

THE SCHOOL OF AMERICAN RESEARCH

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Mr. Mitchell Wilder
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Dear Mitch:

This will confirm my long distance talk with you in Mexico City this a.m.

We, in the Executive Committee of The School of American Research, are very pleased the Amon Carter Museum of Western Art is in process of publishing a history of the Indian Arts Fund and under no circumstances do we wish to change the present set-up. Before the deeding of the Indian Arts Fund collection to the S.A.R., I once, casually, made the statement to Laura Gilpin that it would have been nice if the S.A.R. could have published such a history, but I assure you that as things have developed, we are delighted you are the one who is doing it. We know you will do a fine job of it.

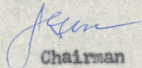
As I told you, the Publishing Committee and the Executive Committee of the School met last Thursday and confirmed the sentiments I have expressed above. They also expressed the desire to participate directly in the project by authorizing a contribution of \$1,000.00 to the Amon Carter Museum of Western Art toward the cost of publication, with no strings attached other than that they would appreciate a subscript credit of cooperation and the chance for a very brief foreword (possibly by me), explaining why the pottery collections of the School and the Indian Arts Fund have been merged.

You said, over the phone, the Amon Carter Museum would gladly accept the contribution and would be willing to have the name of the School appear as a co-operator and would agree to a brief foreword. You did say, however, that what you would most welcome would be assistance by the School in helping to market the book, especially in view of the School's excellent mailing list. I told you this matter was briefly discussed, but that the Committee preferred to make no commitment at this time, certainly not until they had a chance to discuss the matter with you in more detail.

Your letter of July 21 to Laura Gilpin, offering to transfer the rights and responsibilities for the publication of this book to the School was most generous and we want to thank you heartily once again for this gesture of goodwill and cooperation, the spirit of which we will not soon forget.

With all best wishes to you for complete success in this venture, I am

Sincerely,


Chairman

JGH
cc Mrs. E. Toulouse
Mr. E. McCluney
Mrs. Ann N. Clark
Miss Laura Gilpin
Mr. Carrington Woolley