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SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA. Feb. 16, 1912.

Miss Ellen B. Scripps,

Mr. E. W. Scripps.

At a meeting of the Board of Regents of the University of California, held at 2 P. M. Tuesday, February 13th, in San Francisco, the report of the special committee, consisting of President Wheeler and Mr. Guy C. Earl, a printed copy of which report is enclosed herewith, was approved. The board also passed a vote of thanks to you for securing the Biological Institution to the University and for sending me to present the matter to the Board. In order that I might catch the train home at four o'clock, the board gave the matter precedence as a special order of business and accorded me every courtesy. From expressions of different members of the Board of Regents and the general spirit in which the matter was received by the board, I believe the Station will receive the earnest support of the board.

You will note that the communication from President Wheeler and Mr. Earl to the Association is a copy of the one mailed to them. After the adoption of the report by the board, the original draft of the communication was signed by President Wheeler and Mr. Earl and I have it to present to the Association at its meeting which is called to be held at the Chamber of Commerce on Friday, February 23rd, at 4 o'clock P. M. I have prepared notices of this meeting which will be mailed to-day to the members of the Association. At the meeting a resolution authorizing the transfer of the properties from the Association to the University will be adopted, and with it as a basis a petition will be made to the Superior Court for leave

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to make the transfer. This petition will be heard by the Court on March 8th, which is the earliest date it can be heard under the Statute and Rules of Court. As soon as the order is made by the Court a deed will be executed by the President and Secretary of the Association and delivered to the Regents. It might be well before that time to take up the matter of the make-up of the local board, its executive committee, and any propositions as to management, under the new arrangement, so that these matters may be taken up with President Wheeler and put on a working basis as soon after March 8th as possible.

Respectfully,

Albert Schoonover

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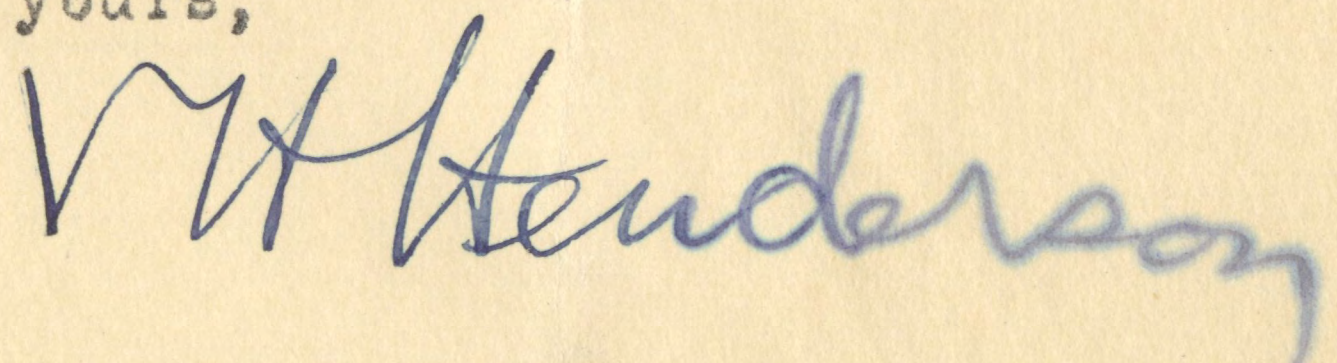
Berkeley, February 17, 1912.

My dear Miss Scripps:

At the meeting of the Regents of the University of California on February 13 a report was presented from President Wheeler and from Regent Guy C. Earl, Chairman of the Finance Committee, of their visit to San Diego and their conference with Professor William E. Ritter and other representatives of the San Diego Marine Biological Association, and with representatives of yourself and of Mr. E. W. Scripps. Regent Earl and President Wheeler were authorized to sign a letter, addressed to the officers and members of the Marine Biological Association, of which a copy is enclosed. The original of this letter was at once signed by President Wheeler and Mr. Earl, and handed to Mr. Schoonover.

I was instructed to convey to you the thanks voted by the Regents for the generosity with which you have provided for the establishment of a research institution which by its past performance and its future plans promises to be of rich scientific fruitfulness and of continually expanding usefulness to the world.

Very sincerely yours,



Secretary of the Regents.

Miss Ellen B. Scripps,
La Jolla,
San Diego County,
California.

Enclosure.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

SAN FRANCISCO, February 13, 1912.

To the Honorable Board of Regents:

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“BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA, February 13, 1912.

*“To the Officers and Members of the Marine Biological Association of San Diego,
San Diego, California:*

“In contemplation of the transfer by your association of the whole of its properties, rights, and privileges to the Regents of the University of California we would say: As we stated to representatives of your association at a meeting held in San Diego a few days ago, the Regents of the University of California and the officers of the University appreciate fully the importance of the work being done at the Marine Biological Station at San Diego and of the great value, present and prospective, of the properties acquired and held by your association in connection therewith.

“The Regents and the officers of the University recognize also that the development of the station to its present efficiency, and the acquisition by your association of its properties, is largely due to the work of Professor William E. Ritter and his colleagues, aided and encouraged by the financial support of Miss Ellen B. Scripps and Mr. E. W. Scripps. The Regents and the officers of the University are advised, also, that Miss Ellen B. Scripps would be pleased to have her liberal donations to the station, and its development, serve as a memorial to her deceased brother, George H. Scripps.

“In the event that a transfer of the property is made by your association to the Regents of the University of California, it will be accepted by the Regents of the University of California in trust for the following purposes:

“1. To become a department of the University, coördinate with its already existing departments; and to have a like status and recognition to that now accorded to the Lick Observatory.

"2. During the lifetime of Miss Ellen B. Scripps and until the final settlement of her estate the management and control of the affairs of the station and properties shall be in the hands of a local board at San Diego, consisting of Miss Ellen B. Scripps, President Benjamin Ide Wheeler, E. W. Scripps, and Wm. E. Ritter, and such other persons as may be mutually agreed upon by them, with authority to name an executive committee of three members; that during such period the sum of one thousand dollars per annum will be paid by the University to Professor William E. Ritter as heretofore.

"3. That during the lifetime of Miss Ellen B. Scripps, and while the affairs of the station are under the control of such local board, and thereafter, the Regents and the officers of the University will use their best efforts to secure the largest possible state appropriations to promote the work of the station.

"4. Whenever funds of the University are available for the purpose the same will be devoted to the work and development of the station.

"5. The official designation of the Station shall be 'The Scripps Institution for Biological Research, of the University of California.'

"6. The station, and the properties of your association, will be accepted by the Regents of the University of California in trust for the purpose of making it, as a part of the University of California, an instrument for the most liberal biological research and the free expression and publication of the results of such research, as intended by its founders.

"President.

"Chairman of the Finance Committee."

Respectfully submitted,

Special Committee.

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Mixamar, California,

March 13

~~February 22~~, 1912.

Prof. Wm. E. Ritter,

Berkeley, Calif.

My dear Professor:-

Miss Ellen B. Scripps has authorized me to state that she will provide \$9,000.00 for your salary and the work of the Biological Station for the year beginning July 1st, 1912; the same to be paid in monthly installments and to be conditioned on no debts being incurred and expenses rigidly kept within income.

Mr. E. W. Scripps has verbally stated to me that he will continue his contribution of \$125.00 per month.

Yours truly,

J C HARPER

CC
EBS
EWS
JGS
CFM

*Ellen B. Scripps
approved*

Cooper Ornithological Club

The regular monthly meeting of the Northern Division will be held at the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology, Berkeley, at 8:00 p. m., Saturday evening, MARCH 16, 1912.

SUBJECT

The Relation between Size of Wings and Extent of Flight in Birds.—Professor W. E. Ritter.

H. S. SWARTH, *Secretary.*

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ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO
LA JOLLA, CALIFORNIA

Cloyne Court, Berkeley,
March 17, 1912.

My dear Miss Scripps,-

I wonder if you wonder whether or not the Ritters are still in the land of the living. We are. We are in a land - rather a town - that is very much a live. The first day here made me feel very much inclined to relax my grip and get back to La Jolla by the fastest route that would take me there. The mill seemed altogether too big and intricate for my simple, timid nature. But I'm at last pretty well settled down in one of the ~~so~~ less rackety - steam-bang corners, and probably by the end of the term I shall be almost as much at home as any of the old "hands."

But really some of the young people, the students, men and women, with whom my teaching brings me in close contact, I find very responsive and intelligent, and so pleasant to work for and with. Really think it a good thing for me at least - just for them - that I come here for a time each year. By the announcements I am enclosing you will see I am made use of to some extent outside routine class exercises. From various things I hear and see,

but more, perhaps, feel in my subconscious mind, I have a distinct notion that the Scripps Institution may be made to play a considerable part in the large functions of the University, and so in the larger life of the State. I plan to talk about possibilities with several of the real live men in the Faculty and may be on the board of Regents and of the community.

What a glorious thing it is that the State is getting such a welling at last! The reservoirs must be taking in new water by this time, are they not? How is rat miramar?

I hope you have not forgotten the photograph you were going to send me, to use in any way I see fit. I really think it would be a good thing, aside from any purely personal consideration, for me to be in possession of such a means of enlightening those wanting or needing information.

Of course we hear something from La Jolla but less than we should like; so at any time when you have nothing else to do, and the spirit moves you, we shall be very glad to hear from you about your self and labors and other things.

With warmest regards,

Wm. S. Ritter

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By WILLIAM E. RITTER

Director of the Scripps Institution for Biological
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**BIOLOGIST, POLITICIAN
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¶ If war can be justified scientifically at all, that it is so justified by biology is generally believed. Yet the author, who is professor of zoology at the University of California and director of that university's Biological Research Station, and who has spent many years in the investigation and study of human problems from a biologist's standpoint, seriously doubts its value.

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¶ Statesman and publicist glibly toss around such phrases as "natural economy," "struggle for existence," "survival of the fittest," and "the cleansing flames of war." Originally voiced by Darwin and his contemporaries, an expanding industrial system made them its very own watchwords. Ruthless extermination of competitors was justified by the never-failing appeal to the "survival of the fittest;" and much the same justification has been urged for war.

¶ Yet, as the author points out, these phrases are not made so much of now as formerly, for the philosophy they represent fails to take into account that the coordinating, unifying, and integrating forces of organic evolution are as fundamental as are the differentiating, specializing, and competitive forces. And the unity now universally recognized in all the variety of the physical man must also, says the author, be recognized in all the variety presented by spiritual and cultural man.

¶ Civilization, the culture which all warring nations profess to defend, is analyzed from this biological viewpoint. Rationally considered, man's capacity for progress is unlimited, and nature's capacity for sustenance is equally unbounded. But the utilization of the resources of nature is indispensable to man's existence, and one of the hardest problems of civilized man is the development, distribution, and utilization of the available forces of nature. War has been and is one of the most common methods employed in dealing with this problem, but it is an irrational and unscientific method; consequently, while not always or wholly bad, it is generally a failure and should be replaced by the rational and more effective method of negotiation. Mutual concessions (not charity, but equity) will bring universal satisfaction.

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Cincinnati, Ohio, April 17th, 1912.

Professor Wm. E. Ritter,
Hotel Cloyne Court,
Berkeley, Calif.

My dear Professor:-

Today I received yours of the 12th inst. and as I am leaving this evening for Washington, I must make a brief response.

Yes, any balance which may remain at the close of the present fiscal year will be carried over into the next. It is desirable, though, that every bill contracted this year, as far as possible to do so, should be paid before the close of the year. If, though, you are unable to pay any such bills, then they should be listed in the annual report at the end of the cash account. In my calculations, I include not only the cash disbursements but the unpaid bills, to see whether the Station has lived within its appropriation.

Sincerely yours,

cc - EWS
EBS ✓

J. C. Harper

Hotel Cloyne Court, Berkeley, Apr. 12, '12.

Dear Mr. Harper:-

Your note is at hand. I had taken it for granted that you were in close touch with Mr. Schoonover as to the legal steps being taken in connection with the transfer of the Scripps Institution to the University. That is my excuse such as it is, for not having written you.

I had a conference with the Comptroller of the University, Mr. Merritt, immediately upon my arrival in Berkeley. His proposal was that since the old Board of Directors in San Diego could well enough be continued a little longer; and since the University's fiscal year begins on July first; and since further, he could go to San Diego in June, after my return there, for the purpose of familiarizing himself more fully with the local matters, it would be better to let the whole thing stand until then. We can thus transfer the books and begin the new regime with the new fiscal year.

The only matter of special financial importance that has come up is that pertaining to the taxes for the past and present year. We are trying through the attorney for the Regents, Mr. Olney, working with Mr. Schoonover, to have these rebated. As the sum involved is about six hundred dollars this is a serious matter as the scientific work laid out calls for every cent of the income.

I would like to inquire whether I am right in assuming that in case the stated income is not quite all used up at the end of the year, the balance would be carried over to the following year? It is difficult if not impossible to arrange the bills so that

all will be in by the first of July. For instance we have an order in Germany now for deep sea thermometers, for which we are reserving money from this year's budget, but in all probability the account will not be rendered by the end of June.

This year there will seem to be an excess for in settling with Mr. Acton for the tank, Mr. Wangenheim by mistake drew the check for \$1135 from the general expense account, but afterward returned the amount from the Building Account.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Wm. E. Ritter.

Mr. J. C. Harper,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Proctor

Cincinnati, Ohio, May 27th, 1912.

Professor W. E. Ritter,
La Jolla, Calif.

Mr. Albert Schoonover,
San Diego, Calif.

Gentlemen:-

Beginning July 1st and the new biological year, to whom shall the monthly checks for \$750.00 be sent? Heretofore they have been sent to Julius Waggenheim, Treasurer, but it is my understanding that Professor Ritter was to perfect new arrangements while he was at Berkeley, which would go into effect not later than the beginning of the new biological year.

Please let me know to whom the remittances will hereafter be made and what the arrangements are which have resulted ^{from} in the transfer to the University.

Yours truly,

cc - JGS
EBSV

J. C. Proctor

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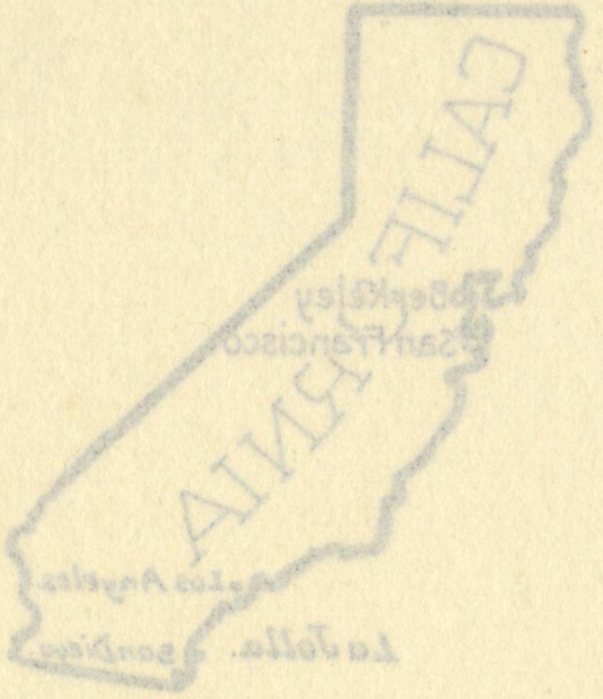


Fresno
LA JOLLA, CALIFORNIA.

June 1, 1912

Dear Miss Scripps,-

Well what do you think of me now! I was looking forward with the greatest eagerness to the ~~our~~ talks I was to have with you and Mr. Scripps on this ~~visit~~ trip to La Jolla and Miramar, and to have it all knocked in the head as it was; that is by my illness, fills me not only with the deepest regret, but likewise with the deepest chagrin. I should think you might well find doubts arising on the horizon of your consciousness as to whether my impaired health is now going to prevent me from carrying out my part of the great compact into which we have entered, and which you have again indicated your determination to do your part fully. This very aspect of the situation is one of the things I was counting on going over with you. This present fracas is without particular significance. Quite against my will I was given a dose that put me through a few hours, last Thursday, of about as much misery as I care to endure. The effects are rapidly passing off, and in another day or so I shall be back in my normal state again. But taken all in all - your making ready to go to Del., my shabby con-



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P.S.

Dear Miss Scripps:-

Just a word to wish you all possible pleasure in your journey and visit to your Alma Mater and friends in the East - also as little fatigue as is possible in such a jaunt.

Mr. Riller has been surprisingly well of late and left Berkeley feeling fine - but a ~~medical~~ test that was given him made him violently ill and his ribs are still sore from the writhing. He couldn't hold up his head for 24 hrs, as his trip south - had to be interrupted. The poor fellow felt sicker than in all his long siege. He has been working very hard up here at which Dr. Moffitt surmises, but wish-it-all he has gained flesh & weighs 158 pounds. But he is tired & needs rest and sleep.

He slept nearly all day yesterday after the relaxation from the illness, and he needs it - for he has lost lots of sleep.

But I only meant to write a word.

Lots of love and good wishes.

Mr. Riller

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dition for travel, and the rest, it seems the wisest thing to follow E. W.'s earlier suggestion and defer the conference until after the return from the east of both yourself and your brother.

As to my general health - Dr. Moffitt assures us that I may get entirely well; but he is very emphatic as to the course that will have to be followed to bring this about. This I need not go into now farther than to say that seemingly it will have to enter as an element into our problem for the next two years or such a matter some what more intimately than it has heretofore.

An other matter concerning which I was counting much on my talks with you at this time, is the evidence furnished by my sojourn in Berkeley this year that, in general, at any rate, we are on the right road in our enterprise. The interest and approval evinced by students and younger men of the ~~faculty~~ University Faculty, considered along with the rapidly and profoundly changing attitude of the most alert minded ^{and} active members of the community, may, reasonably, I think, be interpreted to mean that the

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time is at hand for a great reshaping of the public conscience, the public taste, and public opinion, as touching almost every vital concern; and that such an undertaking as this of ours may play a large part in the drama—for drama it will surely be if my vision is of any account.

In all likelihood we shall have to call on the State legislature for financial help if ever we do the things we ought to do; but one of the best tests of the soundness of my views is, as you notice from my "Man above the Dollar," the willingness of the general public to pay the bills which the possession of good things must incur to some extent. For one thing I am rather eager to go before the legislature on some carefully laid out item involving this proposition.

According to present plans we stay here till next Tuesday, then go to the Yosemite for genuine loafing time of two or three weeks. This will bring us to La Jolla before July 1st; so we shall be settled down to regular work some time before your return from the East.

Yours sincerely,

Wm. E. Ritter.

Received

July 11, 1912

Mr. Ritter,

It occurs to me that something was said about Crandall being with you this afternoon. If you wish it it will be alright to bring Crandall out, so that you and he and Mallett can do some of your business here.

Ellen called me up by phone asking me to speak for her as it would be inconvenient for her for the next two or three days to attend any meetings.

Of course it isn't necessary on my account to come to Miramar. I send the auto, however, so that you can come if you want to.

Friday or Saturday I wish to go away for a couple of days, but I can go Saturday as well as Friday, or, if Mallett is going to be here some time I could see him after I got back.

Yours very truly,

E. W. SCRIPPS.