium, as well as my own extensive collections, all these named in large part by Motyka, I am beginning to see some order in the Usneas. Shortly I shall start preparing a paper on the Pacific coast Usneas. California has about 3 dozen species, and Washington has 8 or 10 not occurring in Calif. When that is finished, I'll start a paper on the Usneas of the U.S. and Canada. There are something over 90 species in the whole territory. So you see it is a big job. Many are easily recognized, but some of Motyka's distinctions are pretty fine and I shall probably reduce some of his species to varieties. Even so, it is a drastic change from the 5 or 6 which Fries, Tuckerman, Fink had for Europe and North America.

You may send your Usneas to me at your leisure. Just now I have about 250 specimens from the Farlow Herb., and the New York State Museum will send me their Usneas shortly. I'll finish the Farlow lot in a week or so.

Missouri has had some very interesting rare Usneas. They were collected by Engelmann, C.H. Demetrio, and others a long time ago. Some on rocks at Pilot Knob, Iron Mt., etc. I don't suppose they can be found nowadays.

Tho not entirely well, am able to work full speed ahead, for which I'm thankful. Still have a bronchial cough but it is on the decline.

If you see any Usnea that attracts your attention, whether in Missouri or in Oregon, or any other place, I wish you'd grab a generous lot, with the holdfast, and send me. ~~Lichens~~ Usneas noteworthy for length, breadth, thickness, color, or any conspicuous trait, would be welcome. Also any rock dwelling Usneas, and those with many apothecia are useful to me.

Am sorry I bothered you about the Bryologist. I did not realize it was merely delayed in publication.

With best regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

Albert W. Herre

*All collections examined have had many errors - *U. hirta* & *U. florida* are any one of 3 or 4 Usneas - not both named. *U. longissima* is a new species - many others in the 250 Farlow Herbarium specimens would be *U. hirta* - others 20% are not *U. hirta*.*

HENRY S. CONARD
LAKE HAMILTON
FLORIDA

May 30 1958

Dear Dr. Gies:

Here are two puzzles from your bailiwirk. I note that you have seen *Grimmia ovalis* (Hedw.) Lindb. (= *G. commutata* of MFNA) from Reynolds Co. Am I right in calling this one *G. ovalis*? Keep it if you wish; I have more.

The little green thing has the midrib of a *Pottia* or *Desmatodon*, and the cells are mammillose rather than papillose. I can't place it at all. Keep this also, if you wish.

I have just examined your 6939, which bothered me on the first look. *Leptodictyum riparium* is there all right, but most of my specimen is *Drepanocladus aduncus polycarpus*.

Your 6934 h. rip. fluitans does not quite fit my idea of fluitans. It has the cells of riparium, and the apex and midrib of laxirete. So what is it? And what is laxirete: form, var., s. sp. or sp.?

I hope to dig into that problem in earnest this summer.

We now plan to be at Highlands (D.C.) Biol. Station from about June 28 to Aug. 16. Better come over for a month. It is an ideal summer resort, much patronized by Florida people, that is, the town, not the lab.

I hope Mrs. Gier has profited by her recent diagnoses and is really feeling fine.

Sincerely

Henry S. Gentry

P.S. The one serious objection to Highlands is that L. S. Anderson is likely to drop in occasionally!

DR. ALBERT W. HERRE
507 CALEDONIA STREET
SANTA CRUZ, CALIFORNIA
Sept. 8, 1958

Dr. L.J.Gier,
William Jewell College, Liberty, Missouri.

My dear Colleague:-

Thank you for the box of Usneas sent early in the summer. I finished with them some time ago but delayed sending them for two reasons. First, I wanted to wait until I knew you were back home. But the principal reason for the delay is that my wife had a very serious heart attack and for some time it seemed as tho she could not ~~live~~. *live*. Of course everything else stopt for some time, but I am glad to say that during the past week she has made very marked improvement. She is still a very sick person but we now have strong hopes that she will pull through this attack and fully recover.

I have changed the names on most of those you sent which you wished returned, and am sending them under another cover.

The numbers and names of the duplicates are as follows:-

- checked
OK*
- 6947:- Usnea subfusca Stirton
6957:- " strigosa (Ach.) Eaton
6972:- " "
~~7179~~ - " glabrescens (Nyl.) Vainio var. glabrella Motyka *Willamette Valley*
8139 - " - I cannot name this spec. from Honduras - the Usneas of Central and S. America are little known to me and this is too small a fragment for identification
8143 - " comose (Ach.) Röhling - a remarkable find - I wonder what altitude this spec. occurred
8968 " cavernosa Tuckerman - fine spec. 8965 *H. Hester*
8131 - Teloschistes flavicans (Sw.) Norman mingled with the above and especially abundant on the under side of my specimen are the fronds of another lichen with conspicuous white under surface - this is Anaptychia leucomelaena (L.) Massolongo.

Please accept my thanks for the duplicate specimens you gave and which are a valued addition to my herbarium, and also for the opportunity to examine the other specimens. especially your No. 5477. It has not hitherto been reported from Missouri.

There was also one other packet without data. What do you know about it? It contained a specimen of Usnea sulcata Motyka, which is a warm country species and most likely came from Honduras,, since you had other specimens from there.

With kindest regards, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Albert W. Herre
Albert W. Herre

*# 8965 on juniper
Holyghost Canyon
NE Santa Fe
July 24, 1956 W. Hester*

*8/32
the trunk
Guaymas Honduras
1956 Harold Hunt*

B. J. Harrison
294 W Altadena Dr.
Pasadena, Calif.



Air Mail
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L. J. Gier
William Jewell College
Liberty
Missouri

Pasadena Calif.
Oct. 12, 1958

Dear Dr. Gier,

Your letter was forwarded here to me. However I have been up at California Polytechnic College in San Luis Obispo serving with a committee of the Northwest Accreditation Association for the past week. While there I had the opportunity to visit R. Clay Hatfield & talk over our Oregon summer.

As to the paper you are missing I don't seem to have anything of that nature & I don't believe I have seen it, unless it was when we were working on one of our edulis. sessions. I have a good

share of my Oregon notes & papers with me. These I have examined & there is no such paper as you are missing. I hope you recover it in time for your needed usage.

It sounds as though your return was rather eventful. We hope everything is going well now. We had about three weeks at home before we came on south to Calif. We got a rather desirable house to live in about six miles from Cal Tech.

My work there is going first rate - it is proving to be a most worthwhile experience. Leon has to go about $1\frac{3}{4}$ miles to high

school but Philip has only
four blocks to walk to his
school. Dr. Jensen has
a permit to use the Hunt-
ington library & he spends
three days a week there
working on the constitutional
history of the U. S.

Lorna joins me in
sending our best regards
to you & Mrs Gier.

Sincerely

Bertward J. Harrison

CHICAGO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

FORMERLY FIELD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

ROOSEVELT ROAD AND LAKE SHORE DRIVE

CHICAGO 5, ILLINOIS

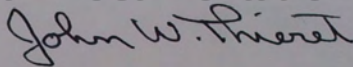
November 26, 1958

Dr. L.J. Gier
Department of Biology
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

Do you happen to have in your herbarium any Missouri specimens of the grass *Calamovilfa longifolia* from counties other than Clay and Jackson? I am trying to locate the specimens upon which the county records for St. Louis and Jefferson counties (in Palmer and Steyermark) and for Lafayette County (in Tracy) are based. Dr. Steyermark has forgotten where they are. I shall be grateful for your help.

Sincerely yours,



John W. Thieret

*one specimen only from Mo. &
and X/1.3.58*

CHICAGO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM
FORMERLY FIELD MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY
ROOSEVELT ROAD AND LAKE SHORE DRIVE
CHICAGO 5, ILLINOIS

December 5, 1958

Dr. L.J. Gier
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

Thanks a million for your help on
the Calamovilfa longifolia problem.

This problem has nothing to do
with Steyermark's work on the Missouri
flora. It is just a little problem
that I dreamed up this summer.

Steyermark-- I assume that you
know he is no longer connected with the
museum-- is progressing well on his
Missouri flora. Talked with him about a
week ago. His manuscript is finished
up to and including part of the Liliaceae.

Richards has not been here for a
long time, so far as I know. Do you
know that Francis Drouet has left the
museum also? We sure had a big loss of
botanists this past year.

No one here now is working in bryo-
phytes-- or any of the lower plants, for
that matter.

Sincerely yours,

John W. Thier

ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE, PUBLICATIONS, AND PACKAGES TO
CHICAGO NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM, CHICAGO 5, ILLINOIS, U.S.A.



SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA INSTITUTE

JOEL L. FLETCHER, PRESIDENT

LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

16 March, 1959

Dear Dr. Gier:

While I was looking over a *Physcomitrium* several weeks ago (which turned out to be *P. collenchymatum*) I discovered that I didn't have a copy of the description of the above species, or of any other of your reprints for that matter. I would like to have a reprint of the *Physcomitrium* paper, and any others that you can spare, and I am enclosing in return my few efforts.

I will be happy to send you a specimen of the *P. collenchymatum* if you want it.

Sincerely yours

Bill Reese
William D. Reese

File H. Cramer

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SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA INSTITUTE

JOEL L. FLETCHER, PRESIDENT

LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

25 Mar., 1959

Dear Dr. Gier:

Thanks for the reprints and for the specimen of *Physcomitrium collenchymatum*. The packet I am enclosing is not from an old lake bottom as you suggested, although I'm sure that conditions here approximate such a lake bottom. Actually the moss was growing (and still is—I saw it yesterday) on the bare spots in the lawn of my house near town. The site of the house is a wet meadow and the soil is a clay. Since the house was built last year the lawn is not well developed and *Physcomitrium* and other bryophytes occupy the bare areas of disturbed soil. There are few mosses in the surrounding areas of meadow because there is no exposed soil. Around the house the *Physc.* is growing with *Bruchia Sullivanii*, *Anthoceros laevis*, *Sphaerocarpos texanus*, *Weissia controversa*, *Bryum* sp., *Riccia* sp., and some Pottiaceous plant, either *Barbula* or *Didymodon*. This part of La. is ancient delta land, built by the Mississippi when it emptied more to the west. The city of Lafayette is built on (more or less) the line which separates an tongue of prairie from the westernmost margin of the old delta, the line running along the Vermillion River at this point. At any rate it is all pretty flat with poor drainage and clayey soils.

I'm sorry to hear about your research troubles. I don't see how you can keep up all you doing now in the line of teaching. Some of us here teach that much on occasion, but not routinely, that is not for more than one semester at a time.

I hope things will ease up for you. Meanwhile thanks again for the material. May I look forward to seeing you at Knoxville at the ASB meetings?

Sincerely
Bill Reese

I am working on "Calymperes in S. America" now,
abt. 1/2 way through. also trying to publish my Ph.D.
dissertation on Calymperaceae of N.A. Lots of work!

The American Bryological Society

THE BRYOLOGIST (EST. 1898)

June 18, 1959

Dr. L. J. Gier
Department of Biology and Geology
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

This short letter is a statement of standing concerning your activities in the Moss Exchange through List 81. According to my record, you have a credit of 156 specimens from the time when Jim Kucyniak directed operations. Meanwhile, you have established an additional credit of 84 specimens and have withdrawn 120 specimens, leaving a balance in your favor of 120 packets. My data also shows that your dues are paid through 1959.

Please advise me of any errors in the above statement. I would also appreciate hearing from you any time you happen to notice misidentified specimens in the offerings of the Exchange.

With best wishes,

E. H. Ketchledge

Edwin H. Ketchledge
Assistant Professor of
Forest Botany

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Dr. L. J. Gier
Department of Biology and Geology
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

The Elmore slides are located in the Cryptogamic Herbarium of the New York Botanical Garden. I have seen these slides. I am not sure that I have ever seen the drawings of diatoms to which you refer. They may possibly be in the Cryptogamic Herbarium but I am not sure.

I would suggest that you write to Miss Rosalie Weikert of the Cryptogamic Herbarium concerning this matter.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

Ruth Patrick

Ruth Patrick
Curator of Limnology

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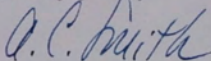
Dr. L. J. Gier
Department of Biology
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

We are forwarding to you 100 miscellaneous specimens of bryophytes, mostly from eastern United States and the Fiji Islands. This will initiate an exchange between the United States National Museum and your department. We hope that this material will prove of interest to you and that further exchanges will be mutually beneficial.

Shipment is in a small carton by mail.

Sincerely yours,



A. C. Smith
Director
Museum of Natural History

Enclosure

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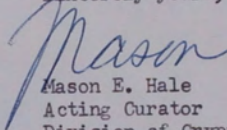
October 23, 1959

Dr. L. J. Gier
Department of Biology and Geology
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

I would like to acknowledge personally the fine set of exchange specimens that you just sent in to us. I was interested in getting more bryophytes and I knew that you would be a good bet for productive exchange. We will have more material in the not too distant future.

Sincerely yours,


Mason E. Hale
Acting Curator
Division of Cryptogams

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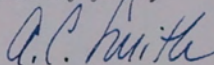
Dr. L. J. Gier
Department of Biology and Geology
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of 200 specimens of cryptogams. These are being accessioned by the United States National Museum in continuation of exchanges with William Jewell College.

We are pleased to have this material to add to our cryptogamic collections. We hope to send you another lot of exchange specimens, including mosses and ferns, before too long.

Sincerely yours,



A. C. Smith
Director
Museum of Natural History

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY
URBANA, ILLINOIS

11 November 1959

Dr. L. J. Gier
Professor of Biology
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Dr. Gier:

As I am trying to finish a monographic study of the North American species of *Tilia* (basswood or linden), I should like to see all available herbarium specimens from herbaria whose collections I have not already studied. I should greatly appreciate the favor if I may borrow your specimens of American species on the usual inter-institutional basis.

Thanking you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

G. Neville Jones

G. Neville Jones
Professor of Botany
Curator of Herbarium

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UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY
URBANA, ILLINOIS

7 December 1959

Professor L. J. Gier
William Jewell College
Liberty, Missouri

Dear Professor Gier:

Thank you very much for the loan of the
specimens of *Tilia*. I should like to keep them until after
Christmas.

In the meantime, with kind personal
regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

G. Neville Jones

G. Neville Jones
Professor of Botany
Curator of the Herbarium

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December 24, 1959

Dr. L. J. Gier,
Department of Biology and Geology,
William Jewell College,
Liberty, Missouri,
U. S. A.

Dear Dr. Gier:

I am very glad to have received your letter of November 14th. I do not have friends here, who like to collect foreign stamps and wish to exchange stamps with you. But, I found some Japanese stamps (most of them are memorial ones issued after the War II), and enclose here for you as my gift.

No. 21 (lately issued) of our Journal will be forwarded to you together with invoice these days by an ordinary mail. Your name was checked on the mailing list of our Journal as regular subscriber. Of course I agree with you on your waiting the remittance for No. 21 to send us 0.85 ¢ for Nos. 1 and 2.

Yes we have many available series of our Exsiccati for sale, though earlier series might be exhausted already. Please let us know if you want to purchase our Exsiccati---what series of Musci Japonici or Hepaticae do you want to have.

With best wishes and compliments,

Yours truly,

S. Hattori

Sinske Hattori