January 30, 1959

Dear Sister Aurea,

Your note arrived today. Thank you for the Chancery. We appreciated it and our visit during the holiday recess was refreshing. Ken Davidson enjoyed the feast and as it was his first contact with a Religious Order, he had a lot of questions. He was most impressed by the quality of your equipment and the "clean-nest" of all the rooms and how pleasant everyone was to him.

Winter has us in a royal grip and it seems like we have had 2 winters in one calendar year.

The Van Leeuwen Broeker item mentioned will be on their way this morning. These copies (2) are for the
General Catalog - The other books are the B.P. I'm sure the Book-Hookers will get very busy - to more power to them.

I've had a note from Sister Hermine and am glad she is back @ The Convent.

The pocket sends his best regards to all @ C.S.F. - it was his first visit too!

Cordially & Sincerely yours,

John Raymond

P.S. "Best" to the Hooker Society & tell them we appreciated their time to take tourists about - during their vacation period.
A blessed Easter
Dear Book Hoopers:

Shortly after Easter I hope to visit C.S.F. the B.F.

"Chapter" there will probably telephone a day ahead - have a couple books that need hooking! - JR.

At Eastertime
and throughout the year
may you be blessed with
Peace and Contentment

Most Cordially yours,

[Signature]

John Raymond
Ascension Day 1959

Dear Sister Aurea:

Thank you for your letter. It is always pleasing to know that the books for C.S.F. are enjoyed – I know they will get use – and that is what books are for – but I must admit I can sit and "back in a row" my books on their shelves and enjoy knowing they are there for the reading.

Trust Sister Chrysanta to count the number of pieces of candy in the box! Sounds just like me! Tell her I liked her book reviews in the New World – and forgot to mention it to her, but on a short visit it is difficult to think of what one would like to speak about. Do sorry I missed Sister Beatrice – next time I'm going to
Have a whole long day.

The "first page" it came books was good - if you have any extra copies of that interpolate I could use them for "propa-
ganda" purposes - if they are yet available. Do my college make the library - ye Gods - Hurrah - and wow!
you flatter me speechless.

The Heritage Art issue - Adams' Mont. Saint-Michel & Chartres is wrapped - ready for posting. It is a

truly beautiful number - the photographs by Abraham Chaneuf are a delight.

At the mo-

test & format are splendid.

I'm reading Christ At Every Crossroad by Father P. Desplanques S.J.

It's one of the more Associate Selections and

I'm sure you have it - but it is worth a

couple copies ( I'm sure the Summer School

picture will enrich it - do so).
Posting it in a few days.

"Abro," the Adams book—

See judges for May—Artichoke Cherries.

We will have a couple more books also.

We are out on loan—thing I rarely do, as most loaners are so dangerous in getting books back to me—so I pay a fine on their borrowing.

After our early heat wave, it is wonderful to have this Heaven—sent out was at Mass at 7 and then after breakfast took the Golfers on a long walk and there is still some time left to the morning.

What a question—do I still have the picture of the dog?—it is politely referred to as the painting—still have it, it graces my wall this very moment where I can admire it. I wait.
To meet Sister Vernon. Tell her that all who have been in love with it, judging from the latest attitude you are all "busy as the bee".

My kind regards to all the Members of the Book-Hooker Society. Ask all of them if they have seen a bird-feeder like the one in the picture on the cover of Extension for May — I'm looking.


Have the "diggings" continued for the Science Hall? Hope not too many were destroyed!

More shortly —
All good wishes —

John R.
July 31, 1959

Dear Sister Mary:—Here is a sample of the wall paper used to line the interior of the little cabinet for the miniatures—An effective background for the small books. Following your suggestion, I'm typing a card for each of the books—type, dates, etc.

Near Little we ran into a heavy downpour but都没 trouble. Thank you again for a most enjoyable visit. Ken Davidson enjoyed the visit too.

Art. Paul is writing a book.
Will be on its way soon - I'm reading it and will soon be finished.

My kind regards to all.

The Book Hooks.

Cordially - John R.
August 25-1959

Dear Distinct Aurea:- Tomorrow I start a little vacation and go first to St. Paul & shall see then what the spirit directs. The Herodota is a truly fine issue & when volume II arrives they are to start Joliet way. Recently I've been working on the miniature book collection and hope to have the initial winter ready for the Book-Hooks. It shall be delivered in delight and pleasure. It shall be delivered in the fall. When the weather is less tropical & the fall colors are with us.

My kind regards to all the B.N. Society Members.

Most Cordially yours,

John R.
September 19-1959.

Dear Sister Aurea:

Thank you for your nice letter of the 14th. Now it is the latter part of the month and I feel that I've been here all the time. It is good to be back in harness— one can take just "too much" idleness. However, I did have a good rest and see a lot of interesting things and people.

That Round Robin letter idea was a good one— shame on the laggards who did not act upon it. I shall look for the review of the Secara book. Will it be in the New World?

Volume two of Herodotus.
I am here and they (vols. I + 2) will come over to C S F with me on my next trip. Please check the Catalog for Diary of Julia Newberry (or title quite like it) and Home on the River by Archibald Rutledge. Both are good and "fit toole" for those who like biography plus a bit of Whimsy.

The Jones book just reached here and I'm sure it will be interesting. I do not recall what the next Heritage Club book will be.

The Miniature Collection is coming along and should have Carex describing the individual books, but also of the Cabinet & Small book ends, etc. Most of them are ready and then, I'm very sure, the Book Hookers will have a holiday. More of the Miniature talk in a short while.
3. The enclosed postcard do not do justice to the Milwaukee Art Center—it is a fine piece of work but really has to be seen in its setting—it will do some day for the Art Department of C.S.F. When we decide to move buildings—or is it mountains? One is allowed to dream.

All good wishes to the Members of the Book Hookers Society.

Most cordially yours,

John Raymond

P.S. Motto for B.H. Society (until we find a better) "The new library for the College of Saint Francis by 1965!!"
December 10, 1959

Dear Sister Aurea:—

The latest issue of More Books is in hand—Christianity in Art — Mary, Mother of Faith —

Knowing you are more subscriber—

If you have copies— but

I shall
be happy to bring them - The latter Dr. 
reading with great good from it.
Don't hesitate, even if you don't 
went either, to pay Po.
yours for the "Memorial
(To Somebody!) Library of C.S.F.

Cordially, John R.
There is born unto you a Saviour, Christ the Lord.
The very best to all
the Book Hooker
Club Members—
May their "range"
increase along
with the books.

C. S. A.

BEST WISHES
FOR CHRISTMAS
AND THE
NEW YEAR

John Lloyd Raymond
OUR AREA'S NEW LOOK—

New St. Thomas Library

This is another photo in a Dispatch series, Our Area's New Look, to show some of the building activity going on in the Greater St. Paul area. A total of 100 million dollars in construction now is under way or planned to start this year.

MATCHING the classic facade of St. Thomas college on its Summit avenue side, this 1 1/2-million-dollar library structure is just being completed as a gift to the college from its long-time friends and helpers, Mr. and Mrs. Ignatius A. O'Shaughnessy. The library stands on N. Cleveland avenue just off Summit. With an enrollment of more than 1,400 students expected this year, this new library will be a great help to the college in providing larger sources of material for the research so necessary to today's student. The general contractor, McGough Construction Co., St. Paul, erected and completed this building in about 14 months.

—Staff Photo.