

Answered -  
May 11<sup>th</sup>

[Before May 11, 1945]

Dear Miss Moore:

Thanks for your letter of recent date and I do want a little more information -

You spoke of private booths to work in - + may I ask if the building is air-conditioned also if there is a chance to use the school library as well + what fees would be included for that if so?

Is the lighting good in booths?

As I understand it all work is done at library + no books are available to take out from your collection. Right?

I'd appreciate an early reply since I'm trying to complete summer plans soon.

Sincerely  
Agnes Savage

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Dear Max Moore:

Your letter received +  
thanks for information given.

I was gassed two years ago  
in April + find air conditioning  
hard on my lungs at times  
+ wondered largely on that  
account. Yes Reabody + Vanderbilt  
libraries at Nashville are both  
air conditioned.

I've been unable as yet to  
definitely decide upon summer  
plans but hope to get over  
at least long enough to examine  
the material + get some idea  
of what's available. Shall  
look forward to meeting  
you - + thanks again for  
the information.

Sincerely,  
Agnes Dough

October Oct. 5, 1945

Dear Mrs. Frank Moore,

109 Cheyenne Hall  
Oak Ridge - Tenn.

I may or may not have found something of interest to you - but to make a long story short I was down to Morristown, Tenn. doing some research Sat. of some civil war materials I found an elderly aunt of a friend of mine here had well, here's a list of some of them a bill of sale of a negro girl for \$1050.

An old will + several deeds of civil war days - mortgages etc - some old books I brought home with me to examine a black satin vest - civil war era, two Currier + Ives prints - [child (girl) heads - a leather bill fold 1843 -

State of Virginia paper money - personal letters of Duane Indians warfare + post civil war rehabilitation days - where reference is made to presidents death politics in general + conditions in Tenn. + other places -

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The latter two I'm adapting to sections of my book as well as the milk a cure for Cancer (home remedy) + cure for whooping cough. She has very generously given me the privilege of using any of it ~~verbatim~~ <sup>verbatim</sup> altho I don't think I'll retain the original names but rather adapt them to family experience of characters already established in my book -

I was to the Smokies the wk. end before + did two water colors + light sketches and plan to go this Sat + Sun. to a friend's cottage, at Elk Mount + on up into the Smokies to do more sketches.

I did three of a lake + one of a mountain Shack yesterday after a friend + I had dinner at the hotel in Clinton we drove on up to Jacksboro + passed this lake enroute -

Tonight our Society of Arts had a garden party - lanterns food, and all that goes with it -

at a friend's home (1/2 Phillipino  
1/2 American) and after the "ests"  
we were invited into the house &  
she did three Hawaiian  
Dances in a grass skirt  
& explained the <sup>meaning of the</sup> gestures with  
the hands throughout the dances.  
Her house was most interest-  
ing. On one large wall  
she had a hanging made from  
native woven cloth of the Islands  
framed in bamboo - numerous  
paintings of her own & Chinese  
prints - castings in plaster  
of parish - a hand carved bull  
(of black) and various things  
of interest including the sword  
her father was given by the Sultan  
when the Phillipines gained their  
independence & her father was  
no longer to remain in control  
of his particular post there.  
She modeled the bridal  
costume of ~~the~~ <sup>and pleasant & informal</sup> the women and one  
of the men dressed in the <sup>men's</sup> ~~plassak~~  
costume & another in the formal.  
The women's all pinned on

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with straight pins and the skirt  
in each instance.  
a map around design - large  
fluffy (puffed) sleeves + tightly  
fitted bodice. Elaborately  
embroidered in each instance  
the brides gown "out of this  
world".

Hand carved beads, open  
+ shut fans, serapes +  
shawls elaborately fringed were  
among the other things.

They had a contract all set  
for South America but to find  
they'll be unable to leave the  
States for ten years, an interesting  
side light on the Atomic Bomb  
security measures - no pas-  
ports will be issued people  
who have knowledge of its  
formula for that length of time.  
Interesting?

How have you been. I've  
missed you all - I hope soon  
to get the "New Hercules" done  
+ off to you no kidding busy  
as I am. I'm instructing a group  
of teachers in Crafts Thurs nights

and making a lunch for same  
as they meet at our kindergarten

now > took the liberty of  
asking this woman at  
Mouristown if any of that  
material would be for sale  
if you happened to be interested  
in that sort of thing & told her  
I'd send you her address  
if & so & she said she would  
be.

She also has (in use) two old  
beds one 200 yrs. old the  
other more beautiful in design  
four poster & beautifully carved,  
a candle stand (which has been  
spoiled by repainting white but  
perhaps would bear restoring)  
another old table with purple  
designed sections in center leg  
which divides into three - believe  
it is -

Write me if you're interested I'll  
send you her address -  
write me any way - hear?  
and please send Elizabeth

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address as she gave it to me  
& she misplaced it.

I've missed you two  
& want to thank you both  
again for being so helpful  
& pleasant throughout  
my research. It made  
my work a delight instead  
of a grind - I'm hoping  
to settle into the "three's"  
of organization next  
wk - Her need this one  
to get school organized  
& running smoothly. Had  
the children for the first  
to-day -

Kindest regards always

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Excuse hastily penned recording  
as the children in bed a thing we  
should never do but after a hard  
day at school why not? Do you  
mind?