

February 18, 1947

Dear Mrs. Farrand,

Thank you for your letter of February 10th, with its various enclosures.

I hope you will forgive me if I answer your letter very briefly, as I have just returned from a ten days' absence to Cambridge and New York.

It seems to me that the simplest thing for you to do would be for you to use up the \$375. balance in the Agent's account, which was the amount you have held in reserve from last year's budget. This would then leave a balance due you of \$5.00, which we shall be pleased to send on to you if you agree with my suggestion. Mr. Patterson did send in his bill, in the amount of \$413.51, for his services from July 1, through December 31, 1946, which we shall pay this month. This will leave a balance of \$1586.49 in the budget for "Consulting Landscape Gardeners" for your services and those of Mr. Patterson through June 30th, 1947.

I am delighted that you were able to make such an enormous saving in the bulb account. We shall send Beatrix Farrand Agent a check for \$250. from the garden account on the first of March, if it is convenient for you to wait another month, as it would greatly simplify our accounts if we could do it this way.

As you know, Mr. Patterson was here week before last for several days, and I shall write you in detail about his visit very shortly.

I have been given a five months leave from Dumbarton Oaks, beginning May first, and I hope to go to Europe. Unfortunately, this probably means that I shall not have the pleasure of seeing you until autumn, unless you should be in the East by the end of April.

With all good wishes and many friendly greetings,

Yours sincerely,

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