

April 4, 1935

Mr. Henry Varnum Poor  
New City  
Rutland County, New York

My dear Mr. Poor:

There is at present hanging on our walls an exhibition of American Mural Paintings to which, through the agency of Mr. Rehn, you were good enough to contribute three examples. Of these, one unfortunately arrived in badly damaged condition. I have been through the details of the matter with Mrs. Brockway, who attended to the collecting and transportation of the paintings, and as far as I can understand it the damage was due to this one piece not having been protected, whereas the other two, being protected, came through safely. This could only have been avoided by more careful packing at the time the fresco left New York in the private automobile. I do not know to whom this neglect was due, but on behalf of Bennington College I want you to know that I regret extremely that this should have happened and wish to say that we shall do whatever would set the matter straight.

Very truly yours,

Edwin Avery Park, Chairman  
Art Division

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