

Fellowships
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April 9, 1947

Dear Mr. Stryker: We are sending you today, by Railway Express, the portfolios of photographs submitted by the following candidates: Clarence John Laughlin, Edith Levy and Gilbert Olmstead. These would have been sent earlier had we been able to get them from the people, and I hope they are not arriving too late for you and Gordon to give them an appraisal.

I am not sending you the material submitted by Marion Palfi, partly because of my conversation with you and also because the Committee has decided definitely that it would not consider further applications from persons who held, now, one of the abandoned race relations fellowships.

The portfolio of Gilbert Olmstead is being sent so that you and Gordon can get some idea of what he has been doing this past year on fellowship in California. I don't believe the Committee will want to renew his grant, since his current proposal is based on a straight commercial venture and does not seem to us to be a legitimate fellowship request.

As always, the gratitude of all of us here, and mine in particular, go to you and Gordon for your thought and trouble in connection with these applications. When you have finished with the photographs, please have someone in your office wrap them and return them to us collect.

Sincerely yours,
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