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Dear Are:

How can I adequately thank you for the Ludwig Pfeiffer books, - there is just no way. I felt ashamed to ask for a second copy but Marie wanted one so badly and I owe her so much. She lost most of her library when her job was discontinued at the Denver Museum and was only allowed to keep books which were autographed to her. So every book on technology and archaeology is valuable to her research. She will be most grateful for the copy and you will probably hear from her direct. Are, you have been so generous - now please let me do something for you. Is there anything you need in the way of tools or materials which I could send you or would you prefer the payment. Please feel free to ask for any help or materials which I can give.

I have been slowed down answering my mail due to typewriter malfunction and am now wading thru a large stack of overdue replies. One will be of interest to you - An attorney from Australia who is working on a Phd in anthropology has written asking to attend the field school next year. Would love to have him and learn more of the Australian aborigines.

I have not heard from Ed Wilmsen as he is in Africa and, for now, is probably more interested in a Mau Mau's Moo Moo than the book. As soon as I hear from him I will let you know.

I hope that you are still breaking rocks as there is still so much to learn about fracture mechanics and you are the only one with the combination of ability and an inquiring mind to furnish the much needed answers. I have been doing a little pressure flaking in the evenings and find that to produce a very narrow notch that a flat rounded thin piece of copper is best used for the tool. I hold the artifact on the palm of the left hand - as one holds a biface for flaking - and this seems to work better than when held in the fingers - that is for some styles of indents.

Hope you got together with Dave Sanger. His last letter to me seemed to be very pleased with my recommendation and he spoke of hiring a permanent archaeologist so maybe this would be something you would be interested in. Hope you have seen Junius and his remarkable finds by this time.

Are, again thanks so much for the books and let me know how to repay you. Evelyn and I send our kindest personal regards to you and your wife.

Cheers,

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