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Dear Billy: My expense report to Dorothy Elvidge is in the mail today.

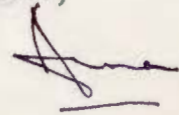
Unfortunately I have had no luck in trying to find possible substitutes for Virgil Thomson, in case he is unavailable as jury for the piano-playing fellowship applicants. There are two distinguished musicians on the Fisk Board of Trustees which meets during the Festival, but both have notified the University of their inability to attend this meeting. One is David Mannes and the other is G. Wallace Woodworth. Of course, I hope that Virgil Thomson has agreed to serve so that this will offer no inconvenience.

My invitation from Yaddo was here waiting upon my return. I think I shall accept this since it is the second time they have been good enough to include me on their list and since I was unable to accept before. I wonder if you will explain all this to Mrs. Embree and tell her how disappointed I am not to be able to come to their camp in northern Canada as we discussed it at dinner at the Shoreland. I hope very much that she will keep the invitation open, for there will surely be another time. I know that the Embree children descend upon the lodge in August, but June of '48 is open on my calendar!

By the way, please don't let anybody else invite you to lunch on April 24th, the first regular day of the Festival. We'd like to have you. Also Horace and Ruby and the Reisers, if they are here.

More anon.

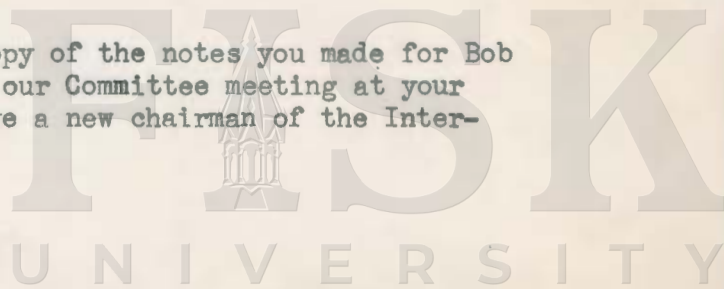
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P. S: I seem to have misplaced my copy of the notes you made for Bob Carlsen and me as a result of our Committee meeting at your house last winter. We now have a new chairman of the Inter-



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cultural Education project, and he is asking us to bring him up-to-date. Do you have your copy handy, and would Ruby mind making two more copies so that I could pass one along? This also means that you should stand by for another committee meeting if necessary and be ready to push the project toward completion. I hope you won't mind.

A. B.