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September 5, 1961

Miss Harriet Anderson
Princeton University Press
Princeton, N. J.

Dear Miss Anderson:

Dr. Rainey is still abroad working on the geophysical devices. We expect him back early in October, and he will surely be able to come up with some new idea at that time. Mr. Linington, the technical man from England is with him. I suggest that you write to Dr. Rainey again about the middle of October.

Sincerely yours,

Alfred Kidder, II
Associate Director

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Archaeological Techniques

August 30, 1961

Dr. Froelich Rainey
Director
The University Museum
33rd and Spruce Street
Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Rainey:

It has been almost a year since our last correspondence with you and we are eager to hear whether the idea of international conference on new techniques in archaeology is being realized and bringing us closer to the proposed book on this subject. Mr. Bailey and I are very eager to hear of any developments and I am sure that you will keep us posted. Mr. Bailey joins me in sending good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Harriet Anderson

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September 22, 1960

Dr. Froelich Rainey
University Museum
33rd and Spruce Streets
Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Rainey:

I have suggested to Mr. Bailey that it would be very helpful if he could join us in our discussion of the projected book on archaeological techniques and he has agreed. He expects to be free to make the trip with me sometime around the first of October, and I will telephone you the end of next week so that we can settle a time convenient for you. We are both looking forward very much to talking with you on this subject.

Sincerely yours,

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October 31,1960

Dr. Froelich Rainey
Director
The University Museum
33rd and Spruce Street
Philadelphia 4,Pa.

Dear Dr. Rainey:

I was delighted to hear that our idea of an international conference on new techniques in archaeology appeals to you and your colleagues. If the National Science Foundation will just come through with financial support,we should be on the way. If it can be scheduled for sometime in 1961, so much the better. Miss Anderson and I will be waiting eagerly to hear how plans develop. Meanwhile, best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

H. S. Bailey Jr.

Herbert S. Bailey, Jr.

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Arch Techniques

October 26, 1960

Mr. Herbert S. Bailey, Jr.
Princeton University Press
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Bailey:

Many thanks for your letter of October 13th which has been discussed by several of us here. In the first place, we think an international conference is an excellent idea, and we believe it would turn up the best writers for the sections of the book on various techniques. Linington suggests we hold this some time in 1961 and that we begin planning it before the end of this year. We should know by March whether or not we can continue to finance this whole project through the National Science Foundation, and if so, I should think that foundation sould be the logical one to finance the international conference. One of the advantages of this conference lies in the fact that the Europeans are somewhat ahead of us in this business and would serve a double purpose to get some of the Europeans over here for such a conference.

Some very odd equipment is already being installed in the laboratory here, but we are still waiting on word from Texas Instruments to see how much of this job they are going to do. I really like the idea of using the oil prospectors to find Alaric. We will keep you posted.

Best wishes,

Froelich Rainey
Director

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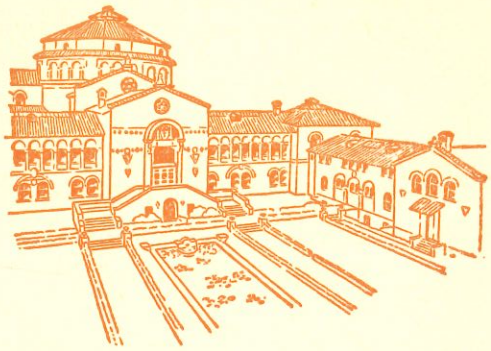

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Memo on Princeton Press reply.

To. Dr. Rainey.

From. R.E. Linington.

1. The idea of an international conference seems to be very suitable, especially in this particular context, as the time involved in the production of contributions could be greatly reduced.

2. The original suggestion for contributions direct to a symposia envisaged contacting prospective contributors late in 1961. If a conference is to be organised it will probably be necessary to advance this somewhat.

3. The collection of information on the development of new techniques should be sufficiently well advanced to make a conference in 1961 feasible.

4. The actual scope of such a conference should be decided. Several discusions on museum techniques have been held in the past ten years, and so it would be advisable to limit the conference to field and related techniques. This should provide ample material of suitable nature for the type of book which seems to be envisaged.

5. With the above points in mind it might be worth while to have another meeting, at least of the museum interests, before the close of this year.

Dr. Rainey

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Lumpkin

October 13, 1960

Dr. Froelich Rainey
University Museum
33rd and Spruce Streets
Philadelphia 4, Pennsylvania

Dear Dr. Rainey:

I am sorry to be so slow in writing to thank you for your hospitality during our brief visit to Philadelphia last week. Miss Anderson and I both enjoyed meeting you and your colleagues and we are very hopeful that our discussion will eventually lead to the writing and publication of an important book. It seems perfectly clear to us that the kind of program you are developing at the University Museum provides an ideal background for a book on the new tools of archaeology. I hope that in a year, as we agreed, we can get together again to take another look at the project, to see what can be done.

Since our visit Miss Anderson and I have discussed the project again, and we have an idea which we would like to suggest. When you have had a chance to collect reasonably complete information on who is doing what in the development and use of new archaeological tools, wouldn't it be well to have a meeting, to take place at the University Museum, to which the leading specialists in each new technique would be invited to compare notes and exchange information? This would have to be an international gathering, and the papers presented would form the substance of the proposed book. Presumably the papers would have to be revised in the light of discussion

at the conference, and an introduction and perhaps a conclusion would have to be supplied by the editor. It seems to me that such a conference would justify itself entirely with reference to the exchanges of information that would take place, and the book would appear as a by-product which would extend the usefulness of the conference to many who could not attend. Calling a conference would have the advantage, so far as the book is concerned, of providing a stimulus and a deadline for the authors. I should think that such a conference would find ready support among some of the foundations, though very likely you know more about this than I do. In any case, I hope something along this line can be worked out, and if there is anything I can do to help, you can be sure of my enthusiastic cooperation. I shall be very curious to know what you think of this suggestion.

Miss Anderson and I will be watching next spring for news of the tomb of Alaric! Meanwhile best wishes, and again many thanks for your hospitality.

Sincerely yours,

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