

# INTEROFFICE MEMO

Bennington College

Date October 31, 1944

To Mr. Lundberg

From Mr. Brockway

Re:

George Holt has suggested that we try to get colored movies or slides of the work of the Byzantine Institute in St. Sophia. He says the College has tried to get these before but might have better luck next time. He offers to make comments on the pictures at their presentation and can furnish further details.

*Margorie — Do you know anything about this?  
The art dept would have to schedule it  
at some time suitable to them. It is  
definitely not part of my course*  
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*Miss Lutz  
addressed  
29 pm.  
Mr. Holt will  
investigate*

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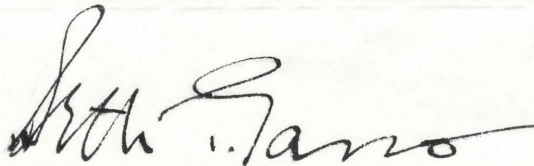
January 23, 1945

George Holt, Esq.,  
Bennington College,  
Bennington, Vermont.

Dear George:

I have your letter of January 18th. In view of the fact that Bennington does not reopen until April, and in view of the fact that Mr. Whittemore is now in Paris, presumably on his way to London and thence to America, it seems to me much preferable for him to come to Bennington and show the films rather than for me to do it because he will know much better about the details which are depicted than I can possibly know, and will be able to arouse much more interest than I could possibly arouse. I hope, therefore, that you will agree with me that my suggestion is the better plan.

Yours very sincerely,



Secretary, The Byzantine Institute, Inc.



March 21, 1945

Mr. Holt

Marjorie Beebe

movie

What is the situation at the moment in regard to the colored movies or slides of the work of the Byzantine Institute which you were going to investigate? Is the movie available? If so, would it be classed as a documentary film which General Meetings would sponsor, or as a film for your art classes such as the movies for sociology or physics?

A Saturday near the middle of May would be a good date if General Meetings. Otherwise it could probably be scheduled for most any afternoon at 5:00 p.m. Will you let me know about this?

*MS*



March 26, 1945

Mr. Seth T. Gano  
199 Washington Street  
Boston 8, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Gano,

Mr. George Holt tells me that it may be possible for Mr. Whittemore to visit Bennington sometime this coming semester to show colored movies of the work of the Byzantine Institute in St. Sophia. I am now working on the schedule of meetings for next semester and I wonder if Mr. Whittemore has returned from Europe and if a definite date could be decided upon.

A date near the middle of May would be ideal from the point of view of our schedule. I would suggest Friday or Saturday, May 11th or 12th, or Friday or Saturday, May 18th or 19th. If neither of these dates is convenient for Mr. Whittemore, I should be glad to make some other arrangement.

We are delighted at the possibility of Mr. Whittemore's visiting the College.

Sincerely yours,



Marjorie Beebe  
Secretary  
General Meetings Committee



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March 28, 1945

Miss Marjorie Beebe,

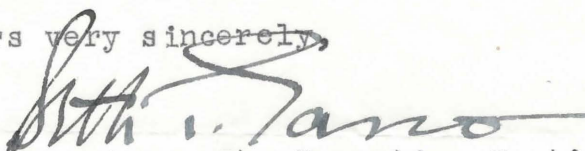
Secretary, General Meetings Committee,

Bennington College, Bennington, Vt.

Dear Miss Beebe:

I have your letter of March 26th and have conferred with Mr. Whittemore, who agrees with pleasure to come to you at Bennington on May 18th or May 19th as you suggest and show the colored movies of the work of the Byzantine Institute in St. Sophia in Istanbul. He is particularly delighted to do this as a tribute to George Holt whose work there he prizes so highly and whose technique in creating reproductions of the mosaics has made them available in America.

Yours very sincerely,



Secretary, The Byzantine Institute, Inc.



May 18

April 3, 1945

Mr. Seth T. Gano  
199 Washington Street  
Boston 8, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Gano,

We are delighted that Mr. Whittemore can accept our invitation to visit the College and I am definitely scheduling the movie for Friday, May 18th, at 7:35 p.m.

It has been our custom to offer evening speakers at the College a nominal fee of \$25 and to pay their traveling expenses. We shall be glad to send the College car to meet Mr. Whittemore at the Hoosick Falls, N. Y. railroad station - the station on the Boston & Maine which is nearest the College - and we hope that he can plan to stay overnight in the College guest room. A little later I can send you information about trains.

Sincerely yours,

Marjorie Beebe  
Secretary  
General Meetings Committee

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*Lv. Boston 8:05 a.m. 1:07 \*  
" " 11:10 a.m. 4:55*

*\* better train of the too  
3 p.m. arrives at about 8 p.m.*



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April 24, 1945

*Mr. Fack -  
Mr. May 15  
Mr. June 8  
are free  
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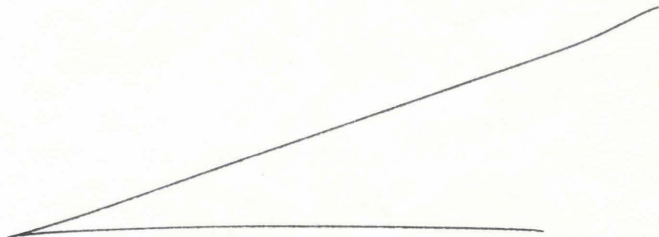
Miss Marjorie Beebe,  
Secretary, General Meetings Committee,  
Bennington College,  
Bennington, Vermont.

Dear Miss Beebe:

I am leaving for San Francisco and am fearful that I shall not be in Boston for the 18th or 19th. Could my lecture be pushed on into the last week of the month? I should feel safer about returning in time for it then. Could you let me know before I leave Boston on the 29th of April.

Ever yours sincerely,

*Laus Whittmore*



Bennington College

June 6, 1945

To:

From: The Entertainment Committee

You are cordially invited to the Holts' house to meet  
Mr. Thomas Whittemore after his lecture, Friday evening, June 8th.  
Will you please let Miss Beebe know whether or not you can come?