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Dear Bruce:

It was so good to hear from you and oh how we would like to come to Dolores and see you and perhaps meet with Francois. However, things have gotten very complicated with me and I can not even give Francois an answer at this time as to whether or not I will be in Kimberly in Sept. so he could pay us a visit. I would like very much to see and work with him but don't know if it will work out. Had mentioned this problem to Flemiken and he is now arranging to get funds to have Francois and I meet at Ames. However, things have changed since I talked with Jeff. I doubt if we will go to Chicago. Earl has just returned and does not know if there are any funds to help on the trip. If I have to finance the trip on my own - \$25.00 registration fee, \$40.00 a day for a room plus meals and transportation - then I just can't go. Earl was to let me know this week but I have heard nothing from him yet. At any rate, if I can't go to Chicago and Jeff arranges for monies for Francois in Ames - and if Francois wants to do it - maybe you and Francois could do the stint there.

If I don't go to Chicago then I have to go to Auburn, Washington to meet with the G.S.A. people about building on to the Forest Service Warehouse I have here in Twin Falls and black topping the parking area and renegotiate the rents with them and so that will have to take priority. So it looks like I will miss connections with Francois this trip but maybe something will work out. I have asked him to call me collect from the States or Canada and by then I should have all plans firmed up.

Just returned from a nice visit at Larry Agenbrauds dig and met with Marie, Dick Shutler and Vance Haynes. That is really an interesting site and it was good to see old friends again. Wish you could find time to visit the site.

I am happy to hear that you will be at S.M.U. this year. Know you will be coffering with Sollberger who is doing some interesting work. May be down that way this winter if I can work things out and, if so, will see you there. However, our department is now in one big mess and have to be on hand to back up Earl. Butler really fouled things up and we practically have to start over again. As of now, Butler is acting chairman of the department and Earl is director of the Museum but I doubt if that will stay that way. We have a lot of problems but know we can work them out but have to be on hand to meet with board members, etc.

I do hope you and Francois have a nice visit at Dolores and a good trip to Tucson. Hope, too, that I can work my schedule out for his visit to Idaho. Please give Betty and Harry our regards and hope to see you this winter.

Your friend,

Don