

December 12, 1941

Mrs. Beatrix Farrand,  
Valley Club of Montecito,  
Santa Barbara, California.

Dear Mrs. Farrand:

I am enclosing a copy of my last week's report to Mr. Thacher about the Garden Guide Service. You will see it was a very meager report and sad to say the visitors are falling off rapidly - a few hardy souls ventured in last Saturday(10) but not one during this week.

I have been in touch with the Holton Arms School and the Y.W.C.A. but they want to wait until Spring as they are too busy with Christmas preparations.

Mr. Thacher finally returned to me the enclosed copy which I presented after your visit, with his o.k., so I am sending it out to the magazines we talked of, asking them to have it printed in their news columns for the guidance of readers who might be visiting Washington.

We here are all stunned by the week's events as everyone is all over the country and Bryce has been appointed a Fire Warden and I have enrolled in the Red Cross First Aid class and also to assist where needed. Even though we have thought about it I didn't believe it would come so soon. We have been so jittery all week that we can only sit down long enough to listen to latest news reports.

It was nice of you to include my name in the wire telling of Mr. Bliss' progress and I am so pleased to know he is on the upgrade. I trust Mr. Farrand has not suffered by his trip to California and that the pleasanter weather in that part of the country may be most beneficial. Naturally you on the Coast are constantly in our thoughts with prayers for your continued well-being and safety.

Very sincerely yours,