



7 Rundel Park, Rochester 7, New York

Halloween, 1955

Dear Laura -

We shall be looking for you on the 14th! Do stay with us!

How we wish we had known earlier that you were bringing the Navajo slides and telling about them! I called up W. Stephen Thomas, of the local Museum of Arts and Sciences; he is, of course, enchanted by the whole idea of you! He's pretty sure he could get a group of "Indian lovers" together, but he is far from sure about a fee; our earnest local organizations are beavers, and their programs and budgets are made up by now. I said you were the kind of love and darling who would probably lecture without a fee, just out of general devotion, but that just for that reason you should not be asked without a fee, and preferably a fat one, in the offing. He's thinking about it, but I fear it's too short notice.

And maybe you would just like to rest! And talk to Beau and Minor and me and meet a few pleasant people who would love to be with you, and go see Eastman House and Kodak.

Now - a couple of considerations: Beau thinks he will probably have to be in New York - lecturing to Special Libraries - on the 14th, but hopes to be back the next morning. And I am on call, for a wonderful new job, which may (though I don't expect it during those days) take me also to NY. We may both be here; I'm pretty sure I will. We want to be! But just to make sure of everything, would you call Eastman House - Browning 3361 - before you start on Monday morning, asking first for Beau and then for Minor? Because

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Minor will, should both of us happen to absent that day, have the keys to our house and the Town generally. Your bed will be made; a wonderful gal called Betty will arrive at 7:30 Tuesday morning to perform any wonders and answer any questions, such as what about laundry? I don't think you will arrive to a hostless house; I think we will both be here. This is just in case - and we will be here shortly, before you leave, even if we do have to ~~be~~ away when you arrive. I plan a party!

Best,

*Ruby*

We will, of course, call Ken Williams.