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Dear Mitch:-

Mr. Henbest forwarded me your letter some weeks ago and I have been trying to get a note off to you ever since. My Navaho prints got to Washington but I didn't. Poor Betsy got a frightful attack of singles the first of February and I soon saw that I couldn't make my trip last spring. I hated to postpone two dates I had to show my Navaho color slides, but even this has proved for the best as I have since so greatly improved this "performance" that I am glad I hadn't shown them in the East without certain recent additions. I have just shown them (complete with sound effects!) in the big auditorium up at Los Alamos and am pleased to say that it went over very well. The last place I every expected to find myself is on the lecture platform! But I am getting so I don't mind it too badly because I am so very interested in the Navaho people. I shall be showing these to the Potomac School Oct. 4th, a Tuesday, and I hope I can catch you in town. Anyway you will receive an invitation.

Indeed I will be coming down to Williamsburg. That is one place I have longed to see. I am driving east, starting about Sept. 15th, showing the slides on the way in a couple of places and shall be in the Washington area for about two weeks.

I wonder if you have heard about Eric Douglas? He has lost his left arm and kidney, cancer. The kidney operation was just a few days ago,

and Bill Lippincott heard day before yesterday that he had already gone home from the hospital and that they considered it all successful. I do hope so. He had thought he had a bursitis in his arm. Jumped up to open a door when it slammed shut and his arm just broke. But he has lost his arm and as I understand including the shoulder joint. You may have heard all this, but again you may not, and I am sure you would want to know.

Indeed I was here when you were last fall but I didnt hear that you were until you had gone. How are you liking your work at Williamsburg? I am sure it must be most interesting and I cant wait to see it all.

Please give my best to Bety and hoping to see you without fail in October,

Most sincerely