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Dear Friends,

Boy am I busy, Henry Irwin and Russ Bernard have dreamed up this wild experiment which is supposed to measure the influence of language on the development of tool making. The following is what I get paid \$80 per month for:

There are two groups of 18 college students, each group is instructed in the manufacture of chipped stone tools, the first group gets the full benefit of my "vast" experience and I relay to them all information verbally. The second group watches me build some implement and then without any verbal instruction they produce it. This takes place two nights a week from six until nine o'clock.....bother.

I could not convince them to control for such things as mechanical aptitude, manual dexterity, interest, consistency of hammerstones, and oh so many other variables, but then that's "Science"..

I heard from Francois and his copy of the thesis is in the mail. He said..." I agree to 99,9%, and the 0,1% on which I disagree is not really important"... really made me feel good. He said he might be able to visit you around Easter and wondered if I would be there. If I can I will try. I told him about the Levallois like stuff that Frank has and if I get down that way then I'll bring it for him and you to see.

I also got a nice letter from Marie Wormington, and wrote her back.

Jeff and I were talking about the work that is being done in lithic tech today and bounced the following idea off of Dick Daugherty. He liked it and said that he would help get some money for it. as follows:

A lithic tech conference of about three or four days with papers presented by graduate students only. Each day would be devoted to one or two topics with papers by the people who are actually doing the work like Speth, Faulkner, Bonnicksen, Phagan, Rovner, etc. The papers would take place in the morning, after lunch a panel of expert professionals would comment and

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critisize in their areas of expertise, i.e. Wormington, Swanson, Daugherty, Griffin, M^cNeish, Krieger, Crabtree, etc. This would allow for the presentation of new ideas and information as well as informed exchange. The evenings, after supper, could be devoted to movies, discussion groups, workshops, etc.... This would probably take place about april of 73,what do you think??

We finally got a house. It is in the country and is just a little large but very beautiful. Downstairs there is a 14x28 living room, 20x20 bed room, harvest kitchen, screened in pourch, bathroom, utility pourch, all with ash and walnut paneling,... upstairs there is an additional three bedrooms... If you folks make it up here there is lots of room. Address Route 1, box 10a, Uniontown, Washington, 99179. We are moving into the castle next weekend. RENT: \$100 per month.

From our view, Pocatello and the rest of Idaho sure look good. We are hoping to get through here and get back there very quickly.

Well I better sign off for now got to study for my linguistics test tues..

Guy

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