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Dr. Junius Bird
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New York, New York 10024

Dear Junius:

Thank you for your letter of March 11th and for the slides of the artifacts presumably pressure flaked with a wooden compressor. Our paper on this has now been accepted by Science and should be in print in the near future.

Thank you so much for the kind words about the demonstrations. You will never know how much this meant to me, for the American Museum has always been an awesome institution to me and it was a great honor to be invited to demonstrate there. We really enjoyed our visit to New York for everyone was so kind to us. It was also a pleasure to meet Peggy for she is such a fine person. Thank you both so much for the lovely dinner at your home. Another highlight was the evening at "Berihana of Tokyo" - it was a real thrill to enjoy such good food in such delightful company. We find that this same restaurant is also in the International Hotel in Las Vegas, so plan to have dinner there on our way to California on the 24th of March.

Also thank you so much for loaning us your car for the drive to Yale. The drive to New Haven was a pleasure and we enjoyed seeing the country between New York and Connecticut. We filled up at the Mobil Gas station on the East side in New York and, according to the news, I believe it was the station which was bombed last week. Near Sutton place.

Will be glad to receive the excess material as I just received a request from Tixier for sawed cores and blanks for some demonstrations in Paris and this will help. Will let you know when I receive it. Also will look forward to trying the bone billet and will tell you of the results.

Mr. Dana in P.R. has been so kind to send us the news clippings, which Evelyn keeps posting in the scrap book. Must thank him, but have been so busy. Was at ISU last week working on the script and animation for the films now in process. We plan to leave for Indio, Calif. on March 24th to do some additional filming before the final mix at one of the Hollywood studios. We think these four films will be something really special.

Haven't heard from the business office about the expense check but suppose it is being processed. Hope we receive it before we leave for Calif. Hate to mention this, but if there is anything you can do to expedite the process, will be grateful.

Swenson has set the field school dates from June 14th to July 12th and we both hope that you and Peggy can find time to come out this way and attend. What an asset you would be to the school. Remember we have the trailer for our very special friends.

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Our weather here has been like Summer and guess we are just not going to have any Winter. The grass is already green - hope it slows down before I have to start cutting.

Junius is there anything I can do for you? I owe you so much for arranging such a fine exhibit and for giving me the opportunity for such a wonderful experience. Nothing can ever top that! Do let me know if at any time I can do any experiments for you or send you any material.

Evelyn and I send our best to you and Peggy as well as to all the fine people at the Museum.

Am sending you a small "thank you" gift which I hope you and Peggy will like. One is a betrothal piece and we can not think of a nicer couple than you and Peggy to own such a piece.

Hope to see you in Mexico City.

Sincerely,

Don E. Crabtree

P.S. About the field school. We have not decided as yet whether we will go to the Glass Butte quarry at the beginning or end of the school. Would surely love you to see that place.

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